

31 January 2018

To Councillor, "as addressed"

NOTICE is hereby given that an **ORDINARY MEETING** of the Hindmarsh Shire Council will be held at the Council Chamber, Nhill on Wednesday 7 February 2018, commencing at **3.00pm**.

Greg Wood

Chief Executive Officer

AGENDA

- 1. Acknowledgement of the Indigenous Community and Opening Prayer
- 2. Apologies
- 3. Confirmation of Minutes
- 4. Declaration of Interests
- 5. Public Question Time
- 6. Deputations
- 7. Activity Reports
- 8. Correspondence

9. Assembly of Councillo

9.1 Record of Assembly

10. Planning Permit Reports

10.1 VicSmart Planning Permits – quarterly report

11. Reports Requiring a Decision

- 11.1 Procurement Policy Review
- 11.2 Request for co-funding installation of a fishing pontoon on Nhill Lake
- 11.3 Financial Report for the period ending 31 December 2017

12. Special Committees

- 12.1 Wimmera Mallee Pioneer Museum
- 12.2 Rainbow Town Committee
- 12.3 Nhill Town Committee

13. Late Reports

No report

14. Other Business

No report

15. Confidential Matters

- 15.1 Financial Hardship Application
- 15.2 Return of International KB6 Truck

16. Meeting Close

1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE INDIGENOUS COMMUNITY AND OPENING PRAYER

Acknowledgement of the Indigenous Community

We acknowledge the Shire's Indigenous community as the first owners of this country. We recognise the important ongoing role that indigenous people have in our community and pay our respects to their elders and people both living and past.

Opening Prayer

Dear Lord,

We humbly request your blessing upon this Council and welcome your guiding presence among us.

May our decisions be taken wisely and in good faith, to your glory and the true welfare of the citizens of the Hindmarsh Shire.

2. APOLOGIES

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Wednesday 20 December 2017 in the Council Chamber, 92 Nelson Street Nhill, as circulated to Councillors be taken as read and confirmed.

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4. DECLARATION BY COUNCILLORS OR OFFICERS OF ANY DIRECT OR INDIRECT INTEREST IN ANY ITEM ON THE AGENDA.

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J	Indirect inte	rest
	J а)	by close association;
	J b)	that is an indirect financial interest;
	() c)	because of conflicting duties;
	(J d)	because of receipt of an applicable gift;
	Ĵ е)	as a consequence of becoming an interested party; or
	(J f)	because of an impact on residential amenity.

Declaration of	direct o	r indirect	interest	must	also	be	advised	by	Councillors	at	the
commencemer	nt of disc	ussion of	the spec	ific iter	n.						

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME 5.

6. **DEPUTATIONS**

Wimmera Mallee Pioneer Museum Committee members to speak to their written submission on confidential item 15.2 (5 mins)

7. ACTIVITY REPORTS

COUNCILLOR ACTIVITIES: DECEMBER 2017/JANUARY 2018

Cr ISMAY, Mayor

Cr ISMAY, Mayor				
ended:				
01/12/2017	International Day of people with disabilities, Civic Centre Nhill			
01/12/2017	Meeting with CEO			
05/12/2017	Federation University meeting CEO's Office, Nhill			
06/12/2017	Meeting with CEO			
06/12/2017	Briefing/council meeting, Nhill			
06/12/2017	Rainbow primary hub meeting, Rainbow			
13/12/2017	Rainbow primary hub meeting, Rainbow			
13/12/2017	Federation University foundation scholarships, Horsham			
15/12/2017	Western Highway action group meeting, Ararat			
15/12/2017	Christmas drinks with Emma Kealy and Andrew Broad, Horsham			
15/12/2017	Inspection of Dimboola skate park and chat with contractors			
16/12/2017	Turning of first sod and pouring of foundations for Rainbow brewery			
19/12/2017	Rainbow P 12 speech night/Rae Keam award			
19/12/2017	Wimmera Mallee tourism meeting, Hopetoun			
20/12/2017	Meeting with CEO			
20/12/2017	Briefing/council meeting, Nhill			
27/12/2017	Inspected skate park Dimboola			
04/01/2018	Meeting with Wimmera Mallee Pioneer Museum Committee Jeparit			
04/01/2018	Inspection of boat ramp area Jeparit			
04/01/2018	Tour of weir pool at Jeparit			
06/01/2018	Karen new year celebration Nhill			
15/01/2018	Meet and arrange accommodation for Fred (Skate park)			
18/01/2018	Infrastructure tour Jeparit/ Rainbow			
18/01/2018	Meeting with WMT			
22/01/2018	Rainbow town committee meeting			
24/01/2018	Meeting with CEO			
24/01/2018	Official opening wind farm Kiata			
24/01/2018	Opening of Barengi Gadjin Wail Site			
26/01/2018	Australia Day, Rainbow			
26/01/2018	Australia Day, Jeparit			
26/01/2018	Australia Day, Dimboola			
26/01/2018	Australia Day, Nhill			
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Cr LOWE, DEPUTY MAYOR

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    01/12/2017 International Disability Day Activities, Nhill
    01/12/2017 Vintage Club Christmas Dinner, Nhill
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06/12/2017 Council Briefing, Meeting, Nhill
13/12/2017 Scholarship Presentation, Federation University, Horsham
16/12/2017 Christmas Party, Aged Care Home staff, Mundulla
17/12/2017 Carols Evening, Rainbow
18/12/2017 Entertainment Christmas Party, Avonlea, Nhill
19/12/2017 Presentation Night, Nhill College
20/12/2017 Council Briefing, Meeting, Councillor Dinner, Nhill
21/12/2017 Council Staff Break-up, Jeparit
24/12/2017 Mopoke Christmas Eve. Jeparit
31/12/2017 New Years Eve Dance, Lorquon
04/01/2018 Meeting WMPM, with Mayor, CEO, Simon Landrigan & Jeff Woodward,
            Jeparit
06/01/2018 Karen New Year Celebrations, Nhill
07/01/2018 Annual Filipino Gathering, Horsham
16/01/2018 Wimmera Mallee Pioneer Museum Meeting, Jeparit
18/01/2018 Infrastructure Tour, Rainbow and Jeparit areas, with Mayor and DIS,
            Rainbow & Jeparit
24/01/2018 Barengi Gadjin Land Council Plan Launch, Wail
26/01/2018 Australia Day formalities, Rainbow, Jeparit, Dimboola & Nhill
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Cr GERSCH

Attended:

	01/12/2017	Wimmera regional roads meeting
	01/12/2017	Youth council interviews
	04/12/2017	Youth council interviews
	06/12/2017	Council briefing and meeting
	08/12/2017	RCV board meeting
	12/12/2017	WDA board meeting
	20/12/2017	Council briefing and meeting
	20/12/2017	Council Xmas tea
	21/12/2017	Council Xmas breakup
	26/12/2017	Nhill boxing day races
	06//01/2018	Karen new year celebrations
	19/01/2018	RCV board meeting
	23/01/2018	NWMA subcommittee meeting Swan Hill
J	26/01/2018	Australia Day celebrations, Nhill
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Cr COLBERT

J	06/12/2017	Council Briefing and Meeting, Nhill
J	20/12/2017	Council Briefing and Meeting, Nhill
J	01/01/2018	Karen New Year, Nhill
J	02/01/2018	Nhill Town Committee Meeting

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Attended:

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) 01/12/2017 International Day of people with disabilities, Nhill
) 04/12/2017 Dimboola Town Committee meeting, Dimboola
) 06/12/2017 Briefing Meeting, Nhill
) 06/12/2017 Council Meeting, Nhill
) 06/12/2017 Councillor /SMT dinner, Nhill
12/12/2017 Wimmera Development Association meeting, Horsham
13/12/2017 Federation University Scholarship awards, Horsham
15/12/2017 Andrew Broad Drinks event, Horsham
J 19/12/2017 DMSC awards night, Dimboola
) 20/12/2017 Briefing meeting, Nhill
) 20/12/2017 Council Meeting, Nhill
) 06/01/2018 Karen New Year Celebrations, Nhill
24/01/2018 Kiata Wind Farm Official Opening, Kiata
J 25/01/2018 Tour of Snape Reserve, Dimboola
26/01/2018 Australia Day event, Dimboola
) 26/01/2018 Australia Day Event, Nhill
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Cr SCHNEIDER

J	04/12/2017	Dimboola Town Committee
Ĵ	05/12/2017	Youth Council interviews, Dimboola
	06/12/2017	Council Briefing and meeting, Nhill
	07/12/2017	Town Christmas decorations, Dimboola
	11/12/2017	Dimboola Memorial Secondary College School Council meeting,
		Dimboola
	15/12/2017	Wimmera Regional Library Corporation Board meeting, Horsham
	19/12/2017	Dimboola Memorial Secondary College Awards Night
	20/12/2017	Council Briefing and meeting, Nhill
	20/12/2017	Councillor Christmas dinner, Nhill
	13/01/2018	High Street Dimboola cleanup
	15/01/2018	High Street Dimboola cleanup
	26/01/2018	Australia Day commemoration, Dimboola
	27/01/2018	Upper Regions Cemetery work, Wail

SENIOR MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES: DECEMBER 2017/JANUARY 2018

GREG WOOD, Chief Executive Officer:

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	01/12/2017	Meeting with Mayor
	01/12/2017	Sharing Wimmera Regulatory Services Meeting, Horsham
	04/12/2017	RDV monthly meeting, Nhill
	05/12/2017	Council First Skype Webcast Demo, Nhill
	05/12/2017	Federation University meeting CEOs Office, Nhill
	06/12/2017	Meeting with Mayor
	06/12/2017	Budget Briefing Discussion, Nhill
J	06/12/2017	Council Briefing and Meeting, Nhill
	08/12/2017	Hindmarsh Early Years Supported Playgroup Funding
		Teleconference
	11/12/2017	Dimboola Community Civic Hub
	12/12/2017	WDA Meeting, Horsham
	13/12/2017	Oasis Meeting, Rainbow
	14/12/2017	Shared Services Meeting, Horsham
	14/12/2017	CEO Wimmera Regional Meeting, Horsham
	15/12/2017	Sharing Wimmera Regulatory Services Meeting, Horsham
	18/12/2017	Local Government Bill 2018 Exposure Draft Briefings, Bendigo
J	19/12/2017	Nhill College Presentation Evening, Nhill
	20/12/2017	Meeting with Mayor
	20/12/2017	Council Briefing and Meeting, Nhill
	20/12/2017	SMT and Councillor Dinner, Nhill
	21/12/2017	All staff Christmas break up, Jeparit
J	04/01/2018	Meeting with Wimmera Mallee Pioneer Museum Committee
		members, Mayor and Cr Lowe, Jeparit
	04/01/2018	Inspection of boat ramp area Jeparit with Mayor
Ĵ	04/01/2018	Tour of weir pool at Jeparit with Mayor
Ĵ	06/01/2018	Karen New Year celebrations, Nhill
Ĵ	16/12/2018	Firearms Licence Training, Nhill
Ĵ	24/01/2018	Meeting with Mayor
Ĵ	24/01/2018	Official Opening of Kiata Wind Farm
Ĵ	24/01/2018	Barengi Gadjin Land Council Country Plan Launch and Wail
		Office Opening

SHANE POWER, Director Infrastructure Services:

J	01/12/2017	Shared Wimmera Regulatory Services, Horsham
	01/12/2017	Wimmera Regional Transport Group, Horsham
	04/12/201	Dimboola Township Committee Meeting, Dimboola
J	06/12/2017	Council Briefing, Nhill

J	06/12/2017	Council Meeting, Nhill
Ĵ	12/12/2017	Aerodrome discussions, Nhill
Ĵ	15/12/2017	Shared Wimmera Regulatory Services, Horsham
Ĵ	18/12/2017	Crime Prevention Reference Group, Horsham
Ĵ	18/12/2017	Nhill Township Committee Meeting, Nhill
Ĵ	20/12/2017	Council Briefing, Nhill
Ĵ	20/12/2017	Council Meeting, Nhill
J	21/12/2017	Staff Christmas function, Jeparit
Ĵ	10/01/2018	Contract discussion, Wimmera Mallee Waste, Rainbow
J	11/01/2018	Nhill Aerodrome Stakeholders Meeting, Nhill
J	16/01/2018	Firearms Licence Training
J	17/01/2018	VCAT Directions Hearing (teleconference), Nhill
J	18/01/2018	North Ward issues and opportunities meeting with Councillors
		Lowe and Ismay, various locations
	24/01/2018	Official Opening of Horsham ICC, Horsham
J	24/01/2018	Launch of the Barengi Gadjin Land Councils Country Plan and Official opening of the Wail facility, Wail

MONICA REVELL, Director Corporate and Community Services:

J	05/12/2017	Software web demonstration
J	05/12/2017	Council First Skype Webcast Demo, Nhill
	06/12/2017	Council Briefing, Nhill
	06/12/2017	Council Meeting, Nhill
	08/12/2017	Meeting with Department of Health
	13/12/2017	Emergency Management Working Group Meeting
	15/12/2017	WRLC Board Meeting
	18-31/12/2017	Annual Leave
	16/01/2018	Firearms Licence Training, Nhill
	17-26/01/2018	Annual Leave
J	29/01/2018	Meeting with Wimmera Uniting

8. CORRESPONDENCE

8.1 GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

Responsible Officer: Chief Executive Officer

Attachment: 2

Introduction:

The following correspondence is tabled for noting by Council:

- Dimboola Playgroup
 - Congratulating the Playgroup on receiving Community Playgroup of the Year for Rural/Regional Victoria
- Cal Myers, Leading Senior Constable
 - o Congratulating him on 15 years' service
- Darren Sadler, Sergeant
 - o Congratulating him on 15 years' service and National Police Service Medal
- Dimboola Town Committee
 - Congratulating committee on Keep Victoria Beautiful Tidy Towns Awards
- Dimboola RSL Sub Branch
 - o Congratulating committee on Keep Victoria Beautiful Tidy Towns Awards
- Menzies Foundation
 - Thanking the Foundation for their contribution to the youth in Hindmarsh Shire
- John Smith
 - Thanking him for his contribution and service as CEO of West Wimmera Health Service
- Nhill Dimboola Band Inc
 - Thanking the band for their contributions to the community
- West Wimmera Health Service Loop the Greens
 - Inwards thanking Hindmarsh Shire Council for their contribution to the event
- Rainbow Archive and Historical Society
 - o Advising of contribution from Hindmarsh Shire Council
- Rainbow Archive and Historical Society
 - Thanking Hindmarsh Shire Council for the \$500 contribution to the society

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes the attached correspondence.

9. ASSEMBLY OF COUNCILLORS

Responsible Officer: Chief Executive Officer

Attachment: 3

Introduction:

The attached Assembly of Councillors Record is presented as an attachment to the Council agenda for the information of Councillors and recorded at the Council meeting as required under s80A Local Government Act 1989.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council accepts the Assembly of Councillors Record as presented.

10. PLANNING PERMITS

10.1 VICSMART PLANNING PERMITS – QUARTERLY REPORT

Responsible Officer: Director Infrastructure Services

Introduction:

This report is to inform Council, and provide an update on VicSmart permits processed by Council for the period 20/09/17 – 31/12/17, as per Councillor briefing on 20 September 2017.

Discussion:

The VicSmart planning permit process is a statutory process that was introduced to streamline 'simple' planning permit applications.

Key features of VicSmart include:

- A 10 business day permit process
- Applications are not advertised
- Information to be submitted with applications and what Council can consider is preset
- The CEO or his delegate decides the application.

The table below indicates the status of VicSmart permit applications within this period.

Permit No.	Address	Proposal	Date Received	Date Approved	Statutory Days	Comments
1569-2017	90 Lloyd Street, Dimboola	Buildings & Works for carport, steel fences & alterations to building	20/09/2017	04/10/2017	1 (due to 'Request for Information' (RFI)	Under construction
1574-2017	9 King Street, Rainbow	To build a Mens' Shed	23/11/2017	N/A	0	Fee not paid – processing time not started

Options

N/A

Link to Council Plan:

- Strategic Objective 1.1 An actively engaged community.
- Strategic Objective 2.1 Well-maintained physical assets and infrastructure to meet community and organisational needs.
- Strategic Objective 3.1 A strong rural economy and thriving towns
- Strategic Objective 4.2 Quality customer services
- Strategic Objective 4.6 An organisation that takes its risk management

responsibilities seriously and embeds a culture of risk management throughout the organisation.

Financial Implications:

Fees associated with planning permit applications and amendments are set by the State in accordance with the Planning and Environment (Fees) Regulations 2016. These fees are currently being applied to all applications received by Council. It is therefore considered that the VicSmart process does not have any financial implications for Council.

Risk Management Implications:

Risk is managed appropriately by adhering to the VicSmart process.

Conflict of Interest:

Under section 80c of the Local Government Act 1989, officers providing advice to Council must disclose any interests, including the type of interest.

Officer Responsible – Shane Power – Director Infrastructure Services In providing this advice as the Officer Responsible, I have no disclosable interests in this report.

Author – Andre Dalton, Coordinator Planning & Development In providing this advice as the Author, I have no disclosable interests in this report.

Communications Strategy:

Nil

Next Steps:

Next Quarterly Report is to be provided on 4 April 2018.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council receives and notes this report.

11. REPORTS REQUIRING A DECISION

11.1 PROCUREMENT POLICY REVIEW

Responsible Officer: Director Corporate and Community Services

Attachment Number: 4

Introduction: Council's Procurement Policy is the key operational policy for tendering, quotations for and purchasing of goods and services. The intent of the Procurement Policy is to achieve best value outcomes and ensure high standards of probity and accountability in Council's procurement of goods, services and works. The policy is required to be reviewed annually.

The current policy was adopted on 18 December 2013 and reviewed in July 2015, May 2016 and February 2017. It is proposed a change be made to the policy to include section 2.3.3 Exceptions to obtaining quotations, and 2.3.4 Chief Executive Officers Discretion.

Discussion:

The Local Government Act 1989 (the Act) section 186A requires Council to prepare, approve and comply with a Procurement Policy encompassing the principles, processes and procedures applied to all purchases of goods, services and works by the Council. Council must review the Procurement Policy annually and make it available for public inspection at Council offices and on its website.

The purpose of this Policy is to:

- 1. provide policy and guidance to Council to allow consistency and control over Procurement activities;
- 2. demonstrate accountability to rate payers;
- 3. provide guidance on ethical behaviour in public sector purchasing;
- 4. demonstrate the application of elements of best practice in purchasing; and
- 5. increase the probability of obtaining the right outcome when purchasing goods and service

The policy applies to all contracting and procurement activities at Council and is binding upon Councillors, Council staff and temporary employees, contractors and consultants while engaged by Council.

Upon review of the Procurement Policy in January 2018 officers requested the policy include two new sections – 2.3.3 Exceptions to obtaining quotations, and 2.3.4 Chief Executive Officers Discretion. This request has been made because there are occasions when insufficient suitably qualified contractors are available to provide the desired number of quotations. This can occur when the works are of a specialised nature and there are limited local contractors and the job is not attractive enough for contractors to travel from outside of the shire.

It is proposed to include the following:

2.3.3 Exceptions to obtaining quotations

The required number of quotations must be obtained in all circumstances except for:

- Emergency response, relief or recovery including urgent medical attention.
- Plant and equipment servicing and spare parts and similar under warranty.
- Legal services.
- Specialist knowledge and skill or sole supplier of intellectual property.
- Conferences, Training Courses, Seminars, Information Forums.
- Sole supplier services such as library, water and fire.
- At the Chief Executive Officers discretion in accordance with section 2.3.4.

2.3.4 Chief Executive Officers Discretion

In the event of:

- An unforeseen urgency; or
-) a strong preference for continuity of supply; or
- goods, services or works being of such a specialised nature that there are insufficient known suppliers from which to seek the required number of quotations

The Chief Executive Officer may, upon receiving a written explanation from the relevant Director, give approval to seek less than the number of quotations required by section 2.3.2.2.

Link to Council Plan:

Strategic Objective 4.1 - Long-term financial sustainability.

Strategic Objective 4.6 - An organisation that takes risk management responsibilities seriously and embeds a culture of risk management throughout the organisation.

Financial Implications:

The Procurement Policy provides the processes to be followed when tendering for goods and services. Financial delegations are assigned to positions and authorise limits for signing purchase orders and authorising invoices.

Risk Management Implications:

Purchases and payments are reviewed regularly by the Finance Team to ensure compliance with the policy.

Conflict of Interest:

Under section 80C of the LGA officers providing advice to Council must disclose any interests, including the type of interest.

Officer Responsible & Author: Monica Revell, Director Corporate & Community Services In providing this advice as the Officer Responsible, I have no interests to disclose.

Communications Strategy:

The Procurement Policy is available to key suppliers and available on Council's website.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council updates the Procurement Policy to include section 2.3.3 Exceptions to obtaining quotations; and section 2.3.4 Chief Executive Officers Discretion.

11.2 REQUEST FOR CO-FUNDING INSTALLATION OF A FISHING PONTOON ON NHILL LAKE

Responsible Officer: Director of Corporate and Community Services

Introduction:

This report seeks financial support from Council for a funding application through the Victorian Fisheries Authority, Recreational Fishing Grants program to install a fishing pontoon at Nhill Lake.

The Recreational Fishing Large Grants Program provides funds for projects between \$5,001 - \$100,000 GST Exclusive for the following categories;

- Recreational fishing access and facilities
- Recreational fisheries sustainability and habitat improvement
- Recreational fisheries related education, information and training, and
- Recreational fisheries research

Preference will be given to projects that leverage off other projects, and/or which some financial co-funding or in-kind contribution can be made by the project proponent(s) to the funds being sought.

The 2017/18 round of the Large Grants Program will close on 28 February 2018.

Discussion:

Council is working with the Nhill Lake Committee on a project to install a fishing pontoon on the Nhill Lake, which will be similar to previous projects completed by Council to install fishing pontoons on the Wimmera River at Dimboola and Jeparit.



Fishing pontoon at Dimboola, similar to what is proposed for installation at Nhill Lake

Both of these previous projects received the support of Council, by way of a \$10,000 contribution to the Dimboola pontoon ahead of construction and an \$8,000 contribution to the Jeparit pontoon that was provided after installation to create things such as accessible pathways and provide bollards for boundaries.

Though final design, layout and size of the pontoon are still to be confirmed, it is expected

that the cost of the project will be between \$45,000 and \$50,000 (ex GST). This cost covers all works associated with the project, including the installation of the pontoon, installation of the concrete abutment 'anchor point', access pathways and acknowledgement signage.

It is requested that Council contribute \$10,000 to the project to install a fishing pontoon on the Nhill Lake as part of the application to the Recreational Fisheries Grants Program.

In support of this application the Nhill Lake Committee will provide in kind support with the supply and installation of gravel access pathways, bollards and any other landscaping requirements to ensure the fishing pontoon is accessible.

Council's contribution would be allocated from ledger 30104 - Council Contribution to Grant Funded Projects.

The fishing pontoon will provide easier, safer access to the lake for those engaged in recreational fishing, particularly those with mobility issues.

Link to Council & Community Plans:

It is expected that the Fishing Pontoon will further promote the Nhill Lake as a destination for both locals and tourists alike, an objective identified in both the Nhill Precinct Plan 2016 and the Hindmarsh Shire Recreation Strategy 2016.

The installation of a Fishing Pontoon will also align with objectives identified in the Council Plan 2013-2017

Strategic Objectives:

- 1.3 A community that is physically active with access to a wide range of leisure, sporting and recreational activities.
- 3.2 A thriving tourism industry
- 3.2.2 Appealing tourism facilities that promote visitation and meet visitor needs.

Financial Implications:

30104 - Council Contribution to Grant Funded Projects \$10,000

Conflict of Interest:

Under section 80c of the Local Government Act 1989 officers providing advice to Council must disclose any interests, including the type of interest.

Officer Responsible – Monica Revell, Director Corporate & Community Services In providing this advice as the Officer Responsible, I have no disclosable interests in this report.

Author – Simon Landrigan, Community Development Coordinator In providing this advice as the author, I have no disclosable interests in this report.

Risk Management Implications:

Project Risk Assessment completed. Council to ensure contractor induction is completed prior to installation and appropriate safety signage is installed on the pontoon.

Communications Strategy

Media release should Council's application be successful and again at subsequent launch of boating pontoon. Promotion via Council Facebook page.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council allocates \$10,000 funding towards the Nhill Lake Fishing Pontoon Project subject to a successful grant application.

11.3 FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2017

Responsible Officer: Director of Corporate and Community Services

Attachment number: 5

Introduction:

The Financial Report for the second quarter of 2017/18 financial year has been prepared, including explanations of variances where applicable, and is presented for the information of Council.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council accepts the Financial Report as presented.

12. SPECIAL COMMITTEES

12.1 WIMMERA MALLEE PIONEER MUSEUM

Responsible Officer: Director Corporate and Community Services

Attachment: 6

Introduction:

The Wimmera Mallee Pioneer Museum held its meeting on 16 January 2018. The purpose of this report is to note the minutes from this meeting and to appoint Iain Sedgman to the committee and accept his nomination as secretary. A copy of the minutes is included as an attachment for the information of Council.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes the minutes of the Wimmera Mallee Pioneer Museum, appoints lain Sedgman to the WMPM committee, and accepts the nomination of lain Sedgman as secretary.

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12.2 NHILL TOWN COMMITTEE

Responsible Officer: Director Corporate and Community Services

Attachment: 7

Introduction:

The Nhill Town Committee held its meeting on 18 December 2017. The purpose of this report is to note the minutes from these meetings. A copy of the minutes is included as an attachment for the information of Council.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes the minutes of the Nhill Town Committee Meeting held on 18 December 2017.

12.3 RAINBOW TOWN COMMITTEE

Responsible Officer: Director Corporate and Community Services

Attachment: 8

Introduction:

The Rainbow Town Committee held its general meeting on 27 November 2017. The purpose of this report is to note the minutes from these meetings. A copy of the minutes is included as an attachment for the information of Council.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes the minutes of the Rainbow Town Committee meeting held on 27 November 2017.

13. LATE REPORTS

No reports

14. OTHER BUSINESS

15. CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

In accordance with Section 89 (2) of the *Local Government Act* 1989, Council may close the meeting to the public if items to be discussed are deemed confidential, that is, if the items to be discussed relate to:

- a) Personnel matters;
- b) The personal hardship of any resident or ratepayer;
- c) Industrial matters;
- d) Contractual matters;
- e) Proposed developments;
- f) Legal advice;
- g) Matters affecting the security of Council property;
- h) Any other matter which the Council or Special Committee considers would prejudice the Council or any person;
- (i) A resolution to close the meeting to members of the public.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the meeting be closed in accordance with Section 89 of the Local Government Act 1989, to consider:

- 15.1 Financial Hardship Application
- 15.2 Return of International KB6 Truck

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council resumes in open session.

16. MEETING CLOSE