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**MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING OF THE HINDMARSH SHIRE COUNCIL
HELD 6 JUNE 2021 VIA ZOOM MEETING COMMENCING AT 1:22PM.**

AGENDA

1. Acknowledgement of the Indigenous Community and Opening Prayer

2. Apologies

3. Declaration of Interests

4. Confirmation of Minutes

5. Public Question and Submission Time

6. Activity Reports

7. Correspondence

8. Planning Permit Reports

8.1 Application for Planning Permit 1719-2021 – Use of Land for a Motor Racing Track (One Day Pony Express Event) – 1191 Perenna Road, Netherby VIC 3418

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9. Reports Requiring a Decision

9.1 Governance Report

9.2 Council Plan 2017-2021 Progress Report

9.3 Financial Report for the Period Ending 31 March 2021

9.4 Crown Land Committee of Management Rainbow Rises Road, Rainbow

- 9.5 Flagship Tourism Infrastructure Projects Funding
- 9.6 Rainbow Caravan Park – Victoria’s Great Outdoors Camping and Caravan Grants Program
- 9.7 Road Management Plan Review
- 9.8 Gazetting of B Double Roads for Public Consultation
- 9.9 Procurement Australia – 2506/0641 Retail Energy Contract

10. Council Committees

- 10.1 Nhill Town Committee
- 10.2 Rainbow Town Committee
- 10.3 Yurunga Committee of Management
- 10.4 Dimboola Town Committee
- 10.5 Jeparit Town Committee

11. Late Reports

12. Notice of Motion

13. Other Business

14. Confidential Matters

- 14.1 Provision of Internal Audit Services

15. Meeting Closed

Crs R Ismay, M Albrecht, R Gersch, D Nelson, B Ireland, W Bywaters.

In Attendance:

Mr Greg Wood (Chief Executive Officer), Ms Monica Revell (Director Corporate and Community Services), Ms Angela Hoy (Director Infrastructure Services) and Ms Shauna Johnson (Executive Assistant), Ms Heather Boyd (Manager Finance & Customer Services) Items 1 to 9.3

1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE INDIGENOUS COMMUNITY AND OPENING PRAYER

Cr R Ismay opened the meeting at 1:22pm by acknowledging the Indigenous Community and offering the opening prayer.

2. APOLOGIES

No apologies.

3. DECLARATION BY COUNCILLORS OR OFFICERS OF ANY MATERIAL OR GENERAL INTEREST IN ANY ITEM ON THE AGENDA.

A Councillor with a conflict of interest in an item on the Agenda must indicate that they have a conflict of interest by clearly stating:

- the item for which they have a conflict of interest;
- whether their conflict is **general** or **material**; and
- the circumstances that give rise to the conflict of interest.

Declaration of material or general conflict of interest must also be advised by Councillors at the commencement of discussion of the specific item.

Cr M Albrecht declared a general conflict of interest to item 7.1 Nhill and District Sporting Club correspondence.

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Wednesday 5 May 2021 at the Nhill Memorial Community Centre as circulated to Councillors be taken as read and confirmed.

MOVED: CRS R Gersch/B Ireland

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Wednesday 5 May 2021 at the Nhill Memorial Community Centre as circulated to Councillors be taken as read and confirmed.

CARRIED

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5. PUBLIC QUESTION AND SUBMISSION TIME

Community members wishing to ask questions at council meetings may do so, in writing, at least 24 hours prior to the council meeting. Both the question and answer will be read out at the meeting. Questions may be submitted by mail, email info@hindmarsh.vic.gov.au or delivered in person to a council customer centre but are limited to two questions and 100 words including any pre-amble. Offensive, trivial and repetitive questions or questions, which have been recently answered, may be excluded at the discretion of the Mayor.

The question must be accompanied by a name and the locality where the questioner resides or works, which will be read out at the meeting. By submitting a question, the questioner gives consent to this information being read out in public. Anonymous questions will not be answered.

There were no public questions submitted.

6. ACTIVITY REPORTS

COUNCILLOR ACTIVITIES: MAY 2021

Cr ISMAY, MAYOR

Date	Meeting	Location	Comments
03/04/2021	Maddocks Conflict of Interest Training	Edenhope	
04/05/2021	Hindmarsh Tourism Group Meeting	Oasis Rainbow	
05/05/2021	Council Briefing Meeting	Nhill	
05/05/2021	Council Meeting	Nhill	
06/05/2021	Interview with ABC Radio		
12/05/2021	On site meeting with Engineers and Lake Committee	Rainbow	

12/05/2021	Council Plan Session	Nhill	
17/05/2021	Trailblazer's Meeting	Rainbow	
17/05/2021	Rainbow Town Committee Meeting		
18/05/2021	WMT Planning session with Consultants		
20/05/2021	Silo Meeting with CEO, Llew Shilling and Paul Matthews		

Cr ALBRECHT, DEPUTY MAYOR

Date	Meeting	Location	Comments
04/05/2021	Hindmarsh Tourism Group	Rainbow	The tourism group continues to grown in attendees and progresses key ideas.
05/05/2021	Council Briefing	Nhill	
05/05/2021	Council Meeting	Nhill	
05/05/2021	Nhill Silo Heritage Project 'Save our Silo' meeting	Nhill	The public turn out at this meeting highlights the significance that the Nhill community places on this iconic silo.
17/05/2021	Nhill Town Committee Meeting	Nhill	Congratulations to the committee for obtaining a grant for a trivia night to be held on 28 May 2021.
22/05/2021	Nhill Karen Community Fundraiser Event	Nhill	Congratulations to the Karen community for organising such an enjoyable event to raise funds for the Karen people who are displaced in Burma due to military action. I was honoured to be one of the formal speakers for the event. Thank you to everyone involved in preparing the delicious Karen food and the beautiful music.

Cr GERSCH

Date	Meeting	Location	Comments
30/04/2021	Maddocks Councillor Conflict Training	Edenhope	
05/05/2021	Council Briefing	Nhill	
05/05/2021	Council Meeting	Nhill	
05/05/2021	Nhill Silo Public Meeting	Nhill	
14/05/2021	RCV Board Meeting by Zoom	Zoom	
18/05/2021	Breakfast Meeting Deputy PM	Horsham	
Various	Discussions re Draft Plans Nhill Parks and Lake		

Cr IRELAND

Date	Meeting	Location	Comments
05/05/2021	Council Briefing 1-3pm	Nhill	
05/05/2021	Council Meeting 3-5pm	Nhill	
10/05/2021	Jeparit Advisory Committee Meeting 7:30-9:30pm		
12/05/2021	Council Budget and Planning Meeting 1-4pm		

17/05/2021	Rainbow Trailblazers Meeting 5-7pm		Over 50 people attended an initial meeting to create tracks; paths and bike pump tracks throughout their town. The group hired professionals to run and collect data from the meeting and was a very positive night.
17/05/2021	Rainbow Town Meeting 7:30-8:30pm		
18/05/2021	Wimmera Mallee Pioneer Museum Meeting 7:30-10:30pm		
20/05/2021	Meeting at Llew Schilling Silo and then onto the Rainbow Oasis		Initial discussions took place in regards to the development of a silo project on land he currently owns.

Cr NELSON

Date	Meeting	Location	Comments
28/04/2021	Share Your Care Champions Update Online Meeting		
05/05/2021	Council Briefing	Nhill	
05/05/2021	Council Meeting	Nhill	
05/05/2021	Wimmera Southern Mallee LLEN AGM Online		
05/05/2021	Nhill Silo Meeting		
12/05/2021	Council Plan Workshop		

Cr BYWATERS

Date	Meeting	Location	Comments
28/04/2021	Catch Up Session	Zoom	'Local Women Leading Change: 6 Months On' with Deborah Wu, Inclusion & Diversity Lead, Victorian Local Government Association (VLGA)
29/04/2021	Meeting with Federation University, Nhill Learning Centre and John Millington – Mr Le's Vietnamese Restaurant and Nhill Community Garden		Opportunities for University scholarships with a special mention of Karen students'.
31/04/2021 to 2/05/2021	Australian Local Government Women's Association (ALGWA) Conference	Melbourne	
03/05/2021	Town Committee Meeting	Dimboola Community	Welcome to new residents event on Friday 28 May.

		Centre	
05/05/2021	Council Briefing/Council Meeting	Nhill	
05/05/2021	Nhill Noske Silo Town Meeting	Nhill	
07/05/2021	WWHS Community Advisory Committee	Nhill Hospital	
08/05/2021	Park Run	Nhill Lake	
16/05/2021	Nhill Lions Market	Jaypex Park Nhill	
18/05/2021	Business Horsham's Reimagine Event	Horsham	Hindmarsh businesses were well represented at this event. Speakers began with an inspiring and educational 'Welcome to Country' by Mr Ron Marks. The Deputy Prime Minister of Australia, Michael McCormack touched on the Tree-change movement and how it will impact regional Victoria followed by a Q&A. Stuart Benjamin, Chair of the Small Business Ministerial Council spoke to life after JobKeeper and some of the obstacles faced by the Horsham and the Wimmera community. Stuart's talk was incredibly open and thought provoking. Marc Sleeman, CEO of Grampians Tourism spoke about the current impact of tourism on the local business community, and various activities that are underway to bring travellers (and dollars) to our regions. And finally Andrea Cross of the Horsham Agricultural Society enlightened participants about the history of the Maydale Reserve and Pavillion. The horse stalls had small business exhibitions in them with wares for sale to guests. Thanks to Business Horsham for putting on the event, Horsham Agricultural Society for the venue and Stewarts Catering and Consulting for the tasty brunch.
19/05/2021	ALGWA AGM	Zoom	
22/05/2021	Nhill Karen Community Fundraising Concert for Internally Displaced People in Burma	Nhill Community Centre	

7. CORRESPONDENCE

Cr M Albrecht declared a general conflict of interest in the fourth item of correspondence (NDSC) and left the meeting at 1:30pm.

Cr R Gersch declared a general conflict of interest in the fourth item of correspondence (NDSC) and left the meeting at 1:30pm.

7.1 GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

Responsible Officer: Chief Executive Officer

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Introduction:

The following correspondence is tabled for noting by Council.

Inwards:

- 05/05/2021 – Letter to Mayor from Murray Darling Association.
- 07/05/2021 – Letter from Wimmera Health Care Group RE Community Stakeholder Update
- 14/05/2021 – Letter to CEO and Councillors from Anne Simms RE Public Consultation over Road Gazetting.
- 29/05/2021 – Letter to Councillors from Nhill & District Sporting Club Inc. RE Unsuccessful Outcome for Clubroom Redevelopment

Outwards:

- Nil

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes the attached correspondence.

MOVED: CRS W Bywaters/B Ireland

That Council notes the attached correspondence from the Nhill & District Sporting Club Inc. as read and received.

CARRIED

Cr R Gersch and Cr M Albrecht returned to the meeting at 1:31pm.

MOVED: CRS W Bywaters/B Ireland

That Council notes the attached correspondence from the Murray Darling Association, Wimmera Health Care Group and Anne Simms as read and received.

CARRIED

Attachment Numbers: 2 – 5

8. PLANNING PERMITS

8.1 APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMIT 1719-2021 - USE OF LAND FOR A MOTOR RACING TRACK (ONE DAY PONY EXPRESS EVENT) – 1191 PERENNA ROAD NETHERBY VIC 3418

Responsible Officer: Director Infrastructure Services
File: Planning – Applications
Assessment: 110260
Application Number: PA1719-2021
Application Received: 5 May 2021
Applicant: Nhill Motor Sports Club C/- Mrs Bree Lowe
Owner: Mr Ross Dickinson
Subject Land: Part of 1191 Perenna Road Netherby VIC 3418 (Crown Allotments 126 and 127, Parish of Warraquil)
Proposal: Use of land for a Motor Racing Track (One Day Pony Express Event)
Zoning & Overlays: Farming Zone (FZ)
Bushfire Management Overlay (BMO) - Part
Attachment Number: 6

Summary:

This report recommends that Council approve Planning Permit PA1719-2021 for the use of land for a Motor Racing Track (One Day Pony Express Event) on the subject land known as 1191 Perenna Road, Netherby VIC 3418 (CA 126 and CA127 Parish of Warraquil).

Background:

On 5 May 2021, The Nhill Motor Sports Club lodged a planning application for a Motor Racing Track for the 'Pony Express' 2021 motocross event, to be run on 10 July 2021. The event has been run previously on an annual basis, including at the subject land in 2019 (Permit PA1628-2019).

Proposal Details:

The proposal is to hold the 'Pony Express' 2021 motocross event on land south of Netting Fence Track, at Crown Allotments 126 and 127, Parish of Warraquil (1191 Perenna Road Netherby) as well as associated staging area facilities, including a car parking area, pit area, spectator area, race control and temporary toilets. Access to the event will be via private driveway, entering at the south-eastern corner of the track. The

event is to be attended by over 400 riders, and is to be attended by approximately 200 spectators. The course is approximately 16 kilometres in length, and consists of existing tracks on the land. No excavation, construction or associated works is proposed as a part of this application.

Requirement for Permit:

A Planning Permit is required under the following clauses of the Hindmarsh Planning Scheme:

- Clause 35.07-1 (Farming Zone) – A permit is required for the use of land for a Motor Racing Track.

It is proposed that the event is run on this location as a 'one-off' event only, and as such, any permit issued will reflect this. Separate planning approval will need to be sought for events on this site or different locations in future (as was the case for the 2019 event).

Definitions:

Motor Racing Track – *Land used to race, rally, scramble, or test, vehicles, including go-karts, motor boats, and motorcycles, and includes other competitive motor sports. It may include training.*

Restrictive Covenant or Section 173 Agreement:

The subject site is not burdened by a Restrictive Covenant or Section 173 Agreement.

Cultural Heritage Management Plan (CHMP):

The proposal is exempt from requiring a CHMP pursuant to the *Aboriginal Heritage Regulations 2018*, as the proposal is not within land affected identified as an area of Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Sensitivity.

Subject site & locality:

The subject site is known as CA 126 and CA 127 Parish of Warraquil (Part of 1191 Perenna Rd Netherby), and is currently used for grazing and cropping. The property (and surrounds) has been extensively cleared with little established vegetation remaining, save for the area proposed to run the event; however no native vegetation removal is proposed or permitted. The track area is existing on the land, as can be seen in the aerial image below.

[Aerial Map below – Hindmarsh POZI \(2016\)](#)



To the north of the site lies the Big Desert State Forest. The Netherby State Forest is located immediately east of the track area, with grazing land beyond. To the south, and west, land is primarily agricultural and used for such purposes. The nearest dwelling is approximately 2.2 kilometres to the west, and the subject land lies approximately 36.2 kilometres north of the Nhill Post Office.

The subject land is located within the Farming Zone (FZ) and is partially covered by the Bushfire Management Overlay (BMO). The subject land is not improved by any structures, and is clearly delineated between land that is actively cropped and land comprising remnant vegetation.

Section 52 Notice of Application

The application has not been advertised pursuant to Section 52 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*, as it is considered that the application will not cause material detriment to any person or property, for the following reasons:

- Letters of support for the event from adjoining landowners have been provided with the application;
- The nearest dwelling is approximately 2.2 kilometres away;
- The proposal is for a one day event only; and
- The site is in a remote locality, with previous events enjoying considerable support in the past in the locality without incident.

Referrals:

No internal or external referrals/notices were required by the Planning Scheme. It is noted that the applicant sought advice from DELWP (Forest Fire Management Victoria)

prior to lodging the application, who did not object to the proposal, but requested the following condition be placed on any permit issued:

Measures need to be in place to the satisfaction of DELWP to ensure that there is no use of public land during the event by event participants (e.g. flagging/bunting at any site where activities are within 50m of State Forest).

Such condition has been included in the recommendation in this report.

Planning Assessment:

Planning Scheme Requirements:

Planning Policy Framework:

Clause 13.02-1S Bushfire planning

Clause 14.01-1S Protection of agricultural land

Clause 17.04-1S Facilitating tourism

Local Planning Policy Framework:

Clause 21 Municipal Strategic Statement

Zoning Provisions:

Clause 35.07 – Farming Zone (FZ)

35.07-1 Table of uses

A permit is required to use land for a Motor Racing Track

35.07-6 Decision guidelines (relevant to the application)

Before deciding on an application to use or subdivide land, construct a building or construct or carry out works, in addition to the decision guidelines in Clause 65, the responsible authority must consider, as appropriate:

General issues

- The Municipal Planning Strategy and the Planning Policy Framework.
- Any Regional Catchment Strategy and associated plan applying to the land.
- The capability of the land to accommodate the proposed use or development, including the disposal of effluent.
- How the use or development relates to sustainable land management.
- Whether the site is suitable for the use or development and whether the proposal is compatible with adjoining and nearby land uses.
- How the use and development makes use of existing infrastructure and services.

Agricultural issues and the impacts from non-agricultural uses

- Whether the use or development will support and enhance agricultural production.
- Whether the use or development will adversely affect soil quality or permanently remove land from agricultural production.

- The potential for the use or development to limit the operation and expansion of adjoining and nearby agricultural uses.
- The capacity of the site to sustain the agricultural use.
- The agricultural qualities of the land, such as soil quality, access to water and access to rural infrastructure.
- Any integrated land management plan prepared for the site.

Environmental issues

- The impact of the proposal on the natural physical features and resources of the area, in particular on soil and water quality.
- The impact of the use or development on the flora and fauna on the site and its surrounds.
- The need to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the area, including the retention of vegetation and faunal habitat and the need to revegetate land including riparian buffers along waterways, gullies, ridgelines, property boundaries and saline discharge and recharge area.
- The location of on-site effluent disposal areas to minimise the impact of nutrient loads on waterways and native vegetation.

Design and siting issues

- The need to locate buildings in one area to avoid any adverse impacts on surrounding agricultural uses and to minimise the loss of productive agricultural land
- Whether the use or development will require traffic management measures.

Planning Response:

The proposal is considered to meet the applicable decision guidelines as outlined above. The proposal is considered to support the Planning Policy Framework, having particular regard to tourism in the area. The event will act as a significant attractor of tourism to the locality, and has enjoyed significant support in the past at other locations. Furthermore, the event will not impose any undue strain on infrastructure in the area, nor has done so in the past.

The proposal is considered to meet the applicable decision guidelines with regard to agricultural considerations outlined above due to the temporary nature of the proposed event. The event will have little impact upon the continued agricultural viability of the subject land and surrounds, noting that the part of the site that is used for productive agriculture does not form part of the racing area.

The proposed event will not negatively impact on the natural physical features and resources of the area. No negative impact on the flora and fauna on the site and its surrounds will occur, with no native vegetation proposed to be removed. The biodiversity of the area, inclusive of the retention of vegetation and faunal habitat and the need to revegetate land including riparian buffers along waterways, gullies, ridgelines, property

boundaries and saline discharge and recharge area has been considered within this application, with no negative impacts to occur as no works are to be undertaken.

Overlay Provisions:

Clause 44.06 – Bushfire Management Overlay

No permit is required under this Clause, as the Overlay does not trigger a permit for use.

Particular Provisions:

No Particular Provisions of the Hindmarsh Planning Scheme are relevant to the assessment of this proposal.

General Provisions

Clause 65 - Decision Guidelines

Because a permit can be granted does not imply that a permit should or will be granted. The Responsible Authority must decide whether the proposal will produce acceptable outcomes in terms of the decision guidelines of this clause.

Clause 65.01– Approval of an application or plan

Before deciding on an application or approval of a plan, the Responsible Authority must consider, as appropriate (relevant to the application):

- The matters set out in Section 60 of the Act.
- The Municipal Planning Strategy and the Planning Policy Framework.
- The purpose of the zone, overlay or other provision.
- Any matter required to be considered in the zone, overlay or other provision.
- The orderly planning of the area.
- The effect on the amenity of the area.
- The proximity of the land to any public land.
- Whether the proposed development is designed to maintain or improve the quality of storm water within and exiting the site.
- The degree of flood, erosion or fire hazard associated with the location of the land and the use, development or management of the land so as to minimise any such hazard.
- The adequacy of loading and unloading facilities and any associated amenity, traffic flow and road safety impacts.

Planning Response:

As previously discussed, it is considered that the proposal is supported by the relevant provisions of the Municipal Planning Strategy and the Planning Policy Framework. The matters to be considered by the Farming Zone are appropriately met, with the location of the use unlikely to create any amenity impacts or permanently remove land from agricultural production. The application is therefore considered to be reflective of orderly planning.

Planning Policy Framework (PPF) and Local Planning Policy Framework (LPPF)

The proposal meets the objectives of the relevant provisions of the PPF and LPPF for the reasons discussed earlier in this report.

Farming Zone (FZ)

The proposal complies with the purpose and decision guidelines of the FZ for the reasons outlined in the planning response to the zone as discussed above.

Clause 65 Decision Guidelines

The proposal complies with the relevant decision guidelines of Clause 65 as discussed above.

Strategic, Statutory and Procedural Requirements:

The proposal is consistent with the Planning Policy Framework and the Local Planning Policy Framework, including the Municipal Strategic Statement and local planning policies and Clause 35.07 Farming Zone in the Hindmarsh Planning Scheme.

Report to Council:

The Manager Development advises that all obligations of Council (strategic, statutory and procedural) have been addressed and discharged in this planning application.

Processing Times:

05/05/2021 – The application was received.

17/05/2021 – The fee was waived in lieu of sponsorship advertising.

20/05/2021 – The correct Titles were provided.

09/06/2021 – The report is being presented to Council at the meeting held 09 June 2021 (20 days).

The statutory processing time requirements of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* have been satisfied in this instance.

Conflict of Interest:

Under section 130(2) of the Local Government Act 2020, officers providing advice to Council must disclose any conflict of interest, including the type of interest.

Officer Responsible: Angela Hoy, Director Infrastructure Services

In providing this advice as the Officer Responsible, I have no interests to disclose.

Author: Tim Berger, Consultant Town Planner, on behalf of Janette Fritsch, Manager Development.

In providing this advice as the Author, I have no interests to disclose.

Communications Strategy:

Advise the Applicant of Council's decision.

Next Steps:

Issue the Planning Permit and endorse the plans if approved by Council.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council approves planning application PA1719-2021 for the use of land for a Motor Racing Track (One Day Pony Express event), on the subject land known as 1191 Perenna Road Netherby VIC 3418 (Crown Allotments 126 and 127 Parish of Warraquil), subject to the following conditions:

Endorsed Plans

- 1. The works as shown on the endorsed plans shall not be altered or modified, whether or not in order to comply with any statute or statutory rule or local law or any other reason without the written consent of the Responsible Authority.***

Amenity

- 2. The use and development must be managed so that the amenity of the area is not detrimentally affected, through the:***
 - (a) transport of materials, goods or commodities to or from the land;***
 - (b) appearance of any building, works or materials;***
 - (c) emission of noise, artificial light, vibration, smell, fumes, smoke, vapour, steam, soot, ash, dust, waste water, waste products, grit or oil;***
 - (d) presence of vermin; and***
 - (e) others as appropriate.***
- 3. The site must be kept in an ordered and tidy state and its appearance must not prejudicially affect the amenity of the area.***
- 4. All loading and unloading of vehicles and delivery of goods to and from the premises must occur on site.***
- 5. Adequate provision must be made on the land for the storage and collection of garbage and other solid waste. This area must be screened from public view to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.***
- 6. Adequate provision of portable toilets and associated amenities for patrons must be provided on the site and must be emptied and maintained to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.***
- 7. The permit holder is to ensure the subject land and environs are reinstated to an equivalent condition as existed prior to the event being conducted to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.***

Department of Environment, Land, Water, and Planning

8. *Measures need to be in place to the satisfaction of DELWP to ensure that there is no use of public land during the event by event participants (e.g. flagging/bunting at any site where activities are within 50m of State Forest).*

Time Limit

9. *The racing of motorcycles must cease at 6pm on 10 July 2021.*
10. *The use of the land for the purpose of a Motor Racing Track (including packing up and removal of equipment) must cease at 6pm on 11 July 2021.*

Note:

Emergency Services including Ambulance Victoria must be contacted about the requirements for the operation of the event.

MOVED: CRS W Bywaters/R Gersch

That Council approves planning application PA1719-2021 for the use of land for a Motor Racing Track (One Day Pony Express event), on the subject land known as 1191 Perenna Road Netherby VIC 3418 (Crown Allotments 126 and 127 Parish of Warraquil), subject to the following conditions:

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 - (d) presence of vermin; and*
 - (e) others as appropriate.*
3. *The site must be kept in an ordered and tidy state and its appearance must not prejudicially affect the amenity of the area.*

4. ***All loading and unloading of vehicles and delivery of goods to and from the premises must occur on site.***
5. ***Adequate provision must be made on the land for the storage and collection of garbage and other solid waste. This area must be screened from public view to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.***
6. ***Adequate provision of portable toilets and associated amenities for patrons must be provided on the site and must be emptied and maintained to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.***
7. ***The permit holder is to ensure the subject land and environs are reinstated to an equivalent condition as existed prior to the event being conducted to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.***

Department of Environment, Land, Water, and Planning

8. ***Measures need to be in place to the satisfaction of DELWP to ensure that there is no use of public land during the event by event participants (e.g. flagging/bunting at any site where activities are within 50m of State Forest).***

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Note:

Emergency Services including Ambulance Victoria must be contacted about the requirements for the operation of the event.

CARRIED

Attachment Number: 6

8.2 APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMIT PA1693-2020 – TWO LOT SUBDIVISION – 231 PEAKES THREE CHAIN ROAD NHILL VIC 3418 (LOT 1 ON TITLE PLAN 232843P)

Responsible Officer: Director Infrastructure Services
File: Planning – Applications
Assessment: 112660
Application No. PA1693-2020
SPEAR Ref. No. S163824M
Applicant: Darren Bone, C/- Angela Plazzer, Ferguson Perry Pty Ltd
Owner: Darren Bone
Subject Land: 231 Peakes Three Chain Road Nhill VIC 3418 (Lot 1 on Title Plan 232843P)
Proposal: Two lot subdivision
Zoning & Overlays: Farming Zone
Environmental Significance Overlay Schedule 6
Attachment Number: 7

Summary:

This report recommends that Council approve Planning Permit PA1693-2020 for a two lot subdivision at 231 Peakes Three Chain Road Nhill VIC 3418 (Lot 1 on Title Plan 232843P), subject to standard conditions.

Background:

The site is used for agricultural purposes in conjunction with a number of other allotments. There is an existing dwelling, farm sheds and vegetation in the centre north part of the site. The owners are seeking to excise the dwelling, sheds and vegetated part of the lot from the balance of the lot to enable both lots to be sold separately.

Proposal Details:

The application proposes the two lot subdivision of the subject land. The subdivision will enable a smaller lot containing a dwelling, farm sheds and native vegetation to be separated from the balance of the land.

The original plan of subdivision submitted on 12/11/2020 was amended on 9/03/2021 to provide a carriageway easement on proposed Lot 2 in favour of proposed Lot 1 pursuant to Section 50 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*.

The amended plan of subdivision (Version 2) comprises proposed Lot 1 in two parts of 39.25ha and 21.77ha with a total area of 61.02ha and proposed Lot 2 with an area of 4.665ha. Proposed Lot 1 contains cleared farming land used for cropping purposes and proposed Lot 2 contains the existing dwelling, farm sheds and vegetation with a long access driveway of 283.7m that is approximately 6.2m wide.

Vehicle access to proposed Lot 2 will be from the existing crossover on Peakes Three Chain Road. Vehicle access to proposed Lot 1 will also be from the existing crossover on Peakes Three Chain Road via a carriageway easement over Lot 2 in favour of Lot 1. An existing 14.0 wide power line easement extends north-south through both proposed lots and is detailed on the amended plan of subdivision.

The applicant has stated the following about the amended proposal:

'The application proposes to subdivide the land into 2 lots in order to excise the land used for the dwelling from the farmland so that they can be separately disposed of.

The accessway on Lot 2 is approximately 4m in width and the distance between the eastern and western boundaries at the northern end of the access way is approx. 6.2m and between 10m and 14.6m at the southern end. The CFA recommend that the minimum width for an accessway is 3.5m. The existing dwelling, shown in the photographs below, is in habitable condition and is currently occupied. It is located approximately 30m from the boundary to Lot 1 and is surrounded by trees which will act as buffer to dust, noise and spray drift from farming activities on Lot 1.

As is evident in the photos, the dwelling is in habitable condition and currently occupied.'

Proposed Plan of Subdivision



Requirement for Permit:

The subject land is located within the Farming Zone and is affected partly by the Environmental Significance Overlay Schedule 6.

A planning permit is required to subdivide land under Clause 35.07-3 Subdivision of the Farming Zone. A planning permit is not required under the Environmental Significance

Overlay Schedule 6 as there is no vegetation to be removed, earthworks or fences proposed.

Restrictive Covenant or Section 173 Agreement:

The subject site is not burdened by a Restrictive Covenant or Section 173 Agreement.

Cultural Heritage Management Plan (CHMP):

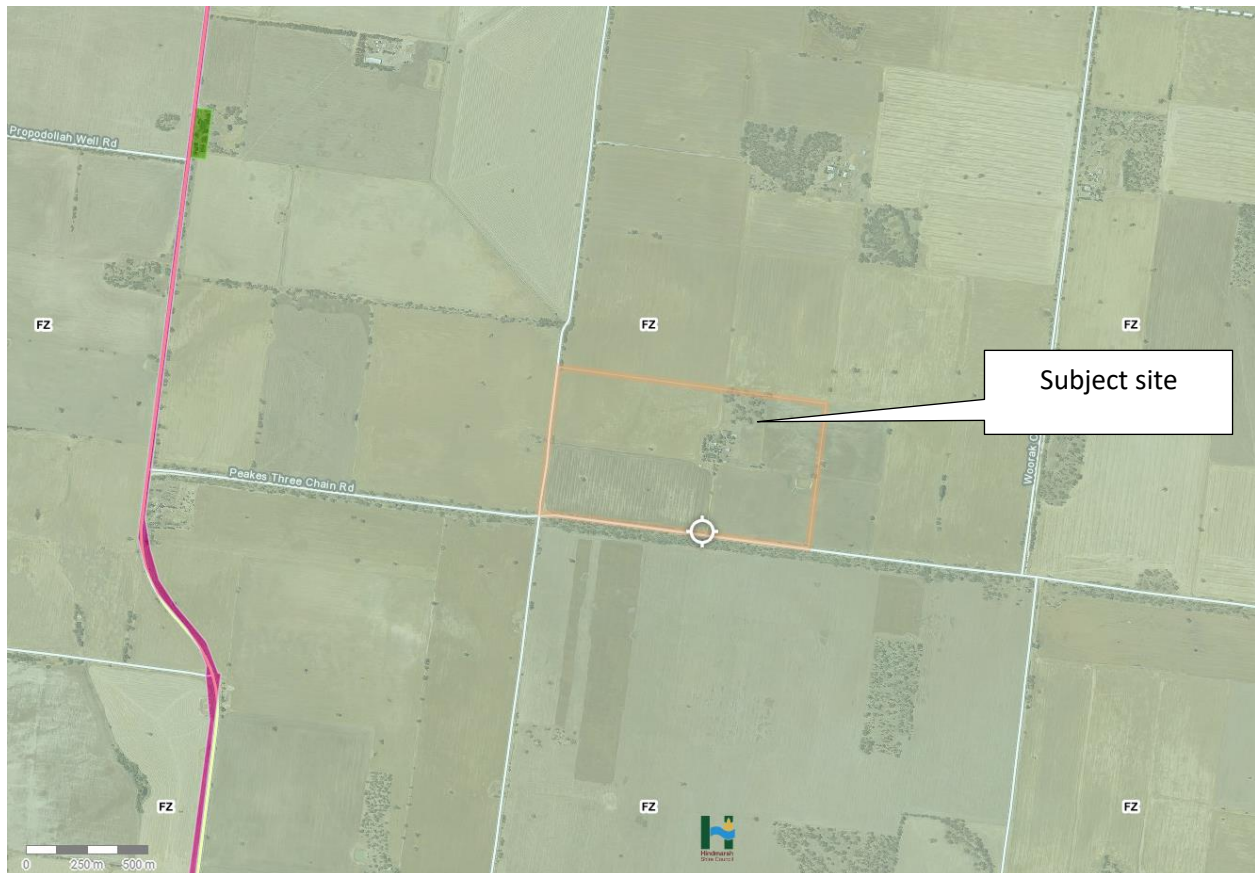
The proposal is exempt from requiring a CHMP pursuant to the *Aboriginal Heritage Regulations 2018*, as the proposal is a low impact activity and is not within land affected by an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Sensitivity Area.

Subject site & locality:

The subject site is known as Lot 1 on Title Plan 232843P at 231 Peakes Three Chain Road, Nhill. The site is on the northern side of Peakes Three Chain Road. The site has a total area of 65.685ha and is rectangular in shape. The site contains land used for cropping, an existing dwelling, sheds, native vegetation and a dam. Access to the site is from Peakes Three Chain Road to the south. The site is mostly cleared except for some scattered remnant native vegetation and planted vegetation around the existing dwelling. The site adjoins farming land that is in common ownership to the north and other farming operations agricultural land along Woorak Church Road to east, along B. Barbers Road to the west and Peakes Three Chain Road to the south. The surrounding area is used for cropping interspersed with some dwellings.

The site and all the surrounding land are within the Farming Zone (FZ) and partly within the Environmental Significance Overlay Schedule 6.

Aerial Photo below (POZI):



Consultation:

Consultation was undertaken and included:

- Three requests for further information were sent to the applicant via SPEAR on 08 December 2020, 23 March 2021 and 21 April 2021.
- The further information and amended plans were received in SPEAR on 9 March 2021, 9 April 2021 and 21 April 2021 respectively.

Section 52 Notice of application:

The application has been advertised pursuant to Section 52 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987*, by:

- Sending notices to the owners and occupiers of the adjoining land.
- Placing two (2) notices on site, including one (1) notice on the front boundary near driveway entrance to the site from Peakes Three Chain Road and one sign on side boundary fronting B Barbers Road.

A statutory declaration form for the public notice was submitted to Council on 24/05/2021. The notification has been carried out correctly. Council has not received any objections to date.

Referrals:

External Referrals/Notices were required by the Planning Scheme:

Section 55 Referrals

- Powercor – No objections.

Section 52 Referrals

- Nil

Internal Referrals:

- Engineering - Comments provided, and condition required as detailed below:
 1. *We have conducted a site visit on 04/05/2021. The following condition needs to be applied to the permit.*
The current access location (carriageway easement) at Lot 1 and 2, will need to be upgraded or a new drainage pipe and crossover will need to be constructed as per IDM-255 Standard, on Peakes Three Chain Road.
https://www.designmanual.com.au/assets/files/documents/Standard_Drawings/IDM_STANDARD_DRGS_SET_2020-03-24.pdf
- Environmental Health – No objections, one condition to be applied.

Planning Scheme:

Planning Scheme Requirements:

Planning Policy Framework (PPF)

The following relevant Clauses in the PPF have been considered for the application.

Clause 11.01-1S Settlement

Clause 11.01-1R Settlement – Wimmera Southern Mallee

Clause 11.03-6S Regional and local places

Clause 12.01-1S Protection of biodiversity

Clause 12.01-1S Protection of biodiversity – Wimmera Southern Mallee

Clause 12.01-2S Native vegetation management

Clause 14.01-1S Protection of agricultural land

Clause 14.01-1R Agricultural productivity – Wimmera Southern Mallee

Clause 14.01-2S Sustainable agricultural land use

Clause 19.03-2S Infrastructure design and provision

Local Planning Policy Framework (LPPF)

The following relevant Clauses in the LPPF have been considered for the application.

Clause 21.00 – Municipal Strategic Statement

Clause 21.02 Vision – Strategic Framework

Clause 21.03 Objectives – Strategies – Implementation

Clause 21.03-2 Economic Development

Clause 21.03-3 Agriculture

Objective

To maintain a viable and sustainable agricultural industry to ensure the future well-being of the Shire and its residents.

Planning Response:

The proposed subdivision will comply with the relevant objectives of the PPF, particularly in regard to protecting and enhancing valuable agricultural land and retaining sustainable agricultural uses while minimising land use conflicts with surrounding agricultural uses. The proposal will also protect a stand of native vegetation on the smaller lot.

The proposal will comply with the relevant policies of the SPPF including Clauses 12.01-2S, 14.01-1S, 14.01-1R and 14.01-2S.

The subdivision to create a smaller lot of 4.665ha containing the dwelling, sheds and native vegetation and a balance lot in two parts with a total area of 61.02ha to protect the existing productive agricultural land. The existing grazing and cropping activities on the balance lot will be retained and the subdivision will allow the two lots to be sold separately if required. A Section 173 Agreement is required to prevent further fragmentation of the land holdings by restricting no further subdivision that would increase the number of lots and to ensure the owners of Lot 2 acknowledge the surrounding farming activities may have some amenity impacts.

The proposed subdivision will therefore comply with the relevant provisions of the LPPF including the MSS and the local planning policies including Clause 21.03-3 Agriculture subject to conditions.

Zoning Provisions

Clause 35.07 Farming Zone

35.07-3 Subdivision

A permit is required to subdivide land.

Each lot must be at least the area specified for the land in a schedule to this zone. If no area is specified, each lot must be at least 40 hectares.

A permit may be granted to create smaller lots as the following applies:

- The subdivision is to create a lot for an existing dwelling. The subdivision must be a two lot subdivision.

Clause 35.07-6 Decision Guidelines

Before deciding on an application to use or subdivide land, in addition to the decision guidelines in Clause 65, the responsible authority must consider, as appropriate, matters under the following relevant headings:

- General issues
- Agricultural issues and the impacts from non-agricultural uses
- Environmental issues
- Design and siting issues

Planning Response:

The proposed subdivision complies with the relevant decision guidelines in the zone for the following reasons:

General issues

- The proposed subdivision will comply with the PPF and LPPF as discussed above.
- The proposed subdivision will be consistent with the current Wimmera Regional Catchment Strategy 2013-2019.
- The existing dwelling is in a habitable condition as evidenced by the photos submitted. The septic system of the existing dwelling on proposed Lot 2 will be required to comply with the relevant Acts and Codes of Practice, which will be addressed by a condition.
- The subdivision will allow the area on proposed Lot 2 for the dwelling, sheds and native vegetation on a smaller lot to be separated from the cleared agricultural land on the balance of the land on proposed Lot 1 to encourage sustainable land management.
- The subdivision will allow the dwelling and the immediate area that is not being used for grazing and cropping to be contained on the smaller lot and the farming land for cropping to be contained on the larger lot. The proposal will generally be compatible with the adjoining and nearby agricultural land uses, but a Section 173 Agreement is required for the owner of Lot 2 to acknowledge the potential amenity impacts from the surrounding agricultural uses.
- The proposal makes use of some existing infrastructure and services by utilising existing vehicle access points where possible. However, the vehicle access to proposed Lot 2 and carriageway easement to proposed Lot 1 will need to be upgraded to Council standards. Electricity is connected to the existing dwelling. Standard conditions will be included for services to be connected as required by the relevant authorities in accordance with the conditions listed in Clause 66.01.

Agricultural issues and the impacts from non-agricultural uses

- The subdivision will not have an adverse impact on the existing agricultural activities on the balance lot and will allow the smaller lot to just contain the dwelling, sheds and native vegetation.
- The subdivision is unlikely to result in any adverse effect on soil quality and does not remove any land from agricultural production.
- The subdivision is unlikely to limit the operation and expansion of adjoining and nearby agricultural uses as the existing uses on the site will be unchanged. However, a Section 173 Agreement condition will require the owner of proposed Lot 2 (dwelling lot) to acknowledge and accept nuisance from the adjoining agricultural activities on proposed Lot 1 (agricultural lot) and other adjoining agricultural lots.
- The proposed Lot 1 with an area of 61.02ha will be an adequate size to sustain the productive agricultural use and could be used in conjunction with the adjoining farming lots in common ownership.

- The subdivision will not adversely affect the current agricultural activities and associated infrastructure.
- There is no applicable land management plan for the site.

Environmental issues

- The proposal is unlikely to have an adverse impact on soil and water quality and will encourage the retention of native vegetation on proposed Lot 2. The existing septic system for the dwelling on proposed Lot 2 is required to meet current standards to ensure there are no adverse environmental issues.
- The site and surrounding land have long been largely cleared of native vegetation due to historical broad acre farming activities, but there are some stands of native vegetation on site and scattered on the adjacent land. The subdivision will allow the existing stands of native vegetation on proposed Lot 2 to be retained. The proposal will not have impacts on the remaining flora and fauna in the locality.
- As discussed above, the existing septic system of the dwelling on proposed Lot 2 is required to comply with the *Environment Protection Act 1970*, *State Environment Protection Policy (Waters of Victoria)* and the *Code of Practice for On-Site Wastewater Management*, which will be included as a condition.

Overlay Provisions

Environmental Significance Overlay Schedule 6

No planning permit is required under this Clause and Schedule.

Particular Provisions

Nil

General Provisions

Clause 65 - Decision Guidelines

Because a permit can be granted does not imply that a permit should or will be granted. The responsible authority must decide whether the proposal will produce acceptable outcomes in terms of the decision guidelines of this clause.

65.01 Approval of an application or plan

Before deciding on an application or approval of a plan, the Responsible Authority must consider, relevant matters, as appropriate.

65.02 Approval of an application to subdivide land

Before deciding on an application to subdivide land, the responsible authority must also consider, relevant matters, as appropriate.

Planning Response:

The application complies with the relevant decision guidelines as outlined above. The proposal is supportive of, and complies with the Planning Policy Framework, having regard to the protection of agricultural land, will minimise land use conflicts with surrounding agricultural land uses and will not impact on the amenity of the area. The

proposed subdivision will enable the orderly planning of the area. The proposal therefore complies with Clause 65.

Discussion:

The proposed subdivision will satisfy the relevant planning policies in the PPF and LPPF and will comply with the relevant decision guidelines of the Farming Zone as outlined above.

The proposal will not adversely impact on the amenity of the area, subject to conditions for a Section 173 Agreement to prevent further subdivision to increase the number of lots and to ensure the owner of the dwelling lot (proposed Lot 2) that is surrounded by agricultural uses acknowledges potential nuisance and other amenity impacts from surrounding agricultural activities. The wastewater system for the dwelling and vehicle access to the lots are required to be upgraded or constructed to current Council standards. The proposal will enable the orderly planning of the area in accordance with Clause 65.

The proposal should therefore be approved, and a Planning Permit be issued subject to conditions as outlined below.

Strategic, Statutory and Procedural Requirements:

The proposal is consistent with the Planning Policy Framework and the Local Planning Policy Framework, including the Municipal Strategic Statement and local planning policies, The Farming Zone and Clause 65.

Report to Council:

The Manager Development advises that all obligations of Council (strategic, statutory and procedural) have been addressed and discharged in this planning application.

Processing Times:

- 12/11/2020 – Application lodged
- 18/11/2020 – Invoice issued
- 18/11/2020 – Fee received
- 08/12/2020 – Further information requested
- 01/02/2021 – Request for first extension of time
- 03/02/2021 – Request for first extension of time approved
- 09/03/2021 – Partial response to further information received and amended plan for endorsement received
- 22/03/2021 – Further information outstanding requested
- 09/04/2021 – Amended Planning Report received
- 21/04/2021 – Request for correct version of Plan of Subdivision in SPEAR
- 21/04/2021 – Amended Plan of Subdivision received in SPEAR
- 22/04/2021 – Advertising instructions sent including notification to neighbours
- 21/04/2021 – Responses all received to external and internal referrals
- 24/05/2021 – Statutory declaration received in SPEAR

09/06/2021 – The report is being presented to Council at the meeting held 09 June 2021 (17 statutory days)

The statutory processing time requirements of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* have satisfied in this instance.

Conflict of Interest:

Under section 130(2) of the *Local Government Act 2020*, officers providing advice to Council must disclose any conflict of interest, including the type of interest.

Officer Responsible – Angela Hoy, Director Infrastructure Services

In providing this advice as the Officer Responsible, I have no disclosable interests in this report.

Author: Bernadine Pringle, Consultant Town Planner.

In providing this advice as the Author, I have no disclosable interests in this report.

Communications Strategy:

Advise the applicant of Council's decision.

Next Steps:

Issue the planning permit and endorse the plans if approved by Council.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council approves planning application PA1693-2020 for a Two lot subdivision on the subject land at 231 Peakes Three Chain Road Nhill VIC 3418 (Lot 1 on Title Plan 232843P), subject to the following conditions:

Conditions:

Endorsed Plans

- 1. The layout and site dimensions of the subdivision hereby permitted, as shown on the endorsed plan/s, must not be altered or modified without the written consent of the Responsible Authority. There are no requirements to alter or modify the endorsed plan if a plan is certified under the provisions of the Subdivision Act 1988 that is generally in accordance with the endorsed plan/s.***

Section 173 Agreement

- 2. Before the plan of subdivision is certified under the Subdivision Act 1988, the owner must enter into an agreement with the responsible authority made pursuant to Section 173 of the Planning and Environment Act 1987 (the Act)***

and make application to the Registrar of Titles to have the agreement registered on the title to the land under Section 181 of the Act, which specifies:

- (a) No further subdivision of the land that would increase the number of lots.**
- (b) The owner of the dwelling on Lot 2 as shown on the plan endorsed under Planning Permit PA1693-2020 acknowledges and accepts the possibility of nuisance from adjoining agricultural operations including animal husbandry, spray drift, agricultural machinery use, pumps, trucks and associated hours of operation necessary for agricultural production.**

The owner/operator must pay the reasonable costs of preparation, execution and registration of the Section 173 Agreement.

Wastewater system on Lot 2

- 3. The existing wastewater system on Lot 2 must contain all effluent from the existing buildings within the lot and the system must comply with the Environment Protection Act 1970, the State Environment Protection Policy (Waters of Victoria) and the EPA Code of Practice 891.4 (2016) for On-Site Wastewater Management or relevant alternative, to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.**

Access

- 4. Before the issue of a Statement of Compliance under the Subdivision Act 1988, the existing crossover and access location (carriageway easement) adjacent to Lot 1 and 2 must be upgraded or a new drainage pipe and crossover must be constructed on Peakes Three Chain Road, to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.**
- 5. The crossovers and access to the two lots must be constructed to an all-weather standard and must have a minimum trafficable width to accommodate emergency vehicles, to the standards and satisfaction of the Responsible Authority or as otherwise agreed to writing by the Responsible Authority.**

Subdivision Conditions in Clause 66.01

- 6. The owner of the land must enter into agreements with the relevant authorities for the provision of water supply, drainage, sewerage facilities, electricity, gas and telecommunication services to each lot shown on the endorsed plan in accordance with the authority's requirements and relevant legislation at the time.**
- 7. All existing and proposed easements and sites for existing or required utility services and roads on the land must be set aside in the plan of subdivision**

submitted for certification in favour of the relevant authority for which the easement or site is to be created.

8. *The plan of subdivision submitted for certification under the Subdivision Act 1988 must be referred to the relevant authority in accordance with Section 8 of that Act.*

Subdivision Expiry

9. *The subdivision will expire if:*
 - (a) *The plan of subdivision is not certified within two (2) years of the date of this permit.*
 - (b) *The registration of the subdivision is not completed within five (5) years of the date of certification of the plan of subdivision.*

In accordance with section 69 of the Planning and Environment Act 1987, the responsible authority may extend the periods referred to if a request is made in writing before the permit expires, or within six (6) months of the permit expiry date.

Notes:

Infrastructure

- *The upgraded or new crossover for the existing access location (carriageway easement) adjacent to Lot 1 and 2 on Peakes Three Chain Road must be constructed as per IDM-255 Standard.*
https://www.designmanual.com.au/assets/files/documents/Standard_Drawings/IDM_STANDARD_DRGS_SET_2020-03-24.pdf

A Consent to Works Within Road Reserve Permit must be obtained from Council's Infrastructure Department (Phone: 03 5391 4444) for the construction or alteration/upgrade of any vehicle crossovers or any works conducted in the road reserve.

MOVED: CRS R Gersch/B Ireland

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Conditions:

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Section 173 Agreement

- 2. Before the plan of subdivision is certified under the Subdivision Act 1988, the owner must enter into an agreement with the responsible authority made pursuant to Section 173 of the Planning and Environment Act 1987 (the Act) and make application to the Registrar of Titles to have the agreement registered on the title to the land under Section 181 of the Act, which specifies:***
 - (a) No further subdivision of the land that would increase the number of lots.***
 - (b) The owner of the dwelling on Lot 2 as shown on the plan endorsed under Planning Permit PA1693-2020 acknowledges and accepts the possibility of nuisance from adjoining agricultural operations including animal husbandry, spray drift, agricultural machinery use, pumps, trucks and associated hours of operation necessary for agricultural production.***

The owner/operator must pay the reasonable costs of preparation, execution and registration of the Section 173 Agreement.

Wastewater system on Lot 2

- 3. The existing wastewater system on Lot 2 must contain all effluent from the existing buildings within the lot and the system must comply with the Environment Protection Act 1970, the State Environment Protection Policy (Waters of Victoria) and the EPA Code of Practice 891.4 (2016) for On-Site Wastewater Management or relevant alternative, to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.***

Access

- 4. Before the issue of a Statement of Compliance under the Subdivision Act 1988, the existing crossover and access location (carriageway easement) adjacent to Lot 1 and 2 must be upgraded or a new drainage pipe and crossover must be constructed on Peakes Three Chain Road, to the satisfaction of the Responsible Authority.***
- 5. The crossovers and access to the two lots must be constructed to an all-weather standard and must have a minimum trafficable width to accommodate emergency vehicles, to the standards and satisfaction of the Responsible Authority or as otherwise agreed to writing by the Responsible Authority.***

Subdivision Conditions in Clause 66.01

- 6. The owner of the land must enter into agreements with the relevant authorities for the provision of water supply, drainage, sewerage facilities, electricity, gas and telecommunication services to each lot shown on the endorsed plan in accordance with the authority's requirements and relevant legislation at the time.***
- 7. All existing and proposed easements and sites for existing or required utility services and roads on the land must be set aside in the plan of subdivision submitted for certification in favour of the relevant authority for which the easement or site is to be created.***
- 8. The plan of subdivision submitted for certification under the Subdivision Act 1988 must be referred to the relevant authority in accordance with Section 8 of that Act.***

Subdivision Expiry

- 9. The subdivision will expire if:***
 - (a) The plan of subdivision is not certified within two (2) years of the date of this permit.***
 - (b) The registration of the subdivision is not completed within five (5) years of the date of certification of the plan of subdivision.***

In accordance with section 69 of the Planning and Environment Act 1987, the responsible authority may extend the periods referred to if a request is made in writing before the permit expires, or within six (6) months of the permit expiry date.

Notes:

Infrastructure

- The upgraded or new crossover for the existing access location (carriageway easement) adjacent to Lot 1 and 2 on Peakes Three Chain Road must be constructed as per IDM-255 Standard.***
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9. REPORTS REQUIRING A DECISION

9.1 GOVERNANCE REPORT

Responsible Officer: Director Corporate and Community Services

Introduction:

This report makes several recommendations to Council relating to the governance of Council and other bodies.

Discussion:

MAV Council Representatives

The Municipal Association of Victoria's (**Association**) Rules of Association require Council's to appoint a representative and substitute representative to the Association by way of Council resolution (Rule 6).

A person appointed as a representative of the Association must use their reasonable endeavours to attend all meetings of the Association which the person is eligible to attend (Rule 7.1). If the representative is unable to attend meetings, the substitute representative should be encouraged to attend (Rule 7.2). The State Council will meet at least twice in each year and may meet at any other time appointed by the President.

The representative is required to:

- vote on every matter under consideration by the State Council, in accordance with either the resolution of their council or the view of the majority of the Councillors where known, unless prohibited from doing so;
- provide regular reports to his or her council on matters discussed and considered by the Association and on the decisions made; and
- have regard to any codes or guidelines published by the Board that relates to their functions as a representative (Rule 7).

At the Statutory meeting held on Wednesday 18 November 2020 Council appointed Mayor Councillor Ron Ismay as the Hindmarsh Shire representative. No substitute representative was appointed. This report recommends Councillor Rob Gersch be nominated as Hindmarsh Shire Council substitute representative.

National General Assembly of the Australian Local Government Association

The National General Assembly of the Australian Local Government Association (**ALGA**). The National General Assembly of Local Government is an annual event for Local Government. This year the event will be run from 20 June 2021 to 23 June 2021 in Canberra.

As required by Council's Councillor Expense Policy, all interstate travel must be in line with the Council Plan and approved by way of Council resolution.

This report recommends Council appoint Mayor Councillor Ron Ismay as delegate to the National General Assembly of the Australian Local Government Association and approve interstate travel to Canberra and all costs associated with attending the National General Assembly in Canberra in June 2021.

Common Seal

At Council meeting held on Wednesday 5 May 2021, Council resolved to approve the Governance Local Law and Municipal Local Law. Both Local Laws came into effect on 13 May 2021 (the day after publication in the Government Gazette). This report seeks Council resolution to affix the Hindmarsh Shire Common Seal onto the Hindmarsh Shire Governance Local Law 2021 and Hindmarsh Shire Municipal Local Law 2021 in accordance with the Hindmarsh Shire Governance Local Law 2021.

To reduce the requirement for a Council resolution each time the use of the Common Seal is required officers recommend Council pass a resolution giving the Chief Executive Officer general authority to affix the Common Seal to any document as the Chief Executive Officer deems appropriate.

Options:

MAV Council Representatives

1. Council appoint Councillor Robert Gersch as substitute representative to the Municipal Association of Victoria; OR
2. Council appoint another Councillor as the substitute representative to the Municipal Association of Victoria

National General Assembly of the Australian Local Government Association

1. Council appoints Mayor Councillor Ron Ismay as delegate to the National General Assembly of the Australian Local Government Association and approve interstate travel to Canberra and all costs associated with attending the National General Assembly in Canberra; OR
2. Council appoints another Councillor as delegate to the National General Assembly of the Australian Local Government Association and approve interstate travel to Canberra and all costs associated with attending the National General Assembly in Canberra; OR
3. Council not appoint a delegate to the National General Assembly of the Australian Local Government Association

Common Seal

1. Council can resolve to affix the Hindmarsh Shire Common Seal to Hindmarsh Shire Governance Local Law 2021 and Hindmarsh Shire Municipal Local Law 2021; or
2. Council can choose to not resolve to affix the Hindmarsh Shire Common Seal to Hindmarsh Shire Governance Local Law 2021 and Hindmarsh Shire Municipal Local

Law 2021 (this will not affect the validity of either Local Laws).

3. Council can resolve to give the Chief Executive Officer general authority to affix the Common Seal to any document as the Chief Executive Officer deems appropriate;
or
4. Council can choose not to give the Chief Executive Officer general authority to affix the Common Seal to any document as the Chief Executive Officer deems appropriate.

Link to Council Plan:

Strategic Objective 4.3 an engaged skilled Council and workforce capable of meeting community needs.

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:

Council's 2020/2021 has a budget for Councillor training, conferences and seminars.

Risk Management Implications:

The recommendations in this report support Council's good governance.

Confidential Declaration:

N/A

Conflict of Interest:

Under section 130(2) of the *Local Government Act 2020*, officers providing advice to Council must disclose any conflict of interest, including the type of interest.

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

Author – Helen Thomson, Manager Governance and Human Services
In providing this advice as the Author, I have no disclosable interests in this report.

Communications Strategy:

N/A

Next Steps:

1. CEO to fill out form in Schedule 1 of the MAV Rules of Association appointing a substitute representative and forward to the Municipal Association of Victoria.
2. Council officers arrange for Councillor delegate to attend the ALGA National General Assembly.
3. The CEO and a Councillor representative affix the Hindmarsh Shire Common Seal onto the Hindmarsh Shire Council Governance Local Law and Hindmarsh Shire

Council Municipal Local Law.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council:

- 1. appoints Councillor Robert Gersch as Hindmarsh Shire Council's substitute representative to the Municipal Association of Victoria;**
- 2. appoints Mayor Councillor Ron Ismay as delegate to the National General Assembly of the Australian Local Government Association;**
- 3. approves Mayor Councillor Ron Ismay's interstate travel to Canberra to attend the National General Assembly of the Australian Local Government Association;**
- 4. approves expenses associated with Mayor Councillor Ron Ismay's interstate travel to Canberra to attend the National General Assembly of the Australian Local Government Association;**
- 5. authorises the Hindmarsh Shire Council Common Seal be affixed to the Hindmarsh Shire Governance Local Law;**
- 6. authorises the Hindmarsh Shire Council Common Seal be affixed to the Hindmarsh Shire Municipal Local Law;**
- 7. that, pursuant to cl 7.1 of Council's Governance Local Law of 2021, Council gives the Chief Executive Officer general authority to affix the Common Seal to any document as the Chief Executive Officer deems appropriate.**

MOVED: CRS W Bywaters/M Albrecht

That Council:

- 1. appoints Mayor Councillor Ron Ismay as delegate to the National General Assembly of the Australian Local Government Association;**
- 2. approves Mayor Councillor Ron Ismay's interstate travel to Canberra to attend the National General Assembly of the Australian Local Government Association;**
- 3. approves expenses associated with Mayor Councillor Ron Ismay's interstate travel to Canberra to attend the National General Assembly of the Australian Local Government Association;**
- 4. authorises the Hindmarsh Shire Council Common Seal be affixed to the Hindmarsh Shire Governance Local Law; and**
- 5. authorises the Hindmarsh Shire Council Common Seal be affixed to the Hindmarsh Shire Municipal Local Law.**

CARRIED

MOVED: CRS W Bywaters/D Nelson

That Council appoints Councillor Wendy Bywaters as Hindmarsh Shire Council's substitute representative to the Municipal Association of Victoria.

CARRIED

9.2 COUNCIL PLAN 2017-2021 PROGRESS REPORT

Responsible Officer: Director Corporate and Community Services

Attachment Number: 8

Introduction:

An update regarding the status of the strategic actions in the Council Plan 2017-2021 has been provided for Council information.

Conflict of Interest:

Under section 130(2) of the *Local Government Act 2020*, officers providing advice to Council must disclose any conflict of interest, including the type of interest.

Officer Responsible and Author: Monica Revell, Director Corporate and Community Services.

In providing this advice as the Officer Responsible, I have no interests to disclose.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes the Council Plan update for the third quarter of 2020/2021.

MOVED: CRS B Ireland/M Albrecht

That Council notes the Council Plan update for the third quarter of 2020/2021.

CARRIED

Attachment Number: 8

9.3 FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 31 MARCH 2021

Responsible Officer: Director Corporate and Community Services

Attachment Number: 9

Introduction:

The Financial Report for the third quarter of 2020/2021 financial year has been prepared, including explanations of variances where applicable, and is presented for the information of Council.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes the Financial Report for the period ending 31 March 2021 as presented.

MOVED: CRS R Gersch/M Albrecht

That Council notes the Financial Report for the period ending 31 March 2021 as presented.

CARRIED

Attachment Number: 9

9.4 CROWN LAND COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT RAINBOW RISES, RAINBOW

Responsible Officer: Director Corporate and Community Services

Introduction:

This report seeks support to enter into an agreement appointing Council as the Committee of Management with the Department of Land Water and Planning (DELWP) for Crown Parcels 10~B\PP5664 (P006233) and 9~B\PP5664 (P006232), Rainbow Rises Road Rainbow, utilised by the Rainbow Desert Enduro.

Discussion:

At the Council meeting held on Wednesday 3 February 2021 Council resolved subject to the ability to subdivide the parcel so that the airfield remains DELWP responsibility, enters into a Committee of Management agreement with DELWP for Crown Parcels 10~B\PP5664 (P006233) and 9~B\PP5664 (P006232), Rainbow Rises Road Rainbow.

Council officers have been liaising with DELWP and have received correspondence that DELWP does not see any beneficial public land outcomes as a result of splitting the airstrip Crown land area from the remainder of the reserve, therefore requiring Council to enter into a Committee of Management agreement for the both parcels in their entirety. The map below highlights both parcels including the airfield.



DELWP have advised that the airstrip is no longer being used for firefighting purposes with Linga Airbase the preference and Hopetoun the secondary option. There is no intention for the Rainbow airstrip to be used for any future emergency operations. The main use of the airstrip is for recreational aviation and local tourism.

There are currently three interconnected 22,000L water tanks located near the airstrip and supplied from the Wimmera Mallee Pipeline, with some of this water used for dust suppression at the Off Road Racing events.

Under section 17D of the *Crown Land (Reserves) Act 1978* Council is able to enter into a lease with a regular user of the Crown land reserve using DELWP's standard lease template. Council can determine the annual fee based on the proposed use, which is usually charged at DELWP's minimum of \$421 plus GST, commercial based users should be charged market based rates.

As the main user of the site and in order for development (and future events) it is proposed Council enter assist the Rainbow Off Road Racing Committee to become incorporated and enter into a lease agreement for both parcels including the Rainbow Airfield. Council officers will liaise with DELWP to seek the Ministers approval to enter into a lease to ensure compliance with the *Crown Land (Reserves) Act 1978*.

Options:

1. Council can enter into a Committee of Management agreement with DELWP for Crown Parcels 10~B\PP5664 (P006233) and 9~B\PP5664 (P006232), Rainbow Rises Road Rainbow and authorise the CEO to assist the Off Road Racing

Committee to become incorporated and to liaise with DELWP to enter into a lease agreement with the Rainbow Off Road Racing Committee.

2. Council can choose not to enter into a Committee of Management agreement for either sites.

Link to Council Plan:

Strategic Objective 1.1	An actively engaged community
Strategic Objective 1.3	A community that is physically active with access to a wide range of leisure, sporting and recreation facilities
Strategic Objective 3.1	A strong rural economy and thriving towns
Strategic Objective 3.2	A thriving tourism industry

Financial Implications:

Rainbow Desert Off Road Racing Committee will be responsible for outgoing costs involved with the site as part of the lease agreement.

Risk Management Implications:

The Rainbow Desert Off Road Racing Committee will be responsible for public liability insurance and asset coverage for the site.

Conflict of Interest:

Under section 130(2) of the *Local Government Act 2020*, officers providing advice to Council must disclose any conflict of interest, including the type of interest.

Author and Officer Responsible – Monica Revell, Director Corporate & Community Services.

In providing this advice as the Officer Responsible, I have no disclosable interests in this report.

Communications Strategy:

Council will advise DELWP and the Rainbow Off Road Racing Committee of the outcome of this decision.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council

1. ***Enters into a Committee of Management agreement with DELWP for Crown Parcels 10~B\PP5664 (P006233) and 9~B\PP5664 (P006232), Rainbow Rises Road Rainbow.***
2. ***Authorises the CEO to liaise with DELWP to gain ministerial approval to enter into a lease agreement with Rainbow Off Road Racing Committee for Crown Parcels 10~B\PP5664 (P006233) and 9~B\PP5664 (P006232), Rainbow Rises Road Rainbow.***

MOVED: CRS M Albrecht/B Ireland

That Council:

- 1. Enters into a Committee of Management agreement with DELWP for Crown Parcels 10~B\PP5664 (P006233) and 9~B\PP5664 (P006232), Rainbow Rises Road Rainbow.**
- 2. Authorises the CEO to liaise with DELWP to gain ministerial approval to enter into a lease agreement with Rainbow Off Road Racing Committee for Crown Parcels 10~B\PP5664 (P006233) and 9~B\PP5664 (P006232), Rainbow Rises Road Rainbow.**

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9.5 FLAGSHIP TOURISM INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS FUNDING

Responsible Officer: Director Corporate and Community Services

Introduction:

This report seeks endorsement from Council to authorise the Chief Executive Officer to sign the funding agreement between the Victorian Government and Hindmarsh Shire Council, for up to \$2.1 million (exclusive of GST) for tourism projects.

Discussion:

As part of the Victorian Budget 2020-21, the Victorian State Government announced \$510 million to restart Victoria's visitor economy including \$120.63 million for flagship tourism infrastructure projects. In December 2020, the Victorian State Government announced a \$4.9 million package across the Southern Wimmera Mallee region reflecting priority projects from the *Silo art extension project – Priority investments overview (2020)*.

From this Hindmarsh Shire Council has been offered up to \$2.1 million for three projects: Rainbow Silo Art Re-imagined, Hindmarsh Silo Art project, and Business Innovation Pilot.

The majority of this funding is for the Rainbow Silo Art re-imagined project which is seen as both the key project within the regional package, and as a potential 'game changer' in the regions tourism offering. The project plans to:

- Install internal artwork
- Internal staircase and lift
- Viewing platform on top of the silo
- Night projections and possible elements of external artwork

The funding includes an allocation of \$120,000 for project management.

This funded project opportunity follows a masterplan and business case previously funded by Visit Victoria completed in 2020.

The Rainbow silo is currently privately owned and discussions are underway regarding

the most appropriate agreement for Council control of the silo and immediate land prior to the funding agreement being formalised.

The remaining funding will allow a second external silo art installation in Hindmarsh Shire (following the almost completed Albacutya Silo). This additional silo will strengthen the Silo Art Trail tourism route linking the Yarriambiack Silos through Hindmarsh to the West Wimmera silos. There is also allocated funds for the development of tourism innovation pilot projects. This will look at 'gaps' in the current tourism offering across the Shire and region, and look at innovative tourism/hospitality opportunities.

Options:

Council can choose to endorse the funding agreement to be signed by the CEO or to not support the signing of the funding agreement and not undertake the projects.

Link to Council Plan:

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

Financial Implications:

Funding of up to \$2.1 million does not require a co-contribution from Council.

Risk Management Implications:

Appropriate risk management plans will be developed as part of the project governance and tender process.

Conflict of Interest:

Under section 130(2) of the *Local Government Act 2020*, officers providing advice to Council must disclose any conflict of interest, including the type of interest.

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

Author – Jeff Woodward, Tourism and Community Development Officer.
In providing this report as the Author, I have no disclosable interests in this report.

Communications Strategy:

Appropriate communications strategies will be developed following signing of the funding agreement and as part of the project governance.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council authorises the Chief Executive Officer to sign the funding agreement for the Flagship Tourism Infrastructure Projects: Rainbow Silo Art Re-imagined, Hindmarsh Silo Art and Business Innovation Pilot.

MOVED: CRS R Gersch/W Bywaters

That Council endorses the Chief Executive Officer's signing of the funding agreement for the Flagship Tourism Infrastructure Projects: Rainbow Silo Art Re-imagined, Hindmarsh Silo Art and Business Innovation Pilot.

CARRIED

9.6 RAINBOW CARAVAN PARK – VICTORIA'S GREAT OUTDOORS CAMPING AND CARAVAN GRANTS PROGRAM

Responsible Officer: Director Corporate and Community Services

Introduction:

This report seeks endorsement from Council for the preparation and submission of a grant application through Round 3 of the Victorian Government's, Victoria's Great Outdoors Camping and Caravan Grants program for funding to assist with the redevelopment of the Rainbow Caravan Park.

Discussion:

Further to the Rainbow Recreation Reserve and Caravan Park Master Plan that was adopted by Council in July 2019, the Rainbow Caravan Park was selected as one of two projects for further planning to be undertaken through Wimmera Mallee Tourism's, Trading Off the Tourism Trails initiative from funding received through the Federal Governments Building Better Regions Fund.

Consultants were appointed to undertake the development of a new detailed master plan that included a review of the 2019 Rainbow Recreation Reserve and Caravan Park Master Plan and consultation with a group of interested Rainbow residents, the Mayor and Council staff.

The new master plan includes the location of the new female change rooms that Council has previously received funding for through Sport and Recreation Victoria, the relocation of existing and location of up to 30 powered sites and the location of proposed new accommodation cabins.

During the process of preparing the detailed design for the new change rooms, the need

for a power upgrade into the caravan park was identified.

Council subsequently appointed a contractor to engage with Powercor to determine the level of power available at the junction box that delivers power to the caravan park. Once the available level of power is known, Council will prepare a scope of works and seek quotations / tenders for the upgrade of power to accommodate future developments within the caravan park.

Works will include the supply and installation of:

- new or upgraded junction box,
- mains power throughout the caravan park to enable connection to the new change rooms, new cabins, powered sites and other amenities as identified,
- new caravan park power heads, and
- new street / security lighting.

Until such time, as the level of available power has been identified it is difficult estimate the cost of either upgrading or replacing the junction box and supplying and installing new mains power.

Grant applications opened on 29 April 2021 and close at 4.00pm on Friday 11 June 2021. Grants of between \$5,000 and \$200,000 are available from the \$2.04m pool of funds allocated to Round 3.

The grant application guidelines request the inclusion of a minimum of two quotations for any works to be undertaken from grant funds.

As it is unlikely quotes will be received prior to the 2 June 2021 Council Meeting, it is the intention of this report to request Council's endorsement that a funding application of up to \$200,000 as per the funding guidelines be submitted to the Victoria's Great Outdoors Camping and Caravan Grants program with a Council contribution of up to \$50,000 from the 2020/2021 Council contribution to grant funded projects ledger.

Options:

1. Council can choose to endorse the funding application of up to \$200,000 through the Victorian Government's, Victoria's Great Outdoors Camping and Caravan Grants program with a Council contribution of up to \$50,00 from ledger 30104 (Council contribution to grant funded projects).
2. Council can choose to not apply for up to \$200,000 through Victoria's Great Outdoors Camping and Caravan Grants program.

Link to Council Plan:

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

Financial Implications:

Council has an allocation of \$100,000 in 2020/2021 for grant projects that arise during the financial year. Year to date expenditure against ledger 30104/650 is \$10,530.

Risk Management Implications:

Appropriate risk management plans will be developed as part of the project governance and tender process.

Conflict of Interest:

Under section 130(2) of the *Local Government Act 2020*, officers providing advice to Council must disclose any conflict of interest, including the type of interest.

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

Author – Phil King, Economic and Community Development Manager.
In providing this advice as the Author, I have no disclosable interests in this report.

Communications Strategy:

Appropriate communications strategies will be developed if the grant submission for funding is successful.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council:

- 1. endorses the funding application of up to \$200,000 through the Victorian Government's, Victoria's Great Outdoors Camping and Caravan Grants program for upgrades to the Rainbow Caravan Park; and***
- 2. allocates up to \$50,000 from the 2020/2021 budget ledger 30104 (Council contribution to grant funded projects) towards the Rainbow Caravan Park improvements.***

MOVED: CRS B Ireland/W Bywaters

That Council:

- 1. endorses the funding application of up to \$200,000 through the Victorian Government's, Victoria's Great Outdoors Camping and Caravan Grants program for upgrades to the Rainbow Caravan Park; and***
- 2. allocates up to \$50,000 from the 2020/2021 budget ledger 30104 (Council contribution to grant funded projects) towards the Rainbow Caravan Park improvements.***

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9.7 ROAD MANAGEMENT PLAN REVIEW

Responsible Officer: Director Infrastructure Services

Attachment Number: 10

Introduction: This Report seeks Council endorsement for public consultation of the draft Road Management Plan 2021-2023 (as required by Section 54(5) of the *Road Management Act 2004*).

Discussion:

In accordance with Section 54 (5) of the *Road Management Act 2004*, Hindmarsh Shire Council is required to conduct a review of its Road Management Plan (RMP) at prescribed intervals. In line with the Road Management (General) Regulations 2016, each incoming municipal council must review its road management plan within the period of six months after each general election, or by the next 30 June, whichever is later. Council last approved the RMP on 17 May 2017.

The purpose of the review, consistent with the role, functions and responsibilities of the Council as a road authority under the Act, is to ensure that the standards in relation to, and the priorities to be given to, the inspection, maintenance and repair of the roads and the classes of road to which the Council's RMP applies are safe, efficient and appropriate for use by the community served by the Council.

The current Hindmarsh Shire Council RMP has been under constant review over a period spanning several years. The results of this process are now ready for endorsement so that they can be released for community consultation prior to adoption. A draft document is attached to this report.

The current Roads Hierarchy Review is currently under review and will be presented to Council for adoption at a later stage. The delay in the roads Hierarchy review is, as a result, of some of the B Double Access Issues that have recently arisen, and the need to possibly add another level of class to the roads hierarchy. There are also a number of sub asset management plans to be reviewed which relate to other infrastructure such as Bridges, Culverts Playgrounds, Buildings and Pathways.

Once the draft Road Management Plan has been endorsed by Council, a process of public consultation can commence. This will include making the document available for public viewing.

A notice of the Draft Road Management Plan will be advertised in the Herald Sun, plus additional notices in the Victorian Government Gazette and local newspapers as soon as practicable after the June Council meeting if endorsement is given.

Public submissions received will then be reviewed and the RMP be updated as required, formally adopted and formally gazetted.

Subsequently if no objections or comments are received, Council will be requested to formally adopt the Road Management Plan 2021-2023 at its August 2021 meeting allowing notice of adoption of the Road Management Plan to then be formally gazetted in the Victorian Government Gazette and advertised in the Wimmera Mail Times.

Options:

1. Council may endorse the attached Road Management Plan and begin the process of community consultation leading to adoption as required by the Road Management Act 2004.
2. Council may decide not to amend the existing Road Management Plan contained in the 2017 document and not be required to give notice under regulation 10 of the Road Management (General) Regulations 2016.

Link to Council Plan:

Strategic Objective 3.2 Well-maintained physical assets and infrastructure to meet community and organisational needs.

Financial Implications:

The Road Management Plan has no direct impact on Council's budget. However, the changes made on service levels may have an impact on Council's future budgets.

These documents set out the service standards for the Hindmarsh Shire Council Road network and changes made to the Plan will affect the Council's financial commitment to the maintenance, renewal and upgrade of road infrastructure into the future.

Risk Management Implications:

The review of the Road Management Plan address risk across the municipal road network by placing roads of similar risk into urban and rural road classes, which are then allocated corresponding levels of service and defect inspection regimes.

Conflict of Interest:

Under section 130(2) of the *Local Government Act 2020*, officers providing advice to Council must disclose any conflict of interest, including the type of interest.

Officer Responsible – Angela Hoy, Director Infrastructure Services

In providing this advice as the Officer Responsible, I have no disclosable interests in this report.

Author Responsible – Joe Scimone, Development Engineer

In providing this advice as the Officer Responsible, I have no disclosable interests in this report.

Communications Strategy:

Hindmarsh Shire Council is required under Section 54 of the *Road Management Act 2004* to give notice in the Government Gazette and a local newspaper regarding the purpose and amendments to the road management plan and allow for public submissions.

Copies will be available online and at Council's Customer Service Centre for a period of 28 days.

Next Steps:

A notice of the Draft Road Management Plan will be advertised in the Herald Sun, plus additional notices in the Victorian Government Gazette and local newspapers as soon as practicable after the June Council meeting if endorsement is given.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council endorses for public consultation the draft Road Management Plan (as required by Section 54(5) of the Road Management Act 2004) and undertakes public consultation for a minimum period of 28 days.

MOVED: CRS D Nelson/M Albrecht

That Council endorses for public consultation the draft Road Management Plan (as required by Section 54(5) of the Road Management Act 2004) and undertakes public consultation for a minimum period of 28 days.

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9.8 GAZETTING OF B DOUBLE ROADS FOR PUBLIC CONSULTATION

Responsible Officer: Director Infrastructure Services

Introduction:

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider opening certain strategic roads as listed in Table 1 to address the existing B Double Route issues for various road users on some roads within the Hindmarsh Shire Municipality, and to give the public an opportunity to make submissions before Council making a final decision.

Discussion:

At the 16 December 2020 Ordinary Council Meeting Council moved that:

- ***Officers undertake a review of the current roads hierarchy system and roads management plans and begin to re-enter community discussions with key stakeholders on existing road networks within the Hindmarsh Shire Municipality for the purpose of increasing A-Double and B-Double access.***

Whilst the full roads hierarchy review has not been completed, it is currently under review.

The B Double working group is continuing to meet on a regular basis and have discussed the following definitions of local use, but have yet to make an official recommendation.

A road deemed for local use only may be accessed by a B-double:

- If the destination of the B-double is on the specific road for the purposes of loading and unloading; or
- If the B-double's depot is located on the road; or
- If there is no alternative route for the B-double to reach its final destination.

Adopting these conditions with advice from the Department of Transport and National Heavy Vehicle regulator means that an un-laden vehicle that has dropped off a load anywhere in the Shire (or outside the Shire) should not be using a local use road as a short-cut. Only vehicles that have dropped off a load on a local use road should be allowed to use that same road to make their return journey.

The definition of local access is: Property Owner/lessee who holds land within the Hindmarsh Shire Municipality. Property Owner/Lessee using subcontractors should be advising operators not to use local access roads as a through road. For example they should take the shortest route available to link to an unconditionally approved gazetted road.

The following road requests have been submitted by the Victorian Farmers Federation who represent the farmers in the Hindmarsh Shire Municipality for consideration as

strategic Routes open to all traffic (no local access restrictions). Shire Officers have also made some suggestions for roads not requested by the VFF

The following roads have been assessed by Officers and are recommended to be opened to B Double access as well as another 5 truck classes including HML, Grain Harvest Management Scheme (GHMS) - B-Doubles, Grain Harvest Management Scheme (GHMS) - Rigid trucks & Semi-Trailers, PBS Level 1 & PBS Level 2A with some conditions between full and local access only.

Table 1

Road Name	Comments & Traffic Data	Recommendation to Open to full B Double with no conditions	Recommendation to Open to Local B Double Access with conditions
Janetzki Rd	18 ADT per week – non peak season - Only leads to windfarm	No - as limestone road only	Yes should be for local traffic only, Dry weather
Coker Dam Rd	Already a B double Gazetted Route	n/a From Dimboola to Kiata South	n/a
Winiam East Road	ADT per Week 100 non peak	No - Mainly 4m seal some 6.2, 8m corner to be upgraded next year. Once fully upgraded could be opened for all traffic	Yes should be for local traffic only
Sandsmere Rd	ADT week unknown	No- straight Rd, repaired under flood recovery, limestone and earth	Yes should be for local traffic only, Dry weather
Yanac South Road	21 ADT per week non peak	No- Upgraded under flood recovery, straight road. Alternative Route is Broughton Rd which is already a B Double Gazetted	Yes should be for local traffic only, Dry weather
Winiam Road	61 ADT per week peak/non peak	No - Narrow 4m x seal alternative routes are Nhill Harrow road, Western Highway	Yes should be for local traffic only.

Nhill Diapur Rd	Already a B Double Gazetted Route	n/a	n/a
Tarranyurk East Rd	26 ADT per week – non peak	No- Partly sealed, turns to limestone. Short staking issues	Yes should be for local traffic only, Dry weather. Limit to 22m short stacking issues
Aubrey Rd	ADT unknown – Yarriambiack Shire	n/a	n/a
O'Reilly	Suggested by Council Officers ADT unknown links Diapur Yanac	No - Narrow 4m seal	Yes should be for local traffic only
Ellam-Willenabrina	Suggested by Council Officers	No – narrow seal and Limestone links to Geodetic	Yes should be for local traffic only, Dry weather
King Road	ADT Unknown	No - Mix of limestone and earth	Yes should be for local traffic only, Dry weather
Drendel Rd	Suggested By Council Officers Currently B double Gazetted – 43 ADT per week peak	No – limestone road	Yes portion of road only should be for local traffic only, Dry weather, Northern end of road is very narrow and will need widening at some point if the whole road is to be opened to B Doubles. Amend NHVR map portion only
Werner Road	15 ADT per week	No - Mix of limestone and earth	Yes should be for local traffic only, Dry weather
Solly Rd	Suggested By Council Officers 26 ADT per week peak	No – limestone	Yes should be for local traffic only, Dry weather
Stasinowskys Rd	Suggested By Council Officers 31 ADT per week	No – limestone	Yes should be for local traffic only, Dry weather

	peak		
Katyil/Wail between Antwerp Warracknabeal to Borong Highway	Suggested By Council Officers 42 ADT per week peak	No - Narrow seal	Yes should be for local traffic only
Tarranyurk West Rd	46 ADT per week – non peak	No - Narrow seal then limestone	Yes should be for local traffic only, Dry weather
Rainbow-Nhill Road	Construction Complete, trafficable width suitable	Yes - 8m sealed	n/a
Mt Elgin Rd	35 ADT per week – non peak	No - Narrow seal	Yes should be for local traffic only
Boyeo-Tarranginnie Rd	unknown	No - Limestone	Yes should be for local traffic only, Dry weather
Kinimakatka Rd (North South)	41 ADT per week Non Peak	No - limestone	Yes should be for local traffic only, Dry weather
Kinimakatka Rd (East West)	61 ADT per week – Non Peak	No - Narrow seal - limestone	Yes should be for local traffic only, Dry weather
Heinrich Rd	Suggested by Council Officers 14 ADT per week non peak links Burma Rd & Pigick Bus route	No – Limestone	Yes should be for local traffic only, Dry weather
Burma Rd	Suggested by Council Officers 9 ADT per week links to Heinrich	No – Lime stone	Yes should be for local traffic only, Dry weather
Pigick - Kurnbrunin	Suggested by Council Officers 9 ADT per week links to North and South of Pigick Bus Route	No – Lime stone	Yes should be for local traffic only, Dry weather
Western Beach Rd	Unable to open as this road is not owned by HSC 23 non peak – 185 peak per week	n/a - Narrow seal if Shire acquires Road the Yes for all traffic in future	n/a

Perenna Rd	Suggested by Council Officers 41 ADT per week - peak	No - Seal and Limestone	Yes should be for local traffic only, Dry weather
Netting Fence From Perenna Rd	Suggested by Council Officers	No - Limestone links to Rainbow Nhill	Yes should be for local traffic only, Dry weather

Opening these roads to traffic may have a significant effect on the community, it is recommended, should council approve table 1, that these roads be published for public consultation. Any submissions received will be presented to Council in order for Council to make a decision at the next Ordinary Council Meeting once submissions have closed and been assessed.

Options

Council can:

1. Approve the recommendations and authorise the CEO to publish the proposed changes to vehicle use for B Doubles as per the attached Table 1 for public consultation.
2. Amend the recommendations as per the attached Table 1, and authorise the CEO to advise interested parties of the outcome and publish the proposed changes to vehicle use for B Doubles for public consultation.

Link to Council Plan:

- Strategic Objective 1.1 An actively engaged community.
- Strategic Objective 1.1.6 Continue to engage with our farming community on road and road related infrastructure maintenance and improvements.
- Strategic Objective 2.1 Well-maintained physical assets and infrastructure to meet community and organizational needs.
- Strategic Objective 2.1.3 Develop and prioritize detailed plans relating to new infrastructure, infrastructure upgrade and renewal (including roads, bridges, drains, footpaths and buildings) for each town.
- Strategic Objective 3.4 Transport solutions that support the needs of our communities and businesses.
- Strategic Objective 3.4.1 Advocate for flexible and responsive public and freight transport.
- Strategic Objective 3.4.2 Investigate innovative transport solutions and facility upgrades.

Financial Implications:

N/A

Risk Management Implications:

Approval of the recommendations on table 1 will:

1. Increase access and heavy vehicle use by responsible vehicle operators and thus increase the numbers of heavy vehicles currently on the roads, which will initially increase council's maintenance costs. The costs in time will balance out as there will be less vehicle movements, with vehicle configurations able to take more loads.
2. Reduce the number of permits issued by Council staff, and allow the current local transport operators to operate within the law.
3. Have an effect on residents and non-heavy vehicle road users, which needs to be taken into account when making assessments and enforcing conditions.

Conflict of Interest:

Under section 130(2) of the *Local Government Act 2020*, officers providing advice to Council must disclose any conflict of interest, including the type of interest.

Officer Responsible/Author – Angela Hoy, Director Infrastructure Services

In providing this advice as the Officer Responsible, I have no disclosable interests in this report.

Communications Strategy:

Advertise the recommendations on table 1 for public comment.

Next Steps:

Publish the recommendations on table 1 and link on the Shire's Website.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council

1. ***approves and authorises the Chief Executive Officer to publish the proposed changes to road use for B Doubles access in Table 1 as above for public consultation.***
2. ***Considers public submissions in relation the proposed changes to road use for B Doubles at the August 2021 Council meeting.***

MOVED: CRS M Albrecht/R Gersch

That Council

1. ***approves and authorises the Chief Executive Officer to publish the proposed changes to road use for B Doubles access in Table 1 as above for public consultation.***
2. ***Considers public submissions in relation the proposed changes to road use for B Doubles at the August 2021 Council meeting.***

CARRIED

9.9 PROCUREMENT AUSTRALIA – 2506/0641 RETAIL ENERGY CONTRACT

Responsible Officer: Director Infrastructure Services

Introduction:

This report seeks Council approval to grant delegated authority to the Chief Executive Officer to participate in the Procurement Australia tendering process and to enter into a contract/s with the recommended energy provider/s.

Discussion:

Procurement Australia facilitate public tender processes on behalf of private and public sectors including local government, with an aim to achieve discounted goods and services through aggregated contractual arrangements.

Currently ERM Power provides the majority of Council's electricity supply through the Procurement Australia contract 2206-0638 (PROAUS-888829) for large and small sites, which expires on 30 June 2022. Procurement Australia has invited Council to participate in the new electricity contract. Procurement Australia (PA) requires a letter of authorisation from Council, for it to:

- act as a tendering agent and invite tenders on Council's behalf for electricity for large and small sites, including solar feed in tariff requirements for a period of two years;
- act as an enhancement to this tender, and to assist Member organisations to achieve their broader renewable energy and sustainability objectives our intention also via this tender is to seek from the market both mandatory and voluntary level Large Generation Certificates (LGCs) that are provided by one renewable generating asset in each state. We will also be seeking an LGC contracting arrangement whereby individual members can elect post tender to purchase voluntary level LGCs to a level determined by each member's needs should any member wish to purchase voluntary level LGCs;
- obtain all required Site, Consumption and associated data (interval/meter data, retail agreements) pertaining to Council's current energy retailer(s) for tendering purposes only;
- complete the evaluation of tenders in accordance with the criteria and weightings and prepare an evaluation report for Council;
- award the tender on merit to a retailer or retailers within the defined tender acceptance period, consistent with how the energy sector works;
- instruct the successful retailer/s to issue energy supply agreements to Council for execution; and
- provide ongoing contract support during the contract duration.

Council delegation of authority to the Chief Executive Officer is required to authorise

Procurement Australia to act of its behalf for the provision of electricity for large and small sites, and solar feed in tariff requirements for the two-year period, commencing 1 July 2022. Public Lighting, Natural Gas and Large Generation Certificates is excluded from Council's commitment to this procurement process.

Options

1. Council can delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to enable participation in the Procurement Australia tender process and subsequent contract agreement; or
2. Council can undertake an independent procurement process for the provision of electricity.

Link to Council Plan:

Strategic Objective 2.4 A community living more sustainably.
Strategic Objective 4.1 Long-term financial sustainability.

Financial Implications:

During the 2019-2020 financial year, Council expended approximately \$172,200 on electricity supply, excluding public lighting.

It is envisaged that the ensuing Procurement Australia contract will deliver significant savings in contrast to Council undertaking an independent tendering process. This view is formed due to the committed volume provided by aggregated councils to the potential energy retailer/s. However, it should be noted that energy prices might increase beyond those currently being paid by Council. It has not been identified what increases are likely to occur during the contract period.

Risk Management Implications:

There is a risk that Council would attract higher energy costs should it not participate in the Procurement Australia facilitated tender process. Procurement Australia hold an Approved Ministerial Arrangement, which provides exemption from Local Government Act s186 requirements.

Conflict of Interest:

Under section 130(2) of the *Local Government Act 2020*, officers providing advice to Council must disclose any conflict of interest, including the type of interest.

Officer Responsible – Angela Hoy – Director Infrastructure Services

In providing this advice as the Officer Responsible, I have no disclosable interests in this report.

Author – Wayne Schulze – Manager Operations

In providing this advice as the Author, I have no disclosable interests in this report.

Communications Strategy:

Procurement Australia will be responsible for the tender process. Once the successful tender/s has been notified they will send an agreement for execution by the Chief Executive Officer.

Next Steps:

The Chief Executive Officer enter into agreement with Procurement Australia to participate in the 2506/0641 Retail Energy tender process and execute on Council's behalf the ensuing contract agreement with the successful retailer/s.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council:

- 1. delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer to enter into an agreement with Procurement Australia for Contract No. 2505/0641 Retail Energy tender process; and**
- 2. delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer to execute on Council's behalf the Procurement Australia ensuing contract agreement with the successful retailer/s from the 2506/0641 Retail Energy contract.**

MOVED: CRS W Bywaters/B Ireland

That Council:

- 1. delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer to enter into an agreement with Procurement Australia for Contract No. 2505/0641 Retail Energy tender process; and**
- 2. delegates authority to the Chief Executive Officer to execute on Council's behalf the Procurement Australia ensuing contract agreement with the successful retailer/s from the 2506/0641 Retail Energy contract.**

CARRIED

10. COUNCIL COMMITTEES

10.1 NHILL TOWN COMMITTEE

Responsible Officer: Director Corporate and Community Services

Attachment Number: 11

Introduction:

The Nhill Town Committee held its meeting on 19 April 2021. The purpose of this report is to note the minutes from this meeting. 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 19 April 2021.

MOVED: CRS M Albrecht/R Gersch

That Council notes the minutes of the Nhill Town Committee meeting held on 19 April 2021.

CARRIED

Attachment Number: 11

10.2 RAINBOW TOWN COMMITTEE

Responsible Officer: Director Corporate and Community Services

Attachment Number: 12 – 13

Introduction:

The Rainbow Town Committee held its meetings on 27 March 2021 and 17 May 2021. The purpose of this report is to note the minutes from this meeting. A copy of the minutes is included as an attachment for the information of Council.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council:

- 1. notes the minutes of the Rainbow Town Committee meetings held on 27 March 2021 and 17 May 2021;***
- 2. preauthorises expenditure by the Enduro Working Group in preparation for the August 2021 Enduro for the following amounts;***
 - \$3000 Rainbow IGA***
 - \$3000 Clugston Butchers***
 - \$500 Bow Bakery***
 - \$2000 Reimbursement to Norelle Eckermann***
- 3. approves Mural Project funding up to \$9,882.46 ex GST, broken down into the following:***
 - \$5,040.46 Rainbow Town Committee Contribution***
 - \$3,232.00 Council Contribution (Budget Submission)***
 - \$1,610.00 Rainbow Town Committee (covering shortfall)***
- 4. approves appointment as members of the Rainbow Town Committee:***
 - Chairperson – Leonie Clarke***
 - Deputy Chairperson – Ross Heinrich***
 - Secretary – Bill Hutson***
 - Committee Members – Roger Aitken, Adrian Bennett, Peta Bennett, Greg***

Roberts, Michael Sullivan, Julie Mc Lean and Alison Ey.

MOVED: CRS B Ireland/M Albrecht

That Council:

1. **notes the minutes of the Rainbow Town Committee meetings held on 27 March 2021 and 17 May 2021;**
2. **pre-authorises expenditure by the Enduro Working Group in preparation for the August 2021 Enduro for the following amounts;**
 - **\$3000 Rainbow IGA**
 - **\$3000 Clugston Butchers**
 - **\$500 Bow Bakery**
 - **\$2000 Reimbursement to Norelle Eckermann**
3. **approves Mural Project funding up to \$9,882.46 ex GST, broken down into the following:**
 - **\$5,040.46 Rainbow Town Committee Contribution**
 - **\$3,232.00 Council Contribution (Budget Submission)**
 - **\$1,610.00 Rainbow Town Committee (covering shortfall)**
4. **approves appointment as members of the Rainbow Town Committee:**
 - **Chairperson – Leonie Clarke**
 - **Deputy Chairperson – Ross Heinrich**
 - **Secretary – Bill Hutson**
 - **Committee Members – Adrian Bennett, Peta Bennett, Greg Roberts, Michael Sullivan, Julie Mc Lean and Alison Ey.**

CARRIED

Attachment Number: 12 – 13

10.3 YURUNGA COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT

Responsible Officer: Director Corporate and Community Services

Attachment Number: 14 – 15

Introduction:

The Yurunga Committee of Management held its meetings on 25 February 2021 and 25 March 2021. The purpose of this report is to note the minutes from these meetings. A copy of the minutes is included as attachments for the information of Council.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes the minutes of the Yurunga Committee of Management meetings held on 25 February 2021 and 25 March 2021.

MOVED: CRS B Ireland/W Bywaters

That Council notes the minutes of the Yurunga Committee of Management meetings held on 25 February 2021 and 25 March 2021.

CARRIED

Attachment Number: 14 – 15

10.4 DIMBOOLA TOWN COMMITTEE

Responsible Officer: Director Corporate and Community Services

Attachment Numbers: 16 – 18

Introduction:

The Dimboola Town Committee held its meeting on 3 May 2021 and at its meetings on 1 February 2021 and 1 March 2021, Dimboola Town Committee held its election and elected new committee members. The purpose of this report is to note the minutes from this meeting and approve appointment of members in the Dimboola Town Committee. A copy of the February, March and May minutes are included as attachments for the information of Council.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council:

- 1. notes the minutes of the Dimboola Town Committee meeting held on 3 May 2021; and***
- 2. approves appointment as members of the Dimboola Town Committee:***
 - President – Kaylene Pietsch***
 - Vice President – Phil Colquhoun***
 - Secretary – Jo Donnelly***
 - Treasurer – Amanda Ingeme***
 - Committee Members – Bill Eldridge, Sharyn Cook, Chan Ouy, Debra Nelson, Tony Schneider, Lou Catania and Ross Johns.***

MOVED: CRS W Bywaters/M Albrecht

That Council:

- 1. notes the minutes of the Dimboola Town Committee meeting held on 3 May 2021; and***
- 2. approves appointment as members of the Dimboola Town Committee:***
 - President – Kaylene Pietsch***
 - Vice President – Phil Colquhoun***
 - Secretary – Jo Donnelly***
 - Treasurer – Amanda Ingeme***

- **Committee Members – Bill Eldridge, Sharyn Cook, Chan Ouy, Debra Nelson, Tony Schneider, Lou Catania and Ross Johns.**

CARRIED

Attachment Number: 16 – 18

10.5 JEPARIT TOWN COMMITTEE

Responsible Officer: Director Corporate and Community Services

Attachment Number: 19

Introduction:

The Jeparit Town Committee held its meeting on 10 May 2021. The purpose of this report is to note the minutes from this meeting. A copy of the minutes is included as an attachment for the information of Council.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes the minutes of the Jeparit Town Committee meeting held on 10 May 2021.

MOVED: CRS B Ireland/R Gersch

That Council notes the minutes of the Jeparit Town Committee meeting held on 10 May 2021.

CARRIED

Attachment Number: 19

11. LATE REPORTS

No late reports.

12. NOTICES OF MOTION

No notices of motion.

13. OTHER BUSINESS

No other business.

14. CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

In accordance with Section 66 (2) (a) of the *Local Government Act 2020*, Council may close the meeting to the public to consider confidential information. Confidential information is defined by Section 3 of the *Local Government Act 2020* as being:

- a) Council business information, being information that would prejudice the Council's position in commercial negotiations if prematurely released;
- b) security information, being information that if released is likely to endanger the security of Council property or the safety of any person;
- c) land use planning information, being information that if prematurely released is likely to encourage speculation in land values;
- d) law enforcement information, being information which if released would be reasonably likely to prejudice the investigation into an alleged breach of the law or the fair trial or hearing of any person;
- e) legal privileged information, being information to which legal professional privilege or client legal privilege applies;
- f) personal information, being information which if released would result in the unreasonable disclosure of information about any person or their personal affairs;
- g) private commercial information, being information provided by a business, commercial or financial undertaking that—
 - i. relates to trade secrets; or
 - ii. if released, would unreasonably expose the business, commercial or financial undertaking to disadvantage;
- h) confidential meeting information, being the records of meetings closed to the public under section 66(2)(a);
- i) internal arbitration information, being information specified in section 145;
- j) Councillor Conduct Panel confidential information, being information specified in section 169;
- k) information prescribed by the regulations to be confidential information for the purposes of this definition;
- l) information that was confidential information for the purposes of section 77 of the *Local Government Act 1989*

RECOMMENDATION:

That the meeting be closed in accordance with section 66 (2) (a) of the Local Government Act 2020, to consider reports that contain confidential information as defined by section (3) of the Local Government Act 2020:

- 14.1 *PROVISION OF INTERNAL AUDIT SERVICES – this report contains “Council business information, being information that would prejudice the Council's position in commercial negotiations if prematurely released” insofar as it pertains to contractual matters;***

MOVED: CRS R Gersch/W Bywaters

That the meeting be closed in accordance with section 66 (2) (a) of the Local Government Act 2020, to consider reports that contain confidential information as defined by section (3) of the Local Government Act 2020:

14.1 PROVISION OF INTERNAL AUDIT SERVICES – this report contains “Council business information, being information that would prejudice the Council’s position in commercial negotiations if prematurely released” insofar as it pertains to contractual matters;

CARRIED

15. MEETING CLOSE

There being no further business, Cr R Ismay declared the meeting closed at 3:38pm.



**Hindmarsh
Shire Council**

**BUDGET 2021/2022
INCORPORATING REVENUE AND
RATING PLAN**

Mayor and CEO's Introduction

We are pleased to present Hindmarsh Shire Council's 2021/2022 Budget incorporating the Revenue and Rating Plan.

Hindmarsh Shire Council are in the process of developing a Council Plan 2021-2025 and Community Vision, a longer term look at where our residents see Hindmarsh Shire in 20 years time.

The budget is based on the Council Plan 2017-2021 Key Result Areas of:

- Community Liveability
- Built and Natural Environment
- Competitive and Innovative Economy
- Our People, Our Processes

The 2021/2022 budget has been developed to balance the retention of existing community service levels, maintenance and renewal of assets, and new initiatives to improve the amenity and make Hindmarsh a better place to live.

The 2021/2022 budget includes capital works expenditure of \$12.80m. Renewal expenditure for 2021/2022 is \$8.5m. A number of larger grant funded projects are budgeted to be completed during 2021/22 including:

- Albacutya Bridge \$3.5m and Albacutya Road widening \$509,923.
- Cabins at Dimboola, Jeparit and Rainbow Caravan Parks \$600,000 (subject to a successful grant application).
- Silo Art Project including Llew Schilling Silo \$1.4m.
- Nhill Library upgrade \$110,000.

The budget proposes a rate increase of 1.5% in line with the Essential Services Commission (ESC) calculation method, which applies the increase to the average rates payable per assessment. This ensures Council are compliant with the State Government's Fair Go Rates System (FGRS) which has capped rate increases by Victorian Council's to 1.5% in 2021/2022. Council has not applied for a rate cap variation for 2021/2022.

Property revaluations are now completed annually, and although Council's rate increase is 1.5% individual rate increases are impacted by the changes in property values. This means if your property value increases by more than the average property valuation for that category, then your rate increase may be more than 1.5%. However, if your property value increases by less than the average property valuation for that category, then your rate increase may be less than 1.5%. In some cases individual rates may be less than the previous year.

Key Initiatives

The proposed key initiatives for the 2021/22 financial year are outlined below. Further details are included in the relevant sections of the budget document.

Community Infrastructure

- Funding obtained through the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Round 2 funding will enable Council to undertake works on Community Infrastructure including:
 - o Jeparit Camp Kitchen;
 - o Nhill Tennis Club Rooms;
 - o Rainbow Library Park linking Rainbow Library and Oasis;
 - o Rainbow Lake; and
 - o Davis Park.
- \$10,000 in recurrent and \$50,000 in capital as seed funding for grant opportunities arising during the year.
- \$6,500 to install pedestrian safety fencing at the Nhill Early Years Centre to reduce the risk of a child running directly onto the road.
- \$60,000 to install new solar heating at the Rainbow Swimming Pool due to the existing solar heating not working.

Tourism Development

- \$12,000 to support the Rainbow Desert Enduro in August 2021 (\$6,500 in-kind, \$5,500 advertising).
- \$10,000 to support the Peter Taylor Memorial Barefoot Tournament in February 2022 (\$2,500 in-kind; up to \$7,500 contribution subject to detailed expenditure being provided).
- \$15,500 Advertising and Marketing.
- \$21,000 implementation of Nhill Streetscape Master Plan initiatives.
- \$20,000 to update the ensuites at the Riverside Holiday Park in Dimboola.

Economic Development

- Business Assistance Grants. The Business Assistance Grants Program (BAGP) aims to support local businesses expanding their operations or new businesses, large and small, to establish in the Shire. It will provide assistance to offset costs associated with expanding or establishing a business in Hindmarsh Shire. \$20,000 has been included in the 2021/22 budget for this project.

Empowered Communities

- \$7,500 to each of the Shire's four Town Committees. This funding can be used as seed funding for grants that will fund works important to the community in each town. In its fourth year, this funding has enabled some fantastic projects in our towns since its inception.
- Hindmarsh Youth Council funding of \$10,000 to allow this successful initiative to continue.
- \$20,000 to its Community Action Grants which will enable community groups to apply for funding for events, minor facility upgrades, small equipment and community assistance.
- \$2,000 to support the Nhill Friday Fiestas in February 2022.

Infrastructure

- Kerb & Channel: Western Highway Median Maintenance Nelson Street \$57,925; Elgin Street, Nhill \$150,227; Scott Street, Jeparit \$128,076; Park Street, Nhill (\$219,569)
- Reseals and Final Seals: Council will undertake reseal and final seal projects totalling \$787,722 in 2021/22. These include: Lorquon Palm Road, Lorquon; Antwerp Woorak Road, "S Bend"; Antwerp Warracknabeal Road, Antwerp; Charles Street, Jeparit; Netherby Baker Road, Netherby; Jeparit East Road, Jeparit; Hindmarsh Street, Dimboola; Salisbury Woorak Road, Nhill.
- Sealed Road Construction: Council will undertake sealed road construction projects totalling \$1.066m in 2021/22. These include: Wimmera Street, Dimboola; Antwerp Woorak Road, Nhill; Kiata North Road, Kiata; Albacutya Road, Rainbow.
- Road Resheet Projects: Council will undertake 7 resheet projects during 2021/22 totalling \$493,729. These include Boundary Road in conjunction with West Wimmera Shire; Lorquon Cemetery Road, Nhill; Horsham Road, Dimboola; Arkona Katyil Road, Dimboola; Propodollah Road, Nhill; Stasinowsky Road, Rainbow; Antwerp Katyil Road, Dimboola.
- Footpaths: Footpath projects totalling \$179,525 will be undertaken during 2021/22. These include: Lake Street, Rainbow; Wimmera Street, Dimboola; Roy Street, Jeparit; Nelson Street, Nhill; Railway Street, Rainbow; Hindmarsh Street, Dimboola.

We are pleased to present the 2021/2022 budget to the Hindmarsh community and look forward to implementing the many programs and initiatives.

Cr Ron Ismay
Mayor

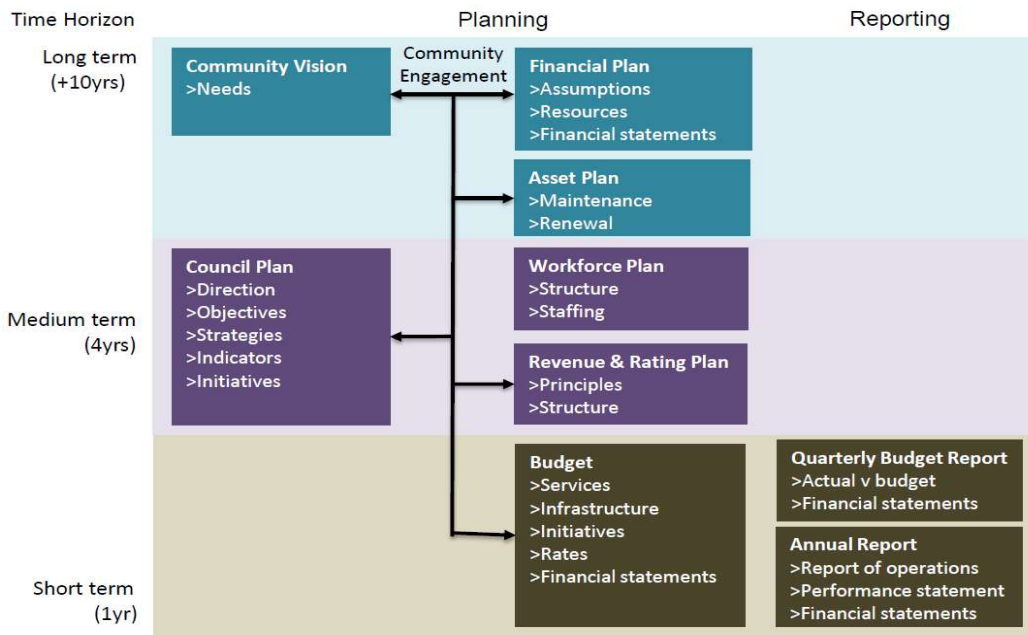
Greg Wood
Chief Executive Officer

1. Link to the Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework

This section describes how the Budget links to the achievement of the Community Vision and Council Plan within an overall integrated planning and reporting framework. This framework guides the Council in identifying community needs and aspirations over the long term (Community Vision and Financial Plan), medium term (Council Plan, Workforce Plan, and Revenue and Rating Plan) and short term (Budget) and then holding itself accountable (Annual Report).

1.1 Legislative planning and accountability framework

The Budget is a rolling four-year plan that outlines the financial and non-financial resources that Council requires to achieve the strategic objectives described in the Council Plan. The diagram below depicts the integrated planning and reporting framework that applies to local government in Victoria. At each stage of the integrated planning and reporting framework there are opportunities for community and stakeholder input. This is important to ensure transparency and accountability to both residents and ratepayers.



Source: Department of Jobs, Precincts and Regions

The timing of each component of the integrated planning and reporting framework is critical to the successful achievement of the planned outcomes.

1.2 Our purpose

Our Vision

- A caring, active community enhanced by its liveability, environment and economy.

Our mission

1. To provide accessible services to enable the community to be healthy, active and engaged.
2. To provide infrastructure essential to support the community.
3. To protect and enhance our natural environment.
4. To foster a thriving and diversified local economy where economic growth is encouraged and supported.
5. To realise the excellence in our people, processes and systems.

Our values

Hindmarsh Shire Council is committed to:

- Respect
- Integrity
- Good leadership
- Surpassing expectations
- Enthusiasm

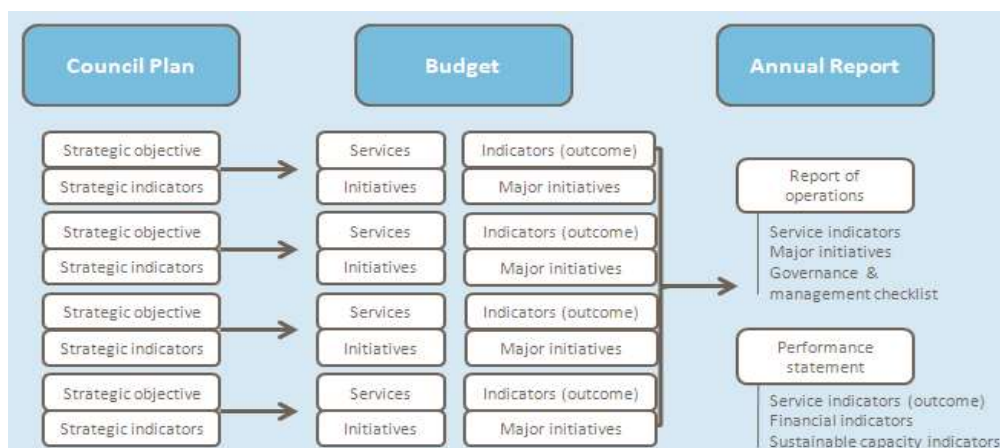
1.3 Strategic objectives

Council delivers services and initiatives under 47 service categories. Each contributes to the achievement of one of the four Key Result Areas (KRA) set out in the Council Plan for years 2017-2021. The following table lists the four KRA as described in the Council Plan.

Strategic Objective	What We Will Achieve:
Community Liveability	<ul style="list-style-type: none">1.1 An actively engaged community.1.2 A range of effective and accessible services to support the health and wellbeing of our community.1.3 A community that is physically active with access to a wide range of leisure, sporting and recreation facilities.
Built and Natural Environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none">2.1 Well-maintained physical assets and infrastructure to meet community and organisational needs.2.2 A community that reduces its reliance on water and manages this resource wisely.2.3 A healthy natural environment.2.4 A community living more sustainably.
Competitive and Innovative Economy	<ul style="list-style-type: none">3.1 A strong rural economy and thriving towns.3.2 A thriving tourism industry.3.3 Modern and affordable information and communication technology throughout the municipality.3.4 Transport solutions that support the needs of our communities and businesses.
Our People, Our Processes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">4.1 Long-term financial sustainability.4.2 Quality customer services.4.3 An engaged, skilled Council and workforce capable of meeting community needs.4.4 Efficient and effective information communications technology.4.5 Support for the community in the areas of emergency preparedness, response and recovery4.6 An organisation that takes its risk management responsibilities seriously and embeds a culture of risk management throughout the organisation.

2. Services and service performance indicators

This section provides a description of the services and initiatives to be funded in the Budget for the 2020/21 year and how these will contribute to achieving the strategic objectives outlined in the Council Plan. It also describes several initiatives and service performance outcome indicators for key areas of Council's operations. Council is required by legislation to identify major initiatives, initiatives and service performance outcome indicators in the Budget and report against them in their Annual Report to support transparency and accountability. The relationship between these accountability requirements in the Council Plan, the Budget and the Annual Report is shown below.



Source: Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning

2.1 Strategic Objective 1: Community Liveability

To achieve our KRA **Community Liveability**, we will continue to plan, deliver and improve high quality, cost effective, accessible and responsive services. The services, initiatives, major initiatives and service performance indicators for each business area are described over the following pages.

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20 Actual	2020/21 Forecast	2021/22 Budget
Community Development	Operating Expenditure	152,091	235,575	191,506
	Operating Revenue	70,180	72,600	0
	NET Expenses (Revenue)	81,911	162,975	191,506
	Capital Expenditure	19,805	22,985	-

Initiatives:

- Establish stronger links with the indigenous community through the Barengi Gadjin Land Council, Goolum Goolum Aboriginal Cooperative and Wurega Aboriginal Corporation.
- Continue to support the integration of migrants into the community.
- Support and celebrate volunteering and work collaboratively with volunteer groups.
- Provide ongoing financial assistance and operational support for town committees to ensure they remain strong and focused conduits between community and Council and that their statutory obligations are met.
- Commence work towards outcomes and projects identified and prioritised in the Dimboola and Nhill Community Precinct Plans.

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20 Actual	2020/21 Forecast	2021/22 Budget
Maternal and Child Health Centres	Operating Expenditure	14,918	18,351	18,052
	Operating Revenue	-	-	-
	NET Expenses (Revenue)	14,918	18,351	18,052
	Capital Expenditure	-	-	-

Initiatives:

- Maintain the Dimboola and Nhill Maternal and Child Health Centres.

Service	Indicator	Performance Measure	Computation
As Council does not have operational control over the delivery of Maternal and Child Health Services, the prescribed indicators for performance and prescribed measures have not been included in this budget.			

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	
		Actual	Forecast	Budget	
Kindergarten Services		Operating Expenditure	188,933	295,140	249,591
	Provision of Kindergarten services in Dimboola, Jeparit, Nhill and Rainbow under contract with Horsham District Kindergarten Association.	Operating Revenue	108,864	80,762	94,739
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	80,069	214,378	154,852
	Council does not directly deliver Kindergarten Services.	Capital Expenditure	15,850	75,589	6,500

Initiatives:

- Maintain all kindergartens in Dimboola, Jeparit, Nhill and Rainbow, and ensure buildings comply with Department of Education and Training regulations.
- Review and implement Municipal Early Years Plan.

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	
		Actual	Forecast	Budget	
Youth Services		Operating Expenditure	101,386	118,761	91,583
	Improve the wellbeing of and opportunities for youth within the Shire.	Operating Revenue	26,067	28,500	12,250
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	75,319	90,261	79,333
		Capital Expenditure	-	-	-

Initiatives:

- Facilitation of youth activities including school holiday activities and FreeZa events.
- Broaden the engagement of young people in the Shire and continue to facilitate the Hindmarsh Youth Council.

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	
		Actual	Forecast	Budget	
Aged & Disability Services		Operating Expenditure	1,076,371	1,242,083	1,089,394
	Council's Aged and Disability Services aim to support people in their own homes and communities by providing services that promote and maintain independence. The program assists frail older people, people with a disability and their carers. These services provide basic support and maintenance to people living at home or who are at risk of premature or inappropriate admission to long-term residential care.	Operating Revenue	930,437	1,070,577	990,355
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	145,934	171,506	99,039
		Capital Expenditure	23,650	37,376	-

Initiatives:

Deliver the full range of services provided by Council's Aged and Disability Services department including:

- **Assessments** occur in the client's home and are required to determine a person's eligibility to receive state or federally funded services. These assessments define a person's capabilities, are goal oriented and delivered to suit client needs.
- **Delivered Meals** and **Centre Based Meals** service provides a nutritious, appetising and culturally appropriate main meal delivered to the consumer's home or to a community centre where meals are eaten in a social setting.
- **Personal Care** provides assistance with those tasks which a person would normally do themselves but because of illness, disability or frailty they are unable to perform without the assistance of another person, including:
 - o Bathing, showering or sponging;
 - o Dressing and undressing;
 - o Shaving, hair care and grooming;
 - o Eating, drinking, cooking, and meal preparation;
 - o Mobility;
 - o Toileting;
 - o Self-medication;
 - o Transporting to medical and other related appointments.
- **Respite Care** services support the caring relationship by providing the carers of frail older people and people of any age with a disability, with a break from their caring responsibilities. It also provides an opportunity for the person being cared for to have a break or an outing without their usual carer.
- **Home Care / Domestic Assistance** services are to maintain a safe, secure, healthy home environment for frail older people and people with a disability. While cleaning tasks form an essential part of Home Care it is more than a cleaning service. It is focused on enhancing the consumers independence by providing basic levels of assistance required to maintain the home.
- **Property Maintenance** provides assistance with maintenance and minor modifications of the consumer's home, garden or yard to maintain the home in a safe and habitable condition

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20 Actual	2020/21 Forecast	2021/22 Budget	
Health Promotion	To protect and enhance the health of the community.	Operating Expenditure	185,224	173,353	118,091
		Operating Revenue	36,660	33,614	37,000
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	148,564	139,739	81,091
		Capital Expenditure	3,617	-	-

Initiatives:

- Education and enforcement of the legislative regulations pertaining to food preparation, storage and handling, accommodation houses, hairdressers and other licensed premises.
- Issue permits for the installation of septic tanks.
- Work with communities to educate on and improve environmental health issues.
- Undertake review and evaluation and continue to implement Municipal Public Health and Community Wellbeing Plan.

Service	Indicator	Performance Measure	Computation
Food safety	Health and safety	Critical and major non-compliance notifications. (Percentage of critical and major non-compliance notifications that are followed up by Council).	[Number of critical non-compliance notifications and major non-compliance notifications about a food premises followed up / Number of critical non-compliance notifications and major non-compliance notifications about food premises] x100

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20 Actual	2020/21 Forecast	2021/22 Budget	
Community Transport	Provision of permanent library services in Dimboola and Nhill, and improving services to Jeparit and Rainbow.	Operating Expenditure	-	-	7,250
		Operating Revenue	-	-	3,500
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	-	-	3,750
		Capital Expenditure	-	-	-

Initiatives:

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20 Actual	2020/21 Forecast	2021/22 Budget	
Libraries	Provision of permanent library services in Dimboola and Nhill, and improving services to Jeparit and Rainbow.	Operating Expenditure	361,088	307,979	312,438
		Operating Revenue	54,000	920,008	210,740
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	307,088	(612,029)	101,698
		Capital Expenditure	938,978	1,661,937	255,000

Initiatives:

- Support library based initiatives to encourage people to enhance their learning.

Major Initiatives:

- Upgrades to Nhill Library.

Service	Indicator	Performance Measure	Computation
Libraries	Participation	Active library borrowers. (Percentage of the municipal population that are active library borrowers in the last 3 financial years).	[Number of active library borrowers over last 3 financial years / municipal population over last 3 financial years] x100

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20 Actual	2020/21 Forecast	2021/22 Budget	
Arts, Culture and Community Events	Promote and support activities relating to arts, culture and community events throughout the Shire.	Operating Expenditure	89,965	129,524	104,056
		Operating Revenue	-	28,543	-
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	89,965	100,981	104,056
		Capital Expenditure	-	-	-

Initiatives:

- Promote and support activities during Volunteer Week, Children's Week, Youth Week, and Senior's Week.
- Promote activities to celebrate International Day of Disabled Persons and Harmony Day.
- Support community groups to identify external grant opportunities.
- Assist community groups and project working groups to manage and implement projects in accordance with funding agreements.
- Encourage social connectedness through New Resident Meet and Greet Barbecues in Dimboola, Jeparit, Nhill and Rainbow.
- Promote and support regional community events.

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20 Actual	2020/21 Forecast	2021/22 Budget	
Recreation Programs	Providing a range of recreation programs that encourage an active and healthy life.	Operating Expenditure	12,566	13,909	14,049
		Operating Revenue	-	-	-
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	12,566	13,909	14,049
		Capital Expenditure	-	-	-

Initiatives:

- Support from staff to achieve long term infrastructure needs in relation to sports and recreation.

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20 Actual	2020/21 Forecast	2021/22 Budget	
Public Order & Safety	Educate the community about public order and safety and enforce Council's compliance with the local laws when required. Operate the school crossing on the Western Highway in Nhill and maintain school crossings throughout the Shire.	Operating Expenditure	225,778	227,355	225,484
		Operating Revenue	92,420	81,041	84,174
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	133,358	146,314	141,310
		Capital Expenditure	-	-	-

Initiatives:

- Educate the community in responsible pet ownership.
- Education and enforcement in animal control and local laws, with a particular focus on animal registration and littering.
- Operation and maintenance of the animal pound.
- Enforcement of breaches of animal control regulations.
- Assist with the identification and implementation of initiatives that ensures residents' safety and wellbeing are met.
- Continue implementation of Domestic Animal Management Plan.

Service	Indicator	Performance Measure	Computation
Animal Management	Health and safety	Animal management prosecutions. (Number of successful animal management prosecutions).	Number of successful animal management prosecutions

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20 Actual	2020/21 Forecast	2021/22 Budget	
Early Years	Lead a joint effort that will give Hindmarsh children the best start in life, working collaboratively with community and early years providers.	Operating Expenditure	9,399	35,868	36,230
		Operating Revenue	-	-	-
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	9,399	35,868	36,230
		Capital Expenditure	-	-	-

2.2 Strategic Objective 2: Built & Natural Environment

To achieve our KRA **Built and Natural Environment**, we will continue to plan, deliver and improve high quality, cost effective, accessible and responsive services. The services, initiatives, major initiatives and service performance indicators for each program area are described over the following pages.

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	
		Actual	Forecast	Budget	
Local Roads & Bridges		Operating Expenditure	7,699,495	5,277,653	5,276,596
	Provide safe, all weather access to residences and allow for efficient transport of goods to and from the Shire.	Operating Revenue	6,822,250	2,691,596	5,928,379
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	877,245	2,586,057	(651,783)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The aim of the road network is to provide property access for local traffic. Council endeavours to provide all-weather access to existing residential homes and dry weather access roads to non-residential properties. Council's road network comprises 577 kilometres of sealed roads, 837 kilometres of gravel roads (all weather) and approximately 1611 kilometres of earth roads (dry weather only, some contain gravel sections, though not maintained to an all-weather standard). The network also comprises six bridges and a significant number of large culverts. VicRoads is responsible for main roads including highways and marked routes. Similarly, state government agencies are responsible for roads and tracks within declared parks such as the Little Desert, Big Desert and along the Wimmera River. 	Capital Expenditure	5,186,701	5,664,401	6,609,010

Routine Maintenance:

The primary aim of the routine maintenance program is to keep the existing network in a serviceable condition.

Council's aim is to conduct inspections and provide maintenance according to the Road Management Plan (RMP) which includes:

- Inspection frequency by road classification;
- Risk assessment and response times;
- Services levels and standards; and
- Assessment with roads hierarchy.

Council will undertake programmed inspections in a timely manner to identify defects. These defects are programmed for repair in accordance with the RMP which take account of the road hierarchy and seriousness of the defect.

In addition, reactive inspections are carried out in response to customer reports. These inspections are carried out within one week of the report and required repairs scheduled as per the RMP. All customer action requests are co-ordinated through Council's asset management system.

Other activities carried out include:

- Sealed roads - shoulder grading, pavement patching, crack sealing, edge repairs and line-marking.
- Unsealed roads - grading of gravel roads on an annual or as needs basis where funds allow.
- Formed only roads – grading on an as needs priority basis as funds allow (on average once in every 5 years).
- Replacement and maintenance of road signage and guideposts.

Capital Expenditure: (Refer to Capital Works Program for further details)

Council's capital expenditure on road assets is split into two basic categories. These are new/upgrade or renewal.

The majority of Council's capital expenditure is spent on renewal to ensure that the current service levels are maintained. In 2016, Council appointed an external road condition assessor to benchmark the performance of Council's road assets. The results of this assessment determined that the level of expenditure required to maintain the network to a serviceable level is \$2.5 million

Council aims to divide the renewal expenditure into the following asset classes:

- Sealed pavement and shoulders - Council's goal is to reconstruct \$800,000 per year. The average useful life of this asset class is 80 years.
- Bituminous seals - Council's goal is to reseal \$800,000 per year. The average useful life of this asset class is 20 years.
- Sealed shoulders - Council's goal is to resheet \$220,000 per year. The average useful life of this asset class is 15 years.
- Unsealed roads - Council's goal is to resheet \$500,000 per year. The average useful life of this asset class is 25 years.
- Bridges - The average useful life of this asset class is 100 years.

Major Initiatives:

- Reconstruction of the Albacutya Bridge
- Upgrade of the Albacutya Road, Albacutya

Service	Indicator	Performance Measure	Computation
Roads	Satisfaction	Satisfaction with sealed local roads (Community satisfaction rating out of 100 with how Council has performed on the condition of sealed roads)	Community satisfaction rating out of 100 with how Council has performed on the condition of sealed roads.

Additional grants may become available, and natural disaster recovery works may be undertaken during the financial year, however the extent and timing will be determined once grant funding is available or after a natural disaster event. Any additional works will be funded/reimbursed by the state/commonwealth and will not impact on the budgeted result of Council

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	
		Actual	Forecast	Budget	
Drainage Management	Well maintained, fit for purpose drainage systems within townships.	Operating Expenditure	575,280	570,665	589,634
		Operating Revenue	-	-	-
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	575,280	570,665	589,634
		Capital Expenditure	98,747	117,427	33,684

Initiatives:

- Maintenance of Council's drainage systems including open drains and culverts, an extensive underground drain network and kerb and channel.

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	
		Actual	Forecast	Budget	
Paths & Trails	Well maintained pedestrian access, including disabled access to critical and popular destinations around our townships.	Operating Expenditure	260,537	253,909	235,958
		Operating Revenue	105,000	732,500	-
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	155,537	(478,591)	235,958
		Capital Expenditure	368,975	1,477,298	203,209

Initiatives: (Refer to the Capital Works Program for further details).

- Council will inspect and maintain the existing network of 40 kilometres of footpaths in accordance with Council's Road Management Plan.
- Maintenance will include grinding to remove tripping edges and removal of hazards.

Major Initiatives:

- Footpaths in Wimmera St & Hindmarsh St, Dimboola
- Footpath in Roy St, Jeparit

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	
		Actual	Forecast	Budget	
Tree Management	Conduct maintenance, inspections and replanting works on Council road reserves, parks and gardens, and recreation reserves.	Operating Expenditure	308,081	408,046	346,025
		Operating Revenue	-	-	-
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	308,081	408,046	346,025
		Capital Expenditure	-	-	-

Initiatives:

- Undertake reactive and programmed inspections in accordance with Council's Road Management Plan in relation to nature strip trees that impede footpaths.
- Trim, remove and replace urban trees as necessary. Maintenance of trees is prioritised to ensure a safe passage for pedestrian, access for vehicle traffic and to protect infrastructure.
- Undertake proactive inspections of trees located in high trafficked areas such as parks and recreation reserves for safety purposes.
- Trim and remove rural trees as necessary for road safety purposes.
- Liaise with Powercor and its agencies in relation to trimming and removal of trees under power lines.

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	
		Actual	Forecast	Budget	
Town Beautification	Maintain and redevelop public open spaces in Dimboola, Jeparit, Nhill and Rainbow.	Operating Expenditure	696,258	685,119	672,647
		Operating Revenue	29,544	19,539	20,000
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	666,714	665,580	652,647
		Capital Expenditure	62,927	126,000	90,000

Initiatives:

- Mechanical street sweeping of commercial and urban areas eight times per year.
- Cleaning and maintenance of 17 public toilets located within the four towns.
- Maintenance of grassed parks and open spaces to enhance the amenity of each town.
- Delivery of reactive and programmed inspections in relation to Council-controlled playgrounds.
- Maintenance of playground equipment and soft fall at the 14 playgrounds within the four towns.

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	
		Actual	Forecast	Budget	
Community Centres & Public Halls	Maintenance, renewal and upgrade of Council-owned and controlled community centres and halls, and support of communities that undertake these activities on behalf of Council. To protect and enhance the health of the community.	Operating Expenditure	263,044	310,301	291,562
		Operating Revenue	64,138	4,700	20,000
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	198,906	305,601	271,562
		Capital Expenditure	52,869	138,168	10,000

Initiatives:

- Maintenance of all Council owned and controlled community centres and halls.
- Inspections and safety audits of community centres and halls.
- Implementation and monitoring of hire agreements for community centres and halls.
- Continue to promote the Nhill Memorial Community Centre to fully utilise the digital projection equipment upgrade.
- Public Halls assistance grants.

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	
		Actual	Forecast	Budget	
Recreation Facilities	Maintenance, renewal and upgrade of Council owned and controlled recreational land, buildings and facilities. Council also supports groups that undertake these activities on behalf of Council.	Operating Expenditure	946,425	881,622	926,278
		Operating Revenue	85,394	384,871	230,200
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	861,031	496,751	696,078
		Capital Expenditure	185,226	1,027,676	599,000

Initiatives:

- Establish, implement and monitor User Agreements for management and maintenance of ovals and recreation reserves in Dimboola, Jeparit, Nhill and Rainbow.
- Maintenance of Council-owned and controlled recreational buildings and facilities.
- Actively seek funding for projects to maintain and improve community recreation facilities and manage the projects in conjunction with community organisations (Refer to 1.01 Community Developments – Community Action Plans in Jeparit and Rainbow and Community Precinct Plans in Dimboola and Nhill).
- Inspections and safety audits of recreational facilities.

Service	Indicator	Performance Measure	Computation
Acquatic Facilities	Utilisation	Utilisation of aquatic facilities (Number of visits to aquatic facilities per head of municipal population).	Number of visits to aquatic facilities / Municipal population

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	
		Actual	Forecast	Budget	
Waste Management	Management of Council's transfer stations and collection and disposal of domestic waste and recyclables across the Shire.	Operating Expenditure	1,128,205	1,229,908	1,388,990
		Operating Revenue	1,270,288	1,233,720	1,703,052
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	(142,083)	(3,812)	(314,062)
		Capital Expenditure	140,208	-	460,000

Initiatives:

- Weekly kerbside collection of garbage bins.
- Fortnightly kerbside collection of recycle bins.
- Manage the operations of transfer stations.
- Regular removal of litter from commercial and urban areas.
- One free green waste month per year.

Service	Indicator	Performance Measure	Computation
Waste Collection	Waste diversion	Kerbside collection waste diverted from landfill (Percentage of garbage, recyclables and green organics collected from kerbside bins that is diverted from landfill)	$\frac{\text{[Weight of recyclables and green organics collected from kerbside bins]}}{\text{[Weight of garbage, recyclables and green organics collected from kerbside bins]}} \times 100$

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	
		Actual	Forecast	Budget	
Quarry Operations	Management of Council-owned and controlled quarries and gravel pits for extraction of gravel for road making.	Operating Expenditure	506,246	441,537	331,685
		Operating Revenue	603,614	400,000	400,000
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	(97,368)	41,537	(68,315)
		Capital Expenditure	-	-	-

Initiatives:

- Coordinate the timely extraction and crushing of suitable quarry materials to ensure sufficient quantities are available for Council's maintenance and capital projects.
- Ensure quarries are operated and rehabilitated in line with work authority guidelines and statutory obligations.
- Researching and exploring new gravel supplies

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	
		Actual	Forecast	Budget	
Waterway Management	Management of Council-controlled waterways including weir pools and lakes.	Operating Expenditure	76,962	76,345	37,172
		Operating Revenue	-	20,390	-
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	76,962	55,955	37,172
		Capital Expenditure	10,880	-	-

Initiatives:

- Maintenance of navigational aids on Council-controlled waterways including Dimboola and Jeparit weir pools and Lake Hindmarsh.
- Implement management arrangements for the Dimboola and Jeparit weirs.
- Provide water allocation to assist maintenance of water levels of Nhill Lake.

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	
		Actual	Forecast	Budget	
Environmental Management	Manage, protect and enhance Council's natural assets in conjunction with Government departments and environmental groups.	Operating Expenditure	193,124	201,418	144,695
		Operating Revenue	75,000	75,000	75,000
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	118,124	126,418	69,695
		Capital Expenditure	-	-	-

Initiatives:

- Continue to work with local Landcare groups.
- Implement Council's Roadside Management Strategy.
- Eradication of pest plants and pest animals.
- Explore innovative waste management options for green waste.
- Continue to support the Wimmera Mallee Sustainability Alliance.

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	
		Actual	Forecast	Budget	
Fire Prevention	Identification of potential fire hazards and prevention of loss of life and property caused by fire.	Operating Expenditure	69,431	121,054	129,614
		Operating Revenue	54,575	35,500	32,000
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	14,856	85,554	97,614
		Capital Expenditure	-	-	-

Initiatives:

- Conduct annual inspections of properties that may pose a fire risk.
- Issue notices to property owners to remove potential fire risks.
- Slashing or spraying of roadsides to reduce fire hazards.
- Review the Municipal Fire Management Plan.

2.3 Strategic Objective 3: Competitive and Innovative Economy

To achieve our KRA **Competitive and Innovative Economy**, we will continue to plan, deliver and improve high quality, cost effective, accessible and responsive services. The services, initiatives, major initiatives and service performance indicators for each program area are described over the following pages.

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20 Actual	2020/21 Forecast	2021/22 Budget
Economic Development	Operating Expenditure	126,016	437,870	139,422
	Operating Revenue	8,838	255,400	-
	NET Expenses (Revenue)	117,178	182,470	139,422
	Capital Expenditure	-	100,000	50,000

Initiatives:

- Support and promote work experience, apprenticeships and cadetships.
- Represent Council at local, regional and state shows and expos in order to market the Shire's liveability, tourism assets and opportunities.
- Support local business associations and local businesses.
- Membership of Rural Councils Victoria and the Wimmera Development Association.
- Support and promote caravan and camping accommodation within the Shire.
- Support the Nhill Aerodrome Masterplan Advisory committee.
- Provide support and advocate on behalf of newly migrated residents.

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20 Actual	2020/21 Forecast	2021/22 Budget
Tourism	Operating Expenditure	241,919	258,744	272,065
	Operating Revenue	33,208	32,500	1,400,000
	NET Expenses (Revenue)	208,711	226,244	(1,127,935)
	Capital Expenditure	69,102	81,680	1,430,000

Initiatives:

- Promote and maintain a Hindmarsh Tourism website.
- Work collaboratively with Wimmera Mallee Tourism, the Wimmera Mallee region's Indigenous Tourism Group and Hindmarsh Visitor Information Centre Volunteers.
- Assist community based groups and project working groups to manage projects promoting tourism growth.
- Work with Yurunga Homestead and Wimmera Mallee Pioneer Museum Committees of Management to assist them to promote and market their respective assets in order for them to realise their tourism potential.
- Implement the recommendations in the Wimmera Mallee Pioneer Museum master plan.
- Support innovative community-driven events and festivals that stimulate growth in the region.

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20 Actual	2020/21 Forecast	2021/22 Budget
Private Works	Operating Expenditure	259,846	399,087	253,902
	Operating Revenue	384,164	325,556	324,700
	NET Expenses (Revenue)	(124,318)	73,531	(70,798)
	Capital Expenditure	-	-	-

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20 Actual	2020/21 Forecast	2021/22 Budget
Caravan Parks and Camping Grounds	Operating Expenditure	377,400	414,659	528,287
	Operating Revenue	347,089	505,507	672,500
	NET Expenses (Revenue)	30,311	(90,848)	(144,213)
	Capital Expenditure	18,570	493,007	870,000

Initiatives:

- Support caravan parks and camping grounds accommodation managers within the Shire.
- Maintenance and enhancement of buildings and grounds at Council caravan parks and camping grounds.
- Continue the implementation of the Riverside Holiday Park, Dimboola master plan.

Major Initiatives:

- Upgrades to Ensuities at Riverside Holiday Park, Dimboola.
- New ensuite cabins for Jeparit and Rainbow Caravan Parks, and for Dimboola Holiday Park (subject to grant funding)

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	
		Actual	Forecast	Budget	
Land Use Planning	To ensure that any development that occurs in Hindmarsh Shire is carried out in accordance with relevant planning policies, principals and controls.	Operating Expenditure	194,250	241,965	220,234
		Operating Revenue	46,972	55,000	50,500
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	147,278	186,965	169,734
		Capital Expenditure	-	-	-

Initiatives:

- Provide customers with advice on planning scheme requirements.
- Prepare and assess planning scheme amendments and consider planning permit applications.
- Represent Council at Panel Hearings and at Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal.
- Undertake planning scheme compliance checks when necessary.
- Process subdivisions and planning certificates.
- Implement actions from the Wimmera Southern Mallee Regional Growth Plan.

Service	Indicator	Performance Measure	Computation
Statutory Planning	Decision making	Council planning decisions upheld at VCAT (Percentage of planning application decisions subject to review by VCAT and that were not set aside)	$\frac{\text{[Number of VCAT decisions that did not set aside Council's decision in relation to a planning application / Number of VCAT decisions in relation to planning applications]} \times 100$

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	
		Actual	Forecast	Budget	
Building Control	To provide statutory and private building services to the community	Operating Expenditure	176,804	185,589	214,416
		Operating Revenue	32,046	59,500	57,000
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	144,758	126,089	157,416
		Capital Expenditure	-	-	-

Initiatives:

- To carry out Council's statutory private building requirements.
- Issuing of building permits and certificates.
- Receipt and recording of building permits undertaken by private building surveyors.
- Undertake building enforcement and compliance checks.
- Provision of reports to the Building Control Commission.

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	
		Actual	Forecast	Budget	
Aerodrome	Manage and maintain the Nhill Aerodrome	Operating Expenditure	68,934	85,930	67,843
		Operating Revenue	20,368	12,005	-
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	48,566	73,925	67,843
		Capital Expenditure	20,029	-	-

Initiatives:

- Scheduled inspections and maintenance at the Nhill Aerodrome.
- Provide support to the Nhill Aerodrome Masterplan Advisory Committee to update and implement the Nhill Aerodrome Master Plan.

2.4 Strategic Objective 4: Our People, Our Processes

To achieve our KRA **Our People, Our Processes**, we will continue to plan, deliver and improve high quality, cost effective, accessible and responsive services. The services, initiatives, major initiatives and service performance indicators for each program area are described over the following pages.

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	
		Actual	Forecast	Budget	
Civic Governance & Leadership	To ensure that Council provides effective leadership and that its decisions are transparent, inclusive and based on sound recommendations and advice.	Operating Expenditure	879,280	1,004,736	1,009,001
		Operating Revenue	-	-	-
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	879,280	1,004,736	1,009,001
		Capital Expenditure	1,363	-	-

Initiatives:

- Management support for the Mayor and Council.
- Regular media releases and newsletters to inform the community of current issues.
- Lobbying of politicians and government departments.
- Advocacy on behalf of the community on key local government issues.
- Memberships include Municipal Association of Victoria, Rural Council Victoria, North West Municipalities Association and Wimmera Development Association.
- Community Satisfaction Survey.

Service	Indicator	Performance Measure	Computation
Governance	Satisfaction	Satisfaction with Council decisions (Community satisfaction rating out of 100 with how Council has performed in making decisions in the interests of the community)	Community satisfaction rating out of 100 with how Council has performed in making decisions in the interests of the community

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	
		Actual	Forecast	Budget	
Customer Service Centres	Operation and maintenance of customer service centres to provide facilities from which Council can efficiently deliver services to the community. Provision of information to ratepayers and the general public on a broad range of services provided by Council and other government agencies.	Operating Expenditure	639,915	525,964	501,595
		Operating Revenue	-	-	-
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	639,915	525,964	501,595
		Capital Expenditure	39,238	12,500	16,340

Initiatives:

- Seek improvement in the community satisfaction survey conducted annually.
- Provision of licensing and registration services on behalf of VicRoads.

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	
		Actual	Forecast	Budget	
Council Elections	Efficient and effective running of Elections by the Victorian Electoral Commission on behalf of Council.	Operating Expenditure	-	143,000	20,000
		Operating Revenue	-	-	-
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	-	143,000	20,000
		Capital Expenditure	-	-	-

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	
		Actual	Forecast	Budget	
Financial Management	To ensure the efficient and effective allocation of resources through sound financial planning and management that secures the long term financial viability of the municipality.	Operating Expenditure	395,452	462,814	470,900
		Operating Revenue	6,283,602	3,006,029	5,621,543
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	(5,888,150)	(2,543,215)	(5,150,643)
		Capital Expenditure	-	-	-

Initiatives:

- Preparation of Council's annual budget, including the capital works budget, and refinement of Council's 10 year financial plan to aid in Council's long term financial sustainability.
- Preparation of Council's Annual Report.
- Preparation of management reports to Council and Senior Managers.
- Support of the internal and external audit functions.
- Continued lobbying of governments for additional funding and resources.

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	
		Actual	Forecast	Budget	
Rating and Valuations	Management of Council's rating system, including valuation of properties and the levying of rates and charges.	Operating Expenditure	197,963	195,638	207,343
		Operating Revenue	7,855,683	7,981,502	8,096,963
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	(7,657,720)	(7,785,864)	(7,889,620)
		Capital Expenditure	-	-	-

Initiatives:

- Review and implementation of Council's Rating Plan.
- Maintenance of property and valuation records, including supplementary valuations.
- Administering Pensioner rate concessions on behalf of the State Government.
- Issue of quarterly Rates and Valuations notices.
- Collection of rates and legal action where necessary.
- Issue of Land Information Certificates.

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	
		Actual	Forecast	Budget	
Records Management	Effective and efficient recording, storage, retrieval and disposal of records in line with the standards of the Public Records Office of Victoria.	Operating Expenditure	45,356	69,936	56,675
		Operating Revenue	-	-	-
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	45,356	69,936	56,675
		Capital Expenditure	-	-	-

Initiatives:

- Further enhance the MagiQ records module.
- Provide training and development for staff to implement further efficiencies and features in the records management system.

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	
		Actual	Forecast	Budget	
Information Technology	Using Information Technology as a tool to connect with the community and provide efficient and effective services.	Operating Expenditure	210,493	248,326	275,130
		Operating Revenue	-	100,000	-
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	210,493	148,326	275,130
		Capital Expenditure	40,455	186,500	82,000

Major Initiatives:

Collaboration with neighbouring Councils in the Rural Council's Transformation Project.

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	
		Actual	Forecast	Budget	
Risk Management	Monitor and manage Council's risks in relation to operations, employment and infrastructure.	Operating Expenditure	446,256	507,800	547,940
		Operating Revenue	114,878	3,681	-
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	331,378	504,119	547,940
		Capital Expenditure	-	-	-

Initiatives:

- Monitor and review the Risk Register.
- Regular review of the risks and control measures by Senior Management.
- Ensuring that Council's assets and interests are insured adequately against risk.
- Management of WorkCover Authority insurance and work place injury claims.
- Advise staff and contractors in relation to Workplace Health and Safety.
- Ensure that Council is aware of, and complies with, all of its statutory obligations.
- Integrate risk management into all Council projects, conducting risk assessments at the strategic, planning and implementation stages.

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	
		Actual	Forecast	Budget	
Contract Management	Using Information Technology as a tool to connect with the community and provide efficient and effective services.	Operating Expenditure	110,542	159,056	250,078
		Operating Revenue	-	-	-
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	110,542	159,056	250,078
		Capital Expenditure	-	60,000	-

Initiatives:

- Tender preparation and specification development.
- Supervision and management of contracted Council services.
- Ensure that Council's tendering processes (including letting of tenders and appointment of contractors) comply with Council purchasing policies and statutory obligations.
- Ensure value for money and best products are achieved.

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	
		Actual	Forecast	Budget	
Payroll and Human Resources Services	Provision of payroll services to Council employees and the provision of Human Resources services to management.	Operating Expenditure	268,342	808,716	278,458
		Operating Revenue	96,415	450,000	-
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	171,927	358,716	278,458
		Capital Expenditure	-	-	-

Initiatives:

- Review payroll processes for employees.
- Ensure compliance with legislation and Council's Enterprise Bargaining Agreement.

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	
		Actual	Forecast	Budget	
Emergency Management	Provide support to the community in the areas of emergency preparedness, emergency response and emergency recovery.	Operating Expenditure	64,785	64,292	68,138
		Operating Revenue	-	-	-
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	64,785	64,292	68,138
		Capital Expenditure	-	-	-

Initiatives:

- Training for staff undertaking emergency management roles.
- Actively participate in the Wimmera Emergency Management Cluster with Horsham Rural City Council, Yarriambiack Shire Council, and West Wimmera Shire Council.

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20 Actual	2020/21 Forecast	2021/22 Budget	
Depots & Workshops	Operation of Council's depots and workshops including the provision of heavy plant and equipment.	Operating Expenditure	333,922	303,232	283,563
		Operating Revenue	-	-	-
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	333,922	303,232	283,563
		Capital Expenditure	2,560,882	2,088,055	1,695,000

Initiatives:

- Securely house plant, equipment and materials.
- Provide a base for the outdoor staff.
- Provide a location to carry out maintenance and repairs of Council's plant and equipment.
- Purchase and maintain plant and equipment to enable the delivery of works.

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20 Actual	2020/21 Forecast	2021/22 Budget	
Asset Management	Provision of skills, resources and systems to ensure the most efficient and effective management of Council's assets. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure that Council targets the correct level of asset expenditure to achieve and maintain the desired levels of service into the foreseeable future. • Ensure that Council's asset renewal expenditure targets the most critical assets. • Provide regular condition and defect audits of Council's assets to ensure safety and levels of service are maintained. • Provide Council's asset valuations. 	Operating Expenditure	286,306	392,847	604,583
		Operating Revenue	3,334	4,000	-
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	282,972	388,847	604,583
		Capital Expenditure	-	-	-

Initiatives:

- Continued review of Council's roads hierarchy and Road Management Plan.
- Management and maintenance of Council's electronic asset management system. The system is used as a repository for infrastructure asset data, and used to manage asset related inspections and corrective actions, and customer action requests.
- Further develop Council's electronic asset management system to store and manage all of Council's asset related data.
- Protect and monitor Council's assets in relation to private works including:
 - o Inspections
 - o Road Opening Permits
- o Act as a planning referral body
- An asset inspection program which includes:
 - o Up to three (3) road inspections per year (including a night time inspection);
 - o Monthly inspections of kindergartens, playgrounds, exercise equipment and skate parks across the four (4) towns;
 - o Swimming pool inspections four (4) times per year;
 - o Seven (7) bridge and numerous car park inspections twice per year;
 - o 542 Fire Plug inspections annually;
 - o Tree inspections twice per year in high use public areas;
 - o As well as reactive inspections as a result of Customer Action Requests.

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20 Actual	2020/21 Forecast	2021/22 Budget	
Fleet Management	Ensure that Council's vehicle fleet is management, maintained and replaced in the most efficient and efficient way possible.	Operating Expenditure	238,998	273,742	278,142
		Operating Revenue	100,028	88,990	77,040
		NET Expenses (Revenue)	138,970	184,752	201,102
		Capital Expenditure	235,248	511,752	392,500

Initiatives:

- Timely maintenance of fleet vehicles.
- Purchase and replacement of fleet vehicles in accordance with Council policy.

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20 Actual	2020/21 Forecast	2021/22 Budget
	Operating Expenditure	33,533	35,153	35,507
	Operating Revenue	-	-	-
Accounts Payable	Payment of invoices in an efficient and timely manner.	33,533	35,153	35,507
	Capital Expenditure	-	-	-

Initiatives:

- Maintenance of secure payment systems and processes.
- Payment of invoices in accordance with Council's payment terms (within 30 days).
- All payments to be made via EFT or Direct Credit.

Service area	Description of services provided	2019/20 Actual	2020/21 Forecast	2021/22 Budget
	Operating Expenditure	12,601	13,182	13,315
	Operating Revenue	2,161	-	-
Accounts Receivable	Receival of payments from debtors in an efficient and timely manner.	10,440	13,182	13,315
	Capital Expenditure	-	-	-

Initiatives:

- Monthly invoicing of accounts.
- Ensure Council's Outstanding Debtor are followed up in a timely manner.
- Regular reports to management on outstanding debtors.

2.5 Reconciliation with budgeted operating result

	Net Cost	Expenditure	Revenue
Community Liveability	1,024,966	2,457,724	1,432,758
Built & Natural Environment	3,205,277	10,370,856	7,165,579
Competitive & Innovative Economy	(808,531)	1,696,169	2,504,700
Our People, Our Processes	(798,215)	4,900,368	5,698,583
Total	2,623,497	19,425,117	16,801,620
Deficit before funding sources	2,623,497		
Funding sources added in:			
Rates and charges revenue	8,096,963		
Waste charge revenue	1,243,052		
Total funding sources	9,340,015		
Operating (surplus)/deficit for the year	(6,716,518)		

3. Financial Statements

This section presents information in regard to the Financial Statements and Statement of Human Resources. The budget information for the year 2021/2022 has been supplemented with projections to 2024/2025.

This section includes the following financial statements prepared in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2020* and the *Local Government (Planning and Reporting) Regulations 2020*.

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Comprehensive Income Statement

For the four years ending 30 June 2025

	NOTES	Forecast	Budget	Projections		
		Actual 2020/21	2021/22	2022/23 \$,000's	2023/24 \$,000's	2024/25 \$,000's
Income						
Rates and charges	4.1.1	9,089,318	9,213,701	9,261	9,438	9,627
Statutory fees and fines	4.1.2	142,700	145,500	147	149	152
User fees	4.1.3	1,292,375	1,275,390	1,294	1,314	1,333
Grants - Operating	4.1.4	4,146,617	5,895,771	6,004	6,153	6,305
Grants - Capital	4.1.4	4,842,001	8,422,879	1,581	1,259	1,259
Contributions - monetary	4.1.5	83,609	12,000	25	25	25
Net gain/(loss) on disposal of property, infrastructure, plant and equipment		545,000	571,000	150	150	150
Other income	4.1.6	1,206,607	1,097,986	1,061	1,077	1,096
Total income		21,348,227	26,634,227	19,523	19,565	19,947
Expenses						
Employee costs	4.1.7	8,201,411	7,747,893	8,048	8,246	8,451
Materials and services	4.1.8	5,358,224	4,559,492	4,755	4,923	5,097
Depreciation	4.1.9	5,754,549	5,674,928	5,214	5,217	5,330
Other expenses	4.1.10	1,895,543	1,935,396	1,975	2,004	2,033
Total expenses		21,209,727	19,917,709	19,992	20,390	20,911
Surplus/(deficit) for the year		138,500	6,716,518	(469)	(825)	(964)
Total comprehensive result		138,500	6,716,518	(469)	(825)	(964)

Balance Sheet

For the four years ending 30 June 2025

		Forecast Actual	Budget	Projections		
	NOTES	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23 \$,'000's	2023/24 \$,'000's	2024/25 \$,'000's
Assets						
Current assets						
Cash and cash equivalents		2,520,406	2,021,165	1,448	549	58
Trade and other receivables		921,415	919,415	751	835	854
Inventories		329,972	331,972	332	332	332
Other assets		219,299	254,299	254	254	254
Total current assets	4.2.1	3,991,092	3,526,851	2,785	1,970	1,498
Non-current assets						
Trade and other receivables		-	-	-	-	-
Investments in associates, joint arrangement and subsidiaries		26,176	26,176	26	26	26
Property, infrastructure, plant & equipment		171,162,882	178,290,199	179,350	179,550	179,473
Total non-current assets	4.2.1	171,189,058	178,316,375	179,376	179,576	179,499
Total assets		175,180,150	181,843,226	182,161	181,546	180,997
Liabilities						
Current liabilities						
Trade and other payables		741,019	632,775	970	1,030	1,123
Trust funds and deposits		88,330	88,130	88	88	88
Provisions		2,145,617	2,301,215	2,515	2,649	2,955
Total current liabilities	4.2.2	2,974,966	3,022,120	3,573	3,767	4,166
Non-current liabilities						
Provisions		278,924	178,326	415	431	447
Total non-current liabilities	4.2.2	278,924	178,326	415	431	447
Total liabilities		3,253,890	3,200,446	3,988	4,198	4,613
Net assets		171,926,260	178,642,780	178,173	177,348	176,384
Equity						
Accumulated surplus		69,273,937	75,990,457	75,521	74,696	73,732
Reserves		102,652,323	102,652,323	102,652	102,652	102,652
Total equity		171,926,260	178,642,780	178,173	177,348	176,384

Statement of Changes in Equity

For the four years ending 30 June 2025

	NOTES	Total	Accumulated Surplus	Revaluation Reserve	Other Reserves
2021 Forecast Actual					
Balance at beginning of the financial year		171,787,760	69,135,437	102,652,323	-
Impact of adoption of new accounting standards		-	-	-	-
Adjusted opening balance		171,787,760	69,135,437	102,652,323	-
Surplus/(deficit) for the year		138,500	138,500	-	-
Balance at end of the financial year		171,926,260	69,273,937	102,652,323	-
2022 Budget					
Balance at beginning of the financial year		171,926,260	69,273,937	102,652,323	-
Surplus/(deficit) for the year		6,716,518	6,716,518	-	-
Balance at end of the financial year	4.3.1	178,642,780	75,990,457	102,652,323	-
2023					
Balance at beginning of the financial year		178,643	75,990	102,652	-
Surplus/(deficit) for the year		(469)	(469)	-	-
Balance at end of the financial year		178,173	75,521	102,652	-
2024					
Balance at beginning of the financial year		178,173	75,521	102,652	-
Surplus/(deficit) for the year		(825)	(825)	-	-
Balance at end of the financial year		177,348	74,696	102,652	-
2025					
Balance at beginning of the financial year		177,348	74,696	102,652	-
Surplus/(deficit) for the year		(964)	(964)	-	-
Balance at end of the financial year		176,384	73,732	102,652	-

Statement of Cash Flows

For the four years ending 30 June 2025

	Notes	Forecast	Budget	Projections		
		Actual 2020/21	2021/22	2022/23 \$,'000's	2023/24 \$,'000's	2024/25 \$,'000's
		Inflows (Outflows)	Inflows (Outflows)	Inflows (Outflows)	Inflows (Outflows)	Inflows (Outflows)
Cash flows from operating activities						
Rates and charges		9,069,318	9,228,701	9,261	9,438	9,627
Statutory fees and fines		34,200	132,500	147	149	152
User fees		1,510,875	1,275,390	1,294	1,314	1,333
Grants - Recurrent		4,331,425	6,881,830	6,004	6,153	6,305
Grants -Non Recurrent		4,657,193	7,436,820	1,581	1,259	1,259
Contributions - monetary		83,609	12,000	25	25	26
Interest received		70,000	80,000	150	150	150
Other receipts		1,136,607	1,017,986	1,142	1,068	1,196
Net GST refund / payment		-	-	-	-	-
Employee costs		(8,155,411)	(7,709,893)	(8,048)	(8,128)	(8,451)
Materials and services		(7,912,767)	(6,623,132)	(5,297)	(5,403)	(4,997)
Trust funds and deposits repaid		(200)	(200)	-	-	-
Other payments		-	-	(2,033)	(1,968)	(2,033)
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities	4.4.1	4,824,849	11,732,002	4,226	4,057	4,567
Cash flows from investing activities						
Payments for property, infrastructure, plant and equipment		(13,882,351)	(12,802,243)	(4,969)	(5,106)	(5,208)
Proceeds from sale of property, infrastructure, plant and equipment		545,000	571,000	170	150	150
Net cash provided by/ (used in) investing activities	4.4.2	(13,337,351)	(12,231,243)	(4,799)	(4,956)	(5,058)
Net increase/(decrease) in cash & cash equivalents						
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial year		11,032,908	2,520,406	2,021	1,448	549
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial year		2,520,406	2,021,165	1,448	549	58

Statement of Capital Works

For the four years ending 30 June 2025

	NOTES	Forecast	Budget	Projections		
		Actual				
		2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
				\$,000's	\$,000's	\$,000's
Property						
Land		-	-	-	-	-
Total land		-	-	-	-	-
Buildings		1,832,007	1,192,840	250	130	130
Total buildings		1,832,007	1,192,840	250	130	130
Total property		1,832,007	1,192,840	250	130	130
Plant and equipment						
Plant, machinery and equipment		3,082,384	1,937,500	1,514	1,614	2,030
Fixtures, fittings and furniture		129,841	55,000	50	50	50
Computers and telecommunications		-	82,000	-	-	-
Library books		-	45,000	-	-	-
Total plant and equipment		3,212,225	2,119,500	1,564	1,664	2,080
Infrastructure						
Roads		6,724,160	3,169,010	2,741	2,940	2,520
Bridges		1,396,694	3,500,000	-	-	-
Footpaths and cycleways		1,461,989	203,209	154	154	130
Drainage		163,460	33,684	190	88	268
Recreational, leisure and community facilities		-	-	-	70	70
Other infrastructure		928,346	2,694,000	70	60	60
Total infrastructure		10,674,649	9,599,903	3,155	3,312	3,048
Total capital works expenditure	4.5.1	15,718,881	12,912,243	4,969	5,106	5,258
Represented by:						
New asset expenditure		2,899,085	2,385,000	130	130	130
Asset renewal expenditure		10,350,833	8,745,609	3,755	4,022	4,373
Asset expansion expenditure		-	-	-	-	-
Asset upgrade expenditure		2,468,963	1,671,634	1,084	954	705
Total capital works expenditure	4.5.1	15,718,881	12,802,243	4,969	5,106	5,208
Funding sources represented by:						
Grants		4,842,001	8,120,567	1,245	1,580	1,081
Contributions		-	-	-	-	-
Council cash		10,876,880	4,681,676	3,724	3,526	4,127
Borrowings		-	-	-	-	-
Total capital works expenditure	4.5.1	15,718,881	12,802,243	4,969	5,106	5,208

Statement of Human Resources

For the four years ending 30 June 2025

	Forecast	Budget	Projections		
	Actual				
	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
			\$,000's	\$,000's	\$,000's
Staff expenditure					
Employee costs - operating	8,201,411	7,747,893	8,048	8,246	8,451
Employee costs - capital	952,381	994,274	1,009	1,028	1,042
Total staff expenditure	9,153,792	8,742,167	9,057	9,274	9,493
	FTE	FTE	FTE	FTE	FTE
Staff numbers					
Employees	109.0	98.6	98.6	98.6	98.6
Total staff numbers	109.0	98.6	98.6	98.6	98.6

A summary of human resources expenditure categorised according to the organisational structure of Council is included below:

Department	Budget	Comprises			
		Permanent		Casual	Temporary
		2021/22	Full Time		
Civic & Governance	282,914	282,914	-	-	-
Corporate & Community	3,217,556	2,233,228	815,999	-	168,329
Infrastructure	4,247,423	3,636,259	434,543	-	176,621
Total permanent staff expenditure	7,747,893	6,152,401	1,250,542	-	344,950
Capitalised labour costs	994,274				
Total expenditure	8,742,167				

A summary of the number of full time equivalent (FTE) Council staff in relation to the above expenditure is included below:

Department	Budget	Comprises			
		Permanent		Casual	Temporary
		2021/22	Full Time		
Civic & Governance	2.0	2.0	-	-	-
Corporate & Community	34.5	22.0	10.6	1.9	-
Infrastructure	48.2	42.0	5.3	0.9	-
Total permanent staff expenditure	84.7	66.0	15.9	2.8	-
Other employee related expenditure	14.0				
Capitalised labour costs	-				
Total staff	98.6				

**Summary of Planned Human Resources Expenditure
For the four years ended 30 June 2025**

	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
		\$,000's	\$,000's	\$,000's
Civic Governance				
Permanent - Full time	282,914	286	302	312
Female	65,912	69	70	72
Male	217,002	226	233	240
Total Civic & Governance	282,914	286	302	312
Corporate & Community Services				
Permanent - Full time	2,233,228	2,322	2,345	2,369
Female	1,416,668	1,473	1,517	1,563
Male	816,560	849	874	901
Permanent - Part time	815,999	896	923	951
Female	783,453	852	878	904
Male	32,546	44	45	47
Total Corporate & Community Services	3,049,227	3,218	3,268	3,319
Infrastructure				
Permanent - Full time	3,636,259	3,782	3,895	4,012
Female	421,136	438	451	465
Male	3,215,123	3,344	3,444	3,548
Permanent - Part time	434,543	590	602	615
Female	264,557	349	356	364
Male	169,986	241	246	251
Total Infrastructure	4,070,802	4,372	4,497	4,627
Casuals, temporary and other expenditure	344,950	172	178	183
Capitalised labour costs	994,274	1,009	1,028	1,042
Total staff expenditure	8,742,167	9,057	9,274	9,483

	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
	FTE	FTE	FTE	FTE
Civic & Governance				
Permanent - Full time	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
Female	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Male	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Total Civic & Governance	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0
Corporate & Community Services				
Permanent - Full time	22.0	22.0	22.0	22.0
Female	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0
Male	8.0	8.0	8.0	8.0
Permanent - Part time	10.6	10.6	10.6	10.6
Female	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Male	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6
Total Corporate & Community Services	32.6	32.6	32.6	32.6
Infrastructure				
Permanent - Full time	42.0	42.0	42.0	42.0
Female	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0
Male	38.0	38.0	38.0	38.0
Permanent - Part time	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.3
Female	2.8	3.5	3.5	3.5
Male	2.5	1.8	1.8	1.8
Total	47.3	47.3	47.3	47.3
Casuals and temporary staff	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8
Capitalised labour	14.0	14.0	14.0	14.0
Total staff numbers	98.6	98.6	98.6	98.6

4. Notes to the financial statements

This section presents detailed information on material components of the financial statements. Council needs to assess which components are material, considering the dollar amounts and nature of these components.

4.1 Comprehensive Income Statement

4.1.1 Rates and charges

Rates and charges are required by the Act and the Regulations to be disclosed in Council's budget.

As per the Local Government Act 2020, Council is required to have a Revenue and Rating Plan which is a four year plan for how Council will generate income to deliver the Council Plan, program and services and capital works commitments over a four-year period.

In developing the Budget, rates and charges were identified as an important source of revenue. Planning for future rate increases has therefore been an important component of the financial planning process. The Fair Go Rates System (FGRS) sets out the maximum amount councils may increase rates in a year. For 2021/22 the FGRS cap has been set at 1.5%. The cap applies to both general rates and municipal charges and is calculated on the basis of council's average rates and charges.

The level of required rates and charges has been considered in this context, with reference to Council's other sources of income and the planned expenditure on services and works to be undertaken for the community.

To achieve these objectives while maintaining service levels and a strong capital expenditure program, the average general rate and the municipal charge will increase by 1.5% in line with the rate cap.

This will raise total rates and charges for 2021/22 to \$9,213,701

4.1.1(a) The reconciliation of the total rates and charges to the Comprehensive Income Statement is as follows:

	2020/21 Forecast Actual	2021/22 Budget	Change	%
General rates*	7,161,398	7,261,859	100,461	1.40%
Municipal charge*	746,200	746,200	-	0.00%
Kerbside collection and recycling	1,027,278	1,048,822	21,544	2.10%
General waste charge	48,442	49,230	788	1.63%
Windfarms in lieu of rates	106,000	107,590	1,590	1.50%
Total rates and charges	9,089,318	9,213,701	124,383	1.37%

*These items are subject to the rate cap established under the FGRS

4.1.1(b) The rate in the dollar to be levied as general rates under section 158 of the Act for each type or class of land compared with the previous financial year

Type or class of land	2020/21 cents/\$CIV*	2021/22 cents/\$CIV*	Change
Residential Land	0.00466410	0.00389260	-16.54%
Farm Land	0.00419770	0.00350330	-16.54%
Business, Industrial & Commercial Land	0.00419770	0.00350330	-16.54%
Recreational and Cultural Land	0.00233210	0.00194630	-16.54%
Urban Vacant Land	0.00932830	0.00778510	-16.54%

4.1.1(c) The estimated total amount to be raised by general rates in relation to each type or class of land, and the estimated total amount to be raised by general rates, compared with the previous financial year

Type or class of land	2020/21	2021/22	Change	
	\$,000's	\$,000's	\$,000's	%
Residential Land	1,462,657	1,272,859	(189,798)	-12.98%
Farm Land	5,429,978	5,756,558	326,580	6.01%
Business, Industrial & Commercial Land	224,431	191,313	(33,118)	-14.76%
Recreational and Cultural Land	4,995	4,165	(830)	-16.62%
Urban Vacant Land	38,936	36,964	(1,972)	-5.06%
Total amount to be raised by general rates	7,160,997	7,261,859	100,862	1.41%

4.1.1(d) The number of assessments in relation to each type or class of land, and the total number of assessments, compared with the previous financial year

Type or class of land	2020/21	2021/22	Change	
	Number	Number	Number	%
Residential Land	2,540	2,540	-	0.00%
Farm Land	2,081	2,081	-	0.00%
Business, Industrial & Commercial Land	326	326	-	0.00%
Recreational and Cultural Land	15	15	-	0.00%
Urban Vacant Land	169	169	-	0.00%
Total number of assessments	5,131	5,131	-	0.00%

4.1.1(e) The basis of valuation to be used is the Capital Improved Value (CIV)

4.1.1(f) The estimated total value of each type or class of land, and the estimated total value of land, compared with the previous financial year

Type or class of land	2020/21	2021/22	Change	
				%
Residential Land	313,599,000	326,998,600	13,399,600	4.27%
Farm Land	1,293,560,300	1,643,182,800	349,622,500	27.03%
Business, Industrial & Commercial Land	53,465,100	54,609,600	1,144,500	2.14%
Recreational and Cultural Land	2,142,000	2,140,000	(2,000)	-0.09%
Urban Vacant Land	4,174,000	4,748,000	574,000	13.75%
Total value of land	1,666,940,400	2,031,679,000	364,738,600	21.88%

4.1.1(g) The municipal charge under Section 159 of the Act compared with the previous financial year

Type of Charge	Per Rateable Property 2020/21	Per Rateable Property 2021/22	Change	
	\$	\$	\$	%
Municipal	200	200	-	0.00%

4.1.1(h) The estimated total amount to be raised by municipal charges compared with the previous financial year

Type of Charge	2020/21	2021/22	Change	
	\$	\$	\$	%
Municipal	746,200	746,200	-	0.00%

4.1.1(i) The rate or unit amount to be levied for each type of service rate or charge under Section 162 of the Act compared with the previous financial year

Type of Charge	Per Rateable Property	Per Rateable Property	Change	
	2020/21	2021/22	\$	%
Kerbside waste/recycling collection charge	386	393	7	1.81%
General waste charge	13	13	-	0.00%
Total	399	406	7	1.75%

4.1.1(j) The estimated total amount to be raised by each type of service rate or charge, and the estimated total amount to be raised by service rates and charges, compared with the previous financial year

Type of Charge	2020/21	2021/22	Change	
	\$	\$	\$	%
Kerbside waste/recycling collection charge	1,027,278	1,048,822	21,544	2.10%
General waste charge	48,442	49,230	788	1.63%
Total	1,075,720	1,098,052	22,332	2.08%

4.1.1(k) The estimated total amount to be raised by all rates and charges compared with the previous financial year

	2020/21	2021/22	Change	
				%
General rates*	7,161,398	7,261,859	100,461	1.40%
Municipal charge*	746,200	746,200	-	0.00%
Kerbside collection and recycling	1,027,278	1,048,822	21,544	2.10%
General waste charge	48,442	49,230	788	1.63%
Windfarm in lieu of rates	106,000	107,590	1,590	1.50%
Total Rates and charges	9,089,318	9,213,701	124,383	1.37%

4.1.1(l) Fair Go Rates System Compliance

Hindmarsh Shire Council is required to comply with the State Government's Fair Go Rates System (FGRS). The table below details the budget assumptions consistent with the requirements of the Fair Go Rates System.

	2020/21	2021/22
Total Rates	\$ 7,766,365	\$ 7,907,598
Number of rateable properties	5,131.00	5,131.00
Base Average Rate	1,513.62	1,541.14
Maximum Rate Increase (set by the State Government)	2.00%	1.50%
Capped Average Rate	\$ 1,544	\$ 1,564
Maximum General Rates and Municipal Charges Revenue	\$ 7,921,692	\$ 8,026,212
Budgeted Total Rates and Municipal Charges Revenue	\$ 7,898,358	\$ 8,008,059

4.1.1(m) Any significant changes that may affect the estimated amounts to be raised by rates and charges

There are no known significant changes which may affect the estimated amounts to be raised by rates and charges. However, the total amount to be raised by rates and charges may be affected by:

- The variation of returned levels of value (e.g. valuation appeals)
- Changes of use of land such that rateable land becomes non-rateable land and vice versa
- Changes of use of land such that residential land becomes business land and vice versa.
- The impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on some ratepayers ability to pay rates and charges

The final valuation figures supplied by the Valuer Generals Office may impact the differential rates contained in the draft budget. This amendment will have no impact on the income or expenditure projections contained within the draft budget.

4.1.1(n) Differential Rates

Rates to be levied

The rate and amount of rates payable in relation to land in each category of differential are:

A general rate of 0.389260% (0.00389260 cents in the dollar of CIV) for all residential properties;

A general rate of 0.35033% (0.0035033 cents in the dollar of CIV) for all farming properties

A general rate of 0.35033% (0.0035033 cents in the dollar of CIV) for all Business, Industrial & Commercial properties

A general rate of 0.0019463% (0.0019463 cents in the dollar of CIV) for all residential and cultural land

A general rate of 0.77851% (0.0077851 cents in the dollar of CIV) for all urban vacant land.

Each differential rate will be determined by multiplying the Capital Improved Value (CIV) of each rateable land (categorised by the characteristics described below) by the relevant percentages indicated above.

Council considers that each differential rate will contribute to the equitable and efficient carrying out of council functions. Details of the objectives of each differential rate, the types of classes of land, which are subject to each differential rate and the uses of each differential rate, are set out below.

Residential Land

Residential Land is any land which less than 2 hectares in area and is occupied for the principal purpose of providing private housing; or provides multi-unit private dwellings for families or individuals.

The objective of this differential rate is to ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to the cost of carrying out the functions of Council, including, but not limited to, the:

Construction and maintenance of infrastructure assets; Development of health and community services; and Provision of general support services.

Farm Land

Farm land is any rateable land:

that is not less than 2 hectares in area; and that is used primarily for grazing (including agistment, dairying, pig farming, poultry farming, fish farming, tree farming, bee keeping, viticulture, horticulture, fruit growing or the growing of crops of any kind or for any combination of these activities); and that is used by a business

- that has a significant and substantial commercial purpose of character; and

- that seeks to make a profit on a continuous or repetitive basis from its activities on the land; and

- that is making a profit from its activities on the land, or that has a reasonable prospect of making a profit from its activities on the land if it continues to operate in the way that it is operating.

The objective of this differential rate is to ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to the cost of carrying out the functions of Council, including, but not limited to, the:

Construction and maintenance of infrastructure assets; Development of health and community services; and Provision of general support services.

Business, Industrial and Commercial Land

Business, Industrial and Commercial land is any rateable land:

that is generally less than 2 hectares in area; and that is used by a business

- that has a significant and substantial commercial purpose of character; and

- that seeks to make a profit on a continuous or repetitive basis from its activities on the land; and

- that is making a profit from its activities on the land, or that has a reasonable prospect of making a profit from its activities on the land if it continues to operate in the way that it is operating.

The objective of this differential rate is to ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to the cost of carrying out the functions of Council, including, but not limited to, the:

Construction and maintenance of infrastructure assets; Development of health and community services; and Provision of general support services.

Recreational and Cultural Land

Recreational and Cultural Land is any rateable land that;

which is used for sporting, recreational or cultural purposes or similar activities; or land which is used primarily as agricultural showgrounds.

The objective of this differential rate is to ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to the cost of carrying out the functions of Council, including, but not limited to, the:

Construction and maintenance of infrastructure assets; Development of health and community services; and Provision of general support services.

Urban Vacant Land

Urban Vacant Land is any rateable land within the residential zone which does not contain a dwelling suitable for habitation.

The objective of this differential rate is to encourage development of vacant land to ease housing shortage within the Shire and that all rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to the cost of carrying out the functions of Council, including, but not limited to, the:

Construction and maintenance of infrastructure assets; Development of health and community services; and Provision of general support services.

4.1.2 Statutory fees and fines

	Forecast Actual	Budget	Change	
	2020/21	2021/22		%
Infringements and costs	44,200	41,500	(2,700)	-6.11%
Town planning fees	32,500	31,500	(1,000)	-3.08%
Animal Registrations	66,000	72,500	6,500	9.85%
Total statutory fees and fines	142,700	145,500	2,800	1.96%

Statutory fees and fines relate mainly to fees and fines levied in accordance with legislation and include animal registrations, building fees and town planning fees. Increases in statutory fees are made in accordance with legislative requirements.

4.1.3 User fees

	Forecast Actual	Budget	Change	
	2020/21	2021/22		%
Aged and health services	297,700	290,940	(6,760)	-2.27%
Leisure centre and recreation	4,000	20,000	16,000	400.00%
Garbage/Recycling	123,000	118,500	(4,500)	-3.66%
Caravan Park Camp Ground	362,500	372,500	10,000	2.76%
Private Works	325,556	324,700	(856)	-0.26%
Other Commercial Fees	179,619	148,750	(30,869)	-17.19%
Total user fees	1,292,375	1,275,390	(16,985)	-1.31%

User charges relate mainly to the recovery of service delivery costs through the charging of fees to users of Council's services. These include fees from aged care services, aerodrome leases, movie screenings, caravan parks and camping grounds, transfer stations, and private works.

4.1.4 Grants

Grants are required by the Act and the Regulations to be disclosed in Council's budget.

	Forecast Actual 2020/21	Budget 2021/22	Change	
			%	
Grants were received in respect of the following:				
Summary of grants				
Commonwealth funded grants	6,300	10,907,642	10,901,342	173037%
State funded grants	2,688	2,809,431	2,806,743	104418%
Total grants received	8,988	13,717,073	13,708,085	152515%
(a) Operating Grants				
Recurrent - Commonwealth Government				
Financial Assistance Grants	2,273,779	4,852,953	2,579,174	113%
General home care	770,242	696,387	(73,855)	-10%
Environmental planning	20,000	32,000	12,000	60%
Recurrent - State Government				
Family and children	2,635	3,028	393	15%
Aged care	50,000	-	(50,000)	-100%
School crossing supervisors	6,041	6,174	133	2%
Libraries	117,702	117,702	-	0%
Youth	24,500	12,250	(12,250)	-50%
Total recurrent grants	3,264,899	5,720,494	2,455,595	75%
Non-recurrent - Commonwealth Government				
Non-recurrent - State Government				
Community health	250,000	-	(250,000)	-100%
Family and children	64,328	100,277	35,949	56%
Employment	450,000	-	(450,000)	-100%
Youth	12,000	-	(12,000)	-100%
Roads and Infrastructure	105,390	75,000	(30,390)	-29%
Total non-recurrent grants	881,718	175,277	(706,441)	-80%
Total operating grants	4,146,617	5,895,771	1,749,154	42%
(b) Capital Grants				
Recurrent - Commonwealth Government				
Roads to recovery	1,080,798	1,080,798	-	0%
Recurrent - State Government				
Total recurrent grants	1,080,798	1,080,798	-	0%
Non-recurrent - Commonwealth Government				
Buildings	450,000	-	(450,000)	-100%
Roads	1,080,798	428,581	(652,217)	-60%
Bridges	-	3,500,000	3,500,000	100%
Other Infrastructure	-	-	-	100%
Non-recurrent - State Government				
Buildings	847,905	686,500	(161,405)	-19%
Local Roads & Infrastructure	1,382,500	867,000	(515,500)	-37%
Tourism	-	1,400,000	1,400,000	100%
Waste Management	-	460,000	460,000	100%
Total non-recurrent grants	3,761,203	7,342,081	3,580,878	95%
Total capital grants	4,842,001	8,422,879	3,580,878	74%
Total Grants	8,988,618	14,318,650	5,330,032	59%

Operating grants include all monies received from state and federal sources for the purposes of funding the delivery of Council's services to ratepayers. Operating grants are expected to increase in 2021/22 due to the recognition of a full year of Financial Assistance Grants.

Capital grants include all monies received from state and federal sources for the purposes for funding capital works projects. Capital grants are expected to increase in 2021/22 due to the expected funding for the Albacutya Bridge work.

4.1.5 Contributions

	Forecast Actual	Budget	Change	
	2020/21	2021/22		%
Monetary	83,609	12,000	(71,609)	-85.65%
Total contributions	83,609	12,000	(71,609)	-85.65%

4.1.6 Other income

	Forecast Actual	Budget	Change	
	2020/21	2021/22		%
Interest	80,000	70,000	(10,000)	-12.50%
Sales	25,000	22,500	(2,500)	-10.00%
Recoupments	85,771	132,017	46,246	53.92%
Plant	166,878	460,592	293,714	176.01%
Quarry	400,000	400,000	-	0.00%
Other	448,958	12,877	(436,081)	-97.13%
Total other income	1,206,607	1,097,986	(108,621)	-9.00%

4.1.7 Employee costs

	Forecast Actual	Budget	Change	
	2020/21	2021/22		%
Wages and salaries	6,877,075	6,454,603	(422,472)	-6.14%
WorkCover	291,990	210,901	(81,089)	-27.77%
Superannuation	692,846	747,389	54,543	7.87%
Training/Travel/Accommodation	221,250	228,000	6,750	3.05%
Other	118,250	107,000	(11,250)	-9.51%
Total employee costs	8,201,411	7,747,893	(453,518)	-5.53%

Employee costs include all labour related expenditure such as wages, salaries and direct overheads. Direct overheads include allowances, leave entitlements, employer superannuation, WorkCover premiums, training costs, fringe benefits tax and protected clothing.

Employee costs are expected to decrease in 2021/2022 due to the finalisation of the Working For Victoria Program in 2020/2021.

4.1.8 Materials and services

	Forecast Actual	Budget	Change	
	2020/21	2021/22		%
Aerodrome, saleyard and commercial operations	23,250	6,250	(17,000)	-73.12%
Building Maintenance	66,775	79,750	12,975	19.43%
Community development, tourism, economic development, children & youth services	645,808	188,602	(457,206)	-70.80%
Recreation	34,650	33,600	(1,050)	-3.03%
Electoral services	140,000	20,000	(120,000)	-85.71%
Home & Community Care	281,647	163,065	(118,582)	-42.10%
Information Technology	111,214	108,000	(3,214)	-2.89%
Office administration	435,990	396,150	(39,840)	-9.14%
Parks, reserves, camp grounds & caravan parks	455,152	389,550	(65,602)	-14.41%
Plant & fleet operations	789,682	937,600	147,918	18.73%
Quarry operations	331,000	260,000	(71,000)	-21.45%
Rating & Valuation	12,500	21,000	8,500	68.00%
Roads, footpaths & drainage management	1,058,753	809,425	(249,328)	-23.55%
Swimming pool maintenance & management	299,120	348,750	49,630	16.59%
Waste	653,200	780,750	127,550	19.53%
Other	19,483	17,000	(2,483)	-12.74%
Total materials and services	5,358,224	4,559,492	(798,732)	-14.91%

Materials and services include the purchases of consumables, payments to contractors for the provision of services and utility costs.

4.1.9 Depreciation

	Forecast Actual	Budget	Change	
	2020/21	2021/22		%
Property	959,492	925,441	(34,051)	-3.55%
Plant & equipment	1,017,168	967,297	(49,871)	-4.90%
Infrastructure	3,777,889	3,782,190	4,301	0.11%
Total depreciation	5,754,549	5,674,928	(79,621)	-1.38%

Depreciation is an accounting measure which attempts to allocate the value of an asset over its useful life for Council's property, plant and equipment and infrastructure assets such as roads and drains.

4.1.10 Other expenses

	Forecast Actual	Budget	Change	
	2020/21	2021/22		%
Councillor Allowances	188,105	190,926	2,821	1.50%
Advertising	63,600	62,250	(1,350)	-2.12%
Insurance	339,575	365,600	26,025	7.66%
Audit Fees	75,000	75,000	-	0.00%
Waste Management Costs	259,000	267,000	8,000	3.09%
Utilities & Telecommunications	429,220	444,020	14,800	3.45%
Postage	26,400	28,400	2,000	7.58%
Council contributions	145,600	156,600	11,000	7.55%
Bank Charges	33,500	34,000	500	1.49%
Fire Service Levy	22,594	25,000	2,406	10.65%
Memberships & Subscriptions	193,910	201,600	7,690	3.97%
Legal Fees	48,000	50,000	2,000	4.17%
Other Expenses	71,039	35,000	(36,039)	-50.73%
Total other expenses	1,895,543	1,935,396	39,853	2.10%

Other expenses relate to a range of unclassified items including contributions to community groups, advertising, insurances, audit fees, legal fees and other miscellaneous expenditure items.

4.2 Balance Sheet

4.2.1 Assets

Current Assets (\$0.463 million decrease) and non-current assets (\$8.692 million increase)

Cash and cash equivalents include cash and investments such as cash held in the bank and in petty cash, and the value of investments in deposits of other high liquid investments with short term maturities of three months or less. Cash and cash equivalents are expected to decrease by \$498,818 in 2021/22

Property, infrastructure, plant and equipment is the largest component of Council's worth and represents the value of all the land, buildings, roads, vehicles, equipment, etc which has been built up by Council over many years. The increase in this balance is due to the net result of the capital works program, depreciation of assets and the written down value of assets sold.

4.2.2 Liabilities

Current Liabilities (\$0.471 million increase) and non-current liabilities (\$0.053 million decrease).

Trade and other payables are those to whom Council owes money as at 30 June. Provisions – Employee Costs (current) include accrued long services leave, annual leave and rostered days off owing to employees. These employee entitlements are expected to reduce slightly due to more active management of entitlements.

4.2.3 Borrowings

Council do not hold any borrowings but do hold a \$2m overdraft facility to cover a short term cash deficit which may arise from a timing variance. Council do not propose any new long term borrowings into the near future.

4.3 Statement of changes in Equity

4.3.1 Equity

Total equity always equals net assets and is made up of the following components:

- Asset revaluation reserve which represents the difference between the fair value of the asset and the historic cost.
- Accumulated surplus which is the value of all net assets less reserves that have accumulated over time. The increase in accumulated surplus of \$8.012 million results directly from the operating profit for the year.

4.4 Statement of Cash Flows

4.4.1 Net cash flows provided by/used in operating activities

Operating activities refers to the cash generated in the normal service delivery functions of Council. Cash remaining after paying for the provision of services to the community may be available for investment in capital works.

4.4.2 Net cash flows provided by/used in investing activities

Investing activities refers to cash generated or used in the enhancement or creation of infrastructure and other assets. These activities also include the acquisition or sale of other assets such as vehicles, property and equipment.

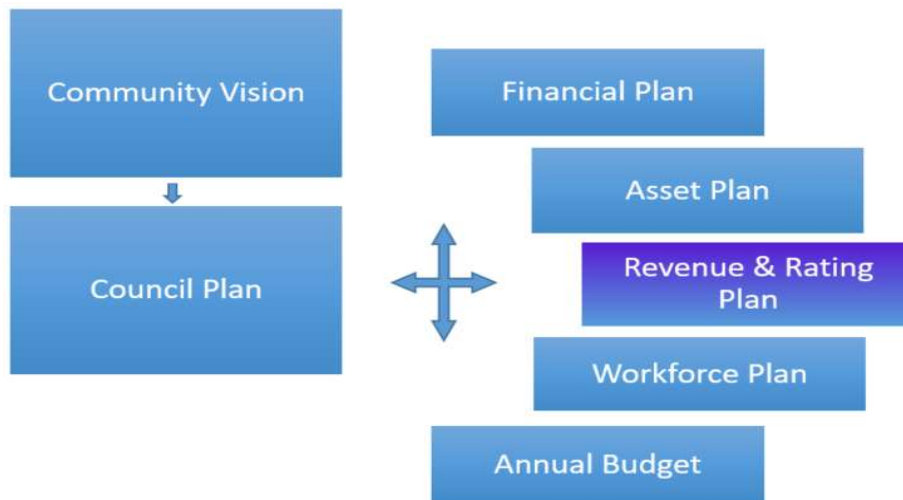
Revenue and Rating Plan

The Local Government Act 2020 requires Council to prepare a Revenue and Rating Plan to cover a minimum period of four years following each Council election. The Revenue and Rating Plan establishes the revenue raising framework within which the Council proposes to work.

The purpose of the Revenue and Rating Plan is to determine the most appropriate and affordable revenue and rating approach for the Hindmarsh Shire Council which, in conjunction with other incomes sources, will adequately finance the objectives in the Council Plan.

This plan is an important part of Council's integrated planning framework, all of which is created to help Council achieve its vision of "a caring, active community enhanced by its liveability, environment and economy."

Strategies outlined in this plan align with the objectives contained in the Council Plan and will feed into our budgeting and long-term financial planning documents, as well as other strategic planning documents under our Council's strategic planning framework.



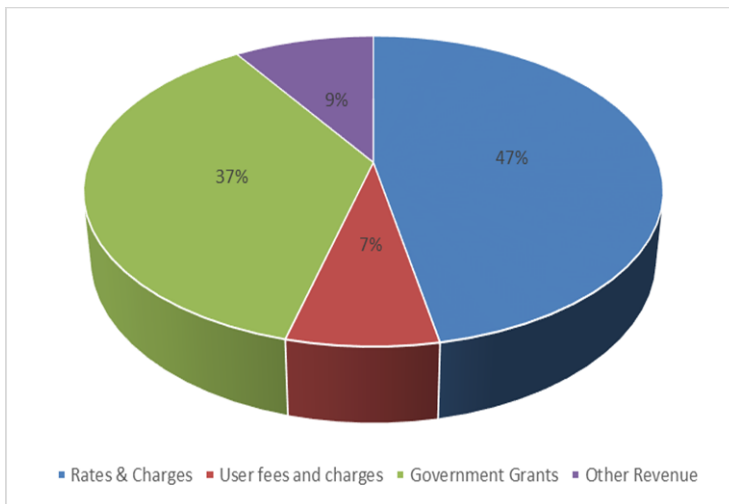
This plan will explain how Council calculates the revenue needed to fund its activities and how the funding burden will be apportioned between ratepayers and other users of Council facilities and services.

In particular, this plan will set out decisions that Council has made in relation to rating options available to it under the Local Government Act 2020 to ensure the fair and equitable distribution of rates across property owners. It will also set out principles that are used in decision making for other revenue sources such as fees and charges.

It is also important to note that this plan does not set revenue targets for Council, it outlines the strategic framework and decisions that inform how Council will go about calculating and collecting its revenue.

1. REVENUE SOURCES

Council provides a number of services and facilities to our local community, and in doing so, must collect revenue to cover the cost of providing these services and facilities.



Council's revenue sources include:

- Rates and charges including kerbside collection and recycling
- Grants from other levels of Government
- User fees and charges including Statutory Fees and Fines
- Other revenue including contributions, interest from investments and sale of assets

Rates are the most significant revenue source for Council and make up roughly 45-50% of its annual income.

The introduction of rate capping under the Victorian Government's Fair Go Rates System (FGRS) has brought a renewed focus to Council's long-term financial sustainability. The FGRS continues to restrict Council's ability to raise revenue above the rate cap unless applications is made to the Essential Services Commission for a variation. Maintaining service delivery levels and investing in community assets remain key priorities for Council. This strategy will address Council's reliance on rate income and provide options to actively reduce that reliance.

Council revenue can also be adversely affected by changes to funding from other levels of government. Some grants are tied to the delivery of Council services, whilst many are tied directly to the delivery of new community assets, such as roads or recreational facilities. It is important for Council to be clear about what grants it intends to apply for and the obligations that grants create in the delivery of services such as infrastructure.

2. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The Revenue and Rating Plan outlines Council's decision-making process on how revenues are calculated and collected. The following public consultation process has been and will be followed to ensure due consideration and feedback is received from relevant stakeholders.

The Revenue and Rating Plan community engagement process is:

- Draft Revenue and Rating Plan prepared by officers;
- Draft Revenue and Rating Plan placed on public exhibition following adoption at the May 2021 Council meeting calling for public submissions;
- Community engagement through local news outlets, social media and community consultation meetings;
- Receiving of public submissions from Monday 10 May 2021 to Friday 4 June 2021: and
- Draft Revenue and Rating Plan presented to the June Council meeting for adoption.

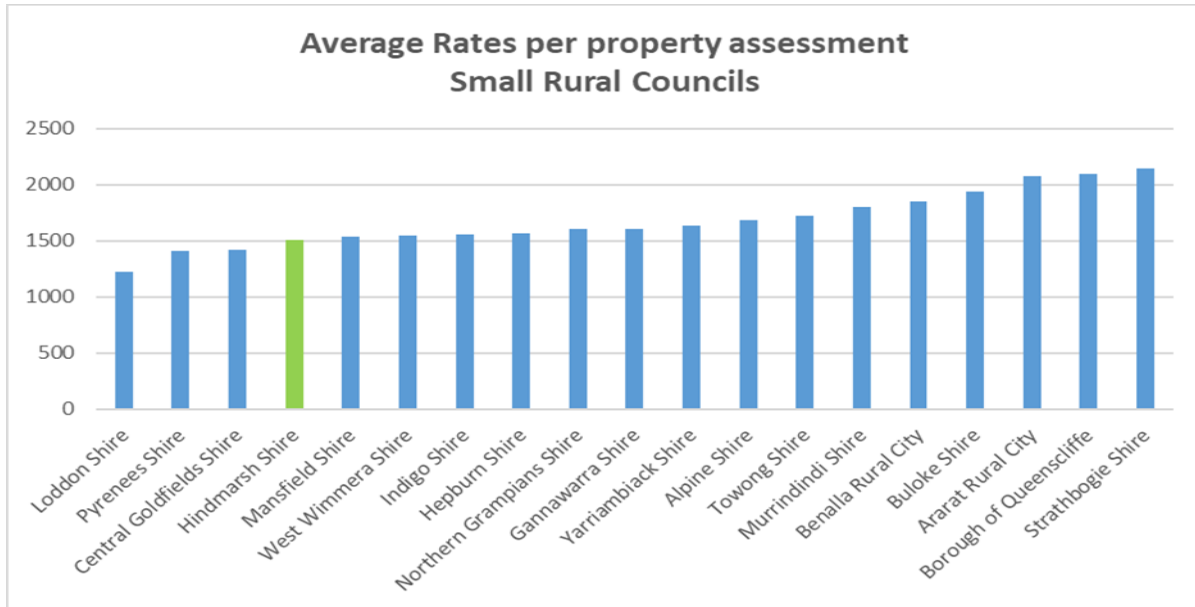
3. LEGISLATIVE FRAMEWORK

Raising of revenue including the levying of rates and charges by Hindmarsh Shire Council is legislated by the Local Government Act 2020, and the Valuation of Land Act 1960. The rates and charges provision is contained within the Local Government Act 1989 pending the outcome of the Local Government Rating System Review.

4. ASSESSMENT OF CURRENT RATING LEVELS

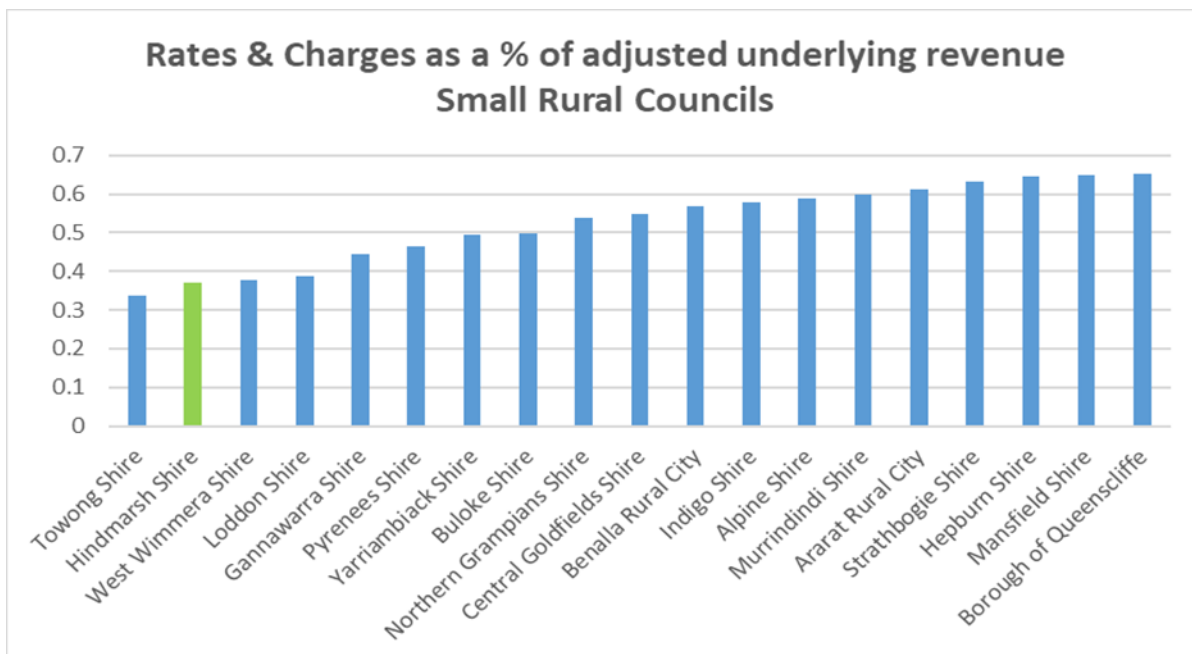
Comparing the relativity of rating levels between Council's can be a difficult exercise due to debate over the most appropriate methods to use and the inability to take into account the intricacies of rating structures in different Council's. Each local government sets rates based on an assessment of the desires, wants and needs of its community and as each community is different, direct comparisons can be difficult. For example, cash holdings of municipalities vary and Council's have significantly different infrastructure needs and geographic sizes. Each municipality also has significantly different levels of capital works, funding structures for capital works and varying levels of debt.

On a rates per assessment basis, Hindmarsh Shire was well within the average for the group of small rural Council's in the 2019/2020 financial year.



*source Know Your Council, 2019/20 Annual Reporting data

The graph below, showing that Council is at the lower end of its peer group in terms of rates as a percentage of overall revenue, is an indication of the focus Council places on raising revenue from sources other than rate payers, such as grant revenue.



*source Know Your Council, 2019/20 Annual Reporting data

5. RATE CAPPING

The Fair Go Rates System (FGRS) sets out the maximum amount Council's may increase rates in financial year. For 2021/2022 the rate cap is set at 1.5% (2020/2021 – 2.0%). The cap applies to both general rates and municipal charges and is calculated based on the average rates payable per assessment.

6. RATES AND CHARGES

Rates are property taxes that allow Council to raise revenue to fund essential public services which cater to their municipal population. Importantly it is a taxation system that includes flexibility for Council's to utilise different tools in its rating structure to accommodate issues of equity and to ensure fairness in rating for all ratepayers.

Council has established a rating structure comprised of three key elements. These are:

- General Rates – Based on property values using the Capital Improved Valuation methodology, which are indicative of capacity to pay and form the central basis of rating under the Local Government Act 2020;
- Service Charges – A 'user pays' component for Council services to reflect the recovery of the expenses of Council from ratepayers who benefit from a service; and
- Municipal Charge – A 'fixed rate' portion per property to cover some of the administrative costs of Council.

Striking a proper balance between these elements will help to improve equity in the distribution of the rate burden across residents.

Hindmarsh Shire Council uses the capital improved value (CIV) system of valuation. This means the sum that the land might be expected to realise at the time of valuation if offered for sale on any reasonable terms and conditions which a genuine seller might in ordinary circumstances be expected to require.

The formula for calculating General Rates, excluding any additional charges, arrears or additional supplementary rates is:

- Valuation (Capital Improved Value) x Rate in the Dollar (Differential Rate Type).

The rate in the dollar for each rating differential category is included in Council's annual budget.

Property Valuations

The Valuation of Land Act 1960 is the principle legislation in determining property valuations. Under the Valuation of Land Act 1960, the Victorian Valuer-General conducts property valuations on an annual basis.

Council needs to be mindful of the impacts of revaluations on various property types in implementing differential rates to ensure that rises and falls in Council rates remain affordable and that rating 'shocks' are mitigated to some degree.

Supplementary Valuations

Supplementary valuations are carried out for a variety of reasons including renovations, new constructions, extensions, installation of swimming pools, rezoning, subdivisions, amalgamations, occupancy changes and corrections. The Victorian Valuer-General is tasked with undertaking supplementary valuations and advises Council annually on the basis of valuation and Australian Valuation Property Classification Code (AVPCC) changes.

Supplementary valuations bring the value of the affected property into line with the general valuation of other properties within the municipality. Objections to supplementary valuations can be lodged in accordance with Part 3 of the Valuation of Land Act 1960. Any objection must be lodged with Council within two months of the issues of the supplementary rate notice.

Objections to property values

Part 3 of the Valuation of Land Act 1960 provides that a property owner may lodge an objection against the valuation of a property or the Australian Valuation Property Classification Code (AVPCC) within two months of the issue of the original or amended supplementary Rates and Valuation Charges Notice (Rates Notice), or with four months if the notice was not originally issued to the occupier of the land.

Objections to a valuation shown on Council's valuation and rates notice can be lodged electronically with the Victorian State Government's objection portal. Council's website provides further information on Rating Valuation Objections.

Rates differentials

Council makes a further distinction when applying general rates by applying rating differentials based on the purpose for which the property is used. That is, whether the property is used for residential, farming or Commercial/Industrial. This distinction is based on the concept that different property categories should pay a fair and equitable contribution, taking into account the benefits those properties derive from the local community.

Hindmarsh Shire Council's rating structure comprises five differential rates. These rates are structure in accordance with the requirements of Section 158 of the Local Government Act 1989 and the Ministerial guidelines for Differential Rating 2013.

The differential rates are currently set as follows:

- General 100%
- Farm 90% (a discount of 10% for farms)
- Commercial/Industrial 90% (a discount of 10% for businesses)
- Recreational 50% (a discount of 50% for recreational and cultural properties)
- Urban Vacant 200% (a penalty of 100% for urban vacant land in Nhill, Dimboola, Jeparit and Rainbow).

Note: The term 'discount' in relation to farms and businesses means the difference between the rate in the dollar applied to farms and businesses, and the rate in the dollar applied to residential properties. Similarly, the term 'penalty' means the difference between the rate in the dollar applied to urban vacant land and the rate in the dollar applied to residential properties. The rate in the dollar is the figure that is multiplied by a properties capital improved valuation to calculate the rates.

The highest differential rate must be no more than four times the lowest differential rate.

Differential definitions

The definition of each differential rate is set out below:

General

General rates applies to land which is not Farm / Commercial / Industrial / Recreational / or Urban Vacant.

The objective of the general rate is to ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to the cost of carrying out the functions of Hindmarsh Shire. The money raised by general rates will be applied to the items of expenditure described in the Hindmarsh Shire Council budget.

The characteristics of the planning scheme zoning are applicable to the determination of vacant land which will be subject to the rate of residential land. The vacant land affected by this rate is that which is zoned residential under the Hindmarsh Shire Council Planning Scheme. The classification of the land will be determined by the occupation of that land for its best use and have reference to the planning scheme zoning. The use of land is any permitted under the Hindmarsh Shire Council Planning scheme.

The types and classes of rateable land within this rate are those having the relevant characteristics described below:

- a. Used primarily for residential purposes; or
- b. Any land that is not defined as Farm Land / Commercial / Industrial / Recreational / or Urban Vacant.

This rate is applicable to land within the municipal district. The types of buildings on the land within this rate are all buildings already constructed on the land or which will be constructed prior to the expiry of the 2020/2021 financial year.

Farm

Farm land applies to land which is not Residential / Commercial / Industrial / Recreational / or Urban Vacant and which is 'farm land' within the meaning of section 2(1) of the Valuation of Land Act 1960.

The objective of the farm rate is to encourage farming and to provide moderate rate relief to farmers whose property values have remained high and to ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to carrying out the functions of Hindmarsh Shire. The money raised by farm rates will be applied to items of expenditure described in the Hindmarsh Shire Council budget.

The characteristics of the planning zoning are applicable to the determination of farm land which will be subject to the rate of farm land. The classification of the land will be determined by the occupation of that land for its best use and have reference to the planning scheme zoning.

The types and classes of rateable land within this rate are those having the relevant characteristics described below:

- a. Used primarily for primary production purposes; or
- b. Any land that is not defined as General Land or Commercial / Industrial Land.

This rate is applicable to land within the municipal district. The types of buildings on this land are buildings already constructed on the land or which will be constructed prior to the expiry of the 2020/2021 financial year.

Commercial / Industrial

Commercial / Industrial land applies to land which is not Residential / Farm / Recreational / or Urban Vacant. Commercial / Industrial land is any land which is:

- a. used primarily for carrying out the manufacture or production or, or trade in goods or services (including tourist facilities and in the case of a business providing accommodation for tourists, is prescribed accommodation under the Public Health and Wellbeing Act (Vic) 2008; or
- b. unoccupied building erected which is zoned Commercial or Industrial under the Hindmarsh Shire Council Planning Scheme; or
- c. Unoccupied land which is zoned Commercial or Industrial under the Hindmarsh Shire Council Planning Scheme.

The objective of the commercial / industrial rate is to encourage economic development and to ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to carrying out the functions of Hindmarsh Shire. The money raised by commercial / industrial rates will be applied to items of expenditure described in the Hindmarsh Shire Council budget.

The characteristics of the planning scheme zoning are applicable to the determination of vacant land which will be subject to the rate applicable to Commercial / Industrial Land. The classification of land will be determined by the occupation of that land for its best use and have reference to the planning scheme zoning.

The types and classes of rateable land within this rate are those having the relevant characteristics described below:

- a. Used primarily for commercial purposes; or
- b. Any land that is not defined as General Land or Farm Land or Recreational Land.

This rate is applicable to land within the municipal district. The types of buildings on this land are buildings already constructed on the land or which will be constructed prior to the expiry of the 2020/2021 financial year.

Recreational

Recreational and cultural land applies to land as defined under the Cultural and Recreational Lands Act 1963.

The objective of the recreational rate is to recognise the contribution that these community organisations and volunteers make to the Hindmarsh Shire in the provision of sporting, cultural and recreational activities. The money raised by recreational rates will be applied to items of expenditure described in the Hindmarsh Shire Council budget.

The characteristics of the planning scheme zoning are applicable to the determination of Recreational and cultural land.

The types and classes of rateable land is less than 1500m² within this rate are those having the relevant characteristics described below:

- a. Occupied by a body which exists for cultural or recreational purposes and applies its profits in promoting the furthering of this purpose; or
- b. Owned by the body, by the Crown or by Council;
- c. Not agricultural show grounds.

This rate is applicable to land within the municipal district. The types of buildings on this land are buildings already constructed on the land or which will be constructed prior to the expiry of the 2020/2021 financial year.

Urban Vacant

Urban Vacant land applies to any land which is not Residential / Farm / Commercial / Industrial / or Recreational; and which no dwelling has been erected in the four towns.

The objective of the urban vacant rate is to encourage development of vacant land and to ensure that all rateable land makes an equitable financial contribution to carrying out the functions of Hindmarsh Shire. The money raised by urban vacant rates will be applied to items of expenditure described in the Hindmarsh Shire Council budget.

The characteristics of the planning scheme zoning are applicable to the determination of vacant land which will be subject to the rate applicable to residential land.

The types and classes of rateable land within this rate are those having the relevant characteristics described below:

- Residential land within the four towns (Dimboola, Jeparit, Nhill and Rainbow) on which no dwelling has been erected.

This rate is applicable to land within the municipal district.

Municipal charge and general waste charge

Council also levies a municipal charge and general waste charge.

The Municipal charge is a fixed charge per property or assessment regardless of the valuation of the property. It operates in combination with the general rates based on Capital Improved Value.

Council has proposed the municipal charge will remain steady for 2021/2022 at \$200. The municipal charge is designed to recoup some of the administrative costs of Council, and to ensure that lower valued properties pay a fair amount of rates. Council believes that the \$200 municipal charge achieves these objectives.

The budgeted municipal charge for 2021/2022 is \$746,200 which is less than 10% of the total revenue from rates and charges.

The general waste charge was introduced in 2018/19 to cover waste costs not covered by the kerbside collection / recycling charge. This includes urban area litter removal and commercial area litter removal.

Council has proposed the general waste charge will remain steady for 2021/2022 at \$13. The general waste charge is applied using the same criteria as the Municipal charge.

7. SERVICE RATES AND CHARGES

Council may declare a service rate or charge under section 162 of the Local Government Act 1989 for the provision of the following services:

- Provision of water supply
- Collection and disposal of refuse
- Provision of sewage services
- Any other prescribed service.

Kerbside waste and recycling collection

Council levies a kerbside waste and recycling collection charge.

The purpose of this charge is to meet the costs of waste disposal and recycling activities throughout the Hindmarsh Shire area, including development and rehabilitation of landfill sites and the operating of transfer stations.

The kerbside waste and recycling collection charge is proposed to increase to \$393 in 2021/2022 (\$386 in 2020/2021). Unfortunately, Council's garbage and recycling costs are impacted significantly by the global recycling crisis and the State Government's landfill levies.

8. SPECIAL RATES AND CHARGES

Council may declare a special rate or charge under section 163 of the Local Government Act 1989.

Council does not have any current special rates and charges schemes in place.

9. PAYMENT OF RATES AND CHARGES

In accordance with section 167(1) of the Local Government Act 1989 ratepayers have the option of paying rates and charges by way of four instalments. Payments are due on the prescribed dates bellows:

- 1st Instalment: 30 September
- 2nd Instalment: 30 November
- 3rd Instalment: 28 February
- 4th Instalment: 31 May

Council offers a range of payment options including:

- In person at Council Customer Service Centres (cheques, money orders, EFTPOS, credit/debit cards and cash);
- BPay;
- Australia Post (over the counter, over the phone via credit card and on the internet);
- By mail (cheques and money orders only);
- Direct Debit (weekly, fortnightly, monthly, by instalment or annually);
- Centrepay.

10. PENALTY INTEREST

Interest is charged on all overdue rates in accordance with Section 172 of the Local Government Act 1989. The interest rate applied is fixed under section 2 of the Penalty Interest Rates Act 1983, which is determined by the Minister and published by notice in the Government Gazette.

11. PENSIONER REBATES

Holders of Centrelink or Veteran Affairs Pension Concession card or a Veteran Affairs Gold card which stipulates TPI or War Widow may claim a rebate on their sole or principal place of residents. Upon initial application, ongoing eligibility is maintained, unless rejected by Centrelink or the Department of Veteran Affairs during the annual verification procedure. Upon confirmation of an eligible pensioner concession status, the pensioner rebate is deducted from the rate account before payment is required by the ratepayer. Eligible pensioners are also entitled to receive a concession on the Fire Services Property Levy.

12. FINANCIAL HARDSHIP

Council is committed to assisting ratepayers who are experiencing financial difficulty. Council has approved a financial hardship policy which provides guidance for the collection of rates and charges where the ratepayer is experiencing financial hardship.

Ratepayers experiencing financial hardship should contact Council's Rates Department to confidentially discuss their situation.

13. DEBT RECOVERY

Council makes every effort to contact ratepayers at their correct address but it is the ratepayers' responsibility to properly advise Council of their contact details. The Local Government Act 1989 section 230 and 231 requires both the vendor and buyer of property, or their agents (eg solicitors and or conveyancers), to notify Council by way of notice of disposition or acquisition of an interest in land.

In the event that an account becomes overdue, Council will issue an overdue reminder notice which will include accrued penalty interest. In the event that the account remains unpaid, Council may take legal action without further notice to recover the overdue amount. All fees and court costs incurred will be recoverable from the ratepayer.

If an amount payable by way of rates in respect to land has been in arrears for three years or more, Council may take action to sell the property in accordance with section 181 of the Local Government Act 1989.

14. FIRE SERVICES PROPERTY LEVY

In 2013 the Victorian State Government passed legislation requiring the Fire Services Property Levy to be collected from ratepayers. Previously this was collected through building and property insurance premiums. The Fire Services Property Levy helps fund the services provided by Fire Rescue Victoria (FRV) and Country Fire Authority (CFA), and all levies collected by Council are passed through to the State Government.

The Fire Services Property Levy is based on two components, a fixed charge, and a variable charge which is linked to the Capital Improved Value (CIV) of the property. The levy is not included in the rate cap and increases in the levy are at the discretion of the State Government.

15. OTHER REVENUE ITEMS

Fees and Charges

Fees and charges consist of statutory fees and fines and user fees charges. Statutory fees mainly relate to fees and fines levied in accordance with legislation and include animal registration fees, building and planning fees, and fines including local laws and animal fines. User fees relate to the recovery of service delivery costs through the charging of fees to users of Council's services including home and community care, waste depot fees, and hall hire.

The provision of infrastructure and services form a key part of Council's role in supporting the local community. In providing these, Council must consider a range of 'Best Value' principles including service cost and quality standards, value-for-money, and community expectations and values. Council must also balance the affordability and accessibility of infrastructure and services with its financial capacity and in the interests of long-term financial sustainability.

Council must also comply with the government's Competitive Neutrality Policy for significant business activities they provide and adjust their service prices to neutralise any competitive advantages when competing with the private sector.

In providing services to the community, Council must determine the extent of cost recovery for particular services consistent with the level of both individual and collective benefit that the services provide in line with the communities expectations.

Council will develop a table of fees and charges as part of its annual budget each year. Proposed pricing changes will be included in this table and will be communicated to stakeholders before the budget is adopted, giving them a chance to review and provide valuable feedback before the fees are locked in.

Grants

Grant revenue (recurrent and non-recurrent) represents income usually received from other levels of government. Some grants are singular and attached to the delivery of specific projects, whilst others can be of a recurrent nature and may or may not be linked to the delivery of projects.

Council will pro-actively advocate to other levels of government for grant funding support to deliver important infrastructure and service outcomes for the community. Council may use its own funds to leverage higher grant funding and maximise external funding opportunities.

Contributions

Contributions represent funds received by Council, usually from non-government sources. Contributions may include funds from user groups towards facility upgrades or community projects.

Other Revenue

Council receives revenue from interest on investments and interest on rates arrears. The amount of revenue earned from these sources fluctuates from year to year depending on the level of cash and investments and outstanding rates and charges balances.

4.5 Capital works program 2021/2022

This section presents a listing of the capital works projects that will be undertaken for the 2021/2022 year, classified by expenditure type and funding source. Works are also disclosed as current budget or carried forward from prior year.

4.5.1 Summary

	Forecast	Budget	Change	%
	Actual	2021/22		
	2020/21	2021/22		
Property	1,832,007	1,192,840	(639,167)	-34.89%
Plant and equipment	3,212,225	2,119,500	(1,092,725)	-34.02%
Infrastructure	10,674,649	9,489,903	(1,184,746)	-11.10%
Total	15,718,881	12,802,243	(2,916,638)	-18.55%

	Project Cost	Asset expenditure types				Summary of Funding Sources			
		New	Renewal	Upgrade	Expansion	Grants	Contrib.	Council cash	Borrowings
Property	1,192,840	785,000	291,340	116,500	-	636,500	-	556,340	-
Plant and equipment	2,119,500	100,000	2,019,500	-	-	-	-	2,119,500	-
Infrastructure	9,489,903	1,650,000	6,284,769	1,555,134	-	7,484,067	-	2,005,836	-
Total	12,802,243	2,535,000	8,595,609	1,671,634	-	8,120,567	-	4,681,676	-

4.5.2 Current Budget

Capital Works Area	Project Cost	Asset expenditure types				Summary of Funding Sources			
		New	Renewal	Upgrade	Expansion	Grants	Contrib.	Council cash	Borrowings
PROPERTY									
Land Improvements									
Fencing Nhill Learning Centre	6,500	-	-	6,500	-	-	-	6,500	-
Buildings									
Living Libraries	110,000	-	-	110,000	-	86,500	-	23,500	-
Nhill Tennis Club Rooms	250,000	-	250,000	-	-	250,000	-	-	-
Rainbow Rec Reserve Change Rooms	35,000	35,000	-	-	-	-	-	35,000	-
Caravan Park Cabins	600,000	600,000	-	-	-	300,000	-	300,000	-
Depots and Workshops	150,000	-	150,000	-	-	-	-	150,000	-
Essential Building Renewal	10,000	-	10,000	-	-	-	-	10,000	-
Building Improvements									
Riverside Holiday Park Ensuites	20,000	-	20,000	-	-	-	-	20,000	-
Riverside Holiday Park Recreation Room Storage	11,340	-	11,340	-	-	-	-	11,340	-
TOTAL PROPERTY	1,192,840	635,000	441,340	116,500	-	636,500	-	556,340	-

Capital Works Area	Project Cost	Asset expenditure types				Summary of Funding Sources			
		New	Renewal	Upgrade	Expansion	Grants	Contrib.	Council cash	Borrowings
PLANT AND EQUIPMENT									
Plant, Machinery and Equipment									
Truck	310,000	-	310,000	-	-	-	-	310,000	-
Trailer	120,000	-	120,000	-	-	-	-	120,000	-
Truck	235,000	-	235,000	-	-	-	-	235,000	-
Truck	130,000	-	130,000	-	-	-	-	130,000	-
Grader	440,000	-	440,000	-	-	-	-	440,000	-
Minor Plant	30,000	-	30,000	-	-	-	-	30,000	-
Backhoe	195,000	-	195,000	-	-	-	-	195,000	-
Truck	85,000	-	85,000	-	-	-	-	85,000	-
Dual Cab Utility	43,000	-	43,000	-	-	-	-	43,000	-
Utility	43,000	-	43,000	-	-	-	-	43,000	-
Utility	43,000	-	43,000	-	-	-	-	43,000	-
Utility	43,000	-	43,000	-	-	-	-	43,000	-
Sedan/Wagon	50,000	-	50,000	-	-	-	-	50,000	-
Sedan/Wagon	50,000	-	50,000	-	-	-	-	50,000	-
Wagon	56,500	-	56,500	-	-	-	-	56,500	-
Wagon	64,000	-	64,000	-	-	-	-	64,000	-
Fixtures, Fittings and Furniture									
Caravan Park Cabin Fit Out	50,000	50,000	-	-	-	-	-	50,000	-
Office Furniture	5,000	5,000	-	-	-	-	-	5,000	-
Computers and Telecommunications									
Workstations & Ipads	42,000	-	42,000	-	-	-	-	42,000	-
Firewalls & Hard Disk Drives	40,000	-	40,000	-	-	-	-	40,000	-
Library books									
Library Capital Resources	45,000	45,000	-	-	-	-	-	45,000	-
TOTAL PLANT AND EQUIPMENT	2,119,500	100,000	2,019,500	-	-	-	-	2,119,500	-
INFRASTRUCTURE									
Roads									
Lorquon-Netherby Road, Hill	48,737	-	48,737	-	-	-	-	48,737	-
Lorquon Palms Rd, Nhill	40,000	-	40,000	-	-	40,000	-	-	-
Antwerp Warracknabeal Rd, Dimboola	40,000	-	40,000	-	-	40,000	-	-	-
Netherby Baker Rd, Nhill	30,000	-	30,000	-	-	30,000	-	-	-
Salisbury-Woorak Rd, Nhill	74,900	-	74,900	-	-	74,900	-	-	-
Jeparit East Rd, Jeparit	60,000	-	60,000	-	-	60,000	-	-	-
Hindmarsh St, Dimboola	16,000	-	16,000	-	-	16,000	-	-	-
Reseals and Final Seal for 20-21 Projects - TBD	479,100	-	479,100	-	-	479,100	-	-	-
Antwerp Woorak Road, Nhill	391,187	-	391,187	-	-	34,240	-	356,947	-
Charles St, Jeparit	13,482	-	13,482	-	-	-	-	13,482	-
Lorquon Cemetery Road, Nhill	37,190	-	37,190	-	-	-	-	37,190	-
Antwerp Katyil, Dimboola	39,720	-	39,720	-	-	36,526	-	3,194	-
Arkona-Katyil Rd, Dimboola	146,031	-	146,031	-	-	146,030	-	1	-
Stasinowsky's Rd, Rainbow	48,030	-	48,030	-	-	-	-	48,030	-
Propodollah Rd, Nhill	124,003	-	124,003	-	-	124,002	-	1	-
Horsham Road Service Road, Dimboola	58,755	-	-	58,755	-	-	-	58,755	-
Boundary Rd (WWSC), Yanac	40,000	-	40,000	-	-	-	-	40,000	-
Wimmera St Widen, Dimboola	112,749	-	112,749	-	-	-	-	112,749	-
Woorak Ni-Ni Lorquon Road, Nhill	509,923	-	-	509,923	-	426,269	-	83,654	-
Kiata North Road Widening (Agrilinks), Nhill	11,304	-	-	11,304	-	-	-	11,304	-
Indoor Salaries	92,102	-	92,102	-	-	-	-	92,102	-
Designs for 22/23	50,000	-	50,000	-	-	-	-	50,000	-
B Double & A Double Study	50,000	-	50,000	-	-	-	-	50,000	-
Vegetation Assessments	25,000	-	25,000	-	-	-	-	25,000	-
Scott St - Jeparit	128,076	-	128,076	-	-	-	-	128,076	-
Kerb & Channel Designs	15,000	-	15,000	-	-	-	-	15,000	-
K&C Park St, Nhill	219,569	-	219,569	-	-	-	-	219,569	-
K&C Elgin Street, Nhill	150,227	-	-	150,227	-	-	-	150,227	-
K&C Electric Charging Station Nhill	57,925	-	-	57,925	-	-	-	57,925	-

Capital Works Area	Project Cost	Asset expenditure types				Summary of Funding Sources			
		New	Renewal	Upgrade	Expansion	Grants	Contrib.	Council cash	Borrowings
Bridges									
Albacutya Road Bridge, Rainbow	3,500,000	-	3,500,000	-	-	3,500,000	-	-	-
Footpaths and Cycleways									
Indoor Salaries	23,684	-	23,684	-	-	-	-	23,684	-
Lake St, Rainbow	26,000	-	26,000	-	-	-	-	26,000	-
Wimmera St, Dimboola	30,870	-	30,870	-	-	-	-	30,870	-
Roy St, Rainbow	26,000	-	26,000	-	-	-	-	26,000	-
Queen St, Nhill	15,000	-	15,000	-	-	-	-	15,000	-
Railway St, Rainbow	30,481	-	30,481	-	-	-	-	30,481	-
Hindmarsh St, Dimboola	51,174	-	51,174	-	-	-	-	51,174	-
Drainage									
Indoor Salaries	23,684	-	23,684	-	-	-	-	23,684	-
Cutline Rd, Nhill	10,000	-	10,000	-	-	-	-	10,000	-
Other Infrastructure									
Rainbow Library Community Park	100,000	100,000	-	-	-	100,000	-	-	-
Rainbow Lake Picnic Area	90,000	90,000	-	-	-	90,000	-	-	-
Jeparit Recreation Reserve	27,000	-	-	27,000	-	-	-	27,000	-
Swimming Pools Solar Heating	60,000	-	-	60,000	-	-	-	60,000	-
Davis Park Renewal	227,000	-	227,000	-	-	227,000	-	-	-
Council Contribution to Grant Funded Projects	50,000	50,000	-	-	-	-	-	50,000	-
Tourism Signage	20,000	-	-	20,000	-	-	-	20,000	-
Seating/Outdoor Shower Dimboola River	10,000	10,000	-	-	-	-	-	10,000	-
Silo Art	1,400,000	1,400,000	-	-	-	1,400,000	-	-	-
Transfer Stations Upgrades	460,000	-	-	460,000	-	460,000	-	-	-
Camp Kitchen Jeparit Riverbank Precinct	200,000	-	-	200,000	-	200,000	-	-	-
TOTAL INFRASTRUCTURE	9,489,903	1,650,000	6,284,769	1,555,134	-	7,484,067	-	2,005,836	-
TOTAL CAPITAL WORKS 2021/2022	12,802,243	2,385,000	8,745,609	1,671,634	-	8,120,567	-	4,681,676	-

4.5 Capital works program 2022/2023

This section presents a listing of the capital works projects that will be undertaken for the 2022/23 year, classified by expenditure type and funding source. Works are also disclosed as current budget or carried forward from prior year.

4.5.1 Summary 2022/2023

	Project Cost \$,000's	Asset expenditure types				Summary of Funding Sources			
		New \$,000's	Renewal \$,000's	Upgrade \$,000's	Expansion \$,000's	Grants \$,000's	Contrib. \$,000's	Council cash \$,000's	Borrowings \$,000's
Property	250		100	150		200		50	
Plant and equipment	1,574	1,514	60			-		1,574	
Infrastructure	3,155	70	2,505	580		1,045		1,610	
Total	4,979	1,584	2,665	730	-	1,245	-	3,234	-

4.5.2 Current Budget

Capital Works Area	Project Cost \$,000's	Asset expenditure types				Summary of Funding Sources			
		New \$,000's	Renewal \$,000's	Upgrade \$,000's	Expansion \$,000's	Grants \$,000's	Contrib. \$,000's	Council cash \$,000's	Borrowings \$,000's
PROPERTY									
Buildings									
Building renewal works	100		100			100			
Nhill Caravan Park - Ablutions Block	50			50				50	
Davis Park	100			100		100			
TOTAL PROPERTY	250	-	100	150	-	200	-	50	-
PLANT AND EQUIPMENT									
Plant, Machinery and Equipment									
Plant	1,275	1,275						1,275	
Fleet	239	239						239	
Computers and Telecommunications									
Workstations & Ipads	60		60					60	
TOTAL PLANT AND EQUIPMENT	1,574	1,514	60	-	-	-	-	1,574	-

Capital Works Area	Project Cost \$,'000's	Asset expenditure types				Summary of Funding Sources			
		New \$,'000's	Renewal \$,'000's	Upgrade \$,'000's	Expansion \$,'000's	Grants \$,'000's	Contrib. \$,'000's	Council cash \$,'000's	Borrowings \$,'000's
INFRASTRUCTURE									
Roads									
Antwerp – Warracknabeal Road, Antwerp	80		80					80	
Coker Dam Road, Gerang Gerung	110		110			110		-	
Ellam – Willenabrina Road, Jeparit	100		100					100	
Mt Elgin Road, Nhill	60		60					60	
Nhill – Diapur Road, Nhill	65		65					65	
Lorquon Road, Lorquon	65		65					65	
Pullut West Road, Rainbow	60		60					60	
Reseals identified in 2020-21 condition audit	260		260			215		45	
Albacutya Rd widening	475			475		475		-	
Mt Elgin Rd, Nhill	150		150			150		-	
Upper Regions Street, Dimboola	100		100					100	
5-ways Road Intersection	100		100					100	
Designs	50		25	25				50	
Vegetation	25		25					25	
Propodollah Road, Nhill	30		30					30	
Broughton Road, Yanac	60		60					60	
Kurnbrunin Road, Rainbow	70		70					70	
Locations to be confirmed from 20-21 road audit :									
Mt Elgin Rd (Miram E to P Colberts) 1.5km	60		60					60	
H Binns Road, Nhill	95		95			95		-	
Lorquon - Woorak West (A Bones - Peakes Three Chain 2km), Nhill	80		80					80	
Nossacks Road, Nhill	55		55					55	
River Road, Dimboola	90		90					90	
Sandsmere Road, Nhill	50		50					50	
Solly Road, Rainbow	50		50					50	
Roads continued									
Tarranyurk East Road, Tarranyurk	80		80					80	
Indoor Salaries	121		121					121	
Park Street	185		185					185	
Design works	15		15					15	
Footpaths and Cycleways									
Roy Street, Jeparit	45		45					45	
Taverner Street, Rainbow	45		45					45	
Indoor Salaries	24		24					24	
Anderson Street, Dimboola	40		40					40	
Drainage									
Nhill – Diapur Road, Diapur	50		50					50	
Indoor Salaries	22		22					22	
Bridge and culvert repairs at site to be identified	38		38					38	
Winifred Street, Rainbow	80			80				80	
Other Infrastructure									
Council Contribution to Grant Funded Projects	70	70						70	
TOTAL INFRASTRUCTURE	3,155	70	2,505	580	-	1,045	-	2,110	-
TOTAL CAPITAL WORKS 2022/2023	4,979	1,584	2,665	730	-	1,245	-	3,734	-

4.5 Capital works program 2023/2024

This section presents a listing of the capital works projects that will be undertaken for the 2023/24 year, classified by expenditure type and funding source. Works are also disclosed as current budget or carried forward from prior year.

4.5.1 Summary 2023/2024

	Project Cost \$,000's	Asset expenditure types				Summary of Funding Sources			
		New \$,000's	Renewal \$,000's	Upgrade \$,000's	Expansion \$,000's	Grants \$,000's	Contrib. \$,000's	Council cash \$,000's	Borrowings \$,000's
Property	30		30					30	
Plant and equipment	2,135	45	2,090					2,135	
Infrastructure	3,252	70	2,382	800		1,580		1,672	
Total	5,417	115	4,502	800	-	1,580	-	3,837	-

4.5.2 Current Budget

Capital Works Area	Project Cost \$,000's	Asset expenditure types				Summary of Funding Sources			
		New \$,000's	Renewal \$,000's	Upgrade \$,000's	Expansion \$,000's	Grants \$,000's	Contrib. \$,000's	Council cash \$,000's	Borrowings \$,000's
PROPERTY									
Buildings									
Building Renewal Works	30		30					30	
TOTAL PROPERTY	30	-	30	-	-	-	-	30	-
PLANT AND EQUIPMENT									
Plant, Machinery and Equipment									
Plant	1,515		1,515					1,515	
Fleet	515		515					515	
Computers and Telecommunications									
IT Equipment	60		60					60	
Library books									
Library Capital Resources	45	45						45	
TOTAL PLANT AND EQUIPMENT	2,135	45	2,090	-	-	-	-	2,135	-

Capital Works Area	Project Cost \$,'000's	Asset expenditure types				Summary of Funding Sources			
		New \$,'000's	Renewal \$,'000's	Upgrade \$,'000's	Expansion \$,'000's	Grants \$,'000's	Contrib. \$,'000's	Council cash \$,'000's	Borrowings \$,'000's
INFRASTRUCTURE									
Roads									
Park Street & Davis Ave intersection Nhill	85			85				85	
Wimmera St	100			100				100	
Design works	15			15				15	
Final seals following 2022-23 projects (if none then add to reseals)	100		100					100	
Reseal of existng roads as per 20-21 road condition audit	700		700			435		265	
Antwerp – Warracknabeal Road, Antwerp	295		295			295			
Glenlee-Lorquon Rd	300			300		300			
Lorquon Station Rd	300			300		300			
Mt Elgin Rd	250		250			250			
Designs	50		50					50	
Vegetation	25		25					25	
Shoulder re-sheet of existng sealed road site to be identified in 2020 audit	220		220					220	
5-Chain Rd Dimboola	50		50					50	
Heinrich Road, Rainbow	40		40					40	
Hazeldene Road, Rainbow	30		30					30	
J Bones Rd Nhill	205		205					205	
C Werner, Nhill	50		50					50	
Indoor Salaries	125		125					125	
Footpaths and Cycleways									
Construct Footpath Infills : Davis St and Park St (together with K&C)	12		12					12	
High St, Dimboola	20		20					20	
Indoor Salaries	24		24					24	
Bow St Rainbow	48		48					48	
Peterson Ave, Jeparit	50		50					50	
Drainage									
Nhill Diapur Rd	50		50					50	
Replace existing box or pipe culverts, or other culvert and bridge repairs - sites to be identified	38		38					38	
Other Infrastructure									
Council Contribution to Grant Funded Projects	70	70						70	
TOTAL INFRASTRUCTURE	3,252	70	2,382	800	-	1,580	-	1,672	-
TOTAL CAPITAL WORKS 2023/2024	5,417	115	4,502	800	-	1,580	-	3,837	-

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This section presents a listing of the capital works projects that will be undertaken for the 2024/25 year, classified by expenditure type and funding source. Works are also disclosed as current budget or carried forward from prior year.

4.5.1 Summary 2024/2025

	Project Cost \$,000's	Asset expenditure types				Summary of Funding Sources			
		New \$,000's	Renewal \$,000's	Upgrade \$,000's	Expansion \$,000's	Grants \$,000's	Contrib. \$,000's	Council cash \$,000's	Borrowings \$,000's
Property	130	130						130	
Plant and equipment	2,135	45	2,090					2,135	
Infrastructure	2,988	70	2,343	575		1,081		1,907	
Total	5,253	245	4,433	575	-	1,081	-	4,172	-

4.5.2 Current Budget

Capital Works Area	Project Cost \$,000's	Asset expenditure types				Summary of Funding Sources			
		New \$,000's	Renewal \$,000's	Upgrade \$,000's	Expansion \$,000's	Grants \$,000's	Contrib. \$,000's	Council cash \$,000's	Borrowings \$,000's
PROPERTY									
Buildings									
Building Renewal Works to be identified	130			130				130	
TOTAL PROPERTY	130			130				130	
PLANT AND EQUIPMENT									
Plant, Machinery and Equipment									
Plant and Equipment	1,515		1,515					1,515	
Fleet	515		515					515	
Computers and Telecommunications									
IT Equipment	60		60					60	
Library books									
Library Capital Resources	45	45						45	
TOTAL PLANT AND EQUIPMENT	2,135	45	2,090	-	-	-	-	2,135	-

Capital Works Area	Project Cost \$,'000's	Asset expenditure types				Summary of Funding Sources			
		New \$,'000's	Renewal \$,'000's	Upgrade \$,'000's	Expansion \$,'000's	Grants \$,'000's	Contrib. \$,'000's	Council cash \$,'000's	Borrowings \$,'000's
INFRASTRUCTURE									
Roads									
Ryan Lane - Nhill	200			200		200			-
Reseal of existng roads as per 20-21 road condition audit (Kurnbrunin Rd)	800		800			500		300	
Propodollah Road, Nhill	300		300			300			-
Intersection improvement - Lake & Railway St	50		50					50	
Woorak NiNi Lorquon	375		-	375				375	
Designs	50		50					50	
Vegetation	25		25					25	
Shoulder re-sheet of existng sealed road site to be identified from B-Double study - Mt Elgin Rd, Old Minyip	220		220			81		139	
Solly Rd	135		135					135	
Propodollah Netherby Rd	120		120					120	
MacDonalds	120		120					120	
Indoor Salaries	125		125					125	
Footpaths and Cycleways									
Church St Nhill	60		60					60	
Nairn St	40		40					40	
Railway St Rainbow	30		30					30	
Drainage									
Replace existing box or pipe culverts, or other culvert and bridge repairs - sites to be identified	168		168					168	
Accrual for Jeparit Weir Repairs (do this for a few years, works could cost \$1m)	100		100					100	
Other Infrastructure									
Council Contribution to Grant Funded Projects	70	70						70	
TOTAL INFRASTRUCTURE	2,988	70	2,343	575	-	1,081	-	1,907	-
TOTAL CAPITAL WORKS 2024/2025	5,253	115	4,433	705	-	1,081	-	4,172	-

5. Financial performance indicators

The following table highlights Council's current and projected performance across a range of key financial performance indicators. These indicators provide a useful analysis of Council's financial position and performance and should be interpreted in the context of the organisation's objectives.

The financial performance indicators below are the prescribed financial performance indicators contained in Part 3 of Schedule 3 of the *Local Government (Planning and Reporting) Regulations 2020*. Results against these indicators will be reported in Council's Performance Statement included in the Annual Report.

Indicator	Measure	Notes	Actual	Forecast	Budget	Projections			Trend
			2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	+/-
Operating position									
Adjusted underlying result	Adjusted underlying surplus (deficit) / Adjusted underlying revenue	1	4.13%	-32.88%	-12.59%	-12.37%	-5.64%	-9%	+
Liquidity									
Working Capital	Current assets / current liabilities	2	347.74%	134.15%	118.37%	116.92%	85.03%	60.49%	o
Unrestricted cash	Unrestricted cash / current liabilities	3	304.27	84.71	66.84	68.76	41.89	18.3	o
Obligations									
Asset renewal	Asset renewal and upgrade expense / Asset depreciation	4	155.21%	179.86%	208.63%	51.11	86.29	83.17	-
Stability									
Rates concentration	Rate revenue / adjusted underlying revenue	5	36.55%	56.95%	52.08	52.05	48.6	49.47	-
Rates effort	Rate revenue / CIV of rateable properties in the municipality		0.57	0.55	0.45	0.44	0.45	0.44	o
Indicator	Measure	Notes	Actual	Forecast	Budget	Projections			Trend
			2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	+/-
Efficiency									
Expenditure level	Total expenses/ no. of property assessments		\$4,275	\$4,134	\$3,882	\$3,896	\$3,999	\$4,134	+
Revenue level	Total rate revenue / no. of property assessments		\$654	\$617	\$580	\$591	\$591	\$603	+
Workforce turnover	Number of permanent staff resignations and terminations / Average number of permanent staff for the financial year		11.5%	14.8%	10%	10%	10%	10%	+

Key to Forecast Trend:

- + Forecasts improvement in Council's financial performance/financial position indicator
- o Forecasts that Council's financial performance/financial position indicator will be steady
- Forecasts deterioration in Council's financial performance/financial position indicator

Notes to indicators

1. Adjusted underlying result

One indicator of the sustainable operating result required to enable Council to continue to provide core services and meet its objectives. Continued losses will mean Council will rely on capital grants to fund capital expenditure.

2. Working Capital

The proportion of current liabilities represented by current assets. Working capital is forecast to decline in later years due to a reduction in cash to fund the capital works program.

3. Unrestricted Cash

Council is forecast to remain free of long term debt throughout the four year Strategic Resource Plan.

4. Asset renewal

This percentage indicates the extent of Council's renewal expenditure against its depreciation charge (an indication of the decline in value of its existing assets). A percentage greater than 100 indicates Council is maintaining its existing assets while a percentage less than 100 means its assets are deteriorating faster than they are being renewed and future capital expenditure will be required to renew assets.

5. Rates concentration

Reflects extent of reliance on rate revenues to fund all of Council's on-going services. Rates concentration is forecast to remain relatively stable throughout the forecast period.

6. Schedule of Fees and Charges

This appendix presents the fees and charges of a statutory/non-statutory nature which will be charged in respect to various goods and services during the financial year 2021/2022.

Fees and charges are based on information available at the time of publishing and may vary during the financial year subject to any changes in Council's policy or legislation.

Description of Fees and Charges	GST Status	2020/21 Fee	2021/22 Fee	Fee Increase/	Fee Increase/	Basis of Fee
		Inc GST	Inc GST	(Decrease)	(Decrease)	
		\$	\$	\$	%	
ANIMAL BUSINESS						
Domestic Animal Business - Licence Fee	Taxable	\$ 312.00	\$ 315.00	\$ 3.00	1%	Non-statutory
ANIMAL CAGES						
Hire of Cat Trap	Taxable	\$ 26.00	\$ 26.50	\$ 0.50	2%	Non-statutory
Hire of Cat Trap - Bond	Taxable	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.50	\$ 0.50	1%	Non-statutory
Hire of Cat Trap - Pensioner Discount	Taxable	\$ 16.00	\$ 16.50	\$ 0.50	3%	Non-statutory
Hire of Cat Trap - Pensioner Bond	Taxable	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
ANIMAL FINES						
Note: Fees are indexed annually by the Department of Justice						
Failure to apply to register or renew the registration of a dog or cat over the age of 3 months	Non-taxable	\$ 330.00	\$ 330.00	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Identification marker not worn outside of premises	Non-taxable	\$ 83.00	\$ 83.00	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Unregistered dog or cat wearing Council identification marker	Non-taxable	\$ 83.00	\$ 83.00	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Person removing, altering or defacing identification marker	Non-taxable	\$ 83.00	\$ 83.00	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Dog or cat on private property after notice served	Non-taxable	\$ 83.00	\$ 83.00	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Dog at large or not securely confined - during the day	Non-taxable	\$ 248.00	\$ 248.00	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Dog at large or not securely confined - during the night	Non-taxable	\$ 330.00	\$ 330.00	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Cat at large or not securely confined in restrictive district	Non-taxable	\$ 83.00	\$ 83.00	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Dog or cat in prohibited place	Non-taxable	\$ 165.00	\$ 165.00	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Greyhound not muzzled or not controlled by chain, cord or leash	Non-taxable	\$ 248.00	\$ 248.00	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Not complying with notice to abate nuisance	Non-taxable	\$ 248.00	\$ 248.00	\$ -	0%	Statutory
ANIMAL IMPOUND FEES						
Impound Fees - Dog						
Pound release fee	Taxable	\$ 110.00	\$ 111.00	\$ 1.00	1%	Non-statutory
Daily pound keeping fee (Monday to Friday)	Taxable	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.50	\$ 0.50	1%	Non-statutory
Daily pound keeping fee (Saturday and Sunday)	Taxable	\$ 70.00	\$ 71.00	\$ 1.00	1%	Non-statutory
Pound release fee - Repeat offenders	Taxable	\$ 220.00	\$ 222.00	\$ 2.00	1%	Non-statutory
Impound Fees - Cat						
Pound release fee	Taxable	\$ 110.00	\$ 111.00	\$ 1.00	1%	Non-statutory
Daily pound keeping fee (Monday to Friday)	Taxable	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.50	\$ 0.50	1%	Non-statutory
Daily pound keeping fee (Saturday and Sunday)	Taxable	\$ 70.00	\$ 71.00	\$ 1.00	1%	Non-statutory
Pound release fee - Repeat offenders	Taxable	\$ 220.00	\$ 222.00	\$ 2.00	1%	Non-statutory
Livestock						
Livestock	Taxable	\$ 40.00	\$ 40.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory

Description of Fees and Charges	GST Status	2020/21 Fee	2021/22 Fee	Fee Increase/	Fee Increase/	Basis of Fee
		Inc GST	Inc GST	(Decrease)	(Decrease)	
		\$	\$	\$	%	
ANIMAL REGISTRATIONS						
Note: Prices are for one cat or dog and include the government levy						
Dangerous/Restricted breed	Non-taxable	\$ 700.00	\$ 710.00	\$ 10.00	1%	Non-statutory
Standard Registration	Non-taxable	\$ 147.00	\$ 148.00	\$ 1.00	1%	Non-statutory
Desexed and microchipped - Cat	Non-taxable	\$ 36.00	\$ 37.00	\$ 1.00	3%	Non-statutory
Desexed and microchipped - Dog	Non-taxable	\$ 45.00	\$ 46.00	\$ 1.00	2%	Non-statutory
Desexed registration - Cat	Non-taxable	\$ 40.00	\$ 40.40	\$ 0.40	1%	Non-statutory
Desexed registration - Dog	Non-taxable	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.50	\$ 0.50	1%	Non-statutory
Working Dogs	Non-taxable	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.50	\$ 0.50	1%	Non-statutory
Animals over 10 years old - Cat	Non-taxable	\$ 40.00	\$ 40.40	\$ 0.40	1%	Non-statutory
Animals over 10 years old - Dog	Non-taxable	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.50	\$ 0.50	1%	Non-statutory
Animals registered with VCA or FCC - Cat	Non-taxable	\$ 40.00	\$ 40.40	\$ 0.40	1%	Non-statutory
Animals registered with VCA or FCC - Dog	Non-taxable	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.50	\$ 0.50	1%	Non-statutory
Animal permanently identified (microchipped) - Cat	Non-taxable	\$ 105.00	\$ 106.00	\$ 1.00	1%	Non-statutory
Animal permanently identified (microchipped) - Dog	Non-taxable	\$ 130.00	\$ 131.00	\$ 1.00	1%	Non-statutory
Breeding animal on registered premises - Cat	Non-taxable	\$ 40.00	\$ 40.40	\$ 0.40	1%	Non-statutory
Breeding animal on registered premises - Dog	Non-taxable	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.50	\$ 0.50	1%	Non-statutory
Late payment penalty fee (after 10 April)	Non-taxable	\$ 18.00	\$ 20.00	\$ 2.00	11%	Non-statutory
Pensioner reduction rate	Non-taxable	50%	50%	-	0%	Non-statutory
Animal tag replacement	Taxable	\$ 11.00	\$ 11.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
View Animal Register	Taxable	\$ -	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00	100%	Non-statutory
BUILDING DEPARTMENT						
Note: Prices do not include the statutory government levy applicable to all building works over \$10,000						
New Dwelling / Dwelling - Extension/Alteration						
Up to \$5,000	Taxable	\$ 522.50	\$ 594.00	\$ 71.50	14%	Non-statutory
\$5,001 to \$10,000	Taxable	\$ 748.00	\$ 792.00	\$ 44.00	6%	Non-statutory
\$10,001 to \$20,000	Taxable	\$ 957.00	\$ 1,034.00	\$ 77.00	8%	Non-statutory
\$20,001 to \$50,000	Taxable	\$ 1,177.00	\$ 1,485.00	\$ 308.00	26%	Non-statutory
\$50,001 to \$100,000	Taxable	\$ 1,584.00	\$ 1,870.00	\$ 286.00	18%	Non-statutory
\$100,001 to \$150,000	Taxable	\$ 1,974.50	\$ 2,288.00	\$ 313.50	16%	Non-statutory
\$150,001 to \$200,000	Taxable	\$ 2,376.00	\$ 2,695.00	\$ 319.00	13%	Non-statutory
\$200,001 to \$250,000	Taxable	\$ 2,827.00	\$ 3,025.00	\$ 198.00	7%	Non-statutory
\$250,001 to \$300,000	Taxable	\$ 3,223.00	\$ 3,410.00	\$ 187.00	6%	Non-statutory
\$300,001 to \$350,000	Taxable	\$ 3,613.50	\$ 3,850.00	\$ 236.50	7%	Non-statutory
\$350,000 and above	Taxable	\$ 3,639.00	\$ 4,125.00	\$ 486.00	13%	Non-statutory
<i>Notes:</i>						
<i>Includes partial compliance</i>						
<i>Protection works additional \$800</i>						
<i>Performance solutions additional \$1,000 (up to 2, more than 2 to be negotiated)</i>						
<i>Includes four (4) mandatory inspections - additional inspections \$175 each</i>						
New Dwellings, Re-erection/Re-siting						
Value of works \$1 to \$200,000	Taxable	\$ -	\$ 3,025.00	\$ 3,025.00	0%	Non-statutory
Value of works \$200,001 to \$250,000	Taxable	\$ 2,376.00	\$ 3,300.00	\$ 924.00	39%	Non-statutory
Value of works \$250,001 to \$350,000	Taxable	\$ 2,640.00	\$ 3,575.00	\$ 935.00	35%	Non-statutory
Value of works \$350,001 and above	Taxable	\$ 2,694.50	\$ 3,850.00	\$ 1,155.50	43%	Non-statutory
<i>Notes:</i>						
<i>Protection works additional \$800</i>						
<i>Performance solutions additional \$1,000 (up to 2, more than 2 to be negotiated)</i>						
<i>Includes four (4) mandatory inspections - additional inspections \$175 each</i>						

Description of Fees and Charges	GST Status	2020/21 Fee	2021/22 Fee	Fee Increase/	Fee Increase/	Basis of Fee
		Inc GST	Inc GST	(Decrease)	(Decrease)	
		\$	\$	\$	%	
Miscellaneous - Building Permits						
Garage/Carport/Shed/Patio/Verandah/Pergola	Taxable	\$ 797.50	\$ 869.00	\$ 71.50	9%	Non-statutory
Swimming Pool (Fence Alterations Only)	Taxable	\$ -	\$ 385.00	\$ 385.00	0%	Non-statutory
Swimming Pool Fence (New Fence Only)	Taxable	\$ 577.50	\$ 682.00	\$ 104.50	18%	Non-statutory
Swimming Pool and all Fences	Taxable	\$ 715.00	\$ 869.00	\$ 154.00	22%	Non-statutory
Restumping (works must be performed by a Registered Builder)	Taxable	\$ 825.00	\$ 935.00	\$ 110.00	13%	Non-statutory
Demolish / Remove Building - Domestic (shed / house)	Taxable	\$ 715.00	\$ 792.00	\$ 77.00	11%	Non-statutory
Demolish / Remove Building - Commercial	Taxable	\$ 803.00	\$ 880.00	\$ 77.00	10%	Non-statutory
<i>Note: Includes three (3) mandatory inspections - additional inspections \$175 each</i>						
Commercial Works						
Up to \$10,000	Taxable	\$ 924.00	\$ 990.00	\$ 66.00	7%	Non-statutory
\$10,001 to \$50,000	Taxable	\$ 957.00	\$ 1,386.00	\$ 429.00	45%	Non-statutory
\$50,001 to \$100,000	Taxable	\$ 1,710.00	\$ 2,002.00	\$ 292.00	17%	Non-statutory
\$100,001 to \$150,000	Taxable	\$ 2,299.00	\$ 2,618.00	\$ 319.00	14%	Non-statutory
\$150,001 to \$200,000	Taxable	\$ 2,827.00	\$ 2,970.00	\$ 143.00	5%	Non-statutory
\$200,001 to \$250,000	Taxable	\$ 3,349.50	\$ 3,520.00	\$ 170.50	5%	Non-statutory
\$250,001 to \$300,000	Taxable	\$ 3,894.00	\$ 4,070.00	\$ 176.00	5%	Non-statutory
\$300,001 to \$500,000	Taxable	\$ 4,482.00	\$ 4,620.00	\$ 138.00	3%	Non-statutory
Value of Works above \$500,000 (or negotiated with Council)	Taxable	Value/130 + GST	Value/118 + GST			Non-statutory
Notes:						
Includes partial compliance						
Protection works additional \$800						
Performance solutions additional \$1,000 (up to 2, more than 2 to be negotiated)						
Includes four (4) mandatory inspections - additional inspections \$175 each						
Community Group (Not for Profit) Building works - Building Permits						
(Discount on Permit fees will be considered - State Government Levy still applies)			Fee may be negotiated			Non-statutory
Levies / Bonds						
Building Administration Fund Levy (State levy)			Value of work x 0.00128			Non-statutory
Inspections						
Additional Mandatory Inspections		\$ -	\$ 192.50	\$ 192.50	100%	Non-statutory
Inspections of Swimming Pool and Spa Barriers (compliance inspections)						
First Inspection		\$ -	\$ 330.00	\$ 330.00	100%	Non-statutory
Re-inspection		\$ -	\$ 203.50	\$ 203.50	100%	Non-statutory
Note:						
Includes compliance certificate - FORM 23 or FORM 24 (non-compliance)						
Excludes prescribed lodgement fees						

Description of Fees and Charges	GST Status	2020/21 Fee	2021/22 Fee	Fee Increase/	Fee Increase/	Basis of Fee
		Inc GST	Inc GST	(Decrease)	(Decrease)	
		\$	\$	\$	%	
Regulatory Fees (per application)						
Section 30 Lodgement	Non-taxable	As per adopted regulatory fee	As per adopted regulatory fee			Statutory
Property Information Reg. 51 (1), (2) and (3) (per regulation)	Non-taxable	As per adopted regulatory fee	As per adopted regulatory fee			Statutory
Council Report and Consent	Non-taxable	As per adopted regulatory fee	As per adopted regulatory fee			Statutory
Section 29A Demolition Consent	Non-taxable	As per adopted regulatory fee	As per adopted regulatory fee			Statutory
Reg. 116 Protection of the Public	Non-taxable	As per adopted regulatory fee	As per adopted regulatory fee			Statutory
Reg. 133 Stormwater Legal Point of Discharge	Non-taxable	As per adopted regulatory fee	As per adopted regulatory fee			Statutory
Swimming Pool / Spa Registration Fee	Non-taxable	As per adopted regulatory fee	As per adopted regulatory fee			Statutory
Swimming Pool / Spa Registration Records Search Fee	Non-taxable	As per adopted regulatory fee	As per adopted regulatory fee			Statutory
Lodging a Certificate of Pool and Spa barrier non-compliance	Non-taxable	As per adopted regulatory fee	As per adopted regulatory fee			Statutory
Lodging a Certificate of Pool and Spa barrier compliance	Non-taxable	As per adopted regulatory fee	As per adopted regulatory fee			Statutory
Miscellaneous Fees						
File Retrieval / Search (eg: Copy of Building / Occupancy permit / plans)	Taxable	\$ 90.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 10.00	11%	Non-statutory
Amended Plans - minor alterations	Taxable	\$ 154.00	\$ 176.00	\$ 22.00	14%	Non-statutory
Amended Plans - major alterations	Taxable	\$ 247.50	\$ 286.00	\$ 38.50	16%	Non-statutory
Time Extension - Building Permit - first request	Taxable	\$ 247.50	\$ 308.00	\$ 60.50	24%	Non-statutory
Time Extension - Building Permit - second request	Taxable	\$ 247.50	\$ 352.00	\$ 104.50	42%	Non-statutory
Time Extension - Building Permit - third request	Taxable	\$ 247.50	\$ 396.00	\$ 148.50	60%	Non-statutory
Inspection fee for permits issued by private building surveyors	Taxable	\$286 + \$1.86 per km outside of Nhill	\$289 + \$1.86 per km outside of Nhill			Non-statutory

Description of Fees and Charges	GST Status	2020/21 Fee	2021/22 Fee	Fee Increase/	Fee Increase/	Basis of Fee
		Inc GST	Inc GST	(Decrease)	(Decrease)	
		\$	\$	\$	%	
Events						
Place of Public Entertainment (POPE) Occupancy Permit	Taxable		\$ 440.00	\$ 440.00	100%	Non-statutory
Temporary Siting Approval or Temporary Structure Inspection	Taxable		\$ 286.00	\$ 286.00	100%	Non-statutory
Entertainment / Event Consideration, Notification and Approval - No Permit Required	Taxable		\$ 22.00	\$ 22.00	100%	Non-statutory
Refunds						
Withdrawn Application – Permit Lodged Not Yet Assessed	Taxable	\$ 290.00	\$ 385.00	\$ 95.00	33%	Non-statutory
Withdrawn Application – Permit Assessed Not Yet Issued	Taxable	30% of fees (Minimum \$370.00)	40% of fees (Minimum \$450.00)			Non-statutory
Permit Cancellation – After Permit Issued (Refund only for inspections not carried out, based on inspection fee at time of cancellation)	Taxable	Permit fees retained	Permit fees retained			Non-statutory
Permit Cancellation – After Permit Expired	Taxable	No refund	No refund			Non-statutory
CAMPING FEES						
Note: Some items may not be available at all times						
Peak Times						
Four Mile Beach - Powered Site Daily	Taxable	\$ 15.00	\$ 15.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Four Mile Beach - Powered Site Weekly	Taxable	\$ 90.00	\$ 90.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Four Mile Beach - Unpowered Site Daily	Taxable	\$ 15.00	\$ 10.00	\$ (5.00)	-33%	Non-statutory
Four Mile Beach - Unpowered Site Weekly	Taxable	\$ 89.25	\$ 60.00	\$ (29.25)	-33%	Non-statutory
Caravan Park Fees - Jeparit and Rainbow						
Daily Rates						
Linen fee - to be charged when customers want linen changed during lengthy stay in cabins	Taxable	\$ 20.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 30.00	150%	Non-statutory
Powered site (2 persons)	Taxable	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Unpowered site	Taxable	\$ 18.00	\$ 18.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Extra person > 16 years old	Taxable	\$ 7.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 3.00	43%	Non-statutory
Extra person 6 - 15 years old	Taxable	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Rainbow - On Site Caravan	Taxable	\$ 45.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 5.00	11%	Non-statutory
Jeparit - Cabin	Taxable	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Weekly Rates (less than 40 days)						
Powered site (2 persons)	Taxable	\$ 178.50	\$ 150.00	\$ (28.50)	-16%	Non-statutory
Unpowered site	Taxable	\$ 107.10	\$ 90.00	\$ (17.10)	-16%	Non-statutory
Extra person > 16 years old	Taxable	\$ 41.65	\$ 45.00	\$ 3.35	8%	Non-statutory
Extra person 6 - 15 years old	Taxable	\$ 29.75	\$ 30.00	\$ 0.25	1%	Non-statutory
Rainbow - On Site Caravan	Taxable	\$ 267.75	\$ 300.00	\$ 32.25	12%	Non-statutory
Jeparit - Cabin	Taxable	\$ 595.00	\$ 600.00	\$ 5.00	1%	Non-statutory
Jeparit - Cabin - Trades/Contractors	Taxable	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory

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		Inc GST	Inc GST	(Decrease)	(Decrease)	
		\$	\$	\$	%	
Caravan Park Fees - Dimboola						
Daily Rates						
Peak Times						
Linen fee - to be charged when customers want linen changed during lengthy stay in cabins	Taxable	\$ 20.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 30.00	150%	Non-statutory
Powered site (2 persons)	Taxable	\$ 40.00	\$ 40.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Unpowered site	Taxable	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Extra person > 16 years old	Taxable	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Extra person 6 - 15 years old	Taxable	\$ 7.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 3.00	43%	Non-statutory
Ensuite site	Taxable	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Cabin (Number 53 & 54) - 2 adults	Taxable	\$ 100.00	\$ 105.00	\$ 5.00	5%	Non-statutory
Cabin (2 bedroom) - 2 adults, 2 children	Taxable	\$ 160.00	\$ 170.00	\$ 10.00	6%	Non-statutory
Off Peak Times						
Linen fee - to be charged when customers want linen changed during lengthy stay in cabins	Taxable	\$ 20.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 30.00	150%	Non-statutory
Powered site (2 persons)	Taxable	\$ 30.00	\$ 35.00	\$ 5.00	17%	Non-statutory
Unpowered site	Taxable	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Extra person > 16 years old	Taxable	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Extra person 6 - 15 years old	Taxable	\$ 7.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 3.00	43%	Non-statutory
Ensuite site	Taxable	\$ 45.00	\$ 45.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Cabin (Number 53 & 54) - 2 adults	Taxable	\$ 90.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 10.00	11%	Non-statutory
Cabin (2 bedroom) - 2 adults, 2 children	Taxable	\$ 140.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 10.00	7%	Non-statutory
Weekly Rates (less than 40 days)						
Peak Times						
Powered site (2 persons)	Taxable	\$ 238.00	\$ 240.00	\$ 2.00	1%	Non-statutory
Unpowered site	Taxable	\$ 148.75	\$ 150.00	\$ 1.25	1%	Non-statutory
Extra person > 16 years old	Taxable	\$ 59.50	\$ 60.00	\$ 0.50	1%	Non-statutory
Extra person 6 - 15 years old	Taxable	\$ 41.65	\$ 45.00	\$ 3.35	8%	Non-statutory
Ensuite site	Taxable	\$ 297.50	\$ 300.00	\$ 2.50	1%	Non-statutory
Cabin (Number 53 & 54) - 2 adults	Taxable	\$ 595.00	\$ 665.00	\$ 70.00	12%	Non-statutory
Cabin (2 bedroom) - 2 adults, 2 children	Taxable	\$ 952.00	\$ 990.00	\$ 38.00	4%	Non-statutory
Cabin (Number 53 & 54) - Trades/Contractor	Taxable	\$ 500.00	\$ 550.00	\$ 50.00	10%	Non-statutory
Off Peak Times						
Powered site (2 persons)	Taxable	\$ 178.50	\$ 210.00	\$ 31.50	18%	Non-statutory
Unpowered site	Taxable	\$ 119.00	\$ 120.00	\$ 1.00	1%	Non-statutory
Extra person > 16 years old	Taxable	\$ 59.50	\$ 60.00	\$ 0.50	1%	Non-statutory
Extra person 6 - 15 years old	Taxable	\$ 41.65	\$ 45.00	\$ 3.35	8%	Non-statutory
Ensuite site	Taxable	\$ 267.75	\$ 270.00	\$ 2.25	1%	Non-statutory
Cabin (Number 53 & 54) - 2 adults	Taxable	\$ 535.50	\$ 600.00	\$ 64.50	12%	Non-statutory
Cabin (2 bedroom) - 2 adults, 2 children	Taxable	\$ 833.00	\$ 860.00	\$ 27.00	3%	Non-statutory
Cabin (Number 53 & 54) - Trades/Contractor	Taxable	\$ 450.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 50.00	11%	Non-statutory
*Peak Times:						

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		Inc GST	Inc GST	(Decrease)	(Decrease)	
		\$	\$	\$	%	
Other items						
Fire drum hire (per visit)	Taxable	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Fire wood - 20kg bag	Taxable	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Bike hire - 30 minutes	Taxable	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Note: Nhill Caravan Park fees are set by the licensee and are not included in the above fees.						
COMMUNITY BUS						
Community Group Hire Fees - per kilometre	Taxable	\$ 0.36	\$ 0.36	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
*Note: Fuel at cost of hirer; bus must be returned with full tank of fuel.						
Other Hirer Fees - per kilometre	Taxable	\$ 0.95	\$ 0.95	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
*Note: Fuel at cost of hirer; bus must be returned with full tank of fuel.						
DISABLED PARKING LABELS						
Disabled parking labels	Taxable	\$ 9.00	\$ 9.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
ELECTIONS						
Candidate deposits	Non-taxable	\$ 250.00	\$ 250.00	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Failure to vote fines	Non-taxable	\$ 81.00	\$ 81.00	\$ -	0%	Statutory
EVENTS						
Hire of Variable Message Sign (per week) (including set up of message)	Taxable	\$ 200.00	\$ 202.00	\$ 2.00	1%	Non-statutory
Completion of Traffic Management Plan (per hour)	Taxable	\$ 60.00	\$ 60.60	\$ 0.60	1%	Non-statutory
Execution of Road Closure for events including all signage (per hour)	Taxable	\$ 176.00	\$ 178.00	\$ 2.00	1%	Non-statutory
Newspaper advertising of Road Closures	Taxable	At cost	At Cost			Non-statutory
FIRE PREVENTION NOTICES						
Fire Hazard Removal	Taxable	\$200.00 plus removal costs	\$205.00 plus removal costs	\$ 5.00	3%	Non-statutory
Failure to comply with Fire Prevention Notice	Non-taxable	\$ 1,652.00	\$ 1,652.00	\$ -	0%	Statutory
FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUESTS						
Freedom of Information - Application fee	Non-taxable	\$ 29.60	\$ 30.06	\$ 0.46	2%	Statutory
Freedom of Information - Search fee (per hour)	Non-taxable	\$ 22.20	\$ 22.545	\$ 0.35	2%	Statutory
Freedom of Information - Supervision charge (per 15 minutes)	Non-taxable	\$ 5.60	\$ 5.636	\$ 0.04	1%	Statutory
Freedom of Information - Photocopy charge (black and white)	Non-taxable	\$ 0.20	\$ 0.20	\$ -	0%	Statutory
GARBAGE BIN SALES						
120 litre bin	Taxable	\$ 71.00	\$ 75.00	\$ 4.00	6%	Non-statutory
240 litre bin	Taxable	\$ 92.00	\$ 95.00	\$ 3.00	3%	Non-statutory
Replacement bin lid - 120 litre	Taxable	\$ 20.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 5.00	25%	Non-statutory
Replacement bin lid - 240 litre	Taxable	\$ 20.00	\$ 25.00	\$ 5.00	25%	Non-statutory
HALL HIRE						
Jeparit Hall						
Bond	Taxable	\$ 210.00	\$ 210.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Community Group Hall Hire - Full day	Taxable	\$ 162.00	\$ 150.00	\$ (12.00)	-7%	Non-statutory
Community Group Hall Hire - Half day	Taxable	\$ 110.00	\$ 110.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Community Group Hall Hire - Evening	Taxable	\$ 110.00	\$ 110.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Hall Hire - Private Functions	Taxable	\$ 376.00	\$ 380.00	\$ 4.00	1%	Non-statutory
Hall Hire - Meetings (up to 3 hours)	Taxable	\$ 84.00	\$ 85.00	\$ 1.00	1%	Non-statutory
Kitchen	Taxable	\$ 36.00	\$ 36.50	\$ 0.50	1%	Non-statutory
Cool room	Taxable	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.20	\$ 0.20	1%	Non-statutory
Small meeting room (hourly rate)	Taxable	\$ 15.00	\$ 15.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory

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		Inc GST	Inc GST	(Decrease)	(Decrease)	
		\$	\$	\$	%	
Nhill Memorial Community Centre						
Bond	Taxable	\$ 210.00	\$ 210.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Community Group Hall Hire - Full day	Taxable	\$ 200.00	\$ 150.00	\$ (50.00)	-25%	Non-statutory
Community Group Hall Hire - Half day	Taxable	\$ 150.00	\$ 120.00	\$ (30.00)	-20%	Non-statutory
Community Group Hall Hire - Evening	Taxable	\$ 150.00	\$ 120.00	\$ (30.00)	-20%	Non-statutory
Hall Hire - Private Functions	Taxable	\$ 420.00	\$ 425.00	\$ 5.00	1%	Non-statutory
Hall Hire - Meetings (up to 3 hours)	Taxable	\$ 200.00	\$ 202.00	\$ 2.00	1%	Non-statutory
Hall Hire - Functions (after 1am per hour)	Taxable	\$ 52.00	\$ 53.00	\$ 1.00	2%	Non-statutory
Hall Hire - Set up / Pack up (daily)	Taxable	\$ 52.00	\$ 53.00	\$ 1.00	2%	Non-statutory
Kitchen / Bar / Cool room Hire	Taxable	\$ 150.00	\$ 50.00	\$ (100.00)	-67%	Non-statutory
Baby Grand Piano	Taxable	\$ 52.00	\$ 53.00	\$ 1.00	2%	Non-statutory
Table Cloths (round or oblong) - each	Taxable	\$ 15.00	\$ 15.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Cleaning	Taxable	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Movie Tickets						
Adult	Taxable	\$ 12.00	\$ 12.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Concession	Taxable	\$ 7.00	\$ 7.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Family (2 Adults & 3 Children/Concession)	Taxable	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Bulk Buy - Adult (6)	Taxable	\$ 60.00	\$ 60.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Bulk Buy - Child/Concession (6)	Taxable	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Bulk Buy - Family (6)	Taxable	\$ 150.00	\$ 150.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
VIP Seating						
*Note: VIP Seating includes medium popcorn and a drink.						
Adult	Taxable	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Child/Concession	Taxable	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Double - Adult	Taxable	\$ 40.00	\$ 40.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Double - Child	Taxable	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Special Movie Event Tickets						
Adult	Taxable	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Concession	Taxable	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
HEALTH REGISTRATIONS						
Food premises class 1 (hospital / aged care / child care)	Non-taxable	\$ 425.20	\$ 430.00	\$ 4.80	1%	Non-statutory
Food premises class 2 standard (including community groups)	Non-taxable	\$ 306.00	\$ 309.00	\$ 3.00	1%	Non-statutory
Food premises class 3 (including community groups)	Non-taxable	\$ 153.00	\$ 155.00	\$ 2.00	1%	Non-statutory
Food premises class 4	Non-taxable	\$ -	\$ -			Non-statutory
Food premises class limited operation - no more than 25 hours per week or 3 days per week (including community groups)	Non-taxable	\$ 70.50	\$ 71.00	\$ 0.50	1%	Non-statutory
Temporary food permit - individual or business (max. 12 events) - per event	Non-taxable	\$ 12.60	\$ 13.00	\$ 0.40	3%	Non-statutory
Temporary food permit - individual or business (max. 12 events) - per year	Non-taxable	\$ 53.60	\$ 54.00	\$ 0.40	1%	Non-statutory
Temporary food permit - community group (max. 12 events)	Non-taxable	\$ -	\$ -			Non-statutory
Transfer of food premises	Non-taxable	50% of annual fee	50% of annual fee			Non-statutory
Inspection by request	Non-taxable	\$ 131.35	\$ 133.00	\$ 1.65	1%	Non-statutory
Hairdressers / Beauty	Non-taxable	\$ 179.70	\$ 181.50	\$ 1.80	1%	Non-statutory
Hairdressers / Beauty - Limited operations	Non-taxable	50% of annual fee	50% of annual fee			Non-statutory
Transfer of Registration - Hairdressers	Non-taxable	\$ 87.50	\$ 88.50	\$ 1.00	1%	Non-statutory
Prescribed accommodation	Non-taxable	\$ 223.90	\$ 226.00	\$ 2.10	1%	Non-statutory
Transfer of Registration - Accommodation	Non-taxable	50% of annual fee	50% of annual fee			Non-statutory

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		Inc GST	Inc GST	(Decrease)	(Decrease)	
		\$	\$	\$	%	
Caravan Parks - Total number of sites (other than camp sites)						
Not exceeding 25	Non-taxable	\$ 249.40	\$ 249.40	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Exceeding 25 but not 50	Non-taxable	\$ 495.60	\$ 495.60	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Exceeding 50 but not 100	Non-taxable	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Transfer of Registration - Caravan Park	Non-taxable	\$ 87.50	\$ 88.50	\$ 1.00	1%	Non-statutory
Transfer of Registration - Health Premises	Non-taxable	50% of annual fee	50% of annual fee			Non-statutory
Late payment penalty for all registrations	Non-taxable	50% of annual fee	50% of annual fee			Non-statutory
COMMUNITY CARE SERVICES - DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE						
Low income rate - Single per hour	Non-taxable	\$ 8.00	\$ 8.20	\$ 0.20	2%	Non-statutory
Low income rate - Couple per hour	Non-taxable	\$ 8.80	\$ 9.10	\$ 0.30	3%	Non-statutory
Medium income rate - Single per hour	Non-taxable	\$ 15.00	\$ 15.35	\$ 0.35	2%	Non-statutory
Medium income rate - Couple per hour	Non-taxable	\$ 17.00	\$ 17.35	\$ 0.35	2%	Non-statutory
High income rate - Single per hour	Non-taxable	\$ 19.70	\$ 20.45	\$ 0.75	4%	Non-statutory
High income rate - Couple per hour	Non-taxable	\$ 23.30	\$ 24.00	\$ 0.70	3%	Non-statutory
COMMUNITY CARE SERVICES - AGENCY SERVICES						
6am to 6pm - per hour	Non-taxable	\$ 60.00	\$ 61.35	\$ 1.35	2%	Non-statutory
Home maintenance - per hour	Non-taxable	\$ 69.80	\$ 71.30	\$ 1.50	2%	Non-statutory
After hours / weekends - per hour	Non-taxable	\$ 70.00	\$ 71.55	\$ 1.55	2%	Non-statutory
Public holidays - per hour	Non-taxable	\$ 86.15	\$ 88.05	\$ 1.90	2%	Non-statutory
Travel - per kilometre	Non-taxable	\$ 1.60	\$ 1.65	\$ 0.05	3%	Non-statutory
COMMUNITY CARE SERVICES - PERSONAL CARE						
Low income rate - Single or Couple per hour	Non-taxable	\$ 5.50	\$ 5.60	\$ 0.10	2%	Non-statutory
Medium income rate - Single or Couple per hour	Non-taxable	\$ 8.50	\$ 8.70	\$ 0.20	2%	Non-statutory
High income rate - Single or Couple per hour	Non-taxable	\$ 15.60	\$ 15.95	\$ 0.35	2%	Non-statutory
COMMUNITY CARE SERVICES - RESPITE CARE						
Low income rate - Single or Couple per hour	Non-taxable	\$ 5.50	\$ 5.60	\$ 0.10	2%	Non-statutory
Medium income rate - Single or Couple per hour	Non-taxable	\$ 8.50	\$ 8.70	\$ 0.20	2%	Non-statutory
High income rate - Single or Couple per hour	Non-taxable	\$ 15.60	\$ 15.95	\$ 0.35	2%	Non-statutory
HANDYMAN CHARGES						
Low income rate - per hour plus materials	Non-taxable	\$ 13.25	\$ 13.55	\$ 0.30	2%	Non-statutory
Medium income rate - per hour plus materials	Non-taxable	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.45	\$ 0.45	2%	Non-statutory
High income rate - per hour plus materials	Non-taxable	\$ 36.45	\$ 37.30	\$ 0.85	2%	Non-statutory
MEALS ON WHEELS						
Meals on Wheels - per meal (Client fee - Low / Medium income) Jeparit, Nhill & Rainbow	Non-taxable	\$ 11.60	\$ 13.00	\$ 1.40	12%	Non-statutory
Meals on Wheels - per meal (Client fee - Low / Medium income) Dimboola	Non-taxable	\$ 8.25	\$ 9.55	\$ 1.30	16%	Non-statutory
Meals on Wheels - per meal (Client fee - High income) Jeparit, Nhill & Rainbow	Non-taxable	\$ 15.20	\$ 16.00	\$ 0.80	5%	Non-statutory
Meals on Wheels - per meal (Client fee - High income) Dimboola	Non-taxable	\$ 11.60	\$ 13.00	\$ 1.40	12%	Non-statutory
Meals on Wheels - per meal (Agency fee / Non HACC or CHSP funded) Jeparit, Nhill & Rainbow	Taxable	\$ 16.90	\$ 20.35	\$ 3.45	20%	Non-statutory
Meals on Wheels - per meal (Agency fee / Non HACC or CHSP funded) Dimboola	Taxable	\$ 16.90	\$ 14.55	\$ (2.35)	-14%	Non-statutory
INSURANCE						
Stall holder - one off event	Taxable	\$ 36.50	\$ 37.00	\$ 0.50	1%	Non-statutory
Stall holder - regular event	Taxable	\$ 20.30	\$ 20.50	\$ 0.20	1%	Non-statutory
Hall hire	Taxable	\$ 15.50	\$ 16.00	\$ 0.50	3%	Non-statutory
Performers / Buskers / Artists	Taxable	\$ 36.80	\$ 37.50	\$ 0.70	2%	Non-statutory
Tutors - Non sporting (music teachers, craft teachers etc.) - Annual coverage	Taxable	\$ 195.75	\$ 198.00	\$ 2.25	1%	Non-statutory

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		\$	\$	\$	%	
LITTERING FINES						
Littering fines - deposit small item of litter	Non-taxable	\$ 330.00	\$ 330.00	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Littering fines - deposit litter	Non-taxable	\$ 330.00	\$ 330.00	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Littering fines - deposit burning litter	Non-taxable	\$ 661.00	\$ 661.00	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Unsecured load fines	Non-taxable	\$ 330.00	\$ 330.00	\$ -	0%	Statutory
LOCAL LAWS PERMIT FEES						
Fire permits	Non-taxable	\$ 38.00	\$ 38.50	\$ 0.50	1%	Non-statutory
Waste containers	Non-taxable	\$ 60.00	\$ 60.60	\$ 0.60	1%	Non-statutory
Recreational Vehicles	Non-taxable	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.30	\$ 0.30	1%	Non-statutory
Street Traders and Collectors Permits	Non-taxable	\$ 45.00	\$ 45.50	\$ 0.50	1%	Non-statutory
Signs on pavement, street furniture and/or merchandise - 3 years	Non-taxable	\$ 210.00	\$ 212.00	\$ 2.00	1%	
Streets and Roads - Temporary Vehicle Crossing	Non-taxable	\$ -	\$ -			Non-statutory
Streets and Roads - Heavy or Long Vehicles	Non-taxable	\$ 90.00	\$ 91.00	\$ 1.00	1%	Non-statutory
Streets and Roads - Removal of Firewood	Non-taxable	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.30	\$ 0.30	1%	Non-statutory
Streets and Roads - Cut and Burn on Road Reserves	Non-taxable	\$ 38.00	\$ 38.50	\$ 0.50	1%	Non-statutory
Keeping of Animals						
Dogs - permit to exceed prescribed number of animals (where no planning permit required) - 3 years	Non-taxable	\$ 210.00	\$ 212.00	\$ 2.00	1%	Non-statutory
Cats - permit to exceed prescribed number of animals (where no planning permit required) - 3 years	Non-taxable	\$ 210.00	\$ 212.00	\$ 2.00	1%	Non-statutory
Horses and Cattle - 3 years	Non-taxable	\$ 210.00	\$ 212.00	\$ 2.00	1%	Non-statutory
Domestic Birds and Poultry - 3 years	Non-taxable	\$ 210.00	\$ 212.00	\$ 2.00	1%	Non-statutory
Pigeons - 3 years	Non-taxable	\$ 210.00	\$ 212.00	\$ 2.00	1%	Non-statutory
Rodents and Reptiles - 3 years	Non-taxable	\$ 210.00	\$ 212.00	\$ 2.00	1%	Non-statutory
Other Animals - 3 years	Non-taxable	\$ 210.00	\$ 212.00	\$ 2.00	1%	Non-statutory
Different Types of Animals - 3 years	Non-taxable	\$ 210.00	\$ 212.00	\$ 2.00	1%	Non-statutory
Protection of Council Assets						
*Note: These fees are set by VicRoads on 01 July each year.						
Road Opening Permit - L1	Taxable	\$ 638.30	\$ 645.00	\$ 6.70	1%	Non-statutory
Road Opening Permit - L2	Taxable	\$ 348.00	\$ 351.00	\$ 3.00	1%	Non-statutory
Road Opening Permit - L3	Taxable	\$ 137.70	\$ 139.00	\$ 1.30	1%	Non-statutory
Road Opening Permit - L4	Taxable	\$ 88.90	\$ 90.00	\$ 1.10	1%	Non-statutory
Legal point of Discharge	Non-taxable	As per adopted regulatory fee	As per adopted regulatory fee			Statutory
Asset Surveillance	Non-taxable	As per adopted regulatory fee	As per adopted regulatory fee			Statutory
Other						
Abandoned motor vehicle	Non-taxable	\$350.00 plus towing expenses	\$355.00 plus towing expenses			Non-statutory

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		Inc GST	Inc GST	(Decrease)	(Decrease)	
		\$	\$	\$	%	
MUSEUM FEES						
Wimmera Mallee Pioneer Museum						
Adult	Taxable	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Pensioner	Taxable	\$ 6.00	\$ 6.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Adult over 90	Taxable	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Children under 5	Taxable	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Children over 5 but under 12	Taxable	\$ 3.00	\$ 3.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Family	Taxable	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Groups of 10 or more	Taxable	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
School groups (per student - teachers no charge)	Taxable	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Yurunga Homestead						
Adult	Taxable	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Children under 12	Taxable	\$ 3.00	\$ 3.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Entry and afternoon tea (first Sunday of the month)	Taxable	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
PARKING FINES						
Heavy vehicles parked in a built up area longer than 1 hour	Non-taxable	\$ 99.00	\$ 99.00	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Parked in a disabled area	Non-taxable	\$ 165.00	\$ 165.00	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Stopped in a no-stopping area	Non-taxable	\$ 165.00	\$ 165.00	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Stopped in a children's crossing	Non-taxable	\$ 165.00	\$ 165.00	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Stopped in a loading zone	Non-taxable	\$ 165.00	\$ 165.00	\$ -	0%	Statutory
PHOTOCOPIES & SCANNING						
A4 - Black and White	Taxable	\$ 0.55	\$ 0.55	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
A4 - Colour	Taxable	\$ 1.10	\$ 1.10	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
A3 - Black and White	Taxable	\$ 1.10	\$ 1.10	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
A3 - Colour	Taxable	\$ 2.35	\$ 2.35	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Engineering plans	Taxable	\$ 7.50	\$ 7.50	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
A2 - Black and White	Taxable	\$ 16.70	\$ 16.90	\$ 0.20	1%	Non-statutory
A2 - Colour	Taxable	\$ 22.35	\$ 22.50	\$ 0.15	1%	Non-statutory
A1 - Black and White	Taxable	\$ 28.00	\$ 28.50	\$ 0.50	2%	Non-statutory
A1 - Colour	Taxable	\$ 32.50	\$ 32.50	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
A0 - Black and White	Taxable	\$ 31.70	\$ 32.00	\$ 0.30	1%	Non-statutory
A0 - Colour	Taxable	\$ 38.00	\$ 38.50	\$ 0.50	1%	Non-statutory
B Size Surcharge	Taxable	\$ 3.40	\$ 3.40	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Scanning up to 10 pages	Taxable	\$ 2.50	\$ 2.50	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Scanning 10 - 50 pages	Taxable	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Scanning over 50 pages	Taxable	\$ 7.50	\$ 7.50	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
PLANNING						
Planning Certificate Fee	Non-taxable	\$ 21.70	\$ 21.70	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Certificate of Compliance	Non-taxable	\$ 317.90	\$ 317.90	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Applications for Permits (Regulation 9)						
Class 1 - Use Only	Non-taxable	\$ 1,286.10	\$ 1,286.10	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Class 2 - To develop land or to use and develop land for a single dwelling per lot or to undertake development ancillary to the use of the land for a single dwelling per lot if the estimated cost of development included in the application is:						
<\$10,000	Non-taxable	\$ 195.10	\$ 195.10	\$ -	0%	Statutory
>\$10,001 - \$100,000	Non-taxable	\$ 614.10	\$ 614.10	\$ -	0%	Statutory
>\$100,001 - \$500,000	Non-taxable	\$ 1,257.20	\$ 1,257.20	\$ -	0%	Statutory
>\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	Non-taxable	\$ 1,358.30	\$ 1,358.30	\$ -	0%	Statutory
>\$1,000,001 - \$2,000,000	Non-taxable	\$ 1,459.90	\$ 1,459.90	\$ -	0%	Statutory

Description of Fees and Charges	GST Status	2020/21 Fee	2021/22 Fee	Fee Increase/	Fee Increase/	Basis of Fee
		Inc GST	Inc GST	(Decrease)	(Decrease)	
		\$	\$	\$	%	
VicSmart						
VicSmart application if the estimated cost of development is:						
<\$10,000	Non-taxable	\$ 195.00	\$ 195.00	\$ -	0%	Statutory
>\$10,000	Non-taxable	\$ 419.10	\$ 419.10	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Permits						
<\$100,000	Non-taxable	\$ 1,119.90	\$ 1,119.90	\$ -	0%	Statutory
\$100,000 - \$1,000,000	Non-taxable	\$ 1,510.00	\$ 1,510.00	\$ -	0%	Statutory
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	Non-taxable	\$ 3,330.70	\$ 3,330.70	\$ -	0%	Statutory
\$5,000,001 - \$15,000,000	Non-taxable	\$ 8,489.40	\$ 8,489.40	\$ -	0%	Statutory
\$15,000,001 - \$50,000,000	Non-taxable	\$ 25,034.60	\$ 25,034.60	\$ -	0%	Statutory
>\$50,000,001	Non-taxable	\$ 56,268.30	\$ 56,268.30	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Class 12 - to subdivide an existing building	Non-taxable	\$ 1,286.10	\$ 1,286.10	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Class 13 - to subdivide land into two lots	Non-taxable	\$ 1,286.10	\$ 1,286.10	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Class 14 - to effect a realignment of a common boundary between lots or to consolidate two or more lots	Non-taxable	\$ 1,286.10	\$ 1,286.10	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Class 15 - to subdivide land	Non-taxable	\$1286.40 per 100 lots created	\$1286.40 per 100 lots created			Statutory
Class 16 - to remove a restriction (within the meaning of the Subdivision Act 1988) over land if the land has been used or developed for more than 2 years before the date of the application in a manner which would have been lawful under the Planning and Environment Act 1987 but for the existence of the restriction	Non-taxable	\$ 1,286.10	\$ 1,286.10	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Class 17 - to create, vary or remove a restriction under the Subdivision Act 1988; or to remove a right of way	Non-taxable	\$ 1,286.10	\$ 1,286.10	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Class 18 - to create, vary or remove an easement other than a right of way; or to vary or remove a condition in the nature of an easement other than a right of way in a Crown grant	Non-taxable	\$ 1,286.10	\$ 1,286.10	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Class 21 - a permit otherwise not provided for in regulation	Non-taxable	\$ 1,286.10	\$ 1,286.10	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Amendments to Permits						
Amendment to a permit to change the use of land allowed by the permit or allow a new use of land	Non-taxable	\$ 1,286.10	\$ 1,286.10	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Amendment to a permit (other than a permit to develop land for a single dwelling per lot to use and develop land for a single dwelling per lot or to undertake development ancillary to the use of land for a single dwelling per lot) to change the statement of what the permit allows or to change any or all of the conditions which apply to the permit.	Non-taxable	\$ 1,286.10	\$ 1,286.10	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Amendment to a class 2 permit	Non-taxable	\$ 195.10	\$ 195.10	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Amendment to a class 3 permit	Non-taxable	\$ 614.10	\$ 614.10	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Amendment to a class 4 permit	Non-taxable	\$ 1,257.20	\$ 1,257.20	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Amendment to a class 5 or class 6 permit	Non-taxable	\$ 1,358.30	\$ 1,358.30	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Amendment to a class 7 permit	Non-taxable	\$ 195.10	\$ 195.10	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Amendment to a class 8 permit	Non-taxable	\$ 419.10	\$ 419.10	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Amendment to a class 9 permit	Non-taxable	\$ 195.10	\$ 195.10	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Amendment to a class 10 permit	Non-taxable	\$ 1,119.90	\$ 1,119.90	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Amendment to a class 11 permit	Non-taxable	\$ 1,510.00	\$ 1,510.00	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Amendment to a class 12, 13, 14, or 15 permit	Non-taxable	\$ 3,330.70	\$ 3,330.70	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Amendment to a class 16 permit	Non-taxable	\$ 1,286.10	\$ 1,286.10	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Amendment to a class 17 permit	Non-taxable	\$ 1,286.10	\$ 1,286.10	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Amendment to a class 18 permit	Non-taxable	\$ 1,286.10	\$ 1,286.10	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Amendment to a class 19 permit	Non-taxable	\$1286.10 per 100 lots created	\$1286.10 per 100 lots created			Statutory
Amendment to a class 20 permit	Non-taxable	\$ 1,286.10	\$ 1,286.10	\$ -	0%	Statutory
Amendment to a class 21 permit	Non-taxable	\$ 1,286.10	\$ 1,286.10	\$ -	0%	Statutory

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		Inc GST	Inc GST	(Decrease)	(Decrease)	
		\$	\$	\$	%	
Planning Additional Fees - Advertising (conducted on applicants behalf)						
Newspaper advertisement - At cost	Taxable	At cost	At cost			Non-statutory
Placing of notice onsite	Taxable	\$ 110.00	\$ 111.00	\$ 1.00	1%	Non-statutory
Notice of planning permit by mail (if more than 10 letters, per letter)	Taxable	\$ 7.00	\$ 7.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Planning - Additional Fees						
Secondary Consent Application	Taxable	\$ 200.00	\$ 202.00	\$ 2.00	1%	Non-statutory
Extension of Time to planning permit	Taxable	\$ 250.00	\$ 252.50	\$ 2.50	1%	Non-statutory
Section 173 Agreements	Taxable	\$ 201.70	\$ 204.00	\$ 2.30	1%	Non-statutory
Written Advice on Planning Controls	Taxable	\$ 150.00	\$ 151.50	\$ 1.50	1%	Non-statutory
Copy of Permit and Endorsed Plans (per planning permit)	Taxable	\$ 140.00	\$ 141.40	\$ 1.40	1%	Non-statutory
Request for Council consent where no planning permit required (i.e. liquor license)	Taxable	\$ 137.00	\$ 138.50	\$ 1.50	1%	Non-statutory
Planning - Withdrawal of Application						
After lodgement (no work undertaken)	Taxable	75% of app fee refundable	75% of app fee refundable			Non-statutory
After request for further information but prior to commencement of advertising	Taxable	50% of the application fee refunded	50% of the application fee refunded			Non-statutory
After advertising	Taxable	Refund discretionary	Refund discretionary			Non-statutory
Secondary Consent	Taxable	Refund discretionary	Refund discretionary			Non-statutory
Extension of Time	Taxable	No refund	No refund			Non-statutory
PUBLIC SPACES						
Minor use of facilities –Parks, Soundshells, Rotundas etc.	Taxable	\$ 32.80	\$ 33.00	\$ 0.20	1%	Non-statutory
Major use of facilities –Parks, Soundshells, Rotundas etc.	Taxable	\$ 164.00	\$ 166.00	\$ 2.00	1%	Non-statutory
RATES						
Rates - debt recovery fees	Non-taxable	Cost recovery	Cost recovery			Non-statutory
Land information certificate	Non-taxable	As per adopted regulatory fee	As per adopted regulatory fee			Statutory
RECYCLING TRAILER						
Recycling Trailer Hire (per event)	Taxable	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory
Recycling Trailer Hire - Bond (per event)	Non-taxable	\$ 200.00	\$ 300.00	\$ 100.00	50%	Non-statutory
SALEYARD FEES						
Pigs (per pig / day)	Taxable	\$ 0.68	\$ 0.70	\$ 0.02	3%	Non-statutory
Sheep (per sheep / day)	Taxable	\$ 0.67	\$ 0.70	\$ 0.03	4%	Non-statutory
Yard fee per sale (per agent)	Taxable	\$ 1,337.60	\$ 1,350.00	\$ 12.40	1%	Non-statutory
SEPTIC TANK FEES						
Septic Tank fees –per application	Non-taxable	\$ 317.50	\$ 321.00	\$ 3.50	1%	Non-statutory
Septic Tank fees –alteration to existing system	Non-taxable	\$ 179.80	\$ 181.60	\$ 1.80	1%	Non-statutory
SWIMMING POOLS						
Note: Swimming Pool fees are set by the contractor						

Description of Fees and Charges	GST Status	2020/21 Fee	2021/22 Fee	Fee Increase/	Fee Increase/	Basis of Fee	
		Inc GST	Inc GST	(Decrease)	(Decrease)		
		\$	\$	\$	%		
WASTE DEPOT FEES							
Unsorted recyclables, general waste and hard plastic							
Car boot	Taxable	\$ 12.00	\$ 12.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory	
6 x 4 trailer / ute – Level	Taxable	\$ 31.00	\$ 32.00	\$ 1.00	3%	Non-statutory	
6 x 4 trailer / ute – Heaped	Taxable	\$ 59.00	\$ 60.00	\$ 1.00	2%	Non-statutory	
Tandem trailer / Light truck – Level	Taxable	\$ 85.00	\$ 86.00	\$ 1.00	1%	Non-statutory	
Tandem trailer / Light truck – Heaped	Taxable	\$ 161.00	\$ 163.00	\$ 2.00	1%	Non-statutory	
Builders waste clean sorted – Per cubic metre	Taxable	\$ 72.00	\$ 73.00	\$ 1.00	1%	Non-statutory	
Builders waste dirty non-sorted – Per cubic metre	Taxable	\$ 175.00	\$ 177.00	\$ 2.00	1%	Non-statutory	
Concrete Non-sorted – Per tonne	Taxable	\$ 124.00	\$ 125.00	\$ 1.00	1%	Non-statutory	
Concrete Clean, sorted – Per tonne	Taxable	\$ 36.00	\$ 36.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory	
Heavy truck loads	Taxable	Not accepted	Not accepted				
Mattresses (Double and larger)	Taxable	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory	
Mattresses (Single)	Taxable	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory	
Asbestos (per kilogram)	Taxable	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory	
Sorted recyclables							
Newspapers, Cardboard, Bottles, Cans etc.	Taxable	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory	
Tyres							
Car and Motorcycle	Taxable	\$ 9.00	\$ 9.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory	
Light Commercial	Taxable	\$ 25.00	\$ 25.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory	
Truck –Standard	Taxable	\$ 75.00	\$ 76.00	\$ 1.00	1%	Non-statutory	
Tractor - under 2 metres high	Taxable	\$ 100.00	\$ 135.00	\$ 35.00	35%	Non-statutory	
Tractor - over 2 metres high	Taxable	\$ 150.00	\$ 275.00	\$ 125.00	83%	Non-statutory	
Car bodies							
Car bodies / scrap steel	Taxable	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory	
Green Waste & Timber							
Car boot	Taxable	\$ 5.50	\$ 6.00	\$ 0.50	9%	Non-statutory	
6 x 4 trailer / ute – Level	Taxable	\$ 12.00	\$ 12.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory	
6 x 4 trailer / ute – Heaped	Taxable	\$ 14.50	\$ 15.00	\$ 0.50	3%	Non-statutory	
Tandem trailer / Light truck – Level	Taxable	\$ 22.00	\$ 22.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory	
Tandem trailer / Light truck – Heaped	Taxable	\$ 29.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 1.00	3%	Non-statutory	
Heavy truck	Taxable	\$ 56.00	\$ 57.00	\$ 1.00	2%	Non-statutory	
E-waste							
E-Waste – non-compliant	Taxable	\$ 1.20 per kg	\$ 2.00 per kg	\$ 0.08	7%	Non-statutory	
E-Waste - compliant	Taxable	\$ 0.70 per kg	\$ 1.00 per kg	\$ 0.30	43%	Non-statutory	
Furniture							
Small Item – e.g. Chair (per unit)	Taxable	\$ 11.00	\$ 10.00	\$ (1.00)	-9%	Non-statutory	
Medium Item – e.g. bed, dressing table etc. (per unit)	Taxable	\$ 36.00	\$ 36.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory	
Large Item – e.g. Couch, wardrobe etc. (per unit)	Taxable	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00	\$ -	0%	Non-statutory	
Oil							
Oil (per litre)	Taxable	\$ -	\$ 0.50	\$ 0.50	0%	Non-statutory	
Oil Drum disposal (per drum)	Taxable	\$ -	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00	0%	Non-statutory	
WOOD PERMITS							
Council controlled land – Full rate	Per Hour	Taxable	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.30	\$ 0.30	1%	Non-statutory
Council controlled land – Pensioner rate	Per Hour	Taxable	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.20	\$ 0.20	1%	Non-statutory

Tracey Bone Tracey Bone

Submission Date May 15, 2021 9:40 AM

Full Name Tracey Bone Tracey Bone

Address [REDACTED]
Nhill, VIC, 3418

E-mail [REDACTED]

Phone Number [REDACTED]

Submission details: Fantastic to see Park st on the list. Just an idea. Any chance of new blocks developed and opening up to build on. Maybe the block next tennis courts.

Request to be heard at Council meeting on 23 June in relation to submission?

No

[REDACTED]

From: Kaylene Pietsch <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, 24 May 2021 2:38 PM
To: Info
Subject: Soundshell extension DIMBOOLA

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Flagged

To Hindmarsh Shire Council. On behalf of the DIMBOOLA Advisory/Town Committee we have been informed that we may need more Dollars to complete the Soundshell at the recreation reserve. We have earmarked around \$29,000 through community contribution and seed Funding, plans drawn up and really need to upgrade the existing structure .. our DTC Financials are held in the Ledger at HS Nhill . We believe money is available from the annual Budget Submission Allocation for this financial year . We would greatly appreciate contribution to a community worthwhile project . We the DTC have paid for all permits ,build plans and ongoing expenses incurred to date. Please consider our request ASAP. Faithfully Kaylene Pietsch [REDACTED]

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Dimboola Rainbow Rd
Jeparit Vic 3423
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June 4, 2021

Dear Hindmarsh Shire Council,

The Wimmera Mallee Pioneer Museum Asset Committee submits the following for your consideration regarding the 2021/22 Hindmarsh Shire Council Budget.

In 2016 the Hindmarsh Shire Council of the day approved spending of \$40 000 for a Masterplan. This plan would eventually be split into a Master and Interpretive plan. Since this time the subsequent budgets have contained the intent of the budget to address implementation of the masterplan with the following statement:

‘Implement the recommendations in the Wimmera Mallee Pioneer Museum master plan. ‘

This implementation has not come with a budget line item and as such has been relegated to the installation of new sign at the front of the Museum, and little else.

The committee has requested help for implementation of this masterplan on many occasions, one of these a direct presentation at a Council meeting where there was suggestion of approaching a University for assistance. There has been no progress on this issue to date.

Further the Budget commits to “work with Yurunga Homestead and the Wimmera Mallee Pioneer Museum Committees of Management to assist them to promote and market their respective assets in order to realise their tourism potential.”

The Council has in its draft budget 2021/22 allocated \$78500 to Tourism Development, but has failed to allocate any of this budget specifically to the Wimmera Mallee Pioneer Museum. It should be noted also that there has been no specific mention of the museum in advertising and marketing campaigns in recent memory. A scan of general tourism advertising for the entire shire does not highlight the museum or it is again relegated to a one line item. In fact, the Wimmera Mallee Town and Tourism strategy discussion handbook produced by the Wimmera Mallee Tourism group with assistance from the Hindmarsh Shire in 2020 totally omitted our two day rally event, the only annual event of its kind in the Shire. This lack of specific advertising support is at odds with the current budget documents which gives the community a false sense that the Shire is promoting and helping to transform the Museum.

Further, the Powers and Functions of the Wimmera Mallee Pioneer Museum Asset Committee schedule dated March 22,2021, does not provide for the committee to undertake advertising and marketing, leaving this responsibility squarely with the Hindmarsh Shire.

The volunteers and Committee members of the Wimmera Mallee Pioneer Museum, spend countless hours to fulfil the Hindmarsh Shire’s powers and functions. We request a commensurate amount of budgetary funding to promote and improve the Museum.

Yours Sincerely



Nhill Agricultural & Pastoral Inc.

PO Box 80, Nhill 3418

Ph: 0448 732 609

Email: nhillap.secretary@gmail.com

12th June 2021

Re: Public Holiday request for the Nhill Annual Show - Thursday 14th October 2021

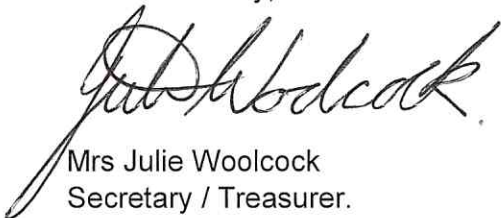
To the Hindmarsh Shire Council,

The Nhill A & P Society Inc. would like to make a request to the Hindmarsh Shire Council, to consider making the Melbourne Cup Day holiday for 2021 a public holiday for Nhill on Thursday 14th October 2021 to allow the community to participate in the Annual Nhill A & P Society Inc. Show.

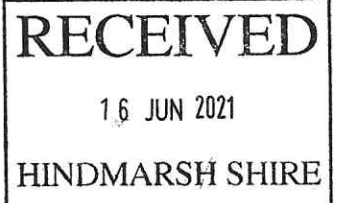
In the past we have been granted this request and for that we would like to thank you.

We would like to thank you for your consideration of this year request and look forward to your response.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs Julie Woolcock
Secretary / Treasurer.





**MINUTES OF THE DIMBOOLA TOWN COMMITTEE MEETING HELD MONDAY
7TH JUNE 2021, ONLINE, COMMENCING AT 7.07 PM.**

AGENDA

- 1. Acknowledgement of the Indigenous Community**
- 2. Apologies**
- 3. Confirmation of Minutes**
- 4. Disclosure by Committee members or Councillors or Council Officers of any interest or conflicts of interest in any item on the agenda**
- 5. Finance report**
- 6. Decisions to be made**
- 7. Correspondence**
- 8. General business as notified to the Chair**
- 9. Urgent business**
- 10. Meeting Closed**
- 11. Council Officer Authorisation**

Present:

Kaylene Pietsch (Committee Member), Amanda Ingeme (Committee Member), Phil Colquhoun (Committee Member), Jo Donnelly (Committee Member), Tony Schnieder (Committee Member), Chan Ouy (Committee Member), Deb Nelson (Committee Member), Wendy Bywaters (Councillor in Attendance), Angela Hoy (Council Officer), Sharyn Cook (Member), Maggie Bridgewater (Member), Lou Catania (Member).

1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE INDIGENOUS COMMUNITY AND OPENING PRAYER

Chairperson opened the meeting at 7.07pm by acknowledging the Indigenous Community.

2. APOLOGIES

Bill Eldridge (*Committee Member*), Rick Charlesworth (*Member*) – *Moved PC, 2nd JD*

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Minutes of the DTC Committee Meeting held on Monday 3rd May, 2021 at the Dimboola Community Centre as circulated to Councillors be taken as read and confirmed.

MOVED COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

That the Minutes of the DTC Committee Meeting held on 3rd May, 2021 at the Dimboola Community Centre as circulated to Committee Members be taken as read and confirmed. Moved KP. 2nd AI

CARRIED

Attachment: 1

4. DISCLOSURE BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS OR COUNCILLORS OR COUNCIL OFFICERS OF ANY INTEREST OR CONFLICTS OF INTEREST IN ANY ITEM ON THE AGENDA

- Angela Hoy, Wendy Bywaters & Debra Nelson declared that they would leave the meeting prior to Item 8.12 relating to discussion topics on the Dimboola Town Committee Advisory Council moving to become a Non-For-Profit Association.

Declaration of general or material conflict of interest must also be advised by Committee Members, Councillors or Council Officers at the commencement of discussion of the specific item.

5. FINANCE REPORTS

Financial Report was supplied by the Shire, but due to various discrepancies that have not been adjusted, Angela Hoy suggested that the financial report not be accepted at this meeting.

It was noted that the \$7,000 that have been allocated to the Swimming Pool Advisory funds be shown with the Dimboola Town Committee Summary / Financial Report every month, as the Dimboola Town Committee are holding these funds on behalf of the Dimboola Swimming Pool. KP to discuss the discrepancies etc with Heather from the Finance Department. Moved TS, 2nd AI

6. DECISIONS TO BE MADE

The following decisions are recommendation to Council for endorsement:

6.1 Welcome New Residents event for Dimboola – New Date to be set once COVID Restrictions have been lifted sufficiently

7. CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE

Introduction:

The following correspondence is tabled for noting by the Committee,

Inwards:

- IGA Account
- Bakery Account

Outwards:

- Various emails etc regarding organizing the Welcome New Residents event that was scheduled for last month but had to be cancelled due to COVID Restrictions.
- Letters to the Shire re extra \$'s required for the Dimboola Soundshell refurbishment / extension. (Angela Hoy suggested the extra \$'s would probably need to be supplied by a Grant.)

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Committee notes the attached correspondence.

MOVED: Committee Members

That the Committee notes the attached correspondence.

CARRIED

8. GENERAL BUSINESS AS NOTIFIED TO THE CHAIR

8.1 Dimboola Sound Shell Update

Jo Donnelly to follow up on what documentation needs to be submitted for Building Permit, with Phil King & Angela Hoy.

8.2 Dimboola Town Committee BBQ Shelter at the Sound Shell Progress

The BBQ Shelter is now finished & the fences are down. PC stated that there were 2 extra Indian Red Posts currently stored at his house, & to keep them in mind for any further projects. Max Bakers workers will be cleaning up around the surrounds over the next few days.

8.3 Update on Signage Lou Catania

Lou Catania reported that the Entrance sign off the highway has been stripped down, & a second sign has been made as well that will go at the other entrance to town. Should be ready in approx 2 weeks or so. It was noted that the second sign will need supports. JD to send an email to Angela Hoy re her suggestion that the Shire would be responsible for providing the supporting structure & erection of the new sign, & the relocation (if required) of the original sign. AH to follow up with Wayne Schultz & Vic Roads. It was suggested that the original sign be relocated down closer to the 60km zone. AH also mentioned that our request for a 40km speed limit within the town precinct has been submitted to Vic Roads & that some shires do have a 40km Speed Limit. LC mentioned the option of some other town signage possibly at the Parking area near the Turn off the highway. (to be considered at next meeting)

8.4 Shade / Seating for popular area near the Bridge & Boating Pontoon

AH confirmed that the old shelter that was behind the old Library, that is currently flat-packed up at the Shire yard near the tip, can be used by the DTC for the area near the Bridge / Boating Pontoon. JD to speak to Max Baker about getting a quote to erect it for us.

8.5 Storage ideas for DTC

Rod McKenzie from the Dimboola Lions suggested to KP that the old Shed near the Powerhouse on the other side of the railway tracks could be option for DTC Storage. KP followed up with Graincorp who own the building, & inspected the building last month. The building is lockable, has power & an office & KP noted that it would be perfect for our needs. They have agreed to clean the building up prior to us leasing the building if we are successful. KP submitted an Expression of Interest Form to Graincorp Head Office. Waiting to hear their response & their conditions of a lease. AH suggested that we ensure the building is sound & no Asbestos Hazards

8.6 Update on Grainflow BBQ

PC now has the BBQ & he will organize for it to be taken up to Ron Ismay for him to Sandblast & paint it. It was stated that the cost for this would be approx \$300, & that if this is the case, we can go ahead with the work.

8.7 Welcome New Residents event for May 2021

Event scheduled for Friday 28th May – 6pm at the Dimboola Library had to be cancelled due to COVID Restrictions at short notice. We will re-schedule this once we have notification from the Shire that the restrictions have been lifted enough to hold the event. JD to email the Shire to get an extension on the acquittal of the Grant \$'s that are to be used for the event.

8.8 Working Bee's to be scheduled

Still waiting for rain at this stage as approx 10 seats need to be installed. Priority is the seat / plaque for Ivan Pipcorn (between the Fishing Pontoon & the next seat closest to the Rowing Club). Also planting of replacement trees on the walking track near the Ticket box at Rec Reserve, and installation of other seats, including a Table/chair combo located at JD's.

8.9 Plaques for the seats

Historical Society seat on the Common side of the Weir seat. Ivan Pipcorn. Look at

Lou Catania printing off some plaques for us? – get a sample. Lou is looking at new equipment. It was suggested that maybe the Gaulke’s would like a memorial seat somewhere? Possibly the Ski Club?

8.10 Update on Old Pub Site Development

JD advised that the construction of the Pub Site project will be starting over the next month or so, & that there is a meeting with the Art Inc group to discuss the opening of the block falling on the same night as “The Wimmera” Book launch on 4th September 2021. JD to forward a brief to the members re the overall plan for the block.

Angela Hoy, Wendy Bywaters & Deb Nelson all left the meeting at this stage due to a Conflict of Interest with the remaining topics up for discussion.

8.11 Name proposal for our Not for Profit Inc Assoc – Dimboola Community Progress Association

KP suggested that we consider the name of our Not for Profit Inc Assoc be changed to “Dimboola Community Progress Association”, when we convert over to this option. (JD mentioned she checked with Consumer Affairs & this name is available, & that other Shires are using “Community Progress Assoc” in their names). All agreed.

8.12 Model Rules progress for DTC to move to a Not for Profit Organization

JD & KP have been working on putting together the Model Rules for when we move to a Not for Profit Organization. The key section of the Model Rules is the Organization Purpose. KP drafted the following:

Our Purpose is Leadership and Communication within the Dimboola and District Community. We will work for the betterment and beautification of the town, including hosting / volunteering Community Events. Our aim is to grow and develop Dimboola for the future, increasing tourism within the area. The key to this is regular meetings, with input from all Dimboola Groups, Associations, Clubs , User Groups etc. for ideas and ongoing projects. We will function as a non-for-profit organization, engaging with Hindmarsh Shire when needed.

8.13 Letters of Support re Soundshell Extension / budget submission

Kaylene Pietsch & Pru Cook both submitted letters to the Shire re the Shire allocating extra \$’s towards the extension of the Town Soundshell that is very inefficient & in disrepair. It was noted that the DTC currently utilize this only approx 2 - 3 times per year, & that they are very successful events – even in COVID times. The DTC and the town in general intend utilizing this space more often, if it was a more efficient & sound structure.

8.14 Sydney Nolan Shed

KP followed up with Grainflow & Max Baker submitted a quote to them for doing some reconstruction work on the old Sydney Nolan Shed as it is very close to collapsing. Grainflow have agreed to pay for the repairs & Max Baker to commence work soon.

8.15 Sensor Lighting along the River

PC asked if there was anything planned with regard to extension of the sensor lighting along the River – from the Rowing Club to the Fishing Pontoon. JD to follow up with Phil King.

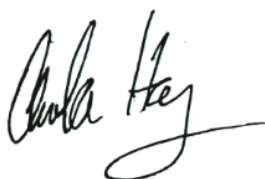
9. URGENT BUSINESS

Nil

10. MEETING CLOSE

There being no further business Chair declared the meeting closed at 8.39pm.

11. COUNCIL OFFICER AUTHORISATION



I _____ accept the recommendations made by the Dimboola Town Committee in these minutes dated 7th June 2021 .



17th May 2021

To Committee Members,
“as addressed”

NOTICE is hereby given that a Nhill Town Committee Meeting of the Hindmarsh Shire Council will be held at The Community Centre, Nhill on Monday 17th May 2021 commencing at 7.30 pm.

AGENDA

1. Acknowledgement of the Indigenous Community

2. Apologies

3. Confirmation of minutes

4. Disclosure by Committee members or Councillors or Council Officers of any interest or conflicts of interest in any item on the agenda

5. Finance report

6. Decisions to be made

7. Correspondence

8. General business as notified to the Chair

- Conflicts of Interest
- Nhill Market
- Bank Account
- DMD Storage
- Canva Account
- Truck Stop Project
- Bird Hide Project
- What's on in Nhill book – tourist centre
- Welcome to Nhill Information
- Youth Events (bare foot bowls, trivia, karaoke)
- Water Tower Project
- Recycling Bins in Public Areas
- Town Garage Sale

- Hard Rubbish Collection
- Information board in the main street
- Recruitment and Retention of Volunteers post Covid-19
- Fundraising, donations and gifts to NTC

9. Urgent business

10. Meeting Closed

Present:

Committee members: Catherine Bates, Emily Graham, Pauline McCracken, Darrell Hall, Leith Dean

Council officer: Daniel Griffith, Greg Wood

Councillor in attendance: Cr Melanie Albrecht

Also in attendance: Alana Storey

1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE INDIGENOUS COMMUNITY AND OPENING PRAYER

Chairperson opened the meeting at 7.29 pm by acknowledging the Indigenous Community.

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.

2. APOLOGIES

Committee members: N/A

Council officer: N/A

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Minutes of the Nhill Town Committee Meeting held on Monday 19th of April at The Community Centre, Nhill as circulated to Committee Members be taken as read and confirmed.

MOVED COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Leith Dean

SECONDED: Pauline McCracken

CARRIED

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

No conflicts declared.

5. FINANCE REPORT

Not distributed due to some errors, currently being amended and will be circulated next meeting. Spending will be checked to corroborate report.

6. DECISIONS TO BE MADE

Do we stay a Town Committee (in the form of an advisory committee) or become an incorporated association?

Information presented by CEO of the Hindmarsh Shire, Greg Wood:

- The Local Government Act has changed, all but small features are now in effect. This has highlighted issues, especially in regard to sponsorship/fundraising.
- One of the biggest changes is the setting up of committees, now generally either delegation (too difficult to implement) or asset committee.
- Town Committees haven't been replaced
 - o Advisory Committee → can't have bank accounts (though section 86 shouldn't either). Assigned an officer to make decisions we can't. Individual counsellors have no delegated authority. Staff or CEO delegates ability to spend money. When approached about funding, separate legislation. Shire is registered and the <\$20,000 cap is breached by council operations, so fundraising is difficult.
- Restrictions on gifts, anything without return. Purchases are fine, donations are not.
- Recommendations to Council Officer more quick/effective than recommendations to council.
- Suggestion of own body, responsible for own accounts → incorporated association.
 - o Insurances would be \$3,000-\$4,000 to operate, funding agreements could be entered into with the Shire to replace loss of regular funding (however, parameters would apply).
- Catherine: could council related individuals still be involved?
 - o They could attend, give views and reports but voting would be a conflict of interest. Rules around committees have tighten in regard to conflicts. Contribute but not make decisions, parameters would need to be clarified.
- Emily: would we maintain effectiveness in terms of recommendations to council?
 - o Could still make recommendations and be effective in that sense. Would no longer be bound by the business support generalisation rules.
- Could potentially overcome challenges while maintaining funding.
- Value in registering us as council volunteers, insurances would be covered when operating on council land.
- Aims and objections in forming would be critically important (articles of association), Shire/Council must justify spending, funding could still be yearly, worked ahead for a few years. Funding to cover insurances and maintain current funds would be, while not guaranteed, viable.
- Supported it would be in the Shire/Councils best interest.
- Some things done since the changes (donation tin, Christmas lights) have been corrected as soon as identified so no ongoing problem, nothing much can be done retrospectively, however Council is accountable and further occurrences now these things have been identified would be problematic.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

In:

- Nhill Market Feedback (included in general business)
- Information about fundraising
- Confirmation of successful grant application

Out:

- Facebook updates on the truck stop project and gauging interest in trivia
- Grant application for trivia night

8. GENERAL BUSINESS AS NOTIFIED TO THE CHAIR

- Conflicts of Interest
 - Even tangential conflicts should be declared to err on the side of caution.
- Nhill Market
 - This month's market stall was less interactive, more advertising (not annual but current projects).
 - Feedback included: pressure washing footpath (raised with maintenance), Australia Day ceremony location (Sound Shell suggested to better utilise it, less traffic), water park/play elements, town mural.
 - Some of these elements work into the Streetscape plan that is currently open for public submissions → members send feedback in by noon Thursday the 20th for a Committee submission by the deadline, noon Friday the 21st.
- Bank Account
 - Request to be closed has been submitted and is being processed.
- DMD Storage
 - Spoke to Gary, he's happy for the current arrangement to continue and will let us know if anything changes.
- Canva Account
 - A Canva account has been made for the committees use, for any media that needs to be produced, e.g. posters, calendars.
 - Username: [REDACTED]
 - Password: [REDACTED]
 - Melanie can assist with premium content if needed
- Truck Stop Project
 - Fence has been pressure washed, has come up nicely.
- Bird Hide Project
 - Young Leos are on board to help.
 - Also on board for the drum art project (to be added as a running agenda item for updates).
- What's on in Nhill book – tourist centre
 - Project is supported by the Tourist Centre and Jeff Woodward.

- Rough copy will be initially installed as a trial, expand to contact community groups so they can make additions.
- Welcome to Nhill Information
 - Melanie is drafting the booklet, still deciding how much information we want to include. Will bring to next meeting.
 - Send bulk email to groups to inform about booklet and what's on in Nhill calendar and ask for two sentence description for inclusion, ask if any groups are meeting.
 - Postcards etc is still being researched.
- Youth Events (bare foot bowls, trivia, karaoke)
 - Trivia night Friday the 28th of May: raffle book for door prizes, two sign ins (covid QR and Bowls Club book), poster will be updated to reflect support of Hindmarsh Shire via grant.
 - Cultural evenings: Thablay is on board for an evening, Catherine and Emily will continue to contact people.
- Water Tower Project
 - Emily will draft a letter for community engagement for local groups and businesses to provide support/feedback on the project.
 - A Facebook post will also be made to reengage general community support for the project.
- Recycling Bins in Public Areas
 - Shire has considered it, but it has been stalled due to the recycling issue (going to landfill) experienced last year.
 - Container scheme will begin in a few years.
 - Something in the interim is being investigated.
- Town Garage Sale
 - Possibly later in the year when the weather is better, gauge utility based on how the Community Shop goes.
- Hard Rubbish Collection
 - High cost and logistically difficult.
 - Transfer station largely fills this niche.
- Information board in the main street
 - We can maintain/replace in the short term, but it is being budgeted for replacement with a wall board on the information centre block in the longer term.
- Recruitment and Retention of Volunteers post Covid-19

- Outline aims and projections to move forward with.
 - Use events and completed projects as advertising for the committee.
- Fundraising, donations and gifts to NTC
- The money from the IGA tin is being held by the Shire awaiting further advice.
 - The Committee is subject the Shire gift policy, more information about practicalities to follow when available.
 - Broadly speaking, restrictions on gifts, no donations, goods and services must be paid for, and funds raised must be in exchange for something.

9. URGENT BUSINESS

N/A

10. MEETING CLOSE

There being no further business, the Chair declared the meeting closed at 9.21 pm.

The next meeting will be held on Monday the 21st of June at 7.30 pm.