



POLICY COMMITTEE

27 February 2013

Her Worship the Mayor & Councillors

I have to advise that a **Policy Committee Meeting** will be held in the Council Chambers on Wednesday, 6 March 2013 commencing at 6.00 pm.

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D J Sherley
GENERAL MANAGER

BUSINESS AGENDA

POLICY COMMITTEE

TO BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 6 MARCH 2013

1. 6:00 PM - MEETING COMMENCES
2. APOLOGIES
3. REPORT OF PREVIOUS MEETING
 - * Minutes - Policy Committee Meeting - 5 December 2012
4. DECLARATION OF INTEREST
 - To assist the Councillors and committee members in their correct consideration of business before them at the meeting, please give consideration to Section 451 of the Local Government Act, in relation to Declaration of Interest at meetings.
5. GENERAL BUSINESS
6. DISCUSSION FORUM - DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION SUBMISSIONS - Nil
7. DISCUSSION FORUM OTHER - Nil
8. MEETING CLOSE

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1 MEETING COMMENCES

Councillors Morse (Chair), Aubin, Bourke, Coote, Hanger, Jennings, North, Rush, Westman.

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2 APOLOGIES

Nil.

POLICY COMMITTEE
REPORT OF PREVIOUS MEETING

**REPORT OF PREVIOUS MEETING TO THE POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 6
MARCH 2013**

General Manager
Bathurst Regional Council

1 MINUTES - POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING - 5 DECEMBER 2012 (07.00064)

Recommendation: That the Minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting held on 5 December 2012 be adopted.

Report: The Minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting held 5 December 2012, are attached.

Financial Implications: N/A

Bathurst 2036 Community Strategic Plan - Objectives and Strategies

- Objective 32: To ensure Council is supported by an adequate workforce and appropriate governance procedures. Strategy 32.2

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3 Item 1 MINUTES - POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING - 5 DECEMBER 2012
(07.00064)

MOVED: G Westman SECONDED: G Rush

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting held on 5 December 2012 be adopted.

MINUTES OF THE POLICY COMMITTEE
HELD ON 5 DECEMBER 2012

MEETING COMMENCES

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Councillors Morse (Chair), North, Aubin, Bourke, Coote, Hanger, Jennings, Rush, Westman.

APOLOGIES

2 APOLOGIES

Nil.

REPORT OF PREVIOUS MEETING

3 Item 1 MINUTES - POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING - 7 NOVEMBER 2012 (07.00064)

MOVED Cr I North and **SECONDED** Cr G Rush

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting held on 7 November 2012 be adopted.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

4 DECLARATION OF INTEREST 11.00002

MOVED Cr I North and **SECONDED** Cr G Rush

RESOLVED: That the Declaration of Interest be noted.

RECEIVE AND DEAL WITH DIRECTORS' REPORTS

Director Corporate Services & Finance's Report

5 Item 1 POLICY MANUAL UPDATE (41.00089)

MOVED Cr G Westman and **SECONDED** Cr M Coote

RESOLVED: That Council adopt the amendments to the Policy Manual as detailed in the report.

6 Item 2 GIFTS & BENEFITS POLICY (18.00013, 41.00089)

MOVED Cr G Westman and **SECONDED** Cr I North

RESOLVED: That Council adopt the amendments to the Gifts and Benefits Policy as outlined in the report and update the Policy Manual.

- 7** **Item 3 CODE OF CONDUCT POLICY (11.00024, 41.00089)**
MOVED Cr G Westman and **SECONDED** Cr W Aubin

RESOLVED: That Council adopt the amendments to the Code of Conduct as outlined in the report and update the Policy Manual.

GENERAL BUSINESS

- 8** **Item 1 LIGHTS ON LAMP STANDARDS (28.00014)**

Cr Rush - These present with different colours. Why is this so, could we look at this?.

The Director Engineering Services - Spoke to progressive change to more environmentally friendly globe types. Will discuss further with Essential Energy.

- 9** **Item 2 TRAFFIC COMMITTEE - HAVANNAH STREET - TWO LANES ONTO HIGHWAY (25.00027-04)**

Cr Coote - Can we get this to happen, understands this is an RMS matter.

The Director Engineering Services - Spoke about discussions being held with RMS and alterations to 'loops' and phasing of lights that are occurring. Hope works will be completed this financial year.

- 10** **Item 3 AESTHETICS OF STREETS (28.00014)**

Cr Aubin - Upgrade central light standards. Do we have a budget for this? Could we clean them up?

The Director Engineering Services - There is money to maintain, budget is \$10,000 this year.

- 11** **Item 4 AWNINGS - GEORGE STREET - CAR POLES (25.00007)**

Cr Aubin- All are bent and paint taken off. Could we get these repaired?

- 12** **Item 5 WATER COSTS - REQUIREMENT FOR 75:25 SPLIT (16.00129)**

Cr North - Where are we at with this?

The Director Corporate Services & Finance - advised that a meeting has been organised for 12 December 2012 with the Minister on this matter.

13 **Item 6 LOAD BASED LICENSING FEES - WATER (13.00007)**

Cr North - Costs Council a lot to put treated effluent back into the river. Appears Government has no timeline to review this matter. Can this be raised at next week's meeting with the Minister?

14 **Item 7 DIVERSION CHANNEL RAGLAN CREEK (31.00006)**

Cr North - When will this be done?

The Director Engineering Services - advised that all issues have been resolved. Currently RMS are awaiting a response from Office of Water, then works can happen.

15 **Item 8 UMCC (18.00172)**

Cr North - Spoke to recent changes in legislation about placing notices on property owners. The new order regime has no "teeth". Further noted classification of weeds and difficulties occurring. Perhaps we need to look at future of UMCC and how Bathurst Regional Council operates with respect to noxious weeds.

16 **Item 9 WOMEN ON COUNCIL - REPRESENTATION (18.00008)**

Cr North - Suggests Council establish a Women's Committee, so women's issues can be brought to Council.

17 **Item 10 RIBBON GANG LANE - TRAFFIC FLOW (25.00021)**

Cr North - Have had concerns expressed by shop owners that cars are regularly going the wrong way up Ribbon Gang Lane, can we look into this.

18 **Item 11 LIGHT STANDARDS (20.00153)**

Cr Bourke - With the Bicentenary year coming around, could we do something with them to fit in with 2015 celebrations eg. Governance - George Street, car racing - William Street.

19 **Item 12 BROOKE MOORE FOUNTAIN (04.00012)**

Cr Bourke - Needs some cleaning up. Could this be done?

20 **Item 13 TAFE BUILDING (22.01387-03)**

Cr Bourke - Awaiting response on this building concerning issues of 'no strings' attached etc.

The General Manager - Advised that it is expected that a letter will come in from the Local Member this week

MEETING CLOSE

21 **MEETING CLOSE**

The Meeting closed at 6.27 pm.

CHAIRMAN: _____

Date: _____ **(6 February 2013)**

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4 DECLARATION OF INTEREST 11.00002

MOVED: G Westman SECONDED: G Rush

RESOLVED: That the Declaration of Interest be noted.

POLICY COMMITTEE
DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES & FINANCE'S REPORT AND MINUTES
6 MARCH 2013

**DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES & FINANCE'S REPORT TO THE POLICY
COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 6 MARCH 2013**

General Manager
Bathurst Regional Council

**1 REPORT OF AUDIT AND RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE - 28 NOVEMBER 2012
(07.00096)**

Recommendation: That the information be noted.

Report: The minutes of the Bathurst Regional Council Audit and Risk Management Committee Meeting held on 28 November 2012 are shown at **attachment 1**,

Financial Implications: Nil.

Bathurst 2036 Community Strategic Plan - Objectives and Strategies

- Objective 28: To plan for the growth of the region and the protection of the region's environmental, economic, social and cultural assets. Strategy 28.8

- Objective 32: To ensure Council is supported by an adequate workforce and appropriate governance procedures. Strategy 32.2

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5 Item 1 REPORT OF AUDIT AND RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE - 28
NOVEMBER 2012 (07.00096)

MOVED: B Bourke SECONDED: M Coote

RESOLVED: That the information be noted.

2 DELEGATIONS REGISTER - PURCHASING (41.00088, 15.00008)

Recommendation: That Council delegate to the General Manager the following function and update the Delegations Register:

225 to authorise the purchase of goods, works and services from Local Government Procurement in accordance with funds voted by Council and Council's Purchasing Manual.

Report: Under Section 55 of the Local Government Act 1993, Council must call tenders for contracts in excess of \$150,000. This is a lengthy process that takes 3-6 months from start to finish.

The State Government has provided alternatives to Council in some instances where a third party actually undertakes the tender process for a particular item and councils are then able to purchase these items without formally calling tenders.

One of these organisations is Local Government Procurement (LGP). It was established by the Local Government and Shires Association (LGSA) to create a procurement operation tailored specifically to the needs of local government.

Council regularly uses LGP to purchase plant and machinery in accordance with Council's adopted budget. To assist with this process, it is proposed to include a new delegation to the General Manager as follows.

225 to authorise the purchase of goods, works and services from Local Government Procurement in accordance with funds voted by Council and Council's Purchasing Manual.

The addition of this delegation would make the procurement process for these items more efficient and it is recommended that this delegation be included in the Delegations Register.

Financial Implications: Nil.

Bathurst 2036 Community Strategic Plan - Objectives and Strategies

- Objective 28: To plan for the growth of the region and the protection of the region's environmental, economic, social and cultural assets. Strategy 28.8, 28.6
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6 Item 2 DELEGATIONS REGISTER - PURCHASING (41.00088, 15.00008)

MOVED: G Hanger SECONDED: W Aubin

RESOLVED: That Council delegate to the General Manager the following function and update the Delegations Register:

225 to authorise the purchase of goods, works and services from Local Government Procurement in accordance with funds voted by Council and Council's Purchasing Manual.

3 DELEGATIONS REGISTER - PLUMBING AND DRAINAGE ACT 2012 (41.00088, 02.00012)

Recommendation: That Council adopt the change and update the Delegations Register as follows:

General Manager - Item 17 - include the Plumbing & Drainage Act 2011 plus Regulation.

Planning & Development new item:

439 To undertake the powers, authorities, duties and functions delegated to Council by "Instrument of Delegation" dated 8 November 2012 by the Acting Commissioner for Fair Trading pursuant to Section 21 of the Plumbing and Drainage Act 2011.

- (a) to monitor compliance with the Plumbing and Drainage Act (s19(a))
- (b) to ensure that any plumbing and drainage work carried out does not threaten public health or safety (s19(b))
- (c) to undertake any other functions conferred or imposed on the plumbing regulator by the Plumbing and Drainage Act (s19(c)) other than:
 - receiving notices of work and other documentation required to be submitted to the plumbing regulator concerning proposed alternative solutions (s9(3) of the Plumbing and Drainage Act and Clause 10 of the Plumbing and Drainage Regulation)
 - authorising fittings for use in plumbing and drainage work (s20)
 - initiating criminal proceedings as provided for in Part 5 of the Plumbing and Drainage Act.

Report: Council considered a report on 12 December 2012 regarding Delegations under the Plumbing & Drainage Act 2011 (Item #6 DEPBS). Council resolved as follows:

- (a) inform the NSW Department of Fair Trading that the General Manager accepts the delegation of functions under the Plumbing and Drainage Act; and
- (b) note that the General Manager will sub-delegate the powers to the respective officers within Council.

As a result of this resolution Council is now required to update the Delegations Register to reflect this change as follows:

General Manager - Item 17 - include the Plumbing & Drainage Act 2011 plus Regulation.

Planning & Development - new item

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- receiving notices of work and other documentation required to be submitted to the plumbing regulator concerning proposed alternative solutions (s9(3) of the Plumbing and Drainage Act and Clause 10 of the Plumbing and Drainage Regulation)
 - authorising fittings for use in plumbing and drainage work (s20)
 - initiating criminal proceedings as provided for in Part 5 of the Plumbing and Drainage Act.

It is recommend that the Delegations Register be updated accordingly.

Financial Implications: Nil.

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- Objective 32: To ensure Council is supported by an adequate workforce and appropriate governance procedures. Strategy 32.2

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7 Item 3 DELEGATIONS REGISTER - PLUMBING AND DRAINAGE ACT 2012 (41.00088, 02.00012)

MOVED: B Bourke SECONDED: J Jennings

RESOLVED:That Council adopt the change and update the Delegations Register as follows:

General Manager - Item 17 - include the Plumbing & Drainage Act 2011 plus Regulation.

Planning & Development new item:

439 To undertake the powers, authorities, duties and functions delegated to Council by "Instrument of Delegation" dated 8 November 2012 by the Acting Commissioner for Fair Trading pursuant to Section 21 of the Plumbing and Drainage Act 2011.

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 - authorising fittings for use in plumbing and drainage work (s20)
 - initiating criminal proceedings as provided for in Part 5 of the Plumbing and Drainage Act.

4 DELEGATIONS REGISTER - PLAN MAKING (02.00018, 41.00088)

Recommendation: That Council adopt the change and update the Delegations Register as follows:

Planning and Development - new item.

440 To undertake the following plan-making functions delegated by the Minister

- (a) to make – and determine not to make – an LEP under section 59(2), and (3) of the EP&A Act
- (b) to defer inclusion of certain matters in an LEP under section 59(3) and
- (c) to identify which matters must be considered and which stages of the plan-making process must be carried out again prior to resubmission (section 59(4)) if the council defers the proposal or if a matter is deferred from the LEP.

Report: Council considered a report on 21 November 2012 regarding Delegations under the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act (EP&A Act) for the making of Local Environmental Plans (Item #10 DEPBS). The Circular (PS 12-006) from NSW Planning & Infrastructure advised the following:

The Minister has delegated the following plan-making powers to councils:

- (a) to make – and determine not to make – an LEP under section 59(2), and (3) of the EP&A Act
- (b) to defer inclusion of certain matters in an LEP under section 59(3) and
- (c) to identify which matters must be considered and which stages of the plan-making process must be carried out again prior to resubmission (section 59(4)) if the council defers the proposal or if a matter is deferred from the LEP.

Council resolved as follows:

That Council:

- (a) inform the NSW Department of Planning and Infrastructure that it accepts the delegation of functions under section 59 of the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act for the making of Local Environmental Plans;
- (b) delegate these functions to the General Manager and under delegation from him delegate these functions to the Director Environmental Planning & Building Services and advise the Department accordingly; and
- (c) note that the General Manager will sub delegate these functions to the Director Environmental, Planning & Building Services.

As a result of this recommendation Council is now required to update the Delegations Register to reflect this change as follows:

Planning and Development - new item.

440 To undertake the following plan-making functions delegated by the Minister

- (a) to make – and determine not to make – an LEP under section 59(2), and (3) of the EP&A Act
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- (c) to identify which matters must be considered and which stages of the plan-making process must be carried out again prior to resubmission (section 59(4)) if the council defers the proposal or if a matter is deferred from the LEP.

It is recommended that Council adopt the changes to the Delegations Register as outlined in the report.

Financial Implications: Nil.

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- Objective 28: To plan for the growth of the region and the protection of the region's environmental, economic, social and cultural assets. Strategy 28.6, 28.8
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8 Item 4 DELEGATIONS REGISTER - PLAN MAKING (02.00018, 41.00088)

MOVED: I North **SECONDED:** G Westman

RESOLVED: That Council adopt the change and update the Delegations Register as follows:

Planning and Development - new item.

440 To undertake the following plan-making functions delegated by the Minister

- (a) to make – and determine not to make – an LEP under section 59(2), and (3) of the EP&A Act
- (b) to defer inclusion of certain matters in an LEP under section 59(3) and
- (c) to identify which matters must be considered and which stages of the plan-making process must be carried out again prior to resubmission (section 59(4)) if the council defers the proposal or if a matter is deferred from the LEP.

5 ICAC INQUIRY RECOMMENDATIONS (46.00117, 46.00075)

Recommendation: That the information be noted.

Report: The Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) held an inquiry in 2011 in relation to "Allegations that staff from a number of councils and other public authorities accepted secret benefits from suppliers and that staff from two councils facilitated payments of false invoices from suppliers". The report from that inquiry (dated October 2012) listed several recommendations for councils in NSW to consider. As one of the councils implicated in the inquiry Bathurst Regional Council has had to prepare a written response to the recommendations.

Council has prepared that response and forwarded it to the ICAC in accordance with the required timeline. A copy of the response will be provided to Councillors under separate cover.

Financial Implications: There are no financial implications resulting from this report.

Bathurst 2036 Community Strategic Plan - Objectives and Strategies

- Objective 28: To plan for the growth of the region and the protection of the region's environmental, economic, social and cultural assets. Strategy 28.6

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9 Item 5 ICAC INQUIRY RECOMMENDATIONS (46.00117, 46.00075)

MOVED: M Coote SECONDED: I North

RESOLVED: That the information be noted.

6 APPOINTMENT OF DELEGATE - EVANS COMMUNITY OPTIONS (18.00280)

Recommendation: That Council appoint a Councillor as a duty delegate to the Evans Community Options Project.

Report: Councillors will be aware that members of Evans Community Options attended a Councillors Meeting with Community Groups session on 13 February 2013 and gave a presentation on the services provided by their organisation to frail aged people, people with disabilities and their carers to assist them to remain in their own home.

As a result of this meeting, Council has now received a request from Evans Community Options to nominate a Councillor as a contact person for the Evans Community Options Board of Management who may be able to be consulted on issues and attend some community meetings and functions as required. A copy of their request is shown at **attachment 1**.

If Council were to accede to the request to nominate a contact officer to Evans Community Options it would require Council to appoint a Duty Councillor.

Duty Councillors provide a community organisation with a direct contact on a needs basis. This enables organisations to function in their existing format with Councillors attending meetings only for Council related matters.

Financial Implications: Funds are contained with existing budgets.

Bathurst 2036 Community Strategic Plan - Objectives and Strategies

- Objective 30: To identify the needs of the community and encourage and support communication, interaction and support within the community. Strategy 30.3
- Objective 23: To encourage a supportive and inclusive community. Strategy 23.1

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10 Item 6 APPOINTMENT OF DELEGATE - EVANS COMMUNITY OPTIONS
(18.00280)

MOVED: W Aubin SECONDED: I North

RESOLVED: That Council appoint Cr Rush as a duty delegate to the Evans Community Options Project.

Yours faithfully



R Roach
DIRECTOR
CORPORATE SERVICES & FINANCE

POLICY COMMITTEE
GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT AND MINUTES
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**GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT TO THE POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 6
MARCH 2013**

General Manager
Bathurst Regional Council

**1 LOCAL GOVERNMENT & SHIRES ASSOCIATIONS - ONE ASSOCIATION
PROPOSAL (18.00105)**

Recommendation: That the information be noted.

Report: Council at its meeting on 16 May 2012 considered a report (General Manager No 2) on the creation of One Local Government Association to represent Councils in NSW.

At that meeting Council resolved, inter alia, that:

"Bathurst Regional Council support the One Association proposal."

Council has now received advice from the Local Government & Shires Associations, refer **Attachment 1**, that the new One Association to represent Local Government in NSW comes into being on 1 March 2013.

Financial Implications: There are nil financial implications at this stage.

Bathurst 2036 Community Strategic Plan - Objectives and Strategies

- Objective 28: To plan for the growth of the region and the protection of the region's environmental, economic, social and cultural assets. Strategy 28.7
- Objective 29: To guide the construction and provision of new infrastructure/facilities and services and the management and upgrading of existing assets and service levels. Strategy 29.6
- Objective 30: To identify the needs of the community and encourage and support communication, interaction and support within the community. Strategy 30.6
- Objective 33: To be and develop good leaders. Strategy 33.3

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11 Item 1 LOCAL GOVERNMENT & SHIRES ASSOCIATIONS - ONE ASSOCIATION PROPOSAL (18.00105)

MOVED: G Westman SECONDED: M Coote

RESOLVED: That the information be noted.

Yours faithfully



D J Sherley
GENERAL MANAGER

POLICY COMMITTEE
GENERAL BUSINESS

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12 Item 1 CSU - SCHOLARSHIP ALLOCATIONS (23.00083)

Cr Hanger - represented Council at this meeting concerning allocation of overseas scholarships. Excellent morning and very high quality students involved.

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13 Item 2 APSLEY LAGOON MEETING (25.00128)

Cr Jennings - met with residents and the issue of the standard of Lagoon Road was raised. Also speed signs on road were raised as needing enhancement.

The Director Engineering Services:

1. advised of stabilising works scheduled for this year.
2. spoke to protocols for speed signage, asked for advice on any particular problem locations.

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14 Item 3 COMMUNITY EVENTS REPRESENTATION (23.00026)

Cr Rush - asked could Councillors be advised of events that Councillors are representing Council at.

The Mayor spoke to processes in place for representing Council.

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15 Item 4 COMMUNITY REPRESENTATION (23.00026)

Cr Westman - spoke to Coonabarabran event and community perceptions as to Council's role. Noted Keppel Street matter, where radio stated work will be done in next 12 months.

Media and publicity advice needs to be coordinated more clearly indicating Council's position.

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16 Item 5 WATERING TREES DURING SUMMER (32.00013)

Cr Coote - spoke to community concerns at seeing water going down the drain when flushing the pipes, whilst they are being asked to water Council's street trees.

The Director Engineering Services provided process for handling discolouration of water and costs involved.

The General Manager spoke of rating structures that previously existed and currently are in place for water charges.

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17 Item 6 TAFE BUILDING (22.01387)

Cr Coote - advised went through TAFE building recently with architect to see what could be done with the building. They were very excited with prospects for the building. Council needs to be proactive.

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18 Item 7 SPORTS COUNCIL (18.00021)

Cr Coote - requested minutes of Bathurst District Sport and Recreation Council be distributed to Councillors.

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19 Item 8 WATER TRUCKS (32.00013)

Cr Aubin - asked is it feasible to fill water trucks with the water from when we are flushing the pipes out.

The Director Engineering Services spoke of pressure and practical issues, will investigate this matter.

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20 Item 9 TRAFFIC ACCIDENT LAST FRIDAY NEAR WENTWORTH ESTATE - BATHURST HOSPITAL (22.01047)

Cr Aubin - asked why were passengers transferred to Lithgow and Orange and not to Bathurst Hospital. Is this because Bathurst Hospital is being downgraded? Can we approach the Hospital for advice?

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21 Item 10 HEALTH BOARD - BATHURST (22.01047)

Cr North - advised was on the Committee of the Health Service and spoke to operational issues at the Hospital.

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22 Item 11 CHILDCARE CENTRE (NEW FACILITY) (22.03450)

Cr North - met with new proponents. They spoke of excellent service from Council and particularly the economic development unit.

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23 Item 12 BATHURST CEMETERY (09.00009)

Cr North - advised concern has been received about damage to child graves. Is there anything we can do, e.g. better lighting, we do not want fences. Perhaps new operators, Norwood, may have some suggestions.

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24 Item 13 CCTV (07.00106)

Cr North - awaiting report to come out.

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25 Item 14 GREAT WESTERN HIGHWAY FLOODING (25.00018, 31.00006)

Cr North - asked who pays for the pumps etc.

The Director Engineering Services advised that the RMS pays for costs of closure.

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26 Item 15 ROCKLEY MILL MUSEUM (22.08248)

Cr North - spoke to building next door that burnt down, there is some of the stable on this land, have we tried to buy the land?

The Mayor advised Council will investigate this matter.

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27 Item 16 TAFE BUILDING (22.01387)

Cr North - there are some other sites in NSW which are similar to this. Could we have a look at these?

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28 Item 17 XMAS DISPLAY (23.00026)

Cr North - have received representation about doing more at Xmas, eg flags on lamp standards. Would we look further into this.

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29 Item 18 PLANNING MATTERS - EXEMPT COMPLYING DEVELOPMENT PROVISIONS (20.00169)

Cr North - where is this at?

The Director Environmental, Planning & Building Services advised a report is being prepared for Council.

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30 Item 19 HARNESS RACING TRACK (2012/0416)

Cr North - where is DA at, including JRPP process.

The Director Environmental, Planning & Building Services advised of expected timelines, there was a concern with noise issues.

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31 Item 20 COONABARABRAN FIRE APPEAL (13.00031)

Cr Bourke - spoke to processes followed by Council and how the appeal was structured. Coonabarabran were very happy with Bathurst and Council's assistance.

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32 Item 21 OPENING OF MAIL (03.00038)

Cr Bourke - where are we at with the report on this?

The General Manager advised current status.

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33 Item 22 RAGLAN CREEK (31.00006)

Cr Bourke - read newspaper article on old creeks needing a new life. Council should look at the Creek, it is at the entranceway to the city and we should do something with it. Raised concerns about water getting away when high rainfall occurs.

The Director Engineering Services spoke of status with Raglan Creek overflow channel.

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34 MEETING CLOSE

The Meeting closed at 6.48 pm.

CHAIRMAN: _____

Date: _____ **(20 March 2013)**