



**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF  
BLACKALL-TAMBO REGIONAL COUNCIL  
HELD AT THE TAMBO COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
ON WEDNESDAY 20 MAY 2026 at 9:00 AM**

**PRESENT:**

Councillors: Cr AL Martin (Mayor), Cr DA Hardie, Cr JH Scobie, Cr BP Johnstone, Cr GK Schluter, Cr AA Hart, Cr PW Skewes OAM

**OFFICERS:**

Mr Mike Lollback, Chief Executive Officer, Mrs Kaylene Carroll, Acting Chief Financial Officer, Ms Alison Lamb, Director of Organisational Performance, Mr Wesley Phillips, Acting Manager of Environment, Health and Compliance, Mr Dallas Kowald-Dawson, Fleet Supervisor, Mrs Bronwyn Beck, Community Development Officer, Special Projects / Asset Management Officer, BOQ Support Officer and Customer Service Support Officer, Ms Piper Hansen, Lifestyle and Community Services Officer, Ms Tiffany Chapman, Minute Taker, Mrs Sesilia Poutney, Customer and Council Support Officer.

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**Leave of Absence**

Nil

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**CONDOLENCES:**

A minute's silence was observed to mark the passing of:

- Brian Robert Philp "Wal"
- Phillip Douglas Rooney "Flop"
- Liela Mary Harvey
- Carole Southwell
- Rodney Bruce Kings

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**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

**Cr Andrew Martin for item 7.1.3 Community Grants Program – Round 2 Assessments April 2026** – I, Councillor Andrew Martin, inform the meeting that I have a prescribed interest in 7.1.3 Community Grants Program – Round 2 Assessments April 2026. The nature of my interest is as follows:

- Cr Andrew Martin is the Chair of Red Ridge.



**ITEM NO:** 3.1  
**SUBJECT TITLE:** Councillors' Information Report for April

The report contains information from the Councillors for activities during the month of April.

**MOTION: Moved: Cr Boyd Johnstone      Seconded: Cr Grahame Schluter**

**That Council receives the Councillors' report for April.**

**GM 2026/05/654**

**Carried 7 / 0**

At this point, 9:50 am, Customer and Council Support Officer, Sesilia Poutney left the meeting.

At this point, 9:50 am, Customer and Council Support Officer, Sesilia Poutney returned to the meeting.

At this point, 9:54 am, Cr Peter Skewes OAM left the meeting.

At this point, 9:57 am, Cr Peter Skewes OAM returned to the meeting.

**ITEM NO:** 4.1  
**SUBJECT TITLE:** Chief Executive Officer's April Report to Council

The report from the Chief Executive Officer is to update Council on matters that do not require a separate or comprehensive report for consideration but emerge as issue of interest to Council and the broader community and may include matters that are beyond the end of the previous month.

**MOTION: Moved: Cr Grahame Schluter      Seconded: Cr Boyd Johnstone**

**That Council receive the Chief Executive Officer's Information Report for April.**

**GM 2026/05/655**

**Carried 7 / 0**

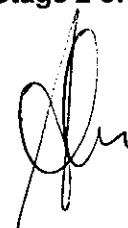
**ITEM NO:** 1.1  
**SUBJECT TITLE:** Stage 2 of the Blackall Cultural Precinct

Blackall-Tambo Regional Council recently tendered for the construction of Stage 2 of the Blackall Cultural Precinct. The tender process closed 14 April 2026.

**MOTION: Moved: Cr Jane Scobie      Seconded: Cr David Hardie**

**That Council:**

1. Awards the tender for the construction of Stage 2 of the Blackall Cultural Precinct to Bridgeman; and
2. Awards the contract for superintendent services for the construction of Stage 2 of the Blackall Cultural Precinct to Lackon as they provide best value for money and the relevant experience and are appropriately licenced. Local Buy contract LB343 will apply; and
3. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate the terms and conditions of the contracts for the construction and superintendent services for Stage 2 of the Blackall Cultural Precinct.



**GM 2026/05/656****Carried 7 / 0**

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**ITEM NO:** 4.2  
**SUBJECT TITLE:** **Actions Arising from Council Meetings**

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with an update on the actions arising from resolutions passed at previous Council meetings. This report aims to ensure transparency, track progress and identify any issues requiring further attention.

**MOTION: Moved: Cr David Hardie**                      **Seconded: Cr Grahame Schluter**

**That Council notes the progress of actions arising from previous Council meetings as detailed in the report.**

**GM 2026/05/657****Carried 7 / 0**

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**Adjournment:**

At this point, 10:17 am, the meeting was adjourned for morning tea.

**Resumption:**

At this point, 10:34 am, the meeting was resumed.

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**ITEM NO:** 4.3  
**SUBJECT TITLE:** **Unreasonable Complainant Conduct Policy**

A policy has been developed to assist with the management of unreasonable complainant conduct.

**MOTION: Moved: Cr David Hardie**                      **Seconded: Cr Jane Scobie**

**That Council adopt the Unreasonable Complainant Conduct Policy.**

**GM 2026/05/658****Carried 7 / 0**


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**ITEM NO:** 5.1  
**SUBJECT TITLE:** **Financial Report for the Month of April**

In accordance with s204 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a monthly financial report must be presented to the Council. The financial report for April details the Council's current financial position and compares its performance against the adopted budget for 2025-26.

**MOTION: Moved: Cr Grahame Schluter**                      **Seconded: Cr Peter Skewes OAM**

**That Council receives the Financial Report for April 2026**

**GM 2026/05/659****Carried 7 / 0**

**ITEM NO:** 5.2  
**SUBJECT TITLE:** Fleet Report for April

The Fleet Report provides information on the operation and serviceability of Council's fleet.

**MOTION: Moved: Cr David Hardie**                      **Seconded: Cr Boyd Johnstone**

**That Council receive the Fleet Report for April 2026**

**GM 2026/05/660**

**Carried 7 / 0**

At this point, 10:48 am, Lifestyle and Community Services Officer, Piper Hansen left the meeting.

At this point, 10:48 am, Customer and Council Support Officer, Sesilia Poutney left the meeting.

At this point, 10:50 am, Lifestyle and Community Services Officer, Piper Hansen returned to the meeting.

At this point, 10:52 am, Customer and Council Support Officer, Sesilia Poutney returned to the meeting.

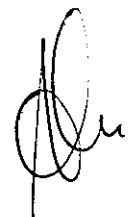
**ITEM NO:** 5.3  
**SUBJECT TITLE:** Disposal of a Valuable Non-Current Asset - Plant Item 5103

Under section 236(2) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council can decide by resolution to sell Plant item 5103 to Mr Richards without first going to auction or tender.

**MOTION: Moved: Cr Boyd Johnstone**                      **Seconded: Cr Peter Skewes OAM**

**That Council:**

1. Resolves to sell Plant 5103 to a community member Mr Richards without first going to auction or tender.
  - a. Plant 5103 will be repurposed to meet a legitimate and identified mobility need of a community member with a disability, directly supporting inclusivity, accessibility and social participation.
  - b. Disposal in this manner aligns with Council's broader wellbeing, equality and inclusion objectives, including supporting vulnerable and disadvantaged members of the community as identified in Council's Corporate Plan.
2. The sale of Plant 5103 complies with the sound contracting principles as:
  - a. Value for money will be achieved by using a valuation of the vehicle as a guide to determine an appropriate sale price, while also having regard to the broader community benefit arising from the disposal.
  - b. Transparent consultation has been undertaken with key stakeholders and documented with clear reasons recorded.
  - c. The broader community benefit arising from enabling the purchaser and his family to remain living and participating in the local community, including ongoing contribution to local schools, services and businesses, which supports social cohesion and the local economy.
  - d. There is no impact to the environment.



- e. The sale will be handled ethically and fairly, with no preferential treatment beyond that justified by the public interest considerations outlined above.

**GM 2026/05/662**

**Carried 7 / 0**

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At this point, 10:56 am, Acting Manager of Environmental, Health and Compliance, Wesley Phillips joined the meeting via Teams.

**ITEM NO:** 6.1.1  
**SUBJECT TITLE:** Tambo Pool - Appointment of Lessee

The lease for the operation of the Tambo Pool is due for renewal.

**MOTION: Moved: Cr Grahame Schluter      Seconded: Cr David Hardie**

**That Council:**

1. Under section 235(a) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, enter into a lease for the operation of the Tambo Pool with Cindy and Jonathan Holmes for a period of two (2) years with an option to renew for an additional two (2) years as Cindy and Jonathan Holmes are appropriately qualified and experienced supplier for the operation of the Tambo Pool; and
2. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate the terms and conditions of the lease the with Lessee.

**GM 2026/05/661**

**Carried 7 / 0**

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**ITEM NO:** 6.1.2  
**SUBJECT TITLE:** Notice to Rescind a Motion - Water Connection for 289 Blackall-Jericho Road Blackall

I, Councillor Andrew Martin, hereby give notice of my intention to move a rescinding motion at the Council meeting scheduled for Wednesday 20 May 2026 and I have given the required five full days' notice of the intent to do as required by the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, section 262.

**MOTION: Moved: Cr Andrew Martin      Seconded: Cr Peter Skewes OAM**

**Councillor Andrew Martin requests that:**

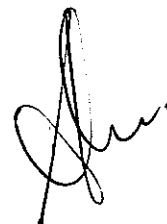
1. Council rescinds the motion made on 20 October 2021 to decline the request to connect 289 Blackall-Jericho Road to the Blackall town water supply. Minute No. 30/10A/21.

**GM 2026/05/663**

**Carried 7 / 0**

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The change is also seeking to make amendments to the decision notice to reflect the recent amalgamation of the lots. The changes will result in consequential changes to the decision notice and conditions.

As demonstrated herein, the minor change application has been made in accordance with the requirements of the Planning Act. This decision report recommends the change application be approved, subject to the amended conditions stated in the recommendation.

**MOTION: Moved: Cr David Hardie**

**Seconded: Cr Jane Scobie**

**That Blackall-Tambo Regional Council approves the Change Application (Minor Change) relating to Development Permit DA58-2023-2024, granted on 20 November 2024 for a Material Change of Use for Community activities (Community use) over land at Shamrock Street, Blackall, formally described as Lot 1 on SP351551, subject to the following amendments to the decision notice:**

#### **1. PARAMETERS OF APPROVAL**

- 1.1. The Developer is responsible for ensuring compliance with this development approval and the conditions of the approval by an employee, agent, contractor or invitee of the Developer at all times unless otherwise stated.**
- 1.2. Where these conditions refer to "Council" in relation to requiring Council to approve or be satisfied as to any matter or conferring on the Council a function, power or discretion, that role of the Council may be fulfilled in whole or in part by a delegate appointed for that purpose by Council.**
- 1.3. All conditions, works or requirements of this development approval must be undertaken and completed prior to commencement of the use and to Council's satisfaction, unless otherwise stated in a development condition.**
- 1.4. The cost of all works associated with the construction of the development including services, facilities and/or public utility alterations required are met at no cost to the Council or relevant utility provider, unless otherwise stated in a development condition.**
- 1.5. The developer is required to have repaired any damage to existing infrastructure that may have occurred during any works carried out for the development. To the extent the damage is deemed to create a hazard to the community, it must be repaired immediately.**
- 1.6. Unless otherwise stated, all works must be designed, constructed and maintained in accordance with the relevant Council policies, guidelines and standards.**

#### **2. APPROVED PLANS AND DOCUMENTS**

- 2.1. The approved development must be completed and maintained generally in accordance with the approved plans and documents, except where amended by the conditions of this permit:**



Plan/Document Name	Plan/Document Number	Revision Number	Date
<del>Proposed Site Plan</del> Site Plan – Proposed	23020 / cd A-040010	A	<del>27 September 2024</del> (Received date) 14.05.25
Proposed Precinct Plan (as amended in red by Council)	-	-	27 September 2024 (Received date)
<del>Proposed Site Elevations</del>	25011 / CD A-260001	13	<del>27 September 2024</del> (Received date) 09.02.26
<del>Proposed Sections</del>	-	-	<del>27 September 2024</del> (Received date)
<del>Main Entry Elevations</del>	-	-	<del>27 September 2024</del> (Received date)
Proposed Site Plan - Stage 2	25011 / CD A-040002	14	09.02.26
General Arrangement - Level 0	25011 / CD A-200001	13	09.02.26

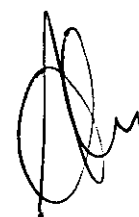
- 2.2. Where there is any conflict between the conditions of this approval and the details shown on the approved plans and documents, the conditions of approval must prevail.

### 3. HOURS OF OPERATION

- 3.1. The use is permitted to operate from 6:00 am to 10:00pm 7 days a week.

### 4. ACCESS AND PARKING

- 4.1. Provide and maintain access a left in only access from Shamrock Street in accordance with the approved plans (see Condition 2.1) and generally in accordance with the standard drawings, from the General Development Code of the Blackall-Tambo Region Planning Scheme.
- 4.2. Provide and maintain access from Thistle Street in accordance with the approved plans (see Condition 2.1) and generally in accordance with the standard drawings, from the General Development Code of the Blackall-Tambo Region Planning Scheme.
- 4.3. Provide a minimum nine (9) onsite car parking spaces. All car parking spaces must be clearly delineated by either line-marking or signage.
- 4.4. Install and maintain directional signage within the site to ensure the orderly and efficient movement of vehicles.
- 4.5. Design and construct and maintain all car parking, service vehicle parking and manoeuvring areas in accordance with the approved plans (see Condition 2.1) and AS2890.1 – Parking Facilities and Austroads Publication AP-G34-13 – Austroads Design Vehicle and Turning Path Templates



## **5. ROOF AND ALLOTMENT DRAINAGE**

- 5.1. Discharge of all roof and allotment drainage such that it does not restrict, impair or change the natural flow of runoff water or cause a nuisance to adjoining properties or infrastructure from the pre to the post-development condition.**

## **6. STORMWATER WORKS**

- 6.1. Undertake the development such that all stormwater, except for rainwater captured on-site in rainwater tanks, is to be drained from the site to a lawful point of discharge and carried without causing annoyance or nuisance to any person or property. All works must be designed, constructed and maintained in accordance with the Queensland Urban Drainage Manual.**

## **7. FINISHED FLOOR LEVEL**

- 7.1. The finished floor level of habitable spaces must achieve a minimum 300mm freeboard above the defined flood level of 282 metres Australian Height Datum for Blackall.**

## **8. LANDSCAPING**

- 8.1. Establish and maintain landscaping generally in accordance with the approved plans.**
- 8.2. The landscaping must predominantly contain species consisting of native, drought tolerant groundcovers, shrubs, small trees and trees.**

## **9. SEWERAGE AND WATER**

- 9.1. The premises must be connected to Council's reticulated water and sewerage network.**
- 9.2. All works must be designed, constructed and maintained in accordance with the approved plans (refer to Condition 2.1), the Plumbing and Drainage Act, Water Services Association of Australia (WSAA), 2011, "WSA 03-11 Water Supply Code of Australia" Version 3.1 and Queensland Department of Energy and Water Supply, 2010, Planning Guidelines for Water Supply and Sewerage.**
- 9.3. Remove all redundant water supply and sewerage infrastructure, including but not limited to pipes and connection points.**

## **10. TELECOMMUNICATION AND ELECTRICITY SUPPLY**

- 10.1. The premises must be connected to electricity and telecommunication services in accordance with the standards and requirements of the relevant service provider.**

## **11. WASTE MANAGEMENT**

- 11.1. Store all waste within a waste storage area (for example, general waste, recyclable waste, pallets, empty drums etcetera). The waste storage area must be:**

- 11.1.1. Designed to not cause nuisance to neighbouring properties;**



- 11.1.2. Screened from any road frontage or adjoining property;
- 11.1.3. Of a sufficient size to accommodate a waste bin/s suitable to service the use.

## 12. AMENITY AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

- 12.1. Undertake the approved development so there is no environmental nuisance or detrimental effect on any surrounding land uses and activities by reason of the emission of noise, vibration, odour, fumes, smoke, vapour, steam soot, ash, wastewater, waste products, oil or otherwise.
- 12.2. Install and operate all outdoor lighting to comply with AS4282 – 1997 “Control of the Obtrusive Effects of Outdoor Lighting”.

## 13. ASSET MANAGEMENT

- 13.1. Any alteration necessary to electricity, telephone, water mains, sewerage mains, and/or public utility installations resulting from the development or in connection with the development, must be undertaken and completed at no cost to Council.

## 14. CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES

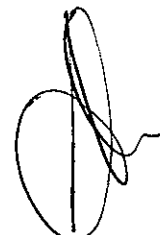
- 14.1. All construction materials, waste, waste skips, machinery and contractors' vehicles must be located and stored or parked within the development site, unless otherwise approved in writing by Council.
- 14.2. Construction activity and noise must be limited to the hours of 06:30 to 18:30 Monday to Saturday, with no work to occur on Sundays or public holidays.

## ADVISORY NOTES

- 1. Prior to commencing any construction activities, the applicant/developer will be required to obtain further development permits for building work, and plumbing and drainage work, and potentially for operational work, as required under relevant legislation for this work.
- 2. This approval does not negate the requirement for compliance with all other relevant Local Laws and other statutory requirements. Any provisions contained in this approval relating to the enforcement of any of the conditions shall be in addition to all other rights, powers and privileges that the Council may possess or obtain, and nothing contained in these conditions shall be construed so as to prejudice, affect or otherwise derogate or limit these rights, powers and privileges of the Council.
- 3. General environmental duty under the Environmental Protection Act 1994 and subordinate legislation prohibits unlawful environmental nuisance caused by noise, aerosols, particles, dust, ash, fumes, light, odour or smoke beyond the boundaries of the development site during all stages of the development including earthworks, construction and operation.
- 4. This development approval does not authorise any activity that may harm Aboriginal cultural heritage. It is advised that under section 23 of the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003, a person who carries out an activity must take all reasonable and practicable measures to ensure the activity does not harm Aboriginal cultural heritage (the “cultural heritage duty of care”).

GM 2026/05/667

Carried 7 / 0



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**ITEM NO:** 6.1.6  
**SUBJECT TITLE:** DA 27 - 2025-2026 - Decision Report

The Applicant, AMLACNIC Investment Trust Pty Ltd, seeks a Development Permit for a Material Change of Use for Short-term accommodation over land at 21 and 23 Garden Street, Tambo, formally described as Lot 10 and 11 on T15030. The subject site contains two existing dwelling houses that will be used to provide accommodation.

Each dwelling house contains one bedroom and one bathroom, combined kitchen and living area, porch area and single carport. The total number of guests onsite at any one time will be a maximum of six (6) guests. The carports will be utilised for onsite parking.

Under the Blackall-Tambo Region Planning Scheme 2020 (the Planning Scheme), the subject site is in the Township Zone. The defined use that has been applied for, being 'Short-term accommodation, is subject to Code Assessment in the Township Zone where contained within an existing building and with a maximum of six guests at any one time.

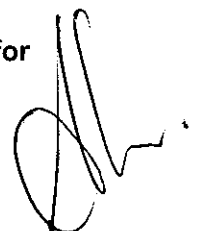
Based on an assessment of the proposal in accordance with the Code Assessment process articulated in the Planning Act 2016, this decision report recommends approval of the development application, subject to the conditions stated herein.

**MOTION: Moved: Cr Alina Hart**                      **Seconded: Cr Grahame Schluter**

**That Blackall-Tambo Regional Council approves the application for a Development Permit for a Material Change of Use for Short-term accommodation over land at 21 and 23 Garden Street, Tambo, formally described as Lot 10 and 11 on T15030, subject to the following conditions:**

**1. PARAMETERS OF APPROVAL**

- 1.1. The Developer is responsible for ensuring compliance with this development approval and the conditions of the approval by an employee, agent, contractor or invitee of the Developer at all times unless otherwise stated.**
- 1.2. Where these conditions refer to "Council" in relation to requiring Council to approve or be satisfied as to any matter, or conferring on the Council a function, power or discretion, that role of the Council may be fulfilled in whole or in part by a delegate appointed for that purpose by Council.**
- 1.3. All conditions, works, or requirements of this development approval must be undertaken and completed prior to commencement of the use and to Council's satisfaction, unless otherwise stated in a development condition.**
- 1.4. The cost of all works associated with the construction of the development including services, facilities and/or public utility alterations required are met at no cost to the Council or relevant utility provider, unless otherwise stated in a development condition.**
- 1.5. The developer is required to have repaired any damage to existing infrastructure that may have occurred during any works carried out for**



the development. To the extent the damage is deemed to create a hazard to the community, it must be repaired immediately.

- 1.6. Unless otherwise stated, all works must be designed, constructed and maintained in accordance with the relevant Council policies, guidelines and standards.

**2. APPROVED PLANS AND DOCUMENTS**

- 2.1. The approved development must be completed and maintained generally in accordance with the approved plans and documents, except where amended by the conditions of this permit:

Plan/Document Name	Plan/Document Number	Revision Number	Date
House Floor Plans	-	-	09/04/2025 (received date)

- 2.2. Where there is any conflict between the conditions of this approval and the details shown on the approved plans and documents, the conditions of approval must prevail

**3. LIMITATIONS OF USE**

- 3.1. The total number of guests at any one time must not exceed six (6).
- 3.2. Guests of the Short-term accommodation are limited to a maximum stay of three (3) consecutive months at any one time.
- 3.3. Two onsite car spaces are to be available at all times to guests.

**4. SITE MANAGEMENT PLAN**

- 4.1. Maintain and implement a Site Management Plan for the Short-term accommodation. The Site Management Plan is to include measures to manage operational aspects of the development including, but not limited to, hours of operation, noise management, site care and maintenance, complaints management and refuse management.

Provide a copy of the Site Management Plan to Council ([admin@btrc.qld.gov.au](mailto:admin@btrc.qld.gov.au)) prior to the commencement of use.

**5. ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH**

- 5.1. Undertake the approved development so there is no environmental nuisance or detrimental effect on any surrounding land uses and activities by reason of the emission of noise, dust, vibration, odour, fumes, smoke, vapour, steam, soot, wastewater, waste products, oil or otherwise.
- 5.2. In accordance with the Environmental Protection (Waste Management) Regulations, all waste storage areas must be kept in a clean, tidy condition, and sufficient waste containers and services are to be provided to cater for the containment and removal of all waste generated on the site. Waste must be removed to a lawful landfill.

**6. ASSET MANAGEMENT**

- 6.1. Any alteration necessary to electricity, telephone, water mains, sewerage mains, and/or public utility installations resulting from the development or in connection with the development, must be undertaken and completed at no cost to Council.**

**ADVISORY NOTES**

- A. Prior to commencing any construction activities, the applicant/developer will be required to obtain further development permits for building work, and plumbing and drainage work, and potentially for operational work, as required under relevant legislation for this work.**
- B. This approval does not negate the requirement for compliance with all other relevant Local Laws and other statutory requirements. Any provisions contained in this approval relating to the enforcement of any of the conditions shall be in addition to all other rights, powers and privileges that the Council may possess or obtain, and nothing contained in these conditions shall be construed so as to prejudice, affect or otherwise derogate or limit these rights, powers and privileges of the Council.**
- C. General environmental duty under the Environmental Protection Act 1994 and subordinate legislation prohibits unlawful environmental nuisance caused by noise, aerosols, particles, dust, ash, fumes, light, odour or smoke beyond the boundaries of the development site during all stages of the development including earthworks, construction and operation.**
- D. This development approval does not authorise any activity that may harm Aboriginal cultural heritage. It is advised that under section 23 of the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003, a person who carries out an activity must take all reasonable and practicable measures to ensure the activity does not harm Aboriginal cultural heritage (the "cultural heritage duty of care").**

**GM 2026/05/668****Carried 7 / 0**

**ITEM NO:** 7.1.1  
**SUBJECT TITLE:** Director of Lifestyle and Community Services Report for April

The Director of Lifestyle and Community Services Operations report for April is presented to Council. The report includes Blackall Aerodrome, Libraries, Blackall Neighbourhood Centre Program (Hub), Youth, Sport and Recreation, Tambo Lifestyle & Community Services, Tourism, Small Business, Communication and Media and Grasslands Gallery.

**MOTION: Moved: Cr Grahame Schluter      Seconded: Cr Alina Hart**

**That Council receive the Director of Lifestyle and Community Services report for April 2026.**

**GM 2026/05/669****Carried 7 / 0**

**ITEM NO:** 7.1.2  
**SUBJECT TITLE:** **Multicultural Connect Grants Program Successful Application**

The Blackall Lifestyle and Community Hub has been successful in securing **\$105,000 (excluding GST)** through the 2025 – 2026 Multicultural Connect Grants Program for the Upgrades to the Memorial Hall Project, administered by the Department of Women and Women's Economic Strategy; Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs; Partnerships and Multiculturalism.

**MOTION: Moved: Cr Alina Hart**                      **Seconded: Cr Jane Scobie**

**That Council:**

1. **Notes the successful receipt of \$105,000 (excluding GST) through the 2025 – 2026 Multicultural Connect Grants Program for the Upgrades to the Memorial Hall Project and**
2. **Endorses the project proceeding in accordance with the grant conditions and funding agreement.**

**GM 2026/05/670**

**Carried 7 / 0**

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At this point, 11:40 am, Cr Andrew Martin left the meeting due to his conflict of interest with Item 7.1.3.

At this point, 11:40 am, Cr Grahame Schluter left the meeting due to his conflict of interest with Item 7.1.3.

At this point, 11:40 am, Cr Peter Skewes OAM left the meeting due to his conflict of interest with Item 7.1.3.

At this point, 11:40 am, Cr David Hardie assumed the Chair.

**ITEM NO:** 7.1.3  
**SUBJECT TITLE:** **Community Grants Program - Round 2 Assessments April 2026**

Council's Community Grants Program Round 2 has been assessed in accordance with the Community Grants Program Policy and Guidelines, as published on Council's website. The round was highly competitive, with a total of 20 eligible applications received from community organisations across the region. Following assessment, 16 applications were approved for funding, with total Council grant funding of **\$65,698.63** awarded. These projects are expected to deliver a combined **community value of \$167,818.63**, demonstrating strong leverage of Council investment and significant benefits to local communities. The program continues to support initiatives that strengthen community wellbeing, capacity, and participation across the Blackall -Tambo Regional Council area.

**MOTION: Moved: Cr Alina Hart**                      **Seconded: Cr Jane Scobie**

**That Council receives the Matter of Information Report regarding the assessment outcomes of the Council Community Grants Program Round 2 and notes the allocation of funding in accordance with the Community Grants Program Policy and Guidelines.**

**GM 2026/05/671**

**Carried 4 / 0**

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At this point, 11:42 am, Cr Andrew Martin returned to the meeting and resumed the Chair.

At this point, 11:42 am, Cr Peter Skewes OAM returned to the meeting.

At this point, 11:42 am, Cr Grahame Schluter returned to the meeting.

**ITEM NO:** 7.2.1  
**SUBJECT TITLE:** Organisational Performance Monthly Report for April

This report provides Council with an update for the Organisational Performance Department which includes an Executive Summary, the Blackall and Tambo Aquatic Centre Reports, Facility bookings, Snap Send Solve, Work Camp applications, Community Bus bookings, miscellaneous activities and outcomes.

**MOTION: Moved: Cr Jane Scobie                      Seconded: Cr Alina Hart**

**That Council receives the Organisational Performance report for April.**

**GM 2026/05/672**

**Carried 7 / 0**

At this point, 11:42 am, Customer and Council Support Officer, Sesilia Poutney left the meeting.

At this point, 11:43 am, Customer and Council Support Officer, Sesilia Poutney returned to the meeting.

**ITEM NO:** 7.2.2  
**SUBJECT TITLE:** People, Culture & Safety Report for April

This report provides Council with an update of the People, Culture and Safety Department outcomes for April.

**MOTION: Moved: Cr Grahame Schluter              Seconded: Cr David Hardie**

**That the People, Culture and Safety Monthly Report for April be received and noted by Council.**

**GM 2026/05/673**

**Carried 7 / 0**

**ITEM NO:** 7.2.3  
**SUBJECT TITLE:** Town and Rural Services Report for April

Overview of upkeep and maintenance of the townships of Blackall and Tambo.

**MOTION: Moved: Cr Boyd Johnstone              Seconded: Cr Alina Hart**

**That Council receive the Town and Rural Services Report for April.**

**GM 2026/05/674**

**Carried 7 / 0**

**ITEM NO:** 7.2.4  
**SUBJECT TITLE:** Roadworks Report for April

The Roadworks report for April is presented to Council.

**MOTION: Moved: Cr Grahame Schluter              Seconded: Cr David Hardie**

**That Council receive the Road Works report for April.**

**GM 2026/05/675**

**Carried 7 / 0**

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**ITEM NO: 7.2.5**  
**SUBJECT TITLE: Assets and Major Projects Report for April**

The update on projects is provided to Council.

**MOTION: Moved: Cr David Hardie                      Seconded: Cr Grahame Schluter**

**That Council receive the Assets and Major Projects Report for April.**

**GM 2026/05/676**

**Carried 7 / 0**

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**ITEM NO: 7.2.6**  
**SUBJECT TITLE: Manager Environment, Health and Compliance Report for April**

The roles in relation to land management in Blackall is in discussion and the water audit was managed well by all involved.

**MOTION: Moved: Cr Jane Scobie                      Seconded: Cr Boyd Johnstone**

**That the Environment, Health and Compliance April report be received.**

**GM 2026/05/677**

**Carried 7 / 0**

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**ITEM NO: 7.2.7**  
**SUBJECT TITLE: Planning and Development Report for April**

The Planning and Development Report provides a summary of building applications, planning and development activities in the Blackall-Tambo Regional Council area.

**MOTION: Moved: Cr Grahame Schluter                      Seconded: Cr Alina Hart**

**That Council receives the Planning and Development Report for April.**

**GM 2026/05/678**

**Carried 7 / 0**

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**CLOSURE:**

There being no further business to consider, the Mayor declared the Meeting closed at 11:53 am.

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:**

Confirmed by Council as a true and correct record at the General Meeting held on 17 June 2026.

Signed..........Mayor

