



GENERAL MEETING

16 March 2022

NOTICE OF MEETING

Date: 16 March 2022

Cr AL Martin
Cr BP Johnstone
Cr PJ Pullos
Cr LP Russell
Cr JH Scobie
Cr DA Hardie
Cr GK Schluter

Please find attached the Agenda for the General Meeting to be held at the Blackall-Tambo Regional Council Chambers in Blackall, 16 March 2022 commencing at 8.30am.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'DA Howard'.

DA Howard
Chief Executive Officer

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March 2022

16 March 2022 Council Meeting – Blackall

April 2022

2 April 2022 Blackall Races
 15 April 2022 Good Friday
 18 April 2022 Easter Monday
 20 April 2022 Council Meeting – Blackall
 23 April 2022 Tambo Stock Show
 25 April 2022 Anzac Day

May 2022

2 May 2022 Labour Day
 18 May 2022 Council Meeting – Tambo
 25 May 2022 Opera Queensland – The Sopranos Regional Tour - TBC
 28 May 2022 Tambo Cup Races

June 2022

15 June 2022 Council Meeting – Blackall

July 2022

16 July 2022 Blackall Races
 20 July 2022 Council Meeting – Tambo
 26-28 July 2022 Bush Council Convention - Barcaldine

August 2022

17 August 2022 Council Meeting – Blackall

September 2022

21 September 2022 Council Meeting – Tambo

October 2022

3 October 2022 Queen's Birthday
 15 October 2022 Blackall Races
 17-19 October 2022 LGAQ Conference - Cairns
 26 October 2022 Council Meeting – Blackall

November 2022

11 November 2022 Remembrance Day
 16 November 2022 Council Meeting – Tambo

December 2022

14 December 2022 Council Meeting – Blackall
 25 December 2022 Christmas Day

Held at Blackall Council Chambers
On Wednesday 16 March 2022
Commencing at 8.30am

Order of Business

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Leave of absence/Signing of Attendance Book

Apologies: Cr Lindsay Russell

Condolences:

Declarations of Conflicts of Interest

Deputations: Nil

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**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF
BLACKALL-TAMBO REGIONAL COUNCIL
HELD AT THE BLACKALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
ON WEDNESDAY 16 FEBRUARY 2022
AT 8.30AM**

PRESENT:

Councillors: Cr AL Martin (Mayor), Cr LP Russell (Deputy Mayor), Cr GK Schluter, Cr JH Scobie, Cr BP Johnstone, Cr DA Hardie, Cr PJ Pullos.

OFFICERS:

Mr Des Howard, Chief Executive Officer, Mr Alastair Rutherford, Director of Finance Corporate and Community Services, Mr Garth Kath, Director of Works and Services, Mrs Andrea Saunders, Executive Assistant.

CONDOLENCES:

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

- Margaret Anne Wagstaff

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

Cr Martin for items 4.1.8 & 4.1.9 – I, Councillor Martin, inform the meeting that I have a prescribed conflict of interest in items 4.1.8 ICPA State Conference – Request for Sponsorship and 4.1.9 ICPA State Conference – Request for In-Kind Support. The nature of my interest is as follows:

- My wife, Louise Martin, is the president of the Queensland ICPA.

As a result of my conflict of interest, I will leave the meeting room while the matters are considered and voted on.

1.1 Confirmation of General Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Moved: Cr GK Schluter Seconded: Cr PJ Pullos

That the minutes of the General Meeting held on 12 January 2022 be taken as read and confirmed, and that the Mayor be authorised to sign same.

Minute No. 01/02A/21

Carried 7/0

4.1.1 Financial Report for the Month of January

In accordance with s204 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* a monthly financial report is required to be presented to Council. The financial report for January 2022 details Council's current financial position and compares its performance against the adopted budget for 2021-2022.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr LP Russell** **Seconded: Cr JH Scobie**

That Council receive the Financial Report for January 2022.

Minute No. 02/02A/22

Carried 7/0

4.1.2 DFCCS Operations Report – January 2022

The Director of Finance Corporate and Community Services operations report for January 2022 is presented to Council. The report includes housing and administration, community development program, Blackall aerodrome, libraries, visitor information centres, facility bookings, Tambo Multipurpose and Tambo Child Care Centre.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr PJ Pullos** **Seconded: Cr DA Hardie**

That Council receive the DFCCS Operations Report for January 2022.

Minute No. 03/02A/22

Carried 7/0

4.1.3 Environmental Health/Local Laws Officer's Report

The Environmental Health/Local Laws Officer's report is provided to Council.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr PJ Pullos** **Seconded: Cr JH Scobie**

That Council receive the Environmental Health/Local Laws Officer's report.

Minute No. 04/02A/22

Carried 7/0

4.1.4 Ranger's Report

The Ranger's report for January 2022 is provided to Council.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr BP Johnstone** **Seconded: Cr LP Russell**

That Council receive the Ranger's report for January 2022.

Minute No. 05/02A/22**Carried 7/0****4.1.5 Operating Plan Review 31 December 2021**

Section 174 (3) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* requires Councils to review their Operational Plans every three months.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr DA Hardie** **Seconded: Cr GK Schluter**

That Council receive the December 2021 report.

Minute No. 06/02A/22**Carried 7/0****4.1.6 Tambo Multi-Purpose Centre – Policies and Procedures**

The TMPC's policies and procedures were last updated in 2010 and are out of date. The TMPC is due for an audit by the department, and it is an opportune time to update all policies and procedures.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr DA Hardie** **Seconded: Cr PJ Pullos**

That Council adopt the Tambo Multi-Purpose Centre Policies and Procedures.

Minute No. 07/02A/22**Carried 7/0****4.1.7 Sale of Land for Overdue Rates**

There are currently 2 properties with overdue rates and charges which have been overdue for 3 years. Under section 140(2) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a local government may, by resolution, decide to sell the land.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr GK Schluter** **Seconded: Cr PJ Pullos**

That under section 140(2) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council resolves to sell Lot 4 on RP608958 (dwelling at 9 Shamrock Street, Blackall), and Lot 10 & Lot 11 on T15030 (vacant land at 21-23 Garden Street, Tambo) for overdue rates and charges.

Minute No. 08/02A/22**Carried 7/0**

Cr Martin was requested by Cr Pullos to provide additional information on items 4.1.8 and 4.1.9.

At this point, 9.20am, Cr Martin left the meeting and Cr Russell assumed the chair.

4.1.8 ICPA State Conference – Request for Sponsorship

The Blackall ICPA is hosting the ICPA State Conference in June 2022. Council has received a request for sponsorship at levels outlined below.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr GK Schluter** **Seconded: Cr PJ Pullos**

That Council decline the request for cash sponsorship of the ICPA Conference.

Minute No. 09/02A/22

Carried 6/0

4.1.9 ICPA State Conference – Request for In-Kind Support

The Blackall ICPA is hosting the ICPA Qld State Conference in June 2022. Council has received a request for the use of equipment with a waiver of fees and charges (not bonds).

MOTION: **Moved: Cr PJ Pullos** **Seconded: Cr DA Hardie**

That Council support the in-kind request from the Blackall ICPA.

Minute No. 10/02A/22

Carried 4/2

At this point, 9.45am Cr Johnstone left the meeting.

At this point, 9.46am Cr Johnstone and Cr Martin returned to the meeting and Cr Martin resumed the chair.

4.1.10 Tambo Child Care Centre - Policies

The Tambo Child Care Centre's policies were last updated in 2020 and a number need to be revised. This revision will take place over the next few months with the most important ones being completed first.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr JH Scobie** **Seconded: Cr LP Russell**

That Council adopt:

- (a) The revised Stat 23 – Tambo Child Care Policies and Procedures; and**
- (b) The Enrolment and Orientation Policy; and**
- (c) The Fees Policy; and**
- (d) The Parental Code of Conduct Policy.**

Minute No. 11/02A/22

Carried 7/0

4.2.1 Director of Works and Services Operations Report – January 2022

The Director of Works and Services report for January 2022 is presented to Council.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr PJ Pullos** **Seconded: Cr LP Russell**

That Council receive the Director of Works and Services' Operations Report for January 2022.

Minute No. 12/02A/22

Carried 7/0

Adjournment:

At 10.04am the meeting was adjourned for morning tea.

Resumption:

At 10.23am the meeting was resumed.

The CEO was not in attendance at the commencement of the meeting.

4.2.2 Work Health and Safety Report

The Work Health and Safety Report has been provided to Council.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr GK Schluter** **Seconded: Cr BP Johnstone**

That Council receive the Work Health and Safety Report for January 2022.

Minute No. 13/02A/22

Carried 7/0

4.2.3 Allocation of Base TIDS 2022/23 Financial Year

Outback Regional Roads and Transport Group have requested Council propose a project for which Base Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme (TIDS) funding will be applied for the 2022/23 financial year.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr LP Russell** **Seconded: Cr PJ Pullos**

That Council propose to allocate the \$200,000 Base TIDS funding to the Blackall Jericho Road widening project.

Minute No. 14/02A/22

Carried 7/0

At this point, 10.25am, the CEO entered the meeting.

5.1 Blackall Saleyards Monthly Report

The Blackall Saleyards monthly report for January is provided to Council.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr LP Russell** **Seconded: Cr JH Scobie**

That Council receive the Blackall Saleyards monthly report for January 2022.

Minute No. 15/02A/22

Carried 7/0

5.2 Planning and Development Report

The Planning and Development monthly report provides a summary of building applications and planning and development activity in the Blackall-Tambo Regional Council area.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr PJ Pullos** **Seconded: Cr BP Johnstone**

That Council receive the Planning and Development Report for January 2022.

Minute No. 16/02A/22

Carried 7/0

5.3 Land Protection Fund Annual Payment

The Department of Agriculture and Fisheries have notified Council that the Land Protection Fund annual payment for the 2021-22 financial year is now due.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr BP Johnstone** **Seconded: Cr LP Russell**

That Council receive the letter from the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries and note that the Land Protection Fund annual payment for the 2021-22 financial year is \$83,431.00.

Minute No. 17/02A/22

Carried 7/0

5.4 Public Interest Disclosure Policy

The *Public Interest Disclosure Act 2010* requires public sector entities to develop reasonable procedures to deal with public interest disclosures.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr PJ Pullos** **Seconded: Cr JH Scobie**

That Council adopt the revised Public Interest Disclosure Policy.

Minute No. 18/02A/22

Carried 7/0

5.5 Local Government Remuneration Commission

Section 241 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* states that the remuneration commission is to decide the maximum amounts of remuneration that are payable from 1 July each year to mayors and other councillors in each of the categories of local governments. The Blackall-Tambo Regional Council is a category 1 council.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr DA Hardie**

Seconded: Cr LP Russell

That Council receive the Local Government Remuneration Commission Annual Report 2020-21.

Minute No. 19/02A/22

Carried 7/0

5.6 Review of Council's Corporate Structure

The Chief Executive Officer and Directors recently reviewed the Blackall-Tambo Regional Council's corporate structure.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr GK Schluter**

Seconded: Cr PJ Pullos

That Council adopted the revised Corporate Structure.

Minute No. 20/02A/22

Carried 7/0

5.7 Delegation Register Update – Council to CEO

The *Local Government Act 2009* requires local government CEOs to establish a register of delegations which must record all delegations by the Council.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr LP Russell**

Seconded: Cr DA Hardie

That Council delegates all powers of section 335G of the *Mineral Resources Act 1989*, to the Chief Executive Officer of Council pursuant to section 257 of the *Local Government Act 2009*. Where a matter may be contentious, controversial or otherwise warrants consideration by Council, the CEO shall not act or exercise the delegated power or function to that matter.

Minute No. 21/02A/22

Carried 7/0

5.8 Financial Assistance Grant Methodology

Paul Bell, Chair of the Queensland Local Government Grants Commission, wrote to councils advising the outcomes from the Financial Assistance Grant Methodology Review and the indicative allocations to each council.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr PJ Pullos** **Seconded: Cr LP Russell**

That Council ratifies the Chief Executive Officer's letter to the Hon Dr Steven Miles MP, Deputy Premier and Minister for State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning advising of Blackall-Tambo Regional Council's support for the outcomes of the 2021 Financial Assistance Grant Methodology Review undertaken by the Queensland Local Government Commission.

Minute No. 22/02A/22

Carried 7/0

CLOSURE:

There being no further business to consider, the Mayor declared the Meeting closed at 10.56am.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

Confirmed by Council as a true and correct record at the General Meeting held on Wednesday 16 March 2022.

Signed.....Mayor

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Minute No.	Report Number	Subject	Resolution	Action By	Result
19/12A/21	5.3	Tender of Tambo Sawmill and Sales Permit	That Council, under section 227 (1) (a) of the <i>Local Government Regulation 2012</i> , invites written tenders for the sale of the Tambo Sawmill and Sales Permit 201304400.	CEO	Advertising for the tender commenced Tuesday 22 February and will close 24 March 2022.
25/12A/21	5.9	Tambo Commercial Building	That Council, under section 227 (1) (b) of the <i>Local Government Regulation 2012</i> , sells the commercial building in Tambo located at 22 Arthur Street, by auction.	CEO	The building went to auction on 7-9 March 2022 and was sold.
07/02A/22	4.1.6	Tambo Multi-Purpose Centre – Policies and Procedures	That Council adopt the Tambo Multi-Purpose Centre Policies and Procedures.	DFCCS	The policies and procedures have been placed on the website and the register has been updated.
08/02A/22	4.1.7	Sale of Land for Overdue Rates	That under section 140(2) of the <i>Local Government Regulation 2012</i> , Council resolves to sell Lot 4 on RP608958 (dwelling at 9 Shamrock Street, Blackall), and Lot 10 & Lot 11 on T15030 (vacant land at 21-23 Garden Street, Tambo) for overdue rates and charges.	CEO	The process has commenced.
09/02A/22	4.1.8	ICPA State Conference – Request for Sponsorship	That Council decline the request for cash sponsorship of the ICPA Conference.	DFCCS	The applicant has been notified that their request was not successful.
10/02A/22	4.1.9	ICPA State Conference – Request for In-Kind Support	That Council support the in-kind request from the Blackall ICPA.	DFCCS	The applicant has been advised that Council will provide in-kind support.

11/02A/22	4.1.10	Tambo Child Care Centre – Policies	That Council adopt: (a) The revised Stat 23 – Tambo Child Care Policies and Procedures; and (b) The Enrolment and Orientation Policy; and (c) The Fees Policy; and (d) The Parental Code of Conduct.	DFCCS	The policies and procedures have been placed on the website and the register has been updated.
14/02A/22	4.2.3	Allocation of Base TIDS 2022/23 Financial Year	That Council propose to allocate the \$200,000 Base TIDS funding to the Blackall Jericho Road widening project.	DWS	
18/02A/22	5.4	Public Interest Disclosure Policy	That Council adopt the revised Public Interest Disclosure Policy.	CEO	The policy has been provided to staff, updated on the website and in the register.
21/02A/22	5.7	Delegation Register Update – Council to CEO	That Council delegates all powers of section 335G of the <i>Mineral Resources Act 1989</i> , to the Chief Executive Officer of Council pursuant to section 257 of the <i>Local Government Act 2009</i> . Where a matter may be contentious, controversial or otherwise warrants consideration by Council, the CEO shall not act or exercise the delegated power or function to that matter.	CEO	Delegation register has been updated.

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 16 March 2022

Item No: **4.1.1****SUBJECT HEADING: Financial Report for the Month of February 2022**

Author and Officer's Title: Alastair Rutherford, Director of Finance Corporate and Community Services

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

Summary: In accordance with s204 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 a monthly financial report is required to be presented to Council. The financial report for February 2022 details Council's current financial position and compares its performance against the adopted budget for 2021-2022.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the Financial Report for February 2022.

Background

In accordance with section 204 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* the financial report of Council must be presented at the monthly meeting of Council. This ensures adequate oversight of Council's financial position and performance against the latest approved budget.

Link to Corporate Plan

Governance

Outcome 4 – Financial

Consultation (internal/external)

CEO

Director of Finance

Manager of Finance

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

Nil

FINANCE REPORT TO A MEETING OF THE BLACKALL-TAMBO REGIONAL COUNCIL HELD ON 16 MARCH 2022

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FINANCE REPORT TO A MEETING OF BLACKALL-TAMBO REGIONAL COUNCIL

HELD ON 16 MARCH 2022

1. Cash Position as at 28 February 2022

Cash at Bank

Operating Accounts \$ 7,053,213

Short Term Investments

Queensland Treasury Corporation - Cash Fund \$ 12,000,000

\$ 19,053,213

The following items should be backed by cash and investments, plus any increases in the surplus of Debtors over Creditors and unspent grants.

Cash backed Current Liabilities (Employee Entitlements) \$ 2,527,429

Unspent Grants (Restricted Cash) \$ 783,897

\$ 3,311,326

	<i>Debtors</i>	<i>Creditors</i>	
Balance of recoverable debtors - estimated creditors :	137,666	251,140	-\$ 113,474

Plus cash surplus	19,053,213	3,311,326	\$ 15,741,887
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Working Capital **\$ 15,628,413**

2. Monthly Cashflow Estimate: March 2022

Receipts

Rates & Fees & Charges \$ 1,800,000

Debtors \$ 72,000

Grants/Subsidies/Loans QTC \$ -

Total \$ 1,872,000

Expenditure

Payroll \$ 800,000

Creditor Payments \$ 800,000

Loan Payments \$ 23,829

Total \$ 1,623,829

Therefore cash is expected to increase by \$ **248,171** in the period.

3. Comparative Data:

	February 2022	February 2021
Cash position	19,053,213	15,056,010
Working capital	15,628,413	13,331,759
Rate arrears	44,852	136,608
Outstanding debtors	137,666	1,169,864
Current creditors	251,140	133,144
Total Loans	1,580,764	1,702,466

FINANCE REPORT TO A MEETING OF BLACKALL-TAMBO REGIONAL COUNCIL**HELD ON 16 MARCH 2022****4. Capital Works Summary: 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022**

	Budget	YTD Actual	% of Budget
Buildings & Other Structures	1,453,000	446,044	31%
Plant & Equipment	1,800,000	1,785,985	99%
Road Infrastructure	2,668,300	118,994	4%
Water Infrastructure	930,000	-	0%
Sewerage Infrastructure	250,000	-	0%
QTC Loan Redemption	98,900	49,094	50%
Total	7,200,200	2,400,117	33%

5. Road Works Expenditure : 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022

	Budget	Expended YTD Actual	% of Budget Expended
Total Roads Expenditure	14,390,114	9,756,918	68%
1. Rural Roads	10,299,500	8,571,469	83%
2. Town Streets	400,000	223,097	56%
3. RMPC Works	3,690,614	962,352	26%

6. Rate Arrears Summary

Total Rates Outstanding Balance \$ 2,075,308

Rates Outstanding Breakdown	Total	No. of Assessments
Current	\$ 2,030,456	964
1 Year	\$ 30,207	16
2 Years	\$ 12,597	8
3 Years and over	\$ 2,048	3

BTRC 2021-22 CAPITAL EXPENDITURE PROJECTS		1/07/21 to 30/06/22		SOURCES OF FUNDING			Comments
Particulars	Budget 2021-22	Expenditure YTD	% Expended	Capital Grants	Contributions	Council Contribution	
BUILDINGS & OTHER STRUCTURES	1,453,000	446,044	31%	854,900	-	598,100	
Tambo Dam Lights	200,000	33,602	17%	200,000	-	-	In progress
Tambo Aquatic centre shade structure	60,000	56,683	94%	60,000	-	-	Completed
Tambo 'Truck Museum	494,400	48,275	10%	454,900	-	39,500	Tender awarded
Tambo Depot Fencing	70,000	2,405	3%	-	-	70,000	Planning stage
Tambo Sprinkler System - Pump and Electricity	20,000	17,975	90%	-	-	20,000	In progress
Tambo Racecourse Rock Removal	40,000	-	0%	-	-	40,000	Planning stage
Tambo Historic House Shed	40,000	-	0%	-	-	40,000	Planning stage
Blackall Admin Office South Wall	100,000	-	0%	-	-	100,000	Planning stage
Blackall Rodeo and Campdraft Grounds Upgrade	150,000	7,104	5%	-	-	150,000	Lighting upgrades undertaken.
Internet BOR STAGE 3	278,600	280,000	101%	140,000	-	138,600	Completed
PLANT & EQUIPMENT	1,800,000	1,785,985	99%	-	-	1,800,000	
Plant Replacement including committed orders	1,800,000	1,785,985	99%	-	-	1,800,000	As per plant replacement program
ROAD INFRASTRUCTURE	2,668,300	118,994	4%	1,825,499	-	860,000	
Roads to Recovery	808,300	-	0%	808,300	-	-	Works scheduled for April & May 2022
Road Reseals	800,000	25,729	3%	17,199	-	800,000	In progress
Footpath Coolibah Village - Mitchell to Garden St	60,000	62,192	104%	-	-	60,000	Completed
Heavy Bypass Stage 2 (Salvia Street)	950,000	31,073	3%	950,000	-	-	In progress
Tambo Industrial Estate Roads	50,000	-	0%	50,000	-	-	Second seal to complete.
WATER INFRASTRUCTURE	930,000	-	0%	880,000	-	50,000	
Water infrastructure renewals and upgrades	930,000	-	0%	880,000	-	50,000	Planning stage
SEWERAGE INFRASTRUCTURE	250,000	-	0%	200,000	-	50,000	
Sewerage infrastructure renewals and upgrades	250,000	-	0%	200,000	-	50,000	Planning stage
LOAN REDEMPTION Qld Treasury Corporation	98,900	49,094	50%	-	-	98,900	
Saleyards Upgrade - Current Balance \$ 1,237,480 Maturity June 2037 [Drawdown 16/05/2017 \$ 1,500,000]	60,600	30,032	50%	-	-	60,600	As per loan agreement
Tambo Bore - Current Balance \$ 343,284 Maturity June 2030 [Drawdown 15/06/2020 \$400,000]	38,300	19,062	50%	-	-	38,300	As per loan agreement
TOTAL CAPITAL PROGRAM 21-22	7,200,200	2,400,117	33%	3,760,399	-	3,457,000	

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Revenue and Expenditure Summary

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Blackall-Tambo Regional Council (Budget for full year)

Financial Year Ending 2022

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			REVENUE			EXPENDITURE		
			28 Feb 2022	AMENDED	ORIGINAL	28 Feb 2022	AMENDED	ORIGINAL
			ACTUAL	BUDGET	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BUDGET	BUDGET
1000-0001	ADMINISTRATION							
1000-0002	Administration	196,388.42	128%	153,200	153,200	2,250,276.70	61%	3,663,100
1100-0002	Finance	4,742,174.22	74%	6,372,800	6,372,800	380,010.42	507%	75,000
1200-0002	Oncosts	0.00	0%	0	0	199,353.42	-15%	(1,304,200)
1300-0002	Stores/Purchasing	0.00	0%	0	0	28,183.64	41%	69,400
2000-0002	Corporate Governance	0.00	0%	500	500	428,494.84	59%	729,100
2100-0002	Business Activities	28,120.54	69%	41,000	41,000	32,815.20	72%	45,700
2150-0002	Saleyard Operations	913,085.61	63%	1,450,100	1,450,100	640,568.71	67%	952,700
2200-0002	Tambo Sawmill	6,668.17	6%	104,000	104,000	47,473.38	46%	103,900
2350-0002	Airports/Aerodromes	64,057.93	45%	143,700	143,700	181,995.15	52%	351,700
2450-0002	Tourism	59,288.56	91%	65,200	65,200	245,641.14	58%	425,800
2500-0002	Planning & Development	31,440.80	105%	30,000	30,000	42,290.00	52%	82,000
2580-0002	Economic & Community Develop	1,047,491.42	35%	2,985,900	2,985,900	290,203.35	73%	396,700
2600-0002	Environmental	56,566.68	71%	80,000	80,000	91,273.39	198%	46,000
2650-0002	Animal Control	18,040.91	79%	22,800	22,800	29,770.51	33%	89,000
2700-0002	Stock Routes	84,728.31	90%	94,000	94,000	241,554.04	64%	379,100
3000-0002	Work Scheme and Community	11,205.66	73%	15,300	15,300	79,017.15	79%	100,000
3100-0002	Council Housing	80,962.00	67%	120,000	120,000	194,876.29	68%	286,000
3300-0002	Child Care Services	240,374.88	164%	146,600	146,600	229,734.41	68%	335,700
3350-0002	Sport and Recreation	48,702.97	77%	63,000	63,000	43,716.04	72%	61,000
3400-0002	Youth Services	0.00	0%	0	0	2,690.00	2%	145,000
3410-0002	Sixties and Better	30,835.00	51%	60,800	60,800	42.00	0%	60,800
3415-0002	Tambo Multi-Purpose Centre	335,883.00	63%	530,700	530,700	287,854.27	54%	536,100
3445-0002	Disability	51,270.17	46%	111,500	111,500	28,196.35	47%	60,000
3460-0002	Community Services	325,211.21	131%	247,900	247,900	235,710.90	139%	169,400
3470-0002	Miscellaneous Care Services	0.00	0%	0	0	0.00	0%	2,000
3500-0002	Libraries, Education and Arts	7,974.24	72%	11,100	11,100	141,326.57	62%	228,300
3570-0002	Regional Arts Development Fund	56,272.04	75%	75,000	75,000	108,751.97	44%	247,000
3600-0002	Halls and Cultural Centres	1,581.81	40%	4,000	4,000	145,709.91	68%	214,200
3700-0002	Showgrounds & Sports Facilities	5,929.98	198%	3,000	3,000	435,941.61	71%	615,000
3740-0002	Funerals	27,817.36	37%	75,000	75,000	33,815.48	46%	73,000
3800-0002	Corporate Buildings	0.00	0%	0	0	86,193.85	83%	104,000
1000-0001	ADMINISTRATION	8,472,071.89	65%	13,007,100	13,007,100	7,183,480.69	77%	9,342,500
4000-0001	WORKS AND SERVICES							
4001-0002	Works Office and Depot	0.00	0%	0	0	2,047,192.66	67%	3,050,200
4100-0002	Town Street Maintenance	0.00	0%	0	0	223,096.66	56%	400,000
4200-0002	Rural Roads Maintenance	474,594.75	40%	1,179,400	1,179,400	400,902.87	50%	800,000
4500-0002	Recoverable Works	14,374,727.27	52%	27,386,600	27,386,600	14,620,547.86	62%	23,728,300
4550-0002	Plant Operations	2,454,859.83	73%	3,340,000	3,340,000	1,898,247.38	75%	2,546,000
4600-0002	SES - Disaster Mgmt	43,979.04	53%	83,000	83,000	167,264.87	155%	107,900
4700-0002	Cemeteries	136.36	3%	5,000	5,000	32,259.65	66%	48,700
4800-0002	Parks, Gardens and Reserves	0.00	0%	0	0	644,074.61	67%	954,800
4860-0002	Aquatic Centres	0.00	0%	0	0	338,140.75	75%	452,100

General Ledger2021.7.7.1

Revenue and Expenditure Summary

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(Accounts: 0100-0001-0000 to 5250-2000-0000. All report groups. 67% of year elapsed. To Level 2. Excludes committed costs)

Blackall-Tambo Regional Council (Budget for full year)

Financial Year Ending 2022

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		REVENUE			EXPENDITURE		
		28 Feb 2022		AMENDED	28 Feb 2022		AMENDED
		ACTUAL		BUDGET	ACTUAL		BUDGET
5000-0002	Cleansing	327,024.92	99%	329,300	137,291.52	53%	261,000
5100-0002	Water Supply	835,604.98	97%	861,000	330,155.28	71%	467,600
5200-0002	Sewerage Services	712,810.92	96%	741,200	229,210.76	66%	348,400
4000-0001	WORKS AND SERVICES	19,223,738.07	57%	33,925,500	21,068,384.87	64%	33,165,000
TOTAL REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE		27,695,809.96	59%	46,932,600	28,251,865.56	66%	42,507,500

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 16 March 2022

Item No: **4.1.2****SUBJECT HEADING: DFCCS Operations Report – February 2022**

Author and Officer's Title: Alastair Rutherford, Director of Finance Corporate and Community Services

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

Summary: The Director of Finance Corporate and Community Services operations report for February 2022 is presented to Council. The report includes housing and administration, Blackall aerodrome, libraries, visitor information centres, facility bookings, Tambo Multipurpose and Tambo Child Care Centre.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the DFCCS Operations Report for February 2022.

Background**Blackall Housing and Administration**

- Air conditioner cleaning – Blackall facilities and residences
 - Work in progress
- Cultural Centre Maintenance
 - Monthly fire alarm system inspection completed
 - Back kitchen landing repairs completed

Tambo Housing and Administration***Building Maintenance***

- Bathroom renovations are nearly completed at 13 Edward Street.
- Tambo RDBO testing will be completed in March.

Aged Housing

- Windows have been measured in one of the units for security reasons.
- There are 4 two-bedroom units vacant in the Coolibah Village.

Blackall Visitor Information Centre

Two information packs were requested by phone. During the month of February phone calls were being received requesting information on available activities for the upcoming season. The VIC Officer attended the OQTA workshop and travel trade shows which was informative while making connections for the upcoming tourist season with tour operators.

Monthly Statistics:**Visitor Numbers to Blackall Tourist Information Centre**

2020/2021	Visitor Numbers	2021/2022	Visitor Numbers
July	1638	July	3794
August	1985	August	2628
September	1522	September	2100

October	941	October	904
November	174	November	185
December	99	December	93
January	99	January	101
February	95	February	164
March	375	March	
April	1217	April	
May	2553	May	
June	3952	June	
Year to Date	14,650	Year to Date	9,969

Issue of Camping Permits

Month	Information Centre	Self - Registration	Total for Month 2021/22
July	560	606	1166
August	382	321	703
September	259	250	509
October	77	101	179
November	9	18	27
December	3	11	14
January	0	4	4
February	3	8	11
March			
April			
May			
June			
Year to Date	1293	1319	2612
2020/2021	1515	2043	3883

Camping Ground Fees

Month	\$ Amount	2021/2022 YTD \$
July	11,660	11,660
August	7,030	18,690
September	5,090	23,780
October	1,780.00	25,560
November	265	25,825
December	137	25,969
January	38	26,007
February	105	26,112
March		
April		

Month	\$ Amount	2021/2022 YTD \$
May		
June		

Year ending 2020/2021 \$38859.00

Blackall Library Report

Month	Loans 2020/21	Loans 2021/22	Visitors 2020/21	Visitors 2021/22	Requests 2020/21	Requests 2021/22	Members Added 2020/21	Members Added 2021/22
July	233	248	389	471	14	21	3	8
August	263	367	371	508	26	62	14	6
September	266	346	401	479	29	27	11	9
October	216	277	389	389	21	30	4	14
November	374	300	378	415	35	41	10	10
December	315	278	450	155	38	43	4	2
January	377	273	376	278	16	111	1	4
February	340	358	318	320	39	77	5	10
March	226		413		23		7	
April	212		407		40		6	
May	159		387		47		4	
June	249		349		32		11	
Year to Date	3230	2447	4628	3015	360	412	80	63

Tambo Library and Tourist Report

	Loans 2020/21	Loans 2021/22	Visitors 2020/21	Visitors 2021/22	Requests 2020/21	Requests 2021/22	Members Added 2020/21	Members Added 2021/22
July	710	396	138	103	65	53	3	4
August	419	381	125	113	52	52	6	3
September	465	425	144	115	52	58	3	9
October	414	375	137	115	114	62	3	3
November	427	400	123	122	63	70	1	1
December	336	326	110	123	36	29	0	1
January	404	363	104	95	69	55	1	8
February	454	445	136	109	80	67	0	1
March	460		126		49		1	
April	365		126		51		1	
May	407		144		65		2	
June	488		127		61		5	
Totals	5349	3111	1540	895	757	446	26	30

	Visits 2020/21	Visits 2021/22
July	464	733
August	506	512
September	612	511
October	323	197
November	93	126
December	123	56
January	84	85
February	55	94
March	140	
April	319	
May	577	
June	793	
Totals	4089	2314

Council Facility Bookings

Blackall	Memorial Hall		Cultural Centre		Showgrounds		Racecourse		Bus	
	20/21	21/22	20/21	21/22	20/21	21/22	20/21	21/22	20/21	21/22
July	11	0	4	6	4	13	0	1	0	8
August	11	2	11	5	4	15	0	1	12	8
September	11	2	12	5	9	6	0	0	8	5
October	2	2	11	9	11	3	2	2	3	7
November	0	2	16	11	0	1	2	1	7	6
December	3	1	8	2	3	0	0	0	1	1
January	0	1	1	0	2	1	1	0	0	0
February	3	1	10	7	1	1	1	1	4	1
March	7		4		1		0		3	
April	5		7		4		1		3	
May	3		4		5		1		9	
June	4		10		4		0		6	
TOTAL	60	11	98	45	48	40	8	6	56	36

Tambo	Shire Hall		Racecourse		Western Sports		Bus	
	20/21	21/22	20/21	21/22	20/21	21/22	20/21	21/22
July	8	11	0	2	1	2	0	2
August	13	7	0	2	0	0	1	0
September	6	7	1	4	1	0	1	0
October	7	16	1	2	1	2	2	2
November	16	20	0	1	0	2	2	3
December	5	14	1	2	0	2	0	1
January	8	2	0	2	3	0	1	0
February	15	9	0	0	0	0	6	2
March	16		0		0		2	
April	16		3		2		6	

Tambo	Shire Hall		Racecourse		Western Sports		Bus	
May	11		1		6		10	
June	9		1		1		1	
TOTAL	130	86	8	15	14	8	30	10

Tambo Childcare Centre

Attendance	Month 2020-2021	YTD 2020-2021	Month 2021-2022	YTD 2021-2022
July	207	207	255	255
August	214	421	262	517
September	110	531	181	698
October	303	834	191	889
November	261	1095	180	1073
December	50	1145	48	1121
January	22	1167	0	1121
February	180	1347	101	1222
March	193	1540		
April	154	1694		
May	230	1924		
June	269	2193		

Finance	Month Receipts 2021-2022	YTD Receipts 2021-2022	Month Expenditure 2021-2022	YTD Expenditure 2021-2022
July	\$16,147.09	\$16,147.09	\$29,844.70	\$29,844.70
August	\$19,482.41	\$35,629.50	\$39,304.44	\$69,149.14
September	\$18,480.71	\$54,110.21	\$29,584.80	\$98,943.94
October	\$12,611.36	\$67,501.52	\$51,387.79	\$150,331.73
November	\$11,393.94	\$79,438.26	\$35,274.69	\$185,606.42
December	\$3,374.02	\$82,812.28	\$12,780.04	\$198,386.46
January	\$1,281.94	\$84,094.22	\$4,250.81	\$202,637.27
February	\$6,149.74	\$90,243.96	\$18,639.89	\$221,277.16
March				
April				
May				
June				

Qantas Report

Month	Pax OFF	Pax ON	Total	YTD
July	53	47	100	100
August	67	52	119	219
September	67	48	115	334

October	64	68	132	466
November	63	46	109	575
December	87	75	162	737
January	63	47	110	847
February	67	64	131	978
March				
April				
May				
June				
6 Monthly Average	68.5	58	126.50	126.5
YTD	464	383	847	847
Total for 2020/2021	685	598	1283	1283

- The March roster has been distributed for airport employees.

Tambo Multi-Purpose Centre

- Local personal trainer Rachael Sargood will start the healthy ageing program back up this month. Aqua fitness will be two days a week and a MISS & HITT (combination of body pump, boxing, and high intensity) class one day a week.
- The kid's fitness program has started, and Stacey Ryrie will be teaching swim survival and stroke correctness.
- The centre coordinator has employed Kimberley Thomas who will provide remedial massage services to the community starting 8 March.
- The centre had the optometrist visit on the 8-9 March. The service was fully booked, and the optometrist will return in October 2022.
- Allied health session for the month of February.
Physiotherapy – 45 sessions
Podiatrist – 14 sessions

Link to Corporate Plan

Economic Development
Outcome 2 – Tourism

Vibrant Communities
Outcome 1 – Arts and culture
Outcome 2 – Health and wellbeing
Outcome 3 – Community Services
Outcome 4 – Youth

Governance
Outcome 5 – Customer service

Infrastructure

Outcome 2 – Airports

Outcome 5 – Council buildings

Consultation (internal/external)

Neighbourhood Centre Coordinator

Tambo Library and Tourism Officer

Community Development Officer

Customer Service Officers

Multi-Purpose Coordinator

Child Care Coordinator

Library Officer

Tourism Officer

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

Nil

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 16 March 2022

Item No: 4.1.3

SUBJECT HEADING: Ranger's Report

Author and Officer's Title: Alastair Rutherford – Director of Finance Corporate and Community Services

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

*Summary: The Ranger's report for February 2022 is provided to Council.***Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the Ranger's report for February 2022.**

Background**Animal Control**

Two dogs escaped from a property in Tambo. The ranger was unable to capture them but they were successfully chased home.

Complaints

2 dog complaints.

Call Outs

Nil

Weed Control

Spray – Reseal sections on Mt Playfair Rd, Old Augathella Rd, Ward Rd and Racecourse Rd.

Spray – 1 parthenium plant (floodway past Green Hills turn off) and check old areas (Burr Gully).

Spray – some of Tambo back depot.

Operational

Rodds, Gum Holes and Swan Hill facilities are ok.

Manning bore – put new solar pump down 17/02/2022.

Clean 2 troughs and checked water lines – Tambo Common.

Wild Dog Control

Scalps 5 for Tambo, Blackall - 19.

Agistment

Gillespie Reserve – Cattle removed 15/02/2022.

1080

Nil.

Link to Corporate Plan

Environment and Heritage

Outcome 3 – Pest Management

Consultation (internal/external)

Ranger

Environmental Health/Local Laws Officer

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

Nil

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 16 March 2022

Item No: 4.1.4

SUBJECT HEADING: RADF Meeting Minutes

Author and Officer's Title: Alastair Rutherford, Director of Finance Corporate and Community Services

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

Summary: The third round of the 2021-2022 RADF program closed for applications on January 28th and the Committee held a RADF meeting on 10th February 2022.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the minutes of the RADF Committee meeting dated 10 February 2022.

Background

Applications were invited for the 3rd round of funding for the 2021-2022 year with applications closing on January 28th.

The committee met on 10th February at 4pm at the Blackall-Tambo Regional Council boardroom – Blackall to assess the applications.

Three submissions were received, and the Committee elected to approve two submissions.

Link to Corporate Plan

Vibrant Communities

Outcome 1 – Arts & Culture

Outcome 4 – Youth

Economic Development

Outcome 1 – Business Investment

Outcome 3 – Employment

Environment & Heritage

Outcome 2 – Historical Heritage

Consultation (internal/external)

RADF Committee

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

Nil

Risk Assessment

Risk Category	Risk Tolerance	Summary of Risks Involved	Risk Rating
Financial	Low	Nil	Low

Risk Category	Risk Tolerance	Summary of Risks Involved	Risk Rating
Legal & Regulatory	Low	Nil	Low
People	Low	Nil	Low
Operational	Medium	Nil	Low
Environmental	Medium	Nil	Low
Strategic	Medium	Nil	Low
Ethical	Low	Nil	Low
Reputation	Low	Nil	Low
Leadership	Low	Nil	Low

Proposed Risk Treatment

Nil

General Meeting Agenda- RADF Meeting

Date: Thursday, 10th February 2022 @ Blackall-Tambo Regional Council Boardroom
- Blackall

Time: 4.00 pm

Present: Lindy Hardie (Chair), Taylor Smith (RLO), Pam Pullos (via Zoom), Wendy Just, Pip Fearon, Louise Martin.

Apologies: Boyd Johnstone, Kiralee Sanderson, Ros Wood.

Motion: That the Apologies be accepted.

Moved: Louise

Seconded: Pam

Minutes:

The minutes of the previous general meeting held on 06.12.21 have been circulated.

Motion: That the minutes be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

Moved: Louise

Seconded: Pam

Business arising from the Minutes:

NIL

Correspondence:

Inward - Applications

Outward - Advertising

Motion: That the inward correspondence be received, and the outward endorsed.

Moved: Wendy

Seconded: Taylor

Business arising from the Correspondence:

Financial Report:

As attached

Motion: That the financial report be received.

Moved: Taylor

Seconded: Wendy

Business arising from the Financial Report:**1. Assessment of Applications:**

Tambo Arts Council	<i>Grassland Public Programming 2022</i>
Tambo Arts Council	<i>Blue Gum Farm TV – The Moo Crew</i>
Bushies Blackall Tours	<i>Bushie's Blackall Tours</i>

Taylor Smith declared a **conflict of interest** regarding the Tambo Arts Council application for the Grassland Public Programming 2022, due to her full-time employment at the Grassland Art Gallery.

Motion: That the RADF committee **approves**/doesn't approve the application received from the Tambo Art Council to support *Grassland Public Programming 2022* for \$7435.00.

Moved: Pam

Seconded: Wendy

All in favour

Motion: That the RADF committee **approves**/doesn't approve the application received from the Tambo Arts Council to support Blue Gum Farm Tv – The Moo Crew for \$4426.00.

Letters of support on file.

Moved: Louise

Seconded: Wendy

All in favour

Louise Martin declared a **conflict of interest** regarding Scott Lusby's application for Bushie's Blackall Tours, due to being one of Scott's previous employers.

Pam Pullos declared a **conflict of interest** regarding Scott Lusby's application for Bushie's Blackall Tours, due to her position as Councillor.

Motion: That the RADF committee **approves**/~~doesn't approve~~ the application received from the Bushies Blackall Tours for *development of collateral for Bushies Blackall Tours* for \$2500.00.

Moved: Louise

Seconded: Pip

All in favour

General Business:

Travelling shows through ArTour – 2022 Updates

Dates confirmed for Leotard, Babushka Book Club and Charlotte’s Web. We have an Opera QLD (not RADF funded) production coming to our region in May as well.

A letter is to be sent to Cr Boyd Johnstone regarding his absences from the RADF meetings. The letter will address his lack of attendance and give him the option to vacate his position within the RADF committee. It has been decided that, should he choose to vacate the position, he will not be replaced as the makeup of committee member is equally from both towns.

Moved: Louise

Seconded: Pam

Next Round & Meeting: Round 4 from 14th February 2022

Closure: 30th March 2022

There being no further general business the meeting closed at...4:56pm.....

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 16 March 2022

Item No: 4.1.5

SUBJECT HEADING: RADF Application – Tambo Arts Council

Author and Officer's Title: Alastair Rutherford, Director of Finance Corporate and Community Services

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

Summary: The third round of the 2021-2022 RADF program closed for applications on January 28th and the Committee recommended the two applications from Tambo Arts Council be approved.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council endorse the RADF Committee's recommendation to approve the applications from Tambo Arts Council for \$7,435.00 and \$4,426.00, totalling \$11,861.00.

Background

Applications were invited for the 3rd round of funding for the 2021-2022 year with applications closing on January 28th.

Three submissions were received, and the Committee elected to approve two submissions. Tambo Arts Council applied for funding to support the Grassland Art Gallery 2022 Programming for \$7,435.00 and Blue Gum Farm TV – The Moo Crew for \$4,426.00.

Link to Corporate Plan

Vibrant Communities
Outcome 1 - Arts & Culture
Outcome 4 – Youth

Economic Development
Outcome 2 - Tourism

Consultation (internal/external)

RADF Committee

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

\$11,861.00 – funded project

Risk Assessment

Risk Category	Risk Tolerance	Summary of Risks Involved	Risk Rating
Financial	Low	Nil	Low
Legal & Regulatory	Low	Nil	Low
People	Low	Nil	Low

Risk Category	Risk Tolerance	Summary of Risks Involved	Risk Rating
Operational	Medium	Nil	Low
Environmental	Medium	Nil	Low
Strategic	Medium	Nil	Low
Ethical	Low	Nil	Low
Reputation	Low	Nil	Low
Leadership	Low	Nil	Low

Proposed Risk Treatment

Nil

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 16 March 2022

Item No: 4.1.6

SUBJECT HEADING: Long Service Leave Policy - Amendment

Author and Officer's Title: Alastair Rutherford, Director of Finance Corporate and Community Services

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

Summary: The Long Service Leave Policy was last updated in January 2020 and is now being amended as part of the effort to prevent Council's overall leave liability increasing.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council adopt the revised Long Service Leave Policy.

Background

Our external auditors recommended in their final management letter for the 2021 audit that several employees who have excess annual leave and long service leave balances should be encouraged to take additional leave in the upcoming year to reduce the amount of the leave liability of Council. Going forward, Council should monitor leave balances to prevent employees from accumulating significant amounts of leave.

One way to prevent long service leave accumulating is to allow employees to take their long service leave after seven years of continuous service on a pro rata basis. Currently employees are required to have ten years of continuous service before they can access their long service leave.

Accessing long service leave after seven years rather than ten years is beneficial to Council and employees.

Link to Corporate Plan

Governance

Consultation (internal/external)

Chief Executive Officer

Director of Finance Corporate and Community

Human Resources Officer

Policy Implications

Policy update to provide for a reduction in Council's leave liability.

Budget and Resource Implications

Nil

Risk Assessment

Risk Category	Risk Tolerance	Summary of Risks Involved	Risk Rating
Financial	Low	Reduces Council's leave liability	Low

Risk Category	Risk Tolerance	Summary of Risks Involved	Risk Rating
Legal & Regulatory	Low	Update of policies to achieve financial objective	Low
People	Low	Provides clarity to employees	Low
Operational	Medium	Nil	Low
Environmental	Medium	Nil	Low
Strategic	Medium	Nil	Low
Ethical	Low	Nil	Low
Reputation	Low	Nil	Low
Leadership	Low	Nil	Low



Blackall-Tambo Regional Council

Long Service Leave Policy

Version Number: Three	Effective Date: 16/3/2022
Policy Compiled by: Director of Finance Corporate and Community Services	Review Date:
Policy Approved by: Chief Executive Officer	

1. Purpose

The purpose of the policy is to outline employees' obligation to take Long Service Leave and to detail the accrual of Long Service Leave.

2. Scope

Includes all permanent, part-time, and casual employees of the Blackall-Tambo Regional Council.

3. Policy Content

Entitlement

- 3.1. Entitlement to Long Service Leave is regulated by the Queensland Industrial Relations Act 2016 and the various awards and certified agreements to which Council is respondent.
- 3.2. All employees shall be entitled to thirteen (13) weeks paid leave after ten (10) years of continuous service.
- 3.3. All employees shall be entitled to the pro rata number of weeks paid leave after seven (7) years of continuous service.
- 3.4. Long Service Leave is accrued at 1.3 weeks per year.
- 3.5. Employees who terminate their employment after seven (7) years continuous service are entitled to a pro-rata long service leave payment.
- 3.6. If the employee's service is terminated before the employee has completed 10 years continuous service, the employee is entitled to a proportionate payment unless the termination is due to the employees conduct, capacity or performance.

Long Service Leave was originally introduced by legislation for the purpose of allowing long serving employees a paid absence from work to rest and recuperate prior to beginning further service. Therefore, Long Service Leave entitlements are meant to be taken and not banked.

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4. Taking Long Service Leave

- 4.1. All Employees are required to take 50% of their accrued Long Service Leave entitlements within one (1) year of such entitlements falling due, and the balance within the next year.
- 4.2. Employees with an accumulation of more than 15 weeks Long Service Leave are required to take 50% of their entitlement within one (1) year of the entitlement falling due, and the balance within the next year until all leave is exhausted.
- 4.3. Employees with an accumulation more than 25 weeks Long Service Leave are required to reduce their Long Service Leave entitlement to 13 weeks within two (2) years, and the balance to be taken within the next two (2) years.
- 4.4. All employees affected by these provisions will be notified in writing of their long service leave entitlements falling due and their Manager is to liaise with the employee to arrange when the Long Service Leave will be taken.
- 4.5. If the excess Long Service Leave has not been exhausted within four (4) years and agreement cannot be reached for the leave to be taken at a mutually convenient time for the employee and the Blackall-Tambo Regional Council, the employee may be directed to take such leave with four (4) weeks' notice given in writing.
- 4.6. The Chief Executive Officer may approve the accumulation of Long Service Leave in excess of Council policy in extenuating circumstances. Such circumstances may include, but not be restricted to, approaching retirement, work commitments and terms of employment or respective officers. However, accrued entitlements must be taken prior to the next Long Service Leave entitlements becoming due.
- 4.7. Employees may take Long Service Leave in more than one portion, provided that no less than two (2) weeks may be taken at any one time.

5. Application for Leave

All applications for Long Service Leave must be approved before leave commences by the departmental Supervisor or Manager. Applicants should give enough notice, as set out below. If the applicant does not provide adequate notice, approval may be withheld:

Period of Long Service Leave	Requested Notice Period
2 – 8 weeks leave	4 weeks' notice
More than 8 weeks leave	8 weeks' notice
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Long Service Leave Policy

A leave application for indicating leave is to be paid in advance is required by payroll two (2) weeks before the leave is due to commence.

6. Continuous Service

Continuous service is the aggregate of all continuous service with Local Governments in Queensland, except Brisbane City Council.

7. Absence Counted as Service

Absence from work for the following reasons is counted as service for the calculation of Long Service Leave and the absence does not constitute a break in continuous service:

- Annual Leave;
- Long Service Leave;
- Approved Leave of absence of less than one month's duration;
- Public Holidays;
- Sick Leave;
- Workers' Compensation;
- Paid Maternity Leave;
- Paid Paternity Leave.

8. Absences Not Counted as Service

Whilst absences from work for the following reasons do not constitute a break in service, the period of absence is not counted as service for calculation of Long Service Leave:

- Unpaid Maternity Leave;
- Unpaid Paternity Leave.

9. Previous Employment

Employees who join Council with a substantial accrual from previous employment with another Local Government entity shall be required to indicate their intentions as to how the leave will be cleared, prior to Council making the appointment.

10. Annual Leave

Annual Leave may be taken in conjunction with Long Service Leave.

- Statutory holidays, which occur during an employee's Long Service Leave are addition to that Long Service Leave.

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Long Service Leave Policy

Changes Since Last Revision

Employees will now be able to take paid long service leave on a pro rata basis after seven years of continuous service.

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Item No: **4.1.7****SUBJECT HEADING: C and K Contract Renewal**

Author and Officer's Title: Alastair Rutherford, Director of Finance Corporate and Community Services

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

Summary: The original C and K Contract for 12 months has expired, and this renewal is for 6 months. The contract is a lead up to the discussion regarding the future management of the Tambo Childcare operation.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council authorise the Chief Executive Officer to execute the agreement when finalised.

Background

Council is in discussions with C and K Limited to continue with the improvement in the skill set of staff at the TCCC. The following is a summary of the resources that are available to staff as well as the learning processes as regards curriculum, inclusion, compliance, assessment, and rating.

Resources

- Be part of sector-leading research, knowledge sharing, and professional communities of practice.
- Have access to engaging, quality professional conversations, communities of practice, forums, and events.
- Have access to C&K's library of policies and procedures which provides a contemporary, comprehensive, and compliant framework for early childhood education and care services.

Curriculum, inclusion, compliance, assessment, and rating

- C&K's sector-leading early years educational pedagogy, practice, curriculum hub and resources.
- Specialized support and advice that assists you to deliver a quality childcare program.
- Regular professional development through multiple delivery channels.
- High quality, online resources, created and delivered by expert advisors and practitioners.
- Quality, contemporary articles and forums on key issues for early childhood education and care centers, created and delivered by qualified and expert advisors.
- An Early Childhood Education Manager, Early Childhood Pedagogy Advisor and Quality and Regulatory Advisor who can support you in operational matters - limited to a maximum of 4 visits in total for the Term.

- Online and phone support on a regular basis to assist with day-to day operational matters as well as specialist advisors able to assist with more complex issues and requests.
- An information portal that provides easy access to resources that will support staff to effectively manage regulatory compliance; and
- Access to our Employee Assistance Program for all permanent and fixed term employees of the Centre and their immediate family for up to 4 sessions per annum.

During the next 6 months this partnership will continue to explore ways and means of improving the service the TCCC offers.

Link to Corporate Plan

Governance

Outcome 1 – Workforce

Consultation (internal/external)

Chief Executive Officer

C and K Officials

Policy Implications

Assistance will be provided in updated TCCC policies

Budget and Resource Implications

Cost will be funded from a grant received from the Federal Department of Education, Skills and Development

Risk Assessment

Risk Category	Risk Tolerance	Summary of Risks Involved	Risk Rating
Financial	Low	Funded externally	Low
Legal & Regulatory	Low	Update of policies and procedures	Low
People	Low	Provides clarity to staff and parents	Low
Operational	Medium	Higher operational standards achieved	Low
Environmental	Medium	Nil	Low
Strategic	Medium	Provides clarity as to operation of the TCCC	Low
Ethical	Low	Higher ethical standards achieved	Low
Reputation	Low	Enhance the reputation of the TCCC	Low
Leadership	Low	Enhance leadership skills	Low

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 16 March 2022

Item No: 4.2.1

SUBJECT HEADING: Director of Works and Services' Operations Report – February 2022

Author and Officer's Title: Garth Kath, Director of Works and Services

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

Summary: The Director of Works and Services report for February 2022 is presented to Council.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the Director of Works and Services' Operation Report for February 2022.

Background

Construction

- Blackall Jericho Road – Narbethong Realignment – Earthworks and Concrete Complete, Sealing 11th March
- Barcoo River Bridge Project – Tambo – Culvert concrete works progression
- Scrubby Creek Road – Invert repair and protection

Flood Damage Crews/Maintenance Grader Locations

- Maintenance Grader:
 - Avington Road
 - Stratavon Road
 - Melrose Road
 - Duneria Road
 - Adavale Road
- Flood Damage Crews:
 - East West Road
 - Woolga Road
 - Scrubby Creek Road
 - Langlo Road
 - Lisgool Road

Maintenance Crews

- Roadside slashing: Isisford Road, Emmet Road, Adavale Road, Jericho Road.
- Paint Hydrants
- Invert repairs Scrubby Ck Road
- 13C surface correction RMPC.
- Repair invert Coolatai Road

Upcoming Works

- Ravensbourne Road – Pave and Seal works commenced March, completion April 2022
- Frames Lane – Pave and Seal works commencing April, completion April 2022

- Blackall Isisford Rehabilitation – Sidetrack commenced, earthworks April 2022, completion June 2022
- Heavy Vehicle Bypass – Earthworks to recommence June 2022, awaiting Ergon Infrastructure (August 2022)
- Flood Damage
 - Wooroolah, Linden, Glencoe Access Roads (April 2022)
 - Langlo, Jynoomah, Mt Macquarie (April-May 2022)

Water and Sewerage

Water Services

Number of interruptions to services	12
Water consumption total ML	19041
Number of customer requests received	8
Number of customer requests actioned	8

Sewerage Services

Number of interruptions to services	6
Number of customer requests received	5
Number of customer requests actioned	5

Parks and Gardens

- Maintenance of council facilities, town streets, parks and gardens

Workshop/Fleet

- Preventative/Routine Maintenance
- Minor Breakdowns

Monthly Statistics

Number of plant items services	12
Number of plant breakdowns	3
Hours downtime due to servicing	33
Hours downtime due to breakdown	12
Hours downtime due to parts availability	0

Link to Corporate Plan

Infrastructure

Outcome 1 – Roads

Outcome 3 – Water and sewerage systems

Consultation (internal/external)

CEO

DWS

Works Supervisors

Parks & Garden Supervisors

Water Supervisors

Sewerage Supervisor

Fleet Manager

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

Nil

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 16 March 2022

Item No: 4.2.2

SUBJECT HEADING: Work Health and Safety Report

Author and Officer's Title: Garth Kath, Director of Works and Services

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

Summary: The Work Health and Safety Report has been provided to Council.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the Work Health and Safety Report for February 2022.

Background

Daily Job Pre – Starts:

- Gardeners/Showgrounds – 36/18
- Works Department combined Plumbers/Handy man - 18
- Maintenance Crew - 18
- Construction Crew - 36
- Workshop - 18

Inductions:

- Employees: 0
 - Saleyards: 1 x (Ray White)
 - Contractors: 2 x (Moore Civil), 1 x (Schluter Pastoral)
 - WORK camp: 0
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Link to Corporate Plan

Governance

Outcome 1 - Workforce

Consultation (internal/external)

Work Health and Safety Advisor

Policy Implications

Work Health & Safety Policy

Budget and Resource Implications

Nil

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 16 March 2022

Item No: **4.2.3****SUBJECT HEADING: Isisford-Blackall Bitumen Tender**

Author and Officer's Title: Garth Kath, Director of Works and Services

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

Summary: Tenders were requested for the Isisford-Blackall Road Pavement Rehabilitation: Supply, Cart, Heat and Spray of Bituminous Products, from 10 tenderers.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council accept the tender from RPQ for \$348,265.88 (ex GST) as RPQ have offered best value for money.

Background

Council called for tenders for the Isisford-Blackall Pavement Rehabilitation: Supply, Cart, Heat and Spray of Bituminous Products from 10 tenderers.

Tenders closed on 31 January 2022 with 4 responses received.

Company Name	Excluding GST	Including GST
RPQ (Townsville)	\$348,265.88	\$383,092.47
Fulton Hogan Pty Ltd	\$484,993.60	\$533,492.96
Colas Queensland Pty Ltd	\$514,128.89	\$565,451.78
Boral (QLD) Pty Ltd	\$385,111.84	\$423,623.02

GBA assessed the tenders and recommended that RPQ be awarded the tender as the assessment criteria was based on price and RPQ was approximately 10% lower than the nearest other tender. An excerpt of the letter of recommendation from GBA is included in this report.

3 February 2022

The Chief Executive Officer
Blackall Tambo Regional Council
PO Box 21
BLACKALL QLD 4472

Attention: Garth Kath

Dear Garth,

**BLACKALL-TAMBO REGIONAL COUNCIL
ISISFORD-BLACKALL ROAD PAVEMENT REHABILITATION: SUPPLY, CART, HEAT AND SPRAY
BITUMINIOUS PRODUCTS
TENDER LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION**

On 10 December 2021, tender documents for the “Supply, Cart, Heat and Spray Bituminous Products – Isisford-Blackall Road Pavement Rehabilitation” were emailed to ten (10) tenderers (see enclosed Tender Mailing List).

At the close of tender (2:00pm, 31 January 2022), four (4) submissions were received from:

1. Boral Resources (Qld) Pty Ltd
2. Colas Queensland Pty Ltd
3. Fulton Hogan Industries Pty Ltd
4. RPQ (Townsville)

It is herewith recommended that **RPQ** is appointed for the supply, cart, heat and spray of bituminous products on the above-mentioned project.

The only criteria for the assessment of the quotations were price. The submission from RPQ was about 10% lower priced than the nearest other tender. Prices and rates were also fair and reasonable in comparison to previous tenders and quotations for the same scope of works. All of the tenderers are non-local service providers.

Link to Corporate Plan

Infrastructure

Outcome 1 – Roads

Governance

Outcome 4 - Financial

Consultation (internal/external)

CEO

DWS

Policy Implications

Procurement and Disposals Policy

Budget and Resource Implications

\$348,265.88 (ex GST) – Recoverable Works

Risk Management Assessment

Risk Category	Risk Tolerance	Summary of Risks Involved	Risk Rating
Financial	Low	Tender selected is the lowest provided price for works and the project is recoverable works.	Low
Legal & Regulatory	Low	Nil	Low
People	Low	Nil	Low
Operational	Medium	Nil	Low
Environmental	Medium	Nil	Low
Strategic	Medium	Nil	Low
Ethical	Low	Nil	Low
Reputation	Low	Nil	Low
Leadership	Low	Nil	Low

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 16 March 2022

Item No: 5.1

SUBJECT HEADING: Blackall Saleyards Monthly Report

Author and Officer's Title: Des Howard, Chief Executive Officer

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

*Summary: The Blackall Saleyards monthly report for February is provided to Council.***Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the Blackall Saleyards monthly report for February 2022.****Background**

SALES	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	YTD	Totals 2020/21
Spelling Cattle	4125	6704	4002	5701	6721	6285	2642	2944					39124	67043
Spelling Sheep	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-					-	-
Prime & Store Sales	5800	7424	6958	4914	1829	-	-	937					27862	65877
Weaner & Store Sales	5081	4642	6396	5709	4550	-	-	2921					29299	38210
Private Weigh (Same Day)	1772	3541	1592	1397	-	112	-	3686					12101	19725
Private Weigh (Over-night)	695	1178	1138	1204	604	60	406	1147					6429	17292
Private Scan	-	59	-	-	-	-	-	-					59	618
Bull Sales	-	-	55	189	-	-	-	-					244	306
TOTALS 2021/22	17473	23545	20141	19114	13704	6457	3048	11635					115117	
TOTALS 2020/21	31048	20467	10848	21390	18496	8393	622	10634	19571	19285	28159	20118	209071	

Link to Corporate Plan

Economic Development

Outcome 1 – Business investment

Outcome 2 – Tourism

Outcome 3 - Employment

Consultation (internal/external)

CEO

Saleyards Manager

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

Nil

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 16 March 2022

Item No: 5.2

SUBJECT HEADING: Planning and Development Report

Author and Officer's Title: Des Howard, Chief Executive Officer

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

Summary: The Planning and Development report provides a summary of building applications and planning and development activity in the Blackall-Tambo Regional Council area.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the Planning and Development Report for February 2022.

Background

The table below outlines the development applications lodged with Council in February.

DATE	NUMBER	DEVELOPMENT TYPE	DEVELOPMENT DETAILS	TOWN
1/02/2022	DA-23-2021-2022	PLUMBING	Plumbing & Drainage works for New House	Greendale Station, Landsborough Highway
9/02/2022	DA-25-2021-2022	BUILDING	Outdoor Spa and Fence	22-24 Ernest Street Tambo

MONTHLY REPORT (FEBRUARY 2022)

This information report provides a monthly update on the planning services that Council provides to support planning and development activity across the local government area.

1. DEVELOPMENT ASSESSMENT

One new development application was lodged since the last monthly report. There is another application under assessment.

1.1	Council reference:	DA 28-2021-2022
	Application:	Development Permit for Reconfiguring a Lot (Boundary realignment - two lots into two lots)
	Street address:	Langlo Road, Scrubby Creek
	Property description:	Lot 1 and Lot 2 on SP322476
	Day application was made:	1 March 2022
	Category of assessment:	Code Assessment
	Public notification required:	No
	Applicant:	David Elmes C/- Murray and Associates (QLD) Pty Ltd
	Status:	Decision Period

An application has been made by David Elmes C/- Murray and Associates (QLD) Pty Ltd, seeking a development permit for Reconfiguring a Lot (Boundary realignment - two lots into two lots) at Langlo Road, Scrubby Creek. The proposal involves a boundary realignment to reflect the current operation of the lots. The boundary realignment will allow for farming succession planning and will ensure the lots are aligned with the current fencing that separates the two lots.

The subject site is in the Rural Zone and is subject to Code Assessment, which means no public notification of the application will be required.

The application is properly made and is in the decision stage. The application will be presented at the March General Meeting for decision.

1.2	Council reference:	DA 13-2021-2022
	Application:	Development Application – Development Permit for Material Change of Use for Short-term Accommodation (13 cabins)
	Street address:	36 Shamrock Street, Blackall
	Property description:	Lot 1 on RP616018
	Day application was made:	28 October 2021 (properly made 28 January 2022)
	Category of assessment:	Impact Assessment
	Public notification required:	Yes
	Applicant:	Shane Robinson
	Status:	Public Notification

An application has been made by Shane Robinson, seeking a development permit for material change of use for short-term accommodation at 36 Shamrock Street, Blackall, which is occupied by the Coolibah Motel. The proposal is for 13 additional cabins at the rear of the motel, to be developed over five stages.

The subject site is in the Township Zone. Short-term Accommodation in the Township Zone is subject to Impact Assessment, which means public notification of the application will be required.

The application is properly made, and assessment has commenced. The applicant has referred the application to the State Assessment and Referral Agency (SARA). Public notification has commenced and will finish on 25 March 2022.

2. GENERAL PLANNING SERVICES, ENQUIRIES AND ADVICE

2.1 CUSTOMER REQUESTS

The following customer requests have been received and responded to over the past month:

PLANNING ENQUIRIES			
Date received	Customer Details	Details of Enquiry	Status
15/02/22	Business owner	<p><u>Proposal</u> To extend an existing outdoor sport and recreation use and addition of a shop.</p> <p><u>Planning details</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The site is in the Recreation and open space zone 	Closed

PLANNING ENQUIRIES			
Date received	Customer Details	Details of Enquiry	Status
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The site contains State mapped native vegetation. <p><u>Advice</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Extending the outdoor sport and recreation use would be considered a material change of use Outdoor sport and recreation in the Recreation and open space zone is code assessable Code assessable means a development application for a material change of use would need to be lodged and approved by council before the extension of use can be undertaken A shop in the Recreation and open space zone is impact assessable Impact assessment is the highest level of assessment and is subject to public notification and third-party appeal rights Being impact assessable means a development application would be required to be lodged and approved by Council before the use can commence It was suggested to the owner that they should lodge separate applications for the uses. Firstly, the extension of the outdoor sport and recreation and then the application for the shop Provided no native vegetation is being removed there will be no requirement for the State. 	
17/02/22	Property owner	<p><u>Proposal</u> To establish a new dwelling.</p> <p><u>Planning details</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The site is vacant The site is in the Rural zone The site is affected by flooding, bushfire and contains State mapped native vegetation. <p><u>Advice</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A dwelling house in the Rural zone is accepted development where not located in a flood hazard or bushfire prone area and not exceeding 8.5m in height Accepted development means that no development application is required for the dwelling house 	Closed

PLANNING ENQUIRIES			
Date received	Customer Details	Details of Enquiry	Status
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If the house can be sited to avoid flooding and bushfire areas no development application will be required Whilst no development application is required, building and plumbing approvals may still be required. 	
24/02/22	Community Group member	<p><u>Proposal</u> To establish an emergency services laydown area.</p> <p><u>Planning details</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The site is in close proximity to State owned road reserve; however it is unclear if the site is in the road reserve or on a private lot The site is most likely in the Rural zone. <p><u>Advice</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Emergency services in the Rural zone is accepted development Accepted development means no development application is required A Building approval will still be required for any structures If the use is in the road reserve the applicant will need to apply for a Road Corridor Permit (RCP) An RCP is managed and assessed by the Department of Transport and Main Roads with no involvement from Council There have been ongoing discussions with the community group member as it is unclear what lot the use will be over. 	Ongoing
07/03/22		<p><u>Proposal</u> Council received notification from a telecommunications provider regarding new infrastructure.</p> <p><u>Planning details</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The infrastructure is a Small Cell Facility for Telstra A Small Cell Facility is a low power mobile phone base station which is designed to provide mobile coverage to an area of approximately 100-400m The Small Cell Facility will be located on a private property. <p><u>Advice</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The proposal meets the requirements of the <i>Telecommunications (Low-impact Facilities)</i> 	Closed

PLANNING ENQUIRIES			
Date received	Customer Details	Details of Enquiry	Status
		<p><i>Determination 2018</i> and therefore is exempt development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Telstra is required to notify Council of the proposal; however no action is required by Council. 	
08/02/22		<p><u>Proposal</u> To establish a dwelling house or dwelling house and shop in an existing building.</p> <p><u>Planning details</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The site is in the Township zone and contained within the Commercial precinct The site contains an existing building. <p><u>Advice</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A dwelling house in the Township zone (commercial precinct) would be subject to code assessment and a development application would be required to be lodged and approved by Council before the use can commence A dwelling house and a shop would still be subject to a code assessable development application due to the dwelling house component There is a use called a 'dwelling unit' which is accepted development and would not require a development application. A dwelling unit is defined as the following: <i>the use of premises containing a non-residential use for a dwelling, other than a dwelling for a caretaker of the non-residential use.</i> To be considered a dwelling unit, the residential component (dwelling unit) cannot be associated with the commercial use (cannot used as a caretaker's residence). 	Closed
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATES			
Date received	Customer details	Type	Status
17/02/22	-	Limited Planning and Development Certificate for a holding in the Township Zone and within a Commercial precinct.	Issued
SURVEY PLAN APPROVALS			
Nil			

Link to Corporate Plan

Economic Development

Outcome 4 – Land development

Consultation (internal/external)

CEO

Rates Officer

Town Planners

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

Nil

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 16 March 2022

Item No: 5.3

SUBJECT HEADING: Environmental Health/Local Laws Officer's Report

Author and Officer's Title: Des Howard, Chief Executive Officer

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

Summary: The Environmental Health/Local Laws Officer's report is provided to Council.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the Environmental Health/Local Laws Officer's Report.

Background

Food premises

- A food safety assessment at a medium risk business was carried out in Tambo. Minor structural issues were noted and raised with the licensee.
- A food safety assessment at a medium risk business was carried out in Tambo. No issues were noted.

Environmental Management/ Public Health

- EHO received a complaint from a resident in Tambo regarding the perceived odour nuisance arising from waste bins at a licensed premise. EHO consulted with food business operator and complainant. No odour nuisance evident. To be monitored.
- EHO consulted with residents to provide information/ encourage the uptake regarding the proposed bulk waste collection, incl. car bodies.
- EHO consulted with WH&S regarding asbestos removal in workplace settings, received queries regarding asbestos disposal options.
- EHO consulted with transport business, responsible for lead paste waste at Tambo landfill from traffic accident Oct 2021.
- EHO consulted with a business owner in Tambo regarding the re-instatement of fuel bowsers at the place.
- EHO consulted with event organiser regarding COVID restrictions for an event at the Blackall Cultural Centre.
- EHO provided information to saleyards management and food business operator regarding COVID restrictions.
- EHO removed illegally dumped waste (truck tyres & pallets) from Landsborough Highway.
- EHO consulted with foreman regarding proposed site improvements at Blackall landfill.

Local Laws

- LLO consulted with residents regarding outstanding animal registration fee notices.
- LLO received complaint about overgrown allotments, some issue rectified in the meantime.
- LLO issued 1 remedial notice for overgrown allotment to Blackall resident.

- LLO consulted with numerous property owners in Blackall and Tambo regarding their overgrown allotments.
- A dog, wandering at large, was surrendered to LLO. Animals was reunited with its owner the same day.
- LLO received a complaint about a horse kept in township area, consulted with complainant, animal owner is permitted to keep horses in this case.
- LLO received concerns regarding the installation of electrical fences in township area Blackall, LLO consulted with alleged person to remove material from State and Council controlled land.
- A dog attack on a person was reported to LLO. Investigation was conducted, the dog was involved in another attack the week prior (not reported to Council). Owner surrendered the dog with request for destruction.
- LLO received an application to keep 2 additional dogs at a place in Blackall, Council owned property, decision pending.
- LLO assisted with moving cattle off the Landsborough Highway after a fence got damaged.
- LLO carried out ongoing patrol investigations for compliance, overgrown allotments and compliance with local laws (animal management).

Consultation (internal/external)

- EHO consulted with Qld Health Public Health Unit regarding Chief Health Officer's directives.
- LLO consulted with Rural Lands Officer regarding upgrade for stock route watering facility.
- EHO consulted with stakeholders regarding strategies to remove end of life tyres from landfill sites, ongoing.

Link to Corporate Plan

Environment and Heritage

Outcome 3 – Pest Management

Outcome 4 – Waste Management

Consultation (internal/external)

Environmental Health Officer

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

Nil

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 16 March 2022

Item No: 5.4

SUBJECT HEADING: Blackall Work Camp Advisory Committee Meeting

Author and Officer's Title: Des Howard, Chief Executive Officer

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

Summary: The Blackall Work Camp Community Advisory Committee held a meeting on 15 February 2022.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the Blackall Work Camp Community Advisory Committee report for the 15 February 2022 meeting.

Background

The Blackall Work Camp Community Advisory Committee held their quarterly meeting on 15 February 2022. The following people were in attendance:

- D Howard (Chair)
- R Dobbs (DCS Manager Low Custody)
- M Meyers (DCS Field Supervisor)
- B O'Neill (Community Representative)
- C Riel (DCS Education Officer)
- S Fayers (QPS)

M Meyers presented the Work Program Report. There are currently 8 prisoners at the camp. Completed projects to date are:

- Saleyards
 - General daily duties
 - Pavers laid in front of the Manager's Office
 - Steel chairs fabricated and concreted in various locations
 - 35 tree guards made
 - Planting of trees
- Blackall War Memorial Cemetery
 - Concrete pathway completed
 - Landscaping of grassed area
 - Garden and tree trimming

The Field Supervisor advised that the Blackall Work Camp has conducted 2692 hours of work within the community since the previous meeting held 30 November 2021.

The Manager for Low Custody provided figures for the financial year as 6979 hours and \$192,411.00. He stated that COVID is affecting numbers at the Farm as prisoners are unable to transition from the higher security facility however, Department of Corrections have strategies in place to allow prisoners to move from the main centre to the Farm without putting the Farm inmates at risk. The reduced numbers at the Farm impacts the numbers available to be placed in the Work Camps.

The Manager was able to visit some of the work sites and he was impressed with the passion and enthusiasm the men have for the work they are doing.

Ms Riel was introduced as the Department of Corrections Education Officer. Ms Riel provided an outline to the Committee on how the men can access education while serving time and the options available.

Link to Corporate Plan

Nil

Consultation (internal/external)

CEO

Department of Corrective Services

Blackall Work Camp CAC

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

Nil

Risk Assessment

Risk Category	Risk Tolerance	Summary of Risks Involved	Risk Rating
Financial	Low	Nil	Low
Legal & Regulatory	Low	Nil	Low
People	Low	Nil	Low
Operational	Medium	The Work Camp assist Council with general maintenance	Low
Environmental	Medium	Nil	Low
Strategic	Medium	Assistance from the Work Camp enables Council to better distribute workloads.	Low
Ethical	Low	Nil	Low
Reputation	Low	Nil	Low
Leadership	Low	Nil	Low

Proposed Risk Treatment

Nil

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 16 March 2022

Item No: 5.5

SUBJECT HEADING: RAPAD Board Communiqués – 4 February & 22, 23 February 2022.

Author and Officer's Title: Des Howard, Chief Executive Officer

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

Summary: The RAPAD Board hold monthly meetings to discuss matters pertaining to the RAPAD region. RAPAD provide Communiqués outlining topics discussed at the meetings.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the RAPAD Board Communiqués for 4 February and 22, 23 February 2022.

Background

The Board of RAPAD held its first scheduled Board meeting for 2022 on 4 February. All directors, who are the Mayors of Barcaldine, Barcoo, Blackall-Tambo, Boulia, Diamantina, Longreach and Winton, were in attendance and several CEO's.

Items discussed at the 4 February meeting were:

- Central West Hospital and Health Service COVID update
- Local Government Grants Methodology Review
- Finance, Legal, Risk
- RAPAD Skilling
- CEO Update
- RFCSNQ (Rural Financial Counselling Service North Queensland)

A face-to-face meeting was held in Windorah on 22, 23 February. The Mayor and CEO attending the meeting as representatives of Blackall-Tambo Regional Council. Topics discussed at the Windorah meeting were:

- Finance, Legal, Risk
- Stock Routes
- Planning – organisational
- Remote Area Board Funding
- RAPAD Skilling
- Lake Eyre Basin Stakeholder Advisory Group
- Southern Qld Northern NSW Drought, Innovation and Resilience Hub
- QRA
- LGAQ Update
- CEO Update

The RAPAD Board Communiqués are attached to this report.

Link to Corporate Plan

Governance

Outcome 3 - Leadership

Consultation (internal/external)

Chief Executive Officer

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

Nil

Risk Assessment

Risk Category	Risk Tolerance		Risk Rating
Financial	Low	Nil	Low
Legal & Regulatory	Low	Nil	Low
People	Low	Nil	Low
Operational	Medium	Participation in the RAPAD Board meetings ensures BTRC is considered in any decisions	Low
Environmental	Medium	Nil	Low
Strategic	Medium	Board participation enables Council to stay abreast of matters affecting the region.	Low
Ethical	Low	Nil	Low
Reputation	Low	Nil	Low
Leadership	Low	Council is part of the RAPAD Council group.	Low

Proposed Risk Treatment

Nil



RAPAD Board Meeting 4 February 2022 Communiqué



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Regional Council



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- (d) to facilitate, support, implement, or cause to be implemented, collaborative regional discussion and associated desired outcomes amongst, but not limited, to members.*

Source: RAPAD constitution

With a new year comes the start of normal Board governance and business for RAPAD and on February 4, the Board of RAPAD held its first scheduled Board meeting for 2022. All directors, and several CEOs were in attendance. The meeting was held via zoom link.

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Meeting matters included:

- **Central West Health and Hospital Service COVID update**

Jane Williams, Anthony West and Angi Bissell from the Central West Hospital and Health Service joined the meeting and provided an update on COVID matters pertinent to the Central Western Qld region. RAPAD Chair Cr Rayner acknowledged the good work of the CWHHS in managing the COVID pandemic across the Central West.

- **Local Government Grants Methodology Review**

The Board discussed the outcomes of the 2021 Grants Methodology Review which resulted in increased funding for all RAPAD member councils, representing a good result from ongoing advocacy and partnerships, and a boost for ongoing local government sustainability.

The Board resolved to write to the Deputy Premier indicating their support for the Commission's recommendations:
That RAPAD write to the Hon Dr Steven Miles MP, Deputy Premier and Minister for State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning advising of our support for the outcomes of the 2021 Financial Assistance Grant Methodology Review undertaken by the Queensland Local Government Commission. The review has addressed the long-standing inequities in the distribution methodology and recognised the needs of rural and remote councils in the Central Western Qld region for greater financial support in the delivery of essential services and the sustainability of our communities.

- **Finance, Legal, Risk**

The Board received YTD financials for the organisation for the period ending 31 December 2022, and took updates from the CEO on:

- An upcoming RESQ Plus Board meeting planned for early March
- The organisational strategic risks,
- The status of the 20-21 FY financial audit being undertaken by QAO,
- An update on the appointment of contractors to support the rollout of the two Remote Area Board (RAB) projects funded by the Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning. These being related to a digital campaign supporting the www.gofarout.com.au initiative and the other related to the continued expansion of the CWQ Brewing initiative,
- Recent discussions with the Sunshot CEO regarding the Boards offer towards the BREZ joint venture, now that the BRC have announced their agreement to form the joint venture,
- Contracts:
 - Between RAPAD and USQ relating to RAPADs partnership in the Southern Qld Northern New South Wales Drought Resilience Adoption and Innovation Hub,
 - Between University of Qld and RAPAD relating to the Dean of UQ Graduate Schools Industry Challenge,
 - Proposed – With QDAF relating to an expansion of the Small Business Financial Counselling Program across the RFCSNQ North Qld service region

The CEO acknowledged feedback from the Chair regarding his end of 2021 performance review and advising he was accepting the contract extension offered.

The Board also discussed policies relating to sponsorship, holding the matter over for further discussion at the face-to-face February meeting.

- **RAPAD Skilling** – www.rapadskilling.com.au
The Board received the RAPAD Skilling Managers, Steve Rossberg, reports for the December 2021 period. A full suite of courses available at RAPAD Skilling can be found at <https://www.rapadskilling.com.au/courses>
- **CEO Update**
The CEO provided an update on the following ongoing operational matters:
 - The CEO asked that all outstanding councils provide their preferred position from the Stock Routes discussion paper recommending that the board adopt their consensus at the next meeting,
 - Planning is well underway for the West Qld Alliance of Councils Assembly being held in Charleville, and a draft agenda was provided,
 - A proposal from AEC was tabled, following on from the December strategic planning, with the Board asking that the proposal be addressed operationally,
 - A draft proposal which has been provided to M.Wall, Department of Housing, was provided and an update given,
 - Senator James McGrath has been invited to the February 22, 23 meeting,
 - A draft WQAC federal election strategy was provided, and the Board reinforced the request that RAPAD have its own advocacy tool,
 - The new date for the LGAQ ROC meeting has been set for 17, 18 March and the Chair and CEO will be attending,
 - The new RAPAD website is imminent, and the 2021 annual report was in draft form awaiting audited financial statements,
 - RAPAD activities at the Former Ag College and ongoing industry discussion now that the State Government has indicated their intention to sell,
 - His application to the Western Qld Community Forum.
- **RFCSNQ** – www.rfcsnq.com.au
Rural Financial Counsellors servicing the CWQ region are Emma Cook and Rachel Bock. Details are at <https://www.rfcsnq.com.au/agribusiness/agribusiness-financial-counsellors>



Rachel Bock

Rachel works throughout Longreach and the surrounding regions.



Emma Cook

Emma works throughout Central Queensland, servicing the Isaac and Barcaldine Regional Council areas.

- Recent Publications:
 - Western Qld Alliance of Councils Housing solutions Study
<https://www.rapad.com.au/assets/Uploads/WQAC-Housing-Solutions-Study-Report-Sep-2021-1.pdf> .
 - RAPAD Region Economic Benchmarking and Promotion -
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 - CWQ Data Collection and Analysis -
<https://www.rapad.com.au/assets/Uploads/CWQ-Tourism-Data-Collection-and-Analysis-2021-210621-compress.pdf> . Supported by Qld State Government Remote Area Board funding.
 - The Western Qld COVID vaccination rates are available here:
<https://app.powerbi.com/view?r=eyJrIjoieYiRmZmFhMDMtYmE1ZC00OTY2LWlxNDUtZTE0ODBiZWUzZTBmliwidCI6ImQ2NWY5ZDFiLWY4NGMtNGMxYj05YzliLTkyY2U4NTBiNzFkMiJ9>
 - 'Barcaldine Renewable Energy Zone' prepared by Sunshot Industries -
<https://www.rapad.com.au/assets/Uploads/Sunshot-BREZ-compressed.pdf>

2013 Western Rivers Advisory Panel Report

<https://www.rapad.com.au/assets/Uploads/wrap-report-final.pdf>



RAPAD Board Meeting 22, 23 February 2022 Communiqué



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On the 22nd and 23rd of February, the Board travelled to Windorah for its second meeting of the year. As is normal for face-to-face meetings, the Outback Regional Roads and Transport Group, the RAPAD Water and Sewerage Alliance and the Central West Regional Pest Management Group also met at this time.

All Directors, Councillors' Dianne Pigeon, Tony Jackson and Andrew Millar from Barcoo Shire Council, and several council CEOs attended the Board meeting along with a range of guests and speakers either in person or via zoom video conference. Mayor Sally O'Neil, CEO, Paul Hockings, BaSC staff and the communities' businesses provided an

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excellent venue, catering and accommodation for members and guests. An acknowledgement also goes to NBN who provided mobile Wi-Fi to facilitate effective connectivity for the meetings.

An important part of visiting the member councils' towns and regions is to allow councils to showcase, demonstrate and explain the various initiatives and activities councils

undertake. Members took the opportunity to travel out to McPhellamy's Crossing on the Coopers Creek, where Paul explained the upgrades taking place to this historically important piece of infrastructure, and the lessons learned along the way.



Coopers Creek, Windorah

Meeting matters included:

- Senator James McGrath joined the meeting to take feedback from Directors on the issues confronting the region. The issues, and opportunities, are endless and some spoken about were roads, aged care, connectivity, the proposed Blackall Wool Scour and Barcaldine renewable energy zone, the former Longreach Pastoral College, the

Outback Way, council financial sustainability, housing, tourism, Building Better Regions funding, federal and state drought policy and the role of the rural and small business financial counsellor.

- **Finance, Legal, Risk**

The Board received YTD financials for the organisation for the period ending 31 January 2022, and took updates from the CEO on:

- The 2020-21 annual report which was tabled however to date it is unable to be published due to the lack of financial statements. The Board requested the CEO follow up with the QAO expressing their concern with the delay in receiving these financial statements,
- The organisational strategic risks; an asset (vehicle) purchase; and a WQAC sponsorship offer which the Board supported,
- Contracts:
 - with QDAF relating to small business financial counselling extensions and the Grazing Futures program, and with,
 - NRRA relating to the extension to the regional small business support program extension, all of which were received, and
- A sponsorship (outwards) policy was approved, and a proposal to develop a program, like the State Governments Work in Paradise program, was not approved.

- **Stock Routes**

The Board agreed on a range of policy options regarding stock routes. These options are outlined in the discussion paper – *Sustainable Funding Options for Stock Route Network*, a joint piece of work funded by RAPAD and the LGAQ. The paper can be found at <https://www.rapad.com.au/assets/Uploads/AEC-Stock-Route-Network-Discussion-Paper-Final-Report.pdf>. The options are consistent with the LGAQs advocacy, with Kristy Gooding from LGAQ being present to support discussions on this matter.

Cr Britton was nominated by the Board to attend a proposed upcoming meeting with Minister Stewart, which LGAQ are coordinating.

Options 1, 2 and 4 from the discussion paper were adopted and these options were:

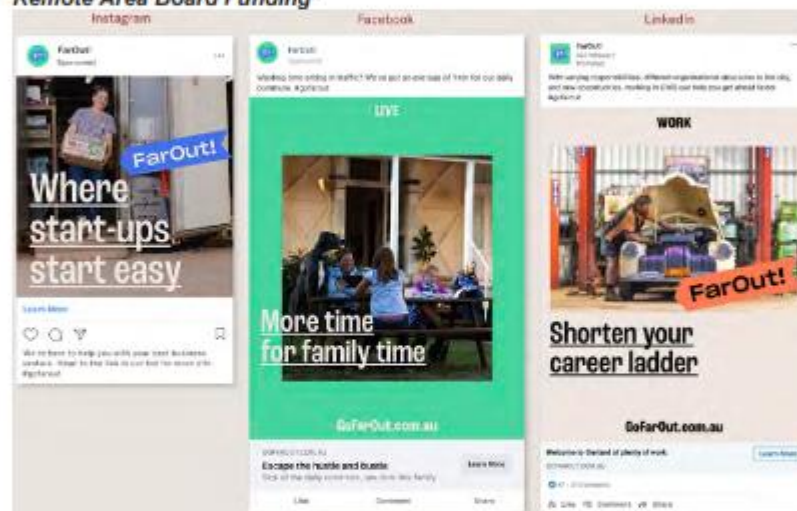
- Increase in the Price of Permits and the Use of Application Fees
- Rationalisation of the Stock Route Network
- A Local Government Stock Route Network Operational Grant

• **Planning - organisational**

The CEO updated the Board on his engagement of AEC to progress earlier preliminary planning which will be:

- A light review of the current RAPAD Strategic Plan, including the outcomes of the preliminary planning workshop (held in November 2021),
- A Business Plan aligned to the delivery of the Strategic Plan,
- A Project Selection and Prioritisation Policy, and
- A Project / Investment Proposal Template and Tools.

• **Remote Area Board Funding¹**



➤ **FarOut! (<https://qofarout.com.au/>)**

Zal Meher-Homji and Katie Morse from DRIVEN (<https://driven.agency/>) joined the meeting and provided a presentation (*attached*) regarding the implementation of the digital marketing strategy for the FarOut! brand and digital platform, aimed to get people working and living in Central West Queensland. DRIVEN will be using Facebook, LinkedIn and Instagram to target the key audience groups based on their interests through organic and paid posts. The target audiences are those who may be interested in living, working, and investing in CWQ. Some of the pain points / areas of interest identified for these groups are:

- House pricing
- Career opportunities
- Seeking more time
- Looking for business opportunities
- Interested in travel and outdoor activities
- Seeking a quieter, more laid-back lifestyle

DRIVENs methodology will be to post 2-3 times a week on average, across the three platforms. They explained to the Board that each month they will make

¹ RAB funding is provided by the Qld State Government

optimisations based on which types of ads and content perform best, putting more budget behind those that are doing well. Success, or conversions, are considered as:

- Website form submissions (new forms and landing pages will be created during the campaign),
- Phone calls to RAPAD (through a trackable phone number).

Zal outlined they cannot track submissions to the RESQ jobs board but will be sending users to those job listings via the FarOut! website. They will also be monitoring social interactions such as likes, shares, and sentiment (commenting, questions etc).

➤ **CWQ Brewing**

The CEO updated briefly on the successful consultation undertaken, and being undertaken, within the four remaining council areas, which when completed will bring labels specific to all seven council areas. Next stages are the development of a draft legal framework and investment prospectus.

• **RAPAD Skilling – www.rapadskilling.com.au**

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• **Lake Eyre Basin Stakeholder Advisory Group**

Cr Rayner gave an update on the recent LEBSAG meetings. As a result, the Board reviewed its policy principles relating to the Lake Eyre Basin and these are:

- *Agrees that there is community wide support for 'long term sustainability', and the existing, economic, social and conservation values of the Lake Eyre Basin (LEB) and its river systems. RAPAD understands the LEB is one of the world's great inland river systems.*
- *Agrees that the balance is complex between the community desire for long term sustainability and economic development.*
- *Agrees that invasive pest animal and plant weed species provide an ongoing threat, and here Government must commit to long term funding to NRM groups, the agricultural industry and local government to ensure this threat can be minimised.*
- *Agrees that rivers, permanent & semi-permanent waterholes offer important cultural and environmental, as well as economic and social significance, and should be protected in some form.*
- *Agrees that where there has been development surrounding the rivers and adjacent waterways within the LEB any 'protection area statuses should not be declared. Development is defined as intervention to change the landscape surrounding the river or waterway such that the system does not have all, or nearly all, its natural values intact. That is, the landscape surrounding the river or waterway, can no longer be described as undisturbed or as being in near its natural condition.*
- *Agrees that resource industry activities such as but not limited to, mining, petroleum, conventional and unconventional gas exploration and development activities are activities that can create value economically and socially, however for the same economic, social and also environmental reasons, they should be:*

- *regulated in the Lake Eyre Basin. Protection may be required to extend up into the low order streams at the very top of these headwater areas where extensive mining and high rainfall may occur, producing significant risk of pollution events,*
 - *required to provide adequate financial guarantees for all remediation costs of pollution should it occur,*
 - *only allowed to proceed to development, notwithstanding all legal development approvals, where a demonstrated tangible economic and social benefit is realised by the communities of the LEB.*
- *Agrees that other industry activities, such as, but not limited to, agriculture and tourism are not adversely impacted by resource industry activities.*
- *Agrees that industries such as tourism and agriculture existing and operating as it is at present in the LEB be allowed to operate without interference and that Government commit to ongoing extension for agriculture through, and with the agricultural industry, to facilitate adoption of best practice grazing and environmental stewardship.*
- *Agrees water license holders who have a legally obtained license be entitled to continue to operate it at their discretion and they must receive an appropriate commercial compensation if license holders are ordered to surrender.*
- *Agrees that all licenses, unallocated water and permits, used and unused, remain in the system and should not be resumed.*
- *Agrees that local government should not be adversely impacted by legislation pertaining to such things as access to sand and gravel, road maintenance, land for commercial development, access to urban water.*
- *Agrees that local government shall support good water management practices relating to water sharing (waterholes) between landholders, industry and local governments, and any legislation should recognise these good practices.*
- *Agrees that water allocations are essential (and licenses should be prioritised) for local government, residential and small to medium business growth, any current activities, stock and domestic, road construction and maintenance, and for indigenous & cultural use.*
- *Agrees that a landholder with riparian rights to water in the strategic environmental area of the LEB be allowed to build a dam or earth tank for stock and domestic purposes, the total size of which needs however to be determined to be consistent with previous points.*
- *Agrees that cognisant to the above relevant dot points, agricultural activities in general be able to develop, e.g., blade ploughing, fodder harvesting, regrowth thinning and vegetation management.*

These are downloadable at:

<https://www.rapad.com.au/assets/Uploads/RAPAD-LEB-Policy-220223.pdf>

Many of these are adapted from the policy principles emanating from the 2010/11 Wild Rivers, then Western Rivers discussion's and have been reviewed several times since then. Back in 2013 during the Western Rivers stakeholder discussions a survey

was undertaken of all groups on the then Western Rivers Stakeholder Advisory Group, and further back in 2010 a wide-ranging group of stakeholders delivered a communique to the then Minister Stephen Robertson regarding the then governments Wild Rivers legislation. Those two documents feature in this communique's **'From the Vault'** section, at the rear of this communique.

- **Southern Qld Northern NSW Drought, Innovation and Resilience Hub**

Ally Murray from the Hub travelled to Windorah to provide the Board with an update on the SQNNSWDIR Hub and her specific activities.

Ally outlined her role and spoke about:

- A variety of grants that the Hub has applied for to be spent locally in the RAPAD region. One of the grants will see a regenerative soils test sight established locally to establish research and innovative practices sourced directly from the rangelands and shared with local producers,
- Attending the ARLF Drought Leaders program and from that being part of a successful grant application to host a conference and field day in Longreach on the 20th & 21st April, and that the day and guest speakers will also be filmed so the content can be viewed and shared.

Ally's contact details are:

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Ally would like to connect with each council to support and develop drought initiatives those communities would like to see delivered and supported in their local communities.

RAPAD is a partner in the Hub.

- **QRA**

Jimmy Scott from QRA provided an update on the current high risk weather season and joint Commonwealth / State Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements. Jimmy also spoke to the existing CW Resilience Strategy to support disaster and resilience funding requests across the region.

Specific matters Jimmy spoke to were:

- DRFA funding, including the assistance available to primary producers and small business,
- The Central West Regional Resilience Strategy, released in early 2020, and the associated local government action plans. This work has broad foundation, to support councils and the region with the identification of initiatives to support applications to available funding. There is also potential for this to support covid recovery planning.

- **LGAQ Update**

Kristy Gooding and Robert Chow from LGAQ attended the meeting.

Kristy updated on the potential for progressing a Regional Waste Management Strategy. The State Government \$1 billion Recycling and Jobs fund will direct funds to resource recovery and waste management solutions across Qld and this funding commitment will link to (and be guided by) the actions contained in regional waste management plans. Kristy advised that recent discussions with the Department of Environment and Science (DES) supports regional plans being developed across Queensland.

The Board resolved in-principle to endorse the development of a regional waste management strategy subject to understanding more about the scope and costs, and consequently instructed the CEO to liaise further with LGAQ about the opportunity.

- **CEO Update**

The CEO provided further updates and advice on:

- The upcoming WQAC Assembly being held in Charleville from 9-11 March. Planning is well under way with an expected audience of close to 200 people over the 3 days,
- The federal election strategy being developed in conjunction with WQAC partners,
- An application to QRA to support monitoring, oversight, and implementation of the CW Resilience Strategy,
- Progress of the housing advocacy and actions, of which the CEO advised of the recent work undertaken by QTC which will be presented at the WQAC Assembly. An update was also provided on the successful request for funding to DCHDE to support further detailed analysis, and that requested support by the Rural and Remote Compact Guardians Group of which Cr Dare is a member. Further detailed updates on all actions pertaining to housing will be released at the WQAC Assembly,
- The recent brief provided by AgForce in relation to their upcoming meeting with Minister Furner in relation to the former Longreach Agricultural College,
- The upcoming LGAQ ROC meeting in Townsville and the RRTC report recently released

- **Recent Publications:**

- Western Qld Alliance of Councils Housing solutions Study
<https://www.rapad.com.au/assets/Uploads/WQAC-Housing-Solutions-Study-Report-Sep-2021-1.pdf> .
- RAPAD Region Economic Benchmarking and Promotion -
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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 16 March 2022

Item No: 5.6**SUBJECT HEADING:** **Blackall Historical Woolscour Grant**

Author and Officer's Title: Des Howard, Chief Executive Officer

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

Summary: On behalf of the Blackall Historical Woolscour Association, BTRC successfully applied and obtained a grant 'Outback Queensland Tourism Icon Program 2020' for \$125,000. A component of works (Sheep Yard Repairs) to date has been unable to be completed due to 'Certificate of Exemption' needing to be signed off by Blackall Historical Woolscour Association and lodged to recommence works.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the Blackall Historical Woolscour Grant report.

Background

The Blackall-Tambo Regional Council received an allocation of **\$125,000** [ex GST] from Queensland Government, for Outback Queensland Tourism Icons Program 2020 in August 2020, with the grant targeting support for Outback Queensland major tourism operators to survive the Covid-19 pandemic impacts on business and jobs.

Items applied and approved for in funding were identified and prioritised in full consultation with Blackall Historical Woolscour staff members.

Funding was spent on:

-2 New air conditioners installed in office administration building

-Steam boiler maintenance service

-Business Covid Response Management initiatives – Mariki Media collected videography of oral history recall from past and present Blackall Historical Woolscour members of every single touchpoint of tour to have on hand as a resource/tool if ever required to implement different Covid Response strategies throughout pandemic (such as online tours etc. and could also be utilised as a tool to train up future volunteer tour guides). This videography was stored on the Blackall Historical Woolscour's external hard drive and returned to them for use at their need.

-Billboard Signage update. 2x large (6x4m billboards) on Barcaldine and Tambo entries to Blackall, replacement and renewal of signage on the way out to Woolscour as markers for tourists. Wrong sizes received by Artcraft in Sep 2021 and had to be redone to size specified. Received back late 2021 and BTRC Works Department to schedule installation when time permits

-Internal signage to replace or install on bare/weathered interpretation boards around facility site (*as per recommendation in the '2009 Blackall Woolscour Conservation Management Plan, page 32*). Signs arrived from Artcraft end of September 2021, wrongly printed on

honeycomb reflective panels and needed to be redone, did not receive back till end of 2021. Have been waiting for BTRC Works Department to be able to schedule installation.

-Woolscour Utilities Support – phone/internet, electricity, oil supplies, fuel, whole of facility pest control services, standard fire inspection, repair of urn, internal painting of office administration building.

-Advertising & Media which included Mariki Media designed TV Ad, 2 months television advertising on Channel 9 Network, paid social media advertising, photographic imagery from John Elliot for any marketing). During the 6 months BTRC also made regular social media story posts to boost and grow following. Website Creation (www.blackallwoolscour.com.au)

*Please note Blackall Historical Woolscour Staff refused to add online booking option on website. Blackall Woolscour also complained of poor internet speeds and connection. JUST ISP contracted to upgrade digital connectivity infrastructure upgrade, along with 2 years (24 months) of Wi-Fi prepaid in advance for Blackall Historical Woolscour. Blackall Woolscour Staff reported no change in connectivity however at time had not contacted Telstra to cancel internet service so it could switch across to JUST ISP network.

-New Brochures (5000 copies printed). The new brochures have been provided to the Blackall Historical Woolscour staff who refuse to use them as they believe the tour times are not correct. The new brochure has a disclaimer advising that “Tour times subject to change due to seasonality”. Other comments have been made about the brochure however, the entire brochure was taken from the previous one.

-Covid hand sanitising freestanding stations (6x purchased), to be utilised in main office building and high touch point areas of museum, along with bulk supply of hand sanitiser bottles, surface spray disinfectant for covid safe hygiene practices.

Front sheep yard repairs (to only the front yard most visible to tourist eye)- which was recommended as a high priority in the 2009 Blackall Woolscour ‘Updated Conservation Management Plan – Prioritised Schedule of Repairs for Buildings’, pg. 31 **“repair and replace rot damaged post and rail fencing and gate components as required to keep the yards serviceable”**. *Note this inspection was last carried out 13 years ago and even more extensive deterioration of yards has occurred since then.

Works were considered ‘minor’ for this project, as size and scope of works to repair & restore the deteriorated front sheep yard was less than 20% of the whole space of sheep yards onsite. Works commenced late May 2021, 3 x contractors visited the site to provide quotation for the works. 2x however stated that they would not be able to complete within specified time, 1x agreed to terms and was contracted where he visited site with BTRC staff, Blackall Historical Woolscour Staff to show and direct what work was required. Contractor took extensive photographs of site prior to works so that restoration would replicate old yard structure. Works were halted soon after commencement by the Blackall Historical Woolscour Association and by a complaint lodged to Queensland Heritage Authority with dissatisfaction with contractor.

CEO and BTRC Staff Member met with Blackall Historical Woolscour Association to determine plan moving forward. Certificate of Exemption Application to be completed and signed off by Blackall Historical Woolscour for works to be able to recommence, as advised by what was needed to be done by the Queensland Heritage Authority. BTRC completed form with input from Blackall Historical Woolscour members. It was taken back out to Blackall Woolscour a week after meeting for signing by Blackall Historical Woolscour Association who refused to sign until more detailed plans of work were received.

Received these drawings on 22/2/22, contacted Blackall Woolscour staff to organise a time to come out, go back over the 'Certificate of Exemption Application' form for lodgement and organise recommencement of works. Blackall Woolscour Staff advised they were busy that week and would get back to BTRC with a suitable time following week. Have not had any further correspondence since to date of this report.

*It has also been noted & recognised that Blackall Historical Woolscour Association engaged Blackall WORK Camp to repair and restore the count out pens attached to scour with new un-barked gidgee. According to the Queensland Heritage Authority, a 'Certificate of Exemption for Minor Works' was not lodged as required by Blackall Historical Woolscour Association to complete these works either.

Link to Corporate Plan

Governance

Outcome 3 – Leadership

Environment & Heritage

Outcome 2 – Historical Heritage

Consultation (internal/external)

Community Development Officer

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

Nil

Risk Management Assessment

Risk Category	Risk Tolerance	Summary of Risks Involved	Risk Rating
Financial	Low	Nil	Low
Legal & Regulatory	Low	Nil	Low
People	Low	Nil	Low
Operational	Medium	Nil	Low
Environmental	Medium	Nil	Low
Strategic	Medium	Nil	Low
Ethical	Low	Nil	Low
Reputation	Low	Council has provided assistance where/when permitted	Medium
Leadership	Low	Nil	Low

Proposed Risk Treatment

Nil

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 16 March 2022

Item No: 5.7

**SUBJECT HEADING: Development Application – DA 28-2021-2022 –
Reconfiguring a Lot at Langlo Road, Scrubby Creek**

Author and Officer's Title: Des Howard, Chief Executive Officer

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

Summary: The Applicant, David Elmes C/- Murray and Associates (QLD) Pty Ltd, seeks a Development Permit for Reconfiguring a Lot (Boundary realignment - two lots into two lots) involving land at Langlo Road, Scrubby Creek, formally described as Lot 1 and Lot 2 on SP322476.

The proposal involves a boundary realignment of two (2) existing lots. The boundary realignment will allow for farming succession planning and will ensure the lots are aligned with the current fencing that separates the two (2) lots.

Under the Blackall-Tambo Region Planning Scheme 2020 (the Planning Scheme), the subject site is in the Rural Zone. Undertaking the proposed development in the Rural zone is code assessable, requiring a Development Permit for Reconfiguring a Lot (Boundary realignment – two lots into two lots).

The acceptable outcome for minimum lot size in the Rural zone is 5,000 hectares. The proposal is seeking to convert existing lot 1 from 6,323 hectares to 8,090 hectares and existing lot 2 from 4,662 hectares to 2,895 hectares. The conflict with the 5,000 hectares minimum lot size can be justified on account that the size of the proposed lots is still sufficient for rural uses including agriculture, grazing and animal production.

Development conditions are recommended to ensure the reconfiguration of lots complies with all assessment benchmarks. The application is recommended for approval, subject to the conditions stated herein.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council approves the application for a Development Permit for Reconfiguring a Lot (Boundary realignment – two lots into two lots) on land located at Langlo Road, Scrubby Creek, formally described as Lot 1 and Lot 2 on SP322476 subject to the following conditions:

1.0 ENDORSEMENT OF SURVEY PLAN

1.1 Council will not endorse or release the survey plan for this development until such time as:

- (a) All conditions attached to this development approval for Reconfiguring a Lot have been fully satisfied;**
- (b) A statement demonstrating compliance with all conditions attached to this development approval has been submitted to Council; and**
- (c) All outstanding rates and charges relating to the site have been paid.**

2.0 APPROVED PLANS AND DOCUMENTS

- 2.1** The approved reconfiguration of a lot must be completed and maintained generally in accordance with the Proposed Boundary Realignment Cancelling Lots 1 & 2 on SP322476 Creating Lot 1 & 2, with reference 400187, prepared by Murray and Associates and dated 17/11/21.
- 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.

3.0 ACCESS

- 3.1** The existing access to Langlo Road must be maintained.

4.0 SERVICES

- 4.1** Maintain existing services and utility connections to approved lots 1 and 2 where applicable.
- 4.2** Any service connection to an existing building that traverses a lot boundary is to be:
 - 4.2.1** removed; or
 - 4.2.2** relocated so that it does not traverse a lot boundary; or
 - 4.2.3** covered by an easement.

5.0 PUBLIC UTILITIES

- 5.1** The applicant is responsible for the cost of any alteration to public utilities as a result of complying with conditions of this Development Permit.
- 5.2** Any alteration of any public utility or other facilities necessitated by the development of the land or associated construction works external to the site shall be at no cost to Council.
- 5.3** Any damage caused to any public utility during the course of construction shall be repaired to the satisfaction of Council's Delegated Officer and at no cost to Council prior to the sealing of the Survey Plan.

ADVISORY NOTES

- A.** The Developer and his employee, agent, contractor or invitee is responsible for ensuring compliance with the conditions of this development approval.
- B.** Where these Conditions refer to "Council" in relation to requiring Council to approve or to be satisfied as to any matter, or conferring on the Council a function, power or discretion, that role may be fulfilled in whole or in part by a delegate appointed for that purpose by the Council.
- C.** 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.

- D. General environmental duty under the Environmental Protection Act 1994 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.

Background

1.0 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION SUMMARY

TABLE 1 – OVERVIEW OF THE DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION

PROPERTY DETAILS		
Site address	Langlo Road, Scrubby Creek	
RPD	Lot 1 and Lot 2 on SP322476	
Site Area	10,985 hectares (combined)	
Landowner	David Samuel Elmes and Emma Dorothy Elmes (Lot 1) Donna Louise Doyle (Lot 2)	
Existing use of land	Grazing (Lot 1) and Rural residential (Lot 2)	
APPLICATION DETAILS		
Application No.	DA 28-2021-2022	
Applicant	David Elmes C/- Murray and Associates (QLD) Pty Ltd	
Application description	Development Application seeking Development Permit for Reconfiguring a Lot (Boundary Realignment – two lots into two lots)	
Date application was made	01 March 2022	
Decision due date	21 April 2022	
Proposal	Boundary realignment – two lots into two lots	
Main Issues/Resolution	Issue	Resolution
	The lot size of proposed Lot 2 (2,895 hectares) is below the minimum lot size prescribed for the Rural zone (5,000 hectares).	The conflict with the 5,000 hectare minimum lot size can be justified on account that the size of the proposed lot is still sufficient for rural uses including agriculture, grazing and animal production.
STATUTORY DETAILS		
Mapped matters of interest under PR 2017	Agriculture <ul style="list-style-type: none">Stock route network Biodiversity	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MSES – Regulated vegetation (category B) • MSES – Regulated vegetation (category C) • MSES – Regulated vegetation (intersecting a watercourse) <p>Natural Hazards Risks and Resilience</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Flood hazard area – Level 1 – Queensland floodplain assessment • Bushfire prone area
State agency referrals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N/A
State Planning Policy	State Planning Policy (July 2017)
Regional Plan	Central West Regional Plan (September 2009)
Planning Scheme	Blackall-Tambo Region Planning Scheme 2020
Zone	Rural Zone
Overlays	Nil
Level of Assessment	Code Assessment

2.0 PROPOSAL BACKGROUND

Application lodged	01 March 2022
Application properly made	01 March 2022
Decision Due	21 April 2022

3.0 SITE AND SURROUNDS DESCRIPTION

The site is located at Langlo Road, Scrubby Creek, formally described as Lot 1 and Lot 2 on SP322476 (refer **Figure 1**). The subject site has the following characteristics:

- Lot 1 on SP322476 is vacant and does not contain any buildings and is used for grazing
- Lot 2 on SP322476 contains a house and associated structures on the southern side of Garden Waterhole.



Figure 1 – Aerial of subject site and locality

The subject site is traversed by Langlo Road and has a stock route, Graf Road, connecting to the Langlo River. The subject site contains undulating land that slopes towards the river. Rural lots used for livestock grazing surround the subject site.

4.0 DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL

The proposed boundary realignment (as shown in **Figure 2**) results in the creation of two lots. The table below outlines the area of existing and proposed lots:

Lot	Existing area	Proposed area
1	6,323 hectares	8,090 hectares
2	4,662 hectares	2,895 hectares

The purpose of the boundary realignment is to allow for farming succession planning and to ensure the lots are aligned with the current fencing that separates the two lots.

No change is proposed to the existing access arrangements to proposed Lots 1 and 2 which are facilitated via existing crossovers from Langlo Road. Lot 1 does not require any services as it is used solely for grazing livestock whilst Lot 2 will retain the existing services connected to the house.

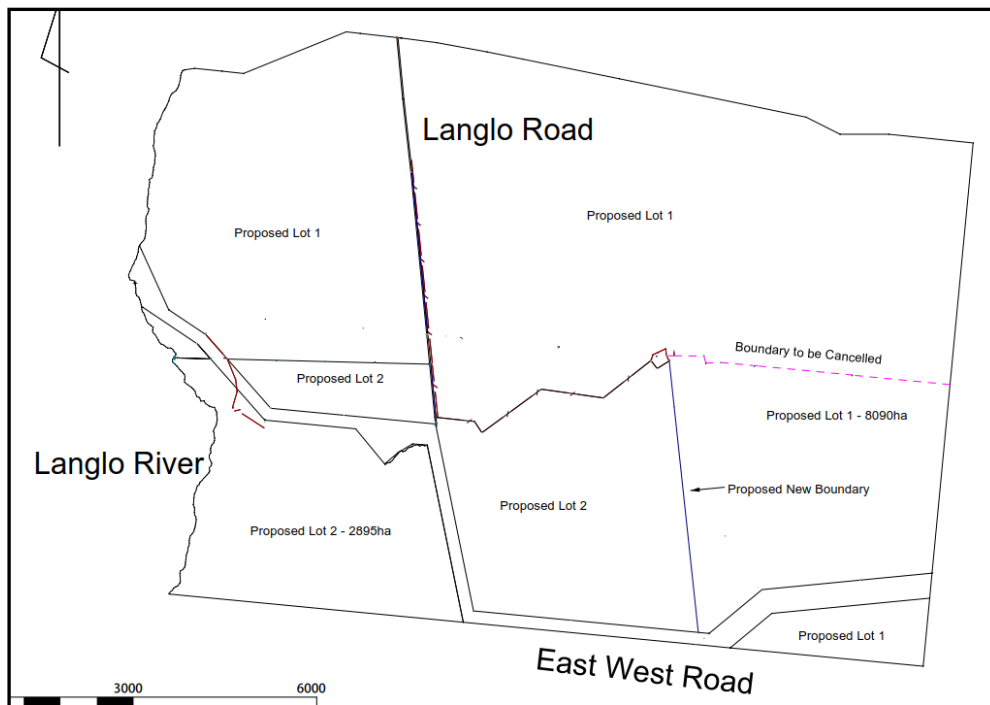


Figure 2 – Proposed boundary realignment

The plan recommended for approval in the conditions is provided in **Attachment 1** to this report.

5.0 PLANNING ASSESSMENT

In accordance with section 45 (3) of the *Planning Act 2016*, Code Assessment is an assessment that must be carried out only –

- (a) Against the **assessment benchmarks in a categorising instrument** for the development; and
- (b) Having regard to **any matters prescribed by regulation** for this paragraph.

This framework for assessing Code assessable applications is explained as follows –

Code assessment is a 'bounded assessment' which means only the applicable assessment benchmarks and matters can be considered by Council in deciding the application.

The categorising instrument for the development is the *Blackall-Tambo Region Planning Scheme 2020*, under which the applicable assessment benchmark is the Reconfiguring a Lot Code and the Rural zone code.

The Central West Regional Plan

The regional plan is identified as being appropriately integrated in the Planning Scheme and therefore, does not require further assessment. The assessment of the proposal against the Planning Scheme in section 5.1 below also functions as an assessment of the Regional Plan.

The State Planning Policy

The State Planning Policy (July 2017) (SPP) has been identified as being appropriately integrated with the Planning and Scheme and therefore an assessment against the Planning Scheme is considered to be an assessment against the SPP.

The Local Government Infrastructure Plan

There is no Local Government Infrastructure Plan in place for the Council Area and Council ceases to charge Adopted Infrastructure Charges for any new development. In turn, these assessment benchmarks do not apply to the development and an Infrastructure Charges Notice does not form part of this recommendation.

Schedules 9 and 10 of the Planning Regulation

The planning application does not require referral to the State Assessment and Referral Agency. It is acknowledged that the lots contain native vegetation and waterways that provide fish habitat, however the proposal is for a boundary realignment only and does not any clearing or works within waterways.

Approval history / lawful use of the premises

No approval records for the subject land were available for review.

Common material

All material about the application that Council has received since lodgement has been considered in this report.

The following sections consider the above assessment benchmarks and matters to the extent relevant to the application.

5.1 **BLACKALL-TAMBO REGION PLANNING SCHEME 2020**

Under the Planning Scheme the development is defined as Reconfiguring a Lot. Under the *Planning Act 2016* (the Planning Act), the definition of Reconfiguring a Lot relates to (emphasis added):

- (a) *Creating lots by subdividing another lot; or*
- (b) *Amalgamating 2 or more lots;*
- (c) **Rearranging the boundaries of a lot** *by registering a plan of subdivision under the Land Act or Land Title Act; or*
- (d) *Dividing land into parts by agreement rendering different parts of a lot immediately available for separate disposition or separate occupation, other than by an agreement that is:*
 - (i) *A lease for a term, including renewal options, not exceeding 10 years; or*
 - (ii) *An agreement for the exclusive use of part of the common property for a community titles scheme under the Body Corporate and Community Management Act 1997; or*
- (e) *Creating an easement giving access to a lot from a constructed road.*

In accordance with Table 4.5.1 of the Planning Scheme, the relevant assessment benchmarks for the development application include the Reconfiguring a lot code and Rural zone code.

The development complies with the purpose, performance outcomes and acceptable outcomes of the Reconfiguring a lot code. The purpose of the code is encompassed by a set of outcomes prescribed under section 6.3.2 of the Planning Scheme. The proposed development does not compromise the purpose of the Code in that:

- The size of the proposed lots is still sufficient for rural uses including agriculture, grazing and animal production
- Each lot will continue to be used for rural purposes and the boundary realignment will not diminish the long-term viability of rural activities in the Rural zone

- Access to the lots will remain unchanged
- Proposed lot 1 is used for grazing only and does not require services, whilst proposed lot 2 will retain the existing services associated with the house on site
- The proposal will not result in any changes to the flow of stormwater
- The proposed development does not result in any additional lots being created. As a result, the proposed development will not increase the risk to people or property as a result of flooding events
- The proposed development does not result in any additional lots being created in a bushfire prone area
- The proposed boundary realignment will have no impact on the function of the stock routes passing through the property.

The development complies with the purpose, performance outcomes and acceptable outcomes of the Rural zone code. The purpose of the code is encompassed by a set of outcomes prescribed under section 5.2.1.2 of the Planning Scheme. The proposed development does not compromise the purpose of the Code in that:

- The proposal does not compromise the current uses of the subject sites, which are consistent with the intent of the Rural zone
- The proposal also will not prejudice the future use of the subject site for rural purposes.

In summary, this planning assessment concludes that the proposal is consistent with the Reconfiguring a lot code and Rural zone code, being the applicable assessment benchmarks under the Planning Scheme. Conditions of approval reflect the elements of the assessment benchmark to ensure on-going compliance in terms of land use and amenity.

6.0 REFERRALS

6.1 INTERNAL

The application was not internally referred to the Development Engineer to carry out the engineering assessment due to the minor nature of the proposal and due to the proposal not requiring any new services or new access.

6.2 EXTERNAL

The planning application does not require referral to the State Assessment and Referral Agency. It is acknowledged that the lots contain native vegetation and waterways that provide fish habitat, however the proposal is for a boundary realignment only and does not involve any works.

7.0 CONCLUSION

This Code Assessable Development Application Development Permit for Reconfiguring a Lot (Boundary realignment - two lots into two lots) involving land at Langlo Road, Scrubby Creek, formally described as Lot 1 and Lot 2 on SP322476, is recommended for approval, subject to the conditions outlined in this report.

This recommendation is based on an assessment of the proposal in accordance with the *Planning Act 2016* for applications requiring code assessment, which demonstrates the proposal's consistency with relevant matters and assessment benchmarks.

In accordance with the requirements for a decision notice under section 63 the Act, the notice must state the reasons for the decision. For this development, the statement of reasons, being the grounds for approval, will feature on the decision notice as follows:

- a) The proposal creates lots that are functional, suitable and consistent with the existing zone intent. While the proposal results in one (1) lot that does not comply with the 5,000 hectare minimum lot size requirement for the Rural zone, the proposal can be justified on account of the size of the proposed lots is still sufficient for rural uses including agriculture, grazing and animal production;
- b) The proposal will not prejudice the future use of the lots for rural purposes;
- c) The proposal complies with the relevant codes contained in the Blackall-Tambo Region Planning Scheme 2020
- d) The proposal does not conflict with the State Planning Policy 2017 and Central West Regional Plan 2009

Link to Corporate Plan

Economic Development

Outcome 1 – Business Investment

Outcome 4 – Land Development

Consultation (internal/external)

Reel Planning

Rates Officer

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

Nil

Risk Management Assessment

Risk Category	Risk Tolerance	Summary of Risks Involved	Risk Rating
Financial	Low	Nil	Low
Legal & Regulatory	Low	All legal and regulatory requirements have been addressed by Council's town planners.	Low
People	Low	Nil	Low
Operational	Medium	Nil	Low
Environmental	Medium	No environmental concerns have been found by Council's town planners.	Low
Strategic	Medium	Nil	Low
Ethical	Low	Nil	Low
Reputation	Low	Nil	Low
Leadership	Low	Nil	Low

Proposed Risk Treatment

Nil