



GENERAL MEETING

13 March 2024

NOTICE OF MEETING

Date: 13 March 2024

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 Tambo, 13 March 2024 commencing at 8.30am.

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DA Howard
Chief Executive Officer

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March 2024

13 March 2024	Council Meeting – Tambo
16 March 2024	Local Government Election
28-30 March 2024	Caldervale Campdraft
29 March 2024	Good Friday
30 March 2024	Day following Good Friday
31 March 2024	Easter Sunday

April 2024

1 April 2024	Easter Monday
17 April 2024	Council Meeting – Blackall
19 April 2024	Queensland Music Trail – Tambo Big Bush Dance
25 April 2024	Anzac Day
27 April 2024	Tambo Stock Show

May 2024

6 May 2024	Labour Day
10-11 May 2024	Blackall Show
15 May 2024	Council Meeting – Tambo
16 May 2024	Councillor Induction Session – Blackall (9am to 1pm)
18-19 May 2024	Polocrosse - Tambo
21-22 May 2024	Civic Leaders Summit
23 May 2024	Opera Queensland – Blackall Woolscour

June 2024

1 June 2024	Tambo Cup Races
11-14 June 2024	National General Assembly
19 June 2024	Council Meeting – Blackall

July 2024

17 July 2024	Council Meeting – Tambo
30-31 July 2024	Indigenous Leaders Forum

August 2024

21 August 2024	Council Meeting – Blackall
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September 2024

18 September 2024	Council Meeting – Tambo
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October 2024

7 October 2024	King's Birthday
16 October 2024	Council Meeting – Blackall
24 October 2024	State Election
28-30 October 2024	LGAQ Annual Conference

November 2024

5 November 2024
20 November 2024

Melbourne Cup Holiday
Council Meeting – Tambo

December 2024

18 December 2024
24 December 2024
25 December 2024
26 December 2024

Council Meeting – Blackall
Christmas Eve
Christmas Day
Boxing Day

Held at Tambo Council Chambers
On Wednesday 13 March 2024
Commencing at 8.30am

Order of Business

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Leave of absence/Signing of Attendance Book

Apologies: Nil

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 21st FEBRUARY 2024
AT 8.30AM**

PRESENT:

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

OFFICERS:

Mr Des Howard, Chief Executive Officer, Mr Ajay Agwan, Director of Works and Services, Mr Alastair Rutherford, Director of Finance, Corporate and Community Services, Andrea Saunders, Governance Coordinator, Piper Hansen, Minute Taker.

CONDOLENCES:

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

- Donald Gavin Lloyd
 - Donald Thomas Wheeler
 - Alea Joy Dugdell
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DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

No conflicts of interest were declared.

1.1 Confirmation of General Meeting Minutes

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

That the minutes of the General Meeting held on 17th January 2024 be taken as read and confirmed, and that the Mayor be authorised to sign same.

Minute No. 01/02A/24

Carried 7/0

3.1.1 Financial Report for the Month of January 2024

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 2024 details Council's current financial position and compares its performance against the adopted budget for 2023-2024.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr LP Russell** **Seconded: Cr GK Schluter**

That Council receive the Financial Report for January 2024.

Minute No. 02/02A/24

Carried 7/0

3.1.1 DFCCS Operations Report – January 2024

The Director of Finance Corporate and Community Services operations report for January 2024 is presented to Council. The report includes housing and administration, community development program, Blackall aerodrome, libraries, visitor information centres, facility bookings, and Tambo Multipurpose.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr GK Schluter** **Seconded: Cr JH Scobie**

That Council receive the DFCCS Operations Report for January 2024.

Minute No. 03/02A/24

Carried 7/0

3.1.2 Internal Audit and Risk Management Committee – Minutes of Meeting 19 January 2024

The Internal Audit and Risk Management Committee meeting was held on 19 January 2024 to discuss the request for additional audit fees from Grant Thornton.

MOTION: **Moved: Cr LP Russell** **Seconded: Cr DA Hardie**

That Council receive the minutes of the Internal Audit and Risk Management Committee's meeting 19 January 2024.

Minute No. 04/02A/24

Carried 7/0

3.1.3 Operational Plan Review

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

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

That Council receive the 31 December 2023 report.

Minute No. 05/02A/24

Carried 7/0

4.1.1 Director of Works and Services’ Operations Report – January 2024

The Director of Works and Services report for January 2024 is presented to Council.

MOTION: Moved: Cr JH Scobie

Seconded: Cr PJ Pullos

That Council receive the Director of Works and Services’ Operation Report for January 2024.

Minute No. 06/02A/24

Carried 7/0

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 2024.

Minute No. 07/02A/24

Carried 7/0

5.2 Planning and Development Report

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

MOTION: Moved: Cr BP Johnstone

Seconded: Cr DA Hardie

That Council receive the Planning and Development Report for January 2024.

Minute No. 08/02A/24

Carried 7/0

5.3 Environmental Health Officer’s Report

The Environmental Health Officer’s report is provided to Council.

MOTION: Moved: Cr PJ Pullos

Seconded: Cr DA Hardie

That Council receive the Environmental Health Officer's report for January.

Minute No. 09/02A/24

Carried 7/0

5.4 Ranger's Report

The Ranger's report for January 2024 is provided to Council.

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

That Council receive the Ranger's report for January 2024.

Minute No. 10/02A/24

Carried 7/0

5.5 Review of the Meeting Procedures

The Meeting Procedures have been reviewed following an update to the Model Meeting Procedures by the Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning.

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

That Council adopt the revised Meeting Procedures.

Minute No. 11/02A/24

Carried 7/0

5.6 Blackall Racecourse Paddock Lease

Council called for expressions of interest for a racecourse paddock became available.

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

That Council note that Mr and Mrs Russell have been awarded the lease for the Blackall Racecourse Paddock 1 for a period of two years with an option to extend.

Minute No. 12/02A/24

Carried 7/0

CLOSURE:

There being no further business to consider, the Mayor declared the Meeting closed at 9.46am.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

Confirmed by Council as a true and correct record at the General Meeting held on Wednesday 13th March 2024.

Signed.....Mayor

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Minute No.	Report Number	Subject	Resolution	Action By	Result
17/12A/22	5.11	Relocation of the Tambo Library and Visitor Information Centre to the Grassland Building	That Council: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Approves of the relocation of the Tambo Library and Visitor Information Centre to the Grassland building; and 2. Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to commence the process of the relocation of the Tambo Library and Visitor Information Centre. 	CEO	Work underway.
11/02A/24	5.5	Review of the Meeting Procedures	That Council adopt the revised Meeting Procedures.	CEO	The procedures have been updated on Council's website and distributed to employees.

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 13 March 2024

Item No: **3.1.1****SUBJECT HEADING: Financial Report for the Month of February 2024**

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 2024 details Council's current financial position and compares its performance against the adopted budget for 2023-2024.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the Financial Report for February 2024.

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 – Manage Council's finances responsibly and sustainably.

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 13 MARCH 2024

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FINANCE REPORT TO A MEETING OF BLACKALL-TAMBO REGIONAL COUNCIL

HELD ON 13 MARCH 2024

1. Cash Position as at 29 February 2024

Cash at Bank

Operating Accounts \$ 2,400,971

Short Term Investments

Queensland Treasury Corporation - Cash Fund \$ 20,000,000

Bank - Term Deposits \$ 5,000,000

\$ 27,400,971

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) \$ 2,680,712

Unspent Grants (Restricted Cash) \$ 633,449

\$ 3,314,161

	<i>Debtors</i>	<i>Creditors</i>	
Balance of recoverable debtors - estimated creditors :	606,610	342,537	\$ 264,073

Plus cash surplus	27,400,971	3,314,161	\$ 24,086,810
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Working Capital \$ 24,350,883

2. Monthly Cashflow Estimate: March 2024

Receipts

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

Debtors \$ 520,000

Grants/Subsidies \$ -

Total \$ 2,320,000

Expenditure

Payroll \$ 800,000

Creditor Payments \$ 800,000

Loan Payments \$ -

Total \$ 1,600,000

Therefore cash is expected to increase by \$ 720,000 in the period.

3. Comparative Data:

	February 2024	February 2023
Cash position	27,400,971	21,207,045
Working capital	24,350,883	17,058,970
Rate arrears	19,650	19,635
Outstanding debtors	606,610	63,798
Current creditors	342,537	255,081

FINANCE REPORT TO A MEETING OF BLACKALL-TAMBO REGIONAL COUNCIL

HELD ON 13 MARCH 2024

4. Capital Works Summary: 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024

	Budget	YTD Actual	% of Budget
Buildings & Other Structures	1,528,000	- 36,285	-2%
Plant & Equipment	590,700	522,951	89%
Road Infrastructure	7,036,500	853,718	12%
Water Infrastructure	200,000	8,424	4%
Sewerage Infrastructure	975,000	10,177	1%
Total	10,330,200	1,358,985	13%

5. Road Works Expenditure : 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024

	Budget	Expended YTD Actual	% of Budget Expended
1. Rural Roads	13,332,300	5,238,832	39%
2. Town Streets	415,000	333,273	80%
3. RMPC Works	2,343,700	875,900	37%
Total Roads Expenditure	16,091,000	6,448,005	40%

6. Rate Arrears Summary

Total Rates Outstanding Balance \$ 2,416,189

Rates Outstanding Breakdown	Total	No. of Assessments
Current	\$ 2,396,539	1036
1 Year	\$ 16,951	12
2 Years	\$ 2,699	4
3 Years and over	\$ -	0

BTRC 2023-24 CAPITAL EXPENDITURE PROJECTS		1/07/23 to 30/06/24		SOURCES OF FUNDING		Degree of completion and relevant comments
Particulars	Budget	Expenditure YTD	% Expended	Capital Grants	Council Contribution	
BUILDINGS & OTHER STRUCTURES	1,498,000	- 36,285	-2%	407,000	1,091,000	
Asbestos Pits Blackall & Tambo digging/fencing LRCI P4	70,000	-	0%	40,000	30,000	Blackall fence to do
Banks Park Snail Structure	6,000	16,231	271%	-	6,000	Water taps to be put in
Four Mile Seating	20,000	10,646	53%	-	20,000	Complete
Blackall - LED Sign for Shamrock Street	15,000	11,551	77%	-	15,000	Awaiting delivery
Blackall Cultural Centre - scope of works for stump repairs	60,000	-	0%	-	60,000	Not started
Cultural Centre lighting & acoustic matting upgrade LRCI P4	80,000	-	0%	50,000	30,000	Choice of colours briefing session
Blackall Pool Two Heaters -replacements	30,000	12,841	43%	-	30,000	Complete
Blackall Rodeo and Campdraft Arena upgrade LRCI P4	200,000	37,628	19%	200,000	-	CEO, DWS, JG meeting Friday
Blackall Saleyards - Build-in Hay Feeders	50,000	-	0%	-	50,000	On hold
Blackall Saleyards - 2 Loading Ramp Catwalks - WHS Issue	200,000	3,876	2%	-	200,000	Order issued Design stage
Red Ridge Precinct Stage One -Clearing sites POW & Cinema	300,000	-	0%	-	300,000	On hold
Grasslands - renovations for library and VIC	60,000	-	0%	-	60,000	WIP
Greta Towner Statue foundation (RSL funding statue)	30,000	12,840	43%	-	30,000	Complete
Rosclare Station Repeater tower	25,000	-	0%	-	25,000	Land issue to resolve
Shade Structures Blackall Carpark, Tambo Hall and TMPC	90,000	27,037	30%	-	90,000	Options within budget currently being considered
Stock Route Glenusk - New Tank	20,000	-	0%	20,000	-	Awaiting delivery of tank
Stock Route Gumholes New 22,000 gal tank - DNR	21,000	-	0%	21,000	-	Delayed due to weather
Stock Route Rodds Bore solar panels and pump - DNR	16,000	-	0%	16,000	-	Complete
Tambo Courthouse (formerly library & VIC)	100,000	-	0%	-	100,000	Planning underway
Tambo Shire Hall - repairs and sanding to floor	15,000	-	0%	-	15,000	Trying to engage builder
Tambo Netball Court 10% contribution	50,000	-	0%	-	50,000	No call on this as yet
Tambo Pool Lift	10,000	9,905	99%	-	10,000	Complete
Tambo Pool Heating	100,000	-	0%	-	100,000	Tenders to be called
Tambo Pound Yards	60,000	17,798	30%	-	60,000	Main section complete
Tambo Race Club - Access ramp and cement path LRCI P4	30,000	23,362	78%	30,000	-	In progress
Tambo Race Club - Upgrade Jockey's Change Rooms	30,000	-	0%	30,000	-	Trying to engage builder
Tambo Race Club Building - Internal Bldg. Repairs	30,000	-	0%	-	30,000	Trying to engage builder
Tambo Sawmill and Permit - Sale	- 220,000	- 220,000	100%	-	- 220,000	Sold

Particulars	Budget	Expenditure YTD	% Expended	Capital Grants	Council Contribution	Degree of completion and relevant comments
PLANT & EQUIPMENT	590,700	522,951	89%	80,000	510,700	
Plant Replacement including committed orders	590,700	522,951	89%	80,000	510,700	In progress
ROAD INFRASTRUCTURE	7,036,500	853,718	12%	5,726,500	1,310,000	
Blackall Main St Beautification (LRCI P4 & Council)	200,000	95,902	48%	100,000	100,000	In progress
East Walter Lane pave and seal	120,000	136,364	114%	-	120,000	Complete
Langlo Road Resheet (FEDS) Remote Roads RRUP	600,000	9,714	2%	480,000	120,000	In progress
Petunia Lane pave and seal	80,000	28,230	35%	-	80,000	In progress
QRA Betterment Program (QRA & LRCI P4)	2,770,000	-	0%	2,500,000	270,000	
Queen Elizabeth and Charles Streets pave and seal LRCI	150,000	34,962	23%	148,300	1,700	In progress
Reseals - LRCI P3	808,300	29,310	4%	808,300	-	In progress
Reseals - LRCI P4 and Council	884,600	-	0%	466,300	418,300	
Scrubby Creek TIDS	215,300	216,564	101%	215,300	-	Complete
Salvia Street - R2R	458,300	46,895	10%	458,300	-	In progress
Ward Road Rehab - TIDS/R2R/Council	750,000	255,777	34%	550,000	200,000	In progress
WATER INFRASTRUCTURE	200,000	8,424	#REF!	-	200,000	
Water Infrastructure Renewals	200,000	8,424	4%	-	200,000	
SEWERAGE INFRASTRUCTURE	975,000	10,177	1%	775,000	200,000	
Blackall Treatment Wks. upgrade Imhoff Tank & clarifier W4Q	195,000	-	0%	195,000	-	
Capital improvements as required	200,000	-	0%	-	200,000	
Tambo New Housing lots Charles & QE Streets W4Q	100,000	-	0%	100,000	-	
Tambo - sewer upgrade Charles and QE Streets W4Q	480,000	10,177	2%	480,000	-	
TOTAL CAPITAL PROGRAM 23-24	10,300,200	1,358,985	13%	6,988,500	3,311,700	

General Ledger 2023.6.13.1

Revenue and Expenditure Summary

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(Accounts: 0100-0001-0000 to 5245-2000-0000. All report groups. 67% of year elapsed. To Level 2. Excludes committed costs)

Blackall-Tambo Regional Council (Budget for full year)

Financial Year Ending 2024

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	REVENUE			EXPENDITURE				
	29 Feb 2024 ACTUAL	AMENDED BUDGET	ORIGINAL BUDGET	29 Feb 2024 ACTUAL	AMENDED BUDGET	ORIGINAL BUDGET		
1000-0001 ADMINISTRATION								
1000-0002 Administration	167,363	56%	299,500	279,500	2,562,819	64%	3,986,300	4,116,200
1100-0002 Finance	4,611,818	43%	10,663,700	9,329,700	(27,080)	-37%	73,900	70,000
1200-0002 Oncosts	0	0%	0	0	589,086	-154%	(383,400)	(383,400)
1300-0002 Stores/Purchasing	0	0%	0	0	(4,342)	29%	(15,200)	30,800
2000-0002 Corporate Governance	0	0%	0	0	508,978	63%	814,100	863,100
2100-0002 Business Activities	25,193	72%	35,000	35,000	32,802	28%	116,000	176,000
2150-0002 Saleyard Operations	482,674	54%	901,000	1,331,000	426,015	44%	958,100	958,100
2200-0002 Tambo Sawmill & Weighbridge	2,145	27%	8,000	4,000	34,374	53%	64,800	64,800
2350-0002 Airports/Aerodromes	86,874	63%	138,000	138,000	215,387	64%	338,900	353,900
2450-0002 Tourism	29,423	66%	44,500	42,500	241,218	63%	382,500	402,500
2500-0002 Planning & Development	51,213	114%	45,000	45,000	73,044	104%	70,000	70,000
2580-0002 Economic & Community Develop	678,590	10%	7,051,500	5,211,600	11,965	22%	55,000	60,000
2600-0002 Environmental	54,046	65%	83,100	83,100	108,141	98%	110,000	230,000
2650-0002 Animal Control	16,717	73%	22,800	22,800	7,636	38%	20,000	13,500
2700-0002 Stock Routes	129,050	108%	119,000	94,000	319,172	109%	294,000	331,000
3000-0002 Work Scheme and Community	12,590	42%	30,000	17,000	86,554	62%	139,000	152,000
3100-0002 Council Housing	123,498	85%	145,000	145,000	229,029	68%	335,800	357,800
3300-0002 Child Care Services	0	0%	0	0	9,131	45%	20,300	30,300
3350-0002 Sport and Recreation	4,535	45%	10,000	18,000	28,814	51%	56,000	60,000
3400-0002 Youth Services	0	0%	0	0	10,909	22%	50,000	80,000
3415-0002 Tambo Multi-Purpose Centre	122,046	75%	163,600	108,600	183,841	73%	250,300	324,300
3445-0002 Disability	79,485	79%	100,000	140,000	44,097	63%	70,000	110,000
3460-0002 Community Services	238,123	85%	279,800	259,800	154,145	55%	282,800	265,300
3470-0002 Miscellaneous Care Services	0	0%	0	0	0	0%	0	2,000
3500-0002 Libraries, Education and Arts	9,025	64%	14,000	14,000	153,568	63%	243,500	258,500
3570-0002 RADF & Community Assistance	53,194	100%	53,300	51,000	113,940	32%	355,300	355,300
3600-0002 Halls and Cultural Centres	2,814	94%	3,000	3,000	169,760	75%	225,400	245,400
3700-0002 Showgrounds & Sports Facilities	11,586	55%	21,000	14,000	514,282	70%	732,000	746,000
3800-0002 Corporate Buildings	0	0%	0	0	91,419	63%	145,000	155,500
1000-0001 ADMINISTRATION	6,992,001	35%	20,230,800	17,386,600	6,888,704	70%	9,790,400	10,498,900
4000-0001 WORKS AND SERVICES								
4001-0002 Works Office and Depot	0	0%	0	0	1,922,879	65%	2,962,600	3,305,200
4100-0002 Town Street Maintenance	0	0%	0	0	333,274	83%	400,000	415,000
4200-0002 Rural Roads Maintenance	58,306	3%	2,025,400	1,910,400	761,438	95%	800,000	800,000
4500-0002 Recoverable Works	6,086,530	40%	15,082,500	32,620,200	8,516,806	56%	15,075,500	32,543,200
4550-0002 Plant Operations	2,518,971	64%	3,945,000	3,545,000	2,352,846	71%	3,313,000	3,054,800
4600-0002 SES - Disaster Mgmt	22,414	31%	72,400	75,500	61,194	46%	132,900	164,800
4700-0002 Cemeteries	15,042	100%	15,000	15,000	81,301	67%	121,700	141,700
4800-0002 Parks, Gardens and Reserves	0	0%	0	0	717,305	61%	1,173,300	1,313,300
4860-0002 Aquatic Centres	0	0%	0	0	426,217	80%	532,100	587,100
5000-0002 Cleansing	360,361	96%	374,300	374,300	294,139	69%	425,100	383,100
5100-0002 Water Supply	949,975	101%	942,600	942,600	354,147	67%	532,200	546,200
5200-0002 Sewerage Services	819,537	100%	817,600	807,600	223,872	56%	398,300	458,300
4000-0001 WORKS AND SERVICES	10,831,136	47%	23,274,800	40,290,600	16,045,416	62%	25,866,700	43,712,700
TOTAL REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE	17,823,137	41%	43,505,600	57,677,200	22,934,120	64%	35,657,100	54,211,600

Account/Function Specific Comments for Revenue and Expenditure Summary Report

Account	Description	Revenue	Expenditure
1000-0002	Administration		
1100-0002	Finance	<i>Financial assistance grants paid in advance in prior year instead of larger quarterly instalments, next budgeted annual prepayment due in June 2024.</i>	
1200-0002	Oncosts		<i>Includes insurance premiums paid for 12 months.</i>
1300-0002	Stores/Purchasing		
2000-0002	Corporate Governance		
2100-0002	Business Activities	<i>Annual paddock leases invoiced</i>	
2150-0002	Saleyard Operations		
2200-0002	Tambo Sawmill & Weighbridge		
2350-0002	Airports/Aerodromes		
2450-0002	Tourism		
2500-0002	Planning & Development	<i>Increase in planning and development applications</i>	
2580-0002	Economic & Community	<i>Budgeted amount includes State & Federal Capital Grants</i>	
2600-0002	Environmental		
2650-0002	Animal Control	<i>Annual animal registration notices issued</i>	
2700-0002	Stock Routes		
3000-0002	Work Scheme and Community		
3100-0002	Council Housing		
3300-0002	Child Care Services		
3350-0002	Sport and Recreation		
3400-0002	Youth Services		
3415-0002	Tambo MPC		
3445-0002	Disability		
3460-0002	Community Services		
3470-0002	Miscellaneous Care		
3500-0002	Libraries, Education		
3570-0002	RADF & Community Assistance	<i>Annual funding received</i>	
3600-0002	Halls and Cultural Centres		
3700-0002	Showgrounds & Sports		
3800-0002	Corporate Buildings		
4001-0002	Works Office and Depot		
4100-0002	Town Street Maintenance		
4200-0002	Rural Roads Maintenance		
4500-0002	Recoverable Works		
4550-0002	Plant Operations		
4600-0002	SES - Disaster Management		
4700-0002	Cemeteries		
4800-0002	Parks, Gardens and Reserves		
4860-0002	Aquatic Centres		
5000-0002	Cleansing	<i>Rate charges levied for 12 months</i>	
5100-0002	Water Supply	<i>Rate charges levied for 12 months</i>	
5200-0002	Sewerage Services	<i>Rate charges levied for 12 months</i>	

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 13 March 2024

Item No: **3.1.2****SUBJECT HEADING: DFCCS Operations Report – February 2024**

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 2024 is presented to Council. The report includes housing and administration, Blackall aerodrome, libraries, visitor information centres, facility bookings, and Tambo Multipurpose.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the DFCCS Operations Report for February 2024.

Background**Blackall Buildings*****Buildings Maintenance***

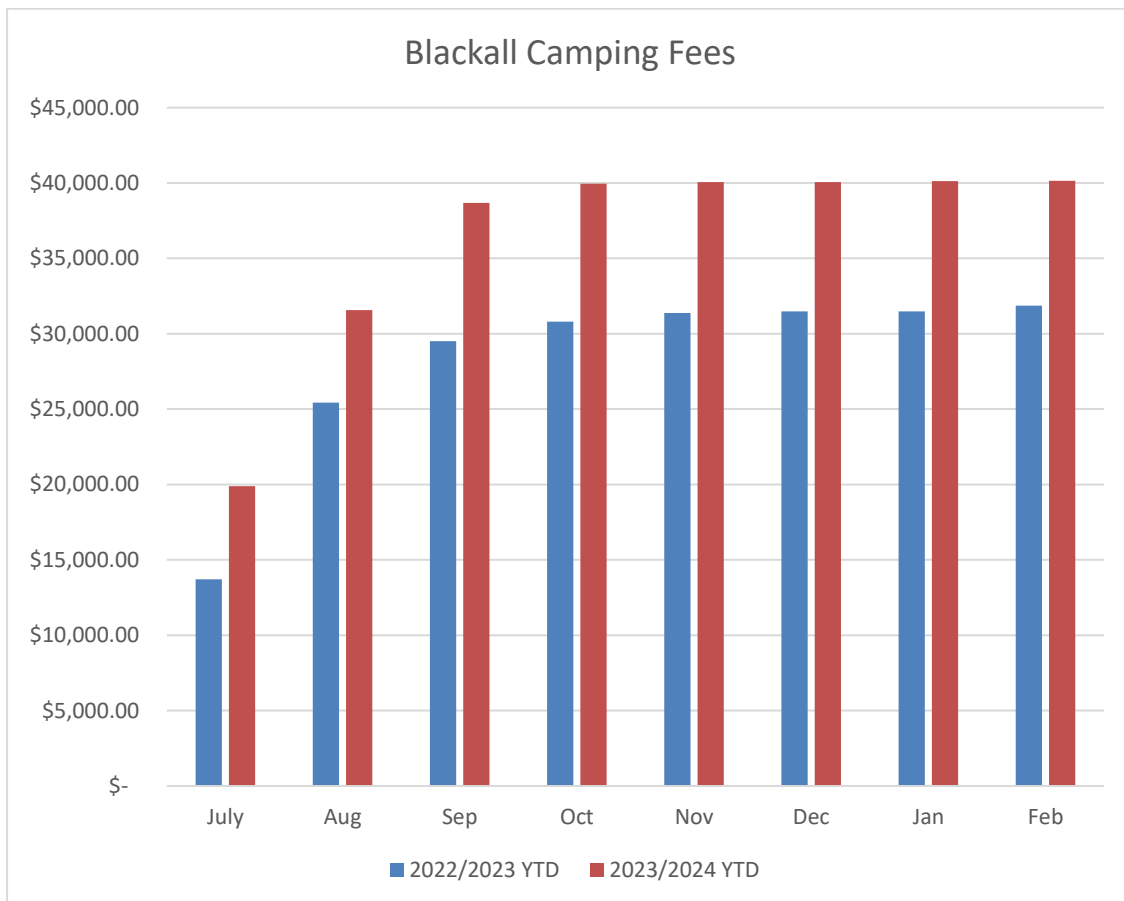
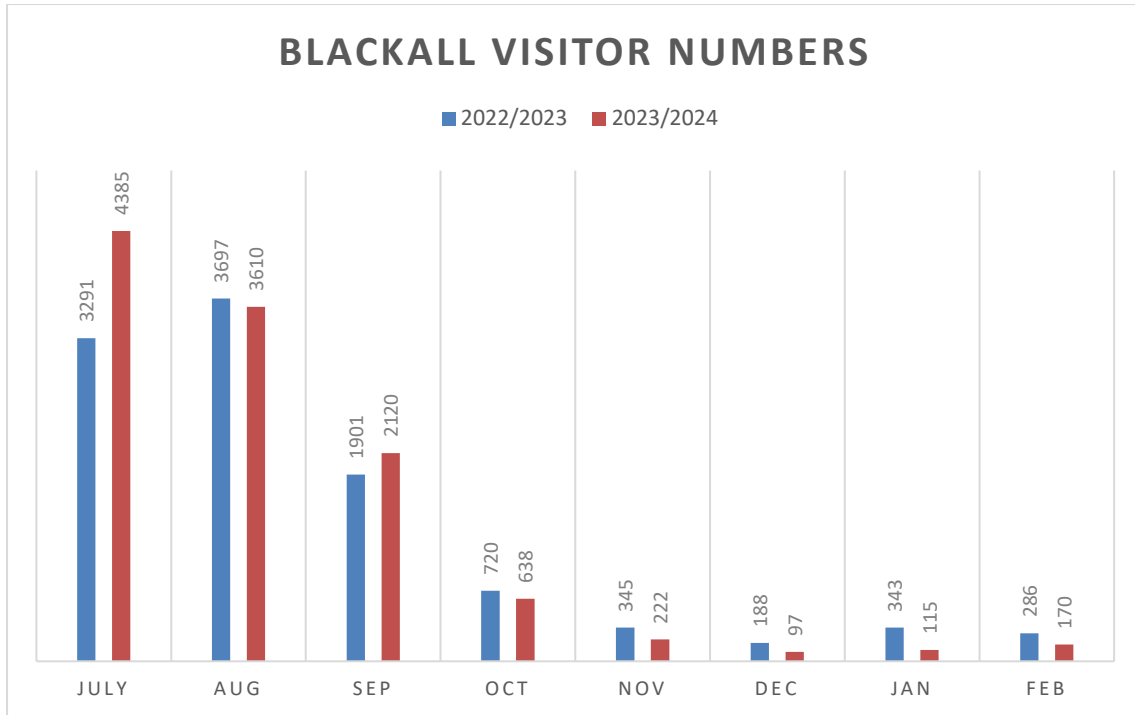
- Termites treated at Cultural Centre.
- Cultural Centre toilets repaired.
- Light repairs to Youth Centre and Memorial Hall.
- Air conditioning in boardroom kitchen repaired.
- Trees trimmed at a council house in Thistle Street.
- Smoke alarm in Bedford Street unit repaired.

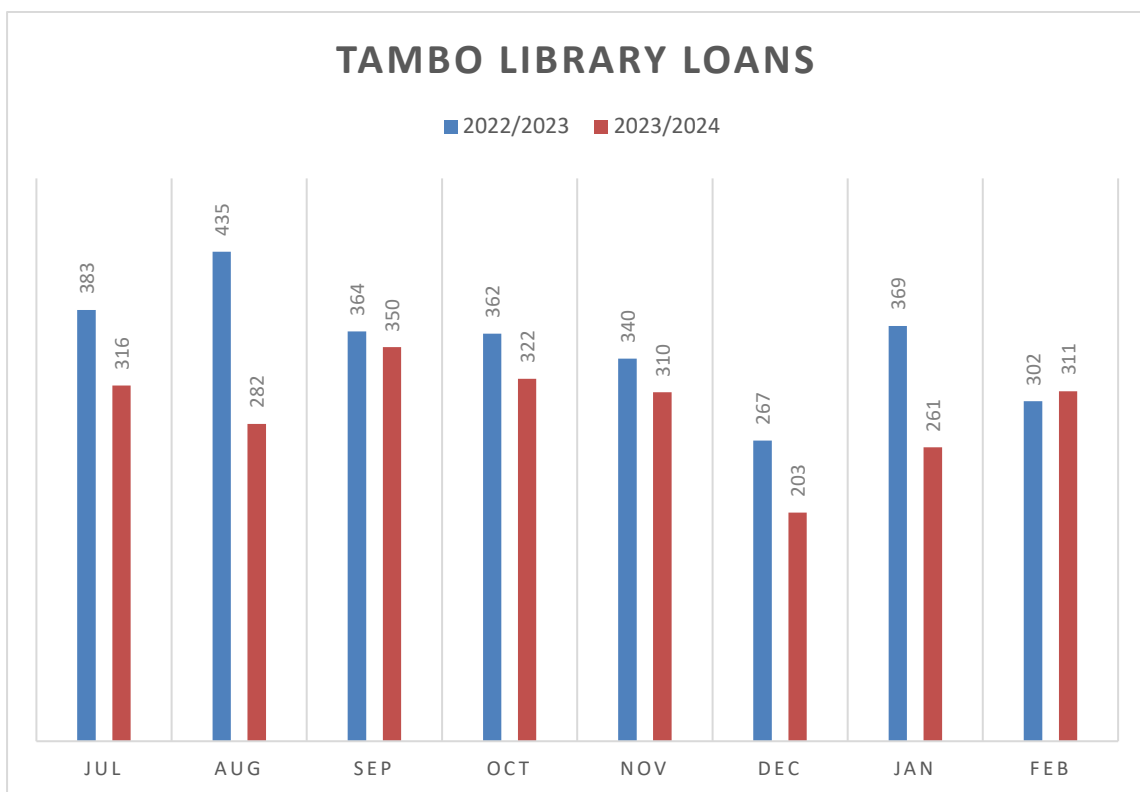
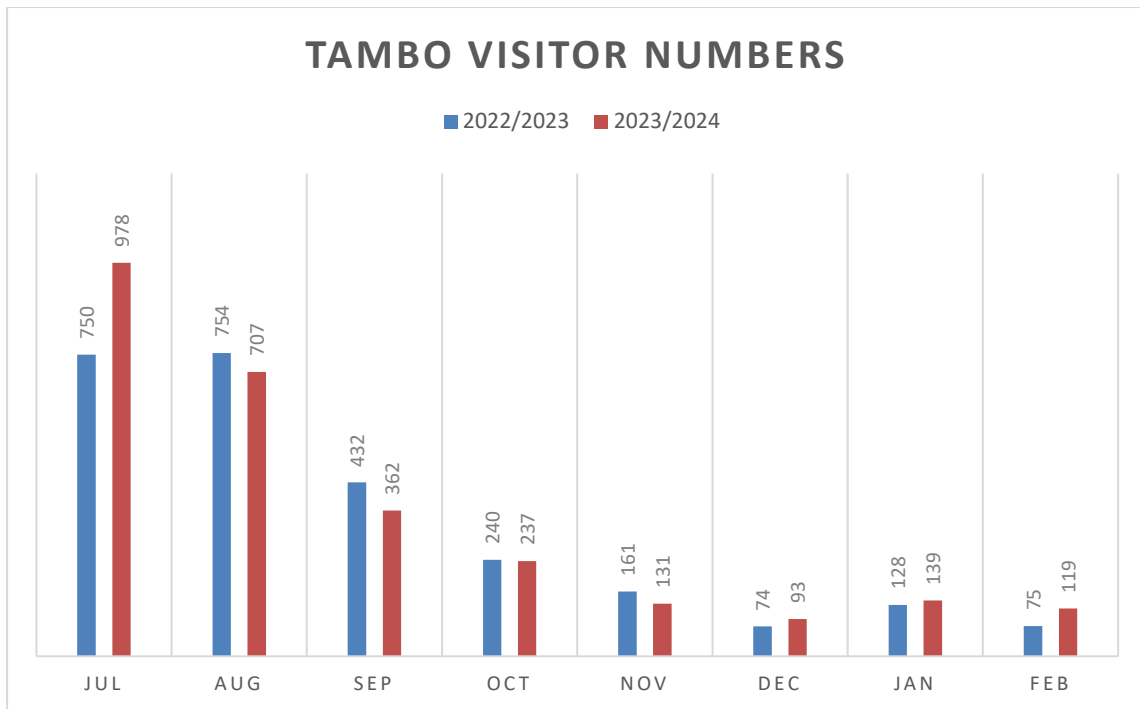
Tambo Buildings***Buildings Maintenance***

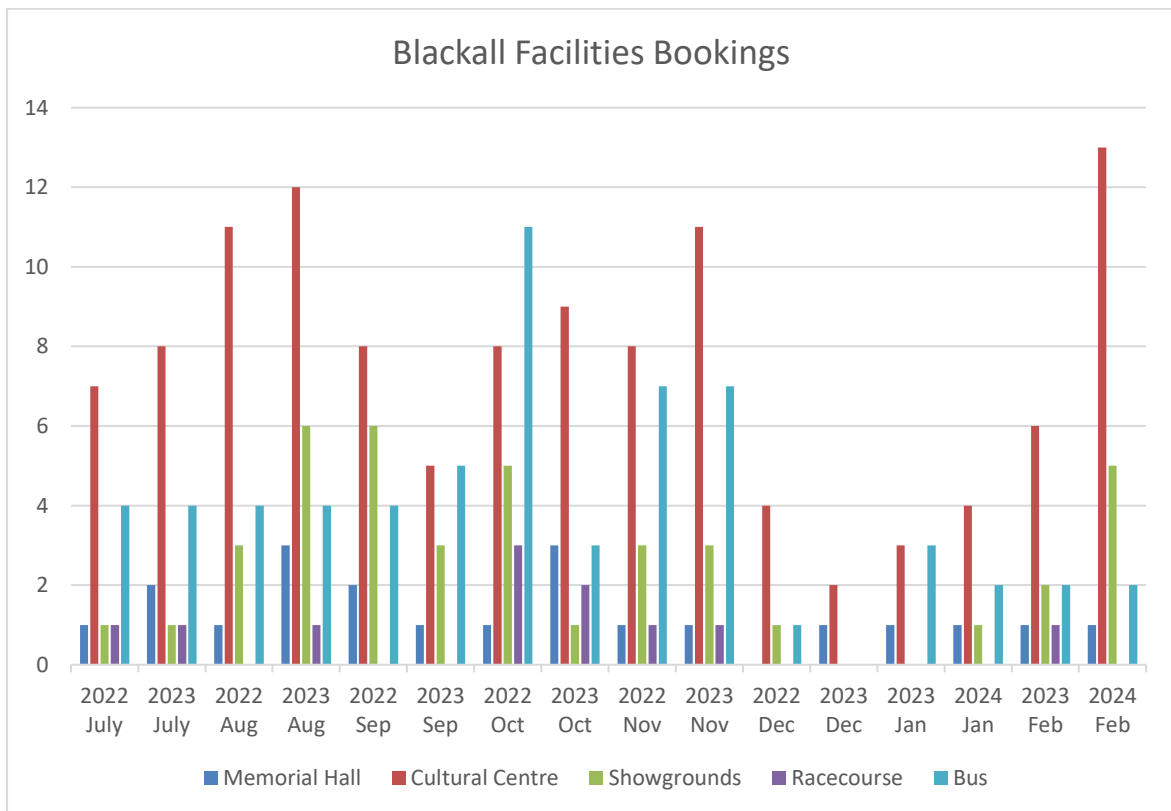
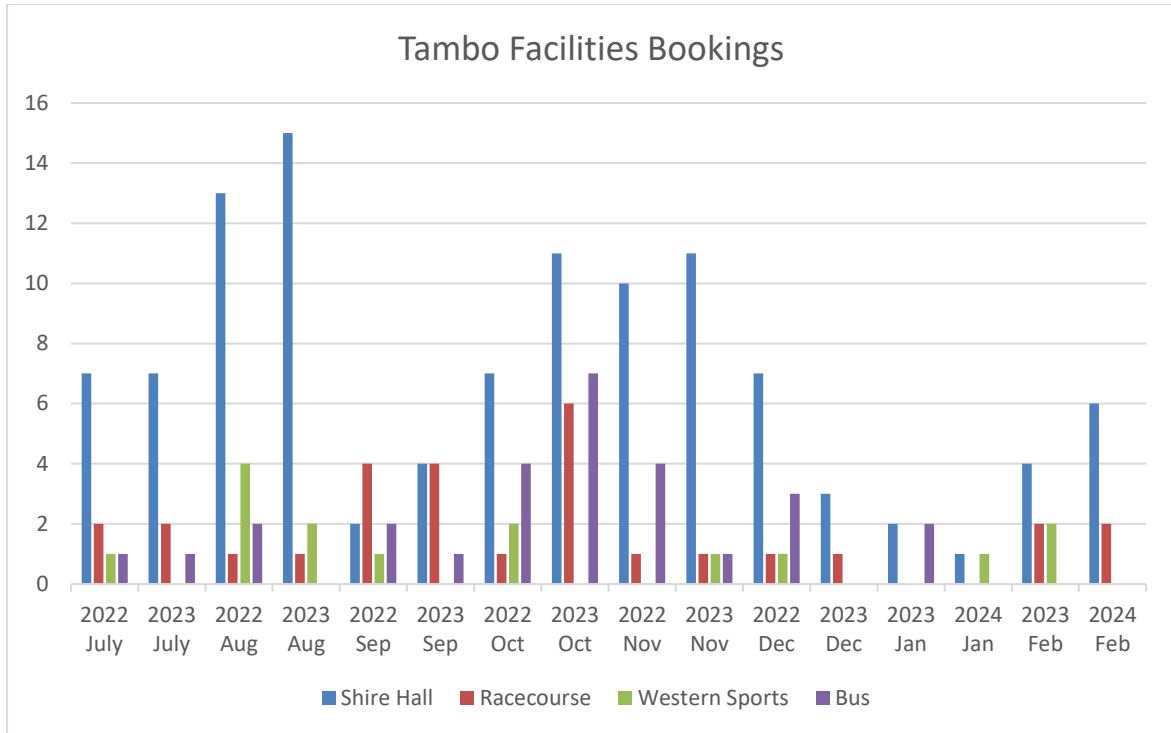
- Maintenance and reports undertaken on houses in 8, 10, 29 Edward Street.
- Septic repairs carried out on one house where the pipe to the tank had broken.

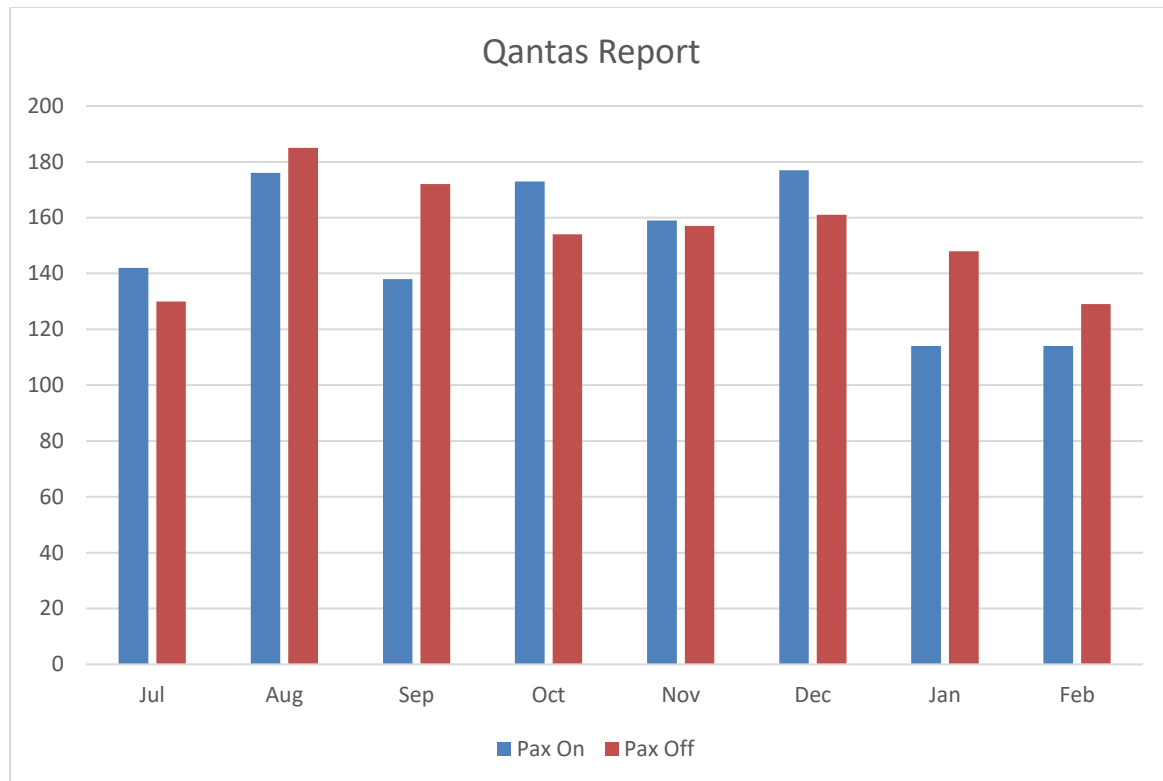
Aged Housing

- No vacancies at the Coolibah Village.
- Small maintenance repairs carried out on two units in the village.









Tambo Multi-Purpose Centre

- Massage, physiotherapy, pampering and chiropractic services had been well utilised in February.
- The chiropractor will return to Tambo in March.
- Aqua Fit has good attendance each week.
- Remedial massage is every Tuesday, and physiotherapy is every second Friday.
- Allied Health sessions for the month of February
 - Physiotherapy – 24
 - Remedial Massage - 22

Link to Corporate Plan

Economic Development

Outcome 2- Tourism – Foster a sustainable tourism industry that delivers economic outcomes for the community.

Vibrant Communities

Outcome 1- Arts and Culture – Continue to grow our region as the premier arts and cultural hub of Western Queensland.

Outcome 2- Health and wellbeing – The community has access to health services that meet their needs.

Outcome 3- Community Services – Services and facilities that meet the needs of the community.

Outcome 4- Youth – Engage, support, and encourage youth to remain in and return to the community.

Governance

Outcome 5- Customer Service – Provide excellence in customer service.

Infrastructure

Outcome 2- Airports – Aerodrome facilities in both Blackall and Tambo are Operationally safe and compliant with standards as determined by the Civil Aviation Safety Authority.

Outcome 5- Council buildings – Civic facilities that meet the needs of the community yet remain financially sustainable.

Consultation (internal/external)

Neighbourhood Centre Coordinator

Tambo Library and Tourism Officer

Customer Service Officers

Multi-Purpose Coordinator

Library Officer

Tourism Officer

IT Officer

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

Nil

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 13 March 2024

Item No: **3.1.3****SUBJECT HEADING: Internal Audit and Risk Management Committee
Minutes of Meeting**Author and Officer's Title: Alastair Rutherford, Director of Finance Corporate and
Community ServicesCLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

Summary: The Internal Audit and Risk Management Committee meeting was held on 1 March 2024 to discuss the request from Grant Thornton regarding additional audit fees of \$16,647. The Committee recommended that the request for additional audit fees of \$16,647 for the 2022/2023 financial year be declined and that this recommendation be forwarded to the next Council meeting for their consideration.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the minutes of the Internal Audit and Risk Management Committee's meeting 1 March 2024 and endorse the Internal Audit and Risk Management Committee's recommendation to decline the request for the additional audit fees of \$16,647.00.

Background

On the 19 January 2024 the Committee decided to delay any decision in responding to the request by Grant Thornton regarding audit fees until management contacts the Queensland Audit Office to obtain information on the contractual arrangements between the QAO, Grant Thornton and BTRC.

Management contacted the Queensland Audit Office 22 January but to date a response has not been received.

On the 22 February Grant Thornton emailed Council again with their request for additional audit fees of \$16K.

Management forwarded Grant Thornton's request and management's response to the Committee for consideration at the meeting 1 March 2024.

Link to Corporate Plan

Governance

Outcome 2 – Accountability – Accountable, responsible, and transparent governance.

Consultation (internal/external)

Chief Executive Officer

Internal Audit and Risk Management Committee

Director of Finance Corporate and Community Services

Manager of Finance

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

Funding is not included in the current budget.
Request is \$16,647

Risk Management Assessment

Risk Category	Risk Tolerance	Summary of Risks Involved	Risk Rating
Financial	Low	Additional audit fees not budgeted for.	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



**Blackall-Tambo Regional Council
Minutes of the Internal Audit and Risk
Management Committee Meeting commencing
2pm 1 March 2024
at the Blackall Boardroom**

Cr Lindsay Russell (Chairman)
Cr Boyd Johnstone (Member)
Ms Megan Prow (Member)
Mr Alastair Rutherford (Director of Finance)
Mr Shalveen Dayal (Manager of Finance)

Agenda items:

1/. Welcome – the meeting opened at 2pm.

2/. Attendance/Apologies

3/. Minutes of meeting 19 January 2024

4/. Business arising out of the minutes.

5/. Approval of the 19 January 2024 minutes

Recommendation: That the minutes of the meeting 19 January 2024 be approved

Approved

Moved: Cr. Boyd Johnstone

Seconded: Megan Prow

6/. Reports

Receive Grant Thornton's email request for an addition of \$16,647 to the 2023 audit fee.
Receive managements comments on this request.
Prepare a recommendation for Council.

Recommendation: The Committee recommends that the request for additional audit fees of \$16,647 for the 2022/2023 financial year be declined and that this recommendation be forwarded to the next Council meeting for consideration.

Approved

Moved: Megan Prow

Seconded: Cr. Boyd Johnstone

7/. Other business

Nil

8/. The meeting closed at 2.30pm

**Cr. Lindsay Russell
CHAIRMAN**

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 13 March 2024

Item No: **3.1.4****SUBJECT HEADING: Tambo Dam Lights Expenditure**

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

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

Summary: The Tambo Dam Lights project is unable to be completed due to design and logistic demands and a significant shortfall in funding.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council:

- 1. Not proceed further with the construction of the Tambo Dam Light project due to the shortfall in funds to complete the project; and**
- 2. That the expenditure shown in the Capital Work in Progress (\$124,886.10) be expensed in the 2023/24 financial year accounts.**

Background

The Tambo Dam Lights project was funded from external sources and approved in the 2020/2021 budget.

The project was due to be completed by December 2020 however, due to the complexity of the design and logistic demands and significant shortfall in funding, this did not eventuate. The expenditure to date is \$124,886.10.

Link to Corporate Plan

Governance

Outcome 4 – Financial – Responsible leadership with informed and transparent decision making.

Consultation (internal/external)

Chief Executive Officer

Director of Finance Corporate and Community Services

Asset Manager

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

\$124,886.10 to be expensed in the 2023/2024 financial year.

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

Risk Category	Risk Tolerance	Summary of Risks Involved	Risk Rating
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: 13 March 2024

Item No: **4.1.1****SUBJECT HEADING: Director of Works and Services' Operations Report – February 2024**

Author and Officer's Title: Ajay Agwan, Director of Works and Services

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

Summary: The Director of Works and Services report for February 2024 is presented to Council.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the Director of Works and Services' Operation Report for February 2024.

Projects**CN 22216 Blackall Tambo Landsborough Highway****Project Budget:** Tender accepted Conditional Agreement signed.**Project Scope:** Holding treatment. Rehabilitation to 8 and 9 m seals**Current Status:** Likely start after Easter.**Snail Structure Banks Park****Project Budget:** \$20,000 (GST exclusive)**Project Scope:** Install a change table facility adjacent to the playground to allow users of the park to supervise children whilst caring for babies.**Current Status:** Plumbing works yet to commence. Shortage of resources.**General RMPC (Road Maintenance Performance Contract) FY 2324****Project Budget:** \$2,343,700.60 (GST exclusive)**Project Scope:** General maintenance as required of the National Highway and State-Controlled Network within the Blackall-Tambo Regional Council boundary.**Current Status:** Further maintenance works scheduled.**Charles and Queen Elizabeth Street****Project Budget:** \$75,000 (GST exclusive).**Project Scope:** Upgrade of gravel road to bitumen.**Current Status:** Road Works likely to commence in April 2024.**Ward Road Pave and Seal****Project Budget:** \$750,000 (GST exclusive).**Project Scope:** 4 metre double/double seal on 6m pavement from Chainage 58.56km to 63.56km.**Current Status:** Subgrade and gravel haulage complete. No works due to rain event. Likely restart after Langlo re sheeting works.**Langlo Road Resheeting****Project Budget:** \$600,000 (GST exclusive).**Project Scope:** 150mm Gravel Resheet from Chainage 68.7km to 78.7km. (Start at Mt Edinburgh Turnoff.)**Current Status:** Works started. 2kms of gravel haulage complete.

Salvia Street Kerb, Channel and Stormwater

Project Budget: \$458,300 (GST exclusive).

Project Scope: Install underground drainage, agricultural pipe, kerb, and channel along the water ponding area on Salvia Street.

Current Status: Under Tendering Stage.

QRA Betterment Projects Package 1-3

Project Budget: \$1,900, 000 (GST exclusive).

Project Scope: I Various Road Works and Concrete floodway.

Current Status: Tenders Closed for Package 1 and Package 2. Assessment in progress.

Tambo Shade Structure. MPC & Shire Hall

Project Budget: \$100,000 (GST exclusive).

Project Scope: Supply and Installation of Shade at MPC building and Shire hall I Various Road Works and Concrete floodway.

Current Status: Tenders Closed. Assessment in progress.

Requests for Action

- A total of 47 requests were received by the Works and Services Department for the month.

Water	6
Sewerage	3
Drainage	6
Parks and Gardens	3
Rubbish	1
Town Streets	2
Highway	1
Rural Roads	3
Local Laws	9
Building Maintenance	2
Town Maintenance	11

Water and Sewerage

Water Testing

- Weekly water testing for e-coli in Blackall (no specimens detected)
- Monthly water testing for e-coli in Tambo (no specimens detected)

Blackall

Water consumption ML	12772
Call outs - Water	0
Call outs - Sewer	0
Broken Mains/Services	4
Private Works	1

Tambo

Water consumption ML	4676
Call outs - Water	0
Call outs - Sewer	0
Broken Mains/Services	2
Private Works	0

Parks and Gardens

Tambo Town Streets

- Mowing and whipper snipping

Tambo Town Entrances

- Mowing of grassed areas
- Mulching of various garden beds across Tambo

Tambo Racecourse

- General maintenance of the grounds has continued

Western Sportsground

- General maintenance of the grounds has continued
- Maintenance of the Polo Cross fields for Events

Tambo Dam

- General Maintenance by Parks and Gardens crew

E.E Parr Park

- Footpath maintenance by Parks and Gardens crew

Town Hall Grounds

- General Maintenance by Parks and Gardens crew

Stubby Bend Camping Grounds

- All tourists are keeping the area in a tidy condition

Coolibah Walk

- Mowing and whipper snipping along pathway

Tambo Cemetery

- General Maintenance by Parks and Gardens crew

Tambo Aquatic Centre

- Installation of disabled lift

Blackall Nature Strip Maintenance

- Gardens have been maintained by our parks and gardens crew.

Blackall Racecourse

- General maintenance of the grounds has continued by the Racecourse Caretaker.

Blackall Showgrounds

- General maintenance of the grounds has continued by the Showgrounds Caretaker.

Blackall Aquatic Centre

- Mowing and whipper snipping of Aquatic Centre.

Banks Park

- General Maintenance by Parks and Gardens crew.

Albert Park

- General Maintenance by Parks and Gardens crew.

Memorial Park

- General Maintenance by Parks and Gardens crew.

Cultural Centre

- Preparation for events

Blackall Town Entrances

- Mowing of grassed areas

Barcoo River Camping Grounds

- All tourists are keeping the area in a tidy condition.
- Mowing grassed areas

Blackall Airport

- Mowing and whipper snipping

Blackall Cemetery

- Mowing and whipper snipping of Lawn Section

Blackall Refuse Tip

- General Maintenance

Blackall Admin Office

- Mowing and whipper snipping

Blackall Town Streets

- Mowing and whipper snipping
- Slashing

In Kind Support

- Delivery/pick up of hire items for community functions.

Workshop/Fleet

This month has consisted of planned routine maintenance with minimal breakdowns. Planned servicing consists of 9 vehicles serviced and an engine rebuild on Kubota zero turn mower. Breakdowns were 2 wheel bearing failures on tipper trailers, Diff lock solenoid on backhoe and intercooler hose on small tipper.



Northern and Central Western Queensland Rainfall and Flooding event, 21 April - 12 May 2022

- Scrubby Creek Road – Peter M Williams - Heavy Formation Grading and Gravel Works - works complete.
- Tumbar Road – AM Earthmoving – Heavy Formation Grading and Gravel Works - works underway.
- Neverfail Road – AM Earthmoving – Heavy Formation Grading and Gravel Works - works underway.



Tropical Cyclone Kyrily, associated rainfall and flooding, commencing 25 January 2024

With the formal activation due to Tropical Cyclone Kyrily emergency works will commence being undertaken on:

- Blackall-Adavale Road – Peter M Williams
- Tumbar & Neverfail Road & Surrounding Area – AM Earthmoving
- Springsure-Tambo Road – Barry Rogers
- Terrick Road & Surrounding Area – Picone Earthmoving
- Springleigh Road & Surrounding Area – Picone Earthmoving

Post Emergency works a re-prioritisation of restoration works based on the impact of Tropical Cyclone Kyrily will be required.

Blackall-Tambo Regional Council
Flood Damage Events - Detailed Summary (06/03/2024)

QRA Event	Activation	Status	Type	Approved Submission Value (excluding GST)	Progress Claim Value (excluding GST)	Comments
Severe Tropical Cyclone Trevor and associated low pressure system, 19-27 March 2019	Apr-19	Complete	REPA	\$16,114,356.35	\$14,593,631.93	REPA submission fully complete, closed out and acquitted
South West Queensland Flood, 20-26 February 2020	Mar-20	Complete	REPA	\$7,987,795.88	\$3,900,018.82	REPA submission fully complete, closed out and in final stages of acquittal
Central, Southern and Western Queensland Rainfall and Flooding, 10 November - 3 December 2021	Jan-21	Active	FMRP	\$138,000.00	\$0.00	Flood Study awaiting LIDAR prior to commencement
Western Queensland Thunderstorms, 21 - 30 December 2020	Jan-21	Complete	REPA	\$4,047,277.07	\$3,281,836.68	REPA Submission 100% complete, now entering close-out and acquittal
Northern and Central Western Queensland Rainfall and Flooding event, 21 April - 12 May 2022	May-22	Active	REPA	\$26,300,793.39	\$9,069,751.24	Event has now achieved the 30% threshold. Works will now be paid as completed.
Northern and Central Queensland Monsoon and Flooding, 21 April - 12 May 2023	Feb-23	Active	REPA	\$0.00	\$0.00	No submission at this stage. Many sites overlapping with current events.
Tropical Cyclone Kirrily, associated rainfall and flooding, commencing 25 January 2024	Jan-24	Active	REPA	\$0.00	\$0.00	Currently in Pick-up/Assessment Stage.

Link to Corporate Plan

Infrastructure

Outcome 1 – Roads- Council's roads network is well maintained, and council's town streets are sealed with kerb, channelling, and drainage.

Outcome 3 – Water and Sewerage Systems- Provide safe, reliable, and quality water and sewerage systems.

Environment and Heritage

Outcome 4 – Waste Management- Best practice waste management.

Consultation (internal/external)

CEO

DWS

Works Supervisors

Services Supervisor

Fleet Supervisor

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

Nil

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 13 March 2024

Item No: **5.1**

SUBJECT HEADING: Blackall Saleyards Report

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

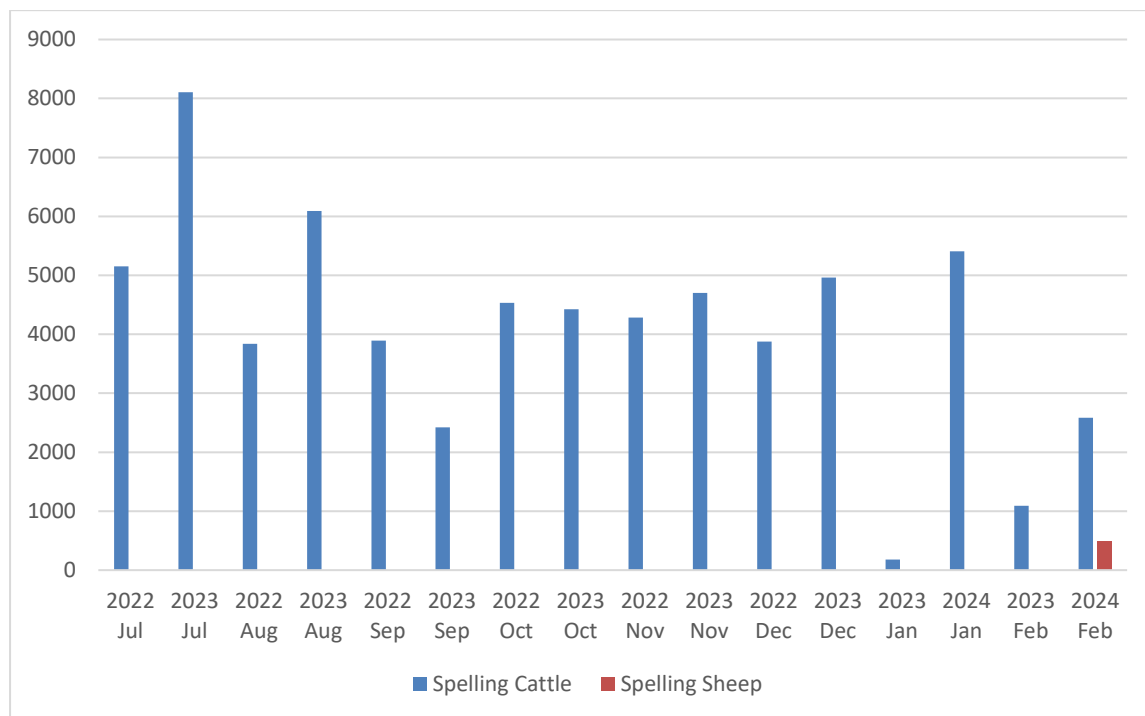
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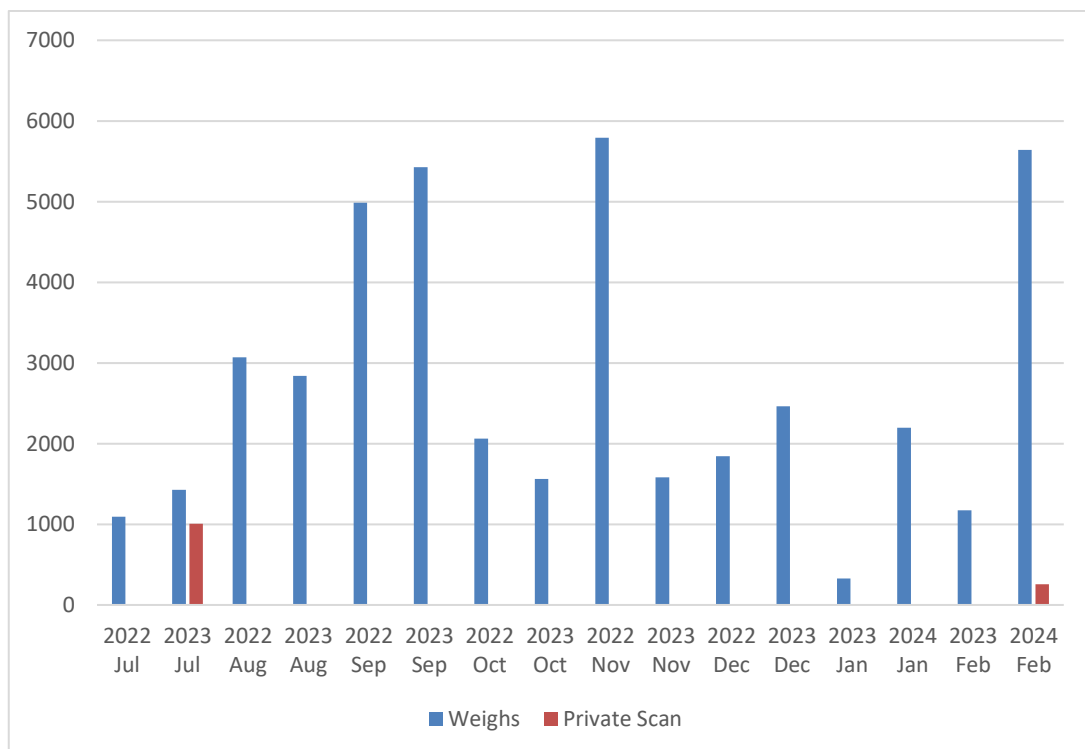
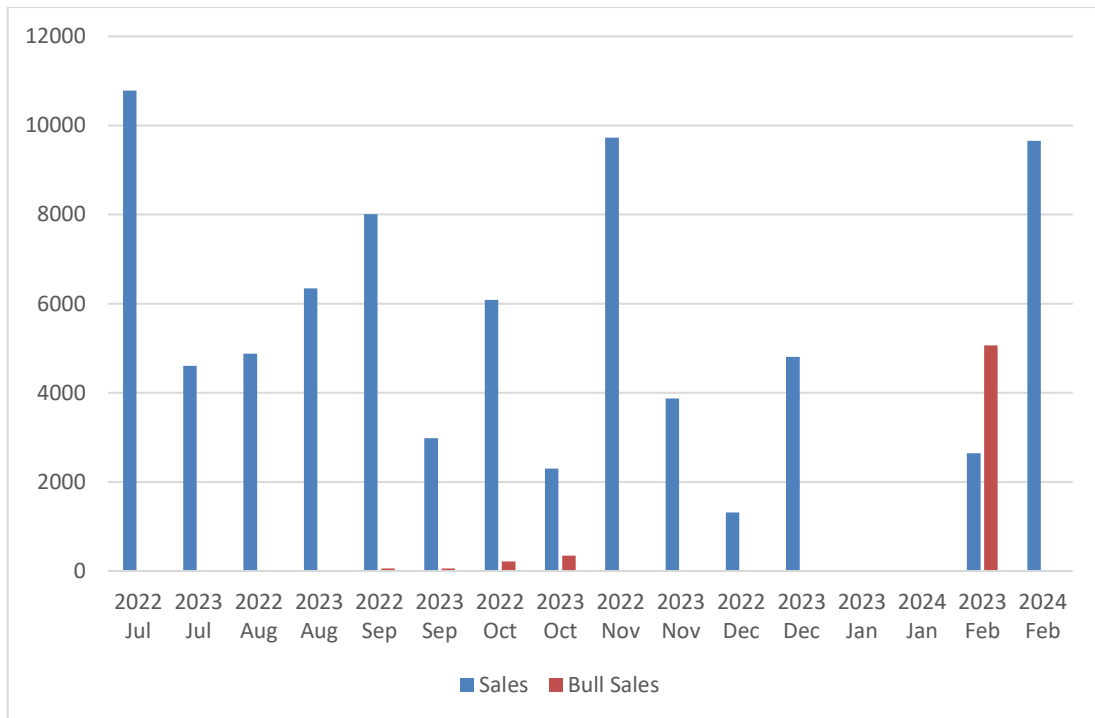
Summary: The Blackall Saleyards monthly report for February is provided to Council.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the Blackall Saleyards monthly report for February 2024.

Background

The charts below show the comparative data with the same month from the previous year.





Link to Corporate Plan

Economic Development

Outcome 1- Business Investment- Support existing local businesses and the establishment of new businesses in the region.

Outcome 2- Tourism- Foster a sustainable tourism industry that delivers economic outcomes for the community.

Outcome 3- Employment- Encourage regional employment growth and opportunities.

Consultation (internal/external)

CEO

Saleyards Manager

Budget and Resource Implications

Nil

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 13 March 2024

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 2024.

Background

The table below provides information for the approved development applications for February 2024.

DATE	NUMBER	DEVELOPMENT TYPE	DEVELOPMENT DETAILS	TOWN
13/02/2024	21-2023-2024	BUILDING	NEW DWELLING	TAMBO
19/02/2024	33-2023-2024	BUILDING	STORAGE SHED	TAMBO
21/02/2024	34-2023-2024	BUILDING	SHED	SCRUBBY CREEK
2/02/2024	38-2023-2024	BUILDING	RESTUMPING OF DWELLING	TAMBO
2/02/2024	39-2023-2024	BUILDING	VIEWING TOWER	BLACKALL
8/02/2024	40-2023-2024	PLUMBING	PLUMBING WORKS FOR NEW DWELLING	TAMBO
22/02/2024	42-2023-2024	PLANNING	OPERATIONAL WORK FOR DRILLING A BORE	WINDEYER

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

No new development applications have been lodged since the last monthly report. One application is currently under assessment.

1.1 An application has been made by Morcom Surveys C/-Murray & Associates (Qld) Pty Ltd, seeking a Development permit for a Reconfiguring a lot (1 lot into 2 lots) at 31 Hospital Road, Blackall formally described as Lot 189 on B13811.

The purpose of the proposed subdivision is to separate the old hospital buildings from the new hospital buildings. This will enable the old buildings to potentially be used for another community service.

Proposed lot 1 will have an area of 32,910m² and will contain the Blackall Hospital whilst proposed lot 2 will have an area of 7,570m² and contain the old hospital buildings.

The subject site is in the Rural zone and the application is subject to Code assessment. As the application is subject to Code assessment the application is not required to be publicly notified.

The application is within the decision stage and will be considered at the March Council general meeting.

1.1	Council reference:	DA37-2023-2024
	Application:	Development Permit for Reconfiguring a Lot (1 lot into 2 lots)
	Street address:	31 Hospital Road, Blackall
	Property description:	Lot 189 on B13811
	Day application was made:	2 February 2024
	Category of assessment:	Code assessment
	Public notification required:	No
	Applicant:	Morcom Surveys C/-Murray & Associates (Qld) Pty Ltd
	Status:	Decision stage

2. GENERAL PLANNING SERVICES, ENQUIRIES AND ADVICE

2.1 CUSTOMER REQUESTS

The following customer requests have been received and responded to since the last monthly report:

PLANNING ENQUIRIES			
Date received	Customer Details	Details of Enquiry	Status
20/02/24	Landowner	<p><u>Proposal</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Request regarding subdividing an existing lot. <p><u>Planning details</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The site is in the Township zone. The rear of the lot is affected by flooding. <p><u>Advice</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any proposed lot should include a building envelope outside the flood hazard area. The minimum lot size in the Township is 800m². Reconfiguring a lot in Township zone is subject to Code assessment. Code assessment means a development application is required. 	Closed

PLANNING ENQUIRIES			
Date received	Customer Details	Details of Enquiry	Status
26/02/24	Landowner	<p><u>Proposal</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Request regarding the establishment of a dwelling. <p><u>Planning details</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The site is in the Township zone. The site is outside the flood hazard area. <p><u>Advice</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Dwelling house where outside the flood hazard area and below 8.5m in height is accepted development Accepted development means a development application is not required Building approval will still be required. 	Closed
04/03/24	Landowner	<p><u>Proposal</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Request regarding establishing short term accommodation. <p><u>Planning details</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The site is in the Township zone. <p><u>Advice</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Short-term accommodation where involving the reuse of an existing building and limited to a maximum six (6) guests is subject to Code assessment in the Township zone. Code assessment means a development application is required. The application fee will be \$1,100. 	Closed
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATES			
Date received	Customer details	Type	Status
Nil			
SURVEY PLAN APPROVALS			
Nil			
EXEMPTION CERTIFICATES			
Nil			

Link to Corporate Plan

Economic Development

Outcome 4 – Land development – Appropriate residential, commercial, and industrial land is available to meet community needs.

Consultation (internal/external)

CEO

Rates Officer

Town Planners

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

Nil

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 13 March 2024

Item No: **5.3****SUBJECT HEADING: Environmental Health Officer's Report**

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

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

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

Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the Environmental Health Officer's report for February.

Background**Food premises**

- Food safety inspections were carried out. Minor issues were noted and raised with operators.

Environmental Management/ Public Health

- Several calls were made to the Department of Environment regarding waste facilities. No relevant outcomes to report.
- Several emails were sent out to the Department of Environment for information and resources regarding waste facilities. No grants currently available.

Local Laws

- Footpath vending applications assessed and approved.

Link to Corporate Plan

Environment and Heritage

Outcome 4 – Waste Management – Best practice waste management.

Consultation (internal/external)

Environmental Health Officer

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

Nil

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 13 March 2024

Item No: 5.4

SUBJECT HEADING: **Ranger's Report**

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

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

Summary: The Ranger's report for February 2024 is provided to Council.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the Ranger's report for February 2024.

Call Outs

Nil.

Weed Control

Spray

- prickly acacia plants – Augathella Road (from 9 Mile to Lisnalee turn off) plus mimosa plants growing within 2 metres of the bitumen edge in same area.
- prickly acacia plants – Tambo/Blackall Road – (3 Northampton & 2 Four Mile area).
- prickly acacia plants – Jericho Road (on hill in the Chippendale area).
- Tambo airstrip edges, around building, air sock, cones, lights and fence line.
- weeds around Gum Hole water tanks.

Wild Dog Control

Scalps

Tambo - 12, Blackall – 14.

Agistment

Tarrina – 1256 ewes on Westbourne Reserve - Ward Road.

1080

Purtoria – 45 kgs of pig baits.

General

Drover entered our shire at the Barcaldine boundary on the 19/02/2024 with 1656 of young cattle on a travel permit.

The other 2 drovers have either sold or trucked their cattle out from the Blackall Saleyards.

The Tambo Common muster is planned for the weekend of 13th and 14th of April 2024.

Capital Works

Rodds Bore – Security fence has now been completed. Job is now finished.

Gum Holes – New tank delayed due to wet weather.

Glenusk – Waiting for contractor to construct trough frame and fence around bore head and tank facility.

Tambo pound yards – one section is complete.

Link to Corporate Plan

Environment and Heritage

Outcome 3 – Pest Management- Weeds, seeds and pests including wild dogs are effectively controlled.

Consultation (internal/external)

Chief Executive Officer
Rural Lands Officer

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

Nil

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 13 March 2024

Item No: **5.5**

**SUBJECT HEADING: Blackall Work Camp Community Advisory
 Committee Meeting, 13 February 2024**

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 13 February 2024.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the Blackall Work Camp Community Advisory Committee report for 13 February 2024.

Background

The Blackall Work Camp Community Advisory Committee held a meeting on 13 February 2024, in Blackall. The following people attended the meeting:

- D Howard (Chair)
- M McIvor (QCS Superintendent)
- L Smith (QCS Acting Manager Low Security)
- M Meyers (QCS Field Supervisor)
- P Carroll (QPS Blackall)
- S Fayers (QPS Blackall)
- T Brown (Field Officer)

M Meyers presented the Work Program Report.

Projects:

- Woolscour – daily service to the grounds and outer fence repairs, cleaning of bore drain, ground maintenance, maintenance of machinery, rebuilding of sheep yard paddocks, rebuilt ramp and rear entry gates.
- Bowls Club – grounds maintenance and general painting.
- Set-up of large marquee for several community events.
- Line marking for Blackall Magpies Rugby League.
- General ground maintenance at Blackall Aquatic Centre.
- Line marking for St Joseph's Central West School Rugby League trials.
- Vegetable gardens for the Blackall QCWA.
- Tambo ICPA event set-up and pack up.
- Australia Day event set-up and pack up.

Ground maintenance:

- Anglican Church
- Uniting Church
- QPS Police Station
- Blackall Cemetery
- Living Arts Centre
- Blackall Bowls Club
- QCWA

- Blackall Clay Target Shooting Club
- New Beginnings Church
- Blackall Aquatic Centre
- Blackall Historical Woolscour
- St Joseph’s Catholic Primary School
- Blackall Golf Club.

The total hours provided by the Work Camp to-date from July 2023

- Government hours – 5286
- Non-government hours – 4761.

The value of the hours provided (year-to-date) is \$311,055.12.

Link to Corporate Plan

Nil

Consultation (internal/external)

Chief Executive Officer
 Queensland Corrective Service
 Blackall Work Camp CAC

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	The Work Camp provide important assistance to Council and the community.	Low
Environmental	Medium	Nil	Low
Strategic	Medium	Nil	Low
Ethical	Low	Nil	Low
Reputation	Low	Nil	Low
Leadership	Low	Nil	Low

Risk Treatment

Nil. The report relates to receiving the report on this matter.

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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 13 March 2024

Item No: 5.6

SUBJECT HEADING: Development Application – DA 37-2023-2024 – Reconfiguring a Lot – Boundary Realignment (One Lot into Two Lots) – 31 Hospital Road, Blackall

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

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

Summary: The applicant, Morcom Surveyors C/- Murray & Associates (Qld) Pty Ltd, seeks a Development Permit for Reconfiguring a Lot (one lot into two lots) involving land at 31 Hospital Road, Blackall, formally described as Lot 189 on B13811.

Under the Blackall-Tambo Region Planning Scheme 2020 ('the Planning Scheme'), the subject site is in the Rural Zone. A small section of the south east corner of the site is mapped as being within the flood hazard area. The site also contains a Local Heritage Place (The circa 1939 hospital building). Undertaking the proposed development in the Rural Zone is code assessable, requiring a Development Permit for Reconfiguring a Lot.

The purpose of the proposed subdivision is to separate the old hospital buildings from the new hospital buildings. This will enable the old buildings to potentially be used for another community service.

Proposed lot 1 will have an area of 32,910m² and will contain the new Blackall Hospital whilst proposed lot 2 will have an area of 7,570m² and contain the former Blackall Hospital.

An assessment of the proposal against the relevant assessment benchmarks has raised no concerns about the proposed development application. Development conditions are recommended to ensure that the development complies with all assessment benchmarks. Accordingly, this report recommends approval, subject to the conditions stated herein.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council approves the application for a Development Permit for Reconfiguring a Lot (one lot into two lots) involving land at 31 Hospital Road, Blackall, formally described as Lot 189 on B13811.

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 development must be completed and maintained generally in accordance with the approved plan of development *Proposal Plan Reconfiguring Lot 189 B13811*, Drawing 23141, Version 01, dated 06 December 2023 and prepared by Morcom Surveyors.

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 Access to proposed Lot 1 and Lot 2 must be maintained from the existing access locations on Hospital Road. Where changes are proposed to the access, the access must be provided and maintained in accordance with the standard drawing, Figure 1 or 2, from the General Development Code of the Blackall-Tambo Region Planning Scheme.

4.0 SERVICES

4.1 Each proposed lot must have separate services.

4.2 All existing services are to be maintained or alternatively where changes are proposed to services the services must be provided and maintained in accordance with the standards and requirements of the relevant service provider.

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 this development permit 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. Prior to commencing any construction activities, the applicant/developer will be required to obtain further development permits for building work, and plumbing and drainage work, as required under relevant legislation for this work.

D. 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.

- E. 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	31 Hospital Road, Blackall	
RPD	Lot 189 on B13811	
Site Area	40,470m ²	
Landowner	Central West Hospital and Health Service	
Existing use of land	Blackall Hospital and former hospital	
APPLICATION DETAILS		
Application No.	DA37-2023-2024	
Applicant	Morcom Surveyors C/- Murray & Associates (Qld) Pty Ltd	
Application description	Development Application seeking Development Permit for Reconfiguring a Lot (Boundary Realignment)	
Date application was made	12 February 2024	
Decision due date	1 April 2024	
Proposal	Subdivision to create two lots from one existing lot	
Main Issues/Resolution	Issue	Resolution
	Nil	Nil
STATUTORY DETAILS		
Mapped matters of interest under PR 2017	Native Vegetation Clearing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regulated vegetation management map (Category A and B extract) 	
State agency referrals	Nil	
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	
Overlays	Flood Hazard Map	
Level of Assessment	Code Assessment	

2.0 PROPOSAL BACKGROUND

Application lodged	12 February 2024
Application properly made	12 February 2024
Decision Due	1 April 2024

3.0 SITE AND SURROUNDS DESCRIPTION

The site is located at 31 Hospital Road, Blackall formally described as Lot 189 on B13811, hereon referred to as the ‘subject site’ (see **Figure 1**). The subject site is irregular in shape and comprises a total area of 40,470m².

The site contains the Blackall Hospital (western side) and the former hospital (eastern side). This site contains three existing access points from Hospital Road.



Figure 1 – Aerial of Subject Site

4.0 DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL

The purpose of the proposed subdivision is to separate the old hospital buildings from the new hospital buildings. This will enable the old buildings to potentially be used for another community service.

Proposed lot 1 will have an area of 32,910m² and will contain the new Blackall Hospital whilst proposed lot 2 will have an area of 7,570m² and contain the old hospital buildings.

Figure 2 shows the proposed new boundaries.



Figure 2 – Proposed lot layout

Refer to **Attachment 1** for a complete version of the proposed plan.

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.*

In this instance pursuant to section 45 (3)(a) of the Act, the categorising instrument for the development is the *Blackall-Tambo Region Planning Scheme 2020*, under which the applicable assessment benchmarks are the Reconfiguring a Lot Code and the Rural Zone Code.

In the *Planning Regulation 2017* (referred to as the ‘Regulation’), sections 26 and 27 nominate additional assessment benchmarks and matters that must be considered in deciding a code assessable development application. The additional assessment benchmarks and matters that are relevant to the development are identified as follows:

- The *Central West Regional Plan 2009*, to the extent the Regional Plan is not identified in the Planning Scheme as being appropriately reflected in the Planning Scheme;
- The *State Planning Policy*, to the extent the SPP is not identified in the Planning Scheme as being appropriately reflected in the Planning Scheme;
- Any development approval for, and any lawful use of, the premises or adjacent premises; and
- The common material.

It is noted that assessment benchmarks and matters stated in Schedule 9 or Schedule 10 of the Regulation are not relevant to this development application for Reconfiguring a Lot.

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.

The planning assessment of the development considers the above assessment benchmarks and matters to the extent relevant to the development.

5.1 BLACKALL-TAMBO REGION PLANNING SCHEME 2020

The proposed development is for Reconfiguring a Lot. Under the *Planning Act 2016* (the Planning Act), the definition of Reconfiguring a Lot relates to:

- (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.

5.1.2 RECONFIGURING A LOT CODE

The development complies or can be conditioned to comply with the purpose, performance criteria and acceptable solutions of the Reconfiguring a Lot Code. In particular:

- Although the proposed lots will not achieve the minimum lot size requirements, it is considered that the proposed lot sizes are a reasonable outcome for the site and surrounding locality. The existing lot although in the Rural zone has not historically been used for rural purposes and has been used for a hospital since 1939, therefore the site does not have agricultural or environmental values that would usually be attributed to land in the rural zone.
- The proposed lots will not lead to a diminished productivity of rural land or compromise the long-term viability of rural activities in the Rural zone as the site has not historically been used for rural purposes and has been used for a hospital since 1939, therefore the site does not have agricultural values that would usually be attributed to land in the rural zone.
- Each lot will be provided with access from Hospital Road.
- Each lot can be appropriately serviced by reticulated water and sewer.
- Each lot can be appropriately serviced by electricity supply and telecommunications services.

- A small portion of the south east corner of the site is affected by a flood hazard, no development exists in this location and it is considered that the flood hazard area will not impact future use of or further development of proposed lot 1.
- A 10m² area in the south east corner of the site is mapped as being Bushfire prone (Potential impact buffer). The reconfiguration does not change this boundary and it is considered that any future development could be sited to avoid this area.
- The reconfiguration will allow the local heritage building to be retained intact in terms of built form, context and setting. No changes are proposed to the circa 1939 hospital building.

5.1.3 RURAL ZONE CODE

The development complies or can be conditioned to comply with the purpose, performance criteria and acceptable solutions of the Rural Zone Code. In particular:

- The site is not considered to have productive value, therefore the proposed reconfiguration will not impact long-term production value of the land for rural purposes.
- Each lot has existing connections and access to all necessary infrastructure for the use of the land to continue; and
- The proposal will not have a detrimental impact on the environment or Council infrastructure.

In summary, this planning assessment concludes that the development 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 benchmarks to ensure on-going compliance.

5.2 CENTRAL WEST REGIONAL PLAN

The Central West Regional Plan (September 2009) (Regional Plan) has been identified as being appropriately integrated with the Planning Scheme and therefore an assessment against the Planning Scheme is considered to be an assessment against the Regional Plan.

5.3 STATE PLANNING POLICY JULY 2017

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

5.4 PREVIOUS DEVELOPMENT APPROVAL

The former Blackall hospital was built in 1939 and has been subject to various alterations and extensions over time. The proposal will not impact the former Blackall hospital.

The new Blackall Hospital opened in November 2020. On 18 July 2018 it was determined that the proposal did not require a material change of use application based on the fact there is no material increase on intensity and scale and that no appreciable load on Council owned infrastructure will be established. The proposed reconfiguration does not impact the operation of the hospital.

6.0 REFERRALS

The proposed development did not require referral to any external agencies, such as a public or State entity for assessment in accordance with Schedule 10 of the *Planning Regulation 2017*.

7.0 CONCLUSION

This Code Assessable Development Application for a Development Permit for Reconfiguring a Lot (one lot into two lots) involving land at 31 Hospital Road, Blackall, formally described as Lot 189 on B13811, 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 the relevant matters and assessment benchmarks.

In accordance with the requirements for a decision notice under section 63 of 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) Although the proposed lots will not achieve the minimum lot size requirements, it is considered that the proposed lot sizes are a reasonable outcome for the site and surrounding locality.
- b) The proposed lots will not lead to a diminished productivity of rural land or compromise the long-term viability of rural activities in the Rural zone as the site has not historically been used for rural purposes and has been used for a hospital since 1939, therefore the site does not have agricultural values that would usually be attributed to land in the rural zone.
- c) The site is not considered to have productive value, therefore the proposed reconfiguration will not impact long-term production value of the land for rural purposes.
- d) The proposed lots will continue to be serviced by all necessary infrastructure services.
- e) A small portion of the south east corner of the site is affected by a flood hazard, no development exists in this location and it is considered that the flood hazard area will not impact future use of or further development of proposed lot 1.
- f) The reconfiguration will still allow the local heritage building to be retained intact in terms of built form, context and setting. No changes are proposed to the circa 1939 hospital building.

Link to Corporate Plan

Economic Development

Outcome 4 – Land Development – Appropriate residential, commercial, and industrial land is available to meet community needs.

Consultation (internal/external)

Chief Executive Officer

Council Town Planner

Rates Officer

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

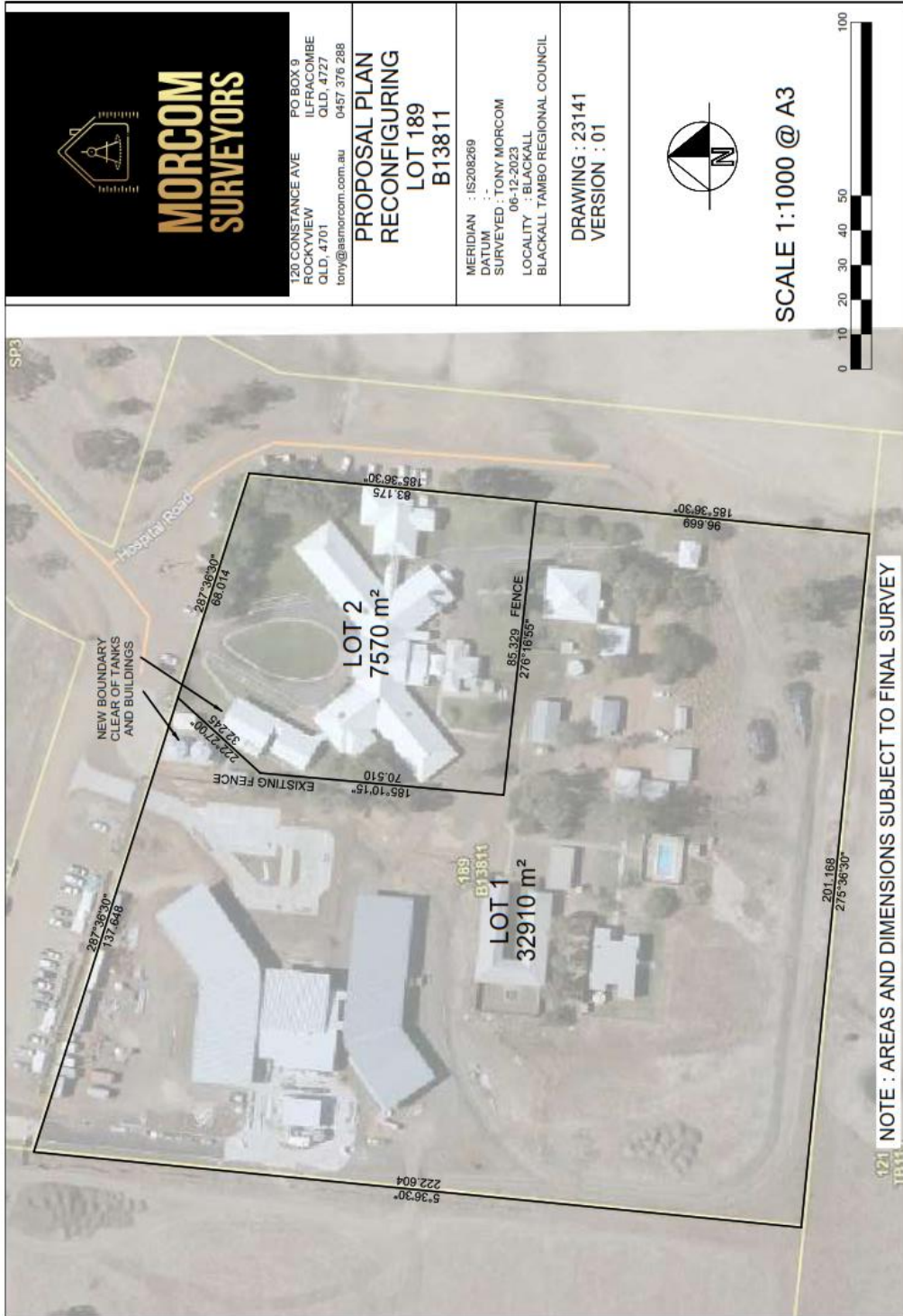
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Risk Management Assessment

Risk Category	Risk Tolerance	Summary of Risks Involved	Risk Rating
Financial	Low	Nil	Low
Legal & Regulatory	Low	The application has been assessed in accordance with the Planning Act and the Blackall-Tambo Planning Scheme.	Low
People	Low	Nil	Low
Operational	Medium	Nil	Low
Environmental	Medium	Nil	Low
Strategic	Medium	Nil	Low
Ethical	Low	The application has been assessed against the relevant requirements.	Low
Reputation	Low	Nil	Low
Leadership	Low	Nil	Low

Proposed Risk Treatment

Nil



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COUNCIL MEETING DATE: 13 March 2024

Item No: 5.7

SUBJECT HEADING: Tambo Town Common Advisory Meeting – 22 February 2024

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

CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

Summary: The Tambo Town Common Advisory Group held a meeting on 22 February 2024.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the Tambo Town Common Advisory Committee meeting minutes for 22 February 2024.

Background

The Tambo Town Common Advisory Committee held a meeting on 22 February 2024 in the Tambo boardroom.

The following items were discussed:

- Muster dates 13 & 14 April.
- Cattle numbers to be added into the minutes.
- Mustering and bull fees.

A copy of the minutes is attached to this report.

Link to Corporate Plan

Environment & Heritage

Outcome 3

Rural Lands – Council controlled lands are well managed.

Consultation (internal/external)

Chief Executive Officer

Rural Lands Officer

Tambo Town Common Advisory Committee.

Policy Implications

Tambo Town Common Management Plan

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

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

Proposed Risk Treatment

The Tambo Town Common Management Plan requires the minutes to be provided to Council.



Blackall-Tambo

Regional Council

Tambo Town Common Meeting held 22nd February 2024

Tambo Council Boardroom 6.00pm

Chairperson

Kerry Russell

Minute Taker

Bronwyn Beck

Welcomed: 6.00pm

Apologies:

Ralph McLeod, Leonie May, Orleen McKellar, Leon Russell, Graham Johnson, Kevin Johnson, Keven Hafey, Richard Graczyk, Cr Lindsay Russell, Pat Nay, Joanne Cooper, Jimmy Hafey, Jonathan Holmes, Taylor Smith, Cheryl Smith, Sheryl West, Judith Taylor, Maxine Johnson, Jason Rogers, Errol Rogers, Tersea Johnston, Lachlan Fulton, James Webber and Leah Nay.

Moved: Nadine McLeod

Seconded: Liza Nay

Attendance:

Kerry Russell, Holly Russell, Rebecca Johnston, Nadine McLeod, Kelvin Hafey, Karen Johnson, Liza Nay, Jeffery Rogers, and Bronwyn Beck.

Previous Minutes:

The minutes from the previous meeting held 5th September 2023 were handed around the table to be read.

Motion: The Tambo Common Committee confirms the minutes from the previous meeting are true and correct.

Moved: Karen Johnson

Seconded: Liza Nay

Business arising from the previous minutes.

- Tender will be called for Cartage of the Tambo Town Common Cattle – A motion to move that the cartage of the Tambo Town Common Cattle will stay with Longhorn Transport.

Moved: Karen Johnson

Seconded: Nadine McLeod

