



GENERAL MEETING AGENDA

NOTICE OF MEETING

Wednesday 18 September 2024
Jericho Town Hall Darwin Street, Jericho
To be held at 8:30am

Councillors

Rob Chandler (Mayor)	Linda Penna
Milynda Rogers (Deputy Mayor)	Bob O'Brien
Kim Williams	Tom Gleeson
Vanessa Howard	

Officers

Amber Coulton (Acting District Manager – Aramac and Muttaborra)
Daniel Bradford (Acting Chief Executive Officer)
Jenny Lawrence (District Manager – Barcaldine)
Karyn Coomber (District Manager – Alpha and Jericho)
Lee Busby (Interim Director of Works)

In Attendance

(Minute Secretary)

Deputations

Nil.

Dan Bradford, Acting Chief Executive Officer

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BARCALDINE REGIONAL COUNCIL

Our Vision – A positive, sustainable and innovative regional council.

Our Mission – To provide excellence for the community.

Prayer

Almighty God

We acknowledge that we have a responsibility to look after your creation, especially this region we call Barcaldine Regional Council.

We are conscious that our decisions are going to affect deeply the people we have come here to serve.

Assist us to exercise respect for Councillors, staff and for the people of our region.

Help us in this meeting to act wisely, justly and intelligently in all our deliberations.

Thank you Lord for the privilege of both leading and serving and assist us to do these well.

Amen

Condolences

Apologies

Acknowledgment of Traditional Owners

Declarations of Prescribed Conflicts of Interest

Declarations of Declarable Conflicts of Interest

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Council Meeting Date: 18 September 2024

Item Number: 3.1.1

Subject Heading: Flood Damage Barcaldine South 1 Package 15

Author and Title: Lee Busby, Director of Works

Classification: CONFIDENTIAL

Section 254J(3)(g) – Negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interest of the local government.

Summary: This report provides Council information to consider the submitted tenders for Flood Damage 2023 Package 15. The works required are those works approved by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA) from the January 2023 flood event.

The flood event caused significant damage to Council's Road network. Following the initial period of emergency flood damage works, submissions were made to QRA for reconstruction works across the region. The works, once approved by QRA, have then been packaged up and issued for tender.

The open public tenders for these packages of works were requested through Council's online public tendering system, Vendor Panel. There were six (6) submissions from vendor panel submitted for this package of work. This report contains an overview of the evaluation process for these submissions.

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Council Meeting Date: 18 September 2024

Item Number: 3.1.2

Subject Heading: Flood Damage Jericho North Package 17

Author and Title: Lee Busby, Director of Works

Classification: **(Confidential)**

Section 254J(3)(g) – Negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interest of the local government.

Summary:

This report provides Council information to consider the submitted tenders for Flood Damage 2023 Jericho North Package 17. The works required are those works approved by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA) from the January 2023 flood event.

The flood event caused significant damage to Council's Road network. Following the initial period of emergency flood damage works, submissions were made to QRA for reconstruction works across the region. The works, once approved by QRA, have then been packaged up and issued for tender.

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Council Meeting Date: 18 September 2024

Item Number: 3.1.3

Subject Heading: Flood Damage Jericho Package 18

Author and Title: Lee Busby, Director of Works

Classification: **Confidential**

Section 254J(3)(g) – Negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interest of the local government.

Summary: This report provides Council information to consider the submitted tenders for Flood Damage 2023 Jericho Package 18. The works required are those works approved by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA) from the January 2023 flood event.

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Item Number: 3.2.1

Subject Heading: Request for Assistance – Jericho Public Christmas Tree

Author and Title: Karyn Coomber – District Manager Alpha and Jericho

Classification: (if confidential)

Summary: This report is presented to Council for consideration to be given for a cash donation and in-kind support to Jericho Public Christmas Tree event to be held in Jericho on Saturday 21 December 2024. Assessment score: 80.

Officer’s Recommendation: That Council approves the cash donation of \$700.00 to assist the committee to hold the Jericho Public Christmas Tree event to be held at the Jericho Drive-in.

Background

This annual event of gift giving for the children of Jericho is a wonderful initiative and brings a lot of joy to all who attend. There is other entertainment on the day with a jumping castle and multiple raffles. The highlight for the children is when Santa arrives on the Fire Truck.

The council has supported this event in the past, this year the committee is requesting \$700.00 to assist with the purchase of presents so no child will miss out on receiving a gift from Santa. This will also assist with the cost of entertainment.

With cost of living at an all-time high, this donation will go a long way to ensure this event continues and grows bigger and better in the years to come.

Link to Corporate Plan

Theme 1: Community

Consultation (internal/external) – Nil.

Policy Implications – Nil.

Budget and Resource Implications

\$700.00 from the Community Assistance Budget

Risk Management Implications – Nil.

Asset Management Implications – Nil.

Legal Implications – Nil.

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Council Meeting Date: 18 September 2024
Item Number: 3.2.2
Subject Heading: Request for Assistance – Jericho Tourism
Author and Title: Karyn Coomber – District Manager Alpha and Jericho
Classification: (if confidential)

Summary: This report is presented to Council for consideration to be given by way of a Fee Waiver for the hire of the Jericho Town Hall to the values of \$1,080.00 to run the Drive-In monthly for the 2024/25 financial year. Assessment score: 75.

Officer’s Recommendation: That Council approves the Fee Wavier for Jericho Tourism to hold regular movie nights at the Jericho Drive-in.

Background

The Jericho Drive-In is one of the smallest operational drive-ins in the southern hemisphere. It is a local tourist destination and a little piece of history for our Region.

Jericho Tourism is an extremely active committee and supports the local community by way of markets, events and keeping the drive-in operational.

They have exceeded the limits of the community grants policy due to the following previous requests:

1. Jericho Bush Bash
 - a. Fee Wavier – \$74.50
 - b. Generators – \$936.00
2. Jericho Drive-in
 - a. Fee Waiver – \$90.00 per month / \$1,080.00 per annum

The council’s ongoing support of the activities and events that Jericho Tourism provides is such vital to the community as it helps reduce social isolation for people living in a small community.

Link to Corporate Plan

Theme 1: Community

Consultation (internal/external) – Nil.

Policy Implications – Nil

Budget and Resource Implications – Nil.

Risk Management Implications – Nil.

Legal Implications – Nil.

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Item Number: 3.2.3
Subject Heading: Sponsorship Outback Rowing Association
Author and Title: Jenny Lawrence District Manager Barcaldine
Classification: (if confidential)

Summary: This report is presented to Council for consideration to provide sponsorship to Outback Rowing Association by way of hosting breakfast for Outback Rowing Regatta competitors.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council does/does not approve to provide sponsorship to the Outback Rowing Association for Outback Rowing Regatta competitors to the value of \$1,500.00 by hosting breakfast on Saturday 5 October 2024 for the 100 rowers staying in Barcaldine overnight.

Background

For the third consecutive year Outback Rowing Association will host the Head of the Outback Rowing Regatta at Barcy Rec Park on Saturday 5 October 2024.

This event will bring over 200 rowers and partners to the region for rowing extravaganza to be held over four days in various towns. Local businesses will significantly benefit from the event with accommodation bookings and meals.

In support of the event Barcaldine Regional Council have been requested to sponsor the welcome breakfast for 100 rowers that will be overnighing in Barcaldine on Friday 4 October 2024. By way of acknowledgement, the Outback Rowing Association will include Council's logo on merchandise and print material.

Link to Corporate Plan

Theme 1: Community

1.7 Provide support mechanisms for not-for-profit organisations to reduce reliance on Council funding.

Consultation (internal/external)

Mayor

Acting Chief Executive Officer

District Manager Barcaldine

Policy Implications - Nil.

Budget and Resource Implications

Approval of this sponsorship would come from \$180,000-00 budgeted for donations to local community groups.

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Risk Management Implications – Nil.

Asset Management Implications – Nil.

Legal Implications – Nil.

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Item Number: 3.2.4
Subject Heading: Sponsorship Great Australian Charity Cattle Drive
Author and Title: Daniel Bradford – Acting Chief Executive Officer
Classification: (if confidential)

Summary: This report is presented to Council for consideration to provide sponsorship to the Great Australian Charity Cattle Drive 2025 event by running a concert during the Cattle Drive's travel through the Barcardine Region.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council does/does not approve to provide sponsorship to the Great Australian Charity Cattle Drive 2025 to the value the following:

- 1. \$11,500 for the Concert on Friday 30 May 2025 in Barcardine to cover the performance fees, travel and accommodation.**
 - 2. \$2,500 In-kind Support for the concert for event management and venue hire**
 - 3. \$1,802 for the waiving of fees associated with the stock route permit**
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Background

The Great Australian Charity Cattle Drive is "an incredibly unique and very practical cattle industry charity initiative, designed to support the many thousands of Queenslanders who are experiencing food insecurity and hunger every day - in a sustainable manner." (<https://charitycattledrive.au/>) The event is supported by Beek Bank, Stockplace Marketing, MDH and Australian Country Choice among others.

The event will see 2000 head on the cattle drive from Longreach to Roma in May 2025. The drive will see the cattle pass through Barcardine around Thursday 29 May 2025 and this provides an opportunity for Council to showcase the region to a wider audience. The cattle drive will see a change over of 20-25 people participating in the drive in Barcardine after finishing the leg from Longreach, before those beginning their journey leave for Blackall. There will be a rest day in Barcardine with Council to host members of the droving party for the day. It is proposed that a concert with Tania Kernaghan and Jason Owen performing on the Friday evening 30 May 2024 as the main entertainment.

The concert would see Tania Kernaghan and Jason Owen be supported by Two Can Twango with Council sponsoring the performer fee plus travel and accommodation for Tania and Jason. Additional costs inkind contributions by Council for event management, venue hire, and the waiving of stock route fees associated with cattle drive as well.

Council will have the opportunity to recoup some costs by selling tickets to the event which would be promoted through council's social media, but also through the media channels of Tania Kernaghan and Jason Owen and also the Great Australian Charity Cattle Drive.

Link to Corporate Plan

Theme 1: Community

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1.7 Provide support mechanisms for not-for-profit organisations to reduce reliance on Council funding.

Consultation

Mayor

Acting Chief Executive Officer

Communications and Engagement Coordinator

District Manager Barcaldine

Policy Implications - Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

Approval of this sponsorship would come from \$180,000 budgeted for donations to local community groups. So far this financial year Council has contributed \$25,267 with various financial and in-kind contributions already committed.

Risk Management Implications –

Risks of hosting a concert do present some unique challenges. Should Council approved the event, Officers would undertake a risk assessment to proactively identify risks and appropriate treatment strategies.

Asset Management Implications - Nil

Legal Implications – Nil.

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Council Meeting Date: 18 September 2024
Item Number: 3.2.5
Subject Heading: Outback Regional Roads and Transport Group – Route Priority Review
Author and Title: Lee Busy, Director of Works
Classification:

Summary: The Barcardine Regional Council (BRC) is part of the Outback Regional Roads and Transport Group (ORRTG), which aims to maximise the investment in the region's road and transport network to achieve economic, social, and environmental benefits. As part of this effort, the ORRTG developed the "Route Funding Priority Framework" to prioritise road projects.

The current prioritisation of roads in the Barcardine region does not align with the ORRTG's Route Funding Priority Framework.

It is essential for the Council to consider the proposed amendments to the prioritisation of roads to ensure alignment with the ORRTG's Route Funding Priority Framework and maximise the effectiveness of road investments in the region.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council

- 1. Council approves the revised and amended "Prioritise List of Roads" in support of the Outback Regional Roads Technical Group (ORRTG) Route Funding Priority Framework in order of Priority 1 to Priority 3 as:**
 - a. Priority 1 – Alpha–Clermont Road**
 - b. Priority 2 – Aramac–Torrens Creek Road & Barcardine–Aramac Road**
 - c. Priority 3 – Muttaborra–Aramac Road**
- 2. Council notes and supports roads that are part of Barcardine Regional Council as exceptions to the Priority Rules of the Outback Regional Roads Technical Group (ORRTG) Route Funding Priority Framework as the following:**
 - a. Priority 1 – Alpha–Tambo Road**
 - b. Priority 2 – Jericho Road and Cramsie–Muttaborra Road and**

Background

Transport and Main Roads (TMR) and Local Governments (LG) are part of a cooperative governance arrangement called "The Roads and Transport Alliance," which has existed since 2002. Barcardine Regional Council (BRC) is part of the Outback Regional Roads and Transport Group (ORRTG), which consists of seven councils and one of seventeen groups across Queensland. BRC is one of four (4) Councils that make up the eastern group.

One of the Group's main objectives of the is to provide a benefit-focused approach to maximise investment in the region's road and transport network to achieve economic, social, and environmental benefits.

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As part of the "Hierarchy and Investment Strategy" for the expenditure of projects funded through the Transportation Infrastructure Development Scheme (TIDS), TMR and the ORR&TG questioned the road ratio across member councils at the Strategic Group meeting held in February 2024 held in Longreach.

The Outback Regional Roads Technical Group (ORRTG) developed the "Route Funding Priority Framework" as a high-level strategic mapping tool considering the relevant LG views on the route's importance. The ORRTG held a strategic meeting in Boulia on 22 August 2024, requesting feedback from the member councils regarding the framework for "Funding Priority Mapping." The funding framework is summarised below:

1. Funding Priority 1 - No more than one road per LG
2. Funding Priority 2 - No more than two roads per LG
3. Funding Priority 3 - No more than three roads per LG

Attached is a report outlining the ORRTG - Route Funding Priority Framework and Overview.

Current State

The attached report identifies key strategic roads, reflecting their importance within the Barcardine regional context for each of the three road priorities. With limited funds, the simple prioritisation tool encourages member councils to decide which roads are strategically essential to upgrade.

Council	Priority 1 Roads		Priority 2 Roads		Priority 3 Roads	
	#	Road Name/s	#	Road Name/s	#	Road Name/s
Barcardine RC	2	Alpha - Tambo*, Clermont - Alpha	5	Aramac - Torrens Creek, Barcardine - Aramac, Blackall - Jericho*, Cramsie - Muttaborra*, Muttaborra - Aramac	0	

Table 1 – Current list of prioritised roads for BRC

A review of the funding framework identified, excluding the "Exceptions to the Priority Rules," refer to the attached report for exception details. BRC has more than two roads allocated to the "Funding Priority 2 Roads." The roads marked with an e are exceptions on request from adjoining Councils to support their priorities under the framework.

The three roads within this priority 2 category are:

1. Aramac-Torrens Creek Road
2. Barcardine-Aramac Road and
3. Muttaborra-Aramac Road

One of these roads must be reprioritised to a priority 3 road.

Priority 1, Alpha-Clermont Road, is a road that aligns with the Beef Roads Corridor upgrade projects. This project is part of the greater Central Queensland Beef Investment Strategy (CQBRIS) transporting livestock out of the Barcardine region to key distribution centres, which is a key economic driver for the Queensland's economy.

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Priority 2 Roads, Aramac–Torrens Creek Road, is a major distributor to Charters Towers and Townsville via the Flinders Highway, supporting tourism and the transport of freight and livestock. The Barcaldine–Aramac Road has approved funding this year, approximately \$2.38M for road widening in 2024–2025 and \$2.45M in 2026–2027. This key road connects Aramac to Barcaldine for tourism, accessing Lake Dunn and the sculpture trail and is one of the busiest roads in the Central West. The Muttaborra–Aramac Road is prioritised as a Priority 2 but identified as the one of the three roads requiring reallocation to Priority 3.

Link to Corporate Plan

Theme 3 Transport

- Advocate to maintain affordable public transport by rail, bus and air and continued upgrade of the state road network.

Theme 5: Governance

- Develop systems to better inform investment decisions (including return and whole of life costs);
- Continue reviewing policies and strategic plans for relevancy and currency;
- Improved project management and budget compliance.

Consultation (internal/external)

Nil

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

State Road infrastructure is managed by the Department of Transport and Main Roads. From time to time Council is able to secure works on main roads under specific contracts. This work is undertaken on a schedule of rates.

Risk Management Implications

By prioritising the roads this allows funding programs to be focused on specific roads and needs to address road needs.

Asset Management Implications

Nil

Legal Implications

Nil.

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Council Meeting Date: 18 September 2024
Item Number: 3.3.1
Subject Heading: Financial Performance Report
Author and Title: Andrew Shaw – Manager Finance
Sara Milligan, Accountant
Classification: (if confidential)

Summary: Section 204 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 requires the Chief Executive Officer to prepare a finance report to present at each monthly meeting of the local government. The financial report must state the progress that has been made in relation to the local government's budget for the period of the financial year up to a day as near as practicable to the end of the month before the meeting is held.

The purpose of the report is to promote sound financial management and accountability by presenting the Council's budget performance as of 31 August 2024.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the report.

Background

Council adopted the 2024/2025 Budget in June 2024. The report provides information and tracks Council's year-to-date revenue, expenditure, and cash position. It also includes financial statistical information relevant to Council's operations.

Link to Corporate Plan

Theme 5: Governance

We will have a safe, engaged, proud and performing council and workforce that is inclusive, innovative, ethical and trusted by all levels of government.

Consultation

Executive Management Team and District Managers.

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

There are a number of matters highlighted in this report which have an impact on the financial position of Council. Where there are significant variations, officers seek to reduce the impacts and look to address in the quarterly budget reviews.

Risk Management Implications

This recommendation in this report has no direct impact on enterprise risk, however it does provide information that should be used to assist in the management of risks identified. The regular monitoring and interrogation of the finances does act as a mechanism of control for financial risk.

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Asset Management Implications

Nil

Legal Implications

This report is a requirement as set out in the Local Government Regulation 2012.

Financial Attachments

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Financial Performance as at 31 August 2024

	Year to Date			Full Year
	Actual \$'000	Budget \$'000	Variance \$'000	Adopted Budget \$'000
Operating Revenue				
Rates, Levies and Charges	-	-	-	8,170
Fees and Charges	551	501	50	3,004
Rental Income	67	121	(54)	728
Interest Received	60	163	(103)	975
Recoverable Works Income	614	1,396	(782)	8,373
Grants, Subsidies, Contributions and Donations	12,460	4,629	7,832	27,771
Other Revenue	4	12	(8)	70
Total Operating Revenue	13,756	6,820	6,936	49,091
Operating Expenses				
Employee Benefits	2,180	2,684	(504)	16,104
Materials and Services	4,354	4,512	(158)	27,071
Finance Costs	-	10	(10)	60
Depreciation	-	1,295	(1,295)	7,770
Total Operating Expenses	6,534	8,501	(1,967)	51,005
Operating Profit/(Loss)	7,222	(1,681)	8,903	(1,914)
Capital Revenue and Expenses				
Capital Revenue	662	955	(293)	5,727
Capital Expenses		8	(8)	46
Net Capital Income/(Loss)	662	947	(300)	5,681
Net Result	7,884	(734)	8,603	3,767

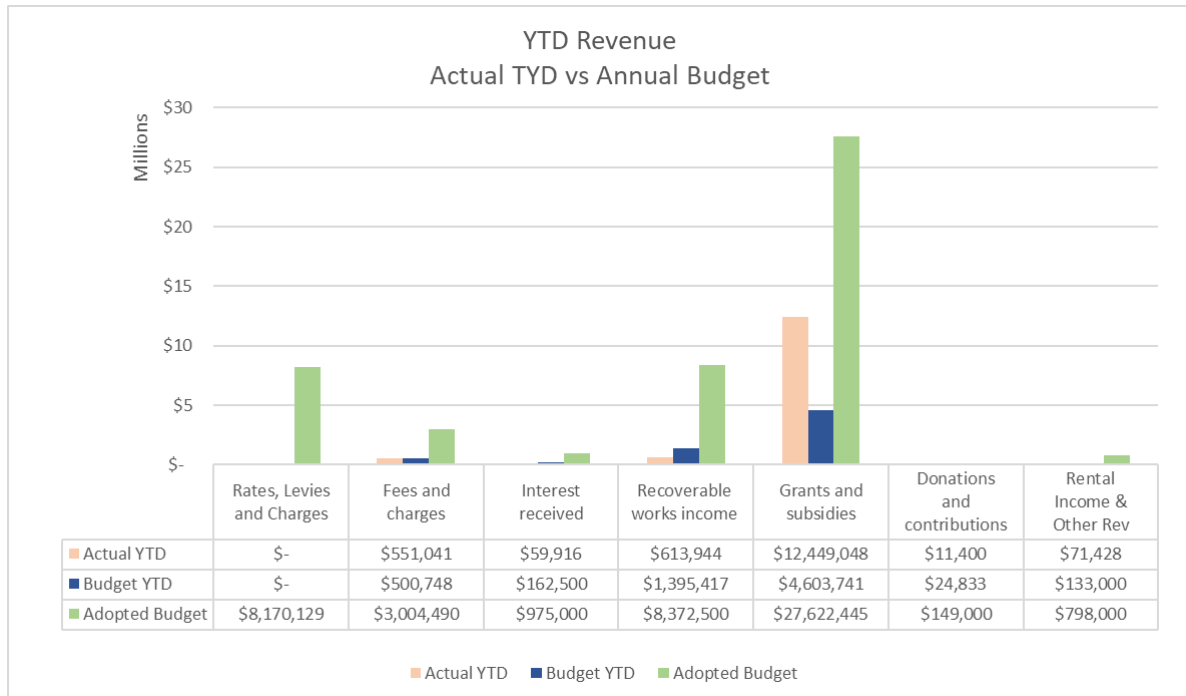
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Financial Performance Comments

- The annual financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2024 are being prepared and will be tabled at the 25 September Audit Committee for review.

Revenue

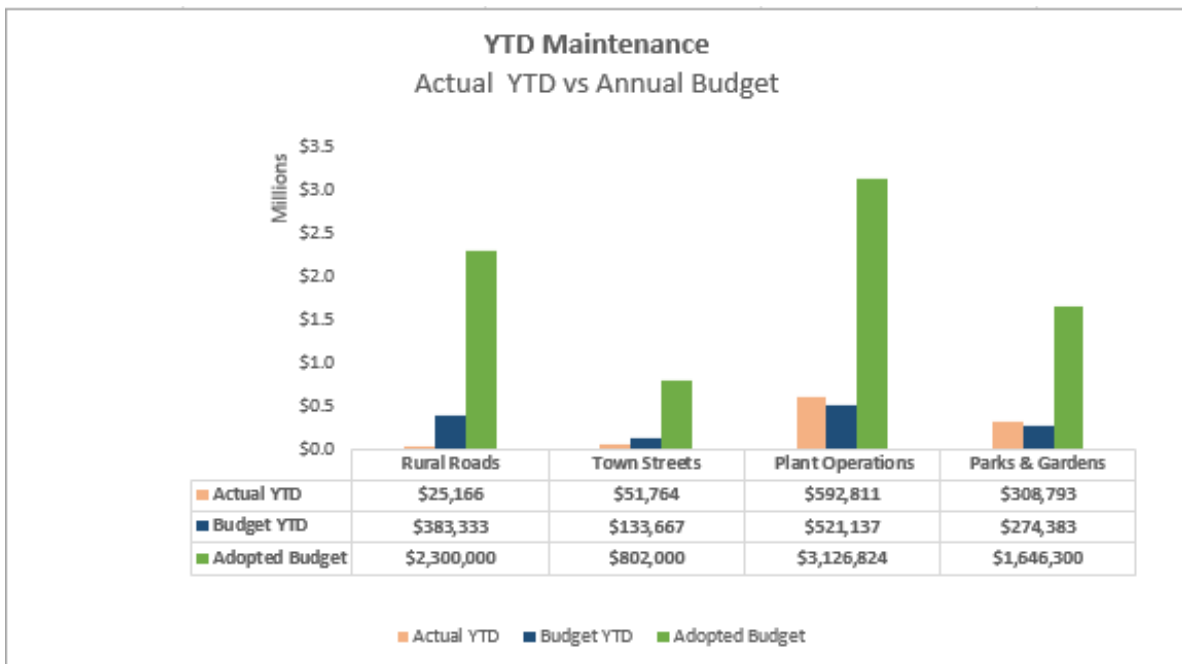
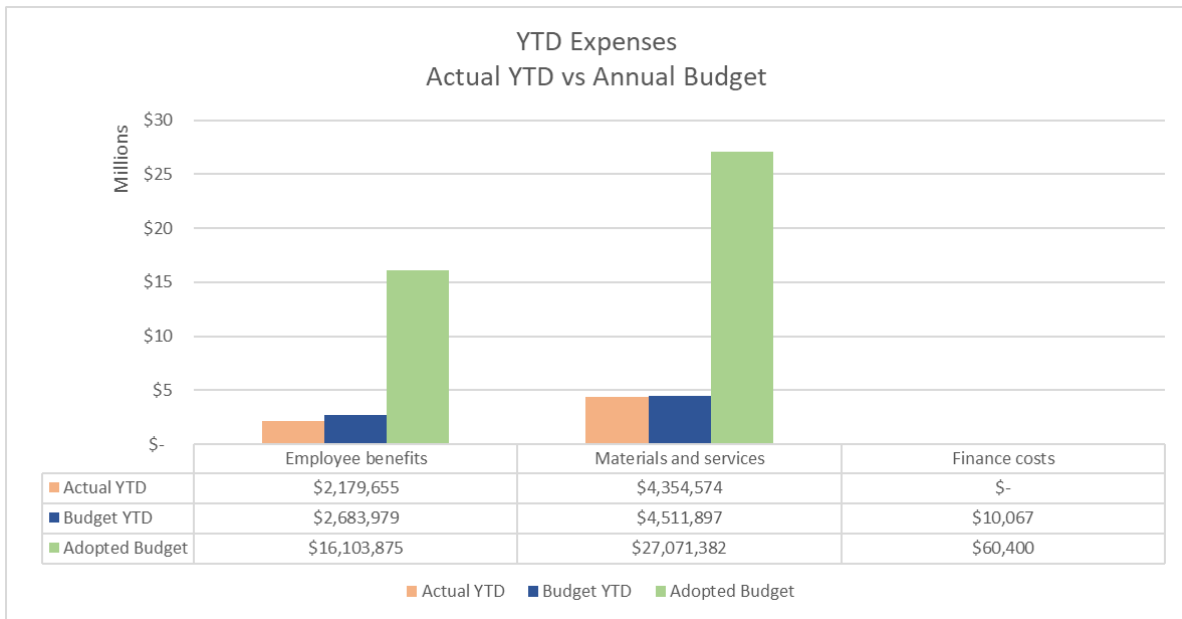
- Grants and subsidies as at the end of August are ahead of budget, due primarily to early payment of the annual Financial Assistant Grant (FA), with \$11.4M (89%) prepaid by the Commonwealth in July (\$10.9M) & August (\$0.5M). The balance of the grant (approximately \$1.5M) will be received in three remaining quarterly instalments over the financial year.
- Rates & levies are issued in April and September each financial year, with revenue recognised when the rates notices are sent out. Rates notices for the first half were issued on the 9 September with a due date of 9 October 2024.



Expenditure

- Employee Benefits and Materials and Services are both trending under Budget YTD. Trends will emerge in coming months as the year progresses.
- All maintenance programs are underway for the financial year. Overall, they are 25% below budget primarily due to the current focus on completing flood and other capital works.
- Rural Roads and Town Streets are well under budget, while Plant Operations and Parks & Gardens are over budget. Plant is being impacted in the figures by the insurance and registration payments made in July. Trends for these programs will be more evident in coming months.

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Financial Position as at 31 August 2024

	Monthly Balances				Full Year
	June 2024 \$'000	July 2024 \$'000	August 2024 \$'000	Monthly Movement MTD \$'000	Adopted Budget \$'000
Current Assets					
Cash	15,142	22,324	20,185	(2,139)	22,957
Receivables	1,039	1,542	1,438	(104)	1,566
Inventories	414	484	508	24	468
Contract Assets	4,738	4,883	4,575	(308)	3,244
Other	334	199	153	(46)	3
	21,667	29,432	26,859	(2,573)	28,238
Non-Current Assets					
Property, plant & equipment	394,311	398,182	398,011	(171)	411,015
Other	18,271	14,401	14,817	416	
	412,582	412,583	412,828	245	411,015
Total Assets	434,249	442,015	439,687	(2,328)	439,253
Current Liabilities					
Trade and other payables	1,621	178	686	508	1,411
Contract Liabilities	15,188	14,335	12,904	(1,431)	2,282
Borrowings	141	530	531	1	450
Provisions	1,539	2,991	3,037	46	2,909
	18,489	18,034	17,158	(876)	7,052
Non-Current Liabilities					
Borrowings	2,330	1,803	1,802	(1)	1,331
Provisions	1,117	1,117	1,116	(1)	1,208
	3,447	2,920	2,918	(2)	2,539
Total Liabilities	21,936	20,954	20,076	(878)	9,591
Net Community Assets	412,313	421,061	419,611	(1,450)	429,662
Community Equity					
Capital	-	-	-	-	-
Retained surplus/(deficit)	192,776	201,521	200,071	(1,450)	210,121
Asset revaluation surplus	219,541	219,541	219,541	-	219,541
Total Community Equity	412,317	421,062	419,612	(1,450)	429,662

Financial Position Comments

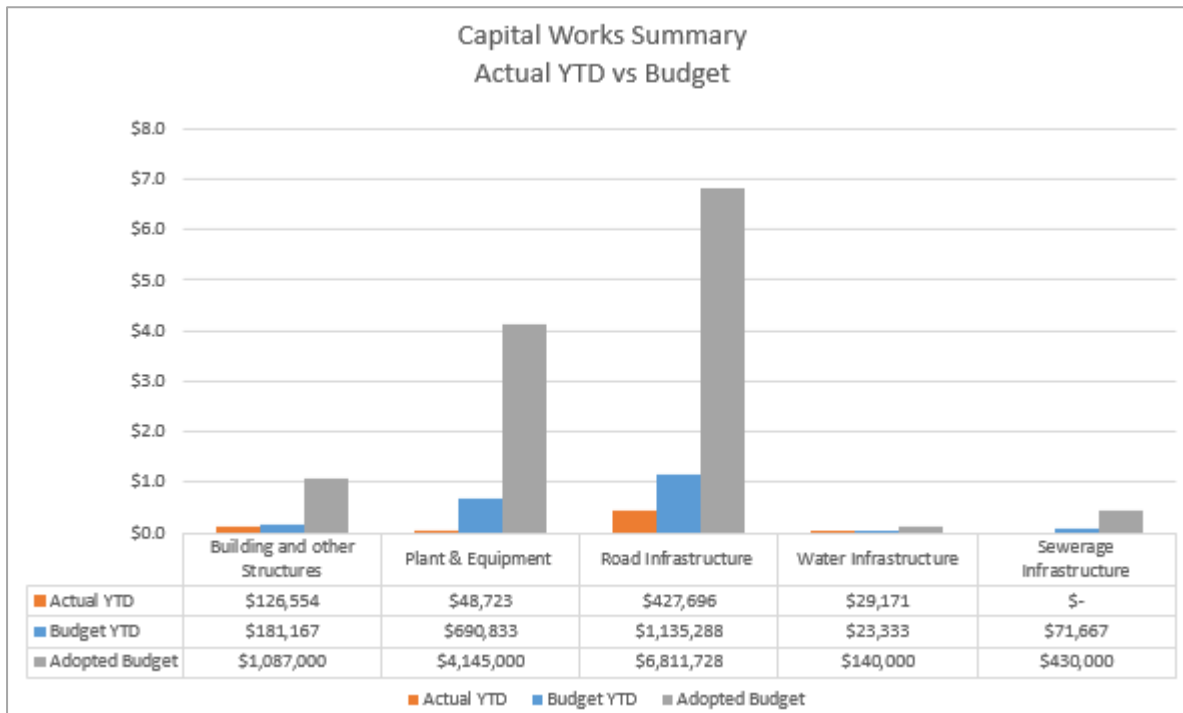
- Cash at Bank increased significantly in July, due to the receipt of 85% of the annual FA Grant. This cash will be used to fund budgeted operating and capital expenditure over the next 10 months.
- The Contract Assets balance in the table above is made up of final instalments due for LRCI and W4Q Grants and for Flood Damage package work completed.

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- The Contract Liabilities balance in the table above is made up predominantly of QRA Flood Damage money received; works are underway for all these programs and should see this amount decrease in the coming months.

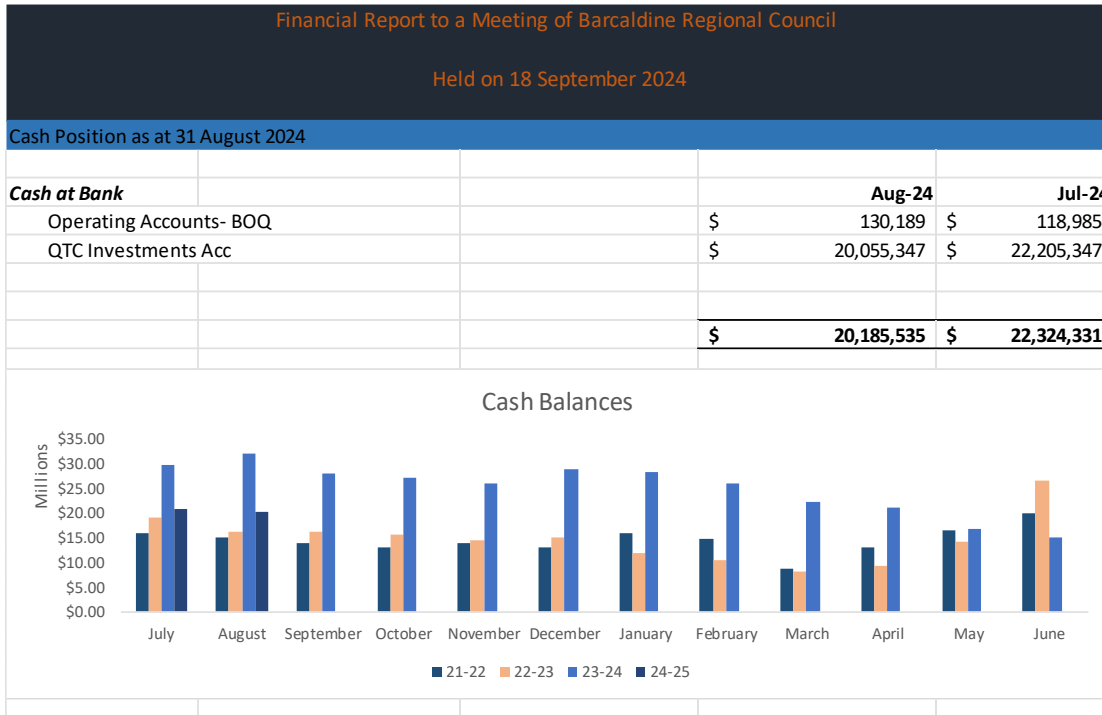
Capital Works

- August YTD capital expenditure is \$632k compared to the YTD budget of \$2.1M (30% of YTD budget spent).
- Water Infrastructure capex is slightly over budget at this early stage of the financial year with all other program expenditure being under budget to date. Refer to the graph below.



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Cash Management and Investments



Financial Sustainability – Cash Expense Coverage

The Unrestricted Cash Expense Cover Ratio is a financial viability measure and calculates the unconstrained liquidity available to Council to meet its ongoing and emergent financial demands. The target is measured in terms of months of cash available, with the state government requiring Council to have a minimum of 4 months unrestricted cash cover available to ensure that it does not run out of cash.

As at the end of August, Council has a cash expense cover ratio of 2 months, representing \$7.3 million in unrestricted cash. The restricted cash is primarily made up of advance funding from the QRA relating to Flood Damage packages for the Aramac, Alpha & Barcaldine region.

The cash balance will improve in the short-term once September rates payments are received over the next month or two. Finance will be closely monitoring Council liquidity to ensure that short term financial sustainability risk can be managed.

Month	Cash	Restricted	Unrestricted	Operating Expenses excl Depreciation & Finance Costs YTD	Ratio (Months)
Jul-24	\$22,324,331	\$14,334,971	\$7,989,360	\$4,215,058	1.90
Aug-24	\$20,185,535	\$12,903,720	\$7,281,814	\$6,534,228	2.23

Note;

A higher unrestricted cash expense cover ratio indicates that a council has sufficient free cash available to contribute to the cost of future planned and unplanned

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expenditures such as infrastructure investment or disaster recovery. An excessively high ratio may be indicative of cash hoarding, poor cash management, or large upcoming capital investment requirements.

A low ratio suggests limited unconstrained liquidity available to council to use for capital investment or in an emergency. For councils with efficient cash management practices and strong borrowing capacity, this is not a concern. Where a council also has a negative operating cash ratio, a very low or negative unrestricted cash expense cover ratio is an indicator of potential solvency concerns.

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Statement of Cash Flow as at 31 August 2024

	Year to Date			Full Year
	Actual	Budget	Variance	Adopted Budget
<i>YTD cash flows</i>	<i>\$'000</i>	<i>\$'000</i>	<i>\$'000</i>	<i>\$'000</i>
Cash flows from operating activities				
Receipts from customers	12,861	6,353	6,508	38,116
Payments to suppliers and employees	(7,828)	(7,196)	(632)	(43,175)
Interest paid	-	(10)	10	(60)
Interest received	59	163	(104)	975
Net cash inflow (outflow) from operating activities	5,092	(691)	5,783	(4,144)
Cash flows from investing activities				
Payments for property, plant and equipment	(632)	(2,102)	1,470	(12,614)
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment	238	233	5	1,400
Grants, subsidies, contributions and donations	662	955	(293)	5,727
Net cash inflow (outflow) from investing activities	268	(915)	1,183	(5,487)
Cash flows from financing activities				
Proceeds from borrowings	-	-	-	
Repayment of borrowings	-	(92)	92	(550)
Net cash inflow (outflow) from financing activities	-	(92)	92	(550)
Net increase (decrease) in cash held	5,360	(1,697)	7,057	(10,181)
Cash at beginning of reporting period	14,825	5,523	9,302	33,138
Cash at end of reporting period	20,185	3,826	16,359	22,957

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Council Meeting Date: 18 September 2024
Item Number: 3.3.2
Subject Heading: Community Care Services Report
Author and Title: Sarah Milligan, Accountant
Classification: (if confidential)

Summary: This report provides an update on the Community Care Services financial progress. The financial performance of the business unit is broken up into the care packages provided by Council.

Officer's Recommendation:
That Council receive the report.

Background

Council provides community care programs across the region. This report provides a financial update on the performance on each program. A general summary of each program is below:

CHSP have agreed to a funding amount of \$786,016.03 for the 2025 Financial Year, which is presently paid to Council in monthly instalments. Home Modifications expenditure is ahead of schedule due to two large Bathroom renovations.

Home Care Package claims have begun for the financial year.

National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) continues to show good numbers, with 73 participants: NDIS Claims catch up with expenditure during September. NDIS are currently conducting the re-certification audit.

Currently CHSP & Home Assist Secure have carried forward amounts for the 2025 Financial Year. Once the Annual Returns for these have been completed in October it will determine if any funding needs to be returned. These are on a case-by-case basis.

Link to Corporate Plan

Theme 2: Services

Our townships continue to be provided with compliance and sustainable water, sewerage and waste services. In the absence of other alternative providers, we continue to provide quality community support services on a cost-neutral basis.

Consultation (internal/external)

Human Resources Manager

Policy Implications

Nil

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Budget and Resource Implications

Most of the programs are operated on a cost-recovery basis. There is an opportunity to operate the NDIS program at a profit into the future. Currently it is tracking to have a small profit before overheads are included.

Risk Management Implications

This recommendation in this report has no direct impact on enterprise risk, however, does provide information that should be used to assist in the management of risks identified.

Asset Management Implications

Nil

Legal Implications

Nil

Tables and Program Summaries

Barcaldine Regional Council - Community Services Business Unit						
Financial Performance Reports						
For the period 1 July 2024 to	31-Aug-24					
% of year lapsed	17%					
	YTD Actual \$	YTD Budget \$	Projected Annual \$	Annual Budget \$	YTD Variance %	Projected Annual Variance %
DIRECT INCOME & EXPENDITURE						
<i>Income</i>						
CHSP	203,387	141,667	926,016	850,000	44%	9%
Home Care Packages	65,840	21,833	131,000	131,000	202%	0%
Home Assist/Secure	12,143	25,333	152,000	152,000	-52%	0%
NDIS	321,419	305,000	1,830,000	1,830,000	5%	0%
Total Income	602,789	493,833	3,039,016	2,963,000	22%	3%
<i>Expenditure</i>						
CHSP	192,309	133,750	937,429	802,500	44%	17%
Home Care Packages	49,008	29,833	179,000	179,000	64%	0%
Home Assist/Secure	12,144	28,167	145,000	169,000	-57%	-14%
NDIS	399,111	280,720	1,684,318	1,684,318	42%	0%
Total expenditure	652,573	472,470	2,945,747	2,834,818	38%	4%
NET DIRECT PROFIT/LOSS	- 49,783	21,364	93,269	128,182	-333%	-27%

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Barcaldine Regional Council - Community Services Business Unit						
Program: Commonwealth Home Support Program						
Financial Performance Reports						
For the period 1 July 2024 to		31-Aug-24				
CHSP	YTD Actual \$	YTD Budget \$	* Projected Annual \$	Annual Budget \$	YTD Variance %	Projected Annual Variance %
DIRECT INCOME & EXPENDITURE						
Income						
CHSP Grants	191,987	118,333	786,016	710,000	162%	11%
MOW Grant	-	-	-	-	0%	0%
Grants QCSS	-	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!
Contributions CHSP	10,432	21,667	130,000	130,000	-52%	0%
Contributions MOW	968	1,667	10,000	10,000	-42%	0%
Total Income	203,387	141,667	926,016	850,000	44%	9%
Expenditure						
Workforce Retention	-	0	-	-	0%	0%
Personal Care	2,347	1,667	14,079	10,000	41%	41%
Transport	22,767	7,500	45,000	45,000	204%	0%
Domestic Assistance	16,204	16,667	100,000	100,000	-3%	0%
Home maintenance	742	333	2,000	2,000	123%	0%
Home modifications	71,225	46,667	380,000	280,000	53%	36%
Meals	1,697	1,333	5,000	8,000	27%	-38%
Meals on wheels	-	167	2,446	1,000	-100%	145%
Nursing	2,919	4,417	17,512	26,500	-34%	-34%
Social Support-group	12,557	10,000	75,340	60,000	26%	26%
Social Support-individual	11,333	6,667	67,997	40,000	70%	70%
Case Management	2,856	1,667	10,000	10,000		0%
Client Care coordination	22,987	11,667	70,000	70,000	97%	0%
QCSS wages		-	-	-	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!
QCSS operating		-	-	-	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!
Coord & Super - Community	24,676	25,000	148,054	150,000	-1%	-1%
Total expenditure	192,309	133,750	937,429	802,500	44%	17%
Direct profit/Loss before overheads	11,078	7,917	- 11,413	47,500	40%	-124%

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Barcaldine Regional Council - Community Services Business Unit						
Program: Home Care Packages						
Financial Performance Reports						
For the period 1 July 2024 to 31-Aug-24						
	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	* Projected	Annual	YTD	Projected
HOME CARE PACKAGES	\$	\$	Annual \$	Budget \$	Variance %	Annual Variance %
DIRECT INCOME & EXPENDITURE						
Income						
Grants	65,840	20,833	125,000	125,000	216%	0%
Return unexpended grants			-	-		
Contributions	-	1,000	6,000	6,000	-100%	0%
Total Income	65,840	21,833	131,000	131,000	202%	0%
Expenditure						
Regional HC Wages	39,929	24,167	145,000	145,000	65%	0%
Regional HC Packages - operating	5,131	1,667	10,000	10,000	208%	0%
Coord & Super - Community	3,948	4,000	24,000	24,000	-1%	0%
Total expenditure	49,008	29,833	179,000	179,000	64%	0%
Direct profit/Loss before overheads	16,832	- 8,000	- 48,000	- 48,000	-310%	0%

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Barcaldine Regional Council - Community Services Business Unit						
Program: Home Assist/Secure						
Financial Performance Reports						
For the period 1 July 2024 to 31-Aug-24						
HOME ASSIST/SECURE	YTD Actual \$	YTD Budget \$	* Projected Annual \$	Annual Budget \$	YTD Variance %	Projected Annual Variance %
DIRECT INCOME & EXPENDITURE						
Income						
Grants	12,143	24,833	149,000	149,000	-51%	0%
Grants- SAA program	-	-	-	-		
Unexpended grant return (est 20/21)	-	-	-	-		
Contributions		500	3,000	3,000	-100%	0%
Total Income	12,143	25,333	152,000	152,000	-52%	0%
Expenditure						
Direct wages	565	7,500	40,000	45,000	-92%	-11%
Operating costs	7,301	16,500	80,000	99,000	-56%	-19%
SAA Grant expended	-	-	-	-		
Coord & Super - Community	4,277	4,167	25,000	25,000	3%	0%
Total expenditure	12,144	28,167	145,000	169,000	-57%	-14%
Direct profit/Loss before overheads	- 0	- 2,833	7,000	- 17,000	-100%	-141%

Barcaldine Regional Council - Community Services Business Unit						
Program: NDIS						
Financial Performance Reports						
For the period 1 July 2024 to 31-Aug-24						
NDIS	YTD Actual \$	YTD Budget \$	* Projected Annual \$	Annual Budget \$	YTD Variance %	Projected Annual Variance %
DIRECT INCOME & EXPENDITURE						
Income						
Fees - Plan Set-up	1,213	1,000	6,000	6,000	21%	0%
Fees - Plan administration	17,737	18,333	110,000	110,000	-3%	0%
Fees - support coordination	22,818	19,000	114,000	114,000	20%	0%
Care packages	279,651	266,667	1,600,000	1,600,000	5%	0%
Contributions		-		-		
Total Income	321,419	305,000	1,830,000	1,830,000	5%	0%
Expenditure						
Direct assistance wages	7,421	10,817	64,900	64,900	-31%	0%
Plan participant claims	348,094	250,433	1,502,599	1,502,599	39%	0%
Coordination & Supervision	43,596	19,470	116,819	116,819	124%	0%
Total expenditure	399,111	280,720	1,684,318	1,684,318	42%	0%
Net Direct Profit/Loss	- 77,692	24,280	145,682	145,682	-420%	0%

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Council Meeting Date: 18 September 2024
Item Number: 3.3.3
Subject Heading: Capital Projects Report
Author and Title: Daniel Bradford, Acting Chief Executive Officer
CLASSIFICATION: (if confidential)

Summary: Council has adopted a Capital Works Program for 2024/2025 financial year at its budget meeting in June 2024. In 2024/2025 Council is aiming to deliver \$12.6million of new projects along with completing a further \$2.8million in carried forward projects from 2023/2024. This report is a progress summary of each project to the end of August 2024.

Officer's Recommendation:
That Council receive and note the Capital Projects Report.

Background

Attached is a report on the progress towards completion of the 2024/2025 Capital Works Program. Capital Projects from the 2024 financial year that are still to be completed have been carried forward and are reflected in this report as well. The report attached is in a new format generated from Council's Envisio system which has recently be setup to monitor and track our projects and strategic goals across Council.

So far in 2024/2025 four (4) projects have been completed. There are some projects that are at risk which are marked in the attachment. The projects include:

- Plant and Fleet Replacement programs x2
- Barcaldine Rec Lake Upgrade – cost estimates over budget
- Alpha Cross Loader Facility – design and cost escalations
- Stagmount Road Floodways x3 – cost estimates over budget
- Willow Street Kerb and Channel – resourcing to meeting funding deadline
- Barcaldine Renewal Energy Zone Access Road – awaiting external parties to complete negotiations for project to commence.

Link to Corporate Plan

Theme 5: Governance

We will have a safe, engaged, proud and performing council and workforce that is inclusive, innovative, ethical and trusted by all levels of government.

Consultation

Executive Management Team, District Managers and Project Managers

Policy Implications

Nil

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Budget and Resource Implications

Projects are itemised and budgeted accordingly.

Risk Management Implications

This recommendation in this report has no direct impact on enterprise risk, however does provide information that is a control for project management risks. This report provides oversight, ongoing monitoring and management of projects.

Asset Management Implications

Capital Works projects result in the asset constructed or purchased being added to Council's asset register. This then flows on to costs of ongoing maintenance and depreciation.

Legal Implications

Nil.



Project update report

Capital Works 2024-25

Aug 01, 2024 - Sep 12, 2024

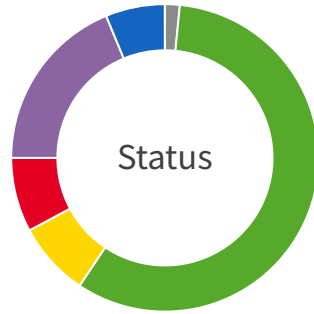
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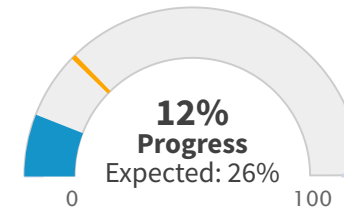
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Project

Overall Summary



	%
● Status Pending	1.56
● On Track	57.81
● At Risk	7.81
● Needs Attention	7.81
● Upcoming	18.75
● Completed	6.25



Project update report

Capital Works 2024-25

Report Created On: Sep 12, 2024

Report Legend



Priority



No Update



Overdue

Program 1.1

Carryovers (2023/24)

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 1.1.1	<p>Project Name: Barcaldine - Rec Lake upgrade</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>The Barcaldine Regional Council (BRC) are intending to install:</p> <p>Shade structures along the beach front at the Barcaldine Ski Park</p> <p>Concrete footpath along the beach front</p> <p>Lighting around the building and car park</p> <p>Sealed walking track around the rec lake (Please note this aspect of the original scope will be removed as part of the variation submission to the funding agreement)</p> <p>Budget: \$415,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$98,004.00</p> <p>Project Phase: Planning</p>	At Risk	Progress 20% (71%)	Mar 04, 2024	Nov 29, 2024	<p>Highlights/Announcements:</p> <p>Shade Shelters have arrived and are ready to install</p> <p>Risks/Issues:</p> <p>prices from tenders for concrete path is over budget.</p> <p>Next Steps:</p> <p>Officers are working with contractors to work through pricing to undertake concrete works and lighting installation.</p>
Project 1.1.2	<p>Project Name: Aramac - Town Hall Upgrades</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Aramac requires a disability toilet and upgrades to the kitchen</p> <p>Budget: \$80,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$0.00</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	On Track	Progress 5% (20%)	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2025	<p>Early planning has been completed and materials ordered. Work is scheduled to commence in Quarter 2</p>

Program 1.2
Community Buildings Program

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 1.2.1	<p>Project Name: Barcaldine - Library - Air Conditioning Upgrade</p> <p>Description: During the summer period when there is a large number of parents and children in the library taking part in First 5 Forever Program current systems are inadequate.</p> <p>Budget: \$15,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	On Track	Progress 0% (18%)	Sep 02, 2024	Oct 31, 2024	Early project planning has commenced
Project 1.2.2	<p>Project Name: Aramac - Bowls Club Air Conditioning</p> <p>Description: To install split system air conditioning system into the dining areas of the Aramac Bowls Club and fans in the kitchen area.</p> <p>Budget: \$20,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	On Track	Progress 40% (20%)	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 27, 2025	Materials have been ordered and work to commenced later this month.
Project 1.2.3	<p>Project Name: Aramac - Town Hall Upgrades</p> <p>Description: Aramac requires a disability toilet and upgrades to the kitchen</p> <p>Budget: \$80,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$0.00</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	On Track	Progress 5% (20%)	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2025	Early planning has been completed and materials ordered. Work is scheduled to commence in Quarter 2

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 1.2.4	<p>Project Name: Muttaburra - Town Hall Upgrades</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Muttaburra requires repairs to flooring, new stove, replace serving benches, repairs to back stairs and general maintenance inside and out. Cement pathway from the MIC to the Hall.</p> <p>Budget: \$30,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: In progress</p>	On Track	Progress 0% (20%)	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2025	Procurement of items has commenced
Project 1.2.5	<p>Project Name: Alpha Town Hall - Air Conditioning</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Remove the evaporative cooler and install a new air conditioning system at the Alpha Town Hall is required. This project is prep work to get us through until funding can be sourced for the larger project.</p> <p>Budget: \$30,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Planning</p>	On Track	Progress 0% (20%)	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2025	Planning has commenced for work to be completed.
Project 1.2.6	<p>Project Name: Alpha - Showground - Kitchen Upgrade</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>To upgrade the kitchen at the Alpha Showgrounds due to termite damage</p> <p>Budget: \$80,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	On Track	Progress 0% (20%)	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2025	Project is yet to commence
Project 1.2.7	<p>Project Name: Alpha - Town Hall - Kitchen Upgrade</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Kitchen upgrade at the Alpha Town Hall</p> <p>Budget: \$50,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	Upcoming		Oct 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2025	Project is yet to commence

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 1.2.8	<p>Project Name: Alpha - Showgrounds Grandstand Flooring Replacement</p> <p>Description: Replace damaged flooring at Alpha Showgrounds Grandstand</p> <p>Budget: \$25,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	On Track	Progress 0% (20%)	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2025	
Project 1.2.9	<p>Project Name: Alpha - Town Hall Toilets - upgrade</p> <p>Description: Male, Female, Disabled Toilets to be upgraded at the Alpha Town Hall</p> <p>Budget: \$80,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	Upcoming		Oct 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2025	Project is yet to commence
Project 1.2.10	<p>Project Name: Aramac - Cattle Yards</p> <p>Description: Cattle rail required to replace remaining wooden yards and panels.</p> <p>Budget: \$10,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$3,251.00</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	On Track	Progress 25% (20%)	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2025	Cattle Rail has been arrived and work is planned to start in October
Project 1.2.11	<p>Project Name: Barcaldine - Showground Replace Doors Goods Shed</p> <p>Description: Replace large roller doors (4) and tracks on good shed building. Doors are damaged and do not roll well. This work will complete upgrade to this building.</p> <p>Budget: \$20,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	On Track	Progress 0% (22%)	Aug 05, 2024	Jan 31, 2025	

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 1.2.12	<p>Project Name: Barcaldine The Globe - Screens</p> <p>Description: Installation of screens around open area of verandah to deter birds from nesting and creating hazards.</p> <p>Budget: \$20,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	On Track	Progress 0% (40%)	Jul 01, 2024	Dec 31, 2024	
Project 1.2.13	<p>Project Name: Jericho Showgrounds - New Bar</p> <p>Description: Replacement of Bar at the Jericho Showgrounds so that it can be better utilised by events and be used in future events that might develop.</p> <p>Budget: \$20,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	On Track	Progress 0% (10%)	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2026	A community session has occurred with work to the site commencing in October.
Project 1.2.14	<p>Project Name: Jericho - Showgrounds water</p> <p>Description: Replace existing Water Lines to Camping area at the Jericho Showgrounds. This is due to the constant Water line breaks and deteriorating pipework.</p> <p>Budget: \$60,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Initiated</p>	On Track	Progress 0% (20%)	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2025	

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 1.2.15	<p>Project Name: Jericho - Showgrounds - Upgrading of Power</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Due to the large amount of tourists we receive at the Jericho Showgrounds, the tourists overload the power board due to the large voltages that are drawn each winter with all the heating elements that are used. Urgent Safety issue, Now being needed as a requirement rather than a want.</p> <p>Upgrading of the power source into the Jericho Showgrounds to handle the increasing of tourists & events that are held at the showgrounds. This will assist with the overloading of power and constant problems that are occurring there. This would also allow us to upgrade our switchboards so that we are back in line with the electrical requirements, and future proofing our facilities</p> <p>Budget: \$130,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	On Track	Progress 0% (10%)	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2026	Work is commenced on tender for works to replace the switch board at the showgrounds.
Project 1.2.16	<p>Project Name: Jericho - Cattle Yard</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Costs will cover materials and erection of new yard</p> <p>Budget: \$30,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	On Track	Progress 0% (20%)	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2025	Officers are currently working with Qld Rail to identify responsibility of some elements of the facility and reassessing options since fire at the property.
Project 1.2.17	<p>Project Name: Aramac - Town Fencing</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Aramac boundary fencing around the township has partly been replaced. We are looking to complete the project in 2 more stages.</p> <p>Budget: \$30,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	On Track	Progress 20% (20%)	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 27, 2025	Materials have arrived and work is scheduled to commence in October

Program 1.3
Community Initiatives Program

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 1.3.1	<p>Project Name: Barcaldine - Library - Interactive Television Update</p> <p>Description: Interactive television requires latest version update.</p> <p>Budget: \$7,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	On Track	Progress 0% (70%)	Aug 01, 2024	Sep 30, 2024	
Project 1.3.2	<p>Project Name: Muttaborra - Community Enhancement Program</p> <p>Description: Tables and chairs for main street and other high use areas with cement slabs.</p> <p>More solar lighting in Muttaborra (Jubilee Park and caravan park).</p> <p>Repairs to fencing around Jubilee Park (or remove)</p> <p>Relocate swing set from Skate Park to Jubilee Park with possible soft fall underneath.</p> <p>Budget: \$40,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	On Track	Progress 0% (22%)	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 01, 2025	early project planning has commenced. Officers are considering grant options for elements of this program.

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 1.3.3	<p>Project Name: Regional - Solar Power for high power use locations</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Try and reduce the cost of power to our facilities and make our facilities more cost effective and feasible. Locations such as Alpha Depot - Stores Shed, Jericho Showgrounds, Alpha Showgrounds, Alpha & Jericho Town Halls, both Water Treatment Plants. This may not reduce the costs completely, but it may help with some of the cost.</p> <p>Budget: \$100,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	On Track	Progress 0% (7%)	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2027	Awaiting W4Q funding approval
Project 1.3.4	<p>Project Name: Barcaldine - Community Enhancement Program (Oak Street Bench Seats)</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Replace damaged bench seats Oak Street, various locations.</p> <p>Budget: \$20,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	Upcoming		Feb 02, 2025	Feb 28, 2025	
Project 1.3.5	<p>Project Name: Barcaldine - Rec Park Enhancement</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Line marking of carparking including disability parking area and install of general signage, entry/exit signs carpark, general directional signage, bollards, and retaining wall.</p> <p>Budget: \$50,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	On Track	Progress 0% (12%)	Aug 05, 2024	Jun 30, 2025	Bollards are starting to be delivered. Lighting and linemarking are being planned at the moment.

Program 2.1
Carryovers (2023/24)

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 2.1.1	Regional Water Mains	Status Pending	Progress 0% (20%)	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2025	
Project 2.1.2	<p>Project Name: Regional - Plant and Fleet Replacement 2023/2024</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>FY 2023/2024 fleet replacement program</p> <p>Budget: \$4,286,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$3,846,524.00</p> <p>Project Phase: In progress</p>	At Risk	Progress 86% (60%)	Jul 01, 2023	Jun 30, 2025	All items have been ordered for some time now. most of the remaining items awaiting delivery are trucks.

Program 2.2
Water Services Program

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 2.2.1	<p>Project Name: Alpha/Jericho - Water Treatment Plant Chlorinators</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Alpha and Jericho WTP chlorinators. \$80,000</p> <p>Units were changed out to calcium hypo units. Since installation these have been very problematic and unreliable.</p> <p>High failure rate resulting in unreliable disinfection of the water supply (CCP) (coupled with scada issues poses significant risk).</p> <p>Budget: \$80,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: In Progress</p>	On Track	Progress 0% (40%)	Jul 01, 2024	Dec 31, 2024	Procurement of items has been undertaken due to emergent need to undertake these works.
Project 2.2.2	<p>Project Name: Barcaldine - Pomona Reservoir</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Pomona Reservoir Roof superstructure and sheeting</p> <p>Stage 1, investigate and design replacement \$60,000</p> <p>Rational. Originally noted in a Report to Council 19, December, 2007 roof purlins had surface rust evident.</p> <p>Limited and brief inspection via inspection hatch (April 2024) showed significant section loss on surrounding purlins.</p> <p>RAPAD reservoir clean and inspection program needs to include Pomona Res for more detailed report.</p> <p>Budget: \$60,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Planning</p>	On Track	Progress 0% (40%)	Jul 01, 2024	Dec 31, 2024	

Program 2.3
Sewerage Service Program

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 2.3.1	Project Name: Barcaldine - Sewerage Treatment Plant Description: Yet to be determined Budget: \$230,000.00 Expenditure: Project Phase: Planning	On Track	Progress 0% (20%)	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2025	LGGSP and W4Q grants have been submitted and Council is awaiting the outcomes to be announced.
Project 2.3.2	Project Name: Regional - SCADA Rectification Description: Correct, amend and augment GEOSCADA - Phase 1 Budget: \$150,000.00 Expenditure: Project Phase: Planning	Upcoming		Nov 01, 2024	Dec 31, 2024	

Program 2.4
Plant and Fleet Services

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 2.4.1	<p>Project Name: Regional - Plant/Fleet Replacement 2024/2025</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>FY 24/25 fleet replacement program</p> <p>Budget: \$4,100,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$10,489.01</p> <p>Project Phase: Initiated</p>	At Risk	Progress 0% (20%)	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2025	
Project 2.4.2	<p>Project Name: Alpha - Vehicle hoist x2</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Procure an addition vehicle hoist for Alpha workshop.</p> <p>Budget: \$35,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$30,520.00</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	Completed	Progress 100%	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2025	Items have been received.
Project 2.4.3	<p>Project Name: Alpha - Workshop Scan Tool</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Replace Alpha workshop scan tool due to age as it is no longer able to be updated due to age.</p> <p>Budget: \$10,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	On Track	Progress 0% (20%)	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2025	

Program 2.5
Waste Management Program

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 2.5.1	<p>Project Name: Regional - Waste Transfer Station (Waste Reclaiming Initiatives)</p> <p>Description: Add facilities to our transfer stations to meet our environmental responsibilities</p> <p>Budget: \$50,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Planning</p>	On Track	Progress 0% (20%)	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2025	

Program 3.1
Carryovers (2023/24)

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 3.1.1	<p>Project Name: Alpha - Cattle Cross loading Facility</p> <p>Description: Cattle Cross loading Facility</p> <p>Budget: \$100,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$0.00</p> <p>Project Phase: Procurement</p>	At Risk	Progress 16% (54%)	Oct 01, 2023	Jun 30, 2025	Finalising cost estimates and delivery plan for the project. Design modifications may be needed to meet Engineering standards. Stakeholder engagement with supplier and user group is ongoing to ensure design meets industry needs.
Project 3.1.2	<p>Project Name: Aramac - Stagmount Road (Project ID 125138-23)</p> <p>Description: Project ID 125138-23QLD Floodway crossing at chainage 27.07km - R2R</p> <p>Budget: \$100,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Procurement</p>	Needs Attention	Progress 0% (60%)	Apr 02, 2024	Dec 31, 2024	Cost estimates are severely over budgeted amount. Working through options for Council consideration.
Project 3.1.3	<p>Project Name: Aramac - Stagmount Road (Project ID 125145)</p> <p>Description: Floodway crossing chainage 25.98km</p> <p>Project ID 125145</p> <p>R2R</p> <p>Budget: \$100,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$32,946.42</p> <p>Project Phase: Procurement</p>	Needs Attention	Progress 0% (60%)	Apr 02, 2024	Dec 31, 2024	Cost estimates are severely over budgeted amount. Working through options for Council consideration.

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 3.1.4	<p>Project Name: Aramac - Stagmount Road - Floodway (Project ID 125146)</p> <p>Description: Floodway crossing chainage 28.11km</p> <p>Project ID 125146 Stagmount Road - R2R</p> <p>Budget: \$100,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$70,525.00</p> <p>Project Phase: Procurement</p>	Needs Attention	Progress 0% (60%)	Apr 02, 2024	Dec 31, 2024	Cost estimates are severely over budgeted amount. Working through options for Council consideration.
Project 3.1.5	<p>Project Name: Aramac - Booker Street Footpaths Aramac</p> <p>Description: Footpaths CH1120 to CH1170 and CH1190 to CH1330 2mt wide</p> <p>Burt st to porter st for wheelchair access at each end</p> <p>Require this job due to a few trips and falls as the ground is very uneven and is cracking. This is a safety issues for the town residents and visitors This is Infront of all the shops in Aramac</p> <p>Budget: \$120,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Work Completed</p>	Completed	Progress 100%	Jul 01, 2024	Dec 31, 2024	
Project 3.1.6	<p>Project Name: Alpha - Star Downs - Pave and Seal</p> <p>Description: Star Downs Pave and Seal.</p> <p>Budget: \$800,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$625,386.00</p> <p>Project Phase: In progress</p>	On Track	Progress 50% (60%)	Apr 02, 2024	Dec 31, 2024	

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 3.1.7	<p>Project Name: Barcaldine - Willow St K&C</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Road rehabilitation and upgrade with Kerb and Channel between the sections of Fir Street to Boree Street.</p> <p>Budget is made up of - \$350 R2R from last year money, \$350 R2R from this years money and \$200 TMR (TIDS) this years money</p> <p>Budget: \$900,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$15,620.00</p> <p>Project Phase: Procurement</p>	Needs Attention	Progress 0% (60%)	Apr 02, 2024	Dec 31, 2024	Workforce is severely stretched to deliver the project prior to the funding deadlines. Works team are evaluating options to ensure funding deadlines are able to be met.
Project 3.1.8	<p>Project Name: Barcaldine - Box St K&C</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Box St K&C from Ash street to Elm Street</p> <p>Budget: \$200,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$233,780.00</p> <p>Project Phase: Work Completed</p>	Completed	Progress 100%	May 09, 2024	Jul 09, 2024	Project Completed in July 2024

Program 3.2
Rural Roads Projects and Program

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 3.2.1	<p>Project Name: Barcaldine - Home Creek Moonbria Road Sealing</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>.</p> <p>Budget: \$436,728.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Planning</p>	Upcoming		Jan 01, 2025	Jun 30, 2025	
Project 3.2.2	<p>Project Name: Regional - Road Resheeting Program</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Adding gravel to Council's deteriorating gravel roads</p> <p>Budget: \$1,000,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Planning</p>	On Track	Progress 0% (20%)	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2025	

Program 3.3
Town Streets Upgrade and Renewals

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 3.3.1	<p>Project Name: Muttaburra - Klugh Street Rehabilitation</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>.</p> <p>Budget: \$250,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Planning</p>	Upcoming		Jan 01, 2025	Jun 30, 2025	
Project 3.3.2	<p>Project Name: Barcaldine - Town Street Rehabilitation</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Sections of towns street Barcaldine are showing signs of failure. Areas of road in Pine Street (Gidgea to Elm St), Elm Street (Maple to Beech St), Gidgea Street(Myall to Pine St) are the priority with additional streets to be identified.</p> <p>Sections of road to be identified, removed and relaid in damaged areas.</p> <p>Budget: \$200,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Planning</p>	On Track	Progress 0% (20%)	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2025	
Project 3.3.3	<p>Project Name: Barcaldine - Willow St K&C</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Road rehabilitation and upgrade with Kerb and Channel between the sections of Fir Street to Boree Street.</p> <p>Budget is made up of - \$350 R2R from last year money, \$350 R2R from this years money and \$200 TMR (TIDS) this years money</p> <p>Budget: \$900,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$15,620.00</p> <p>Project Phase: Procurement</p>	Needs Attention	Progress 0% (60%)	Apr 02, 2024	Dec 31, 2024	Workforce is severely stretched to deliver the project prior to the funding deadlines. Works team are evaluating options to ensure funding deadlines are able to be met.

Program 3.4
Footpaths Improvement Program




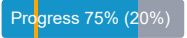
Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 3.4.1	<p>Project Name: Alpha State School Footpath</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Concrete footpaths to be installed on:</p> <p>Dryden St (250m)</p> <p>Milton St (250m)</p> <p>Refuge Islands (4-off) Milton St</p> <p>Line marking on Milton St</p> <p>Replacement signage on Milton St</p> <p>Budget: \$275,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$2,362.00</p> <p>Project Phase: In Progress</p>	On Track	Progress 10% (72%)	Oct 16, 2023	Jan 17, 2025	Construction of Footpath has commenced
Project 3.4.2	<p>Project Name: Muttaborra - Mary St to Cornish St - Footpath</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>New foothpath on the North side of Muttaborra Aramac road from Mary st to Cornish st currently no footpath on that street and everyone just walks along the road</p> <p>Budget: \$120,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Planning</p>	Upcoming		Dec 01, 2024	Dec 31, 2024	

Program 3.5
Floodways Program

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 3.5.1	<p>Project Name: Alpha - Craven Road Floodway 1</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Current Concrete Floodway is to low and too steep. It is very Dangerous due to its ride ability and it is continually silting over with sand at times. Area also holds 900mm of Water on Floodway.</p> <p>Remove Existing Slab & Install new slab at correct height 40m X 6m. Ch25.70 - Craven Rd</p> <p>Budget: \$75,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	Upcoming		Jan 01, 2025	Jun 30, 2025	
Project 3.5.2	<p>Project Name: Alpha - Craven Road Floodway 2</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Very Steep Floodway that always scours out. Very dangerous after Rain and is a high maintenance area.</p> <p>Construct Concrete Slab 50m x 6m, along with Rock batter protection down stream. Ch53.30 - Craven Rd</p> <p>Budget: \$75,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	Upcoming		Jan 01, 2025	Jun 30, 2025	
Project 3.5.3	<p>Project Name: Barcaldine - Braeside Road Floodway</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>.</p> <p>Budget: \$150,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Planning</p>	Upcoming		Feb 01, 2025	Jun 30, 2025	

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 3.5.4	<p>Project Name: Aramac - Forsyth St Culvert</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>New head walls etc.</p> <p>Budget: \$50,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Planning</p>	Upcoming		Jan 01, 2025	Jun 30, 2025	
Project 3.5.5	<p>Project Name: Muttaborra - Beryl Road Floodways</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>.</p> <p>Budget: \$100,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Planning</p>	On Track	Progress 0% (20%)	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2025	
Project 3.5.6	<p>Project Name: Aramac - Balleneety Pipes</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>.</p> <p>Budget: \$110,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Planning</p>	On Track	Progress 0% (20%)	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2025	
Project 3.5.7	<p>Project Name: Muttaborra - Bowen Downs Road</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Project ID 125148 Bowen Downs Road - R2R</p> <p>list all roads and chains for gravel crossings</p> <p>Budget: \$40,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Planning</p>	Upcoming		Jan 01, 2025	Jun 30, 2025	

Program 3.6
Flood Damage Works

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 3.6.1	<p>Project Name: Aramac - Betterment Works (Aramac Jericho Road)</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Gray Rock Drainage project</p> <p>Received design from GBA 11/09/2024</p> <p>Budget: \$1,520,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Design</p>			Jul 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2025	Final detailed Design is nearing completion
Project 3.6.2	<p>Project Name: Regional - Flood Damage Works (Capital)</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Year 2 of the flood damage recovery works</p> <p>Budget: \$2,526,525.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$2,180,686.00</p> <p>Project Phase: In Progress</p>			Jul 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2025	

Program 4.2
Major Projects

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 4.2.1	<p>Project Name: Barcaldine - BREZ Development - Lancewood Drive</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>This is the road works to support the development of the BREZ Site. Council has committed \$1,000,000 previously to the project and now has contributed another \$1,000,000 in R2R funding towards the project.</p> <p>Budget: \$2,000,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$0.00</p> <p>Project Phase: Planning</p>	At Risk	Progress 0% (20%)	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2025	Finalisation of Funding Agreement between the State and Developer will allow this project to progress. Planning of work has not yet commenced.
Project 4.2.2	<p>Project Name: Aramac - Gordon Street Revitalisation Stage 1</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Project to revitalisation of Aramac main street. Construction of new road, footpaths, and street beautification. Project would be a major community consultation project, concept design, detailed design on to construction staging</p> <p>Budget: \$420,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Planning</p>	On Track	Progress 0% (20%)	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2025	

Program 5.1
 Carryovers (2023/24)

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 5.1.1	Project Name: Regional Housing Renewal Program Description: Capital maintenance of Council's Housing Program Budget: \$250,000.00 Expenditure: \$0.00 Project Phase: Approved	<div style="background-color: #4CAF50; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center;">On Track</div>	<div style="background-color: #9E9E9E; padding: 2px; text-align: center;">Progress 0% (20%)</div>	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2025	Finalising Housing Project List

Program 5.2
Governance Program

Plan Label And Number	Description	Status	Progress	Start Date	End Date	Last Update
Project 5.2.1	<p>Project Name: Alpha - Main Office Upgrade</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Flooring needs replacing due to severe stains & uneven flooring. Tiles in foyer are cracking. New Flagpole for the out the front of the office. New Sliding Door for the Front. New Sign at front of building for Main office & CCS Building.</p> <p>Budget: \$10,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Closed</p>	Completed	Progress 100%	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2025	Signage has been installed at Alpha Office
Project 5.2.2	<p>Project Name: Regional - IT Renewal Program</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>All our IT equipment is essential to our operations and ensuring we are using a process to continue to update and renew equipment prior to failure is going to create a more streamlined experience for users and provide great security and less down time.</p> <p>Budget: \$70,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure: \$0.00</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	On Track	Progress 25% (20%)	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2025	<p>Photocopier has been ordered</p> <p>Laptops have arrived for setup before distribution</p>
Project 5.2.3	<p>Project Name: Regional - Starlink Installation</p> <p>Description:</p> <p>Installation of Starlink hardware across the region. This will act a critical uplift to connectivity redundancy for Council's internal IT network.</p> <p>Budget: \$60,000.00</p> <p>Expenditure:</p> <p>Project Phase: Approved</p>	On Track	Progress 0% (20%)	Jul 01, 2024	Jun 30, 2025	Reviewing organisation needs with contractor

**BARCALDINE REGIONAL COUNCIL
AGENDA FOR GENERAL MEETING 18 SEPTEMBER 2024**

Council Meeting Date: 18 September 2024
Item Number: 3.4.1
Subject Heading: Regional Council Business

Summary: Items to be tabled on the day.

BARCALDINE REGIONAL COUNCIL
AGENDA FOR GENERAL MEETING 18 SEPTEMBER 2024

Council Meeting Date: 18 September 2024
Item Number: 3.5.1
Subject Heading: Planning and Development Report
Author and Title: Daniel Bradford, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Classification: (if confidential)

Summary: From the Acting Chief Executive Officer, tabling the monthly Planning and Development Report.

Officer's Recommendation:
That Council receive the report.

Background

The planning and development report for the month consists of two elements:

1. A list of town planning, building, water and sewerage applications.
2. A report from Council's town planners – Reel Planning.

The full details of development applications are available on Council's website.

Link to Corporate Plan

Theme 5: Governance

We will have a safe, engaged, proud and performing council and workforce that is inclusive, innovative, ethical and trusted by all levels of government.

Consultation (internal/external)

- Chief Executive Officer
- Reel Planning.

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

- Planning fees received
- Assessment costs.

Risk Management Implications

Low risk – information report only

Asset Management Implications

Nil

Legal Implications - Nil

Summary list of town planning, building, water and sewerage applications.

Date		Fees	Development Type	Development Detail	Value of work	Location	
07.08.2024	O/B	\$3,105.00			\$20,000.00		
14.08.24		\$565.00	Plumbing	Alterations and Additions	\$0.00	Barcaldine	
		\$513.00	Plumbing	Water Connection	\$0.00	Muttaburra	
20.08.24		\$2,524.00	Building	Renovations & Additions	\$0.00	Barcaldine	
29.08.24		\$825.00	Building	Carport	\$40,000.00	Barcaldine	
		\$0.00	Plumbing	Water Connection	\$0.00	Barcaldine	
		\$0.00	Plumbing	Water Connection	\$0.00	Barcaldine	
06.08.24		\$11,000.00	Town Planning	MCU - Gravel Extraction	\$0.00	Barcaldine	
25.07.24		\$1,100.00	Town Planning	MCU - Service Station	\$0.00	Barcaldine	
01.08.24		\$825.00	Building	Dwelling Extension	\$42,000.00	Barcaldine	
30.07.24		\$2,260.00	Building	Modifications	\$199,828.20	Barcaldine	
		\$22,717.00	7 August to 9 September 2024			\$301,828.20	
		\$39,515.79		2023-2024 Financial Year	\$5,455,828.87		
		\$52,587.50		2022-23 Financial Year	\$2,316,652.00		
		\$45,692.00		2021-22 Financial Year	\$4,215,938.78		
				2020-21 Financial Year	\$3,639,135.00		
				2019-20 Financial Year	\$5,454,721.91		
				2018-19 Financial Year	\$2,220,655.58		

MONTHLY REPORT (AUGUST 2024)

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

Two new applications have been received since the last monthly report. Four applications are currently under assessment and two applications have been decided and are in their appeal periods.

1.1	Council reference:	DA192425
	Application:	Development Application for Development Permit for a Material change for a Public Utility under a Superseded Planning Scheme
	Property description:	57075 Capricorn Highway, Barcaldine (Lot on RP902908)
	Day application was made:	04 September 2024
	Category of assessment:	Code
	Public notification be required:	No
	Applicant:	Energy Queensland
	Status:	Confirmation period

An application has been made by Energy Queensland for a Development Permit for a Material Change of Use for a Public Utility under a Superseded Planning Scheme over land at 57075 Capricorn Highway, Barcaldine (Lot on RP902908).

The application involves an extension to the existing Barcaldine Power station. The extension involves the addition of a hydrogen ready gas fired power generator which will increase the capacity of the power station by a further 30MW for a total of 67MW.

Council has previously granted approval for the application to be assessed under a Superseded Planning Scheme, being the Barcaldine Shire Planning Scheme 2006.

The site is in the Rural zone, within which the Public Utility is subject to Code assessment and therefore will not require public notification. The site is within 25m of a state-controlled road and will be required to be referred to the State Assessment and Referral Agency (SARA).

Council is required to issue a confirmation notice by 18 September 2024.

1.2	Council reference:	DA212425
	Application:	Development Application for Development Permit for Reconfiguring a Lot (1 lot into 3 lots)
	Property description:	105 Boree Street, Barcaldine (Lot 300 on SP266037)
	Day application was made:	06 September 2024
	Category of assessment:	Code
	Public notification be required:	No
	Applicant:	Thompson Business Trust C/- Murray & Associates (QLD) Pty Ltd
	Status:	Awaiting payment

An application has been made by Thompson Business Trust C/- Murray & Associates (QLD) Pty Ltd for a Development Permit for Reconfiguring a Lot (1 lot into 3 lots) over land at 105 Boree Street, Barcaldine (Lot 300 on SP266037).

The proposed development seeks to create two (2) additional compliant allotments along Boree Street for the purpose of distinctly separating the existing dwellings onsite.

The site is in the Township zone, within which the Reconfiguration of lots is subject to Code assessment and therefore will not require public notification. The site is within 100m of an intersection with a state-controlled road and will be required to be referred to the State Assessment and Referral Agency (SARA).

Council is awaiting payment.

1.3	Council reference:	DA082425
	Application:	Development Application for Development Permit for a Material change of use an Extractive industry (5,000 to 100,000 tonnes per annum)
	Property description:	55492 Capricorn Highway, Barcaldine (Lot 1118 on SP333388)
	Day application was made:	06 August 2024
	Category of assessment:	Code
	Public notification be required:	No
	Applicant:	Goodliffe Grazing Company Pty Ltd as trustee for JH Speed Trust No 2
	Status:	Referral stage

An application has been made by Goodliffe Grazing Company Pty Ltd as trustee for JH Speed Trust No 2 for a Development Permit for a Material Change of Use for an Extractive industry (5,000 to 100,000 tonnes per annum) over land at 55492 Capricorn Highway, Barcaldine (Lot 1118 on SP333388)

The application involves developing a site known as “North Delta Quarry” into a fully functional quarry producing up to of 100,000 tonnes of lateritic gravel products (pea gravel) a year for use in the civil construction and road reconstruction industry.

The site is in the Rural zone, within which the proposed Extractive industry is subject to Code assessment and therefore will not require public notification. The site is within 25m of a state-controlled road and also involves an environmentally relevant activity and will be required to be referred to the State Assessment and Referral Agency (SARA).

Council has issued a confirmation notice and the applicant will need to refer the application to SARA by 18 September 2024.

1.4	Council reference:	DA052425
	Application:	Development Application for a Development Permit for a Material change of use for a Service station
	Property description:	24-28 Ironwood Drive and 21 Needlewood Road, Barcaldine (Lot 4, 18 and 19 on SP24954)
	Day application was made:	30 July 2024
	Category of assessment:	Code
	Public notification be required:	No

Applicant:	Woodham Petroleum Services Pty Ltd C/ Urban Planet Town Planning Consultants
Status:	Under assessment

An application has been made by Woodham Petroleum Services Pty Ltd C/ Urban Planet Town Planning Consultants for a Development Permit for a Material Change of Use for a Service Station over land at 24-28 Ironwood Drive and 21 Needlewood Road, Barcaldine (Lot 4, 18 and 19 on SP24954).

The proposal is for a Service station that will cater for refuelling of heavy vehicles.

The site is in the Industrial precinct of the Township zone, within which the proposed Service station is subject to Code assessment and therefore will not require public notification.

The application is properly made and is currently under assessment.

The following application was approved under delegation 21 August 2024 and the decision notice was issued to the applicant soon thereafter. The applicant has a 20 business day Appeal Period within which they can file an appeal. At this stage, there has been no indication that the applicant will pursue this course. The Appeal Period for this application is expected to finish around 18 September 2024.

1.5	Council reference:	DA012425
	Application:	Development Application for a Development Permit for Reconfiguring a Lot (Boundary realignment 12 lots into 10 lots)
	Property description:	71, 81, 91 and 101 Lancewood Road and 34 Mimosa Road, Barcaldine (Lots 3-14 on RP606423)
	Day application was made:	03 July 2024
	Category of assessment:	Code
	Public notification be required:	No
	Applicant:	C.J. & C.M. Cole C/- Murray & Associates (Qld) Pty Ltd
	Decision:	21 August 2024
Status:	Appeal period	

The following application was approved under delegation 02 September 2024 and the decision notice was issued to the applicant soon thereafter. The applicant has a 20 business day Appeal Period within which they can file an appeal. At this stage, there has been no indication that the applicant will pursue this course. The Appeal Period for this application is expected to finish around 07 October 2024.

1.6	Council reference:	DA592223
	Application:	Development Application for a Development Permit for a Material Change of Use - Service Station
	Property description:	270 Ballyneety Road, Aramac and formally described as Lot 3 on SP335304
	Day application was made:	6 June 2023
	Category of assessment:	Code
	Public notification be required:	No
	Applicant:	Noel Nicholas Dickson

Decision:	02 September 2024
Status:	Appeal period

The following customer requests were received since the last monthly report:

PLANNING ENQUIRIES			
Date received	Customer Details	Details of Enquiry	Status
29/08/24	State government entity	<p><u>Details of Enquiry</u> Council received notification of a public housing project.</p> <p><u>Planning details</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The site is in the Township zone. <p><u>Advice given</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The proposal would be defined as a Multiple dwelling, which in the Township zone is subject to Code assessment Generally, the proposal would be consistent with the relevant codes however Council would need to review elevations to check the built form and design is acceptable Council advised the proponent that elevations would be required to carry out a full review and that any dwellings should be designed to be consistent with PO24 of the Township zone code. 	Closed
03/09/24	Potential purchaser	<p><u>Details of Enquiry</u> Council received a request regarding establishing an industrial use.</p> <p><u>Planning details</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The site is in Industrial precinct of the Township zone. <p><u>Advice given</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The use is most likely to be defined as Low impact industry, however if it involves spray painting up to 20,000 litres a year it would become Medium impact industry Both Low impact industry and Medium impact industry are Code assessable in the Industrial precinct Both uses are suitable for the locality Code assessable is the lowest level of assessment and requires a development application to be lodged with Council. 	Closed

PLANNING ENQUIRIES			
Date received	Customer Details	Details of Enquiry	Status
03/09/24	Landowner	<p><u>Details of Enquiry</u> Council received a request regarding establishing two dwellings on one lot.</p> <p><u>Planning details</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The site is in the Township zone • The site is wholly contained within the Flood hazard overlay (flood prone land) <p><u>Advice given</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two dwellings on a single lot are defined as a Dual occupancy • A new Dual occupancy is a Material change of use • A Material change of use for a Dual occupancy in the Township zone is subject Code assessment • Code assessment is the lowest level of assessment and requires a development application to be lodged with Council • As the site is identified as being on Flood prone land it will be assessable against the Natural hazards overlay code which includes the following requirements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Finished floor level of habitable rooms must be constructed a minimum 600mm above the defined flood level; and the ○ Preparation of a flood management plan • A subsequent building approval will also be required. 	Closed
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATES			
02/09/24	Conveyancing company	Council received a request for a Standard Planning and Development Certificate for a land holding in the Township zone.	Issued
SURVEY PLAN APPROVALS			
Nil			
EXEMPTION CERTIFICATES			
Nil			

If Councillors would like further information about previous enquiries, please contact Tim O’Leary on tim@reelplanning.com.

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Council Meeting Date: 18 September 2024
Item Number: 3.5.2
Subject Heading: Workplace Health and Safety Report
 Author and Title: Shane Waller, Work Health and Safety Coordinator
 Classification: (if confidential)

Summary: From the Work Health and Safety Coordinator, presenting a report on Council's Workplace Health and Safety.

Officer's Recommendation:
That Council receive the report.

Background

The table and associated graphs below represent Barcaldine Regional Council incidents involving injuries to personnel reported from the middle of the calendar year 2023 through to the most recent reported incident date.

The correlated data indicates that across the region, body stressing has been the major contributor of injuries to Barcaldine Regional Council Employees; followed by being hit by moving objects. The Workplace Health and Safety Department is working closely with Departmental Leaders, Managers and Supervisors to bring awareness of manual handling requirements to their workers through prestart conversations and during task allocation.

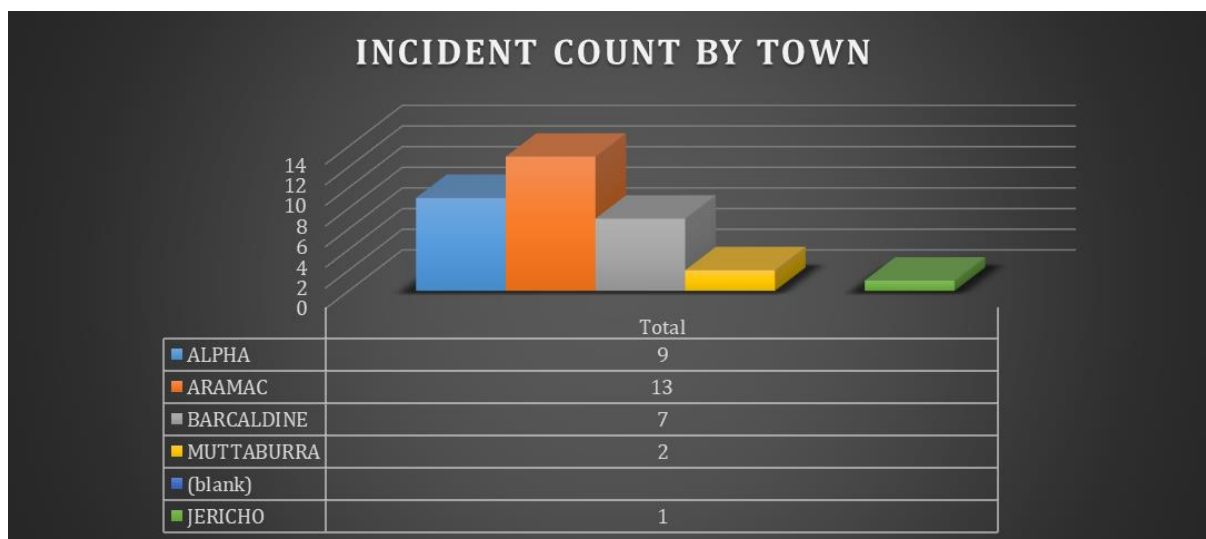
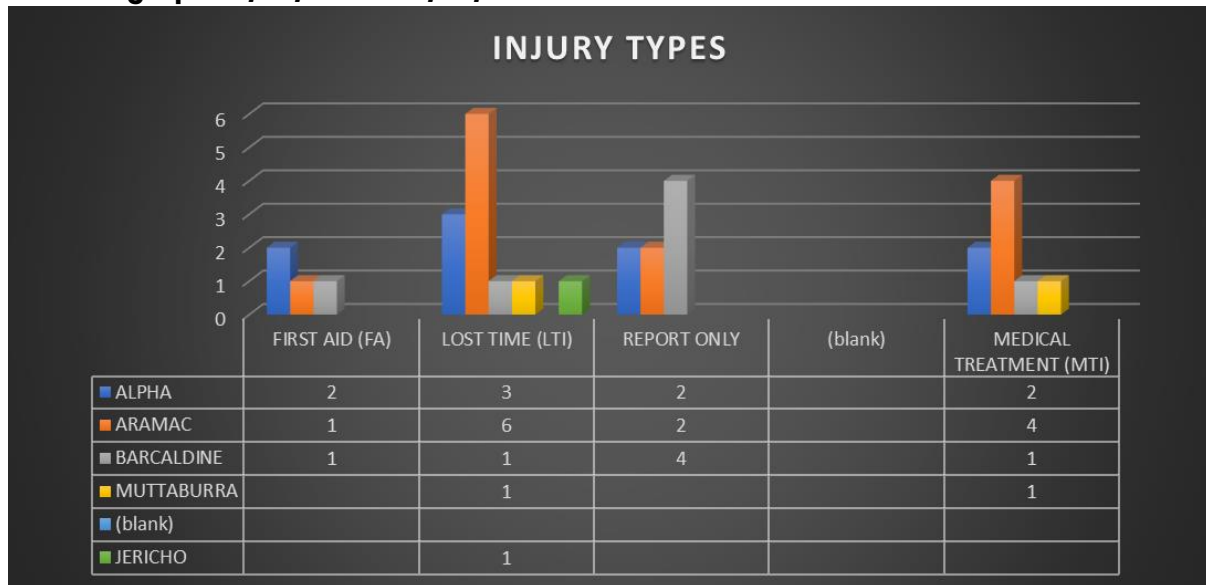
Personnel incidents reported 28/09/2023 – 10/09/2024

Date	Location	Outcomes	Injury Type
04/08/2024	Aramac	Injury	Medical Treatment
22/07/2024	Aramac	Injury	Medical Treatment
16/07/2024	Aramac	Injury	Medical Treatment
21/06/2024	Alpha	Injury	Lost Time incident
20/06/2024	Alpha	Injury	Medical Treatment
20/05/2024	Barcaldine	Injury	Report Only
10/05/2024	Alpha	Injury	Medical Treatment
09/05/2024	Aramac	Injury	Medical Treatment
01/05/2024	Aramac	Injury	Report Only
29/04/2024	Barcaldine	Injury	Medical Treatment
24/04/2024	Alpha	Non-Injury	Report Only
03/04/2024	Barcaldine	Injury	Lost Time incident
20/03/2024	Aramac	Injury	Lost Time Incident
19/03/2024	Barcaldine	Injury	Lost Time Incident
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11/03/2024	Jericho	Non-Injury	Report Only
04/03/2024	Jericho	Injury	Lost Time Incident

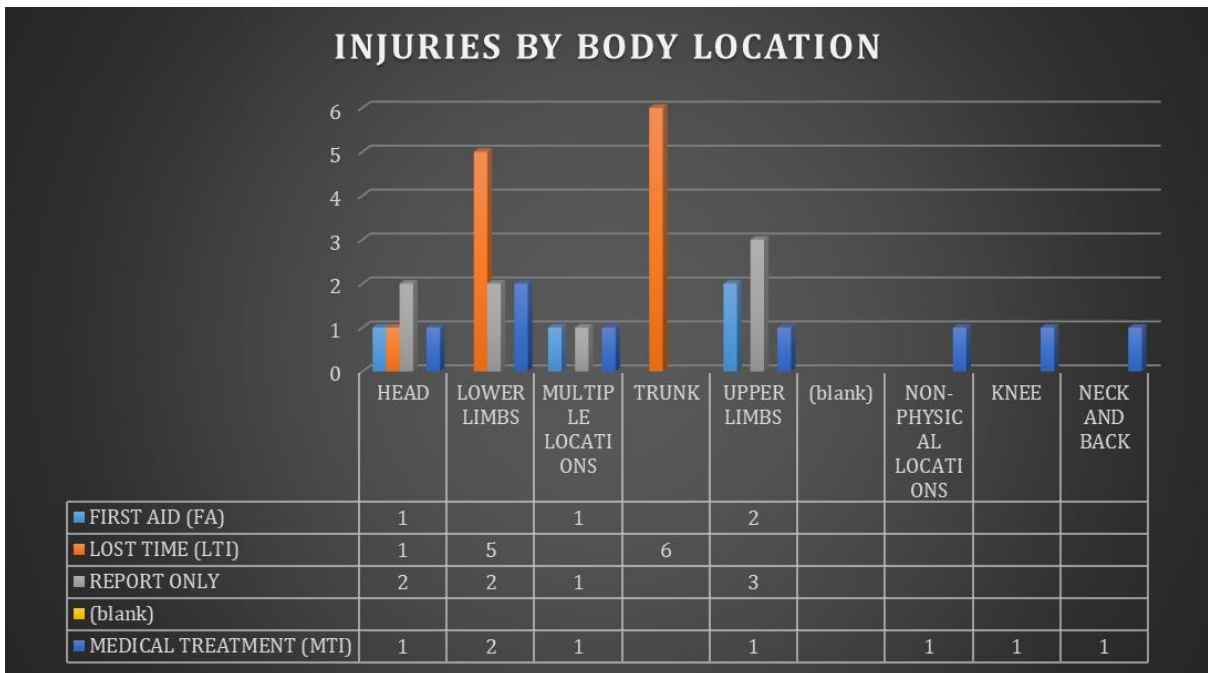
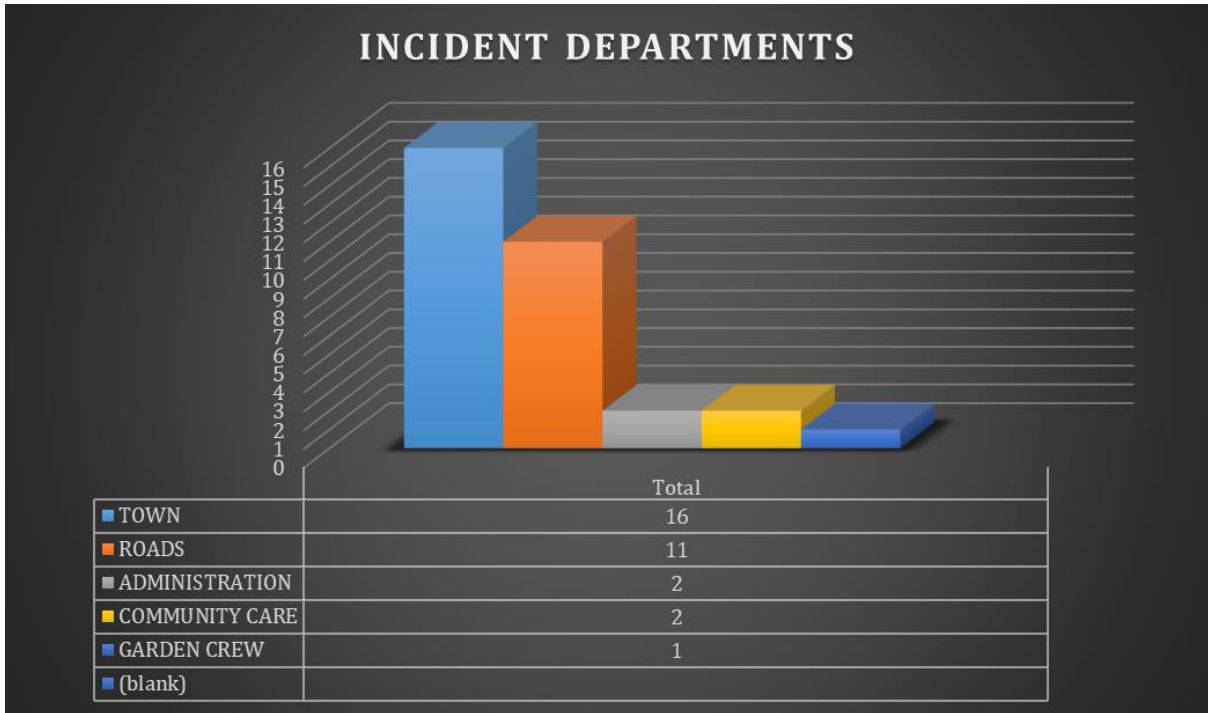
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15/02/2024	Aramac	Injury	Lost Time Incident
05/02/2024	Alpha	Injury	First Aid
29/01/2024	Aramac	Injury	Lost Time Incident
29/01/2024	Aramac	Injury	First Aid
24/01/2024	Aramac	Non-Injury	Report Only
22/01/2024	Aramac	Injury	Lost Time Incident
18/01/2024	Alpha	Injury	Report Only
12/12/2023	Barcaldine	Injury	Report Only
08/11/2023	Aramac	Injury	Lost Time Incident
03/11/2023	Barcaldine	Injury	Lost Time Incident
25/10/2023	Alpha	Injury	Lost Time Incident
28/09/2023	Aramac	Injury	Report Only

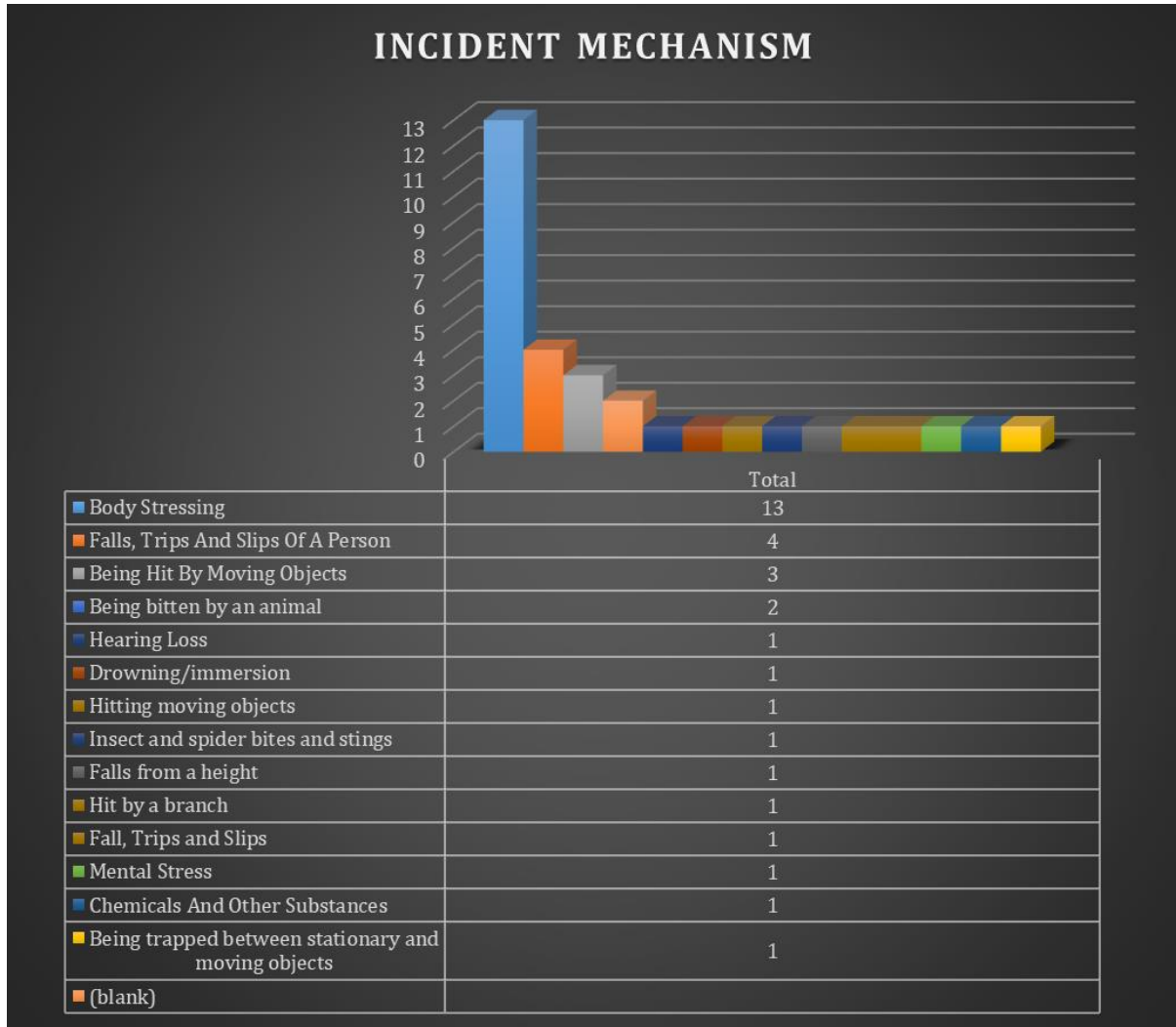
Incident graph 28/09/2023 – 10/09/2024



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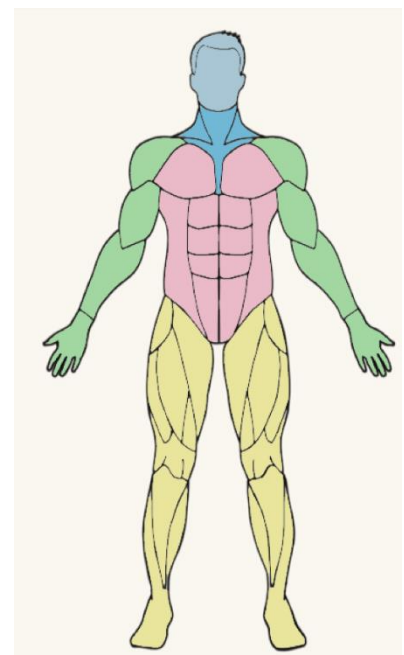


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Injuries by body location

HEAD	6
NECK	1
TRUNK	7
UPPER LIMBS	6
LOWER LIMBS	11
MULTIPLE LOCATIONS	3



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The Workplace Health and Safety Department has received the Audit report and has reviewed all observations, Planning is in progress to improve in these areas, consultation and alignment with departments is ongoing. The council's Safety Management Systems has been reviewed, updates on working documents SWMS, operating procedures and verification of competency are underway.

The Work Health and Safety Team continues to provide support to workers and officers, through communication, mentoring, guidance and advice.

Link to Corporate Plan

Theme 5: Governance

Consultation

Chief Executive Officer
Leadership Team
Supervisors
Workers

Policy Implications

Implementation of Council Safety Management System documentation is ongoing

Budget and Resource Implications

- * Insurance claims
- * Lost time injuries – Workers Compensation

Risk Implications

No major incidents

Asset Management Implications

Nil

Legal Implications

Nil

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Council Meeting Date: 21 August 2024
Item Number: 3.5.3
Subject Heading: Environmental Health Officer Report
Author and Title: Daniel Bradford, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Classification: (if confidential)

Summary: From the Acting Chief Executive Officer, tabling the Environmental Health Officer Report for Councillor Information.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the report.

All Council Areas:

- Draft Food Business Application Form sent to all council areas for editing and approval. Some Councils have adopted / Some ongoing.
- Draft Temporary Food Business Application Form. Some Councils have adopted / Some ongoing.
- Draft Caravan Park Inspection form. Final Stage
- Draft Personal Appearance Services (PAS) Application & Inspection Form. Development Stage.
- Food Business Renewal Form. Development Stage
- Inquiry sent to all Councils, regarding Public Pool water testing. Referencing *Subordinate Local Laws 1, Prescribed Activity/s*

Instrument of appointment:

Completed: Blackall, Barcaldine, Longreach, Winton, Boulia & Barcoo

Requires signature/s: Diamantina

Other Actions / Tasks:

- Organised personal computer files for job tasks- Completed.
- Revising Food business Application Form – Completed.
- Revising Food Business Inspection Form – Completed.
- Estimated Cost analysis for Proposed Water Testing Facility – Completed and Shared. with Blackall CEO.
- General Meeting with Diamantina Shire Council.
- General Meeting With Longreach Regulatory Services Team.

Food Premises:

Blackall:

- Food Safety Program assessment, as part of Application – **Complete.**
- Edited Food Business Application Form. (Completed and Waiting for Approval).

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- Emails and Phone Consultation.
- Food Business Application Assessments. (site Visits Tambo) No# Approved & No# Ongoing.
- Permit / History Search Request. Completed & Closed.
- Food Business Renewals.

Barcaldine:

- Food Business Applications Assessments. No# x Approved & No# Ongoing.
- Conducted Inspections of Food Business. minor issues were noted and raised with operators. Ongoing.
- Information / letter – Operating without a Food License.
- Show Cause Letter – Development Stage.
- Emails and Phone Consultation.
- Complaint/s addressed and corrective actions advised.
- Food Business Renewals.

Diamantina:

- Advise given regarding Food related Information document.
- Food Business Applications Forms shared with admin.
- Information / letter – Operating without a Food License.
- Food Business Renewals.
- Emails and Phone Consultation.

Longreach:

- Emails and Phone Consultation.
- Edited Inspection Proforma. Current.
- Food Business Applications Assessments.
- Conducted Inspections of Food Business. minor issues were noted and raised with operators.
- Follow up emails & Phone calls relating to contraventions.
- Pre Food Business Application Assessment.
- Phone calls / emails – (food business related).
- Food Business Consultation/s.
- Food Business Renewals.

Boulia:

- Emails and Phone Consultations.
- Food safety Inspections were carried out, minor issues were noted and raised with operators.
- Food Business Applications Assessment. Approved & Completed.
- Permit / History Search Request. Completed & Closed.
- Food Business Renewals.
- Edited Food Business Application Form. (Completed and Approved).

Winton:

- Edited Food Business Application Form. (Completed and Approved).

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- Edited Inspection Proforma. Current.
- Application received and sent to admin. Ongoing.
- List of Current Food Businesses Contact details provided by Admin.
- Conducted Inspections of Food Business. minor issues were noted and raised with operators.
- Emails and Phone Consultations.
- Food Business Renewals.

Local Laws:

Blackall:

- Commercial Use of roads (risk assessment & Approvals).
- Overgrown Allotment assessments.
- Meeting and discussion.
- Carvan Park Application Assessment & Approval.
- Caravan Park Email & Phone consultation.

Barcaldine:

- Accommodation Discussion – Ongoing.
- Draft Caravan Park Inspection Proforma. Final Stage.
- Footpath Dining Application Assessment.

Environmental Management/ Public Health:

Blackall:

- Information Request sent to D.E.S., regarding Resources for Waste Facilities. Response received – Link to Gants – No Grants currently available – No resources available.
- Nuisance Complaint (Odour). Investigated, Resolved & Closed.
- PAS Reporting Data submission. Completed.
- PAS Customer Inquiry. Addressed and Closed.
- Customer Consultation/s. Information & Suggestions given.

Barcaldine:

- Complaint – accommodation related. (Public Health Act was the most relevant Legislation). Inspection conducted & Corrective actions advised. Reinspection conducted & Corrective actions advised.
- Follow up emails & Phone calls relating to contraventions or Complaints.
- PAS Reporting Data submission. Completed.
- PAS Complaint. Letters sent (ongoing).
- Customer Consultation/s. Information & Suggestions given.

Longreach:

- Complaint/s.

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- Customer Consultation/s. Information & Suggestions given.
- Summary of ongoing Complaint shared with Reg services team.
- Inquiry and Information support.
- PAS Reporting Data submission. Completed.

Boulia:

- Contaminated Land Metting. Legislative framework document provided & Contaminated Land Management process provided.
- PAS Reporting Data submission. Completed.

Winton:

- PAS Reporting Data submission. Completed.

Barcoo:

- PAS Reporting Data submission. Completed.

Environment and Heritage:

- NA

Pest Management:

All Councils:

- Began Research into a Mosquito Management Plan for RAPAD Region. Note. Could not find a relevant public facing document for RAPAD Region.

Blackall:

- Wild Dog Barrier Fence Review, information request from Biosecurity Queensland. Ongoing.

Waste Management:

Barcaldine:

- Landfill site – Estimated Life span Calculation for Landfill site/s. Information & Discussion Only.

Blackall:

- Asbestos Fact Sheet. Final Stage. Ongoing.
- Asbestos Management Procedures – Shared with relevant Council personnel.
- Completed Waste management Collection Survey X 2.
- Informal Discussion with Waste team.

Consultation (external)

- Meeting Request From Qld Health (Rockhampton).

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Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

Nil

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Council Meeting Date: 18 September 2024
Item Number: 3.5.4
Subject Heading: Economic Development Report
Author and Title: Daniel Bradford, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Classification: (if confidential)

Summary: From the Acting Chief Executive Officer, tabling the monthly Economic Development Report.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the report.

Background

The monthly progress report on the economic development projects that Council is pursuing is attached below.

Link to Corporate Plan

Theme 4: Economy

Consultation (internal/external)

- Acting Chief Executive Officer
- Remote Area Planning and Development Board Senior Regional Development Manager

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

Council does have budget for some contributions towards the BREZ for the construction of the road, however many other aspects of the project are yet to be finalised and funding yet to be resolved. For the RAPAD Power Grid, Council's role is limited currently as it is largely driven by external stakeholders. As the project progresses, Council will need to consider what financial investment they may contribute towards this project.

Risk Management Implications

- Low risk that developments do not meet community expectations
- Moderate risk that developments do not receive funding

Asset Management Implications

Nil

Legal Implications

Nil

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Economic Development
September 2024

BREZ (Barcaldine Renewable Energy Zone)

- Draft funding agreement is being finalized between Zen Energy and the state Government

Background

- Barcaldine Renewable Energy Zone (BREZ) is a renewable energy precinct being developed in Barcaldine. Partnership between Barcaldine Regional Council and Zen Energy (nee Sunshot Energy) through Prof Ross Garnaut AC, more information on Ross can be found here <https://www.rossgarnaut.com.au/>
- Project received \$7M in state funding for trunk infrastructure in 2023, more information on the funding announcement can be found here <https://statements.qld.gov.au/statements/98543> and here <https://www.abc.net.au/news/2023-06-19/barcaldine-renewable-energy-zone-ready-to-build/102491746>
- If any councillors would like more information please contact me and I can forward

RAPAD Power Grid (RPG)

- RAPAD Energy and Economic Forum will be occurring in Barcaldine on Friday September 27th.
- This will see several people from Texas in Barcaldine to outline the lessons and learnings from Texas which could be applied to the RAPAD region, see speaker details here <https://www.rapadpowergrid.com.au/energy-and-economic-futures-2024/speakers>
- Register for free here <https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=y6xgfn-xUKfqOtdTrTkkCP1brDeIRhHv5fhsgJ2HWtUQVpCUIhYNTI2NTE0S01aSTIOSkICQTJKNS4u&route=s horturl>

Background

- RAPAD councils have identified the transition to a diversified economy as a potential economic enabler for the region.
- The opportunity for Barcaldine and the central west is the large comparative advantage it offers through the provision of vast clean energy opportunities as well as the BREZ development currently underway. RPG will complement the BREZ development not compete with it by providing it to increase in scale
- RPG aims to provide 930km of transmission infrastructure from Hughenden to Barcaldine to Gladstone
- Joseph and John O'Brien have visited Barcaldine and the region several times in 2023 and 2024 discussing the project with landholders, indigenous groups and council
- Project is likely to take 4 – 5 years to deliver, noting it is in year 1 currently
- RAPAD, BRC, VisIR MOU announced RAPAD Power Grid in late 2023 <https://rapad.com.au/publications/councils-partner-on-900km-western-power-grid-to-secure-clean-energy-jobs-and-growth/>
- More information can be found here <https://rapad.com.au/publications/rapad-power-grid-overview/> and <https://www.rapadpowergrid.com.au/>
- Of key importance to this projects' success is to ensure we understand how our region and its communities can best benefit from their delivery, projects aim is to deliver long term sustainable

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social and economic benefits to the region

As always happy to come and brief council on any matters they wish or have raised.

RAPAD Central West Queensland

Energy & Economic Futures Forum

Friday 27 September 2024 | 8:30am - 4pm

BARCALDINE 2024



As Central West Queensland looks to take the next steps in its energy and economic diversification journey, RAPAD is bringing together an expert and broader stakeholder forum to start conversations, connect with industry and professional networks and keep our community informed.

Hosted in the central hub of Barcaldine, the energy forum is about:

- Having real conversations with local representatives, departments, industry, community, business and landholders.
- Creating space to provide clarity on the RAPAD Power Grid infrastructure project.
- Sharing lessons from the RAPAD US mission, with a focus on rural Texas community impact and landholder rights.
- Platforming the latest on projects from across the state - from government and community perspectives.

REGISTER TO ATTEND

Friday 27 September 2024 | 8:30am - 4pm

Catering included with your free registration

>> rapadpowergrid.com.au/energy-and-economic-futures-2024

Format

Short panel discussions based on locally relevant topics will be followed by questions from the floor and table discussions.

Speakers and panellists include local, agency and industry representatives, and special guests from Texas.

Who should attend?

Anyone interested in the RAPAD Power Grid and the development of transmission and energy infrastructure. This includes in the central west community – landholders, business, community groups, individuals.

Contact

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Council Meeting Date: 18 September 2024
Item Number: 3.6.1
Subject Heading: Mayor's Information Report
 Author and Title: Councillor Rob Chandler, Mayor
 Classification: (if confidential)

Summary: From the Mayor, tabling his information report to Council.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the report.

TOPIC	ACTIVITY
August Meetings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finance meeting. • RAPAD Power Grid Meeting. • RAPAD face to face in Longreach. • RESQ.
September Meetings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Western Alliance of Councils. Mount Isa. • Opening of Dusty Lane Alpacas. • Covid.
Events	Attended two Citizenship ceremonies.

Link to Corporate Plan

Theme 5: Governance

Consultation (internal/external)

Nil – information report only

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications Nil

Risk Management Implications - Low

Asset Management Implications - Nil

Legal Implications - Nil

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Council Meeting Date: 21 August 2024
Item Number: 3.6.2
Subject Heading: **Acting Chief Executive Officer's Information Report**
Author and Title: Daniel Bradford, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Classification: (if confidential)

Summary: This report provides a monthly update on the activities of the Acting Chief Executive Officer.

Officer's Recommendation:
That the report be received and noted.

Background

The past month has seen a key addition to Council's leadership with Michael Shave commencing as the Acting Director of Corporate and Financial Services. Michael and his partner Tony will work a fortnightly rotation supporting the executive management team over the next few months. They will take on a leadership role leading the district managers, finance and regional operations teams. The team has some critical projects over the next few months with the external audit and annual financial statements due at the end of October and start of the Civica system implementation, and delivery of some complex capital and operational projects. Both Michael and Tony will bring a wealth of local government experience to assist Council in working through some of the financial challenges we face.

Following initial meetings with LG Services, the Organisational Culture Review is about to launch. I am calling it the BRC ROC. The Barcaldine Regional Council Review of Organisational Culture. Various staff sessions, a survey, one on one meetings, and staff focus groups will culminate in a findings report which will detail recommendations and a way forward for Council's operational arm reflective of that of the staff's vision of the workplace they want to see and be a part of. Preparations are being made for the survey to launch in early October, a key step in the process.

Other topical actions for the month included attendance to the LGMA annual Conference in Cairns, the lead local government professional's association in Queensland. Following this I attended the Western Queensland Alliance of Councils in Mt Isa with the Mayor and Deputy Mayor, which gave some great insight into the challenges and steps the Western Queensland Councils are taking to address issues with other agencies. As a group of 24 Councils, this group can pack a punch when seeking to address issues with higher levels of government. Other activities have been noted below:

Major Events and Items

- Attended the Western Queensland Alliance of Councils
- Attended the LGMA Conference

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Economic Development

- RAPAD CUC – Country University Centres board meeting
- RAPAD Power Grid Update
- Qld Beef Corridors steering committee activities

Community Activities

- Back to Aramac – opening of the Aramac Anzac Sculpture.

Council Business

- Meeting with Council's IT Managed Service Provider working through the strategic direction and key goals over the next twelve months.
- Finalised the contract for the Enterprise System Implementation.
- Finalised the contracts for the Engineering contractors lists.
- Launched the Capital Works dashboard on Council Website
- Kick off meeting of Organisational Culture review.
- Issued the Galilee Gazette and began preparations for the staff newsletter, The Breeze.
- Queensland Reconstruction Authority catch up session
- TMR Strategic session to go over future projects across the region
- Attended to Audit queries as part of the external audit
- Attendance to various Workplace Health and Safety matters
- LGW Workplace Health and Safety Audit has identified a number of improvements and work is continuing to progress
- Visit to Alpha for various meetings with staff and community stakeholders
- Visit to Aramac for various meetings with staff and community stakeholders
- Monthly Leadership Team Meeting and Fortnightly Executive Management Meeting
- Caught up with Peak Services and LGAQ while they were onsite for other workshops regarding partnering opportunities. Reviewed progress of the grants management program and other matters.
- Barcaldine Rec Park future planning activities.
- Attended the Citizenship Ceremony

Going forward across September and October the we will bring to delivery of various initiatives. These will include:

- Developing key deliverables plan with Council
- Local Laws Uplift scope finalised and planned signed off
- Various policies will be reviewed and updated
- Launch the Enterprise System Implementation Project
- Onboard the Acting Director of Corporate of Services.

Link to Corporate Plan

Theme 5: Governance

- Develop systems to better inform investment decisions (including return and whole of life costs)
- Continue listening to our communities identify opportunities for improvement
- Continue reviewing policies and strategic plans for relevancy and currency.

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Consultation

N/A

Policy Implications

Information Report Only

Budget and Resource Implications

Information Report Only

Risk Management Implications

Information Report Only

Asset Management Implications

Information Report Only

Legal Implications

Information Report Only

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Council Meeting Date: 18 September 2024
Item Number: 3.6.3
Subject Heading: Alpha/Jericho District Report
 Author and Title: Karyn Coomber, District Manager
 Classification: (if confidential)

Summary: This report provides an update on the Council activities that have occurred over the last month, in and around the Alpha and Jericho District.


Officer’s Recommendation:
That Council receive the report.

Background

This report has been prepared for the purpose of providing Councillors and the community with a summary of the operational activity currently across our region. This report focuses on the area of Alpha and Jericho. Please see the table below for key activities that have occurred, in progress or now complete.

Community Events, Donations and Support	
Jericho Public Christmas Tree	RA12202425 – Jericho Public Christmas Tree Special Report
Jordan Valley Art & Craft Group Inc	RA15202425 – Cent sale to be held 9 November 2024 Assessment Score: 65
Project Management	
New Signage Alpha Office	<p>The new signage has been installed at the Alpha Administration Office:</p> 

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Alpha State School Footpath	<p>This project is being undertaken by Council employees and has now commenced. Majority of the work will be completed during school holidays to reduce disruption to the school.</p> 
Alpha Clearing Yards	<p>Contract has been awarded to install the fencing at the Alpha Clearing Yards. This will be utilising the funds donated by the Alpha Show Society.</p>
Operational Management	
Jericho Tourism	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jericho tourism statistics for 2023-2024 financial year saw approximately 3,000 to 3,500 visitors. There were five buses from different states stop and buy souvenirs, cold drinks and finding out a little more about Jericho. • There was a slow start to the tourist season this year however the numbers increase mid-season. • There are two local groups that visit the centre every week to have morning tea and a chat. The locals chat with the tourists who find out more about the history of Jericho. • Room is being made in the library to make it more inviting for the local groups. A lounge, coffee table and some other seating to make this space a coffee room. This is a wonderful idea to help reduce social isolation in the small community.
Jericho Library	<p>A snapshot for the Jericho Library for 2023/2024 financial year :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 509 people loaned or returned books • 8 new memberships • Tourists and well as locals visit the library. <p>This financial year the follow statistics are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • July – 62 people

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • August – 40 people
Alpha Tourism	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alpha tourism has seen 335 visitors for the month of August. • Positive feedback from tourists is the variety of brochures that is on hand to them free of charge – what traveller does not like a freebee. • Driver Reviver will commence for the school holidays, this also encourage travellers to have a look at the museum and Beta Hut.
Alpha Library	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visitors to the Alpha library for last financial year was 692, up from 485 the previous year. • Sharon started 'Rhyme Time' at the Jellybeans Centre where she would attend weekly and read to the children. This ceased when the facility closed. This led to a Mums and Bubs group that would go into the library and now with Emerald Remote Area Family Services (RAFS) Playgroup, Sharon now attends Jellybeans again once a fortnight to read to the children. • Sharon has taken the initiative to start a Book Club where they meet on the first Wednesday of the month from 4:45pm to 5:50pm. The last meeting saw seven ladies attend. Again, this helps with the social isolation in the community.
Rural Lands Officer (RLO)	<p>Update from our RLO:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scratch and Dipped 3,739 head of cattle • VendorPanel has been put out for the construction of the fencing at the Alpha clearing dip yards (Donation received from Alpha Show Society) • 1080 Baiting on one site • Overgrown properties identified and letters to be sent • Spraying of cactus at Jericho • Assistance with Jericho Common Muster • Working on Stock route Strategy • Minor repairs at Alpha Airstrip that were identified in the recent audit <p>New counterbalance/drop down pole for the windsock at Jericho Airstrip</p>
Town Services	<p>Town crew have been working on maintaining the streets, entrances and facilities within Alpha and Jericho.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Painting of the kerbs on garden beds in the main street • Garden improvements within the townships • Painting of tables and chairs - Alpha Showgrounds, main street, Lions Park • New shade trees at Jericho Cemetery

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New garden bed on the northern side of Alpha Showgrounds • Cages have been constructed by staff to protect new plants as the deer are destroying both the new and old plants • Alpha Town Scrap Metal Dump has been completely cleared and cleaned up of old material. New dump point has been created.
Meetings/Trainings	
Meetings	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monthly Leadership Meeting. • Corporate and Finance Leadership Meeting. • Queensland Police Service Radio Communications. Site at Alpha. • Regular catch up with Finance. • Grant Meetings with Peak Services. • DHLGPP – Dept of Housing, Local Government, Planning and Public Works. • Jericho Library Reporting. • Close out meeting with Lloyd Tailby and Jon Muller in relation to the recent Remote and Regional Television Transmission and Reception Audit conducted by the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts. • Attended Daffodil Day which was run by the Alpha Country Women’s Association on Saturday 24 August 2024.
Training	Cemetery software training

Link to Corporate Plan

Theme 5: Governance

Consultation (internal/external)

As above

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

Nil

Risk Management Implications

Nil – information report only

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Asset Management Implications

Nil

Legal Implications

Nil

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Council Meeting Date: 18 September 2024
Item Number: 3.6.4
Subject Heading: Aramac/Muttaborra District Report
 Author and Title: Amber Coulton, Acting District Manager
 Classification: (if confidential) N/A

Summary: This report provides an update on the Council activities that have occurred over the last month, in and around the Aramac and Muttaborra District.

Officer’s Recommendation:
That Council receive the report.

Background

This report has been prepared for the purposes of providing Councillors and the community with a summary of the operational activity currently occurring across our region. This report focuses on the area of Muttaborra and Aramac. Please see the table below for key activities that have occurred, in progress or now complete.

Community Events, Donations and Support	
Hear and Say – Aramac LOUD Shirt Day	Request for assistance - \$500 towards Barbeque dinner provided at the 2024 Aramac Loud Shirt Day to be held on Saturday 12 October 2024.
Muttaborra Sculpture Committee	Letter emailed to committee on 29 August 2024 suggesting community donations to fund the concrete/ slab project.
Aramac Reunion (Aramac Community Development Association)	Letter of thanks received.
Aramac Race Club Committee	Letter of thanks received.
Ballyneety Rodeo Inc.	Committee members collected in-kind requested items – bins and panels 9 September 2024.
Muttaborra Campdraft	Excellent event - well supported.
Project Management	
2024-2025 Capital Works Projects	
Bowls Club Airconditioning - Aramac	Job awarded, scheduled installation mid-September 2024
Town Fencing – Aramac	Materials delivered, scheduled to begin late October 2024.

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Town Hall Upgrade - Aramac	Job awarded, scheduled to begin early October 2024.
Cattle Yard Upgrade - Aramac	Steel delivered, scheduled to begin mid-October 2024
Town Hall Upgrade - Muttaborra	Planning stages. VendorPanel scheduled.
	Community Improvements Program
Community Enhancement Program - Muttaborra	Planning stages.
2024-2025 Operational Budget	
Stock Routes – Fire breaks	Planning – to be discussed further at the Rural Lands meeting.
Operational Management	
Meetings/Training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corporate Financial Services meeting • Leadership Meeting • ACDA meetings – Aramac Town reunion conclusion • Garden Expo meeting • Publications Meeting • Special Council Meeting • Aramac Rural Transaction Centre; Bank of Queensland (BOQ), Queensland Government Agent Program (QGAP), Services Australia) weekly meeting • Local Buy Update and VendorPanel Demonstration • Monthly staff meeting • Aramac Library and Information Centre weekly meeting • Policy review workshop • BOQ quarterly training (modules) • Transport and Main Roads annual training (modules) • Probationary reviews – new staff • Peak Grants meeting (fortnightly) • Weekly Assets catch up.
Housing	<p>Muttaborra 0 vacancies.</p> <p>Aramac 9 vacancies: 4 - 3 bedroom homes 2 - 2 bedroom home 3 - 1 bedroom units</p>
Library/Information Centre	<p>Over the month of August:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Loans – 16 loans • Returns – 25 returns. • Daily Reports – 36

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Local Visitors over the month of August – 138 local visitors Tourists over the month of August – 561 tourists Five Justice of the Peace jobs. On Monday 19 August 2024, Aramac State School Grade 3-4 class visited during a Seniors Morning Tea. The students and teachers went through the history room and watched a video in the Harry Redford Gallery. They also asked the seniors questions about the history of Aramac. Senior Citizens morning tea and activities/craft every Monday.
Muttaborra	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Council staff operated Museum tours finishing on 30 August 2024. Museum volunteers/committee members have now taken over the tours for the off season. Tourists have slowed down. Successful Muttaborra Camp draft event held Thursday 5 to Sunday 8 September 2024.
Rural Lands Officer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continuing to study Cert IV in Investigations through PEAK services. Continuing to work on Town common policy and Stock Route Management Plan. Spraying of town common and reserves ongoing – sprayed the Aramac Creek for Parkinsonia and Prickly Acacia. Cattle on Willoughby Reserve, Driftway Reserve and Caber Feidh Lane <p>Stock Routes Capital works projects</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Murdering Dam – Approval of Funding (Form 2) Queensland Stock Route Network – Acting Chief Executive Officer signed 10 September 2024. Desilt works now complete – Stock route team viewed Murdering Dam 10 September 2024.
Risk Assessment	
Risk Assessment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Animal control Spraying Stock Routes and Town areas 1080 baiting Stock Routes management.
Relationship Building	
Aramac Community Development Association	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fortnightly planning meetings for the Aramac Town Reunion – last meeting held on Thursday 5 September 2024 to finalise accounts etc.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussions now about Christmas party/fete.
Muttaborra Campdraft	Excellent event – well supported. Checked in with community and some committee members.
LOUD Shirt Day	Regular discussions with organiser/s.
Optus	Regular discussions with team regarding Optus upgrade at the Aramac Rural Transaction Centre – BOQ side of the building/ network.
Muttaborra Sculpture Committee	Continued discussion.
Stock Routes – Department of Resources	Meet and greet interaction 10 September 2024 and weekly check-ins via email.
Ballyneety Rodeo Inc.	Organise committee members for collection of in-kind items.
Actions from Previous Council Meeting	
	<p><i>Under item 3.2.5 of the council meeting agenda, it was suggested that you touch base with the Muttaborra Sculpture Committee offering our in-kind support for installation/boxing up of the concrete slabs and that they consider asking the community for donations of concrete/slabs, they could then attach a plaque saying who donated. Councillors Howard and Williams were happy to 'kickstart' the project by donating one slab each.</i></p> <p>Letter emailed 29 August 2024.</p>
	<p><i>Under item 3.6.4, Councillor Gleeson noted that between Aramac and Barcaldine – the old stock route fence was still in place. Can you please research what the requirements are for removal of the old fence and follow up with relevant letters/paperwork to action removal.</i></p> <p>Letters mailed 09 September 2024 – Pendine and Auteuil</p>
	<p><i>Under item 3.6.4, Councillor Gleeson asked that the contractor be follow up as soon as possible to determine when Murdering Dam will be desilted.</i></p> <p>Job complete 02 September 2024.</p>
	<p><i>Asset Disposal – 36 Bruford Street, Muttaborra. Moved by: Cr O'Brien and seconded by Cr Williams. That Council agrees to dispose of the dwelling located on 36 Bruford Street, Muttaborra by public tender.</i></p> <p>Public notice issued 10 September 2024.</p>

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Link to Corporate Plan

Theme 5: Governance

Consultation (internal/external)

As above

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

Nil

Risk Management Implications

Nil

Asset Management Implications

Nil

Legal Implications

Nil

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Council Meeting Date: 18 September 2024
Item Number: 3.6.5
Subject Heading: Barcaldine District Report
 Author and Title: Jenny Lawrence, District Manager
 Classification: (if confidential)

Summary: This report provides an update on the Council activities that have occurred over the last month in and around the Barcaldine District.

Officer’s Recommendation: That Council receive the report.

Background

This report has been prepared for the purpose of providing Councillor’s and the community with a summary of the operational activity currently occurring across our region. This report focuses on the area of Barcaldine. Please see the table below for key activities that have occurred, in progress or now complete.

Quote: “Our greatest glory is not in never failing, but in rising every time we fall.” – Confucius

Community Events, Donations and Support	
	Information in this space is going to be done on a regional report to provide more detailed information on requests against budget.
Project Management	
Capital Works Projects 2023-24	
Barcaldine Rec Park Stage 3	Shade structures have been delivered, development application in progress. Discussions are ongoing for concrete works. Requirements for lights has been provided to contractor for quoting.
Capital Works Projects 2024-25	
Library Air-conditioning	To be called on Vendorpanel, design and install, to go out by end of September.
Library – Interactive Television Update	Emailed librarian to arrange with provider of equipment as this is specialised.
Showground – Replace Doors on Goods Shed	Doors have been ordered, work to be carried out when received.
The Globe – Screens	Work to be scheduled with carpenter and options explored.
Community Enhancements Program	Works being considered – town entry banners, replace damaged bench seats and street beautification.
Barcy Rec Park Enhancements	Planning has commenced on works to stop access to the top of lake, recycled electricity poles have been given to Council which will be used for much of this work. Carpenter is

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	designing with the inclusion of gates for service access around entire area. Discussions had with carpenter on marking of carpark area.
Special Operating Projects 2024-25	
Tree of Knowledge Memorial – Timber Inspection and Maintenance Plan	Research continues for available providers for this specialised service, have contacted architects. To be called on Vendorpanel when providers sourced.
Operational Management	
Tourist Information Centre	With the weather warming up, tourist numbers have started to decrease. They have been busy at the Centre over the past few months. Following the end of the season I will ask the tourism officer to provide numbers, with comparison against previous years.
Sixty & Better	Separate Report.
Library	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual statistics report has been completed and lodged. • First 5 program continues to be well supported. This is a great connection for both parents and children. • Librarian travelled to Alpha and Jericho to provide assistance with reporting requirements. • Provides assistance with many requests on IT matters, e.g. setting up phones.
Rural Lands Officer (RLO) and Local Laws	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regular checks of Barcy Red tracks. • Spraying of cactus and mother of millions on town common and stock routes. • Final block of Certificate IV in Government Regulations (Regulatory Compliance Specialisaiton) completed. • On 28-29 August 2024 carried out inspections with the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries Biosecurity Officer from Emerald of Jumping Cholla on Jericho Road, 64 plants found and sprayed, map attached of area. • Working with other RLO's and management on review of Stock Route Policy. • Local Laws. • Checking overgrown properties on a regular basis. • Following up on dog complaints.
Carpenter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Following house inspections minor repair works have been carried out at 56 Yew Street and pensioner units. • Planning/designing culvert works for Aramac Road job.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning works at Rec Park, Minor Infrastructure grant funding. • Repairs at depot. • Assisting with closed-circuit television (CCTV) camera work at Tree of Knowledge. • Repair lights at Weir amenities.
Meetings/Training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monthly check-in meetings with Human Resources. • Corporate/Finance regular meeting. • Fortnightly check-in with direct manager. • Monthly leadership meeting. • Weekly meetings with Rural Lands Officer and Carpenter to discuss work schedules/plans. • Monthly check in with Department regarding grant funding Barcy Rec Park. • Grants management service meeting. • Responding to numerous after-hours calls for camping. • Planning activities for Public Health Network grant funding. • Working on Airport Manual amendments as identified in Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) audit. • Attended Local Government Managers Australia (LGMA) conference in Carins 27-30 August 2024. • There were some great presenters, the standouts to me were Mark Puncher – <i>The Power of Your Leadership Brand</i> and Mark Squirrel (Squiz) OAM- <i>he had a career as an International Aid Worker, from car bombings to meeting Yasser Arafat and making it to the summit of Mount Everest. His memoir is "From Arafat to Everest".</i> • Report of fire on property neighbouring Lloyd James Weir on Thursday 5 September 2024. Following discussion with property owner and concerns for campers at the Weir, I went out and spoke to them, advising that with the wind it is recommended to pack up. Some were in the process of packing up and a couple were going to wait it out. The water for amenities at the Weir comes from this property and the line would have been damaged. Owners and others were still at location Friday 6 September 2024 as there are spot fires still burning and it is windy.
Parks and Gardens	<p>Thank you to the parks and gardens crew for the work they are doing in town streets and parks. They have been busy pruning and filling gardens beds for new plantings.</p>

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Barcaldine Showground/ Racecourse	With the weather warming the oval and turf track are greening up. Water systems are being checked for damaged sprays and replaced as required.
Barcaldine Rec Park	Visited site with carpenter regarding works for grant funding. With the weather warming, activity will start back on the water.
Relationships Building	
Rural Fires	Met with the Mayor and representative from Rural Fires to discuss fire breaks and fire mitigation on the town common and stock routes. Advised that I would arrange for RLO to work with them on this, information has been passed on to RLO.

Link to Corporate Plan

- Theme 1: Community
- Theme 5: Governance

Consultation (internal/external)

District Manager - Barcaldine

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications - Nil

Risk Management Implications - Nil

Asset Management Implications- Nil

Legal Implications - Nil

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**BARCALDINE 60 & BETTER PROGRAM
REPORT TO
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FOR MEETING SEPTEMBER 2024**

1. Activities: Average Numbers for group activities for August - Based on people signing the attendance book and coordinator's notes.

Tai Chi	Exercises	Croquet	Meeting	Hoy Bingo	Morning Tea (Av)	Talks	Lunch
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The health talk was presented by Jennifer Jones Barcaldine Commonwealth Home Support Program (CHSP) Coordinator from Barcaldine Hospital. On a separate occasion, the Outback Mind Foundation presented a documentary 'Healing Men's Minds'.

2. 60 & Better Committee. At the last general meeting Mrs H. Duncan was nominated to fill the President's position. She accepted the nomination and was elected.

3. Community Consultation Forum Alpha. I travelled to Alpha with the Community Services Coordinator to take part in a forum organised by Western Queensland Primary Health Network (WQPHN) and Council on the Aging (COTA). The purpose of the Community Consultation Forums is to gain feedback from community members who may be facing issues navigating services in relation to disability, palliative care and aged care services, with a goal to identify barriers, gaps and any local issues.

4. Service Agreement Meeting. A Teams meeting with Department of Child Safety, Senior and Disability Services contract officer, Emma Robinson was held on Thursday 29 August 2024 regarding service agreements. The agreement started on 1 July 2024 and ceases on 30 June 2029.

5. Trip to Jericho. As the council bus cannot be used on unsealed roads, it was decided a trip to Jericho would be an outing instead of 'Lara Wetlands'.

6. Poetry Competition Barcaldine State School. A poetry competition is being held on 11 September 2024 by Barcaldine State School and 60 & Better has been invited to attend.

7. RUOK Day. In conjunction with Mongrel's Men we are planning a sausage sizzle lunch at the village green on Thursday 12 September 2024.

8. Elder Olympics. It has been decided to hold Elder Games at Barcaldine Bowling Club on Wednesday 25 September 2024. Most games will have a bowls/bowling element.

9. Community Wellness Day. 60 & Better will take part in the Community Wellness Day on 12 October 2024. We will have a drop in area to talk with morning tea and some games.

10. Concert in October. As October is Seniors month, we are trying to put together a concert with some older people as well as some music students from the Barcaldine State School performing. This will be part of 30 years of 60 & Better celebrations. We will salute those from the past through showing some footage from earlier birthday parties and other activities. Date of the concert is Tuesday 15 October 2024.

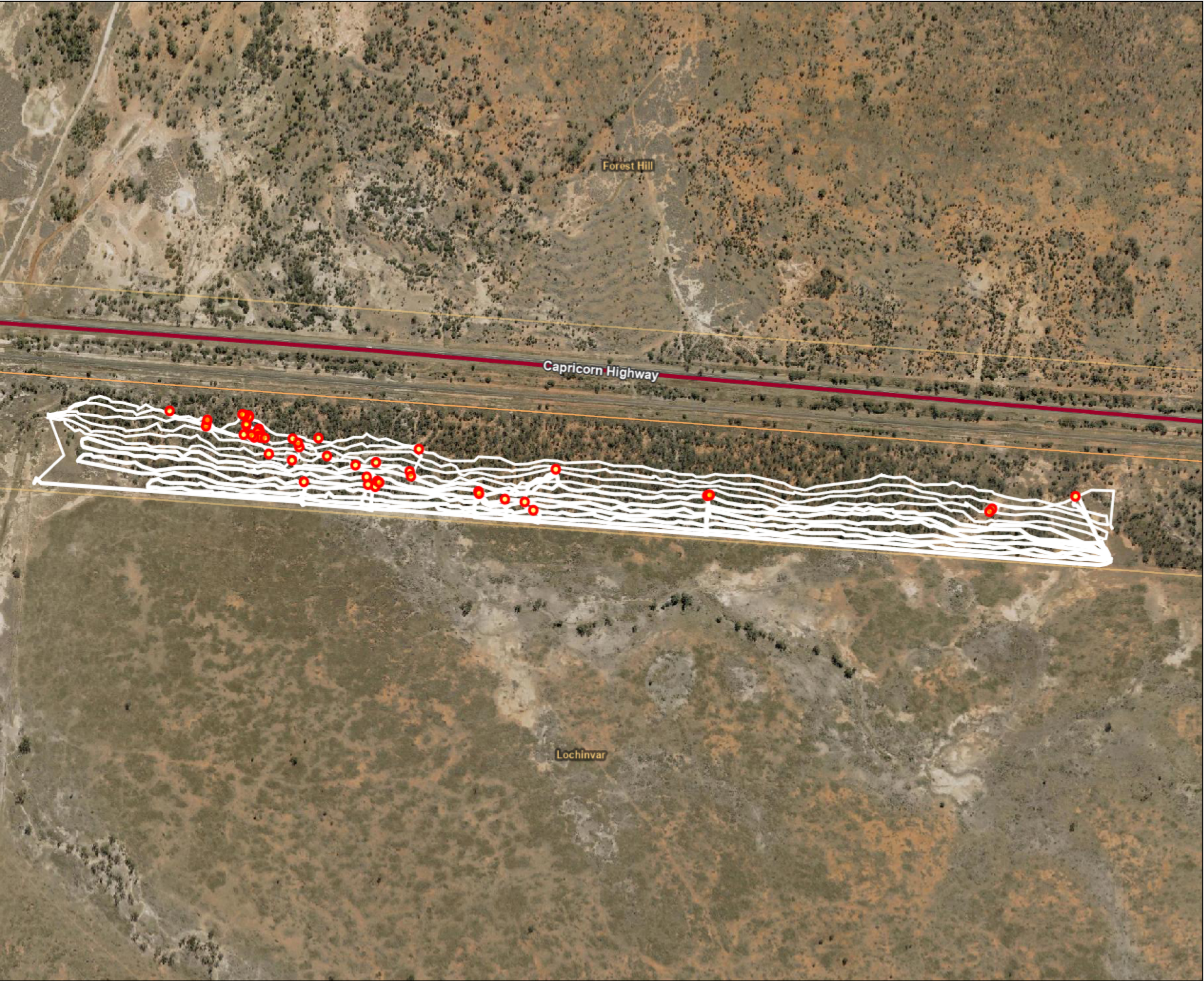
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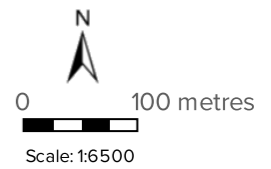
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








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Council Meeting Date: 18 September 2024
Item Number: 3.6.6
Subject Heading: Community Engagement Coordinator
 Author and Title: Lilli Kay, Community Engagement Coordinator
 Classification: (if confidential)

Summary: From the Community Engagement Coordinator, submitting her Information Report.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the report.

Events	
Citizenship Ceremony	Two Barcaldine residents William Jones and Robert McLeod were officially conferred as Australian citizens on Monday 26 August 2024. Approximately 15 attended for the ceremony at 9.30am at the Barcaldine Chambers, staying for a congratulatory morning tea afterwards.
The Jillaroos	106 people attended the Jillaroos Performance at Aramac Memorial Hall on Sunday 25 August 2024. Show was funny and engaging and audience appeared to appreciate it.
The Sunshine Club Musical	Approximately 25 People attended Barcaldine Town Hall on Friday 30 August 2024 to see The Sunshine Club Concert, an Arts Queensland funded show, touring the Central West. Show was last minute moved from a September date to late August with very little notice.
Work in Progress	
Get Gardening	Entries have now opened and to date there have been 19 entries received with a closing date of 27 September 2024. All State Schools in the region have also entered.
Festival of Small Halls	Festival of Small Halls is to be held at Muttaborra on Saturday 28 September 2024 at 6pm. Artists appearing will be Canadian singer-songwriter Kellie Loader and Queensland's own trad duo Van Dijk and McDonald. Show will feature local artist Lindsay Cox as support.
Out of The Blues	Cabaret stye show featuring Mini Marilyn to perform at Muttaborra on Saturday 13 Oct 2024.
Great Australian Cattle Drive	Have received a flyer in relation to the Great Australian Charity Cattle Drive coming through Barcaldine in late May 2025. Organisers are looking at Council to hold an event in support.
Tourism	
Drive Inland Videos	Barcaldine video is currently being edited with plans to go to Alpha and Jericho on Sunday 15 September 2024 to meet Tourism committees and film and record those towns for their videos. Drive Inland only covers the towns of Alpha Jericho and Barcaldine.

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2025 Maps	Working with designer on changes to town maps and Aramac Sculpture Trail for 2025.			
Social Media				
Council Facebook	Monthly Analysis Snapshot attached.			
Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) program				
Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) Applications	There have been no applications received this month.			
Council Relations				
Meetings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Avery Strugg, videographer on 22 August 2024 re: editing tourism video from RADF workshop. • Morgan Gronold on 13.8.24 re RAPAD and Economic Futures Forum in September. • Morgan Gronold and Elyse (marketing) on 29 August 2024 re: Energy Forum. • Limberlost Nurseries judges re: Get Gardening Competition. 			
Phone meetings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ABC Longreach re: Radio interview with the Mayor • Why Leave Town re: new businesses • Alpha Tourism re: photos for 2025 Outback Masters • ICPA following up scholarships • Sharon Ible re: Small Business Friendly • Rachel Webster re: Cultural Interviews • Chris Nott re: Great Australian Charity Cattle Drive • Alpha Tourism re: Drive Inland Videos and Alpha Mural flyer photos • Jericho Tourism re: Drive Inland Videos • Robyn Stratford re: Sunshine Club Musical coming to Barcaldine 30 August 2024 • Michael Vink re: Matilda Way publication Longreach Leader re: editorials. 			
Media				
Why Leave Town Gift Cards Updated	For the month of August, two cards were Loaded to a value of \$380 with 15 cards redeemed at a value of \$ 1,278.			
	Total cards loaded	Total load value	Total redemptions	Total unredeemed funds
	619	\$73,550.00	768	\$18,191.00

Link to Corporate Plan

Theme 1: Community

Maintain RADF program for the delivery of art and culture opportunities.

Provide facilities and support for travelling shows, exhibitions, sports, and recreation.

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Theme 4: Economy

4.3 Continue to actively promote tourism and maintain quality camping areas.

Consultation (internal/external)

As noted above

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

Nil

Risk Implications

Low risk – report of activities only

Asset Management Implications

Nil

Legal Implications

Nil

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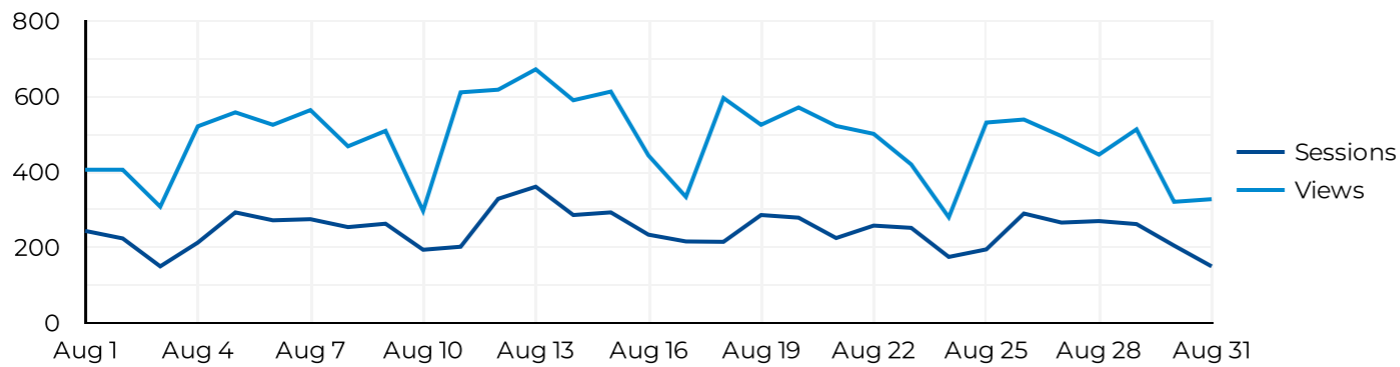
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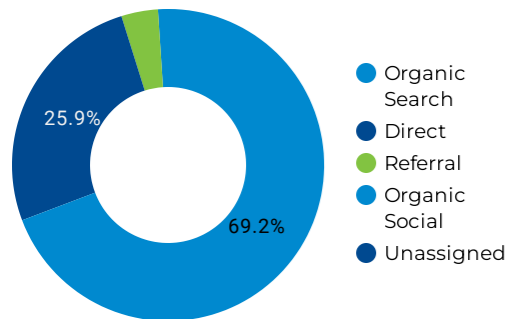
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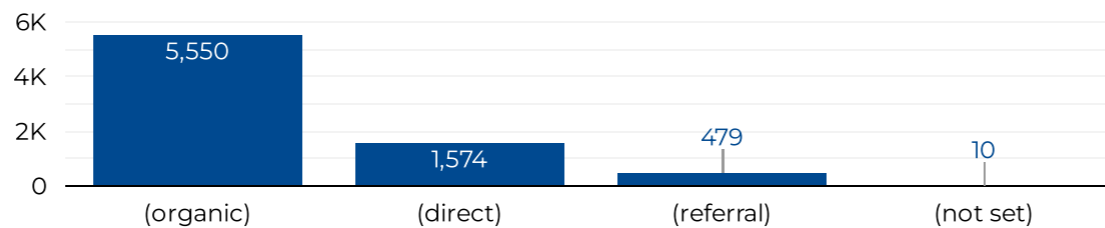
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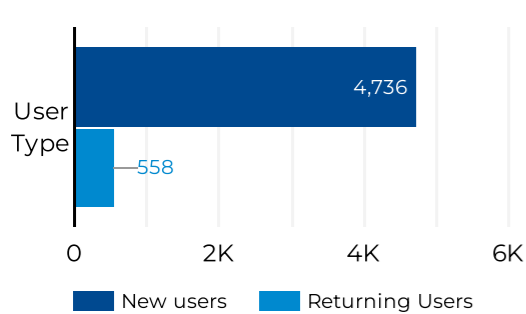
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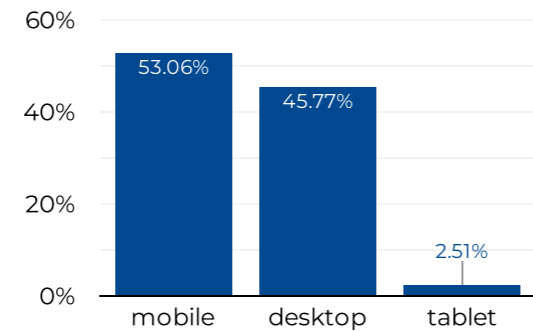
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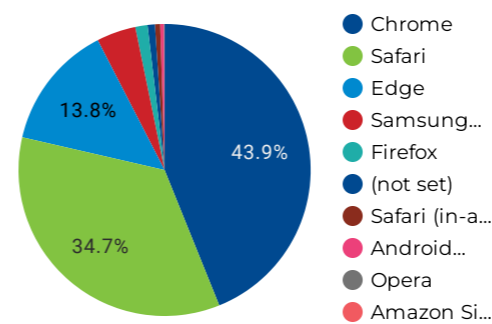
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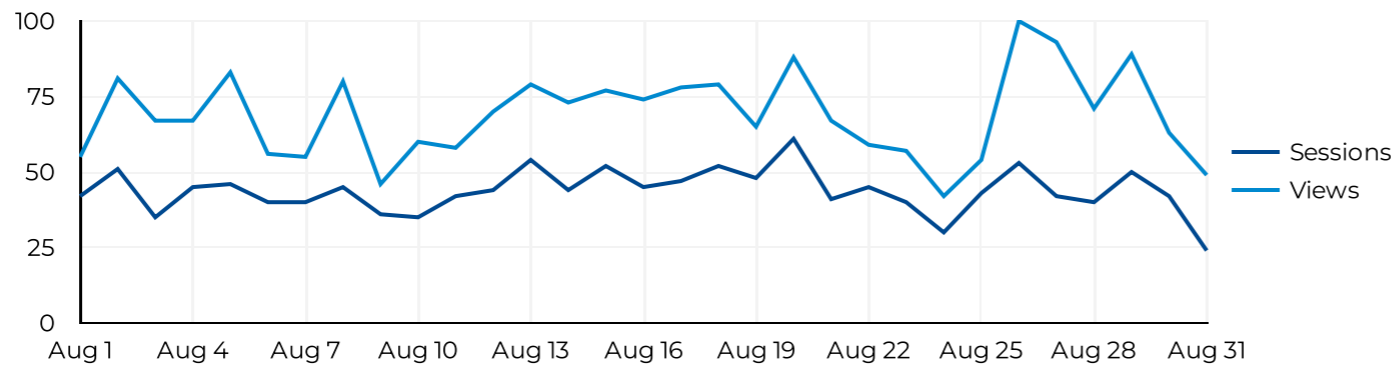
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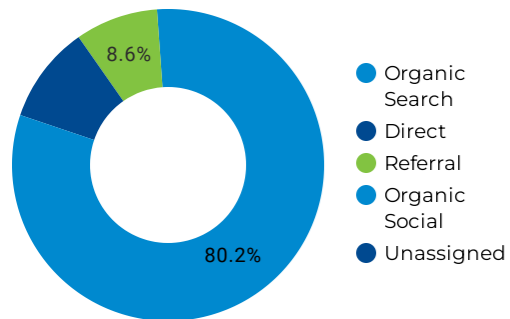
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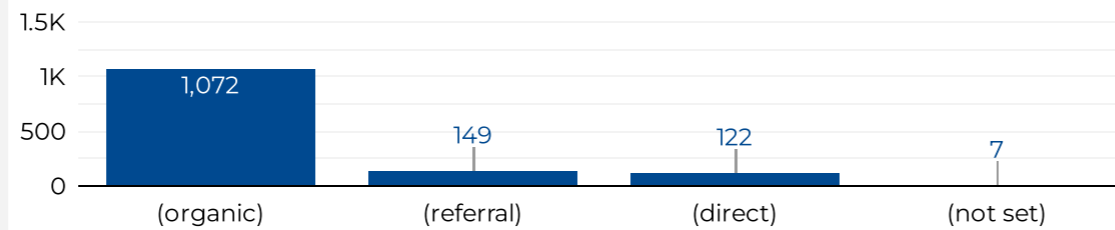
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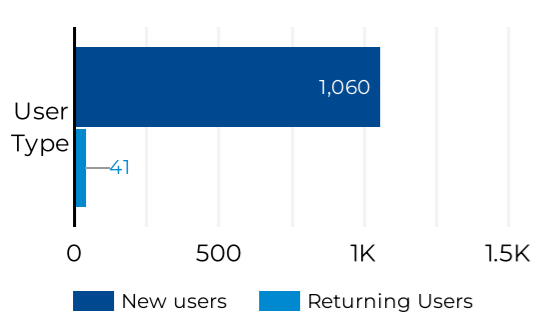
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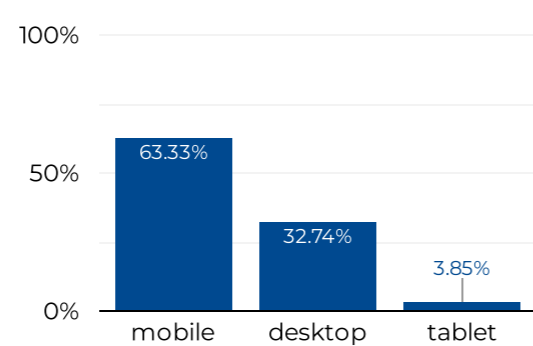
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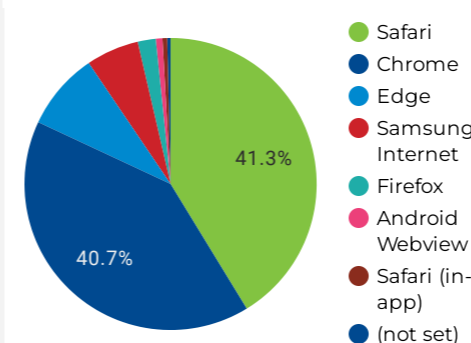
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Council Meeting Date: 18 September 2024
Item Number: 3.6.7
Subject Heading: Director of Works
Author and Title: Lee Busby, Director of Works
Classification: (if confidential)

Summary: From the Director of Works, submitting his Information Report.

Officer's Recommendation: That Council receive the report.

Major Projects

Department of Transport and Main Roads

Barcaldine-Aramac Road

The Widening and Upgrade Contract was commenced 10 June 2024 at a budget of \$5.089M.

The side track failed soon after being opened to traffic. Rework of the side track commenced Tuesday 13 August 2024 with sealing of the side track being completed Monday 2 September 2024. It is noted the side track is constructed of black soil and there is a risk over the construction period minor pavement failures may occur.

Subgrade treatment commenced Tuesday 3 September 2024. This work involves mixing the existing pavement with the natural shoulder material to a depth of 150mm to make a consistent homogeneous material. Council's stabiliser has been utilised to prepare the subgrade. Six, five hundred metre sections have been mixed and placed with four sections being tested for compaction. The sections completed represent the locations of the six cross drainage structure to be installed. The team have completed the subgrade sections located above the drainage structures to allow the drainage team to commence work earlier than if waiting until the entire length of road had been completed.

Staff are committed to the project and working additional hours to deliver the project on time.

Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA)
Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets (REPA)

Aramac

Reconstruction projects (grading works) "Completed" are:

- Dicksons Crossing
- Marathon Road
- Powerline Access

Reconstruction projects "In Progress are:

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- Ballyneety Road
- Hexham Road
- Ravensbath Road

Alpha

Reconstruction projects (grading works) about to commence are:

- Pinehill Road
- Tango Road
- Pebbly Creek

Currently the Team are carting gravel to the roads above with the grader Team onsite from 23 September 2024.

Betterment

Aramac-Jericho Road (Grey Rock) – Council has received the design with planning works commencing.

Flooding Study

The Flood Study and Community Action Plan for Alpha, Jericho and Aramac have undergone a third-party peer review and Council is now in receipt of draft tender specification. The invitation to Tender will be going out to industry late September 2024.

Council has submitted a draft funding submission to the QRA for consideration regarding the Floodplain Management Work Package 3 for \$136,000. This submission is still under review by the QRA.

Road Maintenance Performance Contract – (RMPC)

Road Furniture

Aramac

Aramac and Muttaborra teams have been busy replacing guideposts along the Torrens Creek Road.

Gravel Maintenance

Alpha

- Alpha-Clermont Road – Full length medium formation grade in progress.
- Alpha-Tambo Road – Medium formation grade of the gravel sections and 8 kilometres of gravel shoulder maintenance on the sealed sections.

Special Funding – Gravel Resheeting

Alpha

Gravel shoulder resheeting has been completed on:

- Alpha-Clermont Road – Twelve kilometres
- Alpha-Tambo Road – Two and a half kilometres.

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The agreed scope of works with TMR has been completed. Additional funds may be available once current expenditure on the roads above have been reconciled.

Cattle Cross Loader

The cross loader is currently being "Certified" for manufacture under the new safety standards. The initial estimate indicates the purchase and erection of the cross-loading structure, and associated construction of a sealed pavement results in the project being out of budget. Preparation of a more accurate estimate, reviewing grant allocations under the Local Rural Community Infrastructure grant (LGCI) and against construction staging options is currently being undertaken.

Stakeholder engagement is required to understand the best configuration of the cross loader to suit local users. There are two configurations to be considered and decided on:

1. Both sides of the cross loader accommodate side loading or
2. One side of the cross loader accommodates side loading while the other side suits rear loading.

Option two will have an impact on the location of the cross loader adjacent to the showgrounds because of the trucks loading ninety degrees to each other in lieu of being parallel.

Star Downs Road

The Star Downs Road upgrade commenced 3 June 2024. Star Downs Road is three and a half kilometres in length with an eight-metre two coat seal. The Team have completed carting and placing twelve thousand tonnes of pavement materials from Alpha Quarry Products and Council's Saltbush pit. The team mixed a 40-60 blend of pavement material from each pit, respectively. The intent of the blend was to reduce pavement material costs, while maintaining appropriate pavement strength for the road.

Works outstanding is the completion of the intersection between Star Downs Road and the Alpha-Tambo Road. The intersection work will take approximately two weeks and then the road will be ready for the prime seal.

Operations

Roads and Town Services for the Region

- Barcaldine main street- medians have undergone refurbishment works, which includes mulching and irrigation repairs.
- Barcaldine Showgrounds - gardens are undergoing refurbishment works, and aeration of the oval, and racetrack
- Capricorn Highway Rest Area just east of Barcaldine is undergoing tidy and refresh of the gardens and surrounds.
- Roadside slashing of Eastmere and Stagmount Roads have been completed.
- The street sweeper is finalising operations this week in Barcaldine and Aramac and will be in Alpha and Jericho the 13 of September 2024. Once this round of sweeping is complete, a sweeping schedule will be finalised.

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Training

- A Certificate III in Civil Construction and Plant Operations has now commenced with six staff from the region attending.
- To increase the utilisation of the street sweeper additional staff are being trained. This training will increase the capability and capacity of our staff during times of leave.
- Airport Reporting Officer (ARO) training is scheduled at the Barcaldine airport for six staff the week of the 18 November 2024 through the Outback Regional Roads and Transport Group (ORR&TG). This training arrangement is funded 50-50, ORR&TG and BRC.
- Forklift training for six staff across the region is to commence October 2024.

People Matters

- New Staff – there have been four new staff commence this month:
 - Regional mechanic
 - Truck driver – Aramac
 - Labourer – Alpha
 - Labourer – Barcaldine
- Retirement – One staff member is going on extended leave and will retire next year after twenty years' service to Council and the community.
- Recruitment for priority positions is:
 - Director of Works
 - Coordinator Plant, Fleet and Operations and
 - X2 Grader Operators

Plant Fleet and Operations

Council's three apprentice mechanics are scheduled for Tafe technical block training between October and January 2025. Once the January 2025 technical block training is complete two of the apprentices will be fully qualified.

Workshop Supervisors and apprentices from Plant Fleet and Operations had the first regional meeting to discuss challenges and provide solutions, build relationships, gain a regional perspective, and elect a workshop representative to be on the interview panel for the vacant Coordinator of Plant Fleet and Operations.

Maintenance of Vehicles, Plant and Machinery

Vehicles, plant, and machinery that require maintenance are:

- Street Sweeper – The street sweeper is now back in service. The street sweeper had a failed hydraulic ram that was sent to Brisbane for repair. Although the turn-around time was two weeks only three days of the total downtime was labour, the rest of the time was attributed to either transport or third-party delay. Transport and third-party delays can be a challenge in remote areas.
- Rubber Tyred Roller – The rubber tyred roller allocated to the Barcaldine-Aramac Road project had the turbo fail. A hired roller has been sourced in the interim. As this

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is a critical item of plant regarding the project a local business was able to support Council in getting a roller out to site the next day.

- Job Truck – A job truck has been sent to Rockhampton to have the electronics reset. Staff were not able to reset the electronics after advice from the supplier did not work. The gear box requires either a rebuild or replacement, but due to the cost of the repair a decision needs to be made whether to dispose is the most economical solution.
- Work Utility – A work utility had the gear box replaced at a cost of \$4,500 plus sixteen hours of labour. The vehicle was a 2017 model with an odometer reading of 220,000 kilometres.

Water and Wastewater Services

Water Operations

A report of dirty water was received in Barcaldine. The water main was hydraulically scoured resulting in a fire hydrant failing. This type of fire hydrant is prone to failure and replaced with an updated model.

Council is reviewing all communication infrastructure leasing arrangements installed by third parties on Council's elevated water reservoirs. This review has been initiated by the Remote Area Planning and Development Water and Sewerage Alliance (RAPAD WSA) water reservoir internal cleaning program, and Council being contacted by the Queensland Police Service to negotiate a new leasing arrangement.

Acacia Street, Barcaldine has not been completed as the contract divers had software issues with the remotely operated vehicle. They will return and complete the work when the software issues are resolved.

Wastewater Operations

A sewerage blockage was resolved behind the Landsborough Lodge, tree roots were the cause of the blockage.

Director of Works

The Director of Works attended the following stakeholder meetings:

- A Remote Area Planning and Development for Sewerage and Water (RAPADSW) meeting
- An Outback Regional Roads Technical Group (ORRTG) meeting
- A Queensland Beef Roads Technical Working Group (QBCTWG) meeting
- A joint multidiscipline Disaster Management training workshop held by Transport and Main Roads (TMR)
- A stakeholder meeting with Transport and Main Roads (TMR)

Directorate Workplace Culture

Activities that have supported or improved the workplace culture of the Works Department:

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Acknowledgement

Director of Works attend a farewell for Mark Whitfield who is retiring after serving twenty years for Council and the community.

Communications

Director of Works has visited the depots of Alpha, Barcaldine, Aramac, and Muttaborra. The Director also holds monthly leadership team meetings to discuss regional challenges and setting expectations in alignment with Council's accepted values and behaviours.

Building Regional Capability

Regional training is to be provided to Council staff for Council's street sweeper, the CAT road stabiliser, truck software packages and airports. Consideration has also been given to providing opportunity to staff to gain plant fleet tickets/licenses to provide career progression, build staff capability and reduce risk of skills been concentrated to only select staff.

Regional Focus

The Plant, Fleet Operations Section had their first regional meeting to discuss concerns, build relationships, gain a regional focus, and elect a workshop representative to be on the Coordinator of Plant, Fleet Operations interview panel. A representative from the Roads Section will also be on the interview panel as a key stakeholder and customer.

Link to Corporate Plan

Theme 2: Services

Consultation (internal/external)

As above

Policy Implications

Nil

Budget and Resource Implications

Nil

Risk Implications

Low

Asset Management Implications

Nil

Legal Implications

Nil