



22 June 2023

Dear Councillor,

Your attendance is requested at an Ordinary Council Meeting of the Blayney Shire Council to be held in the Chambers, Blayney Shire Community Centre on Tuesday, 27 June 2023 at 6.00pm for consideration of the following business -

- (1) Livestreaming Video and Audio Check
- (2) Acknowledgement of Country
- (3) Recording of Meeting Statement
- (4) Apologies for non-attendance
- (5) Disclosures of Interest
- (6) Public Forum
- (7) Mayoral Minute
- (8) Notices of Motion
- (9) Confirmation of Minutes - Ordinary Council Meeting held on 06.06.23
- (10) Matters arising from Minutes
- (11) Reports of Staff
 - (a) Executive Services
 - (b) Corporate Services
 - (c) Infrastructure Services
 - (d) Planning and Environmental Services
- (12) Delegates Reports
- (13) Closed Meeting

Mark Dicker
General Manager

Meeting Calendar 2023

June

<u>Time</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Meeting</u>	<u>Location</u>
6.00pm	27 June 2023	Council Meeting	Community Centre
8.30am	28 June 2023	Orange 360 Board Meeting	Orange

July

<u>Time</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Meeting</u>	<u>Location</u>
6.00pm	18 July 2023	Council Meeting	Community Centre
8.30am	26 July 2023	Orange 360 Board Meeting	Orange

August

<u>Time</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Meeting</u>	<u>Location</u>
9.00am	4 August 2023	Country Mayors	Sydney
10.00am	4 August 2023	Traffic Committee Meeting	Community Centre
5.00pm	8 August 2023	Financial Assistance Committee Meeting	Community Centre
2.00pm	9 August 2023	Disability Inclusion Working Group Meeting	Community Centre
6.00pm	15 August 2023	Council Meeting	Community Centre
10.00am	16 August 2023	Central Tablelands Water Meeting	Blayney
8.30am	23 August 2023	Orange 360 Board Meeting	Orange
10.00am	24 August 2023	Central NSW Joint Organisation Board Meeting	Canberra
9.00am	30 August 2023	Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Meeting	Community Centre

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HELD ON TUESDAY 27 JUNE 2023

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01) MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING HELD 6 JUNE 2023**Department:** Executive Services**Author:** General Manager**CSP Link:** 2. Build the Capacity and Capability of Local Governance and Finance**File No:** GO.ME.7**Recommendation:**

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 6 June 2023, being minute numbers 2306/001 to 2306/010 be confirmed.

MINUTES OF THE BLAYNEY SHIRE COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING HELD IN THE CHAMBERS, BLAYNEY SHIRE COUNCIL COMMUNITY CENTRE, ON 6 JUNE 2023, COMMENCING AT 6.00PM

Present: Crs S Ferguson (Mayor), C Gosewisch, J Newstead, M Pryse Jones, B Reynolds and D Somerville (Deputy Mayor)

General Manager (Mr M Dicker), Director Corporate Services (Mr A Franze), Director Infrastructure Services (Mr J Hogan), Director Planning & Environmental Services (Mr A Muir), Administration Officer (Mrs J Evans) and Administration Officer (Mrs N Smith).

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**RECORDING OF MEETING STATEMENT****APOLOGIES**

Cr Allan Ewin – Leave of Absence approved at the June 2023 Council Meeting (Resolution No. 2305/006)

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

The General Manager reported the following Disclosure of Interest forms had been submitted:

Councillor/ Staff	Interest	Item	Pg	Report	Reason
Cr Ferguson	Pecuniary Interest	8	41	Proposed Road Name – 61 Forest Reefs Road (Glenorie Road) Millthorpe Subdivision	Previous declared conflict in this Development Application as I undertake contracting work in the building industry with the proponent.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING HELD 16 MAY 2023**

2306/002

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 16 May 2023, being minute numbers 2305/001 to 2305/015 be confirmed.

(Gosewisch/Pryse Jones)

CARRIED**MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

Nil

EXECUTIVE SERVICES REPORTS**QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE AT THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING HELD 16 MAY 2023**

2306/003

RESOLVED:

That the questions taken on notice at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 16 May 2023 and the subsequent response be received and noted.

(Somerville/Newstead)

CARRIED**TOURISM DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM APPLICATION**

2306/004

RESOLVED:

That Council defer the matter to the 27 June 2023 meeting.

(Reynolds/Pryse Jones)

CARRIED**CORPORATE SERVICES REPORTS****2023/24 COUNCILLOR AND MAYORAL REMUNERATION**

2306/005

RESOLVED:

That Council;

1. Apply the maximum 3% increase to Councillor and Mayoral annual remuneration for 2023/24 in accordance with the 2023 Local Government Remuneration Tribunal Annual Determination,
2. Endorse the annual remuneration for 2023/24 to the maximum level for the Rural Council category being; \$13,030 for Councillors and an additional \$28,430 for the Mayor,
3. Endorse the data allowance (for up to 50% reimbursement of data charges associated with home internet and telephone) to be set at a maximum of \$75 per month.

(Ferguson/Pryse Jones)

CARRIED

**MINUTES OF THE AUDIT, RISK AND IMPROVEMENT
COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 18 MAY 2023**

2306/006

RESOLVED:

That Council;

1. Receive the Minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee meeting held 18 May 2023.
2. Note the recommendation that if a special variation to rates is required it be progressed within the current Council term.
3. Receive a report on the proposed Risk Management and Internal Audit for local government in NSW Guidelines and inform the committee regarding future direction.

(Somerville/Pryse Jones)

CARRIED**INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES REPORTS****INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES MONTHLY REPORT**

2306/007

RESOLVED:

That the Infrastructure Services Monthly Report for June 2023 be received and noted.

(Gosewisch/Pryse Jones)

CARRIED**PROPOSED NAME - ADDITION TO PRE APPROVED ROAD
AND BRIDGE NAME LIST**

2306/008

RESOLVED:

That Council;

1. Note receipt of the request to add the name 'Sutton' to the pre-approved road and bridge names list in the Road, Pathway and Bridge Naming Policy (25F).
2. Place the request on public exhibition for a minimum of 28 days,
3. Following the public exhibition, receive a further report to consider the request.

(Pryse Jones/Newstead)

CARRIED

The Mayor, Cr Ferguson, having declared an interest departed the Chair and left the Chambers. The Deputy Mayor, Cr Somerville, assumed the Chair.

**PROPOSED ROAD NAME - 61 FOREST REEFS ROAD
(GLENORIE ROAD), MILLTHORPE SUBDIVISION**

2306/009

RESOLVED:

That Council;

1. Note receipt of the request to name the new public road in the subdivision at 61 Forest Reefs Road, Millthorpe 'Mortimer Close' in memory of Mr. Ian Charles Mortimer,
2. Place the request on public exhibition for a minimum of 28 days,
3. Following the public exhibition, receive a further report to

consider the road naming application.

(Newstead/Gosewisch)

CARRIED

The Mayor, Cr Ferguson, returned to the Chambers and resumed the Chair.

PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORTS

DA2023/0043 - ERECTION OF A CARPORT - 8 RUSSART STREET LYNDHURST

2306/010

RESOLVED:

That Council consents to Development Application 43/2023 for the erection of an 1 outbuilding (carport) at Lot 4 DP 986911 - 8 Russart Street, Lyndhurst subject to the recommended conditions of consent.

(Reynolds/Newstead)

The **DIVISION** was taken and the names of the Councillors voting FOR and AGAINST were as follows:

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Ferguson	
Councillor Somerville	
Councillor Reynolds	
Councillor Newstead	
Councillor Pryse Jones	
Councillor Gosewisch	
Total (6)	Total (0)

CARRIED

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 6:49pm.

The Minute Numbers 2306/001 to 2306/010 were confirmed on 27 June 2023 and are a full and accurate record of proceedings of the Ordinary Meeting held on 6 June 2023.

Cr S Ferguson
MAYOR

Mr M Dicker
GENERAL MANAGER

02) QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE AT THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING HELD 6 JUNE 2023

Department: Executive Services

Author: General Manager

CSP Link: 2. Build the Capacity and Capability of Local Governance and Finance

File No: GO.ME.3

Recommendation:

That the questions taken on notice at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 6 June 2023 and the subsequent response be received and noted.

Reason for Report:

To formally record questions taken on notice at the previous Council meeting and subsequent response.

Report:**Question 1 – Item 02**

Cr Somerville asked can we seek advice from the specialist consultant who prepared the Development Servicing Plan (DSP) regarding the Future Sewerage Infrastructure Subsidy Charge, specifically if it can be increased by CPI above \$55?

Response:

Staff have contacted the consultant who has subsequently advised he is not aware of any other Council applying CPI annually to increase a cross subsidy charge.

If there is a significant uplift in the number of ETs (new lots) that come online, Council could seek approval from DPE to review and update the cross-subsidy charge in the plan.

In this regard it is proposed to revert the Future Sewerage Infrastructure Subsidy Charge back to \$55 until a planned holistic review of the DSP is undertaken in the future.

Question 2, 3 & 4 – Item 03

Cr Gosewisch asked has Millthorpe Village Committee received more than 2 submissions this year?

Cr Pryse Jones asked if a list of recipients under this program can be provided?

Cr Reynolds asked is there \$10,000 allocated in the 2023/24 OP for this program?

Response: Responses have provided in an updated report (item 3) to this meeting.

Question 5 – Item 05

Cr Reynolds stated a number of issues have gone to ARIC, but specifically not been provided to Council. Cr Reynolds would like 3 reports (Penetration Testing, Auditors and Outstanding Issues) to come back to the next Council meeting.

Response:

The Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee (ARIC) meeting agendas are provided in full on the Councillor portal.

The minutes of ARIC are provided to Council for endorsement. If ARIC has identified an issue and/or concern with a specific matter it would be highlighted by ARIC in the minutes to Council.

Councillor Somerville is the Councillor appointed to ARIC and provides a conduit back to Council. Additionally, any Councillor can attend ARIC as an observer.

Should Council seek an update on a specific Information Technology matter, consideration can be given to inclusion in the Quarterly Information Technology Report provided to Council.

Questions 6, 7, 8 & 9 – Item 06

Cr Newstead noted painting of toilets and canteen at KGO was taking place and asked if there were funds available could the new dressing sheds which are concrete blocks also be painted the same green to tie it all together.

Response:

To be considered if there are available funds. Noting the concrete blocks have had a clear sealant applied and provide an aesthetic point of difference at the precinct.

Council would need to consider that painting would create additional operational costs of re-painting in subsequent years.

Cr Reynolds asked if a report, regarding checking all the bores in the shire in preparation for drier times and can we highlight to the community policy on usage on the bores?

Response:

Staff currently check meters at bores on a fortnightly basis, including a basic check that they are functioning as required. Additionally, a more detailed annual audit is undertaken which normally occurs in the first quarter of the financial year.

Cr Reynolds asked about the status of the Barry bore. Can the Director follow up and update Council on the Barry bore?

Response:

The matter will be followed up and listed for discussion at a future Councillor workshop.

Cr Somerville asked if the consultant who looks at the Sewer Business Plan can also look at an appropriate level of recovery for investment in the Recycled Water Treatment Plant.

Response:

This can be considered when reviewing the Sewer Business Plan.

Risk/Policy/Legislation Considerations:

Nil

Budget Implications:

Nil

Enclosures (following report)

Nil

Attachments (separate document)

Nil

03) TOURISM DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM APPLICATION**Department:** Executive Services**Author:** Manager Tourism and Communications**CSP Link:** 3. Diversify and Grow the Blayney Shire Local and Visitor Economy**File No:** GS.PG.1

Recommendation:

That Council approve \$1,100 to the Millthorpe Village Committee for the Millthorpe Night Market event.

Reason for Report:

For Council to consider and approve the application seeking Council financial support under the Tourism Development Program 2022/23.

Report:

Millthorpe Night Market is an evening event featuring live music, food, beverage and retail stalls, closing with a fireworks display. It is a family-focused community event and also acts as the opening night for the broader Orange360 Winter Fire Festival.

The event attracts visitors from Orange (41%) and broader NSW (34%) and is attended by local Blayney Shire residents (25%). The funding requested will primarily go towards subsidizing equipment hire.

Other expenses include fireworks, security, entertainment and traffic management and income is generated from stallholders and ticket sales. Funds raised from the event will go towards Millthorpe Village Committee projects.

Risk/Policy/Legislation Considerations:

In accordance with the Local Government Act, s356, Council may resolve to grant financial assistance to persons for the purpose of exercising its functions.

As this program was included in the 2022/23 Operational Plan, does not exceed more than 5 percent of Council's income and is open to all persons within Council's area; 28 days public notice of Council's resolution is not required.

The application fits within the criteria as the event will encourage visitation to the region. Millthorpe Village Committee are financial members of Orange360 and have not received any funding under the Tourism Development Program in 2022/23.

Millthorpe Village Committee has \$920 of funding allocated for the Night Market under the Community Financial Assistance Program (Annual Contributions) for cleaning and waste costs. They have not received any funding through the Tourism Development Program this financial year.

As the event has demonstrated that it attracts a number of visitors from outside Blayney Shire and increases visitor expenditure it is still eligible for additional funding under this program.

This program commenced in 2019 as a redistribution of Council funding to the Blayney to Bathurst (B2B) bike race (last run in 2019), the program continued as a post COVID recovery program. The program is proposed for continuation with budget allocation in the 2023/24 Operational Plan.

It would be suggested that Council undertake a review of the guidelines and eligibility criteria (potentially with a greater focus on events conducted by not for profits, rather than private businesses) prior to release of any funds in 2023/24.

The current guidelines can be found at

<https://www.blayney.nsw.gov.au/our-community/grants-scholarships-and-awards/tourism-development-program>

Budget Implications:

The approval of this application will be a total of \$1,100. Council's allocation in the 2022/23 Operational Plan for this program was \$10,000. Approval of this application will result in the budget allocation being fully exhausted for 2022/23.

Previous applications approved in 2022/23 include:

Rosebank Gallery (Exhibition)	\$ 1,000
Rosebank Guest House (Website)	\$ 1,000
Blayney Botanicals (Sculpture Garden/Mural)	\$ 1,000
Blayney A&P Assoc (Blayney Show)	\$ 1,000
Serena Louise Yoga (Carcoar Retreat)	\$ 1,000
Plants n Pretty Pieces (Marketing)	\$ 1,000
Carcoar Community Association (River Yarn Fibre Festival)	\$ 900
Newbridge Progress Association (Solstice)	\$ 2,000
Total	\$ 8,900

An amount of \$10,000 for the program in 2023/24 has been included in the 2023/24 – 2026/27 Delivery Program and 2023/24 Operational Plan.

Enclosures (following report)

Nil

Attachments (separate document)

Nil

04) ADOPTION OF 2023/24 - 2026/27 DELIVERY PROGRAM AND 2023/24 OPERATIONAL PLAN

Department: Executive Services

Author: General Manager

CSP Link: 2. Build the Capacity and Capability of Local Governance and Finance

File No: GS.LI.1

Recommendation:

That Council:

1. Pursuant to the requirements of the Local Government Act 1993, adopt the 2023/24 – 2026/27 Delivery Program and 2023/24 Operational Plan as attached to this report.
2. Note that the 2023/24 Operational Plan forecasts a Net Operating Result before Capital Items of (\$1.08m) deficit (\$1.27m deficit for General Fund and \$194k surplus for Sewer Fund) and continued deficits thereafter throughout Council’s Delivery Plan and Long-Term Financial Plan.
3. Note the 5 community submissions received during the public exhibition period (summarised and attached to this report) with the following changes proposed in response to the submissions received;
 - a. \$330k allocated (from Regional and Local Roads Repair Program) for road repair works to Garland Road in 2023/24,
 - b. The “Annual User-group” fee for Central West Equestrian and Livestock Centre will enable 1 ‘Special Event’ without incurring a ‘Special Event’ charge.
 - c. \$145k allocated (from NSW OLG \$1m Flood Recovery Grant) to commence culvert upgrade and improvement works at Richards Lane in 2023/24.
4. Adopt the Revenue Policy for 2023/24, as outlined in the 2023/24 Operational Plan.
5. Adopt the Statement of Rating Structure and their respective short names as contained in the Operational Plan 2023/24 and make the Ordinary Rate and charges, including sewer charges and domestic waste management charges, pursuant to s.494 and s.496 of the Local Government Act 1993 and Waste Management Levy pursuant to s.501 of the Local Government Act 1993 detailed in the tables below:

Rating Structure for the 2023/24 Rating Year (3.7% increase)						
Name of Category/Sub Category	No. of Assessments	Base Rate	Ad Valorem	Land Value	Total Yield	% Yield from Base Amount
Residential						
Ordinary Rate	1,200	\$370	0.00112911	\$405,175,200	\$901,487	49.25%
Blayney & Carcoar	1,407	\$370	0.00230344	\$240,286,300	\$1,074,075	48.47%
Millthorpe	330	\$370	0.00110024	\$118,187,000	\$252,134	48.43%
Business						
Ordinary Rate	128	\$475	0.00370041	\$31,780,510	\$178,401	34.08%
Blayney	171	\$475	0.00613150	\$24,733,700	\$232,880	34.88%
Business Millthorpe & Carcoar	56	\$475	0.00341157	\$14,951,900	\$77,609	34.27%
Farmland						
Ordinary Rate	720	\$600	0.00127720	\$1,523,393,130	\$2,377,681	18.17%
Mining						
Ordinary Rate	1	\$1,200	0.03074824	\$564,000	\$18,542	6.47%
Gold	-	\$1,200	0.04357993			
Gold / Copper Combined	1	\$1,200	0.04185352	\$116,400,000	\$4,872,950	0.02%
Total Yield	4,014			\$2,475,471,740	\$9,985,759	

2023/24 Waste Charges

Charge Category and Description	Annual Charge	No. of Properties
Waste Management Levy <i>This is waste management charge is applied to all properties funding waste disposal services for the Blayney Shire</i>	\$60	4,119
Domestic Waste Management		
Domestic Waste Management Service Charge <i>This is applied to properties that have a residence within the waste collection area.</i>	\$376	2,661
Domestic Waste Management Availability Charge <i>This charge is applied to properties within the waste collection area that do not have a service but it is available i.e. vacant land</i>	\$68	321
Commercial (Non-Domestic) Waste Management		
Non-Domestic Waste Management Service Charge <i>This is applied to properties for non-domestic properties within the waste collection area</i>	\$484	331
Non-Domestic Waste Management Availability Charge <i>This charge is applied to properties within the waste collection area that do not have a service but it is available i.e. vacant land</i>	\$68	90
Non-Domestic Waste Service Management Charge for Charity and Not Profit Organisations <i>This is applied to the above properties for non-domestic properties within the waste collection area</i>	\$132	15
Extra Services		
Additional Garbage Charge – per red bin	\$344	91
Additional Recycling Charge – per yellow bin	\$140	31
Total Yield		\$1,473,452

2023/24 Non Residential and Residential Sewer Charges

Residential			
	Access Charge	No. of Properties	Total Yield
Connected	\$800	1,544	\$1,235,200
Vacant (Unconnected)	\$412	123	\$50,676
Estimated Total Yield			\$1,285,876

Non-Residential				
	Annual Charge (Prior to SDF Factor)	No. of Properties	Quarter Charge before SDF applied	Min. quarterly amount charged
20mm Water Service	\$668	161	\$167	\$200
25mm Water Service	\$1,020	21	\$255	\$200
32mm Water Service	\$1,662	18	\$415	\$200
40mm Water Service	\$2,604	11	\$651	\$200
50mm Water Service	\$4,060	24	\$1,015	\$200
80mm Water Service	\$10,380	1	\$2,595	
100mm Water Service	\$16,272	6	\$4,068	
150mm Water Service	\$36,620	2	\$9,155	
Vacant/Unmetered	\$412	54		
Usage Charge (per kl)	\$1.71			
Estimated Total Yield				\$452,282

Future Sewerage Infrastructure Subsidy Charge

	Access Charge	No of Properties	Total Yield
Connected - Residential	\$55	1,512	\$83,160
Connected - Business	\$55	242	\$13,310
Vacant (Unconnected)	\$55	123	\$6,765
Estimated Total Yield			\$103,235

2023/24 Trade Waste Charges

Commercial (Non-Residential)		
	Annual Fee	No. of Properties
Annual Trade Waste Fee	\$124	65
Annual Trade Waste Fee (Large Dischargers Category 3)	\$456	1
Liquid Trade Waste User Charges with Trade Waste Agreement (Category 1, Category 2/2s)	\$2.47	23
Liquid Trade Waste User Charges with No Trade Waste Agreement	\$24.70	12
Excess Mass Chargers for Category (3 Dischargers)	\$ as per the table in fees and charges	
Water Testing Charges (if required)	\$320 per quarter	1
Estimated Total Yield		\$72,360

6. That the schedule of financial assistance under the Community Financial Assistance Program, pursuant to s.356 Local Government Act be adopted noting the following amendments:

Type	Item	\$
Community Events / Cultural Activities	Newbridge Progress Association – Swap Meet	(\$340)
Insurance	Blayney Shire Community Mens Shed	\$80
Insurance	Total Insurance Contributions	\$260

7. That the following programs which financially assist others under s.356 Local Government Act (1993), including; Local Heritage Assistance Program, the Youth Week Grants Program, the Tourism Event Development Fund and the Village Enhancement Program be adopted.
8. Endorse commencement of the Special Variation application process, noting;
- a. Council in 2022 undertook a Strategic Financial Review (completed by LG Solutions) to review Council’s long term financial sustainability and must now consider a Special Variation application.
 - b. Council must ensure it has sufficient revenue to:
 - Improve financial sustainability by eliminating the General Fund operating deficit’s;
 - Deliver the services adopted within its Integrated Planning and Reporting documents;
 - Provide sufficient funding to meet asset renewal funding requirements and appropriately manage the infrastructure backlog;
 - Meet compliance obligations under the Local Government Act 1993 (NSW) and other forms of legislation;
 - Address continual financial implications mandated and/or cost shifting from the NSW Government;
 - Address Council’s unsustainable reliance on mining rate income (current and future) and develop strategies to reduce this reliance.
 - c. Council will engage a specialist local government finance consultant to review and prepare all necessary documentation required for the potential Special Variation application.
 - d. Progression of the Special Variation application will be subject to further Council approval and a future community engagement process as per the requirements of the Office of Local Government and the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART) with a view to making application for the 2024/25 financial year.

Reason for Report:

For Council to consider and adopt the 2023/24 – 2026/27 Delivery Program and 2023/24 Operational Plan following public exhibition, pursuant to sections 404 and 405 of the Local Government Act.

Report:

Public exhibition of Council's 2023/24 – 2026/27 Delivery Program and 2023/24 Operational Plan concluded on 15 June 2023, in accordance with the Council resolution of 16 May 2023. Council adhered to the mandatory exhibition period of 28 days as required under the Local Government Act 1993, in order to allow sufficient time for all members of the community to become aware of the plans and programs proposed in the Long Term Financial Plan.

Fundamentally, the legislation requires the development and adoption of an operational plan and revenue policy annually. Council's 2023/24 Operational Plan identifies the specific actions to be completed in year 1 under each of the 4 year objectives expressed in the 2023/24 – 2026/27 Delivery Program. All councils in NSW are required to develop long term, medium term and short term plans as part of the Local Government Act.

Submissions

It is a requirement that any submissions received be considered by Council in the process of finalisation and adoption of the draft plans.

Council received 5 submissions on the 2023/24 – 2026/27 Delivery Program and 2023/24 Operational Plan. Submissions made are on the following matters and are attached:

Submission 1

1. Mount McDonald Road/Garland Road The road badly needs sections to be replaced to a satisfactory standard with the roadside drains to be cleaned out so that water actually runs beside the road and under the pipes. We estimate that at least one kilometre of sections of the road need to be reconstructed. The main reason traffic is using this road beside local residents is for recreation use of Wyangala dam. The road also services the Lyndhurst rifle club which is of national significance, Lyndhurst ranch sorting on the grounds of the Lyndhurst golf course and the golfers who use the Lyndhurst golf course and the clubhouse.
<i>Response: \$330k has been allocated to Garland Road in 2023/24.</i>
2. An extension of the wide footpath from Selby St to Ramsay St <i>Response: The Active Movement Strategy has been amended following public exhibition to retain a footpath from Selby St to Ramsay St Lyndhurst. Noting inclusion is in year 11 and unfunded.</i>
3. Kerb and guttering alongside Capitol Park <i>Response: Council's resourcing is fully committed and requires further investigation to design a suitable solution (may not be kerb and gutter) to this area adjoining Capitol Park.</i>
4. Permission to erect a welcome sign at the corner of Russart Street and the Mid Western Highway <i>Response: Council is awaiting submission of plans from the committee for an updated sign design and location prior to being in a position to consider the project.</i>
5. Mowing of the hall grounds on a needs basis. <i>Response: Mowing can continue however funds will be allocated from the Village Enhancement Plan for this cost.</i>

Submission 2

1. Pym St / Montgomery St footpath should be advanced to FY24 not in FY25. This is a priority for Millthorpe CBD and has been in an unsatisfactory and unsafe state for many years. It has been raised multiple times over many years through access committees, village plans and highlighted to councillors and staff in annual walk arounds.

Response: Council acknowledges the importance of the heritage pavement and addressing access compliance in the Millthorpe Village. Council has allocated \$161k of grant funding to undertake and prepare a detailed design for the Millthorpe Main Street area (following on from the Millthorpe MasterPlan project).

Council additionally has allocated a significantly sum of grant funding (being \$284k under Stronger Country Communities round 5) to improve and renew the pavement in and around the Grand Western Lodge.

This project will be undertaken in 2024/25 for a few reasons;

- *A detailed design is needed to be completed first,*
- *The project cannot be undertaken any faster as Council's works program is fully committed for the next year and the following are needed:*
 - *a survey,*
 - *completion of the design,*
 - *a significant number of services to be moved or altered.*

It is additionally highlighted, \$284k is a lot of public money being allocated to deliver approx. 180m² of new pavement. By comparison Council could have delivered 1,400 lineal metres of new footpaths (1.5m wide) elsewhere within the Blayney Shire with the same budget.

2. An upgrade of Redmond Oval lighting and power network should be in FY24 replacing the cricket nets project stated in documentation. At the minimum additional luminaries are required on the existing network to increase the partial field lighting. Currently lighting is low and illuminates 30% of the western edge of the oval. The cricket net project was completed in FY23. An update on capital list is required as the cricket net renewal project has been completed.

Response: This project has not been formally raised with Council before as the existing lighting was deemed fit for purpose. Council would be happy to work with the Village Committee to develop a project scope and budget estimate for future inclusion into the LTFP and/or subject to grant funding opportunities.

3. I query the capital expenditure of light vehicle fleet replacements over the 4- year operational program. A total of \$2.65m is planned to be spent on light vehicles. This without explanation.

Response: Light vehicle replacement is Council's scheduled renewal of light vehicles. Replacement interval of vehicles varies from 2 to 7 years depending on the vehicle use and suitability for continued operations with an analysis undertaken annually. The \$2.65m figure represents the total cost to purchase new light vehicles and excludes the trade-in received on vehicles being replaced.

4. As indicated in the delivery program prior and proposed, Redmond Oval annual top dressing is included as part of services. Please can you provide the community information of when the topdressing of the oval was carried out in the last 4 years and the proposed timing of topdressing for the next years to come.

Response: Council’s sporting fields are monitored, and top dressing is incorporated with the maintenance regime as required. The DP does state (fertilizer / top dress) annually however may not be the case given the condition of the field, noting Redmond Oval had significant works undertaken in the last 5 years to the surface. This type of work is not scheduled in detail as it is dependent on the condition of the field.

5. Weekly changeroom maintenance of Redmond oval. Please ensure that these facilities are upkept and cleaning/maintenance is performed. The current condition of said change rooms would indicate this is not occurring on a weekly basis.

Response: Council cleans Redmond oval facilities at a minimum of twice per week. Despite the ongoing challenges with vandalism, the facilities are in good order.

6. Village enhancement programs are an important element for communities and council to deliver real small and unique projects to the and for the place we live and share. They should remain in delivery planning and be mandated for operational periods.

Response: The Village Enhancement Program (VEP) is proposed to continue.

Submission 3

Seek that the “Annual User-group Fee” should entitle us to run approximately four (4) events per annum without incurring the \$1,945 per “Special Event” fee.

Response: The Seasonal Hire fee is proposed to be altered to include provision of one annual event so long as collectively this does not exceed the number of days permitted under the user agreement.

Note: Provision for other costs associated with the event will still incur an additional cost in accordance with Council’s Scheduled Fees & Charges

Submissions 4 & 5

Seek prioritisation of reopening of Richards Lane, Millthorpe which has been closed for 12 months, prior to major capital upgrade in 2025/26.

Response: It is proposed to allocate \$145k (from NSW OLG \$1m Flood Recovery Grant) to commence culvert upgrade and improvement works at Richards Lane in 2023/24, which would enable the road to be reopened prior to the \$2m major capital upgrade of Richards Lane scheduled for 2025/26.

Adoption of Council Fees and Charges for 2023/24

Council's Annual Charges and Schedule of Fees & Charges have also been exhibited. The Annual Charges for adoption are as shown in the recommendation of this report.

An amendment has been made to the Future Sewerage Infrastructure Charge exhibited in the draft. The fee will reduce from the exhibited charge of \$61 per connection to \$55 per connection.

This change follows clarification with specialist consultant, Gidi Azar (who was engaged to prepare the Development Servicing Plan). It was advised that the charge is an output from the calculation made in *Table 6: Blayney Shire Council Sewerage Cross Subsidy Calculation* on p.59 (of 62) of the [BSC Development Servicing Plan for Sewerage Services](#) and has been forecast to be \$55 over the life of the plan.

Capital Works Program 2023/24

Council's principal mechanism for carrying out capital works is a four year rolling capital works program and has been incorporated into the Delivery Program 2023/24 – 2026/27. The 2023/24 Capital Works Program included in the Operational Plan details the individual projects and works that will be undertaken in 2023/24 to achieve the commitments made in the Delivery Program.

Amendments to the program since exhibition of the draft 2023/24 – 2026/27 Delivery Plan and 2023/24 Operational Plan include changes resulting from adoption of the 2022/23 March QBRs, in response to a submission or other changes as proposed:

Add: deferred from 2022/23 (Mar QBRs)	Amendment	Revised	Year
Heritage Park Amenities Project	300,000	300,000	2023/24
Forest Reefs Rd/Tallwood Rd Intersection	540,564	540,564	2023/24
Adjust: early commencement (Mar QBRs)	Amendment	Revised	Year
KGO Grandstand Upgrade	(89,000)	126,001	2023/24
Browns Creek Rd – Preliminary Works	(10,855)	89,145	2023/24
Richards Lane – Preliminary Works	(55,000)	145,000	2023/24
Neville Road	(35,000)	985,832	2023/24
Add:	Amendment	Revised	Year
Garland Road	330,000	330,000	2023/24
Storm Damage – Errowanbang Rd/Panuara Rd Intersection	121,065	121,065	2023/24
Wastewater Mixing Equipment & Aerators	105,500	105,500	2023/24
Richards Lane – Construction	150,000	2,150,000	2024/25
Fleet Replacement – P660 Dynapac CA3500	156,832	156,832	2024/25
Remove:	Amendment	Revised	Year
AMP13 Heritage Park Shared Path Extension – bird viewing platform – Farm Lane	(17,058)	\$0	2026/27
Footpath Renewal Program	17,058	70,854	2026/27

The Capital Works Program:

- Defines the capital projects that will help ensure the continued delivery of Council services;
- Allows advance planning of projects, including investigation, design and documentation;
- Is a key component of Council's infrastructure financing, planning maintenance and replacement strategy;

While inevitably refinements to the program will be made, it is appropriate and necessary to have the basis of a longer term schedule to allow appropriate planning both within the community and Council.

Section 356 Financial Assistance

Also detailed within Council's Operational Plan is the Schedule of Annual Financial Assistance funded through the Blayney Shire Council Community Financial Assistance Program under s.356 of the Local Government Act. An amount of \$145,000 has been provided for in 2023/24 under this program.

Council also has provision in the 2023/24 Operational Plan for other programs that provide financial assistance including the Local Heritage Assistance Program, Youth Week Grants Program, Tourism Event Development Fund and Village Enhancement Program.

Amendments since exhibition of the draft Operational Plan

Council's 2023/24 Draft Operational Plan budget proposes an operational deficit forecast of (\$1.08m) before capital grants and contributions, up from (\$1.05m). This consists of a forecast deficit from the General Fund of (\$1.27m), up from (\$1.14m) and a surplus from the Sewer Fund of \$194k up from \$91k.

Amendments to the 2023/24 Draft Operational Plan are detailed below:

Type	Description	Impact \$	Year
Operating Income (includes Capital Grants)			
Rates & Annual Charges	Developer Servicing Charge – remove indexation from 21/22 – 22/23	(11,262)	2023/24
Capital Grants	Regional & Local Roads Repair Program	330,000	2023/24
	Natural Disaster Funding	121,065	2023/24
	Resources for Regions Round 8	840,564	2023/24
Interest Revenue	Increased by a further 1% for next 2 years following consecutive increases in the cash rate since initial preparation. Rates has been decreased from year 3	280,194	2023/24
Materials & Contracts	• CentrePoint – Contract Management	12,377	2023/24
	• Consultant Financial Sustainability & Special Rate Variation Support	200,000	2023/24
Other Expenditure	Contribution towards After School Care program no longer required in Millthorpe	(5,000)	Annually
	Councillor and Mayoral Remuneration (7.8% allowed, 3% granted)	(6,855)	2023/24
Net Loss on Disposal of Assets	Infrastructure Renewals on proposed on Capex program as detailed in the 2023/24 – 2026/27 Delivery Program	71,189	2023/24
		55,000	2024/25
		25,000	2025/26
		45,000	2026/27

Financial Sustainability

The development of the suite of IP&R documents presented for endorsement has considered the Principles of Sound Financial Management as outlined under Section 8B of the Local Government Act 1993 (NSW).

Section 8B of the Act provides that Council spending should be responsible and sustainable, aligning general revenue and expenses.

As highlighted in the below table, Council's General Fund is forecasting consistent deficits across the 2023/24 – 2026/27 Delivery Plan and the 2023/24 – 2032/33 Long Term Financial Plan attached.

Fund	2023/24 \$'000	2024/25 \$'000	2025/26 \$'000	2026/27 \$'000
General	(1,270)	(77)	(1247)	(947)
Sewer	194	277	289	250
Consolidated	(1,076)	200	(958)	(697)

The 2023/24 budget has been prepared on the basis of retention of existing services only. Going forward this presents difficulty and risk for Council with a number of deficits forecast over the life of the Delivery Program. A continuation of this strategy will only result in current service levels being maintained in the short term.

Asset renewal backlogs will continue to increase over time. This will increase costs in the medium to long term placing a financial burden on future generations with limited options to fund infrastructure renewal or new assets and initiatives to help facilitate growth in the shire.

Council now faces the challenge of determining whether to significantly reduce service levels, including asset maintenance levels, so that it can meet the key performance benchmarks prescribed by the Office of Local Government; or seek to increase its sources of revenue, including (but not limited to), applying for a Special Variation.

Unfortunately, it is not possible for Council to 'do nothing' at this juncture and a range of difficult decisions are needed to address the poor financial outlook for the General Fund. This is critically important because the General Fund contains provision for all Council services apart from sewerage and the funding available supports the maintenance of critical assets such as roads, bridges, pathways, kerbs, storm water drains and public buildings.

Council must consider this issue and determine if a reduction in service levels is to occur noting that community feedback for Council's Community Strategic Plan encompasses a vision to diversify and grow the Blayney Shire and to maintain and improve public infrastructure and services. This will not be possible with cuts to services, deteriorating road networks, limited ability to fund asset replacement and no funding for new or upgraded assets unless it can be sourced by way of a grant.

Council has been significantly impacted by repeated mandated financial implications and/or cost shifting from the NSW Government. Two examples of this are;

- Rural Fire Service Assets
Fleet, Council currently has;
 - Blayney (and shared) with a replacement value of \$8m
 - Current written down value of \$350k
 - Estimate depreciation in 2023/24 of \$168k
 - Noting this figure is quickly declining (there are only 2 vehicles are less than 10 years old). If all vehicles are replaced simultaneously and/or in short succession depreciation reach approximately \$700k pa in the LTFP.
- Buildings, Council currently has;
 - Replacement value of \$2.8m
 - Current written down value of \$2.2m
 - Estimate depreciation in 2023/24 of \$53k

- Emergency Services Levy (ESL)

The ESL is a cost imposed on councils and the insurance industry to fund the emergency services budget in NSW. The majority is paid as part of insurance premiums, with a further 11.7 per cent picked up by councils and 14.6% by the State Government itself.

Councils Emergency Services Levy contribution for 2023/24 is \$484k (an increase of 36%) towards the cost of; RFS, SES and NSW Fire & Rescue.

The 2023/24 contribution increase is compounded with the NSW Government advising in May 2023 it will no longer provide a subsidy for the Emergency Services Levy. Removal of the subsidy had an instant negative impact of \$128k to Councils 2023/24 OP.

Referring to Council's operating income, 50% of rating income comes from the mining rate category in 2023/24. This figure is forecast to rise to approximately 60% in 2024/25 if the recently approved McPhillamys Gold Project proceeds to development.

The following risks are identified in relation to Council's mining rate category;

- A significantly high proportion of rating income being generated from 1 rating category (being 3 rate payers).
- It is unknown when the mining lease for McPhillamys Gold Project will be issued which allows a mining rate to be levied.
- Council's risk is heightened as an assumption has been made for issue of the mining lease for McPhillamys in quarter 4 of 2023/24 (however this is outside of Council's control),
- Both Cadia and the McPhillamys mine's currently have relatively short operational approvals (both to 2031 respectfully) which are now within the current 10-year Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP).
- Council must seek to develop and implement strategies that diversifies its rating income distribution, which will in turn minimise reliance and risk exposure relating to the mining rate category over the 10-year LTFP.

To this end it is recommended Council engage a specialist local government consulting firm to commence the necessary bodies of work required for a Special Variation, in particular assessment of Council's financial capacity, through a review of its Resourcing Strategy, with a view to reporting back to Council to resolve a way forward.

Conclusion

Adoption of the 2023/24 – 2026/27 Delivery Program and 2023/24 Operational Plan is part of the bigger picture that will set us on a path to the Blayney Shire that all stakeholders – the community, Councillors and staff would all like to experience in the future.

This report recommends that Council adopt the following documents:

- Delivery Program 2023/24 – 2026/27
- 2023/24 Operational Plan and Budget
- Revenue Policy 2023/24; and
- Fees and Charges 2023/24.

The report also requests that Council note the 2023/24 budgeted results for the General Fund and the identified need for commencement of a body of work towards improvement of Council's Financial Sustainability through a Special Variation

Risk/Policy/Legislation Considerations:

Council is obligated under s.405 to adopt the Operational Plan before the beginning of each year and details the activities to be engaged in by the council during the year as part of the delivery program covering that year. As part of the adoption process consideration must be given to submissions that have been made concerning the draft plan.

Budget Implications:

The financial implications of this report are detailed in the 2023/24 – 2026/27 Delivery Program and 2023/24 Operational Plan.

CERTIFICATION – RESPONSIBLE ACCOUNTING OFFICER

I, Tiffaney Irlam, certify that to the best of my knowledge that:

- The 2023/24 – 2026/27 Delivery Program and 2023/24 Operational Plan attached has been prepared in accordance with the following:
 - having considered the recommendations as detailed in the Financial Sustainability Review noting that the review is ongoing and some recommendations including consideration of an Special Variation will take time to deliver,
 - the current resource capabilities of Council and the impact of significant funding received by Council to deliver valuable services to the community,
 - Using the most up to date forecasts and assumptions at the time of preparation,
- To the best of my knowledge and belief, the 2023/24 – 2026/27 Delivery Program and 2023/24 Operational Plan:
 - present fairly the Council's operating result and financial forecast for the year,
 - present fairly the operating result and financial forecast for each of Council's declared business activities for the year,
 - That the detailed schedule of capital works reflects projects identified and prioritised in Council's current asset management plans and roads strategy.

Enclosures (following report)

- 2 2023/24 - 2032/33 Long Term Financial Plan Financial
Statements 4 Pages

Attachments (separate document)

- 1 DPOP Public Exhibition Submissions 5 Pages
*This matter is considered to be confidential under Section
10A(2) (e) of the Local Government Act, as it deals with
information that would, if disclosed, prejudice the maintenance
of law.*
- 3 2023/24 - 2026/27 Delivery Plan and 2023/24 88 Pages
Operational Plan

Blayney Shire Council
10 Year Financial Plan for the Years ending 30 June 2033
INCOME STATEMENT - CONSOLIDATED
Scenario: L.TFP Base Case Adopted

	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31	2031/32	2032/33
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Income from Continuing Operations										
Revenue:										
Rates & Annual Charges	13,283,986	15,074,236	15,595,277	16,162,098	16,749,128	17,357,088	17,986,724	18,638,811	19,314,150	20,000,146
User Charges & Fees	1,699,317	1,805,253	1,939,977	1,983,543	2,170,951	2,193,121	2,368,183	2,395,879	2,539,978	2,320,453
Other Revenues	324,194	328,545	340,491	350,565	363,612	399,247	392,048	408,370	425,376	442,380
Grants & Contributions provided for Operating Purposes	6,001,958	5,074,830	4,653,191	4,775,062	4,894,597	5,027,554	5,171,500	5,314,272	5,461,389	5,625,716
Grants & Contributions provided for Capital Purposes	6,328,681	6,680,169	503,475	1,980,272	9,520,973	1,795,646	2,526,058	2,712,188	3,524,335	1,788,042
Interest & Investment Revenue	646,705	731,894	763,069	792,023	744,357	729,239	722,879	767,435	820,405	882,731
Other Income:										
Net Gains from the Disposal of Assets	-	11,843	39,905	20,863	71,296	67,442	50,005	47,763	93,796	61,504
Fair value increment on investment properties	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Reversal of revaluation decrements on IPPE previously expensed	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Reversal of impairment losses on receivables	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Joint Ventures & Associated Entities - Gain	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000
Total Income from Continuing Operations	28,309,842	29,731,770	23,860,383	26,089,426	34,539,914	27,594,337	29,242,397	30,308,717	32,204,429	31,145,972
Expenses from Continuing Operations										
Employee Benefits & On-Costs	7,848,998	8,185,130	8,609,954	8,979,956	9,294,256	9,619,554	9,956,239	10,305,311	10,665,996	11,039,247
Borrowing Costs	194,638	172,631	155,764	138,599	120,584	106,283	95,456	86,213	76,645	66,742
Materials & Contracts	6,389,971	5,670,404	6,484,402	6,494,442	6,470,646	7,048,241	7,383,077	7,448,255	7,533,390	8,090,646
Depreciation & Amortisation	7,418,131	7,566,111	7,717,209	7,871,327	8,025,886	8,435,727	8,604,273	8,776,189	8,951,541	9,130,399
Impairment of Investments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Impairment of receivables	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Expenses	1,166,335	1,257,589	1,347,418	1,322,003	1,361,665	1,411,445	1,506,872	1,488,557	1,533,771	1,590,795
Interest & Investment Losses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net Losses from the Disposal of Assets	39,081	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Revaluation decrement/impairment of IPPE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fair value decrement on investment properties	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Joint Ventures & Associated Entities	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Expenses from Continuing Operations	23,057,154	22,851,865	24,314,747	24,806,327	25,273,037	26,621,250	27,545,917	28,104,525	28,761,343	29,917,829
Operating Result from Continuing Operations	5,252,688	6,879,904	(454,365)	1,283,099	9,266,877	973,087	1,696,480	2,205,193	3,443,087	1,228,144
Discontinued Operations - Profit/(Loss)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net Profit/(Loss) from Discontinued Operations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net Operating Result for the Year	5,252,688	6,879,904	(454,365)	1,283,099	9,266,877	973,087	1,696,480	2,205,193	3,443,087	1,228,144
Net Operating Result before Grants and Contributions provided for Capital Purposes	(1,075,994)	199,735	(957,839)	(697,173)	(254,095)	(822,559)	(829,578)	(506,995)	(81,249)	(559,899)

Blayney Shire Council
10 Year Financial Plan for the Years ending 30 June 2033
INCOME STATEMENT - GENERAL FUND
Scenario: LTFP Base Case Adopted

	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31	2031/32	2032/33
Income from Continuing Operations										
Revenue:										
Rates & Annual Charges	11,735,942	13,410,089	13,864,563	14,362,156	14,877,189	15,410,271	15,962,034	16,533,134	17,124,246	17,733,594
User Charges & Fees	1,356,843	1,437,796	1,543,573	1,542,136	1,652,920	1,655,738	1,770,721	1,776,185	1,897,222	1,655,200
Other Revenues	319,763	324,422	336,308	348,730	361,714	397,283	390,015	406,265	423,198	440,126
Grants & Contributions provided for Operating Purposes	5,984,117	5,056,626	4,634,459	4,752,863	4,871,843	5,004,231	5,147,594	5,289,768	5,436,272	5,599,972
Grants & Contributions provided for Capital Purposes	6,122,218	6,515,393	336,545	1,811,113	3,553,131	1,621,792	2,349,732	2,533,304	3,342,804	1,603,770
Interest & Investment Revenue	394,883	464,742	497,494	506,713	501,796	491,159	471,770	478,623	491,867	512,531
Other Income:										
Net Gains from the Disposal of Assets	-	11,843	39,905	20,863	71,296	67,442	50,005	47,763	93,796	61,504
Fair value increment on investment properties	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Reversal of revaluation decrements on IPPE previously expensed	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Reversal of impairment losses on receivables	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Joint Ventures & Associated Entities - Gain	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000	25,000
Total Income from Continuing Operations	25,938,766	27,245,911	21,277,846	23,369,575	25,914,889	24,672,915	26,166,871	27,090,042	28,834,404	27,631,697
Expenses from Continuing Operations										
Employee Benefits & On-Costs	7,568,592	7,911,326	8,292,937	8,651,444	8,954,246	9,267,643	9,592,011	9,928,334	10,275,826	10,635,481
Borrowing Costs	167,721	151,246	140,081	129,160	117,898	106,283	95,456	86,213	76,645	66,742
Materials & Contracts	5,463,954	4,672,661	5,457,160	5,312,871	5,345,148	5,906,301	6,183,184	6,206,366	6,248,036	6,760,305
Depreciation & Amortisation	6,681,165	6,814,566	6,950,794	7,089,747	7,228,839	7,372,906	7,520,364	7,670,771	7,824,187	7,980,671
Impairment of investments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Impairment of receivables	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Expenses	1,166,335	1,257,589	1,347,418	1,322,003	1,361,665	1,411,445	1,506,872	1,488,557	1,533,771	1,590,795
Interest & Investment Losses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net Losses from the Disposal of Assets	39,081	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Revaluation decrement/impairment of IPPE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fair value decrement on investment properties	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Joint Ventures & Associated Entities - Loss	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Expenses from Continuing Operations	21,086,848	20,807,388	22,188,390	22,505,225	23,007,796	24,064,578	24,897,887	25,380,242	25,958,465	27,033,993
Operating Result from Continuing Operations	4,851,918	6,438,523	(910,544)	864,350	2,907,094	608,336	1,268,984	1,709,800	2,875,939	597,704
Discontinued Operations - Profit/(Loss)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net Profit/(Loss) from Discontinued Operations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net Operating Result for the Year	4,851,918	6,438,523	(910,544)	864,350	2,907,094	608,336	1,268,984	1,709,800	2,875,939	597,704
Net Operating Result before Grants and Contributions provided for Capital Purposes	(1,270,301)	(76,871)	(1,247,089)	(946,763)	(646,038)	(1,013,455)	(1,080,748)	(823,504)	(466,865)	(1,006,066)

**Blayney Shire Council
10 Year Financial Plan for the Years ending 30 June 2033
INCOME STATEMENT - SEWER FUND
Scenario: LTFP Base Case Adopted**

	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31	2031/32	2032/33
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Income from Continuing Operations										
Revenue:										
Rates & Annual Charges	1,548,044	1,664,147	1,730,713	1,799,942	1,871,940	1,946,817	2,024,690	2,105,677	2,189,905	2,266,551
User Charges & Fees	342,474	367,457	396,404	441,407	518,031	537,383	597,462	619,694	642,757	665,253
Other Revenues	4,431	4,123	4,183	1,834	1,898	1,965	2,033	2,105	2,178	2,254
Grants & Contributions provided for Operating Purposes	17,841	18,203	18,732	22,199	22,754	23,323	23,906	24,504	25,116	25,744
Grants & Contributions provided for Capital Purposes	206,463	164,776	166,929	169,159	5,967,841	173,854	176,326	178,884	181,532	184,272
Interest & Investment Revenue	251,822	267,152	265,575	285,310	242,561	238,080	251,109	288,812	328,538	370,200
Other Income:										
Net Gains from the Disposal of Assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fair value increment on investment properties	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Reversal of revaluation decrements on IPPE previously expensed	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Reversal of impairment losses on receivables	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Income	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Joint Ventures & Associated Entities - Gain	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Income from Continuing Operations	2,371,075	2,485,859	2,582,537	2,719,851	8,625,025	2,921,422	3,075,526	3,219,676	3,370,026	3,514,275
Expenses from Continuing Operations										
Employee Benefits & On-Costs	280,406	273,804	317,017	328,513	340,011	351,911	364,228	376,976	390,170	403,766
Borrowing Costs	26,917	21,385	15,683	9,439	2,686	-	-	-	-	-
Materials & Contracts	926,017	997,743	1,027,242	1,181,571	1,125,498	1,141,940	1,199,893	1,241,889	1,285,353	1,330,341
Depreciation & Amortisation	736,966	751,545	766,415	781,580	797,046	1,062,821	1,083,909	1,105,418	1,127,354	1,149,728
Impairment of investments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Impairment of receivables	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Interest & Investment Losses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net Losses from the Disposal of Assets	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Revaluation decrement/impairment of IPPE	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fair value decrement on investment properties	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Joint Ventures & Associated Entities - Loss	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Expenses from Continuing Operations	1,970,305	2,044,477	2,126,357	2,301,102	2,265,241	2,556,672	2,648,030	2,724,283	2,802,878	2,883,835
Operating Result from Continuing Operations	400,770	441,381	456,179	418,749	6,359,784	364,750	427,496	495,393	567,148	630,440
Discontinued Operations - Profit/(Loss)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net Profit/(Loss) from Discontinued Operations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net Operating Result for the Year	400,770	441,381	456,179	418,749	6,359,784	364,750	427,496	495,393	567,148	630,440
Net Operating Result before Grants and Contributions provided for Capital Purposes	194,307	276,606	289,250	249,590	391,943	190,896	251,170	316,509	385,616	446,168

Blayney Shire Council
10 Year Financial Plan for the Years ending 30 June 2033
CASH FLOW STATEMENT - CONSOLIDATED
Scenario: LTFP Base Case Adopted

	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31	2031/32	2032/33
Cash Flows from Operating Activities										
Receipts:										
Rates & Annual Charges	13,289,566	15,085,514	15,597,323	16,164,445	16,751,547	17,359,581	17,989,294	18,641,460	19,316,880	20,003,255
User Charges, & Fees	1,686,731	1,787,699	1,919,578	1,981,354	2,149,554	2,190,058	2,345,918	2,392,207	2,516,519	2,358,813
Investment & Interest Revenue Received	652,720	694,436	753,783	786,846	740,765	732,504	718,127	758,274	813,238	871,101
Grants & Contributions	14,026,645	10,894,522	5,220,377	6,739,959	14,397,608	6,840,563	7,689,148	8,023,316	8,976,497	7,428,963
Bonds & Deposits Received										
Other	376,535	335,229	441,836	325,215	332,290	426,590	376,468	402,675	407,980	470,317
Payments:										
Employee Benefits & On-Costs	(7,848,998)	(8,185,130)	(8,609,954)	(8,979,956)	(9,294,256)	(9,619,554)	(9,956,239)	(10,305,311)	(10,665,996)	(11,039,247)
Materials & Contracts	(6,506,764)	(5,563,066)	(6,570,078)	(6,478,854)	(6,472,072)	(7,111,948)	(7,405,635)	(7,454,324)	(7,533,789)	(8,147,175)
Borrowing Costs	(197,259)	(174,750)	(157,867)	(140,793)	(122,702)	(107,948)	(96,577)	(87,371)	(77,841)	(67,978)
Bonds & Deposits Refunded										
Other	(1,157,688)	(1,259,089)	(1,341,817)	(1,321,115)	(1,359,953)	(1,407,304)	(1,503,735)	(1,486,989)	(1,531,789)	(1,586,626)
Net Cash provided (or used in) Operating Activities	14,321,488	13,615,366	7,253,182	9,077,100	17,122,781	9,302,542	10,156,770	10,883,938	12,221,698	10,291,423
Cash Flows from Investing Activities										
Receipts:										
Sale of Infrastructure, Property, Plant & Equipment	395,200	668,429	649,047	658,630	712,959	674,415	500,054	477,631	937,962	615,042
Deferred Debtors Receipts	20,000									
Payments:										
Purchase of Investment Securities	(1,516,976)	(2,480,595)	(748,694)	(136,800)	(59,127)			(224,298)	(472,247)	(1,240,190)
Purchase of Investment Property										
Purchase of Infrastructure, Property, Plant & Equipment	(11,642,316)	(10,348,240)	(5,931,031)	(8,196,678)	(19,028,705)	(8,822,018)	(8,633,810)	(8,523,764)	(10,571,935)	(7,450,639)
Net Cash provided (or used in) Investing Activities	(12,744,092)	(12,160,405)	(6,030,677)	(7,674,848)	(18,374,873)	(8,147,603)	(8,133,756)	(8,270,431)	(10,106,219)	(8,075,786)
Cash Flows from Financing Activities										
Receipts:										
Proceeds from Borrowings & Advances										
Payments:										
Repayment of Borrowings & Advances	(596,298)	(466,026)	(457,029)	(474,194)	(469,471)	(415,562)	(279,771)	(289,015)	(298,583)	(308,486)
Repayment of lease liabilities (principal repayments)										
Net Cash Flow provided (used in) Financing Activities	(596,298)	(466,026)	(457,029)	(474,194)	(469,471)	(415,562)	(279,771)	(289,015)	(298,583)	(308,486)
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash & Cash Equivalents	981,097	988,935	765,475	928,058	(1,721,563)	739,377	1,743,243	2,324,492	1,816,896	1,907,151
plus: Cash & Cash Equivalents - beginning of year	3,130,209	4,111,307	5,100,241	5,865,717	6,793,775	5,072,212	5,811,589	7,554,832	9,879,324	11,696,220
Cash & Cash Equivalents - end of the year	4,111,307	5,100,241	5,865,717	6,793,775	5,072,212	5,811,589	7,554,832	9,879,324	11,696,220	13,603,370
Cash & Cash Equivalents - end of the year	4,111,307	5,100,241	5,865,717	6,793,775	5,072,212	5,811,589	7,554,832	9,879,324	11,696,220	13,603,370
Investments - end of the year	15,998,202	18,478,796	19,227,490	19,364,290	19,423,417	19,423,417	19,423,417	19,647,715	20,119,962	21,360,151
Cash, Cash Equivalents & Investments - end of the year	20,109,508	23,579,038	25,093,207	26,158,065	24,495,629	25,235,006	26,978,249	29,527,039	31,816,181	34,963,521
Representing:										
- External Restrictions - General Fund	2,193,053	3,380,573	3,786,731	4,209,997	4,647,348	5,102,760	5,572,758	6,061,809	6,530,605	7,059,863
- External Restrictions - Sewer Fund	7,765,307	8,565,591	9,230,139	10,053,737	8,224,057	9,574,220	11,084,376	12,683,582	14,376,411	16,155,154
- Internal Restrictions - General Fund	5,330,116	5,074,371	4,344,998	4,337,885	4,295,619	4,203,706	4,203,238	4,280,770	4,358,302	4,417,334
- Unrestricted - General	4,821,033	6,558,502	7,731,338	7,556,447	7,328,605	6,354,320	6,117,877	6,500,878	6,550,863	7,331,171
20,109,508	23,579,038	25,093,207	26,158,065	24,495,629	25,235,006	26,978,249	29,527,039	31,816,181	34,963,521	38,963,521

05) REPORT OF COUNCIL INVESTMENTS AS AT 31 MAY 2023**Department:** Corporate Services**Author:** Accountant**CSP Link:** 2. Build the Capacity and Capability of Local Governance and Finance**File No:** FM.AU.1

Recommendation:

1. That the report indicating Council's investment position as at 31 May 2023 be received.
2. That the certification of the Responsible Accounting Officer be received and the report be adopted.

Reason for Report:

For Council to endorse the Report of Council Investments as at 31 May 2023.

Report:

This report provides details of Council's Investment Portfolio as at 31 May 2023.

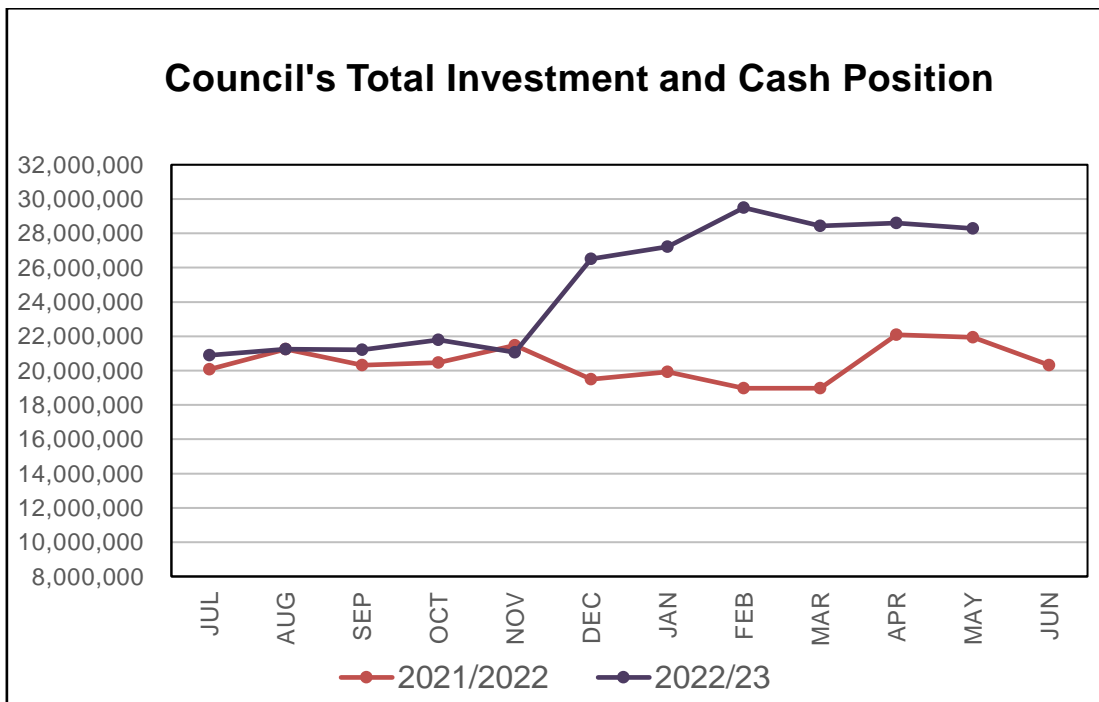
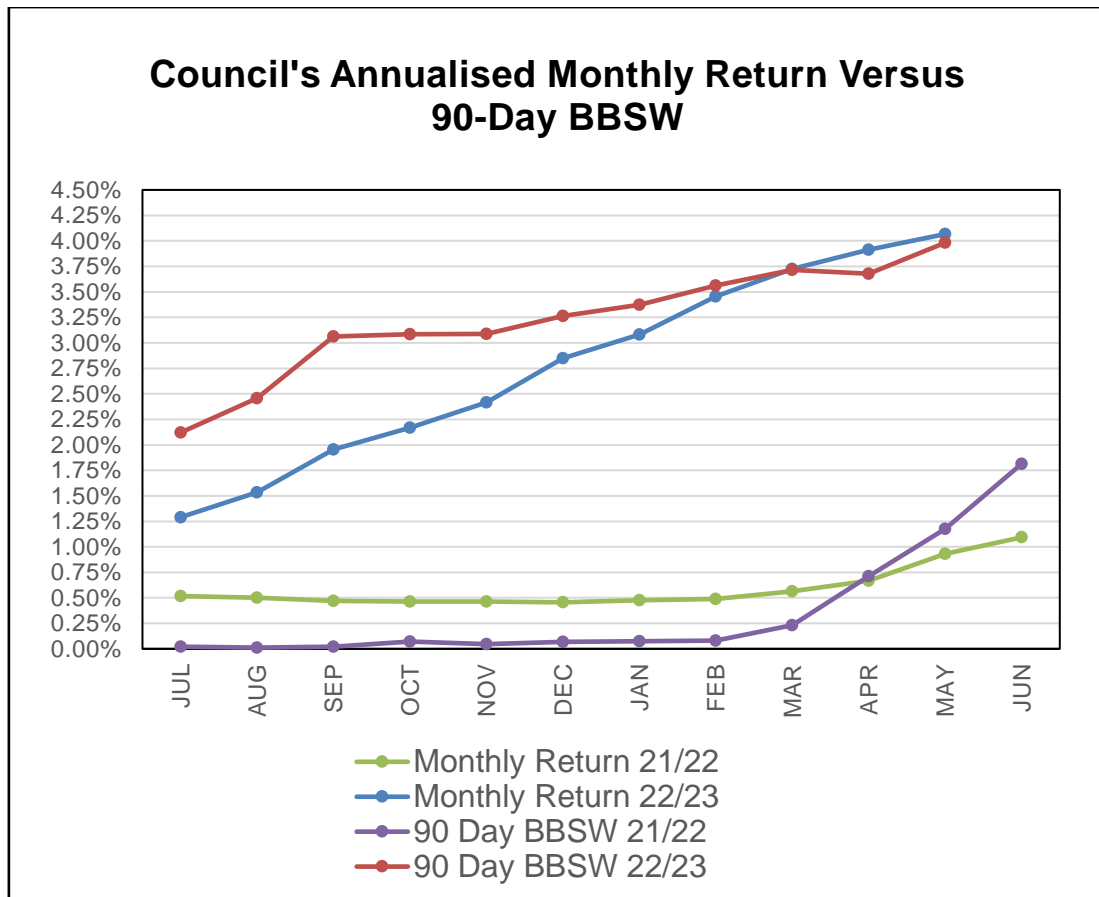
Council's total investment and cash position as at 31 May 2023 is \$28,290,133. Investments earned interest of \$93,334.01 for the month of May 2023.

Council's monthly net return on Term Deposits annualised for May was 4.07% which outperformed the 90-day Bank Bill Swap Rate of 3.98%.

Council received funding throughout the month for the 4th quarter instalment for rates which kept cashflow steady. Other cash injections of note include grant funding of \$804k and DA contributions \$482k. A large amount of cash inflows was received in the bank towards the end of the month.

At the time of writing, we know that the RBA has increased the cash rate to 4.10% in June so it is anticipated investment offerings should continue to grow stronger in the near future.

CBA have extended special interest rates offering on the Online Saver account with interest at the cash rate plus 0.1% and the General Fund account at 0.25% less than the Online Saver. These offers will undergo a further review in August 2023 to determine their continuation.



Register Of Investments and Cash as at 31 May 2023					
Institution	Method	Rating	Maturity	Amount \$	Interest Rate
Westpac	Direct	A1+/AA-	06/06/2023	500,000	3.220%
NAB	Direct	A1+/AA-	13/06/2023	500,000	4.110%
Westpac	Direct	A1+/AA-	20/06/2023	500,000	3.990%
NAB	Direct	A1+/AA-	20/06/2023	500,000	0.600%
Macquarie Bank	IAM	A1/A+	27/06/2023	500,000	4.400%
Westpac	Direct	A1+/AA-	04/07/2023	500,000	3.760%
CBA	Direct	A1+/AA-	18/07/2023	500,000	4.130%
Macquarie Bank	IAM	A1/A+	25/07/2023	500,000	4.400%
ME Bank	IAM	A2/BBB+	01/08/2023	500,000	3.770%
Westpac	Direct	A1+/AA-	15/08/2023	500,000	0.530%
CBA	Direct	A1+/AA-	15/08/2023	500,000	3.980%
NAB	Direct	A1+/AA-	29/08/2023	500,000	4.050%
Macquarie Bank	IAM	A1/A+	04/09/2023	500,000	4.520%
CBA	Direct	A1+/AA-	12/09/2023	500,000	4.060%
Macquarie Bank	IAM	A1/A+	19/09/2023	500,000	4.640%
CBA	Direct	A1+/AA-	26/09/2023	500,000	4.640%
Bank of Queensland	Curve	A2/BBB+	10/10/2023	500,000	4.200%
Westpac	Direct	A1+/AA-	10/10/2023	500,000	0.720%
CBA	Direct	A1+/AA-	17/10/2023	500,000	4.420%
Auswide Bank Ltd	Curve	A2/BBB	24/10/2023	500,000	4.850%
CBA	Direct	A1+/AA-	31/10/2023	500,000	4.480%
MyState Bank Ltd	Curve	A2/BBB+	07/11/2023	500,000	4.550%
NAB	Direct	A1+/AA-	14/11/2023	500,000	4.550%
Reliance Bank	Direct	Unrated	21/11/2023	500,000	4.100%
Westpac	Direct	A1+/AA-	21/11/2023	500,000	4.350%
Macquarie Bank	IAM	A1/A+	28/11/2023	500,000	4.200%
Westpac	Direct	A1+/AA-	28/11/2023	500,000	4.390%
Bank of Queensland	Curve	A2/BBB+	05/12/2023	500,000	4.250%
Defence Bank Ltd	Curve	A2/BBB	12/12/2023	500,000	4.450%
ING Bank	IAM	A1/A	19/12/2023	500,000	4.800%
NAB	Direct	A1+/AA-	09/01/2024	500,000	4.500%
CBA	Direct	A1+/AA-	23/01/2024	500,000	4.490%
NAB	Direct	A1+/AA-	06/02/2024	500,000	4.550%
Westpac	Direct	A1+/AA-	20/02/2024	500,000	4.950%
CBA	Direct	A1+/AA-	26/02/2024	500,000	4.300%
NAB	Direct	A1+/AA-	27/02/2024	500,000	5.000%
Reliance Bank	Direct	Unrated	09/03/2024	500,000	4.200%
ING Bank	IAM	A1/A	12/03/2024	500,000	4.750%
CBA	Direct	A1+/AA-	19/03/2024	500,000	4.200%
Macquarie Bank	IAM	A1/A+	02/04/2024	500,000	4.450%
MyState Bank Ltd	Curve	A2/BBB+	02/04/2024	500,000	4.650%
CBA	Direct	A1+/AA-	09/04/2024	500,000	4.280%
NAB	Direct	A1+/AA-	16/04/2024	500,000	4.510%
Westpac	Direct	A1+/AA-	23/04/2024	500,000	4.490%
NAB	Direct	A1+/AA-	07/05/2024	500,000	4.700%
NAB	Direct	A1+/AA-	21/05/2024	500,000	4.900%
Westpac	Direct	A1+/AA-	28/05/2024	500,000	4.840%

Register Of Investments and Cash as at 31 May 2023		
Institution	Amount \$	Interest Rate
Total Investments	23,500,000	4.146%
Commonwealth Bank - At Call Account ⁽¹⁾	2,306,406	3.900%
Commonwealth Bank Balance - General ⁽¹⁾	2,399,086	3.700%
Reliance Bank ⁽¹⁾	84,642	0.000%
Total Cash and Investments	28,290,133	
Benchmarks:	BBSW 90 Day Index ⁽¹⁾	3.982%
	RBA Cash Rate ⁽¹⁾	3.850%

1. % Interest rates as at end of reporting period.

Summary of Investment Movements - May 2023		
Financial Institution	Amount \$	Commentary
NAB	(509,252)	Term deposit matured 02/05/2023
NAB	500,000	Term deposit reinvested 02/05/2023
NAB	(513,712)	Term deposit matured 09/05/2023
NAB	500,000	Term deposit reinvested 09/05/2023
Macquarie Bank	(505,194)	Term deposit matured 16/05/2023
Macquarie Bank	500,000	Term deposit reinvested 16/05/2023
WBC	(513,824)	Term deposit matured 23/05/2023
WBC	500,000	Term deposit reinvested 23/05/2023
NAB	(513,962)	Term deposit matured 23/05/2023
NAB	500,000	Term deposit reinvested 23/05/2023

Long Term Credit Rating (or Moody's, Fitch, S&P or Equivalent)	Policy Maximum %	Current Holding %	Current Holding \$
TCorp IM Funds	100%	0%	-
AAA – AA Category	100%	64%	15,000,000
A- Category	40%	17%	4,000,000
BBB+ Category	25%	11%	2,500,000
BBB Category	5%	4%	1,000,000
BBB- Category and below: Local ⁽²⁾ ADI's	10%	4%	1,000,000
BBB+ / BBB / BBB- & below categories combined	25%	19%	23,500,000
			23,500,000

2. ADI's located within the Local Government Area

Individual Institution Limit	Rating	Policy Maximum \$	Current Holding \$
Auswide Bank Ltd	A2/BBB	500,000	500,000
Bank of Queensland	A2/BBB+	1,000,000	1,000,000
CBA	A1+/AA-	5,000,000	5,000,000
Defence Bank Ltd	A2/BBB	500,000	500,000
ING Bank	A1/A	3,000,000	1,000,000
Macquarie Bank	A1/A+	3,000,000	3,000,000
ME Bank	A2/BBB+	1,000,000	500,000
MyState Bank Ltd	A2/BBB+	1,000,000	1,000,000
NAB	A1+/AA-	5,000,000	5,000,000
Reliance Bank	Unrated	1,000,000	1,000,000
Westpac	A1+/AA-	5,000,000	5,000,000

Summary of Restricted, Allocated and Unrestricted Cash & Investments			
	Actual 30/06/2022 \$ 000's	Actual⁽³⁾ 31/05/2023 \$ 000's	Forecast⁽⁴⁾ 30/06/2023 \$ 000's
External Cash Restrictions	13,097	21,307	9,856
Internal Cash Allocations	7,120	5,683	4,815
Total Restricted, Allocated Cash & Investments	20,217	26,990	14,671
Unrestricted Cash	81	1,300	2,871
Total Restricted, Allocated and Unrestricted Cash & Investments	20,298	28,290	17,542

⁽³⁾ Balances are indicative and represent best available information as at 31/05/2023.

⁽⁴⁾ Balances are informed by the Long Term Financial Plan and based on the best available information at time of preparation.

CERTIFICATION – RESPONSIBLE ACCOUNTING OFFICER

I, Tiffaney Irlam, certify that the investments listed in this report have been made in accordance with s625 of the Local Government Act (1993), the Local Government (General) Regulation (2005) and Council Policy.

Risk/Policy/Legislation Considerations:

The Responsible Accounting Officer must table a written report to Council on money invested pursuant to s625 of the Local Government Act (1993). Investments made are in accord with the framework established within Council's Investment Policy.

Budget Implications:

A good investment strategy optimises Council's return on investments.

Enclosures (following report)

Nil

Attachments (separate document)

Nil

06) ROAD STRATEGY REVIEW**Department:** Infrastructure Services**Author:** Manager Assets**CSP Link:** 1. Maintain and Improve Public Infrastructure and Services**File No:** RD.AD.1**Recommendation:**

That Council endorse the Blayney Shire Roads Strategy 2023 attached to this report.

Reason for Report:

To provide Councillors with a summary of changes to the Blayney Shire Roads Strategy and seek endorsement of the 2023 revision of the Blayney Shire Roads Strategy.

Report:

Council adopted the Blayney Shire Roads Strategy in 2022 (Resolution 2207/014), the resolution also required that the strategy is reviewed as part of the adoption of the Operational Plan in 2023/24.

The Strategy develops a priority list of roads for upgrades based on available inputs and datasets. It is not utilised to allocate maintenance or reactive heavy patching however guides Council for upgrade and expansionary (new) works.

It combines a Safety, Freight and Strategic Route analysis of the entire road network of the Shire, prioritising safety, efficiency / capacity, equity, improved resilience, and liveability across the shire as the key drivers for identifying and ranking recommended road upgrade priorities.

The Strategy assists when grant funding opportunities are available, however the ultimate decision where to direct grant funding still resides with Council.

Key changes in this revision of the Strategy include:

- The addition of a Freight Strategy,
- An analysis of Strategic Routes,
- Data updates (Adopted Road Hierarchy, Crash and Traffic Data),
- Minor refinements to the 'scoring system', and
- The inclusion of an Improvement Plan for the Strategy

The Freight Strategy and the Strategic Route analysis consider:

- Major and medium freight routes,
- Major and Medium (or duplicate) through routes,
- Industrial routes (providing access to significant industries),
- Tourist routes, and

- Developmental routes, identified as potential residential, or industrial growth areas.

The data within the strategy is continually updated, and the significant inclusions in the 2023 revision include:

- 2023 updated Road Hierarchy,
- Additional crash data from 2007 – 2022, and
- Additional Traffic Count data.

The scoring system has also undergone some refinement, with the combination of the Road Hierarchy and Strategic Route scores, and the modification of the Bus route scores to better define road function. The crash scores have also been refined to account for number of crashes.

Risk/Policy/Legislation Considerations:

In endorsing the Blayney Shire Roads Strategy 2023 Council is ensuring an objective, risk management basis is being applied to the consideration of road rehabilitation, upgrades and expansionary (new) works.

Budget Implications:

Nil.

Enclosures (following report)

Nil

Attachments (separate document)

1 Blayney Shire Roads Strategy 2023

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07) MINUTES OF THE TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 9 JUNE 2023

Department: Infrastructure Services

Author: Director Infrastructure Services

CSP Link: 4. Community, Sport, Heritage and Culture

File No: TT.ME.1

Recommendation:

That Council:

1. Receive and note the minutes of the Blayney Traffic Committee Meeting, held on Friday 9 June 2023.
2. Endorse the Traffic Management Plan for the Newcrest Orange Challenge event to be staged on 10 September 2023. The event is to be classified as a Class 2 event, and approved subject to the conditions detailed in the Director Infrastructure Services' Report.
3. Endorse the Traffic Guidance Scheme for the Millthorpe Winter Fire Festival Night Market, to be staged on 4 August 2023 on Pym Street Millthorpe as a Class 2 event, subject to the conditions detailed in the Director Infrastructure Services' Report.
4. Note, Give way signage for the intersection of Adelaide Lane and Stillingfleet Street is neither required nor recommended.
5. Millthorpe Pump Station
 - a. Install two "No Parking" (R9-40) signs either side of Lot 1 DP1036244, and
 - b. Apply to TfNSW for inclusion of "authorised Vehicles Excepted" on the two new "No Parking" signs for this location.
6. Blayney High Pedestrian Area.
 - a. Note the submissions made during the public exhibition of the proposed Blayney High Pedestrian Area.
 - b. Having considered the submissions received endorse the modified Blayney High Pedestrian Area Zone for implementation.

Reason for Report:

For Council to endorse the minutes of the Blayney Shire Council Traffic Committee meeting held 9 June 2023.

Report:

The Blayney Shire Council Traffic Committee held its meeting on 9 June 2023.

MINUTES OF THE BLAYNEY SHIRE COUNCIL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE CHAMBERS, BLAYNEY SHIRE COUNCIL COMMUNITY CENTRE, ON 9 JUNE 2023, COMMENCING AT 10:00AM

PRESENT

Members: Cr John Newstead (Blayney Shire Council-Chair), Reg Rendall (Paul Toole Representative), Jackie Barry (TfNSW), Jason Marks (NSW Police).

Present: Jacob Hogan (Director Infrastructure Services), Nikki Smith (Administration Officer).

APOLOGIES

Nil.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Nil.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING BLAYNEY SHIRE COUNCIL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 6 APRIL 2023

Recommendation:

That the Minutes of the Blayney Shire Council Traffic Committee Meeting held on 6 April 2023, be confirmed to be a true and accurate record of that meeting.

(Reg Rendall / Jackie Barry)

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Nil.

CORRESPONDENCE

Nil.

REPORTS

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STREET EVENT - NEWCREST ORANGE CHALLENGE 2023

Recommendation:

That Council endorse the Traffic Management Plan for the Newcrest Orange Challenge event to be staged on 10 September 2023. The event is to be classified as a Class 2 event, and approved subject to the conditions detailed in the Director Infrastructure Services' Report.

(Cr John Newstead / Reg Rendall)

- 20230609:02 **STREET EVENT - MILLTHORPE WINTER FIRE FESTIVAL - 4 AUGUST 2023**
Recommendation:
That Council endorse the Traffic Guidance Scheme for the Millthorpe Winter Fire Festival Night Market, to be staged on 4 August 2023 on Pym Street Millthorpe as a Class 2 event, subject to the conditions detailed in the Director Infrastructure Services' Report.
(Jason Marks / Reg Rendall)
- 20230609:03 **SIGNAGE - INTERSECTION OF ADELAIDE LANE AND STILLINGFLEET STREET**
Recommendation:
Note, Give way signage for the intersection of Adelaide Lane and Stillingfleet Street is neither required nor recommended.
(Reg Rendall / Cr John Newstead)
- 20230609:04 **SIGNAGE - MILLTHORPE PUMP STATION**
Recommendation:
Millthorpe Pump Station
a. Install two "No Parking" (R9-40) signs either side of Lot 1 DP1036244, and
b. Apply to TfNSW for inclusion of "authorised Vehicles Excepted" on the two new "No Parking" signs for this location.
(Reg Rendall / Jackie Barry)

TRAFFIC REGISTER

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Noted.

GENERAL BUSINESS

SIGNAGE - BLAYNEY WASTE FACILITY

ACTION:

TfNSW advised "Advanced Warning Signage" 500m from entrance and would investigate any future plans for redesigns to this area.

SIGNAGE - GRAND WESTERN LODGE, MILLTHORPE

TfNSW advised rules and regulations for "No Stopping" is 10m which is mandatory from the corner without signage.

ACTION:

That LTC defer this item to a future meeting. Council to investigate further.

SPEED ZONE REVIEW - FOREST REEFS ROAD

ACTION:

TfNSW will investigate a speed zone review to include the extension of the 50km zone along Forest Reefs Road approximately 400m further west of the current 50km zone now that road construction upgrades have been completed.

INFORMAL MATTERS**GENERAL BUSINESS WITHOUT NOTICE****SPEED ZONE REVIEW – FOREST REEFS ROAD**

Discussion on request for a SZR along the Forest Reefs Road from the 50km zone to the intersection of Forest Reefs Road and Carcoar Road reviewing the 80km zone increasing to 100km zone.

TfNSW advised not warranted due to the nature of the road and surroundings taken into consideration as it would not meet 100km requirements.

CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS**PROPOSED LOCATION OF HIGH PEDESTRIAN AREA IN MILLTHORPE**

Recommendation: LTC deferred this item to a future meeting.

HPAA BLAYNEY - COMMUNITY CONSULTATION SUMMARY**Recommendation:**

Blayney High Pedestrian Area.

- a. Note the submissions made during the public exhibition of the proposed Blayney High Pedestrian Area.
- b. Having considered the submissions received endorse the modified Blayney High Pedestrian Area Zone for implementation.

(Jackie Barry / Cr John Newstead)

FUTURE MEETING DATES - 2023

4 August 2023

6 October 2023

8 December 2023

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 10:53am.

Enclosures (following report)

- 2 Proposed Location of HPAA Blayney 1 Page

Attachments (separate document)

- 1 HPAA Community Consultation Summary 11 Pages

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2) (e) of the Local Government Act, as it deals with information that would, if disclosed, prejudice the maintenance of law.



Matters to be dealt with in closed committee

In accordance with the Local Government Act (1993) and the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005, in the opinion of the General Manager, the following business is of a kind as referred to in Section 10(2) of the Act, and should be dealt with in a part of the meeting closed to the media and public.

08) TENDER 06/2023: SUPPLY OF QUARRY MATERIALS

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