

INFORMATION REPORTS



DEVELOPMENT APPROVALS – FEBRUARY 2014

Below is a list of Development approvals determined during the month of February 2014 for your information.

DA No.	Applicant	Construction	Address	Determination Date/Method	Value of Works	Type: DA/CC, Mod, s68, s96 etc.
DA2014/0002	MPF Surveying	Two (2) Lot Subdivision (Boundary Adjustment)	100 & 112 Marshalls Lane, Blayney	6 February 2014 Council Delegation	Nil	DA
DA2014/0001	GA & KJ Lee	Erection of a Pergola	23 Somers Place, Blayney	6 February 2014 Council Delegation	5000	DA/CC
DA2014/0005	JS McCormack	Erection of a Patio & Deck	2 Amos Avenue, Blayney	10 February 2014 Council Delegation	19,8000	DA/CC
DA2011/59/4	Marrangaroo East Pty Ltd	Modification – Delete Condition of Consent	56 Richards Lane, Millthorpe	12 February 2014 Council Delegation	Nil	S96
DA2014/0004	P Davis	Erection of a Shed	9 Rosebery Place, Blayney	13 February 2014 Council Delegation	\$18,990.00	DA/CC
DA2013/0100/1	N Smith & K Jones	Modify Elevation of Central Ridgeline to be Raised by 500mm	11 Pitt Street, Millthorpe	17 February 2014 Council Delegation	Nil	S96
DA2013/130	Mark Vandort	Erection of a Dwelling	60 Graham Road, Blayney	20 February 2014 Council Delegation	\$260,000	DA/CC
DA2014/0007	E Fairbairn-Wilson	Erection of a Screen Enclosure	70 Kinghams Lane, Tallwood	25 February 2014 Council Delegation	\$19,000	DA/CC
DA2014/0013	J Taylor & G Grosvenor	Erection of a Shed with Attached Skillion	75 Charles Booth Way	25 February 2014 Council Delegation	\$16,700	DA/CC

DA's Approved in February 2014: 9

DA's Lodged in February 2014: 10

Total Value of Works approved in February 2014: 339,490

DA's Approved in February 2013: 6

DA's Lodged in February 2013: 10

Total Value of Works approved in February 2013: \$ 586,380

LACHLAN REGIONAL TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

DRAFT Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting

Held at Katoomba

8th Feb 2014 at 10am

President Maurice Simpson opened the meeting, and welcomed those in attendance.

Apologies

Cr Anthony, K Lingabala, J Toohey, J Smith, Cr P Best,
R Lewis, B Williamson, G Schurr, A Taylor MP,
Cr S Freudenstein (Mayor of Young Shire,) M Foster, H Holmes,
R Lewis, H Mansfield, A Gee MP, Cr J McMahon, M Veitch MP,
D Palmer, T Sullivan, M Paag, Assoc Prof P Laird, L Ryan.

Acceptance of apologies moved Bill West, seconded Dom Figliomeni, carried.

Minutes

The report of the meeting held at Wollongong on 9 November 2013 was circulated. Cr Judy Hannan raised an error – she is a former Mayor, not a former Deputy Mayor. Confirmation of the minutes with that change moved Judy Hannan, seconded Noelene Milliken, carried.

Matters arising from the minutes

Judy Hannan referred to the proposed new residential development in the vicinity of the Maldon-Dombarton line, mentioning that the developer has reported leaving a corridor with sufficient space for a passenger railway station on the line.

Secretary's report

The secretary circulated correspondence. He also read a letter sent in August 2013 to politicians. He reported that no reply had been received to that letter.

Dom Figliomeni suggested we should follow up with politicians either in person or by way of the media. Discussion followed resulting in the following motion:

That the executive harden its approach, if necessary adding a consequence such as issuing a press release, and report to the next meeting.

Moved Dom Figliomeni, seconded Bill West, carried

Gordon Bradbery suggested approaching the Federal Minister for Infrastructure and Regional Development, Warren Truss to arrange either a face to face meeting with the LRTC executive or to address the next meeting. Bill West said that we should be specific about issues like the Maldon-Dombarton and Cowra Lines railways, and increasing freight on rail into Port

Kembla. Bill added that we need targets and a business case including the range of impacts of road freight. Discussion resulted in the following motion:

That the executive write to Federal Minister Truss inviting him to meet with LRTC to discuss the Maldon-Dombarton and Cowra Lines against a background of specific issues related to increasing freight on rail from the western NSW.

Moved Gordon Bradbery, seconded Judy Hannan, carried.

Acceptance of the Secretary's report was moved Paul Trevaskis, seconded Juliette Palmer-Frederick, carried.

Treasurer's report

The treasurer circulated a report showing a credit balance of \$5573.77. The treasurer also reported that some members had not paid their membership dues. Bill West suggested that invoices be sent to Councils. So moved by Bill, seconded Judy Hannan, carried.

Acceptance of the Treasurer's report was moved by Dennis Hughes, seconded by Juliette Palmer-Frederick, carried.

Reports from Organisations

Lachlan Valley Rail: No Report

Port Kembla

Dom Figliomeni reported on a statement by the chairman of Infrastructure Australia in which the chairman commented that freight volumes would likely increase threefold, but the statement contained no affirmation of the importance of rail freight. There appears to be a mismatch – an opportunity to expand rail freight is being missed. Dom reported on developments at Port Kembla involving discussions with the Australian Rail Track Corporation and the operation of a rail freight coordinating committee, the extension of rail sidings at a cost \$300m to upgrade to the coal port and to facilitate the movement of longer trains and new freight volumes to be moved through the port. Also another upgrade to the port of \$110m to start later this year.

Paul Trevaskis asked if the Federal Government is still supporting the Maldon-Dombarton line completion. Gordon Bradbery replied that a \$20m study was underway which should bring the project to 'shovel ready' stage mid June, but we should remind the Federal Government that the Maldon-Dombarton line is part of the national freight system. Paul offered to raise the issue at a meeting of the Blue Mountains Transport Users forum.

Reports from Member Councils

Wollongong City

Lord Mayor Gordon Bradbery reported that the Federal Government appears to be focused on roads. Progress for rail, including completion of the Maldon-Dombarton line, will need political will, which can only be obtained when backed by robust evidence.

Cowra Shire

Bill West confirmed support for Maldon-Dombarton. He reported that registrations of interest in the Cowra Lines had been received last year and the process was continuing into the tendering stage. He also indicated that potential operators want to know where the State Government stands with respect to the line - they need firm and clear direction. From the CENTROC perspective, regional transport issues also include the Bell's Road - how to get freight across the mountains and into/out of ports, noting that the funnelling of traffic will bring congestion and chaos.

Gordon Bradbery commented that it is good that we are concentrating on key areas of concern.

Dubbo City

Garry Braithwaite offered some background information on a rail issue confronting the Dubbo community: the proposed revival of the Dubbo-Molong line from Dubbo south to Toongi. Garry explained that the Dubbo-Molong line (serving Toongi) formerly provided an alternative connection between Dubbo and the main western line, and the main southern line through Blayney-Demondrille. Congestion resulted from the cessation of traffic on the Dubbo-Molong line.

Garry also explained that a mine is to start operating shortly at Toongi. A public meeting was held recently at Toongi. Alkane, the company developing the mine, attended. The view of the meeting was that a rail service was preferable to the likely increase in road traffic. Moreover, there are other mineral deposits near the railway line and if the line could be opened as far as Toongi, the rest of the line to Molong could follow. There are some varying costs to be investigated.

Some discussion followed regarding concern expressed by Dubbo residents about the operation of the railway. Maurice Simpson commented that the problem is that there is no plan. Ian Gray added that it is like the 'chicken and egg' problem – until there is a railway operator available to explain how the line would be operated, no discussions could be held to ensure that the trains do not affect local residents. In these circumstances it is very easy for people to assume that a problem would exist.

(Cr Mark Greenhill, Mayor of the Blue Mountains City, entered the meeting and apologised for his inability to attend the whole meeting due to bushfire recovery issues, which remain the

focus of his council. He thanked LRTC for the work it has done and expressed continuing strong support for the committee.)

Dubbo City Council Mark Stacey reported that, with regard to the Toongi development, the Council has taken the line's revival into account. It has required the necessary assessments and notations for new developments. Council has supported the rail proposal. It has been a protracted process involving an Environmental Impact Statement. Three options have been raised: reviving the railway, a combination of road and rail, and road transport alone. The road option may involve 158 heavy vehicle movements per day. The costs of a necessary road upgrade may have been underestimated and the rail option inadequately addressed.

Cr Tina Reynolds, Dubbo City Council, commented that council, while supporting the rail proposal, has to respond to any public concerns.

Maurice Simpson agreed that public concern is a real issue and suggested to Garry Braithwaite that he discuss the issues with Dubbo City Council and the LRTC Secretary, with a view to LRTC communicating with Dubbo City Council. Also advising of a 149 notation.

Wollondilly Shire

Cr Judy Hannan reported that Wollondilly Council is to be addressed by the Sydney Airport Corporation about a future airport. Major issues surrounding the movement of people, with effects on freight transport, are anticipated. This presents an additional argument for the completion of the Maldon-Dombarton railway. She suggested that photos of the LRTC group taken at the railway site be offered to the media.

Blue Mountains

Paul Trevaskis, representing the Blue Mountains Transport Users forum, reported that a new timetable for Blue Mountains services was being implemented without consultation. There were hints about interurban train services being terminated at Mt Victoria in the future. Refurbishment of interurban trains has been announced. Paul added that several State Government reports were now available. Warwick Erwin suggested that links to those reports be placed on the LRTC website. Lord Mayor Gordon Bradbery suggested that particular note be taken of transport plans for Lithgow and the Central West in those reports. Warwick Erwin added that bigger trucks are likely to use the Mt Ousely road. Comments are coming from concerned residents.

General Business

Maurice Simpson reported that he has had discussions about administrative assistance for the LRTC executive but has not been able to appoint a suitable person.

The Secretary reported his expenses for six months - \$980.81. Authorisation of payment moved Max Duffey, seconded Juliette Palmer-Frederick, carried. Maurice Simpson requested an itemised written report for the next meeting.

Heavy vehicles

Maurice Simpson mentioned new heavy vehicle regulations in force, with fines which will have impacts. Dom Figliomeni commented that heavy vehicles will have to improve but rail will become more competitive. There is no sense raising the cost of road transport without provision of an alternative. Paul Trevaskis commented on the effectiveness of heavy vehicle checking stations. Maurice Simpson proposed that we wait to see the effects of the recent changes to regulations and consider raising these issues with the State Government.

Melbourne-Brisbane railway

There was some discussion about the Melbourne-Brisbane inland railway proposal. Bill West suggested that we invite the mayor of Parkes to the next meeting. Ian Gray mentioned that Moree Plains Shire Council is hosting a public symposium on the inland railway in Moree on 7 March.

Air services

Bill West raised the importance of retaining slots into Sydney airport for regional airlines.

Wheat containers to Bathurst

Max Duffey commented on containers coming to Bathurst by road from grain belt areas. Maurice Simpson commented that underutilisation of the railway system demonstrates a lack of coordination from the State Government.

Oberon railway

Oberon Delegatereported that revival of the line to Tarana is proceeding well with the work being done by volunteers. Max Duffey added that there is a proposal to use rail from Oberon to Tarana for movement of containers to the main western line.

Badgery's Creek airport proposal

Judy Hannan commented that there are many questions to be answered regarding movement of passengers, fuel etc to and from the proposed airport. Gordon Bradbery added that there are many issues regarding connectivity at Badgery's Creek. We should act after the 19th Feb announcement is made.

Graham Dun reported that there is no road user organisation representing the people of the Central West. NRMA doesn't have a public forum. The current proposal on upgrading the Great Western Highway through Hartley is flawed as the cost of the upgrade is \$250m, as a better route is available across the Darling Causeway and on through Newnes Junction. A fast and reliable route is needed, especially for the transport of perishable freight. The planning authority is not sufficiently involved in road planning and construction.

Dom Figliomeni commented that some groups have identified strategic corridors. Some road projects were supported in the State's Freight and Ports Strategy. It is important to identify specific corridors when seeking support.

Bill West reported that the five councils working on the Cowra Lines project are seeking integrated road/rail transport and the development of strategic corridors like the Lachlan Valley Way and the Bell's Line of Road. These are issues of regional development. Bill also mentioned concern for pedestrian safety.

Gordon Bradbery commented that road projects have always been the default response of governments. But the issue now is how to take pressure off roads. Reviving rail is therefore important. Road issues are being handled by Regional Organisations of Councils. He suggested *that we invite a representative of the NRMA to speak at the next meeting*. So moved by Gordon Bradbery, seconded Graham Dun, carried.

Juliette Palmer-Frederick reported that concern had been expressed to her about the standard of training available for railway maintenance workers. Some discussion ensued about how training had changed since privatisation.

Judy Hannan commented that LRTC needs a media officer to draft press releases and organise media attendance at meetings.

That we ask member councils to help find a suitable media person

Moved Judy Hannan, seconded Bill West, carried.

Dom Figliomeni added that an executive assistant was also needed.

Next meeting to be held at Dubbo on the 24th May 2014: moved Max Duffey, seconded

Meg Ryan

The meeting closed at 12.10pm.

Chairman.....

Secretary.....

Minutes of the Centroc Board meeting 27 February 2014 Mt Panorama Bathurst

Delegates in Bold

Cr G Rush	Bathurst Regional Council	Mr G Styles	Orange City Council
Mr B Roach	Bathurst Regional Council	Cr K Keith	Parkes Shire Council
Cr W Tuckerman	Boorowa Council	Mr K Boyd	Parkes Shire Council
Mr A McMahon	Boorowa Council	Cr J Shaw	Upper Lachlan Shire
Cr I Gosper	Cabonne Council	Mr J Bell	Upper Lachlan Shire
Mr A Hopkins	Cabonne Council	Cr M Liebich	Weddin Shire Council
Cr D Somervaille	Central Tablelands Water	Mr G Carroll	Weddin Shire Council
Mr T Perry	Central Tablelands Water	Cr S Freudenstein	Young Shire Council
Cr B West	Cowra Shire Council	Mr P Vlatko	Young Shire Council
Mr P Devery	Cowra Shire Council	Mr B Steffen	Forbes Shire Council
Cr B West	Cowra Shire Council	Cr B Miller	Cowra Shire Council
Mr P Devery	Cowra Shire Council	Ms J Bennett	Centroc
Cr P Miller	Forbes Shire Council	Ms M Macpherson	Centroc
Cr R Penny	Forbes Shire Council	Ms L Chapman	Centroc
Cr D Manwaring	Lachlan Shire Council	Mr Noman Mann	CNSWT
Ms L Collyer	Lachlan Shire Council	Ms Lucy White	CNSWT
Cr R Thompson	Lithgow City Council	Ms Monica Morse	CNSWT
Mr R Bailey	Lithgow City Council	Mr Roger Stephan	Hunter Councils
Cr J McMahon	Oberon Council		
Mr A Cairney	Oberon Council		

1 Meeting opened at 10.05 Chaired by Cr K Keith

2 Apologies

Mr D Sherley, Cr S Ferguson, Mr G Wilcox, Cr M Statham, Cr J Davis and Cr G Braddon.

Resolved	Cr R Penny/Cr B West
That the apologies for the Centroc Board meeting 27 February listed above be accepted.	

3 Welcome to Bathurst by Cr Gary Rush – who spoke about the future of Mt Panorama including a 2nd circuit which will have significant tourism benefit to the region.

4 Speakers

Mr Roger Stephan, CEO of Hunter Councils, regarding the Hunter Councils' Model
Mr Norm Mann, Chair, Ms Lucy White Executive Officer and Monica Morse of Central NSW Tourism with advice on the Destination Management Plan and progress of regional tourism.

5 Minutes

5a Confirmation of the Minutes of the GMAC Meeting 6 February 2014

Resolved	Mr G Styles/Mr K Boyd
That the Minutes of the Centroc GMAC Meeting 6 February 2014 held in Orange be confirmed.	

5b Confirmation of the Minutes of the Board Meeting 28 November 2013

Resolved	Mr J Bell/ Cr D Manwaring
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That the Minutes of the Centroc Board Meeting 28 November held at Young Shire Council be confirmed.

5c Noting of the Minutes of the AGM 28 November 2013

Resolved	Cr S Freudenstein/Mr G Styles
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That the Minutes of the Centroc AGM 28 November held at Young Shire Council be noted with corrections made regarding names for the Executive.

6 Business Arising from the Minutes – Matters in Progress

Resolved	Mr G Styles/Cr D Manwaring
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That the Board note the matters in progress, making deletions as suggested and note the meeting August 26 of the Board will be held in Canberra.
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7 Correspondence

7a Correspondence In

Resolved	Cr B West/Cr S Freudenstien
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That the Board note the incoming correspondence.
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7b Correspondence Out

Resolved	Cr B West/Cr S Freudenstien
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That the Board note the outgoing correspondence.
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8 Reports

8a Transport Infrastructure including Bells Line of Road

Resolved	Cr K Keith/Cr B West
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That the Board note the Transport Infrastructure report and 1. write a letter to the DLG requesting a workshop on Special Schedule 7 in the Centroc region, relating to roads valuations; 2. seek advice regarding status of securing the corridor for the Bells Line M7 – Bell; and 3.. refer the current crop of transport infrastructure strategies to the Engineers' Group for review and advice to the Board.

8b Water Infrastructure

Resolved	Mr K Boyd/Cr R Penny
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That the Board note the Water Infrastructure report and: 1. adopt the Regional Integrated Water Cycle Management Plan and CWUA Water Sampling Policy templates; 2. through the Executive, advocate as a matter of urgency for a review of the Centroc Water Security Study with urban water security as the key focus; 3. agree that the project team formed to progress regional infrastructure solutions to water security for the region (Options F2A) re-scope the consultant brief and review preliminary cost estimates and timeframes to review the Centroc Water Security Study; 4. support the Needles Gap Dam in concert with the inclusion of a proper assessment of the Lake Rowlands and Carcoar dam elements for urban water security in the Centroc region; 5. undertake advocacy towards the State election that includes funding for the Country Towns Water and Sewer Scheme; 6. seek funding of a review of the Centroc Water Security Study inclusive of the potential of Carcoar Dam with urban water security as the focus be sought through:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. the state government's decentralisation taskforce \$40m; ii. potential funding through the Federal Government with support to be sought from the Hon John Cobb, Member for Calare; and iii. potential funding through Centroc councils; and <p>7. include The Hon Angus Taylor and Minister Katrina Hodgkinson in any advocacy undertakings.</p>

8c Health Report

Resolved	Cr R Penny/Mr R Bailey
That the Health report be noted and a report be received by the Board providing more detail regarding the opportunities identified by the meeting on 7 February for collaboration with Western Area Health and Western Medicare Local.	

8d Telecommunications

Resolved	Mr G Styles/Cr P Miller
That the Board note the Telecommunications report and note the submission to the mobile coverage program discussion paper.	

8e Regional Development

Resolved	Mr G Styles/Cr S Freudenstein
That the Board note the Regional Development Report and request CNSWT provide advice regarding the possibility of a stars/night sky regional project that includes all Centroc members.	

8f Planning Report

Resolved	Mr G Styles/Cr B West
<p>The Planning report be noted and through the Executive, Centroc develop a strategy regarding regional local government reform including:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. developing a response to the Panel and Taskforce reports in two parts, firstly a response to the Reports as printed noting the significant number of positive ideas there-in and secondly, specific commentary regarding the Joint Organisation of Councils (JOCs) as mooted for this region; 2. this response to be within existing policy, including a table responding to all Panel and Taskforce recommendations and; <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. seeking to minimise red tape and favour outcomes over process in the delivery of Council activities; b. be cost neutral to Councils; c. maintains the Board position of keeping the "Local" in local government and supporting the Principle of Subsidiarisation; 3. providing advice that mandatory Joint Organisations of Councils and Rural Councils are not supported; 4. while the following advice should not be viewed as an endorsement if recommendations of the reports regarding Joint Organisations of Councils, should the State implement regional structures as outlined in these reports <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. that mandatory JOCs only be developed if there is a state wide commitment to support and resource State agencies to develop the regional activities that add value to local communities; b. should JOCs be mandatory and have mandatory boundaries for this region: 	

- i. While membership is mandatory, the only mandatory functions would be strategic planning;
- ii. Local Councils would own the entity, that is, it cannot be separately constituted as is currently the case with County Councils;
- iii. JOCs in this region would not have Council assets transferred to them though they may “grow their own,” at the direction of the Board;
- iv. There be the capacity to own subsidiaries or business entities in this region, but that they not include existing County Councils;
- v. The Board be made up of Mayors and General Managers;
- vi. Noting the advice above the Rural Councils are not supported, any roll out of Rural Councils in this region be reviewed subject to detailed advice on the costs of implementation to the region;
- vii. Building on the successes of the CWUA, advocacy, training and procurement capabilities and given the region’s ongoing support for incremental change, it is currently:
 - 1. evolving its regional engineers group into a regional roads group;
 - 2. a willing partner in growing State/Local relationships with a view to better more informed Regional Actions Plans and a regional review of Community Strategic Plans and
- 5. the region is ready willing and able to provide advice regarding the success and roll out of the Centroc Water Utilities’ Alliance for those region’s interested in such a model;
- 6. overall, the reform of Local Government deliver focus on outcomes and not process, avoiding the development of compliance based organisations similar to State entities;
- 7. that the Centroc Executive meet with REROC with a view to better understanding their model and position regarding the reform process;
- 8. commencing working with State agencies with a view to the feasibility of a regional roads group;
- 9. continuing to advocate regarding enabling procurement for the region;
- 10. seeking advice from Central Tablelands Water and Upper Macquarie County Council regarding their views on the Panel’s recommendations regarding their structure;
- 11. advising key stakeholders in the region owned or funded by Local Government that:
 - a. the advice from the Panel seeks to rationalise regional services under the one entity;
 - b. the Centroc Board is of a view that cost benefit would need to be undertaken subsequent to the response from the NSW Government with regard to the Panel and Taskforce Reports; and
 - c. the ongoing value of their status quo service delivery is recognised
- 12. advise key stakeholders in the region in economic development be advised that the Centroc Board is of a view that cost benefit would need to be undertaken subsequent to the response from the NSW Government with regard to the Panel and Taskforce Reports;
- 13. receiving a Board report from the CWUA regarding the fit with their programming, the Gellatly Report and the evolving State position with regard to Local Water Utilities;
- 14. advice be provided progressing the Arc Blue opportunity to develop a Shared Services Regional Roadmap and that this advice include its fit with activity being undertaken by Wellington Blayney Cabonne Alliance;
- 15. KPIs be included in an MoU or similar instrument collaboration with DPC to measure the success of State/Local Government collaboration at the regional level,

16. note the submission to the Local Government Performance Measurement Framework; and
17. under the auspices of the Executive, Centroc provide advice in line with the above to the Minister for Local Government, the Hon Don Page;

8g Operational Report

Resolved

Mr K Boyd/Mr A Hopkins

That the Board note the net savings of \$2,229,068 achieved through the Compliance and Cost Savings Program and note the balance of the Operations report.

8i Management Plan for 2014/2015

Resolved

Cr B West/Cr D Manwaring

That the Board approve the Management Plan with associated fee structure noting an increase of fees for the CWUA, training and administration of 2.3%.

8j Constitution Report

Resolved

Mr G Styles/Mr R Bailey

That the Board provide advice to members regarding constitutional amendment and receive a report accordingly.

8j Financial Report

Resolved

Mr K Boyd/Mr R Penny

That the Board note the Financial Report

9 Matters Raised by Members

Resolved

Cr P Miller/ Cr R Penny

Forbes - Report state election

Cowra - Update on Blayney Demondrile railway Mo ? Cr B West

10 General Business

10a. CR B West provided an update on Blayney Demondrile Railway.

10b. Ms L Collyer provided advice that RSVPs to the International Women's Day breakfast 6 March in Lachlan would be welcomed by Monday 3 March.

11 Speakers to the next meeting – None as the meeting will be in Parliament House

12 Next Meetings

GMAC - 17 April - Orange

Board -29 May - Parliament House Sydney – please arrive the night before for a Board dinner at Parliament House (currently being negotiated)

Meeting closed at 12:50pm

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7 February 2014

Mr Glenn Wilcox
General Manager
Blayney Shire Council
PO Box 62
BLAYNEY NSW 2799

Dear Mr Wilcox

CENTRAL WEST WRITERS' CENTRE FUNDING 2014

Please find attached a copy of a response from the Minister for Arts following representations I made on Council's behalf concerning the Central West Writer's Centre.

I note that the response clearly states why the Centre was not provided with funding and that feedback has been provided to all the parties involved.

Yours faithfully



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Mr Paul Toole MP
Member for Bathurst
Unit 1/229 Horwick Street
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Dear Mr ^{Paul}Toole

Thank you for your letter of 20 December 2013 on behalf of Blayney Shire Council concerning Central West Writers' Centre's application for support through the Arts Funding Program for 2014. The NSW Government recognises the value of supporting the arts in NSW and supports a range of projects and organisations that deliver artistic and cultural programs across regional NSW.

In 2013/14, year to date, Arts NSW funding to the Central West region increased by approximately \$90,000 (\$773,311 in 2013/14 from \$681,256 in 2012/13). The NSW Government in 2013/14 also provided significant support to the literature sector including \$1,167,799 in grants to NSW literary organisations and \$270,223 in Library subsidies to Central West Libraries (which includes the councils of Orange, Cabonne, Forbes, Cowra and Blayney). In addition, all five councils will also receive a grant of \$16,000 or \$80,000 each under the Revitalising Regional Libraries Grants program in 2013/14.

As you may also be aware the Arts Funding Program is under review and guidelines are not yet finalised for 2015. Further information will be made available on the Arts NSW website: www.arts.nsw.gov.au in early 2014.

The Central West Writers' Centre's application for the Arts Funding Program for 2014 was assessed by an independent panel of peers against published criteria. The assessment panel noted that the Central West Writers' Centre's application lacked artist details and audience development strategies, and also had concerns about the organisation's governance (i.e. lack of industry and professional skill sets).

Applications for funding are competitive and are assessed against other arts organisations in the round. Each year Arts NSW receives many more applications than can be funded.

I understand that feedback on the Centre's application was provided to Jan Richards by Sam Wild, A/Senior Program Officer, Funding Programs, Arts NSW on 17 October 2013 by phone. Further to this a phone conference was held between the Central West Libraries Manager, Ms Richards, the Writers' Centre coordinator, Ms Vidler, the Director of Funding, Arts NSW, Ms Cheetham, and Ms Wild.

Should you require further information on this matter, Ms Sam Wild, A/Manager, Funding Programs, Arts NSW, can be contacted at sam.wild@arts.nsw.gov.au or on 02 9995 0658.

Yours sincerely



George Souris MP

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13 February 2014

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Enquiries: Ms J Bennett: 0428 690 935

Dear Scott,

Re: Centroc 2012/2013 Annual Report

Thankyou for your attendance to the Centroc Annual General Meeting in November at Young, at this meeting the 2012/2013 Annual Report was presented. Please find enclosed copies for all your Councillors.

Resolved

Cr B West /Cr J Shaw

That the Annual Report be received and accepted with copies sent to member Councils for circulation to all Councillors in the region.

Please contact Ms Jenny Bennett our Executive Officer on 0428 690 935 or via email jenny.bennett@centroc.com.au for any questions relating to the Annual Report.

Yours sincerely,



Cr Ken Keith
Chair
Central NSW Councils (Centroc)

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2012-2013



Centroc's Mission is to be recognised as the lead organisation advocating on agreed regional positions and priorities for Central NSW whilst providing a forum for facilitating regional co-operation and sharing of knowledge, expertise and resources, effectively nurturing sustainable investment and infrastructure development.

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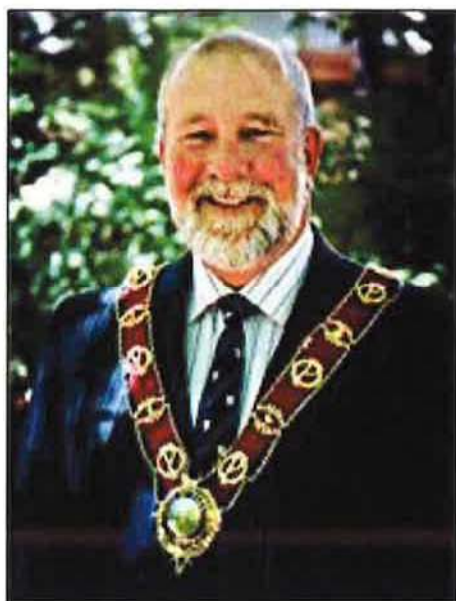
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Centroc Board meeting 23 May 2013 at Parliament House Sydney

Chairman's Report



It is with great pleasure I present the 2012/2013 Annual Report of Centroc. This is the second time I have had the pleasure of chairing Centroc which has increased in scope considerably in recent years. Being re-elected in November I have sought to work on the significant legacy of past Chairs, most recently Cr Phyllis Miller of Forbes.

With the Destination 2036 focus on Councils working collaboratively, this year has seen Centroc achieve more for its members. It has also been a year of challenge for our region as we have authentically responded to various State submissions in the context of a relatively new government with a significant metropolitan-centric focus. Having said that the interest by the new State government in a decade of decentralisation is more than laudable and one the Centroc Board has embraced.

In a way, money says it all. Where total spending for Centroc for 2011/2012 was \$2.08 million, this financial year it grew to \$2.54 million. For the past two financial years 33% of funding has been from grants, this year is no exception with the announcement of further \$2.3m from the Federal Governments Community Energy Efficiency Program.

The Executive Secretary's report outlines how Centroc has been, and continues to, provide support to Councils, most particularly member budgets, while explaining our financial result for the year. It also provides clear advice regarding the benefits and good value of being a member from a Council operations' perspective. The remainder of this Annual Report explains how Centroc works and provides advice regarding the totality of our efforts for the year. If you are interested in more up to date advice on our activities, please go to our website at <http://centroc.com.au/>

In 2012/2013 our members have not shied away from the real challenges confronting our region. Be it the Bells Line of Expressway, transport and water infrastructure, health workforce, planning, tourism or regional development, Centroc has stepped up to the plate and taken our concerns to both the State and Federal levels, identifying solutions for our region in consultation with our communities. This has involved a significant amount of submission writing as the State government seeks to introduce its agenda.

I would like to draw attention to the Centroc Summit and the subsequent historic first meeting of the Board at Parliament House co-ordinated by Andrew Gee, Member for Orange. The region also attended the National General Assembly and used the opportunity to advocate for our priorities. I am currently working with The Hon. John Cobb, Federal Member for Calare to hold our first Board meeting in Parliament House, Canberra.

The year has seen significant work undertaken to support the operations for members. Notably, the work of the Centroc Water Utilities Alliance (CWUA) which continues to demonstrate that Local Government is the manager of choice for delivering quality secure water supplies to our communities. In June 2013 the Sun Herald reported a 28% increase in rates for Sydney Water consumers. Our members are delivering services for well below these increases where the region has saved over \$300,000 for members since its inception. On top of this the CWUA has secured significant grant funding.

Support for the ROC continues to build and the co-operative, hard-working approach taken by members, our General Managers and our staff is taking full advantage of this growth.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all members for their commitment to the region's programming where we continue to provide cost savings through our operations and outcomes from our advocacy. In particular I would like to thank the General Managers' Advisory Committee, the support and wise council of Deputy Chair Cr Bill West and the other Executive members for their support for the operational projects of Centroc and the sound support and advice provided to the Board for the year.

I commend this Annual Report to you all.



Cr Ken Keith
Chairman

Organisation and Structure

Vision

Central NSW is recognised as vital to the sustainable future of New South Wales and Australia.

Mission

Centroc is recognised as the lead organisation advocating on agreed regional positions and priorities for Central NSW whilst providing a forum for facilitating regional cooperation and sharing of knowledge, expertise and resources; effectively nurturing sustainable investment and infrastructure development.

Objectives

- **Regional Sustainability:**
Encourage and nurture suitable investment and infrastructure development throughout the region and support members in their action to seek from Governments including financial assistance, legislative and/or policy changes and additional resources required by the Region. This objective will be principally actioned by the Board with the support of General Managers Advisory Committee (GMAC) member Councils.
- **Regional Cooperation and Resource Sharing:**
Contribute to measurable improvement in the operational efficiency and effectiveness of Member Councils through facilitation of the sharing of knowledge, expertise and resources and, where appropriate, the aggregation of demand and buying power. This objective will be principally facilitated by GMAC with the guidance of the Board.

Membership

- Bathurst
- Blayney
- Boorowa
- Cabonne
- Cowra
- Forbes
- Harden
- Lachlan
- Lithgow
- Oberon
- Orange
- Parkes
- Upper Lachlan
- Weddin
- Wellington
- Young
- Central Tablelands Water

Executive Committee 2012/2013

Centroc Chairman

Cr Ken Keith
Mayor
Parkes Shire Council

Centroc Executive Secretary/Treasurer

Kent Boyd
General Manager
Parkes Shire Council

GMAC Chair

Kent Boyd
General Manager
Parkes Shire Council

Centroc Deputy Chair

Cr Bill West
Mayor
Cowra City Council

GMAC Executive Members

Paul Devery
General Manager
Cowra Shire Council

Roger Bailey
General Manager
Lithgow City Council

Garry Styles
General Manager
Orange City Council

David Sherley
General Manager
Bathurst Regional Council

Brian Steffen
General Manager
Forbes Shire Council

Centroc Executive Members

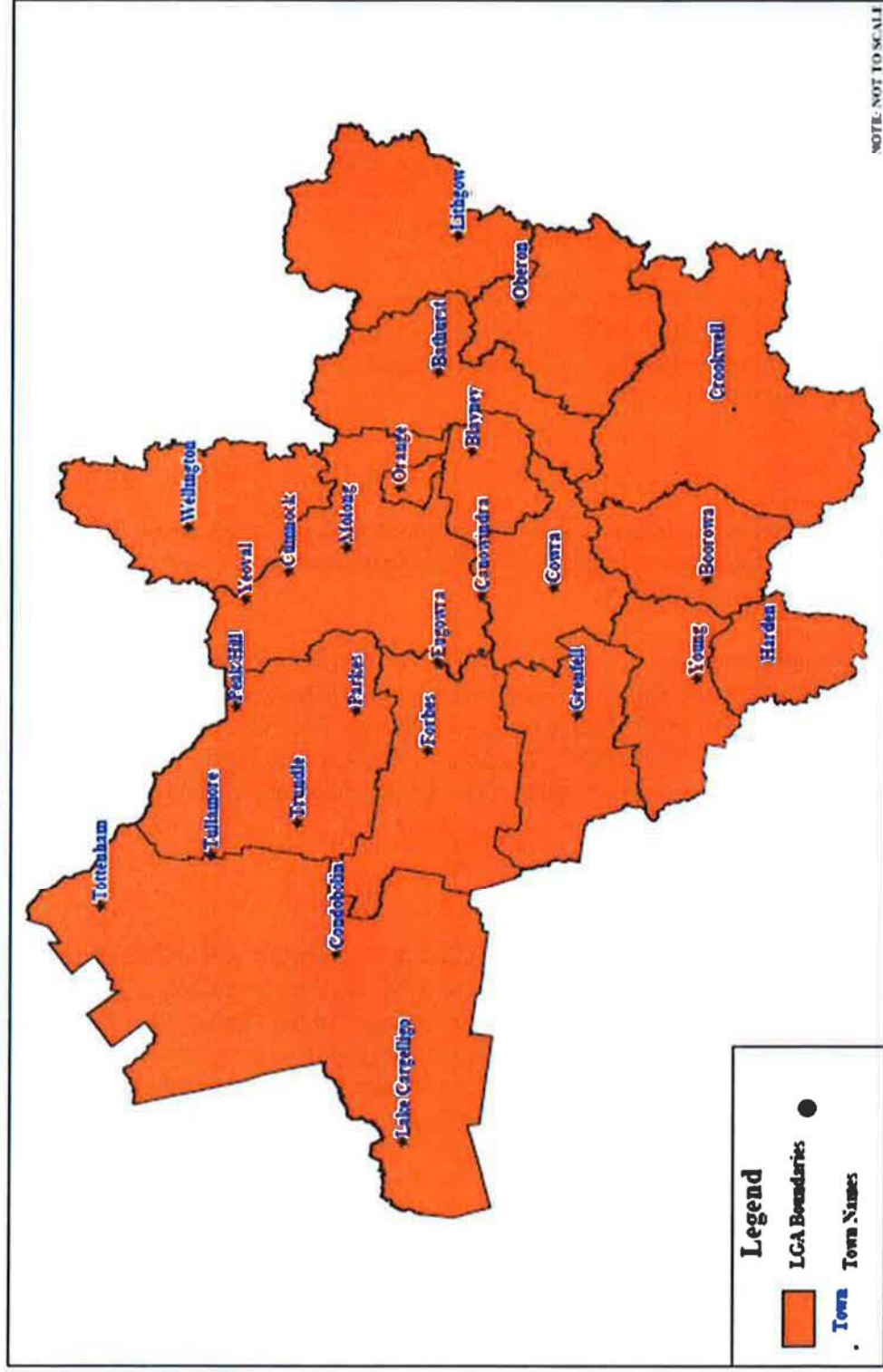
Cr Phyllis Miller
Councillor
Forbes Shire Council

Cr John Davis
Mayor
Orange City Council

Cr Monica Morse
Mayor
Bathurst Regional Council

Cr Maree Statham
Mayor
Lithgow City Council

CENTROC REGION



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Note: The colours on this Plan do not indicate land-use zones under the Bedouin Regional (Native) Local Environment Plan 2005.

—see Maps © Department of Lands 2005—

Date 04/06/2008

Centroc Board

Two delegates (usually the Mayor and General Manager) represent Councils on the Centroc Board.

Executive

The Executive consists of office bearers elected at the Annual General Meeting. It comprises of a Chairperson, Immediate Past Chairperson, Deputy Chairperson, Secretary/Treasurer and elected members of constituent Councils. The General Manager or his/her nominee of the Council that the Chair represents is automatically appointed as Secretary/Treasurer. The General Managers of all Executive Councils are elected automatically from the remainder of the Executive.

General Managers Advisory Committee (GMAC)

To assist the organisation in the conduct of its activities a General Managers' Advisory Committee was established in April 2002. GMAC meets four times per year and at the direction of the Board advises on administrative, planning, policy and resourcing matters of Centroc. The Chair of GMAC is the Secretary/Treasurer of Centroc.

Staff

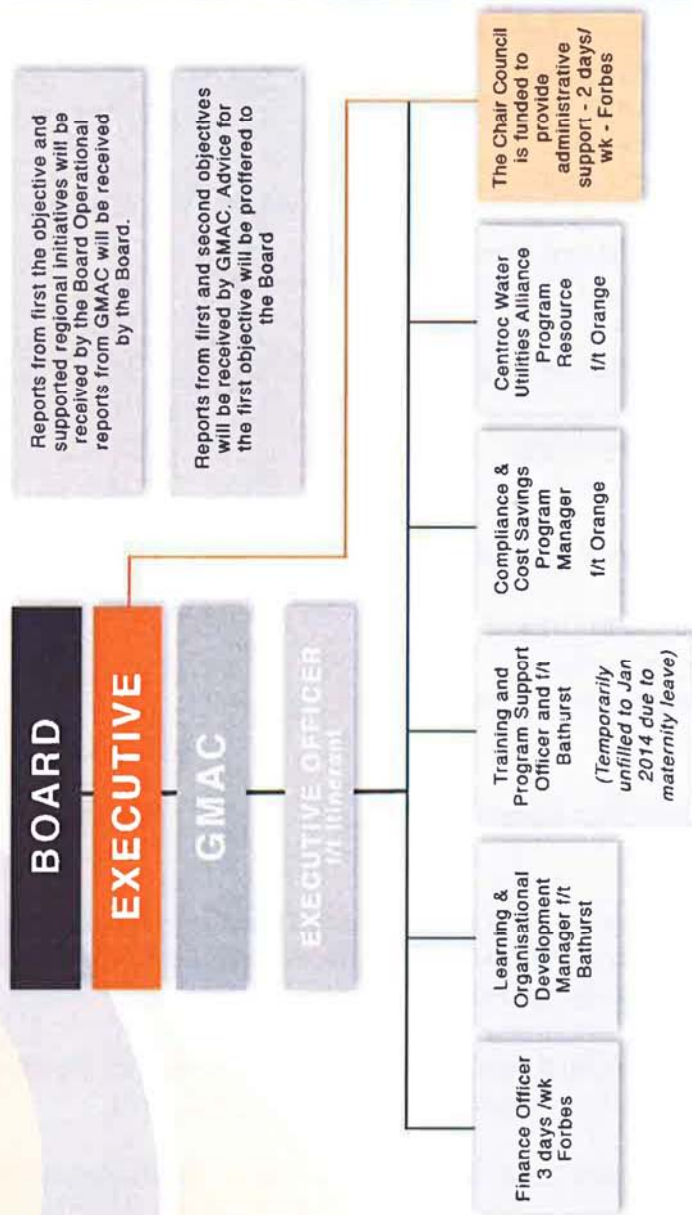
Centroc has evolved as a small de-centralised organisation. In 2012/13, seven employees were spread throughout the region at various Councils including two days a week of administrative support for the Chair Council.

This structure allows all Councils the opportunity to employ Centroc staff and be involved in the various projects, effectively spreading the benefit across the region. Centroc staff include: Executive Officer, Centroc Water Utilities Alliance Program Manager, Finance Officer, Compliance & Cost Savings Manager, Training and Program Support Manager and an Acting Training and Program Support Manager maternity leave position, Chair Council Support Officer and Administration Assistant.

Project Teams

Project Teams are an important component of Centroc's operation and vital to its success. Project Teams are formed to allow cross collaboration and the sharing of knowledge, expertise and resources. Teams are established on the recommendation of the Centroc Board with a predetermined objective, participation is voluntary and reports are submitted quarterly to the Board and GMAC. Team Leaders are often appointed to Project Teams to assist the EO in the management of the Team, to set agendas and to advise GMAC on the activities of the Team.

ORGANISATIONAL AND REPORTING STRUCTURE



Lobbying Priorities

- Transport Infrastructure
- Water Infrastructure
- Health
- Regional Development
- Telecommunications
- Planning

Project Teams

- Occupational Health and Safety
- Human Resources Managers Group
- Supply Management
- Environmental Sustainability
- Film and Television
- Infrastructure Group
- CWUA (Centroc Water Utilities Alliance)
- Compliance and Cost Savings
- Communications
- IT
- Regional Directors of Corporate Services

Supported Regional Initiatives

- Bells Line Expressway Group
- Netwaste
- Weight of Loads
- Central NSW Tourism
- Central West NSW Academy of Sport

Supporting Centroc's Two Objectives

Where Centroc objectives are advocacy on behalf of the region and offering support to member Council operations to increase efficiency and effectiveness, Centroc renews its Management Plan annually through stakeholder consultation and planning sessions.

Each of Centroc's advocacy and operational initiatives is sponsored by a General Manager. General Managers determine the level of resourcing and structure required.

This is reported back to GMAC and the Board on a quarterly basis against the management plan for the year.

The following two pages show the way in which advocacy and operational objectives are supported.

Advocacy Support

Bells Line of Expressway

Sponsoring General Managers
Mr Roger Bailey (Lithgow)
and Mr Kent Boyd (Parkes)

Cr N Castle was the Centroc delegate on the Bells Line Long Term Corridor Plan Steering Committee.

The region also support the activities of the Bells Line Expressway Group with Mayors from Forbes, Parkes, Bathurst, Blayney, Cowra and Lithgow.

Transport Infrastructure

Sponsoring General Manager Mr Kent Boyd (Parkes)

The Centroc Infrastructure Group
Directors of Engineering from interested member Councils develop submissions and provide advice to the Centroc Board.

Health

Sponsoring General Manager
Ms Liz Collyer (Lachlan)

The Health Workforce Group (HWG)
Elected representatives and staff from the region drive the health advocacy agenda.

The Centroc Health Workforce Forum
A skills-based group of peak health bodies in the region developing State funded programming in health workforce and providing expert advice to the Centroc HWG and Board.

Planning

Sponsoring General Managers
Mr Garry Styles (Orange)
Mr David Sherley (Bathurst)
Mr Paul Devery (Cowra)

Monitors Destination 2036, State Plan 2021, planning reforms and Integrated Planning and Reporting.

Water Infrastructure

Sponsoring General Manager
Mr Kent Boyd (Parkes)

Centroc Water Utilities Alliance

CWUA has members from each Council collaborating to deliver 100% Best Practice in the context of secure and quality water supplies to 2059

Current program includes demand management, drought preparation, drinking water quality management plans and strategic business plans.

Telecommunications

Sponsoring General Manager
Mr Garry Styles (Orange)

A small team led by Orange staff program develops submissions to seek better outcomes for the region

Regional Development

Sponsoring General Manager
Mr Garry Styles (Orange)

50/50 funding from Centroc surplus with the Department of Industry and Investment delivers a Regional Economic Development Strategy.

An emergent priority for the past two years has been tourism where Centroc Board members and Councils have been providing a greater level of support to Central NSW Tourism.

Communications

Sponsoring General Managers
Mr Peter Vlatko (Young)
Ms Therese Manns (Boorowa)

Regional collaboration to develop a communications strategy and be informed about opportunities in social media.

Operational Support

General Managers Advisory Committee (GMAC)

Secretary
Mr Kent Boyd
(Parkes)

General Managers
Advisory Committee
of Central NSW
Councils provide
direction on
operational
efficiencies, share
information, provide
advice to the Board
and plan as a region.

The Centroc Training Service

Sponsoring
General Manager
Mr David Sherley
(Bathurst)

Centroc staff
coordinate group
purchasing cheaper
deals and training in
the Centroc region to
minimise travel and
cost.

Screen Central NSW

Sponsoring General
Manager
Mr Garry Styles
(Orange)

A team of film contact
officers from member
Councils network to
provide location
advice to the film
industry resulting
from the Screen
Central NSW website
administered by
Centroc Staff.

Infrastructure

Sponsoring
General Manager
Mr Kent Boyd
(Parkes)

Directors of Engineering
working together as a
region to ensure
sustainability of
transport and water

The Centroc Supply Team

Sponsoring General
Manager
Mr Brian Steffen
(Forbes)

A team of
procurement staff
from across the region
share ideas and
develop regional
contracts to keep
Council costs down.

Centroc water Utilities Alliance (CWUA)

Sponsoring General
Manager
Mr Kent Boyd
(Parkes)

The Alliance has been
established to ensure
all member councils
are deriving cost
savings and
maintaining best
practice operations.
Current program
includes demand
management, drought
preparation, drinking
water quality
management plans
and strategic business
plans.

Compliance and Cost Savings

Sponsoring General
Manager
Mr John Bell
(Upper Lachlan)

Program to capitalise
on cost savings
attributed to regional
procurement in all
areas of council while
supporting regional
compliance.

Delivered by Centroc
staff.

The Centroc WHS and Risk Management Group

Sponsoring General
Manager
Mr Paul
Devery
(Cowra)

WHS and Risk
Management staff
share ideas and
develop regional
programming
including Peer
Auditing and Risk
Management
Strategies leading to
lower workers
compensation
payments.

Regional Directors of Corporate Services

Sponsoring General
Manager
Mr Brian Steffen
(Forbes)

The group was formed
in January 2013. The
team of Directors of
Corporate services
from the region
provide operational
support and advice to
GMAC

IT

Sponsoring General Manager
Mr Roger Bailey
(Lithgow)

A team of regional IT managers scope potential benefits from collaboration.

Centroc lobbying gets results

Cancer care funding and the 24 Hour Helicopter Service for the region.

\$43m Bells Line of Road upgrade.

Visit www.centroc.com.au for more information.

Centroc gets grant funding

As a regional entity Centroc is well positioned for federal and state funding. In the past twelve months the budget has included over \$1.3m of grant funded programming.

In May the Australian Government approved up to \$2.3m in funding under the Community Energy Efficiency Program.

Operational Cost Savings

The Compliance and Cost savings program has saved members over **\$1.2million in billable dollars** in just under 4 years of operation.

Programs offered free of charge

- Compliance and Cost Savings Program
- Regional Economic Development Strategy and Population Projections
- Centroc Water Security Study
- All environmental and energy saving programming.

Making your fees work for you

For every dollar that council spent in of fees for the various programs for the 2012/2013 financial year, Centroc multiplied by over 10 from other income streams of which 3 was grant funding.

Savings through the Training Service

Training Statistics

In the 2012-2013 Financial Year, the following has occurred:

- 19 member councils of the Training Service have accessed courses run by the Training Service.
- 33 different types of courses have been delivered.
- 1547 people have been trained via the service.
- **Total spend with the service is \$417,687.**
- Savings on course costs is \$290,396
- Savings on travel and accommodation costs is \$44,141
- Savings on coordination and research time is \$11,610
- **Total savings is \$347,417**

Four Centroc member councils took part in an Online Training trial tender in the 2012-2013.

Centroc Water Utilities' Alliance

The CWUA is working collaboratively to deliver cost savings and efficiencies in the delivery of water and sewer services through the implementation of Regional Best Practice strategies.

Supporting its members to achieve full compliance with Best Practice requirements, the CWUA has formed a Water Resources Working Party to ensure that the workforce is adequately trained for compliance based service delivery.

The CWUA is lobbying for funding for water supply security and advocating to ensure water and sewer infrastructure management and ownership is retained by Local Government.

WHS/Risk Management

The WHS/Risk Management Team works to collectively improve the safety of council staff and reduce council's exposure to risk. By sharing knowledge and resources the group has maintained currency with legislation and implementation of best practice in the workplace.

2012-2013 focused on changes to workplace health and safety legislation, with regular information sessions from WorkCover, State Cover and State Wide.

Screen Central NSW

Screen Central NSW, in conjunction with Screen NSW, encourages film to the region while giving members compliance with the Department of Local Government.

The contract with Screen NSW ceased on 31 December 2012. The Screen Central website will still be functional as an information source, showcasing locations throughout Central NSW. Centroc will field enquires from the website and pass them on to our members councils in an effort to continue bringing filming opportunities to the region.

Supply Team

The Supply Management Team develops regional contracts to reduce costs and trialling products and processes across the region.

The Supply Team currently has regional contracts for the supply and delivery of diesel and unleaded fuel, bitumen emulsion and road signs.

Centroc Delegates at 30 June 2013

Bathurst Regional Council Cr Monica Morse Mayor Mr David Sherley General Manager	Lithgow City Council Cr Maree Statham Mayor Mr Roger Bailey General Manager
Blayney Shire Council Cr Scott Ferguson Mayor Mr Glen Wilcox General Manager	Oberon Council Cr John McMahon Mayor Mr Alan Cairney General Manager
Boorowa Shire Council Cr Wendy Tuckerman Mayor Ms Therese Manns General Manager	Orange City Council Cr John Davis Mayor Mr Gary Styles General Manager
Cabonne Council Cr Ian Gosper Mayor Mr Andrew Hopkins General Manager	Parkes Shire Council Cr Ken Keith Mayor Mr Kent Boyd General Manager
Cowra Shire Council Cr Bill West Mayor Mr Paul Devery General Manager	Upper Lachlan Shire Council Cr John Shaw Mayor Mr John Bell General Manager
Forbes Shire Council Cr Ron Penny Mayor Cr Phyllis Miller Councillor immediate Past Chair	Weddin Shire Council Cr Mark Liebich Mayor Mr Trevor Lobb General Manager
Harden Shire Council Cr Chris Manchester Mayor Mr Max Kershaw General Manager	Wellington Council Cr Rod Buhr Mayor Mr Michael Tolhurst General Manager
Lachlan Shire Council Cr Des Manwaring Mayor Liz Collyer General Manager	Young Shire Council Cr Stuart Freudenstein Mayor Mr Peter Vlatko General Manager
Central Tablelands Water Cr Greg Braddon Chair Mr Tony Perry General Manager	

General Managers Advisory Committee Report

Having recently stepped into this role I am enjoying the new challenge of regional participation and continue to be impressed by the support, commitment and competence of our local Councils.

Collaboration between Councils is clearly part of the agenda of local government reform and the consequential results of Centroc have been substantial and demonstrable over the past decade. It is an overwhelming endorsement of the voluntary, collaborative model of regional co-operation.

Please find enclosed the audited accounts for the year which show excellent results in grant acquisition and reflect our growing program. Please also find detailed advice regarding our projects including advice on cost savings and other benefits to members for the twelve month period.


The last twelve months has seen the region take on a new investment in resourcing a support position for the Centroc Water Utilities Alliance. Subsequently Ms Meredith Macpherson was employed. Meredith brings with her a strong history on regional programming and grant acquisition.

It is good to see the results this program is already delivering where millions of dollars of grant acquisition and substantial cost savings build on the work undertaken on 100% compliance in best practice in quality and secure water supplies across the region.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all sponsoring General Managers in the ROC for their efforts in their respective projects. The success of our projects is assured when they are embedded in our Councils. This is a slow process but one where staff in member Councils across the region are becoming increasingly engaged in regional activities and their corollary benefits.

The success of our projects relies heavily on our Centroc staff. On behalf of the Board and General Managers I would like to take this opportunity to pay a special thanks to the Centroc team headed up by our dedicated Executive Officer with a bias for action Jenny Bennett and also including Kate Barker, Lee Chapman, Meredith Macpherson, Laura Burgett, Ann Thomas and Verity Page.

These staff are employed through some of our member Councils and generously hosted around the region for which we should all be grateful.



Kent Boyd
Chairman, GMAC
Centroc Executive
General Manager, Parkes Shire Council

Transport Infrastructure

By Kent Boyd and Roger Bailey

This year has seen significant activity in both the strategic and operational spaces. There has been a significant amount of submission writing where all Centroc submissions are available at www.centroc.com.au

In line with the submission writing there has been a significant State strategic agenda that Centroc has supported. This includes:

- Working with the Long Term Masterplan for Transport Infrastructure for NSW where Centroc provided representation and attended all meetings. Centroc also lodged submissions regarding the region's priorities.
- Responding to the Infrastructure NSW (INSW), First Things First State Infrastructure Strategy' and the State's subsequent advice.
- Attendance at the State Standing Committee hearing on public transport 26 October
- Proving a submission to the Draft Freight and Ports Strategy
- Advocacy undertaken at the community cabinet in Dubbo 11th February 2013
- Meetings arranged and support provided for the State with regard to the Transport Plan for the region being developed by TfNSW.

The Infrastructure Group meet 3 times during the year to:

- discuss and progress road/rail interfaces with ARTC and John Holland;
- progress Stage 2 of the Western NSW Roads Project being co-ordinated by The Hon Kevin Humphries' office
- commence the scoping for asset revaluation of roads and
- provide advice on opportunities for growing collaboration in the region
- progress support for the State's Road Freight Grain Harvest Scheme

The region was delighted to see the funding of the Tarengo bridge for Boorowa.

The announcement by Deputy Premier Andrew Stoner and Roads Minister Duncan Gay for \$43 million in funding for the upgrade of the Bells Line, was also great news for the Central NSW Region.

Bells Line of Road accident update.

Location	Date	Time	Conditions	Injuries	Vehicles	Description
Riverlett Hill	2/6/12	3.00am	raining	nil	single	driver lost control, collided with concrete divider.
Riverlett Hill	2/6/12	4.45pm	raining	nil	single	driver lost control, collided with a ditch.
Riverlett Hill	13/6/12	12.45am	raining	nil	single	driver swerved and collided with a concrete barrier.

Location	Date	Time	Conditions	Injuries	Vehicles	Description
Scenic Hill	23/6/12	10.40am	dry	nil	single	failed to negotiate a left hand bend and collided with gutter.
Riverlett Hill	6/7/12	8.25am	raining	nil	single	failed to negotiate a sweeping left hand bend, collided with a rock wall.
Riverlett Hill	13/7/12	7.15pm	raining	nil	single	failed to negotiate a sweeping left hand bend collided with embankment.
Riverlett Hill	17/7/12	3.58pm	dry	driver transferred to Nepean	single	semitrailer failed to negotiate a sweeping right hand bend truck went sideways before crashing into guard rail.
Scenic Hill	15/8/12	2.10pm	fine	nil	double	vehicle 1 crossed wrong side of roadway and collided with vehicle traveling east. Both towed away.
Scenic Hill	18/8/12	9.20am	wet	minor	single	failed to negotiate a right hand bend, collided with a tree.
Riverlett Hill	17/8/12	5.09pm	wet	nil	single	travelling east, failed to negotiate a sweeping right hand bend
Riverlett Hill	28/10/12	4.30am		nil	single	travelling east , lost control and collided with northern kerb alignment.
Riverlett Hill	12/12/12	9.00pm	fine	airlifted to west mead and Nepean	double	vehicle 1 towing a trailer, the trailer became detached, jack knifed, and vehicle 2 traveling east also has collided with trailer traveling in the same direction.
Riverlett Hill	28/1/13	9.30am	daylight, raining	minor	single	lost control negotiating a left hand bend, collided with centre barrier. *According to driver oil on road.
Riverlett Hill	24/2/13	7.40am	daylight	nil	single	failed to negotiate a right hand bend, lost control vehicle rotated and collided with a safety barrier.
Scenic Hill	15/3/13	8.35am	day	minor	double	driver 1 lost control veered to incorrect side of roadway and collided with vehicle 2.
Riverlett Hill	4/3/13	8.30am	day	nil	single	failed to negotiate a sweeping left hand bend, lost traction collided with drain.
Riverlett Hill	29/3/13	7.45pm	raining	nil	double	Vehicle 1 clipped vehicle 2 whilst overtaking and kept going. Vehicle 2 lost control vehicle rotated, bounced off concrete barrier and collided with guard rail.
Other GWH	20/3/13	6.00am	day	Head, conveyed to Nepean Hospital	double	travelling east failed to negotiate left hand bend, collided with a prime mover.
Scenic Hill	15/4/13	12.20am	dry	nil	single	failed to negotiate a steep right hand bend, lost control and hit the barricade.

Location	Date	Time	Conditions	Injuries	Vehicles	Description
Scenic Hill	23/4/13	3.30pm	dry	nil	single	Attempted to overtake on bend, failed to negotiate bend and collided with tree.
Riverlett Hill	2/4/13	9.00pm	night	airlifted to Liverpool hospital	single	veered off roadway and collided with guard rails, rolling several times before stopping, driver trapped.
Scenic Hill	1/6/13	7.40pm	wet	nil	single	failed to negotiate a right hand bend and collided with rock embankment.
Scenic Hill	13/6/13	4.30pm	wet	nil	single	failed to negotiate with a left hand bend and collided with guardrail.
Riverlett Hill	2/6/13	8.45am	wet	Conveyed to hospital	single	failed to negotiate a left hand bend and collided with center barrier.
Riverlett Hill	4/6/13		night	minor injuries, conveyed to hospital	single	lost brakes and unable to slow, collided with guard rail and rolled.
Riverlett Hill	8/6/13	9.50pm	dry	nil	single	failed to negotiate a left bend, lost control and collided with concrete barrier.
Riverlett Hill	10/6/13	3.20pm	wet	nil	single	due to oil on road has slid out, and collided with an embankment.
Riverlett Hill	23/6/13	3.05pm	wet	conveyed to hospital	single	heading west, failed to negotiate a sweeping left hand bend, lost traction and collided with an embankment.
Riverlett Hill	29/6/13	10.28am	wet	nil	single	heading west, failed to negotiate a sweeping left hand bend, lost traction and collided with an embankment.
Riverlett Hill	29/6/13	10.30am	wet	conveyed to hospital precautionary measure.	single	heading west, failed to negotiate a sweeping left hand bend, lost traction and collided with a tree.

Water Infrastructure

By Meredith Macpherson

Sponsoring General Manager
Mr Kent Boyd Parkes Shire Council

The priorities for this financial year for activity in the water infrastructure sector were to:

1. Lobby for funding for water supply security.
2. Seek funding and develop programming for the outcomes of the Centroc Water Security Study.
3. Deliver the CWUA Plan for 2013/2014 where its objectives are:
 - a. deliver cost savings and other efficiencies;
 - b. grow staff skills and ensure workforce are adequately trained for compliance based service delivery;
 - c. support members in assuring sustainable workforce;
 - d. promote Local Government as the agency of choice delivering water utilities management in regional NSW and further afield;
 - e. advise the Centroc Board regarding Water Utilities Management;
 - f. achieve full compliance with Best Practice requirements;
 - g. implement Regional Best Practice strategies and
 - h. promote the CWUA as an example of Councils working collaboratively
4. Scope programming in Water management practices – long term – including irrigation.
5. Respond to Murray Darling Basin Authority plan impacts and programs.
6. Advocate to ensure water and sewer infrastructure management and ownership is retained by Local Government.



With the engagement of Ms Meredith Macpherson, activity in this sector has ramped up dramatically and included the following.

1. Raising the profile of the CWUA through the development of a logo and the Regional Water Utilities on Track Event.
2. Regarding advocacy, the following has been undertaken:
 - Promoting Councils as the Water Utility Manager of choice;
 - Developing an options paper in the context of Local Government reform for structural arrangement building on the work being undertaken by the Water Utilities' Alliance;
 - Advocating to reduce the Best Practice Plan compliance burden;
 - Advocating for water security for Central NSW including
 - Augmentation of Lake Rowlands;
 - The Macquarie Pipeline;
 - Engaging in the State Dam Inquiry;
 - Engaging with the State regarded mooted new storages in the Fish River and Carcoar areas.
3. The Centroc Water Utilities' Alliance also provided significant support in the operational space to members including:

- **Drought Management** – All but two out of the fifteen Plans lodged with NOW have been approved. Of the remaining two, one is with Council awaiting re-submission to NOW and the other has been lodged and is awaiting action by NOW. Progress on the Regional Drought Management Plan is anticipated in the future.
- **Demand Management** – Eleven out of fifteen Plans have been approved by NOW. Of the remaining four, three have been reviewed by NOW and comments provided awaiting action by Councils. One has been reviewed by NOW and re-submitted. The Regional Demand Management Plan was adopted by the Centroc Board at its May 2013 meeting.
- **IWCM** – Twelve out of fifteen plans have been approved by NOW. Of the remaining three, two have received comments from NOW and it is anticipated will be re-lodged with NOW shortly. A draft Regional Plan is currently being reviewed by CWUA members.
- **Regional Asset Revaluations** – 8 members participated in a regional approach. Work is now completed. An evaluation is currently being undertaken as part of the Five Year Procurement Planning process. A 3 year CCTV contract is available for use by member councils for condition assessment of sewer mains for asset valuation work. Work has recently been completed through this contract in Parkes, Forbes and Lachlan Shires.
- **Asset Management- Smoke Testing** – a 12 month program for smoke testing for reticulation has commenced with work undertaken in 8 Councils prior to June 2013 and more work scheduled in the 2013-2014 financial year in preparation for the water loss management work to be undertaken with funding from round 2 of the Community Energy Efficiency Program.
- **Strategic Business Plans** –NSW Public Works is progressing work on the development of SBPs with workshops completed at 9 Councils to date. Plan development for those Councils is well underway with the SBPs for at least two Councils now finalised. Four Councils are scheduled for SBP development in tranche 2 with plan completion expected for all Councils by early 2014.
- **Drinking Water Quality Management Plans (DWQMP)** – at the direction of the Board, the CWUA has progressed DWQM Plans as a priority. A Working Party has been formed to monitor progress in the development of Drinking Water Quality Management Plans to ensure members are on target to meet the September 2014 regulatory deadline to have a Plan in place. Funding for Boorowa, Forbes, Lachlan, Lithgow, Cabonne and Oberon has been achieved with the Department of Health recently confirming funding for Cowra, Parkes and Central Tablelands Water.
- **Water sampling training** developed in collaboration with the NSW Department of Health (DoH) Public Health Unit was rolled out in early May 2013 with training delivered in Orange, Parkes and Bathurst. To date 65 water operators from CWUA member councils have been trained. Trainees undertook an online exam at the conclusion of training and have been issued with a Certificate and Card. Water Sampling Policy is in development with opportunities for further training in the use of the DoH Drinking Water database for ongoing analysis and monitoring of drinking water quality in planning.

- SaveWater! Alliance – Regional program including shower head exchange, advertising and bill inserts rolled out in November 2012 –January 2013 has been renewed for a further two year period from 1 January 2013 to 31 December 2014. The promotional campaign for summer 2013-2014 is currently in planning.
- Collaboration with LMWUA determines areas of mutual action for mutual benefit. The CWUA Program Manager worked with the LMWUA Executive on the *Regional Water Utilities on Track* Event program which included joint meetings of both Executives and Operators groups. Opportunities for more joint activities are in planning. See report on *Regional Water Utilities on Track* event.
- A Five Year Regional Procurement Plan providing a schedule for the procurement of strategic work and dam safety has been developed. This is a living document and reviewed at the bi-monthly CWUA meetings. A copy of the Procurement Plan has been provided to NOW.
- Through the Centroc Water Resources Working Party, work is underway to develop a pilot program to undertake an audit of Council's water and sewer workforces including assessment of future skillset requirements with a view to developing a business case for an application for funding to Government Skills Australia for the development and delivery of Centroc training based on core competencies for water operators. See report on Workforce Development Project; and
- The re-badging and roll-out of the Centroc Mentoring for Sustainability Program for the CWUA, including templates that can be adapted for use by local council staff working with the CWUA as part of a mentoring program to develop leadership skills. The program is currently being trialed with a view to being rolled out to member councils in late 2013- early 2014. The scenario planning project forms part of this program.

Community Energy Efficiency Program (CEEP) Update- Round 2

In response to the request from the Centroc Summit November 2012, the CWUA applied for funding of up to \$2.28m from the Community Energy Efficiency Program for the "Nexus between Water and Energy" Program. Advice was received on 22 May that the Centroc application was successful.

A big thank you to the CWUA team led by Andrew Francis of Parkes. This dedicated team of water management professionals clearly demonstrates that Local Government are national leaders in delivering quality and secure water supplies.

Health Workforce Committee Report

By Jennifer Bennett

Sponsoring General Managers

Mr Brian Steffen of Forbes Shire Council and Ms Liz Collyer of Lachlan Shire Council

Health is considered to be one of the main issue areas of the Centroc Group of Councils and their members.

Recognising that health workforce is the responsibility of State and Federal governments, the focus for the year has been the development of an advocacy tool to develop programming to attract and retain health workforce.

A health workforce matrix which identified what was being achieved in the region to attract and retain health workforce and the gaps. A web based portal with associated marketing advice was identified as the first priority for the region. This is being progressed with funding support from Newcrest Mining's Cadia Valley Operations and the Mineral Council.



Melinda Pavey at the Summit

Centroc has also successfully been engaged in a significant advocacy campaign for the year to bring a 24hour Emergency Helicopter Service to the region.

There has been robust discussion regarding preferred models for medical workforce training in the region that recognises training our own workforce including a medical school in the region, is the approach that shows the best results.

Members have also responded to the Regional Action Plan notably its health priorities.

The new Medicare Local for the region has been engaged with a MoU under development.

Telecommunications Project Report

By Jennifer Bennett

Sponsoring General Manager
Garry Styles of Orange City Council

The Telecommunications Project's objective is to secure funding and government commitment to the provision of long-term regional telecommunications infrastructure, products and services that will ensure the continued viability of Central NSW as a dynamic region capable of competing on the world stage.

Principles of the Telecommunications Project Strategic Plan

Centroc recognises that without a full suite of broadband and associated internet access products across the region there will be significant drawbacks to the region's ability to progress. These drawbacks can be summarised as:

Educational opportunities will be limited by unavailability of access to online courses; external students (distance education) will be disadvantaged; access to information for research requires broadband access/speed; video conferencing over the web.

Business development (new and existing) will be influenced such as business development decision-making; ability to run business at international standards; ability to conduct online business (eg finance and purchasing, up-to-date commodity prices, video conferencing); lose competitive advantage (businesses will relocate to centres with current internet access standards); health and medical services now rely heavily on internet access.

Psychological impact of the perception that the rest of the world is using technology we cannot access; feeling of being left behind; increases inequities across the region where some have and some don't have broadband access; Government not listening.

The inability of communicating effectively will slow the development of good governance, regional development, shared experiences covering geographic distance and access to the country/world market; eg community activities can benefit from broader participation in special interest group (LandCare), community initiative planning and access for retired and mobility impaired communities.

Lifestyle expectations for population relocation - poor access to internet deters tree-changers from coming to Central NSW. It is further recognised that having internet access does bring with it challenges for social capital development and community cohesion. While there are many positives such as broader participation by special interest groups, access for mobility impaired groups, etc, there are challenges: for example, children can 'type' better but social skills suffer; more time wasted on the internet (especially at work); local practical skills (eg trades) suffer as young people aim for IT skills; the accuracy and authenticity of information is questionable.

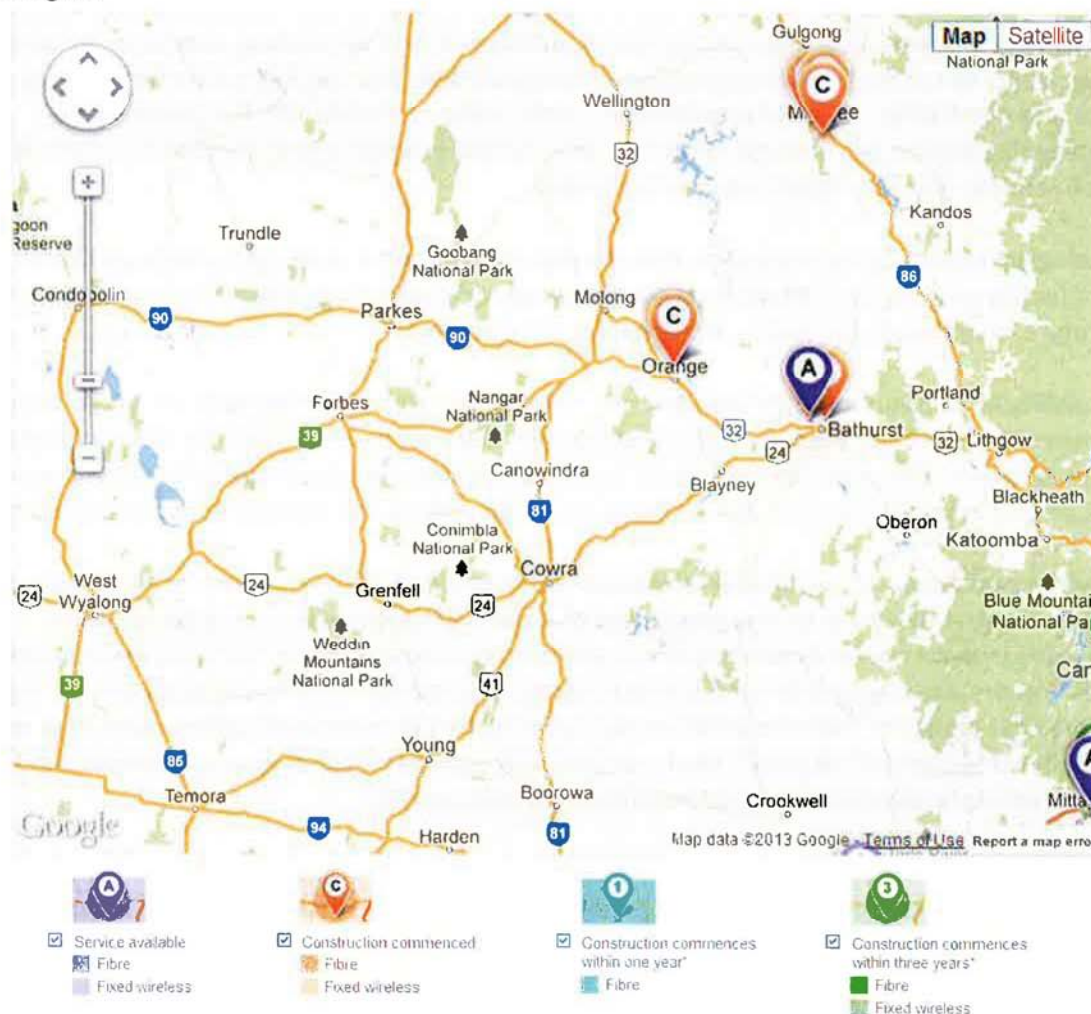
Strategies

1. Develop an up-to-date understanding of the regional market for telecommunications both current and future; identifying the various market segments and their product and service requirements.
2. Develop a plan to:
 - a. Get the community behind the strategy.
 - b. Enlist the support of key government agencies and

- c. Seek corporate strategic partners.
3. Research the available and emerging technology and concomitant Infrastructure needed to provide a service to the various market segments and provide a fast link to outside world (eg capital cities etc).
4. Develop a lobbying process which:
 - a. Exposes the inequities in the current system.
 - b. Determines the level of commitment from the community and regional government agencies.
 - c. Gains commitment from Federal Government.
5. Identify and where appropriate allocate the funding necessary to:
 - a. Research metro-compatible infrastructure.
 - b. Pay for human resources to implement the plan and/or apply to Government for funding to undertake the above.
 - c. Undertake a study of market capacity.
 - d. Develop new technologies.

Actions to 2012/2013

Lobbying to position the region as early as possible in the National Broadband Network. Centroc has met with Federal representatives as well as representatives of the NBNCo. To date there has been little success. Please find below the map provided to the May Board meeting showing the NBN status in the region.



Screen Central NSW and Western Sydney Report

By Laura Burgett



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Screen Central NSW and Western Sydney offers a quality film friendly service to grow the capacity of councils in compliance with state legislation and providing support to the screen industry.

In the 2011-2012 financial year Centroc was successful in obtaining a \$100,000 grant from Screen NSW. It was at this time that the project changed its name from Film Central NSW to Screen Central NSW and Western Sydney. The funding was used to acquire experienced local production steward Paul Begg, to undertake a photo shoot of the Western Sydney region, as well as providing advice on locations to producers. A rebranding occurred including the build of a new website www.screencentral.com.au and a number of industry development workshops and networking events were held.

From July – December 2012, Screen Central had:

- 89 visits of TV/film personnel to the region;
- 71 productions filmed in the Central NSW and Western Sydney regions;
- 190 locations for Central NSW on the website;
- 104 locations for Western Sydney regions on the website; and
- 4361 Website hits from July – December 2012

The Screen NSW contract ceased on 31 December 2012, when the project was scaled back to only include councils in the Centroc region.

The Screen Central NSW Website is still functional as a location image database and is now utilising the Reel Scout locations database through Screen NSW. Additional support of \$1000 was provided to Centroc from Screen NSW for the website integration into the Reel Scout database system.

Member funding will be used to maintain the Screen Central NSW website at a minimal level and field enquiries that come through to Centroc via Screen Central NSW.

Centroc WHS/Risk Management Group Report

By Laura Burgett

Chair

Charmaine Richey
 Orange City Council

Secretary

David Kidd
 Cabonne Council

Sponsoring General Manager

Paul Devery
 Cowra Shire Council



The Centroc WHS/Risk Management Group continues to cooperate on Work Health and Safety matters to ensure Centroc's compliance with relevant legislation.

The Group meets on a quarterly basis in decentralised locations. This allows each host council to showcase their facilities and present initiatives implemented by their council. It is also an opportunity for councils to present issues where they are experiencing difficulty and with the help of the network develop solutions for their council.

2012-2013 focused on changes to workplace health and safety legislation, with presentations from WorkCover, State Cover and State Wide at each meeting as well as guest presentations from Oz Help Foundation, Royal Life Saving and Australian Asbestos Management

Centroc WHS Induction

The Centroc WHS induction handbook was redistributed to all councils to ensure employee and contractor compliance in WHS legislation when working within the Centroc region.

Load Shifting Plant Training Contract

After it was announced that from October 2012 WorkCover no longer required operators of load shifting plant to hold a licence, the WHS team developed a new licencing scheme and went to tender for a Registered Training Organisation that would be able to provide the training. TAFE Western was the successful tenderer and all Centroc councils have signed a contract with TAFE Western to deliver training for load shifting equipment.

Six councils have now utilised load shifting training under the contract with TAFE Western with significant savings being generated through use of the contract. The table below shows the spend for each council both on and off contract and the savings the contract has resulted in. The contract has saved these seven councils \$49,305 from November 2012 to 30 June 2013.

	Spend on contract	Spend off contract	Savings
Bathurst	\$12,672.00	\$21,843.00	\$9,171.00
Cabonne	\$4,627.80	\$8,477.00	\$3,849.20

Lithgow	\$17,704.30	\$29,667.00	\$11,962.70
Orange	\$53,500.00	\$71,399.00	\$17,899.00
Warren	\$16,261.00	\$24,084.00	\$7,823.00
Wellington	\$6,770.20	\$5,371.00	-\$1,399.20
Total	\$111,535.30	\$160,841.00	-\$49,305.70

Council attendance at the WHS/Risk Management Group Meetings

Council	04.09.2012 Grenfell	04.12.2012 Cowra	05.03.2013 Oberon	04.06.2013 Molong	Total
Bathurst	✓	✓	✓	✓	4
Bland	✓	✓			2
Blayney/CTW	✓	✓	✓	✓	4
Boorowa					
Cabonne	✓	✓	✓	✓	4
Cowra	✓	✓		✓	3
Forbes	✓	✓	✓	✓	4
Harden					
Lachlan				✓	1
Lithgow	✓	✓	✓	✓	4
Oberon		✓	✓		2
Orange	✓	✓	✓	✓	4
Parkes	✓				1
Upper Lachlan					
Weddin	✓		✓	✓	3
Wellington	✓		✓		2
Young		✓			1
Centroc	✓	✓	✓	✓	4

Regional Training Service and Human Resources Group Report

By Laura Burgett

Chairperson

Jeff Dougal
Cowra Shire Council

Secretary

Laura Burgett
Centroc

Sponsoring General Manger

David Sherley
Bathurst Regional Council



The Centroc Training Service is in its tenth year of operation and continues to address the needs of Centroc councils and other local councils surrounding the Centroc region. The Training Service works to:

- Research and source relevant and quality training for members
- Coordinate training for members to improve access to courses
- Achieve cost savings for members through group purchasing and negotiating discounts with training providers.

The service also allows other government agencies and private organisations the opportunity to access training being held in the region.

Training Statistics

For the 2012 – 2013 financial years the following has occurred:

- 19 member councils have accessed courses run by the Training Service
- 1 non member councils have attended training run by Centroc
- 5 private organisations have accessed training
- 33 different types of courses have been delivered
- 1547 people have been trained via the service

Total spend with the service is \$417,687

- Savings on course costs is \$290,396
- Savings on travel and accommodation costs is \$44,141
- Savings on coordination and research time is \$11,610

Total savings \$347,417

Try-a-Trade

Centroc has been a major sponsor of the Try-a-Trade road show for the past 9 years. The event is a well known and established event within schools and communities in the Centroc footprint and aims to raise awareness of traditional trades and address skills shortages in the region.

The road show consists of the Try-a-Trade truck visiting schools in NSW with demonstrations, and provides an opportunity for students to seek information about different trades and which school subjects would be most beneficial to help them achieve their career choice.

Centroc Human Resources Team

This year the Centroc Human Resources Team used their tenth year in operation to refocus the team by re-defining their vision and objectives.

Vision:

To provide our member organisations with strategic human resources direction and support to move forward with a sustainable workforce by expanding our knowledge, experience and resources through continual learning, regional cooperation and collaboration.

Objectives:

- Regional cooperation and collaboration through resource sharing
- Expanding knowledge through networking
- Continual learning through training

There were a number of major projects initiated by the HR Team this year, which included a workforce development pilot program, pre employment screening contract and online training.

Workforce Development Pilot Program

Cowra Shire, Parkes Shire and Lachlan Shire Councils are currently undertaking a Workforce Development pilot program with Skillset who have offered the service free of charge. The project aims to identify any skills gaps in each individual council and, if the project proves useful, could be rolled out to other councils to create a regional workforce development plan

Pre Employment Screening Contract

The HR Team, with technical support from Centroc, went to tender for the regional delivery of Pre Employment Screening services after it was decided as an area where councils could be making considerable cost savings under a regional contract.

The contract was awarded to Independent Injury Solutions and began on 1 July 2013.

Online Training

Bathurst Regional, Orange City, Lithgow City and Oberon Councils took part in a trial of Online Training for a period of 9 months beginning in November 2012.

The trial contract went to tender and was awarded to Cubic Consulting who developed the following courses for Online Training:

- Equal Employment Opportunity
- Bullying and Harassment
- Privacy
- Code of Conduct
- Workplace Health and Safety

- Drug and Alcohol Awareness

The trial proved successful with 654 courses being completed by staff across the 4 councils in the 9 month trial with the major benefit of online training being increased compliance levels across councils.

The trial councils, along with approval from GMAC, recommended that the Online Training contract be extended to a regional contract for all other Centroc Councils to take part. Forbes Shire and Lachlan Shire Councils joined the contract with the existing councils in October 2013 and all other Centroc Councils are due to sign up in the 2013 – 2014 financial year.

Council attendance at the Centroc HR Team Meetings

Council	21.08.2012 Bathurst	27.11.2012 Bathurst	19.03.2013 Blayney	21.05.2013 Young	Total
Bathurst	✓	✓	✓		3
Bland			✓		1
Blayney/CTW	✓	✓	✓		3
Boorowa				✓	1
Cabonne		✓	✓	✓	3
Cowra	✓	✓	✓	✓	4
Forbes	✓	✓			2
Harden					
Lachlan	✓			✓	2
Lithgow		✓		✓	2
Oberon			✓	✓	2
Orange	✓	✓		✓	3
Parkes	✓	✓	✓		3
Upper Lachlan	✓			✓	2
Weddin					
Wellington					
Young			✓	✓	2
Centroc	✓	✓	✓	✓	4

Try A Trade Report

By Skillset

Try A Trade skills to schools road show provides school students with a hands on learning experience as well as contact with local industry, tradespeople and existing apprentices. The program raises awareness of various trades as potential career options for students. This also allows Skillset to address the skills shortages affecting central NSW.

A notable highlight for the year was Skillset and the Central West Career Adviser Association being awarded the 2013 Group Training Australia Partnership Award at the Career Development Association of Australia Conference in Sydney. The award recognised effective and innovative collaboration between one or more schools and a group training organization.

During the 2012-13 financial year over 4,300 students from 45 schools have had the opportunity to engage with local business people across Central & Western NSW.

This year marks the eighth year of Skillset's Try A Trade Roadshow, an initiative that has provided an opportunity to deliver the trade message to over 31,000 school students across NSW and ACT. Skillset's Try a Trade Coordinator, Andrew Burke finished with Skillset after 5 years in the role. The responsibility for running the Roadshow was passed to 4 Apprentice Advisers in Orange, Bathurst, Dubbo and Tamworth. Thanks are also extended to Skillset Branch staff and team members who have provided their support in delivering the Try A Trade events.

Skillset would also like to thank the Try A Trade major sponsors for their loyal support and commitment. Without the support of Central NSW Councils, Devro, Essential Energy and Delta Electricity; Try a Trade would not have achieved the success it has. We would also like to acknowledge the High Schools of the Central West and their Careers Advisors for facilitating our involvement with local regional schools and their students.

Supply Management Team Report

By Ms Lee Chapman

Chair

Mr Peter Heffernan
Cabonne Council

Secretary

Ms Lee Chapman
Centroc

Sponsoring General Manager

Ms Liz Collyer
Lachlan Shire Council

The Team

The Centroc Supply Management Team is made up of an employee from each member Council, typically the stores/depot manager or purchasing officer. The team meets quarterly, rotating meeting locations between councils in the region.

The Supply Management Team aims to implement strategies to improve supply management in Councils and achieve savings through joint procurement of goods and services.

Central NSW Councils, through their participation in the Supply Management Team initiatives, continue to deliver both significant cost savings across the region as well as an income stream. The fifteen Councils of Centroc have taken advantage of the significant savings made available through the joint tender approach.

The Supply Management Team was established in June 2003. The objectives of this team are:

1. Networking of professional purchasing staff
2. Achieve savings through joint procurement of goods and services
3. Generate income through rebates to Central NSW Councils
4. Facilitate professional development and training of Council purchasing staff
5. Encourage use of the latest technology for communication and purchasing functions

Regional Contracts

Existing Contracts Include:

- Road Signs
- Bitumen Emulsion
- Fuel
- Electricity

Potential Regional Contracts

Centroc has created a Cold Call Survey which allows potential providers of goods and services to fill in a simple survey online that is then presented to the relevant team at their next meeting. This survey

process also reduces the amount of calls that each council staff member received and allows the providers to have access to the region.

The Cold Call Survey offers the Supply Team five options when exploring a product or service.

1. Trial the product at a member council
2. Request a presentation to the group at the next meeting
3. Procure product on an individual basis
4. Undertake a regional expression of interest for a tender process to procure similar products
5. Note the information

The philosophy of this Team in relation to regional contracts is that participation is voluntary, as not all regional contracts will suit all Councils.

Information Sharing

The Supply Team are also interested in new and innovative ideas and sharing trials of procurement projects around the region.

Tender Evaluation Software

Centroc continues to use the tender evaluation software provided by Apet. The program provides a streamlined process to evaluate tenders and provides governance for the entire process. This program is used on all regional supply tenders this year in addition to other regional tenders done through varying Centroc teams.

Council Attendance at Supply Management Team Meetings

Council	22.8.2012 Blayney	28.11.2012 Orange	6.3.2013 Orange	29.5.2013 Forbes	Total
Bathurst			✓		1
Blayney	✓	✓	✓	✓	4
Boorowa					
Cabonne		✓	✓	✓	3
CTW					
Cowra	✓	✓	✓		3
Forbes	✓	✓	✓	✓	4
Harden					
Lachlan	✓	✓	✓	✓	4
Lithgow	✓		✓	✓	3
Oberon			✓		1
Orange		✓	✓		2
Parkes	✓	✓	✓	✓	4
Upper Lachlan	✓	✓			2
Weddin	✓				1
Wellington		✓	✓		2
Young					
Centroc	✓	✓	✓	✓	4

Auditor's Report

CENTRAL NSW COUNCILS
(CENTROC)
SPECIAL PURPOSE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2013

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**CENTRAL NSW COUNCILS
(CENTROC)**

**STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2013**

	Note	2013 \$	2012 \$
Revenue from ordinary activities			
Best Practice Management of Water Supplies		921,944	476,709
Beyond the Range		-	78,000
CEEP council reimbursements		353,289	-
Centroc Summit		9,469	-
Compliance / cost saving program		1,268	961
Environment - Climate Adaptation Project		8,000	129,158
Grants	7	455,900	307,500
Interest		27,271	34,275
Membership / administration fees		190,343	184,071
Online training trial		58,225	-
Regional training service		465,834	434,298
Reimbursement of member council/contractor expenses		5,507	5,466
SaveWater! Alliance		45,389	29,900
Screen Central NSW fees / misc		17,000	17,577
Strategic Business Plan-CWUA		210,519	-
Supply contract rebates		85,304	37,420
Try a Trade		5,000	5,000
Vehicle leaseback / sale		11,808	14,518
Total operating revenue		2,872,070	1,754,853
Expenditure from ordinary activities			
Administrative council support		20,000	16,934
Audit fees		4,500	4,500
Bank fees		266	295
Best Practice Management of Water Supplies		854,446	756,581
Community Energy Efficiency Program (CEEP)		767,259	-
CENTROC projects	8	27,829	18,826
CWUA - Staff Cost		88,701	-
CWUA - Strategic Business Plan		165,288	-
Compliance / cost saving program		51,330	65,236
Depreciation		19,334	11,269
Executive Officer (EO)		135,749	112,943
Finance and Administration Officer		25,731	24,879
Loss on Disposal of Assets		-	2,526
NSW Environmental Trust Climate Project		344,611	181,738
NSW Environmental Trust - TAGI Project		19,050	43,241
Printing and Stationery		1,054	1,076
Regional Training Coordinator		95,231	72,476
Balance carried forward		2,620,379	1,312,520

**CENTRAL NSW COUNCILS
(CENTROC)**

**STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2013**

Balance brought forward	2,620,379	1,312,520
Screen Central NSW	20,363	83,806
SaveWater! Alliance	52,664	21,261
Sponsorship - Try a Trade	10,000	10,000
Strengthening Basin Communities	-	289,282
Supply Contracts Management	3,374	1,260
Training Support	9,239	19,070
Training Service Costs	377,844	326,049
Website, Internet server and cloud services	11,442	8,876
Online Training Trial	55,452	-
Other	20,468	8,133
Total operating expenditure	3,181,225	2,080,257
Other comprehensive income	-	-
Total comprehensive income	(309,155)	(325,404)

**CENTRAL NSW COUNCILS
(CENTROC)
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 30 JUNE 2013**

	Note	2013 \$	2012 \$
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	2	410,856	802,193
Receivables	3	733,682	353,491
Total current assets		<u>1,144,538</u>	<u>1,155,684</u>
Non-current assets			
Fixed assets	4	62,828	52,825
Total non-current assets		<u>62,828</u>	<u>52,825</u>
Total assets		<u>1,207,366</u>	<u>1,208,509</u>
Current liabilities			
Creditors and accruals	5	676,366	368,849
Short-term provisions	6	12,086	11,591
Total current liabilities		<u>688,452</u>	<u>380,440</u>
Total liabilities		<u>688,452</u>	<u>380,440</u>
Net assets		<u>518,914</u>	<u>828,069</u>
Equity			
Retained profits at beginning of year		828,069	1,153,473
Current year earnings		(309,155)	(325,404)
Accumulated surplus		<u>518,914</u>	<u>828,069</u>

**CENTRAL NSW COUNCILS
(CENTROC)**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2013**

NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The delegates have prepared the financial statements on the basis that CENTROC is not a reporting entity as there are no users who are dependent on its general purpose financial statements. These financial statements are therefore special purpose financial statements that have been prepared in order to meet the requirements of the delegates.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the significant accounting policies disclosed below, which the delegates have determined to be appropriate to meet the needs of members. Such accounting policies are consistent with the previous period unless stated otherwise.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historical costs unless otherwise stated in the notes. The accounting policies that have been adopted in the preparation of the statements are as follows:

Accounting Policies

a. Revenue

Grant revenue is recognised in the statement of comprehensive income when CENTROC obtains control of the grant, and it is probable that the economic benefits gained from the grant will flow to CENTROC and the amount of the grant can be measured reliably.

If conditions are attached to the grant which must be satisfied before CENTROC is eligible to receive the contribution, the recognition of the grant as revenue will be deferred until those conditions are satisfied.

When grant revenue is received and CENTROC incurs an obligation to deliver economic value directly back to the contributor, this is considered a reciprocal transaction and the grant revenue is recognised in the statement of financial position as a liability until the service has been delivered to the contributor, otherwise the grant is recognised as income on receipt.

Revenue from the rendering of a service is recognised upon the delivery of the service.

b. Property, plant and equipment

Each class of property, plant and equipment is carried at cost or fair value as indicated, less, where applicable, accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Plant and equipment

Items of plant and equipment are measured on the cost basis less depreciation and impairment losses.

The carrying amount of plant and equipment is reviewed annually by the delegates to ensure it does not exceed the recoverable amount from these assets. The recoverable amount is assessed on the basis of the expected net cash flows that will be received from the asset's employment and subsequent disposal. The expected net cash flows have been discounted to their present values in determining recoverable amounts.

Items of plant and equipment that have been contributed at no cost, or for nominal cost, are valued and recognised at the fair value of the asset at the date it is acquired.

Depreciation

The depreciable amount of all fixed assets including buildings and capitalised lease assets, but excluding freehold land, is depreciated on a straight-line basis over the asset's useful life to CENTROC commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use. Leasehold improvements are depreciated over the shorter of either the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful lives of the improvements.

**CENTRAL NSW COUNCILS
(CENTROC)**

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2013**

NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

The depreciation rates used for each class of depreciable assets are:

Class of Fixed Asset	Depreciation Rate
Computers	33%
Motor Vehicles	22.50%
Furniture and fittings	20%

The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at the end of each reporting period.

An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with the carrying amount. These gains or losses are included in the statement of comprehensive income. When revalued assets are sold, amounts included in the revaluation surplus relating to that asset are transferred to retained earnings.

c. Financial Instruments

Initial recognition and measurement

Financial assets and financial liabilities are recognised when CENTROC becomes a party to the contractual provisions to the instrument. For financial assets, this is equivalent to the date that CENTROC commits itself to either purchase or sell the asset (i.e. trade date accounting is adopted). Financial instruments are initially measured at fair value plus transactions costs except where the instrument is classified 'at fair value through profit or loss' in which case transaction costs are expensed to profit or loss immediately.

Classification and subsequent measurement

Financial instruments are subsequently measured at fair value, amortised cost using the effective interest rate method or cost. Fair value represents the amount for which an asset could be exchanged or a liability settled, between knowledgeable, willing parties. Where available, quoted prices in an active market are used to determine fair value. In other circumstances, valuation techniques are adopted.

Amortised cost is calculated as:

- i. the amount at which the financial asset or financial liability is measured at initial recognition;
- ii. less principal repayments;
- iii. plus or minus the cumulative amortisation of the difference, if any, between the amount initially recognised and the maturity amount calculated using the *effective interest method*; and
- iv. less any reduction for impairment.

The effective interest method is used to allocate interest income or interest expense over the relevant period and is equivalent to the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash payments or receipts (including fees, transaction costs and other premiums or discounts) through the expected life (or when this cannot be reliably predicted, the contractual term) of the financial instrument to the net carrying amount of the financial asset or financial liability. Revisions to expected future net cash flows will necessitate an adjustment to the carrying value with a consequential recognition of an income or expense in profit or loss.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

(i) *Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss*

Financial assets are classified at 'fair value through profit or loss' when they are held for trading for the purpose of short-term profit taking, or where they are derivatives not held for hedging purposes, or when they are designated as such to avoid an accounting mismatch or to enable performance evaluation where a group of financial assets is managed by key management personnel on a fair value basis in accordance with a documented risk management or investment strategy. Such assets are subsequently measured at fair value with changes in carrying value being included in profit or loss.

(ii) *Loans and receivables*

Loans and receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market and are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

Loans and receivables are included in current assets, except for those which are not expected to mature within 12 months after the end of the reporting period. (All other loans and receivables are classified as non-current assets.)

(iii) *Held-to-maturity investments*

Held-to-maturity investments are non-derivative financial assets that have fixed maturities and fixed or determinable payments, and it is CENTROC's intention to hold these investments to maturity. They are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

Held-to-maturity investments are included in non-current assets, except for those which are expected to mature within 12 months after reporting date. (All other investments are classified as current assets.)

If during the period CENTROC sold or reclassified more than an insignificant amount of the held-to-maturity investments before maturity, the entire held-to-maturity investments category would be tainted and reclassified as available-for-sale.

(iv) *Available-for-sale financial assets*

Available-for-sale financial assets are non-derivative financial assets that are either not capable of being classified into other categories of financial assets due to their nature, or they are designated as such by management. They comprise investments in the equity of other entities where there is neither a fixed maturity nor fixed or determinable payments.

Available-for-sale financial assets are included in non-current assets, except for those which are expected to be disposed of within 12 months after the end of the reporting period. (All other financial assets will be classified as current assets.)

(v) *Financial liabilities*

Non-derivative financial liabilities (excluding financial guarantees) are subsequently measured at amortised cost.

Fair value

Fair value is determined based on current bid prices for all quoted investments. Valuation techniques are applied to determine the fair value for all unlisted securities, including recent arm's length transactions, reference to similar instruments and option pricing models.

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NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

Impairment

At the end of each reporting period, CENTROC assesses whether there is objective evidence that a financial instrument has been impaired. In the case of available-for-sale financial instruments, a prolonged decline in the value of the instrument is considered to determine whether an impairment has arisen. Impairment losses are recognised in the statement of comprehensive income.

Derecognition

Financial assets are derecognised where the contractual rights to receipt of cash flows expire or the asset is transferred to another party whereby CENTROC no longer has any significant continuing involvement in the risks and benefits associated with the asset. Financial liabilities are derecognised where the related obligations are discharged, cancelled or expired. The difference between the carrying value of the financial liability, which is extinguished or transferred to another party, and the fair value of consideration paid, including the transfer of non-cash assets or liabilities assumed, is recognised in profit or loss.

d. Impairment of Assets

At the end of each reporting period, CENTROC reviews the carrying values of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have been impaired. If such an indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use, is compared to the asset's carrying value. Any excess of the asset's carrying value over its recoverable amount is expensed to the statement of comprehensive income.

Where the future economic benefits of the asset are not primarily dependent upon on the asset's ability to generate net cash inflows and when CENTROC would, if deprived of the asset, replace its remaining future economic benefits, value in use is determined as the depreciated replacement cost of an asset.

Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of a class of asset, CENTROC estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

Where an impairment loss on a revalued asset is identified, this is debited against the revaluation surplus in respect of the same class of asset to the extent that the impairment loss does not exceed the amount in the revaluation surplus for that same class of asset.

e. Employee Benefits

Provision is made for CENTROC's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to the end of the reporting period. Employee benefits that are expected to be settled within one year have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled. Employee benefits payable later than one year have been measured at the present value of the estimated future cash outflows to be made for those benefits. In determining the liability, consideration is given to employee wage increases and the probability that the employee may not satisfy vesting requirements. Those cash outflows are discounted using market yields on national government bonds with terms to maturity that match the expected timing of cash flows.

f. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, deposits held at-call with banks, other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within short-term borrowings in current liabilities on the statement of financial position.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

g. Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Tax Office. In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of expense. Receivables and payables in the statement of financial position are shown inclusive of GST.

h. Income Tax

No provision for income tax has been raised, as CENTROC is exempt from income tax under Div 50 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.

i. Provisions

Provisions are recognised when CENTROC has a legal or constructive obligation, as a result of past events, for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will result and that outflow can be reliably measured. Provisions recognised represent the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation at the end of the reporting period.

j. Comparative Figures

Where required by Accounting Standards, comparative figures have been adjusted to conform with changes in presentation for the current financial year.

When an entity applies an accounting policy retrospectively, makes a retrospective restatement or reclassifies items in its financial statements, a statement of financial position as at the beginning of the earliest comparative period must be disclosed.

k. Trade and Other Payables

Trade and other payables represent the liability outstanding at the end of the reporting period for goods and services received by CENTROC during the reporting period which remain unpaid.

l. Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgments

The delegates evaluate estimates and judgments incorporated into the financial statements based on historical knowledge and best available current information. Estimates assume a reasonable expectation of future events and are based on current trends and economic data, obtained both externally and within CENTROC.

Key estimates

(a) Impairment

CENTROC assesses impairment at the end of each reporting period by evaluating conditions and events specific to CENTROC that may be indicative of impairment triggers.

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	2013	2012
	\$	\$
Note 2: CASH AND INVESTMENTS		
Cash – General bank account	146,014	90,758
At call investments – Maxi Direct bank account	264,842	711,435
	<u>410,856</u>	<u>802,193</u>
Externally restricted cash assets		
Community Energy Efficiency Programs	26,030	-
Environmental trust – Climate Adaptation	26,737	235,348
Environment – TAGI	7,377	15,499
Screen NSW	5,104	11,771
	<u>65,248</u>	<u>262,618</u>
Unrestricted cash assets		
Cash assets not subject to external restriction	345,608	539,575
	<u>345,608</u>	<u>539,575</u>
Note 3: RECEIVABLES		
Sundry debtors	465,818	278,886
Accrued Income	196,260	40,033
GST receivable	71,604	34,572
	<u>733,682</u>	<u>353,491</u>
Note 4: FIXED ASSETS		
Computers	13,070	13,070
Less accumulated depreciation	(12,553)	(11,608)
	<u>517</u>	<u>1,462</u>
Motor vehicles	87,794	58,457
Less accumulated depreciation	(25,604)	(7,334)
	<u>62,190</u>	<u>51,123</u>
Furniture and fittings	1,062	1,062
Less accumulated depreciation	(941)	(822)
	<u>121</u>	<u>240</u>
	<u>62,828</u>	<u>52,825</u>

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	2013 \$	2012 \$
Note 5: CREDITORS AND ACCRUALS		
Wages	114,828	75,347
Trade creditors	561,538	285,252
Income received in advance	-	8,250
	<u>676,366</u>	<u>368,849</u>
Note 6: SHORT TERM PROVISIONS		
Opening balance at 1 July	11,591	9,840
Additional provisions raised during the year	495	1,751
	<u>12,086</u>	<u>11,591</u>
Note 7: REVENUE FROM GRANTS		
Department of Resources, Energy And Tourism	440,000	-
NSW Environmental Trust - TAGI	9,900	-
Screen NSW - film	6,000	75,000
Strengthening Basin Communities	-	232,500
	<u>455,900</u>	<u>307,500</u>
Note 8: EXPENDITURE ON CENTROC PROJECTS		
Advocacy Support	13,329	6,234
Health Workforce Program	477	3,642
Centroc Summit	14,023	-
Regional Economic Development	-	8,950
	<u>27,829</u>	<u>18,826</u>

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DECLARATION BY THE DELEGATES

The committee has determined that CENTROC is not a reporting entity and that these special purpose financial reports should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the committee the financial statements as set out on pages 1 to 10:

1. Present a true and fair view of the financial position of CENTROC as at 30 June 2013 and its performance for the year ended on that date.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that CENTROC will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

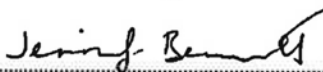
This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the delegates.

Chair



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Councillor Ken Keith

Executive Officer



.....
Ms Jenny Bennett

Dated: 8/11/13



**INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT TO THE DELEGATES OF
CENTRAL NSW REGIONAL ORGANISATION OF COUNCILS (CENTROC)**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of CENTROC, which comprise the Statement of Financial Position as at 30 June 2013 and Statement of Comprehensive Income, a summary of significant accounting policies, other explanatory notes and the delegates' declaration for the year then ended.

Officers' responsibility for the financial statements

The officers of CENTROC are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements, and have determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1 to the statements is appropriate to meet the requirements of the members. These policies do not require the application of all Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements in Australia.

The officers' responsibility also includes such internal control as the officers determine to be necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We have conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the officers, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

We performed procedures to assess whether, in all material respects, the financial statements present fairly, in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1, CENTROC's position, and its performance.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Audit opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements of CENTROC are prepared and presented fairly and, in all material respects, in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements.

Basis of accounting and restriction on distribution and use

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 of the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial statements have been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the information needs of the delegates of member councils. As a result, the financial statements may not be suitable for another purpose.

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237 Lords Place
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Dated: 8 November 2013

JD O'Malley
JD O'Malley
Partner



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Attendance List GMAC/BOARD

General Managers Advisory Committee Attendance for the financial year 2012/2013

Council	GMAC 26.07.2012	GMAC 1.11.2012	GMAC 7.02.2013	GMAC 18.04.2013	Total
Bathurst	✓	✓	✓	✓	4
Blayney	✓	✓		✓	3
Boorowa	✓		✓	✓	3
Cabonne	✓	✓	✓	✓	4
Central Tablelands Water		✓		✓	2
Cowra	✓	✓	✓	✓	4
Forbes	✓	✓	✓		3
Harden				✓	1
Lachlan	✓	✓	✓		3
Lithgow	✓	✓	✓	✓	4
Oberon	✓		✓	✓	3
Orange	✓	✓	✓	✓	4
Parkes	✓		✓	✓	3
Upper Lachlan					
Weddin		✓			1
Wellington		✓		✓	2
Young		✓		✓	2

Board Meeting Attendance for the financial year 2012/2013 (At least one elected delegate)

Council	Board 16.08.2012	Board 22.11.2012	Board 28.02.2013	Board 23.05.2013	Total
Bathurst	✓	✓	✓	✓	4
Blayney	✓	✓	✓		3
Boorowa	✓	✓	✓	✓	4
Cabonne	✓	✓	✓	✓	4
Central Tablelands Water	✓	✓	✓	✓	4
Cowra	✓	✓	✓	✓	4
Forbes	✓	✓	✓	✓	4
Harden					
Lachlan	✓		✓	✓	3
Lithgow	✓	✓	✓	✓	4
Oberon	✓	✓	✓	✓	4
Orange	✓	✓	✓	✓	4
Parkes	✓	✓	✓	✓	4
Upper Lachlan		✓	✓	✓	3
Weddin	✓	✓	✓	✓	4
Wellington	✓	✓	✓	✓	4
Young	✓	✓	✓	✓	4

Bathurst Regional Council



Lithgow City Council



Blayney Shire Council



Oberon Council



Boorowa Council



Orange City Council



Cabonne Council



Parkes Shire Council



Central Tablelands Water



Upper Lachlan Shire Council



Cowra Shire Council



Weddin Shire Council



Forbes Shire Council



Wellington Council



Harden Shire Council



Young Shire Council



Lachlan Shire Council

