

14 May 2015

Dear Councillor,

Your attendance is requested at an Extraordinary Council Meeting of the Blayney Shire Council to be held in the Chambers, Blayney Shire Community Centre on Monday, 18 May 2015 at 6.00pm for consideration of the following business -

- (1) Acknowledgement of Country
- (2) Recording of Meeting Statement
- (3) Apologies for non-attendance
- (4) Disclosures of Interest
- (5) Public Forum
- (6) Reports of Staff
 - (a) Corporate Services
 - (b) Infrastructure Services
 - (c) Planning and Environmental Services

Yours faithfully



Rebecca Ryan
General Manager

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HELD ON MONDAY 18 MAY 2015

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01) QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW STATEMENT - MARCH 2015

Department: Corporate Services

Author: Chief Financial Officer

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RECOMMENDATION:

1. That the Quarterly Budget Review Statement for the quarter ending 31 March 2015 be noted.
2. That the supplementary votes of \$350k proposed in the Quarterly Budget Review Statement be adopted resulting in favourable adjustments of \$154k for Net Continuing Operations and \$196k for Capital Expenditure.

Reason for Report:

For Council to endorse the Quarterly Budget Review Statement for the quarter ending 31 March 2015.

Report:

Clause 203 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 requires that the Responsible Accounting Officer of a council prepare and submit to Council a budget review statement. The budget review statement must show, by reference to the estimate of income and expenditure set out in the operational plan adopted by Council, a revised estimate of the income and expenditure for the year. The budget review statement must also be accompanied by a report as to whether or not the Responsible Accounting Officer believes that the financial position of the council is satisfactory, having regard to the original estimates of income and expenditure.

In December 2010 the NSW Office of Local Government developed a set of minimum requirements for reporting the financial position of Council, to facilitate explanations and major variations and recommend changes to the budget for Council approval.

The Quarterly Budget Review Statement (QBRs) reports the Council Consolidated position combining General and Sewer Funds and is composed of, but not limited to, the following budget review components:

- A statement by the responsible accounting officer on council's financial position at the end of the year based on the information in the QBRs;
- Summary of Operational, Capital, Net and Restricted cash positions
(QBRs: Part 1)
- Income and Expenses (Operational) Budget Review Statement in one of the following formats:

- by income and expense type including capital grants and contributions **(QBRs: Part 2)**
- by function / activity to align with the operational plan including capital grants and contributions **(QBRs: Part 4)** and further detailed, excluding capital grants and contributions **(QBRs: Part 4A)**
- Capital Expenditure and Funding Budget Review **(QBRs: Part 3)** and further detailed **(QBRs: Part 5)**
- Recommended changes to revised budget with commentary for Operational Income and Expenditure **(QBRs: Part 6)** and Capital **(QBRs: Part 7)**
- Budget Review Cash and Investments position **(QBRs: Part 8)** and narrative **(QBRs: Part 9)**
- Budget Review Key Performance Indicators **(QBRs: Part 10)**
- Contracts Budget Review Statement **(QBRs: Part 11)** and narrative **(QBRs: Part 12)**
- Consultancy & Legal Expenses Overview **(QBRs: Part 13)**
- Loans summary **(QBRs: Part 14)**.

The purpose of the quarterly budget review is to act as a barometer of Council's financial health during the year and disclose Council's overall financial health position. It is also a means to ensure Council meets its objectives, targets and outcomes as set out in its Operational Plan.

The attached report provides a detailed review of Council's 2014/15 Budget Review covering the March 2015 quarter.

Issues:

Nil

Budget Implications:

Overall the net variations in Continuing Operations for the quarter of \$154k will increase the projected Net Operating surplus from All Operations (surplus) to \$2.9m. The QBRs forecasts an increase to Income from Continuing Operations of \$108k attributed to increased Grants and Contributions of \$102k, recognition of sale of industrial land of \$61k, increase in debt recovery charges of \$58k and a decrease in User Charges of \$108k. Expenses from Continuing Operations have been forecast to decrease by \$46k and are largely attributed to a decrease in Employee Costs \$78k, Materials and Contracts of \$56k associated with maintenance operations and increased provision for legal expenses \$20k.

The nett variation to the Capital Budget is unchanged overall. Capital Expenditure is forecast to reduce the total works planned by \$196k to \$7.187m. This is largely attributable to works at the Treatment Plant being postponed to future years (\$295k); and additional capital works being undertaken at King George Oval (72k).

Capital funding for capital projects is also forecast to reduce by \$196k to \$7.187m and is largely attributable to nett reduction of Restricted Cash (\$350k); projected increase in Capital Grants \$35k and a reduction in proposed new borrowings of (\$1,175k). The balance of capital funding will be supplemented from General Purpose Revenues.

The variations in Restricted Cash are detailed in Part 8 and are largely attributable to an increase to the Sewerage Services cash restriction of \$336k by virtue of work now proposed for completion in 2015/16.

This QBRS forecasts a reduction of \$263k in the consolidated position of unrestricted cash position as at 30 June 2015 to \$122k and projects cash held to be \$12.4m at year end.

The suggested supplementary votes for the March quarter results in a \$350k nett reduction in operating and capital expenditure which if approved will result in a forecast Net Operational Surplus of \$2.9m and Net Surplus before Capital Items of \$676k.

Enclosures

1 March 2015 Quarterly Budget Review 24 Pages

Blayney Shire Council

Quarterly Budget Review Statement
for the period ending 31/03/15

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Quarterly Budget Review 2014-2015

**Period ending
31 March 2015**

Blayney Shire Council

Quarterly Budget Review Statement
for the period ending 31/03/15**Report by Responsible Accounting Officer**

The following statement is made in accordance with Clause 203(2) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2005:

It is my opinion that the Quarterly Budget Review Statement for Blayney Shire Council for the quarter ended 31/03/15 indicates that Council's projected financial position at 30/6/15 will be satisfactory at year end, having regard to the projected estimates of income and expenditure and the original budgeted income and expenditure.

Signed:



date:

11/5/15

David Mead
Responsible Accounting Officer

Blayney Shire Council

PART 1:

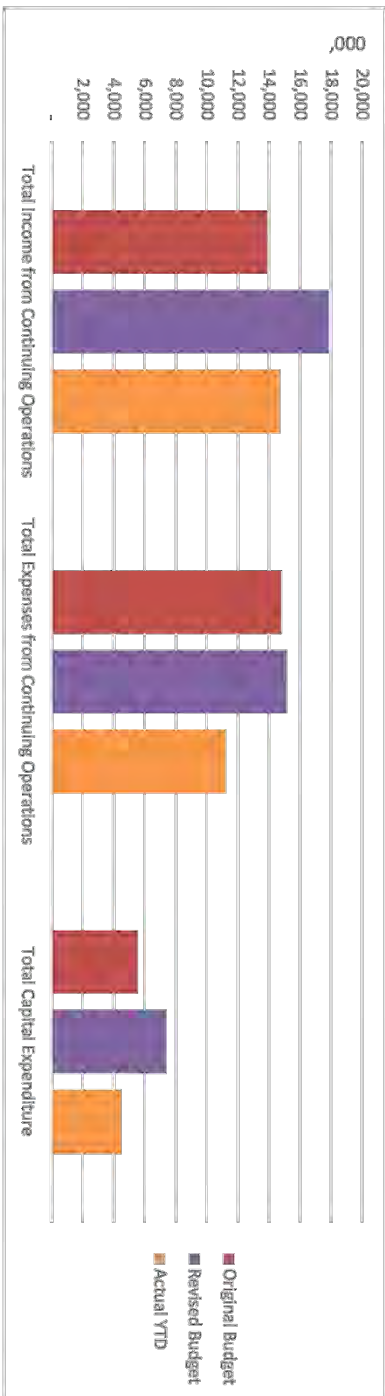
Income & Expenses Budget Review Statement

Budget review for the quarter ended 31 March 2015
Income & Expenses - Council Consolidated

(\$'000's)

Quarterly Budget Review Statement
for the period ending 31/03/15

	Original Budget \$ '000	Revised Budget Last Qtr	Variations for this Mar Qtr	Revised Budget Current	Actual YTD figures
Total Income from Continuing Operations	13,904	17,851	108	17,960	14,713
Total Expenses from Continuing Operations	14,785	15,106	(46)	15,060	11,189
Net Operating Result from Continuing Operations	(881)	2,745	154	2,900	3,524
Total Capital Expenditure					
Rounding Adjustment	5,527	7,383	(196)	7,187	4,473
Net Movement	(6,408)	(4,637)	350	(4,287)	(949)
Total Restricted Cash Movement	12,444	12,444	263	12,707	12,282



Blayney Shire Council

PART 2:

Income & Expenses Budget Review Statement

Quarterly Budget Review Statement

for the period ending 31/03/15

Budget review for the quarter ended 31 March 2015

		(Inclusive of Capital Grants & Contributions)			Notes			
Income & Expenses - Council Consolidated	Original Budget \$ 000	Revised Budget Last Qtr	Variations for Mar Qtr	Revised Budget Current		Actual YTD figures	% of Budget	
Income								
Rates and Annual Charges	8,373	9,975	-	9,975		9,812	98%	
User Charges and Fees	1,309	1,903	(108)	1,795	4	1,524	85%	
Interest and Investment Revenues	480	498	(1)	497		371	75%	
Other Revenues	122	242	58	300	1	226	75%	
Grants & Contributions - Operating	2,925	3,043	68	3,111	2,318	2,023	65%	
Grants & Contributions - Capital	695	2,190	35	2,224	8	700	31%	
Net Gain From Disposal of Assets	-	-	57	57	5	57	0%	
Total Income from Continuing Operations	13,904	17,852	108	17,960		14,713	82%	
Expenses								
Employee Costs	4,832	5,006	(78)	4,928	8,146,17	3,534	72%	
Borrowing Costs	133	149	-	149		119	80%	
Materials & Contracts	3,502	3,007	(56)	2,951	8	2,310	78%	
Depreciation	4,779	4,844	-	4,844		3,590	74%	
Legal Costs	45	65	27	92	2	81	88%	
Other Expenses	1,494	2,035	61	2,096		1,554	74%	
Total Expenses from Continuing Operations	14,785	15,106	(46)	15,060		11,189	74%	
Net Operating Result from Continuing Operations	(881)	2,746	154	2,900		3,524		
Net Operating Result from All Operations	(881)	2,746	154	2,900		3,524		
Net Operating Result before Capital Items	(1,576)	556	120	676		2,767		

Blayney Shire Council

PART 3:

Capital Budget Review Statement

Budget review for the quarter ended 31 March 2015

Capital Budget - Council Consolidated

(\$'000's)	Original Budget \$'000	Revised Budget Last Qtr	Variations for Mar Qtr	Notes	Revised Budget Current	Actual YTD figures	%
Capital Expenditure							
New Assets							
- Plant & Equipment	863	994	49	18	1,043	610	58.5%
- Other	500	50	(35)	20	15	-	0.0%
- Sewer	103	103	(45)	27	58	28	47.8%
Renewal Assets (Replacement)							
- Plant & Equipment	-	-	(50)	24,28,29	-	-	0.0%
- Land & Buildings	509	893	115	25,26	843	168	19.9%
- Roads, Bridges, Footpaths	2,580	3,894	(250)	27	4,009	3,046	76.0%
- Sewer	660	1,012	20	29	762	233	30.6%
Other	312	371	20		391	389	99.5%
Total Capital Expenditure	5,527	7,383	(196)		7,187	4,473	62.2%
Capital Funding							
Rates & Other Untied Funding	2,066	2,443	1,207		3,650	3,773	103.4%
Capital Grants & Contributions	695	2,167	35	0	2,202	700	31.8%
Reserves:							
- External Restrictions/Reserves	763	770	(263)		507	-	0.0%
- Internal Restrictions/Reserves	828	828	(1,175)		828	-	0.0%
New Loans	1,175	1,175	(196)		-	-	0.0%
Total Capital Funding	5,527	7,383	(196)		7,187	4,473	62.2%
Net Capital Funding	-	0	(0)		(0)	(0)	

Quarterly Budget Review Statement
for the period ending 31/03/15

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PART 4:

Income & Expenses Budget Review Statement - (By Function/Activity)

Quarterly Budget Review Statement
for the period ending 31/03/15

Budget review for the quarter ended 31 March 2015

Income & Expenses - Council Consolidated

(Inclusive of Capital Grants & Contributions)

(\$000's)	Original Budget \$ 000	Revised Budget Last Qtr	Variations for Mar Qtr	Notes	Revised Budget Current	Actual YTD figures	% of Budget
Income							
Governance	-	2	-		2	2	84.52%
Administration	162	356	42	1	398	311	78.04%
Public Order & Safety	15	16	55	30	71	58	82.36%
Health	28	20	-		20	3	13.79%
Environment	1,197	1,025	-		1,025	778	75.93%
Community Services & Education	18	3	-		3	2	83.43%
Housing & Community Amenities	199	212	28	2	240	144	60.17%
Recreation & Culture	469	691	(76)	4	615	467	76.06%
Sewer Supplies	1,508	1,551	-		1,551	1,262	81.39%
Mining, Manufacturing & Construction	190	252	(2)		250	434	173.60%
Transport & Communication	1,609	3,497	-	5	3,497	1,552	44.37%
Economic Affairs	92	139	61		200	166	82.76%
General Purpose Revenues	8,416	10,088	-		10,088	9,533	94.50%
Total Income from Continuing Operations	13,904	17,851	108		17,960	14,713	81.92%
Expenses							
Governance	487	479	(18)	7	461	275	59.56%
Administration	3,521	3,637	(9)	8,9	3,628	2,551	70.31%
Public Order & Safety	415	423	(1)		422	292	69.34%
Health	91	93	(4)		89	60	67.73%
Environment	1,076	1,158	(15)	10	1,143	862	75.37%
Community Services & Education	28	20	-		20	5	23.72%
Housing & Community Amenities	496	449	59	2	508	362	71.26%
Recreation & Culture	2,440	2,538	(87)	12,18,14	2,451	1,764	71.97%
Sewer Supplies	1,231	1,082	(41)	18	1,041	759	72.88%
Manufacturing & Construction	244	255	2		257	422	164.02%
Transport & Communication	4,444	4,642	105	18,18	4,747	3,606	75.96%
Economic Affairs	312	330	(37)	5,17	293	233	79.46%
General Purpose	-	-	-		-	-	0.00%
Total Expenses from Continuing Operations	14,785	15,106	(46)		15,060	11,189	74.30%
Net Operating Result from Continuing Operations	(881)	2,746	154		2,900	3,524	
Net Operating Result before Capital Items	(1,576)	556	120		676	2,767	

Blayney Shire Council
PART 4A:
Income & Expenses Budget Review Statement (By Function/Activity - Detailed)

Budget review for the quarter ended 31 March 2015
 Income & Expenses - Council Consolidated

Quarterly Budget Review Statement
 for the period ending 31/03/15

Income & Expenses - Council Consolidated														
(Excludes Capital Grants & Contributions)														
	Operating Income							Operating Expenditure						
	Original Budget \$ '000	Revised Budget Last Qtr	Variations for Mar Qtr	Notes	Revised Budget Current	Actual YTD figures	%	Original Budget \$ '000	Revised Budget Last Qtr	Variations for Mar Qtr	Notes	Revised Budget Current	Actual YTD figures	%
Governance Council	-	-	-	-	-	2	0.0%	487	479	(18)	-	461	275	59.6%
Administration														
Corporate Services	62	192	42		234	227	97.2%	2,261	2,333	(29)		2,304	1,641	71.2%
Engineering & Works	100	148			148	69	46.6%	1,025	1,026	23		1,050	707	67.3%
Environmental	-	16			16	15	94.5%	235	277	(3)		274	203	74.2%
	162	355	42		397	311	78.2%	3,521	3,637	(9)		3,628	2,551	70.3%
Public Order & Safety														
Rural Fire Service	-	-	58		58	58	0.0%	300	300	-		300	205	68.2%
Animal Control	8	9	(3)		6	2	26.5%	73	82	(1)		81	58	71.9%
Emergency Services	7	7			7	(1)	-14.5%	42	41	-		41	29	71.3%
	15	16	55		71	58	82.2%	415	423	(1)		422	292	69.2%
Health														
Administration/Food Control	28	20	-		20	3	13.8%	91	93	(4)		89	60	67.4%
	28	20	-		20	3	13.8%	91	93	(4)		89	60	67.4%
Environment														
Noxious Plants	-	10			10	10	98.1%	66	66	-		66	66	100.1%
Domestic Waste Management	867	867			867	599	69.3%	629	611	433		611	433	70.8%
Other Waste Management	130	130			130	169	130.3%	122	204	-		204	173	84.9%
Street Cleaning	-	-			-	-	0.0%	163	163	(15)		148	105	71.0%
Urban Stormwater Drainage	-	28			28	-	0.0%	96	114	114		114	85	74.0%
	997	1,025	-		1,025	778	75.9%	1,076	1,158	(15)		1,143	862	75.4%
Community Services & Education														
Child Care	-	-			-	-	0.0%	11	10	-		10	-	0.0%
Aged & Disabled	1	1			1	1	100.0%	2	1	-		1	-	0.0%
Youth Services	1	1			1	1	100.0%	9	3	-		3	-	0.0%
Community Services Administration	-	-			-	-	0.0%	6	6	-		6	5	79.1%
	2	2	-		2	2	111.5%	28	20	-		20	5	23.7%

Blayney Shire Council
PART 4A:
Income & Expenses Budget Review Statement (By Function/Activity - Detailed)

Quarterly Budget Review Statement
 for the period ending 31/03/15

Budget review for the quarter ended 31 March 2015
Income & Expenses - Council Consolidated

(Excludes Capital Grants & Contributions)

	Operating Income						Operating Expenditure								
	Original Budget \$ 000	Revised Budget Last Qtr	Variations for Mar Qtr	Notes	Revised Budget Current	Actual YTD figures	%	Original Budget \$ 000	Revised Budget Last Qtr	Variations for Mar Qtr	Notes	Revised Budget Current	Actual YTD figures	%	
(\$000's)	Housing & Community Amenities														
	Housing	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%	2	2	-	-	2	-	0.0%	
	Town Planning	143	143	28	-	171	61.4%	252	215	59	-	274	176	64.4%	
	Street Lighting	16	16	-	-	16	100.0%	117	97	75	-	97	75	77.3%	
	Public Cemeteries	40	40	-	-	40	67.5%	40	50	44	-	50	44	87.8%	
	Public Conveniences	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%	85	85	-	-	85	67	78.4%	
	199	199	28	-	227	148	65.2%	496	449	59	-	508	362	71.3%	
Recreation & Culture	Public Libraries														
	Public Halls	38	51	(16)	-	35	96.0%	152	195	(22)	-	173	91	52.3%	
	Sporting Grounds	5	5	5	-	10	104.4%	120	142	5	-	147	102	69.2%	
	Blayney Showground	6	6	-	-	6	241.2%	187	187	-	-	187	153	81.9%	
	Parks & Gardens	2	2	-	-	2	180.1%	56	98	(10)	-	88	65	73.4%	
	Centrepoint Sport & Leisure	3	58	(100)	-	58	75.3%	1,032	1,022	(50)	-	972	707	72.7%	
Other Cultural Services	410	410	-	-	310	254	81.9%	887	887	(10)	-	877	625	71.3%	
	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%	6	6	-	-	6	21	350.0%	
	464	532	(111)	-	421	360	85.4%	2,440	2,538	(87)	-	2,451	1,764	72.0%	
	Mining Manufacturing & Construction														
	Building Control	52	114	(2)	-	112	87	77.4%	116	127	2	-	129	78	60.5%
	Quarries & Pits	138	138	-	-	138	347	251.7%	128	128	-	-	128	343	268.3%
	190	252	(2)	-	250	434	173.6%	244	255	2	-	257	422	164.0%	
Transport & Communication	Local Roads														
	802	802	-	-	802	636	79.3%	3,465	3,382	40	-	3,422	2,524	73.7%	
	246	298	-	-	298	233	78.3%	214	181	-	-	181	195	107.9%	
	59	447	-	-	447	144	32.2%	59	387	65	-	452	393	86.9%	
	Bridges - Local	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%	312	312	-	-	312	242	77.6%	
	Bridges - Regional	62	10	-	-	10	0.0%	52	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%	
	Footpaths	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%	77	77	-	-	77	46	59.3%
	Kerb and Gutter	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%	119	119	-	-	119	67	56.3%
	Other Transport and Communication	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%	146	184	-	-	184	140	76.0%
		1,169	1,557	-	-	1,557	1,013	65.1%	4,444	4,642	105	-	4,747	3,606	76.0%

Blayney Shire Council
PART 4A:
Income & Expenses Budget Review Statement (By Function/Activity - Detailed)

Quarterly Budget Review Statement
 for the period ending 31/03/15

Budget review for the quarter ended 31 March 2015
Income & Expenses - Council Consolidated

(Excludes Capital Grants & Contributions)

	Operating Income							Operating Expenditure						
	Original Budget \$ 000	Revised Budget Last Qtr	Variations for Mar Qtr	Notes	Revised Budget Current	Actual YTD figures	%	Original Budget \$ 000	Revised Budget Last Qtr	Variations for Mar Qtr	Notes	Revised Budget Current	Actual YTD figures	%
Economic Affairs														
	Tourism & Area Promotion	-	4	61		-	0.0%	184	199	(45)		154	99	63.9%
	Industrial Development & Promotion	4	-			65	94.2%	14	16	8		24	13	54.5%
	Real Estate	-	-			-	0.0%	-	-			-	-	0.0%
	Inala Units	21	68			68	77.9%	63	64	47		64	47	73.1%
Other Business	67	67			67	76.8%	51	51	75		51	75	146.5%	
	92	139	61		200	166	82.8%	312	330	(37)		293	233	79.5%
General Purpose Revenue														
General Purpose Revenues	8,416	10,088	-		10,088	9,533	94.5%	-	-	-		-	-	0.0%
Sewerage Services														
	1,475	1,475	-		1,475	1,205	81.7%	1,231	1,082	(41)		1,041	759	72.9%
Surplus/(Deficit) From Ordinary Activities Before Capital Amounts	13,209	15,662	73		15,735	14,013	89.1%	14,785	15,106	(46)		15,059	11,189	74.3%

Blayney Shire Council

PART 5:

Capital Budget Review Statement - Detailed

Budget review for the quarter ended 31 March 2015

Capital Budget - Council Consolidated

Quarterly Budget Review Statement

for the period ending 31/03/15

	Original Budget \$ 000	Revised Budget Last Qtr	Variations for Mar Qtr	Notes	Revised Budget Current	Actual YTD figures	%
ADMINISTRATION							
CORPORATE SUPPORT							
Computer Equipment	78	88	(9)		79	66	83.4%
Motor Vehicle(s) (Net Cost)	15	15	-		15	44	294.0%
Building Capital Works	170	170	-		170	3	1.8%
Furniture & Fittings	-	20	8		28	4	15.7%
	263	293	(1)		292	117	40.2%
ENGINEERING AND WORKS							
Motor Vehicles (Net Cost)	24	80	50	19	130	77	59.2%
Major Plant	567	657	-		657	376	57.2%
Minor Plant	227	227	-		227	-	0.0%
	818	964	50		1,014	453	44.7%
TOTAL ADMINISTRATION	1,081	1,257	49		1,306	570	43.7%
PUBLIC ORDER & SAFETY							
ANIMAL CONTROL							
Motor Vehicle(s) (Net Cost)	15	-	-		-	-	0.0%
HEALTH							
FOOD CONTROL							
Motor Vehicle(s) (Net Cost)	15	15	-		15	16	105.5%
ENVIRONMENT							
DOMESTIC WASTE MANAGEMENT							
Waste Transfer Station	500	50	(35)	20	15	-	0.0%

Blayney Shire Council

PART 5:

Capital Budget Review Statement - Detailed

Budget review for the quarter ended 31 March 2015

Capital Budget - Council Consolidated

Quarterly Budget Review Statement
for the period ending 31/03/15

	Original Budget \$ 000	Revised Budget Last Qtr	Variations for Mar Qtr	Notes	Revised Budget Current	Actual YTD figures	%
HOUSING & COMMUNITY AMENITIES							
TOWN PLANNING							
Housing	-	34	-		34	23	68.8%
RECREATION AND CULTURE							
LIBRARY							
Disability & Geographical Grants Purchase	6	55	(55)	21	-	-	0.0%
PUBLIC HALLS							
Building Capital Works	3	3	(3)		-	21	0.0%
SPORTING GROUNDS							
Building Capital Works	108	174	47	22	221	87	39.4%
Other Capital Works	90	90	25	22	115	24	21.2%
	198	264	72		336	112	33.2%
CENTREPOINT SPORT & LEISURE							
Building Works	100	-	-		-	-	0.0%
Swimming Pool Assets	-	25	-		25	22	89.7%
Energy Efficiency Program	-	280	10	23	290	271	93.3%
Swimming Pool Resurfacing	-	44	-		44	42	96.3%
	100	349	10		359	335	93.4%
PARKS & GARDENS - RENEWALS							
Building Capital Works	17	17	(17)	29	-	-	0.0%
Other Capital Works	227	227	(25)	29	202	20	10.0%
	244	244	(42)		202	20	10.0%

Blayney Shire Council

PART 5:

Capital Budget Review Statement - Detailed

Budget review for the quarter ended 31 March 2015

Capital Budget - Council Consolidated

Quarterly Budget Review Statement

for the period ending 31/03/15

	Original Budget \$ 000	Revised Budget Last Qtr	Variations for Mar Qtr	Notes	Revised Budget Current	Actual YTD figures	%
SHOWGROUND							
Building Capital Works	-	49	-		49	38	78.0%
Other Capital Works	-	32	10	24	42	32	77.0%
	-	81	10		91	70	77.6%
TOTAL RECREATION AND CULTURE	551	996	(8)		988	558	56.5%
TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATION							
LOCAL ROADS							
Road Construction	-	-	20	25	20	71	355.0%
Rehabilitation Program	1,057	1,957	-		1,957	1,095	56.0%
Reseal Program	621	447	-		447	288	64.5%
Heavy Patching	412	606	-		606	605	99.9%
	3,010	3,010	20		3,030	2,059	68.0%
REGIONAL ROADS - RESEAL PROGRAM	-	368	-		368	415	112.8%
FOOTPATHS RENEWAL/UPGRADE PROGRAM	123	457	-		457	205	44.8%
LOCAL BRIDGES	365	365	-		365	366	100.4%
OTHER TRANSPORT & COMMUNICATION	2	2	95	25	97	-	0.0%
TOTAL TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATION	3,500	4,202	115		4,317	3,046	70.5%

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PART 5:

Capital Budget Review Statement - Detailed

Budget review for the quarter ended 31 March 2015

Capital Budget - Council Consolidated

Quarterly Budget Review Statement

for the period ending 31/03/15

	Original Budget \$ 000	Revised Budget Last Qtr	Variations for Mar Qtr	Notes	Revised Budget Current	Actual YTD figures	%
SEWERAGE SERVICES							
New Assets							
Minor Plant Replacement - Blayney	103	103	(80)	27	23	23	102.0%
Minor Plant Replacement - Millthorpe			35	27	35	4	12.1%
	103	103	(45)		58	28	47.8%
Asset Replacement/Renewal							
Manhole Rehabilitation Program	100	100	(100)	27	-	-	0.0%
Replacement Pumps	20	20	10	27	30	-	0.0%
Lining/Replace Sewer Main	200	-	-		-	-	0.0%
CEEP 2 - Energy Efficiency & Telemetry Upgrade	140	203	-		203	202	99.5%
Millthorpe Transfer Station Main Investigation	100	100	(20)	27	80	-	0.0%
Aeration Tank	100	82	-		82	-	0.0%
Blayney Sewer - Sewer Lining (CEEP 2)	-	200	(140)	27	60	31	51.2%
	660	704	(250)		454	233	51.2%
TOTAL SEWERAGE SERVICES	763	807	(295)		512	260	50.8%
OTHER WORKS							
Old Saleyards - Demolition Works	22	22	(22)	28	-	-	0.0%
	22	22	(22)		-	-	0.0%
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE	6,447	7,383	(196)		7,187	4,473	62.2%

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PART 6:

Quarterly Budget Review Statement
for the period ending 31/03/15

Income & Expenses Budget Review Statement
Recommended changes to revised budget

Budget Variations being recommended include the following material items:

Notes Details	Variations to:	
	Income \$000	Expenditure \$000
1 Recognition of additional rebates received and higher than budgeted income from debt recovery activity	42	
2 Anticipated additional grant funding and expenditure required for completion of Council's MasterPlan	28	39
Additional legal fees associated with ongoing legal activities		20
3 Anticipated grant funding for completion of the Blayney Library fit out pushed back to 2015/16	(16)	
4 Drop in CentrePoint income as a result of January Shutdown and slower than anticipated activity	(100)	
5 Account for profit on sale of industrial land in Marshalls Lane and other miscellaneous income	61	
6 Grant funding - KGO Scoreboard	13	
KGO Kitchen upgrades	16	
KGO Drinking Fountain	6	
7 Internal audit expenditure - focus on work now being undertaken in-house, not requiring use of contractors		(18)
8 Savings associated with staff training and travelling expenses. Additional funding for temporary staff to cover leave positions no longer required		(29)
9 Increased fuel costs required for plant operations		23
10 Associated savings in Street Cleaning operations		(15)
11 Repairs and Maintenance budget for library works deferred and anticipated for completion in 2015/16		(22)
12 Associated savings in Blayney Showground maintenance		(10)
13 Associated savings in Parks & Gardens maintenance		(50)
14 Associated savings in CentrePoint's training budget		(10)
15 Increased maintenance expenditure on urban roads		30
Increased expenditure on pothole patching		5
Increased expenditure on local roads general maintenance		5
16 Pedestrian facilities upgrade in Adelaide/Ogilvy St		65

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PART 6:

Quarterly Budget Review Statement
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Income & Expenses Budget Review Statement
Recommended changes to revised budget

Budget Variations being recommended include the following material items:

Notes Details	Variations to:	
	Income \$000	Expenditure \$000
17 Savings associated with employee costs in Tourism & Area Development		(45)
18 Associated savings in sewer operations and maintenance		(41)
30 Recognition of contribution from the Rural Fire Service for hazard reduction	58	
Other non material variances		6

Total Budget Amendments	108	(46)
Net Budget Amendments		154

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PART 7:

Quarterly Budget Review Statement

for the period ending 31/03/15

Capital Budget Review Statement**Recommended changes to revised budget**

Budget Variations being recommended include the following material items:

Variations to:

Notes Details	Expenditure \$000
19 Light vehicle purchases in line with revised Plant Replacement Strategy	50
20 Capital works at the Blayney Tip now anticipated for completion in future years	(35)
21 Library interior fit out works in partnership with Central West Libraries now anticipated for completion in 2015/16	(55)
22 KGO electronic scoreboard	25
KGO grandstand upgrades	32
KGO kitchen upgrade	16
KGO drinking fountain	6
Sporting Grounds 14/15 Capital works to reserve for future year completion	(7)
23 Finalisation of energy efficiency upgrade works	10
24 Showground building works	10
25 Local Road construction	20
26 Upgrade guard rails in Carcoar with wire mesh fencing	95
27 Blayney Sewer Minor Plant Replacement	(45)
Blayney Sewer major capital works postponed to future years	(250)
28 Demolition in preparation for sale of Blayney Saleyards postponed	(22)
29 Parks & Gardens 14/15 Capital works to reserve for future year completion	(42)
Other non material budget variations	(3)
Total Budget Amendments	(196)

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PART 8:

Cash & Investments Budget Review Statement

Budget review for the quarter ended 31 March 2015
Cash & Investments - Council Consolidated

(\$'000's)

	Original Budget \$ '000	Revised Budget Last Qtr	Variations for Mar Qtr	Revised Budget Current	Actual YTD figures	
Externally Restricted ⁽¹⁾						
Developer Contributions - General	658	668	-	668	668	100.0%
Developer Contributions - Sewer Fund	714	714	-	714	714	100.0%
Specific Purpose Unexpended Grants	1,417	1,395	64	1,459	1,459	100.0%
Specific Purpose Unexpended Grants - Sewer Fund	4	4	-	4	4	100.0%
Sewerage Services	2,885	2,846	336	3,182	3,182	100.0%
Rates - Mining Valuation	-	-	-	-	-	0.0%
Rates - Special Variation	46	46	-	46	46	100.0%
Rates - Special Variation Mining	144	144	-	144	144	100.0%
Total Externally Restricted	5,868	5,817	400	6,217	6,217	
⁽¹⁾ Funds that must be spent for a specific purpose						
Internally Restricted ⁽²⁾						
Plant & Vehicle Replacement	1,407	1,317	(50)	1,267	1,267	100.0%
Employees Leave Entitlement	564	564	-	564	564	100.0%
DWM Rehabilitation Reserve	101	101	-	101	101	100.0%
Blayney Town Works	185	185	-	185	185	100.0%
Cemeteries	6	6	-	6	6	100.0%
Construction of Buildings	8	8	-	8	8	100.0%
Election Reserve	44	44	-	44	44	100.0%
Golden Gully	23	23	-	23	23	100.0%
Grant Matching Reserve	51	51	(24)	27	27	98.3%
Inala Units	47	77	-	77	77	100.0%
IT Reserve	51	51	-	51	51	100.0%
Multipurpose Centre	243	170	-	170	170	100.0%
Property Account	457	457	-	457	457	100.0%
Quarry	350	350	-	350	350	100.0%
Domestic Waste	-	250	35	285	350	100.0%
Asset Replacement Reserve	2,426	2,353	(99)	2,254	2,215	98.3%
Showground Improvement Fund	6	6	-	6	6	100.0%
Tourism Promotion Fund	214	214	-	214	214	100.0%
Local Museums	15	15	-	15	15	100.0%
Total Internally Restricted	6,198	6,242	(137)	6,105	6,065	
⁽²⁾ Funds that Council has earmarked for a specific purpose						
Unrestricted (i.e., available after the above Restrictions)	378	385	(263)	122	953	
Total Cash & Investments	12,444	12,444	263	12,707	13,235	

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PART 9:

Quarterly Budget Review Statement

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Cash & Investments Budget Review Statement

Investments

Investments have been invested in accordance with Council's Investment Policy.

Cash

This Cash at Bank amount has been reconciled to Council's physical Bank Statements.
The date of completion of this bank reconciliation is 31/03/15

Reconciliation Status

The YTD Cash & Investment figure reconciles to the actual balances held as follows:

\$ 000's

Cash at Bank (as per bank statements)

735

Investments on Hand

12,500

Reconciled Cash at Bank & Investments

13,235

Balance as per Review Statement:

13,235

Difference:

(0)

Notes Details

Variations to:

	Income \$000	Expenditure \$000
31 Library interior fitout works now anticipated for completion in 2015/16	64	
32 Sewer capital works per Strategic Business Plan now anticipated for completion in 2015/16	336	
33 Light vehicle purchases in line with revised Plant Replacement Strategy		50
34 To match funding of an electronic scoreboard for King George Oval To match funding for Council's MasterPlan project		13 11
35 Capital works at the Blayney Tip now anticipated for completion in future years	35	
36 Additional funding sought for the upgrade of pedestrian facilities in Adelaide/Ogilvy Streets Additional funding sought to upgrade wire mesh fencing in Carcoar Additional funds required for purchase of KGO electronic scoreboard Demolition and sale of the Blayney Saleyards anticipated for completion in future years Sporting grounds & parks and gardens 14/15 capital works to reserve for completion in future years	 22 52	65 95 13

Total Budget Amendments

509

246

Net Budget Amendments

263

Blayney Shire Council
PART 10:

Quarterly Budget Review Statement
for the period ending 31/03/15

Key Performance Indicators Budget Review Statement

Budget review for the quarter ended 31 March 2015

(\$000's)	Current Projection Amounts 14/15	Indicator 14/15	Actuals Prior Periods 13/14	12/13
The Council monitors the following Key Performance Indicators:				
1. Unrestricted Current Ratio				
Current Assets less all External Restrictions	8063	4.5	4.1	7.8
Current Liabilities less Specific Purpose Liabilities	1774			
Purpose of this ratio is to assess the adequacy of working capital and its ability to satisfy obligations in the short term for the unrestricted activities of Council.				
2. Debt Service Ratio				
Debt Service Costs	354		4.5	1.9
Income from Continuing Operations	17960	2.0		
Purpose of the debt service ratio is to assess the Impact of loan principal and interest repayments on the discretionary revenue of Council.				
3. Rates and Annual Charges Coverage Ratio				
Rates and Annual Charges	9975	0.56	0.51	0.50
Income From Continuing Operations	17960			
Purpose of this ratio is to assess the degree of Council's dependence upon revenue from rates and annual charges and to assess the security of Council's income.				

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Quarterly Budget Review Statement
for the period ending 31/03/15**PART 11:****Contracts Budget Review Statement**

Budget review for the quarter ended 31 March 2015

Part A - Contracts Listing - contracts entered into during the quarter

Contractor	Contract detail & purpose	Contract Value	Start Date	Duration of Contract	Budgeted (Y/N)	Notes
Taberner Glass	CentrePoint - Glazing works	81,850	01/01/15	4	Yes	37
Brownlie Building Group	External cladding of CentrePoint pool hall	79,596	01/01/15	4	Yes	37

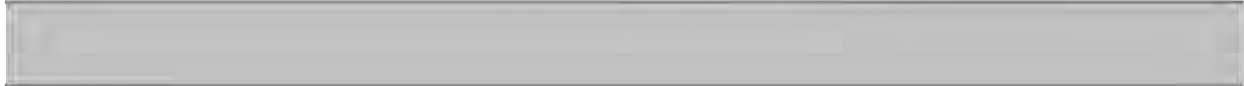
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PART 12:

Quarterly Budget Review Statement
for the period ending 31/03/15

Contracts Budget Review Statement
Comments & Explanations relating to Contractors Listing

Notes Details

37 CentrePoint contract works funded under the CEEP Energy Efficiency Program



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PART 13:

Consultancy & Legal Expenses Budget Review Statement

Quarterly Budget Review Statement
for the period ending 31/03/15

Consultancy & Legal Expenses Overview

Expense	YTD Expenditure (Actual Dollars)	Budgeted (Y/N)
Consultancies	203,033	Y
Legal Fees	81,122	Y

Definition of a consultant:

A consultant is a person or organisation engaged under contract on a temporary basis to provide recommendations or high level specialist or professional advice to assist decision making by management. Generally it is the advisory nature of the work that differentiates a consultant from other contractors.

Comments

Expenditure included in the above YTD figure but not budgeted includes:

Details

Consultancy work not budgeted for:
 - \$5,725 Additional work in preparing Planning Proposals and Regional Growth Plans
 - \$5,940 Community engagement media and communication audit undertaken - funding offset via savings in other areas
 Legal fees inclusive of ongoing legal activities resulting in higher than anticipated legal fees

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PART 14:

Quarterly Budget Review Statement
for the period ending 31/03/15

Loans Summary

Budget review for the quarter ended 31 March 2015

(A) External Loans

	LOAN DETAILS	Original Principal	Opening Balance 1/7/14	Interest paid to date	Repayments to date	Closing Balance 31/3/15	Scheduled completion date
3	Millthorpe Sewer	300,000	175,621	15,393	191,014	-	
4	Blayney Works Depot	600,000	382,435	18,887	41,123	360,198	04-Dec-23
5	Blayney Works Depot	600,000	400,714	17,683	38,798	379,599	21-Dec-24
6	Millthorpe Sewer	900,000	751,676	45,297	68,210	728,763	26-Feb-28
7	Blayney Bridges Program (LIRS)	1,000,000	977,653	41,379	99,065	919,967	22-Jan-24
		3,400,000	2,688,099	138,638	438,211	2,388,526	

Less: interest accrued on outstanding repayments to 30 June 2014

(19,301)

Total interest paid for the period ending 31 March 2015

119,337

(B) Internal Loans

	LOAN DETAILS	Original Principal	Opening Balance 1/7/14	Interest paid to date	Repayments to date	Closing Balance 31/3/15	Scheduled completion date
1	Community Centre	1,050,000	457,824	18,147	183,474	292,497	01-Jun-16
		1,050,000	457,824	18,147	183,474	292,497	

02) TOWN OF BLAYNEY FLOOD STUDY

Department: Infrastructure Services

Author: Director Infrastructure Services

CSP Link: 6.4 A safe community.

File No: EM.PL.2

RECOMMENDATION:

1. That
 - a. The information contained in the report on the Town of Blayney Flood Study 2015 be received.
 - b. The draft Town of Blayney Flood Study 2015 be adopted.
 - c. The Town of Blayney Flood Study 2015 be made available to the public through Council's website.
2. Council approve the next stage of the Floodplain Risk Management process which is to undertake a Floodplain Risk Management Study and to develop a Floodplain Risk Management Plan for the Town of Blayney.

Reason for Report:

In accordance with the NSW Government's Floodplain Development Manual, Council has undertaken a detailed flood Study for the Town of Blayney. The Draft Town of Blayney Flood Study Report 2015 (the Study) was placed on public exhibition from 10 March to 7 April 2015 for public comment. The purpose of this report is to provide the Council with the outcome of the public exhibition.

The report recommends that the Study be adopted, and that approval be provided to progress to the next phase of the project to develop a Floodplain Risk Management Study and Plan.

Report:

Under the NSW Government Flood Prone Land Policy, Councils are required to identify and manage flood prone areas within their Local Government Area (LGA).

The preparation of the Study has been overseen by the Blayney Shire Floodplain Risk Management Committee, and has been prepared to define the riverine flood behavior of the Belubula River and Abattoir creek, as well as the overland flood behavior in Blayney and the possible combined effects on the Town of Blayney.

At the ordinary March meeting, Council resolved:

1. *That Council*
 - a) *accept the Blayney Flood Study Report 2015*

- b) place the Blayney Flood Study Report 2015 on public exhibition seeking public comment for a period of no less than twenty eight (28) days.*

The Public Exhibition period was advised by placement of a public notice in the Blayney Chronicle, and via Councils website and other media sites.

At the closing of the Public Exhibition period on 7 April 2015, Council had received no submissions in regard to the report.

Following the closing of the Public Exhibition period the Floodplain Risk Management Committee (FRMC) were notified by email that no submissions had been received and approval was sought from FRMC for it to be presented to Council for adoption.

Upon following up with members of the Committee, Council received advice from Blayney SES, and Central Tablelands Local Land Services, of its acceptance of the report and recommend that it be put up for formal Council approval.

The NSW Floodplain Development Manual (April 2005) specifies a staged process:

1. Data collection
2. Flood Study
3. Floodplain Risk Management Study
4. Floodplain Risk Management Plan
5. Implementation of the Plan.

Council has now completed Stages 1 and 2, and upon adoption of the Flood Study Report, will commence work on Stages 3 and 4.

Conclusion

The Town of Blayney Flood Study 2015 which was exhibited for public comments from 10 March to 7 April 2015 received no (0) submissions. The Study is now ready for the consideration by Council for formal adoption.

The Town of Blayney Flood Study 2015 has been completed in accordance with the NSW Government's Floodplain Development Manual. The information presented through the Study provides the most accurate and contemporary flood information to assist Council meet its floodplain management obligations. It is recommended that the Study be adopted.

Issues:

The adoption of the 2015 Study presents Council with contemporary flood information. This information will be utilised in the preparation of a Floodplain Risk Management Study/Plan, at which time flood planning levels and associated property notations will be determined.

Floodplain Risk Management Study and Plan

The results of the Study will inform the (next stage) development of a Floodplain Risk Management Plan for the Town of Blayney floodplain; to address the existing and future flood risks.

In accordance with the NSW Government's Floodplain Development Manual, it is planned to undertake a Floodplain Risk Management Study and to develop a Floodplain Risk Management Plan. For this purpose Council has already attracted grant funding from the NSW Government under its Floodplain Management Program.

Budget Implications:

The project is funded by NSW Office of Environment and Heritage (80%) and Council (20%). Provision has been made within the Operational Plan to fund the project.

Attachments

1 Town of Blayney Flood Study 84 Pages In attachments document

03) STATE SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENT 6954 - PROPOSED SMALL STOCK ABATTOIR AND CONTINUED OPERATION OF THE BLAYNEY SEALINK COLD STORE COMPLEX - 137 NEWBRIDGE ROAD BLAYNEY

Department: Planning and Environmental Services

Author: Director Planning and Environmental Services

CSP Link: 3.4 Sustainable land use practices across the Shire.

File No: ED.PL.1

RECOMMENDATION:

1. That; in consideration of SSD 6594 being the proposed Small Stock Abattoir and continued operation of the Blayney Sealink cold store complex, Blayney Shire Council recommends that if approved by the NSW Department of Planning and Environment that appropriate conditions of consent as outlined within Councils submission are included within the Project Approval to ensure;
 - (a) Minimal environmental impact,
 - (b) Continued environmental monitoring,
 - (c) Minimal amenity impact and;
 - (d) That the proposed development contributes for the ongoing road and social infrastructure through a Voluntary Planning Agreement for the betterment of the community.
2. That Council lodge a submission pertaining to SSD 6594 to the NSW Department of Planning and Environment, based upon the issues detailed within attachment 1.

Reason for Report:

To formalise Council's position and recommendations for the conditions of consent to the NSW Department of Planning and Environment for SSD 6594 being the proposed Small Stock Abattoir and continued operation of the Blayney Sealink cold store complex at 137 Newbridge Road Blayney.

Report:

Councillors are aware that currently on public exhibition until Monday 25 May 2015 is a proposed Small Stock Abattoir at 137 Newbridge Road Blayney. The application also includes the continued operation of the existing Blayney Sealink Complex.

Issues:

The NSW Department of Planning and Environment is the consent authority for this proposed development, because it has a Capital investment Value of more than \$30 million and therefore under clause 3 of Schedule 1 of the State Environmental Planning Policy (State and Regional Development) 2011 is classed as a State Significant Development.

Council however, has specifically been invited to comment on the proposal, including advice on recommended conditions of consent.

This is a major capital project in the shire on a greenfield site, utilising technology associated with a modern abattoir facility. There is a projected 391 jobs to be created by year 3, with 165 directly onsite and an additional 226 through flow on economic impact which has a significant positive impact for the economic development of the region.

Whilst Council is supportive of this level of investment in the shire, there are a number of issues that Council requires to be considered and addressed in the assessment of the application and subsequently if approved incorporated as conditions of consent in any such approval.

The issues that Blayney Shire Council requires further consideration are detailed within the Attachment: Comments and Recommended Conditions of Consent SSD 6594, which include as summarised below;

- Clarifications
- Traffic
 - Intersection Adelaide (Mid-Western Highway) and Burns Street
 - Burns Street and Newbridge Road
 - Access into the development
- Transport
- Hours of Operation
- Q Fever
- Waste
- Environmental Monitoring
- Structures – External Façade
- Visual Amenity
 - Landscaping
 - Lighting
- Livestock Grazing
- Administrative Conditions
- Infrastructure Contributions – Voluntary Planning Agreement

The Blayney Shire Community should not be financially disadvantaged by the impacts of the proposed development; and it is therefore reasonable as per any other development approved in the shire to request that any road upgrade works are undertaken at full cost to the developer and additionally the developer contribute for the ongoing maintenance incurred by Council as a result of the continued operation of the proposed development.

Budget Implications:

Potential benefit to Council's Financial Assistance Program through negotiation of a Voluntary Planning Agreement.

Enclosures

1	Draft Comments and Recommended Conditions of Consent SSD 6594 from Blayney Shire Council	8 Pages
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Comments and Recommended Conditions of Consent SSD 6594
from Blayney Shire Council

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Clarifications

1. Council seeks confirmation regarding the definition of the proposed Small Stock Abattoir in accordance with Blayney Local Environmental Plan (BLEP) 2012.

The EIS does not specifically clarify how the Small Stock Abattoir is defined in relation to BLEP 2012. A general statement regarding uses permissible within the IN1 zone is contained on page 52 of the EIS however no specific assessment is provided indicating the Small Stock Abattoir falls within the definition of a *“livestock processing industry”*.

As per the BLEP 2012 a livestock processing industry is defined as;

livestock processing industry means a building or place used for the commercial production of products derived from the slaughter of animals (including poultry) or the processing of skins or wool of animals, derived principally from surrounding districts, and includes abattoirs, knackerries, tanneries, woolscours and rendering plants.

Note. Livestock processing industries are a type of ***rural industry***—see the definition of that term in this Dictionary.

Attention is drawn to the statement *“derived principally from surrounding districts”* within the definition and Council seeks clarification that the proposed development still falls within the definition considering most stock will be transported from Western NSW and South East Queensland.

2. Will all previous Development Consents issued by Blayney Shire Council for the existing Sealink site now be considered redundant and therefore superseded by any forthcoming Project Approval?
3. On page 13 of the EIS zone IN2 General Industrial is referenced. It may have meant to be IN1 General Industrial.
4. The concept drawings on page 27 of the EIS show that the unloading dock as not being fully enclosed. Council requires confirmation that the unloading dock will be fully enclosed including automated roller door.
5. On page 62 of the EIS under the heading *“Surrounding Industrial Sources of Airborne Pollutants”* a number of premises are listed as being within 2km of the Project Site, however it is noted the following appear to be incorrectly stated as existing industries within 2km of the Project Site;
 - a. Australian Native Landscapes - Approximately 8.5 kilometres away
 - b. Nestle Purina – Approximately 2.2 kilometres away
6. Council would like to confirm that the “yard pens” shown on page 27 of the EIS will be constructed of a concrete floor?
7. Council would like to confirm that the yards area underneath the raised yards are bunded to ensure that when these areas are cleaned that all materials are directed to the onsite waste water system and cannot leave the building.

**Comments and Recommended Conditions of Consent SSD 6594
from Blayney Shire Council**

8. Council would also like to confirm that all external hard stand areas will be graded and drained to the onsite waste water system.
9. Is there an onsite canteen proposed for the site in order to provide food options for workers?

Traffic

Intersection Adelaide (Mid-Western Highway) and Burns Streets

Council notes the commentary provided by Intersect Traffic in regard to the above mentioned intersection. It should be noted that Adelaide (Mid-Western Hwy) Street is a State Road under the control of NSW Roads and Maritime Services (RMS).

The assessment identified the intersection does not comply with the BAR/BAL requirements, and is therefore deficient. The proponent states that that RMS/Council upgrade the intersection to a BAR/BAL, by way of modified parking arrangements with associated changes to line markings.

Council advises that the proposed changes would also require the upgrading of the pavement structure to the same standard as the existing carriageway pavement. In 2008 RMS undertook the rehabilitation of the carriageway pavement to a deep lift Asphaltic Concrete (AC) pavement to cater for increased traffic loadings. This work did not extend beyond the carriageway delineation (fog line) and therefore excluded the existing parking area. The existing off carriageway parking area pavement structure is considered sub-standard for highway traffic loadings.

Recommendation 1

Council commends to Department of Planning and Environment the response provided by RMS, and that the developer be required to undertake pavement reconstruction works to the affected area of Adelaide (Mid-Western Hwy) Street and also for the full width of Burns Street for 50m from the existing holding line to provide a strengthened pavement to cater for B-Double movements at the intersection, without impacting upon the life of the pavement as a result of the increased traffic loadings. The developer should also be required to undertake all associated delineation (linemarking and signage) modifications associated with the intersection upgrade in accordance with current Austroads Guide to Road Design and RMS Standards.

The Blayney Shire Community should not be financially disadvantaged by the impacts of the proposed development, and it is therefore requested that the above mentioned upgrade works be undertaken at full cost to the developer.

Burns Street / Newbridge Road

Council notes the commentary provided by Intersect Traffic in regard the proposed transport route from the State Road network to the development access point. The proposed access point being located approximately 1.2km East of the intersection with the Mid-Western highway. Intersect Traffic, vehicle counts and network capacity assessment indicate the network is capable of servicing the proposed development, however it is noted this does not take into consideration the associated traffic loading impact on the narrow road surface and under strength pavement structure.

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Council is unaware of any pavement sampling or grading having taken place to assess the adequacy of the existing pavement, as part of the development proposal. Council considers the road pavement to be under strength, and at high risk of failure from increased traffic loadings associated with the development, due to the location traversing the floodplain.

Recommendation 2

Council recommends the developer be required to realign the Newbridge Road between Ch:320 and Ch:650, to provide a safe vertical and horizontal alignment in accordance with the Austroads Guide to Road Design, RMS Standards and the WBC Alliance Guidelines for Engineering Works.

The Blayney Shire Community should not be financially disadvantaged by the impacts of the proposed development, and it is therefore requested that the above mentioned upgrade works be undertaken at full cost to the developer.

Access into the development

Council notes the commentary provided by Intersect Traffic in regard the proposed site access off Newbridge Road into the development site. The proposed access point being located approximately 220m West of the existing Sealink access point. Council supports and recommends the construction of a BAR/BAL intersection at the new site access point, in accordance with Austroads Guide to Road Design, RMS Standards and the WBC Alliance Guidelines for Engineering Works.

Recommendation 3

Council requests that the widened shoulders in the intersection be designed with a suitable pavement in accordance with Austroads Pavement Design Guide, RMS Standards and the WBC Alliance Guidelines for Engineering Works.

The Blayney Shire Community should not be financially disadvantaged by the impacts of the proposed development, and it is therefore requested that the above mentioned upgrade works be undertaken at full cost to the developer.

Transport

Council notes the proposed development is to be supplied by goats sourced from New South Wales and Queensland.

Council is concerned about the potential risks to the community and vehicular traffic resulting from the uncontrolled discharge of wastewater from transport vehicles delivering animals to site.

The uncontrolled discharge of waste may provide for the biological transfer of pathogens including *Coxellia Burnetti*, the causative agent of Q-Fever, into the community when transporting livestock through built up communities, including Millthorpe and Blayney.

The uncontrolled discharge of waste onto the road surface has the potential to cause vehicles to skid and lose control under the right conditions, presenting a risk to road safety.

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In accordance with Chain of Responsibility legislation, all parties in the road transport supply chain have specific obligations under the law to prevent a breach and requires every responsible person in the supply chain to take positive steps to prevent mass, load restraint, dimension, and fatigue and speed offences.

Council requests that the developer be required to ensure that the preparation of livestock at the loading point is undertaken in an appropriate manner and records maintained to ensure Chain of Responsibility compliance. All transport vehicles should be equipped with on board waste capture facilities to reduce the risk of effluent discharge onto the roadway.

Recommendation 4

Council requests that if the proposed development is approved a Transportation Safety Management Procedure (TSMP) is developed and required as a condition of Development Consent. Requiring this as a condition will ensure onus is upon those with the benefit of the Development Consent to ensure that the TSMP is adhered to through chain of responsibility.

The TSMP should cover amongst other matters;

- Procedures and requirements for resting of animals to allow them to "empty out" to reduce urination and defecation during transport,
- That only transport vehicles equipped with on board waste capture facilities are engaged for livestock transportation,
- That all transport vehicles must empty their on board waste capture facilities into the sites waste water system prior to wash down (note a dump point/s should be located in the unloading bay for this to happen),
- That all transport vehicles must be fully washed down prior to leaving site,
- That loaded transport vehicles are not to park, wait or rest within any road or street within any populated area,
- Appropriate times for delivery of stock,
- That most transport movements will intend not to transport through the townships of Millthorpe and Blayney between the times of; 8am to 9:30am and 2:30pm to 4.00pm.

Council would like confirmation that the lights from livestock vehicles when delivering in darkness will not be seen and/or impact on residents of Blayney as they attempt to manoeuvre into the unloading dock.

Recommendation 5

Council requests that screening is put in place to prevent light impacts from trucks manoeuvring to reverse into the unloading dock during darkness.

Hours of Operation

Council notes that the EIS details *"the abattoir will operate 24 hours a day, seven days per week. However activities during the hours of 11pm to 6am will generally be limited to stock delivery and operation of the wastewater treatment plant"*.

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Recommendation 6

Council requests that the department's standard condition B43 - Hours of Operation is included as a condition of development consent, with the following specifications;

- Not allowing slaughtering to take place on; Saturday, Sunday and Public holidays.
- No deliveries of livestock between 5pm Friday and 9pm on a Sunday.

This is considered appropriate for animal welfare in particular that livestock are not housed within the storage yards of the abattoir over the weekend for an extended period of time.

Council would like to ensure that livestock trucks are not impacting upon the public amenity of Millthorpe and Blayney over the weekends as both towns contain a significant number; heritage items, cafes, shops, churches, businesses and markets in which high volumes of people patronise and significantly contribute to the business and tourism economy of the region.

Council believes it would be in the public interest to minimise livestock transportation through these precincts over the weekends as it is in the public's interest to ensure these industries continue to prosper.

Q Fever

Council acknowledges that goats are not the only source of contracting Q Fever, however it still remains of concern to the community and to Council.

Recommendation 7

Council requests that the department's standard condition B13 Disease Management requiring an Emergency Disposal and Bio-security Protocol is placed as a condition of consent. In addition Council specifically requests that the Protocol ensure; a vaccination program of all potential workers (and other potentially exposed workers such as drivers), an education program for potential exposed workers to identify symptoms and most importantly processes requiring reporting of any cases of Q Fever.

Waste

Recommendation 8

Council requests that a condition of consent is included ensuring that all waste required to leave the site is transported in fully enclosed containers and/or vehicles to an approved and if required licensed facility.

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Environmental Monitoring

Council would like to ensure the environmental predictions and modelling stated within the EIS are in fact the levels upon commencement of operation.

Recommendation 9

Council requests that the predications within the EIS are ratified immediately upon commencement of operations. In this regard Council feels that the department's standard condition C10 Independent Environmental Audit, could be tightened to require environmental monitoring in particular for noise and odour monitoring take place immediately upon the commencement of operations and at a regular future intervals. The results of the monitoring should be made available to the public and displayed upon the proponent's website and made available to the appropriate authorities including Council.

Structures - External Facade

Council notes on page 144 of the EIS implies that non reflective materials should be used for all new project structures.

Recommendation 10

Council requests a condition of consent requesting that all external cladding of all structures (including all external pipe and duct work) for the proposed development are finished in a natural toned palette similar to the existing Sealink Administration building.

The roofing material should also be a factory pre coloured material such as Colorbond Windspray as a mid-range grey with low reflectivity and capacity to blend into the setting.

Recommendation 11

Council requests that a condition of consent is placed ensuring that all associated materials and products with the development must be stored within the confines of the building. No materials are permitted to be stored on the outside the confines building.

Visual Amenity

Landscaping

The landscaping plan on page 116 of the EIS does not appear to identify landscaping to screen the entire western façade of the proposed abattoir.

Recommendation 12

Council requests that landscaping is incorporated to screen the western façade of the proposed abattoir.

There are several previous Development Consents for the existing Sealink freezer and administration complex which contain various conditions for landscaping. Council in the past has had difficulty in ensuring compliance with landscaping conditions of consent for the existing Sealink facility.

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Recommendation 13

Council requests that a Landscape Management Strategy for the entire site is required as a condition of consent within any Project Approval in order to consolidate all landscaping (including previous development consents) for the entire site into one strategy.

The strategy would be required to be to the satisfaction of Council and DoPE. The strategy does not necessarily need to be submitted and approved prior to works commencing, however the approved strategy would need to be implemented prior to operations commencing. The plan could cover amongst other matters;

- Detailing exact locations of proposed landscaping for the entire site (including requested landscaping of the western façade of the building),
- Confirming exact tree species to be planted (Landscaping should include a mix of tree and shrub species and grow to a mature height of 12m to 15m),
- Confirmation of the size of landscaping plants to be planted (at least semi mature and not seedlings),
- Confirming when the trees are to be planted,
- Detailing a commitment of regular maintenance schedule proposed to ensure the continued growth of the landscaping in a cold climate to a mature height,
- Details of how and when replacement planting (if required) will take place,
- A requirement to provide an annual audit report of the Landscape Management Strategy for a minimum 5 year period are commencement of operations to Council until the landscaping is established to ensure that the strategy is being complied with.

Lighting

Council notes on page 115 of the EIS details lighting impacts, in particular *"lighting installations will tend to be contained by tree cover for the majority of receptor locations"*. In this regard it is noted landscaping may take some time to establish and therefore contain the lighting.

Recommendation 14

Council requests that the department's standard condition B47 –External Lighting is included as a condition of development consent; specifically requesting that all external lighting is mounted, screened and directed in such a manner to not create a nuisance, without reliance upon mature landscaping to ensure no nuisance is created.

Livestock Grazing

Recommendation 15

Council requests that it is confirmed within a condition of Development Consent that the premise subject to any Project Approval or any property in the vicinity of the premise are not to be stocked with livestock intended to be processed at the abattoir. This is to ensure that onerous amounts livestock intended to be processed are not stored in or around the abattoir impacting upon the amenity of the area, for livestock wellbeing and protect the natural environment.

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Administrative Conditions

Recommendation 16

That a Construction Certificate is obtained for; the buildings, structures and new access on Newbridge Road in accordance with section 81A(5) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.

Recommendation 17

That approval for all associated drainage works for the development is obtained from Blayney Shire Council prior to works commencing on site in accordance with section 68 of the Local Government Act 1993.

Infrastructure Contributions – Voluntary Planning Agreement

Council will need to ensure that the proposed development adequately contributes for the ongoing impacts of the proposed development.

Council desires to enter into a Voluntary Planning Agreement in accordance with section 93F of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 for the proposed development to ensure adequate contributions are made for the proposed development for; Road Maintenance Contributions and Community Grants and Facilities Funding.

Council is proposing the following as annual contributions over two payments, as follows;

Road Maintenance Contributions	\$20,000
Community Grants and Facilities funding	\$20,000
TOTAL CONTRIBUTION (per annum) + CPI	\$40,000

The Community Grants and Facilities funding would be administered by Council's Financial Assistance Committee to assess community projects put forward by local sporting associations, environmental groups, not for profit organisations, Council or other agencies.

Metziya Pty Ltd would be offered a position upon the Financial Assistance Committee to have input into determining which projects are successful in obtaining funding.

Recommendation 18

Council requests a condition of consent requiring the proponent enter into Voluntary Planning Agreement with Blayney Shire Council within 12 months of the date of the approval and prior to the commencement of operations to provide contributions for;

- Roads Maintenance Contribution, and
- General community enhancement to address social amenity and community infrastructure requirements arising from the project.