



15 February 2024

Dear Councillor,

Your attendance is requested at an Ordinary Council Meeting of the Blayney Shire Council to be held in the Chambers, Blayney Shire Community Centre on Tuesday, 20 February 2024 at 6.00pm for consideration of the following business -

- (1) Livestreaming Video and Audio Check
- (2) Acknowledgement of Country
- (3) Recording of Meeting Statement
- (4) Apologies for non-attendance
- (5) Disclosures of Interest
- (6) Public Forum
- (7) Mayoral Minute
- (8) Notices of Motion
- (9) Confirmation of Minutes - Ordinary Council Meeting held on 23.01.24
- (10) Matters arising from Minutes
- (11) Reports of Staff
 - (a) Executive Services
 - (b) Corporate Services
 - (c) Infrastructure Services
 - (d) Planning and Environmental Services
- (12) Delegates Reports
- (13) Closed Meeting

Mark Dicker
General Manager

Meeting Calendar 2024

February

<u>Time</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Meeting</u>	<u>Location</u>
5.45pm	20 February 2024	Citizenship Ceremony	Community Centre
6.00pm	20 February 2024	Council Meeting	Community Centre
10.00am	21 February 2024	Central Tablelands Water Meeting	Blayney
10.00am	29 February 2024	Central NSW Joint Organisation Board Meeting	Lachlan Shire

March

<u>Time</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Meeting</u>	<u>Location</u>
6.00pm	19 March 2024	Council Meeting	Community Centre
8.30am	22 March 2024	Country Mayors Meeting	Sydney

April

<u>Time</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Meeting</u>	<u>Location</u>
10.00am	5 April 2024	Traffic Committee Meeting	Community Centre
6.00pm	16 April 2024	Council Meeting	Community Centre

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HELD ON TUESDAY 20 FEBRUARY 2024

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01) SKILLSET

Department: Executive Services

Author: Councillor Ferguson

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

File No: GO.ME.1

Recommendation:

That Council;

1. Acknowledge and thank Mr. Ian Tooke for his extended contribution to the Skillset Ltd Board as Council Delegate since 2014,
2. Acknowledge and congratulate Cr Pryse Jones on being appointed to the Skillset Ltd Board.

Report:

Ian Tooke was appointed as Council's Delegate to the Skillset Board following the October 2014 Council Meeting. That same week Ian was nominated and approved as a Zone Representative for the Australian Men's Shed Association as well as his other commitments with the Blayney Rotary Club.

While juggling several hats, Ian has been a wonderful asset on the Skillset Board for the past 10 years. Council wishes to express their appreciation and thanks to Ian.

At the Skillset Ltd Board Annual General Meeting held on 24 November 2023, Cr Pryse Jones was appointed to fill one of seven vacancies on the Skillset Board.

Excitingly this is the commencement of a new era for Skillset as it transitions to a skills-based Board. Council would like to acknowledge and congratulate Cr Pryse Jones on being appointed to the Skillset Board.

Enclosures (following report)

Nil

Attachments (separate document)

Nil

02) **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING HELD 23 JANUARY 2024**

Department: Executive Services

Author: General Manager

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

File No: GO.ME.3

Recommendation:

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 23 January 2024, being minute numbers 2401/001 to 2401/012 be confirmed.

MINUTES OF THE BLAYNEY SHIRE COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING HELD IN THE CHAMBERS, BLAYNEY SHIRE COUNCIL COMMUNITY CENTRE, ON 23 JANUARY 2024, COMMENCING AT 6.00PM

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

General Manager (Mr M Dicker), Director Corporate Services (Mr A Franze), Director Infrastructure Services (Mr J Hogan), Director Planning & Environmental Services (Mr A Muir) and Executive Assistant to the General Manager (Mrs L Ferson)

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

RECORDING OF MEETING STATEMENT

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

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

Councillor /Staff	Interest	Item	Pg	Report	Reason
Anton Franze	Pecuniary	8	38	Lease to Blayney Meals on Wheels	Anton is on the committee and volunteer treasurer of the Blayney Meals on Wheels
Mark Dicker	Pecuniary	11	47	Contract 8/2023 – Reconstruction of Forest Reefs Road – Tallwood Road Intersection – Negotiation Contract	JN Excavations Pty Ltd has been engaged by the General Manager (and his wife) to undertake civil works at their private residence.

PUBLIC FORUM

Peter Ogilvie – Item 4 – Special Rate Variation

Paul Knight – Item 4 – Special Rate Variation

Dominic Burden from NSW Farmers Blayney Branch – Item 4 – Special Rate Variation

John Collins – Item 4 – Special Rate Variation

Natasha Phillips-Mason – Item 4 – Special Rate Variation

MAYORAL MINUTE

MAYORAL MINUTE - MINUTE' SILENCE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE PASSING OF NEIL MANSON, TED PROSPER AND TOM WILLIAMS

Councillors held a minute's silence to acknowledge the passing of former Councillor Neil Manson. Neil served the community as a Councillor from 1991 to 2008.

The Mayor also acknowledged the passing of Ted Prosper and Tom Williams who have both contributed significantly to the Blayney Shire community.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING HELD 13 DECEMBER 2023

2401/001

RESOLVED:

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 13 December 2023, being minute numbers 2312/001 to 2312/016 be confirmed.

(Gosewisch/Newstead)
CARRIED

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Cr Somerville asked if the ICAC Report – Operation Galley - which formed part of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee resolution, had been circulated to Councillors.

General Manager confirmed staff would check and ensure this is circulated to Councillors.

EXECUTIVE SERVICES REPORTS**QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE AT THE PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING****2401/002****RESOLVED:**

That the question taken on notice at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 13 December 2023 and the subsequent response be received and noted.

(Reynolds/Pryse Jones)

CARRIED

SPECIAL RATE VARIATION**2401/003****RESOLVED:**

That Council:

1. Note the feedback received in the 28 submissions from the community engagement process relating to the updated Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP) and the proposed Special Rate Variation (SRV), appended at *Attachment 2*.
2. Note the Community Awareness and Engagement Report on the proposed Special Rate Variation, appended at *Attachment 3*.
3. Having considered the issues raised in the community engagement process, proceed to make application to the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART), under section 508(A) of the Local Government Act 1993 for increases to the ordinary rate income of:
 - i. 10% in 2024/25 (including the rate peg),
 - ii. 10% in 2025/26 (including the rate peg),
 - iii. 10% in 2026/27 (including the rate peg).Representing a total cumulative increase of 33.1% over the three-year period, with that increase to be a permanent increase retained within the rate base.
4. Include the 28 submissions received during the community engagement process relating to the proposed SRV, referred to in Item 1, as part of the application(s) to IPART referred to in Item 3 above.
5. Adopt the updated 2024/25 – 2033/34 Long-Term Financial Plan (LTFP), Scenario four – Sustainability three-year SV option, as part of the Updated Resourcing Strategy, appended at *Attachment 4*.
6. Adopt the revised 2023/24 to 2026/27 Delivery Program and 2023/24 Operating Plan (DP/OP), appended at *Attachment 5*.
7. Adopt the revised: Strategic Asset Management Plan, Transport Asset Management Plan and Buildings Asset Management Plan, appended at *Attachments; 6, 7 and 8*.
8. Adopt the: Capacity to Pay Report and Organisational Sustainability Review and Improvement Plan, appended at *Attachments; 9 and 10*.

(Reynolds/Somervaille)

CARRIED

CORPORATE SERVICES REPORTS

REPORT OF COUNCIL INVESTMENTS AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023

2401/004

RESOLVED:

That Council;

1. Note the report indicating Council's investment position as at 31 December 2023.
2. Note the certification of the Responsible Accounting Officer.
(Newstead/Somervaille)

CARRIED

QUARTERLY REPORT ON SOLAR ANALYTICS

2401/005

RESOLVED:

That Council note the Solar Analytics report for the quarter ending 31 December 2023.

(Gosewisch/Somervaille)

CARRIED

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY QUARTERLY REPORT

2401/006

RESOLVED:

That Council note the Information Technology report for the quarter to 31 December 2023.

(Pryse Jones/Newstead)

CARRIED

Director Corporate Services, Anton Franze, having declared an interest, left the meeting.

LEASE TO BLAYNEY MEALS ON WHEELS

2401/007

RESOLVED:

1. That the report on the lease of 39 Church Street, Blayney (Lot 23 Section 14 DP 758121) be noted.
2. That Council endorse execution of lease for 39 Church Street, Blayney (Lot 23 Section 14 DP 758121) to Blayney Volunteer Meals On Wheels Association Inc. by the Mayor and General Manager.

(Ewin/Gosewisch)

CARRIED

Anton Franze returned to the meeting.

INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES REPORTS**MINUTES OF THE TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 8 DECEMBER 2023****2401/008****RESOLVED:**

That Council;

1. Receive and note the minutes of the Blayney Traffic Committee Meeting, held on Tuesday 8 December 2023.
2. Endorse the Traffic Guidance Scheme for the annual Blayney Show, to be staged on 2 March 2024 on Blayney Showground, Marshalls Lane, as a Class 3 event, subject to the conditions detailed in the Director Infrastructure Services' Report.
3. At the intersection of Glengate Road and Vittoria Road;
 - a) Place a W2-4(R) - Side Road Intersection on Straight (Right Symbolic) sign on the west side of the intersection on Vittoria Rd for traffic going eastbound.
 - b) Place a W8-2 85 km/h Advisory Speed sign with a W1-3(L) - Curve (Left symbolic) sign on top on the west side of the intersection on Vittoria Rd for traffic going eastbound.
4. At the intersection of Millthorpe Road and Glenorie Road;
 - a) Provide Millthorpe Road Traffic data to NSW Police
 - b) Perform vegetation management on Millthorpe Road immediately north of the Glenorie Road intersection.
5. Install R5-400n signage to either side of the intersection of Gold St and Unnamed Road near Mandurama Hall.
6. Install R5-20 (L) & (R) signage at the appropriate ends of the bus stop opposite Millthorpe Public School.
7. Note the tentative Blayney Shire Council Traffic Committee dates for 2024.

(Newstead/Gosewisch)

CARRIED**PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORTS****PROPOSED VOLUNTARY PLANNING AGREEMENT - DA146/2021 SUBDIVISION OF THE LAND INTO 56 LOTS (52 URBAN RESIDENTIAL LOTS) – 1279 MILLTHORPE ROAD MILLTHORPE****2401/009****RESOLVED:**

That Council

1. Give public notice of the proposed Voluntary Planning Agreement relating to the dedication of drainage and open space lands associated with DA146/2021 – Subdivision of Land into 56 lots (52 Urban Residential Lots) – 1279 Millthorpe Road, Millthorpe.
2. Give public notice of its intention to classify proposed lot 231 as Operational land and proposed lot 323 as Community land.

3. If a submission is received on either the proposed Voluntary Planning Agreement or classification of land a further reported be presented to Council.
4. Should no submissions be received in relation to the Voluntary Planning Agreement, the General Manager be delegated authority to enter into and execute the agreement.
5. Should no submissions be received in relation to the classification of lands then proposed lot 231 be classified as Operational land and proposed lot 323 as Community land.
(Newstead/Reynolds)

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

FOR	AGAINST	
Councillor Ewin		
Councillor Ferguson		
Councillor Somervaille		
Councillor Reynolds		
Councillor Newstead		
Councillor Pryse Jones		
Councillor Gosewisch		
Total (7)	Total (0)	CARRIED

CLOSED MEETING

2401/010 RESOLVED:
That the meeting now be closed to the public in accordance with Section 10A of the Local Government Act, 1993 for consideration of the following matter:

CONTRACT 8/2023 - RECONSTRUCTION OF FOREST REEFS ROAD-TALLWOOD ROAD INTERSECTION - NEGOTIATION CONTRACT

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2) (di) of the Local Government Act, as it deals with commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

(Somervaille/Ewin)

CARRIED

General Manager, Mark Dicker, having declared an interest left the meeting.

Council's Manager Operations, Joel Cummings, joined the meeting for discussion of this item.

CONFIDENTIAL MEETING REPORTS**CONTRACT 8/2023 - RECONSTRUCTION OF FOREST REEFS
ROAD-TALLWOOD ROAD INTERSECTION - NEGOTIATION****CONTRACT****2401/011****RESOLVED:**

That Council;

1. Accept the final tender from JN Excavations Pty Ltd for the Reconstruction of Forest Reefs Road/Tallwood Road Intersection (Contract 08/2023) for the value \$1,257,750.47 (\$1,143,409.52 GST exclusive) including provisional items, subject to variations.
 2. Approve the supplementary vote of expenditure of \$795,315 from the following sources; (for a total project allocation of \$1,355,998)
 - i) Resources for Regions R4R9 - Tallwood: \$150,000
 - ii) Mining SV cash restriction: \$64,412
 - iii) Cadia VPA cash restriction: \$378,485
 - iv) Regional Emergency Road Repair Fund: \$202,418
- (Reynolds/Ewin)
CARRIED

2401/012**RESOLVED:**

That as consideration of the matters referred to in the closed meeting has been concluded, the meeting now be opened to the public.

(Newstead/Gosewisch)
CARRIED

Mark Dicker returned to the meeting.

**AT THE RE-OPENING OF THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC, THE MAYOR
ANNOUNCED THE OUTCOME OF RESOLUTION NUMBER 2401/011.**

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 8.31pm

The Minute Numbers 2401/001 to 2401/012 were confirmed on 20 February 2024 and are a full and accurate record of proceedings of the Ordinary Meeting held on 23 January 2024.

Cr S Ferguson
MAYOR

Mr M Dicker
GENERAL MANAGER

03) QUARTERLY OUTSTANDING RESOLUTION REPORT

Department: Executive Services

Author: General Manager

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

File No: GO.ME.1

Recommendation:

That Council note the Outstanding Resolution Report to January 2024.

Reason for Report:

The General Manager is responsible for ensuring that Council's policies, decisions and priorities are implemented in a timely and efficient manner, consistent with the goals and objectives of Council.

After a Council meeting, each resolution is allocated to the responsible officer to action in accordance with the intent of the Council decision.

Council have requested an Outstanding Resolution Report on a quarterly basis.

Report:

This Council Outstanding Resolution Report includes Council Resolutions up to and including the previous Council Meeting.

There are 16 resolutions in the report, 8 of which are in progress and yet to be completed, 8 are proposed to be removed. An update is provided in the comments section from the relevant responsible officer.

It should be noted that;

- Road related land matters, are captured and transferred to a land register, and
- Traffic Committee matters are captured and transferred to a traffic register.

There are currently;

- 19 resolutions outstanding on the land register (which is available on the Councillor portal); and
- 7 resolutions outstanding on the traffic register.

Date of Meeting	Res. No	Resolution	Owner	Comments
19-Apr-21	2104/013	Change of Tenure - Crown Land Cemeteries RESOLVED That Council seek approval from Department Planning, Industry and Environment – Crown Lands for amendment of the management structure of Crown Land cemeteries located at Carcoar, Lyndhurst, Neville and Newbridge from 'Devolved to Council' to 'Crown Land Manager'.	DCS	Notification and Appointment Instrument received appointing Council as Reserve Manager of Cemetery Crown Reserves as requested. No further action required. For deletion.
15-Nov-21	2111/007	Blayney Medium Scale Solar Array Project RESOLVED That Council; 1. Endorse the Blayney Medium Scale Solar Array project Business Case and refer to the new Council for consideration following receipt of a Peer Review of the Business Case, finalisation of the Capital Expenditure Review and assessment of financial implications. 2. Approve the General Manager progressing discussion with another Council(s) for a potential joint arrangement for the project. 3. Approve a supplementary vote of \$40k from the Property Account, to engage a consultant to prepare documentation required for the Development Application and fees associated with lodgement of the Development Application.	GM	Project options being reviewed.

Date of Meeting	Res. No	Resolution	Owner	Comments
19-Apr-22	2204/004	<p>Committees of Council RESOLVED</p> <p>4. That Council staff conduct an annual onsite inspection of the Shire's Cemeteries with Councillors inviting stakeholders, Blayney Family History Group, Village/Progress Association representatives and community members.</p> <p>5. That the Tourism, Towns and Villages Committee not continue in its current format, and Council utilise alternative localised attendance of the Mayor, Councillors and staff, engagement with Orange360 and ongoing communication and involvement supporting Village/Progress Associations and Hall Committees to progress the individual Town and Village Community Plans. A report comes back to Council on the best options to connect with each of the villages and Blayney Township.</p>	GM	<p>Direction is sought from Council whether the inspection would be more beneficial to the new Council, post September 2024 elections.</p> <p>Council undertook significant engagement to each village for the proposed SRV. Council will be seeking to visit each Village over the next 12 months.</p> <p>Propose to remove this resolution from report.</p>

Date of Meeting	Res. No	Resolution	Owner	Comments
19-Dec-22	2212/017	<p>Planning Proposal to Amend Blayney Local Environmental Plan 2012 – RU2 Rural Landscape to R2 Low Density Residential – 34 Charles Street, Blayney</p> <p>RESOLVED</p> <p>That Council:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Submit the Planning Proposal to the Minister for Planning in accordance with Section 3.34(1) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, requesting a Gateway Determination, pursuant to Section 3.34(2) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. 2. Request delegation to finalise and make the draft Local Environmental Plan, pursuant to Section 3.36 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. 3. Prepare and exhibit an amendment to the Blayney Shire Development Control Plan 2018 to include development controls relating to the subject property in accordance with the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. 4. Require, prior to submitting the Planning Proposal for Gateway Determination, that the landowner be advised and agree to paying all reasonable costs involved for Council to amend the Blayney Shire Development Control Plan 2018. 	DPES	Applicant has been advised that they have until 31 March 2024 to provide the flood study required by DPE or withdraw the Planning Proposal.

Date of Meeting	Res. No	Resolution	Owner	Comments
16-May-23	2305/012	<p>Planning Proposal to Amend the Blayney Local Environmental Plan 2012 – Clarke Street Reclassification RESOLVED</p> <p>That Council:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Endorses the draft Planning Proposal for submission to the Minister for Planning in accordance with Section 3.34(1) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979, requesting a Gateway Determination, pursuant to Section 3.34(2) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. Request delegation to finalise and make the draft Local Environmental Plan, pursuant to Section 3.36 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. 	MDA	The Public Hearing will likely take place in late February 2024 (date to be confirmed).
18-Jul-23	2307/012	<p>Road Name - 61 Forest Reefs Road (Glenorie Road) Millthorpe Subdivision RESOLVED</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> That Council through engagement with the community seek to expand, diversify and update the preapproved names list in Appendix A of the Road, Pathway and Bridge Naming Policy (25F). 	MI	<p>Blayney Family History Group have been contacted and forwarded the Millthorpe suggested list.</p> <p>A shire wide EOI is proposed seeking names to be put forward for review.</p>

Date of Meeting	Res. No	Resolution	Owner	Comments
19-Sep-23	2309/012	<p>Minutes of the Disability Inclusion Working Group Meeting held 21 August 2023</p> <p>RESOLVED</p> <p>That Council,</p> <p>2. Undertake a review of the Access Incentive Scheme to determine if it can be modified to achieve a greater uptake of applications.</p> <p>3. Target disability enterprises within the Central West area and invite them to pre-qualify for Council Goods and Services.</p> <p>4. Provide further information to enable the opportunity for the Disability Inclusion Working Group to provide input and commentary on the following projects;</p> <p>a) Unwin and Stabback Street urban stormwater project</p> <p>b) Millthorpe Masterplan</p> <p>c) Blayney Masterplan</p> <p>d) Newbridge footpath project</p> <p>e) All Blayney footpath projects</p>	DCS	<p>Consideration given to the scope and intent of the Access Incentive Scheme with the possibility of funding works other than professional advice from an Access Consultant.</p> <p>There are potentially significant risks to Council of allowing works or insitu solutions without a report from a suitably qualified person demonstrating compliance. Public liability risks are also apparent in allowing works on footpaths. Changes to the scheme not recommended.</p> <p>Engagement of Disability Enterprises is in progress.</p> <p>Unwin and Stabback Street' projects are stormwater projects in progress and not considered to require input from DIWG.</p> <p>Engagement on other "new" projects will occur as required.</p> <p>For deletion.</p>

Date of Meeting	Res. No	Resolution	Owner	Comments
17-Oct-23	2310/008	Redmond Oval Licence: Department Of Education (DA63/2021) RESOLVED That Council: 1. Acting in its capacity as Crown Reserve Manager, consent to a licence being issued to Minister for Education and Early Learning for a period of one (1) year for part of Crown Reserve R29953 (part Lot 235 DP 750384) known as Unnamed Reserve (Redmond Oval). 2. Acting in its capacity as Crown Reserve Manager, apply a licence fee of \$579 (including GST) per annum being the statutory minimum rental prescribed. 3. Endorse the General Manager to finalise the Licence agreement terms with the Minister for Education and Early Learning. 4. Authorise the Mayor and General Manager to sign and execute the Licence and affix the Council Seal if required.	DCS	Licence finalised and executed by both parties. For deletion.
21-Nov-23	2311/005	Sidetrack Arts Incorporated Sub Licence Agreement and MOU RESOLVED That Council; 1. Delegate authority to the General Manager to finalise the Licence agreement with Transport Asset Holding Entity and correlating Sub-Licence agreement with Sidetrack Arts Incorporated for the Blayney Railway Station 'Platform' space for a period of 3 years followed by a rolling month-to-month lease.	MTC	Council is awaiting a response from Transport Asset Holding Entity (TAHE).

Date of Meeting	Res. No	Resolution	Owner	Comments
21-Nov-23	2311/011	Cabonne After School Care RESOLVED That Council defer this item.	DCS	For consideration with preparation of the 2024/25 Operational Plan.
13-Dec-23	2312/004	Amendment to Investment Policy RESOLVED That Council 1. Endorse the Investment policy, as amended, for public exhibition for a period of not less than 42 days. 2. Submit written notice of the proposed amendment and a copy of the draft Investment Policy to TCorp, pursuant to the conditions of borrowing with TCorp, and that adoption be subject to their acknowledgement. 3. Should no submissions be received during the public exhibition period the Investment Policy be adopted and included in Council's policy register.	DCS	Policy exhibited. NSW TCorp engaged and acknowledged receipt. No submissions. Policy register and website updated. For deletion.

Date of Meeting	Res. No	Resolution	Owner	Comments
13-Dec-23	2312/005	<p>Minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Meeting held 22 November 2023</p> <p>RESOLVED That Council;</p> <p>2. Commence its transition to the new framework upon the legislative approval of the Risk Management and Internal Audit Guidelines for local government in NSW.</p> <p>3. Share recommendations of the ICAC Report: <i>Operation Galley – Investigation into the conduct of three former councillors of former Hurstville City Council, now part of Georges River Council, and others</i> with the elected body and Council undertake an assessment of those that can be embraced.</p> <p>4. Note that the NSW Office of Local Government is currently reviewing the councillor misconduct framework, following an independent review by Mr Gary Kellar PSM.</p>	DCS	<p>Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee engaged and planning commenced on implementation of the new framework.</p> <p>ICAC Report: Operation Galley recommendations distributed to Councillors and assessment proposed at a future Councillor Workshop.</p> <p>For deletion.</p>
13-Dec-23	2312/007	<p>Minutes of the Disability Inclusion Working Group Meeting held 16 November 2023</p> <p>RESOLVED That Council;</p> <p>4. Explore alternative options for shelter of accessible seating at King George Oval e.g. perspex.</p>	DCS	<p>Not recommended to proceed with a shelter.</p> <p>Current scope and budget do not include any provision for any type of shelter.</p> <p>For deletion.</p>

Date of Meeting	Res. No	Resolution	Owner	Comments
23-Jan-24	2401/003	<p>Special Rate Variation RESOLVED That Council:</p> <p>3. Having considered the issues raised in the community engagement process, proceed to make application to the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART), under section 508(A) of the Local Government Act 1993 for increases to the ordinary rate income of:</p> <p>i. 10% in 2024/25 (including the rate peg), ii. 10% in 2025/26 (including the rate peg), iii. 10% in 2026/27 (including the rate peg).</p> <p>Representing a total cumulative increase of 33.1% over the three-year period, with that increase to be a permanent increase retained within the rate base.</p> <p>4. Include the 28 submissions received during the community engagement process relating to the proposed SRV, referred to in Item 1, as part of the application(s) to IPART referred to in Item 3 above.</p>	GM	<p>Completed. Application lodged on 2 February 2024.</p> <p>For deletion.</p>
23-Jan-24	2401/007	<p>Lease to Blayney Meals on Wheels RESOLVED</p> <p>2. That Council endorse execution of lease for 39 Church Street, Blayney (Lot 23 Section 14 DP 758121) to Blayney Volunteer Meals On Wheels Association Inc. by the Mayor and General Manager.</p>	CFO	<p>Letter and executed lease sent. Awaiting execution and return by Blayney Meals on Wheels.</p>

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23-Jan-24	2401/009	<p>Proposed Voluntary Planning Agreement - DA146/2021 Subdivision of the Land into 56 lots (52 urban residential lots) – 1279 Millthorpe Road Millthorpe</p> <p>RESOLVED</p> <p>That Council</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Give public notice of the proposed Voluntary Planning Agreement relating to the dedication of drainage and open space lands associated with DA146/2021 – Subdivision of Land into 56 lots (52 Urban Residential Lots) – 1279 Millthorpe Road, Millthorpe. 2. Give public notice of its intention to classify proposed lot 231 as Operational land and proposed lot 323 as Community land. 3. If a submission is received on either the proposed Voluntary Planning Agreement or classification of land a further reported be presented to Council. 4. Should no submissions be received in relation to the Voluntary Planning Agreement, the General Manager be delegated authority to enter into and execute the agreement. 5. Should no submissions be received in relation to the classification of lands then proposed lot 231 be classified as Operational land and proposed lot 323 as Community land. 	DPES	Both VPA and proposed land classification are on public exhibition until 1 March 2024

Risk/Policy/Legislation Considerations:

Nil.

Budget Implications:

Nil.

Enclosures (following report)

Nil

Attachments (separate document)

Nil

04) RISK, WORK HEALTH AND SAFETY QUARTERLY REPORT

Department: Executive Services

Author: WHS and Risk Coordinator

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

File No: GO.ME.1

Recommendation:

That Council note the Risk, Work Health, and Safety Report for the quarter to 31 December 2023.

Reason for Report:

To update Council on Risk, Work Health and Safety activities and performance for the period of 1 October 2023 to 31 December 2023.

Report:

StateWide Mutual

Continuous Improvement Workbooks

The 2023 Continuous Improvement program provides Council with tools which can continually review and monitor to improve risk management that assists with defending claims.

The 2023 workbook results have been received, topics were: Business Continuity, Building Assets and Playgrounds. The responsible managers will be liaised with to complete actions by the scheduled due dates.

2024 CIP workbook topics for review will be Swimming Pools and Footpaths.

Board Initiative

Statewide 2023 board initiative, Business Continuity, was held on 14 November 2023. In attendance were the Incident Response Team.

The scenario exercise was a severe lightning storm resulting in a building fire. Working through the scenario some challenges were observed. The exercise identified a number of improvements that can be implemented, including:

- more detailed responsibilities for the Incident Response Team.
- Updating of contact lists.
- Inclusion of a meeting agenda template.
- Inclusion of critical functions such as payroll.

These improvements from the exercise will be incorporated into Council's Business Continuity Procedure.

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WHS Self-Audit

Council's chosen priority items from the 2023 WHS Self-Audit are on track to be completed July 2024, they are Musculoskeletal risks & Plant & Equipment & Hazardous Noise.

Council received the 2023/2024 Safety and Wellbeing incentive rebate of \$22,237.18 to be used to support the WHS Wellbeing Program and safety initiatives for 2024.

Oil Contamination update

On 4 July 2023 Council was notified of an oil spill at Charles Street, Blayney. Council have submitted clean-up costs to its Insurer and is awaiting on a decision on acceptance of claim and reimbursement of costs.

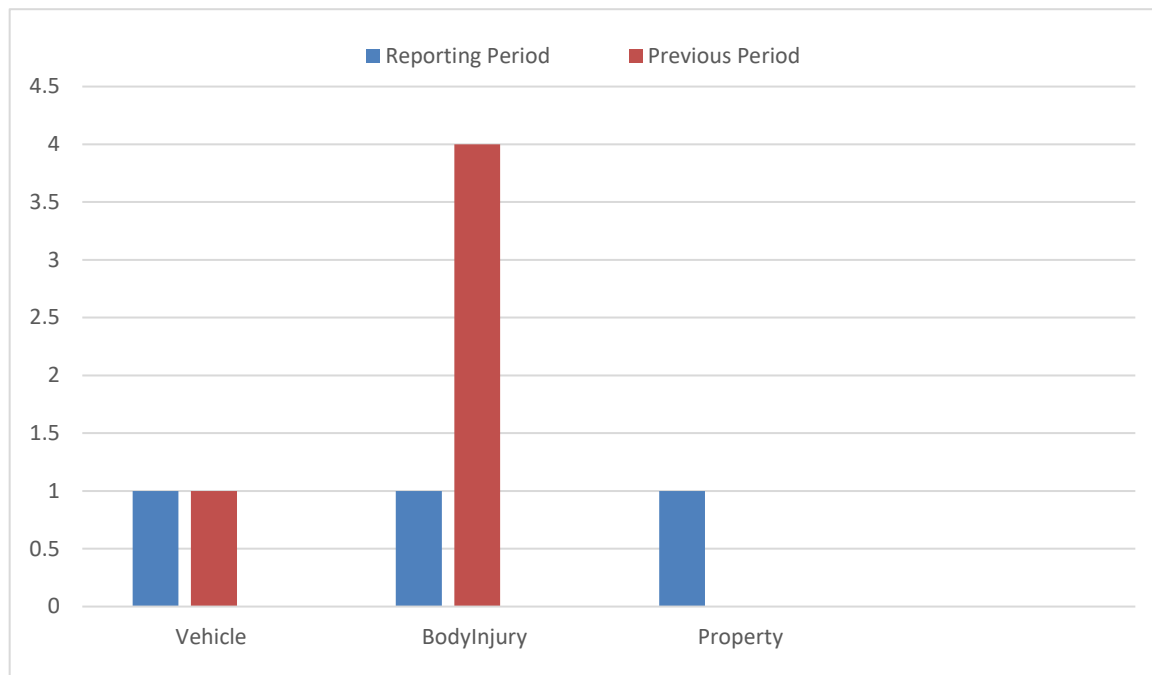
Insurance Renewal

The 2024/2025 insurance renewal program starts 1 February 2024. Questionnaires will be reviewed with the relevant responsible officers and finalised for submission by 6 March 2024. Initial advice indicates Council will likely see around an 8% to 10% increase in premiums.

Report to Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee

A detailed WHS report was presented to the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee held 8 February 2024. This may be found on the Councillor Portal for reference.

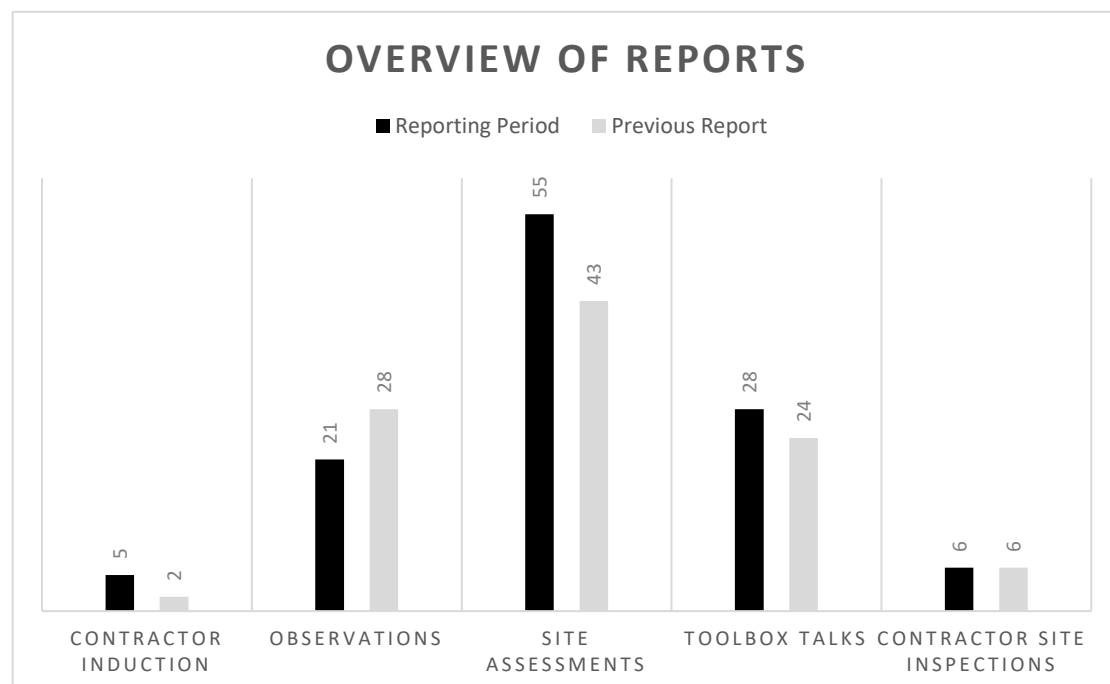
1. Incident notifications submitted 1 October 2023 to 31 December 2023



Property: Flyers Creek Bridge railing.

Vehicle: Damage from Hailstorm

2. Internal WHS documents submitted 1 October 2023 to 31 December 2023



Risk/Policy/Legislation Considerations:

Nil.

Budget Implications:

The 2023/24 Operational Plan include budget for undertaking of Risk and WHS activities.

Enclosures (following report)

Nil

Attachments (separate document)

Nil

05) REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACT 2004 REVIEW SUBMISSION

Department: Executive Services

Author: General Manager

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

File No: RV.CF.5

Recommendation:

That Council note the submission to the NSW Government regarding the review of the Regional Development Act 2004.

Reason for Report:

To advise and update Council on the submission lodged regarding the review of the Regional Development Act 2004.

Report:

The NSW Government (through Regional NSW) is reviewing the Regional Development Act 2004.

Council's General Manager attended the Orange Development roundtable on 16 November 2023.

This review is particularly pertinent to Blayney Shire Council, because the NSW Government (elected in March 2023) in September 2023 proceeded to cease the 'Resources for Regions' grant program.

The NSW Government has advised the Regional Development Act 2004, will guide and oversee expenditure of the \$350 million Regional Development Trust Fund to regional communities, including those communities impacted from mining operations.

Removal of the Resources for Regions program has now resulted in no mining royalties (\$5.5 billion in 2022/23 received by the NSW Government) being directly returned to the 26 communities impacted the greatest from mining operations.

In recent years, Council has received a total of \$16.25m in rounds 7-9 as a direct allocation under the Resources for Regions program. These funds have been used to undertake critical upgrades and renewal of infrastructure across the Blayney Shire.

Risk/Policy/Legislation Considerations:

Nil.

Budget Implications:

Nil.

Enclosures (following report)

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Attachments (separate document)

Nil

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31 January 2024

Hon Tara Moriarty
Minister for Regional NSW

By email: regionaldevelopmentroadmap@regional.nsw.gov.au

Dear Minister

Re: Regional Development Act 2004 Review

Council refers to the current consultation being undertaken in regard to the Regional Development Act 2004 review.

Council welcomes the opportunity to have input into the review of the Regional Development Act 2004, which the NSW Government has advised will also guide and oversee expenditure of the \$350 million Regional Development Trust Fund (the Trust).

Council's General Manager attended the Orange Development roundtable on 16 November 2023.

Council would like to highlight, the removal of the previous 'Resources for Regions' (R4R) program has had a significant impact on Blayney Shire Council and the wider Orange region (including Cabonne and Orange Local Government Area's).

It is Councils and communities like Blayney Shire who host mining and renewable energy projects that are bearing 100% of the impact of these large projects, for the benefit of all of NSW (including the immense amount royalties generated from these developments).

Removal of the R4R program has now resulted in no mining royalties (\$5.5 billion in 2022/23) received by the NSW Government being returned to the 26 communities impacted the greatest from mining operations. This is a significant inequity which must be addressed.

Blayney Shire Council is particularly interested in using this review as an opportunity to highlight and work with the NSW Government to suggest opportunities how Councils which host (and are significantly impacted) both mining and renewable energy projects, can benefit from this review.

Guiding Questions responses.

1. Are there any other matters that should be included in the objects of the Regional Development Act?

Regional communities bear the full brunt of impacts from mining and renewable energy projects. It is critical that the Act recognises and acknowledges this impact so that Councils and their communities are protected through legislation.

The NSW Government can for the first time provide an assurance and protection to regional communities by including as objects within the Act:

- *"supporting communities and councils impacted from mining operations", and*
- *"supporting communities and councils impacted by renewable energy projects"*

2. Are there any objects currently in the Act that are no longer relevant to regional NSW and should be changed or removed?

The answer to this question will depend on the priorities the NSW Government would like to address in regional NSW and submissions received through this process.

For Blayney Shire Council the two issues which need addressing are;

- Impacts from mining operations, and
- Impacts from renewable energy projects.

3. What else should the Government consider when making investment decisions to support regional communities and industries?

The net benefit being provided by that community for the wider benefit of all of NSW.

- Communities hosting mining operations that provide significant royalties to NSW consolidated revenue, should be considered and prioritised.
- Communities hosting renewable energy projects, providing clean and cheap energy for all of NSW, should be considered and prioritised.

The vulnerability of a particular regional community should also be considered, including;

- population size (including decline),
- resilience risk (potential for impact from: flood, bushfire, drought etc)

4. What factors should drive investment in each region?

A proposed project should not necessarily be required to achieve a positive Benefit Cost Ratio (BCR). There are other critical factors which need to be considered.

Put another way, benefit should not only be measured in \$ terms. Some non-monetised community benefits, or avoided intolerable costs, warrant a very high weighting.

5. What are the most important areas to you for investment over the next 1-2 years?

- **Improving community services**
- **Aboriginal business and partnerships**
- **Growth of new industries**
- **Supporting regional supply chains**
- **Local and regional infrastructure**
- **Sustainable food and fibre industries**
- **Capacity-building in local Government**
- **Other (please specify)**

Improving community services and supporting regional supply chains can be achieved by supporting Councils planning and delivery of infrastructure renewal, maintenance and improvement as it benefits the entire community (residents and businesses).

6. How can Government, through the Trust, help encourage and support investment from other sources (including outside government) to maximise outcomes for regional communities?

Without further information it is hard to comment on this question. Council would like to highlight though it is a concern if the NSW Government is seeking to use the Trust to support private investment.

\$350 million dollars, whilst a large figure initially, is not that much money when it has to be spread across all of regional NSW and particularly when it is to be spread across multiple years.

7. Should investment through the Trust allow for a range of approaches to support regional communities (e.g. joint partnerships, funding agreements, service delivery)?

This will depend upon what the NSW is seeking to achieve, deliver and fund under the Trust.

The Trust should not be used to fund private investment or core NSW Government services. Council notes the current pressures in relation to the cost of housing, the Trust should not be used to cost shift the NSW Government responsibilities to this program: e.g. Housing NSW needs to continue with its responsibilities under its own budget.

There are additional innovative opportunities the NSW Government could pursue through this Act review that would create unprecedented betterment for all of NSW;

- Mining
\$5.5 billion in royalties from mining were raised by the NSW Government in 2022/23.

The Trust is a perfect mechanism to legislate that a small percentage of mining royalties is to be provided back to Councils and their communities impacted by mining operations.

It is acknowledged that the majority of mining royalties should be used for the betterment of all of NSW through consolidated revenue. However, a small amount needs to be quarantined and directly returned to those communities that bear the greatest impact from these projects.

This review and through creation of the Trust, for the first time an opportunity is presented for an unprecedented positive impact to be achieved and delivered to those communities.

If 5% of the mining royalties received by the NSW Government were returned through the trust to the 26 mining impacted Councils, it would make an unprecedented difference to regional NSW.

The 5% could be 2 years behind, meaning for the 2025/26 allocation into the Trust could be based upon royalties collected in the current 2023/24 year.

This enables the NSW Government, NSW Treasury and Councils the benefit of a year lag and enables all stakeholders forward plan by a year as the allocation will be known (critically it enables all stakeholders an ability to adjust future budgets, particularly if there is a significant increase or decrease in royalties collected).

- Renewable Energy

Under the Trust, similar to the mining example above, there needs to be a small per MW tariff applied to all renewable energy which is returned to Councils and their communities in regional NSW that host and bear the impact from renewable energy projects.

Again, the Trust is considered a perfect mechanism to be utilised to provide a small percentage back to Councils and communities impacted by renewable energy projects, which would provide significant benefits to regional NSW.

8. What are some of the key outcomes that would help track the benefits of investment decisions over time?

The key benefit to partnering with Councils is the governance structure of democratically elected Councillors together with Integrated Planning and Reporting which is driven through community involvement. Critically Councils are heavily regulated, in particular financial auditing which is overseen by the NSW audit office.

Key outcomes could easily be measured through linkage to: individual Council Community Strategic Plans, NSW regional plans (Central West and Orana Regional Plan 2041) and NSW State plan (NSW 2021).

9. Are there any other skills/expertise that Advisory Council members should have to effectively guide investment in regional NSW?

The response to this question will depend on what the Trust will be used to fund. Currently there is not enough information to understand what the Trust will fund, who can apply to the trust and for what type of project?

If the Trust will be open slather for: Councils, private sector and not for profits (not recommended and/or supported) it is going to be very hard to appoint a board with such a diverse range of skills that can transparently and equitably assess the applications and allocate Trust funds to.

Council suggests the NSW Independent Planning Commission (IPC) model could be used. The IPC has a number of experts appointed on a panel list, a specific panel is then appointed for each individual project based on the expert skillset required.

The same process could be implemented for an Advisory Council, where a panel list is created and then a specific Advisory Council is formed by the Minister, based on the skillset needed to assess that particular tranche of funding applications.

This method also mitigates risk in terms of potential conflicts of interest and ensures variety of persons are assessing applications.

10. How can the Advisory Council help build the resilience, capacity and long-term sustainability of communities and industry?

This Advisory Council appears to be a new additional extra layer of governance, who recommend to the Minister.

From Blayney Shire Councils experience, NSW Government directly allocating funds to Councils was the most transparent and efficient mechanism to build resilience and capacity in regional NSW.

Noting the extra layer of governance the Advisory Council creates, it will be critical the Advisory Council is able to assess and process applications efficiently. Applicants cannot wait many months to learn of a grant outcome.

Conclusion

Council would like to thank the NSW Government for the opportunity to provide input, feedback and comments into the exciting opportunity to reinvigorate the Regional Development Act 2004 and the Regional Development Trust Fund.

Critically there is an unprecedented opportunity here for the NSW Government to legislate into the Act which for the first time will recognise and acknowledge the ongoing impact regional NSW Councils and their communities experience and live with from hosting mining and renewable energy projects.

Should you require further information regarding this matter please contact myself directly on 0409 742 432.

Yours sincerely

Mark Dicker
General Manager

06) TEN4TEN LEADERSHIP DIALOGUE**Department:** Executive Services**Author:** General Manager**CSP Link:** 2. Build the Capacity and Capability of Local Governance and Finance**File No:** CR.SD.2

Recommendation:

That Council:

1. Support the request for sponsorship in the amount of \$1,500 for the Ten4Ten Leadership Dialogue from Regional Development Australia Central West and fund it from the Community Financial Assistance Program.
2. Refer consideration of the Ten4Ten Leadership Dialogue program for annual funding within the Schedule of s.356 contributions in the 2024/25 Operational Plan.

Reason for Report:

To inform Council on a request for sponsorship received from Regional Development Australia Central West for the Ten4Ten Leadership Dialogue.

Report:

Council is in receipt of a request for sponsorship from Regional Development Australia (RDA) Central West for the Ten4Ten Leadership Dialogue. The amount of sponsorship sought is \$1,500.

The TEN4TEN Leadership Dialogue program was launched by RDA Central West in 2020 with the aim of connecting youth leaders with community champions for a unique mentoring experience. Ten students are selected and paired with a mentor. The ten mentors are chosen from various sectors of the community. Over the course of the program the participating students are presented with opportunities and experiences that enable them to connect with leaders in the community.

The program is entering into its 5th year in 2024. Since 2020 a total of 39 Year 11 students have completed the program.

The 2024 applications will open in February and the cohort will commence the program in mid-March.

RDA have advised: 4 Blayney LGA recipients have participated during the 2020-2022 period. Additionally, each year (except for 2023), there have been mentors from the Blayney LGA.

Risk/Policy/Legislation Considerations:

Nil.

Budget Implications:

Council does not have an allocated budget within Youth Services in the 2023/24 Operational Plan for this purpose.

The guidelines under the Community Financial Assistance policy allows for youth programs that foster youth leadership. Under the Financial Assistance program, Council has a total budget allocation of \$145,000, with \$55,000 available for distribution over 2 funding rounds.

For 2023/24 there is \$22,500 available under round 2 and \$43,547 remains unexpended from previous years.

Applications are currently being called for Round 2, however referral of this application through that process and consideration at the April 2023 Council meeting would be post commencement of the Ten4Ten program.

It is proposed to fund the \$1,500 from the Community Financial Assistance Program and to refer consideration of this program with the Schedule of s.356 contributions in the Operational Plan annually.

Enclosures (following report)

1 BSC_Ten4Ten Support 2024

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Attachments (separate document)

Nil



An Australian Government Initiative



CENTRAL WEST

Mr Mark Dicker
General Manager
Blayney Shire Council
91 Adelaide Street
BLAYNEY NSW 2799

February 2024

Dear Mr Dicker

Ten4Ten Leadership Dialogue

I am writing on behalf of Regional Development Australia (RDA) Central West to request your financial support for the successful Ten4Ten Leadership Dialogue program. The program aims to connect ten selected Year 11 students with ten local community leaders for a unique mentoring experience.

The Central West region is home to a high calibre of leaders, and mentoring plays a significant role in fostering the next generation of young leaders in our community. Since its inception in 2020, the TEN4Ten Leadership Dialogue has forged new partnerships, opened doors and provided insight into the countless opportunities that are available in regional New South Wales and more specifically, right here in the Central West.

To deliver this program in 2024, we seek a sponsorship of \$1,500 (+ GST) from Blayney Shire Council. As a sponsor, your council logo will be included in all correspondence, promotional material, and media releases. You will also be recognized as a supporter of the program at all events. Additionally, we will provide the opportunity for you to join us on our proposed program visits to Parliament in both Sydney and Canberra, and other events throughout the year.

Thank you for considering our request, and for your ongoing support of RDA Central West. I look forward to working with you to deliver this program and many more in my role.

Regards

Joshua Gordon
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Regional Development Australia Central West
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Phone: (02) 6369 1600 | Email: admin@rdacentralwest.org.au

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

Recommendation:

That Council;

1. Note the updated guidelines for the Tourism Development Program;
2. Approve funding under the Tourism Development Program 2023/24 as follows:

Recipient	Amount
Blayney A&P Association	\$2,000
Orange F.O.O.D. Week	\$2,000
Newbridge Progress Association	\$2,000
Carcoar A&P Association	\$2,000

Reason for Report:

For Council to consider and approve applications seeking Council financial support under the Tourism Development Program 2023/24.

Report:**Blayney A&P Association - Blayney Show 2 March: \$2,000**

The Blayney Show is an annual event showcasing agricultural products, events and competitions. The event caters to the whole community with horse events, classic cars, working dogs, pavilion displays etc. It is a feature event on the Blayney and Blayney Shire calendar.

Funding is sought to go towards additional amusement activities including petting zoo and reptile display. Without the funding the additional amusement activities will not be included as part of the event.

Orange F.O.O.D. Week 5 – 10 April: \$2,000

Orange F.O.O.D. Week (Food of Orange District) is a 10 day festival with a focus on food and wine. There is a series of events which are attended by 15,000 people across Orange, Blayney and Cabonne Council. The festival showcases local producers and chefs across the 3 LGAs.

There are 6 signature events are organised by the F.O.O.D. Committee, held primarily in Orange and Cabonne, however the F.O.O.D. Train does do a lunch in Carcoar and the wineries in Millthorpe run their own event. Whilst there are few events within Blayney Shire, the event has flow on effects with the event drawing foodies into the region who explore the towns and villages within Blayney Shire in between the official events.

Funding is for additional professional photography for the event, which will help with future advertising of the event. The committee has intentions to plan an event in Blayney Shire next year, although it is unclear what the event would be and how much this depends on funding and volunteers from Blayney Shire.

Newbridge Progress Association, Medieval Dinner - 21 June: \$2,000

The 2024 Winter Solstice is looking to expand to include a Friday Night Medieval feast at the pavilion. Funding is sought to go towards marketing, entertainment, and souvenir mugs for attendees.

If unsuccessful it will result in increased ticket pricing, less marketing, and no souvenir mugs. This addition to the Saturday event is valuable with increasing the number of visitor nights and expenditure for the event duration.

Carcoar A&P Association – Carcoar Show: 26 October: \$2,000

The Carcoar Show is an annual event showcasing agricultural products, events, and competitions. The event caters to the whole community with horse events, classic cars, working dogs, pavilion displays etc. It is a feature event on the Carcoar and Blayney Shire calendar.

Funding is sought to fund the hiring of a PA System and band.

Risk/Policy/Legislation Considerations:

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

As this program was included in the 2023/24 Operational Plan, does not exceed more than 5 percent of Council's income and is open to all persons within Council's area; 28 days public notice of Council's resolution is not required.

These applications fit within the criteria as the events will encourage visitation to the region.

Budget Implications:

The approval of this application will be a total of \$8,000. The budget approved by Council in the 2023/24 Operational Plan for this program was \$10,000. Approval of this application will result in \$2,000 remaining for allocation in 2023/24.

Enclosures (following report)

Nil

Attachments (separate document)

Nil

08) CENTRAL TABLELANDS WEEDS AUTHORITY - FUNDING REQUEST**Department:** Executive Services**Author:** General Manager**CSP Link:** 5. Protect Our Natural Environment**File No:** EM.ME.6

Recommendation:

That Council:

1. Support the request from the Central Tablelands Weeds Authority for additional funding up to an amount of \$25,000.
2. Approve the supplementary (budget) vote of \$25,000 in the 2023/24 Operational Plan to be funded from the Flyers Creek Voluntary Planning Agreement held within the External Restriction – Voluntary Planning Agreements.

Reason for Report:

To inform Council an additional funding request has been received from the Central Tablelands Weeds Authority (CTWA) for 2023/24.

Report:

The last 2 years have provided optimum conditions for weed growth which has directly correlated to an operational increase to CTWA, mainly chemical and labour costs.

In 2023/24 CTWA have been focused on spraying 'section 1' roads throughout the Blayney Shire (see table that follows) which is part of a new agreement Council entered into creating a 3-year spraying program.

CTWA have advised to date that spraying of approximately 124km of roadside in the Blayney Shire has been completed with 82km to go (216km listed to be completed).

Staff consider the request for support to be appropriate, mainly because if the weeds infestation is not addressed now, the problem will get worse, likely requiring even greater allocation in the future to address the issue.

Alternatively, Council may opt not provide additional funds, and CTWA will cease spraying once the 2023/24 allocation is exhausted, meaning the full 216km will not be completed in 2023/24. This does create a risk to Council from a biosecurity perspective.

Blayney Council Road Name	Council Sections: 1, 2 & 3	Length (km)
Back Road	1	0.5
Belubula Street	1	0.9
Beneree Road	1	7.2
Bentleys Lane	1	4.2
Bluett Close	1	0.2
Brady Road	1	1.0
Brooklee Lane	1	0.3
Browns Creek Road	1	12.8
Buesnel Lane	1	0.5
Bulb Farm Lane	1	0.3
Burtons Lane	1	1.7
Calvert Lane	1	0.5
Carcoar Road	1	20.5
Charles Booth Way	1	1.9
Chesney Lane	1	0.2
Clayton Lane	1	1.4
Clover Ridge Road	1	0.8
Convent Lane	1	0.5
Curralea Lane	1	0.3
Davis Road	1	1.0
Dicksons Lane	1	3.6
Dungeon Road	1	7.0
Dunstaffnage Lane	1	2.0
Duttons Lane	1	1.0
Eves Lane	1	2.0
Ewins Lane : Start - Carcoar Road	1	1.2
Fairbanks Lane	1	0.2
Ferndale Lane	1	1.8
Fiddicks Lane	1	0.2
Fleetwood Lane	1	0.7
Forest Reefs Road	1	12.9
Gap Road	1	8.2
Gartholme Road	1	0.7
Glenelg Road	1	8.4
Glengate Road	1	2.0
Glenlea Road	1	0.5
Glenorie Road	1	0.7
Graham Road	1	0.7
Green Grove	1	0.1
Greghamstown Road	1	5.7
Guyong Road	1	8.1
Halls Road	1	1.8
Hillside Lane	1	0.8
Kinghams Lane	1	0.9
Koomoorang Road	1	1.9
Limestone Lane	1	0.1
Lindsay Lane	1	0.5
Matthews Road	1	6.8

Mayfield Lane	1	0.6
Mid Western Hwy (Bathurst)	1	10.6
Millthorpe Road	1	11.5
Mitchell Close	1	0.1
Myers Lane	1	1.4
Nichols Lane	1	0.7
Nixons Lane	1	1.4
North Lane	1	0.4
Nyes Gates Road	1	7.8
Peppermint Lane	1	1.3
Pittman Drive	1	0.8
Pounds Lane	1	2.2
Quarry Farm Lane	1	0.6
Rosedale Road	1	1.3
Sherlocks Lane	1	1.8
Showground Lane	1	0.3
Smiths Lane	1	0.4
Souths Lane	1	2.0
Spring Hill Road	1	2.9
Spring Terrace Road	1	3.4
Springvale Lane	1	1.2
Station Place	1	0.0
Tallwood Road	1	7.9
Toners Lane	1	0.3
Vittoria Road	1	4.9
Warburtons Lane	1	2.8
Willis Lane : Sherlocks Lane -	1	0.2
End		
Wilsons Lane	1	5.8
Wombiana lane	1	4.2
Total Km Year 1		216

Risk/Policy/Legislation Considerations:

The request from Central Tablelands Weeds Authority has been made in accordance with clause 5, Service Fee part (f) of the Roadside Spraying Program Service Agreement between Blayney Shire Council and Central Tablelands Weeds Authority.

The request will assist Council in meeting its obligations under the NSW Biosecurity Act 2015.

Budget Implications:

In its 2023/24 Operational Plan (annual budget) Council allocated \$126,458 to CTWA (an increase of 28% from the prior year).

Council additionally at the November 2023 meeting resolved to provide a further \$10,000 annually (for the next three financial years) as a contribution to fund the control of priority weeds along roadsides, including sticky nightshade in the Flyers Creek / Cadia area.

It is proposed to fund the additional \$25k from the Flyers Creek Windfarm Voluntary Planning Agreement held within the External Restriction – Voluntary Planning Agreements. Currently there is a balance of \$146k, noting that \$35k (\$10k December QBRS and \$25k CTWA request) proposed to be drawn from this reserve, is forecast to leave a balance at 30 June 2024 of approximately \$110k.

Enclosures (following report)

Nil

Attachments (separate document)

Nil

09) REPORT OF COUNCIL INVESTMENTS AS AT 31 JANUARY 2024**Department:** Corporate Services**Author:** Chief Financial Officer**CSP Link:** 2. Build the Capacity and Capability of Local Governance and Finance**File No:** FM.AU.1

Recommendation:

That Council;

1. Note the report indicating Council's investment position as at 31 January 2024.
2. Note the certification of the Responsible Accounting Officer.

Reason for Report:

For Council to endorse the Report of Council Investments as at 31 January 2024.

Report:

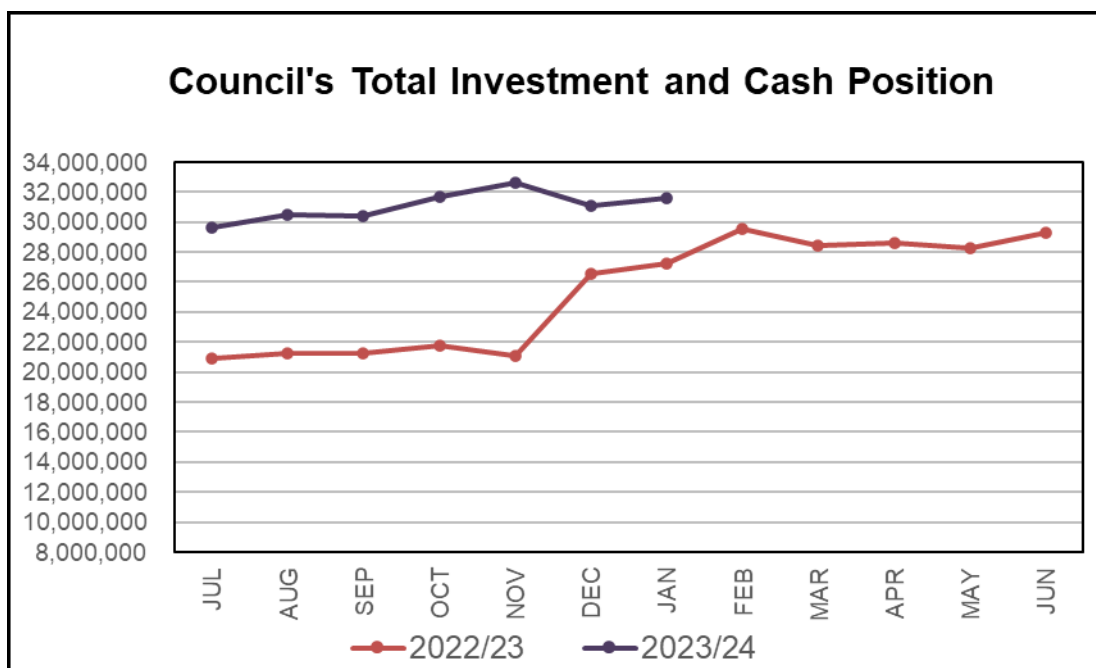
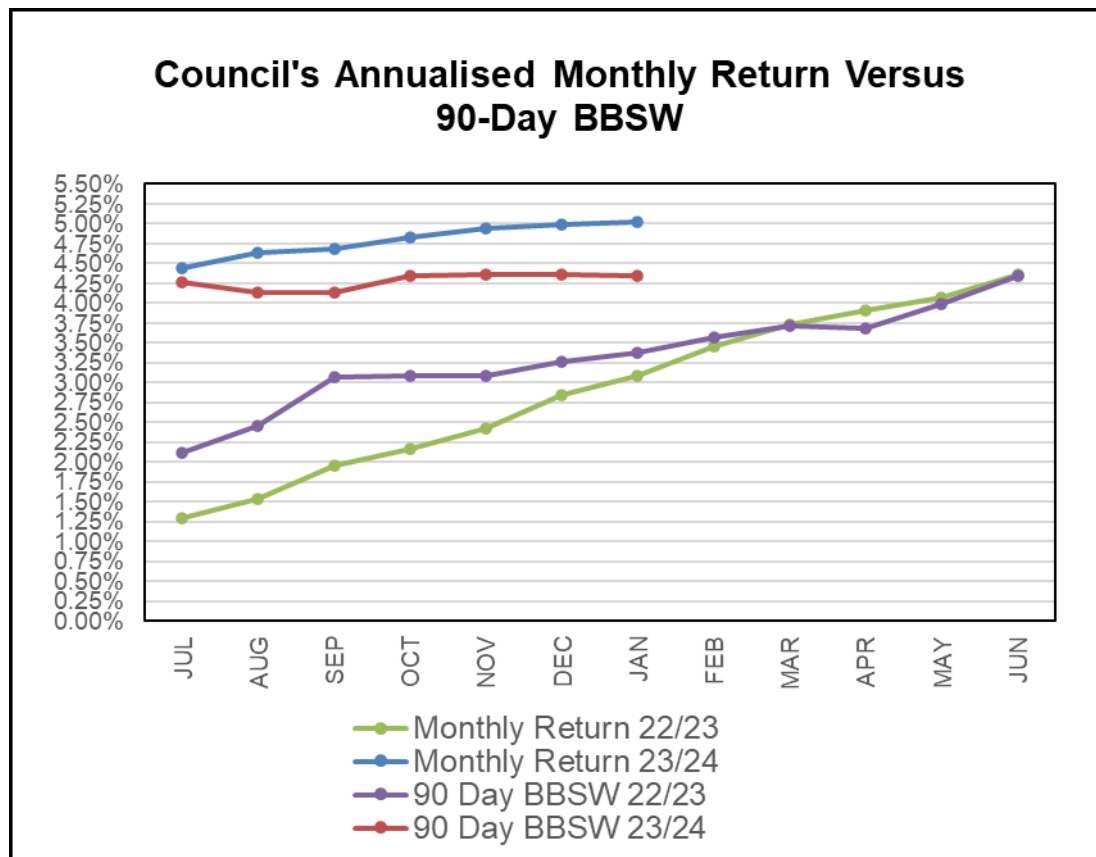
This report provides details of Council's Investment Portfolio as at 31 January 2024.

Council's total investment and cash position as at 31 January 2024 is \$31,600,971. Investments earned interest of \$131,902.75 for the month of January 2023.

Council's monthly net return on Term Deposits annualised for January was 5.01% which outperformed the 90-day Bank Bill Swap Rate of 4.35%.

Council's current cash position was improved by early payment of the 2nd rates instalment of \$1,218,252 received as well as a reduction in creditors due during the month.

No additional investments were added to the portfolio during the month of January. Depending on expected outflows in February there may be an opportunity to place additional deposits.



Register Of Investments and Cash as at 31 January 2024					
Institution	Method	Rating	Maturity	Amount \$	Interest Rate
NAB	Direct	A1+/AA-	06/02/2024	500,000	4.550%
B & A Bank	IAM	A2/BBB+	13/02/2024	500,000	5.170%
Westpac	Direct	A1+/AA-	20/02/2024	500,000	4.950%
CBA	Direct	A1+/AA-	26/02/2024	500,000	4.300%
NAB	Direct	A1+/AA-	27/02/2024	500,000	5.000%
Reliance Bank	Direct	Unrated	09/03/2024	500,000	4.200%
Macquarie Bank	IAM	A1/A+	12/03/2024	500,000	4.750%
ING Bank	IAM	A1/A	13/03/2024	500,000	4.750%
CBA	Direct	A1+/AA-	19/03/2024	500,000	4.200%
Macquarie Bank	IAM	A1/A+	02/04/2024	500,000	4.450%
MyState Bank Ltd	Curve	A2/BBB+	02/04/2024	500,000	4.650%
CBA	Direct	A1+/AA-	09/04/2024	500,000	4.280%
NAB	Direct	A1+/AA-	16/04/2024	500,000	4.510%
Westpac	Direct	A1+/AA-	23/04/2024	500,000	4.490%
Macquarie Bank	IAM	A1/A+	30/04/2024	500,000	4.800%
NAB	Direct	A1+/AA-	07/05/2024	500,000	4.700%
CBA	Direct	A1+/AA-	14/05/2024	500,000	4.920%
NAB	Direct	A1+/AA-	21/05/2024	500,000	4.900%
Westpac	Direct	A1+/AA-	28/05/2024	500,000	4.840%
Westpac	Direct	A1+/AA-	04/06/2024	500,000	5.040%
Auswide Bank Ltd	IAM	A2/BBB+	11/06/2024	500,000	5.370%
NAB	Direct	A1+/AA-	11/06/2024	500,000	5.500%
Westpac	Direct	A1+/AA-	18/06/2024	500,000	5.450%
Macquarie Bank	IAM	A1/A+	25/06/2024	500,000	5.250%
Westpac	Direct	A1+/AA-	02/07/2024	500,000	5.420%
CBA	Direct	A1+/AA-	09/07/2024	500,000	5.300%
IMB Bank Ltd	Direct	A2/BBB+	16/07/2024	500,000	5.000%
Macquarie Bank	IAM	A1/A+	16/07/2024	500,000	5.100%
ING Bank	Curve	A1/A	23/07/2024	500,000	5.200%
ING Bank	Curve	A1/A	30/07/2024	500,000	5.200%
Westpac	Direct	A1+/AA-	06/08/2024	500,000	5.150%
CBA	Direct	A1+/AA-	13/08/2024	500,000	5.170%
CBA	Direct	A1+/AA-	20/08/2024	500,000	4.900%
NAB	Direct	A1+/AA-	20/08/2024	500,000	5.200%
CBA	Direct	A1+/AA-	27/08/2024	500,000	5.090%
Westpac	Direct	A1+/AA-	03/09/2024	500,000	5.050%
Bank of Queensland	Curve	A2/BBB+	10/09/2024	500,000	5.350%
ING Bank	Curve	A1/A	10/09/2024	500,000	5.050%
NAB	Direct	A1+/AA-	17/09/2024	500,000	5.310%
IMB Bank Ltd	Direct	A2/BBB+	24/09/2024	500,000	5.150%
Bank of Queensland	Curve	A2/BBB+	01/10/2024	500,000	5.150%
Westpac	Direct	A1+/AA-	08/10/2024	500,000	5.280%
CBA	Direct	A1+/AA-	15/10/2024	500,000	5.150%
ING Bank	Curve	A1/A	22/10/2024	500,000	5.350%
CBA	Direct	A1+/AA-	29/10/2024	500,000	5.250%
MyState Bank Ltd	Curve	A2/BBB+	05/11/2024	500,000	5.400%
Westpac	Direct	A1+/AA-	12/11/2024	500,000	5.320%

Register Of Investments and Cash as at 31 January 2024					
Institution	Method	Rating	Maturity	Amount \$	Interest Rate
Reliance Bank	Direct	Unrated	19/11/2024	500,000	5.200%
Macquarie Bank	IAM	A1/A+	26/11/2024	500,000	5.220%
Defence Bank Ltd	Curve	A2/BBB	03/12/2024	500,000	5.300%
NAB	Direct	A1+/AA-	10/12/2024	500,000	5.100%
ING Bank	IAM	A1/A	17/12/2024	500,000	5.230%
NAB	Direct	A1+/AA-	28/01/2025	500,000	5.150%
Total Investments				26,500,000	5.01%
Commonwealth Bank - At Call Account ⁽¹⁾				2,852,494	4.350%
Commonwealth Bank Balance - General ⁽¹⁾				2,112,989	4.200%
Reliance Bank ⁽¹⁾				135,488	0.000%
Total Cash and Investments				31,600,971	
Benchmarks:		BBSW 90 Day Index ⁽¹⁾			4.346%
		RBA Cash Rate ⁽¹⁾			4.350%

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

Summary of Investment Movements - January 2024		
Financial Institution	Amount \$	Commentary
NAB	(522,438)	Term deposit matured 09/01/2024
NAB	500,000	Term deposit reinvested 09/01/2024
IMB Bank Ltd	(508,219)	Term deposit matured 16/01/2024
IMB Bank Ltd	500,000	Term deposit reinvested 16/01/2024
CBA	(522,388)	Term deposit matured 23/01/2024
CBA	500,000	Term deposit reinvested 23/01/2024
NAB	(516,613)	Term deposit matured 30/01/2024
NAB	500,000	Term deposit reinvested 30/01/2024

Long Term Credit Rating (or Moody's, Fitch, S&P or Equivalent)	Policy Maximum %	Current Holding %	Current Holding \$
TCorp IM Funds	100%	0%	-
AAA – AA Category	100%	56%	15,000,000
A- Category	40%	23%	6,000,000
BBB+ Category	25%	15%	4,000,000
BBB Category	5%	2%	500,000
BBB- Category and below: Local ⁽²⁾ ADI's	10%	4%	1,000,000
BBB+ / BBB / BBB- & below categories combined	25%	21%	
2. ADI's located within the Local Government Area			26,500,000

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

Summary of Restricted, Allocated and Unrestricted Cash & Investments			
	Actual 30/06/2023 \$ 000's	Actual 31/01/2024 \$ 000's	Forecast ⁽¹⁾ 30/06/2024 \$ 000's
External Cash Restrictions	20,329	19,819	9,958
Internal Cash Allocations	8,751	6,340	5,330
Total Restricted, Allocated Cash & Investments	29,080	26,159	15,288
Unrestricted Cash	191 ⁽²⁾	5,442	4,959 ⁽²⁾
Total Restricted, Allocated and Unrestricted Cash & Investments	29,271	31,601	20,247

⁽¹⁾ Balances are informed by the Long Term Financial Plan and based on the best available information at time of preparation.

⁽²⁾ Unrestricted cash is forecast to be high as of 30 June 2024 as a result of Council substituting funding dedicated from general revenue for the current year capital works program with approved grant funded programs. It is not anticipated that Council will be afforded this opportunity with future grant funding under these programs.

CERTIFICATION – RESPONSIBLE ACCOUNTING OFFICER

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

Risk/Policy/Legislation Considerations:

The Responsible Accounting Officer must table a written report to Council on money invested pursuant to s.625 of the Local Government Act (1993). Investments made are in accord with the framework established within Council's Investment Policy.

Budget Implications:

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

Enclosures (following report)

Nil

Attachments (separate document)

Nil

10) QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW STATEMENT - DECEMBER 2023**Department:** Corporate Services**Author:** Chief Financial Officer**CSP Link:** 2. Build the Capacity and Capability of Local Governance and Finance**File No:** FM.BU.1

Recommendation:

1. That the Quarterly Budget Review Statement for the quarter ending 31 December 2023 be received.
2. That the supplementary votes of (\$257k) nett proposed in the Quarterly Budget Review Statement be adopted, resulting in an increase to capital expenditure of \$659k, an increase to operating expenditure of \$116k and an increase in income of \$518k (which includes an increase of \$265k in capital income).

Reason for Report:

For Council to endorse the Quarterly Budget Review Statement (QBRs) for the quarter ending 31 December 2023.

Report:

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.

A set of minimum requirements have been set for reporting the financial position of Council, to facilitate explanations and major variations and recommend changes to the budget for Council approval. The report as tabled satisfies this minimum disclosure.

The 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 the following formats:

- o by income and expense type by fund including capital grants and contributions **(QBRs: Part 2)**
- o 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 attached report provides a detailed review of Council's 2023/24 Budget Review covering the December 2023 quarter.

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 position. It is also a means to ensure Council meets its objectives, targets and outcomes as set out in its Operational Plan.

The attached QBRs report includes a certification by the Responsible Accounting Officer that outlines that the projected financial position as at 30 June 2024 is satisfactory having regard to the projected estimates of income, expenditure and targeted levels of restricted and unrestricted cash. However, it is acknowledged that this position will not be sustainable into the future with Council forecasting ongoing operating deficits in the General Fund and declining levels of cash throughout the 10 years forecast in the Long Term Financial Plan. Action undertaken to date to address the ongoing financial sustainability of Council is also detailed on Page 3 of the attached QBRs.

Risk/Policy/Legislation Considerations:

Clause 203 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021 requires that the Responsible Accounting Officer of a council prepare and submit to Council a budget review statement. The format as presented reports on an income and expense type, in a similar format to that included in the annual financial reports, as well as by Council activity and helps to inform Council on the anticipated Income Statement operating result for the financial year. Other information is also disclosed including budgeted capital income and expenditure, restricted cash movements and key performance indicators.

Budget Implications:

Overall, the net variation in Continuing Operations for the quarter of (\$402k) will decrease the projected Net Operating Result before Capital Items to (\$1.78m) forecast deficit. For General Fund, net variations of (\$196k) will decrease the projected Net Operating Result before Capital Items to (\$1.91m) deficit. For Sewer Fund, net variations of \$206k and no change to the projected Net Operating Result before Capital Items of \$133k surplus.

Operational income variations of \$518k include the following significant variations:

- Increase in commercial waste disposal fees of \$98k.
- Increase in roadside hazard reduction allocation from NSW Rural Fire Services up from \$46k to \$129k.
- Increase of \$49k in Development Assessment fees due to increased activity.
- Overall capital grants and contributions increase by \$265k including:
 - NSW Department of Planning and Environment \$256k to fund the Blayney Sewer Strategic Plan and Capacity Assessment
 - Recreational Fishing & Camping Grant of \$59k to upgrade the boat ramp and carparking at Carcoar Dam
 - Deferral of funding of \$50k under the Flood Recovery Grant to culvert renewal works programmed for 2024/25.

Operational expenditure variations of \$116k include the following significant variations:

- Increase of \$83k in roadside hazard reduction works funded from NSW Rural Fire Service.
- Recognise annual increase in IT software subscriptions and licencing fees increased \$35k more than forecast.
- Additional \$26k to remediate an old fuel tank located in the road reserve discovered during preliminary works on the Forest Reefs Rd / Tallwood Rd intersection.
- Reduction in allocation for other cultural services of \$20k. Contribution towards the museums sustainable collections program not required for the last two years.
- Further reduction of \$24k for other waste management expenses tracking below forecast.

Other minor budget variations to operational income and expenditure are detailed on page 11 of the attached QBRs.

Capital expenditure variations of \$659k include the following significant variations:

- Allocation of \$141k from Regional and Local Roads Repair Fund Round 2 to Neville Road Heavy Patching works.
- Bitumen upgrade of the Carcoar Dam boat ramp and carpark improvements of \$59k.

- Approved funding for restoration of the Coombing Street Bridge, following the November 2022 severe weather and flooding event, of \$55k (note: \$200k also allocated under Flood Recovery Grant in 2024/25 and further recent grant application lodged, see DIS monthly update).
- Additional \$300k for stormwater and drainage works in Unwin and Stabback Street in Millthorpe.
- A total of \$138k for additional works at the Sewerage Treatment Plant including:
 - \$40k for pump station compliance works for confined space equipment.
 - Additional \$34k to finalise upgrade of the aerator replacement.
 - \$55k to address failure of the monoscreen step screen.
 - Additional \$27k preliminary estimate to obtain s.60 approval for the recycled water treatment plant.
 - Reallocation of funding (\$50k) for sewer flood protection works which upon further investigation were found to be minor works funded from the existing STP maintenance budget.

Other budget variations to capital expenditure are detailed on page 18 of the attached QBRS.

Enclosures (following report)

Nil

Attachments (separate document)

- 1 December 2023 Quarterly Budget Review Statement 26 Pages

11) REVIEW OF COUNCIL POLICIES**Department:** Corporate Services**Author:** Director Corporate Services**CSP Link:** 2. Build the Capacity and Capability of Local Governance and Finance**File No:** GO.PO.1

Recommendation:

That Council;

1. Adopt the Public Interest Disclosures – Internal Reporting Policy and be updated to Council's Policy Register.
2. Endorse the following policies and they be placed on public exhibition for a period of not less than 28 days.
 - Disposal of Assets Policy
 - Borrowing PolicyIf no submissions are received that they be adopted and Council's Policy Register updated.
3. Rescind the Vandalism Policy and that it be removed from Council's Policy Register.

Reason for Report:

For the Council to review Council's strategic policies.

Report:

Council has undertaken a review of policies as shown below.

The following policy has been reviewed following enactment of new Public Interest Disclosures legislation in October 2023. As this is a statutory policy and it is not proposed to place this policy on public exhibition.

POLICY	OBJECTIVE	
Public Interest Disclosures: Internal Reporting Policy	To outline a framework around Council's commitment to building a 'speak up' culture where public officials are encouraged to report any conduct that they reasonably believe involves wrongdoing.	Policy overhauled to align with NSW Ombudsman's Office model policy.

Following recommendations of the Financial Sustainability Review and Finance Working Group the policies in the below table were created / amended. In the interest of public transparency, it is proposed for public exhibition of the policies for a period of not less than 28 days.

POLICY	OBJECTIVE	COMMENT
Disposal of Assets Policy	To ensure when Council has determined an asset will be disposed of that there is adequate consideration of the method of disposal.	Policy amended to embrace recommendation no.295a of the Financial Sustainability Review.
Borrowing Policy (new)	To provide a framework for Council to borrow funds while ensuring the ongoing viability of the Council by not permitting overall borrowings to extend Council beyond its ability to meet future repayments and budgetary obligations.	New policy developed per recommendation no. 279a of the Financial Sustainability Review.

It is also proposed for the Vandalism Policy to be rescinded by Council. It is considered that the policy content that includes reference to legislation, Police Assistance Line phone number / process for reporting vandalism, and scale of rewards is not required.

Risk/Policy/Legislation Considerations:

Nil.

Budget Implications:

Nil.

Enclosures (following report)

Nil

Attachments (separate document)

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| 1 | Public Interest Disclosures: Internal Reporting Policy | 24 Pages |
| 2 | Disposal of Assets Policy | 9 Pages |
| 3 | Borrowing Policy | 6 Pages |
| 4 | Vandalism Policy | 3 Pages |

12) COMPLIANCE AND REPORTING ACTIVITIES**Department:** Corporate Services**Author:** Director Corporate Services**CSP Link:** 2. Build the Capacity and Capability of Local Governance and Finance**File No:** IM.CO.3**Recommendation:**

That the report on Compliance and Reporting Activities for the six month period to December 2023 be received.

Reason for Report:

For Council to be updated on compliance and reporting activities for the six month period to December 2023.

Report:

The Office of Local Government (OLG) issues all councils with a calendar of compliance and reporting activities annually. These activities are statutory obligations required under various pieces of legislation.

This report outlines compliance and reporting activities undertaken for the six month period to December 2023:

Activity	Legislation	Due Date	Completion Date
Delivery Program progress report to Council	L.G. Act s.404(5)	6 monthly	19/09/2023
Review of Agency Information guide at intervals of not more than 12 months	Government Information (Public Access) Act s.21	Annually	15/08/2023
Proposed loan borrowings return lodgement to TCorp	OLG Guideline	07/07/2023	03/07/2023
Last day for resolution for making rates	L.G. Act s.533	01/08/2023	27/06/2023
Public Interest Disclosure (PID) (six monthly) report to NSW Ombudsman	PID Act s.6CA	30/07/2023	21/07/2023
Rates levied by service of rates & charges notice	L.G. Act s.562	01/08/2023	17/07/2023
Table completed Pecuniary Interest Returns for Councillors and Designated Persons at Council meeting after due date	MCC cl.4.21 & 4.25	Council meeting after 30/09/2023	17/10/2023

Activity	Legislation	Due Date	Completion Date
Lodgement of Public Interest Disclosures Annual Report with Minister and NSW Ombudsman	Public Interest Disclosures Act s.31	30/10/2023	21/07/2023
Lodgement of Government Information (Public Access) Act Annual Report with Minister and Information Commissioner	Government Information (Public Access) Act s.125 & Regulation cl. 7	30/10/2023	30/10/2023
Financial Statements to be audited and lodged with OLG	L.G. Act s.416(1)	31/10/2023	31/10/2023
Issue 2nd Rates Instalment notices	L.G. Act s.562	31/10/2023	11/10/2023
Audited Financial Statement to be lodged with OLG	L.G. Act s.417(5)	31/10/2023	31/10/2023
Financial Data Return to be lodged with OLG	L.G. Act s.417(5)	31/10/2023	31/10/2023
Submission of Quarterly Budget Review Statement to Council (1st Quarter)	L.G. Reg. cl.203(1)	30/11/2023	21/11/2023
Notify Minister (via OLG) that Annual Report posted on website.	L.G. Act s.428	30/11/2023	24/11/2023
Presentation of Audited Financial Reports to public	L.G. Act s.418(2)	30/12/2023	21/11/2023
Model Code of Conduct Statistics reported to Council	MCC 11.1	30/12/2023	13/12/2023

Risk/Policy/Legislation Considerations:

Nil.

Budget Implications:

Nil.

Enclosures (following report)

Nil

Attachments (separate document)

Nil

13) MINUTES OF THE AUDIT, RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 8 FEBRUARY 2024

Department: Corporate Services

Author: Director Corporate Services

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

File No: CM.ME.17

Recommendation:

That Council;

1. Receive the Minutes of the Audit Risk and Improvement Committee meeting held 8 February 2024.
2. Commence preparation of Terms of Reference, Internal Audit Charter and Risk Management Policy and Expression of Interest for Recruitment of an Independent Member.
3. Engage with the Central Tablelands Water and Central Table Weeds Authority on resource sharing opportunities with implementation of the new Framework.
4. Take action to secure and appoint another independent member as soon as possible; standardise documentation and be strongly encouraged to retain a Councillor on the committee.

Reason for Report:

For Council to endorse the minutes of the Blayney Shire Audit, Risk and Improvement committee meeting held 8 February 2024.

Report:

The Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee held its meeting 8 February 2024.

Items of significance from the meeting were:

- Tabling of the six monthly credit card compliance review with no material findings.
- Presentation of the Management Letter on the Final Phase of the 2022/23 Audit with no issues of concern recorded.
- Discussion and recommendations on Council's transition to the new Risk Management and Internal Audit Framework.

The minutes of the meeting held are tabled below:

MINUTES OF THE BLAYNEY SHIRE COUNCIL AUDIT, RISK & IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD IN THE CHAMBERS, BLAYNEY SHIRE COUNCIL COMMUNITY CENTRE, ON 8 FEBRUARY 2024, COMMENCING AT 9.00AM

Present: Donna Rygate (Independent - Chair), Ron Gillard (Independent), Cr. David Somervaille (Councillor), Mark Dicker (General Manager), Leanne Smith (Intentus - Audit Service Provider for NSW Audit Office), Katy Henry (Intentus - Audit Service Provider for NSW Audit Office), Anton Franze (Director Corporate Services – Secretariat), Tiffaney Irlam (Chief Financial Officer), Vicki Walker (WHS & Risk Coordinator)

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

APOLOGIES

Farisha Ali (NSW Audit Office)

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

The following standing disclosures were noted:

Committee Member/Staff	Interest	Item	Pg	Report	Reason
D. Rygate		-	-	-	Chair of Cabonne Shire Council, Upper Macquarie County Council and Central Tablelands Water ARIC Committees (Standing disclosure).
D. Rygate		-	-	-	Member of Western Regional Planning Panel (Standing disclosure).
D. Rygate		-	-	-	Member of Energy Co Advisory Committee (Standing disclosure).
D. Rygate		-	-	-	Board Member Central Tablelands Local Land Services (Standing disclosure)
R. Gillard		-	-	-	Member of Upper Macquarie County Council and Central Tablelands Water ARIC Committees (Standing disclosure).
Cr. D. Somervaille		-	-	-	Chairperson of Central Tablelands Water. (Standing disclosure).

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**2402/001 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD 22 NOVEMBER 2023****RECOMMENDED**

That the Minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Meeting held 22 November 2023 be received.

(Somervaille/Gillard)

CARRIED

2402/002 MINUTES ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil.

REPORTS**2402/003 CFO REPORT - NOVEMBER 2023 - JANUARY 2024****RECOMMENDED**

That the Chief Financial Officer report on finance activities be received.

(Gillard/Somervaille)

CARRIED

CFO Tiffaney Irlam left the meeting, the time being 09:21 AM.

2402/004 CORPORATE CREDIT CARD COMPLIANCE REVIEW JULY - DECEMBER 2023**RECOMMENDED**

That the report on Corporate Credit Card compliance activities be received.

(Gillard/Somervaille)

CARRIED

2402/005 WHS REPORT**RECOMMENDED**

That the WHS and Risk Coordinator report be received.

(Somervaille/Gillard)

CARRIED

2402/006 UPDATE ON REVIEW OF WHS MANAGEMENT SYSTEM**RECOMMENDED**

1. That the update on the Review of the WHS Management System noted.
2. That the Final Report on the Review of the WHS Management System be furnished to the next committee meeting.

(Gillard/Somervaille)

CARRIED

Leanne Smith and Katy Henry (Intentus) joined the meeting at 10.00am

**2402/007 MANAGEMENT LETTER ON FINAL PHASE OF 2022/23
AUDIT, RISK**

RECOMMENDED

1. That the Management Letter on the Final Phase of the Audit for the year ended 30 June 2023 from the NSW Audit Office be received.
2. That the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee noted and congratulated Council on no issues of concern.

(Gillard/Somervaille)

CARRIED

Leanne Smith and Katy Henry (Intentus) left the meeting at 10.08am

**2402/008 TRANSITION OF AUDIT, RISK AND IMPROVEMENT
COMMITTEE TO NEW FRAMEWORK**

RECOMMENDED

1. That the update on transition of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee to the new Risk Management and Internal Audit Framework be received.
2. That Council commence preparation of Terms of Reference, Internal Audit Charter and Risk Management Policy and Expression of Interest for Recruitment of an Independent Member.
3. That Council also engage with the Central Tablelands Water and Central Table Weeds Authority on resource sharing opportunities with implementation of the new Framework.
4. The Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee also suggested that Council take action to secure another independent member as soon as possible; standardise documentation and strongly encouraged retention of a Councillor on the committee.

(Somervaille/Gillard)

CARRIED

**2402/009 SCHEDULE OF OUTSTANDING AUDIT RECOMMENDATIONS
RECOMMENDED**

That the Schedule of Outstanding Audit Recommendations report be received.

(Gillard/Somervaille)

CARRIED

2402/010 PREScribed FUNCTIONS ACTIVITY REPORT**RECOMMENDED**

That the report on Prescribed Functions outlining activities in Risk Management, Financial Management, Legislative Compliance, External Audit, Governance, Service reviews / improvements and Fraud and corruption prevention be received.
(Somervaille/Gillard)
CARRIED

2402/011 UPDATE ON MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS**RECOMMENDED**

That the Update on Major Developments report be received.
(Somervaille/Gillard)
CARRIED

MEETING CLOSED 10.46AM**Risk/Policy/Legislation Considerations:**

The Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee (the Committee) has been established to promote good corporate governance in Council. Good corporate governance of the Council ensures that the people of Blayney Shire receive the services that they need in an effective and efficient manner, delivered with honesty and integrity.

The objective of the Committee is to provide independent assurance and assistance to Council with respect to the following key areas as per Section 428A of the Local Government Act 1993. Such areas include compliance; risk management; fraud control; internal control; financial management; governance; service reviews; other matters prescribed by the regulations, and execution of Council functions.

The Committee is an independent advisory Committee that assists the Council to fulfil its oversight responsibilities.

Budget Implications:

Costs associated with holding of Committee meetings, sitting fees for independent members and associated service reviews / audits are provided for in Council's 2023/24 Operational Plan for this purpose.

Enclosures (following report)

Nil

Attachments (separate document)

Nil

14) INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES MONTHLY REPORT**Department:** Infrastructure Services**Author:** Director Infrastructure Services**CSP Link:** 1. Maintain and Improve Public Infrastructure and Services**File No:** GO.ME.1

Recommendation:

That Council note the Infrastructure Services Monthly Report for February 2023.

Reason for Report:

To update Councillors on matters associated with shire infrastructure, its maintenance, operation, upgrade and construction.

Report:**Topical Matters**Grant Funding Submission

Council made application under the Federal Government Bridge Renewal Program (BRP) for the Coombing Street bridge over Belubula River, Carcoar.

The existing major culvert was damaged beyond repair during Natural Disaster Events, however due to the pre-disaster condition, Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) was unable to fund its full repair.

Under BRP Council has sought betterment for a single span, single lane bridge with a pedestrian walkway. Betterment to this bridge was identified as it provides a critical alternate route to the Heritage Timber Bridge, ensuring network resilience to the Carcoar Community.

Total project cost has been estimated at \$1,006,500 due to complexities on site, geotechnical information and rates from recent bridge projects. The proposed funding source breakdown for this project is as follows:

- \$54,747 – Disaster Relief AGRN1034 (Funding Secured)
- \$200,000 – OLG Flood Recovery Grant (Funding Secured)
- \$751,753 – Bridge Renewal Program (Funding Pending)

It is expected Council will be notified of the BRP assessment outcome in May 2024.

Major Contracts**Belubula Way Bridge (REPAIR, R4R9)**

All bridgeworks, including barriers, are completed. The removal of the temporary bypass and reinstatement of boundary fencing are completed. Minor outstanding works include tree-work, seal assessment, resealing scheduled for late February and linemarking shortly after.

Four Mile Creek Road Bridge (FCB2A)

Management plans have been received and hold points have been partially released pending issue of final documents. Unseasonal weather on the contractor's other project's has pushed back on-site commencement until early July with completion expected late July. Boundary acquisition fencing has been substantially completed as stock proof, with a section (floodgate) remaining over the creek pending roadworks completion after the bridge works are completed.

Major Works**Garland Road Repair (RLRRP)**

Works on the scoped section of Garland Road are complete, with the road being sealed as of 16/11/23. Linemarking is still outstanding, to be completed in conjunction with other works.

Neville Road Rehabilitation (FLR4)

All major roadworks have been completed. Driveway resealing and linemarking items remain and will be completed in conjunction with other Council reseals by early March.

Forest Reefs/Tallwood Road Intersection (R4R8)

Following award of this tender in January, construction has commenced. Drainage works and cut/fill bulk earthworks are underway.

Barry Road Heavy Patching (R4R9)

Works are substantially completed, with the road being sealed on 16/11/23. Linemarking work is the only item outstanding and is programmed in conjunction with other Council jobs for March.

Tallwood Road Heavy Patching (R4R9)

Works are currently underway, with sub-base overlay completed ready for stabilising on 20 and 21 February. Base gravel overlay will commence thereafter and sealing scheduled for week-ending 3 March pending inclement weather.

Unwin & Stabback Street (LRCl)

Works on Unwin Street are nearing completion, with the road having been prime sealed at the start of February and concrete driveway reinstatement works currently underway. Minor close-out items are still being received by residents and discussions and designs are currently underway.

Finalised construction design has been issued for Stabback Street, with works expected to commence in late February. In finalising the construction design, Council has been able to review the amount of pipe required and been able to make a reduction, which will likely have a positive impact on the project budget and the works schedule. This directly reduce the impact of the project on residents.

Communication and private works agreements have been issued for residents looking to concrete their driveways whilst reinstatement works are occurring in Unwin Street.

Minor Road Works

Maintenance works

Since the previous report, pothole patching has been performed on the following roads: Three Brothers Road, Newbridge Road, Wimbledon Road, Barry Road, Neville Road, Mandurama Road, Belubula Way, Hobbys Yards Road, Errowanbang Road, Cadia Road, Burnt Yards Road, Long Swamp Road, Forest Reefs Road, Spring Hill Road, Spring Terrace Road.

Pothole patching has also generally been performed in the following towns/areas: Blayney, Lyndhurst, Millthorpe, Blayney Waste Facility, Mandurama.

Maintenance grading has been undertaken on Glenelg Road, Eves Lane, Carcoar Dam Road, Mount Macquarie Road, Mallowgrove Road, Corks Lane, Hills Lane, Nyes Gates Road, Graham Lane, Sherlocks Lane, Kings Plains Road, Pounds Lane, Fleetwood Lane, Tea Tree Road, Glengate Road, Dungeon Road, Yangoora Road, Prices Lane, Marshalls Lane, Adelaide Lane, Plumb Street, Mayfield Lane, Lindsay Lane, Avonlee Lane, Lucks Lane.

Roadside vegetation management has been undertaken on Carcoar Road, Errowanbang Road, Cadia Road, Long Swamp Road, Forest Reefs Road, Belubula Way, Browns Creek Road, Tallwood Road, Four Mile Creek Road, Spring Terrace Road, Guyong Road, Panuara Road, Hobbys Yards Road, Three Brothers Road, Newbridge Road, Wimbledon Road, Moorilda Road, Neville Road, Mandurama Road, Gallymont Road, Garland Road.

Footpaths

Trunk Street, Newbridge (R4R8)

Works are completed up to Stringybark Craft Shop.

Planning, design and scoping is currently underway for the stage 2 works fronting the Gladstone Hotel. Preliminary estimates and sketches have been made, however final design is taking time as heritage advice is considered.

Belubula River Walk – Stage 4 (SCCF4)

Works are programmed to commence by the end of February on the Stillingfleet cul-de-sac works. Works include boxing out, laying and compacting gravel, and sealing. Minor drainage works will also be carried out to prevent future scouring.

Open Spaces & FacilitiesMaintenance works

Parks and gardens team have been mowing ovals and parks as part of the normal routine. Additionally, weed spraying of general open space, parklands and cemeteries is ongoing.

Recycled Water Treatment Plant

As part of completing final permits and approvals, a consultant has been engaged and performed a site inspection. They are now finalising Council's management plans, monitoring plans and supporting documentation in order to submit application under Section 60 of the Local Government Act (s.60).

Preliminary feedback from the Department of Planning highlighted 24 items that are not crucial for the s.60 application but must be completed before approval can be issued. Work on these items is underway.

It is anticipated that the s.60 submission will be lodged by the end of February.

King George Oval Upgrades (R4R8, SCCF4, SCCF5)

The design for the internal carpark has been finalised. Delivery will be with a part-service arrangement with a local contractor. The contractor has been engaged and is expected to commence by end of February. Procurement of gravel material in preparation of commencement has been completed.

Creation of accessible seating adjacent to the field side seating are planned, with construction anticipated to commence before March.

Carrington Park Toilet Refurbishments (R4R8)

Design for the accessible carpark is complete. Construction is currently underway, expected to be complete by late February.

Heritage Park New Toilets (R4R8)

Fabrication of the modular building has commenced. Site installation is projected to commence mid-May, extending for 3 weeks. Preparations are currently underway to secure temporary toilet facilities for the public, during construction.

A review of the project prior to proceeding to procurement identified a potential underspend and saving of \$150k. Council has lodged a grant variation request to move these surplus R4R8 funds to the KGO upgrade project. Council is awaiting a response from Regional NSW.

Assets

Work continues on the 2025 Transportation revaluation with condition assessment of the major Culvert network underway and work underway on the methodology.

Council has received preliminary data from the Ground Penetrating Radar which was undertaken of the road network, to better determine the granular thickness of the road network for the purposes of valuation. This data is currently under review.

Joint procurement of the seal condition assessment is currently seeking expression of interest through the Central NSW Joint Organisation.

Risk/Policy/Legislation Considerations:

Information report only.

Budget Implications:

Nil.

Enclosures (following report)

Nil

Attachments (separate document)

Nil

15) MINUTES OF THE TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 9 FEBRUARY 2024

Department: Infrastructure Services

Author: Director Infrastructure Services

CSP Link: 1. Maintain and Improve Public Infrastructure and Services

File No: TT.ME.1

Recommendation:

That Council;

1. Receive and note the minutes of the Blayney Traffic Committee Meeting, held on Tuesday 9 February 2024.
2. Endorse the Millthorpe Market event, to be staged on 7 April 2024 on Redmond Oval as a Class 2 event, subject to the conditions detailed in the Director Infrastructure Services' Report.
3. Endorse the Blayney Anzac Day Service as a Class 3 event, subject to the conditions detailed in the Director Infrastructure Services' Report
4. Endorse the Villages ANZAC (Millthorpe & Neville) Day Service as a Class 3 event, subject to the conditions detailed in the Director Infrastructure Services' Report.
5. Note changes to the speed zone of Forest Reefs Road, Millthorpe in accordance with TfNSW Speed zone Review R-4297.

Reason for Report:

For Council to endorse the minutes of the Blayney Shire Council Traffic Committee meeting held 9 February 2024.

Report:

The Blayney Shire Council Traffic Committee held its meeting on 9 February 2024.

MINUTES OF THE BLAYNEY SHIRE COUNCIL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE CHAMBERS, BLAYNEY SHIRE COUNCIL COMMUNITY CENTRE, ON 9 FEBRUARY 2024, COMMENCING AT 10:01AM

PRESENT

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

Present: Jacob Hogan (Director Infrastructure Services), Jennifer Evans (Trainee Town Planner).

APOLOGIES

Nikki Smith (Administration Officer).

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

That the following Declaration of Interest be noted.

Number	Member/Officer	Interest	Report	Reason
3 & 4	Reg Rendall	Non-Pecuniary	20230209:01	Organiser of event

Confirmation of Minutes

**MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING BLAYNEY SHIRE
COUNCIL TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 8
DECEMBER 2023**

Recommendation:

That the Minutes of the Blayney Shire Council Traffic Committee Meeting held on 8 December 2023, be confirmed to be a true and accurate record of that meeting.

(Marks/Rendall)

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Discussion – Temporary 60km reduction of Millthorpe Road, 2km from Nestle, suggestion to TfNSW to amend 60km/hr signs to be “60km/hr when wet.”

Further information in General Business.

REPORTS

20230209:01 **STREET EVENT - MILLTHORPE MARKET - 7 APRIL 2024
(IAPP/82904)**

Recommendation:

That Council endorse the Millthorpe Market event, to be staged on 7 April 2024 on Redmond Oval as a Class 2 event, subject to the conditions detailed in the Director Infrastructure Services' Report.

(Rendall/Marks)

20230209:03 **STREET EVENT - ANZAC DAY (BLAYNEY) - APRIL 2024**

Recommendation:

That Council endorse the Blayney Anzac Day Service as a Class 3 event, subject to the conditions detailed in the Director Infrastructure Services' Report.

(Marks/Barry)

20230209:04 **STREET EVENT - ANZAC DAY SERVICES (VILLAGES) -
APRIL 2024 VF**

Recommendation:

That Council endorse the Villages ANZAC (Millthorpe & Neville) Day Service as a Class 3 event, subject to the conditions detailed in the Director Infrastructure Services' Report.

(Barry/Newstead)

TRAFFIC REGISTER

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Noted.

GENERAL BUSINESS

20230209:02 **SPEED ZONE REVIEW (SZR) - R-4297 FOREST REEFS ROAD, MILLTHORPE**

For Committee noting.

Recommendation:

That Council note changes to the speed zone of Forest Reefs Road, Millthorpe in accordance with TfNSW Speed zone Review R-4297.

SPEED ZONE REVIEW REQUEST - MILLTHORPE & GREGHAMSTOWN ROAD INTERSECTION

Actions:

For Committee noting.

MILLTHORPE ROAD - TEMPORARY 60KM/H

Actions:

For Committee Noting.

FATAL CRASH - BELUBULA WAY, MANDURAMA

Actions:

For Committee Noting.

INFORMAL MATTERS

Discussion: Intersection between Adelaide St and Mid-Western Highway – open the closure (concrete barrier) of the left hand turn from Mid-Western Highway onto Adelaide St.

Action: DIS to send information to TfNsw to arrange site meeting, to then be reported back to Traffic Committee meeting.
Cr Newstead to be included.

Discussion: Another bus provider issue turning at the intersection of Gap Road and Errowanbang Road, bus route, couple of near misses.

Action: DIS to do desktop review, John will advise bus driver to discuss directly with DIS.

FUTURE MEETING DATES - 2023

9 June 2023

4 August 2023

6 October 2023

8 December 2023

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 10:38am.

Enclosures (following report)

1 Map - Speed Zone Review

1 Page

Attachments (separate document)

Nil

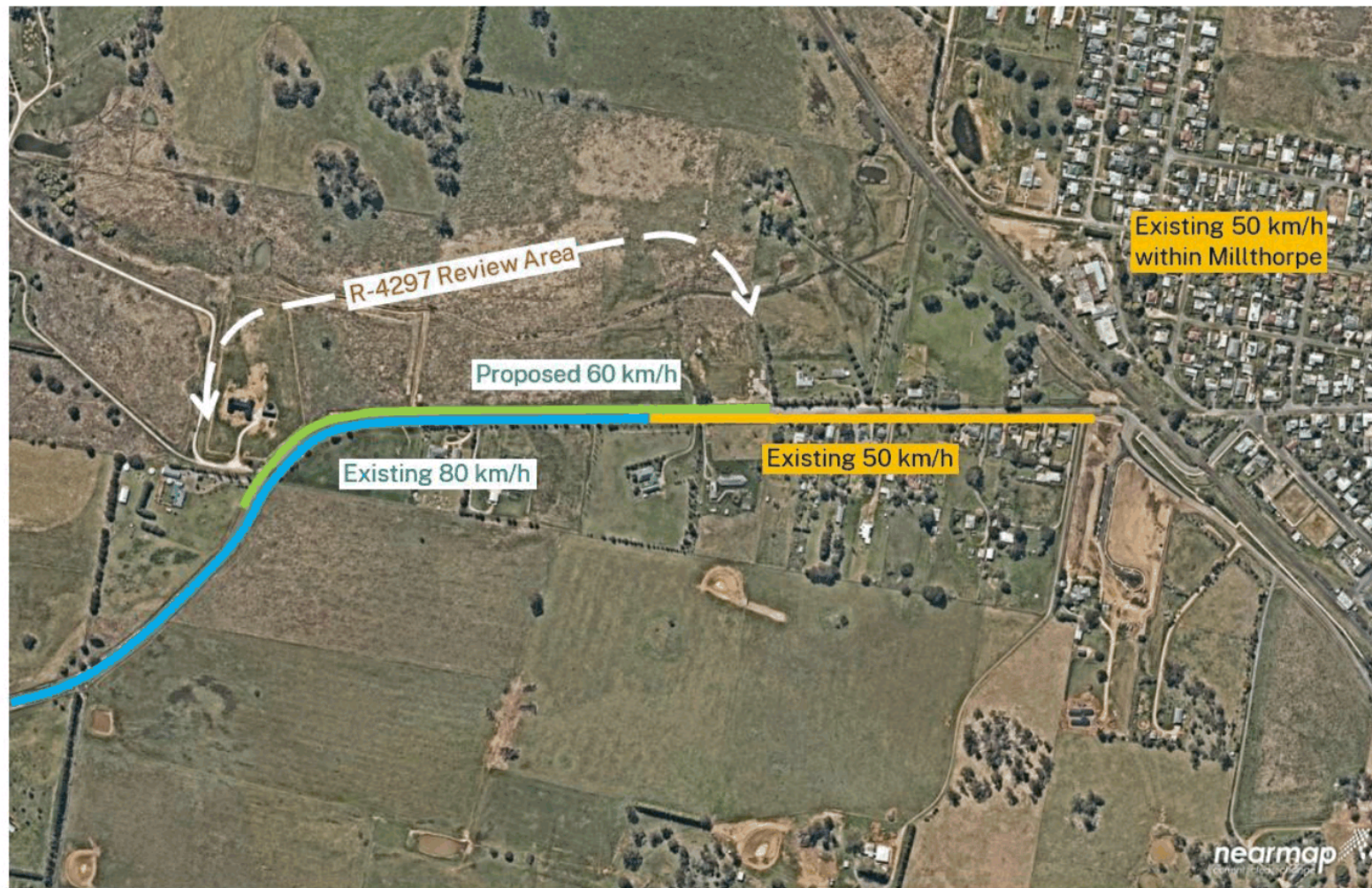


Figure 1. Map of Review Location showing existing and proposed speed zones.

16) DEVELOPMENT ASSESSMENT QUARTERLY REPORT

Department: Planning and Environmental Services

Author: Director Planning and Environmental Services

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

File No: GO.ME.1

Recommendation:

That the development assessment quarterly report be received and noted.

Reason for Report:

To update Council on development applications and complying development certificates determined during the period (1 October 2023 to 22 December 2023).

To advise Council with a list of applications currently under assessment (note until 05/02/2024).

Report:

The following enclosures are provided for Council's information;

1. Applications approved under delegated authority during the period,
2. Applications currently under assessment

There were no applications refused under delegated authority during the period.

Risk/Policy/Legislation Considerations:

Nil

Budget Implications:

Nil

Enclosures (following report)

1 Development Assessment Quarterly Report

6 Pages

Attachments (separate document)

Nil

1. Applications approved under delegated authority during the period

DA NUMBER	APPLICATION DATE	APPLICANTS NAME	APPLICATION DESCRIPTION OF WORK	PROPERTY ADDRESS	DATE APPROVED	VALUE
2017/0134/2	21/11/2023	Alicia Gersbach	Modification - Erection of a Dwelling – Amend Dwelling location	28 Newry Downs Rd Lyndhurst	08/12/2023	-
2020/0098/1	20/09/2023	Matthew Hutchison & Denise Lawson	Modification - Change of Use - Restaurant or Cafe & Light Industry - Amend the design of the mural, signage, colour scheme and tiles on the front façade of the existing building	115 Adelaide St Blayney	13/10/2023	-
2021/0147/2	25/09/2023	Nicole Dicker	Modification - Dual Occupancy - Erection of a Dwelling – Reduce roof pitch and increase depth of shed by 1m	82 Springvale Lane Millthorpe	04/10/2023	-
2022/0104/1	22/09/2023	Richard Southwell	Modification – Erection of a Dwelling – Addition of a Retaining Wall	61 Forest Reefs Road Millthorpe	12/10/2023	-
2023/0034	14/03/2023	Nicholas Reeks	Erection of a Dwelling	30 Turner St Barry	04/10/2023	\$ 70,000.00
2023/0051	20/04/2023	Scott Denton	Alterations & Additions to an Existing Dwelling	5 Raphael St Blayney	15/12/2023	\$ 230,000.00
2023/0060	10/05/2023	Ian Gillings	Erection of a Patio	27 Victoria St Millthorpe	09/11/2023	\$ 40,266.00
2023/0064	25/05/2023	Greenbrook (Barry) PTY LTD	Boundary Adjustment	202 Moorilda Rd Barry	05/10/2023	
2023/0070	08/06/2023	Evan Lee PTY LTD	Filling of Land to Establish a Level Terrace and Use of Land for Events	17 Belubula St Carcoar	10/11/2023	\$ 77,500.00
2023/0079	03/07/2023	Richard Southwell	Erection of a dwelling and separate garage	57 Glenorie Rd Millthorpe	15/12/2023	\$ 1,122,100.00
2023/0090	31/07/2023	PAW Constructions PTY LTD	Erection of a dwelling and retaining wall	22 Starr Place Blayney	04/10/2023	\$ 526,030.00
2023/0092	04/08/2023	Stephen Toshack	Alterations & Additions to Residential Dwelling	2745 Mid-Western Hwy Kings Plains	20/10/2023	\$ 125,000.00

DA NUMBER	APPLICATION DATE	APPLICANTS NAME	APPLICATION DESCRIPTION OF WORK	PROPERTY ADDRESS	DATE APPROVED	VALUE
2023/0104	30/08/2023	Fallon & Co PTY LTD	Change of Use - Tattoo Parlour	129 Adelaide St Blayney	06/10/2023	\$ 500.00
2023/0107	06/09/2023	Richard Venner	Erection of a Shed	22 Burrell Lane Forest Reefs	05/10/2023	\$ 45,431.10
2023/0109	13/09/2023	Kylie Beddie	Alteration & Additions to an Existing Dwelling	4169 Mid-Western Hwy Blayney	15/12/2023	\$ 128,865.00
2023/0111	20/09/2023	COSO Architecture	Alterations & Additions to an Existing Dwelling	23 Stoke Lane Carcoar	19/12/2023	\$ 377,250.00
2023/0113	25/09/2023	Millthorpe Village Committee Inc.	Erection of community noticeboard and bookcase	1 Pym St Millthorpe	12/10/2023	\$ 11,013.00
2023/0114	25/09/2023	Rawson Group	Erection of a dwelling	56 Hoynes Cct Blayney	06/10/2023	\$ 302,422.00
2023/0117	27/09/2023	David Dunbar Homes	Erection of a Dwelling	37 Lyons Rd Lyndhurst	24/11/2023	\$ 508,796.00
2023/0118	29/09/2023	Gregory J. Coleman Pty. Limited	Erection of a Dwelling	16 St Vincent Welsh Way Blayney	16/11/2023	\$ 682,299.00
2023/0119	06/10/2023	Tim Parker Building PTY LTD	Erection of a Dwelling	12 Starr Place Blayney	09/11/2023	\$ 350,000.00
2023/0120	09/10/2023	Burge Family Trust & Ortiger Family Trust	Boundary Adjustment	617 Moorilda Rd Moorilda	17/11/2023	-
2023/0124	17/10/2023	Danielle Ralston	Erection of a shed	10 Collins St Carcoar	30/11/2023	\$ 39,540.00
2023/0126	23/10/2023	Fernleigh Drafting	Erection of a shed	2 Amos Ave Blayney	24/11/2023	\$ 26,500.00
2023/0127	23/10/2023	Amanda Townsend	Erection of Patio over Existing Deck	28 Osman St Blayney	03/11/2023	\$ 20,000.00
2023/0128	24/10/2023	Amanda Watts	Alterations to Existing Millthorpe Post Office	44 Victoria St Millthorpe	24/11/2023	\$ 35,000.00
2023/0129	06/11/2023	Warwick Hughes	Erection of a Dwelling	54 Hoynes Cct Blayney	17/11/2023	\$ 446,000.00
2022/0046/1	30/10/2023	Guy Randall	Modification - Erection of a Shed – Include Bathroom, Studio and Gym	30 Springvale Lane Millthorpe		\$ 5,000.00
2023/0131	08/11/2023	Kristine Hobby	Section 68 - Water Supply, sewerage and drainage work	22 Cooper St Blayney	01/12/2023	-
2023/0134	13/11/2023	Michael Downes	Section 68 – On-Site Waste Management System	13 Burrell Lane Forest Reefs	06/12/2023	-
					Total	\$ 5,169,512.10

2. Applications currently under assessment

DA NUMBER	APPLICATION DATE	APPLICANTS NAME	APPLICATION DESCRIPTION OF WORK	PROPERTY ADDRESS	VALUE
2019/0047	27/05/2019	Rockleigh Properties PTY LTD	Two (2) Lot Subdivision	50 VICTORIA ST MILLTHORPE	\$ 5,000.00
2021/0094	28/07/2021	Jameel Qureshi	Office Premise	99 ADELAIDE ST BLAYNEY	\$ 300,000.00
2022/0121	09/09/2022	Haderslev Pty Ltd	Establishment of a Primitive Camping Ground	245 CARCOAR DAM RD CARCOAR	-
2022/0122	28/09/2022	David James Woods	Erection of a Dwelling and Shed	6436 MID WESTERN HWY LYNDHURST	\$ 350,000.00
2023/0013	31/01/2023	Ambrose Hallman	Demolition of Four (4) existing buildings within the Blayney Railway yard	20 Railway Lane Blayney	\$ 11,000.00
2023/0028	06/03/2023	Bathurst Sheds	Erection of a shed	2 Bourke St Newbridge	\$ 26,647.00
2023/0029	07/03/2023	Little Learning Centre	Boundary Adjustment & Construction of a free-standing Childcare facility	2 George St Millthorpe	\$ 295,000.00
2023/0033	10/03/2023	David Somervaille	Boundary Adjustment	17 Henry St Blayney	-
2023/0055	01/05/2023	Rovest Holdings PTY LTD	Change of use from a bowling club to motel accommodation including provision of a reception, laundry, kitchen, amenities and office within the existing bowling club building, demolition of other structures within the site, construction and installation of modular motel accommodation buildings providing 102 motel rooms and associated works including signage, parking and essential services connections.	62 Osman St Blayney	\$ 1,000,000.00
2023/0059	10/05/2023	Hannah Hart	Two (2) Lot Subdivision	37 Martha St Blayney	-

DA NUMBER	APPLICATION DATE	APPLICANTS NAME	APPLICATION DESCRIPTION OF WORK	PROPERTY ADDRESS	VALUE
2023/0061	18/05/2023	Rockleigh Properties PTY LTD	Change of Use - Dwelling to Medical Centre	3 Victoria St Millthorpe	\$ 150,000.00
2023/0067	30/05/2023	Metziya PTY Limited	Proposed Forklift Storage Building and Vehicle Servicing Building	137a Newbridge Rd Blayney	\$ 1,000,000.00
2007/131/1	14/07/2023	Warren Watts	Modification - Consolidation of Thirty-One (31) Lots and Re-subdivision into Seventeen (17) Lots – Change to approved access locations for lots 10 & 11	160 Forest Reefs Rd Millthorpe	-
2023/0091	31/07/2023	Ngoc-Hien Duong	Alterations & Additions to Existing Dwelling	26 Osman St Blayney	\$ 378,030.50
2023/0096	14/08/2023	Nicholas Reeks	Alterations and additions to existing dwelling	361 Millpost Creek Rd Mandurama	\$ 400,000.00
2023/0106	06/09/2023	Lyndall Hadlow	Erection Of a Dwelling And Garage	4072 Mid-Western Hwy Blayney	\$ 650,000.00
2023/0110	18/09/2023	Paul Watters	Demolition of Existing Dwelling and Erection of a Dwelling	109 Pitlochry Rd Neville	\$ 1,051,500.00
2023/0115	25/09/2023	Marco Pasquali	Alterations & Additions to Existing Dwelling	283 Carbine Rd Forest Reefs	\$ 325,000.00
2023/0116	27/09/2023	Haderslev Pty Ltd	Change of use - Animal Boarding and Training Facility for a maximum of Twenty (20) greyhounds only	239 Carbine Rd Forest Reefs	-
2023/0121	10/10/2023	Ian Gillings	Alterations & Additions to an Existing Shed	27 Victoria St Millthorpe	\$ 65,000.00
2023/0122	10/10/2023	Matthew Forsyth	Two (2) Lot Subdivision	8 Bluett Cl Forest Reefs	-
2023/0123	17/10/2023	Joshua Cook	Change of Use and Demolition on Existing Awning and Erection of an Awning	54 Adelaide St Blayney	\$ 66,000.00
2023/0125	23/10/2023	Mark Whitney	Farm Stay Accommodation	3399 Mid Western Hwy Kings Plains	\$ 309,000.00
2023/0130	06/11/2023	Tim Worboys	Erection of a Dwelling	8 St Vincent Welsh Way Blayney	\$ 700,000.00
2023/0132	08/11/2023	Arete Survey Solutions	Two (2) Lot Subdivision	40 Plumb St Blayney	-

DA NUMBER	APPLICATION DATE	APPLICANTS NAME	APPLICATION DESCRIPTION OF WORK	PROPERTY ADDRESS	VALUE
2023/0133	09/11/2023	Darrell Overlunde	Installation Above Ground Fuel Tank Storage	6518 Mid Western Hwy Lyndhurst	\$ 60,000.00
2023/0136	20/11/2023	Michelle Droulers	Demolition of Existing Shed	339-343 Tallwood Rd Forest Reefs	-
2023/0137	20/11/2023	Asthenia PTY LTD	Change of Use - Shed to Dual Occupancy	1 Palmer St Blayney	\$ 120,000.00
2023/0138	22/11/2023	Haderslev PTY LTD	Erection of a Dwelling	109 Prescot St Lyndhurst	\$ 374,000.00
2023/0139	28/11/2023	Millthorpe Bowling Club LTD	Covered Outdoor Area	24 Elliott St Millthorpe	\$ 87,840.00
2017/0022/2	01/12/2023	Paul Johannes Els	Modification - Erection of a Cottage – Amend floorplan	16 Collins St Carcoar	-
2023/0140	08/12/2023	Gavin Morten	Erosion Stabilisation Works - Gallymount Dam	769 Snake Creek Rd Mandurama	\$ 61,200.00
2023/0141	12/12/2023	Daniel Wilcox	Erection of a Dwelling	114 Forest Reefs Rd Millthorpe	\$ 1,300,000.00
2023/0142	12/12/2023	Divlist PTY. Limited & Mikell Investments PTY LTD	Erection of a dwelling	1b Morley St Millthorpe	\$ 619,820.00
2023/0143	18/12/2023	Natalie Degabriel	Erection of a retaining wall	9 Castle Vista Blayney	\$ 12,500.00
2023/0144	19/12/2023	Brendan Newstead	Change of Use	2 Sturt St Blayney	\$ 15,000.00
2024/0145	08/01/2024	Mark Sharp	Erection of a shed	33 Charles Booth Way Millthorpe	\$ 58,036.00
2024/0001	12/01/2024	Southwell Design and Drafting	Alterations and Additions to an Existing Dwelling	16 Park St Millthorpe	\$ 694,070.00
2024/0002	12/01/2024	Edward Leabeater	Consolidation of Lots, Demolition of Existing Dwelling and Erection of Transportable Dwelling	27 Ramsay St Lyndhurst	\$ 263,286.00
2024/0003	16/01/2024	John Delios	Erection of a shed	2 Queen St Lyndhurst	\$ 34,320.00

DA NUMBER	APPLICATION DATE	APPLICANTS NAME	APPLICATION DESCRIPTION OF WORK	PROPERTY ADDRESS	VALUE
2024/0004	16/01/2024	Suzanne McGregor	Five (5) Lot Subdivision	78 Clover Ridge Rd Millthorpe	\$ 350,000.00
2024/0005	19/01/2024	Sally Wood	Proposed Alteration/ Addition of Mudroom to Existing Dwelling	455 Tallwood Rd Forest Reefs	\$ 63,290.00
2022/0048/1	22/01/2024	Benedict Johnson	Modification - Demolition of existing buildings, construction of a commercial premises, dual occupancy & associated site works and car parking - Site and building level changes, Additional water tank, Minor internal floorplan alteration to 3Br Dwelling, Amendment to window schedule, Modification to Consent Condition 14 – Service Vehicles Manoeuvring.	10 Pym St Millthorpe	-
2024/0006	22/01/2024	Felicity Slattery	Alterations and additions to existing guesthouse accommodation, Erection of Three (3) cabin accommodation units, pool and new dwelling	12 Naylor St Carcoar	\$ 2,222,000.00
2024/0007	22/01/2024	Green Gold Energy Pty Ltd T/A Green Gold Solar	Installation 5MW solar farm including solar array, inverter station, security fencing, temporary construction facilities and new powerline connection to adjacent Essential Energy infrastructure.	269 Marshalls Lane Blayney	\$ 5,660,600.00
2024/0008	24/01/2024	Nathan Stonestreet	Erection of a shed	13 Cooper St Blayney	\$ 19,000.00
2024/0009	25/01/2024	Peter Edwards	Addition of a new Lounge room and deck area to existing single story dwelling	1049 Neville-Trunkey Rd Neville	\$ 48,912.00
2024/0010	30/01/2024	Sam Laws	Erection of a shed	119 Charles Booth Way Millthorpe	\$ 35,000.00
2024/0011	05/02/2024	Greg White	Erection of a shed	1 Peters Pl Blayney	\$ 26,603.50
				Total	\$19,207,655.00