



# Shire of Mukinbudin

## Ordinary Meeting of Council

# UNCONFIRMED MINUTES

Meeting was held in Council Chambers at  
15 Maddock Street, Mukinbudin  
Commencing at 1.06pm Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2022

Dirk Sellenger  
**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**



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## AGENDA

Agenda of the Ordinary Meeting of Council to be held in Council Chambers, Maddock Street, Mukinbudin on 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2022.

### 1. Declaration of Opening

The Shire President to declare the Meeting open at 1.06pm

### 2. Record of attendance, apologies, and approved leave of absence

#### 2.1 Present:

Cr G Shadbolt	Shire President
Cr R Nicoletti	Deputy President
Cr G Bent	
Cr A Farina	
Cr C McGlashan	
Cr J Seaby	
Cr S Ventris	<i>(via Microsoft Teams)</i>
Cr A Walker	

#### 2.2 Staff:

Dirk Sellenger	Chief Executive Officer
Louise Sellenger	Manager of Corporate Services
Ed Nind	Finance Manager

#### 2.3 Visitors:

Claire Nind

#### 2.4 Apologies:

Cr S Paterson *(attended meeting from 1.43pm)*

#### 2.5 On leave of absence:

#### 2.6 Applications for leave of absence:

**Voting Requirement**                      Simple Majority

### OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

**Council Decision Number – 03 03 2022**

**Moved: Cr Nicoletti    Seconded: Cr Bent**

**That Cr Farina be granted leave of absence for the April 2022 Ordinary Meeting of Council.**

**Carried    8 / 0**

### 3. Public Question Time (min 15 minutes)

3.1 Response to previous questions taken on notice.

Nil

3.2 Declaration of public question time opened (minimum 15 mins)

The Shire President to declare public question time open at 1.08pm.

#### **QUESTION**

Claire Nind asked whether the funds put toward the upgrade of Main Street be put toward more footpath in town.

#### **REPLY**

Cr Shadbolt advised that Council has an ongoing plan to complete additional footpaths as an ordinary annual budget process. Council doesn't have any budget for the improvement to the main street however an item was being considered later in the agenda for an allocation towards improvements in the main street.

#### **QUESTION**

Claire Nind asked whether the shire can keep the four-door fridge at the complex instead of purchasing two, two door fridges as she is concern about the lost of storage capacity.

#### **REPLY**

The CEO advised that this matter was to be considered later in the meeting as part of the LRCI funding allocation and that there were a number of reasons for considering two smaller fridges instead of one large one, which includes:

- Preventing the need to operate a single large four door fridge for often months between uses. Two fridges would allow one fridge to continue to operate and the second two door fridge used on an as required basis for larger events.
- The existing four door fridge was old and proven to be highly unreliable over a number of years and costly to operate and maintain.
- That two, two door fridges would have the same capacity as a single four door fridge.

#### **QUESTION**

Ed Nind asked why hasn't council considered spending money on more renewal project rather than new project that will require ongoing future maintenance?

#### **REPLY**

Cr Shadbolt advised Council believes the projects they are considering later in the Agenda utilising the Local Road and Community Infrastructure funds are both a combination of renewal and new projects and all projects when agreed on by the Council will be of Community benefit.

### 3.3 Declaration of public question time closed

The Shire President to declare public question time closed at 1.14pm.

## 4. Declarations of Interest

Cr Shadbolt declared a financial interest in item 9.3.2 Barbarlin Pipeline – inline Water Tanks

Cr Walker declared a financial interest in item 9.3.2 Barbalin Pipeline – inline Water Tanks

Cr McGlashan declared a proximity interest in item 9.3.3 LRCIP Funding allocation.

## 5. Petitions, deputations, and presentations

5.1 Petitions

5.2 Deputations

5.3 Presentations

## 6. Announcements by the Presiding person without discussion

## 7. Confirmation of the Minutes of previous meetings

7.1 Confirmation of Minutes for the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on the 15<sup>th</sup> February 2022

### Voting Requirement

Simple Majority

## OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

**Council Decision Number – 04 03 2022**

**Moved: Cr McGlashan Seconded: Cr Farina**

**That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on the 15<sup>th</sup> February 2022 be accepted as a true and correct record of proceedings.**

**Carried 8 / 0**

## 8. Committee Meetings

### 8.1 Receipt of Minutes of Committee Meetings

8.1.1 NEWROC Executive Meeting held 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2022  
Attachment 8.1.1

8.1.2 Great Eastern Country Zone Meeting held 14<sup>th</sup> February 2022  
Attachment 8.1.2

8.1.3 State Council Special Meeting held 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2022  
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8.1.4 NEWTravel Meeting held 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2022  
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8.1.5 State Council Meeting held 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2022  
Attachment 8.1.5

8.1.6 Great Eastern District Operations Advisory Committee meeting held 14<sup>th</sup>  
March 2022  
Attachment 8.1.6

**Voting Requirement**

Simple Majority

**OFFICER RECOMMENDATION**

**Council Decision Number – 05 03 2022**

**Moved: Cr Bent**

**Seconded: Cr Nicoletti**

**That the Minutes of the following committee meetings be received.**

- **NEWROC Executive Meeting held 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2022;**
- **Great Eastern Country Zone Meeting held 14<sup>th</sup> February 2022;**
- **State Council Special Meeting held 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2022;**
- **NEWTravel Meeting held 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2022; and**
- **State Council Meeting held 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2022;**
- **Great Eastern District Operations Advisory Committee meeting held 14<sup>th</sup>  
March 2022**

**Carried 8 / 0**

8.2 Recommendations from Committee Meeting for Council Consideration

8.2.1 Audit Committee meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2022

Recommendations from this meeting will be brought to the council Meeting for adoption.

**OFFICER RECOMMENDATION**

**Council Decision Number – 06 03 2022**

**Moved: Cr Seaby**

**Seconded: Cr Farina**

**That the Audit Committee recommend to Council that the 2021 Compliance Audit Return**

- **be signed by the CEO and Shire President; and**
- **be received and recorded in the minutes of Council; and**
- **be submitted to the Executive Director of the Department of Local Government and Communities.**

**Carried 8 / 0**



## 9.1 MONTHLY INFORMATION REPORT

<b>9.1.1 March 2022 Information Report</b>	
Location:	Mukinbudin
File Ref:	ADM 360
Applicant:	Louise Sellenger, Manager of Corporate Services
Date:	10 <sup>th</sup> March 2022
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Responsible Officer	Dirk Sellenger, Chief Executive Officer
Author:	Louise Sellenger, Manager of Corporate Services
Voting Requirements	Simple Majority
Documents Attached	Nil
Documents Tabled	Nil

### **Summary**

To allow Council to receive the Monthly Information Report including reports from Manager of Works, Manager of Corporate Services, Caravan Park Manager, Aquatic Centre Manager and Environmental Health Officer.

### **Background Information**

Reports are presented to Council on operational matters within the Shire of Mukinbudin.

### **Officer Comment**

Refer to Information Report.

### **Consultation**

Dirk Sellenger – Chief Executive Officer  
 Luke Sprigg – Manager of Works  
 Tania Sprigg - Caravan Park Manager  
 Allan Ramsay – Environmental Health Officer  
 Simon Comerford – Aquatic Centre Manager

**Statutory Environment** Nil

**Policy Implications** Nil

**Financial Implications** Nil

## **OFFICER RECOMMENDATION**

**Council Decision Number – 07 03 2022**

**Moved: Cr Walker**

**Seconded: Cr Ventris**

**That Council receive the March 2022 Information Report.**

**Carried 8 / 0**

## 9.2 Finance Reports

<b>9.2.1 List of Payments – February 2022</b>	
Location:	Mukinbudin
File Ref:	ADM 007
Applicant:	Louise Sellenger – Manager of Corporate Services
Date:	10 <sup>th</sup> March 2022
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Responsible Officer:	Louise Sellenger – Manager of Corporate Services
Author:	Lucia Scari – Finance Officer
Voting Requirements	Simple Majority
Documents Attached	List of Payments – Municipal Account (5 pages) List of Payments – Restricted Muni Account (2 pages) Credit Card Summary February 2022 (1 page) Corporate Credit Card Statement February 2022 (4 pages)
Documents Tabled	Nil

***If a Councillor has any questions regarding the enclosed finance report, please see the Finance Manager prior to the meeting so that a researched answer may be provided.***

### **Summary**

List of payments made in February 2022 for endorsement by Council.

### **Background Information**

A list of payments submitted to Council on 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2022, for confirmation in respect of accounts already paid or for the authority to those unpaid. (Please refer to Payment listing submitted as a separate attachment).

### **Officer Comment**

Standard process of obtaining Council endorsement of payments.

### **Strategic & Social Implications**

N/A

### **Consultation**

N/A

### **Statutory Environment**

A list of payments is required to be presented to Council as per section 13 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996.

### **Policy Implications**

Council Policy No. 1.6.5 (e) states that a list of payments is required to be presented to Council each month in accordance with Financial Management Regulations 13(1) for recording in the minutes.

### **Financial Implications**

All payments have been made in accordance with the 2021/2022 Budget.

<b>OFFICER RECOMMENDATION</b>
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**Council Decision Number – 08 03 2022**

**Moved: Cr Farina**

**Seconded: Cr McGlashan**

**That the list of payments made in February 2022, be endorsed for payment.**

**Municipal Fund:**

Muni EFTs	EFT 6833	to	EFT 6932	\$270,066.17
Muni Cheques	Chq 31920	to	Chq 31921	\$28,595.00
Muni Direct Debits (Superannuation, loans, leases)	DD 8710.1	to	DD 8751.11	\$69,094.28
Pays on (Not included on payment listing)			03/02/22 & 17/02/22	\$81,362.90
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<b>Total Municipal Funds</b>				<b>\$449,118.35</b>

**Restricted Muni Fund:**

RMF EFTs	EFT 6855	to	EFT 6859	\$400.00
RMF Cheques	Chq -	to	Chq -	\$0.00
RMF Direct Debits	DD 8716.1	to	DD 8815.1	\$136,102.00
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<b>Total Restricted Muni Funds</b>				<b>\$136,502.00</b>

**Carried 8 / 0**

<b>9.2.2 Monthly Statement of Financial Activity Report – 28 February 2022</b>	
Location:	Mukinbudin
File Ref:	ADM 005
Applicant:	Edward Nind – Finance Manager
Date:	17 March 2022
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Responsible Officer	Edward Nind – Finance Manager
Author:	Edward Nind – Finance Manager
Voting Requirements	Simple Majority
Documents Attached	Statement of Financial Activity – For the period ended 28 February 2022 (23 Pages) Schedules 2 to 14 For the period 1 July 2021 to 28 February 2022 (97 Pages)
Documents Tabled	Nil

***If a Councillor has any questions regarding the enclosed finance report, please discuss these queries with the Finance Manager so that a researched answer may be provided for you.***

### **Summary**

This information is provided to Council on a monthly basis in accordance with provisions of the *Local Government Act 1995 and Local Government (Financial Management Regulations 1996)*.

The Monthly Statement of Financial Activity Report attached for consists of;

Statement of Financial Activity comprising:

1. Acquisition of Assets
2. Disposal of Assets
3. Information on Borrowings
4. Reserves
5. Net Current Assets
6. Rating Information
7. Restricted Municipal and Trust Funds
8. Operating Statement
9. Statement of Financial Position
10. Financial Ratios
11. Grants Revenue
12. Bank Balances & Investment Information

Schedules 2 - 14

### **Background Information**

The new Australian Accounting Standards have been applied to this report to recognise unspent grants as liabilities and Right Of Use (ROU) asset lease liabilities.

Where the income shown could be less than the full income received because some of the income had been recorded as a liability this information is shown on the line below the income line in the schedules.

Unspent grants and prepayments received are identified in Note 5. "Net Current Assets " in the Statement of Financial Activity.

The NRM Grant conditions required us to recognise interest on the unspent grant.

### **Officer Comment**

The "Original Budget", was adopted on 17 August 2021, is based on a surplus carried forward of \$1,022,592 using end of year figures at the time of estimating.

The "Actual" brought forward surplus from 2020/2021 is \$989,271. This is the final audited figure. This is reduction to the brought forward surplus of \$33,321 from the surplus upon which the budget was based. There were many factors contributing to this and the detail can be seen in Note 5. of the Financial Statements.

Given the magnitude of this change consideration should be given to addressing this in the Mid Year Review to reduce the possibility of a deficit position at the end of the 2021-2022 financial year.

The "Amended Budget" is the same as the "Original Budget" as no budget amendments have yet been adopted by council.

At 28 February 2022 the end of month position is a surplus of \$873,502.

In early June 2021 we received advance Financial Assistant Grant payments for the 2021-2022 financial year, \$593,490 of general purpose funding and \$307,024 of road funding making a total of \$900,514. These figures were based on "approximately half" of the Commonwealth Government funding pool which subsequently changed.

The reported variances are those to the "Original Budget" at the time of writing and largely relate to timing differences.

The text included in the "Budget Text and Other Information" is largely that from the "Original Budget"

The Grants Revenue report within the Statement of Financial Activity has been adjusted to include income in prior years and brought forward as a liability that was expected to be spent in the current year. This amount is included in the first quarter figures where appropriate.

**Strategic & Social Implications** N/A

**Consultation** N/A

**Statutory Environment**

General Financial Management of Council, Council 2021/22 Budget (Pending Adoption), *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*, r34, *Local Government Act 1995*, section 6.4.

**Policy Implications**

Council is required annually to adopt a policy on what it considers to be material as far as variances that require to be reported for Council.

Council adopted a policy on 17 August 2021 that the material variation be set at \$10,000 and 10%.

**Financial Implications**

There is no direct financial implication in relation to this matter.

**OFFICER RECOMMENDATION**

**Council Decision Number – 09 03 2022**

**Moved: Cr Nicoletti**

**Seconded: Cr Walker**

**That Council:**

**Adopt the Monthly Financial Report for the period ending 28 February 2022 and note any material variances greater than \$10,000 and 10%.**

**Carried 8/0**

<b>9.2.3 Mid Year Review 2021-2022</b>	
Location:	Mukinbudin
File Ref:	ADM 005
Applicant:	Edward Nind – Finance Manager
Date:	17 March 2022
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Responsible Officer	Edward Nind – Finance Manager
Author:	Edward Nind – Finance Manager
Voting Requirements	Absolute Majority
Documents Attached	Mid Year Review 2021-2022 (98 Pages)
Documents Tabled	Nil

***If a Councillor has any questions regarding the enclosed finance report, please discuss these queries with the Finance Manager so that a researched answer may be provided for you.***

### **Summary**

This information is provided to Council on an annual basis in accordance with provisions of the *Local Government Act 1995 and Local Government (Financial Management Regulations 1996)*.

The 2021-2022 Mid Year Budget Review is attached for Councillor Information and consists of Schedules 1 to 14 showing accounts and jobs and includes comparatives to 28 February 2022.

### **Background Information**

Nil

### **Officer Comment**

A review of expenditure and income for the period from 1st July to the date of the report has been carried out. In addition, relevant financial information has been included from other sources so the annual expenditure and income to 30 June 2022 can be predicted as accurately as possible.

The predicted expenditure and income to 30 June 2022 are shown in the yellow “**Forecast Actual**” column. Where the forecast figure for 30 June 2022 is different from the Adopted Budget, and as previously amended if appropriate, it is shown in **bold** and appropriate cells shaded.

It is recommended that council review the Forecast Actual figures.

The figures presented in this review represent the bottom line Forecast Actual for each job and account.

A detailed consideration of the resources required to achieve that result has not been carried out and all changes are treated as cash.

No non cash amendments for profit and loss or depreciation have been included because they will have no impact on the end of year result.

It that has been noted that overall gross wages and salary are below the year to date budget. See “SALARIES & WAGES” page 96. This potential savings has not been specifically addressed in the review. However some of these savings are intrinsically included in amendments to other accounts and jobs involving works related budgets.

The audited end of year result for the 30 June 2021 was \$989,271 (Including Prepaid grants) down from the adopted figure of \$1,022,592, a decrease of \$33,321.

If all the Forecast Actual figures are adopted by council the as Amended Budgets the estimated end of year result will a deficit of \$46,702.

Given the predicted deficit staff will monitor expenditure and implement additional savings if possible.

**Strategic & Social Implications** N/A

**Consultation** Internal Staff

### **Statutory Environment**

General Financial Management of Council, Council 2021/2022 Budget, *Local Government Act 1995*, section 6.10 and *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*, r33A.

The *Local Government Act 1995*, section 6.10 states:

**“6.10. Financial management regulations**

*Regulations may provide for —*

*(a) the security and banking of money received by a local government;*

*and*

*(b) the keeping of financial records by a local government;*

*and*

*(c) the management by a local government of its assets, liabilities and revenue;*

*and*

*(d) the general management of, and the authorisation of payments out of —*

*(i) the municipal fund; and*

*(ii) the trust fund,*

*of a local government.”*



The *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*, Regulation 33A states:  
“33A. Review of budget

- (1) *Between 1 January and 31 March in each financial year a local government is to carry out a review of its annual budget for that year.*
- (2A) *The review of an annual budget for a financial year must —*
- (a) *consider the local government’s financial performance in the period beginning on 1 July and ending no earlier than 31 December in that financial year; and*
  - (b) *consider the local government’s financial position as at the date of the review; and*
  - (c) *review the outcomes for the end of that financial year that are forecast in the budget.*
- (2) *Within 30 days after a review of the annual budget of a local government is carried out it is to be submitted to the council.*
- (3) *A council is to consider a review submitted to it and is to determine\* whether or not to adopt the review, any parts of the review or any recommendations made in the review.*
- \*Absolute majority required.*
- (4) *Within 30 days after a council has made a determination, a copy of the review and determination is to be provided to the Department.”*

### **Policy Implications**

Nil

### **Financial Implications**

If all the Forecast figures are adopted by council the as Amended Budgets the predicted end of year result at 30 June 2022 will be a deficit of \$46,702.

## **OFFICER RECOMMENDATION**

**Council Decision Number – 10 03 2022**

**Moved: Cr Bent**

**Seconded: Cr Seaby**

**That Council**

- **Review and note the “Forecast Actual” figures, and**
- **Adopt the “Forecast Actual” figures as Amended Budgets\***

**Carried 8 / 0**

### 9.3 Chief Executive Officer's Reports

<b>9.3.1 Response to petition – Advocacy Request – COVID 19 Vaccination Mandate</b>	
Location:	Mukinbudin
File Ref:	Personnel
Applicant:	Dirk Sellenger, Chief Executive Officer
Date:	10 <sup>th</sup> March 2022
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Responsible Officer	Dirk Sellenger, Chief Executive Officer
Author:	Dirk Sellenger, Chief Executive Officer
Voting Requirements:	Simple Majority
Documents Attached:	Nil
Documents Tabled:	Nil

#### **Summary**

The purpose of this report is to acknowledge receipt of a community petition presented at the Ordinary Council Meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> February 2022.

The petition called for the Shire to form an advocacy position and liaise with the State Government to request that it reconsider its position on COVID 19 Vaccination mandates in Western Australia.

This report recommends that Council does not support forming an advocacy position for this purpose.

#### **Background Information**

Responsibility for public health in Australia primarily lies with the States and Territories. In the context of declared public health emergencies, authorities have some coercive powers, including the ability to impose vaccinations.

In Western Australia, COVID 19 vaccinations have been made compulsory, by the State Government, for about 75 per cent of the workforce to apply from 1 January 2022. In response, employers in Western Australia are required to implement the mandatory COVID 19 vaccination policy to ensure health and safety and respond to employee and community concerns.

At the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> February 2022 a petition was presented asking Council to advocate with the State Government to request that the Government reconsider its implementation of mandatory vaccination requirements, as follows:

*“This petition is to the Shire of Mukinbudin to fight these mandates, bring our community back together and make our Shire a mandate-free shire.”*

The petition, which includes 140 signatures of these 85 signatures of from rate payers or residents of the Shire of Mukinbudin.

### **Officer Comment**

White the Shire, recognises and acknowledges the concerns raised by the signatories to this petition, it must also reply on the information provided by the State Government and Chief Medical Officer, specifically information relevant to the petitions request, namely that most hospital workers understand the necessity for increased vaccination rates to allow the community to build confidence that hospitality venues can be safely frequented.

*“WA’s hospitality sector has been on the frontline when it comes to wearing the impact of COVID-19 since February 2020. In contrast to shutdowns and heavy restrictions. The widespread application of vaccines is out path out of this pandemic.*

*Whilst a small percentage of the WA community hold concerns about vaccinations, the overwhelming feedback from workers in hospitality understand that it is in our best interests to achieve 90 per cent vaccination rates as quickly as possible.*

*Most businesses are reporting to us that 95 to 100 per cent of their staff support vaccinations.”*

The Shire supports economic viability for the wider hospitality sector and the state Governments requirement for vaccinations, which provide confidence to people visiting the Shire that they can safely attend businesses, and also that mandatory vaccinations is the pathway to the imminent reopening of our borders and the reduction of the need for any further shut down periods.

The State Government has also made the following information, in support of mandatory vaccinations, available:

- Getting vaccinated for COVID-19 saves lives and means you’re significantly less likely to wind up in hospital, it makes you less likely to catch the disease, and less likely to pass it onto others, especially if they themselves are vaccinated.
- When everyone in a venue or at a major event is vaccinated, it makes it safer for patrons and staff.
- People will be more confident, whether working a shift, or heading to a restaurant with friends, that they have a degree of protection because they are only mixing with vaccinated people.
- If people are vaccinated – it means the kind of public things they enjoy can keep happening safely.

A review of vaccination status for the district of Wheatbelt -North, as provided by department of Health provides the following (6<sup>th</sup> March 2022)

## **Western Australia (Continued)**

Data as at:  
06 Mar. 2022

Australia's COVID-19  
Vaccine Roadmap

State	Statistical Area 3	% People aged 16 and over with at least one dose	% People aged 16 and over fully vaccinated	% People eligible aged 16 and over with more than 2 doses
Western Australia	Serpentine - Jarrahdale	91.2%	89.2%	80.4%
Western Australia	South Perth	91.1%	89.4%	87.1%
Western Australia	Stirling	>95%	94.5%	83.6%
Western Australia	Swan	>95%	>95%	80.1%
Western Australia	Wanneroo	>95%	94.1%	81.3%
Western Australia	West Pilbara	62.7%	60.4%	75.2%
Western Australia	Wheat Belt - North	>95%	94.6%	82.8%
Western Australia	Wheat Belt - South	>95%	>95%	82.9%

The Wheatbelt community is currently >95% are fully vaccinated. From these figures it can be assumed the majority of our community accept the need to vaccinate and have themselves followed the government directive. These statistics suggest that the Wheatbelt community would unlikely support the premise of the petition.

### **Statutory Environment**

Nil

### **Legal Implications**

Mandated COVID 19 vaccination in Western Australia is a State Government Policy. The Shire of Mukinbudin, as with all employers in the State of Western Australia, are obligated to implement the policy as directed. Financial penalties may apply for non-compliance.

### **Financial Implications**

Nil

## **OFFICER RECOMMENDATION**

**Council Decision Number – 11 03 2022**

**Moved: Cr Farina**

**Seconded: Cr Bent**

**That Council does not support the request for the petition received at the Ordinary Council Meeting held 15<sup>th</sup> February 2022, seeking that the Shire of Mukinbudin fight against the State Government's mandatory vaccination policy.**

**Carried 6 / 2**

**Cr Shadbolt voted against the motion**

**Cr Seaby voted against the motion**

<b>9.3.2 Barbalin Pipeline – Inline Water Tanks</b>	
Location:	Mukinbudin
File Ref:	ADM
Applicant:	Dirk Sellenger, Chief Executive Officer
Date:	16 <sup>th</sup> March 2022
Disclosure of Interest:	Cr Shadbolt; Cr Walker
Responsible Officer	Dirk Sellenger, Chief Executive Officer
Author:	Dirk Sellenger, Chief Executive Officer
Voting Requirements	Simple Majority
Documents Attached	Nil
Documents Tabled	Nil

### **OFFICER RECOMMENDATION**

**Council Decision Number – 12 03 2022**

**Moved: Cr Seaby**

**Seconded: Cr McGlashan**

**That Cr Walker and Cr Shadbolt remain in the room to take part in discussion and voting on item 9.3.2 Barbalin Pipeline – inline water tanks.**

**CARRIED 6/0**

*Cr Paterson entered the Meeting 1.43pm*

### **Summary**

To allow Council to consider a funding application to the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) for the purchase and installation of two x 360 kilolitre tank located on what is currently a farmer's paddock.

### **Background Information**

The Barbalin Water Pipeline Project is effectively broken into several stages, whilst the pipe has been purchased and due to be delivered soon the management of the water requires careful consideration to maximise the benefits. For example, several people have suggested it will be possible with this new water supply to keep the town dams full, this isn't the intention of the supply at all as if the town dams are full it will prevent the ability to harvest any water from the town drainage system which underwent a capital upgrade in 2020 including the cement stabilising of the drainage system to improve efficiency.

The project will benefit significantly from the ability to store a large quantity of non-potable and clean (non-sewerage contaminated water) available for public use as a community water supply in the south of the Shire, effectively a Beringbooding tank equivalent located in the south of the Shire.

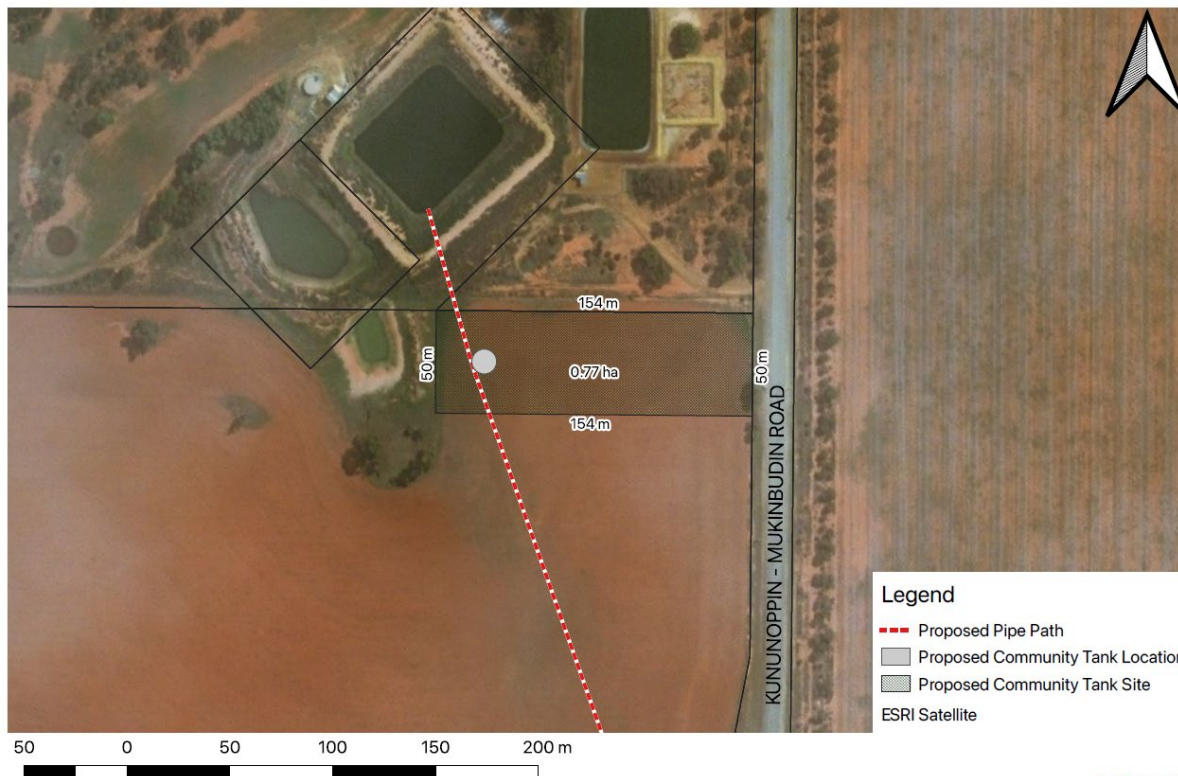
### **Officer Comment**

Dylan Copeland has prepared a diagram showing the proposed location of the new pipeline from Barbalin as well as the tank and land to be excised from the farmers paddock. At 50 metres wide this would allow sufficient access by large vehicles including road train water trucks if ever required. The land in question is currently rural and given the area involved, 0.7ha, the value of the land is nominal.



With the recent Corrigin and Bruce Rock bush fires this highlighted the importance of a reliable strategic water supplies within the Shire. Mukinbudin’s Chief Fire Control Officer is very supportive of the proposal and has for some time been concerned by the lack of a strategic water supply in the southern area of the Shire.

Proposed Community Tank Location



Above: Proposed pipeline and new community water supply area.



Above: 360,000ltr metal tank.

**Strategic & Social Implications**

Unless a separate tank is utilised it would not be possible to provide the water from Barbalin as a community water supply. The existing water in the two town dams is effectively contaminated because of the involvement of the town sewerage system and whilst the Barbalin water supply will compliment this supply on an as required basis an alternative clean storage solution is required to maximise the benefit of this Barbalin pipeline project.

**Consultation**

Dylan Copeland  
DWER Staff  
Mr Gary Shadbolt (land owner)  
Matt Silinger – Mukinbudin Chief Fire Control Officer

**Statutory Environment**

Local Government Act 1995,

**Policy Implications**

Nil

**Financial Implications**

Nil

**OFFICER RECOMMENDATION**

**Council Decision Number – 13 03 2022**

**Moved: Cr Walker**

**Seconded: Cr Nicoletti**

**That Council request the CEO apply for Community Water Supply Funding of \$80,000 (eighty thousand dollars) for the supply and installation of two 360KL tanks to create a southern strategic water supply.**

**That subject to a successful funding application that Council made the necessary allowance of \$40,000 (forty thousand dollars) in the 2022/2023 Draft Budget as the Shires necessary 1/3 contribution towards the project.**

**Carried 9 / 0**





- b. upgrade of Air Conditioning to Function Room  
Merredin Refrigeration provided a quote for the supply and installation of 3 x 16kw ceiling cassette Air conditioners (Function room) and 1 x 9kw Split System (in the Kitchen) including extension to Main's Switch board. \$37,000
- c. Professional Commercial design and upgrades of Sporting Complex Kitchen. Currently the kitchen isn't setup to a complete standard and some group lay claim to certain items which others can't use etc. The large four door fridge is considered excessive for majority of the year and the potential of two smaller fridges could be more efficient.
- d. Shade Structure to South of Indoor court.  
5m x 5m steel structure with concrete pad \$20,000



- 3. Caravan Park – no quote has been received, recommend allowance \$15,000
- 4. Public Toilet near Pump track – Transportable 2 toilet unit is \$17,000 and connection of services approximately \$15,000



- 5. Additional funding for Barbalin Pipeline project
- 6. Various Landscaping improvements and modernisation Lions Park. With the new playground in place the BBQ area and surrounding gardens are looking tired. The allocation of some funds to implement some improvements to the area.

### **Strategic & Social Implications**

Nil

**Consultation**

Discussion took place at the February 2022 Ordinary Meeting of Council and a number of possible projects and priorities were identified by the Council.

**Statutory Environment**

Nil

**Policy Implications**

Nil

**Financial Implications**

A total of \$751,508 was allocated as Phase 3 of the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure funding.

**OFFICER RECOMMENDATION**

**Council Decision Number – 15 02 2022**

**Moved: Cr Farina**

**Seconded: Cr Paterson**

**That Council agrees to the following project being funded by the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Phase 3 funding as follows:**

<b>1. Main Street Upgrade</b>	<b>\$255,508</b>
<b>2. Sports Complex</b>	
a. Ceiling fans to Indoor court area	\$24,000
b. Upgrade of Air conditioner to Function room	\$37,000
c. Professional Commercial design and upgrades of Sporting Complex Kitchen	\$45,000
d. Shade Structure to South of Indoor Court	\$20,000
<b>3. Various Caravan Park Landscaping Improvements</b>	<b>\$15,000</b>
<b>4. Public Toilet Near Pump Track</b>	<b>\$32,000</b>
<b>5. Additional funding – Barbalin Pipeline project</b>	<b>\$50,000</b>
<b>6. Various Landscaping improvements and modernisation – Lions Park</b>	<b>\$40,000</b>
<b>7. Memorial Hall Maintenance</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>

**Summary of previously allocated LRCI funding by Council**

• Barbalin Pipeline	\$165,000
• Streetlight Project	\$21,000
• Administration Building Air-conditioners	\$12,000
• Beringbooding Rock New signage	\$25,000

**Total allocation \$751,508**

**Carried 9 / 0**

<b>9.3.4 Chief Executive Officer – Request for Annual Leave</b>	
Location:	Mukinbudin
File Ref:	Personnel
Applicant:	Dirk Sellenger, Chief Executive Officer
Date:	17 <sup>th</sup> March 2022
Disclosure of Interest:	Dirk Sellenger – The author and beneficiary of any Annual Leave approved by the Council.
Responsible Officer	Dirk Sellenger, Chief Executive Officer
Author:	Dirk Sellenger, Chief Executive Officer
Voting Requirements:	Simple Majority
Documents Attached:	Nil
Documents Tabled:	Nil

### **Summary**

To allow Council to consider a request for Annual Leave from the Chief Executive Officer.

### **Background Information**

The CEO is requesting Annual Leave from Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2022 until Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2022 inclusive.

### **Officer Comment**

The CEO will be always within mobile range and contactable during this period and this number has been advertised as a Shire Emergency contact number and for this reason the CEO doesn't consider that an Acting CEO is warranted during this period.

**Strategic & Social Implications** Nil

**Consultation** Nil

**Statutory Environment** Nil

**Policy Implications** Nil

### **Financial Implications**

Council has made the necessary allowances for costs associated with the payment of Staff Annual Leave, including the CEO, in the 2021/2022 Annual Budget.

## **OFFICER RECOMMENDATION**

**Council Decision Number – 16 03 2022**

**Moved: Cr Farina**

**Seconded: Cr Seaby**

**That Council grant the Chief Executive Officer Annual Leave for the period 8<sup>th</sup> April to 18<sup>th</sup> April 2022 (inclusive).**

**Carried 9 / 0**

- 11. Elected Members Motions of which previous notice has been given**
  - 11.1 Nil
  
- 12. Urgent Business without notice (with the approval of the President or majority of Council)**
  - 12.1 Nil
  
- 13. Closure of Meeting**
  - 13.1 The Chairperson to declare the meeting closed at 2.25pm.