



Council Meeting Agenda

Meeting to be held at

Port of Sale Business Centre

Foster Street, Sale

Tuesday 16 May 2017, commencing at 6pm

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ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL – 16 MAY 2017

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A - PROCEDURAL



STATEMENT OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

***“We acknowledge the traditional custodians
of this land the Gunaikurnai people,
and pay respects to their elders past and present”***



PRAYER

***“Almighty God, we ask your blessing upon the Wellington
Shire Council, its Councillors, officers, staff and their families.***

***We pray for your guidance in our decisions so that the
true good of the Wellington Shire Council may result to
the benefit of all residents and community groups.”***

Amen



A - PROCEDURAL

A4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING/S

ITEM A4**ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING/S**

ACTION OFFICER:

GENERAL MANAGER CORPORATE SERVICES

DATE:

16 MAY 2017

OBJECTIVE

To adopt the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting of 2 May 2017 as tabled.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE GALLERY**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council adopt the minutes and resolutions of the Ordinary Council Meeting of 2 May 2017 as tabled.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No staff and/or contractors involved in the compilation of this report have declared a Conflict of Interest.



A - PROCEDURAL

A5 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING/S



A - PROCEDURAL

A6 ACCEPTANCE OF LATE ITEMS



A - PROCEDURAL

A7 NOTICE/S OF MOTION

ITEM A7(1)**NOTICE OF MOTION**

OFFICER:

COUNCILLOR MALCOLM HOLE

DATE:

16 MAY 2017

I, Councillor Malcolm Hole, hereby give notice of my intention to move the following motion at the Ordinary Meeting of Council of 16 May 2017.

That the Mayor write to the Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change, The Hon. Lily D'Ambrosio, copied to the Minister for Local Government, The Hon. Natalie Hutchins and Member for Eastern Victoria Region, Harriet Shing, requesting that funding generated through the collection of the Environmental Protection Authority Landfill Levy, be constrained to the purposes for which the Levy was introduced and not be allocated to supplement Parks Victoria initiatives.

Background

Council currently contribute an annual amount of \$940,000 for the Environmental Protection Authority Landfill Levy. The collection of this levy was established to provide funding assistance for the following:

- Waste Management Infrastructure
- Support Programs for Industry
- Education Programs; and
- Resourcing of bodies responsible for waste planning and Management of Victoria.

The State Government Budget 17/18 identifies that these funds have been allocated to Parks Victoria for the purpose of providing additional resources to ensure safe and equitable access to parks, which includes the

- Redevelopment of the Parks Victoria website and
- A new asset management system that will replace the large asset base of Parks Victoria.

Funding is also provided to Parks Victoria to start the process of acquiring land to establish three new metropolitan parks in Melbourne's growth areas and Anglesea Heath will be incorporated into the Great Otway National Park.



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COUNCILLOR MALCOLM HOLE

Dated: 9 May 2017



A - PROCEDURAL

A8 RECEIVING OF PETITIONS OR JOINT LETTERS

ITEM A8(1)**OUTSTANDING PETITIONS**

ACTION OFFICER

GOVERNANCE

DATE:

16 MAY 2017

ITEM	FROM MEETING	COMMENTS	ACTION BY
NIL			

ITEM A8(2)**RECEIPT OF PETITION – PROHIBITION NOTICE
84 FREESTONE CREEK ROAD BRIAGOLONG**

ACTION OFFICER: MANAGER MUNICIPAL SERVICES

DATE: 16 MAY 2017

Financial	Communication	Legislative	Council Policy	Council Plan	Resources & Staff	Community	Environmental	Consultation	Risk Management
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OBJECTIVE

To present Council with a petition in relation to a prohibition notice which has been served on 84 Freestone Creek Road, Briagolong.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE GALLERY**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council receive the attached petition in relation to a prohibition notice which has been served on 84 Freestone Creek Road, Briagolong.

BACKGROUND

A petition containing 16 signatures has been received by Council.

A copy of the petition is attached for Council information.

LEGISLATIVE IMPACT

Section L6.59 of Wellington Shire Council Processes of Municipal Government (Meetings and Common Seal) Local Law No 1 provides for petitions and joint letters:

“A petition or joint letter presented to the Council must lay on the table for a period determined by the Council but not exceeding the next two Council Meetings. No motion, other than to receive the petition or joint letter may be accepted by the Chairperson, unless the Council unanimously agrees to deal with it earlier.”



On 10th of April 2017 Freestone crk rd Briagolong was served with a prohibition notice from the Wellington Shire Council Environmental Health Office for allegedly breaching section 61 of the Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008 (vic)

The Prohibition notice stated that on his own property where he has lived for many years he may:

- Only ride between the hours of 9.50am - 10.30am and 2.30 pm - 310pm on weekends all year round.
- A maximum of two engines running at any one time within the above listed times
- No use of two stroke engine adult bikes, large capacity motors or loud exhausts
- Only direct relatives of people living at the residence to ride on the property.

The following is a list of Briagolong Residents who live in close proximity to Stephen and concerned citizens who would argue that the above mentioned activities are not in breach of section 61 of the Public Health and Well Being Act 2008 and ask that the prohibition notice be revoked.

NAME SIGNATURE	ADDRESS	PHONE	DATE
SEAN WILSON <i>[Signature]</i>			19/4/17
GAM ABBOTT <i>[Signature]</i>			19/4/17
ROSS JONSON <i>[Signature]</i>			19/4/17
Lewyn Fry <i>[Signature]</i>			19/4/17
Suzanne Atkinson <i>[Signature]</i>			19/4/17
Ellen Anstey <i>[Signature]</i>			19/4/17
20			19/4/2017
John Gussard <i>[Signature]</i>			19/4/2017
Kevin Bell <i>[Signature]</i>			19/4/2017

Simon Hurrell
Peter Johnston
Ryan Colles
Malcolm
Kalelaoflot
George Lane
Jim Hume
John



A - PROCEDURAL

A9 INVITED ADDRESSES, PRESENTATIONS OR ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS



A - PROCEDURAL

A10 QUESTIONS ON NOTICE



A - PROCEDURAL

A11 MAYOR'S REPORT

ITEM A11(1)**MAYOR'S REPORT**

OFFICER: COUNCILLOR CAROLYN CROSSLEY

DATE: 16 MAY 2017

RECOMMENDATION*That the Mayor's report be noted.*

18 April 2017 to 16 May 2017

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| 20 April | Announcement by Hon Wade Noonan MP of Architect for the Hi-Tech Precinct, Morwell | Mayor Crossley attended. |
| 20 April | Solar/ Battery Storage and Community Energy information night, Sale. | Cr McCubbin, Cr Bye, Cr Rossetti, Cr Mills and Cr Maher attended. |

How to make energy savings is obviously a hot topic for Wellington Shire residents with more than 150 people turning up to this information session held by Council in partnership with Gippsland Climate Change Network. There were three expert panel members who talked about the latest technology in solar systems and the use of batteries to store energy. We are hoping to build on the enthusiasm shown for renewable energy by running other forums in the future.

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| 20 April | Meeting with senior members of West Gippsland Catchment Management Authority (WGCMA), Parks Victoria, Gippsland Lake Coordinating Committee (GLCC) Chair and DELWP regarding various projects. | Mayor Crossley attended. |
| 21 April | Official opening of new Radial Timber Mill, Yarram | Mayor Crossley, Cr Bye, Cr Hole, Cr Maher and Cr Stephens attended. |

It was great to attend the official opening of the expansion of the Radial Timber in Yarram. This new sawmill is a great credit to the company. Our region is full of potential opportunities and Radial Timbers is a prime example of what can be achieved with some forethought and commitment. Radial Timbers have put Yarram on the world-wide map by being the first company to build a radial sawmill. This is a great boost for the timber industry and an increase of employment in Yarram.

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| 22 April | Official opening of the 2017 Shakespeare on the River Festival, Stratford | Mayor Crossley attended. |
| 23 April | Tinamba Food and Wine Festival, Tinamba | Mayor Crossley, Cr McCubbin, Cr Bye and Cr Hole attended. |
| 24 April | Presentation of awards to students with Hon Darren Chester MP, St Michael's Primary School, Heyfield | Cr Hole attended. |

25 April	Dawn ANZAC Day service, Sale	Cr Bye attended.
	Dawn ANZAC Day service, Maffra	Cr Mills attended.
	Dawn ANZAC Day service, Meerlieu	Cr Rossetti attended.
	Dawn ANZAC Day service, Port Albert	Cr Maher attended.
	Commemorative ANZAC Day service, Stratford	Cr Bye attended.
	Sale ANZAC Day War Graves service, Sale Cemetery	Mayor Crossley and Cr Rossetti attended.
	Commemorative ANZAC Day service, Heyfield	Cr Hole attended.
	Commemorative ANZAC Day service, Gormandale	Cr Stephens attended.
	Commemorative ANZAC Day service, Briagolong	Cr Mills attended.
	Commemorative ANZAC Day service, Loch Sport	Deputy Mayor, Cr Hall attended.
	Commemorative ANZAC Day service, Sale	Mayor Crossley attended.
	Commemorative ANZAC Day service, Yarram	Cr Stephens attended.
	Commemorative ANZAC Day service, Seaspray	Cr McCubbin attended.
	Commemorative ANZAC Day service, Maffra	Cr Hole attended.
	Commemorative ANZAC Day service, Rosedale	Cr McCubbin attended.

26 April	Citizenship Ceremony, EBBWEC, Sale	Mayor Crossley attended.
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The latest residents of Wellington Shire to take Australian citizenship were sworn in at this citizenship ceremony. There were 24 people who took their affirmation or oath, from nine different countries, Philippines, Malta, Turkey, New Zealand, United Kingdom, India, Germany, Ireland and Thailand. The ceremony was also attended by Danny O'Brien Member for Gippsland South and by relatives and friends.

26 April	Revitalise Coal Communities Sustainability, Traralgon	Mayor Crossley attended.
27 April	Municipal Association Victoria (MAV) Rural and Regional Forum	Mayor Crossley and Cr Hole attended.
27 April	Healthy Wellington - Stakeholder Workshops for Mental Wellbeing, Sale	C Maher attended.
27 April	Participate as Panel Member at Annual Women Mayors Event, Melbourne	Mayor Crossley attended.
28 April	Correctional Officer Pre-Service Course Graduation Ceremony and 20 year medallion presentation, Fulham	Cr McCubbin attended.
28 April	Exhibition opening: Marlee McMahon, 'Optic White' and Josephine Jakobi, 'Halocline', Gippsland Art Gallery, Sale	Mayor Crossley attended.

30 April	30 Years of Landcare in West Gippsland - Green Carpet Showcase, Heyfield	Mayor Crossley attended.
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It was a privilege to attend the 30 year Landcare celebration. What a great achievement of the fantastic work they do in protecting, restoring and sustaining our natural environment.

30 April	Guinness Book World Record attempt - Most People Throwing Wellingtons at the same time, Maffra	Mayor Crossley attended.
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30 April	Meeting with new MAV President, Cr Mary Lalios, Sale	Mayor Crossley, Deputy Mayor Cr Hall, Cr Bye, Cr Hole, Cr Mills, Cr Maher and Chief Executive Officer attended.
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4 May	2017 Committee for Wellington Breakfast Launch, Sale	Mayor Crossley, Cr Bye, Cr Rossetti, Cr Hole and Cr Mills attended.
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4 May	Winter Masterpieces Dinner, Gippsland Art Gallery Society, Sale	Mayor Crossley attended.
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4 May	Agricultural Round Table Discussion, Sale	Cr Rossetti and Cr Mills attended.
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6 May	Official Opening of the Stratford Recreation Reserve Netball Court Development, Stratford	Mayor Crossley and Chief Executive Officer attended.
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Wellington Shire Council's upgrades at the Stratford Recreation Reserve are now complete and The official opening of the Netball Court at the Stratford Recreation Reserve was attended by myself, CEO David Morcom, Tim Bull Member for Gippsland East and representatives from the Stratford Football Netball Club. The completed construction, located on the Western side of the reserve, boasts a single asphalt court, installation of LED floodlighting, a shelter shed, fencing, drainage and footpath improvements. The \$207,000 project also includes a new entrance and driveway into the reserve.

7 May	Celebration of 100 years of Scouting in Sale, Sale	Cr Mills attended.
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7 May	Official Opening of the Esso Longford Gas Conditioning Plant, Longford	Cr Rossetti attended.
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7 May	Stratford Historical Society Dedication of Plaque for Ms Wemyss Struss, Stratford	Cr Mills attended.
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7 May	Volunteer Week - Stratford - "Plastic Free Stratford"	Cr Mills attended.
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8 May	Volunteer Week - Dargo Neighbourhood House, Dargo	Cr Mills attended.
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8 May	Gippsland Climate Change Network (GCCN) meeting, Traralgon	Cr McCubbin attended.
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9 May	Volunteer Week - Heyfield Resource Centre, Heyfield	Cr Hole attended.
9 May	Meeting with Federation Training Managing Director, Sale	Cr McCubbin and Chief Executive Officer attended.
10 May	Volunteer Week - Sale Neighbourhood House, Sale	Cr McCubbin attended.
10 May	Volunteer Week - Gormandale Community House, Gormandale	Cr Stephens attended.
10 May	Volunteer Week - Loch Sport Bowls Club, Loch Sport	Deputy Mayor Cr Hall attended.
11 May	MAV Board Strategy Day, Melbourne	Cr Hole attended.
11 May	Gippsland Local Government Waste Forum - Joint meeting, Trafalgar	Deputy Mayor Cr Hall attended.
11 May	Volunteer Week - Rosedale Neighbourhood House, Rosedale	Cr Maher attended.
12 May	MAV State Council meeting, Melbourne	Cr Hole attended.
12 May	Meeting with Hon Jaala Pulford MP, Minister for Rural and Regional Development, Melbourne	Mayor Crossley and Chief Executive Officer attended.
13 May	Volunteer Week - Sale Mall, Sale	Cr McCubbin attended.
14 May	Mothers' Day Classic, Sale Botanical Gardens, Sale	Cr McCubbin attended.
15 May	Meeting with Latrobe Valley Authority (LVA) including Ms Harriet Shing MLC and Mr Daniel Mulino MLC, Morwell	Mayor Crossley and Chief Executive Officer attended.

**COUNCILLOR CAROLYN CROSSLEY
MAYOR**



B –REPORT

DELEGATES



C1 - REPORT

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

ITEM C1.1**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT**

OFFICER: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

DATE: 16 MAY 2017

RECOMMENDATION***That the Chief Executive Officer's Report be received.***

- 20 April Attended Regional Development Australia (RDA) Gippsland Committee meeting.
- Met with Maree McPherson, Chair Regional partnerships Gippsland to discuss Wellington Shire issues, notably TAFE (Federation Training) and ASH Timber.
- 21 April Attended **Gippsland Local Government Network** (GLGN) CEO's meeting.
- Met with Gary Gaffney, CEO East Gippsland Shire Council to discuss shared services.
- 24 April Met with Inspector Scott Brennan, Sale. Scott has taken over from Inspector Rob Wallace and is in charge of the Wellington area.
- Met with trustees of the John Leslie Foundation.
- 26 April Met with MAV officer Gavin Mahoney in Melbourne, along with Cr Rossetti. Discussed a range of matters including SES funding, school crossing supervisors, and fire plug funding.
- 27 April Met with CEO and General Manager Corporate Services of East Gippsland Shire Council, to discuss shared services.
- 1 May Hosted a meeting with the newly appointed **MAV President**, Cr Mary Lalios. In attendance were Crs Hole, Bye, Maher, Mills, Stephens, Hall and Mayor Crossley, with General Manager Community and Culture Glenys Butler.
- Met with advertising and branding consultants to go over Port of Sale information.
- Met with John Leslie Trustees to discuss possible purchase of a Eugene Von Guerard painting.
- 3 May Met with representatives of the Rosedale Chamber of Commerce to discuss various funding matters.
- 4 May Attended the Committee for Wellington Breakfast & Relaunch, Criterion Hotel Sale alongside Mayor Carolyn Crossley, and Crs Rossetti, Bye, Hole and Mills.
- Meeting with Karen Cain, CEO Latrobe Valley Authority along with CEO Latrobe City Council Gary Van Driel and Acting CEO Baw Baw Shire Council

Phil Cantillon. We discussed a range of matters, but I expressed a growing sentiment to Karen that an enormous effort was being focused on Latrobe with very little attention outside the Valley.

- 5 May Met with Sarah Cumming, the new CEO of Gippsland Water.
- 6 May Attended the Official Unveiling of the Stratford Recreation Reserve Netball Court Development, Stratford. In attendance was Mayor Carolyn Crossley.
- 7 May Attended the Official Opening of the Longford Gas Conditional Plant, Longford. In attendance was Cr Rossetti.
- 9 May Meeting with **Latrobe Valley Authority** Chief Executive, Karen Kain alongside Mayor Crossley.
- Meeting with Federation Training Chief Executive, Jonathan Davis and Facilities Manager, Robert Strecker. Mayor Crossley and Cr McCubbin will also be in attendance.
- 11 May Attending the LGPro CEO Forum, Melbourne.
- 12 May Attending the LV Infrastructure & Investment Facilitation Group meeting, Traralgon.
- 15 May Attending Latrobe Valley Authority's meeting with Member for Eastern Victoria Region, Daniel Mulino MP and Ms Harriet Shing MLC to discuss the budget and other opportunities for the region.

ITEM C1.2**APRIL 2017 PERFORMANCE REPORT**

DIVISION: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICE
ACTION OFFICER: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
DATE: 16 MAY 2017

IMPACTS									
Financial	Communication	Legislative	Council Policy	Council Plan	Resources & Staff	Community	Environmental	Consultation	Risk Management
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					

OBJECTIVE

For Council to receive and note the April 2017 Council Performance Report.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE GALLERY**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council receive and note the April 2017 Council Performance Report as attached.

BACKGROUND

The April 2017 Council Performance Report comprises key highlights towards achievement of the 2013 -17 Council Plan together with an overview of Council finances including an Income Statement with commentary regarding any major variances, information on cash balances, the level of rates outstanding and a progress update on Council's Capital Works program.

OPTIONS

Following consideration of the attached April 2017 Performance Report, Council can resolve to either:

1. Receive and note the April 2017 Council Performance Report; or
2. Not receive and note the April 2017 Council Performance Report and seek further information for consideration at a later Council meeting.

PROPOSAL

That Council receive and note the attached April 2017 Council Performance Report.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No staff and/or contractors involved in the compilation of this report have declared a Conflict of Interest.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Provision of a monthly financial report to the community facilitates accountability and transparency and ensures that Council and management are able to make informed decisions in a timely manner.

COMMUNICATION IMPACT

The Council Plan communicates Council's strategic direction to the community. The Council Plan can also be used by Council to communicate its vision and direction to other tiers of government, organisations, government agencies and funding bodies.

LEGISLATIVE IMPACT

There is no legislative requirement for provision of a monthly Council Performance report however, Council has determined that, in the interests of accountability and transparency, this report will be provided to the community.

COUNCIL POLICY IMPACT

The April 2017 Council Performance Report has been prepared in the context of existing Council policies.

COUNCIL PLAN IMPACT

Objective 2.2 states that Council will:

"Maintain processes and systems to ensure sound financial management"

Objective 2.3 states that Council will:

"Ensure sound governance processes that result in responsive, ethical, transparent and accountable decision making".

APRIL 2017 PERFORMANCE REPORT

APRIL 2017 COUNCIL PLAN HIGHLIGHTS

Radial Timber

Radial Timber (Yarram) opened stage one of their new manufacturing plant on 21 April 2017. This is a pre-cursor to stage two which is focussed on the production of biomass energy which will be attractive to potential glasshouse and other industries.

West Sale Airport

Officers have commenced consultation with adjoining landholders surrounding West Sale Airport and existing tenants at the airport, prior to the Council meeting on 2 May. Consultation informs stakeholders of the proposed runway extension works and the revised Airport Master Plan.

Heyfield Low Density Residential Land Supply Study

Council adopted the Heyfield Low Density Residential Land Supply Study to facilitate the release of 'one acre' lots to support future growth/development in Heyfield. Council also adopted Planning Scheme Amendment C92 Part one to provide heritage protection to 66 significant heritage properties across the municipality.

National Youth Week

Youth Council supported a successful National Youth Week which saw nine events across the Shire (Yarram, Stratford, Sale, Heyfield, Rosedale) with over 600 participants. Strong partnerships were formed with Uniting Care Gippsland, Ramahyuck, Heyfield Resource Centre, Rosedale Lions and Yarram Unite Youth Group to put on the events.

Youth Parliament

The 2017 Youth Parliament Team have had their second meeting, first with their YMCA mentor. Their Bill, Container Deposit Scheme (CDS) is to be introduced in Victoria in coming years. CDS works on a principle of 'polluter pays' – if someone discards an empty container they forfeit the right to the refund and someone else would benefit by picking it up and collecting that refund. This scheme has worked successfully in South Australia for forty years, and has assisted in keeping their state much cleaner.

Art Gallery updates

Gippsland Art Gallery prepared for two new exhibitions from 29 April: Marlee McMahon "Optic White" and Josephine Jakobi "Halocline". Gallery education initiatives included "Art Basics" professional development for teachers and a well-attended Geckos program during the Easter holidays. Gallery attendance up to 28 April was 1,456.

Solar Power for The Wedge

Ninety solar panels have been installed on the roof of The Wedge to power the new 30kw renewable energy system. We are now waiting on SP AusNet to connect the system to our meter.

Tech Tasters program

Tech Tasters Program was developed and ready for implementing. First program will now be delivered at the start of May with Stratford Men's Shed.

Tech Tasters is an improved delivery of the Tech Savvy Seniors program. It is tailored to meet the specific technological questions of seniors by discussing their needs individually, and addressing their specific concerns, on their own devices, rather than general topics. It will break technology barriers and improve senior citizens' lives by demonstrating sources for information and recreation. It uses Wellington Shire Aged-Friendly program funding, and will be delivered over the next 12 months.

Magicians programs

Large turnouts attended the two school holiday magician programs at Maffra and Yarram. Audience reaction was great and tied in well with children's collection promotion.

Pool memberships

April brought the end of the first school term and the beginning of autumn term two. While memberships decreased by twenty from the previous month to 1,143, this is largely a seasonal 'norm'. Contrary to this Aqua Energy's swim school numbers at the end of April are at 790 reflecting a far stronger retention of enrolments than previous, this is due to the high level of direct debit enrolments (~65%) and the improved process for automatic roll over of students from one school term to the next.

Survey on Aquatic Facilities

The Customer Satisfaction Survey netted 400 survey returns this year. Collation of these returns is underway with completion of this process expected by 1 May.

GRSC Stage 2A

A further review of Gippsland Regional Sports Complex Stage 2A plans was conducted with the architects and Buildings & Projects team in preparation for tender. It was expected the tender would be finalised in April but this has been delayed in order to refine further details.

New Cardio equipment

Tenders for provision of new Cardio gym equipment for Aqua Energy have closed. The evaluation process has commenced and is expected to be completed within four weeks.

Aqua Energy new opening hours trial

Members were contacted regarding a three-month trial of new operating hours which will take place from 1 May. Aqua Energy will close at 8.00pm on Friday nights, previously 9.00pm and the weekend opening and closing hours will move forward one hour, 8.00am - 5.00pm. Additional promotion continued throughout April with radio, Facebook, Mailchimp and inhouse advertising.

Emergency Management updates

Ecological burning was completed at West Sale Airport and Yarram Aerodrome.



APRIL 2017

PERFORMANCE REPORT

INCORPORATED IN PERFORMANCE REPORT

INCOME STATEMENT

For the period ending 30 April 2017

	APRIL 2017			YEAR TO DATE 2016-2017				2017	
	Actual	Adjusted Budget	Variance	Actual	Commitments	Forecast	Variance to Forecast	Adjusted Budget	Adopted Budget
	\$000's	\$000's	\$000's	\$000's	\$000's	\$000's	\$000's	\$000's	\$000's
Income									
Rates and charges	45	-	45	14,017	-	13,877	40	13,707	13,707
Statutory fees & fines	(14)	24	(38)	684	-	740	(156)	464	451
User fees	590	661	31	5,101	-	5,450	(1,738)	6,114	6,117
Grants - operating	45	88	(43)	10,259	-	12,401	(1,242)	13,217	13,019
Contributions - monetary	13	6	7	274	-	247	30	168	181
Other income	278	164	63	2,317	-	2,100	(787)	2,204	2,221
Total Income	1,069	944	55	12,412	-	12,400	(4,367)	76,197	75,306
Expenditure									
Employee costs	1,874	1,863	138	16,215	10	14,210	4,337	21,364	21,519
Contractors, materials and services	1,974	1,821	(153)	19,834	866	28,552	7,852	29,586	28,913
Bad and doubtful debts	-	-	-	-	-	86	86	111	111
Depreciation and amortisation	1,743	1,789	46	17,739	-	20,695	2,956	21,760	21,760
Borrowing costs	-	-	-	331	-	504	173	504	504
Other expenses	46	32	(14)	591	-	657	66	711	711
Total Expenditure	5,587	5,602	15	58,733	882	74,753	15,138	78,033	77,352
Operating Result	(4,578)	(4,658)	80	13,679	(882)	2,656	10,141	(1,836)	(1,043)

Note: The forecast figures reflect changes which will increase or decrease Council's operating income or expenditure by 30 June 2017, since the adoption of the original budget. This enables Council to more accurately monitor financial performance during the year and predict the end of financial year position. Council must however report publicly against the original adopted budget on a quarterly basis. The format of the income statement has been amended to match the requirements and to meet statutory requirements of the Local Government (Planning and Reporting) Regulations 2015.

YTD Results

The operating results at the end of April 2017 reflects a surplus of 13.7 million. The June 30 forecast for a 2.7 million result, to be better than the adopted budgeted loss of 1.0 million. Note: Council budgets seasonally for losses in May and June.

Significant factors for the variance are:

Income

- **\$0.35 million** Additions rates raised during 2016/17 due to the finalisation of supplementary valuations after the completion of the 2016/17 budget.
- **\$0.10 million** Revenue from planning application fees are higher than anticipated by \$105k due to increased State Government planning fees introduced on 12 October 2016. Fees raised from land and building information certificates were greater than expected by \$25k and infringements are higher than anticipated by \$45k but income generated from both the latter sources are hard to predict.
- **\$0.30 million** The majority of the favourable user fees variance relates to an additional \$200k in commercial copying fees raised for processing a higher than expected waste volume to the landfill. Net Entertainment Centre revenue raised from ticket sales is \$14k higher than projected due to popular shows. Increased retail fees, production support and marketing costs result from the increased 30c net sales to give the net increase.

Expenditure

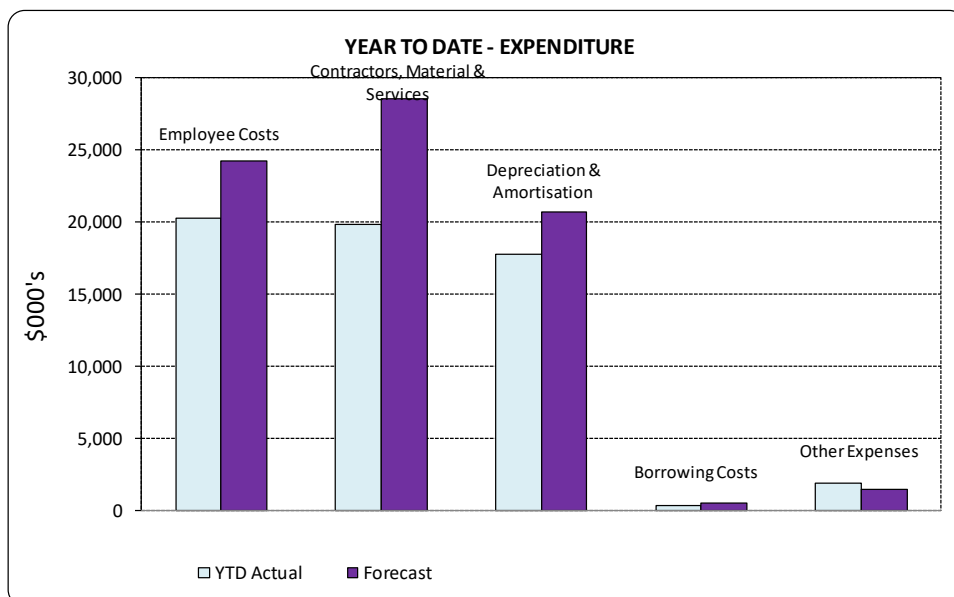
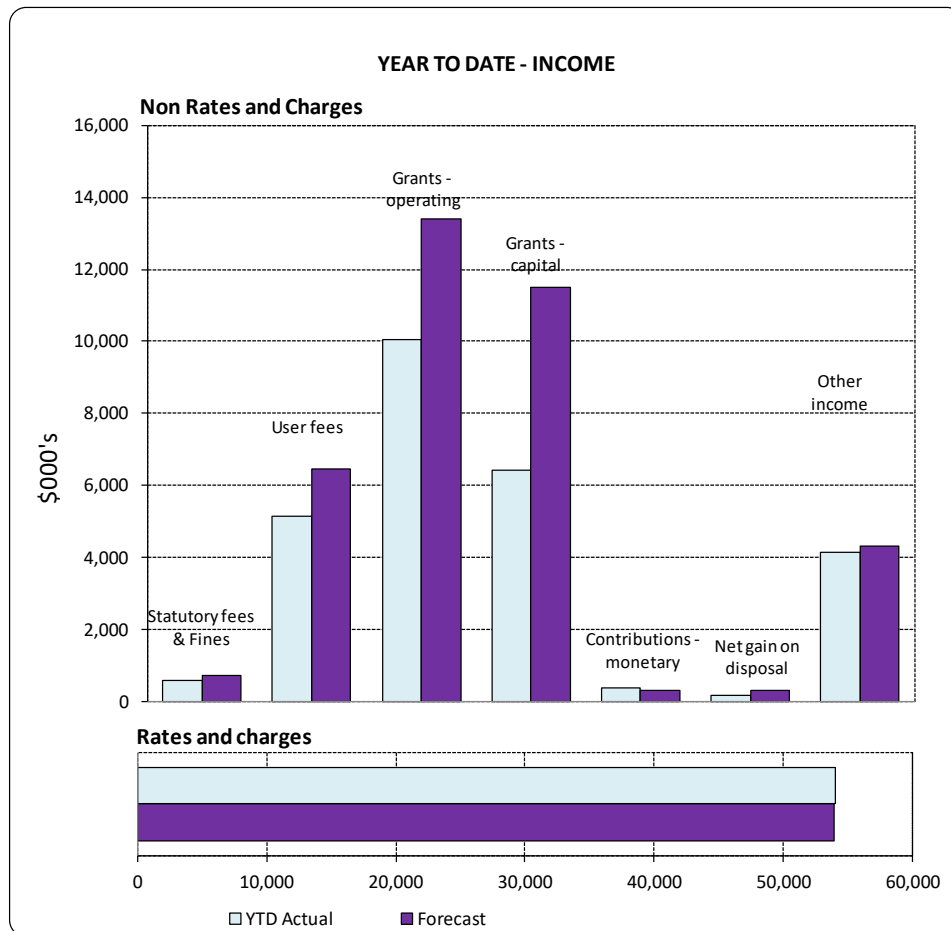
- **\$1.32 million** The increase in non-salary employee costs relates to wages to be incurred for the rest of the year. It is projected there will be some small savings in employee costs due to changes to the organisation structure, staff vacancies, and timing of leave taken by the staff. Part of these savings have been offset by the use of agency staff to backfill important customer service operations. Council's new Enterprise Bargaining Agreement No 9 has been approved with payment adjustments expected to be finalised in May 2017.
- **\$3.12 million** The variance in contractors, materials and services are primarily due to:
 - a. \$1.0 million - The Princess Highway/Globes Road intersection upgrade works are being undertaken by the developer. Works are behind schedule due to weather and holidays with service authorities but expected to be completed by the end of June 2017 assuming sufficient fair weather days for work to proceed as planned. This project is not directly controlled by Wellington Shire Council.
 - b. \$0.25k - Rehabilitation of the Kinrady Landfill site commenced later than expected but should be completed by the end of June 2017.
 - c. \$0.15k - Contributions still to be paid to third parties - mainly Wellington Coastal Supervisor Strategy voluntary scheme and other community groups.
 - d. Overall utility costs are lower than budgeted by \$190k mainly due to a number of energy efficiency initiatives being implemented for street lighting but electric bills are forecast to rise over the coming months.
 - e. Underspend of \$182k in landscaped and greenroofs and roadside vegetation areas are due to unplanned emergency works such as drainage tak maintenance over the scheduled jobs during the year.

- o. \$120k - Costs for major plant such as fuel and parts are behind budget and are expected to generate some savings for the year.
 - 1. The majority of remaining underspends are distributed over many small amounts such as maintenance of infrastructure and facilities.
- + \$0.08 million - Depreciation and amortisation on non-current assets for buildings and landfill improvements is lower to date mainly due to the timing of capital works completion.

Full Year Forecast Actual to Adjusted Budget

The surplus for 2016/17 financial year reflects improvement against the adjusted budget loss of \$1.8 million. The final result will include some variations within expense categories. Also, additional fees and charges are forecast for the rest of 2016/17. This will be partly offset by the some savings in employee costs and contribution payments for the year. These will be partly offset by overspends in other areas. The impact on the final result for forecasted entries such as depreciation will be determined as part of the end of year process in June 2017.

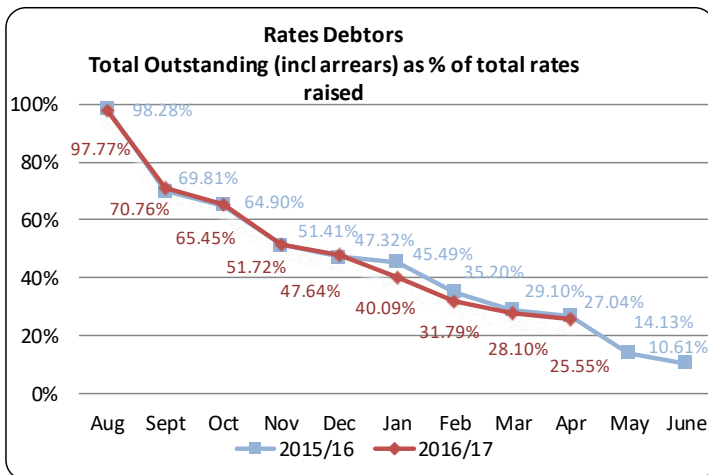
APRIL 2017 YEAR TO DATE COMPONENTS AT A GLANCE



BALANCE SHEET

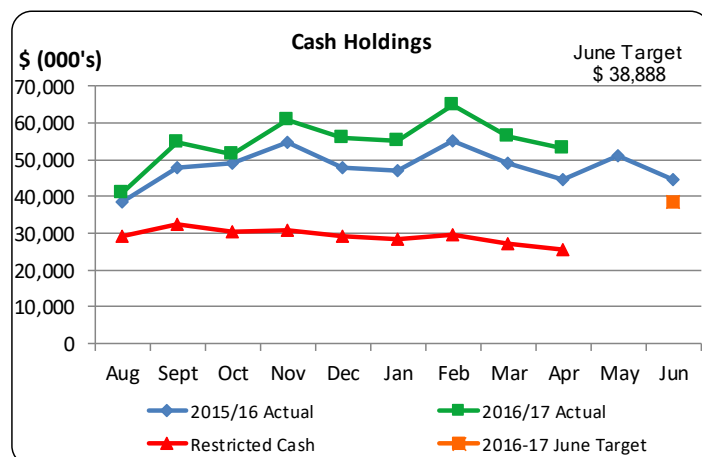
As at 30 April 2017

Actual		Actual	Forecast	Adopted Budget
April 16		April 17	June 17	June 17
\$000's		\$000's	\$000's	\$000's
Current Assets				
4,237	Cash and Cash Equivalents	11,851	41,664	38,496
13,116	Trade and Other Receivables	14,207	5,978	4,172
40,473	Other Financial Assets	41,127	10,146	-
-	- Non Current Assets Held for Sale	-	-	-
1,440	Other Assets	745	410	341
59,266	Total Current Assets	67,930	58,198	43,009
894,186	Total Non Current Assets	902,884	913,520	925,042
953,452	Total Assets	970,814	971,718	968,051
Current Liabilities				
11,443	Total Current Liabilities	10,093	14,276	14,997
10,816	Total Non Current Liabilities	10,121	11,291	11,536
22,259	Total Liabilities	20,214	25,567	26,533
931,193	Net Assets	950,600	946,151	941,518



The rate debtors outstanding at the end of April 2017 were \$15.5 million (25.55%) compared to April 2016 of \$15.6 million (27.04%).

For the 2016/17 fiscal year there is one more rate instalment due on 31 May 2017 and Council will be continuing its efforts on debt collection for any outstanding rates.



To date the cash movements are trending in line with previous years which is pleasing. Council cash holdings at the end of April 2017 of \$52.9 million is above the April 2016 balance of \$44.71 million. The current cash holdings includes restricted funds of \$7.4 million to reserves, \$8.8 million to cover provisions and \$5.9 million associated with the operating and capital carried forwards. Not included in the restricted cash is \$4.0 million of anticipated working capital required until the next rate instalment due on 31 May 2017.

Restricted cash is money that is reserved for a specific purpose and therefore not available for general business use.

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE PROGRAM

For the period ending 30 April 2017

	YEAR TO DATE 2016-2017			FULL YEAR 2016-2017		
	Actual \$000's	Expenditure \$000's	Outstanding Expenditure \$000's	Forecast \$000's	Budget \$000's	Variance \$000's
Property	4,649	6,868	2,219	9,208	12,221	(3,013)
Infrastructure	12,538	21,811	9,273	21,089	31,566	(10,477)
Plant and Equipment	1,277	2,953	1,676	3,248	3,359	(111)
Intangibles	118	687	569	134	707	(573)
Grand Total	18,582	32,319	13,737	33,679	47,853	(14,174)

	YEAR TO DATE 2016-2017			FULL YEAR 2016-2017		
	Actual \$000's	Expenditure \$000's	Outstanding Expenditure \$000's	Forecast \$000's	Budget \$000's	Variance \$000's
Renewal	14,014	24,265	10,251	24,433	31,991	(7,558)
Upgrade	3,143	6,276	3,133	6,583	10,080	(3,497)
Expansion	1,234	1,579	345	2,166	3,671	(1,505)
New Assets	190	199	9	497	2,111	(1,614)
Grand Total	18,581	32,319	13,738	33,679	47,853	(14,174)

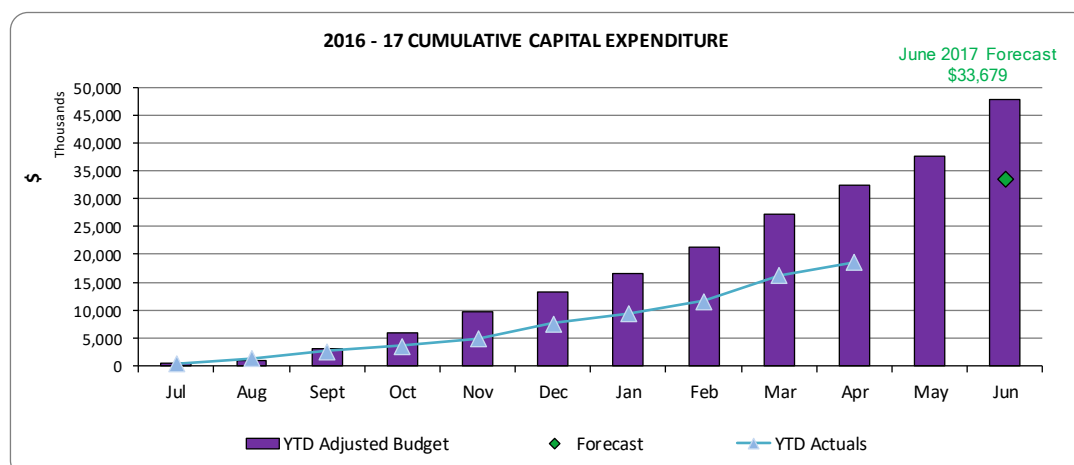
April 2017 Highlights

- Port of Sale Cultural Hub construction is progressing. Building construction/refurbishment has passed 50% progress and landscaping programs are being finalised. Skate park construction is complete.
- Stratford - McAlister & Wellsford Roundabout - completed.
- Kilmany - Settlement Road Lower Widening - Construction complete.
- End Posts/Bridge Approach Guardrails safety program is complete.
- Coongulla - Woolenook Reserve Improvement work has commenced and should complete in June.
- Golden Beach - Park Renewal Concept plan completed, work scheduled for June.
- Alberton - Pound Rd West - Lower Jack Rd construction work complete.
- Overall - 12 projects were completed and 3 projects moved forward from planning to contract awarded, commenced or completed this month.

Summary Year To Date 2016-2017

As at 30 April 2017, the year to date adopted capital expenditure budget is \$24.9 million. 145 projects planned for the year.

Status	% of Capital Works	Other:	% of Capital Works
Complete	38%	Red	3%
Commenced	27%	Amber	1%
Contract	7%	Multi Year	6%
Preplanning	9%	Transferred	9%
Other	19%		





C2 - REPORT

GENERAL MANAGER CORPORATE SERVICES

ITEM C2.1**ASSEMBLY OF COUNCILLORS**

DIVISION: CORPORATE SERVICES

ACTION OFFICER: GENERAL MANAGER CORPORATE SERVICES

DATE: 16 MAY 2017

IMPACTS									
Financial	Communication	Legislative	Council Policy	Council Plan	Resources & Staff	Community	Environmental	Consultation	Risk Management

OBJECTIVE

To report on all assembly of Councillor records received for the period 25 April 2017 to 9 May 2017.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE GALLERY**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council note and receive the attached Assembly of Councillor records received for the period 25 April 2017 to 9 May 2017.

BACKGROUND

Section 80A of the *Local Government Act 1989* requires a written record be kept of all assemblies of Councillors, stating the names of all Councillors and Council staff attending, the matters considered and any conflict of interest disclosures made by a Councillor. These records must be reported, as soon as practicable, at an ordinary meeting of the Council and recorded in the minutes.

Below is a summary of all assembly of Councillor records received for the period 25 April 2017 to 9 May 2017.

Assembly of Councillors summary of reports received for the period 25 April 2017 to 9 May 2017

Date	Matters considered	Councillors and officers in attendance
2 May 2017	Councillor Tour & Update – Kilmany / West Sale Aerodrome Port of Sale Redevelopment Project Update Carbon Net Project Agriculture Position Project Paper Overview 2017 Community Assistance Grants March 2017	Cr Bye, Cr Crossley, Cr Hall, Cr Hole, Cr McCubbin, Cr Maher, Cr Mills, Cr Rossetti, Cr Stephens David Morcom, Chief Executive Officer Arthur Skipitaris, General Manager Corporate Services Chris Hastie, General Manager Built & Natural Environment Glenys Butler, General Manager Community & Culture John Websdale, General Manager Development Tim Rowe, Manager Natural Environment & Parks (Tour) Daniel Gall, Coordinator Commercial Facilities Management (Tour) Sharon Houlihan, Executive Manager Major Projects (Item 1) Paul Johnson, Manager Development (Item 3) Mark Coleman, Economic Development Officer (Item 3) Marcus Stone, Coordinator Community Facilities Planning (Item 4) Sharon MacGowan, Community Facilities Planning & Grants Officer (Item 4)
2 May 2017	IT / Diary Meeting	Cr Bye, Cr Hall, Cr Hole, Cr Maher, Cr Mills, Cr Rossetti, Cr Stephens David Morcom, Chief Executive Officer Sharon Willison, Mayoral / Councillor Support Officer Damian Norkus, Business Systems Officer

OPTIONS

Council has the following options:

1. Note and receive the attached assembly of Councillors records; or
2. Not receive the attached assembly of Councillors records.

PROPOSAL

That Council note and receive the attached assembly of Councillors records during the period 25 April 2017 to 9 May 2017.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No staff and/or contractors involved in the compilation of this report have declared a Conflict of Interest.

LEGISLATIVE IMPACT

The reporting of written records of assemblies of Councillors to the Council in the prescribed format complies with Section 80A of the *Local Government Act 1989*.

COUNCIL PLAN IMPACT

The Council Plan 2013-17 Theme 2 Organisational states the following strategic objective and related strategy:

Strategic Objective

"An organisation that is responsive, flexible, honest, accountable and consistent."

Strategy 2.3

"Ensure sound governance processes that result in responsive, ethical, transparent and accountable decision making."

This report supports the above Council Plan strategic objective and strategy.

ASSEMBLY OF COUNCILLORS

1. DATE OF MEETING:

2 May 2017

2. ATTENDEES:

Councillor Names	In attendance (tick)		Name	In attendance (tick)	
	Yes	No		Yes	No
Cr Bye	✓		Cr Maher	✓	
Cr Crossley	✓		Cr Mills	✓	
Cr Hall	✓		Cr Rossetti	✓	
Cr Hole	✓		Cr Stephens	✓	
Cr McCubbin	✓				

Officer Names	In attendance (tick)		Name	In attendance (tick)	
	Yes	No		Yes	No
D Morcom, CEO	✓		G Butler, GMCC	✓	
A Skipitaris, GMCS	✓		John Websdale, GMD	✓	
C Hastie, GMBNE	✓				

Others in Attendance (list names and item in attendance for):	Item No.
Tim Rowe, Daniel Gall	❖
Sharon Houlihan	1
Ian Filby (<i>Project Director – CarbonNet</i>),	2
Paul Johnson, Mark Coleman	3
Marcus Stone, Sharon MacGowan	4

3. Matters / Items considered at the meeting (list):

- ❖ Councillor Tour & Update - Kilmany / West Sale Aerodrome
- 1. Port of Sale Redevelopment Project Update
- 2. Carbon Net Project
- 3. Agriculture Position Project Paper Overview 2017
- 4. Community Assistance Grants March 2017

4. Conflict of Interest disclosures made by Councillors:

N/A

ASSEMBLY OF COUNCILLORS

1. DATE OF MEETING:

2 May 2017

2. ATTENDEES:

Councillors:

Name	In attendance (tick)		Name	In attendance (tick)	
	Yes	No		Yes	No
Cr Crossley		✓	Cr McCubbin		✓
Cr Hall	✓		Cr Bye	✓	
Cr Maher	✓		Cr Rossetti	✓	
Cr Stephens	✓		Cr Hole	✓	
Cr Mills	✓				

Officers in Attendance:

Name	In attendance (tick)		Name	In attendance (tick)	
	Yes	No		Yes	No
D Morcom, CEO		✓	G Butler, GML		✓
C Hastie, GMB&NE		✓	J Websdale, GMD		✓
A Skipitaris, GMCS		✓			

Others in attendance: (list names and item in attendance for)

Name	Item No.	Name	Item No.
Sharon Willison	1		
Damian Norkus	1		

3. Matters/Items considered at the meeting (list):

1. IT/Diary Meeting - Councillors

4. Conflict of Interest disclosures made by Councillors:

ITEM C2.2**REMUNERATION COMMITTEE MINUTES**

DIVISION: CORPORATE SERVICES
ACTION OFFICER: GENERAL MANAGER CORPORATE SERVICES
DATE: 16 MAY 2017

IMPACTS									
Financial	Communication	Legislative	Council Policy	Council Plan	Resources & Staff	Community	Environmental	Consultation	Risk Management
			✓	✓					

OBJECTIVE

For Council to note and receive the minutes, and endorse the actions of the Remuneration Committee meeting, held on 18 April 2017.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE GALLERY**RECOMMENDATION**

That:

- 1. Council note and receive the minutes from the Remuneration Committee meeting held on 18 April 2017 as attached; and***
- 2. Council endorse the actions from the Remuneration Committee meeting held on 18 April 2017 as detailed in the attached minutes.***

OPTIONS

Council has the following options:

1. Note and receive the minutes from the Remuneration Committee meeting held on 18 April 2017 and endorse the actions from the meeting; or
2. Not note and receive the minutes from the Remuneration Committee meeting held on 18 April 2017 or endorse the actions from the meeting and seek further information for consideration at a future Council meeting.

PROPOSAL

It is proposed that:

1. Council note and receive the minutes from the Remuneration Committee meeting held on 18 April 2017 as attached; and
2. Council endorse the actions from the Remuneration Committee meeting held on 18 April 2017 as detailed in the attached minutes.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No staff and/or contractors involved in the compilation of this report have declared a Conflict of Interest.

COUNCIL POLICY IMPACT

The Remuneration Committee reviews Councillor entitlements, expenses, reimbursements and gifts and ensures alignment with Council policy direction and governance in relation to Councillor benefits.

COUNCIL PLAN IMPACT

The Council Plan 2013–17 Theme 2 Organisational states the following strategic objective and related strategy:

Strategic Objective

“An organisation that is responsive, flexible, honest, accountable and consistent.”

Strategy 2.3

“Ensure sound governance processes that result in responsive, ethical, transparent and accountable decision making.”

This report supports the above Council Plan strategic objective and strategy.



REMUNERATION COMMITTEE MINUTES

Tuesday 18 April 2017 – 9am Barkly River Room

MINUTES

PRESENT: Councillor Malcolm Hole (Chair)
Councillor Alan Hall
Councillor Garry Stephens
David Morcom (Chief Executive Officer)
Arthur Skipitaris (General Manager Corporate Services)

APOLOGIES:

1. **Declaration of Conflicts of Interest:**
No Conflicts of Interest were declared.

2. **Minutes of Previous Meeting:**

*Moved Councillor Stephens Seconded Councillor Hall
That the minutes of the previous meeting on 21 February 2017 be accepted.*

CARRIED

3. **Councillor Costs and Reimbursements**

Councillor Costs and Reimbursements spreadsheets were reviewed, discussed and accepted.

- Councillor Expense Summary Report as at 31 March 2017 (Attachment 1)

4. **Verbal Update on Enterprise Agreement 9 negotiations**

The General Manager Corporate Services and the CEO provided an update that the draft Enterprise Agreement 9 has been lodged with Fair Work and we are now waiting upon their approval.

5. **General Business**

Nil

The meeting closed at 9.22am

Attachments:

1. Interim Councillor Expense Summary Report as at 31 March 2017 (Attachment 1)

Attachment 1 - Councillor Expense Summary Report as at 31 March 2017

Wellington Shire Council						
Councillors						
01100. Councillors Master Account						
Activity Details						
Councillor Expenses and Reimbursements - Period 1 July 2016 to 31 March 2017						
	YTD Actuals (Incl oncosts)	Commitments	2016/ 17 Forecast	Left to spend/ receive after commitments	2016/ 17 Adopted Budget	2016/ 17 Adjusted Budget
Councillor and Mayoral Allowances	40,915	-	51,361	10,446	82,340	82,340
Other Councillor expenses	268,217	2,418	334,972	64,337	335,615	335,615
Grand Total	309,132	2,418	386,333	74,783	417,955	417,955

ITEM C2.3**PROVISION OF VALUATION SERVICES – CONTRACT 2016-072**

DIVISION: CORPORATE SERVICES
 ACTION OFFICER: MANAGER CORPORATE FINANCE
 DATE: 16 MAY 2017

IMPACTS									
Financial	Communication	Legislative	Council Policy	Council Plan	Resources & Staff	Community	Environmental	Consultation	Risk Management
✓	✓	✓			✓	✓			✓

OBJECTIVE

For Council to award contract 2016-072 for the provision of valuation services including, revaluation cycles 2018 and 2020 and an extension of one further term to 2022.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE GALLERY**RECOMMENDATION**

That: -

- 1. Council adopt the recommendations contained within the attached confidential Tender Evaluation Report for contract 2016-072 for the provision of Valuation Services including, revaluation cycles 2018, 2020 and an extension option for one further term to 2022; and***
- 2. Council's Chief Executive Officer sign and seal the contract documents for Contract 2016-072; and***
- 3. The information, contained in the attached document and designated under Section 77 Clause (2)(c) of the Local Government Act 1989 as confidential by the General Manager Corporate Services on 28 April 2017 because it relates to the following grounds under Section 89(2) of the Local Government Act 1989:***
d) contractual matters;
be designated confidential information under Clause 77 (2) (b) of the Local Government Act 1989.

BACKGROUND

The *Valuation of Land Act 1960* requires that a council must cause a valuation of all rateable land within its municipal district to be made as at 1 January in every, even calendar year, and returned to council before 30 June in that year. Council is the rating authority under the Act.

Council is now seeking approval to engage a valuation firm to undertake the contract for provision of valuation services and the revaluation cycles for 2018 and 2020, based on a fixed lump sum for the General Revaluation Cycle and a schedule of rates for supplementary valuations, objections, inquiries, applications to VCAT and miscellaneous market valuations.

Council's current contract includes the 2016 revaluation cycle, and delivery of supplementary valuations, enquiries, appeals and objection services until the new contract is implemented.

Tenders from qualified valuers were sought, and were assessed by a Tender Evaluation Panel. The attached Confidential Tender Evaluation Report provides details and recommendations in relation to this tender.

OPTIONS

The following options are available to Council:

1. **Award** contract 2016-072 for the provision of valuation services including, revaluation cycles 2018 and 2020 and an extension of one further term to 2022; or
2. **Not Award** contract 2016-072 for the provision of valuation services including, revaluation cycles 2018 and 2020 and an extension of one further term to 2022.
Should a valuer not be appointed for the 2018 and 2020 revaluations, Council would not be able to deliver the valuations in accordance with the *Valuation of Land Act 1960* and Valuation Best Practice 2018 and would therefore be in breach of legislative requirements.

PROPOSAL

To award contract 2016-072 for the provision of valuation services including, revaluation cycles 2018 and 2020 and an extension of one further term for the 2022 revaluation cycle.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No staff and/or contractors involved in the compilation of this report have declared a Conflict of Interest.

COMMUNICATION IMPACT

Changes to individual property values are advised to the ratepayer via the issue of a Notice of Valuation for all rateable properties in the case of general revaluations and affected individuals for supplementary valuations. Ratepayers have an objection and appeal process they can access in the event that they do not agree with the valuations set by Council.

LEGISLATIVE IMPACT

Should a valuer not be appointed for the 2018 and 2020 valuation cycles, Council would not be able to deliver the valuations in accordance with the *Valuation of Land Act 1960* and Valuation Best Practice 2018 and would therefore be in breach of legislative requirements.

RESOURCES AND STAFF IMPACT

The resources and staffing required to administer this contract are already in place and no changes are anticipated.

COMMUNITY IMPACT

The impact on the community relates only to the use of the valuations for the purpose of rating. Changes in the valuation levels across the municipality can result in some localities receiving rates increases as a result of the valuations increasing in that locality disproportionately with other localities.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPACT

The appointment of a suitably resourced and qualified contractor will mitigate the risk of the general valuation failing to be completed within the required timeframes and the flow on impacts of non-completion on the budget and rating processes.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The 2017/2018 budget and forward financial plan will include an allocation to fund the 2018 general revaluation process and subsequent supplementary valuations, objections and appeals. It should be noted that the State Revenue Office currently reimburses Council approximately 50% of the cost incurred, upon submission of the resulting data.



C3 - REPORT

GENERAL MANAGER DEVELOPMENT

ITEM C3.1**PLANNING DECISIONS**

DIVISION:

DEVELOPMENT

ACTION OFFICER:

MANAGER LAND USE PLANNING

DATE:

16 MAY 2017

IMPACTS									
Financial	Communication	Legislative	Council Policy	Council Plan	Resources & Staff	Community	Environmental	Consultation	Risk Management
	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓		

OBJECTIVE

To provide a report to Council on recent planning permit trends and planning decisions made under delegation by Statutory Planners during the month of March 2017, for information.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE GALLERY**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council note the report on recent Planning Permit trends and Planning Application determinations between 1 March and 31 March 2017.

BACKGROUND

Statutory Planners have delegated authority under the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* to make planning decisions in accordance with the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* and the Wellington Planning Scheme, including the issue of: planning permits, amended permits, extensions of time, refusal of planning permits and notices of decision to grant a planning permit.

A copy of planning permit decisions made between 1 March and 31 March 2017 is included in **Attachment 1**.

Attachment 2 provides an overview of recent planning permit trends including decisions made, efficiency of decision making and the estimated value of approved development (derived from monthly planning permit activity reporting data).

OPTIONS

Council may choose to note this report, alternatively, Council may choose to seek further information and refer this report to another meeting.

PROPOSAL

That Council note the report of recent planning permit trends and planning application determinations between 1 March and 31 March 2017.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No staff and/or contractors involved in the compilation of this report have declared a conflict of interest.

COMMUNICATION IMPACT

The monthly report communicates information about planning trends and determinations including the issue of planning permits, amended permits, refusal of planning permits and notices of decision to grant a planning permit.

LEGISLATIVE IMPACT

All planning decisions have been processed and issued in accordance with the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* and the Wellington Planning Scheme.

COUNCIL POLICY IMPACT

All planning decisions have been issued after due consideration of relevant Council policy, including Council's Heritage Policy, and the requirements of the State and Local Planning Policy Framework in the Wellington Planning Scheme.

COUNCIL PLAN

The Council Plan 2013–2017 Theme 5 Land Use Planning states the following strategic objective and related strategy:

Strategic Objective

'Appropriate and forward looking land use planning that incorporates sustainable growth and development.'

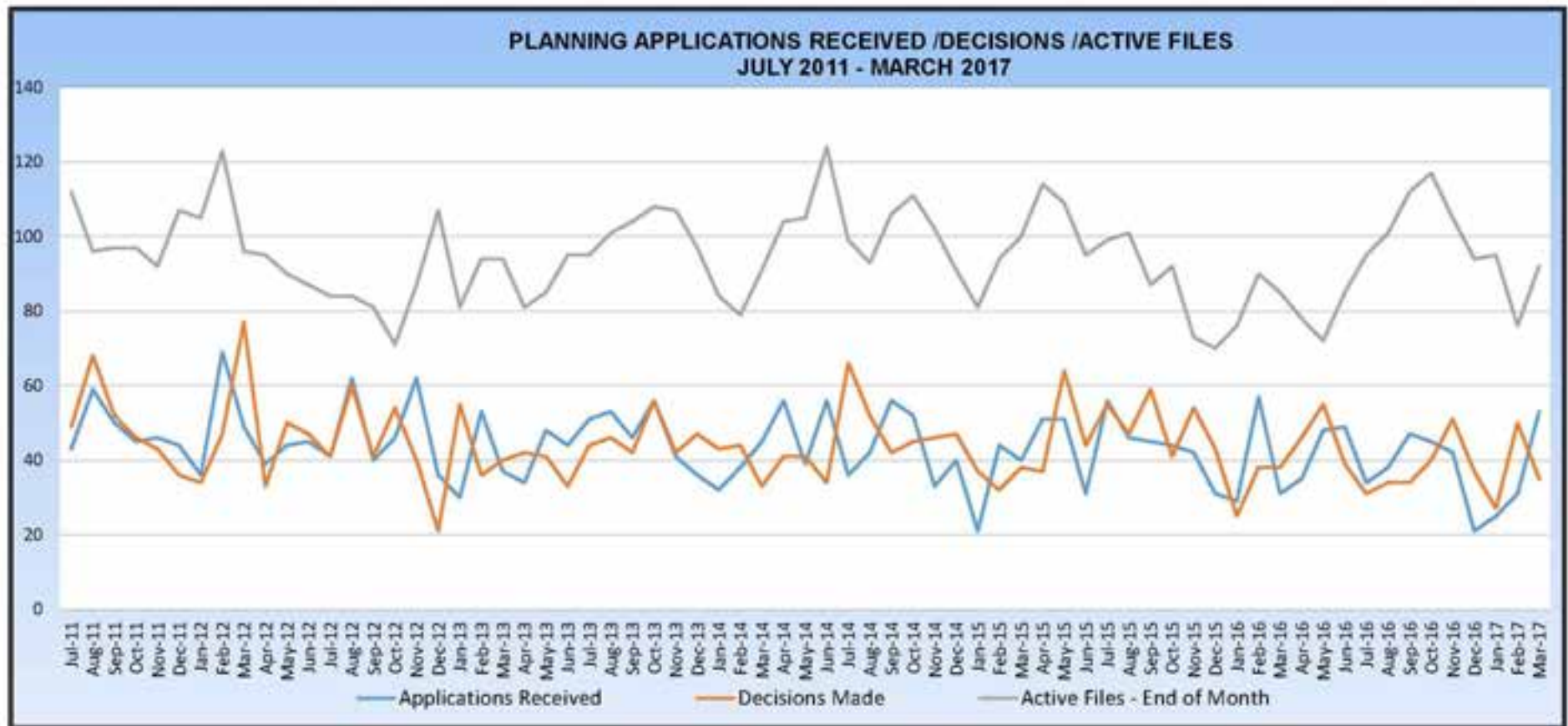
Strategy 5.2

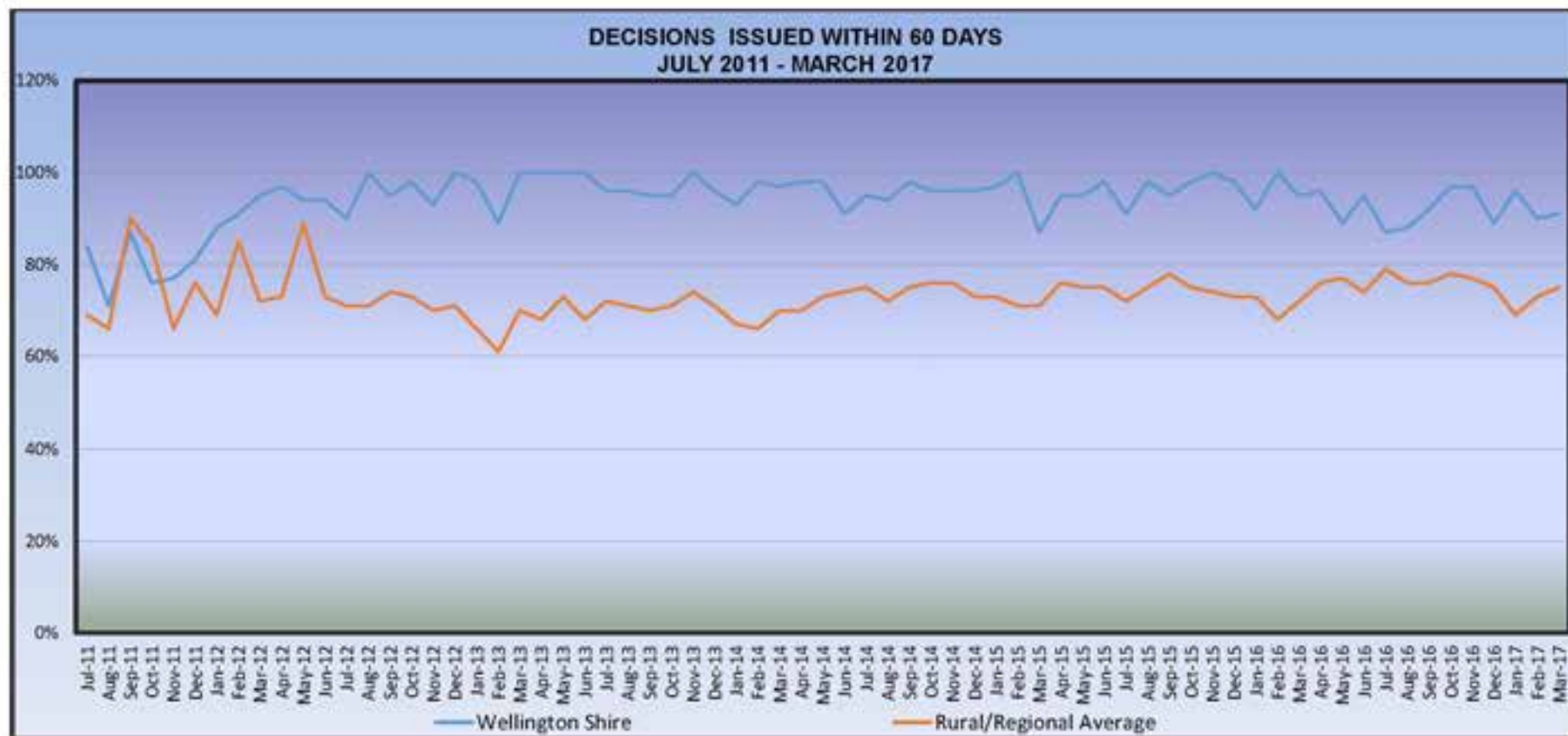
'Provide user friendly, accessible planning information and efficient planning processes.'

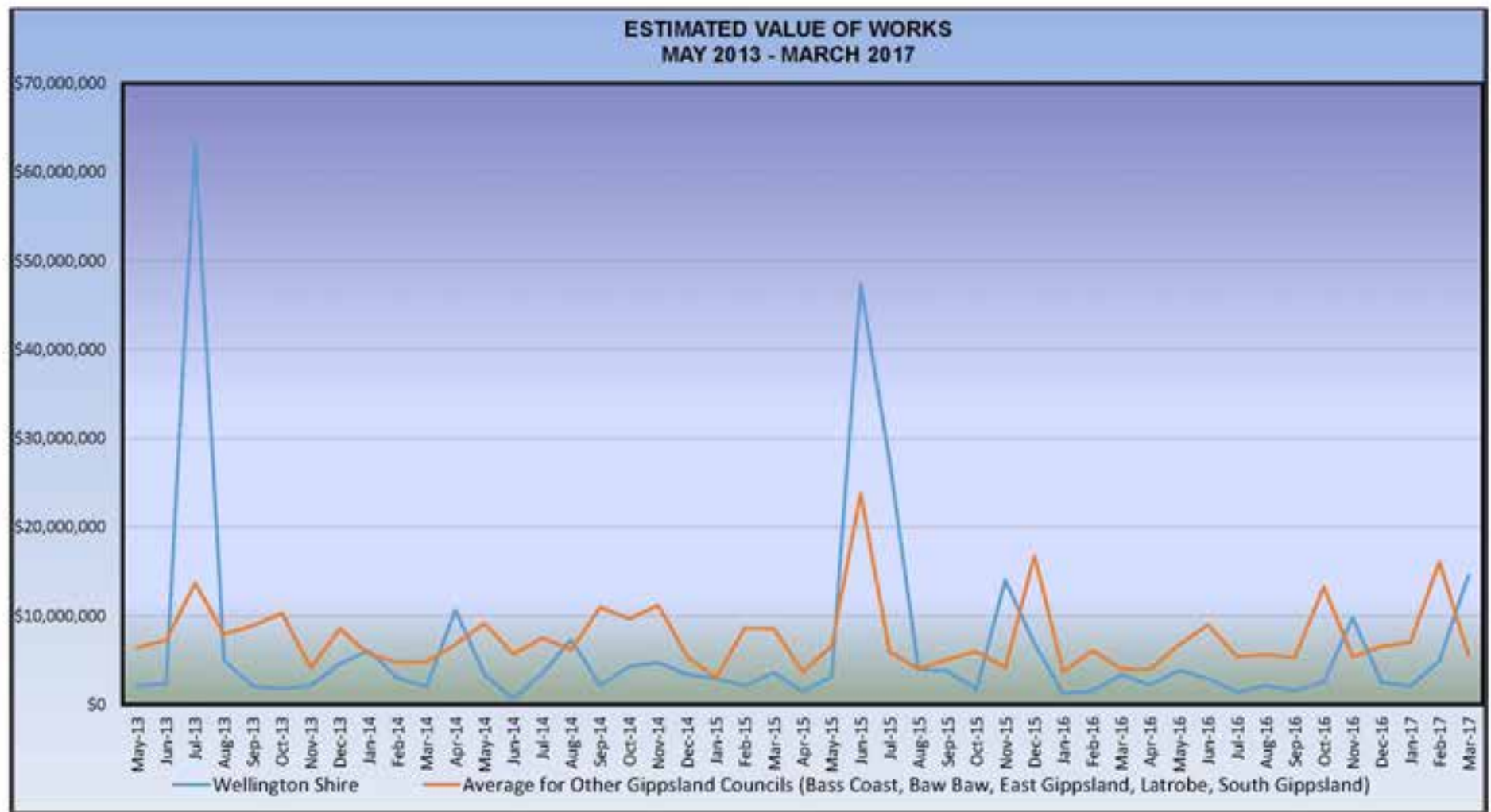
This report supports the above Council Plan strategic objective and strategy.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

Planning decisions are made in accordance with the relevant environmental standards to ensure that environmental impacts are minimised.







ITEM C3.2**LONGFORD DEVELOPMENT PLAN – STATUS REPORT**

DIVISION: DEVELOPMENT

ACTION OFFICER: GENERAL MANAGER DEVELOPMENT

DATE: 16 MAY 2017

IMPACTS									
Financial	Communication	Legislative	Council Policy	Council Plan	Resources & Staff	Community	Environmental	Consultation	Risk Management
			✓	✓	✓	✓			

OBJECTIVE

To provide Council with a status update on the rural residential land supply and demand trends within the Longford Development Plan (LDP) area in response to the Council resolution of 17 November 2015.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE GALLERY**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council note the Status Report May 2017 (refer to Attachment 1) in relation to the rural residential development land supply and demand trends within the Longford Development Plan area and continue to monitor its progress.

BACKGROUND

On 17 November 2015, the LDP was adopted by Council. The LDP was implemented into the Wellington Planning Scheme via Planning Scheme Amendment C87, which was formally approved by the Minister for Planning on 12 May 2016.

In adopting the LDP at the meeting of 17 November 2015, Council also resolved to:

'Receive a Status Report on the progress of new residential development in Longford within 12 months of the formal approval of Amendment C87.'

A key aim of the LDP is to ensure that a consistent, integrated and coordinated approach is applied to all requests for the rezoning of land and permit applications for development within the LDP area.

The LDP also provides clear and detailed guidance to landowners on the planning process and the level of information required (by Council) to fully support a request for rezoning.

CURRENT STATUS

The Status Report (refer to **Attachment 1**), demonstrates that there is currently considered to be an eighteen (18) years' supply of rural residential land in Longford (including Precincts 3 and 11, which are in the final stages of the rezoning process - refer to Planning Scheme Amendment C90). This suggests that development in Longford is progressing in response to private requests to rezone land. In view of this, it is recommended that the current approach, which relies on private

requests to rezone land within the LDP area is retained and that the amount of available land supply for rural residential development continues to be monitored within the Longford Growth Area.

OPTIONS

Council has the following options:

1. To note the Status Report dated May 2017 (refer to **Attachment 1**) in relation to the Longford Development Plan area and continue to monitor the progress of rural residential development.
2. To note the Status Report dated May 2017 (refer to **Attachment 1**) in relation to the Longford Development Plan area and request further information.

PROPOSAL

That Council note the Status Report dated May 2017 (refer to **Attachment 1**) in relation to the LDP area and continue to monitor the progress of rural residential development within Longford.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Manager Land Use Planning - Joshua Clydesdale, has declared a direct interest in the project due to ownership of land within the LDP area and has therefore not been involved in the Longford Development Plan process or the preparation of the Status Report attached to this Council Report.

COUNCIL PLAN IMPACT

The Council Plan 2013–2017 - Theme 5: Land Use Planning contains the following strategic objective and related strategy:

Strategic Objective

'Appropriate and forward looking land use planning that incorporates sustainable growth and development.'

Strategy 5.1

'Ensure Land Use Policies and Plans utilise an integrated approach to guide appropriate land use and development.'

The LDP and associated development progress supports the above Council Plan strategic objective and strategy.

PLANNING POLICY IMPACT

State Planning Policy within the Wellington Planning Scheme states that to ensure a sufficient supply of land is available for residential use, that a projected population growth over at least a 15-year period must be accommodated, which provides clear direction on locations where that growth should occur.

The Settlement Objective (Clause 21.04) of the Municipal Strategic Statement of the Wellington Planning Scheme states that future population growth over the next 15 years must be located within those settlements that can accommodate change and are expected to grow. More particularly, this Clause identifies Longford as being well positioned to cater for a significant demand for rural living in the Sale area.

Based on existing trends captured over the previous 5 years, it is estimated that there is currently an 18-year supply of land available for rural residential development within Longford.

Notwithstanding the above, requests for the rezoning of land within the LDP area will continue to be supported where there is, amongst other things, landowner willingness to rezone, a net community benefit to be gained and the impact of the rezoning will not provide an over-supply of land.

If trends identified in the Supply and Demand Monitor indicate that the land supply is likely to fall below the 15-year State Policy requirement or a new development front needs to be opened up, options to secure a sufficient supply of land can be explored further into the future.

RESOURCES AND STAFF IMPACT

The Strategic Planning Work Program accounts for the possibility of future private rezoning requests.

COMMUNITY IMPACT

The Longford Development Plan provides clear guidance to landowners in relation to the relevant steps and level of supporting information required as part of the development process.

Longford Development Plan

Status Report - May 2017



Background

On 17 November 2015, Council adopted the Longford Development Plan (LDP) and subsequently incorporated it into the Wellington Planning Scheme via Planning Scheme Amendment C87. Amendment C87 was formally approved by the Minister for Planning on 12 May 2016.

The LDP provides detailed guidance to landowners interested in subdividing their land into rural residential sized lots through a detailed and coordinated land use planning process.

The LDP provides for the rezoning of (developable) land based on a precinct-wide approach, which is currently driven by private rezoning requests.

Development progress

In May and June 2016, shortly after the approval of Amendment C87, Council received two private rezoning applications for Precincts 3 and 11 (refer to **Figure 1**). Both requests were combined into a single Planning Scheme Amendment known as Amendment C90.

Precinct 3 has a potential yield of six lots at an average of 4,000m² and Precinct 11 a potential yield of 17 lots at an average of 8,000m².

Amendment C90 was adopted by Council on 21 March 2017 and is currently awaiting formal approval by the Minister for Planning. When approval is received, the landowners can proceed to the 'precinct plan' preparation stage, which will ultimately facilitate the subdivision of the land through the planning permit process.

Demand and supply

The Strategic Planning Team monitors the demand and supply of all townships within the Wellington Shire on an annual basis. The Demand and Supply Monitor tracks the vacant residential land supply and the dwelling growth and relies on subdivision data, Council's ratepayers' database and building permits issued for dwellings. This is cross-checked with other available data (e.g. State data, Census data and aerial photography). The Demand and Supply Monitor was most recently updated in March 2017. The following demand and supply data is based on the current Demand and Supply Monitor.

Existing demand

The assumed dwelling demand is based on building permits issued for dwellings within the existing Rural Living areas within Longford. Between 2009 and 2016 an average of nine dwellings per year were built in Longford.



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Existing supply

The existing supply in Longford can be found in three areas, as shown in Figure 1 (below).

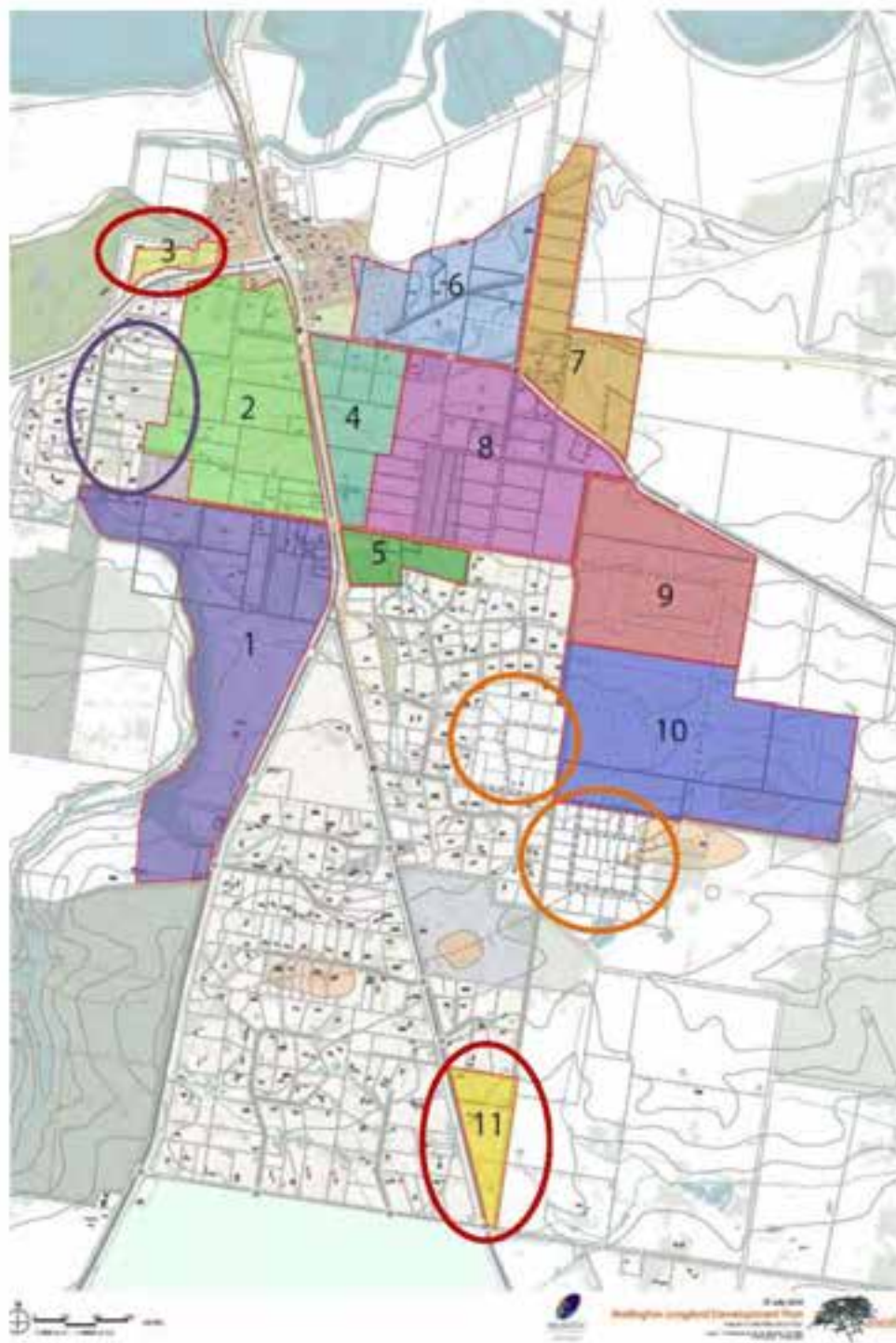


Figure 1: Longford Development Plan – Precincts and Key areas of supply

1) Infill development within established rural residential areas (purple oval)

A notable amount of 'infill' development currently occurs along Boggy Creek Road. The number of vacant lots in March 2017 was estimated to be 85, which equates to an estimated 9.6-year supply.

2) Subdivisions in Andrew Road (orange ovals)

These development areas were recently subdivided and released to the market in stages. A total of 55 lots are currently available for rural residential development, which equates to a 6.2-year supply.

3) Amendment C90 – Precincts 3 and 11 (red ovals)

The rezoning of Precincts 3 and 11 are currently with the Minister for Planning awaiting approval. The estimated vacant lot yield is 23. This equates to a supply of 2.6 years.

In total, there is an estimated supply of 18.4 years of rural residential land within Longford.

Conclusion

- Two precincts are currently in the final stages of the rezoning process, which demonstrates that the current development approach that relies on private rezoning requests is a viable approach.
- The applications for the rezoning of Precincts 3 and 11 can be used as 'best practice' examples for future rezoning applications.
- The current 18-year supply remains above the 15-year supply required by State Planning Policy and is therefore considered to be sufficient, at the present time, to continue with an approach that is driven by private rezoning requests.



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C4 - REPORT

GENERAL MANAGER BUILT AND NATURAL ENVIRONMENT



C5 - REPORT

GENERAL MANAGER COMMUNITY AND CULTURE

ITEM C5.1**COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE GRANTS – EVENTS AND PROJECTS
MARCH 2017**

DIVISION: COMMUNITY & CULTURE
ACTION OFFICER: MANAGER COMMUNITY WELLBEING
DATE: 16 MAY 2017

IMPACTS									
Financial	Communication	Legislative	Council Policy	Council Plan	Resources & Staff	Community	Environmental	Consultation	Risk Management
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OBJECTIVE

That Council approve the recommendations to allocate Community Assistance Grants – Events and Projects March 2017 funds as detailed in Attachment A and that applicants be notified of the outcome of their applications.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council approve the recommendations to allocate Community Assistance Grants – Events and Projects March 2017 funds as detailed in Attachment A and that applicants be notified of the outcome of their applications.

BACKGROUND

The Community Assistance Grants Scheme encourages the development of initiatives in the community in line with Council's vision, Wellington 2030, and the Council Plan. It aims to build on community capacity, encourage participation in cultural development and support community initiatives that promote participation.

Not for profit community groups operating in the Wellington Shire can apply for a Community Assistance Grant of over \$2,000 to \$5,000. There are two funding categories in the March round (Events and Projects).

Applications received that successfully meet the criteria are eligible to be prioritised for funding.

There are two funding rounds for Projects and Events with remaining funds for 2016/17 expended in the March 2017 funding round.

The following applications were received for the March 2017 funding round (Attachment B):

- 11 Event applications received totalling \$48,574.80
- 7 Project applications received totalling \$32,091.00

Applications are assessed by the Community Assistance Grants Panel (Panel), which is comprised of staff at a management level. The applications are initially assessed against the guidelines and then prioritised using the assessment criteria.

Each application is assessed on its benefit to the community, ability to fulfil a community need, project planning and the capacity of the applicant to deliver the project. The Panel provides advice and recommendations to Council based on the assessment criteria and funding guidelines.

OPTIONS

Council has the following options:

1. Approve the recommendations to allocate Community Assistance Grants – Events and Projects March 2017 funds as detailed in Attachment A and that applicants be notified of the outcome of their applications; or
2. Seek further information for consideration at a future meeting of Council.

PROPOSAL

That Council adopt the recommendations to allocate Community Assistance Grants – Events and Projects March 2017 funds as detailed in Attachment A and that applicants be notified of the outcome of their applications.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No staff and/or contractors involved in the compilation of this report have declared a Conflict of Interest.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Funding will be through the Community Assistance Grant Scheme within the Community Wellbeing budget. The total available budget for the 2016/17 Community Assistance Grant Scheme is \$345,000 and \$95,400 is available for the March 2017 funding round.

The following applications are recommended for the March 2017 funding round (Attachment A):

- 7 Event applications recommended totalling \$33,576.80
- 6 Project applications recommended totalling \$27,091.00

COMMUNICATION IMPACT

The funding of these events and projects will facilitate positive community relationships for the Wellington Shire, highlighting Council's commitment to supporting not for profit community organisations in the delivery of their activities, projects and events that benefit the wider community.

COUNCIL POLICY IMPACT

This process is in accordance with Council's Events Policy no. 5.1.4 and Community Assistance Grants Strategy adopted on 21 June 2011.

COUNCIL PLAN IMPACT

The Council Plan 2013-17 Theme 7 Community Wellbeing states the following strategic objective and related strategy:

Strategic Objective

"Enhance health and wellbeing for the whole Community".

Strategy 7.1

"Support access to a range of recreational opportunities for all sectors of the community".

COMMUNITY IMPACT

The funding of these events and projects will have a significant positive effect on the community providing assistance to increase the range of events and activities that the wider Wellington community can access, and be a part of. Successful applicants have demonstrated a community need that will be filled through receiving the funding and show a community benefit through project outcomes.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

All events and projects are encouraged to consider the waste that will be produced through delivering their grant outcomes and have appropriate measures in place to manage waste. Assistance from Council is offered to all events to minimise landfill waste through the use of recycle bins.

CONSULTATION IMPACT

Council officers were involved in consultation with grant applicants to provide advice and assistance in the completion of event grant applications.

RISK MANAGEMENT IMPACT

The events industry is strongly legislated and all events are encouraged to comply with current OHS and best practice safety standards. It is the responsibility of the applicants to ensure that their project complies with all current rules and regulations.

RECOMMENDED APPLICATIONS FOR CAG MARCH 2017 FUNDING ROUND – EVENTS

ATTACHMENT A

	Organisation	Title	Project Description	Amount
1	Heyfield Traders & Tourism Association with Heyfield Community Resource Centre	Heyfield Food & Wine Festival	Food and wine festival showcasing local wine and produce and live entertainment. An enjoyable family day for Heyfield and surrounding districts.	\$5,000.00
2	Glenmaggie Mechanic's Institute	Glenmaggie Country Rock Festival	A one day community event that provides entertainment and food to patrons.	\$5,000.00
3	Victorian Animal Aid	Animal Aid Inaugural	New inaugural community event celebrating the role of companion animals in everyday life. A fun, informative and inclusive day planned.	\$4,628.80
4	Yarram Eisteddfod Society Inc	Yarram Eisteddfod 2017	A local opportunity to promote the performing arts especially dance, speech, drama and music.	\$4,000.00
5	Sale-Maffra & District Kennel Club and Macalister All Breeds Kennel & Obedience Club Inc	Gippsland International Winter Festival – All Breeds Championship Dog Shows	A three day All Breeds Championship Dog Show, conducted under the rules and regulations of Dogs Victoria. A separate championship show is conducted each day with international judges.	\$5,000.00
6	Gormandale Community House	Family Fun Day	A one day event to bring the community and wider community together. Helping to promote the Community House which provides a friendly environment for families to attend.	\$4,948.00
7	Veronica Maybury Community Recreation Reserve COM	New Year's Eve Family Fun & Fireworks	An evening involving community groups supplying entertainment – jumping castle, sausage sizzle, golf competitions – putting and hole in one and Fireworks.	\$5,000.00
TOTAL AMOUNT RECOMMENDED				\$33,576.80

RECOMMENDED APPLICATIONS FOR CAG MARCH 2017 FUNDING ROUND - PROJECTS

	Organisation	Title	Project Description	Amount
1	Rotary Club of Sale Central	Monday Tucker	Every Monday evening Rotarians and volunteers serve free meals to our community. The group serves a large range of nutritious meals to 70 plus community members who are struggling with poverty, unemployment, family issues, youth homelessness, community isolation and loneliness.	\$5,000.00
2	Heyfield Community Resource Centre	Growing for Heyfield – a community nursery for our town!	Build a community nursery, a place to propagate plants, have students participate in pre-accredited courses, all with the aim of becoming a self-supporting micro-business.	\$4,762.00
3	Yarram Basketball Assoc	Equipment for the Yarram Basketball Assoc	Equipment needed includes: new basketballs, current balls are quite old, safety mats for the walls behind the base line and a net that runs down the middle of the gym to separate the courts.	\$3,964.00
4	Sale Neighbourhood House	Native Food Garden & Interactive Native Play Space	Develop a native, multipurpose, play/educational space for all ages. It will include native garden, bushfoods, chook yard, nursery and compost areas which links with existing gardens.	\$4,635.00
5	Lions Club of Sale	BBQ Trailer Upgrade	To upgrade the BBQ trailer making it a safer and more user-friendly piece of equipment for our volunteers.	\$3,730.00
6	Yarram Community Learning Centre	Y.E.A.H Yarram Exercise and Health	The Yarram Community Fitness Centre requires a replenishment of equipment to allow for a greater range of classes and fitness opportunities for all ages.	\$5,000.00
TOTAL AMOUNT RECOMMENDED				\$27,091.00

ALL APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FOR CAG MARCH 2017 FUNDING ROUND

ATTACHMENT B

	Organisation	Title	Project Description	Amount	Category
1	Barrier Breakers	Up-skilling our Volunteers	To provide volunteer advocates with necessary equipment and professional development through increased training opportunities, thus making them better equipped to service consumers.	\$5,000.00	Project
2	Glenmaggie Mechanic's Institute	Glenmaggie Country Rock Festival	A one day community event that provides entertainment and food to patrons.	\$5,000.00	Event
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5	Heyfield Primary School Parents Club	Muddy Fun Day	A fun day incorporating mud, obstacles, teamwork challenges and fun involving our school and other small rural schools.	\$5,000.00	Event
6	Heyfield Traders & Tourism Association with Heyfield Community Resource Centre	Heyfield Food & Wine Festival	Food and wine festival showcasing local wine and produce and live entertainment. An enjoyable family day for Heyfield and surrounding districts.	\$5,000.00	Event
7	Lions Club of Sale	BBQ Trailer Upgrade	To upgrade the BBQ trailer making it a safer and more user-friendly piece of equipment for our volunteers.	\$3,730.00	Project
8	Rebecca Cole (auspice Gippsland Lodge #51)	Gippsland Emergency Relief Fund – Gala Dinner	Gala Dinner fundraiser for Gippsland Emergency Relief Fund with guest speakers Mr Craig Lapsley, Emergency Management Commissioner	\$4,924.00	Event

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10	Sale Golf Club	Five Fun Golf Events	Sale Golf Club hosts various golf events for all ages to engage, challenge and maximise fun, attracting people locally, from across Gippsland and Melbourne.	\$2,474.00	Event
11	Sale Neighbourhood House	Native Food Garden & Interactive Native Play Space	Develop a native, multipurpose, play/educational space for all ages. It will include native garden, bushfoods, chook yard, nursery and compost areas which links with existing gardens.	\$4,635.00	Project
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18	Yarram Eisteddfod Society Inc	Yarram Eisteddfod 2017	A local opportunity to promote the performing arts especially dance, speech, drama and music.	\$4,000.00	Event
TOTAL OF APPLICATIONS RECEIVED				\$80,665.80	

ITEM C5.2**WELLINGTON 2030 COMMUNITY VISION**

DIVISION: COMMUNITY AND CULTURE
ACTION OFFICER: MANAGER COMMUNITY WELLBEING
DATE: 16 MAY 2017

IMPACTS									
Financial	Communication	Legislative	Council Policy	Council Plan	Resources & Staff	Community	Environmental	Consultation	Risk Management
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OBJECTIVE

The purpose of this report is for Council to approve the renewed Wellington 2030 Community Vision.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE GALLERY**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council approve the renewed Wellington 2030 Community Vision.

BACKGROUND

The Wellington 2030 Strategic Vision was renewed for several reasons:

- Significant change across our municipality since 2008 when the first vision was completed and the importance of ensuring the vision reflects current community sentiment.
- To provide the Councillors elected in late 2016 with an overview of current community aspirations to influence the development of the Council Plan 2017-2021.
- To re-engage Council staff in the community's vision for the future.

An innovative community engagement process was completed and over 3,100 responses were received. The feedback came from a wide range of people from various locations across the shire and all age groups were represented.

The responses were summarised into 90 concepts and were then workshopped with Councillors, staff, organisational representatives and community members at a meeting in late November 2016.

A draft of the renewed vision was promoted for final community feedback from 8 March to 5 April 2017. All those who had participated in the previous consultation process were contacted directly and encouraged to give feedback on the draft document. During the four-week consultation period, there were weekly newspaper, website and social media articles encouraging feedback.

Minimal community feedback was received on the content of the draft document. There were some minor suggested changes to wording, formatting and layout that have been implemented.

OPTIONS

Council has the following options:

1. Approve the renewed Wellington 2030 Community Vision; or
2. Request changes to the renewed Wellington 2030 Community Vision and present to a future council meeting.

PROPOSAL

It is proposed that Council approve the renewed Wellington 2030 Community Vision.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No staff and/or contractors involved in the compilation of this report have declared a Conflict of Interest.

COMMUNICATION IMPACT

It will be important for staff to receive regular reminders to ensure that work undertaken aligns with this community vision.

Annually Council will update the community on progress towards the vision through the annual report.

COUNCIL PLAN IMPACT

The five key themes from the Wellington 2030 Community Vision have been replicated in the themes for the Council Plan 2017-2021.

CONSULTATION IMPACT

All those who have provided input to the development of the renewed community vision will be sent the final copy with a summary of the consultation process undertaken. There will be media promotion to highlight that the Wellington 2030 Community Vision has been adopted.



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COMMUNITY VISION

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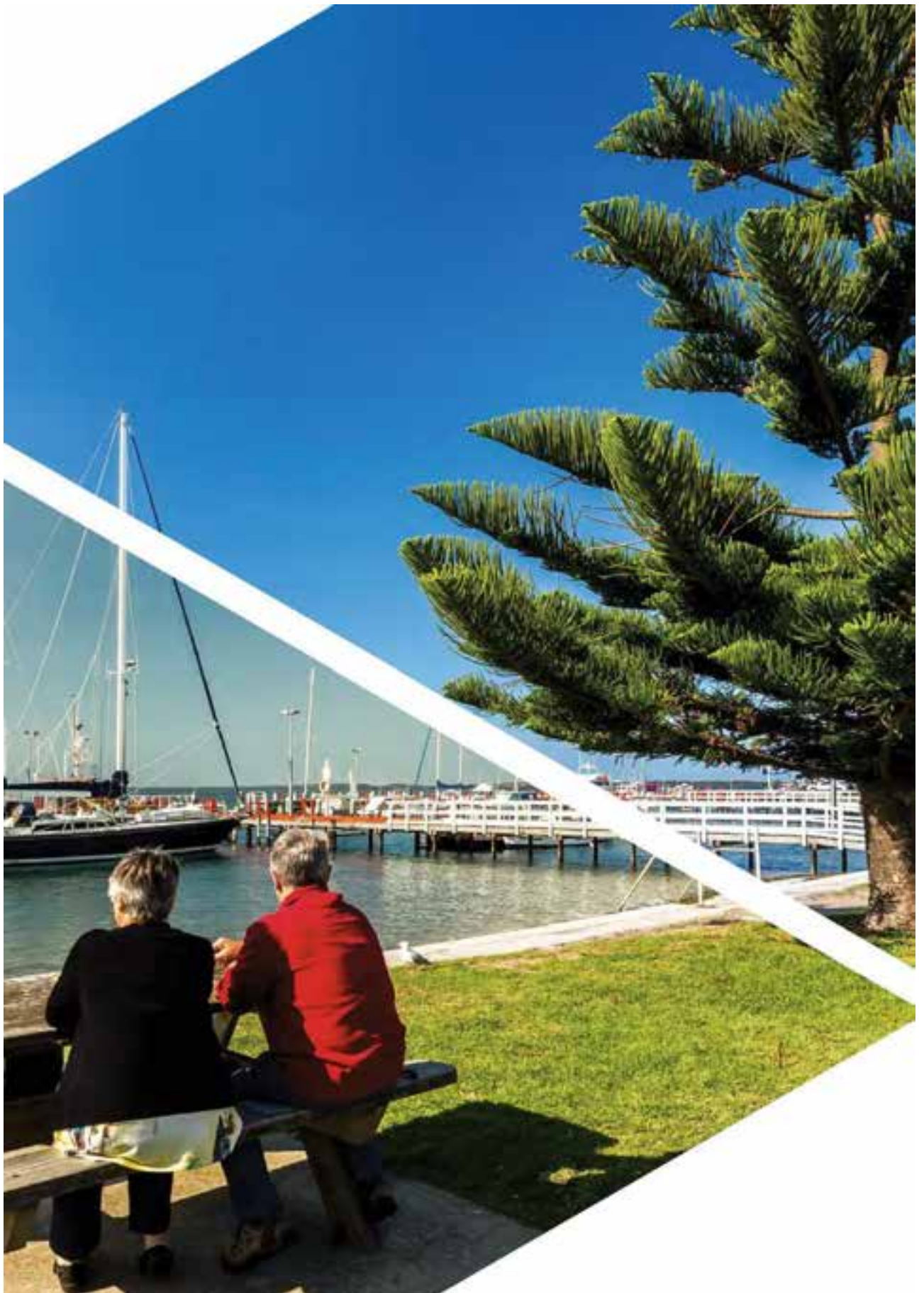
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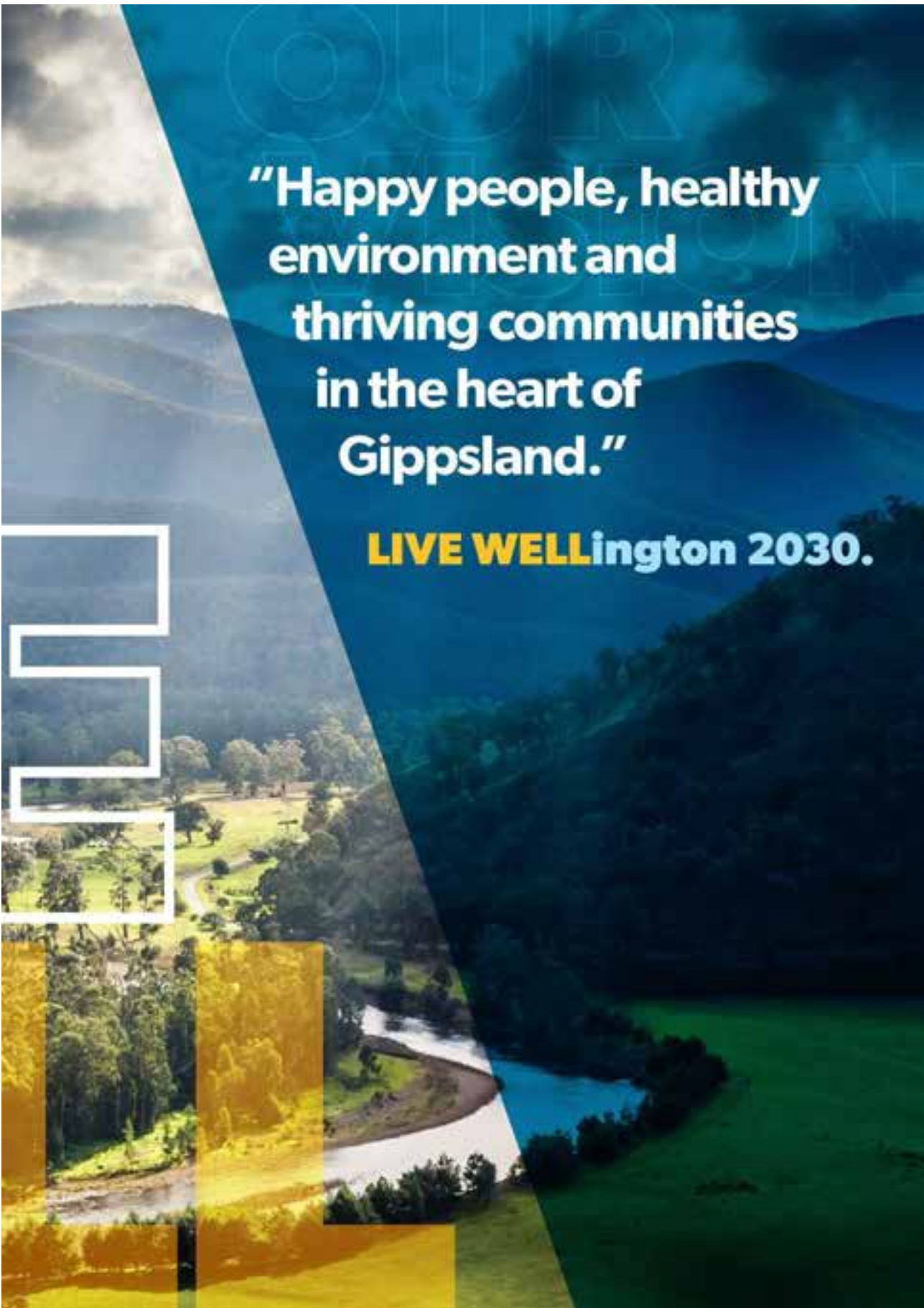
State and Regional strategic visioning documents that inform Wellington 2030

- Gippsland Regional Growth Plan May 2014
- Water for Victoria Water Plan March 2016
- Protecting Victoria's Environment - Biodiversity 2036
- Victoria's Climate Change Framework 2016
- Victorian Public Health and Wellbeing Plan 2015-2019
- Absolutely Everyone - State Disability Plan 2017-2020
- Vision, Goal, Role and Values of Emergency Management in Victoria June 2014
- Victoria's 30 Year Infrastructure Strategy December 2016
- Ending Family Violence - Victoria's 10 Year Plan for Change, 2016
- Safe and Strong - A Victorian Gender Equality Strategy 2016
- Marrung Aboriginal Education Plan 2016-2026
- Youth Policy: Building Stronger Youth Engagement in Victoria 2016









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environment and
thriving communities
in the heart of
Gippsland."**

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PROFILE

WELLINGTON SHIRE COUNCIL

21.5

Wellington Shire Council has revegetated over 21.5 hectares of mixed native species vegetation for carbon offsetting purposes.

190,000

Annual branch visits to Wellington Shire libraries

600

Hectares (approx) of Public Open Space managed by Wellington Shire.



Modernisation of the Macalister Irrigation District (MID) 2030 infrastructure continues to create opportunities for increased dairy production and intensive horticulture expansion.

29%

29% of the 33,363 rated properties across the shire are owned by people who live outside the Shire



41,440

Population (2011 Census)

19



Communities across Wellington have Community Plans

10,924

Square kilometres (Third largest municipality in Victoria)

241

There are 241 community facilities that Council oversees with 106 Committees of Management.



\$2.5b

Gross Regional Product

31.3%

of Wellington residents have university or TAFE qualifications compared to 37.1% of the Victorian population.



Employment by Industry



12.51%

Health Care & Social Assistance



11.85%

Agriculture, Forestry & Fishing



11.28%

Retail Trade



PROCESS UNDERTAKEN TO RENEW THE VISION

Wellington 2030 is our community's vision for the future. Wellington Shire Council has facilitated the development of this vision and will play a role in supporting the community to achieve it.

The original Wellington 2030 Strategic Vision was developed through community consultation in 2008. The need to renew the vision in 2016 was due to significant regional, national and global changes affecting the Shire and the impacts of these on our population. It was also important to provide the new Council elected in 2016 with accurate information about community priorities for the future.

To assist with the renewal of the vision, an innovative community engagement process was completed inviting residents, visitors and business owners to "Direct our journey to 2030".

The engagement process focused on seeking responses to six key questions.

Responses were received from over 3,100 people who represented the geographical regions of the Shire and age groups. Further information is available from Council if you would like a breakdown of the responses by age, gender and postcode.

The common responses to all six questions were discussed at a community workshop in November 2016 and were used to develop the five key themes in this community vision.

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This is our community vision for the future. The Wellington Shire Council Plan, prepared every four years will describe the action Council will take to help achieve this vision. There are other groups and organisations who can also have a lead role in taking action.

All community members, community groups and organisations are encouraged to use 2030, reference it, share it and deliver action to achieve the vision.

Council will provide information annually on how we are progressing towards this vision.



SURVEY QUESTIONS



	QUESTION	Most Common Responses
1	What I love about Wellington (and where I live) and want to keep...	We value the friendly people, close communities and peaceful small town rural living. We value the diversity and beauty of our Natural Environment.
2	In 14 years' time I hope that Wellington...	...stays the way it is. ...has improved levels of conservation and cleaner natural environment.
3	My hope for the future... (Youth responses only for this question)	Happy, healthy, contented and the opportunity to lead fun and exciting lives. A job and career with good work life balance and stability.
4	What we don't have that we should get in Wellington?	Increased leisure, recreation, entertainment and retail options. Better public transport.
5	What I don't like about Wellington that we should get rid of?	Drug abuse, crime, littering, graffiti and family violence.
6	What we should change or bring from the past into the future in Wellington?	Improved leisure, recreation and entertainment options. Improved infrastructure and services.



OUR VISION

"We know and support each other and have a strong sense of community belonging. Diversity is respected and there are many social and community activities providing opportunities for all people to interact. We strive for good health, feel safe in our communities and are prepared for natural disasters."

What is important under this theme?



What we heard from the community...

- Maintain a friendly, inclusive and welcoming Shire where people feel safe at home and in their community.
- Reinforce the value of family connections and interaction across generations.
- Provide infrastructure that enables and encourages healthy and active lifestyles.
- Improve quality of life by enabling residents to develop leadership and mentoring skills, and participate in activities connecting neighbourhoods and communities.
- Increase support networks and opportunities that enable young people in Wellington to achieve their goals.
- Strengthen community identity by promoting our heritage and history, our future aspirations and small town rural living.



What State Government, Local Organisations and statistics tell us is important...

- Facilitate planning for natural disasters and implement strategies to enhance community resilience.
- Recognise and respect Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultural values.



SERVICES & INFRASTRUCTURE

OUR VISION

"Wellington has a built environment that is sustainable, appropriate, accessible and responsive to the community. Transport connects people to communities and places. Events and services support our strong communities."

What is important under this theme?



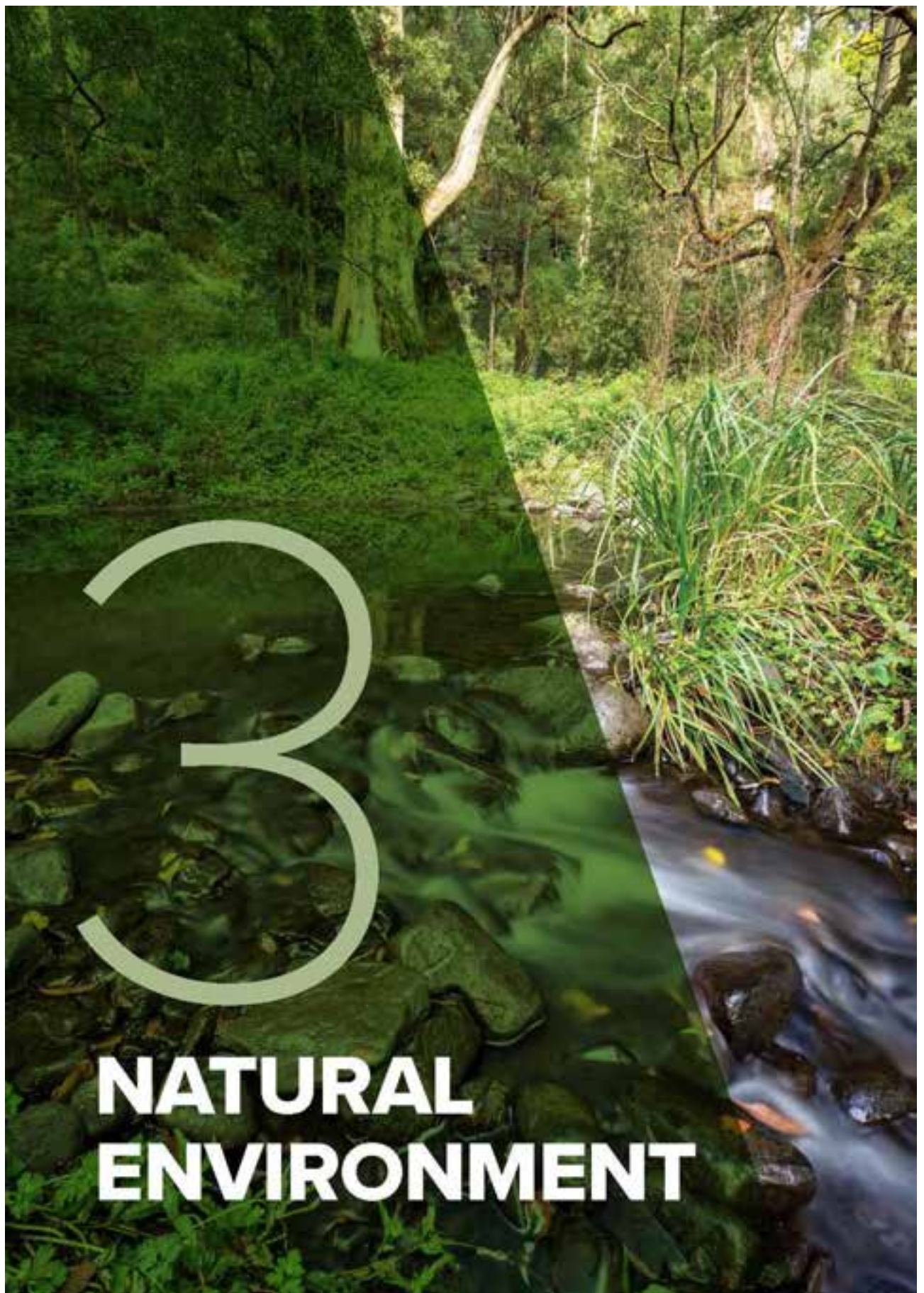
What we heard from the community...

- Further develop networks and community hubs for people to find out more about the services available. Ensure access to a broad range of Healthcare services, community events and services for young people and waste recycling.
- Improve diversity of retail outlets, an array of sporting clubs, varied leisure and entertainment options and a range of cultural pursuits that make Wellington attractive for people of all ages to visit, work and or live.
- Encourage people to stay in Wellington by enabling access to affordable housing and lifestyle options
- Provide a well maintained road network (including footpaths and safe cycling routes) and public transport so that everyone can move easily throughout the shire, especially between our communities.
- Provide appropriate services, facilities and infrastructure in seasonal towns.



What State Government, Local Organisations and statistics tell us is important...

- Improve infrastructure to enable services and initiatives to support Wellington's increasing ageing population including striving to be an "Age Friendly" Shire.
- The built environment has a direct effect on the lifestyle of every resident. What is built must be based on universal design principles and be maintained for many decades to come. Responsible asset management, decisions around renewal of assets and the addition of new infrastructure makes sure we do not have large maintenance burdens into the future.



OUR VISION

"Wellington's natural environment and landscape is clean, diverse, beautiful, accessible and protected."

What is important under this theme?



What we heard from the community...

- Maintain and enhance access to the Natural Environment for a wide range of outdoor pursuits at our beaches, high country, open spaces and waterways. This access to the natural environment is balanced with the need to conserve and protect.
- Change energy use within Council, by residents, business and industries to reduce impact on the environment.
- Continue to have diversity of healthy native plants and wildlife with well protected habitat areas free of invasive species.
- Keep Wellington clean so residents and visitors can enjoy our scenic environment.
- Manage Natural Environment assets recognising their impact on health and wellbeing.



What State Government, Local Organisations and statistics tell us is important...

- Wellington is taking practical actions to manage risks from climate impacts, protect communities and strengthen the resiliency of the economy.
- Increase renewable energy sources in Wellington to combat the decline in energy produced from fossil fuels.
- Improve understanding of potential coastal hazards for the region in light of climate change.



OUR VISION

"Wellington has a broad choice of local training, education and holistic learning and development options that lead to meaningful employment and personal fulfilment."

What is important under this theme?



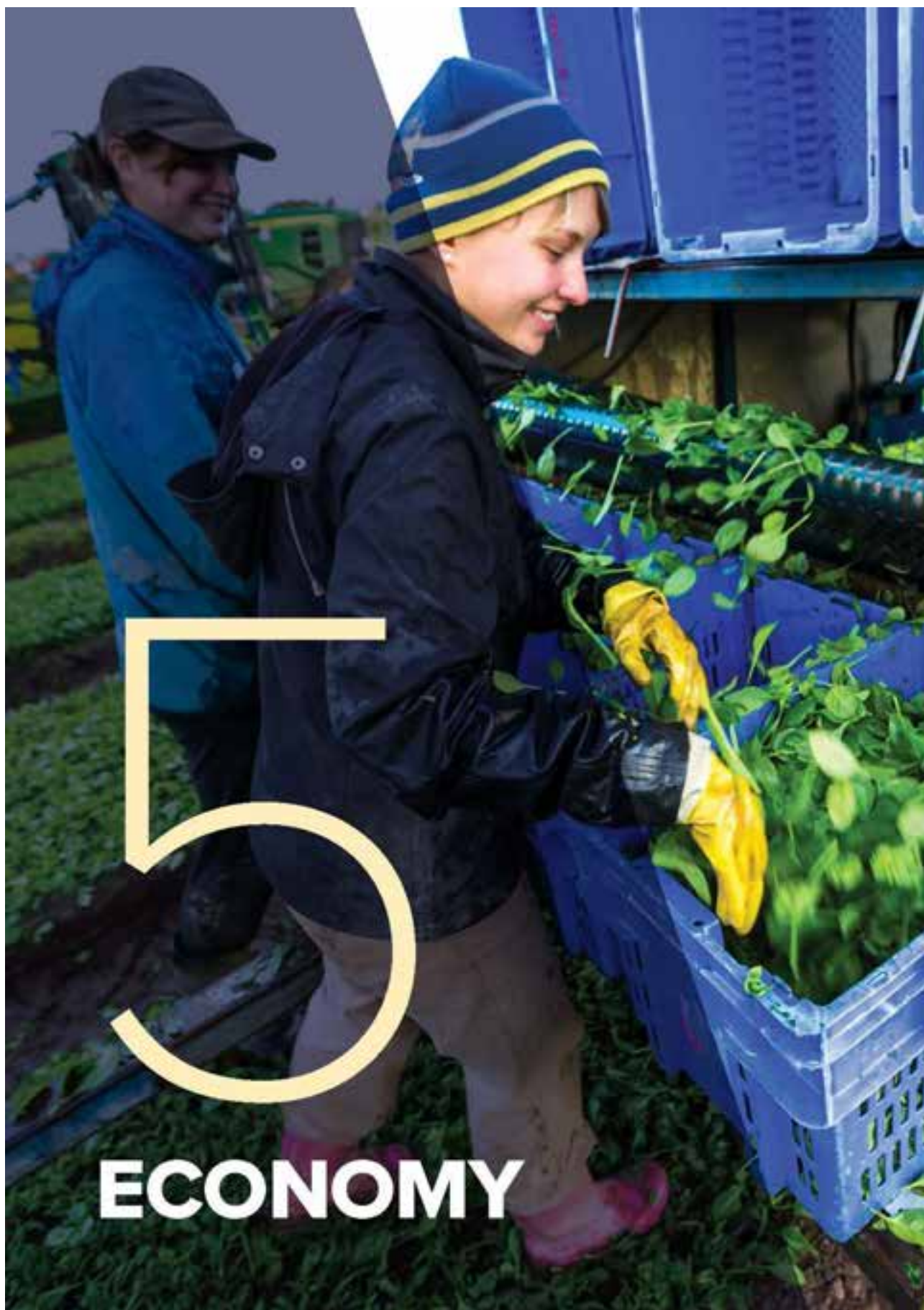
What we heard from the community...

- Improve people's access to opportunities to challenge and extend their thinking, promote independence, stimulate ideas, further develop leadership skills and lead meaningful lives.
- Enable young people to remain in Wellington to complete further and tertiary education of their choice.
- Support Secondary Schools in Wellington to provide choices and deliver engaging and high quality education that contributes to local industry development.
- Provide a breadth of entry level jobs in Wellington for those newly qualified and or those with limited experience.
- Develop Wellington as a hub for innovation in further education. Encourage industry, employers and further education providers to work in partnership to train and recruit people locally and provide opportunity for career progression within Wellington.
- Provide formal and informal lifelong learning opportunities for personal development and wellbeing.



What State Government, Local Organisations and statistics tell us is important...

- A diversity of high quality local education and training opportunities supports the retention of youth in the community and improves local employment outcomes.



OUR VISION

"Wellington has a wealth of diverse industries providing employment opportunities for all. There is growth in the Wellington population and economy which is balanced with the preservation of our natural environment and connected communities."

What is important under this theme?



What we heard from the community...

- Provide a wide range of employment opportunities across Wellington that offer stability, promote positive work / life balance and provide career pathways.
- Maximise economic output whilst ensuring the natural environment is protected.
- Develop the visitor economy through innovative marketing programs and product development to attract people to the region to live, work and play.
- Support business to promote sustainable environmental practices in Wellington.



What State Government, Local Organisations and statistics tell us is important...

- Improve the resiliency of the Wellington economy to adapt to unforeseen downturn in industries.
- Work with the State and Federal Governments to maximise Wellington Shire's competitive strengths in industries such as food and fibre.
- Leverage new business opportunities through the expansion of technologies such as high speed broadband networks.
- Improve public transport links to ensure businesses have easy access to markets whilst enhancing the livability / attractiveness of the region for current and new residents.



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ITEM C5.3**GIPPSLAND ART GALLERY ADVISORY GROUP MINUTES**

DIVISION: COMMUNITY AND CULTURE
 ACTION OFFICER: ACTING MANAGER ARTS AND CULTURE
 DATE: 16 MAY 2017

IMPACTS									
Financial	Communication	Legislative	Council Policy	Council Plan	Resources & Staff	Community	Environmental	Consultation	Risk Management
			✓	✓		✓		✓	

OBJECTIVE

To receive the minutes from the Gippsland Art Gallery Advisory Group meeting held on 1 May 2017.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE GALLERY**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council receive the minutes of the Gippsland Art Gallery Advisory Group meeting held on 1 May 2017.

BACKGROUND

The Gippsland Art Gallery Advisory Group is a Committee of Council that meets every two months. The membership of the Advisory Group includes representation for professional artists, art educators, community members, Gallery Society members and a Councillor.

As provided under the Committee's Instrument of Delegation, the objectives of the Committee include providing advice to the Gippsland Art Gallery Director of the views, requirements and aspirations of the community in relation to visual arts. This includes: cultural and artistic matters relating to the Gippsland Art Gallery; proposed acquisitions to the Gippsland Art Gallery permanent collection; development of policies for the management and promotion of the Gippsland Art Gallery; and promotion of community interest in the Gippsland Art Gallery.

The committee's Instrument of Delegation reflects the desire to seek community input, advice and feedback on the operations of the Gippsland Art Gallery and to present this information to Council.

It is to be noted that these minutes have yet to be formally ratified by a future Advisory Group meeting and are provided as current information for the Council.

OPTIONS

Council has the following options:

1. Receive the minutes from the Gippsland Art Gallery Advisory Group meeting held on 1 May 2017; or

2. Request additional information and receive the minutes from the Gippsland Art Gallery Advisory Group meeting held on 1 May 2017 at a future meeting.

PROPOSAL

To receive the minutes from the Gippsland Art Gallery Advisory Group meeting held on 1 May 2017.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No staff and/or contractors involved in the compilation of this report have declared a Conflict of Interest.

COUNCIL POLICY IMPACT

This report is in accordance with Council Policy 5.3.2 which establishes a framework for the guidance of Council in relation to the roles and responsibilities of Committees.

COUNCIL PLAN IMPACT

The Council Plan 2013-17 Theme 4 Infrastructure states the following strategic objective and related strategy:

Strategic Objectives

"Asset and infrastructure that meet current and future community needs."

Strategy 4.3

"Manage Council community facilities planning to ensure that outputs are based on identified community needs."

This report supports the above Council Plan strategic objective and strategy.

GIPPSLAND ART GALLERY ADVISORY GROUP WELLINGTON ROOM

1 May 2017
6:00pm

MINUTES

Present: Cr Scott Rossetti, Robbie Aitken, Brian Cantwell, Clive Murray-White, Dr Rob Ziffer (Acting Chair)					
In Attendance: Anton Vardy (Director), Simon Gregg (Curator)					
Apologies: Claire Marston (Chair), Brian Castles, Bianca Taylor.					
NO	ACTIVITY	DISCUSSION	ACTION	WHO	WHEN
1.	PREVIOUS MINUTES				
1.1	Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting 6 March 2017 	Vote to accept the minutes. Moved, Seconded. Carried.	Clive Murray-White, Brian Cantwell	
1.2	Business Arising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Business Arising 			
2.	STANDARD DISCUSSION ITEMS				
2.1	Chair's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No report as Chair is apology. 			
2.2	Director's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Simon Gregg was Acting Director in April whilst the Director was on leave Three exhibition openings in April: Marlie McMahon, Josephine Jakobi, Justin Holt. A new Gallery website is being developed by 'The View from Here'. Funding application has been submitted to Regional Arts Victoria to support exhibition development Gallery invitations are now all via email due to the rising costs of postage. 12 month program still distributed via hard copy. Building redevelopment works are on schedule 	Outlined gallery activities	Anton Vardy/ Simon Gregg	
2.3	Gallery Society Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gallery Society annual fundraising dinner in association with the NGV's Melbourne Winter Masterpieces Exhibition 'Van Gough and the Seasons' is scheduled for Thursday 4 May. 36 people have booked 		Brian Cantwell	
3.	GENERAL BUSINESS				

3.1	Acquisition Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eugene Von Guerard 'View of the Granite Rocks at Cape Woolamai' 1872. Oil on canvas, 65.8 x 114 cm. Purchase estimate \$500,000 - \$700,00 from Sotheby's Australia auction 3 May (Sydney) Support being sought from the John Leslie Foundation 	Vote to accept the proposal and bid on the painting at auction is provisional on agreement of the John Leslie Foundation to fund purchase. Moved, Seconded. Carried.	Clive Murray-White, Robbie Aitken	
3.2	Acquisition Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Raymond Arnold 'Searching for Immortality in the Mountains – Mont Ventoux Petrarch' 2001 Etching on paper, 69 x 69.5cm Purchase \$2500 from Australian Galleries, Melbourne. Support being sought from the Gippsland Art Gallery Society Inc. 	Vote to accept the proposal to purchase. Moved, Seconded. Carried	Robbie Aitken, Clive Murray-White	
3.3	Acquisition Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pat Waters 'Homage to Black Madonna I and II' Monoprint on paper. 20.9 x 35.2 cm each. Purchase \$290 each, \$580 total from the artist. 	Vote to accept the proposal to purchase. Moved, Seconded. Carried	Clive Murray-White, Robbie Aitken	
3.4	Acquisition Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Estate of Barbra Canterford. 61 paintings by amateur artists. Offer of donation 	Motion to decline the offer of donation. Moved, Seconded. Carried	Cr Scott Rossetti, Robbie Aitken.	
4.	OTHER BUSINESS				
5.	NEXT MEETING - 3 July 2017, Wellington Room, Level 1 Port of Sale Business Centre.				



D. URGENT BUSINESS



E. FURTHER GALLERY AND CHAT ROOM COMMENTS



F. CONFIDENTIAL ATTACHMENT/S

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ITEM F1.1

**PROVISION OF VALUATION SERVICES – CONTRACT 2016-072
(REFER TO ITEM NUMBER C2.3)**



WELLINGTON
SHIRE COUNCIL

The Heart of Gippsland

**ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
16 MAY 2017**

On this 28th day of April 2017, in accordance with Section 77 Clause (2)(c) of the *Local Government Act 1989*; I, Arthur Skipitaris (Delegate) declare that the information contained in the attached document **PROVISION OF VALUATION SERVICES – CONTRACT 2016-072** is confidential because it relates to the following grounds under Section 89(2) of the *Local Government Act 1989*:

d) contractual matters; and

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'AS' or similar initials, written over a horizontal line.

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General Manager Corporate Services (Delegate)



G. IN CLOSED SESSION

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COUNCILLOR

That the meeting be closed to the public pursuant to Section 89(2) of the Local Government Act 1989 to consider:

- a) personnel matters***
- b) the personal hardship of any resident or ratepayer***
- c) industrial matters***
- d) contractual matters***
- e) proposed developments***
- f) legal advice***
- g) matters affecting the security of Council property***
- h) any other matter which the Council or special committee considers would prejudice the Council or any person***

IN CLOSED SESSION

COUNCILLOR

That:

Council move into open session and ratify the decision made in closed session.