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Ilfracombe Isisford Longreach Yaraka

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Dear Councillors

Re: Meeting Notice for the Ordinary Council Meeting to be held on 12 December 2024

Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary Council Meeting of the Longreach Regional Council will be held in the Council Chambers, 96 Eagle Street, Longreach on Thursday 12 December 2024 commencing at 10:30am.

The Briefing Session for this meeting will be held in the Longreach Council Chambers on Wednesday 11 December 2024 commencing at 10:30am as follows;

Your attendance at these meetings is requested.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Brett Walsh'.

Brett Walsh
Chief Executive Officer

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Longreach Regional Council

Ordinary Meeting Agenda

Thursday 12 December 2024

Longreach Council Chambers, 96 Eagle Street, Longreach

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Present

Councillors

Mayor

Deputy Mayor

Cr AC Rayner

Cr LJ Nunn

Cr DJ Bignell

Cr AJ Emslie (from 11:00am)

Cr NA Gay (from 11:00am)

Cr TM Hatch

Cr AR Watts

Officers

Chief Executive Officer

Director of Communities

Director of Works

Manager of Governance and Economy

Manager of Human Resources, Safety and Wellness

Executive Assistant to Chief Executive Officer,

Mayor and Councillors

Brett Walsh

Tanya Johnson

André Pretorius

Simon Kuttner

Grace Cronin-Jones

Elizabeth Neal

Public Gallery

Jenny Milson (11:00am to 12:28pm)

Susie McDarra (11:00am to 12:28pm)

Apologies

David Wilson, Chief Financial Officer

1 Opening of Meeting and Acknowledgement of Country

The Mayor declared the meeting open at 9:05am.

"We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land on which we meet today, and we acknowledge elders past and present."

2 Prayer

Reverend Greg & Kathy Weller, Salvation Army, opened the meeting with a prayer.

3 Condolences

The meeting paid its respects and observed a minutes silence to mark the passing of community members *Colleen Margaret Hain, John Inglis King, Muriel Betty Pollard, Luke Gordon Jones and David Weger 'Dave'*.

4 Leave of Absence

Chief Financial Officer David Wilson be an apology for the meeting.

(Res-2024-11-293)

Moved Cr Rayner seconded Cr Bignell.

That an apology from Cr Gay & Cr Emslie be accepted for part of the meeting and leave of absence granted for the first session of this meeting.

CARRIED 5/0

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5 Declaration of any Prescribed / Declarable Conflicts of Interest by Councillors

5.1 Declaration of Prescribed Conflicts of Interest on any Item of Business

No declarations were made during this point of the meeting.

5.2 Declaration of a Declarable Conflict of Interest on any Item of Business

No declarations were made during this point of the meeting.

6 Confirmation of Minutes

6.1 Council - Thursday 17 October 2024

(Res-2024-11-294)

Moved Cr Watts seconded Cr Bignell

That the Minutes of the Council held on Thursday 17 October 2024, be confirmed.

CARRIED 5/0

7 Mayoral Report

7.1 Mayoral Report

The Mayor attended meetings and engagements in the time since the last Council meeting.

(Res-2024-11-295)

Moved Cr Hatch seconded Cr Watts

That Council receives the Mayoral Report, as presented.

CARRIED 5/0

8 Notices of Motion

Nil

9 Petitions

Nil

10 Deputations

The meeting received a deputation from members of the public, Jenny Milson and Susie McDarra at 11am, in relation to Item 11.11.

11 Chief Executive Officer's Report

Consideration was given to the Chief Executive Officer's Report

11.1 Councillor Information Correspondence

From the Chief Executive Officer, tabling a list of significant and relevant correspondence for Councillors and public information.

(Res-2024-11-296)

Moved Cr Hatch seconded Cr Nunn

That Council receives the Councillor Information Correspondence Report, as presented.

CARRIED 5/0

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11.2 Councillor Confidentiality Policy - Biennial Review

Consideration of the Councillor Confidentiality Policy, which has undergone its biennial review.

(Res-2024-11-297)

Moved Cr Hatch seconded Cr Nunn

That Council adopts the Councillor Confidentiality Policy, as presented.

CARRIED 5/0

The meeting adjourned for morning tea at 10:08am. The meeting returned from morning tea and resumed at 11:00am, with all previous attendees in attendance, with the addition of Cr Emslie and Cr Gay.

Members of the public Jenny Milson and Susie McDarra entered the public gallery at 11:00am.

Council received a deputation from member of the public Jenny Milson, who presented to Council in relation to Item 11.11 from 11:00am to 11:15am.

11.3 Councillor Briefing Session Policy - Biennial Review

Consideration of the Councillor Briefing Session Policy, which has undergone its biennial review.

(Res-2024-11-298)

Moved Cr Watts seconded Cr Emslie

That Council adopts the Councillor Briefing Session Policy, as presented and amended.

CARRIED 7/0

11.4 Qantas Park Donation

Consideration of the donation of the Qantas Airways Limited Pratt and Whitney JT9D Turbofan Engine currently residing in Qantas Park to the Qantas Founders Museum.

(Res-2024-11-299)

Moved Cr Gay seconded Cr Hatch

That Council approves the donation of the Qantas Airways Limited Pratt and Whitney JT9D Turbofan Engine currently residing in Qantas Park to the Qantas Founders Museum.

CARRIED 6/1

Cr Emslie requested that his vote against the resolution be recorded.

11.5 Water Supply Infrastructure Booster Pump Station - Financial Contribution

Consideration of Council's financial contribution to the Water Supply Infrastructure Booster Pump Station Work, as described in an infrastructure agreement with Diamond Gully Holdings Pty Ltd.

(Res-2024-11-300)

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Moved Cr Nunn seconded Cr Gay

That Council makes a financial contribution of \$38,500 (incl GST) to the developer, for the Water Supply Infrastructure Booster Pump Station Work, as per clause 7.5 of the Thomson River Caravan Park Infrastructure Agreement; subject to officers being satisfied the work is fit for purpose and that sufficient handover documentation and training has been received.

CARRIED 7/0

11.6 Small Business Friendly Grant Program - Round 1

Consideration of funding applications under the Small Business Friendly Grant Program Round 1 – Website Development.

(Res-2024-11-301)

Moved Cr Bignell seconded Cr Gay

That Council approves the following allocation of funds from the Small Business Friendly Grant Program, pursuant to the Small Business Friendly Grant Policy No. 11.11;

<i>Applicant:</i>	<i>Funding Allocated:</i>
<i>Morcom Surveyors</i>	<i>\$750.00</i>
<i>Ilfracombe Garden Nursery</i>	<i>\$600.00</i>
<i>The Drover's Place</i>	<i>\$2,000.00</i>

CARRIED 7/0

Mayoral Minute:

(Res-2024-11-302)

Moved Cr Rayner

That the order of business be amended to bring forward Item 11.11 for consideration.

CARRIED 7/0

11.11 Development Permit for Material Change of Use - Lot 172 Ilfracombe Road, Longreach

The Applicant, Amplitel Pty Ltd, seeks a Development Permit for Material Change of Use for a Telecommunications facility over land at Ilfracombe Road, Longreach, formally described as Lot 172 and on PD191 (the subject site). The subject site is 404,600m² in area and is located at the eastern fringe of Longreach's township.

Description:	Telecommunications Facility
Development:	Development Permit
Applicant:	Amplitel Pty Ltd
Owner:	Australian Stockman's Hall of Fame and Outback Heritage Centre
Current Use of Land:	Tourism Attraction (Australian Stockman's Hall of Fame)
Address:	Lot 172 Ilfracombe Road, Longreach
Real Property Description:	Lot 172 on PD191
Applicable Planning	Longreach Regional Planning Scheme 2015 (v3)

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Scheme:	
Zone:	Tourism Zone
Level of Assessment:	Impact Assessment

Moved Cr Watts seconded Cr Nunn

THAT Longreach Regional Council approves the development application for a Development Permit for Material Change of Use for a Telecommunications facility over land at Ilfracombe Road, Longreach, formally described as Lot 172 and on PD191, subject to the following conditions:

1.0 PARAMETERS OF APPROVAL

1.1 The Developer is responsible for ensuring compliance with this development approval and the conditions of the approval by an employee, agent, contractor or invitee of the Developer at all times unless otherwise stated.

1.2 Where these conditions refer to "Council" in relation to requiring Council to approve or be satisfied as to any matter, or conferring on the Council a function, power or discretion, that role of the Council may be fulfilled in whole or in part by a delegate appointed for that purpose by Council.

1.3 The cost of all works associated with the development and construction of the development including services, facilities and/or public utility alterations required are met at no cost to the Council or relevant utility provider, unless otherwise stated in a development condition.

1.4 The developer is required to have repaired any damage to existing infrastructure that may have occurred during any works carried out associated with the development. To the extent the damage is deemed by Council to create a hazard to the community, it must be repaired immediately.

1.5 All development conditions contained in this development approval about *infrastructure* under Chapter 4 of the *Planning Act 2016* (the Act), should be read as being non-trunk infrastructure conditioned under section 145 of the Act, unless otherwise stated.

1.6 All conditions, works, or requirements of this development approval must be undertaken and completed prior to commencement of the use and to Council's satisfaction, and to be maintained at all times thereafter, unless otherwise stated.

2.0 APPROVED PLANS AND DOCUMENTS

2.1 The approved development must be completed and maintained generally in accordance with the approved plans, except where amended by the conditions of this approval:

Plan/Document Name	Plan/Document Number	Revision	Date
Site Layout	QLD008156 Sheet S1	1	17/07/24
Site Setout Plan	QLD008156 Sheet S1-1	1	17/07/24
South Elevation	QLD008156 Sheet S3	1	17/07/24

2.2 Where there is any conflict between the conditions of this approval and the details shown on the approved plans, the conditions of approval must prevail.

3.0 VEHICLE ACCESS AND PARKING

3.1 Maintain the existing vehicular access from Curlew Road.

4.0 FLOOD HAZARD

4.1 The equipment shelter must be sited a minimum 500mm above the 1% AEP flood level.

4.2 No hazardous materials are permitted to be stored within the premises.

5.0 ROOF AND ALLOTMENT DRAINAGE WORKS

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5.1 All stormwater must drain to a demonstrated lawful point of discharge and must not adversely affect adjoining land or infrastructure in comparison to the pre-development condition by way of blocking, altering or diverting existing stormwater runoff patterns or have the potential to cause damage to other infrastructure.

6.0 LANDSCAPING AND DESIGN

6.1 Establish and maintain landscaping around the perimeter of the lease area to a height that is able to provide screening to the proposed shelter. The landscaping must predominantly contain species that are endemic to the region due to their low water dependency.

6.2 Ensure the landscaped areas are subject to water and maintenance during the establishment phase, and ongoing maintenance and replanting as required.

6.3 The proposed facility must incorporate neutral, low-reflective materials, colours and finishes.

7.0 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

7.1 Undertake the approved development so there is no environmental nuisance or detrimental effect on any surrounding land uses and activities by reason of the emission of noise, odour, wastewater, waste products, dust or otherwise.

7.2 No lighting is permitted to be established on the monopole.

8.0 EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL

8.1 Implement and maintain an Erosion and Sediment Control Plan (ESCP) on-site for the duration of the works, and until such time as all exposed soil areas are permanently stabilised (for example, turfed, hydro mulched, concreted, and landscaped). The ESCP must be available on-site for inspection by Council Officers during the works.

8.2 The Erosion and Sediment Control Plan must be prepared in accordance with the Best Practice Erosion and Sediment Control document from the International Erosion Control Association, as updated from time to time.

8.3 Where any component of the works is to be undertaken during the wet season (October to May), the Erosion and Sediment Control Plan must be submitted to Council for approval, prior to commencement of the works.

Advisory note: Schedule 5.1.2.5 of the Longreach Regional Council Planning Scheme (v3) references the Director of Infrastructure Services to undertake the assessment of the ESCP.

9.0 CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES

9.1 Construction activity and noise must be limited during earthworks and construction of the approved development to the hours of 06:30 to 18:30 Monday to Saturday, with no work to occur on Sundays or public holidays.

9.2 The construction of any works must be undertaken in accordance with good engineering practice and workmanship and generally in accordance with the relevant provisions of Planning Scheme Policy No. 1 – Works Planning Scheme Policy under Schedule 5 of the Longreach Regional Planning Scheme 2015 (v3).

9.3 All construction materials, waste, waste skips, machinery and contractors' vehicles must be located and stored or parked within the development site, unless otherwise approved in writing by Council.

10.0 ASSET MANAGEMENT

10.1 Any alteration necessary to electricity, telephone, water mains, sewerage mains and/or public utility installations resulting from the development or in connection with the development, must be undertaken and completed at no cost to Council.

ADVISORY NOTES

1. Prior to commencing any construction activities, the applicant/developer may be required

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to obtain further development permits for operational work (for example, for the relocation of the sewer line if this is required), building work, and plumbing and drainage work, as required under relevant legislation for this work.

2. This approval does not negate the requirement for compliance with all other relevant Local Laws and other statutory requirements. Any provisions contained in this approval relating to the enforcement of any of the conditions shall be in addition to all other rights, powers and privileges that the Council may possess or obtain, and nothing contained in these conditions shall be construed so as to prejudice, affect or otherwise derogate or limit these rights, powers and privileges of the Council.
3. Compliance must be achieved with any relevant Civil Aviation Safety Authority requirements. The development and operation of the use must not conflict with or adversely impact the operational requirements of the Longreach Airport.
4. General environmental duty under the *Environmental Protection Act 1994* prohibits unlawful environmental nuisance caused by noise, aerosols, particles, dust, ash, fumes, light, odour or smoke beyond the boundaries of the development site during all stages of the development including earthworks, construction and operation.
5. This development approval does not authorise any activity that may harm Aboriginal cultural heritage. It is advised that under section 23 of the *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003*, a person who carries out an activity must take all reasonable and practicable measures to ensure the activity does not harm Aboriginal cultural heritage (the "cultural heritage duty of care").

MOTION LOST 2/5

Attendance: Members of the public Jenny Milson and Susie McDarra left the public gallery at 12:28pm.

The meeting adjourned for Lunch at 12:35pm. The meeting resumed at 1:27pm, with those present at adjournment in attendance.

11.7 Longreach Regional Council Annual Report 2023-2024

Consideration of the Longreach Regional Council's Annual Report 2023-2024.

(Res-2024-11-(Res-2024-11-303)

Moved Cr Nunn seconded Cr Gay

That Council, pursuant to section 182 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, adopts the Longreach Regional Council Annual Report 2023-2024 (including the audited Annual Financial Statements).

CARRIED 7/0

11.8 Development Permit for Reconfiguring a Lot - 2 Saint Frances Street, Isisford

The Applicant, Michael Murray Tomlinson C/- Murray & Associates (QLD) Pty Ltd, has submitted a development application seeking a Development Permit for Reconfiguring a Lot (boundary realignment) at 2 Saint Frances Street, Isisford formally described as Lot 105 on I2121 (the subject site).

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Description:	Subdivision to resolve a road encroachment
Development:	Development Permit
Applicant:	Murray & Associates (QLD) Pty Ltd
Owner:	Michael Murray Tomlinson
Current Use of Land:	Residential
Address:	2 Saint Frances Street, Longreach
Real Property Description:	Lot 105 on I2121
Applicable Planning Scheme:	<i>Longreach Regional Planning Scheme 2015 (v3)</i>
Zone:	Township
Level of Assessment:	Code Assessment

(Res-2024-11-304)

Moved Cr Watts seconded Cr Emslie

THAT Longreach Regional Council approves the development application for a Development Permit for Reconfiguring a Lot (boundary realignment) at 2 Saint Frances Street, Isisford formally described as Lot 105 on I2121 formally described as Lot 1 on RP610093, subject to the following conditions:

1.0 PARAMETERS OF APPROVAL

1.1 The developer is responsible for ensuring compliance with this development approval and the conditions of the approval by an employee, agent, contractor or invitee of the Developer at all times unless otherwise stated.

1.2 Where these conditions refer to "Council" in relation to requiring Council to approve or be satisfied as to any matter, or conferring on the Council a function, power or discretion, that role of the Council may be fulfilled in whole or in part by a delegate appointed for that purpose by Council.

1.3 The developer is required to have repaired any damage to existing infrastructure that may have occurred during any works carried out for the development. To the extent the damage is deemed to create a hazard to the community, it must be repaired immediately.

1.4 Unless otherwise stated, all works must be designed, constructed and maintained in accordance with the relevant Council policies, guidelines and standards.

1.5 All conditions, works, or requirements of this development approval must be undertaken and completed prior to the sealing of the survey plan for the Reconfiguring a Lot, unless otherwise stated.

2.0 APPROVED PLAN

2.1 The approved development must be completed and maintained generally in accordance with the approved plans, except where amended by the conditions of this approval:

Plan/Document Name	Plan/Document Number	Revision	Date
Plan of Lot 105	Sheet 1 of 2	-	-

2.2 Where there is any conflict between the conditions of this approval and the details shown on the approved plans, the conditions of approval must prevail.

3.0 ENDORSEMENT OF SURVEY PLAN

3.1 Council will not endorse or release the survey plan for this development until such time as:

(a) All conditions of this development approval for Reconfiguring a Lot have been fully satisfied (where required);

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- (b) A statement demonstrating compliance with all conditions attached to this development approval has been submitted to Council (where required); and
- (c) All outstanding rates and charges relating to the site have been paid.

4.0 ASSET MANAGEMENT

4.1 Any alteration necessary to electricity, telephone, water mains, sewerage mains, and/or public utility installations resulting from the development or in connection with the development, must be undertaken and completed at no cost to Council.

ADVISORY NOTES

1. This approval does not negate the requirement for compliance with all other relevant Local Laws and other statutory requirements. Any provisions contained in this approval relating to the enforcement of any of the conditions shall be in addition to all other rights, powers and privileges that the Council may possess or obtain, and nothing contained in these conditions shall be construed so as to prejudice, affect or otherwise derogate or limit these rights, powers and privileges of the Council.
2. General environmental duty under the *Environmental Protection Act 1994* prohibits unlawful environmental nuisance caused by noise, aerosols, particles, dust, ash, fumes, light, odour or smoke beyond the boundaries of the development site during all stages of the development including earthworks, construction and operation.
3. This development approval does not authorise any activity that may harm Aboriginal cultural heritage. It is advised that under Section 23 of the *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003*, a person who carries out an activity must take all reasonable and practicable measures to ensure the activity does not harm Aboriginal cultural heritage (the "cultural heritage duty of care").
4. This approval is issued under the *Planning Act 2016* and does not include an assessment against the *Building Act 1975*. Alterations may be required to existing buildings to ensure compliance with the building assessment provisions. The developer should seek advice from a suitably qualified person before proceeding with the development.

CARRIED 7/0

11.9 Development Permit for Reconfiguring a Lot - 605 Cramsie Muttaborra Road, Longreach

The Applicant, Simone and Martin Thomason C/- Murray & Associates (QLD) Pty Ltd, has submitted a development application seeking a Development Permit for Reconfiguring a Lot (1 lot into 2 lots) at 605 Cramsie Muttaborra Road, Longreach formally described as Lot 2 on RP864458 (the subject site).

Description:	Subdivision to create two lots
Development:	Development Permit
Applicant:	Simone and Martin Thomason C/- Murray & Associates (QLD) Pty Ltd
Owner:	Graham Warwick & Vivienne Rosemary Champion
Current Use of Land:	Longway Station - Grazing
Address:	605 Cramsie Muttaborra Road, Longreach
Real Property Description:	Lots 2 on RP864458
Applicable Planning	<i>Longreach Regional Planning Scheme 2015 (v3)</i>

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Scheme:	
Zone:	Rural Zone
Level of Assessment:	Code Assessment

(Res-2024-11-305)

Moved Cr Nunn seconded Cr Gay

THAT Longreach Regional Council approves the development application for a Development Permit for Reconfiguring a Lot (1 lot into 2 lots) at 605 Cramsie Muttaborra Road, Longreach formally described as Lot 2 on RP864458, subject to the following conditions:

1.0 PARAMETERS OF APPROVAL

1.1 The developer is responsible for ensuring compliance with this development approval and the conditions of the approval by an employee, agent, contractor or invitee of the Developer at all times unless otherwise stated.

1.2 Where these conditions refer to "Council" in relation to requiring Council to approve or be satisfied as to any matter, or conferring on the Council a function, power or discretion, that role of the Council may be fulfilled in whole or in part by a delegate appointed for that purpose by Council.

1.3 The developer is required to have repaired any damage to existing infrastructure that may have occurred during any works carried out for the development. To the extent the damage is deemed to create a hazard to the community, it must be repaired immediately.

1.4 Unless otherwise stated, all works must be designed, constructed and maintained in accordance with the relevant Council policies, guidelines and standards.

1.5 All conditions, works, or requirements of this development approval must be undertaken and completed prior to the sealing of the survey plan for the Reconfiguring a Lot, unless otherwise stated.

2.0 APPROVED PLAN

2.1 The approved development must be completed and maintained generally in accordance with the approved plans, except where amended by the conditions of this approval:

Plan/Document Name	Plan/Document Number	Revision	Date
Proposed 1 Lot into 2 Lot Subdivision	40084	-	21/05/2024

2.2 Where there is any conflict between the conditions of this approval and the details shown on the approved plans, the conditions of approval must prevail.

3.0 ENDORSEMENT OF SURVEY PLAN

3.1 Council will not endorse or release the survey plan for this development until such time as:

- (a) All conditions of this development approval for Reconfiguring a Lot have been fully satisfied (where required);
- (b) A statement demonstrating compliance with all conditions attached to this development approval has been submitted to Council (where required); and
- (c) All outstanding rates and charges relating to the site have been paid.

4.0 STORMWATER WORKS

4.1 Discharge all minor stormwater flows that fall or pass onto each lot to the lawful

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point of discharge without causing annoyance or nuisance to any person in accordance with the Queensland Urban Drainage Manual (QUDM).

5.0 WATER SUPPLY

5.1 The existing water supply to proposed Lot 12 is required to be maintained.

5.2 Proposed Lot 11 must be provided with on-site water supply in accordance with Planning scheme policy 1 – Works.

6.0 SERVICES

6.1 Existing electricity and telecommunications services to proposed Lot 12 are required to be maintained.

6.2 Electricity and telecommunication services must be provided to Proposed Lot 11 in accordance with the standards and requirements of the relevant service provider.

Alternative off grid electricity supply (e.g. solar and battery arrangement) and telecommunications services (e.g. satellite) are permitted on proposed Lot 11 where they are reliable and readily available.

6.3 Any service connection to an existing building that traverses a lot boundary is to be:

- (a) removed; or
- (b) relocated so that it does not traverse a lot boundary; or
- (c) covered by an easement.

7.0 ON-SITE SEWAGE TREATMENT & DISPOSAL

7.1 Existing on-site sewage treatment and disposal to proposed Lot 12 is to be maintained.

7.2 Proposed Lot 11 must be provided with on-site sewage treatment and disposal in accordance with the requirements of the *Plumbing and Drainage Act 2018*, including the Queensland Plumbing and Wastewater Code, at all times.

8.0 ACCESS WORKS

8.1 The existing access to proposed Lot 12 is required to be maintained.

8.2 A Rural Property Access is to be provided to proposed Lot 11 generally in accordance with the location shown on the approved plan.

9.0 ASSET MANAGEMENT

9.1 Any alteration necessary to electricity, telephone, water mains, sewerage mains, and/or public utility installations resulting from the development or in connection with the development, must be undertaken and completed at no cost to Council.

ADVISORY NOTES

1. This approval does not negate the requirement for compliance with all other relevant Local Laws and other statutory requirements. Any provisions contained in this approval relating to the enforcement of any of the conditions shall be in addition to all other rights, powers and privileges that the Council may possess or obtain, and nothing contained in these conditions shall be construed so as to prejudice, affect or otherwise derogate or limit these rights, powers and privileges of the Council.

2. General environmental duty under the *Environmental Protection Act 1994* prohibits unlawful environmental nuisance caused by noise, aerosols, particles, dust, ash, fumes, light, odour or smoke beyond the boundaries of the development site during all stages of the development including earthworks, construction and operation.

3. This development approval does not authorise any activity that may harm Aboriginal cultural heritage. It is advised that under Section 23 of the *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003*, a person who carries out an activity must take all reasonable and practicable measures to ensure the activity does not harm Aboriginal cultural heritage (the "cultural heritage duty of care").

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4. This approval is issued under the *Planning Act 2016* and does not include an assessment against the *Building Act 1975*. Alterations may be required to existing buildings to ensure compliance with the building assessment provisions. The developer should seek advice from a suitably qualified person before proceeding with the development.

CARRIED 7/0

11.10 Development Permit for Material Change of Use - 85 Crane Street, Longreach

The Applicant, B T Hunt Building Pty Ltd, seeks a Development Permit for Material Change of Use for a Multiple dwelling (3 units) over land at 85 Crane Street, Longreach, formally described as Lot 16 on L3573 (the subject site). The subject site is 1,214m² in area and is located on the southern side of the Landsborough Highway.

Description:	Multiple Dwelling (3 units)
Development:	Development Permit
Applicant:	B T Hunt Building Pty Ltd
Owner:	Benjamin Hunt
Current Use of Land:	Dwelling house
Address:	85 Crane Street, Longreach
Real Property Description:	Lot 16 on L3573
Applicable Planning Scheme:	<i>Longreach Regional Planning Scheme 2015 (v3)</i>
Zone:	Medium Density Residential Zone
Level of Assessment:	Code Assessment

(Res-2024-11-306)

Moved Cr Watts seconded Cr Bignell

THAT Longreach Regional Council approves the development application for a Development Permit for Material Change of Use for a Multiple dwelling (3 units) over land at 85 Crane Street, Longreach, formally described as Lot 16 on L3573, subject to the following conditions:

1.0 PARAMETERS OF APPROVAL

1.1 The developer is responsible for ensuring compliance with this development approval and the conditions of the approval by an employee, agent, contractor or invitee of the Developer at all times unless otherwise stated.

1.2 Where these conditions refer to "Council" in relation to requiring Council to approve or be satisfied as to any matter, or conferring on the Council a function, power or discretion, that role of the Council may be fulfilled in whole or in part by a delegate appointed for that purpose by Council.

1.3 The cost of all works associated with the development and construction of the development including services, facilities and/or public utility alterations required are met at no cost to the Council or relevant utility provider, unless otherwise stated in a development condition.

1.4 The developer is required to have repaired any damage to existing infrastructure that may have occurred during any works carried out for the development. To the extent the damage is deemed to create a hazard to the community, it must be repaired immediately.

1.5 All development conditions contained in this development approval about infrastructure under Chapter 4 of the Planning Act 2016 (the Act), should be read as being non-trunk infrastructure conditioned under section 145 of the Act, unless otherwise stated.

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1.6 All conditions, works, or requirements of this development approval must be undertaken and completed prior to the sealing of the survey plan for the Reconfiguring a Lot, unless otherwise stated.

2.0 APPROVED PLAN

2.1 The approved development must be completed and maintained generally in accordance with the approved plans, except where amended by the conditions of this approval:

Plan/Document Name	Plan/Document Number	Revision	Date
Proposed Site Plan	TP1	A	01/09/24
Proposed Ground Floor	TP2	A	01/09/24
Proposed Roof Plan	TP3	A	01/09/24
Elevations	TP4	A	01/09/24
Elevations	TP5	A	01/09/24
Elevations	TP6	A	01/09/24

2.2 Where there is any conflict between the conditions of this approval and the details shown on the approved plans, the conditions of approval must prevail.

3.0 VEHICLE ACCESS AND PARKING

3.1 Provide and maintain a minimum of two (2) car spaces for each new dwelling.

3.2 Design, construct and maintain all car parking and access works generally in accordance with the approved plans, *Australian Standard AS2890 "Parking Facilities"* (Parts 1 to 6) and *Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (Queensland)*.

3.4 Construct and maintain two (2) vehicular accesses to Parrot Lane in accordance with the *Institute of Public Works Engineering Australia Standard Drawing No. RS-049 (vehicle low density residential) Plan 1 and 2*.

Advisory Note: *In accordance with section 5.7 and specifically Table 5.7.1 (Operational Work) of the Planning Scheme, Operational Work for a driveway crossover is prescribed as 'Accepted subject to requirements.' The requirements are the Works Code of the Planning Scheme.*

4.0 ROOF AND ALLOTMENT DRAINAGE WORKS

4.1 Discharge all roof and allotment drainage such that it does not restrict, impair or change the natural flow of runoff water or cause a nuisance to adjoining properties or infrastructure from the pre- to the post-development condition.

4.2 All roof water must be discharged to the open drain at the rear of the property. Alternatively, roof water may be captured in rainwater tanks for use on-site.

4.3 All stormwater must drain to a demonstrated lawful point of discharge and must not adversely affect adjoining land or infrastructure in comparison to the pre-development condition by way of blocking, altering or diverting existing stormwater runoff patterns or have the potential to cause damage to other infrastructure.

5.0 SERVICES

5.1 The premises must be connected to Council's reticulated water and sewerage networks in accordance with the standards prescribed in Table SC5.1.2.6 (Water and Sewer Standards) of *Planning Scheme Policy 1 – Works*.

Advisory Note: *In accordance with section 5.7 and specifically Table 5.7.1 (Operational Work) of the Planning Scheme, Operational Work for water and sewerage connections are prescribed as 'Accepted subject to requirements.' The requirements are the Works Code of the Planning Scheme.*

5.2 Electricity and telecommunication services must be provided to the premises in accordance with the standards and requirements of the relevant service provider.

6.0 LANDSCAPING

6.1 Establish and retain all landscaping generally in accordance with the approved plans. The landscaping must predominantly contain species that are endemic to the region due to their low

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water dependency.

6.2 Ensure the landscaped areas are subject to water and maintenance during the establishment phase, and ongoing maintenance and replanting as required.

7.0 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

7.1 Undertake the approved development so there is no environmental nuisance or detrimental effect on any surrounding land uses and activities by reason of the emission of noise, odour, wastewater, waste products, dust or otherwise.

7.2 Maintain outdoor lighting to comply with AS4282 – 1997 “Control of Obstructive Effects of Outdoor Lighting”.

7.3 All waste storage areas must be kept in a clean, tidy condition, and must be screened from view. Sufficient waste containers and services are to be provided to cater for the containment and removal of all waste generated on the site.

8.0 EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL

8.1 Implement and maintain an Erosion and Sediment Control Plan (ESCP) on-site for the duration of the works, and until such time as all exposed soil areas are permanently stabilised (for example, turfed, hydro mulched, concreted, and landscaped). The ESCP must be available on-site for inspection by Council Officers during the works.

8.2 The Erosion and Sediment Control Plan must be prepared in accordance with the Best Practice Erosion and Sediment Control document from the International Erosion Control Association, as updated from time to time.

8.3 Where any component of the works is to be undertaken during the wet season (October to May), the Erosion and Sediment Control Plan must be submitted to Council for approval, prior to commencement of the works.

Advisory note: Schedule 5.1.2.5 of the Longreach Regional Council Planning Scheme (v2.1) references the Director of Infrastructure Services to undertake the assessment of the ESCP.

9.0 CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES

9.1 Construction activity and noise must be limited during earthworks and construction of the approved development to the hours of 06:30 to 18:30 Monday to Saturday, with no work to occur on Sundays or public holidays.

9.2 The construction of any works must be undertaken in accordance with good engineering practice and workmanship and generally in accordance with the relevant provisions of Planning Scheme Policy No. 1 – Works Planning Scheme Policy under Schedule 5 of the Longreach Regional Planning Scheme 2015 (v3).

9.3 All construction materials, waste, waste skips, machinery and contractors’ vehicles must be located and stored or parked within the development site, unless otherwise approved in writing by Council.

10.0 ASSET MANAGEMENT

10.1 Any alteration necessary to electricity, telephone, water mains, sewerage mains, and/or public utility installations resulting from the development or in connection with the development, must be undertaken and completed at no cost to Council.

ADVISORY NOTES

1. Prior to commencing any construction activities, the applicant/developer may be required to obtain further development permits for operational work (for example, for the relocation of the sewer line if this is required), building work, and plumbing and drainage work, as required under relevant legislation for this work.

2. This approval does not negate the requirement for compliance with all other relevant Local Laws and other statutory requirements. Any provisions contained in this approval relating to the

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enforcement of any of the conditions shall be in addition to all other rights, powers and privileges that the Council may possess or obtain, and nothing contained in these conditions shall be construed so as to prejudice, affect or otherwise derogate or limit these rights, powers and privileges of the Council.

3. Compliance must be achieved with any relevant Civil Aviation Safety Authority requirements. The development and operation of the use must not conflict with or adversely impact the operational requirements of the Longreach Airport.

4. General environmental duty under the *Environmental Protection Act 1994* prohibits unlawful environmental nuisance caused by noise, aerosols, particles, dust, ash, fumes, light, odour or smoke beyond the boundaries of the development site during all stages of the development including earthworks, construction and operation.

5. This development approval does not authorise any activity that may harm Aboriginal cultural heritage. It is advised that under section 23 of the *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003*, a person who carries out an activity must take all reasonable and practicable measures to ensure the activity does not harm Aboriginal cultural heritage (the "cultural heritage duty of care").

CARRIED 6/1

Item 11.11 - Development Permit for Material Change of Use - Lot 172 Ilfracombe Road,
Longreach - has been moved to another part of the document.

11.12 Monthly Workplace Health and Safety Report - October 2024

This report provides a summary of Council's health and safety performance as at 31 October 2024, highlighting issues, risks and opportunities impacting on employee health and safety in the workplace.

(Res-2024-11-307)

Moved Cr Hatch seconded Cr Nunn

That Council receives the Workplace Health and Safety update as at 31 October 2024, as presented.

CARRIED 7/0

11.13 Information Report - Planning and Development Report

This report provides an update on Development Services that has occurred during the month of October 2024.

(Res-2024-11-308)

Moved Cr Watts seconded Cr Nunn

That Council receives the Planning and Development information report, as presented.

CARRIED 7/0

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11.14 Information Report - Governance

This report provides an update on a range of activities that have occurred over the previous month for the Governance Directorate.

(Res-2024-11-309)

Moved Cr Gay seconded Cr Hatch

That Council receives the Governance Information Report, as presented.

CARRIED 7/0

11.15 Chief Executive Officer's Council Report

This report provides an update on a range of activities that have occurred over the previous month for the Chief Executive Officer.

(Res-2024-11-310)

Moved Cr Emslie seconded Cr Watts

That Council receives the Chief Executive Officer's report, as presented.

CARRIED 7/0

12 Financial Services Report

Consideration was given to the Director Financial Services Report

12.1 Final Management Report

The Qld Audit Office has completed its audit of Council's financial statements for 2024. The final management report is attached for Council's information.

(Res-2024-11-311)

Moved Cr Nunn seconded Cr Gay

That Council receives the Final Management Report for 2024 from the Qld Audit Office, as presented.

CARRIED 7/0

12.2 Information Report - Finance

This report provides an update on a range of activities that occurred during the month for the Financial Services Directorate.

(Res-2024-11-312)

Moved Cr Hatch seconded Cr Gay

That Council receives the Finance Information Report, as presented.

CARRIED 7/0

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12.3 Chief Financial Officer's Report

Consideration of the financial statements for the period ending 31 October 2024:

(Res-2024-11-313)

Moved Cr Bignell seconded Cr Gay

That Council receives the Chief Financial Officer's Report for the period ending 31 October 2024, as presented.

CARRIED 7/0

13 Community Services Report

Consideration was given to the Director of Communities Report

13.1 Community Donations - Individuals

Considerations of applications received for the month of November in accordance with the Community Donation Policy 11.06.

(Res-2024-11-314)

Moved Cr Gay seconded Cr Watts

That Council endorses the allocation of funds from the Community Donations Program, in accordance with the Community Donations Policy No. 11.6, as follows:

<i>Organisation/ Individual</i>	<i>Event/Project Activity</i>	<i>Event Date</i>	<i>Grant Approved</i>
<i>Erika Holland</i>	<i>North West all Schools Championships Team</i>	<i>6 – 8 December 2024</i>	<i>\$500.00</i>
<i>Jaylie Miller</i>	<i>North West all Schools Championships Team</i>	<i>6 – 8 December 2024</i>	<i>\$500.00</i>
<i>Taya Miller</i>	<i>North West all Schools Championships Team</i>	<i>6 – 8 December 2024</i>	<i>\$500.00</i>
<i>Max Bruggermann</i>	<i>13-19 years track and field State Championships</i>	<i>11 – 14 October 2024</i>	<i>\$350.00</i>
<i>Cooper Paige</i>	<i>13-19 years track and field State Championships</i>	<i>8 – 10 October 2024</i>	<i>\$350.00</i>
		<i>TOTAL</i>	<i>\$2,200.00</i>

CARRIED 7/0

13.2 Community Donation - Ilfracombe District Progress Association

Consideration of a Community Donations application received in November in accordance with the Community Donations Policy No. 11.06.

(Res-2024-11-315)

Moved Cr Watts seconded Cr Nunn

That Council approves the following allocation of funds from the Community Donations Program in

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accordance with the Community Donations Policy No. 11.06;

<i>Organisation/ Name</i>	<i>Event/Activity</i>	<i>Grant Requested</i>	<i>Grant Approved</i>
Ilfracombe District Progress Association	<i>Di Scott Memorial Christmas Tree</i>	<i>Financial \$2,644.00</i>	<i>Financial \$2,115.20</i>
		<i>TOTAL \$2,644.00</i>	<i>TOTAL \$2,115.20</i>

CARRIED 6/1

13.3 Community Donation - Longreach Fire Brigade Historical Society

Consideration of a Community Donations application received in November in accordance with the Community Donations Policy No. 11.06.

Moved Cr Hatch seconded Cr Gay

That Council approves the following allocation of funds from the Community Donations Program in accordance with the Community Donations Policy No. 11.06;

<i>Organisation/ Name</i>	<i>Event/Activity</i>	<i>Grant Requested</i>	<i>Grant Approved</i>
<i>Longreach Fire Brigade Historical Society</i>	<i>100 Years of the Longreach Fire Trials</i>	<i>Financial \$3,000.00 In-Kind \$600.00</i>	<i>Financial \$2,460.00 In-Kind \$600.00</i>
		<i>TOTAL \$3,600.00</i>	<i>TOTAL \$3,060.00</i>

(Res-2024-11-316)

Moved Cr Bignell seconded Cr Gay

That the motion be amended to award the requested amount in full.

CARRIED 7/0

Note: The amended motion becomes the substantive motion.

(Res-2024-11-317)

That Council approves the following allocation of funds from the Community Donations Program in accordance with the Community Donations Policy No. 11.06;

<i>Organisation/ Name</i>	<i>Event/Activity</i>	<i>Grant Requested</i>	<i>Grant Approved</i>
<i>Longreach Fire Brigade Historical Society</i>	<i>100 Years of the Longreach Fire Trials</i>	<i>Financial \$3,000.00 In-Kind \$600.00</i>	<i>Financial \$3,000.00 In-Kind \$600.00</i>
		<i>TOTAL \$3,600.00</i>	<i>TOTAL \$3,600.00</i>

CARRIED 6/1

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13.4 Naming of the Skatepark and new Library Meeting Room

Naming of the Skatepark and new Library Meeting Room at the back of the Library.

Moved Cr Watts seconded Cr Hatch

That Council names the following Council facilities in Longreach:

- 1. The whole of the land bounded by Eagle St, Owl St, Emu St and Bustard St and incorporating the skate park and future dog off-leash area, pump track, playground, as "....."*
- 2. The new building at the rear of the Longreach library incorporating a meeting room and disaster coordination centre as ".....".*

Procedural Motion:

(Res-2024-11-318)

Moved Cr Nunn seconded Cr Bignell

That the item lay on the table for consideration at a future meeting.

CARRIED 7/0

13.5 Information Report - Community Services

This report provides an update on the range of activities that have occurred during the month of October for the Community Services Department.

(Res-2024-11-319)

Moved Cr Gay seconded Cr Hatch

That Council receives the Community Services Information Report, as presented.

CARRIED 7/0

13.6 Director of Communities Report

This report provides an update on the range of activities that have occurred during the month of October for the Director of Communities.

(Res-2024-11-320)

Moved Cr Hatch seconded Cr Gay

That Council receives the Acting Director of Communities Report, as presented

CARRIED 7/0

14 Infrastructure Services Report

14.1 Information Report - Works

This report provides an update on a range of activities that has occurred during the month of October 2024 for the Works Directorate.

(Res-2024-11-321)

Moved Cr Watts seconded Cr Bignell

That Council receives the Works Information Report, as presented.

CARRIED 7/0

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14.2 Director of Works Report

This report provides an update on a range of activities that have occurred over the previous month for the Works Director.

(Res-2024-11-322)

Moved Cr Nunn seconded Cr Bignell

That Council receives the Director of Works Report, as presented

CARRIED 7/0

15 Late Items

16 Closed Matters

Nil for this meeting

17 Closure of Meeting

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 3:47pm.

Minutes Certificate

These minutes are unconfirmed.

Cr A Rayner
Mayor

Brett Walsh
Chief Executive Officer

**LONGREACH REGIONAL COUNCIL
ORDINARY MEETING AGENDA**

7. Mayoral Report

7.1 Mayoral Report

The Mayor attended meetings and engagements in the time since the last Council meeting, including but not limited to:

- Mayor met with representatives of Tilt renewables in Brisbane and Longreach to discuss wind monitoring sites for evaluation of suitability for future wind farms.
- Mayor Chaired RAPAD Board meetings In Brisbane. Mayor hosted Friends of RAPAD networking function in Brisbane as RAPAD Chair.
- Mayor chaired CUC Board meeting in Brisbane.
- Mayor recorded video footage and interview as part of the Statewide Domestic Violence Network.
- Mayor met with 5 Ministers at Parliament House discussing critical matters for LRC.
- Mayor met with various Director Generals at 1 William Street and Parliament House.
- Mayor met with QBuild Representatives to discuss \$10 Million Housing project in Longreach.
- Mayor met with Rowing Australia representatives and Olympian Rowers to discuss establishing Rowing program in Longreach.
- Mayor attended end of year Awards night for both Longreach State High School and Longreach State Primary School and presented awards .
- Mayor attended Year 6 graduation at Longreach State Primary School.
- Mayor opened Not So Silent Night festivities at Qantas Founders Museum.
- Mayor undertook media interviews with ABC, 4LG, Ben Dobbin and Longreach Leader.
- Mayor spoke at Education Qld event for new teacher graduates moving into Western Qld.
- Mayor Chaired LDMG meeting in Longreach.

Recommendation:

That Council receives the Mayoral Report, as presented.

8. Notices of Motion

None Received At Time of Agenda Preparation.

9. Petitions

None Received At Time of Agenda Preparation.

10. Deputations

None Received At Time of Agenda Preparation.

11. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

11.1 - Councillor Information Correspondence

11. Chief Executive Officer's Report

11.1 Councillor Information Correspondence

File Ref:

From the Chief Executive Officer, tabling a list of significant and relevant correspondence for Councillors and public information.

The following correspondence has been received up to 5 December 2024:

1. Wayne Fallen - Council of Port Headland
2. Port Headlands Council COVID 19 Vaccines
3. Let for Local Government Chief Executive Officers about Updates to Section 48 Biosecurity Act
4. Call for Submissions to Truth-telling and Healing Inquiry
5. Queensland Music Trails for The Outback
6. Information Sessions and Feedback - December 2024
7. Representations made to Central West district regarding use of approval to drive past a restricted road use notice issued pursuant to s 46(4)(b) Transport Infrastructure Act 1994 (Qld)
8. Intersection Safety Upgrades - Landsborough Highway (Barcaldine-Longreach)

Appendices

1. EMA-18-10-2024-Wayne Fallen - Council of Port Headland [↓](#)
2. EMA-08-11-2024-Port Headlands Council COVID 19 Vaccines [↓](#)
3. EMA-18-11-2024-Let for Local Government Chief Executive Officers about Updates to Section 48 Biosecurity Act [↓](#)
4. EMA-22-11-2024-Call for Submissions to Truth-telling and Healing Inquiry [↓](#)
5. EMA-28-11-2024-Queensland Music Trails for The Outback [↓](#)
6. EMA-04-12-2024-Information Sessions and Feedback - December 2024 [↓](#)
7. LET-30-09-2024-Representations made to Central West district regarding use of approval to drive past a restricted road use notice issued pursuant to s 46(4)(b) Transport Infrastructure Act 1994 (Qld) [↓](#)
8. LET-03-12-2024- Intersection Safety Upgrades - Landsborough Highway (Barcaldine-Longreach) [↓](#)

Recommendation:

That Council receives the Councillor Information Correspondence Report, as presented.

Good Morning,

The Council of Port Hedland have demonstrated they care for the residents by presenting a motion to call for the suspension of the Covid-19 injections because of evidence which demonstrates an inordinate level of synthetic DNA contamination in Australian Covid-19 vials.

The motion was passed.

I call upon you, as our local council, to stand up and be counted, by taking like action, to show, you care for residents in the Longreach region.

So many Longreach region residents have passed away, as a direct result of these dangerous untested injections, many, personal friends and neighbours of mine.

The death rate in the Longreach Region since the untested vaccinations were inflicted, is extremely high and nationally, above the national average as per the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) data available to the public, one need only look at the deaths acknowledged at every Council meeting here in recent years, to realise this fact.

I am aware Longreach Regional Council will be receiving a letter from the Port Hedland Council in due course, and I am looking forward to seeing similar concern for the health of our own community.

I expect the Longreach Regional Council, to act in the interests of residents upon receipt of correspondence from the Port Hedland Council.

Regards,

Wayne Fallen
133 Cassowary Street
Longreach Qld 4730

11.1 - Councillor Information Correspondence --Appendix 2

To all Mayors, Deputy Mayors, and Councillors,
Australian Local Government Councils and Shires

Dear Mayors, Deputy Mayors, and Councillors,

Re: Urgent Information Regarding DNA Contamination in COVID-19 Vaccines

I write on behalf of the Town of Port Hedland Council to bring to your immediate attention [a report](#) by Dr. David Speicher PhD, which presents disturbing findings of synthetic DNA contamination in Pfizer and Moderna COVID-19 vaccines.

Dr. Speicher's testing revealed that the contamination levels in these vaccines exceed Australia's Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) safety limit by up to 145 times. Furthermore, the Pfizer vaccines contain SV40 promoter-sequences, which are well known for facilitating genomic integration and amplifying cancer risk.

The Town of Port Hedland acknowledges [the letters](#) from the Honorable Russell Broadbent MP, dated 20 September and 25 September 2024, which were co-signed by over fifty of the world's leading Doctors, Professors, Scientists and Legal Experts from Europe, North America and Australia. We extend our gratitude to Mr. Broadbent for raising awareness of Dr. Speicher's critical findings.

Moreover, after reviewing the Science Summary attached to Mr. Broadbent's [letter](#) dated 25 September 2024, we are gravely concerned about the potential health risks posed by synthetic DNA contamination, including the dangers of genomic integration, cancer, hereditary defects and immune system disruption.

The Town of Port Hedland therefore joins Mr. Broadbent in calling for the immediate suspension of Pfizer and Moderna COVID-19 vaccines, and for an urgent investigation into how this contamination has gone undetected by our regulatory agencies.

We have also taken steps to inform all Australian Local Government Councils of Dr. Speicher's findings, and have communicated with health practitioners in the Port Hedland area to ensure that patients are provided with the necessary information to warrant legally valid informed consent.

In the attached letter to the Prime Minister, we have highlighted serious concerns regarding the apparent failures of the Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) in properly or adequately testing for synthetic DNA contamination in the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines. Despite having been clearly alerted to the inadequacy of certain testing methods and the risks posed to human health by this drug platform, the TGA has relied on insufficient methodologies. We urge you to carefully review these findings, as they reveal grave risks and shortcomings that could have a significant impact on the safety of all Australians.

We strongly encourage you to share this information with your local health practitioners and medical clinics.

We reiterate the urgent need for action to ensure the safety of all Australians. We respectfully request that your Council also seek urgent answers from the Prime Minister and join us in calling for the immediate suspension of these products and a thorough investigation into the contamination.

11.1 - Councillor Information Correspondence --Appendix 3

OFFICIAL

Our ref: CTS 19600/24
Your ref:

18 November 2024

Mr Brett Walsh
Chief Executive Officer
Longreach Regional Council
PO Box 144
ILFRACOMBE QLD 4727

Dear Mr Walsh

I am writing to you regarding recent changes to the *Biosecurity Act 2014* and to also seek your participation in a national vertebrate pest management survey.

Changes to the *Biosecurity Act 2014*

The *Agriculture and Fisheries and Other Legislation Amendment Act 2024* commenced on 26 April 2024, and provided for a change to how Local Governments can deal with invasive animals or plants in their Local Government area under the *Biosecurity Act 2014*. This change effectively supports the main function of a Local Government under section 48 of the *Biosecurity Act 2014* to manage invasive plants and animals in the Local Government area which are currently only managed under local law. Certain criteria must be met for this to occur, and the Chief Executive of the Department of Primary Industries (the department) must be satisfied that the invasive animal or invasive plant meets these criteria.

This change means that if an invasive species is provided for under a Local Government's local laws it may be considered by the Chief Executive of the department, on application, to be included as local invasive biosecurity matter under the *Biosecurity Act 2014* if it satisfies the criteria for local invasive biosecurity matter.

More information on the criteria and the process is available at the following link;

<https://www.daf.qld.gov.au/business-priorities/biosecurity/information-local-councils/local-government-biosecurity-act> .

Once approved by the delegate of the department, these invasive species are deemed to be local invasive biosecurity matter for that Local Government, which means they can be managed under the *Biosecurity Act 2014*, using all of the powers available to appointed Authorised Officers .

This change was recommended by a number of Local Governments across Queensland to ensure an efficient and streamlined approach to on-ground biosecurity operational activities. The department is grateful for the feedback from Local Governments to ensure an effective biosecurity system for Queensland.

2023/2024 Vertebrate Pest Management Survey

The national coordinators for wild dogs, feral pigs, feral deer, feral cats and foxes are seeking feedback from organisations involved in vertebrate pest management via a survey. A copy of the survey is attached to this

11.1 - Councillor Information Correspondence --Appendix 3

email and provided at Attachment 1. It would be appreciated if your Local Government could complete the survey by **COB Friday 6 December, 2024** and forward to email - aleesha.lesiuk2@sa.gov.au.

If you require any further information about any of the matters above, I encourage you to contact Ms Kathleen Taylor, Manager Policy and Engagement, Invasive Plants and Animals, on telephone 0438 392 981 or email kathleen.taylor@daf.qld.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

Enrico Perotti

Dr Enrico Perotti
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Truth-telling and Healing Inquiry

22 November 2024

Dear Queenslanders,

Call for final submissions and materials to the Inquiry

The Queensland Truth-telling and Healing Inquiry (the **Inquiry**) was established pursuant to the *Path to Treaty Act 2023* (the **Act**) and commenced its work on 1 July 2024 for a 3-year term.

The Inquiry will examine the effects of colonisation in Queensland, including historical legislation, policies, and practices as well as contemporary issues which continue to impact our state as a legacy of those historical practices.

Update regarding the Inquiry's work

The new Queensland Government has indicated that it intends to repeal the Act, which would have the effect of ending the Inquiry's work prior to June 2027.

The Inquiry is awaiting further advice from the Queensland Government regarding the Government's proposal to repeal the Act.

In the meantime, the Inquiry encourages all individuals, organisations, and government entities who wish to contribute to the Inquiry's record to share their stories, evidence, research, or existing materials that may be relevant to the Terms of Reference.

The Inquiry acknowledges that significant work has been undertaken by government entities, organisations, and individuals in preparation for the Inquiry and wishes to provide a final opportunity for anyone who wishes for their submission to form part of the Inquiry's record to ensure that those stories, research, and documents are preserved.

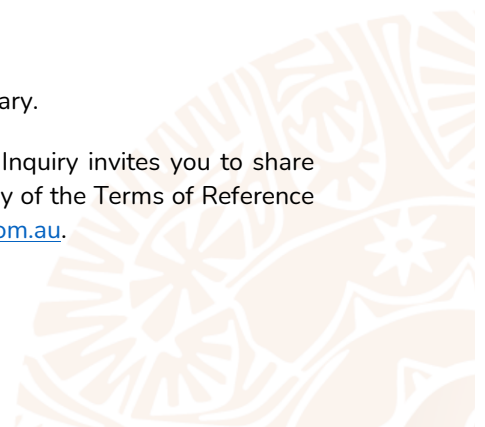
The Inquiry is working with the Queensland State Archives to ensure that the Inquiry's records are stored appropriately, and that any personally or culturally sensitive information is protected.

Making a submission

Providing a submission or other material to the Inquiry is voluntary.

If you or your organisation wish to provide a submission, the Inquiry invites you to share information relevant to the Inquiry's Terms of Reference. A copy of the Terms of Reference is available on the Inquiry's website at www.truth-telling-qld.com.au.

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A submission could include, for example, information about:

- experiences of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples of colonisation, including, for example, dispossession of lands, assimilation and protection policies, separation of families, or control over finances and movement;
- the role of government or faith-based organisations in colonisation;
- current barriers faced by Aboriginal people and Torres Strait Islander people, for example, issues relating to the provision of healthcare or education;
- stories of resistance, resilience, achievement, and excellence of Aboriginal people and Torres Strait Islander people; or
- recommendations for policy reform.

The Inquiry has re-opened its online submission portal to call for final submissions. To make a submission, please visit the Inquiry's website online at www.truth-telling-qld.com.au.

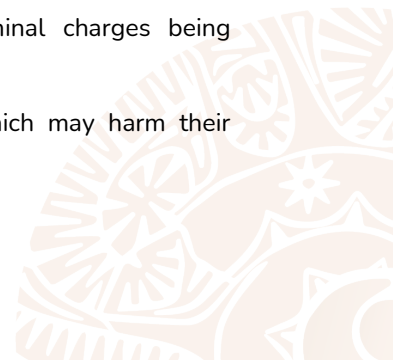
Alternatively, you can email your submission or material to legal_tthi@dndsatsip.qld.gov.au. When providing your submission by email, please also include the following information:

- whether you consent to the Inquiry publishing your submission (either anonymously or not), including whether you would prefer any information to be redacted prior to publication (including for legal or cultural reasons); and
- if your submission includes names, images, or stories of individuals, where appropriate, whether you have consent to provide that information to the Inquiry and whether it can be published. If you do not have consent, the Inquiry may need to speak with you regarding such information and may need to redact parts of your submission before publication.

Important things to consider when making a submission

There may be some risks involved in sharing your story, for example, if your story includes the following:

- something which happened to you at work or which you learned about through your employment (e.g. whistleblowing);
- personally or culturally sensitive information;
- a past or current court case (criminal or civil);
- something that is against the law or could lead to criminal charges being brought against you or somebody else;
- something critical about a person (or their organisation) which may harm their reputation (defamation);



- information which may be subject to a confidentiality agreement or settlement agreement; or
- information which may break laws such as secrecy, privacy, or confidentiality provisions that may apply to you.

If you are concerned about legal risks in making a submission, please contact the Inquiry's legal team at legal_tthi@dndsatsip.qld.gov.au.

What will happen to your submission

Any submissions, research, or other material received by the Inquiry may be published by the Inquiry (subject to your consent, and any necessary redactions made by the Inquiry). Submissions received will form part of the Inquiry's record and be preserved by the Queensland State Archives.

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Support for making a submission

The Inquiry's Community Participation Support team leads engagement with communities and supports Aboriginal peoples and Torres Strait Islander peoples to engage with the Inquiry and prepare submissions. If you would like to contact one of the team, please email cps_tthi@dndsatsip.qld.gov.au and a team member will be in touch soon.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please feel free to contact the Inquiry's legal team at legal_tthi@dndsatsip.qld.gov.au.

If you wish to provide a submission, I encourage you to do so as soon as possible. It is important that all Queenslanders have an opportunity to contribute to our record and to preserve the untold stories of Queensland's history for our future.

Yours sincerely,



Joshua Creamer

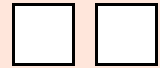
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Lowana Moxham
Head of Governance
Partnerships



Dear Brett,

We invite you to partner with Queensland Music Trails for **The Outback Trail 2026 & 2027**, an extraordinary cultural tourism experience merging music with Queensland's stunning outback. This self-drive journey takes audiences through iconic destinations, blending local talent, breathtaking landscapes, and meaningful community engagement.

The 2024 Outback Trail drew over 2,500 trail-goers, generating \$579,000+ in visitor expenditure across host regions. In 2026 & 2027, we aim to go even bigger and better— and we'd love for you to be part of this inspiring journey.

Why Partner with QMF?

- **Economic Impact:** Boost local business and attract new visitors.
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- **Community Engagement:** Foster pride and memorable experiences.
- **Tourism Diversification:** Draw out-of-region audiences to your community.

From large festivals to intimate events, QMF offers formats to fit every community. As a partner, you'll receive support in artist curation, event management, marketing, PR, and technical setup.

Next Steps

Submit your EOI by February 3, 2025, via our [website](#). Let's create a lasting cultural legacy for your community!

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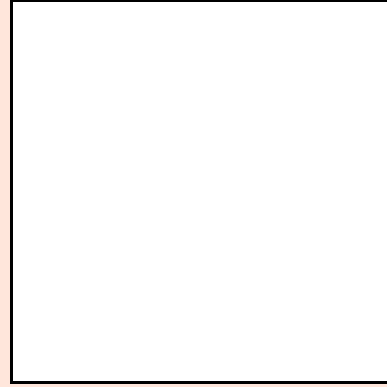
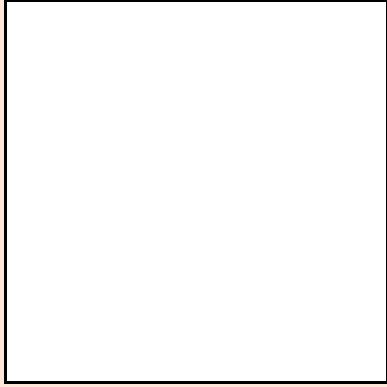
Have Questions?

Connect with Team QMF below.

Oriana Wyrozewska

General Manager - Tourism,
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QMF respectfully acknowledges the Traditional Owners and Custodians of the land, waters, skies and communities on which QMF and Queensland Music Trails events take place. We pay our respects to the Traditional Owners of country on whose land works are created, performed and celebrated by Queensland Music Trails. We pay our respects to Elders past and present.

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Foundational Supports

Information Sessions and Feedback - December 2024

Foundational Supports Information Sessions and Feedback

Executive Summary

Outback Independent Living (OIL) facilitated two information sessions on Foundational Supports, held on 22nd and 27th November 2024. These sessions aimed to provide stakeholders with insights into the Commonwealth Government's perspective on Foundational Supports, encourage engagement in the co-design process, and collect regional feedback for OIL's submission to the Commonwealth Government. The sessions featured Mel Butcher from The Social Deck, providing context on the government consultation process, and covered OIL's interpretation of the potential impacts for remote Queensland.

The discussions highlighted significant challenges and opportunities, particularly around service delivery models, accessibility, and workforce development in remote areas. Key recommendations and feedback will form part of OIL's advocacy efforts to ensure Foundational Supports align with the unique needs of remote Queensland.

Key Points Presented in the Sessions

1. **Overview of Foundational Supports:**
 - **Purpose:** Additional Foundational Supports beyond mainstream services and the NDIS.
 - **Goals:** Capacity building, reducing isolation, increasing access to essential services.
 - **Development:** A collaboration between the Commonwealth and state governments with phased consultation and rollout plans.
2. **Types of Foundational Supports:**
 - **General Supports:**
 - Accessible to all people with disabilities, irrespective of NDIS eligibility.
 - Includes information, advocacy, peer support, and tools for independence.
 - **Targeted Supports:**
 - Designed for specific cohorts (e.g., children with developmental delays).
 - Focused on bridging gaps between mainstream and specialist services.
3. **Challenges in Remote Queensland:**
 - Thin markets leading to limited service access.
 - High costs of service delivery due to geographic dispersion.
 - Workforce shortages and retention challenges.
 - Lack of awareness and accessibility to foundational supports.
4. **Opportunities in Remote Queensland:**
 - Leveraging place-based models using existing community infrastructure.
 - Developing local workforce through training and retention programs.
 - Enhancing collaboration between councils, schools, healthcare providers, and community organisations.
5. **OIL's Recommendations:**
 - Implementation of place-based solutions tailored to individual communities.
 - Establishing mobile and outreach services to overcome geographic barriers.
 - Strengthening regional workforce development initiatives.

Key Feedback from Attendees

- **Access and Integration:**
 - Attendees emphasised the importance of integrated systems to streamline pathways, particularly between health, education, and disability supports.
 - Concerns were raised about ensuring equitable access to Supports in smaller communities.
 - **Workforce and Capacity Building:**
 - Suggestions included investing in upskilling local workers and promoting careers in disability support within schools and community organisations.
 - Attendees noted the importance of creating sustainable workforce models to reduce reliance on external workers.
 - **Community-Centric Solutions:**
 - There was broad support for leveraging existing community assets (e.g., neighbourhood centres) to deliver Supports.
 - Participants advocated for co-design processes that involve local voices, ensuring that models reflect community-specific needs.
 - **Equity and Inclusion:**
 - Concerns were raised about ensuring the voices of underserved groups (e.g., First Nations people, culturally and linguistically diverse populations) are included in consultations.
 - Participants stressed the need for outreach strategies to engage individuals who are not already connected to support systems.
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Recommendations Moving Forward

1. **Strengthen Engagement:**
 - Expand consultation efforts to include underrepresented groups and remote communities.
 - Continue collaborating with the Social Deck and other stakeholders to refine OIL's advocacy priorities.
2. **Develop Place-Based Models:**
 - Partner with councils and local organisations to implement place-based service delivery.
 - Explore opportunities to establish mobile services in very remote areas.
3. **Build Workforce Capacity:**
 - Invest in local training and recruitment initiatives targeting school leavers, career changers, and community members.
 - Advocate for funding to support long-term workforce sustainability in remote regions.
4. **Enhance Awareness and Accessibility:**
 - Develop an outreach strategy to ensure all community members are aware of Foundational Supports.
 - Advocate for clear information pathways that integrate with existing services, such as GP clinics and schools.
5. **Monitor and Evaluate:**
 - Establish mechanisms to evaluate the effectiveness of foundational supports and their alignment with community needs.
 - Involve local communities in ongoing feedback and refinement processes.

Next Steps

- Finalise and submit OIL's response to the Commonwealth consultation by 5th December 2024.
- Share findings from these sessions with stakeholders, including government representatives, to reinforce the unique needs of remote Queensland.
- Advocate for additional sessions to refine and validate recommendations with broader community input.



Our ref 500/00009/E238-SNO
Your ref Central West District - Project Planning and Corridor Management
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Department of
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30 September 2024

Mr Gavin Hill
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Dear Gavin

Representations made to Central West district regarding use of approval to drive past a restricted road use notice issued pursuant to s 46(4)(b) *Transport Infrastructure Act 1994 (Qld)*

I refer to various discussions between our offices regarding representations made to Central West district concerning restricted road use notice (**RRUN**) installed on Queensland state-controlled road network pursuant to s 46(1) *Transport Infrastructure Act 1994 (Qld)* (**TI Act**).

Specifically, some road users have formed a view that using a approval to drive past a RRUN, having been issued by a departmental delegate pursuant to s 46(4)(b) TI Act (**RRUN approval**), may inadvertently void their vehicle insurance. This is despite the fact the RRUN approval being lawfully issued and the road user complying with the terms and conditions of the RRUN approval.

While general circumstances that may or may not void a road user's vehicle insurance are a matter for the road user, the insured party and their insurer, the department has sought a general position statement from the Insurance Council of Australia (**ICA**) to support improved local awareness. I am advised:

'It is the ICA's understanding that any accidents or other insurable events occurring while a policyholder is lawfully using the road network—including under a RRUN approval—would not impact the coverage provided under the terms of their insurance policy.

Provided there is a legal exemption allowing drivers to operate on restricted roads—which, as we understand, the Department provides through RRUN approvals—the ICA sees no general reason for an insurable event to be excluded solely due to the use of such roads.

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Compliance with all conditions of the RRUN approval, including safety directives like not driving into floodwaters, remain crucial.

The ICA encourages all insured individuals to consult their insurer directly and refer to their Product Disclosure Statement (PDS) for specific policy details.'

Importantly, the general position statement from ICA does not constitute legal advice.

Should further information be required, please contact the department's Strategic Network Management team via email StrategicNetworkManagement@tmr.qld.gov.au in the first instance.

I trust this information is of assistance.

Yours sincerely



Cameron Messer
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2 December 2024

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Dear Brett

Thank you for meeting with the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) on 27 September 2024 to discuss the proposed scope and preliminary design details of the safety upgrade for intersections on the Landsborough Highway (Barcaldine – Longreach) between the Qantas Museum access and Crane Street intersections, including the proposed installation of two pedestrian refuges and associated road lighting.

As discussed, these works have been identified by TMR to provide increased safety for road users travelling along this section of the Landsborough Highway and will provide formalised pedestrian crossing points on the western side of the Qantas Museum access and Jabiru Street intersections.

Please find below a summary of the works and preliminary general layout design drawings (attached).

The proposed works include:

- Installation of new line-marking and delineation to provide short channelised right turn lanes to separate through traffic from vehicles waiting to turn right at seven intersections including:
 - Qantas Museum access
 - Stork Street
 - Thrush Road
 - Jabiru Street
 - Lark Street
 - Cassowary Street
 - Crane Street.
- Installation of two raised concrete pedestrian refuges and associated signage on the western side of the Qantas Museum access and Jabiru Street intersection
- Installation of two new road lights at the proposed pedestrian refuge locations of the Qantas Museum access and Jabiru Street intersections.

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It is expected these works will be delivered progressively in stages from around mid-2025. The line-marking, delineation and road lighting will be the first activities undertaken. It is proposed for these works to be completed by RoadTek late this financial year (2024–25). Following the completion of these works, it is proposed Longreach Regional Council (LRC) will deliver the works for the pedestrian refuges and associated signage.

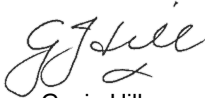
During the works, access through the worksite will be managed with a combination of traffic control, single-lane closures, speed restrictions and roadworks signage. It is considered appropriate for all works to be completed during normal daytime working hours.

In early 2025, TMR will engage with LRC to provide proactive advice to the community and road users before the start of this work, to ensure awareness and understanding of the temporary changes to traffic conditions and the long-term improvements to road safety.

If there is any feedback on the proposed preliminary design details for the works, please contact TMR by email via barcaldine.office@tmr.qld.gov.au or by phoning (07) 4651 2777.

I trust this information is of assistance and look forward to discussing these works further as the project progresses.

Yours sincerely



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District Director (Central West)

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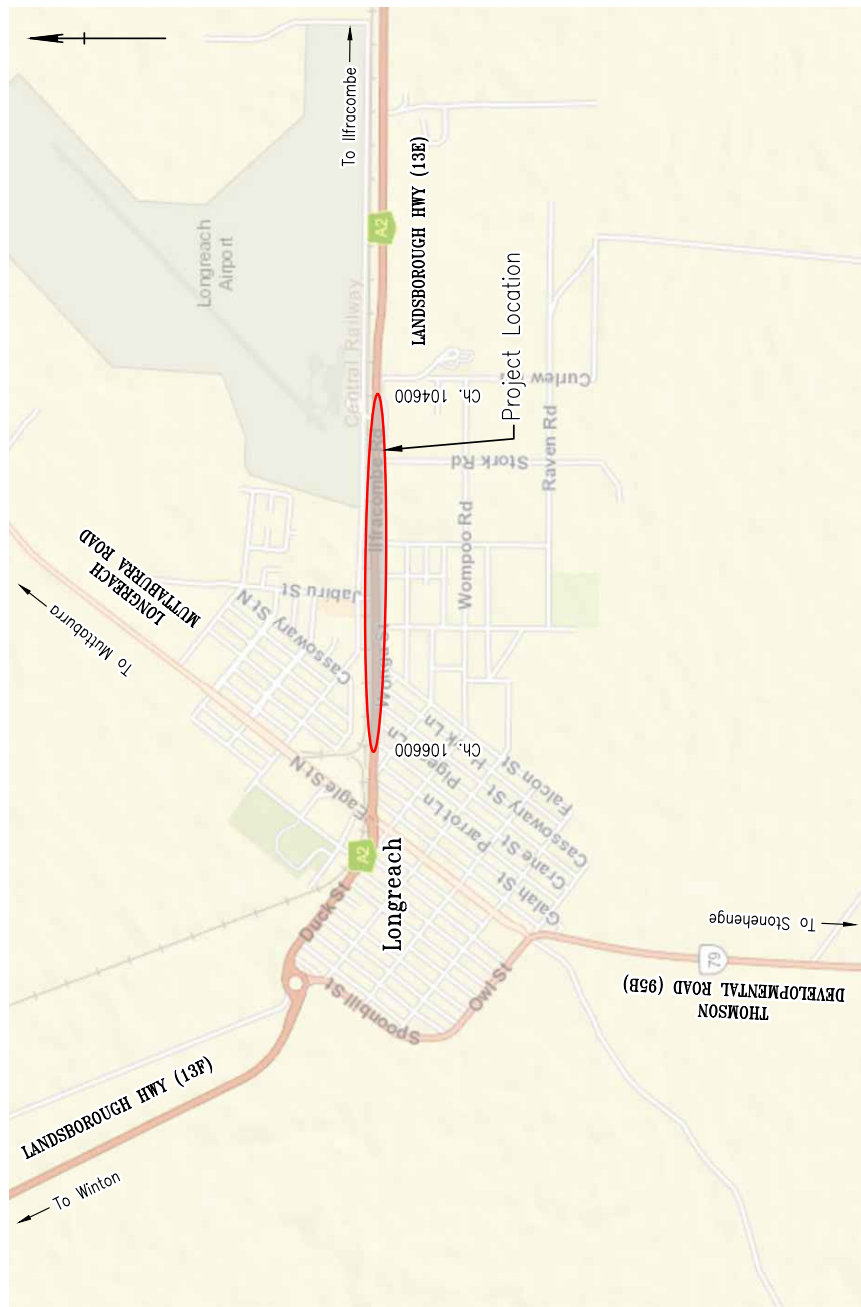
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ROAD: LANDSBOROUGH HIGHWAY (13E) (BARCALDINE – LONGREACH)
LOCATION: CHAINAGES 104600 – 106600

ELECTRICAL WORKS
 - For additional road lighting requirements at new pedestrian refuges, (By Others), refer electrical design for this project completed under Contract No. CN-23626

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LOCALITY MAP

SCHEME SUBMITTED: (External Consultants or Internal Business Unit):
 This design meets the requirements of all relevant Australian Standards, Austroads Guidelines and Transport and Main Roads – Policies, References, Standards, Planning and Design Instructions, Guidelines and the requirements of the project brief/functional specifications.

FULL NAME: DATE:
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 I hereby certify that this scheme complies with the intent of the scope and financial limits of the relevant project on OTRIP and the scheme is approved for release in accordance with that program.

FULL NAME: District Director (Central West) DATE:
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 1. Prevents the need for widening and earthworks
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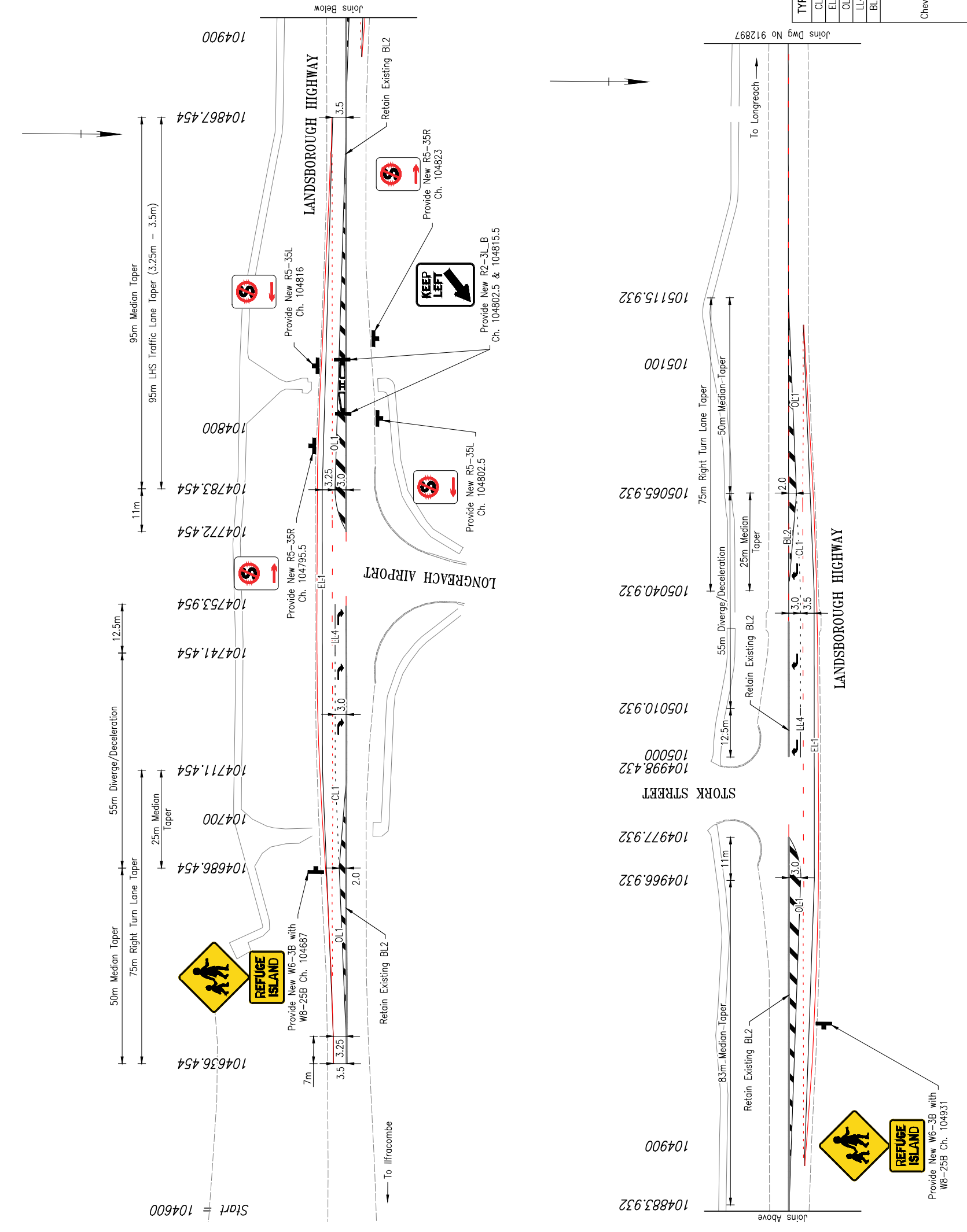
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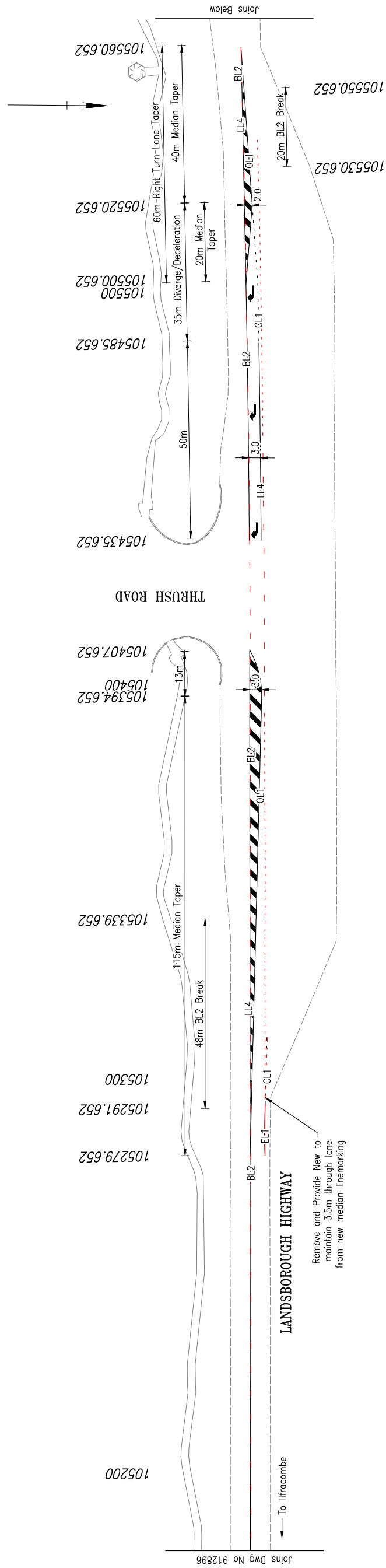
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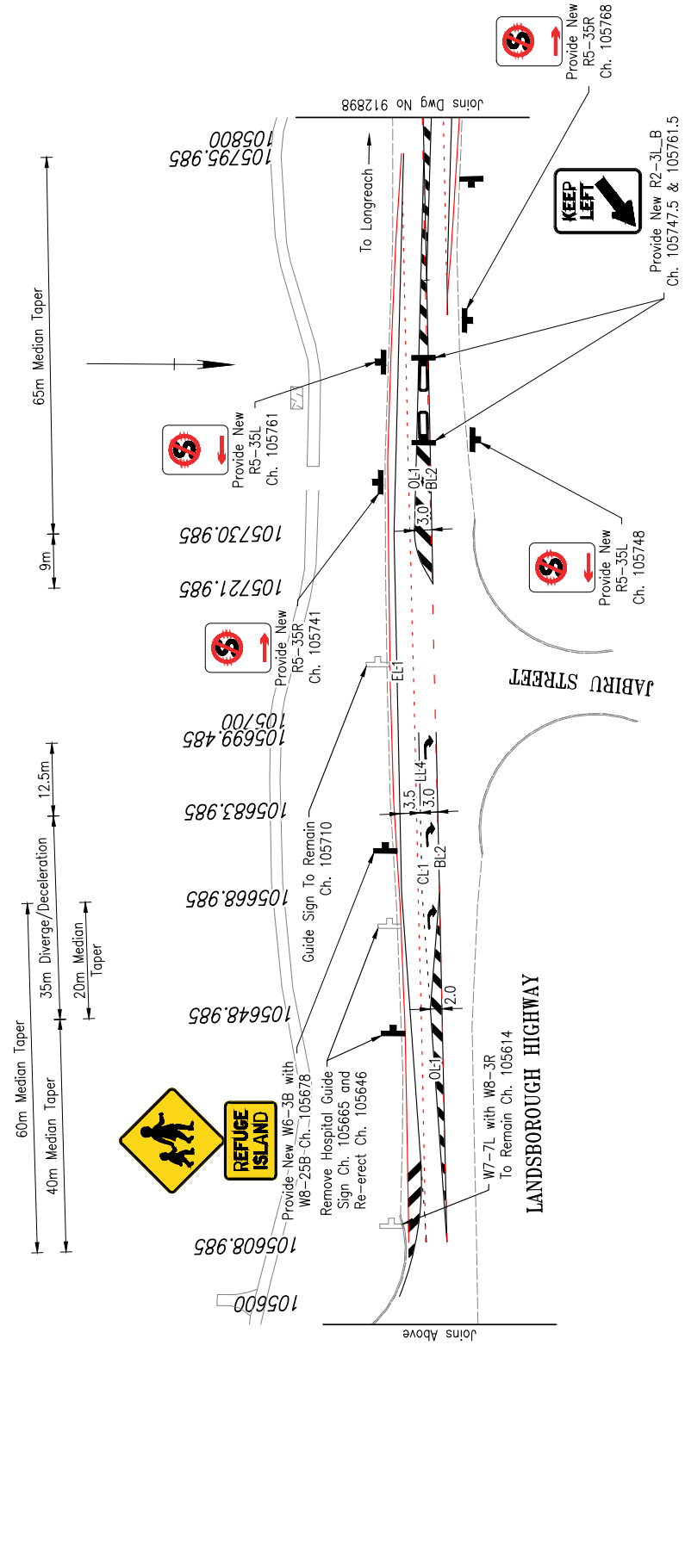
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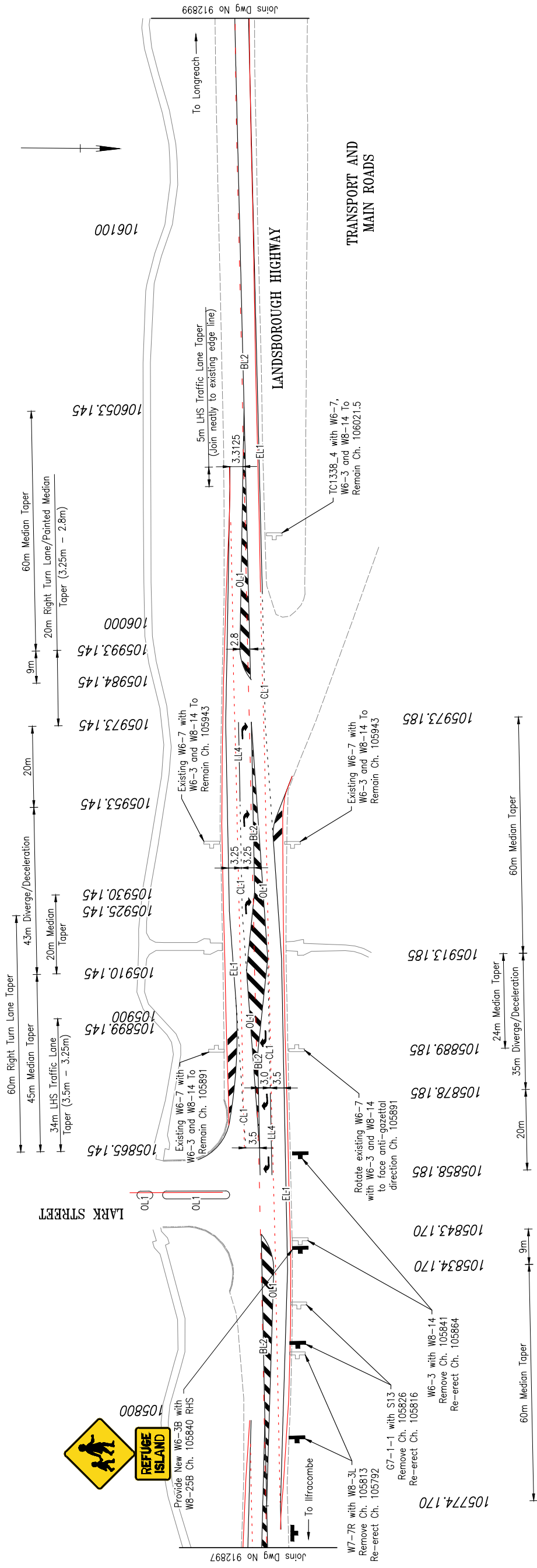
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BL2	Double Barrier Line	-	100	-	100

Chevron
 150mm
 0.15
 4.5
 150mm

- Dimensions as per MUTCD Chapter 2
- RPPM's (Bidirectional - Yellow) to be placed in each alternate space (150mm centres)

LEGEND

- Existing Sign
- New Sign
- Exclusive Turn Arrow
- Existing Linemarking to be Removed

EDD Traffic Lane Width:
 Extended Design Domain criteria for traffic lane widths on urban freeways:
 Traffic lane width of 3.25m, Ch. 105865.145 to Ch. 106053.145 achieves the following:
 1. Prevents the need for widening and earthworks
 2. Allows adjacent shoulder and CHR(S) intersection to achieve NDD standard.

- NOTES:**
- All signage and line marking to be in accordance with the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices, Design Guide for Roadside Signs and standard drawings 1363, 1364, 1365, 1368 and 1369.
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 - RRPM's to be installed in accordance with the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices.
 - Radius 1000m to be provided at all angle changes of continuous lines.
 - Control Line has been omitted for clarity.
 - Existing signs to remain unless noted otherwise.
 - When existing linemarking coincides with new linemarking, remove and replace.
 - Refer to drawing 912899 for sign post details.
 - All shared path connection works to Landsborough Highway shall be the responsibility of others, as approved by TMR.

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LANDSBOROUGH HIGHWAY (13E)
CTL CHGE 104600 - 106600

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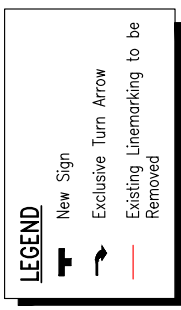
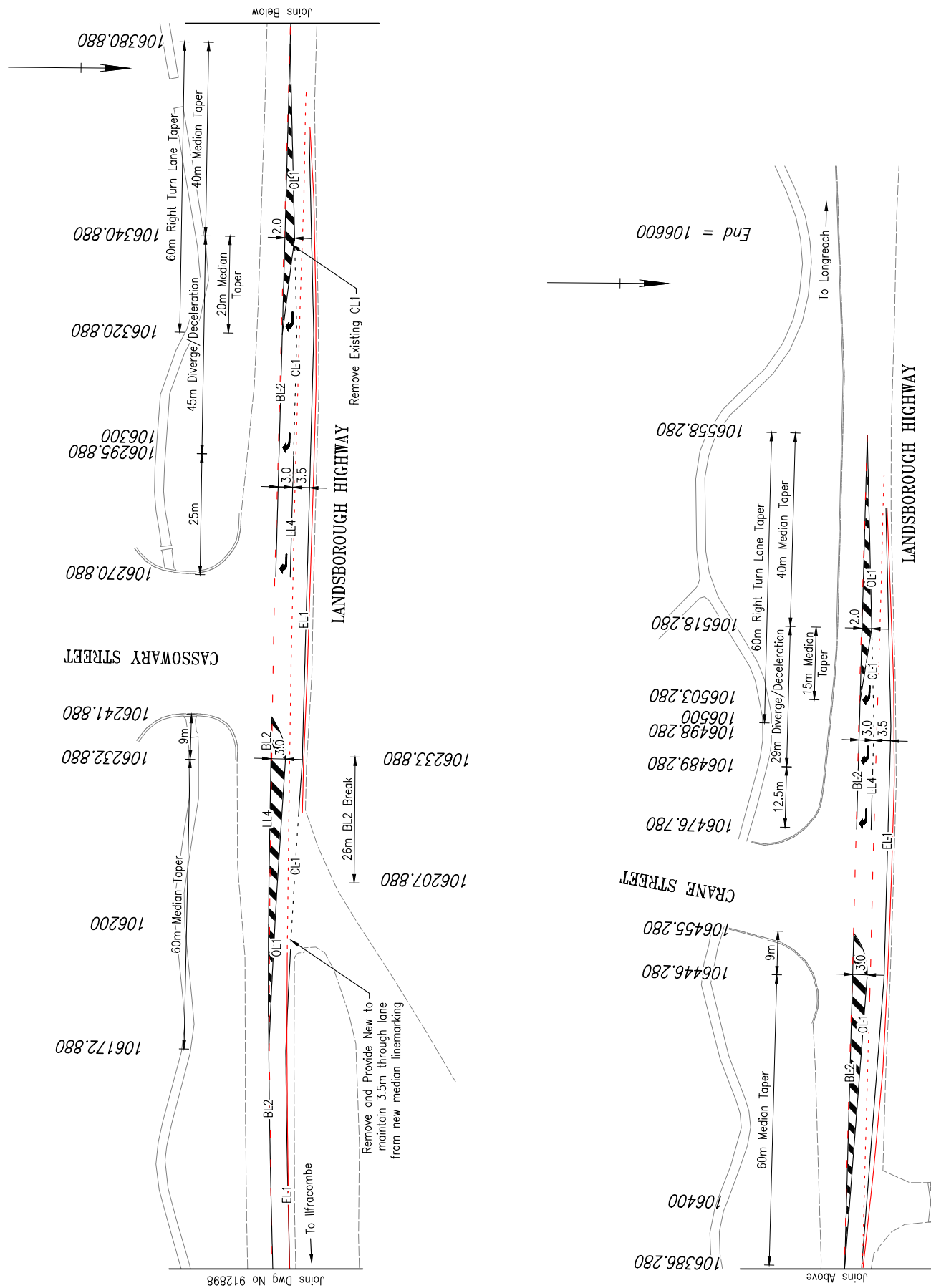
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 Survey Date: 24/10/05

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SIGN POST DETAILS

SIGN NUMBER	QTY	DESCRIPTION	SUPPORT DETAILS		SIGN FACE SIZE		STIFFENER DETAILS		FOOTING DETAILS			
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R2-3L-B	4	Keep Left	1	50	No	450	600	1	0	0	300	450
W6-3B With W8-25B	4	Pedestrian Warning with 'Refuge Island' Warning	1	65	No	750	1250	1	0	0	300	750
R5-35R	4	No Stopping (Right)	1	50	No	450	675	1	0	0	300	450
R5-35L	4	No Stopping (Left)	1	50	No	450	675	1	0	0	300	450

EDD CHR Dimensions:

Extended Design Domain criteria for channelised right-turn treatments for two-lane two-way roadways without medians:

Diverge/deceleration length of 29m and Taper length of 15m, Ch. 106489.280 to Ch. 106518.280 achieves the following:

- Prevents the need for widening and earthworks
- Allows adjacent shoulder and traffic lane to achieve NDD standard.

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 Datum: GDA2020
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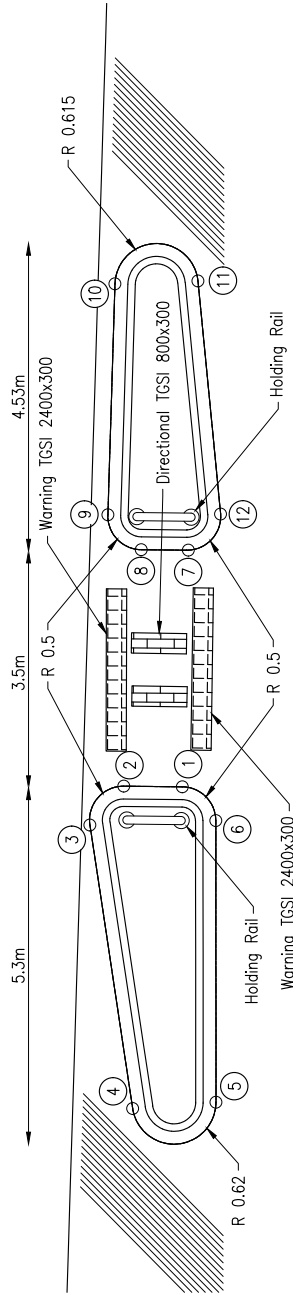
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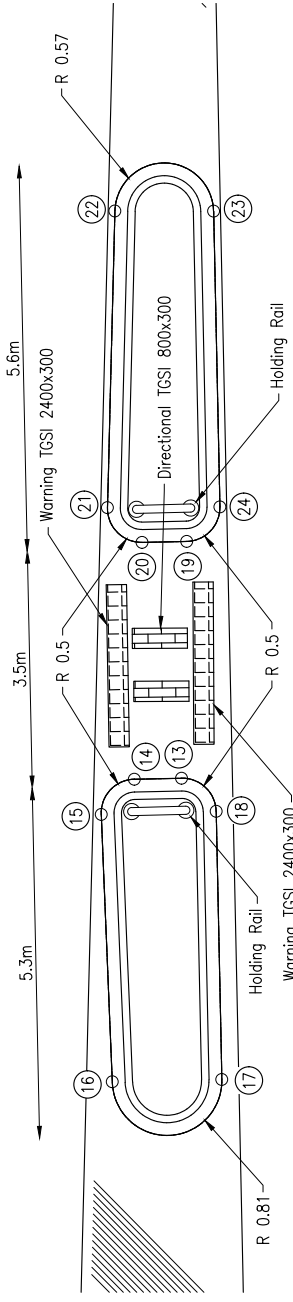
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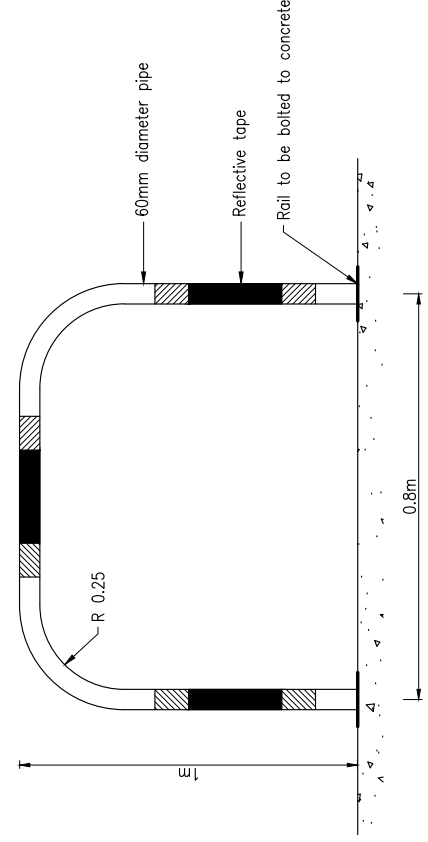
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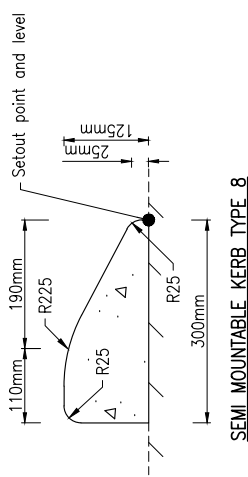
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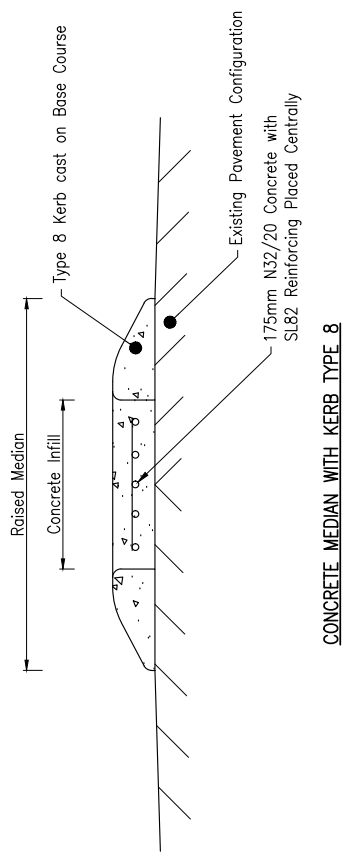
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CONCRETE MEDIAN WITH KERB TYPE 8

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11. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT
11.2 - Public Interest Disclosure Policy - Biennial Review

11.2 Public Interest Disclosure Policy - Biennial Review

Consideration of the Public Interest Disclosure Policy No 2.9, which has undergone its biennial review.

Council Action

Deliver

Applicable Legislation

Local Government Act 2009
Local Government Regulation 2012
Public Interest Disclosure Act 2010
Crime and Corruption Act 2001
Ombudsman Act 2001
Public Records Act 2002
Public Sector Ethics Act 1994
Disability Services Act 2006

Policy Considerations

Code of Conduct for Councillors in Queensland
Employee Code of Conduct No. 4.5
Fraud and Corruption Policy No. 2.12
Administrative Action Complaint Policy No. 2.8
Public Interest Disclosure Standards No. 1/2019
Public Interest Disclosure Standards No. 2/2019
Public Interest Disclosure Standards No. 3/2019

Corporate and Operational Plan Considerations

OUR LEADERSHIP	
	Corporate Plan Outcome
5.1	Council will have a values driven culture.
5.2	Informed and considered decision making based on effective governance practices

Budget Considerations

Nil

Previous Council Resolutions related to this Matter

(Res-2020-07-190)

Moved Cr Nunn seconded Cr Bignell

That Council adopts the Public Interest Disclosure Policy No 2.9, as presented.

CARRIED

Officer Comment

Responsible Officer/s:

Simon Kuttner, Manager of Governance and Economy

11. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

11.2 - Public Interest Disclosure Policy - Biennial Review

Background:

All Council policies are scheduled for review on a rolling two-year cycle. Policies can require review due to legislative change, changes to the policy itself, or because of otherwise changed circumstances. Policies may not require any amendments at review.

The Public Interest Disclosure Policy was established to

- Promote the public interest by facilitating Public Interest Disclosures of wrongdoing;
- Ensure that Public Interest Disclosures are properly made, assessed, and when appropriate, properly investigated and dealt with;
- Ensure that appropriate consideration is given to the interests of persons who are the subjects of a Public Interest Disclosure; and
- Afford protection from reprisal to persons making Public Interest Disclosures.

Issue:

The Public Interest Disclosure Policy No 2.9 has been reviewed by officers and is presented for adoption.

No significant changes to the policy have been proposed following the review. Formatting changes have been applied and minor grammatical amendments are highlighted in yellow.

Risk Management Factors:

This matter has been assessed using Council's Risk Matrix to decide the likelihood and consequence of any risk to Council:

Likelihood:	Unlikely
Consequence:	Minor
Rating:	Low (4/25)

Risk has been assessed based on proceeding as recommended.

Community Consultation:

Nil

Environmental Management Factors:

Nil

Other Comments:

Some policies may not require any amendments at review. A number of policies are overdue for review – the governance team is working with colleagues to have them review or roll-over these policies where appropriate.

Recommendation:

That Council adopts the Public Interest Disclosure Policy No 2.9, as presented.

11. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

11.3 - Land and Pest Management Advisory Meeting Recommendations - 26 November 2024

11.3 Land and Pest Management Advisory Meeting Recommendations - 26 November 2024

Consideration of the recommendations of the Land and Pest Management Advisory Committee (LPMAC) meeting held on 26 November 2024.

Council Action

Partner
Deliver

Applicable Legislation

Local Government Act 2009
Local Government Regulation 2012
Biosecurity Act 2014

Policy Considerations

Advisory Committee Policy No 02.31
Pest Animal Bounty Policy No 05.03
Pest Animal Control Policy No 05.04

Corporate and Operational Plan Considerations

OUR COMMUNITY	
	Corporate Plan Outcome
1.3	The region's natural environment is managed, maintained and protected.
OUR ECONOMY	
	Corporate Plan Outcome
2.1	Collaborative engagement with stakeholders to maximise economic opportunities.
2.2	Council infrastructure and services support local industries and growth opportunities.
OUR LEADERSHIP	
	Corporate Plan Outcome
5.2	Informed and considered decision making based on effective governance practices.

Budget Considerations

Nil

Previous Council Resolutions related to this Matter

(Res-2024-08-199)

Moved Cr Gay seconded Cr Bignell

That Council receives the recommendations of the Land and Pest Management Advisory Committee.

CARRIED 6/0

Officer Comment

Responsible Officer/s: *Elizabeth Neal, Executive Assistant to the CEO, Mayor & Councillors*

11. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

11.3 - Land and Pest Management Advisory Meeting Recommendations - 26 November 2024

Background:

The LPMAC met on 26 November 2024 and set out below is a summary of the recommendations from the meeting for Council consideration:

Standing Item – LPMAC Actions Update

The LPMAC reviewed and discussed the presented "Action List" of the committee. Follow up actions were sent to the appropriate officers and completed actions moved from the active list.

Standing Item – Local Laws Report

The Committee noted the Local Laws/Rural Lands Report as presented.

Standing Item – Infrastructure Forecast Report

The Committee noted the Infrastructure Report as presented.

Culverts and Grids

That the Council considers the use of an allocated skid steer plant for the sole purpose of maintenance to the approaches to culverts and grids.

Cat Bounty

That the Committee recommends that Council increase the Cat bounty from \$5 to \$10 following reports of increased cat populations and lack of participation at the current price levels.

Longreach Saleyards Representative

That the Committee feels that a representative from the Longreach Saleyards should be invited to become a member of Land & Pest Advisory Committee, as this would be beneficial to the outcomes of Land & Pest Advisory Meetings.

Risk Management Factors:

This matter has been assessed using Council's Risk Matrix to decide the likelihood and consequence of any risk to Council:

Likelihood: Possible

Consequence: Insignificant

Rating: Low (3)

Community Consultation:

Nil

Environmental Management Factors:

N/A

Other Comments:

Nil

Recommendation:

That Council receives the recommendations of the Land and Pest Management Advisory Committee.

11. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

11.4 - Stock Routes Management Plan

11.4 Stock Routes Management Plan

The purpose of the Longreach Regional Council local government stock route management plan (the plan) is to guide rural lands officers to manage the network in accordance with the States *Stock Route Management Act 2002* and to clearly identify Council's approach to compliance and enforcement on the stock route network so that its values are maintained.

Implementation of the plan will lead to improvements in services to stakeholders, greater accountability by Council and more efficient use of available resources.

Council Action

Deliver

Applicable Legislation

[Stock Route Management Act 2002](#)

[Stock route management strategy 2021- 2025 \(resources.qld.gov.au\)](#)

[Land Act 1994](#)

[Transport Infrastructure Act 1994](#)

Policy Considerations

[Guideline - Permit to Occupy \(resources.qld.gov.au\)](#)

[Guideline for State, Statutory Body and Local Government Trustees](#)

[Operational Policy Leases over reserves \(resources.qld.gov.au\)](#)

[Operational Policy - Land Dealings affecting the stock route network \(resources.qld.gov.au\)](#)

Corporate and Operational Plan Considerations

Longreach Regional Council Annual Operational Plan 2024-2025; Our Community; The regions natural environment is managed, maintained and protected.

Budget Considerations

Nil

Previous Council Resolutions related to this Matter

Nil

Officer Comment

Responsible Officer/s: *Jeffrey Newton, Manager of Regulatory Services*

Background:

The Minister for Natural Resources and Mines, Manufacturing and Regional and Rural Development has legislatively required that Local Governments adopt a Stock Route Network Management plan for managing the stock routes in its area.

11. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

11.4 - Stock Routes Management Plan

The objectives of the Longreach Regional Council Stock Route Management Plan are in accordance with our Annual Operation Plan to effectively manage natural resources, animal control, rural lands and the environment to meet strategic and statutory requirements, ensuring a safe and a sustainable environment for the community.

Issue:

Council must adopt a Stock Route Management Plan to fulfil the requirements set by State.

Risk Management Factors:

This matter has been assessed using Council's Risk Matrix to decide the likelihood and consequence of any risk to Council:

Likelihood: Likely
Consequence: Moderate
Rating: 13

There is a Medium based risk present for Council if the adoption of the Stock Route Management Plan is not implemented. The risk to Council is in relation to Reputational, Financial and Environmental risks.

Community Consultation:

The Plan has been developed with consultation from local Rural Lands Officers, members of the Land and Pest Management Advisory Committee, the Central West Region Pest Prevention Group and the Central West Regional Pest Partnership Group.

The plan has been developed in partnership with LGAQ with use of their provided Stock Route Management Template.

Environmental Management Factors:

Effective Stock Route Management will increase Council's Environmental Management ability through increase in Biosecurity Controls, maintaining and managing significant areas (eg Riparian areas), natural resource management, biodiversity availability, recreation and cultural Heritage.

Other Comments:

Nil

Appendices

1. Stock Route Management Plan v1 [↓](#)

Recommendation:

That Council adopts the Stock Route Management Plan, as presented.



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Stock Route Network Management Plan

2024-2029

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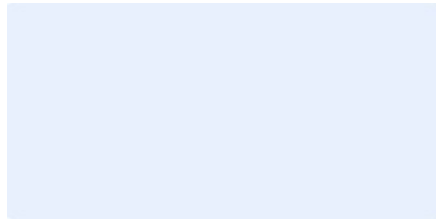
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Introduction

The stock route network (the network) is a system of State roads and reserves totalling more than 2.6 million hectares that are designated primarily for the purpose of travelling stock. Infrastructure supporting the needs of travelling stock is constructed on the network and consists of facilities such as night yards, crossings, fencing, water facilities and yards.

The stock route network is governed by the *Stock Route Management Act 2002* (the Act) and requires local governments prescribed under the *Stock Route Regulation 2022* (the Regulation) to establish a stock route management plan for the management of stock routes in their respective local government areas.

Purpose

The purpose of the Longreach Regional Council local government stock route management plan (the plan) is to guide rural lands officers to manage the network in accordance with the Act and to clearly identify Council's approach to compliance and enforcement on the stock route network so that its values are maintained.

Implementation of the plan will lead to improvements in services to stakeholders, greater accountability by Council and more efficient use of available resources.

Scope

The plan deals with the management of the network within the Longreach Regional Council local government area and identifies how Council will engage with the community and neighbouring councils in the management of the network.

Objectives

The overriding direction for the objectives of the plan are provided by the principles of stock route network management, as detailed in Section 97 of the Act. These principles are:

- **Public Awareness** – Public awareness and knowledge of the network's multiple users, environmental values and cultural values must be raised to increase the capacity and willingness of individuals to protect the network;
- **Commitment** – Effective management of the stock route network requires a long-term commitment by the community to management of the network;
- **Consultation and Partnership** – Consultation and partnership arrangements between local communities, industry groups, State Government agencies and Local Governments must be established to achieve a collaborative approach to stock route network management;
- **Management** – The stock route network must be managed – to ensure it remains available for public use; and to maintain and improve the network's natural resources and travelling stock facilities for the use by travelling stock and for other purposes;
- **Payment for Use** – A person who benefits from using the network must pay a reasonable amount for its use;
- **Planning** – Stock route network management must be consistent at local, regional and state levels to ensure resources for managing the are used to target management priorities; and
- **Monitoring and Evaluation** – Regular monitoring and evaluation of the network's natural resources and travelling stock facilities is necessary to improve the stock route management practices.

The principles provide a foundation for the objectives of the plan, which reflect the context of the network in the Longreach Regional Council local government area.

The objectives of the plan are:

- Maintaining the network integrity of the stock route network.
- Maintaining the level of pasture on the stock routes through effective grazing management.
- Maintaining the infrastructure on the stock route network.
- Maintaining and managing Significant Areas.
- Identifying and managing safety and risks.
- Identifying and managing pests and disease.
- Maintaining and creating water agreements.
- Maintaining fair and equitable decision-making processes for travel and adjustments; and
- To ensure the intent and requirements of the *Stock Route Management Act 2002* are met.

Plan Development

This plan has been developed in consideration with the Act, the Regulation and the current *Queensland Stock Route Network Management Strategy* (the Strategy) and will operate in conjunction with Council’s Corporate and Operational Plans, other relevant State and regional plans and natural resource management legislation.

To assist in the development of the plan, a working group was established to collaborate with Council. Working group participants included:

Name	Position	Organisation
Anthony (Tony) Rayner	Mayor	LRC
Brett Walsh	Chief Executive Officer	LRC
David Wilson	Chief Financial Officer	LRC
Jeffrey Newton	Manager of Regulatory Services	LRC
Leon Heslin	Rural Lands Officer	LRC
Peter McDermid	Rural Lands Officer	LRC
	All members	Land and Pest Management Advisory Committee
	All Members	Central West Region Pest Prevention Group
	All Members	Central West Region Pest - Partnership Group

A Consultation process involving all the above listed persons was adopted to develop the plan. An expression of interest was lodged within the Longreach Regional Council. Longreach Regional Council also places a public notice requesting any comments on the *Stock Route Management Plan 2024-2029*.

The plan was adopted by Longreach Regional Council at the [meeting] on [month and year].

The plan will remain current until 2029. Strategies and actions for each financial year will be reviewed for their effectiveness on or before 1 April each year and any shortfalls in the completion of its strategies will be amended.

Council will re-establish the working group at the end of the 2028 to prepare the next plan for 2029.

Roles and Responsibilities

Role of Local Government

Under the Act, local governments are responsible for managing the part of the network in its area in accordance with the principles of stock route network management and to control the movement of travelling stock on the part of the stock route network in its area. Specifically, these responsibilities include:

- managing the level of grazing occurring on the network to ensure there is sufficient feed for travelling stock;
- maintaining assets such as water facilities;
- issuing permits for travelling stock;
- issuing permits for short-term adjustment and harvesting surplus feed;
- ensuring the network is managed for weeds and fire risk;
- ensuring compliance with permit conditions and responding to complaints of breaches;
- Completion of Asset Inspections as per state required schedule; and
- undertaking capital works to replace assets on the network.

Role of Other Stakeholders

Broadly, the responsibilities of the other relevant key stakeholders are included in the table below:

Stakeholder	Role and Responsibility
State Government	The Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Manufacturing, and Regional and Rural Development is the custodian of the land, providing support, guidance and strategic direction and management on a range of permits affecting Queensland’s stock route network. As such, the State Government is responsible for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • providing policy and legislative advice • operational guidelines • compliance support • reviewing decisions • managing asset maintenance • training local government stock route officers.
Neighbouring councils	Engage with adjoining Councils to develop a partnership approach whereby priority issues for management that cross Local Government area boundaries will be agreed upon, and to develop in partnership consistent management approaches to these issues. This policy will extend to other Councils where the issues involve permits for stock movement, weed control etc.
Drovers	1. Stock route permits are required for driving of stock on any officially recognised stock route except where there is an exemption. [<i>Stock Route Management Act 2002 - Chapter 3 Part 5, section 132</i>] The owner of the stock or a person acting on behalf of the owner must apply to the Local Government Council in which the drive originates. If the stock will cross Local Government Area boundaries the Council issuing the permit must obtain the permission of the other Council/s in writing if it is

	<p>to grant the permit for travel beyond its own Local Government Area. [<i>Stock Route Management Act 2002 - Chapter 3 Part 5, section 134-136</i>]</p> <p>Note 1: Conditions relating to the movement of stock are comprehensive and drovers should make themselves familiar with the Land Protection and Stock Route Management Act 2002 in particular chapter 3 parts 5 and 8; or seek advice from the Local Government Office. There are requirements for advance notice of entry to properties and watering facilities etc.</p> <p>Note 2 : The drover should carry the permit at all times.</p>
Landholders	<p>A landholder may apply for, and may be granted, a Trustee Lease or Trustee Permit as part of a stock route or a reserve. A Trustee Lease or Trustee Permit grants the permittee the right to occupy and graze the land and may have conditions attached. Further information relating to Trustee Leases and Permits can be found on the <i>Operational Policy – Land Dealings Affecting the stock route network (SLM/2013/363)</i>.</p> <p>Application for a Trustee Lease or Trustee Permit is made with the Longreach Regional Council.</p> <p>In all cases where fencing crosses a stock route gates and/or a grid must be erected and must not be locked. Council policy is that any new or replacement gates must be a minimum of 6 metres wide. Fees apply to land occupied.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Haymaking is generally not permitted but may be permitted on stock routes where adequate grass is available. Fees apply to any harvesting. • As current council policy is not to permit hay making it is highly unlikely that any application to do so would be successful. • Water agreements may be entered into between the Department, Local Government, and the Landowner. <i>Stock Routes Management Act 2002</i> <p>The above information is provided only as an example. Landholders should in any instances of doubt as to their rights and/or responsibilities contact the local Government Council or the Department of Primary Industries.</p>
Traditional Owners	<p>The duty of care applies to any activity where Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander cultural heritage is located. This includes cultural heritage located on freehold land and regardless of whether or not it has been identified or recorded in a database.</p> <p>Consultation with the Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander party for an area may be necessary if there is a high risk that the activity may harm Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander cultural heritage.</p> <p>How do I meet cultural heritage duty of care?</p> <p>The cultural heritage duty of care can be met by acting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • in compliance with gazetted cultural heritage duty of care guidelines • under an approved Cultural Heritage Management Plan (CHMP) developed under Part 7 of the Cultural Heritage Acts • under a native title agreement or another agreement with an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander party that addresses cultural heritage

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> in compliance with native title protection conditions (for low-impact mineral exploration)—but only if the conditions address cultural heritage. <p>An activity is taken to have complied with the cultural heritage duty of care if the activity is necessary because of an emergency such as a natural disaster. Fines of up to \$154,800 for an individual and \$1,548,000 for a corporation apply for causing unlawful harm to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultural heritage or for breaching the duty of care. (Refer appendix X <i>Cultural heritage duty of care guidelines</i>)</p>
Members of the public	<p>COMMUNITY (TRAVELLING PUBLIC) RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES</p> <p>While the <i>Stock Route Management Act 2002</i> defines a stock route as a road or route the travelling public also has rights and responsibilities relating to the network.</p> <p>Community members using the stock routes should contact the appropriate Local Governments and equally importantly the property owners through whose land the route (routes) passes.</p> <p>The following only touches on some of the basic rules</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Do not park or leave vehicles within 300 meters of a water trough. Stock may balk or take fright, which can result in at worst a stampede endangering lives and property and at best considerable inconvenience to their handlers.</i> <i>Be aware of local fire restrictions.</i> <i>It is illegal to dump anything on a stock route.</i> <i>Leave gates as you find them, if it's open leave it open, if it was closed then close it after passing through.</i> <i>Respect the water facilities use sparingly and do not pollute the facilities.</i> <i>The act prohibits swimming, bathing or washing in a constructed facility.</i>
Those accessing agistment permits	As per Policy Statement - <i>Stock Agistment on the Stock Route Network & Council Controlled Reserves (excluding Town Common)</i>
Those seeking Trustee Lease or Trustee Permit	As per Policy Statement - <i>Leases on the Stock Route Network & Council Controlled Reserves (excluding Town Common)</i>
Those seeking permits for travelling stock	As per Policy Statement - <i>Stock Agistment on the Stock Route Network & Council Controlled Reserves (excluding Town Common)</i>

Stock Route Network

Stock routes are defined in the Act as a 'road or route ordinarily used for travelling stock or declared under a regulation as such'.

In the Longreach Regional Council local government area, there is approximately 1422km of stock routes, comprising primary, secondary, minor or inactive routes based on the level of use of the route by travelling stock. The total land area equates to 147 814 Ha. **(Appendix 1)**.

The use of the stock route network in the Longreach Regional Council local government area is varied. Use is mainly for traveling stock principally comprise mobs up to 2000 head from outside the region moving to fattening/feedlot/sale destinations either in the Channel Country or the southeast of the state, or Drought mitigation normally involves mobs from drought affected areas of the state walking the routes in search of fodder.

Stock Route Network Values

As required by the Act and the Strategy, Council is required to preserve the multi-use values of the network. Within the Longreach Regional Council local government area, the network provides the following values:

- Pastoral
- Cultural heritage
- Environmental/biodiversity
- Grazing and natural resource
- Recreation
- Transport and movement

Regard for these values have been considered in the development of the management activities listed in the plan’s *Implementation Plan*. Effectiveness of management activities at the protection of the network’s values will be considered at the annual review periods, and if necessary, amended to ensure that the network’s values are protected.

Inventory of Facilities

The list of facilities that support the network and its operation are identified in the table below, along with its remaining life expectancy and maintenance plan. Facilities are required to be maintained by Council so that the network’s primary purpose of stock travel can be achieved.

Facility Id	Facility Name	Facility Type	Assets	Route
W1513	12 Mile	Excavation	Yes	Primary
W0260	18 Mile	Excavated Tank	Yes	Primary
N0216	30 Mile	Natural Waterhole	No	
N0219	8 Mile	Natural Waterhole	No	Tertiary
W2264	9 Mile	Artesian Water	Yes	Primary
N0218	9 Mile	Natural Waterhole	No	
W2743	9 Mile	Excavation	Yes	
P0024	Adelina	Sub-artesian Water	No	
W0178	Alice	Excavated Tank	Yes	Primary
W1649	Alroy	Excavated Tank	Yes	
W1753	Arranmore	Excavated Tank	Yes	
W1507	Arrilalah	Excavated Tank	Yes	Secondary
W1651	Bandon	Excavated Tank	Yes	Tertiary
W0583	Beaconsfield	Sub-artesian Water	Yes	Secondary
N0220	Birkdale	Natural Waterhole	No	Tertiary
W0539	Brixham	Excavated Tank	Yes	Primary
W0728	Cleeve	Excavated Tank	Yes	Primary
W2473	Cronulla	Excavated Tank	Yes	Tertiary
N0293	Darr Wh	Natural Waterhole	No	Secondary
W2644	Daunton	Artesian Water	Yes	Secondary
W2290	Emmet	Excavated Tank	Yes	

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W1514	Emmroonga	Excavated Tank	Yes	Tertiary
W0296	Ernestina	Excavated Tank	Yes	Secondary
W0177	Evesham	Sub-artesian Water	Yes	Primary
W2719	EVESHAM No 2	Artesian Water	Yes	Primary
W2631	Gowan Hills	Sub-artesian Water	Yes	Secondary
N0294	Green Hills	Natural Waterhole	No	Tertiary
N0290	Greysteel	Natural Waterhole	No	Primary
W2546	Griffdale	Artesian Water	Yes	Primary
W0429	Hazelmere	Excavated Tank	Yes	Secondary
W1677	Ilfracombe	Artesian Water	Yes	Primary
W2837	ISIS DOWNS	Artesian Water	Yes	Secondary
N0211	Isisford Weir	Natural Waterhole	No	Tertiary
N0214	Louisa	Natural Waterhole	No	Secondary
N0296	Lower Darr	Natural Waterhole	No	Secondary
W0222	Macsland	Sub-artesian Water	Yes	Secondary
W2075	Magoffins	Excavated Tank	Yes	Primary
W0205	Maneroo	Sub-artesian Water	Yes	Primary
W0625	Meroondah	Excavated Tank	Yes	
W1308	Morella	Excavated Tank	Yes	Secondary
W0773	Mosquito	Excavated Tank	Yes	Tertiary
W0032	Mt Grey	Sub-artesian Water	Yes	Tertiary
F6814	Nogo	Excavated Tank	Yes	Primary
W2817	North Common	Artesian Water	Yes	Primary
N0217	Oma	Natural Waterhole	No	Tertiary
W0207	Rimbanda	Sub-artesian Water	Yes	Primary
N0291	Rio Wh	Natural Waterhole	No	Tertiary
W2744	Rodney	Excavation	Yes	Secondary
W2694	Rotherfield	Excavation	Yes	Secondary
W1650	Shanty	Excavated Tank	Yes	Primary
N0215	Smiths Lagoon	Natural Waterhole	No	Secondary
W2333	Snake Creek	Artesian Water	Yes	Tertiary
W0209	Tallyrand	Sub-artesian Water	Yes	Secondary
N0292	Tarcombe	Natural Waterhole	No	
W0185	Thomson	Artesian Water	Yes	Secondary
N0295	Thomson Bridge	Natural Waterhole	No	Secondary
W0295	Tocal	Excavated Tank	Yes	Secondary
W0322	Wakefield	Excavated Tank	Yes	Tertiary
W0797	Wamadoo	Excavated Tank	Yes	Tertiary
W0772	Wellbeck	Artesian Water	Yes	Primary
W1672	Westlands	Excavated Tank	Yes	Secondary
N0210	Wild Horse Ck	Natural Waterhole	No	Secondary
W2515	Wood Ck	Artesian Water	Yes	Tertiary
W0213	Yaraka	Excavated Tank	Yes	Tertiary
W0208	Yarraman	Sub-artesian Water	Yes	Secondary

Please refer to **Appendix 2. SRN asset listing and lifespan** for further details information relating to Stock Route Network inventory.

Stock Route Funding

Longreach Regional Council allocate resources to the Stock Route Network on an annual basis in keeping with its budgetary processes. Human Resources include the Manager of Regulatory

Services, Business Support Officer of Regulatory Services, and two Rural Land Officers. The staff are not employed on a full-time basis (for Stock Routes) but carry out such duties in conjunction with other rural orientated services provided by Council's Department of Regulatory Services, including Biosecurity and Pest Management.

Additional funding will be required over the life of the plan to attend to capital improvements of assets contained within the Stock Route Network and for works necessary to fulfil Council's Legal Liability issues. Such additional funding will be identified and sourced annually by applying to the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Manufacturing, and Regional and Rural Development for funding to undertake capital maintenance activities on the network. Funding is provided through a competitive process, with local governments 'bidding' for maintenance activities.

Pressures on the Network

Affecting the operation of the network, several pressures exist that must be managed. These include pressures on the values of the network as well as pressures on the network itself.

Overgrazing

Pasture on the network can be impacted by overgrazing from drovers, illegal grazing, grazing permit holders and feral animals. Longreach Regional Council must manage and conserve pasture on the network in its area to ensure, as far as practicable, an adequate supply of pasture is available for travelling stock.

Sufficient pasture is required to be assessed by the local government officer issuing the travelling stock permit and can be assessed using several tools including the Stocktake GRM Application, Land Condition Assessment Tool (LCAT). Overgrazing of stock reduces the supply of pasture, an increase in pest weeds and may also result in insufficient pasture in some areas.

Consideration also needs to be given on whether there is a need for erosion rehabilitation or pasture regeneration anywhere on the network.

Council's approach to pasture management involves:

- Land condition monitoring will occur annually at the end of the wet season by using the Stocktake GLM application (see **Appendix 3**) to determine carrying capacities and estimated grazing days for the SRN, which will feed into permit assessment and other management decision-making processes
- Continual monitoring of land considered to be in A condition and determine procedures to prevent deterioration.
- Regularly monitoring of land condition of land determined to be in B condition and apply relevant management if the land deteriorates to C condition.
- Land determined to be in C or D condition will be spelled until reaches at least B condition.
- Land determined to be in D condition on primary and secondary stock routes will be rehabilitated by spelling. (This excludes land within 300 meters of a watering facility located on these routes.)
- Areas determined through regular monitoring to have more pasture than is required for travelling stock will be managed at the discretion of the council (taking into consideration environmental and safety issues).
- The Council will take land conditions into account when making decisions regarding stock and other land management issues, including considering carrying capacities of land to make decisions regarding travel, permits to occupy etc.

- Impacts to pastures during the seed setting and growth period (November – March) and following fire will be minimized through spelling and permitting restrictions (refer to section “Permitting Travel and Agistment” in this plan).
- Council will consult with Department of Primary Industries (or other relevant agencies) to formulate appropriate residual pasture levels for the SRN to aid with decisions over travel and agistment permit applications.
- For Longreach Regional Council to meet the goals and targets set for grazing management, and to be able to manage the SRN in accordance with the grazing management policies.

Encroachment of vegetation

The encroachment of vegetation also impacts the likelihood of sufficient pasture along the network, as well as creating obstructions to travelling stock. When Council identifies the encroachment of vegetation has been demonstrated, Council will undergo clearing to manage the encroachment via the most suitable method for the vegetation type, ie mechanical clearing, chemical clearing, Encroachment management burning. Council will ensure every effort is taken to leave non-encroaching species alive and standing. Council and Rural Lands officers will adopt the approach from the *Guide to using the encroachment code, Accepted Development Vegetation Clearing Code Managing Encroachment 2019* provided by the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Manufacturing, and Regional and Rural Development Queensland.

Obstructing movement of stock

The encroachment of vegetation, as detailed above, may also restrict stock movement along the network or force stock onto roadways. Other factors such as Illegal fencing, car bodies and other illegally dumped waste can also obstruct stock movement. To manage this pressure on the network Council will determine, through recommendations made by the Rural lands Officers, the types, and locations of impediments to traveling stock on the SRN (e.g., Illegal fences, car bodies etc.) and order removal of such impediments through notice to landholder, incorporating tasks into Council staff work plans.

Straying stock

Stray stock maybe found within the Stock Route Network, this may result in increased pressure on grazing/pasture. If ownership can be identified, Council will order the removal of stock through notice to landholder, incorporating tasks into Council staff work plans. Stray stock found on the network may result in enforcement actions such as Fencing Compliance Notices and/or impoundment of stock. Impoundment will result in release fees and may incur cost recovery for any actions required.

Pest disease, animals, and weeds

Pest animals and weeds also impacts the likelihood of sufficient pasture along the network and can result in obstructions for traveling stock. Council's approach to Pest disease, animal and weeds is managed through the *Biosecurity Plan 2024* and will ensure prevention and introduction of pests through actions required through Pest holding periods and wash-down facilities, conducting regular inspections, checking waybills, and liaising with Department of Primary Industries Stock inspector. Ongoing Pest Weed Spraying of declared pest plants and as well as spraying of local infestations of pest weeds. Council may undertake spot baiting or contract baiting for pest animals in an ongoing and as required basis. Council will establish and maintain communication with neighbouring councils to identify pest disease, animal, and weeds risk.

Significant area management

The Stock Route Network of the Longreach region contain examples of Mitchell grass downs, often associated with floodplains, riparian areas, seasonal streams, and waterholes.

These landscapes have high fauna habitat values and provide connectivity across the landscape in areas where the adjoining private land has been modified. There are three distinct regional ecosystems that occur within the SRN in the Longreach Regional Council area. They are all classified as of *Concern* in their Biodiversity status and are:

- Gidyea woodland with false Sandalwood and Wilga on clay downs with light stone cover
- Coolabah, River Redgum and Bauhinia on drainage lines
- Eastern Dead Finish, Mulga and Bloodwood on sandplains

The main threats to all these values have been identified as - Feral animals, exotic weed invasion, total grazing pressure and uncontrolled tourism.

The riparian area (the vegetation immediately adjacent to a creek or waterhole), is critical to a healthy ecosystem because it provides habitat for bats, owls, wetland birds, parrots (galahs, budgies, cockatoos) and numerous small insect & seed eating birds. In the downs country it is even more important because it often provides the only large trees in the area (Coolabahs & River Red Gums). It is also an area of drought refuge for many species of animals. The main impacts are weeds, feral animals and total grazing pressure. Pressure from grazing in these areas is more significant as stock can graze out the ground layer plants and Drovers often prefer to camp in the shade of the riparian area.

Longreach Regional Council will manage the Riparian Areas by:

- Declared weed species will be controlled by RLO where stock route is fenced out of private land. Feral animals may be controlled in conjunction with control programs on adjoining private land. If stock are causing overgrazing and degradation of the riparian area, stocking rate on the area to be reduced or strategic fencing put in place.
- Riparian areas used as a watering point that are within 3 km of a stock route watering facility with sufficient water resources, will be closed to stock to minimize stock damage to the riparian area. Permittee will be advised of these sites upon issue of the permit (where possible) and signage will be displayed at the riparian area redirecting stock to the nearby watering facility.
- Riparian areas with disturbed vegetation or eroded banks most likely caused by use as a stock watering point will be rehabilitated.
- Investigate alternative funding sources (i.e. through Regional NRM Body) to provide artificial waters and/or fencing where riparian areas are being degraded through use by travelling stock

Cultural heritage sites (European and indigenous) occur on many of the routes. Stone tools, stone scatters and hearths are commonly seen relics of indigenous communities. Some routes were major transport corridors in the past especially Longreach Winton, Longreach Muttaborra and Longreach Jundah, and there are clearly identifiable sites of small townships and Cobb & Co. change stations. Gravesites and old drovers' camps are also significant historical relics. The threats are not as clearly identified but can include vandalism, uncontrolled tourism, and normal weathering processes.

Longreach Regional Council will manage the Cultural heritage sites by:

- The RLO will evaluate the effectiveness of fencing off culturally significant areas, providing recommendations to Council.

- Stock travelling within 10 meters of a culturally significant area must, as a condition of their permit, be fenced off from the site using temporary electric tape fences (if no permanent fence present). It is Council's policy to install permanent fencing where it is practical to do so.
- Over the period of this plan known cultural sites will be, where appropriate, fenced, and signposted and research will be conducted and assimilated.
- Approach to be made to the Historical Society to be involved in recommendations for and implementation of Council policy.
- For Aboriginal Cultural Heritage, Council will adhere to the duty of care guidelines under the *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003* (refer Appendix X)

Water Facilities

Management and Maintenance

Water facilities along the network play a critical role in supporting users of the network as well as the broader community and region. Management and maintenance is necessary to ensure Council achieves the consultation and partnership, public awareness, and planning principles.

Council is responsible for managing and maintaining these water facilities. Council will ensure that facilities are maintained at fair to good condition and the maximum distance between water facilities on all primary routes is 20 kilometres.

The Rural Lands Officers are required to complete Asset inspections annually. The Department of Natural Resources and Mines, Manufacturing, and Regional and Rural Development will assign the Asset inspections as draft stocktakes at the start of each financial year. As a part of the inspection all facility assets must be identified, photographed, and assessed for condition, along with identification and recording of all water offtake from the network (water agreement in place or not). The assessment is important for reporting conditions to Council for annual works prioritisation. Council will apply to State for capital works funding for identified annual construction and abnormal maintenance priorities as an expression of interest. If Council receives funding for capital works, they will be completed as per the works schedule.

Council will negotiate with the State and landholders who are party to water agreements for the maintenance of facilities, on minor and inactive routes, in exchange for waiving water agreement fees.

Stock Route Water Facility Inspection Schedule

Year	Local Government	Prefix	Number of Facilities
1 (2024/25)	Toowoomba Region	TOOW	3
	Southern Downs Region	SDNS	6
	South Burnett Region	SBUR	7
	North Burnett Region	NBUR	12
	Goondiwindi Region	GWND	52
	Shire of Balonne	BALO	68
	Western Downs Region	WEST	106
	TOTAL		254
2 (2025/26)	Shire of Bulloo	BULL	6
	Shire of Diamantina	DIAM	17
	Shire of Quilpie	QUIL	22
	Shire of Paroo	PARO	37
	Shire of Murweh	MURW	47
	Maranoa Region	MARA	137
	TOTAL		266
3 (2026/27)	Shire of Barcoo	BCOO	19
	Shire of Boulia	BOUL	29
	Blackall-Tambo Region	BLAC	52
	Shire of Winton	WINT	57
	Barcaldine Region	BARC	67
	Longreach Region	LONG	67
	TOTAL		291

Water facility agreements

Water facility agreements are necessary to ensure the water needs of travelling stock are met, whilst ensuring that the water resources and those with rights to the water are not negatively affected.

Water facility agreements are entered into before water is taken from a stock route water facility, and can be for domestic, stock watering, or combined purposes.

Stock watering fees are calculated according to the area watered method.

The potential benefited area is the radial area surrounding a water point (5km radius for cattle and 2.5km radius for sheep), which represents the relative benefit a landholder is getting from accessing water from the stock route water facility. The indexed rate is linked to the average property value per hectare, which is calculated by dividing the unimproved property valuation by the total area of the property. A minimum stock watering fee applies, which is indexed annually.

In cases where water is being taken for both domestic and stock purposes, the calculated fee for stock is added to the flat fee for domestic use to determine the total amount payable.

Fees may be waived or reduced if the landholder negotiates with Council to undertake regular maintenance of the facility.

Compliance Framework

Council is responsible for managing non-compliances on the stock route network. Council's established Stock Agistment on the Stock Route Network and Council Controlled Reserves (excluding Town Common) Policy, provides application criterion, conditions, and compliance framework.

Council's compliance approach involves awareness and education, informal and formal warnings, and pursuing appropriate enforcement action, depending on the severity of the offence. The compliance framework is consistent with the principles of public awareness, management, and payment for use.

Council's approach to enforcing compliance addresses the following:

- Offences about stock route agistment and travel permits
- Grazing stock without a permit
- Overgrazing
- Straying stock
- Damaging travelling stock facilities
- Wasting or polluting water
- Taking water
- Obstructing movement of stock
- Clearing of vegetation

Offence	Acceptable outcome	Enforcement approach
Grazing stock without a permit on the Network	All stock grazing on the Network are grazing under a current permit	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Initial education via a warning letter 2) Compliance notice issued under the <i>Stock Route Management Act 2002 Section 174</i> 3) Failure to comply may result in a penalty infringement notice of up to 50 Penalty Units
Absence of a stock-proof fence on the boundary of land adjoining the Network	All boundary fencing to be stock proof to prevent stock on the land entering the Network	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Initial education via verbal discussion with landholder regarding fence lines 2) Issue of a Fencing Notice and Information Notice outlining the reasonable time in which the owner is to construct the fence under the <i>Stock Route Management Act 2002 Section 149</i> 3) Failure to comply with the reasonable notice period to construct a fence may result in a penalty infringement notice of up to 400 penalty units
Non-compliance with a stock route agistment permit condition	All conditions provided with the permit to be complied with at all times	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Compliance notice issued under the <i>Stock Route Management Act 2002 Section 173</i> 2) Failure to comply may result in a penalty infringement notice of up to 50 Penalty Units

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Non-compliance with a stock route travel permit	All conditions provided with the permit to be complied with at all times.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Compliance notice issued under the <i>Stock Route Management Act 2002 Section 173</i> 2) Failure to comply may result in a penalty infringement notice of up to 50 Penalty Units
Overgrazing on The Network	All conditions provided with the permit to be complied with at all times.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Compliance notice issued under the <i>Stock Route Management Act 2002 Section 173</i> 2) Failure to comply may result in a penalty infringement notice of up to 50 Penalty Units
Stray stock on the Network	No stray stock on the Network	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Stock will be seized, and written notice provided to the owner. If owner is unable to be identified, notice will be given via the Longreach Regional Council website and Facebook page of stray stock 2) Stock unclaimed within 3 days will be sold (by public auction or tender) or disposed of. Compensation for lost stock is not payable.
Damaging travelling stock facility or hindering the usual operation of a facility	Network assets are available for use to those with appropriate permits	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Initial request for repair/replacement of damaged assets, if applicable. 2) Compliance notice issued under the <i>Stock Route Management Act 2002 Section 175</i> 3) Failure to comply and/or wilful damage/hindering of Network asset, may result in a penalty infringement notice of up to 50 Penalty Units
Wasting or polluting water	Water and water assets remain available to those with appropriate permit	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Compliance notice issued under the <i>Stock Route Management Act 2002 Section 176</i> 2) Failure to comply, may result in a penalty infringement notice of up to 50 Penalty Units
Taking water	All water assets are available for those with an appropriate permit	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Compliance notice issued under the <i>Stock Route Management Act 2002 Section 177</i> 2) Failure to comply, may result in a penalty infringement notice of up to 50 Penalty Units
Camping within 300m of a water facility on the Network	Those camping on Network remain safe and do not obstruct stock access to water facilities	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Compliance notice issued under the <i>Stock Route Management Act 2002 Section 178</i> 2) Failure to comply, may result in a penalty infringement notice of up to 50 Penalty Units

Obstructing movement of stock (building a fence, locking a gate, or using animals to prevent stock movement and/or making noise that may cause alarm to stock)	The Network remains without impediments for traveling stock	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Initial education via a warning letter 2) Compliance notice issued under the <i>Stock Route Management Act 2002 Section 179</i> 3) Failure to comply may result in a penalty infringement notice of up to 50 Penalty Units
Burning or removing pasture	The Network grazing assets are maintained	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Compliance notice issued under the <i>Stock Route Management Act 2002 Section 180</i> 2) Failure to comply may result in a penalty infringement notice of up to 50 Penalty Units
Placing things on the Network (Animal carcass or part of a carcass, a car body, old fencing, wire or rope, rubbish etc)	The Network remains without impediments for traveling stock	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Compliance notice issued under the <i>Stock Route Management Act 2002 Section 181</i> 2) Failure to comply may result in a penalty infringement notice of up to 50 Penalty Units
Drover not providing 48 hours of notice to owner of land	All boundary landholders aware when there is stock on the Network aligning to their property	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Compliance notice issued under the <i>Stock Route Management Act 2002 Section 182 part 2</i> 2) Failure to comply may result in a penalty infringement notice of up to 50 Penalty Units
Landholder does not obstruct traveling stock and does not interfere with traveling's stocks travel through or otherwise use of a reserve or the Network	The Network remains without impediments for traveling stock	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Compliance notice issued under the <i>Stock Route Management Act 2002 Section 182 part 3</i> <p>Failure to comply may result in a penalty infringement notice of up to 50 Penalty Units</p>

Risk and Safety Management

A number of risk factors exist on the network, of which Council is required to undertake appropriate management activities to minimise any risk to travelling stock, drovers, surrounding landholders and the community. Risk and safety management is critical to ensure consistency with the principles of public awareness, consultation, and partnerships, and monitoring and evaluation.

Council's strategies for management and mitigation of risk by:

- **Identified risks and safety issues** will be prioritized by Council annually, with priorities included in Council's annual works program (e.g. facility maintenance works programs).

- **The Manager or Regulatory Services and Rural Lands Officer's** will conduct annual risk and safety issue audits of all stock route facilities, reporting information to Council for annual prioritization.
- **Council to provide mechanism** for receiving information from community, permittee, users etc regarding risks and safety issues on the network.
- **Raising awareness** by erecting signs for motorists regarding environmental issues
- **Apply conditions of travel** which are identified in the permits and specific reference to use of designated road crossings.
- **Mitigate fire hazard** using fire management techniques.



Implementation

Council is committed to achieving a system of stock route management that is both viable and equitable to all the stakeholders within the Longreach Regional Council local government area. The plan will be implemented by council staff, when and where required. When Council does not have the resources to complete a task, contractors may be hired to complete the task.

Council is committed to maintaining the network to improve and sustainably manage its use as a valuable resource and provide for compatible alternative uses, whilst providing a safe and well managed environment for all potential and prospective users. This supports the delivery of the principles of commitment, management, and planning.

Objective 1 – To preserve the pastoral value of the Network				
No.	Strategic action	Responsibility	Priority	Success indicator
1.1	Manage the grazing impacts of travelling stock, and/or agisted stock on the land condition of the Network	Council	High	>80% of land in the SRN in LRC in A Condition as per Stocktake GRM
1.2	Minimize the spread and introduction of pest weeds by stock who use the SRN	Council	High	% of SRN area covered by declared pest plants is zero
1.3	Minimize number of pest animals to prevent pasture reduction and traveling stock threat	Council	High	% of SRN area impacted by pest animal is zero

Objective 2 – To preserve the cultural heritage value of the Network				
No.	Strategic action	Responsibility	Priority	Success indicator
2.1	Minimize the impacts of travelling stock and/or agisted stock, pest weeds & animals on the areas of cultural heritage (Aboriginal and Historic) sites	Council	High	Zero complaints and/or zero deviation from the Duty of Care guidelines Restriction/redirection of traveling stock to protect significant sites.
2.2	Development of mapping to identify the known and emerging Culturally significant areas	Council	High	Mapping and identification of significant sites completed and provided to traveling stock applicants.



Objective 3 – To preserve the biodiversity of the Network			
No.	Strategic action	Responsibility	Success indicator
3.1	Areas of significant biodiversity will be mapped and monitored	Council	Mapping and identification of significant sites completed and provided to traveling stock applicants.
3.2	Increase community education and awareness of areas of significant biodiversity and ecology in the region	Council	Factsheet of regional diversity developed and displayed in Customer Service area and Visitor Information Centre
3.3	Minimize the spread and introduction of pest weeds by stock who use the SRN	Council	% of SRN area covered by declared pest plants is zero
3.4	Minimize number of pest animals to prevent biodiversity impacts and native animal threat	Council	% of SRN area impacted by pest animal is zero

Objective 4 – To preserve the integrity of assets on the Network			
No.	Strategic action	Responsibility	Success indicator
4.1	Develop an annual stock route network asset stocktake for information and condition reporting	Council	Identification and prioritisation of SRN facility construction needs
4.2	Apply to State capital works funding to complete identified priority works	Council	

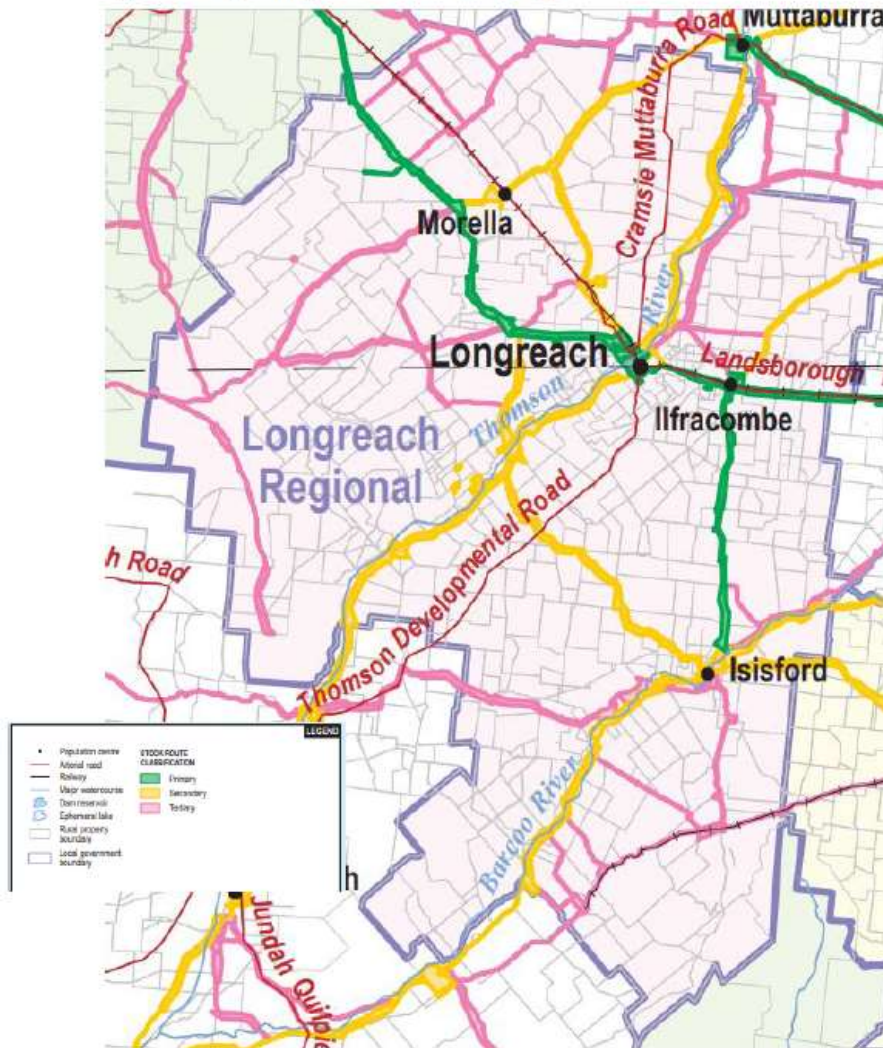


Appendices

Appendix 1 – Mapping

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Appendix 1 Longreach Regional Council Stock Route Map





Appendix 2 – SRN Asset listing and Lifespan

Facility Id	Facility Name	Asset Group	Remaining Life	Asset Status
W1513	12 Mile	Gravity Tank - Tank		Present - In Use
W1513	12 Mile	Troughing - Troughs	10y	Present - In Use
W1513	12 Mile	Troughing - Troughs	10y	Present - In Use
W1513	12 Mile	Troughing - Troughs	10y	Present - In Use
W1513	12 Mile	Troughing - Troughs	10y	Present - In Use
W1513	12 Mile	Gravity Tank - Tank		Present - In Use
W1513	12 Mile	Pumping Unit - Pump	9y	Present - In Use
W1513	12 Mile	Troughing - Trough Foundation	9y	Present - Not In Use
W1513	12 Mile	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	9y	Present - Not In Use
W1513	12 Mile	Fencing - Fence	9y	Present - In Use
W1513	12 Mile	Troughing - Troughs	9y	Not Present
W1513	12 Mile	Gravity Tank - Tank	9y	Not Present
W1513	12 Mile	Pumping Unit - Tower	9y	Present - In Use
W1513	12 Mile	Pumping Unit - Windmill Head	9y	Present - In Use
W1513	12 Mile	Water Supply - Excavated storage	9y	Present - In Use
W0260	18 Mile	Pumping Unit - Solar		Present - In Use
W0260	18 Mile	Fencing - Fence	30y	Present - In Use
W0260	18 Mile	Pumping Unit - Pump	30y	Present - In Use
W0260	18 Mile	Gravity Tank - Tank	20y	Present - In Use
W0260	18 Mile	Gravity Tank - Tank	20y	Present - In Use
W0260	18 Mile	Pumping Unit - Pump	2y 6 m	Present - Not In Use
W0260	18 Mile	Troughing - Trough Foundation	2y 6 m	Present - In Use
W0260	18 Mile	Fencing - Fence	2y 6 m	Not Present
W0260	18 Mile	Troughing - Troughs	2y 6 m	Present - In Use
W0260	18 Mile	Pumping Unit - Tower	2y 6 m	Present - Not In Use
W0260	18 Mile	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	2y 6 m	Present - In Use
W0260	18 Mile	Gravity Tank - Tank	2y 6 m	Not Present
W0260	18 Mile	Pumping Unit - Windmill Head	2y 6 m	Present - Not In Use
W0260	18 Mile	Water Supply - Excavated storage	2y 6 m	Present - In Use
W2264	9 Mile	Gravity Tank - Tank	20y	Present - In Use
W2264	9 Mile	Gravity Tank - Tank	20y	Present - In Use
W2264	9 Mile	Troughing - Trough Foundation	8y	Present - In Use
W2264	9 Mile	Pumping Unit - Pump	8y	Present - In Use
W2264	9 Mile	Fencing - Fence	8y	Present - In Use
W2264	9 Mile	Gravity Tank - Long Pipeline to Tank	22y	Present - In Use
W2264	9 Mile	Troughing - Troughs	13y	Present - In Use
W2264	9 Mile	Gravity Tank - Tank	6y	Present - In Use
W2264	9 Mile	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	8y	Present - In Use
W2743	9 Mile	Water Supply - Weir	20y	Present - In Use
W2264	9 Mile	Water Supply - Excavated storage	4y	Present - In Use
W0178	Alice	Gravity Tank - Tank	10y	Present - In Use
W0178	Alice	Gravity Tank - Tank	10y	Present - In Use
W0178	Alice	Pumping Unit - Solar	10y	Present - Not In Use
W0178	Alice	Pumping Unit - Pump	15y	Present - Not In Use
W0178	Alice	Troughing - Troughs		Present - Not In Use

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W0178	Alice	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	7y 2 m	Not Present
W0178	Alice	Fencing - Fence	7y 2 m	Present - In Use
W0178	Alice	Gravity Tank - Tank	7y 2 m	Not Present
W0178	Alice	Pumping Unit - Tower	7y 2 m	Not Present
W0178	Alice	Pumping Unit - Windmill Head	7y 2 m	Not Present
W0178	Alice	Water Supply - Excavated storage	7y 2 m	Present - Not In Use
W1649	Alroy	Pumping Unit - Pump	4y 4 m	Present - In Use
W1649	Alroy	Fencing - Fence	4y 4 m	Present - In Use
W1649	Alroy	Gravity Tank - Tank	4y 4 m	Present - In Use
W1649	Alroy	Pumping Unit - Tower	4y 4 m	Present - In Use
W1649	Alroy	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	4y 4 m	Present - In Use
W1649	Alroy	Pumping Unit - Windmill Head	4y 4 m	Present - In Use
W1649	Alroy	Water Supply - Excavated storage	4y 4 m	Present - In Use
W1753	Arranmore	Pumping Unit - Pump	6y	Present - Not In Use
W1753	Arranmore	Gravity Tank - Tank	6y	Present - Not In Use
W1753	Arranmore	Pumping Unit - Tower	6y	Present - Not In Use
W1753	Arranmore	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	6y	Present - Not In Use
W1753	Arranmore	Troughing - Troughs	6y	Present - Not In Use
W1753	Arranmore	Pumping Unit - Windmill Head	6y	Present - Not In Use
W1753	Arranmore	Water Supply - Excavated storage	6y	Present - In Use
W1507	Arrilalah	Troughing - Troughs		Present - Not In Use
W1507	Arrilalah	Troughing - Troughs		Present - Not In Use
W1507	Arrilalah	Pumping Unit - Pump	6y	Present - Not In Use
W1507	Arrilalah	Pumping Unit - Tower	6y	Present - Not In Use
W1507	Arrilalah	Pumping Unit - Windmill Head	6y	Present - Not In Use
W1507	Arrilalah	Water Supply - Excavated storage	6y	Present - In Use
W1651	Bandon	Troughing - Troughs		Present - Not In Use
W1651	Bandon	Pumping Unit - Pump	7y 5 m	Present - Not In Use
W1651	Bandon	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	7y 5 m	Present - Not In Use
W1651	Bandon	Fencing - Fence	7y 5 m	Present - In Use
W1651	Bandon	Gravity Tank - Tank	7y 5 m	Present - Not In Use
W1651	Bandon	Pumping Unit - Tower	7y 5 m	Present - Not In Use
W1651	Bandon	Troughing - Troughs	7y 5 m	Present - Not In Use
W1651	Bandon	Pumping Unit - Windmill Head	7y 5 m	Present - Not In Use
W1651	Bandon	Water Supply - Excavated storage	7y 5 m	Present - In Use
W0583	Beaconsfield	Gravity Tank - Tank	20y	Present - In Use
W0583	Beaconsfield	Gravity Tank - Tank	20y	Present - In Use
W0583	Beaconsfield	Water Supply - Bore		Present - In Use
W0583	Beaconsfield	Fencing - Fence	6y 10 m	Present - In Use
W0583	Beaconsfield	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	6y 10 m	Present - In Use
W0583	Beaconsfield	Gravity Tank - Long Pipeline to Tank	6y 10 m	Present - In Use
W0583	Beaconsfield	Gravity Tank - Tank	6y 10 m	Not Present
W0583	Beaconsfield	Troughing - Troughs	6y 10 m	Present - In Use
W0539	Brixham	Troughing - Troughs	25y	Present - In Use
W0539	Brixham	Troughing - Troughs	25y	Present - In Use
W0539	Brixham	Gravity Tank - Tank	30y	Present - Not In Use
W0539	Brixham	Fencing - Fence	20y	Present - In Use
W0539	Brixham	Gravity Tank - Tank	10y	Not Present
W0539	Brixham	Troughing - Troughs	30y	Present - In Use
W0539	Brixham	Troughing - Troughs	30y	Not Present

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W0539	Brixham	Troughing - Trough Foundation	25y	Present - In Use
W0539	Brixham	Troughing - Troughs	30y	Not Present
W0539	Brixham	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	15y	Present - In Use
W0539	Brixham	Fencing - Fence	20y	Present - In Use
W0539	Brixham	Troughing - Troughs	30y	Present - In Use
W0539	Brixham	Gravity Tank - Tank	30y	Present - Not In Use
W0539	Brixham	Pumping Unit - Pump	9y	Present - Not In Use
W0539	Brixham	Troughing - Trough Foundation	9y	Present - In Use
W0539	Brixham	Pumping Unit - Windmill Head	9y	Present - Not In Use
W0539	Brixham	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	9y	Not Present
W0539	Brixham	Fencing - Fence	9y	Not Present
W0539	Brixham	Gravity Tank - Tank	9y	Not Present
W0539	Brixham	Gravity Tank - Tank	9y	Not Present
W0539	Brixham	Troughing - Troughs	9y	Not Present
W0539	Brixham	Water Supply - Excavated storage	9y	Present - In Use
W0728	Cleeve	Troughing - Troughs	25y	Present - In Use
W0728	Cleeve	Pumping Unit - Solar	10y	Present - In Use
W0728	Cleeve	Pumping Unit - Pump	10y	Present - In Use
W0728	Cleeve	Troughing - Troughs	25y	Present - In Use
W0728	Cleeve	Troughing - Troughs	25y	Present - In Use
W0728	Cleeve	Gravity Tank - Tank	20y	Present - In Use
W0728	Cleeve	Gravity Tank - Tank	20y	Present - In Use
W0728	Cleeve	Troughing - Troughs	25y	Present - In Use
W0728	Cleeve	Pumping Unit - Pump	9y	Not Present
W0728	Cleeve	Troughing - Trough Foundation	9y	Present - In Use
W0728	Cleeve	Fencing - Fence	9y	Present - In Use
W0728	Cleeve	Troughing - Troughs	9y	Present - Not In Use
W0728	Cleeve	Gravity Tank - Tank	9y	Not Present
W0728	Cleeve	Pumping Unit - Tower	9y	Not Present
W0728	Cleeve	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	9y	Present - Not In Use
W0728	Cleeve	Pumping Unit - Windmill Head	9y	Not Present
W0728	Cleeve	Water Supply - Excavated storage	9y	Present - In Use
W2473	Cronulla	Water Supply - Excavated storage	4y	Present - In Use
W2644	Daunton	Gravity Tank - Long Pipeline to Tank	30y	Present - In Use
W2644	Daunton	Troughing - Troughs	25y	Not Present
W2644	Daunton	Gravity Tank - Tank	15y	Present - In Use
W2644	Daunton	Gravity Tank - Tank	15y	Present - In Use
W2644	Daunton	Troughing - Troughs	25y	Not Present
W2644	Daunton	Water Supply - Excavated storage		Present - In Use
W2644	Daunton	Fencing - Fence	6y 10 m	Present - In Use
W2644	Daunton	Troughing - Trough Foundation	6y 10 m	Present - In Use
W2644	Daunton	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	6y 10 m	Present - In Use
W2644	Daunton	Gravity Tank - Long Pipeline to Tank	6y 10 m	Present - In Use
W2644	Daunton	Troughing - Troughs	6y 10 m	Present - In Use
W2644	Daunton	Gravity Tank - Tank	6y 10 m	Not Present
W2290	Emmet	Pumping Unit - Pump	11y	Present - In Use
W2290	Emmet	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	23y	Present - In Use
W2290	Emmet	Fencing - Fence		Present - In Use
W2290	Emmet	Troughing - Troughs		Present - In Use
W2290	Emmet	Gravity Tank - Tank		Present - In Use

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W2290	Emmet	Pumping Unit - Tower	11y	Present - In Use
W2290	Emmet	Pumping Unit - Windmill Head	11y	Present - In Use
W2290	Emmet	Water Supply - Excavated storage	4y	Present - In Use
W1514	Emmroonga	Pumping Unit - Pump	4y	Present - In Use
W1514	Emmroonga	Troughing - Troughs		Present - In Use
W1514	Emmroonga	Gravity Tank - Tank	22y	Present - In Use
W1514	Emmroonga	Pumping Unit - Tower	4y	Present - In Use
W1514	Emmroonga	Pumping Unit - Windmill Head	4y	Present - In Use
W1514	Emmroonga	Water Supply - Excavated storage	4y	Present - In Use
W0296	Ernestina	Pumping Unit - Pump	7y 5 m	Present - Not In Use
W0296	Ernestina	Pumping Unit - Tower	7y 5 m	Present - In Use
W0296	Ernestina	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	7y 5 m	Present - Not In Use
W0296	Ernestina	Troughing - Troughs	7y 5 m	Present - Not In Use
W0296	Ernestina	Gravity Tank - Tank	7y 5 m	Present - Not In Use
W0296	Ernestina	Pumping Unit - Windmill Head	7y 5 m	Present - In Use
W0296	Ernestina	Water Supply - Excavated storage	7y 5 m	Present - In Use
W0177	Evesham	Troughing - Troughs	25y	Present - In Use
W0177	Evesham	Troughing - Troughs	25y	Present - In Use
W0177	Evesham	Troughing - Troughs	25y	Present - In Use
W0177	Evesham	Troughing - Troughs	25y	Present - In Use
W0177	Evesham	Fencing - Fence	6y	Present - In Use
W0177	Evesham	Troughing - Trough Foundation	6y	Present - In Use
W0177	Evesham	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	6y	Present - In Use
W0177	Evesham	Pumping Unit - Pump	6y	Present - Not In Use
W0177	Evesham	Troughing - Troughs	6y	Present - In Use
W0177	Evesham	Gravity Tank - Tank	6y	Not Present
W0177	Evesham	Pumping Unit - Tower	6y	Present - Not In Use
W0177	Evesham	Gravity Tank - Tank	6y	Present - In Use
W0177	Evesham	Gravity Tank - Tank	6y	Present - In Use
W0177	Evesham	Pumping Unit - Windmill Head	6y	Present - Not In Use
W0177	Evesham	Gravity Tank - Long Pipeline to Tank	6y	Present - In Use
W0177	Evesham	Water Supply - Bore	6y	Present - In Use
W2719	Evesham No 2	Gravity Tank - Tank	20y	Present - In Use
W2719	Evesham No 2	Fencing - Fence	22y	Present - In Use
W2719	Evesham No 2	Troughing - Trough Foundation	22y	Present - In Use
W2719	Evesham No 2	Troughing - Troughs	22y	Present - In Use
W2719	Evesham No 2	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	22y	Present - In Use
W2719	Evesham No 2	Gravity Tank - Tank	22y	Present - In Use
W2719	Evesham No 2	Gravity Tank - Tank	25y	Not Present
W2631	Gowan Hills	Water Supply - Bore		Present - In Use
W2631	Gowan Hills	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	4y 10 m	Present - In Use
W2631	Gowan Hills	Troughing - Troughs	4y 10 m	Present - In Use
W2631	Gowan Hills	Gravity Tank - Tank	4y 10 m	Present - In Use
W2546	Griffdale	Troughing - Troughs	10y	Present - In Use
W2546	Griffdale	Troughing - Trough Foundation	10y	Present - In Use

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W2546	Griffdale	Troughing - Trough Foundation	10y	Present - In Use
W2546	Griffdale	Gravity Tank - Tank	20y	Present - In Use
W2546	Griffdale	Gravity Tank - Tank	20y	Present - In Use
W2546	Griffdale	Troughing - Troughs	10y	Present - In Use
W2546	Griffdale	Troughing - Troughs	10y	Present - In Use
W2546	Griffdale	Troughing - Troughs	10y	Present - In Use
W2546	Griffdale	Gravity Tank - Long Pipeline to Tank	30y	Present - In Use
W2546	Griffdale	Water Supply - Bore		Present - In Use
W2546	Griffdale	Fencing - Fence	7y 6 m	Present - In Use
W2546	Griffdale	Troughing - Trough Foundation	7y 6 m	Present - Not In Use
W2546	Griffdale	Pumping Unit - Pump	7y 6 m	Not Present
W2546	Griffdale	Troughing - Troughs	7y 6 m	Present - Not In Use
W2546	Griffdale	Gravity Tank - Tank	7y 6 m	Not Present
W2546	Griffdale	Pumping Unit - Tower	7y 6 m	Not Present
W2546	Griffdale	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	7y 6 m	Present - In Use
W2546	Griffdale	Pumping Unit - Windmill Head	7y 6 m	Present - Not In Use
W0429	Hazelmere	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe		Present - In Use
W0429	Hazelmere	Gravity Tank - Tank	20y	Present - In Use
W0429	Hazelmere	Troughing - Troughs		Present - In Use
W0429	Hazelmere	Water Supply - Excavated storage	8y	Present - In Use
W1677	Ilfracombe	Troughing - Trough Foundation	10y	Present - In Use
W1677	Ilfracombe	Troughing - Troughs	10y	Present - In Use
W1677	Ilfracombe	Troughing - Troughs	10y	Present - In Use
W1677	Ilfracombe	Troughing - Troughs	10y	Present - In Use
W1677	Ilfracombe	Troughing - Troughs	10y	Present - In Use
W1677	Ilfracombe	Water Supply - Bore		Present - In Use
W1677	Ilfracombe	Troughing - Trough Foundation	10y	Present - In Use
W1677	Ilfracombe	Miscellaneous - Holding Yard	9y	Present - In Use
W1677	Ilfracombe	Fencing - Fence	9y	Present - In Use
W1677	Ilfracombe	Troughing - Trough Foundation	9y	Not Present
W1677	Ilfracombe	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	9y	Not Present
W1677	Ilfracombe	Gravity Tank - Long Pipeline to Tank	9y	Not Present
W1677	Ilfracombe	Troughing - Troughs	9y	Not Present
W1677	Ilfracombe	Gravity Tank - Tank	9y	Present - In Use
W2837	ISIS DOWNS	Troughing - Troughs		Present - In Use
W2837	ISIS DOWNS	Fencing - Fence	22y	Present - In Use
W2837	ISIS DOWNS	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	22y	Present - In Use
W2837	ISIS DOWNS	Gravity Tank - Long Pipeline to Tank	22y	Present - In Use
W2837	ISIS DOWNS	Troughing - Troughs	22y	Not Present
W2837	ISIS DOWNS	Troughing - Troughs	22y	Present - In Use
W2837	ISIS DOWNS	Troughing - Troughs	22y	Present - In Use
W2837	ISIS DOWNS	Gravity Tank - Tank	22y	Present - In Use
W2837	ISIS DOWNS	Gravity Tank - Tank	22y	Present - Not In Use
W0222	Macsland	Troughing - Trough Foundation	30y	Present - In Use
W0222	Macsland	Troughing - Troughs	30y	Present - In Use
W0222	Macsland	Troughing - Troughs	30y	Present - In Use
W0222	Macsland	Fencing - Fence	5y 5 m	Present - In Use
W0222	Macsland	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	5y 5 m	Present - In Use
W0222	Macsland	Pumping Unit - Pump	5y 5 m	Present - In Use
W0222	Macsland	Troughing - Troughs	5y 5 m	Present - In Use

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W0222	Macsland	Gravity Tank - Tank	5y 5 m	Present - In Use
W0222	Macsland	Pumping Unit - Tower	5y 5 m	Present - In Use
W0222	Macsland	Pumping Unit - Windmill Head	5y 5 m	Present - In Use
W0222	Macsland	Water Supply - Bore	5y 5 m	Present - In Use
W2075	Magoffins	Fencing - Fence	30y	Present - In Use
W2075	Magoffins	Gravity Tank - Tank	30y	Present - In Use
W2075	Magoffins	Troughing - Troughs	30y	Present - In Use
W2075	Magoffins	Troughing - Troughs	30y	Present - In Use
W2075	Magoffins	Troughing - Trough Foundation		Present - In Use
W2075	Magoffins	Pumping Unit - Pump	7y 6 m	Present - In Use
W2075	Magoffins	Troughing - Trough Foundation	7y 6 m	Not Present
W2075	Magoffins	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	7y 6 m	Present - In Use
W2075	Magoffins	Fencing - Fence	7y 6 m	Not Present
W2075	Magoffins	Troughing - Troughs	7y 6 m	Not Present
W2075	Magoffins	Gravity Tank - Tank	7y 6 m	Present - In Use
W2075	Magoffins	Pumping Unit - Tower	7y 6 m	Present - In Use
W2075	Magoffins	Gravity Tank - Tank	7y 6 m	Not Present
W2075	Magoffins	Pumping Unit - Windmill Head	7y 6 m	Present - In Use
W2075	Magoffins	Water Supply - Excavated storage	7y 6 m	Present - In Use
W0205	Maneroo	Gravity Tank - Tank	20y	Present - In Use
W0205	Maneroo	Gravity Tank - Tank	20y	Present - In Use
W0205	Maneroo	Troughing - Troughs	20y	Present - In Use
W0205	Maneroo	Troughing - Troughs	30y	Present - In Use
W0205	Maneroo	Troughing - Troughs	30y	Present - In Use
W0205	Maneroo	Troughing - Troughs	20y	Present - In Use
W0205	Maneroo	Pumping Unit - Pump	15y	Present - In Use
W0205	Maneroo	Pumping Unit - Solar	10y	Present - In Use
W0205	Maneroo	Fencing - Fence	6y	Present - In Use
W0205	Maneroo	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	6y	Present - In Use
W0205	Maneroo	Pumping Unit - Pump	6y	Present - Not In Use
W0205	Maneroo	Troughing - Troughs	6y	Not Present
W0205	Maneroo	Gravity Tank - Tank	6y	Not Present
W0205	Maneroo	Pumping Unit - Tower	6y	Present - Not In Use
W0205	Maneroo	Pumping Unit - Windmill Head	6y	Present - Not In Use
W0205	Maneroo	Water Supply - Bore	6y	Present - In Use
W0625	Meroondah	Pumping Unit - Pump	4y 4 m	Present - In Use
W0625	Meroondah	Fencing - Fence	4y 4 m	Present - In Use
W0625	Meroondah	Pumping Unit - Tower	4y 4 m	Present - In Use
W0625	Meroondah	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	4y 4 m	Present - In Use
W0625	Meroondah	Troughing - Troughs	4y 4 m	Present - In Use
W0625	Meroondah	Gravity Tank - Tank	4y 4 m	Present - In Use
W0625	Meroondah	Pumping Unit - Windmill Head	4y 4 m	Present - In Use
W0625	Meroondah	Water Supply - Excavated storage	4y 4 m	Present - In Use
W1308	Morella	Pumping Unit - Pump	7y	Present - In Use
W1308	Morella	Gravity Tank - Tank	20y	Present - In Use
W1308	Morella	Gravity Tank - Tank	20y	Present - In Use
W1308	Morella	Pumping Unit - Pump	6y 6 m	Not Present
W1308	Morella	Fencing - Fence	6y 6 m	Present - In Use
W1308	Morella	Gravity Tank - Long Pipeline to Tank	6y 6 m	Not Present
W1308	Morella	Troughing - Troughs	6y 6 m	Present - In Use

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W1308	Morella	Pumping Unit - Pump	6y 6 m	Present - Not In Use
W1308	Morella	Pumping Unit - Solar	6y 6 m	Present - In Use
W1308	Morella	Gravity Tank - Tank	6y 6 m	Not Present
W1308	Morella	Pumping Unit - Tower	6y 6 m	Not Present
W1308	Morella	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	6y 6 m	Present - In Use
W1308	Morella	Pumping Unit - Windmill Head	6y 6 m	Not Present
W1308	Morella	Water Supply - Excavated storage	6y 6 m	Present - In Use
W1308	Morella	Water Supply - Excavated storage	6y 6 m	Not Present
W0773	Mosquito	Pumping Unit - Windmill Head		Present - In Use
W0773	Mosquito	Water Supply - Excavated storage		Present - In Use
W0773	Mosquito	Pumping Unit - Tower		Present - Not In Use
W0032	Mt Grey	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	24y	Present - In Use
W0032	Mt Grey	Pumping Unit - Motor	44y	Present - In Use
W0032	Mt Grey	Troughing - Troughs	24y	Present - In Use
W0032	Mt Grey	Pumping Unit - Pump	44y	Present - In Use
W0032	Mt Grey	Gravity Tank - Tank	9y	Present - In Use
W0032	Mt Grey	Water Supply - Bore	42y	Present - In Use
F6814	Nogo	Troughing - Troughs	25y	Present - In Use
F6814	Nogo	Gravity Tank - Tank	15y	Present - In Use
F6814	Nogo	Gravity Tank - Tank	15y	Present - In Use
F6814	Nogo	Troughing - Troughs	25y	Present - In Use
F6814	Nogo	Troughing - Troughs	25y	Present - In Use
F6814	Nogo	Troughing - Troughs	25y	Present - In Use
F6814	Nogo	Water Supply - Excavated storage	30y	Present - In Use
F6814	Nogo	Water Supply - Excavated storage		Not Present
W2817	North Common	Troughing - Troughs		Not Present
W2817	North Common	Troughing - Troughs		Present - In Use
W2817	North Common	Troughing - Troughs		Present - In Use
W2817	North Common	Pumping Unit - Pump	20y	Present - In Use
W2817	North Common	Troughing - Troughs		Not Present
W2817	North Common	Fencing - Fence	1y 9 m	Present - In Use
W2817	North Common	Troughing - Trough Foundation	1y 9 m	Present - In Use
W2817	North Common	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	1y 9 m	Present - In Use
W2817	North Common	Pumping Unit - Pump	1y 9 m	Not Present
W2817	North Common	Troughing - Troughs	1y 9 m	Not Present
W2817	North Common	Gravity Tank - Long Pipeline to Tank	1y 9 m	Present - In Use
W2817	North Common	Gravity Tank - Tank	1y 9 m	Present - In Use
W0207	Rimbanda	Troughing - Troughs	20y	Present - In Use
W0207	Rimbanda	Pumping Unit - Solar	10y	Present - In Use
W0207	Rimbanda	Troughing - Troughs	20y	Present - In Use
W0207	Rimbanda	Troughing - Troughs	20y	Present - In Use
W0207	Rimbanda	Troughing - Troughs	20y	Present - In Use
W0207	Rimbanda	Gravity Tank - Tank	20y	Present - In Use
W0207	Rimbanda	Gravity Tank - Tank	20y	Present - In Use
W0207	Rimbanda	Pumping Unit - Pump	15y	Present - In Use
W0207	Rimbanda	Fencing - Fence	5y 5 m	Present - In Use
W0207	Rimbanda	Troughing - Trough Foundation	5y 5 m	Not Present
W0207	Rimbanda	Troughing - Troughs	5y 5 m	Not Present
W0207	Rimbanda	Pumping Unit - Pump	5y 5 m	Not Present
W0207	Rimbanda	Gravity Tank - Tank	5y 5 m	Not Present

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W0207	Rimbanda	Pumping Unit - Tower	5y 5 m	Not Present
W0207	Rimbanda	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	5y 5 m	Not Present
W0207	Rimbanda	Pumping Unit - Windmill Head	5y 5 m	Not Present
W0207	Rimbanda	Water Supply - Bore	5y 5 m	Present - In Use
W2744	Rodney	Gravity Tank - Tank	15y	Present - In Use
W2744	Rodney	Gravity Tank - Tank	15y	Present - In Use
W2744	Rodney	Water Supply - Bore		Present - In Use
W2744	Rodney	Fencing - Fence	6y 10 m	Present - In Use
W2744	Rodney	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	6y 10 m	Present - In Use
W2744	Rodney	Pumping Unit - Pump	6y 10 m	Present - In Use
W2744	Rodney	Troughing - Troughs	6y 10 m	Present - In Use
W2744	Rodney	Gravity Tank - Long Pipeline to Tank	6y 10 m	Present - In Use
W2744	Rodney	Gravity Tank - Tank	6y 10 m	Not Present
W2694	Rotherfield	Water Supply - Excavated storage	18y	Present - In Use
W1650	Shanty	Pumping Unit - Solar	10y	Present - In Use
W1650	Shanty	Pumping Unit - Pump	15y	Present - In Use
W1650	Shanty	Troughing - Troughs	30y	Present - Not In Use
W1650	Shanty	Gravity Tank - Tank	20y	Present - In Use
W1650	Shanty	Troughing - Troughs	30y	Present - In Use
W1650	Shanty	Troughing - Trough Foundation	10y	Present - In Use
W1650	Shanty	Troughing - Trough Foundation	10y	Present - In Use
W1650	Shanty	Troughing - Trough Foundation	10y	Present - In Use
W1650	Shanty	Troughing - Troughs	30y	Not Present
W1650	Shanty	Troughing - Troughs	30y	Present - Not In Use
W1650	Shanty	Fencing - Fence	30y	Present - In Use
W1650	Shanty	Gravity Tank - Tank	20y	Present - In Use
W1650	Shanty	Troughing - Trough Foundation	10y	Present - In Use
W1650	Shanty	Troughing - Troughs	30y	Not Present
W1650	Shanty	Troughing - Troughs	30y	Present - In Use
W1650	Shanty	Pumping Unit - Pump	5y 11 m	Present - Not In Use
W1650	Shanty	Fencing - Fence	5y 11 m	Not Present
W1650	Shanty	Gravity Tank - Tank	5y 11 m	Not Present
W1650	Shanty	Pumping Unit - Tower	5y 11 m	Present - Not In Use
W1650	Shanty	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	5y 11 m	Not Present
W1650	Shanty	Troughing - Troughs	5y 11 m	Not Present
W1650	Shanty	Pumping Unit - Windmill Head	5y 11 m	Present - Not In Use
W1650	Shanty	Water Supply - Excavated storage	5y 11 m	Present - In Use
W2333	Snake Creek	Fencing - Fence	19y	Present - In Use
W2333	Snake Creek	Pumping Unit - Motor	23y	Present - In Use
W2333	Snake Creek	Troughing - Troughs	19y	Present - In Use
W2333	Snake Creek	Pumping Unit - Pump	18y	Present - In Use
W2333	Snake Creek	Gravity Tank - Tank	13y	Present - In Use
W2333	Snake Creek	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	19y	Present - In Use
W2333	Snake Creek	Water Supply - Bore	23y	Present - In Use
W0209	Tallyrand	Troughing - Troughs		Not Present
W0209	Tallyrand	Fencing - Fence	5y 5 m	Present - In Use
W0209	Tallyrand	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	5y 5 m	Not Present
W0209	Tallyrand	Troughing - Troughs	5y 5 m	Present - Not In Use
W0209	Tallyrand	Pumping Unit - Pump	5y 5 m	Present - Not In Use
W0209	Tallyrand	Gravity Tank - Tank	5y 5 m	Present - Not In Use

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W0209	Tallyrand	Pumping Unit - Tower	5y 5 m	Present - Not In Use
W0209	Tallyrand	Pumping Unit - Windmill Head	5y 5 m	Present - Not In Use
W0209	Tallyrand	Water Supply - Bore	5y 5 m	Present - In Use
W0185	Thomson	Pumping Unit - Pump		Present - In Use
W0185	Thomson	Pumping Unit - Motor		Present - In Use
W0185	Thomson	Miscellaneous - Pump Shed		Present - In Use
W0185	Thomson	Pumping Unit - Tower		Present - In Use
W0185	Thomson	Pumping Unit - Windmill Head		Present - In Use
W0185	Thomson	Pumping Unit - Pump		Present - In Use
W0185	Thomson	Gravity Tank - Tank	6y	Present - In Use
W0185	Thomson	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	6y	Present - Not In Use
W0185	Thomson	Troughing - Troughs	6y	Present - Not In Use
W0185	Thomson	Water Supply - Bore	6y	Present - In Use
W0295	Total	Water Supply - Bore		Not Present
W0295	Total	Pumping Unit - Pump	5y 3 m	Present - Not In Use
W0295	Total	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	5y 3 m	Present - Not In Use
W0295	Total	Fencing - Fence	5y 3 m	Not Present
W0295	Total	Gravity Tank - Tank	5y 3 m	Present - Not In Use
W0295	Total	Pumping Unit - Tower	5y 3 m	Present - Not In Use
W0295	Total	Troughing - Troughs	5y 3 m	Present - Not In Use
W0295	Total	Pumping Unit - Windmill Head	5y 3 m	Present - Not In Use
W0295	Total	Water Supply - Excavated storage	5y 3 m	Present - In Use
W0322	Wakefield	Pumping Unit - Pump	7y 6 m	Present - Not In Use
W0322	Wakefield	Fencing - Fence	7y 6 m	Present - Not In Use
W0322	Wakefield	Pumping Unit - Tower	7y 6 m	Present - In Use
W0322	Wakefield	Pumping Unit - Windmill Head	7y 6 m	Present - Not In Use
W0322	Wakefield	Water Supply - Excavated storage	7y 6 m	Present - In Use
W0797	Wamadoo	Pumping Unit - Pump	7y 2 m	Present - Not In Use
W0797	Wamadoo	Fencing - Fence	7y 2 m	Present - In Use
W0797	Wamadoo	Troughing - Troughs	7y 2 m	Present - In Use
W0797	Wamadoo	Gravity Tank - Tank	7y 2 m	Present - Not In Use
W0797	Wamadoo	Pumping Unit - Tower	7y 2 m	Present - Not In Use
W0797	Wamadoo	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	7y 2 m	Present - Not In Use
W0797	Wamadoo	Pumping Unit - Windmill Head	7y 2 m	Present - Not In Use
W0797	Wamadoo	Water Supply - Excavated storage	7y 2 m	Present - In Use
W0772	Wellbeck	Gravity Tank - Tank	30y	Present - In Use
W0772	Wellbeck	Gravity Tank - Tank	30y	Present - In Use
W0772	Wellbeck	Water Supply - Bore		Present - In Use
W0772	Wellbeck	Fencing - Fence	7y 6 m	Present - In Use
W0772	Wellbeck	Troughing - Trough Foundation	7y 6 m	Present - In Use
W0772	Wellbeck	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	7y 6 m	Present - In Use
W0772	Wellbeck	Gravity Tank - Long Pipeline to Tank	7y 6 m	Present - Not In Use
W0772	Wellbeck	Troughing - Troughs	7y 6 m	Present - Not In Use
W0772	Wellbeck	Gravity Tank - Tank	7y 6 m	Not Present
W0772	Wellbeck	Pumping Unit - Tower	7y 6 m	Not Present
W0772	Wellbeck	Pumping Unit - Windmill Head	7y 6 m	Not Present
W1672	Westlands	Pumping Unit - Pump	5y 3 m	Present - Not In Use
W1672	Westlands	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	5y 3 m	Present - Not In Use
W1672	Westlands	Fencing - Fence	5y 3 m	Present - In Use
W1672	Westlands	Gravity Tank - Tank	5y 3 m	Present - Not In Use

W1672	Westlands	Pumping Unit - Tower	5y 3 m	Present - Not In Use
W1672	Westlands	Troughing - Troughs	5y 3 m	Present - Not In Use
W1672	Westlands	Pumping Unit - Windmill Head	5y 3 m	Present - Not In Use
W1672	Westlands	Water Supply - Excavated storage	5y 3 m	Present - In Use
W2515	Wood Ck	Water Supply - Bore		Present - In Use
W0213	Yaraka	Fencing - Fence	4y 4 m	Present - In Use
W0213	Yaraka	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	4y 4 m	Present - In Use
W0213	Yaraka	Troughing - Troughs	4y 4 m	Present - In Use
W0213	Yaraka	Gravity Tank - Tank	4y 4 m	Present - In Use
W0213	Yaraka	Gravity Tank - Tank	4y 4 m	Present - In Use
W0213	Yaraka	Water Supply - Excavated storage	4y 4 m	Present - In Use
W0208	Yarraman	Troughing - Trough Foundation		Present - In Use
W0208	Yarraman	Troughing - Troughs	20y	Present - In Use
W0208	Yarraman	Troughing - Troughs	20y	Present - In Use
W0208	Yarraman	Troughing - Troughs	20y	Present - In Use
W0208	Yarraman	Troughing - Troughs	20y	Present - In Use
W0208	Yarraman	Troughing - Trough Foundation		Present - In Use
W0208	Yarraman	Gravity Tank - Tank	20y	Present - In Use
W0208	Yarraman	Gravity Tank - Tank	20y	Present - In Use
W0208	Yarraman	Fencing - Fence	7y 5 m	Present - In Use
W0208	Yarraman	Troughing - Trough Inlet Pipe	7y 5 m	Not Present
W0208	Yarraman	Troughing - Troughs	7y 5 m	Not Present
W0208	Yarraman	Pumping Unit - Pump	7y 5 m	Not Present
W0208	Yarraman	Gravity Tank - Tank	7y 5 m	Not Present
W0208	Yarraman	Pumping Unit - Tower	7y 5 m	Not Present
W0208	Yarraman	Pumping Unit - Windmill Head	7y 5 m	Not Present
W0208	Yarraman	Water Supply - Bore	7y 5 m	Present - In Use

Appendix 3 –Pasture management - Stocktake GRM Application

Stocktake GLM is a production decision support app developed using funding from the Department of Primary Industries, Queensland (DPI).

Stocktake GLM is based on the well respected Queensland government Stocktake monitoring package that allows the user to complete their monitoring and calculations in the paddock on their mobile device for an immediate response.

Importantly, Stocktake GLM will work without the need for mobile phone reception. You can store information and get results while you are in the paddock. This means your monitoring and feed budget data as well as your stock and rainfall data are with you at all times. All the reports on your device can be printed and/or backed up when you return to the office.

Stocktake is a paddock-scale land condition monitoring and management package that has been developed by the Queensland Department of Primary Industries to provide grazing land managers with a practical, systematic way to assess land condition and long-term carrying capacity and to calculate short term forage budgets.

Within Stocktake grazing land condition can be split into 4 broad categories based on an evaluation of coverage of perennial (3P) grasses (considered palatable, perennial for grazing purposes), soil



condition, woodland condition and weed infestation. Ground cover is an indicator of what might happen to future soil condition.

The app was designed to be visual, logical and intuitive for ease of use, and importantly to work in remote areas without the need of 4G/5G phone reception.

Stocktake GLM:

- Assists in monitoring grazing land condition by logically guiding the user through the process
- Stores monitoring information and produces reports, including long-term carrying capacity calculations (based on the user's inputs)
- Guides the user through basic or detailed forage budgets
- Stores rainfall records
- Stores stock number (converts different animal types and classes to relevant Adult Equivalents, displays current stock on Land Condition reports and can import figures into the 'demand' section of a forage budget)
- Helps the user identify their land type(s), using the latest land type mapping of Queensland
- Backups all information securely to the Cloud, that is only accessible by the registered user(s).

The app is more than a digital log, it has many in-built support tools including:

- Land type factsheets
- Pasture growth tables
- Ground cover photo standards
- Accessible yield calculation sheets
- Pasture photo standards

The techniques of grazing land condition monitoring and forage budgeting promoted in the Stocktake GLM app are not new. The techniques and inbuilt support tools within the app are based on sound, published rangeland science and, research and development undertaken in cooperation with the northern grazing industry.

The process of monitoring grazing land condition and the ABCD grazing land condition framework is documented below:

Good or "A" condition has the following features:

- Good coverage of perennial grasses dominated by those species considered to be 3P grasses for that land type, little bare ground (<30 %) in most cases;
- Few weeds and no significant infestations;
- Good soil condition, no erosion, good surface condition; and
- No sign, or early signs of woodland thickening.

Fair or "B" condition has a least one or more of the following features:

- Some decline of 3P grasses, increase in other species (less favoured grasses, weeds) and/or bare ground (>30% but 60%) in most cases;
- Some decline in soil condition, some signs of previous erosion and/or current susceptibility to erosion is a concern; and
- Some thickening in density of woody plants.

Poor or "C" condition has one or more of the following features, otherwise like "B" condition.

- General decline in 3P grasses, large amounts of less favoured species and/or bare ground (<60 %) in most cases;
- Obvious signs of past erosion and/or susceptibility currently high; and
- General thickening in density of woody plants.

Very Poor or "D" condition has one or more of the following features:

- General lack of perennial grasses or forbs;
- Severe erosion or scalding resulting in hostile environment for plant growth; and
- Thickets or woody plants cover most of the area.

Using paddock condition indicators together with grass growth predictions for local land types - Stocktake GLM allows managers to quantify the effect that sub-optimal land condition is having on their long-term paddock carrying capacity. The basic calculations for determining long-term carrying capacities are complex and have been automated within the Stocktake GLM app.

The forage budgeting technique provides a dynamic tool for land managers to adjust stock numbers based on seasonal forage supply. See [What is forage budgeting?](#) for more information on why and how to do a forage budget. The Stocktake GLM forage budget works solely on user input - it does not draw on any modelled data - view the basic calculations for the Stocktake GLM forage budget.

[Land condition of pastures | Business Queensland](#)

[Stocktake GLM - About the App](#)

LCAT Land Condition Assessment Tool

11. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

11.5 - Referral Agency Assessment Application (Alternative Siting Assessment) - 60 Crane Street, Longreach

11.5 Referral Agency Assessment Application (Alternative Siting Assessment) - 60 Crane Street, Longreach

Consideration of a Referral Agency Assessment Application for an alternative siting assessment lodged with Council on December 2, 2024, for a plunge pool and deck to be positioned on land located at 60 Crane Street, Longreach and described as Lot 1 on RP618635.

Council Action

Deliver

Applicable Legislation

Building Act 1975

Planning Act 2016

Planning Regulation 2017

Queensland Development Code

Policy Considerations

Nil

Corporate and Operational Plan Considerations

OUR COMMUNITY	
Corporate Plan Outcome	
1.1	Council infrastructure and services support liveability and community amenity.

Budget Considerations

Nil

Previous Council Resolutions related to this matter

Nil

Officer Comment

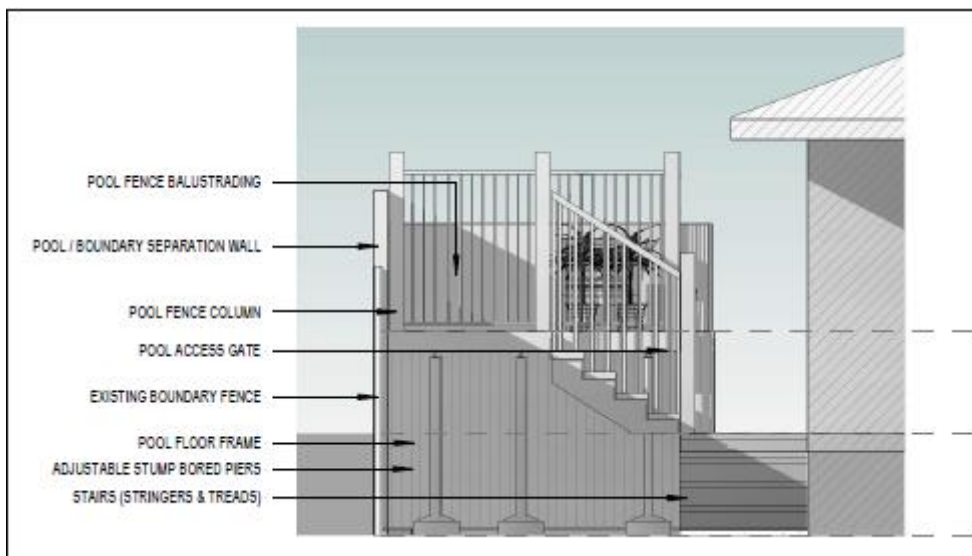
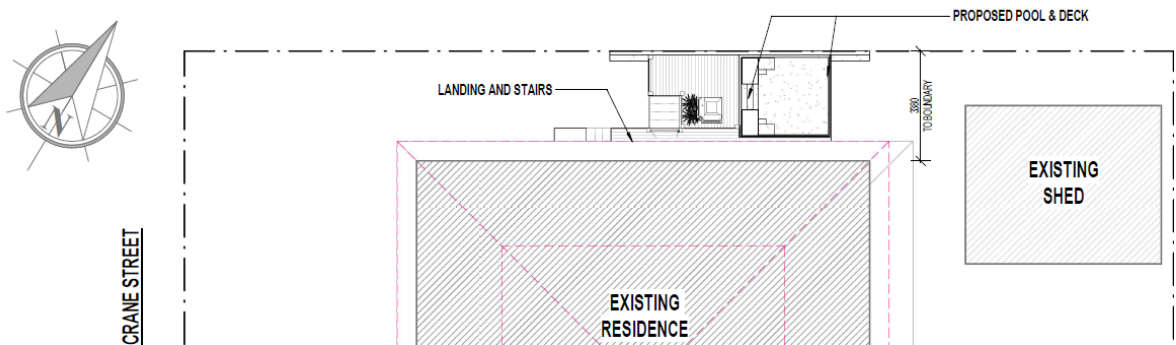
Responsible Officer/s: *Emily O'Hanlon, Business Support Officer*
Jason Burger, Consultant Building Certifier

Background:

The applicant has requested to position the plunge pool and deck within the provision of a 1.5 metre setback from the northern neighbouring boundary. The information provided within the application locates the proposed structure to be built on the northern adjoining boundary.

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Issue:

The proposed structure setback is not in line with the requirements of the Queensland Development Code, hence the reason for the application being referred to Council for consideration.

Risk Management Factors:

This matter has been assessed using Council's Risk Matrix to decide the likelihood and consequence of any risk to Council:

Likelihood: Rare
Consequence: Minor
Rating: Low (2/25)

Environmental Management Factors:

N/A

Other Comments:

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The Application has been assessed by Jason Burger, Council's Consultant Building Certifier who has recommended that Council approve the proposed structure location based on the following:

- The proposed reduced setback will have a splash proof privacy screen wall to reduce the effect on the neighbouring property.
- Owner's consent from the northern neighbour has been provided and signed.
- The Building Certifier has made a condition of the siting variation to ensure a 60/60/60 FRL (fire) wall to be constructed to the height of the deck and to the satisfaction of Councils Builder Certifier.
- The size and width of the proposed plunge pool and deck is acceptable for the width of the lot.
- The northern neighbouring house eaves are positioned approximately over 5 metres from the adjoining boundary, which allows an excess of distance relating to building code requirements.

Appendices

1. DA2425-023 60 Crane St - Neighbours Consent form 2.12.24.pdf [↓](#)
2. Assessment sheet-Siting Variation-60 Crane St 2.12.24.pdf [↓](#)

Recommendation:

That Council approves the siting variation for a plunge pool and deck to be positioned on the northern adjoining boundary at 60 Crane Street, Longreach and formally described as Lot 1 on RP618635, pursuant to section 32 and 33 of the Building Act 1975, Planning Act 2016 and Schedule 9, table 3 of the Planning Regulations 2017.

As most buildings have the potential to impact neighbouring properties, the enclosed "Adjoining Land Owner Consultation" form is to be completed by the effected neighbour/s and returned with this application.

ADJOINING LAND OWNER CONSULTATION

To whom it may concern,

We Louise Poole and Russell Poole
(Adjoining property owner's name) (Adjoining property owner's name)

Being the current property owners of 58 Crane Street Longreach
QLD 4730 (Adjoining property owner's street address)

Confirm that we have viewed the Proposed Plans requesting the variation to allow Rachel Beck
To install a pool at 60 Crane street
(detail proposal)

For the proposed building development at 60 Crane Street Longreach
QLD 4730 (street address of property requiring siting variation)

And fully understand the proposal.

~~we~~ we wish to confirm that (tick applicable statement):

we have no objections to the building proposal;

or

I / we have concerns to the proposal as summarised below

Name (Please Print):	<u>Louise Poole</u>	<u>Russell Poole</u>
Signature:	<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>
Date:	<u>3 December 2024</u>	<u>3 December 2024</u>
Telephone/ Mobile Number:	<u>0428726048</u>	<u>0428785007</u>

If the adjoining Neighbour is uncontactable or will not complete the form, please tick the following box:

Unable to obtain Neighbouring consent/ concerns

Please note concerns forwarded to Council by adjoining neighbours if **not valid** may have no impact on the assessment process. An assessment officer may wish to contact you regarding your comments, provided you supply a telephone/mobile phone number below

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SITING VARIATION ASSESSMENT SHEET
For Single Residential Use

Address	60 Crane, Longreach Qld	Lot / Plan No:	Lot 1 on RP618635
Contact Person	Rachel Bock	Contact Number	

Relevant Residential Code issues for consideration			Comments/Likely Impact
	Yes	No	
Does the proposal maintain residential amenity both internal and external to the site?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Splash Proof Privacy Screen/wall provided
Does the proposal meet the accommodation and associated needs of one family?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Does the proposal provide for physical access and connection to a constructed road?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A
Is the maximum height of a building or structure higher than 8.5 metres?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Is the area covered by buildings or roofed structures greater than 50% of the lot?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Does the proposal provide adequate provision for recreational space?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Are the location and design of car parking provision appropriate?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A
Is the proposal sited, designed and constructed in a manner which does not cause a nuisance or disturbance to the occupiers or users of nearby land, particularly nearby residents?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Splash Proof Privacy Screen/wall to be provided
Does the proposal adversely affect the visual character and aesthetics of the nearby area?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Letter of agreement received from neighbour stating no objection
Is the proposal compatible with the physical characteristics of the site and its surrounds?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Is the height of the proposed buildings or structures compatible with the physical characteristics of the site and its surrounds?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Is the proposed buildings or structures sited and designed to provide:			
- Space around buildings and structures?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
- Access to natural light and ventilation?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
- Provision for privacy?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Privacy Screen/wall to be provided
Will the proposal affect any existing approved pool fence?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	New Fence to be constructed
Will the proposal comply with the "Deemed to Satisfy" provisions of the BSA for fire separation?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	A 60/60/60 FRL wall to be constructed the height of the deck.
Does the proposal require Build Over/Near Council infrastructure approval?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Does the proposal encroach into a registered easement?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	


Form No: GBA-SF164

Issue Date: July 2019

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Relevant Residential Code issues for consideration		Comments/Likely Impact	
	Yes	No	
Is the proposal shed near and Urban Stormwater Flow Path?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Is a statement required from the owners of the adjoining properties?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Received
Are further grounds for consideration of the proposal required from the applicant?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Summary			
Siting variation approval if issued to state required Building approval to be obtained along with structural plans for deck, fence and Separation wall.			
Can approval be issued? Recommendation:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	On condition a splash proof, privacy fire separation wall is installed.

Inspector's Name	<u>Jason Burger</u>	Contact Number	<u>0438 605 811</u>	Date	<u>03/12/2024</u>
Signature					

11. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT
11.6 - Monthly Workplace Health and Safety Report - November 2024

11.6 Monthly Workplace Health and Safety Report - November 2024

This report provides a summary of Council's health and safety performance as at 30 November 2024, highlighting issues, risks and opportunities impacting on employee health and safety in the workplace.

Council Action

Recognise

Applicable Legislation

Local Government Act 2009

Local Government Regulation 2012

Work Health and Safety Act 2011

Work Health and Safety Regulation 2011

Policy Considerations

Workplace Health and Safety Policy – No. 10.2

Corporate and Operational Plan Considerations

Budget Considerations

Operational expenses year to date for Workplace Health and Safety are within current budget parameters.

Previous Council Resolutions related to this matter

Nil

Officer Comment

Responsible Officer/s:

Grace Cronin-Jones, Manager of Human Resources, Safety and Wellness

Background:

The Safety Team provide a monthly update report of Council's health and safety activities.

Team Update:

Operational updates for the month of November:

- This month the safety team farewelled two team members, our Workplace Health and Safety Advisor and Business Support Officer. We thank them for their valuable contribution in their time at Council and wish them all the best for the future. Recruitment for these positions is currently on-going with hopes of having new starters for January 2025.

Incident Report Summary:

In total, five incidents were reported for the month. These included:

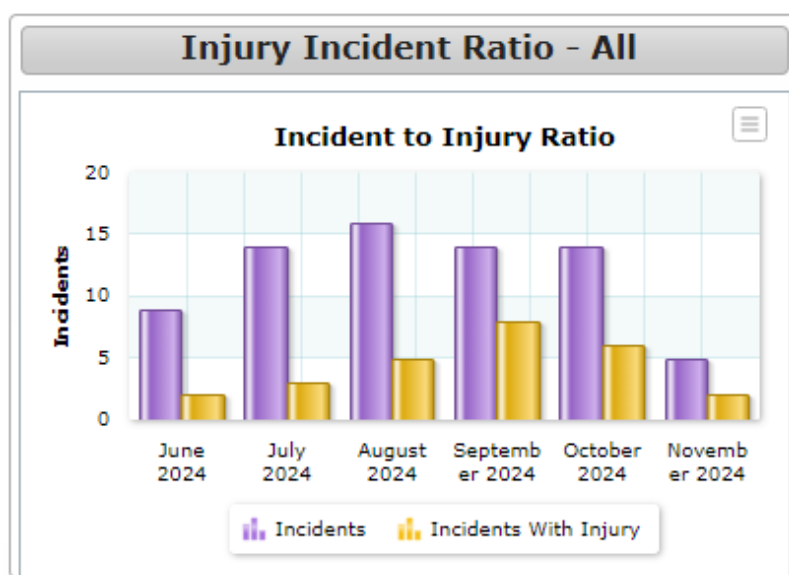
- Two personal injury incidents, consisting of:
 - One was a report only, due to poor manual handling.
 - One minor first aid incident.

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- One notifiable incident, whereby an electrical line was exposed by a contractor at a Council facility. This incident was reported to WHSQ due to the line being unidentifiable both on the current plans and not marked via the appropriate identification methods. This matter is still under investigation.
- There were two near miss incidents reported involving high risk work where there was potential for a serious injury or incident to occur. These matters are currently being reviewed to prevent reoccurrence and identify rectification actions.

The below graph depicts the incident to injury ratio, year to date:



Risk Management Factors:

This matter has been assessed using Council's Risk Matrix to decide the likelihood and consequence of any risk to Council:

Likelihood: Response
Consequence: Minor
Rating: M6

Risk rating is applicable to the information provided within the Council report and is not intended to be an overarching risk rating of Council Safety Management System. Risk assessments continue to be utilised across Council's work environments to ensure that suitable controls for hazards are identified and implemented.

Community Consultation:

N/A

Environmental Management Factors:

N/A

Other Comments:

Nil

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Recommendation:

That Council receives the Workplace Health and Safety update as at 30 November 2024, as presented.

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11.7 - Information Report - Planning and Development Report

11.7 Information Report - Planning and Development Report

This report provides an update on Development Services that has occurred during the month of November 2024.

Council Action

Deliver

Applicable Legislation

Local Government Act 2009

Local Government Regulation 2012

Policy Considerations

N/A

Corporate and Operational Plan Considerations

OUR COMMUNITY	
	Corporate Plan Outcome
1.1	Council infrastructure and services support liveability and community amenity.
OUR ECONOMY	
	Corporate Plan Outcome
2.2	Council infrastructure and services support local industries and growth opportunities.
OUR LEADERSHIP	
	Corporate Plan Outcome
5.2	Informed and considered decision making based on effective governance practices.

Budget Considerations

Nil

Previous Council Resolutions related to this Matter

Nil

Officer Comment

Responsible Officer/s:

Emily O'Hanlon, Business Support Officer

Simon Kuttner, Manager of Governance and Economy

Background:

This information report provides a monthly update on the planning services that Council provides to support planning and development activity across the local government area.

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11.7 - Information Report - Planning and Development Report

Issue:

1. DEVELOPMENT ASSESSMENT

No new applications have been received by Council since the last monthly report. Four applications have recently been decided and in their appeal period.

The following applications were decided at the November General meeting with the decision notices issued to the applicants soon thereafter. The applications are in their appeal period, which runs for a period of 20 business days. During the appeal period, an appeal can be filed with the Planning and Environment Court. The Appeal Period for the applications is expected to finish around 7 January 2025.

1.1	Council reference:	DA24/25-005
	Application:	Development Permit for a Reconfiguring a Lot (1 lot into 2 lots)
	Street address:	605 Cramsie Muttaborra Road, Longreach
	Property description:	Lot 2 on RP864458
	Day application was made:	23 September 2024
	Category of assessment:	Code
	Public notification required:	No
	Applicant:	Simone and Martin Thomason C/- Murray & Associates (QLD) Pty Ltd
	Decision:	Approved 21 November 2024
	Status:	Appeal period
1.2	Council reference:	DA24/25-006
	Application:	Development Permit for a Material Change of Use for a Multiple dwelling
	Street address:	85 Crane Street, Longreach
	Property description:	Lot 16 on L3573
	Day application was made:	23 September 2024
	Category of assessment:	Code
	Public notification required:	No
	Applicant:	B T Hunt Building Pty Ltd
	Decision:	Approved 21 November 2024
Status:	Appeal period	
1.3	Council reference:	DA24/25-002
	Application:	Development Permit for Development Permit for a Reconfiguring a Lot (boundary realignment)
	Street address:	2 Saint Frances Street, Isisford
	Property description:	Lot 105 on I2121
	Day application was made:	23 September 2024
	Category of assessment:	Code
	Public notification required:	No
Applicant:	Michael Murray Tomlinson C/- Murray	

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		& Associates (QLD) Pty Ltd
	Decision:	Approved 21 November 2024
	Status:	Appeal period
1.4	Council reference:	DA24/25-003
	Application:	Development Permit for a Material Change of Use for a Telecommunications Facility
	Street address:	Ilfracombe Road, Longreach
	Property description:	Lot 172 on PD191
	Day application was made:	2 August 2024
	Category of assessment:	Impact
	Public notification required:	Yes
	Applicant:	Amplitel Pty Ltd
	Decision:	Refused 21 November 2024
	Status:	Appeal period

2. GENERAL PLANNING SERVICES, ENQUIRIES AND ADVICE

2.1 CUSTOMER REQUESTS

The following customer requests have been received and responded to over the past month:

PLANNING ENQUIRIES			
Date received	Customer Details	Details of Enquiry	Status
21/10/24	Landowner	<u>Request</u> Council received a request about establishing a shed. <u>Advice</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The site is in Rural zone • The site contains an existing dwelling • The shed will be building works only • Building works is accepted development in the Rural zone • Accepted development means a planning approval is not required • Building approval would still be required. 	Closed
11/11/24	State Government Entity	<u>Request</u> Council received a request to provide comment on a public housing project. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The site is located in the Low 	Ongoing

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PLANNING ENQUIRIES			
Date received	Customer Details	Details of Enquiry	Status
		<p>density residential zone</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council was provided with a conceptual plan with limited detail • Council has requested further information including plans, a description of the proposal and other details to ensure Council can provide informed comments • Council is waiting receipt of the further detail before providing comment. 	
4/11/24	Town Planner	<p><u>Request</u> Council received a request about establishing a small satellite station.</p> <p><u>Advice</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The site is in the Community facility zone • The facility is a standalone facility and not ancillary to any other use and is therefore a material change of use • The proposed facility would be defined as a Telecommunications facility • A Telecommunications facility is subject to Code assessment in the Community facility zone • Code assessment means a development application will need to be lodged with Council for assessment. 	Closed
4/11/24	Potential purchaser	<p><u>Request</u> Council received a request about the use of an existing hangar, including whether anyone could reside in it.</p> <p><u>Advice</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The site is in the Community facility zone • A hangar is defined as Air services • Air services definition doesn't include an ancillary caretaker's 	Closed

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PLANNING ENQUIRIES			
Date received	Customer Details	Details of Enquiry	Status
		accommodation provision • Caretakers' accommodation and other residential types of uses would be Impact assessable where in the Community facility zone and not supportable.	
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATES			
Date received	Customer details	Type	Status
Nil			
EXEMPTION CERTIFICATES			
Nil			
SURVEY PLAN ENDORSEMENT			
29/11/2024	DA24/25-002	ROL 2 St Frances St - SP341507	Submitted

Development Applications Received

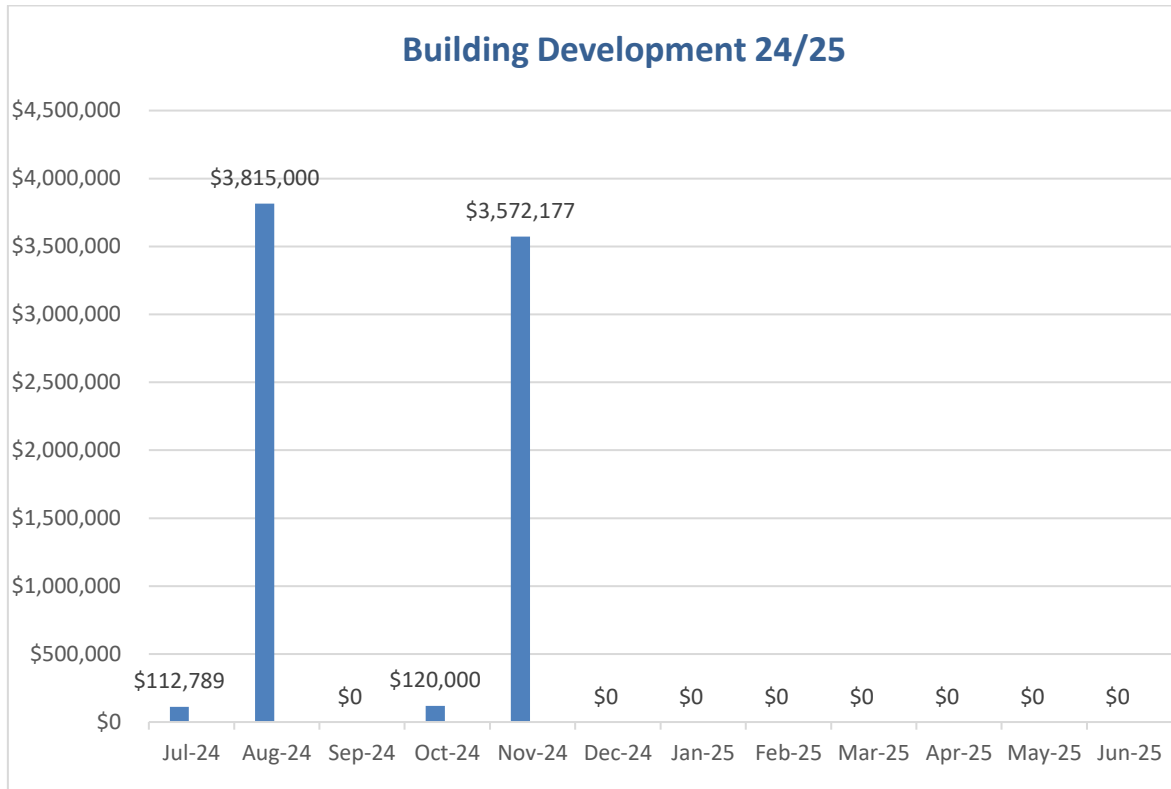
Application Type	November	YTD
Building (Council Certifier)	5	12
Building (Private Certifier)	0	2
Certificate of Classification	0	0
Change of Classification	0	0
Endorsement of Survey Plan	1	2
Exemption Certificate	0	0
Material Change of Use (MCU)	0	2
Minor Change (MCU)	0	0
Minor Change (Op Works)	0	0
Building Work (Assessable)	0	0
Operational Works	0	0
Plumbing & Drainage	0	5
Reconfiguration of a Lot	0	3
Siting Variation	1	1
Building Record Searches/ Planning Certificates	2	8
Operational Works - Bore	1	1
Total	10	36

Project Value of Building Applications

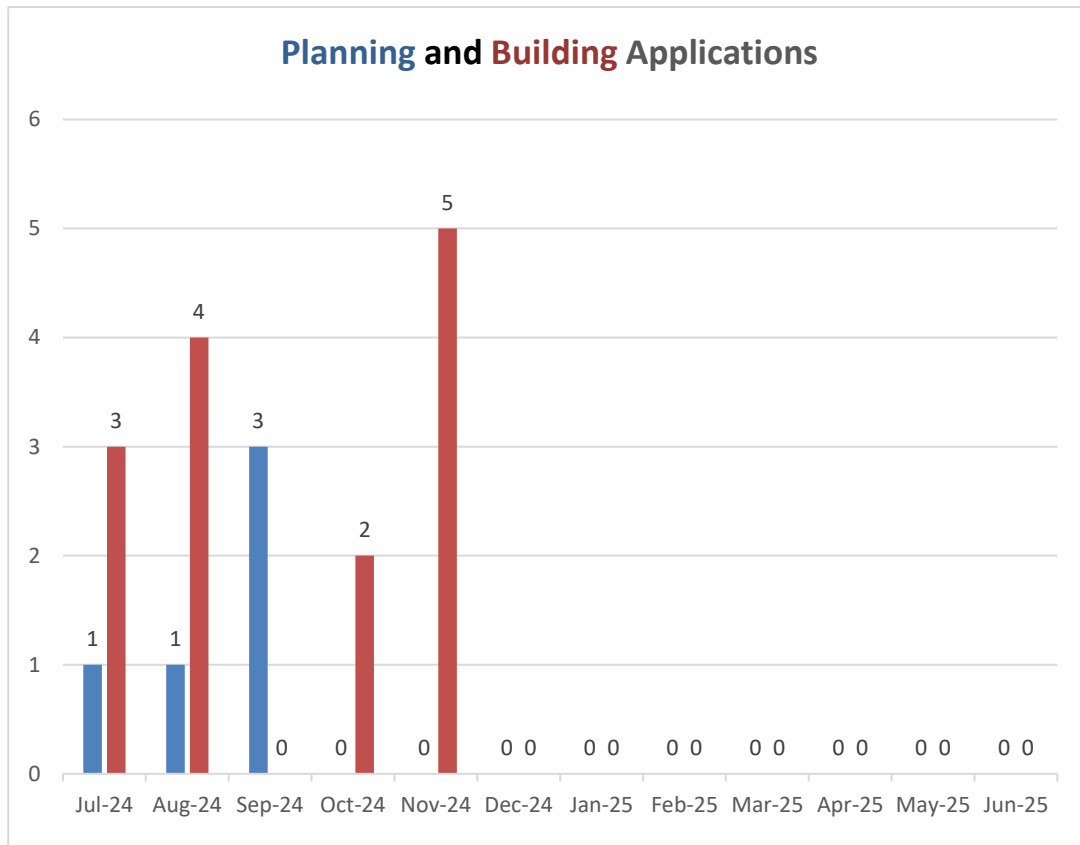
Date	Development Type	Development Details	Value of Work	Location
Carried FWD			\$4,047,789	

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21/11/2024	Building	Dwelling	\$596,623	Longreach
21/11/2024	Building	Dwelling	\$599,389	Longreach
21/11/2024	Building	Dwelling x 2	\$1,143,566	Longreach
21/11/2024	Building	Dwelling x 2	\$1,132,599	Longreach
27/11/2024	Building	Sheds x 2	\$100,000	Longreach
		Total for November	\$3,572,177	
		Total for 24/25 Year	\$7,619,966	



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Risk Management Factors:

This matter has been assessed using Council’s Risk Matrix to decide the likelihood and consequence of any risk to Council:

Likelihood: Rare
 Consequence: Insignificant
 Rating: Low (1/25)

Risk has been calculated based on proceeding as recommended.

Environmental Management Factors:

Nil

Other Comments:

Nil

Recommendation:

That Council receives the Planning and Development information report, as presented.

11. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT
11.8 - Information Report - Governance

11.8 Information Report - Governance

This report provides an update on a range of activities that have occurred over the previous month for the Governance Directorate.

Council Action

Recognise
Deliver

Applicable Legislation

Local Government Act 2009
Local Government Regulation 2012

Policy Considerations

Nil

Corporate and Operational Plan Considerations

OUR LEADERSHIP	
Corporate Plan Outcome	
5.2	Informed and considered decision making based on effective governance practices

Budget Considerations

Nil

Previous Council Resolutions related to this Matter

Nil

Officer Comment

Responsible Officer: *Brett Walsh, Chief Executive Officer*

Background:

Officers provide an information update to Council on a monthly basis to outline achievements, challenges and statistical information for the various functional areas of Council.

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Issue:
Calendar of Council Events

December 2024			
3 Tuesday 12:00pm	Budget Workshop	Fairmount Room	Councillors Executive Leadership Team
11 Wednesday 10.00am	Briefing Session	Council Chambers, Longreach Civic Centre	Councillors Executive Leadership Team
12 Thursday 9.00am	Ordinary Council Meeting	Council Chambers, Longreach Civic Centre	Councillors Executive Leadership Team Open to the public
January 2025			
22 Wednesday 10.00am	Briefing Session	Council Chambers, Longreach	Councillors Executive Leadership Team
23 Thursday 9.00am	Ordinary Council Meeting	Council Chambers, Longreach	Councillors Executive Leadership Team Open to the public
26 January	Australia Day	Regional	
February 2025			
19 Wednesday 10.00am	Briefing Session	Council Chambers, Longreach	Councillors Executive Leadership Team
20 Thursday 9.00am	Ordinary Council Meeting	Council Chambers, Ilfracombe	Councillors Executive Leadership Team Open to the public

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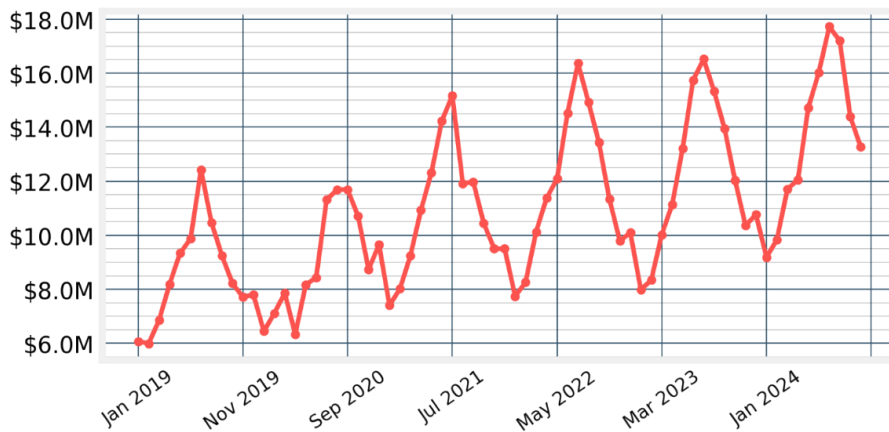
Economic/Consumer Spending Data (Spendmapp)

November data is not available at the time of agenda compilation. Presented here is data for October 2024:

Total Local Spend was \$13.3M. This is a 10.2% increase from the same time last year. Resident Local Spend was \$8.56M. This is a 17.8% increase from the same time last year. Visitor Local Spend was \$4.72M. This is a 1.28% decrease from the same time last year. Resident Escape Spend was \$5.4M. An 8.7% increase from the same time last year.

Total Local Spend

The total amount spent with merchants within the Longreach Regional Council LGA.



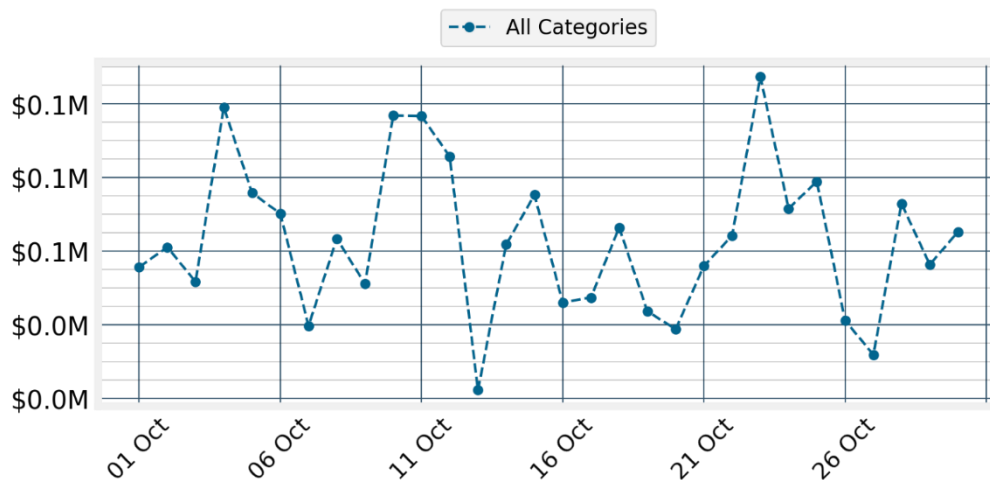
The Top 3 Suburbs by Resident Escape Spend for October 2024

Resident Escape Spend by destination Suburbs (i.e. where the spending goes to):

- Emerald: \$614k
- Brisbane City: \$208k
- Torrington, Qld: \$180k

Night Time Economy for October 2024

The biggest spending night of the month of October 2024 was Wednesday 23 October.



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Small Business Update

Council distributed a Small Business Update, on 29 November.

[View in a browser here](#)



The update featured articles on:

- Consumer Spending Data
- ACCC - Gift cards and discount vouchers
- Marketing health check
- Self-Employment Assistance
- TAFE Qld - Workforce management
- ASIC - Running a small business in Australia: What you need to know
- Funding Opportunities

Reach

- The email was sent to 861 addresses
- 357 people opened the email a total of 539 times
- It failed to reach 5 addresses, either because they were incorrect or because of spam filters
- 4 people unsubscribed

Activity

27 clicks have been generated on links in the email with the top performers being:

- ACCC - Gift cards and discount vouchers
- Council's Economy Page
- Building Women's Careers Program
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Human Resources

Staffing Levels as at 30 November 2024

ALL Employees FTE	Operational	Admin/ Supervisors	Contract	Total	Last Month	30/06/2024
Full Time	81	52	11	144	142	147
Permanent Part Time	4.55	3.97	0.83	9.35	8.37	8.67
Contracted Staff (Consultants)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Permanent Employees	85.55	55.97	11.83	153.35	150.37	155.67
Temporary Full Time	2.0	5.0	-	7.0	9.0	6.0
Temporary Part Time	-	0.69	-	0.69	0.69	0.69
Apprentices - Trades	2.0	-	-	2.0	3.0	3.0
Traineeships	-	1.0	-	1.0	2.0	2.0
Casual Staff	2.0	1.66	-	3.66	3.94	3.37
Total Temporary Employees	6.00	8.35	-	14.35	17.63	15.06
Total Current Employees FTE	91.55	64.32	11.83	167.70	168.00	170.73
Current Vacant Positions	11.00	6.00	2.00	19.00	22.0	15.0
Complement FTE				186.70	190.00	185.73

BSO Safety	Customer Service Coordinator
Safety Coordinator	Director Childcare Centre
Finance Officer	Part-Time Childcare Assistant (20 hrs)
Director of Communities	Casual Assistant Educator
Building Maintenance Officer (12 Mths)	Plant Operator/Stabiliser
Engagement & Comms Coordinator	Plant Operator/Labourer
Plant Operator/Labourer	Plant Operator/Truck
Leading Hand Mechanic	Utilities Manager
Leading Hand Plumber	Plumber
Cadet Engineer (Fixed Term)	

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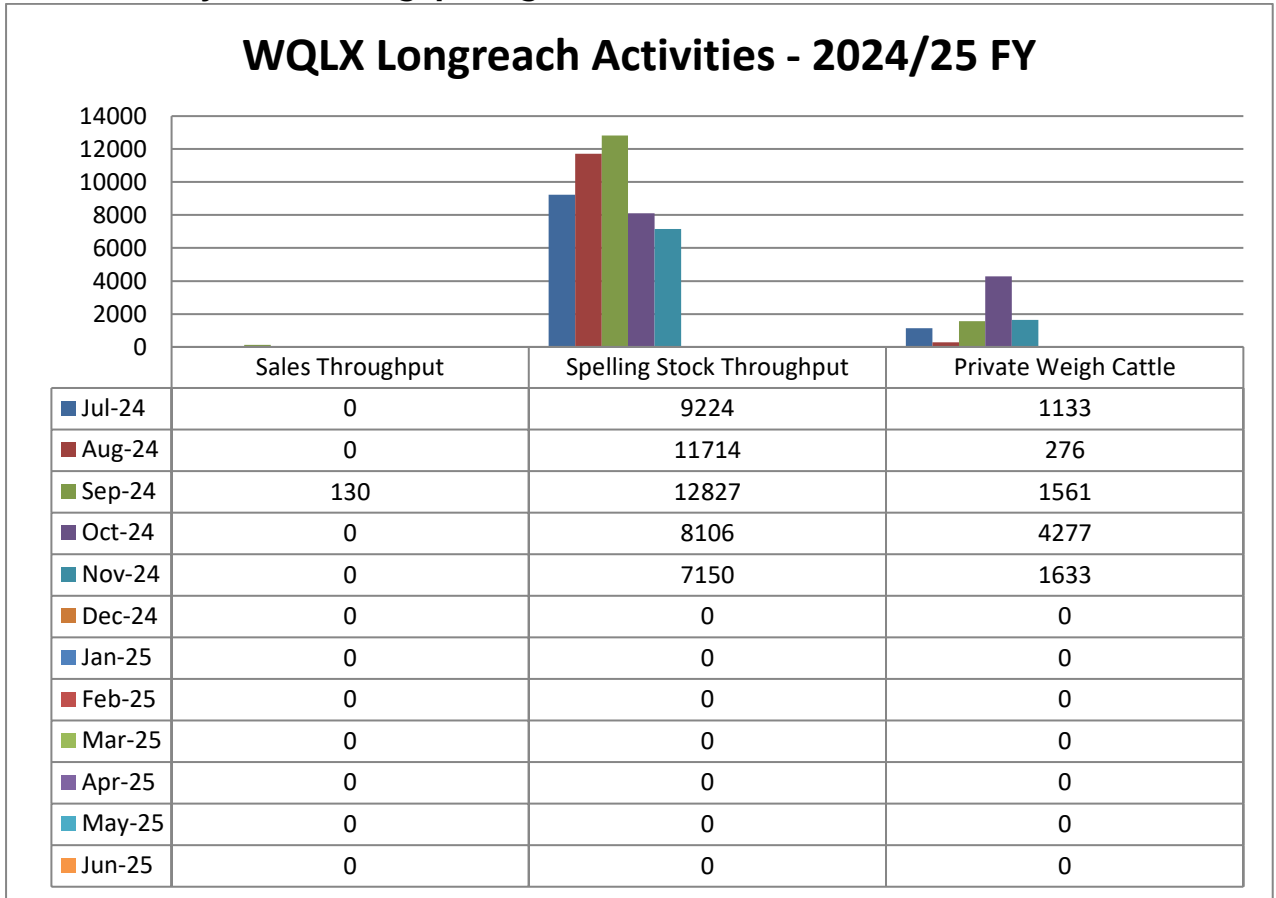
Regional Recovery and Resilience Coordinator Council Report

Following is a summary of activities undertaken by the Regional Recovery and Resilience Coordinator during November 2024

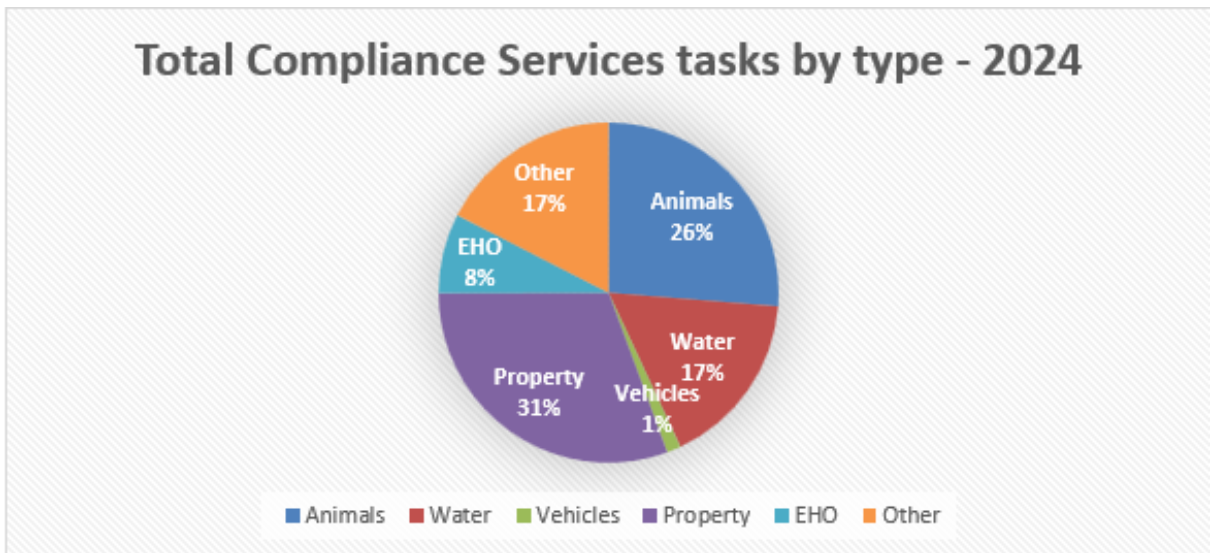
- Attended QPS Doctrine and Guidelines Stakeholder Engagement Workshop - State Disaster Management Plan and Prevention, Preparedness, Response and Recovery Disaster Management Guideline at Longreach
- Attended Longreach District Disaster Management Group meeting at Longreach
- Met with Helen Styles, Principal Community Recovery Officer to discuss Council's role with disaster management and recovery
- Attended Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements for Queensland Councils (FY24/25) via Teams
- Attended meeting with SES Local Controller and council staff to discuss priorities for SES Support Grant 2025/26 Application
- Site visit to Longreach SES training venue to discuss building improvements to support the SES Support Grant 2025/26 Application
- Attended Longreach Airport Bi-annual Security Committee Meeting at the Longreach Airport
- Attended First Aid and CPR training at Longreach
- Attended a workshop at Bundaberg to discuss the considerations and processes to evacuate rural Queensland communities impacted by a disaster event. Invited by Griffith University to attend the workshop
- Met with members of the Hazard and Risk Unit from Queensland Reconstruction Authority in Brisbane to discuss a forthcoming webinar to revise Queensland's disaster risk assessment methodology

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Saleyards - Throughput Figures

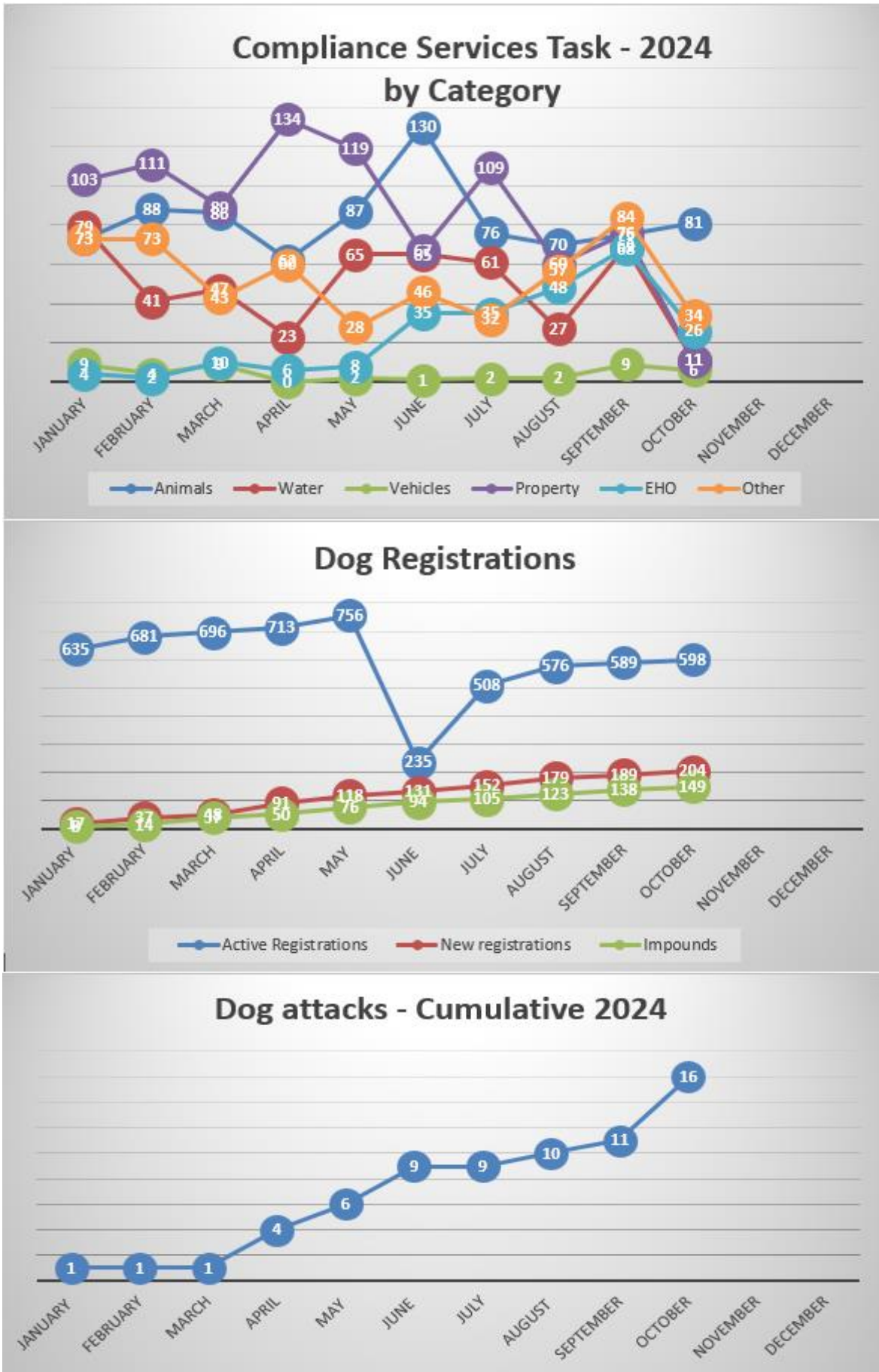


Regulatory Services - Compliance



*Other – CSR’s, Equipment maintenance, After hours call outs, Impound Maintenance, Illegal dumping/littering, Pound incidents, Aggression in workplace/community, Stock Squad assistance, Pest weed spray assistance

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Regulatory Services – Environmental Health

The contractor EHO is shared between RAPAD Councils, and periodically attends each Council for food business inspections and other matters as available. Contract EHO reports:

EHO Action Report.

All Council Areas:

- Draft Food Business Application Form sent to all council areas for editing and approval.
- Community Group (not-for Profit Organisations) Food Safety Training. Development Stage.
- Draft Temporary Food Business Application Form.
- Draft Caravan Park Inspection form. (Checks completed and waiting for approval)
- Draft Caravan Park Application Form. Final Stages.
- Inquiry sent to all Councils, regarding *Subordinate Local Laws 1, Prescribed Activity/s* Caravan Park Licensing and inspections. Ongoing.
- Draft Personal Appearance Services (PAS) Application. Final Stage. (Final checks and approvals with Blackall Admin & Barcaldine Admin, Respectively).
- Sent Personal Appearance Services (PAS) Inspection form to all Councils, to add Logos to document.
- Food Business Renewal Form. Approved by Boulia and sent to all other councils.
- Inquiry sent to all Councils, regarding Public Pool water testing. Referencing *Subordinate Local Laws 1, Prescribed Activity/s*

Longreach:

Food Business

- Food Business Re-Inspection Conducted.
- Food Business Application Assessment. Ongoing
- Legislative Clarification Inquiry/s. Actioned & Closed.
- Food Business Renewals.
- Complaint/s investigated and closed.

Environmental Management/ Public Health

- Customer Consultation/s. Information & Suggestions given.
- Inquiry and Information support.
- Legislative hierarchy of Public Accommodation. Shared.

Pest Management:

All Councils:

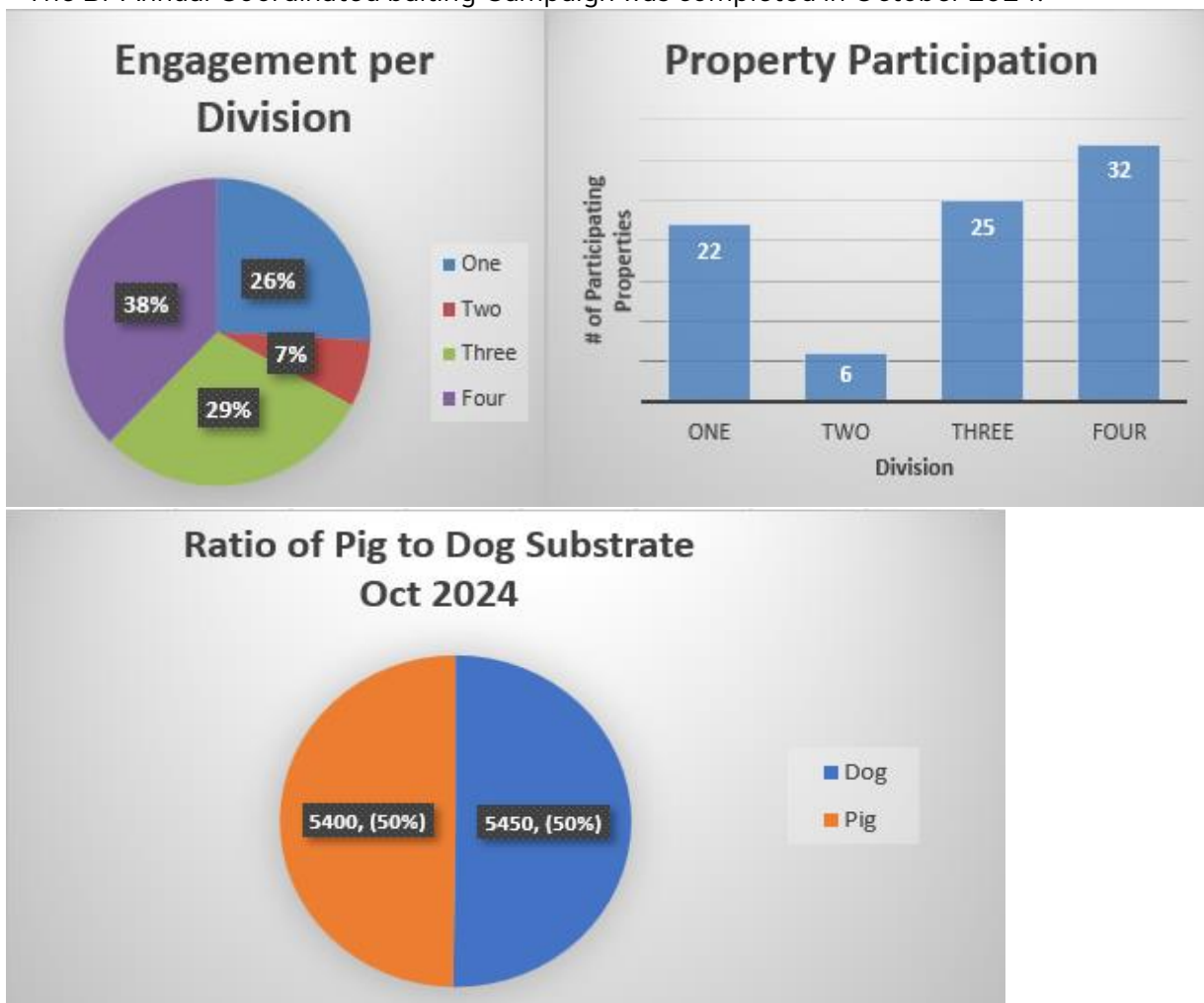
- Started developing a Mosquito Management Plan for RAPAD Region. With Blackall Admin for editing & Checks.
- Inquired into Mosquito Surveillance Equipment Costs.
- Consulted with Rockhampton Public Health Unit.
- Consulting with Arbovirus Sentinel Program – Metro North Public Health Unit

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Regulatory Services – Rural Lands

Wild Dog and Feral Pig Baiting Program

The Bi-Annual Coordinated baiting Campaign was completed in October 2024.



Snapshot

Meat Substrate Supplied by Council	10.9 tonne
Total Properties participating in October 2024 Program	85
Indicative total Employee Hours completing 1080 Bait program	209 hours
Total Cost of October 2024 Program	\$108,424.00
Funding generated from Rate Pest Control Levy	\$52,123.46

Bexley Project

Biosecurity Queensland and Department of Agriculture and Fisheries attended Bexley and assisted with a team spray project over 4 days across the top of the escarpment.

To date 369 hours of paid contract spraying has been undertaken (between Council and RAPAD) with further work being programmed for the coming months. Cochineal is still being monitored; observations indicate some expansion of range but again difficult to quantify due to access limitations.

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Pest Animals

Rural Lands are currently working on the tender contract for Wild Dog Contractors, which will close on the 8 November 2024. There has been a significant increase in feral cats with recent wild cat destructions reported to be occurring from local landholders and our regular pest animal providers.

Division	Scalp Bounty - Dog 24/25 YTD	Contract Dog Trapper 24/25 YTD	Scalp Bounty – Cat 24/25 YTD
1			
2			
3			
4	111		104
Total	111	0	104

Summary of main tasks / issues completed by Rural Lands department during the month:

- Wild dog and feral pig baiting program
- Pest weed spraying, mapping and reporting
- Repair and maintenance of QuikSpray units and other plant
- Assistance with the Bexley Project Snake Cactus Project
- After-hours on-call roster, shared with Compliance Officers

Risk Management Factors:

This matter has been assessed using Council’s Risk Matrix to decide the likelihood and consequence of any risk to Council:

Likelihood: Rare
Consequence: Insignificant
Rating: Low (1/25)

Low risk, information report only

Community Consultation:

Nil

Environmental Management Factors:

Nil

Other Comments:

Nil

Recommendation:

That Council receives the Governance Information Report, as presented.

11. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

11.9 - Chief Executive Officer's Council Report

11.9 Chief Executive Officer's Council Report

This report provides an update on a range of activities that have occurred over the previous month for the Chief Executive Officer.

Council Action

Recognise
Deliver

Applicable Legislation

Local Government Act 2009
Local Government Regulation 2012

Policy Considerations

Nil

Corporate and Operational Plan Considerations

OUR LEADERSHIP	
Corporate Plan Outcome	
5.2	Informed and considered decision making based on effective governance practices

Budget Considerations

Nil

Previous Council Resolutions related to this Matter

Nil

Officer Comment

Responsible Officer/s: Brett Walsh, Chief Executive Officer

Background:

The Chief Executive Officer provides an information update to Council to outline activities undertaken since the last meeting.

Issue:

Chief Executive Officer Update

Following is a summary of activities undertaken for the period to 13 November 2024.

Strategic Leadership

- Attend RAPAD, ORRTG, RAPADWSA and CWRPMG meetings in Brisbane
- Attend COWS meeting
- Attend LGAQ Policy Executive briefing

Operational Management

- Progress the MID and RIDA applications for the Longreach weirs
- Participate in Inspections Workshop with senior leaders
- Attend demonstrations of new meeting software

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Financial Management

- Attend 2026 budget strategy workshop
- Attend QTC Economic Update (webinar)

Workforce Capability

- Finalise major structure changes

Stakeholder Engagement

- Meet with Desert Channels Qld Board to discuss future projects
- Attend Longreach State School Year Six Graduation Ceremony
- Meet with representatives from Sport and Rec Qld
- Meet with Assistant Minister and Member for Gregory, Sean Dillon
- Meet with Minister Ann Leahy
- Meet with Ministers Dale Last and Andrew Powell re opal industry
- Attend Friends of RAPAD event
- Attend dinner with Joseph O'Brien from VisIR
- Meet with Rowing Australia representatives
- Meet with QBuild representatives re new housing development
- Attend Not So Silent Night function
- Attend Outback Futures function

Risk Management

- Attend Local Disaster Management Group meeting

Risk Management Factors:

This matter has been assessed using Council's Risk Matrix to decide the likelihood and consequence of any risk to Council:

Likelihood: Rare
Consequence: Insignificant
Rating: Low (1/25)
Low risk, information report only

Community Consultation:

Nil

Environmental Management Factors:

Nil

Other Comments:

Traffic Advisory Group Actions

Meeting Date	Action Owner	Action Description	Status
2/08/2023	TMR	TMR to undertake speed limit review on Landsborough Highway (13F) to investigate warrants for relocating 110km/h zone past the turn off to Apex Park and Muddy Duck caravan site.	Open

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2/08/2023	TMR/LRC	Warning signs for Trucks approaching Roundabout INT 95B/13C from north - signs to be ordered by TMR and installed by LRC.	Open
23/04/2024	TMR	TMR will arrange a site inspection of Ilfracombe-Aramac road with LRC and QPS. TMR will also share any information about insurance in relation to using RRUN permits.	Open
23/04/2024	TMR	TMR will provide the Group with any information about insurance in relation to using RRUN permits.	Open
23/04/2024	LRC	LRC to initiate a review of its road closure and opening process following feedback from QPS about time of closure and importance of keeping the highways moving.	Open
23/04/2024	TMR	TMR to liaise with LRC to identify safety improvements at Beersheba Place roundabout / Landsborough Highway (Longreach - Winton) for inclusion in upcoming funding submissions.	Open
24/10/2024	TMR	TMR to consider double barrier lines on the Thomson River crossing following report of near miss at apex park intersection. To be considered as part of road safety audit.	Open
24/10/2024	TMR	TMR to consider speed assurance signs on Landsborough Highway between Longreach and Winton.	Open
24/10/2024	TMR	TMR to consider the removal of Silsoe direction signage at Silsoe Rd intersection with the Landsborough. Replace with Silsoe Rd sign only.	Open
24/10/2024	TMR	TMR to black out linemarking opposite truck stop in Longreach to avoid confusion.	Open
24/10/2024	TMR	TMR to liaise with LRC to investigate signage at truck stop in Longreach to allow move on orders to be given to long term parking vehicles.	Open
24/10/2024	TMR	TMR to seek advice on speed camera offset to the road from Safer Road team.	Open
24/10/2024	TMR	TMR to investigate safety improvements at Longreach School of Distance Education and report back at next TAG meeting.	Open
24/10/2024	TMR	TMR to investigate the provision of folding speed signs across the Thomson River crossing to allow speed reductions for QPS enforcement activities at rest areas.	Open

Recommendation:

That Council receives the Chief Executive Officer's report, as presented.

12. FINANCE REPORT

12.1 - Asset Policies - Review

12. Finance Report

12.1 Asset Policies - Review

Review of the Asset Policies

Council Action

Deliver

Applicable Legislation

Local Government Act 2009

Local Government Regulation 2012

Policy Considerations

Nil

Corporate and Operational Plan Considerations

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	Corporate Plan Outcome
5.2	Informed and considered decision making based on effective governance practices.

Budget Considerations

Nil

Previous Council Resolutions related to this Matter

(Res-2023-12-320)

Moved Cr Emslie seconded Cr Paterson

That Council repeals the Asset and Services Management Policy No. 1.3 and Asset (Accounting) Management Policy No. 1.4.

Officer Comment

Responsible Officer/s: *David Wilson, Chief Financial Officer*

Background:

Council currently manages a portfolio of assets with a replacement value of half a billion dollars. The way that Council manages and accounts for its non-current assets will have a significant impact on its sustainability and the presentation of its financial statements.

Issue:

The attached policies set out both operational and accounting principles in managing Council's non-current assets. The policies clarify Council's position in these issues to:

- assist management in developing procedures to manage the acquisition and disposal of non-current assets,
- make it clear to auditors how council accounts for its non-current assets,
- establish instructions for the valuation of Council's non-current assets.

The four policies submitted for adoption include:

- a) Acquisition and recognition of assets – this policy sets out when a transaction creates an asset, the amount under which a transaction is treated as an expense and refers to

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the Strategic Asset Management Plan and the Project Decision Making Framework when making investment decisions.

- b) Valuation of assets – this policy sets out how Council performs revaluations to ensure assets are recognised at fair value in the financial statements.
- c) Depreciation and amortisation – this policy sets out how Council will account for the depreciation of its non-current assets.
- d) Disposal of non-current assets – this policy sets out how decisions are made for the disposal of non-current assets.

All policies have been based on the Non-Current Asset Policies established by Queensland Treasury for Queensland Government entities.

To assist in reading the policies, operational matters have been highlighted yellow.

Risk Management Factors:

This matter has been assessed using Council's Risk Matrix to decide the likelihood and consequence of any risk to Council:

Likelihood: Rare
Consequence: Minor
Rating: Low

The policies will assist in reducing the risk of misstatement of financial statements and the risk of poor operational decisions regarding the acquisition and disposal of assets.

Community Consultation:

N/A

Environmental Management Factors:

Nil

Other Comments:

Nil


Appendices

- 1. Acquisition and recognition of assets ↓
- 2. Valuation of assets ↓
- 3. Depreciation and amortisation ↓
- 4. Disposal of non-current assets ↓

Recommendation:

That Council adopts the following policies as presented:

- a) *Acquisition and recognition of assets,*
- b) *Valuation of assets,*
- c) *Depreciation and amortisation,*
- d) *Disposal of non-current assets.*

Acquisition and recognition of assets		 Longreach Regional Council
Policy Number:		
Policy Category:	Financial	
Authorised by:		
Date approved:		
Review Date:		

PURPOSE

This non-current asset policy describes the framework and principles underlying the acquisition and recognition of all classes of assets.

OBJECTIVE

The objectives of this policy are:

- Ensure Longreach Regional Council (Council) complies with all relevant legislation and is closely aligned with Queensland Treasury's Non-Current Asset Policies.
- Manages its assets in a sustainable manner and for the purpose of delivering services.
- Prepares financial statements that present a fair and true representation of Council's financial position.

LEGISLATION

Local Government Act 2009 (Act)

Local Government Regulation 2012 (Regulation)

Australian Accounting Standards

REFERENCES

Queensland Treasury Non-Current Asset Policies (NCAP).¹

Australian Accounting Standards

Council's Strategic Asset Management Plan

Council's Project Decision Making Framework

DEFINITIONS AND CONCEPTS

- Asset
- A resource *controlled* by Council as a result of *past events* and from which *future economic benefits* are expected to flow to the entity.

ACQUIRING ASSETS

Council's Strategic Asset Management Plan and Project Decision Making Framework will set out the conditions and processes by which an asset investment decision is made. Assets may be acquired or constructed to replace or upgrade an existing asset or to add a new asset to

¹ This policy has been derived from this document and amended to suit Council's circumstances.

LRC's portfolio. Any asset addition must first be approved during the annual budget process or during a budget review process approved by Council resolution.

INITIAL RECOGNITION OF ASSETS

Circumstances resulting in the initial recognition of assets include:

- Acquisition involving consideration.
- Construction of assets by Council.
- Assets acquired at no cost or for nominal consideration.
- Assets not previously recognised.

Assets involving consideration

Property, plant and equipment acquired for consideration are accounted for in accordance with AASB 116. This Standard requires that an item of property, plant and equipment that qualifies for recognition as an asset shall initially be measured at its cost.

The cost of the right to use an item of property, plant and equipment held by a lessee under a lease is determined in accordance with AASB 16 Leases.

Construction of assets by Council

Council's costs that are incurred in constructing the asset and getting it ready for use are capitalised in a work in progress accounts until the construction has been completed and a new asset is recognised at its cost.

Assets acquired at no cost or for nominal consideration

Assets acquired at no cost or for a nominal consideration must be recognised initially at fair value as at the date of acquisition (refer to Valuation of Assets Policy). In such cases, the initial recognition is as a revenue item classified under 'Grants and Other Contributions', not as a credit to an asset revaluation surplus.

Further guidance regarding assets acquired at no cost or for nominal consideration is provided in paragraphs Aus15.1 to Aus15.3 of AASB 116. In the case of any intangible assets acquired at no cost or for a nominal consideration, fair value must only be recognised where there is an active market for the asset(s) concerned.

Assets not previously recognised

Changes in Accounting Estimates

Assets not recognised in previous periods that subsequently meet the recognition criteria (not as a result of an error) shall be recognised from the date that the criteria are met.

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Example

An amount may have been initially expensed because it was assessed as not probable that future economic benefits would result, based on the information available at that time e.g. costs of \$50,000 relating to the development of a software product were expensed as there was no viable asset at that time.

If new information comes to light to change that assessment, for example, there is now demand for the software product (i.e. probable future economic benefits will flow); an asset should be recognised in relation to any subsequent expenditure that exceeds the asset recognition threshold. If we now spend \$150,000 on further developing the item, the \$150,000 will be capitalised but not the previous \$50,000.

Revisions may be made to estimates if changes occur in the circumstances on which the estimate was based or as a result of new information or more experience.

Example

An entity purchased a painting for \$2,000. This amount was expensed at the time as the asset recognition threshold was \$5,000. Three years later, demand for the works of this particular artist increased, such that the painting is now valued at \$50,000.

This is considered a change in an accounting estimate, as new information has become available since the previous estimate was made. The entity cannot reverse the \$2,000 previously expensed, but should recognise the asset at its current fair value of \$50,000. The increase in value is treated as a revaluation of an asset recognised at zero value.

Asset	Dr	50,000	
Asset Revaluation Surplus	Cr		50,000

Errors

Where assets are identified that have not been previously recognised due to error e.g. during asset verification, this is treated as the correction of an error under AASB 108 Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors. Refer also to FRR 2C Changes in Accounting Policies and Estimates. Such errors include the effects of mathematical mistakes, mistakes in applying accounting policies, oversights or misinterpretation of facts, and fraud.

Material errors made and discovered in the same reporting period are generally corrected before the financial report is authorised for issue. However, where material errors are not discovered until a subsequent period, these prior period errors must be corrected in the comparative information presented in the financial report for that subsequent period. If the error occurred before the earliest period presented, the opening balances of assets, liabilities and equity shall be restated for the earliest prior period presented.

CAPITALISATION VS EXPENSING OF COSTS INCURRED

On initial recognition of an asset, or where subsequent costs are incurred, a decision must be made as to whether those costs are capitalised into the value of the asset or expensed through the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

On initial recognition, all costs incurred in purchasing or constructing the asset and getting it ready for use (including work in progress) are capitalised to the value of the asset. Examples of these costs are provided below. Costs incurred initially to purchase or construct an asset must be distinguished from costs incurred subsequently to add to, or replace part of, a completed asset, or to purchase or construct a separately identifiable asset.

In relation to costs incurred subsequent to the initial purchase, expenditure on assets must be capitalised (i.e. added to the carrying amount of the asset) when it improves the condition of the asset beyond its originally assessed standard of performance or capacity.

This can occur through:

- an increase in the annual service potential provided by the asset; or
- increasing the useful life of the asset.

Initial Purchases – Costs capitalised

The following costs are included in the cost of an item of property, plant and equipment upon initial purchase or construction and are capitalised:

- the purchase price, including import duties and non-refundable purchase taxes, after deducting trade discounts and rebates.
- any costs directly attributable to bringing the asset to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended. Examples of directly attributable costs include:
 - costs of employee expenses arising directly from the construction or acquisition of the item of property, plant and equipment;
 - costs of site preparation;
 - initial delivery and handling costs;
 - installation and assembly costs;
 - costs of testing whether the asset is functioning properly (after deducting the net proceeds from selling any items produced while bringing the asset to that location and condition, such as samples produced when testing equipment); and
 - professional fees.
- the initial estimate of the costs of dismantling and removing the item and restoring the site on which it is located, where that obligation is recognised and measured in accordance with *AASB 137 Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets*.

In the case of work in progress, Council Officers must ensure they assess the suitability of costs for capitalisation at the time they are incurred, to reduce the need for a subsequent impairment write-down.

Once the item of property, plant and equipment is in the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of being operated in the manner intended, the capitalising of costs must cease.

Initial Purchases – Costs expensed

General administration and other indirect/overhead costs and training costs are not to be capitalised.

Incidental Operations

Incidental operations may occur before or during construction or development activities. Because incidental operations are not necessary to bring an item to the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management, the income and related expenses of incidental operations are recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income and included in their respective classifications of income and expense in the relevant reporting period.

Third-Party Costs

In the course of constructing assets, particularly infrastructure assets, it may be necessary to relocate or replace assets belonging to another entity, e.g. removing and replacing pipes, relocating trees, relocating power lines, etc. Such costs may actually relate to assets which are controlled by another reporting entity (i.e. a third party). Third party costs that are directly attributable to, not just associated with, bringing Council's asset to the location and condition necessary for its intended operation, may be capitalised as per AASB 116 paragraph 16(b). To capitalise third party costs there must be a discernible nexus to evidence that such a cost is necessary in bringing the asset into the location and condition for its intended use.

Directly attributable costs need to be distinguished from costs incurred in connection with the acquisition of an asset but which are not necessary to bring the asset to the location and condition necessary for it to operate as intended. Examples of costs that are not considered to be directly attributable costs include:

- Ex gratia or special payments such as compensation for relocation costs paid to land occupants who are not legal owners of the land.
- Payments of a compensatory nature made to individuals, community groups or other organisations to ensure they are not disadvantaged by the construction work.
- Compensation paid to local businesses for loss of trade as a result of changes to the roads resulting in traffic being diverted around the location of their business are not be considered directly attributable costs and, therefore, should be expensed when incurred.

Demolition/Restoration Costs

Where an asset is to be demolished and a new asset constructed in its place, the carrying amount of the old asset must be written off in accordance with the provisions of AASB 116 and is not to be capitalised into the cost of the new asset under any circumstances.

Expenditure subsequent to Initial Purchase

Parts

Parts are generally classified as inventory and are recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income when consumed. However, major parts may be capitalised into the cost of the item of property, plant and equipment if the recognition principles as outlined in this policy are satisfied and either:

- Council expects to use the major parts or stand-by equipment during more than one period;
- or

- spare parts are purchased specifically for a particular asset or class of assets and would become redundant if that asset or class were discontinued.

If parts are capitalised, the remaining carrying amount of the replaced parts must be derecognised.

Repairs and Maintenance

Outlays that do not meet the criteria for recognition as an asset must be expensed as repairs and maintenance as incurred. For example, expenditure that merely restores an asset to its original functionality, or repairs damage or wear and tear that would have prevented the asset reaching its original estimated useful life, must be expensed as repairs and maintenance.

Replacement of Components

For some complex assets, significant components with different estimated useful lives are separately identified for accounting purposes. Deciding whether expenditure on asset components should be capitalised follows the same process outlined for assets above, i.e. does the expenditure increase the annual service potential or useful life of the component beyond the originally assessed standard. (Refer also to the Complex Assets Policy)

Day-to-Day Servicing

General day-to-day servicing of an item of property, plant and equipment is not to be capitalised into the cost of an asset. Generally, these costs will primarily be the costs of labour and consumables and may include the cost of immaterial parts. They are generally described as 'repairs and maintenance' and are recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income as incurred.

Overhauls/Refurbishments

Some items of property, plant and equipment may have parts which require replacement at regular intervals. For example, a furnace may need to be relined after a certain number of hours of use or aircraft interiors such as seats may require replacement several times during the life of the airframe of the aircraft. In other instances, items of property, plant and equipment may be renewed on an unplanned or ad hoc basis, such as replacing the interior walls of a building. In these instances, an agency recognises the cost of replacing part of such an item in the carrying amount of the item of property, plant and equipment when that cost is incurred only if the asset recognition criteria are met. The carrying amount of those parts that are replaced must be derecognised (refer to AASB 116 paragraphs 13 and 14).

Regular Major Inspections

As a condition of continuing to operate an item of plant and equipment, some agencies will be required to undertake regular major inspections for faults, regardless of whether faults are indicated or parts of the item are replaced. For example, some aircraft must have a major inspection every 5,000 flying hours (this may equate to approximately every five years). When each major inspection is performed, its cost is recognised as a replacement in the carrying amount of the item of property, plant and equipment if the recognition criteria are satisfied. Any remaining carrying amount of the cost of the previous inspection must be derecognised. Costs of performing every-day inspections are not to be capitalised.

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No Provisions for Future Maintenance

The creation of a provision for future maintenance of non-current assets is not permitted as such action would be inconsistent with the principles for the recognition of provisions as detailed in AASB 137 Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets. A provision is a liability and for a liability to be recognised, a past event must have occurred.

ASSET CLASSES AND RECOGNITION THRESHOLDS

A class of non-current assets is a grouping of assets of a similar nature and use in an entity's operations, which, for the purposes of disclosure, is shown as a single item in the financial report without supplementary dissection. That is, a class is the lowest note level disclosure in the financial statements. A description of each asset class adopted by Council is illustrated below.

Asset Class	Examples of Assets Forming the Asset Class
Land	Freehold and Trustee land including town common. Land under roads and reserve land is controlled by the Queensland Government and not recognised by Council.
Buildings	Buildings and building fit outs.
Road network	Roads, stormwater, bridges, culverts, footpaths, gutters.
Water and sewer network	Water treatment plants, sewer treatment plants, water mains, sewer mains, water storage areas.
Open spaces assets	Amenities, car parks, swimming pools, showgrounds.
Plant and equipment	Motor vehicles, construction equipment, office equipment.
Other plant and equipment	Office equipment, computer equipment.
Work in progress	Property, plant and equipment under construction or in the process of being constructed but yet to meet the recognition criteria of being in the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended.

Asset Class	Asset Recognition Threshold	Measurement Method
Land	\$1 (all land)	Revaluation
Buildings	\$10,000	Revaluation
Road network	\$10,000	Revaluation
Water and sewer network	\$10,000	Revaluation
Open spaces assets	\$10,000	Revaluation
Plant and equipment	\$5,000	Cost

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Other plant and equipment	\$5,000	Cost
Work in Progress	n/a	Cost

GROUPING OF ASSETS

Council will not group similar or like-natured assets, including personal computers, which do not meet the definition of a network. Only assets that form a network or part of a network are to be grouped for capitalisation. For the purposes of this policy, a network is defined as "A chain of interconnected but dissimilar assets connected for the provision of the one simultaneous service." Examples of a network of assets include:

- Computer network (excluding personal computers): the network includes the network operating system in the client and server machines, the cables connecting them and all supporting hardware in between such as bridges, routers and switches.
- Leasehold improvements: leasehold improvements include wall construction, painting, cabling, carpeting, glazing, joinery, built in desks, cabinets and work stations.
- Land improvements: including landscaping, sheds, retaining wall, parking lots, covered play areas, etc

PORTABLE AND ATTRACTIVE ITEMS

Certain items that have values below the asset recognition threshold are, by their nature, susceptible to theft or loss. Such items, termed portable and attractive, may include personal computers, programmable calculators, cameras, power tools, ladders and like items.

Regardless of the treatment of these types of assets for financial reporting purposes, such items must be registered for physical control purposes. It may be appropriate to specify a control threshold to exclude very low value items. Portable and attractive items are not reported in an agency's financial statements.

STOCKTAKES

Stocktake of assets (also known as asset verifications) are to be undertaken on a regular basis. That is, the existence of assets (including inventories), are to be verified on a regular basis.

The frequency of the asset verification procedure should be decided after considering the risk profile and materiality of each class of asset. For the purposes of this policy, 'regular' means, as a minimum, all assets are physically verified at least once every 3 years, on a rolling basis.

In undertaking the asset verification process, it is expected that the assets are sighted. Assets not located during this process are to be written off in that year, subject to materiality, in accordance with Council's Disposal of Non-Current Asset Policy, and authorised by an appropriately delegated officer.

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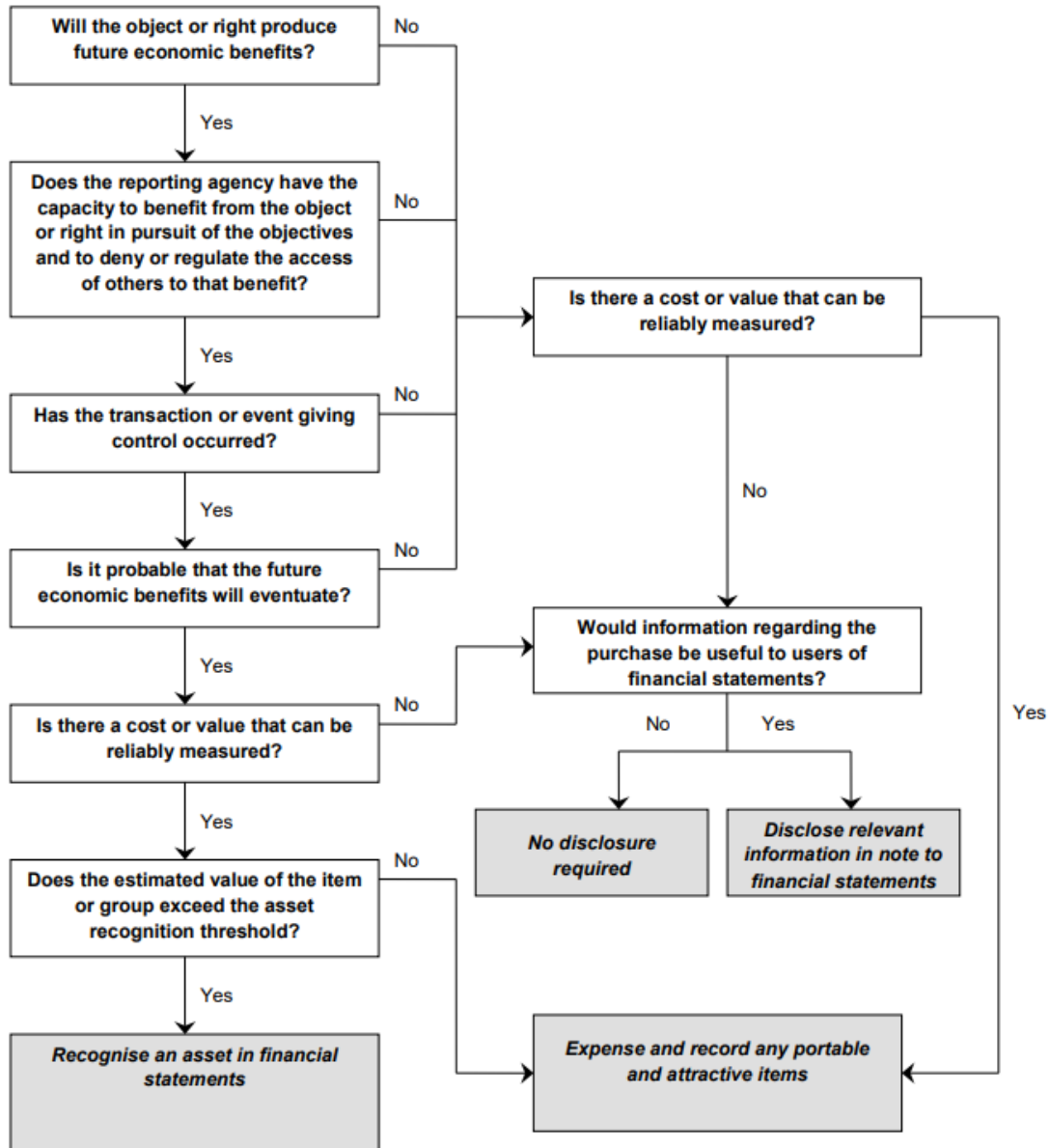
Land, building and infrastructure assets are generally verified during condition assessments or revaluations which are undertaken by an independent professional valuer or internal expert.

Authorised by resolution as at:

Chief Executive Officer

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APPENDIX 1 – ASSET RECOGNITION



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APPENDIX 2 – CAPITALISING VS EXPENSING EXAMPLES

Example Costs Incurred	Treatment
Cost to purchase an asset (including import duties, non-refundable purchase taxes) minus any trade discounts and rebates.	Capitalise – this represents initial cost to acquire the asset.
Initial delivery and handling of an asset.	Capitalise – these costs are directly attributable in bringing the asset to the location necessary for it to be capable of operating in its intended manner.
Installation and assembly of an asset.	Capitalise – directly attributable in bringing the asset into the condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in its intended manner.
Removing and replacing pipes owned by another entity in the process of building a weir.	Capitalise – necessarily incurred in completing the project of building the weir (i.e. unavoidable in constructing the weir).
Major refurbishment of an office in a building resulting in increased capacity (accommodates more staff or changes its function).	Capitalise – improves the condition of the room of the building beyond its originally assessed standard of capacity through increased annual service potential.
Costs incurred in training staff on a asset.	Expense – not directly attributable in preparing the asset for use.
Minor works done to maintain the asset to ensure it continues at the current level of service until the end of its useful life.	Expense – does not improve the condition of the asset beyond its originally assessed standard or performance or capacity i.e. it does not increase the annual service potential, nor does it increase its useful life.
Repainting walls in a building.	Expense – maintaining the condition of the building and does not improve the condition of the building such that it increases its annual service potential or its useful life.
Re-grading an unsealed road that has been damaged by flood waters and restoring it to its original condition.	Expense – does not improve the condition of the asset beyond its originally assessed standard or performance or capacity i.e. it does not increase the annual service potential, nor does it increase its useful life.
Improving a road that has been damaged by flood waters as part of a betterment project.	Capitalise – improves the condition of the road beyond its originally assessed standard of capacity.
Feasibility study and business case development for a project.	Expense – not directly attributable in preparing an asset for use. At this stage the acquisition of the asset is uncertain.
Software licences and cloud-based services including IaaS, SaaS.	Expense – AASB 138 does not allow capitalisation unless Council controls the development of the software.

Valuation of assets		 Longreach Regional Council
Policy Number:		
Policy Category:	Financial	
Authorised by:		
Date approved:		
Review Date:		

PURPOSE

This non-current asset policy describes the framework and principles underlying the valuation of non-current assets for the purpose of financial reporting and preparing long-term financial forecasts.

OBJECTIVE

The objectives of this policy are:

- Ensure Longreach Regional Council (Council) complies with all relevant legislation and is closely aligned with Queensland Treasury's Non-Current Asset Policies.
- Manages its assets in a sustainable manner and for the purpose of delivering services.
- Prepares financial statements that present a fair and true representation of Council's financial position.

LEGISLATION

Local Government Act 2009 (Act)

Local Government Regulation 2012 (Regulation)

Australian Accounting Standards

REFERENCES

Queensland Treasury Non-Current Asset Policies (NCAP).¹

Australian Accounting Standards

Council's Strategic Asset Management Plan

DEFINITIONS AND CONCEPTS

- | | |
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| Asset | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A resource <i>controlled</i> by Council as a result of <i>past events</i> and from which <i>future economic benefits</i> are expected to flow to the entity. |
| Fair Value | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. |

¹ This policy has been derived from this document and amended to suit Council's circumstances.

INTRODUCTION

Asset valuations play an important part in financial reporting and financial management. Financial statements must be prepared to present a fair and accurate view of Council's financial position and the updated data included in the valuations are used to estimate the replacement timing and cost of assets for the purpose of preparing the long-term financial forecast.

RECORDING ASSETS AT COST

AASB 116 *Property, Plant and Equipment* and AASB 138 *Intangible Assets* allow Council to record classes of assets at cost in lieu of fair value.

It is Council's policy that the assets to be carried at cost include:

- intangible assets for which there is no active market;
- work in progress; and
- the asset class plant and equipment.

While all property, plant and equipment are generally to be recorded at fair value, assets belonging to the class plant and equipment will usually have relatively short useful lives to Council, and fair values will not differ significantly from its written down value (i.e. cost less accumulated depreciation). On this basis Council will record at cost the asset class plant and equipment, in lieu of fair value.

Property, plant and equipment measured at cost are never to be revalued. The annual review of estimated useful life should ensure the assets are not fully depreciated while they retain some service potential. Even after being fully depreciated, assets carried at cost cannot be revalued.

APPLICATION OF FAIR VALUE BASIS

It is Council's policy to record at fair value all land, buildings, infrastructure, and open space assets.

An intangible asset is to be carried at cost except when there is an active market for that asset.

APPLICATION OF FAIR VALUE CONCEPTS

The term 'fair value' is defined in AASB 13 as being *"the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date."*

The 'fair value' concept in AASB 13, and the fair value guidance throughout the Non-Current Asset Policies, reflect an 'exit price' approach. Appendix 1 Determination of Fair Value Hierarchy Level sets out the process for identifying the fair value inputs and corresponding fair value hierarchy levels. To calculate a fair value pursuant to AASB 13, information must be obtained, and/or assumptions made, about a range of factors, including but not limited to:

- the characteristics e.g. the condition and location of the asset;
- which market a sale of that asset would take place in;
- who would buy the asset and what they would take into account;

- what is the highest and best use for the asset; and
- which costs are to be taken into account (e.g. transaction costs are not to be included, as per AASB 13).

The data used for the fair value calculation must reflect the information and assumptions that market participants would use when pricing the asset, not necessarily how Council currently uses, or intends to use, the asset.

Market and market participants

Fair value measurement assumes that the transactions are taking place in either the principal market or, in the absence of a principal market, the most advantageous market for the asset. Council must have access to the relevant (i.e. either the principal or the most advantageous) market at the measurement date. The concepts of principal market and most advantageous market are defined and explained in AASB 13.

There may be situations where specific markets and/or market participants are not readily apparent. In such circumstances, Council will approach this by considering:

- what the asset can be used for;
- who would use it for those purposes; and
- what would those parties take into account in determining a price to pay for the asset.

Valuers are generally in the best position to determine these, in consultation with Council. Council is responsible for assessing whether the valuer's assumptions are reasonable, relevant and complete. However, when such assumptions are used by management, they then become management's assumptions. As per the definition, fair value is not an entity specific value; it is based on a market participant's perspective, assuming they act in their economic best interest. The term "market participants" is defined in Appendix A of AASB 13.

Council will ensure they have given appropriate consideration to the existence of available observable inputs – refer to later in this section. Where there are insufficient relevant observable inputs, an agency will need to use unobservable data e.g. internal data on past construction costs incurred) to estimate the fair value of an asset.

Highest and best use

The fair value of a non-financial asset must be determined by reference to its "highest and best use". AASB 13 defines and explains this concept.

Council needs to be aware that the highest and best use of an asset should be determined from the perspective of market participants, regardless of how the asset is currently used or the agency's present intentions or preferences. There may be evidence suggesting that a different highest and best use would maximise the economic benefits of the asset and that use is legally permissible, financially feasible and physically possible.

Examples

1) A forestry reserve on Crown land is presently prohibited from alternative uses due to the existence of a Government regulation. In this instance, the land's current use is considered to be its highest and best use since any development opportunities are not presently legally permissible, and a market participant does not have rights to request an amendment to the regulation.

2) Vacant land controlled by an agency, and currently zoned by the local government as being for industrial purposes, is located within an outer suburb where the mix of use is progressively becoming more residential in nature. As a result, the agency's original plans to construct an area office on that land are being reconsidered. A residential development on that land would maximise the economic benefits associated with the land, and the prospects of success with that are very high. The agency is not prevented from selling that land, and it does not have a practice of seeking rezoning of land that it plans to sell. However, a property developer could lodge with the local government a rezoning request for residential development.

In this situation, the land's highest and best use is considered to be for residential development since a rezoning request is possible. In valuing the land, the valuer assesses the probability of a market participant seeking and obtaining local government approval for a rezoning request for residential purposes. The valuer also takes into account any potential costs to convert the land for residential use (that a market participant would take into account when pricing the land).

Fair value hierarchy

Regardless of which valuation technique is used, the data inputs used for the calculation (and the resulting fair value) must be categorised into one of the three levels of the fair value hierarchy described in AASB 13 – refer to paragraphs 72 – 90 of AASB 13. Appendix 1 depicts how this hierarchy applies in light of valuation inputs, and how Council will approach the valuation of assets.

The term “quoted” means there are publicly available prices for a particular item in a market. In contrast, the term “observable” is broader than “quoted” and encompasses other publicly available data which, in some cases, may only be accessible via a subscription service.

Examples of “observable” data would include prices for past property sales, advertised rental rates, reputable lists of recommended selling prices for particular items, published indices, published interest rates and yield curves etc. Examples of “unobservable” data would include past transaction prices between an entity and a supplier (where such prices are not advertised publicly), an entity's own historical data on costs incurred, and the subjective judgements applied in determining fair values.

The term “identical” is to be interpreted as meaning having exactly the same physical, financial and legal characteristics.

In measuring fair value, highest priority is given to quoted prices in active markets for identical assets and lowest priority is given to unobservable inputs. In light of this, determining fair value with reference to values of identical assets would be rare for non-current physical assets. Therefore, it is unlikely that any agency non-current physical assets would have level 1 fair values.

Valuation inputs that are observable are more reliable than inputs that are unobservable, as often unobservable inputs are derived by an entity rather than reflecting market evidence. Observable inputs used must be relevant, reliable, verifiable and appropriate to the asset's circumstances. In using observable data, Council will identify the recency of such data, to judge its relevance to fair value, and the extent to which any adjustment needs to be made in using it.

Where the use of level 2 inputs alone does not materially reflect the fair value of an asset, an adjustment to level 2 inputs may be required. An adjustment of a level 2 input using unobservable inputs that are significant to the entire fair value measurement may result in the entire fair value measurement being categorised as level 3.

In some instances, however, there will be no observable inputs available. This is expected to be the case for specialised assets such as infrastructure (e.g. roads, water treatment plants and weirs) and specialised buildings such as the civic centres. In those situations, Council must use unobservable inputs to the extent that relevant observable inputs are not available. Like the use of observable inputs, the unobservable inputs used must reflect the assumptions market participants would use when pricing the asset. An example of unobservable data is internal data on past construction costs for a particular asset.

Regardless of whether or not an external party has been engaged, Council must review and understand the inputs and other assumptions used in valuations to determine the appropriate categorisation of the overall fair value measurement in the fair value hierarchy.

Transfers between levels

From year to year, Council must review the fair value levels assigned to their assets in light of changed asset characteristics (e.g. age, condition etc.), changes in market conditions and/or valuation techniques and changes in the nature/quality and significance of data inputs used in determining fair value.

Transfers of asset values between fair value levels are expected to be rare. Any necessary transfers of asset values between fair value levels are to take effect in conjunction with the recognition of the associated revaluations.

VALUATION APPROACHES

Market approach

When observable data for similar assets is available, that data is likely to represent the best indicator of the asset's fair value. For that reason, some land and general non-specialised buildings are valued using a market approach.

Cost approach

Current replacement cost (CRC) is the valuation technique adopted by Council under the cost approach.

CRC reflects the cost to acquire the service potential embodied in an asset, adjusted to reflect the asset's present condition/physical deterioration, functionality (technological) obsolescence and economic obsolescence.

Where the remaining service potential from the asset is assessed as having changed, this is to be taken into account in the revaluation. Adjustments to useful life may also be required. Sufficient knowledge of the asset circumstances is required in order to properly assess the asset's remaining service potential and physical/economic/functional obsolescence.

CRC can be determined in one of two ways:

- as the cost per unit of service potential of the most appropriate modern replacement facility, adjusted for any differences in future service potential (i.e. quality and quantity of outputs, useful life and over-design/over-capacity) of the asset being valued; or
- as the cost of reproducing or replicating the future service potential of the asset itself.

Example

A bridge is constructed of wood. A replacement bridge would be constructed of concrete; therefore the replacement cost is adjusted for the difference in utility and also for the remaining useful life of the existing bridge.

The application of CRC should capture all of the costs (i.e. materials, labour, design etc) that would be incurred at the date of valuation by a market participant seeking to construct an asset with comparable service potential. Where Council has records of actual construction costs for a new asset, those costs are relevant to the asset being valued, and Council is confident there is no significant change in those costs between the date of completion and date of valuation, those actual cost of construction may be used as an appropriate starting point for CRC.

Indicators of Change in an Asset's Service Potential/Capacity

Indicators of a reduction in future service potential/capacity in the public sector include: physical deterioration, functional (technological) obsolescence and economic obsolescence.

As part of the annual revaluation process for such assets, Council will have a framework in place to ensure that any changes in an asset's service capacity are identified and reflected in an agency's annual valuation process.

Example

If an engineer in the field determined that pipes were cracked which reduced the service capacity and remaining useful life of the asset, the documented agency framework would outline processes to ensure that:

- the field assessment is recorded in the asset management system;
- an assessment of the reduction in service capacity/potential is made and the remaining useful life;
- the determination is notified to the staff responsible for maintaining the asset register and the agency's asset accounting;
- the specific change in circumstances are communicated when instructing the valuer responsible for determining the revalued amount of that asset;
- Any revaluation decrement is recorded in the appropriate revaluation surplus/Statement of Comprehensive Income and accumulated depreciation as appropriate.

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Some examples of these indicators are outlined in the following table. Agencies will note that these indicators of change in service capacity/potential are similar to the indicators of impairment for assets within the public sector identified in Appendix 4.2 of NCAP 4 (which also contains several illustrative, practical examples).

Indicator of Change in Service Potential / Capacity	Potential Impact on Service Potential
1. Cessation of the demand or need for services provided by the asset	The asset still maintains the same service potential embodied within, but demand for that service has ceased. (In such circumstances, agencies should refer to NCAP 4).
2. Significant long-term changes in the technological environment with an adverse effect on the asset	The service utility of an asset may be reduced if technology has advanced to produce alternatives that provide better or more efficient service.
3. Significant long-term changes in the legal or government policy environment	An asset's service potential may be reduced as a result of a change in a law or regulation.
4. Evidence is available of physical damage or deterioration of an asset	Physical damage/deterioration would likely result in the asset being unable to provide the level of service that it once was able to provide.
5. Changes in environmental conditions	An asset's service potential may be reduced as a result of environmental changes.
6. Significant long-term changes in the extent to which an asset is used, or is expected to be used.	If an asset is not being used to the same degree as it was when originally put into service or the expected useful life of the asset is shorter than originally estimated, the service capacity of the asset may be reduced. A significant long-term decline in the demand for an asset's services may translate itself into a significant long-term change in the extent to which the asset is used.
7. Significant long-term changes in the manner in which an asset is used, or is expected to be used.	If the asset is not being used in the same way as it was when originally put into service, the asset's service capacity may require reassessment or reduction.
8. Evidence is available from internal reporting that indicates that the service performance of an asset is, or will be, significantly worse than expected	Internal reports may indicate that an asset is not performing as expected or its performance is deteriorating over time.

REVALUATION METHODS AND FREQUENCIES

It is necessary that regular revaluations be performed to ensure the carrying amount of the assets do not differ materially from their fair value at the end of each reporting period, as

required by AASB 116 *Property Plant and Equipment*. Therefore, Council must have reasonable, robust and supportable evidence that the resulting asset class values materially represent fair value at reporting date.

AASB 116 states that the frequency of revaluations will depend upon the changes in fair values of the items of property, plant and equipment being revalued. AASB 116 further states that for property, plant and equipment assets that experience significant and volatile changes in fair value, annual revaluation will be required.

Methods of Revaluation

To ensure the carrying amounts of Council's asset classes reflect their fair value at reporting date, subject to materiality, Council is to annually revalue its asset classes, except for plant and equipment.

Revaluation of an asset class incorporates either or both of the following methods:

- specific appraisals undertaken by an independent professional valuer (or other relevant professional) or internal expert (refer below sub-section); and
- use of appropriate and relevant indices.

Specific appraisals are required:

- to the extent that it has been more than five years since the individual asset has been subject to a specific appraisal; OR
- indicators exist that the asset class has experienced a significant and volatile change in value (refer above) since the last revaluation (regardless of how recent that was, and regardless of whether it was a specific appraisal or indexation), in which case all assets in that class must be revalued.

Indexation should be undertaken:

- to the extent that the individual asset has been subject to specific appraisal within the previous five years; AND
- where the cumulative percentage change (refer below examples) in the relevant index has been more than 5% since the last revaluation (either by specific appraisal or indexation); AND
- where indicators do not exist that the asset class has experienced a significant and volatile change in value (refer above) since the last revaluation (either by specific appraisal or indexation).

Materiality

For asset classes that are required to be carried at fair value, the concept of materiality should be considered by Council. On that basis:

- where the total value of Council's assets in a mandatory asset class is immaterial compared to the total balance of Property Plant and Equipment - Council has discretion about whether or not to revalue (by any method);

- where the change in the total value of an asset class, since the last revaluation, can be demonstrated to be immaterial, Council has discretion about whether or not to account for that change.

Significant and Volatile Change in Fair Value – Requirement for Specific Appraisal

In terms of AASB 116, it is Council's policy that a 'significant' change in value has occurred when there are indicators to suggest that the value of the asset class has changed by 20% or more. (In the absence of a definition of 'significant' in the accounting standards, this policy position is based on the concept of 'significant influence' in accordance with AASB 128 *Investment in Associates* which provides that if an investor holds 20% or more of the voting power of the investee, it is presumed that the investor has 'significant influence', unless otherwise demonstrated not to be the case.)

Examples of indicators that the fair value of an asset class may have experienced a 'significant' change include (but are not limited to):

- increases in interest rates;
- rapidly deteriorating property markets;
- changes in prices of raw materials (if applicable) by more than 10%; or
- rapid wage growth in the construction industry (if applicable).

For the purposes of this policy, an asset class is deemed to be 'highly volatile' if the upward or downward movement in the value of that class is rapid over a short period of time. An asset class is perceived to have 'low volatility' if the value of the class changes steadily and slowly over the medium to long term.

Use of indices

For the purposes of audited financial statements, CPI is not an appropriate index for the revaluation of non-current physical assets.

The use of indices may be limited by the availability and timeliness of an index appropriate to a particular type of asset. As far as possible, indices used must maximise the use of observable data and minimise the use of unobservable data. Indices applied to asset values should ideally be consistent with the underlying data inputs used for the last specific appraisal.

For example:

- if the last specific appraisal was based on market selling prices for similar assets, subsequent indices should also reflect changes in market selling prices for similar assets.
- if the last specific appraisal used a current replacement cost technique, subsequent indices should also reflect changes in construction costs for similar assets. In this respect, specialised buildings may be indexed using a Building Price Index (BPI) based on recent tenders for typical specialised buildings. For residential buildings, the Cordell Housing Price index may be useful.

Council must ensure that the application of such indices would result in a valid estimation of the asset's fair value at reporting date. This requires that Council ensures there is sufficient evidence that the index used is robust, valid and appropriate to the assets to which it is being applied.

The process of ensuring there is evidence should include, but not necessarily be limited to:

- seeking assurances from an expert, e.g. an independent professional valuer or other relevant professional, with the skills and experience considered appropriate to provide such assurances to management that the index used is robust, valid and appropriate to the assets to which it is being applied;
- testing, and periodic reviews, of the appropriateness of the index to an asset (or sample of assets) for reasonableness, including (but not limited to) comparing the results to similar assets that have been valued by an independent professional valuer (or other relevant professional) or internal expert;
- ensuring any significant trends or short-term volatility are reflected in the determination of the index, and assessing whether any further procedures (e.g. a specific appraisal) are warranted; and
- documenting this process of assurance, the assumptions and findings from the assurance process.

Council has the option of choosing only to account for the impact of indexation if the cumulative change in the index results in a 5% or greater (either positive or negative) change in the reported asset balances.

Cumulative change refers to the movement in the relevant index compared to the base year, i.e. the year when the asset was last revalued. The following examples below illustrate how the cumulative change can be calculated using annual percentage changes in the relevant index.

Example 1 – Identification of 'cumulative' percentage change (annual changes in same direction)

Year 1 - the percentage change in the relevant index from Year 0 to Year 1 for a particular type of asset is an increase of 3%; therefore the change in the index was not accounted for.

Year 2 - the percentage change in the same index from Year 1 to Year 2 for that type of asset is a further increase of 3%. As these changes are expressed in percentage (i.e. relative) terms, the cumulative change from Year 0 to Year 2 would also include the effect of compounding – in this example that would amount to an overall increase of 6.09%*. Therefore, indexation of 6.09% should be accounted for in Year 2.

* 6.09% = Year 1 % change + Year 2 % change + compounding effect between Year 1 & 2

i.e. $3\% + 3\% + 3\% \times 3\%$

Example 2 – Identification of 'cumulative' percentage change (annual changes in different directions)

Year 1 - the percentage change in the relevant index from Year 0 to Year 1 for a particular type of asset is an increase of 3%; therefore the change in the index was not accounted for.

Year 2 - the percentage change in the same index from Year 1 to Year 2 for that type of asset is a decrease of 2%. As the cumulative change from Year 0 to Year 2 is 0.94%#, no indexation was accounted for in Year 2.

0.94% = Year 1 % change + Year 2 % change + compounding effect between Year 1 & 2

i.e. $3\% - 2\% + 3\% \times -2\%$

Year 3 – the percentage change in the same index from Year 2 to Year 3 for that asset is a 2% increase. As the cumulative change from Year 0 to Year 3 is now 2.96%^, no indexation will be accounted for in Year 3.

^ 2.96% = Year 1 to Year 2 cumulative compounding change + Year 3 % change + compounding effect between Year 1 & 2 and Year 3

i.e. $0.94\% + 2\% + 0.94\% \times 2\%$

TIMELINESS AND TIMING OF REVALUATIONS

Council will plan to obtain and recognise asset revaluations prior to financial year end to allow early external audit review and to reduce work in finalising financial statements after year end.

As revaluations are likely to be recognised well before the end of the reporting period, Council will adhere to a process to identify subsequent changed circumstances that would cause the recognised fair values to differ materially from their fair values at the end of the reporting period. Asset values recognised still need to materially reflect fair value as at year end (refer to paragraph 31 of AASB 116). For this reason, Council will take reasonable steps

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(possibly by subsequent liaison with valuers etc) to ensure fair values recognised earlier in the financial year remain reliable at year end.

ACCOUNTING FOR REVALUATIONS – GROSS VS NET METHOD

It is Council's policy that:

- the net method of revaluation be used for specific appraisals using a market approach, where the assets so valued comprise a material proportion of the relevant class;
- the gross method of revaluation be used for specific appraisals using a cost (e.g. current replacement cost) approach, where the assets so valued comprise a material proportion of the relevant class; and
- subsequent indexation should not cause a change in the method of revaluation used in the last specific appraisal.

It is important that valuers (or other relevant professionals) are instructed as to the method of revaluation that applies under the circumstances. For example, for assets valued using a current replacement cost approach, for the purpose of restating accumulated depreciation under the gross method Council should explicitly request both the gross replacement cost and new fair value (i.e. carrying amount).

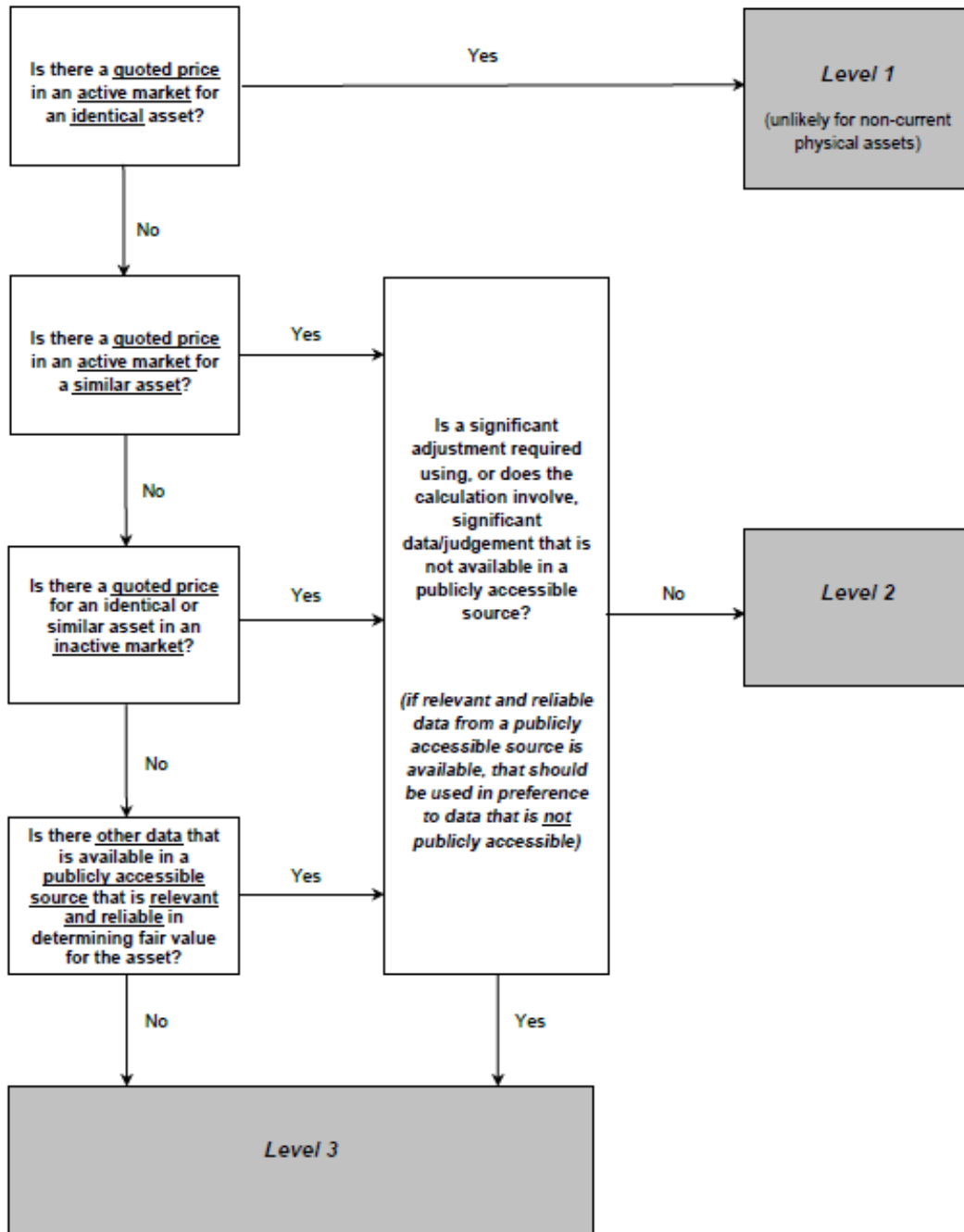
Subsequent to initial application of the above policies, where an agency needs to change the broad valuation approach (e.g. from a market valuation to current replacement cost or vice versa) for an asset (which is expected to be rare), this will necessitate a change between the net and gross methods of revaluation. Such a change in revaluation method should be treated as a change in accounting estimate, as explained in paragraphs 65 - 66 of AASB 13. Therefore, such a change is to be applied prospectively in accordance with AASB 108 *Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors*, but agencies should note the guidance in paragraph 66 of AASB 13 (regarding the disclosure requirements in AASB 108).

Depreciation subsequent to the revaluation continues to be accounted for in accordance with applicable requirements under AASB 116.

Authorised by resolution as at:

Chief Executive Officer


APPENDIX 1 – DETERMINATION OF FAIR VALUE HIERARCHY LEVEL



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APPENDIX 2 – FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENT ADOPTION

Asset class	Examples of types of assets	Expected fair value level	Likely valuation approach	Net vs gross revaluation method
Land	Where there is an active market – vacant land or land not subject to restrictions as to use or sale	Level 2	Market	N/A as land is not depreciated
Buildings	Residential properties, general buildings	Level 2	Market	Net method
Buildings	Other buildings	Level 3	Cost approach	Gross method
Infrastructure	Roads, water, sewer, park equipment etc	Level 3	Cost approach	Gross method

Depreciation and amortisation		 Longreach Regional Council
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PURPOSE

This non-current asset policy describes the framework and principles underlying the depreciation and amortisation of all classes of assets.

OBJECTIVE

The objectives of this policy are:

- Ensure Longreach Regional Council (Council) complies with all relevant legislation and is closely aligned with Queensland Treasury's Non-Current Asset Policies.
- Manages its assets in a sustainable manner and for the purpose of delivering services.
- Prepares financial statements that present a fair and true representation of Council's financial position.

LEGISLATION

Local Government Act 2009 (Act)

Local Government Regulation 2012 (Regulation)

Australian Accounting Standards

REFERENCES

Queensland Treasury Non-Current Asset Policies (NCAP).¹

Australian Accounting Standards

Council's Strategic Asset Management Plan

DEFINITIONS AND CONCEPTS

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| Depreciation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The systematic allocation of the depreciable amount of an asset over its useful life. |
| Amortisation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The systematic allocation of the depreciable amount of an intangible asset over its useful life. |

EXCLUSIONS FROM DEPRECIATION AND AMORTISATION

The following assets are not depreciated or amortised:

- inventories, as they are held at lower of cost and net realisable value;

¹ This policy has been derived from this document and amended to suit Council's circumstances.

- non-current assets whilst classified as held for sale or while they are part of a disposal group classified as held for sale (Refer AASB 5 *Non-Current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations*, paragraph 25);
- an intangible asset with an indefinite useful life (Refer AASB 138 paragraph 107);
- investment property accounted for under the fair value model (refer AASB 140 *Investment Property* paragraphs 76 and 79);
- land, where its service potential is not expected to diminish with time or use (refer AASB 116, paragraph 58);
- work in progress assets, as depreciation only begins when an asset is available for use i.e. in the location and condition necessary for it to be capable of operating in the manner intended by management (refer AASB 116, paragraph 55).

Criteria for the Recognition of Depreciation Expense

The criteria for the depreciation of a non-current physical asset are that the asset has a cost that can be depreciated i.e. a depreciable amount, and it has a useful life that can be estimated.

Concept of 'Depreciable Amount'

AASB 116 defines 'depreciable amount' as "the cost of an asset, or other amount substituted for cost, less the residual value.

AASB 116 defines 'useful life' as "the period over which an asset is expected to be available for use by an agency" or "the number of production or similar units expected to be obtained from the asset by an agency."

Residual value is defined in AASB 116 as "the estimated amount that an entity would currently obtain from the disposal of the asset, after deducting the estimated costs of disposal, if the asset were already of the age and in the condition expected at the end of its useful life."

For the avoidance of doubt, residual value does not include expected cost savings from reuse of part of an asset.

Example – Depreciable Amount

If an agency purchased an asset with a limited life for \$30,000 and the amount expected to be recovered when it is disposed of by the agency is nil, the depreciable amount is \$30,000. If the residual value expected to be recovered at the end of the asset's useful life is \$5,000, the depreciable amount would be \$25,000

Concept of the 'Useful Life' of an Asset

The following factors are relevant in determining the useful life of non-current physical assets:

- expected usage of the asset i.e. its output;
- expected physical wear and tear, although a planned maintenance program may extend the useful life;
- technical or commercial obsolescence e.g. technological innovations in newer, similar assets may render an asset's useful life shorter than what might have otherwise been the case; and

- legal or similar limits on the use of an asset such as the expiry date of related leases, or compulsory replacement of assets for safety reasons e.g. aircraft, elevators.

In addition, and most importantly, the estimation of useful life should be based on Council's past experience and its realistic planned replacement program as outlined in its asset planning. Tensions often exist between the replacement timeframes estimated by engineers and those in which fiscal provision has been made for asset replacement. If an asset is expected to be used by Council beyond an 'ideal' or 'optimum' replacement timeframe, the extended period is the useful life which should be used. This assessment is a matter requiring professional judgment to be exercised at each reporting date.

The useful life of a depreciable asset to one entity may well differ from the useful life to another entity or even within the same entity as a result of differing use or service requirements e.g. the estimated life of sensitive technical equipment in North Queensland may well be less when compared to similar equipment located in Brisbane, due to climatic differences.

The useful life of an asset to an agency may be shorter than its economic life.

Example – Useful Life

An agency has been depreciating its servers over a 3 year timeframe using the straight line basis as their method of depreciation. A review of useful lives indicated that servers have typically been in service in the agency for 5 years. On this basis, the annual depreciation rate should be adjusted over the remaining period with the asset having a total useful life of 5 years. Worked examples of such changes are demonstrated in NCAP 5.5.

Where an asset is planned to be sold to another entity, such an intention should not itself impact on existing estimates of remaining useful life and residual value. This is consistent with the cessation of depreciation when an asset becomes classified as 'held for sale' - there is an expectation that there should be a carrying amount for assets classified as 'held for sale'. For example, if the remaining useful life was re-assessed to fully depreciate the asset by the date of sale, the depreciable amount would probably be reduced to zero by sale date. This is not considered logical, as it would likely result in a sudden large increase in depreciation together with a potentially large profit on sale.

Recognition

Depreciation expense commences from the time the asset is first put into use or held ready for use (usually from the end of the relevant month). Where an asset is a complex structure made up of interdependent sub-structures which require installation in successive stages, it must be considered as being held ready for use only after installation has been completed to a stage where service or a saleable product can be obtained.

Depreciation of an asset ceases at the earlier of the date that the asset is classified as held for sale (or included in a disposal group that is classified as held for sale) in accordance with *AASB 5 Non-Current Assets Held for Sale and Discontinued Operations* and the date that the asset is derecognised.

Depreciation does not cease when the asset becomes idle or is retired from active use unless the asset is fully depreciated.

Depreciation basis

Council will use the time basis to depreciate its assets over their useful lives. Using the time basis, the useful life of an asset is determined by the following factors:

- expected physical wear and tear;
- obsolescence (both technical and commercial); and
- legal and other limits on the use of the asset.

The useful life of an asset is normally the shortest of the applicable alternatives. As an example, computer hardware may have a physical life of ten years but become technically obsolete within five years. In this case the appropriate life is five years provided replacement is based on technical obsolescence. Should Council decide to use a non-current physical asset beyond the ideal or optimum replacement timeframe, then the depreciable amount should be allocated over the longer period.

Depreciation method

Council will adopt the straight line method of depreciation. The straight line method allocates the depreciable amount in approximately equal amounts in each accounting period over the useful life of the asset being depreciated.

Example – Straight Line Method

If an asset had a cost of \$20,000, a residual value of \$2,000 and a useful life of five years, an amount of \$3,600 would be recorded each year as depreciation under the straight-line method $[(20,000-2,000)/5]$.

Changes in depreciation

Depreciation policies, including the method of depreciation, must be applied consistently and accurately reflect the pattern of consumption of economic benefits to be delivered by the asset over its estimated useful life to the agency.

AASB 116 requires that the residual value and the useful life of an asset be reviewed at least at the end of each annual reporting period. If expectations differ from previous estimates (i.e. expectations with respect to the depreciable amount or the useful life of the asset) the consequential change in the rate of depreciation is to be accounted for as a change in an accounting estimate in accordance with paragraphs 32-38 of AASB 108 *Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors*.

Adjustments to the estimated useful life must be made in the earliest year in which a change is deemed necessary. This will achieve an allocation of cost that most closely aligns with the consumption of the asset. Delaying adjustments to estimated useful life to when the asset is close to becoming fully depreciated are to be avoided, wherever possible.

Example

Agency XYZ has established a process where a report is generated a few months prior to the end of each financial year to review remaining useful life estimates. While the estimated useful life of all estimates is carefully reviewed, particular attention is focussed on those assets where 75% or more of the asset's estimated useful life has elapsed.

XYZ then conducts an independent review to assess whether the useful lives indicated on the report are an accurate reflection of how long the agency estimates it will use the assets and makes any necessary adjustments to the assets useful lives. Should any assets listed on the report be used in the regions, the respective persons in each of the regions are consulted prior to any necessary adjustments being made.

This process not only meets the requirement of paragraph 51 of AASB 116 which requires at least an annual review of the residual value and useful life of an asset, but also mitigates against assets still in use being fully depreciated.

Any change in the calculation of depreciation as a result of the annual review of useful life and residual value will be a change in accounting estimate and adjusted prospectively. A material change in consumption requiring the method to be changed is also treated as a change in an accounting estimate. Disclosure must be made in accordance with the requirements of AASB 108.

Corrections of errors are distinguished from changes in accounting estimates. Where depreciation has been incorrectly calculated in a prior year based on estimates that were made in that prior year, this should be treated as an error and corrected retrospectively in accordance with AASB 108. Judgements about estimates that should have been (but weren't) made in a prior year must not be used for the purpose of 'error correction'.

Example - Straight Line Method

A machine was purchased on 1 July 20X0 for \$100,000. The estimated useful life is ten years with a residual value of zero. The machine is depreciated on a straight line basis.

On 30 June 20X4, after charging four years depreciation ($4 \times \$10,000 = \$40,000$), it was decided that the machine's remaining useful life to the agency would be a further 12 years.

In this instance, there would be no adjusting journal entry at 30 June 20X4, as retrospective adjustments to depreciation are not permitted. However, the journal entry to record the depreciation expense in subsequent years would be:

Depreciation expense – machinery	Dr	5,000
Accumulated depreciation – machinery		Cr 5,000

The undepreciated amount ($\$100,000 - \$40,000$) of the asset is depreciated according to a remaining useful life of 12 years from the date of the change.

Re-Lifing Fully Depreciated Assets

Where an asset is carried at cost, should it transpire that the asset still has some useful life after it has been fully depreciated, re-lifing or revaluation of the asset is not permitted.

Where an asset is carried at fair value, the revaluation process should ensure an asset will not still have some useful life after it has been fully depreciated.

Where large numbers of assets are fully depreciated and are still in use, a review of the depreciation rate or annual review processes may be warranted. Annual reviews of non-current physical assets should ensure that a situation will not arise where fully depreciated assets are still in use.

Disaggregation of Assets for Depreciation

Each part of an item of property, plant and equipment with a cost that is significant in relation to the total cost of the item and has a materially different useful life is to be depreciated separately.

Some assets, for example a power station, may consist of a number of integral components that will function only when all components are combined. Discrete components of the asset may have different useful lives and different methods and rates of depreciation. The Complex Assets Policy contains detailed criteria for the identification of significant components.

Subsequent Costs

Costs incurred subsequent to a non-current physical asset first having been put into use, or held ready for use, must be added to the carrying amount of that asset and depreciated, *where it is probable that future economic benefits will occur, in excess of the originally assessed performance of the asset*. Subsequent costs which have been capitalised shall be depreciated over the remaining useful life of the asset to which they relate.

These increased future economic benefits can result from an increase in the annual output of the asset, or an increase in its useful life or both. An example is the modification of an item of plant to extend its useful life or increase its capacity thereby increasing the service potential of the asset.

Spares

Major spare parts and standby equipment may qualify as property, plant and equipment when an agency expects to use them during more than one period. Where such spares are used only in connection with a particular asset and do not have a separate useful life to the asset, they must be depreciated over the useful life of the asset. Spares are distinguishable from stores and supplies which are normally consumed on an ongoing basis. Stores and supplies are to be recognised in terms of AASB 102 *Inventories*.

Revaluations and Accumulated Depreciation/Amortisation

Council adopts the gross method of revaluation for most of its appraisals using a cost (e.g. depreciated replacement cost) approach.

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Example 1 – Revaluation increase (gross method)

An item of Major Plant and Equipment was purchased for \$100,000 with a residual value of \$10,000 and was to be depreciated at 10% straight line. After three years, the asset's written-down value is \$73,000, after accumulated depreciation of \$27,000. The asset's fair value was determined to be \$85,000 using the depreciated replacement cost technique. The gross replacement cost of the asset, as determined by the valuer, has increased to \$120,000 with the residual value and useful life being assessed as remaining the same.

1. General ledger entries to recognise revaluation:

Major plant & equipment asset	Dr	20,000		
Accumulated depreciation			Cr	8,000
Asset revaluation surplus			Cr	12,000
<i>(Revaluation of major plant and equipment from \$73,000 to \$85,000 WDV)</i>				

Calculation of restated Accumulated Depreciation:

New gross replacement cost – new fair value: 120,000 - 85,000 = 35,000

2. Annual depreciation until next revaluation:

Depreciation expense	Dr	10,714		
Accumulated depreciation			Cr	10,714
<i>(Record annual depreciation until next revaluation)</i>				

Calculation of annual depreciation until next revaluation: (85,000 - 10,000)/7 = 10, 714

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Example 3 – Revaluation decrease (gross method)

An item of Major Plant and Equipment was purchased for \$100,000 with a residual value of \$10,000 and was depreciated at 10% straight line. After three years, the asset's written-down value is \$73,000 after accumulated depreciation of \$27,000. The asset's fair value was determined to be \$50,000 using the depreciated replacement cost technique. The gross replacement cost of the asset, as determined by the valuer, has decreased to \$80,000 with the residual value and useful life being assessed as remaining the same.

1. General ledger entries to recognise revaluation:

Asset revaluation surplus	Dr	23,000	
Major plant & equipment asset			Cr 20,000
Accumulated depreciation			Cr 3,000

(Revaluation of major plant and equipment from \$73,000 to \$50,000 WDV, adjusted against ARS if that class has sufficient credit ARS balance (to extent that ARS credit balance for class is insufficient, recognise as expense in Statement of Comprehensive Income))

Calculation of restated Accumulated Depreciation:

New gross replacement cost – new fair value : 80,000 - 50,000 = 30,000

2. Annual depreciation until next revaluation:

Depreciation expense	Dr	5,714	
Accumulated depreciation			Cr 5,714

(Record annual depreciation until next revaluation)

Calculation of annual depreciation until next revaluation: (50,000 - 10,000)/7 = 5,714

Example 5 – Revaluation increase (gross method) plus change in useful life

An item of Major Plant and Equipment was purchased for \$100,000 with a residual value of \$10,000 and was to be depreciated at 10% straight line. After three years, the asset's written down value is \$73,000 after accumulated depreciation of \$27,000. Using the depreciated replacement cost technique, the valuer has determined that the gross replacement cost of the asset has increased from \$100,000 to \$120,000. The residual value is assessed to remain the same, but the remaining useful life of the asset has been reassessed to be 9 years (i.e. a total useful life of 12 years). Given the increase in gross replacement cost, plus the increase in the asset's useful life, the valuer has determined the asset's fair value to be \$92,500.

General ledger entries to recognise revaluation:

Major plant and equipment asset	Dr	20,000		
Accumulated depreciation			Cr	500
Asset revaluation surplus			Cr	19,500

(Revaluation of major plant and equipment from \$73,000 to \$92,500 WDV)

Calculation – restated Accumulated Depreciation:

New gross replacement cost – new fair value: 120,000 – 92,500 = 27,500

Annual depreciation until next revaluation:

Depreciation expense	Dr	9,167		
Accumulated depreciation			Cr	9,167

Calculation:

Annual depreciation until next revaluation: (92,500 - 10,000)/9 = 9,167

Example 6 – Indexation (gross method)

An item of Major Plant and Equipment was purchased for \$100,000 with a residual value of \$10,000 and was to be depreciated at 10% straight line. After three years, the asset's written-down value (based on a depreciated replacement cost technique) is \$73,000, after accumulated depreciation of \$27,000. Indexation is applied in year 4 using a published construction cost index. The percentage change in the index since the previous year's specific appraisal is 3.5%. The asset's residual value and remaining useful life are assessed as remaining the same.

Calculation – restated Gross and Accumulated Depreciation (indexation applies consistently to both gross and accumulated depreciation):

*Gross amount: $100,000 * (1+0.035) = 103,500$*

*Accumulated Depreciation: $27,000 * (1+0.035) = 27,945$*

Net Written-down value: $103,500 - 27,945 = 75,555$

1. General ledger entries to recognise revaluation using indexation:

Major plant and equipment asset	Dr	3,500		
Accumulated depreciation			Cr	945
Asset revaluation surplus			Cr	2,555
<i>(Revaluation of major plant and equipment by indexation of 3.5%)</i>				

2. Annual depreciation until next revaluation:

Depreciation expense	Dr	9,365		
Accumulated depreciation			Cr	9,365
<i>(Record annual depreciation until next revaluation)</i>				

Calculation of annual depreciation until next revaluation: $(75,555 - 10,000)/7 = 9,365$

Amortisation of Intangible Assets

The depreciable amount of an intangible asset with a finite useful life is to be amortised on a systematic basis over the useful life of the asset.

An intangible asset with an indefinite useful life is not amortised. The term 'indefinite' does not mean 'infinite'. It is unlikely that an agency would have an intangible asset with an infinite useful life. On the other hand, an agency may well have an intangible asset which, at the time it is developed, has an indefinite useful life e.g. the intellectual property associated with a vaccine that brings a significant disease under control. Such an intangible asset would not be amortised but would be tested for impairment at each reporting period.

Similar to depreciation, amortisation is usually recognised in profit or loss but may be absorbed into the carrying amount of other assets e.g. amortisation of intangible assets used in the production process could be included in the carrying amount of inventories.

Also similar to depreciation, the amortisation method for an intangible asset with a finite life is to be reviewed at least at the end of each annual reporting period. The useful life of all intangible assets should be assessed annually (even intangibles with indefinite lives – to confirm they continue to be indefinite).

Road Earthworks

In some circumstances, the service potential of road earthworks is expected to be retained due to the absence of any events that may cause physical deterioration e.g. excessive usage, flooding or land movement, and the earthworks are not expected to become obsolete in the foreseeable future. Such assets, due to their unlimited useful life, are not subject to

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depreciation. Where management have assessed and assigned a useful life to road earthworks, this asset is depreciated.

It is necessary for Council to assess which of its road earthwork assets do not have limited useful lives and which do have limited useful lives.

The depreciation or non-depreciation of road earthworks assets are to be reviewed at least at each reporting date to ensure that the accounting policy applied reflects the most recent assessment of the useful lives of the assets.

Authorised by resolution as at:

Chief Executive Officer

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Disposal of Non-Current Assets		 Longreach Regional Council
Policy Number:		
Policy Category:	Financial	
Authorised by:		
Date approved:		
Review Date:		

PURPOSE

This non-current asset policy describes the framework and principles underlying the disposal of all classes of assets.

OBJECTIVE

The objectives of this policy are:

- Ensure Longreach Regional Council (Council) complies with all relevant legislation and is closely aligned with Queensland Treasury’s Non-Current Asset Policies.
- Manages its assets in a sustainable manner and for the purpose of delivering services.
- Prepares financial statements that present a fair and true representation of Council’s financial position.

LEGISLATION

- Local Government Act 2009 (Act)
- Local Government Regulation 2012 (Regulation)
- Australian Accounting Standards

REFERENCES

- Queensland Treasury Non-Current Asset Policies (NCAP).¹
- Australian Accounting Standards
- Council’s Strategic Asset Management Plan

DEFINITIONS

Valuable non-current asset	As defined in the Local Government Regulations 2012: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Land; or - Another non-current asset that has an apparent value that is equal to or more than a limit set by the local government. For the purposes of this policy these limits are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Plant and equipment \$5,000 - Another type of non-current asset \$10,000
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¹ This policy has been derived from this document and amended to suit Council’s circumstances.

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AUTHORITY TO DISPOSE

The authority to dispose of a non-current asset is determined by its value and nature. The Chief Financial Officer will set out the form in which asset disposals are requisitioned and approved.

Asset description	Authorised by	Approved disposal methods
Land	Council	Tender or auction Another exception under LGR s236.
Buildings/dwellings	Council	Tender or auction Another exception under LGR s236.
Other valuable non-current assets	CEO	Tender or auction Write off Another exception under LGR s236.
Other non-current assets	CEO, Director or equivalent	Auction Write off Donation

ACCOUNTING FOR NON-CURRENT ASSET DISPOSALS

Gain or Loss on Disposals of Non-Current Assets

When an asset is sold and its selling price varies from the carrying amount (adjusted for depreciation and any impairments for the period between the beginning of the financial year and the date of sale), a gain or loss occurs which must be recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income.

If an asset is scrapped for no consideration before it is fully depreciated the carrying amount of the asset i.e. the gross asset value less its accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses, represents a loss on disposal which must be expensed. If material costs are incurred in the disposal, such expenses are to be added to the loss on disposal.

Asset Revaluation Surplus on Disposal of Non-Current Assets

When assets sold or otherwise disposed of have been subject to a revaluation, the net increment contained in the asset revaluation surplus relating to those assets may be moved to accumulated surplus/deficit.

Any transfers from the asset revaluation surplus to accumulated surplus/deficit should be limited to the amount of the asset revaluation surplus for that class of assets and must not exceed the amount of the net revaluation increments attributable to the assets disposed of.

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Asset revaluation surpluses must never have a negative (debit) balance.

Correction of Error

The asset revaluation surplus must not be used to recognise assets not previously recognised due to error. These shall be treated under AASB 108 *Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors*.

Authorised by resolution as at:

Chief Executive Officer

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12.2 Procurement Policy - Review

Review of the Procurement Policy 01-01

Council Action

Deliver

Applicable Legislation

Local Government Act 2009

Local Government Regulation 2012

Policy Considerations

Nil

Corporate and Operational Plan Considerations

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	Corporate Plan Outcome
5.2	Informed and considered decision making based on effective governance practices.

Budget Considerations

Nil

Previous Council Resolutions related to this Matter

(Res-2024-08-201)

Moved Cr Nunn seconded Cr Emslie

That Council adopts the amended Procurement Policy, as presented.

Officer Comment

Responsible Officer/s: *David Wilson, Chief Financial Officer*

Background:

Council officers have conducted a review of Council's procurement policies and procedures. Developing the right procurement framework is a balance between efficiency, effectiveness and internal controls, while ensuring that the sound contracting principles set out in section 104 of the *Local Government Act 2009* are achieved.

Issue:

The procurement policy has been reviewed and the following key amendments recommended:

- a) The 10% margin benefit to local businesses is replaced by a locality factor when evaluating quotes and tenders. The locality factor makes it more likely that local businesses will be selected when assessing proposals. This will assist council officers in making decisions that will support the development of local businesses.
- b) Makes the probity requirements in procurement clearer for council officers.
- c) Clarifies the exceptions that are available under the *Local Government Act* and *Regulations* when procuring goods and services.

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d) Sets out that requests for quotes and tenders will be performed on Vendorpanel for greater transparency.

A marked-up version is presented to highlight changes to the existing policy.

Risk Management Factors:

This matter has been assessed using Council's Risk Matrix to decide the likelihood and consequence of any risk to Council:

Likelihood: Rare
Consequence: Minor
Rating: Low

The revised Procurement Policy established the framework to allow management to establish procurement procedures that improves efficient operations, the development of local businesses and industries, and complies with the sound contracting principles set out under the *Local Government Act 2009*.

Community Consultation:

N/A

Environmental Management Factors:

Nil

Other Comments:


Nil

Appendices

1. Procurement Policy [↓](#)
2. Marked-up procurement policy [↓](#)

Recommendation:

That Council adopts the Procurement Policy as presented.

Procurement Policy		 Longreach Regional Council
Policy Number:	1.1	
Policy Category:	Financial	
Authorised by:		
Date approved:		
Review Date:		

PURPOSE

Council’s procurement activities are critical to its ability to deliver services and infrastructure to the community. This policy establishes a procurement framework that allows the efficient delivery of quality services while ensuring adherence to sound contracting principles and adequate internal controls.

SCOPE

This policy applies to entering into contracts for and the purchasing of all goods and services. This policy does not establish the framework for the sale of valuable non-current assets.

LEGISLATION AND RELATED DOCUMENTS

Local Government Act 2009

Local Government Regulation 2012

Credit Card Policy

Procurement Management Procedure

SOUND CONTRACTING PRINCIPLES

Sound contracting principles must be regarded when entering into a contract for the supply of goods or services.

The sound contracting principles are:

- 1) Value for money – ensure that all procurement and contracting activities represent the best return on money spent from a whole-of-life cost perspective.
- 2) Open and effective competition – ensure transparent processes and the promotion of effective competition between potential suppliers.
- 3) The development of competitive local business and industry – proactively support local business and industry to provide jobs in the Longreach Region. The locality of businesses will form a part of the evaluation criteria when awarding contracts except where there are no properly qualified local suppliers.
- 4) Environmental protection – ensure procurement and contracting activities conserve resources, save energy, minimize waste, allows the reuse of recovered materials, protect human health and maintain environmental quality and safety.
- 5) Ethical behavior and fair dealing – ensures equitable and fair outcomes, probity and transparency, and ensures Officers act with integrity and in the public interest.

STRATEGIC APPROACH TO PROCUREMENT

Procurement is a strategic function that works with operational and project teams to achieve sound contracting principles. By working together, from the development of budgets through to contract administration, Council will achieve better outcomes that will aid in its financial sustainability.

Procurement planning will be influenced by operational demands, industry and economic circumstances, annual budgets, asset management plans and long-term financial plans. Forward planning over several years can aid in entering into longer-term contracts for materials and services, providing better outcomes for Council.

Innovation is important to enhancing value for money outcomes for Council. Market led solutions can provide Council with a unique and innovative solution to a problem, address an opportunity or enhance the services that Council provides.

Where possible, Council will endeavor to procure from local and regional businesses and community groups to stimulate local economic activity and achieve better social outcomes for the Longreach Region.

The Procurement function will also create value by aiding operational and project teams in administering large value contracts and applying the Risk Management Framework to all procurement activities.

MANAGING CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Council Officers participating in planning, procurement and contracting activities must comply with the requirements of Council's Code of Conduct. Officers must advise the Procurement Officer of all conflicts of interest related to any procurement or contracting activity.

CONTRACTING/PURCHASING DELEGATIONS

Council authorises the Chief Executive Officer to carry out purchasing and contracting to a value of up to \$6 million, and nominate delegated staff with authority to undertake procurement activities subject to:

- 1) The expenditure being provided for in the approved annual budget for the financial year, or
- 2) Council authorising the expenditure by resolution separate to the normal budget process, or
- 3) The Chief Executive Officer authorising the expenditure because of genuine emergency.

ESTABLISHED BUYING ARRANGEMENTS

Vendorpanel will be the preferred method of inviting quotes for procurement of goods and services when quotes are required.

Buying arrangements will be created through a register of Pre-Qualified Suppliers, Local Buy Arrangements and Preferred Supplier Arrangements. Establishing buying

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arrangements will reduce the administrative efforts in procurement while adhering to the sound contracting principles.

Preferred Supplier Arrangements and Pre-Qualified Suppliers will be created through a tender process.

MINIMUM QUOTATION THRESHOLDS

	Amount (GST exclusive)	Default quotation requirements
Small	\$0-\$3,000	No quotes
	\$3,001 - \$15,000	Invite 2 quotes
Medium	\$15,001 - \$199,999	Invite 3 quotes
Large	\$200,000 +	Tender

The Vendorpanel request for quote reference will be noted in the purchase order within the purchasing system.

SMALL VALUE PURCHASING (up to and including \$15,000)

Authorised Council Officers may use Council credit cards for small value purchasing up to and including \$3,000. Any purchase made on a credit card will not require purchase orders to be raised. All card holders must follow Council's Credit Card Policy when using cards for any payments.

For all other small value contracts more than \$3,000, Council Officers must invite quotes from at least two suppliers unless:

- 1) there is a Preferred Supplier Arrangement in place; or
- 2) a Pre-Qualified Supplier or Local Buy Arrangement is used; or
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MEDIUM VALUE PURCHASING (\$15,001 - \$199,999)

For all medium value purchases, Council Officers must invite quotes from at least three suppliers unless:

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LARGE VALUE PURCHASES (\$200,000+)

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TENDERS

The Procurement Officer will manage all tenders for Council to assist operational and project teams in ensuring that sound contracting principles are adhered to. Tender procedures will be laid out in Management Policies.

PROBITY PLANS

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- 1) to ensure accountability, transparency and integrity, and preserve confidence in the process.
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Authorised by resolution on xxxx:

Brett Walsh
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Procurement Policy		 Longreach Regional Council
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Local Government Act 2009 s104 paras 1-4

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Authorised by resolution on xxxx:

Brett Walsh
Chief Executive Officer

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12.3 - Project Decision Policy

12.3 Project Decision Policy

A renewed policy document establishing Council's project decision framework is presented for adoption.

Council Action

Deliver

Applicable Legislation

Local Government Act 2009

Local Government Regulation 2012

Policy Considerations

Project Decision Policy 01.16

Corporate and Operational Plan Considerations

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Corporate Plan Outcome	
5.2	Informed and considered decision making based on effective governance practices.

Budget Considerations

Nil

Previous Council Resolutions related to this Matter

(Res-2023-01-022)

Moved Cr Nunn seconded Cr Hatch

That Council adopts the Project Decision Framework Policy No 1.16, as presented.

Officer Comment

Responsible Officer/s: *David Wilson, Chief Financial Officer*

Background:

How Council makes investment decisions has a significant impact on Council's financial sustainability. Establishing a governance framework establishes a disciplined approach to investment decision-making.

Issue:

The policy decision framework has been reviewed and amended to more closely align the model set out by Queensland Treasury Corporation. The attached policy document clarifies the intent of Council to apply a structured decision-making approach to making investment decisions. The document also clarifies that those projects that require major governance oversight are referred to Council throughout the different stages of the decision-making process. Ultimately all decisions on capital expenditure are made by Council through the budget process. This framework ensures that proposals submitted to Council for budget approval have been through a rigorous review process.

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The policy also established that the Audit and Risk Committee provides oversight on the Project Decision Framework function.

Risk Management Factors:

This matter has been assessed using Council's Risk Matrix to decide the likelihood and consequence of any risk to Council:

Likelihood: Possible
Consequence: Moderate
Rating: Medium

There is a medium risk that without an adequate decision-making framework, council will invest in capital projects or asset acquisitions that do not provide expected service levels and create a financial burden over a period of time.

Community Consultation:

Nil

Environmental Management Factors:

Nil

Other Comments:


Nil

Appendices

1. Project Decision Policy ↓
2. Existing policy being replaced ↓

Recommendation:

That Council adopts the new Project Decision Framework Policy as presented.

Project Decision Framework Policy		 <p>Longreach Regional Council <small>Ilfracombe Isisford Longreach Yarakah</small></p>
Policy Number:	1.16	
Policy Category:	Financial	
Authorised by:		
Date approved:		
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PURPOSE

Longreach Regional Council (Council) provides a range of services to the community and, in doing so, is required to ensure these services are sustainable. Typically, in any one year, the concepts and ideas that are to be considered at the front end of the formal budget process will be much larger in number than the projects that can be supported.

Important decisions therefore must be made as to which of the various concepts and ideas should be progressed for further consideration and those that should not be progressed. For council, this decision-making process is most successfully achieved using the Project Decision Framework (PDF).

The PDF combines management, governance, financial, economic and technical activities applied to phases of the project lifecycle with the purpose of establishing a common structured approach for considering investment opportunities and their subsequent management through to completion. The PDF offers a disciplined, consistent and robust approach to decision making in the best interest of the community.

OBJECTIVES

The objective is to have a structured decision-making process for considering opportunities, proposed projects and their subsequent management through to completion.

SCOPE

This policy will apply to all projects and asset acquisitions and renewals.

LEGISLATION AND OTHER REFERENCES

Local Government Act 2009

Local Government Regulation 2012

Queensland Treasury Corporation's Project Decision Framework User Guide, tools and templates
Council's Asset Management Policies

POLICY STATEMENT

Council will apply a structured decision-making approach, referred to as a PDF, for the concept selection, pre-feasibility, feasibility and planning elements of the project lifecycle for significant capital and operating projects, including the acquisition or renewal of assets, fleet and plant. The approach will be based on the framework and templates created by Queensland Treasury Corporation (QTC), adopted to Council's requirements.

Projects that require major governance oversight because they are high risk and high value must be referred to Council throughout the stages of the Project Decision Making process.


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ACCOUNTABILITIES, ROLES, AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Approve the Project Decision Framework Policy.- Approve projects, asset acquisitions and renewals and the associated budgets.
Audit and Risk Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Provide oversight of the PDF function.
Chief Executive Officer	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Create the Project Decision Making Group and establish its Terms of Reference.- Establish Management Policies and Procedures to implement the PDF policy.- Ensure alignment with the PDF and Council's Asset Management Policies.- Report to the Audit and Risk Committee on the function of the PDF each quarter.

Authorised by resolution as at XX December 2024

Bret Walsh
Chief Executive Officer

Project Decision Policy		 <p>Longreach Regional Council <small>Ilfracombe Isisford Longreach Yaraka</small></p>
Policy Number:	1.16	
Policy Category:	Financial	
Authorised by:	Res 2023-01-022	
Date approved:	25 January 2023	
Review Date:	26 January 2025	

PURPOSE

This policy document:

- Specifies Council’s overarching intentions and guiding principles for project decision making.
- Describes implementation of the project decision process, consistent with the strategic actions and outcomes specified by the Corporate Plan.
- Includes a commitment to legislative compliance as well as continual improvement in project decision making across the organisation.

SCOPE

Project decision making at Longreach Regional Council combines management, governance, financial, economic and technical components, applied across relevant phases of the project lifecycle to establish a common approach for considering opportunities and proposed projects, and managing projects through to completion.

To improve project selection and delivery, Council adopts a structured decision-making process across the project lifecycle. The lifecycle stages include:

- *Identify*
- *Evaluate*
- *Analyse*
- *Recommend*
- *Engage/Decide*
- *Deliver*
- *Operate/Maintain*
- *Decommission*

LEGISLATION

Local Government Act 2009
Local Government Regulation 2012

DEFINITIONS

Council – means Longreach Regional Council.

Council Officer – means any person/s employed by Longreach Regional Council.

Councillor – means any elected member of Longreach Regional Council.

Executive Leadership Team (ELT) – means Longreach Regional Council Directors and Chief Executive Officer.

Project – means the acquisition or improvement of a Council asset or process that imposes a financial or reputational implication to Council.

Project Decision Framework – means Council’s own framework (see Figure 1) inspired by the Queensland Treasury Corporations suite of documents for the governance of Council projects.

Project Decision Group – means the decision-making group constituted by nominated Councillors and ELT.

Project Decision Management Directive – means the Project Decision Management Directive MD - 01-16-01

Project Decision Policy – means this Project Decision Policy No. 1.16.

Project Manager – means the Council Officer charged with the delivery of a project or outcome identified in the Project Decision Framework.

POLICY STATEMENT

The purpose of this policy is to establish a project decision process to assist Council to manage local government investments in accordance with statutory requirements and sound contracting principles. This ensures optimal project choices are made, supporting the ongoing sustainability of local government, and providing the highest-quality services and facilities to all communities of the Longreach Region.

Council provides a range of services to the community and, in doing so, is required to ensure these services are sustainable. Typically, in any year, the concepts and ideas considered in the budgeting process will exceed the number of projects that can be supported. Therefore, decisions must be made about which concepts will be progressed for further consideration. Council recognises the advantages of adopting a disciplined approach to project decision making, by considering project need, benefits, complexity, cost, and risk, so that approved and prioritised projects provide value for money.

Council aspires to the following mission:

“To have in place a robust project decision making process to deliver value for money for Council and the community we serve.”

Council’s project decision making mission is guided by the following principles:

1. Project Governance and Accountability

- a) A disciplined approach towards project selection to undertake the ‘right’ projects across the organisation.
- b) Project proposals are prioritised based on a common and agreed set of criteria.
- c) Project selection is linked to strategic intent.
- d) Accountability for project decision making activities is unambiguous, accepted and met.
- e) Industry standards and guidelines are used where appropriate.
- f) A consistent project decision making language is used.

2. Project Information Management

- a) Council recognises, identifies, records, and maintains project information to a level of detail, accuracy, and integration necessary for each project to be managed in accordance with the integrated framework.
- b) Statutory requirements relating to Council’s project work are met (as a minimum).

3. Project Lifecycle Management

- a) Projects are managed from a whole-of-life perspective.
- b) Risks and opportunities are identified and managed in accordance with the Corporate Risk Framework prior to final project selection.
- c) Prior to approval of any major project that constitutes a renewal or upgrade to an existing service, a critical review, based on demonstrated service needs is undertaken and the ‘whole-of-life’ cost of that project is determined.

4. Service level management

- a) An agreed growth and demographic model is used to plan for infrastructure investment driven by changes in demand.
- b) Council defines current and desired levels of service considering technical and community requirements and the cost of services.

In Summary, the decision-making framework follows these steps.

<i>Identify</i>	A project arises from an idea, problem or need
<i>Evaluate</i>	Listed projects are evaluated with a selection criteria and proposal. Budget and resources are allocated if they are to proceed
<i>Analyse</i>	Projects are analysed in more detail with a business case to determine their feasibility
<i>Recommend</i>	The PDG recommends project progression, priority, timeframe, or need for further planning
<i>Engage/Decide</i>	Councillors determine which project proceed in consultation with the community if required
<i>Deliver</i>	Projects are delivered using Council’s project dashboard
<i>Operate/Maintain</i>	Project operational phase, and if infrastructure, project is included in Asset Management Plan/s.
<i>Decommission</i>	Assets, strategies or plans nearing end of life may reenter the project lifecycle

Application

This policy applies to all projects with an initial cost of \$50,000 or a whole of life cost of over \$100,000 within a 10-year period. However, the following exemptions apply:

- a) Roads to Recovery (R2R), Traffic Infrastructure Development Scheme (TIDS), Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements (NDRRA), Minor Works Performance Contracts (MWPC) and Road Maintenance Performance Contracts (RMPC) projects are exempt.
- b) Any scheduled maintenance to Council assets as per the asset management plans or service plans is exempt.

The Chief Executive Officer may, by way of formal written approval, permit a project to bypass any evaluative processes.

RELATED POLICIES / LEGISLATION

This policy is aligned with Council's corporate plans and strategies. Furthermore, it is central to a suite of related functional level policies that support and guide the management of projects and maximise the business benefits that the opportunities associated with these projects present to Council.

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

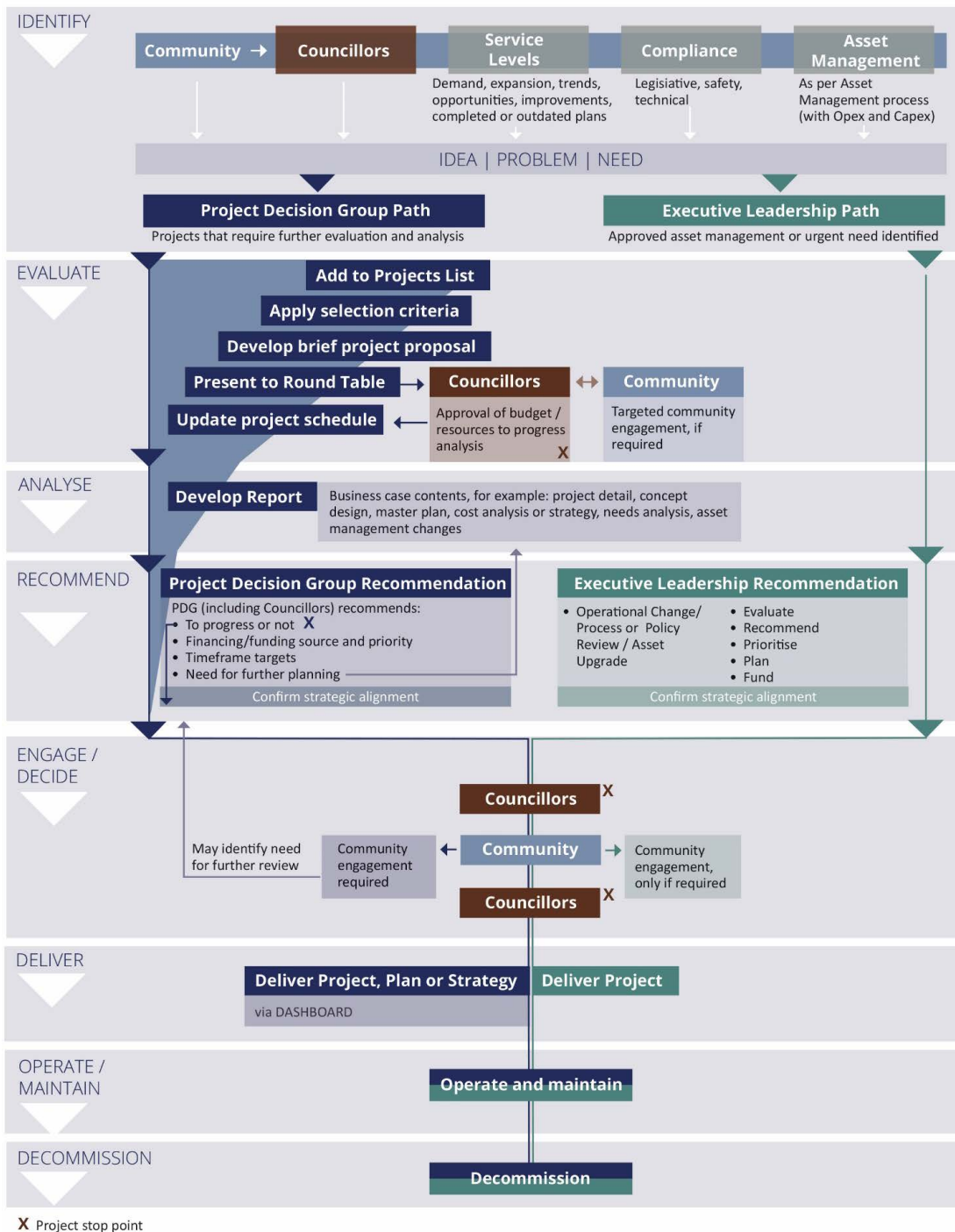
The Project Decision Group (PDG) will, while making any recommendations, undertake due diligence to ensure the below reports and/or plans are consulted.

Local Government Regulation 2012

- *Corporate plan*
- *Community plan*
- *Asset management plans*
- *Long term financial plans*

Figure 1: Decision making framework

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ACCOUNTABILITIES, ROLES, AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Project decision making responsibilities and relationships have been established as follows:

Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To act as stewards for all projects. - To approve Council projects and monitor outcomes. - To set corporate project decision policy and vision. - To set levels of service, risk, and cost standards. - To ensure project investment decisions consider whole-of-life costs.
Chief Executive Officer / Executive Leadership Team	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To implement the decision-making process consistent with the Project Decision Policy with agreed resources and review performance. - To ensure that accurate and reliable information is presented to Council for decision making. - To integrate the Project Decision Policy, process, and guidelines into Council's corporate governance framework.
Project Custodians / Proponents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To develop proposals for new projects in accordance with Council's Project Decision Policy. - To ensure proposals include several project delivery options to determine the most viable option. - To develop and implement project management plans for individual approved projects in accordance with the guidelines. - To deliver levels of service to the agreed risk and cost standards. - To present information to Council and Chief Executive Officer in terms of lifecycle risks and costs.
Project Decision Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To develop, implement and monitor Council's Project Decision Framework in accordance with this policy. - Ensure promotion and implementation of each step in the framework progressing projects through a staged lifecycle. - Evaluate and monitor key performance outputs/criteria following implementation.

RELATED DOCUMENTS

- Procurement Policy 1.1
- Procurement Management Directive MD-01-01-01
- Enterprise Risk Management Policy 1.11

Authorised by resolution as at 25 January 2023:



Brett Walsh
Chief Executive Officer

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Appointment of new internal auditor

Council Action

Deliver

Applicable Legislation

Local Government Act 2009

Local Government Regulations 2012

Policy Considerations

Policy 1.10 Internal Audit Policy

Corporate and Operational Plan Considerations

OUR LEADERSHIP	
	Corporate Plan Outcome
5.2	Informed and considered decision making based on effective governance practices.

Budget Considerations

Currently budgeted for in FY25 and will form part of future budgets.

Previous Council Resolutions related to this Matter

A procurement and evaluation process was undertaken to procure an Internal Auditor for a 4 year term covering 2020-2024.

That the Committee would like to appoint Walsh Accounting as Internal Auditor and Director of Corporate Services to liaise with Walsh Accounting to clarify requirements for the 4 year Internal Audit plan.

(Res-2020-12-345)

Moved Cr Martin seconded Cr Nunn

That Council notes the outcomes of the Audit and Risk Committee meeting held 4 December 2020.

Officer Comment

Responsible Officer/s: *David Wilson, Chief Financial Officer*

Background:

Council is required to establish an internal audit function pursuant to section 207 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*. Council's Internal Audit Policy states that Council will appoint an internal auditor who may be other than a staff member.

The purpose of the internal audit function is to provide independent assurance over the internal controls and risk management framework of council. The function helps an organisation achieve its objectives by bringing a systematic disciplined approach to

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evaluate and improve the effectiveness of risk management, control and governance processes.

The internal auditor reports to the Audit and Risk Committee.

Issue:

The four-year term of the current internal auditor expires in December 2024. Council officers have conducted a Request For Quote process to obtain proposals from qualified and experienced auditors. Council received a total of 6 responses to conduct internal audit services for a term of four years. Offers to quote were made to Walsh’s Accounting and Pacifica, however both declined to submit a proposal due to conflicts of interest.

Proponents were asked to submit a proposal to conduct 2 major internal audit projects and four quarterly control tests per year for a period of four years. Council officers carried out an evaluation of the responses with the following criteria.

EVALUATION CRITERIA	WEIGHTING	RATIONALE
Price	30	Pricing and approach to out-of-pocket expenses for site visits. The lowest price will have the highest weighting; all other quotes will be scaled from lowest price.
Methodology	30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Value adds to Council • Approach to major audit focus • Approach to quarterly control testing • 3 Referees provided • Summary of insurance cover, confirmation of adherence to contract terms and conditions
Experience	30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstrated understanding of Local Government in Queensland • Experience delivering services to small internal audit functions, including remaining within small internal audit budgets • Experience of key personnel including qualifications
Locality of Supplier	10	Ranking based on distance from Longreach

Overall, the proposals were very competitive, and each firm demonstrated how they would provide value to Council.

Risk Management Factors:

This matter has been assessed using Council’s Risk Matrix to decide the likelihood and consequence of any risk to Council:

Likelihood: Unlikely
 Consequence: Minor
 Rating: Low

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Having an effective internal audit function in place will increase the likelihood of fraudulent and non-compliant activity taking place.

Community Consultation:

Not applicable

Environmental Management Factors:

Not applicable

Other Comments:

Not applicable

Recommendation:

That Council, pursuant to section 207 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, appoints xxxx as Council's internal auditor for a period of four years.

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12.5 Information Report - Finance

This report provides an update on a range of activities that occurred during the month for the Financial Services Directorate.

Council Action

Deliver

Applicable Legislation

Local Government Act 2009

Local Government Regulation 2012

Policy Considerations

Nil

Corporate and Operational Plan Considerations

OUR SERVICES	
	Corporate Plan Outcome
2.1	Sustainable infrastructure and services that represent value for money, are environmentally responsible, and are responsive to community needs.
OUR FINANCES	
	Corporate Plan Outcome
4.1	Improved financial performance and strategic financial management.
ANCES OUR LEADERSHIP	
	Corporate Plan Outcome
5.3	Council delivers a positive customer experience in all service areas.

Budget Considerations

Nil

Previous Council Resolutions related to this Matter

(Res-2024-11-312)

Moved Cr Hatch seconded Cr Gay

That Council receives the Finance Information report, as presented.

Officer Comment

Responsible Officer/s: *David Wilson, Chief Financial Officer*

Background:

The Financial Services Directorate provides a monthly update on strategic issues and improvement projects to improve Council's financial sustainability.

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Issue:

Procurement

YTD Percentage Of Purchase Made Locally

2024-25	2023-24
43.29%	41.05%

Contracts Awarded In November

VP / Qtender Number Request Name	Supplier	Value Of Contract Exc. Gst
Nil		

Tenders And RFQ Open And Not Awarded

Tender/RFQ	Platform
Vp438155 - Supply And Delivery One (1) Grid	Vendor Panel
Vp433366 - Meeting And Agenda Management Software	Vendor Panel
Vp438460 - Supply & Delivery Of Two (2) Backhoe Loaders	Vendor Panel
Vp439217 - Supply And Delivery 3m Davit System	Vendor Panel
Vp434773 - Register Of Pre-Qualified Suppliers - Supplies	Vendor Panel
Vp435416 - Register Of Pre-Qualified Suppliers - Wet And Dry Hire	Vendor Panel
Vp435418 - Register Of Pre-Qualified Suppliers - Trades And Services	Vendor Panel
Vp435427 - Register Of Pre-Qualified Suppliers - Mechanical Services	Vendor Panel
Vp43587 - Supply And Delivery Of One (1) 2wd Medium Rigid Truck	Vendor Panel
Vp439263 - Replace Pumps Isisford Pump Station	Vendor Panel
Vp436951 - Internal Auditor	Vendor Panel

Upcoming Requests For Quote And Tenders

Request	Quote/Tender
Landfill Rehabilitation Liability Assessment And Modelling	Quote
Longreach Depot Layout Review	Quote

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Three Sessions of Vendorpanel Training Were Conducted In November, 2024.

Suppliers With Expenditure >\$200,00 Ytd 24-25

Creditor Name	Sum Of Invoice Amount	Services
Rayners Western Hire Pty Ltd	\$ 1,251,664.23	Plant And Labour Hire
Champion Contracting	\$ 860,686.10	Quarry Supplies
Jtcox Concrete & Precast Pty Ltd	\$ 854,554.56	Materials
Tropic Petroleum	\$ 763,797.17	Fuel And Oil
Neuendorf Constructions	\$ 603,700.00	Construction
Lgm Assets	\$ 546,936.83	Insurance
Property Exchange Australia Ltd	\$ 544,698.41	Asset
Moore Civil & Plant Hire Pty Ltd	\$ 513,571.00	Plant And Labour Hire
Ergon Energy Corporation Limited	\$ 441,293.48	Electricity
George Bourne & Associates	\$ 391,541.06	Project Management
Telstra Limited	\$ 332,229.26	Telephone And Internet
Fourier Technologies Pty Ltd	\$ 244,736.11	It Management
Proterra Group	\$ 233,902.47	Waste Management
Hastings Deering (Australia) L	\$ 230,188.91	Plant
Central Highlands Auto Pty Ltd	\$ 227,884.77	Plant
Queensland Local Government Workcare Scheme	\$ 211,298.07	Workers Compensation

Innovation and Business Improvement

The key initiatives undertaken by the Innovation and Business Improvement Team throughout November included:

- The initial roll out of the PC replacement program with twelve machines deployed in November. A total of 19 laptops and 12 desktops were procured in this financial year.
- All records (approx. 500 boxes) removed from the Ilfracombe archive room in preparation for construction works in the new year of the Ilfracombe Office. Many

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the records are under review for sentencing and destruction (where appropriate) prior to the shutdown period. This will allow the Team to re-configure the Longreach Archive room to make space for all records that are required to be retained.

- An initiative in partnership with a records specialist company named CorpMem, has been underway over the past three months to actively manage 'S drive', Councils historical filing system holding over 280,000 records. Approximately 50% of the records have been review and either moved into Councils document management system for sentencing or identified as an ephemeral record for final review and destruction by the Records Team. It's estimated the removal of all documents in S drive will be completed by the end of the financial year.
- The Starlink installation has been completed at Ilfracombe, with Isisford still pending due to brackets being required to be made in order to roof mount the equipment. Starlink equipment has been delivered for installation into the Crib room at the Longreach Depot.
- The Innovation and Business Improvement have been working closely with the project team to design and implement technology for the new Disaster Co-ordination Centre, the Cribb Room and the new location for the Library and Post Office in Ilfracombe.

Asset Management

Pinnacle usage is now more focused on Management & Maintenance Plans.

The visit to Brisbane meeting with South Bank Parklands & City Parks (Brisbane City Council) was a great success. During the meeting they were able to show how their use of Pinnacle for asset maintenance & management and their successes in its use.

At the end of the meeting, we all agreed that we keep up the conversations and look to create an alliance / partnership for working forward with Pinnacle and sharing any ideas for management of assets.

Meeting with Pinnacle Software to discuss our further use of the system and what we are wanting out of the system. Pinnacle have offered to work with us on improving our experience with Pinnacle by creating Energy monitoring module, WHS, Inspections, Risk Management. Pinnacle advised that a new improved inspection templates are being deployed in January 2025 with a better look and easier usage when completing inspections.

We also discussed the integration of ArcGIS into Pinnacle, where I will be providing help in getting Pinnacle better access to a ArcGIS technician.

Project Sunpower is still progressing. We held a discussion with Craig from Energetic Effects regarding our requirements for the Expression of Interest.

Craig has previously undertaken a number of this EOI's and has extensive independent knowledge of solar systems in the industry.

The trial at the Childcare facility is still seeing reductions in the electricity consumption on the nighttime tariff. The higher temperatures are still affecting the peak loads.

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Other energy savings identified in the way of electricity timers for lights, hot water units are currently awaiting quotes to be returned.

Risk Management Factors:

This matter has been assessed using Council's Risk Matrix to decide the likelihood and consequence of any risk to Council:

Likelihood: Rare
Consequence: Insignificant
Rating: Low (1/25)
Low risk, informational report only.

Environmental Management Factors:

Nil

Other Comments:

Nil

Recommendation:

That Council receives the Finance Information Report, as presented.

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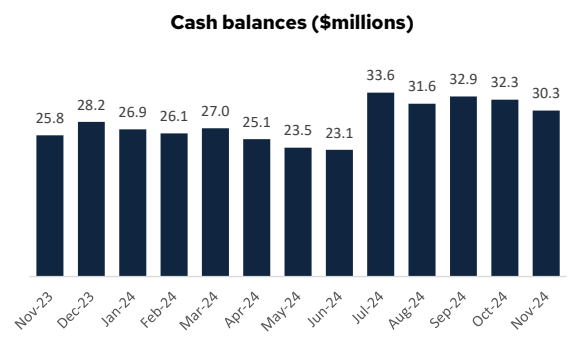
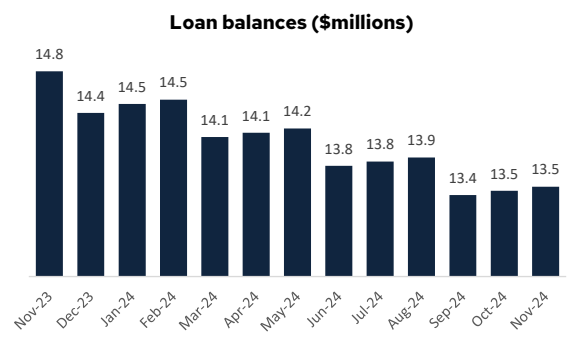
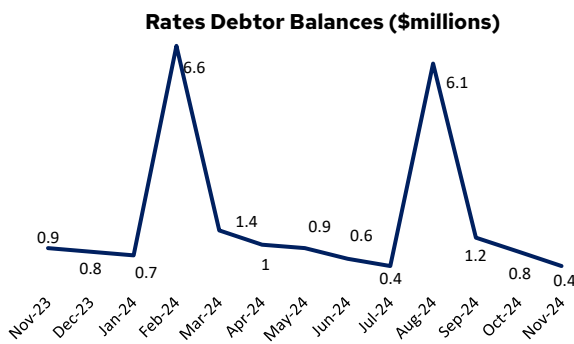
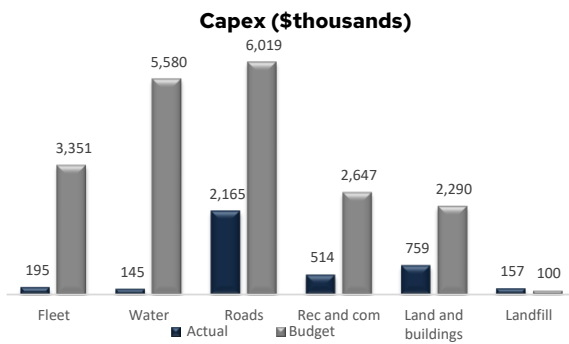
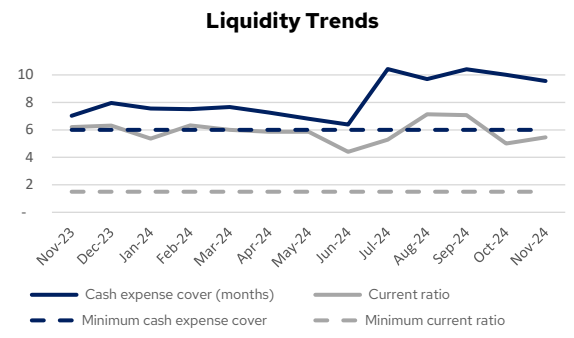
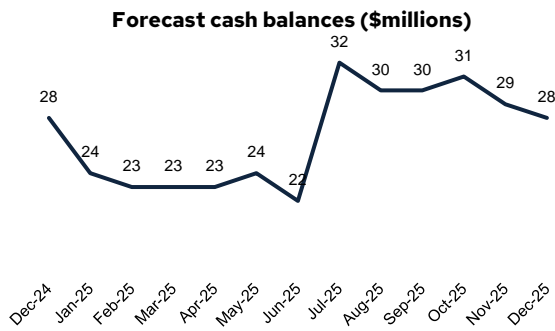
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Consideration of the financial statements for the period ending 30 November 2024:

Longreach Regional Council Financial Dashboard

for the month ending Nov 2024
(all amounts in \$millions)

Income statement	YTD	Budget YTD	Variance	Last YTD	Variance
Revenue	\$28.7	\$25.8	\$2.9	\$20.2	\$8.5 ●
Expenses	\$19.6	\$20.2	\$0.6	\$22.4	\$2.8 ●
Net result	\$9.1	\$5.6	\$3.5	(\$2.2)	\$11.3 ●
Balance sheet	Nov 2025	Jun 2024	Movement	Last YTD	Movement
Total assets	\$437.3	\$428.6	\$8.7	\$411.2	\$26.1 ●
Total liabilities	\$21.4	\$21.9	\$0.5	\$21.8	\$0.3 ●
Total equity	\$415.9	\$406.8	\$9.1	\$389.4	\$26.4 ●
Cash flow	YTD	Last YTD	Movement	Cash expense cover	
Operating cash flow	\$10.3	(\$7.6)	\$17.9 ●	9 months ●	
Capex	(\$3.8)	(\$2.7)	\$1.2 ●	Current ratio	
Other investing cash flow	\$1.1	\$1.3	(\$0.2) ●	5:1 ●	
Loan repayments	(\$0.4)	(\$0.3)	(\$0.0) ●	Unrestricted Cash Balance	
Net cash flow	\$7.2	(\$9.3)	\$16.5 ●	\$28.5 ●	



Summary

- Council is performing better than expected year to date with a \$9.1m net surplus and is in a good financial position with \$28.5m in unrestricted cash.

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Financial performance

- Revenue is \$2.9m higher than budget with positive variances in recoverable works income, flood damage and capital grants income, due to timing of work completed.
- Employee expenses are lower than budget. Vacancies are the main cause of this positive variance. Employee expenses are \$125k higher than last YTD.
- Materials and services are higher than budget. The variances due to the timing of flood damage and recoverable works projects. Most programs are operating within budget and management are taking steps to maintain expenditure within budget for those programs with unfavourable variances.
- Depreciation is higher than budget and last year to date due to the impact of the higher valuations at the end of the 2023/24 financial year. This will be monitored and the budget adjusted if it is likely to become a material variance.
- A positive net result of \$9.1m is higher than the budgeted net result of \$5.6m.

Financial position

- The financial position remains sound with no significant movements.
- Liabilities continue to decrease since the beginning of the financial year with a reduction in trade payables and loan balances.
- Net community equity has increased by \$9.1m year to date.

Cash flow

- Closing cash balance was \$30.3 million (\$28.5 million unrestricted).
- A positive net operating cashflow of \$10.3 million is mainly due to receipt of the FA Grant in July and the receipt of rate payments in August and September.
- Capital expenditure is steadily increasing as projects are delivered. No significant risks to project delivery times and budgets have been identified.

Liquidity

- Council maintains 9 months of cash expense cover.
- Current ratio is 5:1 (\$5 of current assets to every \$1 of current liabilities).
- Short- and long-term forecasts indicate that Council will remain in a sound financial position with careful management.
 - Council has three Term Deposit totaling \$20 million

Term Deposit	Maturity date	Rate
\$8,000,000	4/07/2025	5.06%
\$8,000,000	2/01/2025	4.98%
\$4,000,000	4/12/2024	4.79%

Debtors

The debtor balance is decreasing as we continue to adhere to the debt policy. Of the \$407k outstanding, 17% are currently under payment plans, 59% is with legal and 24% is being actively pursued through our debt recovery process.

	Current	1 year	2 years	3 years
Outstanding rates	\$160,945	\$113,858	\$54,649	\$77,787
Number of assessments	58	41	17	12

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Risks

- The main risks to Council's short term financial performance, position and cash flow are:

Risk	Description	Treatment	Rating
Project related grant income is not realized. Reputational damage with funding bodies.	If projects are not completed within the timeframes according to the grant conditions, grant income may not be realised.	Improve project reporting and risk assessments. Improve cross-functional communications across project teams, grant administration and procurement.	Likelihood – Possible Consequence – Major (capital grant income is a significant part of Council's ability to fund capex) Rating – High
Availability of grant funding and contract work reduces funding to sustain Council operations.	Council has relied on several years of consistent external funding from flood damage works and TMR works. When this funding decreases, it will impact Council's financial result and cash position.	Examine services, assets and business processes to reduce fixed costs in Council so that it becomes more adaptable and resilient. Diversify Council's revenue sources.	Likelihood – Possible Consequences – Moderate if the reductions impact a single year. Major if the reductions impact several consecutive years. Rating – Medium to High
Costs continue to increase rapidly placing pressure on Council's ability to sustainably provide services.	The cost of wages, goods and services, particularly construction materials continue to increase at a higher rate than previously experienced, increasing the cost of providing services and maintaining assets.	Prioritise services and projects to allocate limited resources to the most important community areas. Maintain reporting and forecasting to identify issues and where necessary, revise budgets.	Likelihood – Almost certain Consequence – Moderate Rating – High

Appendices

- [November 2024 Financial Statements.pdf](#) ↓
- [November 24 Directors Report.pdf](#) ↓
- [Capital November Report 24.pdf](#) ↓
- [Grants Report November](#) ↓

Recommendation:

That Council receives the Chief Financial Officer's Report for the period ending 30 November 2024, as presented.

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Statement of financial performance	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Last YTD	Full year budget
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Revenue				
Rates, levies and charges	6,256	6,239	6,239	12,378
Fees and charges	1,059	1,188	1,084	2,809
Recoverable works income	1,934	1,630	3,597	3,911
Other revenue	1,066	671	805	1,581
Operating grants, subsidies and contributions	17,329	15,753	7,141	22,692
Capital grants, subsidies and income	909	-	1,325	13,702
Profit on sale of assets	161	287	-	689
Total revenue	28,714	25,768	20,190	57,762
Expenses				
Employee expenses	6,779	8,009	6,654	19,222
Materials and services	8,785	8,401	11,723	19,216
Finance expenses	300	165	318	614
Depreciation	3,746	3,630	3,738	8,712
Other expenses	-	-	-	-
Total expenses	19,610	20,205	22,433	47,764
Net surplus or (deficit)	9,103	5,563	(2,243)	9,998
Operating deficit	9,103	5,563	(2,243)	9,998
	(1,070)	(287)	(1,325)	(14,391)
Operating deficit	8,033	5,276	(3,568)	(4,393)

Statement of financial position	YTD Actual	Actual June 2024	Full year budget
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	30,303	23,126	22,276
Current trade and other receivables	7,316	5,596	1,590
Inventories	901	881	593
Non-current assets			
Trade and other receivables	10,101	10,435	9,126
Property, plant and equipment	388,641	388,573	404,391
Other non-current assets	-	-	-
Total assets	437,262	428,612	437,976
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	2,171	2,710	1,645
Current borrowings	1,352	1,352	1,410
Current provisions	3,540	3,208	3,269
Non-current liabilities			
Borrowings	12,173	12,410	10,983
Provisions	2,170	2,178	2,324
Total liabilities	21,406	21,859	19,631
Net community assets	415,856	406,753	418,345
Community equity			
Asset revaluation reserve	195,919	195,919	196,637
Retained surplus	219,937	210,834	221,708
Total community equity	415,856	406,753	418,345

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Statement of cash flows	YTD Actual	Full year budget
	\$'000	\$'000
Cash flows from operating activities		
Receipts from ratepayers and customers	8,929	22,570
Receipts from grants	17,329	24,193
Payments to employees	(6,455)	(19,222)
Payments to suppliers	(9,320)	(19,847)
Interest paid	(169)	(557)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	10,313	7,136
Cash flows from Investing activities		
Receipts from capital grants	909	12,968
Receipts from sale of assets	161	650
Payments for capital expenditure	(3,838)	(21,095)
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from investing activities	(2,768)	(7,477)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Loan repayments	(368)	(1,346)
Net cash outflows from financing activities	(368)	(1,346)
Net cash inflow/(outflow)	7,177	(1,687)
Opening cash balance	23,126	23,963
Closing cash balance	30,303	22,276

Statement of changes in equity	YTD Actual	Full year budget
	\$'000	\$'000
Accumulated surplus		
Opening balance	210,834	211,710
Recognise land sold in prior years	-	-
Net profit or (loss)	9,103	9,998
Closing accumulated surplus	219,936	221,708
Asset revaluation reserve		
Opening balance	195,919	196,637
Other comprehensive income	-	-
Closing asset revaluation reserve	195,919	196,637
Total community equity	415,856	418,345

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Program	Revenue		Expenses		Net result	
	YTD	Budget YTD	YTD	Budget YTD	YTD	Budget full year
Office of the CEO						
Human resources	5	-	(504)	(619)	(498)	(1,486)
Governance	7	-	(358)	(359)	(351)	(359)
Elected member expenses	-	-	(241)	(274)	(241)	(657)
Disaster management and regional coordination	50	15	(118)	(98)	(68)	(83)
Economic development	-	-	(73)	(93)	(73)	(93)
Local laws	86	59	(395)	(546)	(309)	(1,136)
Health and environmental services	16	5	(14)	(43)	1	(90)
Land, leased out assets and commercial businesses	69	91	(198)	(228)	(128)	(341)
Development services	30	46	(82)	(95)	(52)	(119)
Total Office of the CEO	263	216	(1,982)	(2,355)	(1,719)	(4,539)
Infrastructure Services						
Infrastructure administration	-	-	(248)	(532)	(248)	(1,359)
Depot and airstrips	-	-	(181)	(301)	(181)	(722)
Roads, streets and stormwater	-	-	(2,977)	(2,997)	(2,977)	(6,352)
2023 NDRA Event	4,038	3,333	(4,038)	(3,333)	-	-
2022 NDRA Event	169	-	(169)	-	-	-
Contract works	1,841	1,583	(1,809)	(1,437)	33	147
Fleet management	167	117	1,010	819	1,177	936
Sewerage	805	807	(421)	(364)	384	493
Waste management	546	522	(380)	(401)	166	121
Water	1,721	1,699	(1,263)	(1,277)	457	422
Total Infrastructure Services	9,287	8,062	(10,475)	(9,823)	(1,188)	(4,688)

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Program	Revenue		Budget		Net result	
	YTD	Budget full year	YTD	Budget full year	YTD	Budget full year
Community Services						
Child Care	1,089	1,143	(1,136)	(1,243)	(48)	(100)
Community development and events	28	-	(109)	(197)	(80)	(459)
Donations and sponsorship	-	-	(103)	(80)	(103)	(192)
RADF	25	25	(12)	(16)	13	(10)
Community administration	1	-	(763)	(712)	(762)	(1,708)
Libraries	35	13	(103)	(102)	(68)	(89)
Community centres and halls	14	15	(222)	(201)	(208)	(186)
Public conveniences	4	3	(73)	(133)	(69)	(129)
Council housing	30	31	(80)	(126)	(50)	(95)
Showgrounds and sporting facilities	12	28	(321)	(354)	(309)	(327)
Cemeteries	73	67	(139)	(153)	(66)	(87)
Parks and gardens	-	-	(912)	(942)	(912)	(942)
Swimming pools	7	5	(459)	(552)	(452)	(547)
Tourism, museums and VIC	132	95	(422)	(562)	(290)	(468)
Total Community Services	1,450	1,424	(4,856)	(5,373)	(3,405)	(3,939)
Financial Services						
Insurance	-	-	(564)	(565)	(564)	(565)
Finance	13,422	12,579	(889)	(1,032)	12,533	11,547
Rates	2,987	2,976	(70)	(46)	2,917	2,915
LWDEFS	211	225	(158)	(92)	53	132
Internal recharges	19	-	(19)	-	()	-
Innovation and Business Improvement	3	-	(597)	(919)	(594)	(919)
Total Financial Services	16,643	15,780	(2,298)	(2,654)	14,345	13,111
Total Council Operating Result	27,644	25,481	(19,610)	(20,205)	8,033	5,321

Notes to the program report

1. FrankyAI project funded with income & expense.
2. Flood Damage & Contract Works ahead of schedule.
3. Maintenance on Sewerage Plants should slow down.
4. Income and expenses are down in this area due to vacancies.
5. Fees to come in throughout the year.

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Infrastructure	.Current Budget	.Actual Cost YTD	
LGGSP Longreach Water Mains Replacement	117,209	107,060	
W4Q COVID Ilfracombe WTP Automation	-	69,211.81	
R2R 24/25 Grids Replacement Program	279,000	51,872	
R2R 24/25 Seal Golden West Side Of St Helena St	210,000	-	
R2R 24/25 Floodway Upgrades On Isisford Blackall River Rd	95,000	43,420	
R2R 24/25 Reseal Town Street Isisford	30,000	2,657	
R2R 24/25 Reseal Town Streets Longreach	450,000	261,492	
R2R 24/25 Gravel Resheet Stonehenge River Rd	150,000	131,343	
R2R 24/25 Repair Down Stream Batter On Tocal Road	70,000	1,432	
R2R 24/25 Replace Floodway On Crossmore Rd	60,000	37,816	
R2R 24/25 Install Concrete Floodway On Stonehenge River Rd	60,000	57,578	
R2R 24/25 Upgrades Culverts And Drains In Plover/Crow Lane	50,000	-	
R2R 24/25 Replace Existing Concrete Floodways On Silsoe Rd Ch 39.82-39.850	36,000	-	
R2R 24/25 Reseal Floodway On Crossmore Rd	35,000	21,453	
R2R 24/25 Reseal Floodway On Isisford Yaraka River Rd	45,000	775	
Replace Existing Concrete Floodway	36,000	-	
24/25 STIP Funded Project Our Lady's School	270,000	66,193	
24/25 Improve Centre Medium Strips	100,000	-	
24/25 Install Kerb And Channelling - Pelican Street (Tids)	50,000	-	
24/25 Install Concrete Floodways Ilfracombe Dump Road	25,800	16,153	
24/25 Upgrade Bike Path At Jabiru Rail Crossing	35,000	20,443	
24/25 Install Roundabouts Around Ergon Poles (Tids & Ergon)	200,000	118,030	
24/25 Replace Kerb And Channelling And Rehabilitate Street - Galah Street (Tids)	400,000	383,489	
24/25 Replacment Of Elevated Reservoir & Stand At Wtp	500,000	-	
24/25 Water Treatment plant upgrades	250,000	-	
24/25 Eletrical Switchboards upgrade at Murray McMillan Dam	180,000	-	
24/25 Thomson River raising	1,000,000	1,766	
24/25 Water Mains Replacement	2,000,000	-	
24/25 Refurbish Ilfracombe sewer pump station	50,000	-	
24/25 Refurbish Isisford sewer pump station	50,000	-	
24/25 Isisford Depot workshop upgrades	100,000	-	
24/25 Vehicle key safes	30,000	-	
24/25 New Cell at waste facility	150,000	156,898	
Fleet Purchases	3,350,730	326,792	
QRA betterment projects	443,713	18,182	
Lot 201 infrastructure	1,090,000	-	
Installation of electronic readers of Fuel Bowsers	35,000	-	
Tullundilly Road - Isisford - Yaraka River Road	773,000	803,648	
23.24 Replace pump at Fairmount Weir	-	37,244	
24/25 Isisford Sewerage Ponds	100,000	63,325	
Grand Total	12,906,452	2,666,759	21%
Communities and Project Management			
23/24 Civic Centre Shade Structure	45,321	37,335	
23/24 Refit Back Of Library Into Disaster Management Centre	810,000	124,200	
23/24 Squash Courts Upgrade Longreach (sport &rec)	370,000	295,400	
Council Chambers	65,561	39,662	
Relocate Ilfracombe Post Office	250,000	-	
Lioness Park Shade Structure 23/24	92,360	77,127	
24/25 Replace dressing rooms air conditioner Longreach Civic Centre	5,000	-	
Isisford Hall Upgrade	50,000	-	
Tennis Club Upgrades	316,189	467	
OBIC Roof Replacement	100,000	91,650	
Machinery Mile Toilet Block Replacement	190,825	18,730	
Wellshot Centre Footpath Replacement	12,000	-	
Powerhouse accessibility ramp	15,000	-	
Beersheba Pump - Power Reconnection	40,000	29,033	
Back Wall Ilfracombe Multipurpose Court	10,000	-	
Ilf Pool - Salt Water Chlorination Conversion	75,000	-	
Longreach Pool Coping Tile Replacement	115,000	-	
Childcare Fencing	85,000	-	
Longerach Childcare -New Shade Structure	20,000	-	
Cemetery plinth replacements	45,000	-	
Extension to columbarium Longreach cemetery	25,000	-	
Cemetery new entrance sign	12,500	4,430	
24/25 Executive House	550,000	549,698	
Animal Management facility	1,650,000	-	
Isisford SES Training Room	89,709	-	
Council Housing @ Teal Street	3,801,552	-	
Grand Total	9,041,017	1,268,093	14%
		3,934,852	

Grant/s Information (current as of Monday, 02 December 2024)

Completed Grants

The below grants have been finalised, and acquitted since 01 July 2024.

Grant number	Name	Title	Subsidy amount	Income received	Remaining income	Grant start date	Grant end date
GC2024251	DEPARTMENT ENVIRONMENT, SCIENCE & INNOVATION	QLD Connects - Seed Funding - FranklyAI project	\$55,000	\$55,000	\$0	24/01/2024	30/09/2024
GC2024264	DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND TRAINING	Kindy Uplift 2024	\$5,098	\$5,098	\$0	1/06/2024	31/12/2024
GC2023240	DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING & PUBLIC WORKS	AWG_Active Women and Girls - Fitness & Self-defence program	\$27,500	\$27,500	\$0	20/11/2023	30/06/2025
GC2023199	DEPT OF PREMIER AND CABINET OFFICER FOR RURAL AND REGIONAL QLD	Queensland Day Sponsorship Program 2024	\$7,500	\$7,500	\$0	16/02/2024	30/09/2024
GC2022175	DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT & MAIN ROADS	MWPC - CNI7474 - 95B Longreach - Jundah Road	\$5,379,415	\$5,379,415	\$0	30/06/2022	22/12/2023
GC2024271	STATE LIBRARY OF QLD	SLQ - Service Development Subsidy 24-25	\$29,000	\$29,000	\$0	1/07/2024	30/06/2025
GC2024272	STATE LIBRARY OF QLD	First 5 Forever - FY25	\$5,746	\$5,746	\$0	8/10/2024	30/06/2025
		Total	\$5,509,259	\$5,509,259	\$0		

Lodged Grants

The below table provides a list of grant opportunities that have been applied for. At time of writing, the outcome of these grants has not been determined.

Grant number	Name	Title	Subsidy amount	Income received	Remaining income	Grant start date	Grant end date
GC2024269	DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE & REGIONAL	GRP_Growing Regions Program (Round 2)	\$2,251,418	\$0	\$2,251,418	26/09/2024	30/06/2026
GC2024265	DEPT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT & PLANNING	LGGSP_Longreach Water Mains Replacement Program	\$4,369,511	\$0	\$4,369,511	31/05/2025	30/06/2028
GC2024268	DEPT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT & PLANNING	Scheme Supply Fund 2024	\$100,000	\$0	\$100,000	1/10/2024	30/06/2026
GC2024273	QUEENSLAND POLICE SERVICE	SES Support_Replacement group vehicle - Isisford	\$58,189	\$0	\$58,189	1/07/2025	30/06/2024
GC2024274	QUEENSLAND POLICE SERVICE	SES Support_Isisford training and storage room fitout	\$79,245	\$0	\$79,245	1/07/2025	30/06/2026
GC2024275	QUEENSLAND POLICE SERVICE	SES Support_Longreach SES facility upgrade	\$43,248	\$0	\$43,248	1/07/2025	30/06/2026
		Total	\$6,901,611	\$0	\$6,901,611		

Approved Grants

Outlined below are all grants that are currently active in the SynergySoft system. The below includes multi-year funding rounds, where income will be received at agreed milestones and/or scheduled dates until the completion dates.

Grant number	Name	Title	Subsidy amount	Income received	Remaining income	Grant start date	Grant end date
GC2023204	DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND TRAINING	Professional Development & Paid Practicum Subsidy - FY24	\$13,680	\$0	\$13,680	1/07/2023	30/06/2024
GC2023207	DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND TRAINING	CCCF R4_Long Day Care Sustainability	\$400,000	\$100,000	\$300,000	1/07/2024	30/06/2026
GC2024254	DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND TRAINING	CCCF R4_OSHC Sustainability	\$180,744	\$42,967	\$137,778	1/07/2024	30/06/2026
GC2024255	DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND TRAINING	CCCF R4_Capital	\$279,281	\$64,841	\$214,441	1/07/2024	30/06/2026
GC2024257	DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND TRAINING	QKFS_Kindy for All 2024	\$130,000	\$123,388	\$6,612	1/01/2024	31/12/2024
GC2023185	DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING & PUBLIC WORKS	MIP1 - Longreach Squash Courts Upgrade	\$328,692	\$164,346	\$164,346	28/06/2023	28/02/2026
GC2023194	DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING & PUBLIC WORKS	HIF - Teal Street Development 2023	\$3,801,552	\$380,155	\$3,421,397	1/09/2023	30/10/2025
GC2021142	DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE & REGIONAL	LRCIP3 - 1 LRCH Childcare Playground Replacement	\$162,000	\$141,786	\$20,214	1/01/2021	30/06/2024
GC2022146	DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE & REGIONAL	LRCIP3 - 2 Yaraka Tree Line	\$11,000	\$9,627	\$1,373	1/01/2022	30/06/2024
GC2022147	DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE & REGIONAL	LRCIP3 - 3 Isisford MPC Kiosk Repair	\$19,500	\$17,067	\$2,433	1/01/2022	30/06/2024
GC2022148	DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE & REGIONAL	LRCIP3 - 4 Isisford Park Renovations	\$44,500	\$38,947	\$5,553	1/01/2022	30/06/2024
GC2022149	DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE & REGIONAL	LRCIP3 - 6 ILF Rec Centre Maintenance	\$50,000	\$43,761	\$6,239	1/01/2022	30/06/2024
GC2022150	DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE & REGIONAL	LRCIP3 - 8 LRCH Showgrounds landscaping	\$70,000	\$61,265	\$8,735	1/01/2022	30/06/2024

Grant number	Name	Title	Subsidy amount	Income received	Remaining income	Grant start date	Grant end date
GC2022151	DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE & REGIONAL	LRCI P3 - 9 LRCH Showground Audio Upgrade	\$50,000	\$43,761	\$6,239	1/01/2022	30/06/2024
GC2022153	DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE & REGIONAL	LRCI P3 - 11 Painting of LRCH Civic Centre	\$70,000	\$61,265	\$8,735	1/01/2022	30/06/2024
GC2022154	DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE & REGIONAL	LRCI P3 - 12 LRCH Edkins Park Ablution Block	\$330,000	\$288,823	\$41,177	1/01/2022	30/06/2024
GC2022155	DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE & REGIONAL	LRCI P3 - 13 LRCH Eagle St Beautification	\$60,000	\$52,513	\$7,487	1/01/2022	30/06/2024
GC2022156	DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE & REGIONAL	LRCI P3 - 14 LRCH Eagle St Landsborough HWY and Pelican St	\$775,000	\$678,295	\$96,705	1/01/2022	30/06/2024
GC2022157	DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE & REGIONAL	LRCI P3 - 15 Isisford Footpaths	\$70,000	\$61,265	\$8,735	1/01/2022	30/06/2024
GC2022159	DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE & REGIONAL	LRCI P3 - 17 Longreach Footpaths	\$98,000	\$85,772	\$12,228	1/01/2022	30/06/2024
GC2022160	DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE & REGIONAL	LRCI P3 - 16 Isisford Airport Road	\$335,000	\$330,888	\$4,112	1/01/2022	30/06/2024
GC2023187	DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE & REGIONAL	LRCI P3 - 18 Longreach Showgrounds Rodeo Arena Resurfacing	\$31,000	\$0	\$31,000	21/03/2023	30/06/2024
GC2023188	DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE & REGIONAL	LRCI P3 - 19 Powerhouse Museum Centenary Garden	\$25,000	\$0	\$25,000	21/03/2023	30/06/2024
GC2023189	DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE & REGIONAL	LRCI P3 - 20 Wool Pavillion Concreting	\$120,000	\$120,000	\$0	21/03/2023	30/06/2024
GC2023190	DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE & REGIONAL	LRCI P3 - 21 Longreach Library Roof Replacement	\$71,350	\$0	\$71,350	21/03/2023	30/06/2024
GC2023213	DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE & REGIONAL	LRCI P4_01 Eagle & Swan Street New Crossover & Shelter	\$80,000	\$80,000	\$0	17/08/2023	30/06/2024
GC2023214	DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE & REGIONAL	LRCI P4_02 Outer Barcoo Interpretation Centre Wall & Drainage Replacement	\$100,000	\$40,000	\$60,000	17/08/2023	30/06/2024
GC2023215	DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE & REGIONAL	LRCI P4_03 Beersheba Park Shade Structure	\$50,000	\$47,000	\$3,000	17/08/2023	30/06/2024
GC2023216	DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE & REGIONAL	LRCI P4_04 Yarak IOR Fuel Turn Around	\$148,000	\$70,885	\$77,115	17/08/2023	30/06/2024
GC2023217	DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE & REGIONAL	LRCI P4_05 Ilfracombe Multi-purpose Court	\$631,175	\$631,175	\$0	17/08/2023	30/06/2024
GC2023218	DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE & REGIONAL	LRCI P4_06 Apex Park High Bar Installation	\$20,000	\$12,000	\$8,000	17/08/2023	30/06/2024
GC2023219	DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE & REGIONAL	LRCI P4_07 Apex Park Shade Structure Installation	\$30,000	\$26,500	\$3,500	17/08/2023	30/06/2024
GC2023220	DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE & REGIONAL	LRCI P4_08 Ilfracombe Street Number Replacement	\$35,000	\$31,500	\$3,500	17/08/2023	30/06/2024
GC2023221	DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE & REGIONAL	LRCI P4_09 Longreach Showgrounds Canteen Repair	\$30,000	\$12,000	\$18,000	17/08/2023	30/06/2024
GC2023222	DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE & REGIONAL	LRCI P4_10 Banner Poles (Ilfracombe & Isisford)	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$0	17/08/2023	30/06/2024
GC2023223	DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE & REGIONAL	LRCI P4_11 Apex Park Beautification	\$37,000	\$37,000	\$0	17/08/2023	30/06/2024
GC2023224	DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE & REGIONAL	LRCI P4_12 Isisford Bin Cage Replacement	\$15,000	\$15,000	\$0	17/08/2023	30/06/2024
GC2023225	DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE & REGIONAL	LRCI P4_13 Isisford-Bimerah Gravel Resheet	\$225,000	\$225,000	\$0	17/08/2023	30/06/2024
GC2023226	DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE & REGIONAL	LRCI P4_14 Rural Road Signage Upgrade	\$150,000	\$134,500	\$15,500	17/08/2023	30/06/2024
GC2023227	DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE & REGIONAL	LRCI P4_15 Corella Lane Pave & Seal	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$0	17/08/2023	30/06/2024
GC2023228	DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE & REGIONAL	LRCI P4_16 Bailey Street Upgrade	\$46,467	\$46,467	\$0	17/08/2023	30/06/2024
GC2023233	DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE & REGIONAL	LRCI P4_17 Longreach Childcare Centre Footpath (Galah Street to Childcare Centre)	\$143,513	\$143,513	\$0	17/08/2023	30/06/2024
GC2024261	DEPARTMENT OF INFRASTRUCTURE & REGIONAL	R2R_Roads to Recovery 2024-2029	\$10,526,379	\$0	\$10,526,379	1/07/2024	30/06/2029
GC2024270	DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT, MANUFACTURING AND WATER	WISER_Longreach Water Security for Growth	\$11,990,000	\$0	\$11,990,000	5/09/2024	30/09/2027
GC2019036	DEPARTMENT OF STATE DEVELOPMENT	BoR R4 Long 0056 - Railway Siding Extension	\$500,000	\$250,000	\$250,000	12/12/2019	1/05/2025
GC2023242	Department of Tourism and Sport	Building Bush Tourism_Machinery Mile Toilet Block Replacement	\$190,825	\$95,000	\$95,825	30/11/2023	1/02/2024
GC2023179	DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT & MAIN ROADS	STIP - Our Lady's Primary School - Turn around facility off Area	\$230,000	\$115,000	\$115,000	12/09/2022	30/06/2024
GC2023180	DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT & MAIN ROADS	STIP - Longreach State High School - Parking & Drop-off Area	\$450,000	\$0	\$450,000	12/09/2022	30/06/2025
GC2023181	DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT & MAIN ROADS	WLGG_Walking Local Government Grant 2022/2023	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$0	30/06/2023	30/06/2024
GC2023202	DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT & MAIN ROADS	TIDS - CN-21356 2023/2024 Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme	\$838,000	\$588,000	\$250,000	1/07/2023	30/06/2025
GC2023246	DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT & MAIN ROADS	TMR_Cycling Network Local Government 2024-25	\$27,500	\$0	\$27,500	15/12/2023	30/06/2025
GC2024262	DEPT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT & PLANNING	W4Q_Works for Queensland [Animal Management Facility]	\$1,680,000	\$840,000	\$840,000	1/07/2024	30/06/2026
GC2024266	DEPT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT & PLANNING	FAG_Financial Assistance Grant (FY25)	\$13,648,508	\$12,604,096	\$1,044,413	1/07/2024	30/06/2025
GC2023243	Dept. OF EMPLOYMENT, SMALL BUSINESS & TRAINING	First Start_JT Trainee (2024)	\$16,500	\$15,000	\$1,500	1/12/2023	31/12/2024

Grant number	Name	Title	Subsidy amount	Income received	Remaining income	Grant start date	Grant end date
GC2023244	Dept. OF EMPLOYMENT, SMALL BUSINESS & TRAINING	First Start_Isisford Trainee (2024)	\$16,500	\$15,000	\$1,500	1/12/2023	31/12/2024
GC2023245	Dept. OF EMPLOYMENT, SMALL BUSINESS & TRAINING	First Start_Communities Trainee (2024)	\$16,500	\$15,000	\$1,500	1/12/2023	31/12/2024
GC2022168	QUEENSLAND RECONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY	GRQ 2022/2023 - LRC.0021.2223A.QGR - Get Ready Queensland	\$9,700	\$8,730	\$970	1/07/2022	30/06/2023
GC2022173	QUEENSLAND RECONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY	QRRRF - 2022-2023 Regional Disaster Management Coordinator	\$207,500	\$162,774	\$44,726	1/01/2023	30/06/2026
GC2023195	QUEENSLAND RECONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY	DRFA - LRC.0025.2122J.REC (21 April to 12 May 2022 events)	\$14,930,610	\$12,797,753	\$2,132,857	9/05/2023	30/06/2024
GC2023197	QUEENSLAND RECONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY	DRFA - LRC.0026.2122B.WPF - WP3 Flood Studies	\$103,500	\$31,050	\$72,450	31/05/2023	30/06/2024
GC2023198	QUEENSLAND RECONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY	GRQ - Get Ready Queensland 2023/24 - LRC.0027.2324A.GQR	\$9,700	\$8,730	\$970	1/07/2023	30/06/2024
GC2023212	QUEENSLAND RECONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY	DRFA - LRC.0023.2122F.REC - Tallundilly Creek Reconstruction	\$658,363	\$298,816	\$359,547	21/08/2023	30/06/2024
GC2024260	QUEENSLAND RECONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY	GRQ_Get Ready Queensland 2024-2025	\$9,700	\$8,730	\$970	27/05/2024	30/06/2025
GC2024263	QUEENSLAND RECONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY	DRFA_LRC.0029.2223G.REC	\$438,146	\$129,773	\$308,373	31/05/2024	30/06/2025
GC2024267	QUEENSLAND RECONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY	DRFA_LRC.0028.2223G.REC	\$6,475,980	\$2,025,478	\$4,450,502	19/07/2024	30/06/2025
GC2022176	THE STATE OF QUEENSLAND (REPRESENTED BY QUEENSLAND, FIRE DEPARTMENT)	SES Support - Sensor lights for Flood Boat Shed	\$3,795	\$0	\$3,795	1/01/2023	30/06/2024
GC2023235	THE STATE OF QUEENSLAND (REPRESENTED BY QUEENSLAND, FIRE DEPARTMENT)	SES_Support Grant - Isisford SES Training Room	\$89,709	\$0	\$89,709	30/05/2024	30/06/2025
GC2022166	Translink Division- Transport Dept	PTIIP - Long Distance Coach Stops Grant	\$75,000	\$37,500	\$37,500	1/06/2022	30/06/2024
		Total	\$72,579,869	\$34,679,700	\$37,900,168		

13. COMMUNITIES REPORT
13.1 - Community Donations - Individuals

13. Communities Report
13.1 Community Donations - Individuals

File Ref:

Considerations of applications received for the month of December in accordance with the Community Donation Policy 11.06.

Council Action

Partner

Applicable Legislation

Local Government Act 2009

Local Government Regulation 2012

Policy Considerations

Community Donation No. 11.06

Corporate and Operational Plan Considerations

OUR COMMUNITY	
Corporate Plan Outcome	
1.1	Council infrastructure and services support liveability and community amenity.
1.2	Council recognises cultural heritage and supports inclusion of all peoples.
1.3	The region's natural environment is managed, maintained and protected.

Budget Considerations

\$110,000.00 has been committed and allocated to Community Donations YTD.

Category	Total Budget	Budget Remaining	Budget required to meet Community Donations for December 2024	Budget remaining for future applications (if approved)
Community Donations	\$110,000.00	\$35,126.95	\$850.00	\$34,276.95

Previous Council Resolutions related to this matter

Nil

Officer Comment

Responsible Officer: Abby Lewis, Customer Service Coordinator

Approved by: Tanya Johnson, Acting Director of Communities

Background:

Longreach Regional Council Individual Donations Program received two (2) applications for the month of December 2024.

13. COMMUNITIES REPORT
13.1 - Community Donations - Individuals

1. Max Bruggermann has been selected to represent Queensland at the All Schools Championships for hammer throw. Max will travel to Brisbane from 6 – 8 December 2024.

Max Bruggermann	
<i>Has the recipient applied for funds in the past?</i>	Yes
<i>Has the recipient applied for funds within the 24/25 Financial Year?</i>	Yes
<i>Does the recipient have any outstanding acquittals?</i>	No

Grant Requested	Grant Recommended
<i>Max Bruggermann</i> \$500.00	<i>Max Bruggermann</i> \$500.00

2. Nate Fuller was selected to participate in the North West Cricket Team. Nate travelled to the Gold Coast from 14 – 18 October 2024.

Nate Fuller	
<i>Has the recipient applied for funds in the past?</i>	No
<i>Has the recipient applied for funds within the 24/25 Financial Year?</i>	No
<i>Does the recipient have any outstanding acquittals?</i>	No

Grant Requested	Grant Recommended
<i>Nate Fuller</i> \$350.00	<i>Nate Fuller</i> \$350.00

Recommendation:

That Council endorses the allocation of funds from the Community Donations Program, in accordance with the Community Donations Policy No. 11.6, as follows:

Organisation/ Individual	Event/Project Activity	Event Date	Grant Approved
<i>Max Bruggermann</i>	North West all Schools Championships Team	<i>6 – 8 December 2024</i>	\$500.00
<i>Nate Fuller</i>	North West Cricket Team	<i>14 – 18 October 2024</i>	\$350.00
TOTAL			\$850.00

13. COMMUNITIES REPORT

13.2 - Sponsorship - Isisford Barcoo Recreational Fishing Association Inc

13.2 Sponsorship - Isisford Barcoo Recreational Fishing Association Inc

Consideration for Sponsorship application received for the month of December, in accordance with Council's Sponsorship Policy No. 11.07.

Council Action

Advocate

Deliver

Applicable Legislation

Local Government Act 2009

Local Government Regulation 2012

Policy Considerations

Sponsorship 11.07

Corporate and Operational Plan Considerations

OUR COMMUNITY	
Corporate Plan Outcome	
1.1	Council infrastructure and services support liveability and community amenity.
1.2	Council recognises cultural heritage and supports inclusion of all peoples.
OUR ECONOMY	
Corporate Plan Outcome	
2.1	Collaborative engagement with stakeholders to maximise economic opportunities.
OUR FINANCES	
Corporate Plan Outcome	
4.1	Improved financial performance and strategic financial management.

Budget Considerations

Total budget for Sponsorship for 2024/25 is \$82,000.00

Category	Budget	Approved Funding YTD	Budget required to meet Sponsorship requests for December 2024	Budget Remaining for future applications
Sponsorship	\$82,000.00	\$29,323.00	\$8,699.00	\$42,978.00

Previous Council Resolutions related to this Matter

(Res-2024-03-060)

Moved Cr Smith seconded Cr Emslie

That Council approves the following allocation of funds from the Community Donations Program in accordance with the Community Donations Policy No. 11.06;

13. COMMUNITIES REPORT

13.2 - Sponsorship - Isisford Barcoo Recreational Fishing Association Inc

<i>Organisation/ Name</i>	<i>Event/Activity</i>	<i>Grant Requested</i>	<i>Grant Approved</i>
<i>Isisford Barcoo Recreational Fishing Association</i>	<i>Isisford Fishing Competition</i>	<i>Financial \$5,000.00</i>	<i>Financial \$2,500.00</i>
		<i>TOTAL \$5,000.00</i>	<i>TOTAL \$2,500.00</i>

Officer Comment

Responsible Officer: Abby Lewis, Customer Service Coordinator

Authorised by: Tanya Johnson, Acting Director of Communities

The annual Isisford Fishing Competition is set to return in 2025, taking place at Oma Waterhole from July 25-27. This popular event attracts over 500 participants and their families from across the region, creating a lively atmosphere for both locals and visitors. Throughout the weekend, a variety of sponsors, both local and from further afield, will provide prizes across multiple categories for all ages. Attendees can also enjoy local food stalls, a bar, market stalls, games, and many other activities. The Isisford Fishing Comp committee invites everyone to join in for a weekend of fishing, camping, and socialising with friends and family.

A total grant of \$8,699.00 has been recommended to support the event, with funds allocated towards:

- Mobile Shower Hire
- Mobile Toilet Hire

The application was reviewed by a panel and assessed according to the criteria outlined in the Longreach Regional Council's Community Donations Assessment Guidelines. As a result, it is recommended that the Isisford Barcoo Recreational Fishing Association receive a portion of their requested \$10,000.00. The event's budget indicates a requirement of \$9,000.00, and the obtained quote amounts to \$8,699.00.

<i>Grant Requested</i>	<i>Grant Recommended</i>
<i>Financial \$10,000.00</i>	<i>Financial \$8,699.00</i>
<i>Total \$10,000.00</i>	<i>Total \$8,699.00</i>

Appendices

1. Application [↓](#)
2. Assessment [↓](#)

13. COMMUNITIES REPORT

13.2 - Sponsorship - Isisford Barcoo Recreational Fishing Association Inc

Recommendation:

That Council approves the allocation of funds from the **2024/2025 Sponsorship budget** as contained in the following table, in accordance with the Sponsorship Policy No 11.07:

Organisation	Event/Project Activity	Event Date	Grant Approved
Isisford Barcoo Recreational Fishing Association	<i>Isisford Fishing Comp 2025</i>	<i>25-27 July 2025</i>	Financial \$8,699.00
		TOTAL	\$8,699.00

APPLICATION FORM



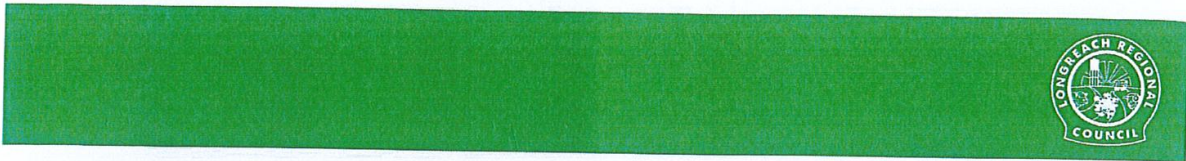
CONTACT INFORMATION:

Name: (Business/Community/ Organisation Group)	Isisford Barcoo Recreational Fishing Assoc Inc
Contact person's name:	Robert Anderson
Postal address:	[REDACTED]
Telephone:	
Mobile:	[REDACTED]
Email:	isisfordfishingcomp@gmail.com

PROJECT/ACTIVITY DETAILS:

Project name:	Isisford Fishing Comp 2025
Project date:	25-27 July 2025
Brief description of project:	The Isisford Fishing Competition is an annual event held on the banks of the Barcoo River at the Oma Waterhole, approximately 16 km southwest of Isisford, which has been running successfully for the past 23 years, it is a great example of strong community spirit and support. Overall, the Isisford Fishing Competition is more than just a fishing event; its a celebration of community, support, and togetherness. The competition is designed to be inclusive, with activities and facilities catering to families and individuals of all ages. This inclusive approach fosters a sense of belonging and support. Events like these encourage outdoor activities and promote a healthy lifestyle.
\$ Amount requested: (Please add in-kind costing to this request. LRC Fees and Charges are located on the LRC website or just call Council for assistance).	\$ 10,00.00
What will sponsorship money be used for?	We are asking for the sponsorship money for the hiring the mobile toilets and showers for the fishing competition at Oma Waterhole accommodate for our 350 - 600 competitors over the 3 days of competition.
Financial component of Council Grant	\$ 10,000.00
In-kind support requested	\$



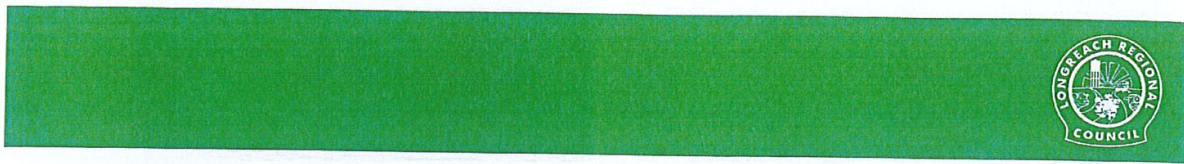


DETAILED BUDGET BREAKDOWN

INCOME List any source of income supply i.e other sponsorship, ticket sales, cash contributions, etc.	Amount	EXPENSES List any expenses incurred by your organisation for the project or event the application relates to.	Amount	Tick what is being funded by Council
Sponsorship	\$ 25,000	prize money	\$ 9,500	
Nominations	\$ 16,000	Entertainment	\$ 3,000	
Bar sales	\$ 12,000	Hire of Toilets/showers	\$ 9,000	✓
Raffle Proceeds	\$ 4,000	Bar costs	\$ 6,000	
Auction Sales	\$ 3,500	Prizes-Random Draws	\$ 4,000	
	\$	Security Guards 1 night	\$ 3,000	
TOTAL	\$ 60,500	TOTAL	\$ 34,500	
Comments or other details: Please find spreadsheet with all income and expenditure as well as as our Mission Statement. We are asking for the sponsorship money for the hiring of the mobile toilets and showers for the fishing competition at Oma Waterhole accommodate for our 350 - 600 competitors over the 3 days of competition.				

In-Kind support component List items and \$ amounts (e.g stage, chairs, tables) Please refer to the fees and charges: www.longreach.qld.gov.au/rates-fees-charges/rates-fees-charges-1	Amount	Other comments
	\$	
	\$	
	\$	
	\$	
	\$	
	\$	
	\$	





ELIGIBILITY ASSESSMENT:

1. Is your project or activity based within the Longreach Regional Council Area or do you reside permanently within the boundaries of Longreach Regional Council.

Yes No

If NO, does your project or activity demonstrate benefits to Longreach Regional Council communities?

Yes No

2. Please explain how your project/activity demonstrates strong community or individual benefit, or need and support?

1. Community Engagement: The event brings together locals and visitors for a weekend of fishing and friendly competition. This not only promotes social interaction but also strengthens community bonds
2. Local Economy Boost: By attracting participants from various regions, the competition supports local businesses, including shops, cafes, and accommodation providers. This economic boost is vital for small communities like Isisford.
3. Volunteer Involvement: Many community members volunteer their time to organize and run the event. This collective effort showcases the dedication and support within the community

3. Do you have an event management plan for the project/activity which includes insurance and a risk management strategy?

Yes No

If YES, please provide a copy of the Event Management Plan.

If NO, please contact Council to discuss prior to lodging an application for your project/activity.

4. Is this a 'one - off' event?

Yes No

If NO, how will you fund future projects/activities?

5. How do you intend to acknowledge Council's support (if approved) at the event or within the project or activity?

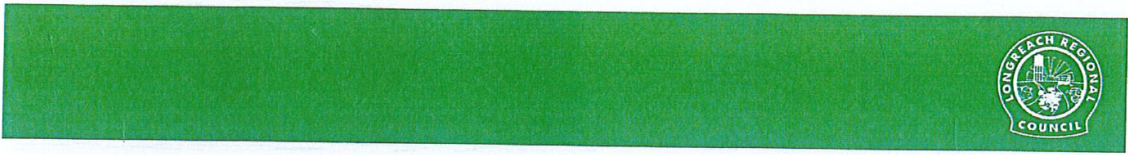
Acknowledging the Council's support is crucial for showing appreciation and fostering ongoing partnerships. During the event, make regular announcements thanking the Council for their support. Display the Council's logo on all event signage, banners, and promotional materials. This ensures visibility and recognition throughout the event. Acknowledge the Council's support on your social media platforms and website. Include the Council's logo and a thank you message in all printed materials such as flyers, brochures, and programs. Mention the Council's support in any press releases or media coverage related to the event.

6. Have you sought funding through other avenues for your project/activity (grants, corporate sponsorship, fundraising)?

Yes: No:

If YES, please provide details?





SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION CHECKLIST

- Evidence of the event or project (ie quotes, facilities bookings, etc)*
- Relevant public liability insurance (if required)
- Evidence of alternative avenues for financial support have been investigated
- A copy of the organisations most recent bank statement
- A detailed budget of running expenses for the event

*if groups are unable to provide evidence of the event or project due to the dependency of funding or extenuating circumstances, please indicate on the application form. Council may still consider the application based on supplied information (ie budget).

DECLARATION BY RECIPIENT:

- I certify that to the best of my knowledge, information detailed in this application (and relevant attachments) is true and correct.
- I understand I may be asked to provide the Council with additional information on the funded project.

Signature: Note: If you are under the age of 18, your legal guardian must also sign this application	
Date:	27.11.2024
Name in Full:	Robert Anderson
Business/Community/ Organisation Group	Isisford Barcoo Recreational Fishing Assoc Inc
Position in Group or Organisation: (if applicable)	President

Privacy Collection Statement: Longreach Regional Council is committed to ensuring that your privacy is protected and will take all reasonable steps to ensure that all personal information is secure. Council is collecting your personal or community groups information for the purpose of assessing your application for Sponsorship.

SUBMIT





SPONSORSHIP APPLICATION ASSESSMENT FORM

Panel Members:	T, Johnson, A, Lewis, E, O'hanelan	
Date of Assessment:	2 December 2024	
Applicant Name:	Isisford Barcoo Recreational Fishing Ass	
Project:	2025 Isisford Fishing comp	
Amount requested:	Financial: \$10,000.00	In-Kind:
Is the application funding any ineligible costs? If yes, the application is deemed ineligible and cannot progress to assessment.	<input type="checkbox"/> Government agencies or departments of local, state or federal government <input type="checkbox"/> Educational, Religious or Medical Organisations <input type="checkbox"/> Businesses <input type="checkbox"/> Applications whereby Council funds will be donated to another cause Applications which fund; <input type="checkbox"/> Wages or salaries for staff <input type="checkbox"/> Recurrent costs with day to day operations of a community group <input type="checkbox"/> Retrospective funding <input type="checkbox"/> Equipment or other expenditure that are personal or of personal gain <input type="checkbox"/> Part of or all of Council Rates <input type="checkbox"/> Items that would otherwise be funded by State or Government bodies	

13.2 - Sponsorship - Isisford Barcoo Recreational Fishing Association Inc --Appendix 2

Assessment Guidelines

Yes = 1 point: The applicant has answered the relevant question to the full satisfaction of the panel.

Yes = ½ point: The applicant has answered the relevant question, however, only provided basic details or answered the question to the partial satisfaction of the panel.

No = 0 points: The applicant has not attempted to answer the question, provided the relevant information or not answered the question to the satisfaction of the panel.

Section 1: Eligibility	Yes	No
Is the applicant an entity operating within the Longreach Regional Council area,	✓	
Is the applicant an entity that is able to demonstrate that economic and social benefits from the event will be directed to and benefit the Local Community in the Longreach Regional Council area.	✓	
Have met acquittal conditions for previous council funding. (Tick yes if there hasn't been previous funding) and is the applicant eligible?	✓	
TOTAL	2 / 2	

Section 2: Assessment Criteria	Yes	No
Applicants must demonstrate strong community benefit or need and support for the project or activity. (eg will it contribute to: A) Economic Development B) Tourism C) Liveability (Insert supporting comments below).	✓	
Comments:		
The applicant or proposed project or activity must be based within the Longreach Regional Council boundaries; or clearly demonstrate direct benefit to the Longreach Regional Council communities. (If not in LRC area insert benefits below).	✓	
Comments:		
Applicants must be able to demonstrate financial viability and/or competence to achieve the stated goals of the project or activity and provide evidence with application.	✓	
Is evidence provided? <i>yes</i>		
Comments:		
Applicants must not have any overdue debt with Council unless a payment arrangement is in place to reduce debt. Is this the case for the applicant?		✓
TOTAL	4 / 4	

Section 3 Supporting documentation	Yes	No
Evidence of the event or project (i.e quotes, facilities bookings, etc).*	✓	
Relevant public liability insurance.	✓	
A copy of the organisations most recent bank statement.	✓	
A detailed budget of running expenses for the event.	✓	
Total	4	4

Section 4 Assessment panel review recommendation	Yes	No
The application be approved	✓	
Total Score	10	10
Percentage of requested grant to be allocated		100 %
Justification (provide details supporting the recommendation). Committee has requested a total of \$10,000.00 financial for the hire of toilet + shower block. Budget states \$9,000.00 yet quote is for \$8,699.00. Although applicant applied for \$10K panel felt that the quote amount was accurate. <div style="text-align: right;">\$8,699.00</div>		

SUBMIT

13. COMMUNITIES REPORT
13.3 - Longreach Showgrounds Facility Plan

13.3 Longreach Showgrounds Facility Plan

The Longreach Showgrounds Facility Plan outlines a strategic vision for the future development and improvement of the facility over the next 10 to 20 years. This plan takes into account the growing needs of the community, visitors, and event organizers, aiming to enhance the showgrounds' infrastructure and services to support a wide range of events and activities.

Proposed improvements include upgrades to existing buildings, the construction of new facilities, and the enhancement of outdoor spaces to accommodate increased attendance and diverse events. These developments are designed to foster economic growth, improve community engagement, and promote the showgrounds as a hub for regional events, tourism, and recreational activities.

The adoption of this plan will provide a clear roadmap for the future, ensuring that the Longreach Showgrounds remains a vibrant and sustainable facility that meets the evolving needs of the community and continues to support Longreach as a key regional destination.

Consider the adoption of the Longreach Showgrounds Facility Plan. Outlining future facility improvements for the next 10-20 years.

Council Action

Deliver

Applicable Legislation

Nil

Policy Considerations

Nil

Corporate and Operational Plan Considerations

OUR COMMUNITY			
Corporate Plan Strategy	Operational Plan Initiative	Performance Milestone	Lead Directorate
1.1.2 Development, adoption and implementation of Facilities Master Plans	Adoption of Facilities Master Plans	Two Facilities Master Plans adopted	Communities

Budget Considerations

Nil

Officer Comment

Responsible Officer/s: *Joel Perry, Project Manager*

13. COMMUNITIES REPORT

13.3 - Longreach Showgrounds Facility Plan

Background:

In 2022, Council began developing a facility plan for the Longreach Showgrounds. The purpose of this document is to outline prioritized asset improvements for the next 10 to 20 years.

In early 2023, the draft plan was shared with the Longreach community for feedback and input. The results of this consultation were presented to Council on 23 February 2024 for discussion, allowing for the confirmation of the long-term vision for the facility. Since that meeting, adjustments have been made to the plan based on community feedback and Council's strategic goals.

The updated plan is now attached for Council's consideration and adoption.

Issue:

Currently, there is no long-term facility plan in place for the Longreach Showgrounds, which has resulted in a lack of clear guidance for Council officers regarding future project priorities. The attached plan has been developed to address this gap, incorporating both community feedback and Council's vision for the facility.

Risk Management Factors:

This matter has been assessed using Council's Risk Matrix to decide the likelihood and consequence of any risk to Council:

Likelihood: Possible

Consequence: Minor

Rating: Medium (6/25)

Community Consultation:

- Community engagement commenced in early 2023 on the draft facility plan.
- Community engagement occurred with an onsite workshop conducted at the Showgrounds to allow the community members to express and discuss their ideas with Councillors and Council staff directly.
- The most common feedback was the improvement of restroom facilities, more all-weather parking and a more central kitchen and bar facility.
- The Showgrounds user group consists of ten community groups and fitness providers. These groups have been consulted with throughout the development of the Facility Plan for their input.

Environmental Management Factors:

Nil

Other Comments:

Nil

Appendices

1. Longreach Showgrounds Facility Plan [↴](#)

Recommendation:

The Council adopts the Longreach Showground Facility Plan, as presented.

Longreach Showgrounds Facility Plan



Introduction

This document is to outline future facility improvements for the next 10-20 years. A facility plan for this site is vitally important to ensure strategic infrastructure development for efficient delivery, responsible asset maintenance and capital works expenditure. This document shall also be a valuable tool to support Council to apply for grants for facility improvements in the future.

While the implementation timeframe of a facility plan can be as long as 20 years, early completion or changed circumstances may initiate a significant review or renewal of the plan within a shorter timeframe. The full facility planning process should be undertaken again (including consultation and assessment of needs) for the development of subsequent facility plans.

Purpose

Enrich the community by providing a vibrant and inclusive space where individuals and families can engage in diverse recreational activities and promote active lifestyles.

Facility Asset Plan

Facility Plan Element	Status	Facility Plan Element	Status
Oval	Existing	Stables	Existing
Cricket Pitch	Existing	Storage Shed	Existing
Netball and Basketball Complex	Existing	Cricket Nets	Existing
Rodeo Arena	Existing	Dog Trial Arena	Existing
Rodeo Day Yards	Existing	Campdraft Arena	Existing
Wool Pavilion	Existing	Irrigation Pump Shed	Existing
Shearing Complex	Existing	Grandstand Upgrade	Proposed
Male Toilet Block	Existing	Female Toilet Block	Proposed
Bar and Canteen	Existing	Storage Shed	Proposed
Arts and Craft Pavilion	Existing	Wave Pavilion Hospitality Facility	Proposed
Bird Pavilion	Existing	Hardstand Parking	Proposed
Wave Pavilion	Existing	Rotary Club and Men's Shed Complex	Proposed
Grandstand	Existing	Pathways	Proposed
Water Standpipe Station	Existing	Lot Boundary Fence Replacement	Proposed
Toilet Block x 2	Existing	Solar Powered Lighting	Proposed
Female Toilet Block	Existing		

Site and Location

Longreach Showground Site Information	
Location	10 Sandpiper St, Longreach QLD 4730
Lot and Plan	Lot 2 on SP217667
Area	12.38 Hectares
Owner	Longreach Regional Council



Stakeholder Engagement:

- Community engagement commenced in early 2023 on the draft facility plan.
- Community engagement occurred with an onsite workshop conducted at the showgrounds to allow the community members to express and discuss their ideas with Councillors and Council staff directly.
- The most common feedback was the improvement of restroom facilities, more all-weather parking and a more central kitchen and bar facility.
- The Showgrounds user group consists of ten community groups and fitness providers. These groups have been consulted with throughout the development of the Facility Plan for their input.
 - Longreach Junior and Senior Cricket Club
 - Longreach Junior and Senior Rugby League
 - Central West Equestrian Group
 - Longreach Touch Association
 - Longreach Rodeo Association
 - Longreach Netball Association
 - Longreach Mens Shed
 - Longreach Motorcycle Club
 - Rotary Club of Longreach
 - Longreach Show Society

Longreach Showgrounds Facility Plan



13. COMMUNITIES REPORT
13.4 - Information Report - Community Services

13.4 Information Report - Community Services

This report provides an update on the range of activities that have occurred during the month of October for the Community Services Department.

Council Action

Deliver

Applicable Legislation

Local Government Act 2009

Local Government Regulation 2012

Policy Considerations

n/a

Corporate and Operational Plan Considerations

OUR COMMUNITY	
	Corporate Plan Outcome
1.1	Council infrastructure and services support liveability and community amenity.
1.2	Council recognises cultural heritage and supports inclusion of all peoples.
1.3	The region's natural environment is managed, maintained and protected.
OUR LEADERSHIP	
	Corporate Plan Outcome
5.2	Informed and considered decision making based on effective governance practices

Budget Considerations

As per approved 2024/25 budget

Previous Council Resolutions related to this matter.

Nil

Officer Comment

Responsible Officer/s: *Community Services Officers*

Background:

Officers are requested to provide an information update to Council monthly, outlining achievements, challenges, and statistical information for the various functional areas in Council.

Library Services – November 2024

- In November, our Libraries completed a successful book exchange with the State Library in Brisbane, bringing a fresh selection of books for the public to enjoy.

13. COMMUNITIES REPORT

13.4 - Information Report - Community Services

- The Communities Team gathered to clean out the back of the Library, preparing the space for upcoming improvements.
- The First 5 program has seen a great turnout, with many young children and their families attending. As the school holidays approach, the Library will again become a popular spot for kids to enjoy the air conditioning and a range of activities.
- The Longreach Library continues to be a central hub for the community's table centrepieces

Library Statistics (YTD)

	Longreach		Ilfracombe		Isisford	
	Nov	YTD	Nov	YTD	Nov	YTD
Loans	420	2,273	13	59	1	19
New Members	6	61	1	3	1	2

Swimming Pools

	Longreach		Ilfracombe		Isisford		Yaraka	
	NOV	YTD	NOV	YTD	NOV	YTD	NOV	YTD
Adults		2712	110	1693		56		38
Children		3312	117	675		85		11

Childcare Services

Spotlight on November

- Air-cons repaired and serviced throughout the centre.
- We stopped and had a "Special Remembrance Pause" for 1 minute in all the rooms to keep the tradition alive, so the children learn to remember them **"Lest We Forget"**
- We sang many a Nursery Rhyme to celebrate "World Nursery Rhyme Week" The children especially chose "Twinkle Twinkle Little Star".
- And last but never least: Our amazing Kindy Graduation/ BBQ Celebration had all involved wondering where oh where did the years go!

Horticulture and Community Facilities

- Garden beds have been planted and mulched in Bustard St
- 3 of 4 garden beds in Snipe St have been planted and mulched
- Both Longreach and Ilfracombe ovals have been top dressed
- Christmas banners have been printed and erected in Ilfracombe and Isisford
- Skate park Gardens have been connected to automatic watering.
- Cemetery irrigation is 50% completed.

Facility Usage

The following community facilities were utilised November -

Longreach Showgrounds	Junior Rugby Union, Fitness Classes, Longreach State High School Blue Edge Program, Heart of Australia Bus
Longreach Civic Centre	Longreach State High School Awards Night, Disability

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	Expo, Longreach State Primary School Awards Night
Edkins Park	Remembrance Day Service
Ilfracombe Rec Centre	Social Darts; Halloween Party
Ilfracombe Memorial Park	Di Scott Memorial Christmas Tree
Isisford Hall	Barcoo Chat N Do; Isisford State School Presentation Night; Christian Church Service, CW Hospital & Health Service 'What's New in Health' Information Session
Yaraka Hall	Melbourne Cup Luncheon

Water Tower Lights

The water tower lights were lit up in specific colours for the following occasions -

Remembrance Day	Red
Longreach Fire Trials - 100 Years Celebration	Red
School Awards Nights	Rainbow

Funeral Services

Longreach Cemetery Funeral Figures November	
Funeral Type	
Church & Graveside Funeral	1
Civic Centre & Graveside Funeral	
Church Service Only	
Graveside Funeral	3
LRC Graveside Set up ONLY	
Memorial Service	
Cremation	
Internment of Ashes -Private Family	
Plaques arranged by LRC	4
Undertakers Services Only	

Communication Activity - Statistics for November 2024

Website:

- 12,373 sessions (11,828 in November)
- 22,875 page views (22,259 in November)
- After the Home landing page, the most popular pages are:
 - Newsroom
 - Current vacancies
 - Events
- Most people have found the website through direct search.

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- 74% of people use desktop as a device, followed by 26% mobile devices.
- See attachments for the data.

Facebook:

- 4,074 followers (4,050 in November), 67.2% of our followers are women.
- 30 posts in total November 2024
- Post topics – Careers, Get Ready Campaigns, Christmas Lights Competition, A Not – So – Silent Night, Australia Day Nominations, Maintenance
- Post with the highest reach of 7225 about the existing vacancies for Longreach Stabilizer Operator
- See attachments for the data.

Community Events

Dinky Bullen Memorial Christmas Lights Competition 2024

This year, we are proud to announce the renaming of the annual Christmas Lights Competition to the *Dinky Bullen Memorial Christmas Lights Competition*, in honour of Dinky, who embodied the true spirit of Christmas. Dinky was not only a beloved figure as a real-life Santa, but his dedication to spreading joy through his role and his stunning Christmas light displays left a mark on our community. His legacy of festive cheer and community spirit will live on in this event.

The response to this year's competition has been overwhelming, with an impressive number of nominations received from across the region. We would like to extend our sincere thanks to the Councillors who volunteered their time to judge these spectacular displays. It was heartening to see so many people embracing the holiday season, working tirelessly to create displays that not only showcase their creativity but also bring joy and Christmas cheer to their neighbourhoods.

The community spirit and enthusiasm displayed this year were truly inspiring, and we are grateful to all those who participated in making this year's event a resounding success. The *Dinky Bullen Memorial Christmas Lights Competition* continues to shine a light on the importance of bringing people together to celebrate the festive season.

A Not-So-Silent Night: Community Christmas Concert

The community Christmas concert, *A Not-So-Silent Night*, held on Tuesday, 3rd December was moved to QANTAS Founders Museum Air Park with less than 24hrs notice due to predicted weather on the night, the change of venue made for a unique atmosphere and proved to be a huge success. The event was filled with festive cheer and provided a wonderful opportunity for the community to come together and celebrate the Christmas season.

The evening featured a variety of performances from the Combined State Primary and High School Choir and Band, Our Lady's Catholic Primary School. The Longreach Churches Together Choir led the crowd in a heartwarming sing-along of traditional Christmas carols. Additionally, the Combined Churches Together young people delighted

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the audience with a vibrant dance performance, and adding to the event's festive atmosphere was the background music by the town band.

We were pleased to incorporate the market stalls into the event, alongside the various food stalls run by local nonprofit community organisations, which was met with an enthusiastic response. Local stallholders offered a fantastic array of goods, giving attendees the chance to purchase unique Christmas gifts for loved ones.

One of the highlights of the evening were the Santa photos, where families eagerly took the opportunity to capture lasting memories with the jolly man himself.

Overall, *A Not-So-Silent Night* was a truly memorable event, bringing joy, community spirit, and festive fun to the QANTAS Founders Museum Air Park. We are thankful to all who participated and helped make this event such a success.



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School Holiday Program – Final Session of 2024

The final School Holiday Program of 2024 is in full swing, with each activity quickly reaching full capacity. This program continues to grow in popularity, and many families eagerly anticipate it as each school holiday approaches. We are proud to offer such a range of engaging opportunities for our youth, aiming to create lasting memories and impart valuable life skills—often without them even realizing it.

This year, we have expanded the program to include activities in Isisford, although the response there has been slower than expected.

The Longreach children have thoroughly enjoyed a variety of exciting activities. Highlights included a fun-filled day of water-based activities with a water slide and water balloon fights, followed by two days of Christmas crafting, where the kids made handmade ornaments and gifts. They danced the morning away at a Christmas Disco and wrapped up the week with a Junior Lifeguard and First Aid course, along with a free swim at the Longreach pool. Additionally, ALTS hosted a free community Christmas movie at the pool to cap off the week’s festivities.

In Isisford, the children were treated to a day of water games and a day dedicated to Christmas craft, bringing festive cheer to the local community.

This year’s program has been a wonderful success, and we are proud to continue providing these valuable experiences for our young people, helping to foster a sense of community, creativity, and fun.

Australia Day 2025 Planning Update

Planning for Australia Day 2025 is well underway, with celebrations in each town now confirmed and a variety of exciting activities planned. We are eagerly anticipating the upcoming nominations, which are already starting to come in. We look forward to reviewing these submissions in the new year and celebrating the achievements of our local community heroes.

December 2024			
DATE & TIME	EVENT	WHERE	COST
Tuesday 3 rd December 6pm	A Not – So – Silent Night	Edkins Park	Various Food and Market Stalls.
Monday 9 th – Friday 13 th December	School Holiday Program	Longreach	FREE
Monday 16 th – Tuesday 17 th December	School Holiday Program	Isisford	FREE
Current – 6 th January 2025	Australia Day Noms open	Regional	FREE

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Project Management Update

See attachments for an overview on all projects and dashboards for large projects of:

- Longreach Disaster Centre Construction
- Ilfracombe Post Office Relocation
- Longreach Tennis Court Upgrade
- Longreach Squash Court Upgrade
- Longreach Childcare - Energy Efficiency Improvement

After Hours Message Centre – November 2024

Incoming Calls Received	No. of Hang Ups	Total
13	21	34

During the month of November 2024 there were 13 after hours' calls received. The calls were related to the following sections of Council:

CATEGORY	NUMBER OF CALLS
Funerals	0
Water and Sewerage	3
Local Laws/Animal Management	9
Facilities	0
Tourism / Visitor Information	1
Parks and Gardens	0
Roads	0

Customer Requests

A total of **110 Customer Service Requests** were received for the month of November 2024. Of these requests **75 were completed** within the same month.

Completed	Progress	Outstanding	Total
75	13	22	110

Tourism Update

November has been extremely quiet month for the Visitor Centre but in the background, we are planning the 2025 Longreach Region Visitor Guide, we have created a joint TV Ad campaign with Winton. Completed the editorial for the 2025 Outback Qld Magazine, working with Action Graphics and Drive Qld on editorial for their 2025 brochures.

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Staff attended the Qld Information Centres Association (QICA) conference which was held in the South Burnett Region this year, where we visited the communities of Kingaroy, Wondai, Nanango, Murgon and Blackbutt. Each year regions are invited to submit bids to host the QICA Conference. 2025 will be held in Moreton Bay.



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Longreach Region Website:

	Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sept-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	2024 YTD
Views	5.6k	4.4k	5.9k	6.6k	8k	8.6k	8.3k	7.4k	5.5k	4.8k	3.2k	18.9k
New Users	1.5k	1.2k	1.4k	1.8k	2.2k	2.6k	2.6k	2.4k	1.7k	1.6k	1.1k	20.1k

Longreach Region Explore Centre Visitor statistics 2024:

Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	2024 YTD	2023 YTD
151	169	401	1226	2965	4267	5851	4249	2360	884	292	20,455	21,682

Longreach Visitor Information Centre statistics:

	Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	2024 YTD
Phone calls	81	85	171	140	236	124	170	137	138	61	69	1137
Emails	22	24	21	37	67	46	70	61	44	21	20	328
General Information	82	30	147	114	216	55	98	82	77	30	13	785
Information packs	33	36	110	37	49	25	66	64	18	32	18	406
Phone Bookings	58	21	46	74	38	20	24	46	6	8	3	292
Over the Counter Bookings	0	0	49	122	406	313	705	573	252	65	3	1663

Bookings made by information centre staff on behalf of Operators for 2024:

Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sept-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	2024 YTD
\$0	\$337	\$9300	\$25,678	\$86,167	\$88,224	\$124,402	\$135,218	\$65,240.97	\$17,272	\$532	\$351,913

Longreach Powerhouse and Historical Museum Visitor statistics 2024:

Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	2024 YTD
Closed	Closed	91	297	383	592	901	701	464	192	Closed	Closed	3621

Longreach Regional Council Approved Camping Areas 2024:

Location	Jan-24	Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	2024 YTD
Longreach	\$0	\$0	\$335	\$2166	\$4164	\$8543	\$10244	\$9865	\$2894	\$1472	\$50	\$36,789

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Isisford	0	0	\$189	\$162	\$2389	\$4810	\$5016	\$3909	\$1505	\$220	0	\$16,695
Yaraka	0	0	0	0	\$595	0	\$1362	\$2312	\$510	\$440	0	\$4,673

Longreach Region Social Media October 2024:

Facebook



Top content by views

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<p>Discover one of Visit Queensland, Australi...</p> <p>15 November 12:00</p> <p>30.8K 👁️ 169 ❤️ 7 🗨️ 16 ➦</p>	<p>Ilfracombe Machinery Mile - A...</p> <p>26 November 12:40</p> <p>23.6K 👁️ 562 ❤️ 32 🗨️ 54 ➦</p>	<p>Step back — way back — in time at the Out...</p> <p>8 November 12:00</p> <p>16.4K 👁️ 59 ❤️ 0 🗨️ 6 ➦</p>	<p>Golden hour on the Thomson River 🌅...</p> <p>5 November 23:00</p> <p>10.7K 👁️ 72 ❤️ 0 🗨️ 5 ➦</p>	<p>Longreach Fire Brigade Trials 🔥 Ge...</p> <p>24 November 15:00</p> <p>5.7K 👁️ 105 ❤️ 3 🗨️ 10 ➦</p>
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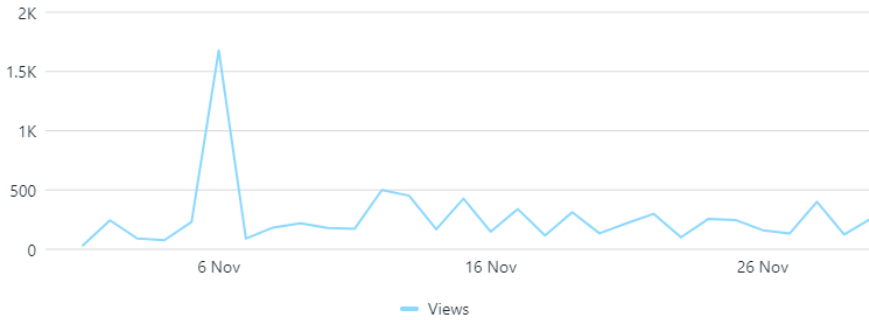
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Instagram

Performance

Daily Cumulative ⓘ

Views ⓘ 8K ↑ 6.5%	Reach ⓘ 2.8K ↑ 42.3%	Content interactions ⓘ 473 ↓ 28.4%	Followers ⓘ Lifetime 2.7K	Link clicks ⓘ 0 0%
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Views breakdown

Total
7,993 ↑ 6.5%

From organic
100% 0%

From ads
0% 0%

Top content by views

Boost content See all content

<p>Golden hour on the Thomson River 🌅...</p> <p>5 November 23:00</p> <p>1.9K 39</p> <p>0 1</p>	<p>Come celebrate 100 years of Fire Tri...</p> <p>12 November 14:00</p> <p>1.1K 67</p> <p>0 4</p>	<p>What's for Dinner in Longreach? In the...</p> <p>21 November 22:00</p> <p>559 45</p> <p>0 0</p>	<p>The @festivalofoutback...</p> <p>28 November 12:00</p> <p>474 30</p> <p>0 0</p>	<p>Plan Your 2025 Road Trip: Discover...</p> <p>19 November 12:00</p> <p>427 38</p> <p>1 1</p>
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Risk Management Factors:

This matter has been assessed using Council's Risk Matrix to decide the likelihood and consequence of any risk to Council:

Likelihood: Rare
 Consequence: Insignificant
 Rating: Low (1/25)

Environmental Management Factors:

Nil

Other Comments:

Nil

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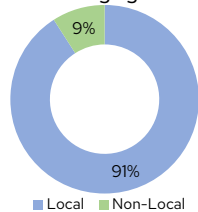
That Council receives the Community Services Information Report, as presented.

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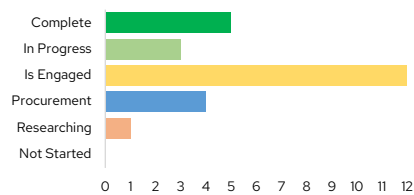


Project	Progress	Funding	Status	
MU038	Wellshot Centre Footpath Replacement	Work to occur after Christmas break.	Longreach Regional Council	Is Engaged
SP019	Ilf Pool - Salt Water Chlorination Conversion	Contractor engaged. Work to occur early 2025.	Longreach Regional Council	Is Engaged
CB010	Ilfracombe Post Office Relocation	Construction work to commence January 2025.	Longreach Regional Council	Is Engaged
MU037	Machinery Mile Toilet Block Replacement	Procurement completed and fabrication of new toilet block has commenced.	Building Bush Tourism (BBT) Fund	Is Engaged
SF021	Rebound wall for Ilfracombe Multipurpose court	RFQ is underway.	Longreach Regional Council	Procurement
HC026	Isisford Hall Upgrade	Work in progress.	Longreach Regional Council	In Progress
SP020	Isisford Pool - Replace Shade Structures	Contractor engaged.	Longreach Regional Council	Is Engaged
DM016	Isisford SES Training Room	Contractor engaged. Work to occur early-mid 2025.	SES Support Grant	Is Engaged
CM010	Cemetery New Entrance Sign	Sign installed.	Longreach Regional Council	Complete
PK066	Beersheba Pump Reconnection	Fountain working. Light now fixed and operational.	Longreach Regional Council	Complete
LA019	Longreach Squash Court Upgrade	Onsite work in progress.	Minor Infrastructure Program	In Progress
MSG201	Longreach Showground Electrical conduits	Work started. Now scheduled to finish early December due to weather delays.	Longreach Regional Council	In Progress
LB007	Longreach Disaster Centre Construction	Work starting early December.	Longreach Regional Council	Is Engaged
MHC200.	Civic Centre Floor	Contractor engaged and completing work around Christmas break.	Longreach Regional Council	Is Engaged
SP021	Longreach Pool Coping Tile Replacement	Contractor engaged. Work to occur May 2025.	Longreach Regional Council	Is Engaged
CC018	Longreach Childcare – New Shade Structure	Contractor engaged.	Longreach Regional Council	Is Engaged
LH013	Teal St housing for six houses over 4 lots	Project to commence 31st January 2025.		Is Engaged
LA020	Longreach Tennis Court Upgrade	Contractor engaged. Work scheduled to commence March 2025.	Minor Infrastructure Program	Is Engaged
CM009	Longreach Cemetery Columbarium Extension	Contractor engaged.	Longreach Regional Council	Is Engaged
CM008	Cemetery Plinth Replacements	Procurement in progress.	Longreach Regional Council	Procurement
MU040	Powerhouse Accessibility Ramp	Procurement in progress.	Longreach Regional Council	Procurement
CC016	Longreach Childcare - Energy Efficiency Improvements	Procurement in progress.	Community Child Care Fund Program	Procurement
AC001	Animal Management Facility	Design being finalised.	Works For Queensland Program	Researching

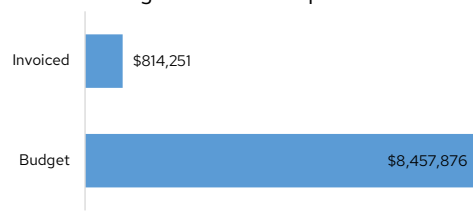
Local Engagement



Project Status



Budget vs Actual Expenditure





Ilfracombe Isisford Longreach Yarakala

Project: Longreach Squash Court Upgrade

Status

In Progress

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Recent Deliverables	Milestones, Tasks, Outcomes to deliver next period
Provide project update to Department Sponsor.	Provide project update to Department Sponsor.
Construction work continues progress. Plumbing, aircon, electrical completed. Final finished now being completed early December.	Construction work to be completed.
Executive Sponsor: Tanya Johnson Department Sponsor: Debbie Hall Project Manager: Joel Perry	Opening day/time to be confirmed and stakeholder notified. Aiming for early 2025 to align with arrival of residents, e.g. teachers and nurses.

Purpose:

Construct a new clubhouse area onto the existing facility and resurface squash courts walls. This will ensure safe and cost-effective operation of the site, accommodate additional community level activities, increase participation and improve the quality of the participant experience.

Project Team:

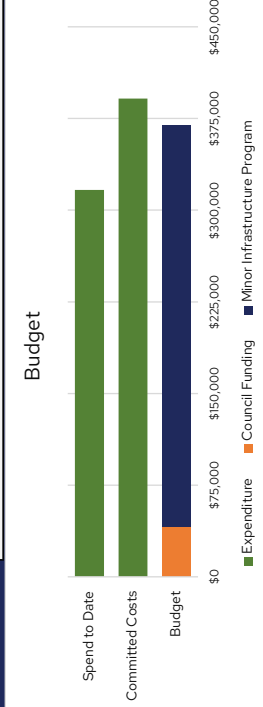
Executive Sponsor: Tanya Johnson
Department Sponsor: Debbie Hall
Project Manager: Joel Perry

Funding Source:

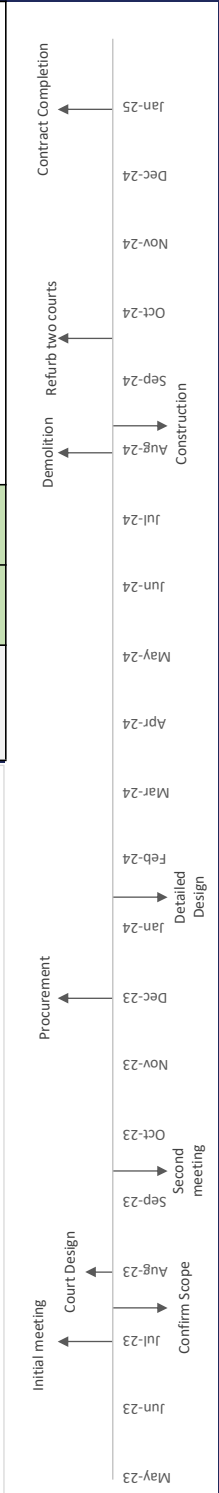
Total current project budget is \$365,214, comprised of \$328,692 from the Department of Tourism, Innovation and Sport (Minor Infrastructure Program) and a further \$36,522 commitment from Council.

Stakeholders:

Longreach residents and ratepayers, Longreach Regional Council and Longreach Squash.



Risks	Previous status	Current status	Status Description
Overall	Green	Green	Delivery timeframe scheduled for minimal disruption to squash playing seasons.
Time	Green	Green	Work aimed to start mid 2024 which will disrupt only part of the second season of the year.
Budget	Yellow	Yellow	Scope marginally (6%) over budget. Extra scope was required for two ambulant toilets for recent building compliance changes.
Scope	Green	Green	Specifications and design with Architect has been completed.
Communication	Green	Green	General updates provided to stakeholders on project progress.



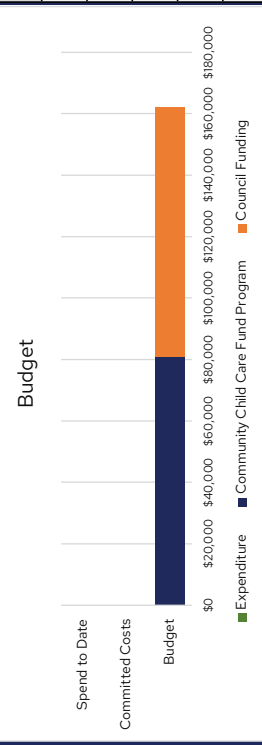


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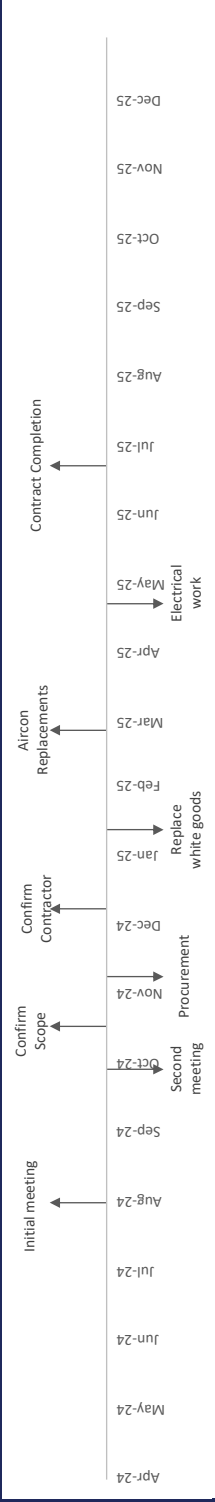
Project: Longreach Childcare – Energy Efficiency Improvements

Status Procurement 2/12/24

Purpose:	Upgrade functional aspects of the facility, specifically to improve the energy efficiency of the facility by upgrading electrical equipment to help to reduce overheads. 30KW of solar panels are also to be installed.	Recent Deliverables	Started collected quotes from contractors.	Milestones, Tasks, Outcomes to deliver next period	Continue collecting quotes from contractors with electrical and aircon work.
Project Team:	Executive Sponsor: Tanya Johnson Project Manager: Joel Perry Acting Childcare Director: Margie McEnery		Confirmed white goods to be replaced with more energy efficient options.		Order white good replacements.
Funding Source:	Community Child Care Fund Program and Longreach Regional Council.				
Stakeholders:	Longreach residents and ratepayers and Longreach Regional Council.				



Risks	Previous status	Current status	Status Description
Overall			No risks identified no far.
Time			No risks identified no far.
Budget			No risks identified no far.
Scope			Scope confirmed.
Communication			Initial meeting with key stakeholder completed. Ongoing engagement to occur during RFQ stage.





Project: Longreach Disaster Centre Construction		Status	Engaged	2/12/24									
Purpose:	The purpose of the project is to fitout the existing yet unused area of the Longreach Library. This will allow the space to be utilised as a fit-for-purpose cross-functional space for disaster, planning and to hold community events as part of the new Local Disaster Coordination Centre (LDCC).	Recent Deliverables	Review design with key stakeholders.	Milestones, Tasks, Outcomes to deliver next period Commence demolition work.									
Project Team:	Executive Sponsor: Tanya Johnson Project Manager: Joel Perry		Final Engineer drawings approved.										
Funding Source:	Total project budget is \$810,000 as committed by Council.		Onsite dates confirmed with builder.										
Stakeholders:	Longreach residents and ratepayers and Longreach Regional Council.		Communications to stakeholders and public made.										
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		Spend to Date	~\$100,000										
		Committed Costs	~\$500,000										
		Budget	~\$810,000										
Overall			Construction work time frame only risk identified but still well under financial year deadline.										
Time			Further delay in Engineer drawings. Work now scheduled to start early December and finish February 2025.										
Budget			Construction work under budget. Remaining budget to use for internal furniture and IT services.										
Scope			Noise will have impact to library during construction. Controls for main demolition work to be completed during library off-hours.										
Communication			Key stakeholders being engaged. Community comms now made as construction dates confirmed to start 2nd December.										

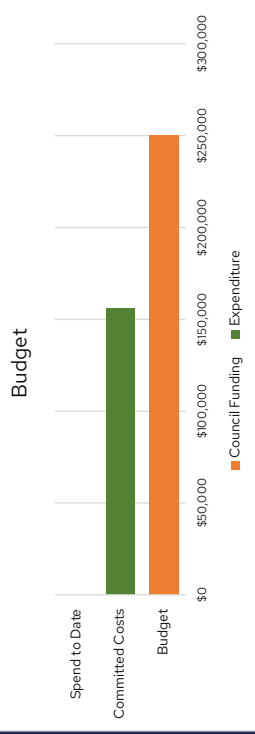


Project: Ilfracombe Post Office Relocation

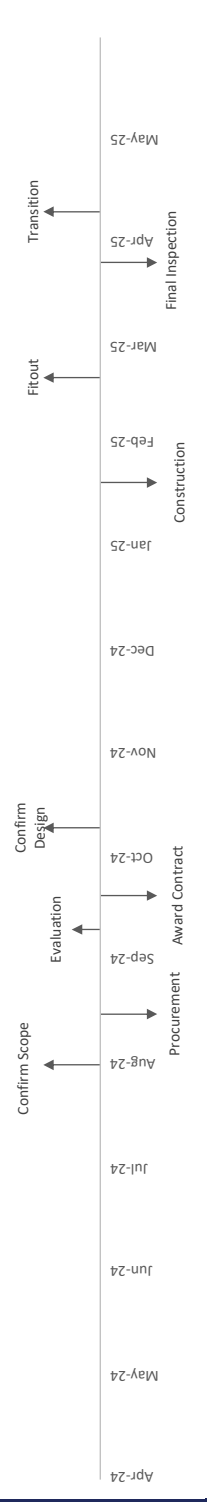
Status: Engaged

2/12/24

	Recent Deliverables	Milestones, Tasks, Outcomes to deliver next period
Purpose:	Upgrade Ilfracombe Council building to incorporate postal services, visitor information, library and Council staff office spaces.	Christmas break will limit work progress.
Project Team:	Executive Sponsor: Tanya Johnson Project Manager: Joel Perry	Communications with AusPost and builder to continue to ensure all requirements are on track.
Funding Source:	Total project budget is \$250,000 as committed by Council.	
Stakeholders:	Ilfracombe residents, AusPost, ratepayers and Longreach Regional Council.	



Risks	Previous status	Current status	Status Description
Overall			Low risks currently identified.
Time			Construction to occur from January to April 2025.
Budget			Low risk. Committed construction work well under budget.
Scope			Layout now confirmed and approved by AusPost.
Communication			Key stakeholders to be engaged.





Ilfracombe Isisford Longreach Yarak

Project: Longreach Tennis Court Upgrade

Purpose: Replace three of the Longreach Tennis Courts. Work involves demolishing the existing courts on asphalt and replacing with concrete edge beam, roadbase and crusher dust material and synthetic grass surface.

Project Team:
 Executive Sponsor: Tanya Johnson
 Department Sponsor: Debbie Hall
 Project Manager: Joel Perry
 Project Control Group: Longreach Tennis Club

Funding Source:
 Total project budget is from the Department of Tourism, Innovation and Sport (Minor Infrastructure Program), Longreach Tennis Club and Council.

Stakeholders:
 Longreach residents and ratepayers, Longreach Regional Council and Longreach Tennis Club.

Status: Engaged

2/12/24

Recent Deliverables
 Successful contractor awarded.

Milestones, Tasks, Outcomes to deliver next period
 Progress update meeting with contractor to occur.

Budget

Category	Amount
Committed Costs	\$250,000
Expenditure	\$50,000
Council Funding	\$100,000
Minor Infrastructure Program	\$150,000
Total Budget	\$350,000

Risks	Previous status	Current status	Status Description
Overall	Green	Green	No risks to date.
Time	Green	Green	Delay in awarding contractor during procurement process. This may push onsite work commencement to early 2025. Low risk impact.
Budget	Green	Green	No risks identified no far.
Scope	Green	Green	Scope fully completed and confirmed with Longreach Tennis.
Communication	Green	Green	Ongoing updates provided to stakeholders on project progress.

Initial meeting (May-24)

Confirm Scope (Jun-24)

Second meeting (Jun-24)

Detailed Design (Jul-24)

Procurement (Aug-24)

Confirm Contractor (Nov-24)

Demolish existing surface (Mar-25)

Install new slab (Mar-25)

Lay new surface (May-25)

Opening day (May-25)

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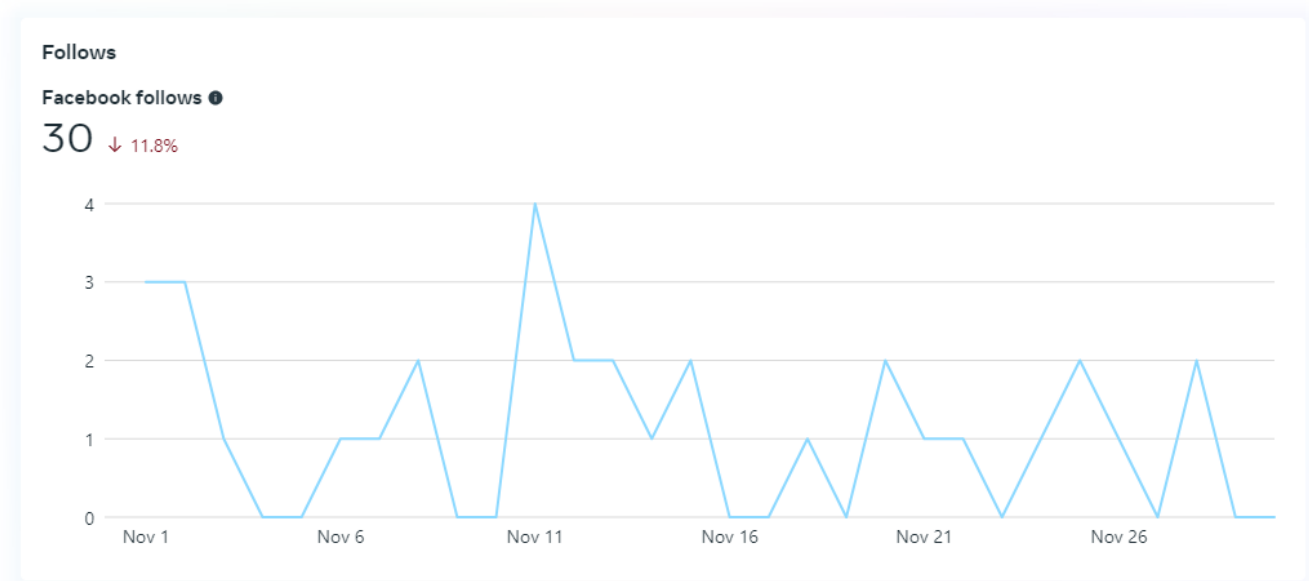
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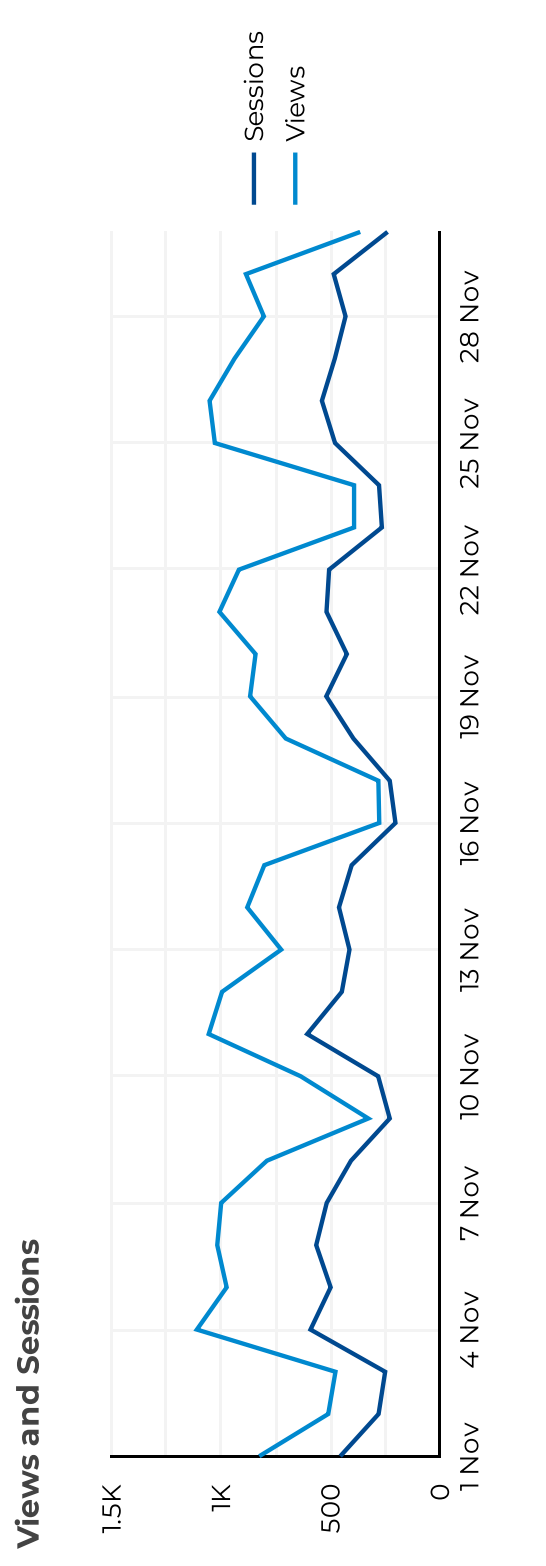
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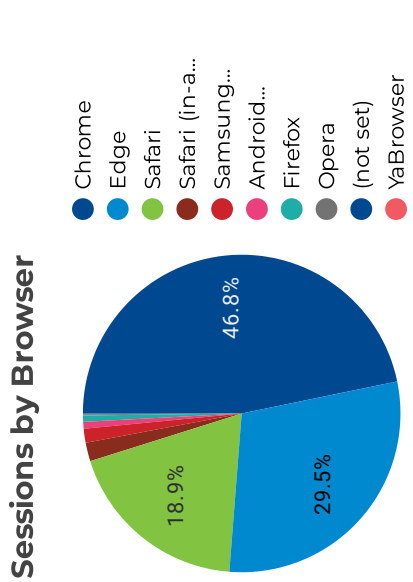
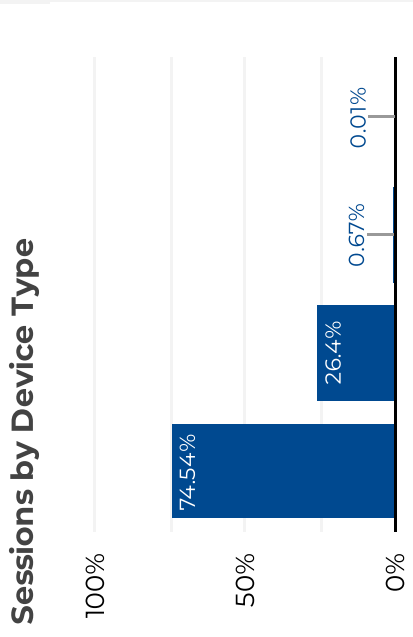
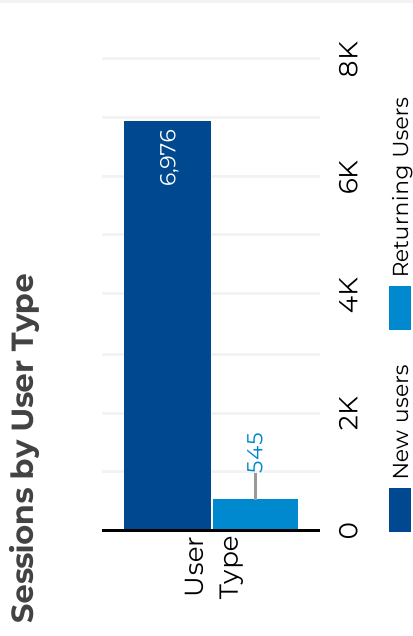
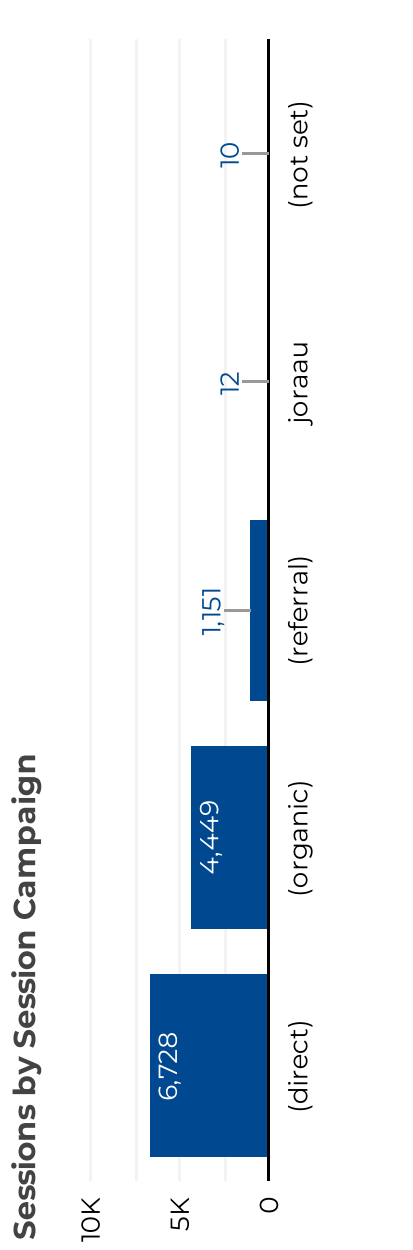
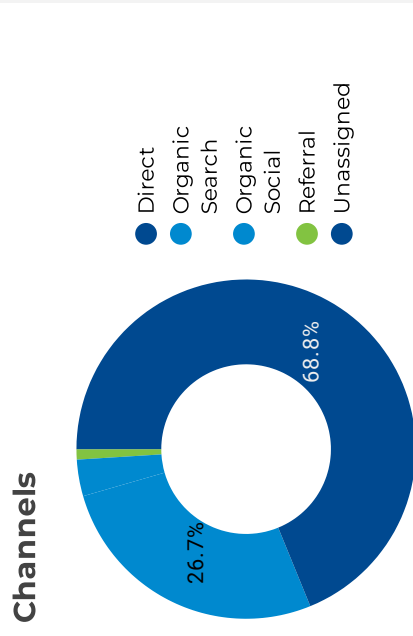


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13. COMMUNITIES REPORT
13.5 - Director of Communities Report

13.5 Director of Communities Report

This report provides an update on the range of activities that have occurred during the month of November for the Director of Communities.

Council Action

Deliver

Applicable Legislation

Local Government Act 2009

Local Government Regulation 2012

Policy Considerations

n/a

Corporate and Operational Plan Considerations

OUR COMMUNITY	
	Corporate Plan Outcome
1.1	Council infrastructure and services support liveability and community amenity.
1.2	Council recognises cultural heritage and supports inclusion of all peoples.
1.3	The region's natural environment is managed, maintained and protected.
OUR LEADERSHIP	
	Corporate Plan Outcome
5.2	Informed and considered decision making based on effective governance practices

Budget Considerations

As per approved 2024/25 budget

Previous Council Resolutions related to this matter

Nil

Officer Comment

Responsible Officer/s: *Tanya Johnson, Acting Director of Communities*

Background:

The Director provides an information update to Council monthly outlining achievements, challenges and statistical information for the various functional areas in Council.

13. COMMUNITIES REPORT
13.5 - Director of Communities Report

Strategy and Planning

Project	Status	Update
Cycling Network Plan (Grant funded)	In Progress	Engineer has been engaged for Design and construct and funding agreement received from the Department for review and signing.
Iningai Working Group	In Progress	Develop a management plan, and Facility Concept Plan in conjunction with stakeholders. Met with DCQ to review the Management Plan together 2 nd Draft of Management plan in progress.
Signage Audit	In Progress	Isisford and Yaraka town history signage design in progress for replacement. Collaboration between Asset Manager and Tourism Co-Ordinator to identify all Tourism signage within the region and add to the asset register.
Ilfracombe Heritage Strategy	In Progress	GBA heritage report complete and provided to Qld Museums. Consultation on collections with Qld Museums to commence collection management plans. Site visit scheduled early in 2025.
Digital Tourism Strategy Workshop	In Progress	Telstra Purple facilitated a workshop with Council Stakeholders to assist Longreach Regional Council in implementing a digital Tourism Strategy.
Showgrounds Concept Plan	In Progress	Present to Council for adoption December meeting.

Attended

- Di Scott Memorial Christmas Tree Ilfracombe
- Childcare Kindy Celebration
- Digital Tourism Strategic Framing Workshop
- Site inspections with users Showgrounds

Training

- Vendorpanel Training

Meetings

- Asset Inspections Workshop
- Desert Channels Qld
- PDG Meeting
- LDMG
- Showground User Group Meeting
- Department of Sport and Racing
- CPR Group

Recommendation:

That Council receives the Director of Communities Report, as presented

14. WORKS REPORT
14.1 - Information Report - Works

14. Works Report

14.1 Information Report - Works

This report provides an update on a range of activities that has occurred during the month of November 2024 for the Works Directorate.

Council Action

Deliver

Applicable Legislation

Local Government Act 2009

Local Government Regulation 2012

Policy Considerations

n/a

Corporate and Operational Plan Considerations

OUR COMMUNITY	
	Corporate Plan Outcome
1.1	Council infrastructure and services support liveability and community amenity.
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OUR LEADERSHIP	
	Corporate Plan Outcome
5.2	Informed and considered decision making based on effective governance practices

Budget Considerations

As per approved 2024/25 budget.

Previous Council Resolutions related to this matter

Nil

Officer Comment

Responsible Officer/s: *André Pretorius, Director of Works*
Guy Goodman, Manager of Operations
Ajith Samarasekera, Manager Fleet & Workshops


Background:

Officers are requested to provide an information update to Council on a monthly basis to outline achievements, challenges and statistical information for the various functional areas in Council.


14. WORKS REPORT
14.1 - Information Report - Works

Manager of Operations Update - Current projects underway

Project		% completed	Budget	Spent to date	Comments
R2R Projects					
All areas grid replacement	Install Grids	10%	\$ 279,000.00	\$ 53,000.00	Works to commence September 2024. 1 x grid installed on Royston Lane. Programmed grid installations are as follows: 3 x Plains Road 1 x Yaraka Bimerah Road 1 x Glenlock Road 1 x Westlands Gaza Road
Stonehenge River Road	Gravel Resheet	70%	\$ 150,000.00	\$ 130,000.00	Project commenced in November.
Stonehenge River Road	Installation of concrete floodway	100%	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 57,000.00	Project commenced in November. Completed.
Crossmoor Road	Installation of concrete floodway	80%	\$ 60,000.00	\$ 38,000.00	Project commenced in November.

Project		% completed	Budget	Spent to date	Comments
Internal Works					
Ilfracombe Dump Road	Installation of concrete floodways	100%	\$ 25,800.00	\$ 23,000.00	Project commenced in November. Completed.
Jabiru St (Intersection Highway)	Upgrade to Bike path	70%	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 18,000.00	Project commenced in November 2024. 

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14.1 - Information Report - Works

					
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Project	% completed	Budget	Spent to date	Comments	
TIDS Projects					
Ilfracombe – Aramac Road	Gravel resheet	95%	\$ 897,999.44	\$ 729,379.44	Works commenced July 2024.

Project	% completed	Budget	Spent to date	Comments	
NDRRA Projects 2023 Event					
Vergemont Road	Medium formation grade	100%	\$ 225,000.00	\$ 222,000.00	Works commenced in September 2024. Completed.
Silsoe Road	Desilt Drainage Structure	80%	\$ 23,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	Works commenced July 2024.
Darr River Downs Road	Medium formation grade	100%	\$ 288,000.00	\$ 268,000.00	Works commenced August 2024. Completed.
Glenlock Road	Heavy formation grade	10%	\$ 149,000.00	\$ 20,000.00	Works commenced in November 2024.
Isisford Yaraka River Road	Medium formation grade	100%	\$ 415,000.00	\$ 370,000.00	Works commenced in September 2024. Completed.
Russleigh	Medium formation grade	20%	\$ 90,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	Works commenced in November 2024.
Dandaraga Road	Medium formation grade	40%	\$ 165,000.00	\$ 80,000.00	Works commenced November 2024.

Project	% completed	Budget	Spent to date	Comments	
NDRRA Betterment 2023					
Longreach Regional Council Area	Combination of rock mattresses and reinforced concrete at various sites	10%	\$ 438,000.00	\$ 27,000.00	Materials tendered and awarded.

Project	% completed	Budget	Spent to date	Comments
RMPC Projects				

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14.1 - Information Report - Works


National Highway & State Road Networks	Maintenance Contract National Highway & State Road Networks	50%	\$ 2m	\$ 984,828.94	Contract started July 2024.
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Grants & Funding Projects

Project	Location	% Completed	Comments
School Transport Infrastructure Program	Our Lady's	85%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carpark design – final drawings being reviewed. • Site works scheduled for 2024. • Project has been granted extension to 30th June 2025. • Works programmed to commence October through to December 2024. • Concrete works complete. Asphalt programmed for early December. Road furniture (eg. Bollards, fence) to be installed late December/early January.



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	LSHS	5%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agreement negotiations are progressing. Waiting for final agreement from TMR before execution. • Site works scheduled for 2024. • Project has been granted extension to 30th June 2025. • Final Agreement received from TMR for execution • In the procurement stage for the design of the car park. Designing to consider potential changes to the Jabiru street / Plover street intersection as a result of the Kestrel street development. • Design process underway.

Maintenance Graders Locations

All available maintenance graders will be working on formation grading projects for the 2024 flood damage in conjunction with normal maintenance grading programmes.

Water & Waste Update

Current projects and operational undertakings underway for 2024/25

Water & Sewer Projects			
Project	Location	% Completed	Comments
WTP ELR Replacement/Repair	Ilfracombe	10%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preliminary structural assessment report has been received. Investigation options for the replacement of the tank. • Works carried over to this FY. • Tender process underway.
Digital Water Meter Trial	Ilfracombe	50%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Works program scheduled for Q2 2024. Trial planned to commence with communications install and staged rollout of meters. • Ongoing planning with internal and external parties. • Materials have arrived. Local contractor to perform installation of aerials etc. • Awaiting works program from contractor to install concentrators. • Work in progress - installation of concentrators.

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14.1 - Information Report - Works

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concentrators have been installed. Waiting for installation requirements for water meters.
Upgrade to Murray McMillan Dam Switchboard	Ilfracombe	10%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project in current 24/25 budget. Tender process underway.
DRFA Flood Risk Management Program	Longreach	30%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community Flood Action Plan feedback period has concluded. 1 x submission was received with the suggestion of a levy bank along Watyakan Creek from near the Kangaroo Meat Works to the Thomson Development Road Bypass to help protect the southern areas of town from future flooding. Technical brief being developed and reviewed in consultation with QRA appointed technical reviewer. Procurement process for the Longreach Flood Study to commence in early 2024. QRA has granted an extension for the program until 30/06/2026. Draft Technical Brief submitted for peer review. Technical Brief being updated considering comments from peer reviewer.
Flood Gauge Camera Arno Crossing Barcoo River & Dingo Creek (Landsborough Highway)	Yaraka/ Longreach	70%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Installation delayed due to rain and delays from supplier. Tipping expected poles for the cameras expected to arrive at end of March 2024. Poles arrived. Works programmed. Arno Crossing camera pole installed. Awaiting technician to install camera. Dingo Creek camera installed early November. Arno Crossing camera installed Dingo Creek and Arno Crossing camera footage is available on web-site.

Water & Sewerage

Water Operations
<p>All Sites - Water Treatment & Network - General Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Weir and Dam levels at all sites are shown in Table 1 below. Routine water network maintenance undertaken, and Customer Service Requests responded to as required across all sites. <p>Longreach Water Treatment & Network</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> WTP operating as normal. <p>Ilfracombe Water Treatment & Network</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ilfracombe WTP- operating as normal. Reverse Osmosis treatment plant – Out of Service due to issue with one of the process treatment trains. <p>Isisford Water Treatment & Network</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Isisford WTP – operating as normal. <p>Yaraka Water Treatment & Network</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yaraka WTP – operating as normal.
Sewerage Operations

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14.1 - Information Report - Works

<p>Longreach Pump Stations & STP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Routine maintenance undertaken as required. <p>Ilfracombe Pump Stations & CED Ponds</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Routine maintenance undertaken as required. <p>Isisford Pump Station & CED Ponds</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Routine maintenance undertaken as required. • CED ponds currently hydraulically overloaded. Investigating options to improve operational capacity. • New CED ponds excavated. Pumping underway. Fencing to be installed.
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Table 1 – Estimated Current Weir/ Dam Levels (~ approximate level)

Dam	Approx. Current Level (m)	Approx. % Full	DMP Height Full	Comments
Longreach Town Weirs	0.25m	0%	1.3m	Level 2 water restrictions effective as of 11 th November 2024. Pumping commenced. Local water/rain and pumping has increased the level by 250mm.
Shannon Dam	~ 11m	85%	14.5m	Water is regularly pumped from Murray McMillan to keep Shannon Dam at full levels.
Murray MacMillan Dam	~ 4.6m	44%	10.3m	
Isisford Dam	~ 10m	95%	11m	
Isisford Weir	~ -1.3m	0%	1.3m	The weir is 1.3m below full height.
Yaraka North Dam	~ 8.5m	75%	12.5m	
Yaraka South Dam	~ 8.5m	75%	12.5m	

Waste Projects			
Project	Location	% Completed	Comments
Land Parcels	Longreach	80%	• Ongoing communication with DoR in relations to extension the Longreach Landfill to the west.

Waste Management

Waste Facilities Update
<p>Longreach Waste Facility</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6 monthly hazard inspections completed. Noted large amount of tyres, construction and scrap metal waste. • Proterra are continuing to recruit for an additional operational team member. Staff from other locations are currently filling in personnel gaps. • Met with Proterra representatives in August to discuss operations and various opportunities for regional recycling options, construction of the new waste cell, waste compaction and waste cell closure during wet weather. <p>Ilfracombe Waste Facility</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contractor is conducting routine cleaning of the facility. <p>Isisford Waste Facility</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contractor conducting twice weekly covering of general waste. <p>Yaraka Waste Facility</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contractor conducting regular covering of general waste.

Plant & Fleet Update

Current projects and operational undertakings underway for 2024/2025

Plant & Fleet

14. WORKS REPORT
14.1 - Information Report - Works

Project	Task	Comment
Plant Replacement	Plant Procurement and Disposal	Council continues to release RFQs to the industry as part of the FY25 plant replacement program. Quotes for a medium rigid truck were received and evaluated in this period. A RFQ for two (2) backhoe loaders have been released. In the meantime, plant that have been replaced or excess to requirements are being progressively auctioned.
Plant Utilisation	Plant Utilisation data from NAVMAN for Graders, Loaders, Prime Mover, Scraper and Stabiliser	Ausfleet, Council's new fleet management information system went live on 31 October 2024. Utilisation reports from Ausfleet will be available when sufficient data has been collated in the information system.
Workshop Operations	General Update	Council's repeated attempts to recruit a leading hand mechanic for the Longreach workshop has been unsuccessful. This position is critical for the operations of the workshop. Fleet is investigating the part time engagement of a contractor to fill this critical void. Notwithstanding, it is business as usual for both workshops.
Radio Communications and Vehicle Telematics	Working Group	Following discussion at the Change Advisory Meeting on 21 August 2024, a Business Case is being prepared for the next Change Advisory Meeting scheduled for 25 February 2025. As part of this project Council is trialling a sample of Personal Locator Beacons that will provide for distress alerting however, without voice-to-voice capability.
New Fleet Management Information System (FMIS)	Implement	Phase 1 of the implementation utilising AusFleet for programmed maintenance is progressing well. Phase 2 of the roll out to all staff that will enable electronic service requests to be made and conduct prestart inspections is on schedule for February 2025.

Risk Management Factors:

This matter has been assessed using Council's Risk Matrix to decide the likelihood and consequence of any risk to Council:

Likelihood: Rare
Consequence: Insignificant
Rating: Low (1/25)
Low risk, informational report only.

Environmental Management Factors:

Nil

Other Comments:

Recommendation:

That Council receives the Works Information Report, as presented.

14. WORKS REPORT

14.2 - Director of Works Report

14.2 Director of Works Report

This report provides an update on a range of activities that have occurred over the previous month for the Works Director.

Council Action

Recognise
Deliver

Applicable Legislation

Local Government Act 2009
Local Government Regulation 2012

Policy Considerations

Nil

Corporate and Operational Plan Considerations

OUR LEADERSHIP	
Corporate Plan Outcome	
5.2	Informed and considered decision making based on effective governance practices

Budget Considerations

As per the approved 2024/25 budget

Previous Council Resolutions related to this Matter

Nil

Officer Comment

Responsible Officer/s: André Pretorius, Director of Works

Background:



The Director of Works provides an update to Council on his activities on a monthly basis and should be read in conjunction with the Works Information Report.

Issue:






Following is a summary of main activities undertaken for the period to 30 November 2024

Strategic Leadership

Key:  Completed  In Progress  Not Started

Name	Description	Status
Longreach Flood Study	Received comments from Peer Reviewer regarding the technical brief. Currently finalising the Brief for Services.	
Longreach Transport Plan	Currently in the process of reviewing and updating the Roads Register	

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14.2 - Director of Works Report

Ilfracombe Elevated Reservoir	In the process of finalising the Technical Brief before calling for Quotes/Tenders	
Bridge and Major Culvert Inspections	Level 2 and 3 inspections of our major bridges and culverts in progress. This is via the ORRTG. Inspections have been completed and we are waiting for the draft report.	
Drinking Water Quality Management Plan Review	Submitted Drinking Water Quality Management Plan to the Regulator for their final review.	
Isisford Wastewater CED pond investigation and Flow Study	Consultation with consultant with regards to preliminary investigations and flow study	
Longreach Weir Raising Project	Brief for Services being developed. Discussions with potential services providers.	

Operational Management

- Continued pumping of water from the Fairmount Weir to the Longreach Town Weir pool as per the Water Conservation and Drought Management Plan
- Engaged with Contractor with regards to the UV process train at the Ilfracombe Reverse Osmosis Water Treatment Plant due to a faulty unit.
- Consulted with a consultant to commence with the Isisford sewage flow study.
- Attended to Longreach Sewer Pump Station No 3 due to a critical failure.
- Ordered parts for the UV treatment unit at the Ilfracombe Water Treatment Plant

Financial Management

- Attended monthly Flood Damage progress meeting.

Workforce Capability

- Continue process for review of the Organisational Structure

Stakeholder Engagement









- Attended LGGSP Stage 2 Business Case Discussion – Longreach Water Mains
- Discussed options regarding the removal of the old river intake structure at the Longreach Weir Pool
- Attended ORRTG technical committee meeting.
- Attended RAPADWSA technical committee meeting.
- Attended Land and Pest Committee meeting.
- Attended meeting with Translink regarding requirements for bus stops and project acquittal.
- Met with a consultant to discuss project management services for the Longreach Weirs Project.

Risk:












- The main initial infrastructure risks to Council are listed below.

Key:	 <i>Low Risk</i>	 <i>Medium</i>	 <i>High Risk</i>
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14. WORKS REPORT
14.2 - Director of Works Report

Risk	Description	Treatment	Rating
General			
Procurement and Project delivery	Delays in project delivery due to availability of local contractors causing reputational damage, delays and potential budget overruns	Regular reviews regarding workload and commitments of Contractors working on Council projects.	
Transport and Aerodromes/Landing Strips			
Town Streets, Footpaths and Traffic Facilities	While intervention levels are mostly met when an issue arise in terms of reactive work, consideration should be given to aging infrastructure.	Review, update and implement an asset inspection program with regards to traffic facilities, footpaths and the like. Council to allocate appropriate funding during budgeting processes. Review of the Transport Plan	
Rural Roads	Council has limited funds available for maintaining or renewing rural roads and associated road infrastructure. While rural roads are in good condition and are meeting required service standards, the level of service for each rural road should be reviewed to determine required levels of service and or renewals or upgrades. Traffic facilities not meeting required levels of service.	Examine and review the Transport Plan in considering available funds and in consultation with Stakeholders. The Transport Plan should follow relevant Austroads, ARRB, TMR guidelines and Australian Standards, to ensure a standard and defensible approach. Mapping of defects and the implementation of a proactive replacement/renewal program within Council's financial constraints.	 
Aerodromes/landing strips	Increase in maintenance effort when there is a decrease in usage.	Examine services, assets and business processes to reduce fixed costs in Council so that it becomes more adaptable and resilient. Discussion with services provider scheduled in January 2025 to gain an understanding of our Responsibilities and Risk Management as asset owner	 
Quarries / Extractive Mining	Existing Quarry Areas use rights extinguished as a result of no Indigenous Land Use Agreement (ILUA) in place.	Commence with the ILUA process and/or find alternative sources. Potential budget item for 25/26 if gravel stockpile option is considered.	 

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14.2 - Director of Works Report

Risk	Description	Treatment	Rating
Water			
Water security	<p>Risk of failure of water supplies due to delayed wet season or lack of rainfall to replenish water sources.</p> <p>Treated water storage tanks/reservoir fail or does not recover during peak demand conditions.</p>	<p>Actively monitor water production and water levels at sources. Timely implementation of Water Restrictions.</p> <p>Review and update Water Conservation and Drought Management Plan</p> <p>Develop a Servicing Strategy that considers future growth areas and potential impacts to critical infrastructure.</p> <p>Community awareness and education regarding water usage.</p> <p>Implementation of water restrictions and/or other intervention until problem is resolved.</p> <p>Develop a Servicing Strategy that considers future growth areas and potential impacts and/or upgrade requirements to critical infrastructure.</p>	     
Raw water	<p>Raw water assets are nearing its end-of useful life with insufficient cost recovery for future renewal or replacement.</p> <p>Potential for cross connections affecting the integrity of the drinking water supply network</p>	<p>Examine services, assets and business processes to reduce fixed costs in Council so that it becomes more adaptable and resilient.</p> <p>Conduct audits and test the integrity of the drinking water system to confirm compliance with Drinking Water Quality Management Plan.</p>	 
Sewerage			
Treatment and disposal	<p>Treatment Plants are nearing their end of life, could be hydraulically overloaded, do not provide operational flexibility or change in legislative/discharge requirements.</p>	<p>Examine services, assets and processes.</p> <p>Commence with or confirm investigations in terms of waste water generation, sewer loads, etc.</p> <p>Include renewal and maintenance requirements in Asset Management Plans</p>	  

14. WORKS REPORT
14.2 - Director of Works Report

Risk	Description	Treatment	Rating
Pump Stations	Sewer Pump Stations are nearing their end of life and requires major refurbishment.	Conduct condition assessment and review currency in terms of relevant Standards and WSAA Guidelines. Include renewal and maintenance requirements in Asset Management Plans	
Waste			
Waste Management	Waste at facilities not being treated in accordance with relevant Regulations/Guidelines Waste received (i.e. tyres) are higher than expected quantities	Review of Management Plans to ensure compliance. Conduct audit to determine origin of waste. Implement management measures.	
Unauthorized dumping and Scavenging	Uncontrolled access at unattended sites	Review of Management Plans to consider access control	
Plant and Fleet			
Plant and Fleet	Examine services, assets and business processes to reduce fixed costs in Council so that it becomes more adaptable and resilient. Plant procured and/or replaced to be fit for purpose.	Continue with the implementation and review of fleet replacement program.	

Community Consultation:

Nil

Environmental Management Factors:

Nil

Other Comments:

Nil

Recommendation:

That Council receives the Director of Works Report, as presented

**LONGREACH REGIONAL COUNCIL
ORDINARY MEETING AGENDA**

15. Late Items

Nil for this meeting

16. Closed Matters

Recommendation:

That pursuant to section 242J(1) of the Local Government Regulation 2012 the meeting be closed to discuss the following matters, which are considered confidential for the reasons indicated.

16.1 Bulk Water Allocation Request - A1727

Consideration of a request to grant a seasonal raw water allocation to Assessment No. A1727.

This report is considered confidential in accordance with section 254J(3) g, of the Local Government Regulation 2012, as it contains information relating to: negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the council for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the council.

17. Closure of Meeting

**LONGREACH REGIONAL COUNCIL
ORDINARY MEETING AGENDA**

Local Government Act 2009 – Principles

Local government is required to adhere to the following high level principles contained in *section 4 of the Local Government Act*:

The **local government principles** are:

- (a) Transparent and effective processes, and decision-making in the public interest; and
- (b) Sustainable development and management of assets and infrastructure, and delivery of effective services; and
- (c) Democratic representation, social inclusion and meaningful community engagement; and
- (d) Good governance of, and by, local government; and
- (e) Ethical and legal behaviour of councillors and local government employees.

Decisions, Based On Recommendations, Provide For The Following Council Actions:

Recognise There is an issue and Council recognises that but usually can't do much about it. Financial cost (no cost).

Advocate Council will take up the issue on behalf of the community and usually get someone else to do something about it (some cost/minimal cost).

Partner Council partners with another organisation/agency to jointly do something about the issue (half cost).

Deliver Council is the deliverer of the program/solution, usually funds it etc. This is normally a standard Council responsibility in service delivery (full cost).

Council's risk management processes are based around the following principles:

Risk Identification: Identify and prioritise reasonably foreseeable risks associated with activities, using the agreed risk methodology.

Risk Evaluation: Evaluate those risks using the agreed Council criteria.

Risk Treatment / Mitigation: Develop mitigation plans for risk areas where the residual risk is greater than our tolerable risk levels.

**LONGREACH REGIONAL COUNCIL
ORDINARY MEETING AGENDA**

Risk Monitoring and Reporting: Report risk management activities and risk specific information in accordance with the risk protocols.

The Risk Matrix below is used to assess the likelihood and consequence of any risk to Council, to then identify any necessary treatment actions. This matrix will also be used to assess any risk identified in Council's reports:

	Consequence				
Likelihood	Insignificant 1	Minor 2	Moderate 3	Major 4	Catastrophic 5
Almost Certain 5	Medium 5	High 10	High 15	Extreme 20	Extreme 25
Likely 4	Medium 4	Medium 8	High 12	High 16	Extreme 20
Possible 3	Low 3	Medium 6	Medium 9	High 12	High 15
Unlikely 2	Low 2	Low 4	Medium 6	Medium 8	High 10
Rare 1	Low 1	Low 2	Medium 3	Medium 4	Medium 5