



Ordinary Meeting

BUSINESS PAPER

Tuesday, 9 July 2024 at 7:00 PM

Griffith City Council Chambers

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Notice of Motion via Councillor

You are able to lobby a Councillor to raise a Notice of Motion to have a matter considered by the Council at a future meeting.

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A petition can be presented to the Council through a Councillor. If you would like to present a petition to an Ordinary Meeting of Council, please contact one of the Councillors to arrange.

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Direct correspondence to the General Manager

You may write directly to the General Manager about your issue or concern via letter or email. You may contact the General Manager at admin@griffith.nsw.gov.au or mail correspondence to: The General Manager, PO Box 485 Griffith NSW 2680.

For more information on public participation refer to [Council's Agency Information Guide](#).

Councillors' obligations under the Oath or Affirmation of Office are as follows:

Oath

I [*name of Councillor*] swear that I will undertake the duties of the office of Councillor in the best interests of the people of Griffith and the Griffith City Council and that I will faithfully and impartially carry out the functions, powers, authorities and discretions vested in me under the [Local Government Act 1993](#) or any other Act to the best of my ability and judgment.

Affirmation

I [*name of Councillor*] solemnly and sincerely declare and affirm that I will undertake the duties of the office of Councillor in the best interests of the people of Griffith and the Griffith City Council and that I will faithfully and impartially carry out the functions, powers, authorities and discretions vested in me under the [Local Government Act 1993](#) or any other Act to the best of my ability and judgment.

Councillors' obligations under the Code of Conduct in relation to conflicts of interest include:

[What is a pecuniary interest?](#)

A pecuniary interest is an interest that you have in a matter because of a reasonable likelihood or expectation of appreciable financial gain or loss to you or a person referred to in clause 4.3 of the Code of Conduct.

[Disclosure of pecuniary interests at meetings](#)

A Councillor who has a pecuniary interest in any matter with which Council is concerned, and who is present at a meeting of Council at which the matter is being considered, must disclose the nature of the interest to the meeting as soon as practicable.

The Councillor must not be present at, or in sight of, the meeting of Council:

- (a) at any time during which the matter is being considered or discussed by Council, or
- (b) at any time during which the Council is voting on any question in relation to the matter.

[What is a non-pecuniary conflict of interest?](#)

Non-pecuniary interests are private or personal interests a Council official has that do not amount to a pecuniary interest as defined in clause 4.1 of the Code of Conduct. A non-pecuniary conflict of interest exists where a reasonable and informed person would perceive that you could be influenced by a private interest when carrying out your official functions in relation to a matter.

[Managing non-pecuniary conflicts of interest](#)

Where Councillors have a non-pecuniary conflict of interest in a matter they must disclose the relevant private interest they have in relation to the matter fully and in writing as soon as practicable after becoming aware of the non-pecuniary conflict of interest.

[Click here to lodge an online Conflict of Interest Form.](#)

How Councillors manage a non-pecuniary conflict of interest will depend on whether or not it is significant.

A non-pecuniary conflict of interest will be significant where it does not involve a pecuniary interest, but it involves:

- (a) a relationship between a Councillor and another person who is affected by a decision or a matter under consideration that is particularly close, such as a current or former spouse or de facto partner, a relative or another person from the Councillor's extended family that the Councillor has a close personal relationship with, or another person living in the same household.
- (b) other relationships with persons who are affected by a decision or a matter under consideration that are particularly close, such as friendships and business relationships. Closeness is defined by the nature of the friendship or business relationship, the frequency of contact and the duration of the friendship or relationship.
- (c) an affiliation between the Councillor and an organisation (such as a sporting body, club, religious, cultural or charitable organisation, corporation or association) that is affected by a decision or a matter under consideration that is particularly strong. The strength of a Councillor's affiliation with an organisation is to be determined by the extent to which they actively participate in the management, administration or other activities of the organisation.
- (d) membership, as the Council's representative, of the board or management committee of an organisation that is affected by a decision or a matter under consideration, in circumstances where the interests of Council and the organisation are potentially in conflict in relation to the particular matter.
- (e) a financial interest (other than an interest of a type referred to in clause 4.6 of the Code of Conduct) that is not a pecuniary interest for the purposes of clause 4.1 of the Code of Conduct.
- (f) the conferral or loss of a personal benefit other than one conferred or lost as a member of the community or a broader class of people affected by a decision.

If the significant non-pecuniary conflict of interest arises in relation to a matter under consideration at a Council meeting, Councillors must manage the conflict of interest as if a Councillor had a pecuniary interest in the matter by complying with clauses 4.28 and 4.29 of the Code of Conduct. That is, a Councillor who has a significant non-pecuniary interest in a matter under consideration at a Council meeting must disclose the nature of the interest to the meeting as soon as practicable. The Councillor must not be present at, or in sight of, the meeting of Council:

- (a) at any time during which the matter is being considered or discussed by Council, or
- (b) at any time during which the Council is voting on any question in relation to the matter.

If Councillors determine that they have a non-pecuniary conflict of interest in a matter that is not significant and does not require further action, when disclosing the interest they must explain in writing why they consider that the non-pecuniary conflict of interest is not significant and does not require further action in the circumstances.

Councillors should refer to Council's Code of Conduct policy for further information in relation to managing conflicts of interest at Council Meetings.

Opening Affirmations

Option 1

Let us meet in this Council Chamber in a spirit of fellowship and goodwill to represent all the members of our community in its cultural and religious diversity.

To be honest and objective in all our deliberations.

To respect the views of the residents, the rights of all Councillors to express their opinions without fear or favour and to make decisions for the common good of our community.

Option 2

Almighty God

We ask that you guide us in our decision making.

Protect us and the community we serve.

Direct our deliberations for the progress of this City and the true welfare of its people.

Option 3

I ask those gathered to join us now for a few moments of silence as we reflect on our roles in this Chamber. Please use this opportunity for reflection, prayer or thought, to focus on our shared intention to work respectfully together for the well-being of our whole community.

Acknowledgment of Country

Griffith City Council acknowledges the Wiradjuri people as the traditional owners and custodians of the land and waters, and their deep knowledge embedded within the Aboriginal community.

Council further pays respect to the local Wiradjuri Elders, past, present and those emerging, for whom we acknowledge have responsibilities for the continuation of cultural, spiritual and educational practices of the local Wiradjuri people.

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**ORDINARY MEETING OF GRIFFITH CITY COUNCIL
TO BE HELD IN GRIFFITH CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON
TUESDAY, 9 JULY 2024 AT 7:00 PM**

MEETING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that an Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held in the Griffith City Council Chambers on **Tuesday, 9 July 2024**.

In accordance with Griffith City Council's Code of Meeting Practice and as permitted under the Local Government Act 1993, this meeting is being live streamed and recorded by Council staff for minute taking and webcasting purposes.

No other webcasting or recording by a video camera, still camera or any other electronic device capable of webcasting or recording is permitted without the prior approval of Council.

Those that are participating in this meeting are advised that your image and what you say will be broadcast live to the public and will also be recorded. You should avoid making statements that might defame or offend and note that Council will not be responsible for your actions and comments.

Members of the public may address Council in relation to the items listed in this Agenda by contacting Council on 1300 176 077 by 12.00 pm on the day of the meeting.

The agenda for the meeting is:

- 1 Council Acknowledgments
 - 2 Apologies and Applications for a Leave of Absence or Attendance by Audio-visual Link by Councillors
 - 3 Confirmation of Minutes
 - 4 Business Arising
 - 5 Declarations of Interest
 - 6 Presentations
 - 7 Mayoral Minutes
 - 8 General Manager's Report
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| CL01 | p29 | DA 37/2024 - Unit 9 Nos. 16-24 Whybrow Street - Change of Use from Light Industrial to Personal Fitness Premises |
| CL02 | p37 | Suspension of Alcohol Free Zone - Griffith Spring Fest Launch Party 2024 |
| CL03 | p39 | Setting of Fees and Charges - Hire of Hanwood Kiosk & Use of Lights |

- CL04 p42 Review of Outstanding Public Policies
- 9 Information Reports
- CL05 p46 Investments as at 30 April 2024
- CL06 p55 Investments as at 31 May 2024
- CL07 p65 Responses to Councillor Questions Taken on Notice
- 10 Adoption of Committee Minutes
- p67 Minutes of the Scenic Hill User Group Meeting held on 24 June 2024
- 11 Business with Notice – Rescission Motions
- 12 Business with Notice – Other Motions
- p76 Notice of Motion - Griffith Base Hospital Buildings - Councillor Anne Napoli - 28 Jun 2024
- 13 Outstanding Action Report
- p81 Outstanding Action Report
- 14 Matters to be dealt with by Closed Council
- CC01 Tender No. 11-23/24 - Supply and Install eID tagging system at GCC Saleyard
- commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed:
 - (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it, or
 - (ii) confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council, or
 - (iii) reveal a trade secret 10A(2) (d)
- CC02 Tender No. 15-23/24: Supply and Delivery of Cleaning Services to Council Properties and Amenities
- commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed:
 - (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it, or
 - (ii) confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council, or
 - (iii) reveal a trade secret 10A(2) (d)

Brett Stonestreet

GENERAL MANAGER

**ORDINARY MEETING OF GRIFFITH CITY COUNCIL
HELD IN GRIFFITH CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON
TUESDAY, 25 JUNE 2024 COMMENCING AT 7:00 PM**

PRESENT

The Mayor, Councillor Doug Curran in the Chair; Councillors, Shari Blumer (Via Zoom), Simon Croce, Jenny Ellis, Manjit Singh Lally, Melissa Marin, Anne Napoli, Christine Stead, Chris Sutton, Laurie Testoni and Dino Zappacosta

STAFF

General Manager, Brett Stonestreet, Director Economic & Organisational Development, Shireen Donaldson, Director Utilities, Graham Gordon, Director Infrastructure & Operations, Phil King, Acting Director Business, Cultural, Financial Services, Max Turner, Acting Director Sustainable Development, Carel Potgieter and Minute Taker, Hannah Hall

1 COUNCIL ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The Meeting opened with Councillor Jenny Ellis reading the Opening Affirmation and the Acknowledgement of Country.

2 APOLOGIES AND APPLICATIONS FOR A LEAVE OF ABSENCE OR ATTENDANCE BY AUDIO-VISUAL LINK BY COUNCILLORS

24/177

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Christine Stead and Chris Sutton that an apology be received from Councillor Glen Andrezza and a leave of absence granted, and an application to attend by audio-visual link from Councillor Blumer be granted.

A division was called for, voting on which was as follows:

For	Against
Councillor Doug Curran	
Councillor Shari Blumer	
Councillor Simon Croce	
Councillor Jenny Ellis	
Councillor Manjit Singh Lally	
Councillor Melissa Marin	
Councillor Anne Napoli	
Councillor Christine Stead	
Councillor Chris Sutton	
Councillor Laurie Testoni	
Councillor Dino Zappacosta	

The division was declared PASSED by 11 votes to 0.

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

24/178

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Jenny Ellis and Chris Sutton that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held in Griffith City Council Chambers on 11 June 2024, having first been circulated amongst all members of Council, be confirmed.

A division was called for, voting on which was as follows:

For	Against
Councillor Doug Curran	
Councillor Shari Blumer	
Councillor Simon Croce	
Councillor Jenny Ellis	
Councillor Manjit Singh Lally	
Councillor Melissa Marin	
Councillor Anne Napoli	
Councillor Christine Stead	
Councillor Chris Sutton	
Councillor Laurie Testoni	
Councillor Dino Zappacosta	

The division was declared PASSED by 11 votes to 0.

4 BUSINESS ARISING

Nil

5 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Pecuniary Interests

There were no pecuniary interests declared.

Significant Non-Pecuniary Interests

Councillors making a significant non-pecuniary interest declaration are required to leave the meeting during consideration of the matter and not return until the matter is resolved.

Councillor Dino Zappacosta
CL04 Licence Agreement - Griffith Community FM Association Inc
Reason – My business is a sponsor of the Association.

Less Than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interests

Councillors making a less than significant non-pecuniary interest declaration may stay in the meeting and participate in the debate and vote on the matter.

Councillor Manjit Singh Lally
CL01 Adoption Of The Draft Delivery Program 2022/23 - 2025/26 Incorporating The Draft Operational Plan (Budget) For 2024/25 And Long Term Financial Plan Annual Review 2024/25 - 2033/34 (Submission No. 6 only)
Reason – I am a member of the Sikh community in Griffith. I am not an executive committee member of the committee or the Shaheedi Games committee (Sikh Games).

6 PRESENTATIONS

Nil

7 MAYORAL MINUTES

Nil

8 GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

CL01 ADOPTION OF THE DRAFT DELIVERY PROGRAM 2022/23 - 2025/26 INCORPORATING THE DRAFT OPERATIONAL PLAN (BUDGET) FOR 2024/25 AND LONG TERM FINANCIAL PLAN ANNUAL REVIEW 2024/25 - 2033/34

Councillors Doug Curran and Jenny Ellis **MOVED** the following **MOTION** that Council adopt the Draft Delivery Program 2022/23 - 2025/26 Incorporating the Draft Operational Plan (Budget) for 2024/25 and Long Term Financial Plan Annual Review 2024/25 - 2033/34 as attached to the report (refer to Attachment C of the report) including any amendments as a result of submissions received during the exhibition period.

Councillors Dino Zappacosta and Simon Croce **MOVED** the following **AMENDMENT** that Council adopt the Draft Delivery Program 2022/23 - 2025/26 Incorporating the Draft Operational Plan (Budget) for 2024/25 and Long Term Financial Plan Annual Review 2024/25 - 2033/34 as attached to the report (refer to Attachment C of the report) including any amendments as a result of submissions received during the exhibition period, but only adopt the rate pegging limit of 4.5% for the next financial year.

The **AMENDMENT** was **PUT** and **LOST**.

A division was called for, voting on which was as follows:

For	Against
Councillor Simon Croce	Councillor Doug Curran
Councillor Melissa Marin	Councillor Shari Blumer
Councillor Anne Napoli	Councillor Jenny Ellis
Councillor Christine Stead	Councillor Manjit Singh Lally
Councillor Dino Zappacosta	Councillor Chris Sutton
	Councillor Laurie Testoni

The division was declared LOST by 5 votes to 6.

24/179

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Doug Curran and Jenny Ellis that Council adopt the Draft Delivery Program 2022/23 - 2025/26 Incorporating the Draft Operational Plan (Budget) for 2024/25 and Long Term Financial Plan Annual Review 2024/25 - 2033/34 as attached to the report (refer to Attachment C of the report) including any amendments as a result of submissions received during the exhibition period.

A division was called for, voting on which was as follows:

For	Against
Councillor Doug Curran	Councillor Simon Croce
Councillor Shari Blumer	Councillor Melissa Marin
Councillor Jenny Ellis	Councillor Anne Napoli
Councillor Manjit Singh Lally	Councillor Christine Stead
Councillor Chris Sutton	Councillor Dino Zappacosta
Councillor Laurie Testoni	

The division was declared PASSED by 6 votes to 5.

CL02 MAKING OF RATES AND CHARGES FOR THE PERIOD 1 JULY 2024 TO 30 JUNE 2025

24/180

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Laurie Testoni and Chris Sutton that:

- (a) Levying of Ordinary Rates and Charges for 2024/2025 Ordinary Rates.
- (i) That Council, having adopted its Operational Plan for the year commencing 1 July 2024 and after giving public notice in accordance with Section 532 of the Local Government Act, 1993 of its draft Operational Plan for the year commencing 1 July 2024 and after considering submissions concerning that Plan in accordance with Section 494 of the Local Government Act, 1993 hereby resolve to make and levy an Ordinary Rate consisting of a base amount percentage (minimum charge) and also an ad valorem rate for the residential, farmland and business categories of all rateable land in the Local Government Area as per the following differential rating mix per category:
- Residential - 25% base amount / 75% ad valorem amount levied
 - Business - 10% base amount / 90% ad valorem amount levied
 - Farmland - 30% base amount / 70% ad valorem amount levied
 - Farmland - Irrigable - 20% base amount / 80% ad valorem amount levied
- (ii) The percentage and dollar value of the base amount payable by the making and levying of an ordinary rate for the residential, farmland and business categories is calculated to produce the following minimum base amounts of the total ordinary rate levy:
- Residential - 25% base amount / \$327.00 per rateable assessment
 - Business - 10% base amount / \$330.00 per rateable assessment
 - Farmland - 30% base amount / \$844.00 per rateable assessment
 - Farmland – Irrigable - 20% base amount / \$919.00 per rateable assessment
- (iii) An ad valorem amount for the various rating categories, including residential, farmland and business categories for all rateable land within the Local Government Area for an ordinary rate commencing 1 July 2024 according to the following amounts;
- Residential (75% ad valorem rate) resulting in a dollar value of zero point zero zero four two seven seven six (\$0.0042776) cents in the dollar applied to the land value for all rateable lands within the residential category in the City based upon the land value at a base valuation date of 1 July 2022.
 - Business (90% ad valorem rate) resulting in a dollar value of zero point zero zero six six four zero eight (\$0.0066408) cents in the dollar applied to the land value for all rateable lands within the business category in the City based upon the land value at a base valuation date of 1 July 2022.
 - Farmland (70% ad valorem rate) resulting in a dollar value of zero point zero zero two eight five three seven (\$0.0028537) cents in the dollar applied to the land value for all rateable lands within the farmland category in the City based upon the land value at a base valuation date of 1 July 2022.
 - Farmland – Irrigable (80% ad valorem rate) resulting in a dollar value of zero point zero zero three five three three six (\$0.0035336) cents in the dollar applied to the land value for all rateable lands within the farmland (irrigable intensive) category in the City based upon the land value at a base valuation date of 1 July 2022.

- (b) That Council, having adopted its Operational Plan for the year commencing 1 July 2024 and after giving public notice in accordance with Section 496(A) of the Local Government Act, 1993 and after considering submissions concerning that Plan, hereby resolve to make and levy a charge of \$25 per residential and business assessment and \$12.50 per residential Strata title assessment and \$5 per business Strata assessment in the urban area for the provision of Urban Stormwater Management Services.
- (c) Waste Management Charges for 2024/2025 (incorporating waste collection, landfill operations, maintenance and capital developments).
- (i) That whereas the Council has adopted the Operational Plan for the period commencing 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 it hereby resolves to make and levy, in accordance with Section 496 of the Local Government Act, 1993, a charge of three hundred and eighty eight dollars (\$388.00) for the provision of domestic waste management services for each residence for which the service is available within the City and surrounding villages. Such charge to provide for the removal on a once per week basis of waste contained in one 240 litre mobile garbage bin from each separate occupancy, whether rateable or not.
- (ii) That whereas the Council has adopted the Operational Plan for the period commencing 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 it hereby resolves to make and levy, in accordance with Section 496 of the Local Government Act, 1993, a domestic waste service charge in respect of vacant residential land an annual charge of fifty three dollars (\$53.00) per assessment.
- (iii) That whereas the Council has adopted the Operational Plan for the period commencing 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 it hereby resolves to make and levy, in accordance with Section 496 of the Local Government Act, 1993, a charge of one hundred and twenty eight dollars (\$128.00) for the provision of domestic waste recycling collection services for each residence for which the service is available within the City and surrounding villages. Such charge to provide for the removal on a once per fortnight basis of recyclable waste contained in one 240 litre mobile garbage bin from each separate occupancy, whether rateable or not. For any new assessments for the service, the charge will only become effective upon the commencement of the service and will be charged on a pro-rata basis.
- (iv) That whereas the Council has adopted the Operational Plan for the period commencing 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 it hereby resolves to make and levy, in accordance with Section 501 of the Local Government Act, 1993, a charge of six hundred and sixty five dollars (\$665.00) per requested service for the year commencing 1 July 2024 for the provision of waste management services for each non-residential property for which the service is utilised within the City. Such a charge to provide the removal as requested on a once per week basis of waste contained in one 240 litre mobile garbage bin from each separate occupancy, whether rateable or not.
- (v) That whereas the Council has adopted the Operational Plan for the period commencing 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 it hereby resolves to make and levy, in accordance with Section 501 of the Local Government Act, 1993, a charge of one thousand six hundred and eighty five dollars (\$1,685.00) per requested service for the year commencing 1 July 2024 for the provision of waste management services for each non-residential property for which the service is utilised within the City. Such charge to provide for the removal as requested on a once per week basis of garbage contained in a 660 litre mobile garbage bin from each occupancy, whether rateable or not.
- (vi) That whereas the Council has adopted the Operational Plan for the period

commencing 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 it hereby resolves to make and levy, in accordance with Section 501 of the Local Government Act, 1993, a charge of two thousand seven hundred and eighty five dollars (\$2,785.00) per requested service for the year commencing 1 July 2024 for the provision of waste management services for each non-residential property for which the service is utilised within the City. Such charge to provide for the removal as requested on a once per week basis of garbage contained in an 1,100 litre mobile garbage bin from each occupancy, whether rateable or not.

- (vii) That whereas the Council has adopted the Operational Plan for the period commencing 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 it hereby resolves to make and levy, in accordance with Section 501 of the Local Government Act, 1993, a charge of two hundred and fifty six dollars (\$256.00) for the provision of industrial/commercial waste recycling collection services for each requested service for which the service is available within the City and surrounding villages. Such charge to provide for the removal on a once per fortnight basis of recyclable waste contained in two 240 litre mobile garbage bin. For any new assessments for the service, the charge will only become effective upon the commencement of the service and will be charged on a pro-rata basis.

(d) Sewerage Rates and Charges for 2024/2025

- (i) That whereas the Council has adopted the Operational Plan for the period commencing 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 it hereby resolves to make and levy, in accordance with Section 501 of the Local Government Act, 1993, a residential sewerage charge in respect of residential land an annual charge of nine hundred and ninety nine dollars (\$999.00) per tenement.
- (ii) That whereas the Council has adopted the Operational Plan for the period commencing 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 it hereby resolves to make and levy, in accordance with Section 501 of the Local Government Act, 1993, a residential sewerage charge in respect of non-connected residential land within 75 metres of service, an annual charge of seven hundred and eighty dollars (\$780.00) per assessment.
- (iii) That whereas the Council has adopted the Operational Plan for the period commencing 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 it hereby resolves to make and levy, the following charges in relation to non-residential properties, in accordance with Section 535 of the Local Government Act, 1993.

Sewerage charges for non-residential properties for the 2024/2025 year will be based on:

- Water Consumption (C)
- Sewer Discharge Factor (SDF)
- Annual Access Charge (AC)
- Sewerage Treatment Charge (STC)
- Trade Waste Administration Charge (if applicable) (TWAC)
- Trade Waste Usage Charge (if applicable) (TWUC)
- Trade Waste Discharge Factor (if applicable) (TWDF)

An annual sewer charge of nine hundred and ninety nine dollars (\$999.00) for all chargeable properties connected to the Griffith City sewer system that has no water meter connection and has an estimated annual usage of less than five hundred kilolitres per annum (<500 kL). No consumption is chargeable. (CBD Area - Low)

An annual sewer charge of two thousand three hundred and thirty four dollars (\$2,334.00) for all chargeable properties connected to the Griffith City sewer

system that has no water meter connection and has an estimated annual usage of greater than five hundred kilolitres but less than eleven hundred kilolitres per annum (>500 to <1,100 kL). No consumption is chargeable. (CBD Area - Medium)

An annual sewer charge of four thousand and eighty three dollars (\$4,083.00) for all chargeable properties connected to the Griffith City sewer system that has no water meter connection and has an estimated annual usage of greater than eleven hundred kilolitres per annum (>1,100 kL). No consumption is chargeable. (CBD Area - High)

An annual sewer charge of five hundred and thirty seven dollars (\$537.00) for all non-residential properties not connected to the Griffith City sewer system that are within 75 metres of a water meter connection. No consumption is chargeable.

(iv) Access Charges (based on meter size)

An annual sewer access charge of five hundred and thirty seven dollars (\$537.00) for all land rateable to the Griffith or Yenda water supply that has a 20mm connection.

An annual sewer access charge of seven hundred and thirty two dollars (\$732.00) for all land rateable to the Griffith or Yenda water supply that has a 25mm connection.

An annual sewer access charge of one thousand one hundred and ninety one dollars (\$1,191.00) for all land rateable to the Griffith or Yenda water supply that has a 32mm connection.

An annual sewer access charge of one thousand eight hundred and forty two dollars (\$1,842.00) for all land rateable to the Griffith or Yenda water supply that has a 40mm connection.

An annual sewer access charge of two thousand eight hundred and forty four dollars (\$2,844.00) for all land rateable to the Griffith or Yenda water supply that has a 50mm connection.

An annual sewer access charge of seven thousand two hundred and fifty seven dollars (\$7,257.00) for all land rateable to the Griffith or Yenda water supply that has an 80mm connection.

An annual sewer access charge of eleven thousand three hundred and thirty four dollars (\$11,334.00) for all land rateable to the Griffith or Yenda water supply that has a 100mm connection.

An annual sewer access charge of twenty five thousand four hundred and thirty four dollars (\$25,434.00) for all land rateable to the Griffith or Yenda water supply that has a 150mm or 200mm connection.

A sewerage treatment charge of two dollars (\$2.00) per kilolitre.

(v) Annual Trade Waste Administration Charge

An annual trade waste administration charge of one hundred and thirty five dollars (\$135.00) for Category One properties.

An annual trade waste administration charge of two hundred and forty dollars

(\$240.00) for Category Two properties.

An annual trade waste administration charge of six hundred and twenty one dollars (\$621.00) for Category Three properties.

A trade waste treatment charge of one dollar and sixty four cents (\$1.64) per kilolitre.

(e) Water Charges 2024/2025

That whereas the Council has adopted the Operational Plan for the period commencing 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 it hereby resolves to make and levy the following charges, in accordance with section 535 of the Local Government Act 1993:

(i) Access Charges

An annual water access charge of one hundred and fifty three dollars (\$153.00) for all land rateable to the Griffith or Yenda water supply that has a 20mm connection.

An annual water access charge of two hundred and thirty one dollars (\$231.00) for all land rateable to the Griffith or Yenda water supply that has a 25mm connection.

An annual water access charge of three hundred and sixty three dollars (\$363.00) for all land rateable to the Griffith or Yenda water supply that has a 32mm connection.

An annual water access charge of five hundred and sixty one dollars (\$561.00) for all land rateable to the Griffith or Yenda water supply that has a 40mm connection.

An annual water access charge of eight hundred and sixty seven dollars (\$867.00) for all land rateable to the Griffith or Yenda water supply that has a 50mm connection.

An annual water access charge of two thousand one hundred and ninety dollars (\$2,190.00) for all land rateable to the Griffith or Yenda water supply that has an 80mm connection.

An annual water access charge of three thousand four hundred and seventeen dollars (\$3,417.00) for all land rateable to the Griffith or Yenda water supply that has a 100mm connection.

An annual water access charge of seven thousand six hundred and seventy one dollars (\$7,671.00) for all land rateable to the Griffith or Yenda water supply that has either a 150mm or 200mm connection.

An annual water access charge of two hundred and thirty one dollars (\$231.00) for all land rateable to the Yenda water supply that has a dual connection (one raw meter and one potable meter regardless of meter size).

An annual water access charge of one hundred and fifty three dollars (\$153.00) for all land rateable to the Griffith or Yenda water supply that is within 225 metres of a water main and can be connected to that supply but is not connected. No consumption is chargeable.

An annual water access charge of two hundred and ninety one dollars (\$291.00)

for all land rateable to the Griffith or Yenda water supply that is part of a neighbourhood or strata title development which has a shared meter. No consumption is chargeable.

An annual water access charge of six hundred and six dollars (\$606.00) for all land rateable to the Griffith water supply that has a connection but is unmetered and has an estimated daily usage of less than one kilolitre per day (<1 kL), these being CBD (C1) properties. No consumption is chargeable.

An annual water access charge of one thousand and fifty nine dollars (\$1,059.00) for all land rateable to the Griffith water supply that has a connection but is unmetered and has an estimated daily usage of more than one kilolitre but less than six kilolitres per day (>1 - <6 kL), these being CBD (C2) properties. No consumption is chargeable.

An annual water access charge of three thousand eight hundred and fifty eight dollars (\$3,858.00) for all land rateable to the Griffith water supply that has a connection but is unmetered and has an estimated daily usage of more than six kilolitres per day (>6 kL), these being CBD (C3) properties. No consumption is chargeable.

(ii) Consumption Charges

A water supply consumption charge of eighty six cents (\$0.86) per kilolitre for all potable water supplied per rateable connection to the Griffith or Yenda water supply up to a maximum of two hundred kilolitres (200 kL).

A water supply consumption charge of eighty six cents (\$0.86) per kilolitre for all potable water supplied per rateable connection to crisis accommodation centres as determined by council.

A water supply consumption charge of one dollar and eighty two cents (\$1.82) per kilolitre for all potable water supplied per rateable connection to the Griffith or Yenda water supply in excess of two hundred kilolitres (200 kL).

A water supply consumption charge of forty eight cents (\$0.48) per kilolitre for all raw water supplied per rateable connection to the Griffith or Yenda water supply.

A water supply consumption charge of three dollars and nine (\$3.09) per kilolitre for all potable water supplied from designated standpipes at Griffith and Yenda.

A water supply consumption charge of one dollar and fifty five cents (\$1.55) per kilolitre for all non-potable water supplied from designated standpipes at Griffith and Yenda.

The rebate for an additional one hundred kilolitres (100kL) of free water for publicly accessible nature strips or reserves will be available for the 2024/2025 financial year.

(iii) Backflow Charges

An annual backflow prevention testing charge of one hundred and sixty five dollars (\$165.00) per high risk testable backflow prevention device.

An annual backflow prevention testing charge of seventy seven dollars (\$77.00) per medium risk testable backflow prevention device.

An annual backflow prevention rental charge of fifty one dollars (\$51.00) per

rateable connection to the Griffith or Yenda water supply that has a testable 20mm medium-risk backflow prevention device.

An annual backflow prevention rental charge of fifty four dollars (\$54.00) per rateable connection to the Griffith or Yenda water supply that has a testable 25mm medium-risk backflow prevention device.

An annual backflow prevention rental charge of sixty six dollars (\$66.00) per rateable connection to the Griffith or Yenda water supply that has a testable 32mm medium-risk backflow prevention device.

An annual backflow prevention rental charge of sixty nine dollars (\$69.00) per rateable connection to the Griffith or Yenda water supply that has a testable 40mm medium-risk backflow prevention device.

An annual backflow prevention rental charge of seventy five dollars (\$75.00) per rateable connection to the Griffith or Yenda water supply that has a testable 50mm medium-risk backflow prevention device.

An annual backflow prevention rental charge of two hundred and seven dollars (\$207.00) per rateable connection to the Griffith or Yenda water supply that has a testable 80mm medium-risk backflow prevention device.

An annual backflow prevention rental charge of two hundred and fifty two dollars (\$252.00) per rateable connection to the Griffith or Yenda water supply that has a testable 100mm medium-risk backflow prevention device.

An annual backflow prevention rental charge of three hundred and eighty one dollars (\$381.00) per rateable connection to the Griffith or Yenda water supply that has a testable 150mm medium-risk backflow prevention device.

An annual backflow prevention rental charge of six hundred and eighteen dollars (\$618.00) per rateable connection to the Griffith or Yenda water supply that has a testable 200mm medium-risk backflow prevention device.

An annual backflow prevention rental charge of sixty dollars (\$60.00) per rateable connection to the Griffith or Yenda water supply that has a testable 20mm high-risk backflow prevention device.

An annual backflow prevention rental charge of seventy two dollars (\$72.00) per rateable connection to the Griffith or Yenda water supply that has a testable 25mm high-risk backflow prevention device.

An annual backflow prevention rental charge of eighty four dollars (\$84.00) per rateable connection to the Griffith or Yenda water supply that has a testable 32mm high-risk backflow prevention device.

An annual backflow prevention rental charge of ninety dollars (\$90.00) per rateable connection to the Griffith or Yenda water supply that has a testable 40mm high-risk backflow prevention device.

An annual backflow prevention rental charge of ninety six dollars (\$96.00) per rateable connection to the Griffith or Yenda water supply that has a testable 50mm high-risk backflow prevention device.

An annual backflow prevention rental charge of two hundred and forty three dollars (\$243.00) per rateable connection to the Griffith or Yenda water supply

that has a testable 80mm high-risk backflow prevention device.

An annual backflow prevention rental charge of three hundred and eighteen dollars (\$318.00) per rateable connection to the Griffith or Yenda water supply that has a testable 100mm high-risk backflow prevention device.

An annual backflow prevention rental charge of four hundred and ninety five dollars (\$495.00) per rateable connection to the Griffith or Yenda water supply that has a testable 150mm high-risk backflow prevention device.

An annual backflow prevention rental charge of nine hundred and forty five dollars (\$945.00) per rateable connection to the Griffith or Yenda water supply that has a testable 200mm high-risk backflow prevention device.

(f) Interest on Overdue Rates for 2024/2025

That whereas the Council has adopted the Operational Plan for the period commencing 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024, it is determined that in pursuance of Section 566 of the Local Government Act, 1993 the interest rate for overdue rates and charges from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025 will be 10.5% per annum as advised by the Office of Local Government.

A division was called for, voting on which was as follows:

For	Against
Councillor Doug Curran	Councillor Melissa Marin
Councillor Shari Blumer	Councillor Anne Napoli
Councillor Simon Croce	Councillor Dino Zappacosta
Councillor Jenny Ellis	
Councillor Manjit Singh Lally	
Councillor Christine Stead	
Councillor Chris Sutton	
Councillor Laurie Testoni	

The division was declared PASSED by 8 votes to 3.

CL03 SHORT TERM LICENCE AGREEMENT - GRIFFITH RODEO CLUB INC.

24/181

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Simon Croce and Manjit Singh Lally that:

- Council enter into a short-term licence agreement with Griffith Rodeo Club Inc. for part Lot 563 DP 751743 (estimated at 47.5 hectares) for grazing and part Lot 7008 DP 1024076 for Griffith Rodeo Grounds, Scenic Hill, Griffith.
- The short-term licence agreement to be charged in accordance with Council's adopted Revenue Policy - currently \$651.00 p/a for the 2023/2024 financial year together with the payment of rates and charges, if applicable.
- Council authorise the General Manager to execute the short-term licence agreement on behalf of Council.

A division was called for, voting on which was as follows:

For	Against
Councillor Doug Curran	
Councillor Shari Blumer	
Councillor Simon Croce	
Councillor Jenny Ellis	
Councillor Manjit Singh Lally	

Councillor Melissa Marin
Councillor Anne Napoli
Councillor Christine Stead
Councillor Chris Sutton
Councillor Laurie Testoni
Councillor Dino Zappacosta

The division was declared PASSED by 11 votes to 0.

Councillor Dino Zappacosta left the meeting having declared a Significant Non-Pecuniary Interest, the time being 7:41pm.

CL04 LICENCE AGREEMENT - GRIFFITH COMMUNITY FM ASSOCIATION INC.

Councillors Chris Sutton and Christine Stead **MOVED** the following **MOTION** that:

- (a) Council approve the renewal of the licence agreement for that part of Lot 7303 DP 1153581, 2-6 Groongal Avenue, Griffith (Jubilee Oval clubhouse) Crown Reserve 1010108, for a new term of Ten (10) years commencing 1 July 2024.
- (b) That the licence agreement continues as follows:
 - i) peppercorn rental of \$1 per annum be charged for the occupation of the clubhouse;
 - ii) rates, water, electricity charges, general repairs and maintenance and all costs associated with the occupation of the clubhouse to be the responsibility of and payable by the Griffith Community FM Association Inc.
 - iii) any major capital works to the clubhouse and surrounds to be approved by Council and payable by the Griffith Community FM Association Inc.
- (c) Griffith Community FM Association are to pay all applicable costs and charges associated with the preparation of the licence agreement together with Council's Administration fee, as per Council's adopted Revenue Policy.
- (d) Council authorises the Mayor and General Manager to execute the licence agreement on behalf of Council under the Common Seal.

Councillors Christine Stead and Anne Napoli **MOVED** the following **AMENDMENT** that:

- (a) Council approve the renewal of the licence agreement for that part of Lot 7303 DP 1153581, 2-6 Groongal Avenue, Griffith (Jubilee Oval clubhouse) Crown Reserve 1010108, for a new term of Ten (10) years commencing 1 July 2024.
- (b) That the licence agreement continues as follows:
 - i) Rental of \$651 per annum be charged for the occupation of the clubhouse;
 - ii) rates, water, electricity charges, general repairs and maintenance and all costs associated with the occupation of the clubhouse to be the responsibility of and payable by the Griffith Community FM Association Inc.
 - iii) any major capital works to the clubhouse and surrounds to be approved by Council and payable by the Griffith Community FM Association Inc.
- (c) Griffith Community FM Association are to pay all applicable costs and charges associated with the preparation of the licence agreement together with Council's Administration fee, as per Council's adopted Revenue Policy.

- (d) Council authorises the Mayor and General Manager to execute the licence agreement on behalf of Council under the Common Seal.

The **AMENDMENT** was **PUT** and **LOST**.

A division was called for, voting on which was as follows:

For	Against
Councillor Simon Croce	Councillor Doug Curran
Councillor Melissa Marin	Councillor Shari Blumer
Councillor Anne Napoli	Councillor Jenny Ellis
Councillor Christine Stead	Councillor Manjit Singh Lally
	Councillor Chris Sutton
	Councillor Laurie Testoni

The division was declared LOST by 4 votes to 6.

Councillors Manjit Singh Lally and Simon Croce **MOVED** the following **AMENDMENT** that:

- (a) Council approve the renewal of the licence agreement for that part of Lot 7303 DP 1153581, 2-6 Groongal Avenue, Griffith (Jubilee Oval clubhouse) Crown Reserve 1010108, for a new term of Ten (10) years commencing 1 July 2024.
- (b) That the licence agreement continues as follows:
- i) Rental of \$325.50 per annum be charged for the occupation of the clubhouse;
 - ii) rates, water, electricity charges, general repairs and maintenance and all costs associated with the occupation of the clubhouse to be the responsibility of and payable by the Griffith Community FM Association Inc.
 - iii) any major capital works to the clubhouse and surrounds to be approved by Council and payable by the Griffith Community FM Association Inc.
- (c) Griffith Community FM Association are to pay all applicable costs and charges associated with the preparation of the licence agreement together with Council's Administration fee, as per Council's adopted Revenue Policy.
- (d) Council authorises the Mayor and General Manager to execute the licence agreement on behalf of Council under the Common Seal.

The **AMENDMENT** was **NOT PUT**.

Councillor Melissa Marin **MOVED** that the report **LAY ON THE TABLE** pending further information being reported to Council.

24/182

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Melissa Marin that the report **LAY ON THE TABLE**.

A division was called for, voting on which was as follows:

For	Against
Councillor Doug Curran	
Councillor Shari Blumer	
Councillor Simon Croce	
Councillor Jenny Ellis	
Councillor Manjit Singh Lally	
Councillor Melissa Marin	
Councillor Anne Napoli	

Councillor Christine Stead
Councillor Chris Sutton
Councillor Laurie Testoni

The division was declared PASSED by 10 votes to 0.

24/183

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Simon Croce and Chris Sutton that the meeting suspend standing orders to allow for Ms Nicole Thoner to address Council in relation to CL01, specifically regarding the Dog Park Petition, the time being 7:48pm.

A division was called for, voting on which was as follows:

For	Against
Councillor Doug Curran	
Councillor Shari Blumer	
Councillor Simon Croce	
Councillor Jenny Ellis	
Councillor Manjit Singh Lally	
Councillor Melissa Marin	
Councillor Anne Napoli	
Councillor Christine Stead	
Councillor Chris Sutton	
Councillor Laurie Testoni	

The division was declared PASSED by 10 votes to 0.

Councillor Dino Zappacosta returned to the meeting, the time being 7:48pm.

24/184

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Christine Stead and Anne Napoli that the meeting resume standing orders, the time being 7:50pm.

A division was called for, voting on which was as follows:

For	Against
Councillor Doug Curran	
Councillor Shari Blumer	
Councillor Simon Croce	
Councillor Jenny Ellis	
Councillor Manjit Singh Lally	
Councillor Melissa Marin	
Councillor Anne Napoli	
Councillor Christine Stead	
Councillor Chris Sutton	
Councillor Laurie Testoni	
Councillor Dino Zappacosta	

The division was declared PASSED by 11 votes to 0.

CL05 CONVERSION OF EEO POLICY & MANAGEMENT PLAN FROM INTERNAL TO EXTERNAL COUNCIL POLICY

24/185

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Shari Blumer and Jenny Ellis that:

- (a) Council endorse the Conversion of EEO Policy & Management Plan from Internal to External Council Policy to be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days.

- (b) Following the public exhibition period, if no submissions are received, the policy will be considered as adopted as at the date of the conclusion of the advertised exhibition period.
- (c) If any submissions are received during the public exhibition period, a further report will be presented to Council.

A division was called for, voting on which was as follows:

For	Against
Councillor Doug Curran	
Councillor Shari Blumer	
Councillor Simon Croce	
Councillor Jenny Ellis	
Councillor Manjit Singh Lally	
Councillor Melissa Marin	
Councillor Anne Napoli	
Councillor Christine Stead	
Councillor Chris Sutton	
Councillor Laurie Testoni	
Councillor Dino Zappacosta	

The division was declared PASSED by 11 votes to 0.

Councillors Christine Stead and Melissa Marin left the meeting, the time being 7:52pm.

CL06 ADOPTION OF (GOV-CP-202318) MODERN SLAVERY POLICY

24/186

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Anne Napoli and Chris Sutton that Council adopt the draft Modern Slavery Policy (GOV-CP-318) as attached to this report.

A division was called for, voting on which was as follows:

For	Against
Councillor Doug Curran	
Councillor Shari Blumer	
Councillor Simon Croce	
Councillor Jenny Ellis	
Councillor Manjit Singh Lally	
Councillor Anne Napoli	
Councillor Chris Sutton	
Councillor Laurie Testoni	
Councillor Dino Zappacosta	

The division was declared PASSED by 9 votes to 0.

Councillor Anne Napoli left the meeting, the time being 7:53pm.

9 INFORMATION REPORTS

CL07 RESPONSES TO COUNCILLOR QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

24/187

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Laurie Testoni and Chris Sutton that the report be noted by Council.

A division was called for, voting on which was as follows:

For	Against
Councillor Doug Curran	Councillor Dino Zappacosta
Councillor Shari Blumer	
Councillor Simon Croce	
Councillor Jenny Ellis	
Councillor Manjit Singh Lally	
Councillor Chris Sutton	
Councillor Laurie Testoni	

The division was declared PASSED by 7 votes to 1.

10 ADOPTION OF COMMITTEE MINUTES

MINUTES OF THE DISABILITY INCLUSION & ACCESS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 5 JUNE 2024

24/188

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Shari Blumer and Laurie Testoni that the recommendations as detailed in the Minutes of the Disability Inclusion & Access Committee meeting held on 5 June 2024 be adopted.

Councillor Christine Stead returned to the meeting, the time being 7:54pm.

Councillor Dino Zappacosta asked where the Hanwood Amenities block project is up to, as there seems to have been a halt in works. This was taken **ON NOTICE**.

Councillor Melissa Marin returned to the meeting, the time being 7:55pm.

A division was called for, voting on which was as follows:

For	Against	Abstained
Councillor Doug Curran		Councillor Melissa Marin
Councillor Shari Blumer		
Councillor Simon Croce		
Councillor Jenny Ellis		
Councillor Manjit Singh Lally		
Councillor Christine Stead		
Councillor Chris Sutton		
Councillor Laurie Testoni		
Councillor Dino Zappacosta		

The division was declared PASSED by 9 votes to 1.

MINUTES OF THE TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 11 JUNE 2024

Councillor Napoli returned to the meeting, the time being 7:56pm.

Councillor Zappacosta asked for clarification on the location of the development site referred to in CL02 of the Traffic Committee minutes. This was taken **ON NOTICE**.

24/189

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Simon Croce and Christine Stead that the recommendations as detailed in the Minutes of the Traffic Committee meeting held on 11 June 2024 be adopted.

A division was called for, voting on which was as follows:

For	Against
Councillor Doug Curran	
Councillor Shari Blumer	
Councillor Simon Croce	
Councillor Jenny Ellis	
Councillor Manjit Singh Lally	
Councillor Melissa Marin	
Councillor Anne Napoli	
Councillor Christine Stead	
Councillor Chris Sutton	
Councillor Laurie Testoni	
Councillor Dino Zappacosta	

The division was declared PASSED by 11 votes to 0.

11 BUSINESS WITH NOTICE – RESCISSION MOTIONS

Nil

12 BUSINESS WITH NOTICE – OTHER MOTIONS

Nil

13 OUTSTANDING ACTION REPORT

MOVED on the motion of Councillors Christine Stead and Manjit Singh Lally that the report be noted.

The **MOTION** was **NOT PUT**.

Councillor Simon Croce left the meeting, the time being 8:00pm.

Councillor Simon Croce returned to the meeting, the time being 8:03pm.

Councillor Dino Zappacosta enquired on the status of the works on Kidman Way, Hanwood. The Director Utilities advised that Council has been working with Murrumbidgee Irrigation in regards to critical works which are causing delays. The General Manager gave his undertaking that he would meet with Murrumbidgee Irrigation as a matter of urgency in regards to this matter.

24/190

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Dino Zappacosta and Simon Croce that Council negotiate as a matter of urgency, rectification of the surface of main road 321 Hanwood (Kidman Way) as an immediate project.

A division was called for, voting on which was as follows:

For	Against
Councillor Doug Curran	
Councillor Shari Blumer	
Councillor Simon Croce	
Councillor Jenny Ellis	

Councillor Manjit Singh Lally
Councillor Melissa Marin
Councillor Anne Napoli
Councillor Christine Stead
Councillor Chris Sutton
Councillor Laurie Testoni
Councillor Dino Zappacosta

The division was declared **PASSED** by 11 votes to 0.

14 MATTERS TO BE DEALT WITH BY CLOSED COUNCIL

In accordance with the Local Government Act 1993 and the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021, in the opinion of the General Manager, the following business is of a kind as referred to in Section 10A(2) of the Act, and should be dealt with in a part of the meeting closed to the media and public.

Set out below is Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act 1993 in relation to matters which can be dealt with in the closed part of a meeting.

The matters and information are the following:

- (a) personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than Councillors)**
- (b) the personal hardship of any resident or ratepayer**
- (c) information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business**
- (d) commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed:**
 - (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it, or**
 - (ii) confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the Council, or**
 - (iii) reveal a trade secret**
- (e) information that would, if disclosed, prejudice the maintenance of law**
- (f) matters affecting the security of the Council, Councillors, Council staff or Council property**
- (g) advice concerning litigation, or advice that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the grounds of legal professional privilege**
- (h) information concerning the nature and location of a place or an item of Aboriginal significance on Community land.**
- (i) alleged contraventions of any code of conduct requirements applicable under section 440 of the Local Government Act 1993.**

24/191

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Christine Stead and Melissa Marin that:

- (a) Council resolve to go into closed Council to consider business identified.**
- (b) Pursuant to section 10A(1)-(3) of the Local Government Act 1993, the media and public be excluded from the meeting on the basis that the business to be considered is classified confidential under the provision of section [10A(2)] as outlined above.**

The correspondence and reports relevant to the subject business be withheld from access to the media and public as required by section 11(2) of the Local Government Act 1993.

A division was called for, voting on which was as follows:

For	Against
Councillor Doug Curran	
Councillor Shari Blumer	
Councillor Simon Croce	
Councillor Jenny Ellis	
Councillor Manjit Singh Lally	
Councillor Melissa Marin	
Councillor Anne Napoli	
Councillor Christine Stead	
Councillor Chris Sutton	
Councillor Laurie Testoni	
Councillor Dino Zappacosta	

The division was declared PASSED by 11 votes to 0.

Council resolved that members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the items listed below, and that discussion of the report in open Council would be contrary to the public interest.

CC01 TENDER 2-20/21 - EXTENSION TO CONTRACT - SPRAYED BITUMINOUS SURFACING

Reason: Commercial Advantage 10A(2)(d)

Council closed its meeting at 8:06pm The public and media left the Chamber. Livestream was disconnected.

REVERSION TO OPEN COUNCIL

24/192

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Simon Croce and Christine Stead that Open Council be resumed.

A division was called for, voting on which was as follows:

For	Against
Councillor Doug Curran	
Councillor Shari Blumer	
Councillor Simon Croce	
Councillor Jenny Ellis	
Councillor Manjit Singh Lally	
Councillor Melissa Marin	
Councillor Anne Napoli	
Councillor Christine Stead	
Councillor Chris Sutton	
Councillor Laurie Testoni	
Councillor Dino Zappacosta	

The division was declared PASSED by 11 votes to 0.

Open Council resumed at 8:07pm.

Livestream was reconnected.

Upon resuming open Council the General Manager reported that the following resolutions had been made in Closed Council:

MATTERS DEALT WITH IN CLOSED COUNCIL

CC01 TENDER 2-20/21 - EXTENSION TO CONTRACT - SPRAYED BITUMINOUS SURFACING

24/193

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Simon Croce and Christine Stead that Council offer Downer EDI Works an extension to the current contract (Tender 2-20/21) for a further 12 months from 1 September 2024 in accordance with the relevant annual CPI movements and bitumen rise and fall clauses in the tender documentation.

A division was called for, voting on which was as follows:

For	Against
Councillor Doug Curran	
Councillor Shari Blumer	
Councillor Simon Croce	
Councillor Jenny Ellis	
Councillor Manjit Singh Lally	
Councillor Melissa Marin	
Councillor Anne Napoli	
Councillor Christine Stead	
Councillor Chris Sutton	
Councillor Laurie Testoni	
Councillor Dino Zappacosta	

The division was declared PASSED by 11 votes to 0.

There being no further business the meeting terminated at 8:10pm.

Confirmed:

CHAIRPERSON

CLAUSE	CL01
PROPOSAL	DA 37/2024 - UNIT 9 NOS. 16-24 WHYBROW STREET - CHANGE OF USE FROM LIGHT INDUSTRIAL TO PERSONAL FITNESS PREMISES
PROPERTY	Lot 3 DP 1071858, Unit 9 Nos. 16-24 Whybrow Street
LOCATION	Griffith
ZONING	E4 General Industrial
APPLICABLE PLANNING INSTRUMENT	Griffith Local Environmental Plan 2014
EXISTING DEVELOPMENT	Light Industrial Units
APPLICANT	SKM Planning
OWNER	Benscrape Pty Ltd
DIRECTORS OF COMPANY (IF APPLICABLE)	SKM Planning – Kelly McNicol (Director); Benscrape Pty Ltd – Dean Salvestro, John Salvestro, Valda Salvestro and Kate Beltrame (Directors)
APPLICATION DATE	19 March 2024
REASON FOR REFERRAL FROM	Submissions Received Pat Ngwira, Senior Development Assessment Planner Kerry Rourke, Development Assessment Planner
TRIM REF	24/71351

SUMMARY

Proposal

- Council has received an application under Section 4.12 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 for a change of use of premises from light industrial to personal fitness premises.
- DA 37/2024, submitted on 19 March 2024 will involve personal training and classes led by a certified trainer, with minimal administrative activities conducted in the front office.
- The personal fitness premises will operate from 5:45 am to 8 am, Monday to Friday and 7 am to 9 am Saturday. The business will have one employee, the certified trainer, who will oversee all activities. Three parking spaces will be provided for the development with 2 additional spaces in front of the roller doors to the unit for staff.
- Council notified the application in accordance with the Community Participation Plan and one submission was received during the notification period objecting to the proposal. Further a late submission was received similarly objecting after the close of the notification period.
- The assessment has concluded that the application be recommended for approval subject to conditions provided in Attachment A.

Type of Development

Local Development

Main Issues

Two (2) submissions received objecting to the proposed development.

RECOMMENDATION

- (a) Griffith City Council as the consent authority pursuant to Section 4.16 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 grant consent subject to conditions to the change of use from light industrial to personal fitness premises at Lot 3 DP 1071858, Unit 9, Nos. 16-24 Whybrow Street Griffith.**
- (b) That the Acting Director of Sustainable Development be delegated to issue Council's determination including conditions provided in Attachment A.**

In accordance with the Local Government Act (section 375A - Recording of voting on planning matters) Council must record the Councillors' votes in relation to this matter.

SITE DESCRIPTION

The site is located on the north-western side of Whybrow Street approximately 0.4km from Mackay Avenue within the Mooreville Industrial Estate. The land has an area of 19,415m² and currently contains 30 industrial units across 3 buildings. The development relates to the use of Unit 9 only which is located in the western block building. Unit 9 has an area of 310.31m².

The site is surrounded by mainly industrial uses, workshops and commercial uses. A railway line is to the north of the site.

LOCATION MAP



 <p>Griffith City Council 100-1000 Street Griffith NSW 2885 Telephone: 08 833 124 077 Email: griffith@griffith.nsw.gov.au</p>	<p>Disclaimer: This map is intended for general information purposes only. Griffith City Council does not guarantee its accuracy, completeness or suitability for any particular purpose. Users must exercise their own skill and care in using this map and carefully evaluate the accuracy, currency, completeness and relevance of the map before relying on it. The map is not a substitute for independent professional advice and, to the extent permitted by law, Griffith City Council is not liable for any loss or damages arising out of any inaccuracy, error or omission contained in the map.</p>		<p>Projection: GDA2020 / MGA zone 55 Date: 27/06/2024 Drawn By: Kerry Rourke</p>	<p>DA 37/2024 - Unit 9, Nos 16-24 Whybrow Street Griffith Change of use to personal fitness</p> <p>Map Scale: 1:1500 at A4</p>
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BACKGROUND

Site History

The development history of the subject site has been established following research of Council’s electronic data management system and research of Council’s physical archives. As the site has a number of tenancies, based on the information available the following can be established:

- 37/2024 - Development Application for Change of Use –Light Industrial Premise to Personal Fitness Premises (current application);
- 283/2020 - Development Application for Replace Damaged Concrete Tilt Panel;
- 207/2021 - Development Application for Change of use to Vehicle Repair Station Use of an existing industrial premises as a vehicle repair station;
- 139/2012 - Development Application for Alterations & change of use;
- 51/2012 - Development Application for Use of tenancy 1 as glazing & shade structure workshop with ancillary offices & showroom;
- 85/2010 - Development Application for Change of use to recreational facility (dance studio); and
- 53/2010 - Development Application for Use of premise as an office for a security business.
- Numerous prior applications for use since the development was constructed in the 1990’s.

Timeline of Events Pertaining to the Development Application

- 19 March 2024 - Development Application was lodged;

- 21 March 2024 - Development Assessment Panel met and application allocated to assessing planner;
- Noise complaints received after DA lodgement as proposed business was already operating;
- 14 April 2024 - Issue of a Notice of Intention to Serve an Order for Stop Use;
- 10-24 April 2024 - Publication in Council's Catchup and on Facebook was carried; one (1) submission received during notification period;
- 26 April 2024 – One (1) late submission received;
- 23 May 2024 – Notice of Order issued; and
- Submission response from the applicant was provided on 9 May 2024.

PROPOSAL IN DETAIL

The proposed development relates to the use of an existing industrial shed for a personal fitness premises. Unit 09 has a total floor area of 310.31m². The unit contains a small office (21.15 m²), accessible toilet (2.7 m x 1.95 m) and an additional unisex toilet (1 m x 2.7 m). The total space of the personal fitness premises is around 285m². The application plans and Statement of Environmental Effects are provided as Attachment B to this report.

The proposed development does not include any building works. New gym flooring would be installed and gym equipment would be used in the open area. The front office would be used for administration only. A total of nine (9) parking spaces would be provided for the development. These parking spaces would only be occupied during the hours of operation of the gym. After this time, the parking spaces would be available for other occupants of the industrial estate.

The proposed personal fitness premises would only have one employee, a certified trainer. The site would be utilised in the morning periods only with hours of operation being 5.45am to 8am Monday to Friday and 7am to 9am Saturday. A small business identification sign would be affixed to the façade of the unit. The sign would be installed under exempt development.

ASSESSMENT UNDER THE ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ACT 1979

In determining a development application, a consent authority is to take into consideration Section 4.15 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*. The following matters are of relevance to the development the subject of the development application. The full application assessment is provided as Attachment E to this report.

SECTION 4.15 (1)(a)(i) any environmental planning instrument

Griffith Local Environmental Plan 2014

The proposed development is for Change of Use –Light Industrial Premises to Personal Fitness Premises and this falls under the definition of **recreation facility (indoor)** in the Dictionary of *Griffith Local Environmental Plan 2014*, which is defined as:

Recreation facility (indoor) means a building or place used predominantly for indoor recreation, whether or not operated for the purposes of gain, including a squash court, indoor swimming pool, gymnasium, table tennis centre, health studio, bowling alley, ice rink or any other building or place of a like character used for indoor recreation, but does not include an entertainment facility, a recreation facility (major) or a registered club.

The subject land is zoned E4 General Industrial and under Part 2 Land Use Table of Griffith Local Environmental Plan 2014 a **recreation facility (indoor)** is development that can only

permitted with the consent of Council. On this basis the proposed development is considered permissible.

SECTION 4.15 (1)(a)(ii) any draft environmental planning instrument

There were no draft environmental planning instruments that are applicable to the assessment of this development application.

SECTION 4.15 (1)(a)(iii) any development control plan

The proposed development is the change of use to support an indoor recreational facility to be located within the existing Unit 9 at 16-24 Whybrow Street, Griffith. Development controls under DCP No. 3 (Industrial Development) do not include any restrictions or guidelines which require assessment for the proposed use with no physical works to the building, facilities or utilities. As such, the DCP has not been assessed.

DCP 20 – Off Street Carparking requires nine (9) spaces and the site contains sufficient parking for the development.

SECTION 4.15 (1)(a)(iia) any planning agreement

There are no planning agreements.

SECTION 4.15 (1)(a) (iv) the regulations

Section 4.15(1)(a)(iv) requires Council to take into consideration the provisions of clauses 61-64 of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2021*.

In relation to these provisions, conditions of consent have been imposed relating to fire safety measures in the building to protect persons using the building or to facilitate their egress from the building in the event of fire.

SECTION 4.15 (1)(b) the likely impacts of the development

The development is not considered to result in a negative cumulative effect. The overall assessment has demonstrated that the development will have less than minor adverse effects on the built and natural environments including less social and economic impacts. The development if approved will positively support the local area and not result in a negative impact when assessed cumulatively.

SECTION 4.15 (1)(c) the suitability of the site

The site is considered suitable for the proposed recreation facility (indoor – personal fitness premises).

SECTION 4.15 (1) (d) any submissions made in accordance with the Act or the Regulations

As a result of the public participation process in accordance with the Community Participation Plan, Council received two submissions objecting to the development, one within the notification period and one late submission. The Community Participation Plan provides that Council will not consider late submissions, however, Council will consider the merits only of late submissions received prior to determination. The issues raised in the late submission are not dissimilar to those in the submission the notification period.

The submissions received are provided in Attachment C and the Applicant's response to the issues raised is provided as Attachment D to this report.

The issues raised in the submissions have taken into consideration in accordance with section 4.15(1)(d) are as follows:

Submission Item/Issue	Applicant's Response and Council Assessment of Issue
<p>Parking – Insufficient number of car parking spaces</p>	<p>Applicant's Response:</p> <p>The owners of the Whybrow Estate have clarified the parking arrangements, and a revised parking plan has also been provided which does not impact Unit 10's parking allocation (see attached revised site plan in Attachment B).</p> <p>Council Staff Assessment:</p> <p>The proposed development is within an existing industrial unit where there are five (5) allocated parking spaces for the unit. Parking provision complies with development control plan requirements for nine (9) spaces because there are 21 common spaces in the development available for clients, and the DA only requires an additional four (4) spaces.</p>
<p>Operating Hours – No mention of operating on Saturday</p>	<p>Applicant's Response:</p> <p>The owners of the business would also like approval to hold classes on Saturday from 7am to 9am. The business owners would also reduce their week day hours of operation to 5:45am to 8am Monday to Friday.</p> <p>Council Staff Assessment: The proposed is consistent with the zone objectives and intent of Council's policies. The hours of operation are consistent with the industrial zone activities as other businesses in the locality have approval to operate from 6am – 6pm.</p> <p>Further, there is an indoor fitness centre located at 12 Whybrow Street, approved under DA 108/2015 where the operating hours were approved as 5am – 8.30pm Monday to Friday and 6am to 12pm Saturdays. The operating hours of the proposed development is considerably less than that of the nearby fitness centre.</p> <p>The dance studio approved within 16-24 Whybrow St development under DA 85/2010 operates until 9.30pm, and also operates Saturday and Sunday from 9am – 12pm.</p>
<p>Noise – Noise level would be excessive at 65dBa</p>	<p>Applicant's Response:</p> <p>We believe that a reduction in noise levels would decrease the impact experienced by Unit 10. However, it should be noted that the premises is located on industrial zoned land and the EPA's Noise Policy for Industry permits sound levels at the boundaries of a premises to be up to 70 dB(A). It appears that one of the objections has come from the adjacent business owner. The building at 7 Hams Street was approved by Council for a recycling business including the installation of recycling equipment and hours of operation of 6 am to 6 pm Monday to Saturday (similar to the proposed hours of the personal fitness premises).</p> <p>An ancillary managers unit was also approved as part of this development. It should be noted that residential premises are prohibited in the industrial zone and the only way someone is able to legally live in this area is if the unit is wholly ancillary to a permitted</p>

	<p>use, in this case a recycling depot. Should the recycling depot cease operations from this building, the unit would not be permitted to be occupied. It is further noted that in terms of acceptable noise levels, any managers residence is considered an industrial receiver and not a sensitive receiver. As such, the acceptable noise level at the boundary of the site is 70dB(A) as per the EPA's Noise Policy for Industry. Regardless of this, the business owners will regulate the sound levels of the music and amplification to reasonable levels.</p> <p>Industrial areas are meant for businesses with increased levels of noise to protect the amenity of residential areas. Several businesses in the industrial area are of their nature 'noisy'. Anyone willing to live in this area as a manager of an industrial use must expect to experience noise issues.</p> <p>Council Staff Assessment: The proposed complies with the zone objectives and intent of Council's policies. It is agreed that the site is an industrial unit in an industrial zoned area. Although the area supports uses which can be high noise generating activities, consideration needs to be given to neighbouring land uses.</p> <p>The hours of operation for the proposed development support early morning activity with no activity in the middle of the day to afternoon however there is a manager's residence which is also impacted with the early morning uses. To support consideration of neighbouring activities, a noise condition has been included as part of the approval package which addresses external impacts from the use and provide continued management of this noise impact. Hours of operation have been provided above for other similar developments in the locality and the proposed use is generally consistent with those activities.</p>
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SECTION 4.15 (1) (e) the public interest

The provisions of section 4.15(1)(e) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 provides an overarching requirement to take into account the public interest. It is considered that the public interest is best served by the consistent application of the requirements of the relevant Commonwealth and State government legislation, environmental planning instruments, development control plan, Council policy, and by Council ensuring that any adverse effects on the surrounding area and the environmental are avoided.

On the basis that the proposed development is considered to be consistent with the aims and objectives of Griffith Land Use Strategy: Beyond 2030; Griffith Local Environmental Plan 2014 and other relevant environmental planning instruments, development control plans or policies; and Land and Environment Court Planning Principles, it is therefore unlikely to raise any issues that are contrary to the public interest.

OPTIONS

OPTION 1

As per the Recommendation.

OPTION 2

Refuse to grant development consent.

OPTION 3

Any other resolution of Council.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no reasonably anticipated policy implications arising in supporting the recommendation.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no reasonably anticipated financial implications arising in supporting the recommendation.

LEGAL/STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

There are no reasonably anticipated legal or statutory implications arising in supporting the recommendation.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no reasonably anticipated adverse environmental implications arising from supporting the recommendation.

COMMUNITY IMPLICATIONS

The application was notified in accordance with Council's Community Participation Plan and responses received have been duly considered in the assessment of the development application.

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

This item links to Council's Strategic Plan item 7.1 Encourage respectful planning, balanced growth and sustainable design.

CONSULTATION

Senior Management Team, Acting Director Sustainable Development, Engineering Design & Approvals Manager, the applicant and community through notification of the application under the Community Participation Plan.

ATTACHMENTS

- (a) DA 37/2024 - Attachment A - Draft Conditions of Consent (under separate cover) [⇒](#)
- (b) DA 37/2024 - Attachment B - Application Plans & SEE (under separate cover) [⇒](#)
- (c) DA 37/2024 - Attachment C - Submissions Received (under separate cover) [⇒](#)
- (d) DA 37/2024 - Attachment D - Submission Response from Applicant (under separate cover) [⇒](#)
- (e) DA 37/2024 - Attachment E - Development Assessment Report (under separate cover) [⇒](#)

CLAUSE	CL02
TITLE	Suspension of Alcohol Free Zone - Griffith Spring Fest Launch Party 2024
FROM	Izabella Apolloni, Events Coordinator
TRIM REF	24/74832

SUMMARY

It is requested that the Alcohol Free Zone be suspended in the Griffith Tourism Hub Car Park for the day of Friday 18 October 2024, to allow for the Griffith City Council Tourism Team to hold the Annual Griffith Spring Fest Launch Party between 5:00pm – 8:30pm.

RECOMMENDATION

Council suspend the Alcohol Free Zone of the Griffith Tourism Hub Car Park on the 18 October 2024, from 9am – 11pm (allowing bump in and bump out of the event) for the sale and consumption of local wine and beer between 5:00pm – 8:30pm.

REPORT

Griffith City Council Tourism Team are hosting the Annual Griffith Spring Fest - “Launch Party”, on Friday 18 October 2024 in the Griffith Tourism Hub Car Park from 5:00pm – 8:30pm.

This event will utilise the carpark to create an event for approximately 3000 people, with live music, market stalls, kids’ entertainment, food and drinks. The event is a great addition to Griffith City Council’s Annual Flagship Event, Griffith Spring Fest.

The event will be located in a fenced off area in the car park and will commence for the public at 5:00pm and conclude at 8.30pm, with the hours requested (9am-11pm) allowing bump in and bump out of the event.

All other approvals (DA172/2018) have been finalised and therefore, it is requested that the Alcohol Free Zone in the proposed location of Griffith Tourism Hub Car Park be suspended to allow the consumption and sale of alcohol.

OPTIONS

OPTION 1

As per the Recommendation.

OPTION 2

Any other option as determined by Council.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Not Applicable

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Not Applicable

LEGAL/STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

s645 Local Government Act 1993 Suspension or cancellation of an alcohol-free zone

(1) The council may, at the request of any person or body or of its own motion, suspend the operation of an alcohol-free zone by publishing notice of the suspension in a manner that the council is satisfied is likely to bring the notice to the attention of members of the public in the area as a whole or in a part of the area that includes the zone concerned.

(2) During the period indicated in such a notice as the period of suspension, the zone does not operate as an alcohol-free zone.

(3) In like manner the council may at any time cancel the operation of an alcohol-free zone.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

There will be noise generated by the event but will not impact on surrounding buildings as all shop owners and businesses will be participating in this event and it is for a short period of time.

DA172/2018 Approved.

COMMUNITY IMPLICATIONS

This event is a locally run event that will cater for families and groups of all ages. This will form part of the Griffith Spring Fest Program which is developed annually by the Griffith Tourism Team.

The Griffith City Council, Tourism Team, involves many local organisations to perform this event. (Local food and wine operators, performers, market stall holders).

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

This item links to Council's Strategic Plan item 4.2 Encourage an inclusive community that celebrates social and cultural diversity. 5.6 Promote Griffith as a desirable visitor destination.

CONSULTATION

Senior Management Team
Griffith City Council Tourism Team
Griffith City Council Traffic Officer
Griffith City Council Planning Department

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

CLAUSE	CL03
TITLE	Setting of Fees and Charges - Hire of Hanwood Kiosk & use of Lights
FROM	Phil King, Director Infrastructure and Operations
TRIM REF	24/74262

SUMMARY

Construction is nearing completion on the new Hanwood Kiosk. This report is recommending the proposed fees and charges for the use of the kiosk and new lighting system. The user fees will be published in Council's Revenue Policy and the bookings for the facility will be completed by using Council's online booking system.

RECOMMENDATION

- (a) Council adopts a user booking fee per day of \$175 for the hire of the Hanwood Kiosk. If booking extends to 2 days or more the booking fee will be halved.**
- (b) Council adopts a user bond of \$282 per booking of the Hanwood Kiosk. The bond is refundable on the basis that the facility is clean and undamaged after the event.**
- (c) Council adopts a fee of \$15 per hour for the lights on Main Soccer Ground at Hanwood Oval.**
- (d) Council adopts a fee of \$7.50 per hour for the lights on No.1 and No.2 Training Fields at Hanwood Oval (also known as the Graham McGann Oval).**
- (e) Council exhibits the proposed amendment to the Revenue Policy as referred to in (a) to (d) above for a period of 28 days, seeking community submissions. Should no submissions be received, the new fees be included in the Revenue Policy for 2024/25.**
- (f) Should community submission(s) be received, a report be submitted to Council for consideration.**

REPORT

The new kiosk at the Hanwood Oval has been kitted out with the following equipment:

- 1 x Baron Q70PC/E800 Four Burner Electric Cook Top with Stand/Bench
- 1 x FryMAX Superfast Natural Gas Tube Fryer RC400E
- 1 x GasMax Four Burner Ng Griddle Top GG-48 with Stand/Bench
- 2 x Benchstar F.E.D Pie Warmer & Hot Food Display (900X490X610) PW-RT/900/1E
- 2 x Thermaster 1200L Large Two Glass Door Colourbond Upright Drink Fridge LG-1200P
- 2 x Roband Straight Glass Hot Food Display Bar, 4 pans single row with roller doors.

The items have been procured at a value of approximately \$25,000. These items are either double the size or twice the number that are provided at Jubilee Kiosk. It should also be noted that a storage room has been included within the Kiosk with the intent of making it

exclusively for Hanwood Football Club use, knowing that they are going to be the primary users.

A pin code security system will be installed in the facility and this will be linked to Council's online booking system. When a booking is made on the system, an invoice will be generated. Once the invoice is paid a single use pin code will be issued for use with the booking.

In order to set the initial fee, Council staff have reviewed the current fees required to be paid for other facilities in the 2024/25 revenue policy. The Kiosk in Kooyoo Street Mall currently has a hire fee of \$175 per day with equipment provided similar to the Hanwood Kiosk. The Jubilee Kiosk will be \$113 in the 2024/25 year and offers a 50% discount when booked for 2 days or more. With consideration of these two facilities, it is recommended that the Hanwood Kiosk booking fee will be \$175.

There is a refundable bond of \$282 required to be paid per booking on the Jubilee Kiosk and this is recommended to be replicated for the Hanwood Kiosk.

The proposed refund options for the Hanwood Kiosk are proposed as follows, and will form part of the terms of conditions for bookings:

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| i. If the booking is cancelled more than 7 days before the event | 100% refund |
| ii. If the booking is cancelled by Council | 100% refund |
| iii. If the booking is cancelled less than 7 days before the event | No refund. |

The current ground lighting at Hanwood Oval has tokens which are pre-paid and activated by users. This system is proposed to be removed and will be replaced by a pin code which will be linked to the Council online booking system.

OPTIONS

OPTION 1

As per the Recommendation.

OPTION 2

Any other recommendation of Council.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Council's Revenue Policy includes all fees and charges that are required to be paid for various facilities and services that Council provides. The recommendation is that by resolution of Council an update will be applied to the revenue policy and include the fees as adopted by Council for the Hanwood Oval Kiosk and Lights.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Council will have ongoing expenses relating to the maintenance and usage of the new amenities building. The Kiosk creates the potential for income to be raised and by charging a fee, Council creates an opportunity to offset some of the expenses associated with the facility. These include electricity, water, gas as well as labour and administrative costs. The toilets and change rooms will be made available to use for free but these will require some labour and expenses from time to time. As stated above the change rooms will be locked unless they have been booked and a pin code will be issued allowing access.

As the facility is used and by monitoring over time Council will be able to establish if the proposed fees are excessive or not enough to cover the expenses of the facility.

LEGAL/STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

Not Applicable

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

Not Applicable

COMMUNITY IMPLICATIONS

The new Hanwood Kiosk will be the best amenities and change room provided by Council anywhere in our Local Government Area. This facility ought to be made available to multiple users from all sports to maximise the investment made to upgrade the facility. The implementation of the booking system and associated fees will allow equal opportunity for users to access the facility.

While much effort has been made to continue consultation specifically with Hanwood Football Club during the construction, the facility is owned by Council and could host school sports, cricket, or touch football.

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

This item links to Council's Strategic Plan item 3.2 Ensure Council's financial sustainability through effective financial management that is transparent and accountable.
4.7 Provide a range of sporting and recreational facilities.

CONSULTATION

Senior Management Team

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

CLAUSE	CL04
TITLE	Review of Outstanding Public Policies
FROM	Melanie Hebrok, Senior Governance Officer
TRIM REF	24/68379

SUMMARY

A review of Council Policies is underway to ensure all public policies reflect current practices and to ensure adherence to governing legislation, best practice advice and changes to day to day procedures.

The following outstanding Infrastructure & Operations, Sustainable Development and Utilities Public Policies have been reviewed by Council Officers and presented to the Council Workshop held 18 June 2024. The draft policies are now presented to Council for formal endorsement with the intent of placing them on public exhibition.

RECOMMENDATION

- (a) Council endorse the reviewed draft Infrastructure & Operations, Sustainable Development and Utilities Directorate's public policies to be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days.
- (b) Following the public exhibition period, if no submissions are received, the policies be considered as adopted as at the date of the conclusion of the advertised exhibition period.
- (c) Policies that receive a submission are to be reported back to Council.

REPORT

Council policies provide the framework within which Council staff work and make decisions. This is of course additional to relevant statutory requirements provided under legislation and regulations such as the Local Government Act 1993, Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 and Local Government (General) Regulation 2021.

The following outstanding Infrastructure & Operations, Sustainable Development and Utilities Public Policies have been reviewed by relevant staff and updated where required and are attached under separate cover.

INFRASTRUCTURE & OPERATIONS			
	Policy Number	Policy Title	Amended or No Change
1	CC-CP-702	Extreme Heatwave Policy - Public Facilities	Amended
2	PG-CP-314	Vandalism, Graffiti and Rubbish Dumping – Reward	No Change
3	PG-CP-101	Dalton Park – Areas of Responsibility	Amended

4	PG-CP-201	Sporting Ovals Contribution Charges	Amended
5	PG-CP-301	Prohibited Activities on Council Active & Passive Recreation Areas	Amended
6	UG-CP-203	Roads – Purchase Of	No Change
7	WO-CP-101	Private Works	No Change
8	WO-CP-502	Kerb & Guttering / Footpath Construction	Amended
9	WO-CP-601	Roads – Culverts – Provision and Maintenance	Amended
10	WO-CP-602	Roads – Maintenance and Upgrade of Unsealed Roads	Amended
11	WO-CP-603	Roads – Protection Of	Amended
12	WO-CP-604	Road Network, Related Infrastructure & Pathways Risk Management	Amended
13	WO-CP-701	Roads – Signs – Loans / Hire	No Change
14	WO-CP-702	Road Signage	No Change

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

	Policy Number	Policy Title	Amended or No Change
1	AI-CP-501	Griffith Aerodrome Security Requirements - Hangar Operations	Amended
2	CO-CP-501	Restricted Parking Enforcement	Amended
3	CO-CP-702	Rehoming and Adoption of Animals from the Griffith Pound and Rehoming Centre	Amended
4	CO-CP-703	Keeping of Animals	Amended
5	CO-CP-704	Management of Infant and Feral Animals at the Griffith Pound and Rehoming Centre	Amended
6	CS-CP-322	Private Swimming Pool Inspection Program Policy	Amended
7	CS-CP-405	Sealing of Parking and Manoeuvring Areas	Amended
8	CS-CP-601	Customer Service	Amended
9	EH-CP-201	Waste – Support for Composting	No Change
10	EH-CP-204	Litter Reduction and Clean up Campaigns	Amended
11	EH-CP-205	Roadside Reserve Vegetation Management Policy	Amended
12	UD-CP-201	Use of Council Footpaths	No Change
13	UD-CP-204	Property Management Policy – Council House Rentals	No Change
14	UD-CP-205	Land Acquisition and Disposal Policy	No Change
15	UD-CP-301	Road Reserves – Lease for Commercial Premises	No Change
16	WM-CP-102	Waste – Intractable Waste Disposal	Amended
17	WS-CP-206	Water Carters	Amended
18	WS-CP-207	Water and Wastewater Developer Contribution Charges	Amended

UTILITIES			
	Policy Number	Policy Title	Amended or No Change
1	EH-CP-802	Waste – Septic Tank Waste Disposal	Amended
2	WS-CP-202	Water – Supply and Charges	Amended
3	WS-CP-210	Drinking Water & Sewerage – Supply Levels of Service	Amended
4	SA-CP-201	Saleyards – Truck Washing Facilities	No Change
5	WM-CP-101	Waste – Derelict Car Bodies – Removal	No Change
6	WM-CP-301	Waste – Council Landfill Operations	No Change
7	WM-CP-401	Waste – Garbage Bin Replacement	No Change
8	WM-CP-402	Waste – Garbage Charges	No Change
9	WM-CP-403	Waste – Garbage Service – Outside Service Area	No Change
10	WS-CP-102	Water – Conservation Measures	No Change
11	WS-CP-201	Water – Backflow Prevention	No Change
12	WS-CP-203	Water – Use of Hydrants by External Parties	No Change
13	WS-CP-204	Water – Position Statement	Amended
14	WS-CP-205	Water and Sewerage Supply Extensions	No Change
15	WS-CP-209	Water & Sewerage – Undetected Leak Policy for Water & Wastewater Usage Charges	No Change
16	WS-CP-211	Water – Urban Water Tanks	No Change
17	WS-CP-212	Recycled Wastewater	No Change
18	WS-CP-302	Waste – Discharge of Liquid Trade Waste into Griffith City Council’s Sewerage System	No Change
19	WS-CP-303	Council Pressure Sewer	No Change
20	WS-CP-501	Council’s Responsibility – Water and Sewerage Services	No Change

OPTIONS

OPTION 1

As per the recommendation, endorse the reviewed draft Infrastructure & Operations, Sustainable Development and Utilities Directorate’s public policies to be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days.

OPTION 2

Council can resolve to amend any of the reviewed draft Infrastructure & Operations, Sustainable Development and Utilities Directorate’s public policies prior to placing on public exhibition.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

This clause is in accordance with Griffith City Council’s Policy GC-CP-311, Adoption of Policies.

Council policies shall be considered by Council and advertised for a period of 28 days to allow for public comment prior to adoption.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Not Applicable.

LEGAL/STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

Part 3, Open Access Information, of the Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009, requires policy documents be made publicly available.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

Not Applicable.

COMMUNITY IMPLICATIONS

The community would expect Council to review its policies on a regular basis to ensure they reflect current practices and adherence to governing legislation.

The community is able to comment on the policies during the review process.

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

This item links to Council's Strategic Plan item 3.1 Undertake Council activities within a clear framework of strategic planning, policies, procedures and service standards.

CONSULTATION

Senior Management Team

Council Workshop

ATTACHMENTS

- (a) Draft Reviewed Policies - Infrastructure & Operations (under separate cover) [⇒](#)
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CLAUSE **CL05**

TITLE **Investments as at 30 April 2024**

FROM **Vanessa Edwards, Finance Manager**

TRIM REF **24/4948**

SUMMARY

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GRIFFITH CITY COUNCIL

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1.250%	NSW Treasury Corp Bond (\$2M Face Value) Maturity 20/11/30	1,614,180.00		(50,360.00)	2.98%
2.000%	NSW Treasury Corp Bond (\$2M Face Value) Maturity 8/3/33	1,566,060.00		(67,300.00)	2.89%
1.750%	Government of the ACT Bond (\$600k Face Value) Maturity 17/5/30	506,832.00		(15,192.00)	0.94%
Total		54,205,025.74	161,873.97	(247,321.18)	100%

*YTD Fund Return

Bank Bonds/Floating Rate Notes will have positive or negative revaluations from month to month. Upon maturity date the principal investment will be paid back in full.

Balance of Griffith City Council Trading Bank Account	11,324,723.13
GHFL/HHF Bank Account Balances	23,906.29

Total Cash & Investments at 30/04/2024 **65,553,655.16**

RETURN ON INVESTMENTS

Return on Investments Analysis	Actual
Accumulated Return on Investments Brought Forward	2,747,435.67
Interest received on Griffith Health Facilities Limited Bank Accounts YTD April 2024	267.70
Return on Investments for the month of April 2024	(85,447.21)
Trading Bank Account Interest Received for the month of April 2024	41,147.54
Total Return of Investments YTD April 2024	2,703,403.70

Fund	Revised Budget Annual Total	Budget YTD	Actual YTD
Ordinary Fund	1,100,000.00	916,666.67	957,458.37
Water Fund	1,010,000.00	841,666.67	978,391.94
Sewerage Fund	540,000.00	450,000.00	548,034.95
Waste Fund	255,000.00	212,500.00	215,338.47
Western Riverina Library	3,000.00	2,500.00	4,179.97
Total	2,908,000.00	2,423,333.34	2,703,403.70
		Percentage of Year at Report Date	83.33%

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RESPONSIBLE ACCOUNTING OFFICER

(b) Investments Returns Analysis - 12 month Annualised Yields

INVESTMENT RETURNS ANALYSIS - 12 MONTH ANNUALISED YIELDS			
Month	Average Funds Invested for the month	Return on Investment/ Revaluation Adjustments	Yield %
May-23	\$58,897,062	\$66,112	0.11%
Jun-23	\$60,569,391	\$74,708	0.12%
Jul-23	\$64,144,808	\$302,181	0.47%
Aug-23	\$64,307,885	\$228,475	0.36%
Sep-23	\$63,569,386	\$30,484	0.05%
Oct-23	\$63,449,129	-\$7,967	-0.01%
Nov-23	\$64,311,568	\$577,517	0.90%
Dec-23	\$64,699,621	\$523,235	0.81%
Jan-24	\$64,486,966	\$278,035	0.43%
Feb-24	\$62,632,743	\$228,370	0.36%
Mar-24	\$58,302,926	\$350,050	0.60%
Apr-24	\$54,803,438	-\$85,447	-0.16%
12 Month Annualised Performance			4.04%
Current Year Performance Jul 23 - Jun 24			3.81%
(Cash basis only, net of fees)			

Monthly economic report

The global economy

US inflation surprised to the upside again in March, following stronger prints in January and February, leading investors to conclude that it will take longer for inflation to return to target. Stronger-than-expected wages growth in the March quarter further reinforced these concerns. This triggered a large repricing in bond markets in April, with investors foreseeing US interest rates to remain higher for longer, now expecting one rate cut by the US Federal Reserve (Fed) in 2024, compared to around 6 rate cuts anticipated at the start of this year.

The higher inflation outcomes have occurred alongside US economic data continuing to point to a resilient economy that grew at a solid pace in the March quarter. Household spending rose strongly, buoyed by ongoing tightness in the US labour market. Residential property investment also looks to be increasing off cyclical lows.

Rhetoric from central banks in advanced economies has begun to diverge, after sounding unified throughout this tightening cycle. While the Fed is expected to keep rates higher for longer, the European Central Bank (ECB) is signalling that a June rate cut is very likely. The Bank of England also remains dovish. The European and UK economies are noticeably weaker than the US economy and policymakers note that they are not facing the same stubborn inflationary pressures as the US, which gives them scope to cut rates sooner.

Interestingly, however, European policymakers appear divided about whether US rates remaining higher for longer would constrain the ECB's ability to cut rates. Some policymakers are concerned that the euro would depreciate against the US dollar if the ECB cuts rates, which would add to the price of imported goods and boost inflation. Others view this scenario as a US-led tightening of global financial conditions, bolstering the case for an ECB rate cut.

Elsewhere, China's economy grew more than expected in the March quarter – in line with the 5% growth target for 2024 – driven by exports and strong investment in manufacturing and infrastructure. However, property investment fell further, and consumer spending remains sluggish. More recent PMI data suggests that economic activity continued to expand at a moderate pace in April.

The Australian economy

Although inflation in Australia has continued to fall, an upside surprise in the March quarter has increased concern that the return to the Reserve Bank of Australia's (RBA) target band will be slower. Investors now think that the RBA could raise rates again this year, rather than lower them. This would be a significant shift in the RBA's thinking, as the minutes from the March Board meeting showed that it did not consider raising rates for the first time in this tightening cycle.

It is also questionable whether the RBA would view the details of the inflation data as supporting a further rate rise. Many of the price increases in the March quarter were not driven by strong consumer demand or elevated labour costs, including in health, education, and insurance. Higher price indexations applied in some sectors are also reacting to past high inflation and could reasonably be expected to decline going forward.

Importantly, while the labour market remains tight, a broad suite of indicators suggests that conditions are gradually loosening. Wages growth remains elevated but leading indicators are pointing to smaller wage rises ahead. Consumer spending also remains weak and house price growth has continued to slow this year.

Financial market commentary

Global bond yields rose sharply in April, and equity markets in most advanced economies fell, as markets responded to the likelihood that the Fed will keep interest rates higher for longer.

Equity markets (performance in local currency, excluding dividends)

Most advanced economy equity markets fell in April as investors expect central banks to deliver fewer rate cuts in 2024. Higher bond yields saw the US S&P500 decline by 4.2%, despite most companies that delivered corporate earnings reports meeting or exceeding expectations.

Japan's equity market underperformed in April, falling by almost 5%, despite the yen depreciating further in the month. The ASX200 declined 2.9%, with most sectors lower. Australia's equity market is little changed since the start of this year, underperforming equity markets in other advanced economies. Mining stocks are around 8% lower since the start of this year, weighed down by sizeable falls in the prices of iron ore and coal.

Interest rates

The prospect of the Fed delaying interest rate cuts pushed US bond yields higher, with 10-year yields rising 48bps to just under 4.7%. The prospect of higher-for-longer rates in the US also dragged up bond yields in Europe and the UK, as investors now see a likelihood of fewer rate cuts by both central banks in 2024. This might reflect investor concerns that these economies could also see stalling progress in lowering inflation, despite policymakers in Europe and the UK remaining dovish and reiterating that the drivers of inflation are different to the US, and economic conditions are much weaker.

Australian 10-year bond yields rose by 46bps in April, to around 4.4%. The sharp rise reflected the move higher in global bond yields and a reassessment of the interest rate outlook in Australia following the stronger-than-expected inflation data.

TCorp bond yields rose by around 10bps more than Commonwealth Government bond yields in April. This occurred alongside spreads also widening in other states and partly in response to TCorp announcing an additional \$4-5bn of funding for FY24, relative to the amount originally forecast.

Currency and commodity markets

Currency markets have reflected the prospect of rates remaining higher for longer in the US while central banks in many other advanced economies start to lower rates. The Japanese yen has been most affected, depreciating by a further 4.3% in April against the US dollar, to be at its lowest level in around 35 years. Other Asian economies have also expressed concern about the recent sharp depreciation in their currencies, including South Korea and Indonesia.

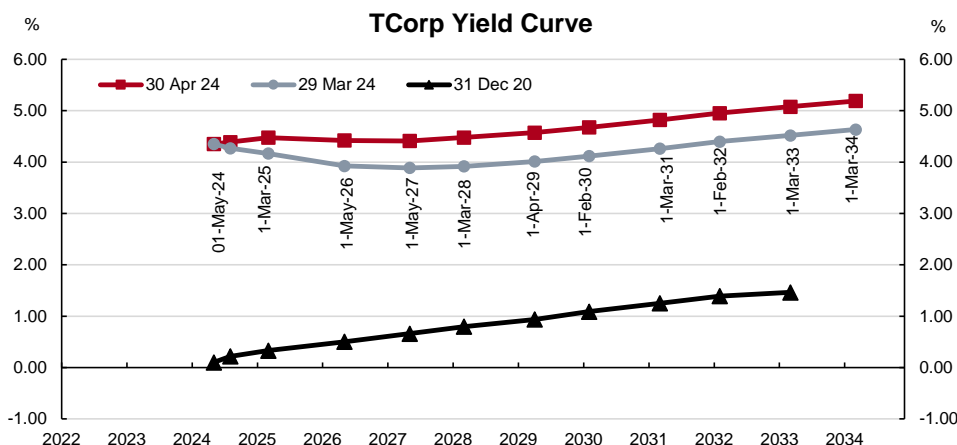
In contrast, the Australian dollar was little changed against the US dollar in April, as expectations for interest rates in Australia and the US were revised up by similar amounts.

Oil prices were relatively stable in April but are 14% higher since the start of this year, partly reflecting concerns around the conflict in the Middle East.

Financial market performance

Currency markets	Previous	Month	Month	Month	Month
April 2024	month close	high	low	close	change
AUD/USD	0.652	0.663	0.640	0.647	-0.7% ▼
AUD/EUR	0.604	0.613	0.602	0.607	0.4% ▲
AUD/JPY	98.70	102.68	98.41	102.14	3.5% ▲
AUD/GBP	0.517	0.523	0.515	0.518	0.3% ▲
AUD/BRL	3.270	3.382	3.280	3.362	2.8% ▲
AUD/INR	54.39	55.23	53.48	54.01	-0.7% ▼
AUD/CNY	4.710	4.794	4.634	4.687	-0.5% ▼
Equity markets*	Previous	Month	Month	Month	Month
April 2024	month close	high	low	close	change
MSCI World ex Australia	3528	3515	3341	3392	-3.9% ▼
MSCI Emerging Markets	1043	1058	1004	1046	0.3% ▲
S&P/ASX200	7897	7897	7567	7664	-2.9% ▼
S&P/ASX Small Ordinaries	3124	3124	2965	3025	-3.1% ▼
S&P500 (US)	5254	5244	4967	5036	-4.2% ▼
FTSE 100 (UK)	7953	8147	7820	8144	2.4% ▲
Stoxx600 (Europe)	513	513	498	505	-1.5% ▼
DAX (Germany)	18492	18492	17737	17932	-3.0% ▼
CAC 40 (France)	8206	8206	7933	7985	-2.7% ▼
Nikkei 225 (Japan)	40369	39839	37068	38406	-4.9% ▼
Hang Seng (HK)	16541	17763	16224	17763	7.4% ▲
Shanghai Composite (China)	3041	3113	3007	3105	2.1% ▲
Bovespa (Brazil)	128106	129890	124171	125924	-1.7% ▼
IPC (Mexico)	57369	58092	55416	56728	-1.1% ▼
S&P/BSE Sensex (India)	73651	75038	72489	74483	1.1% ▲
*Returns are in local currency, and exclude dividend payments					
Bond markets (%)	Previous	Month	Month	Month	Month
April 2024	month close	high	low	close	change
RBA Official Cash Rate	4.35	4.35	4.35	4.35	0.00 –
90 Day Bank Bill	4.34	4.41	4.34	4.41	0.06 ▲
180 Day Bank Bill	4.50	4.71	4.50	4.70	0.20 ▲
New institutional term deposits	4.70	4.70	4.70	4.70	0.00 –
3 Year CGS Bond	3.62	4.14	3.62	4.04	0.42 ▲
10 Year CGS Bond	3.96	4.52	3.96	4.42	0.46 ▲
10 Year US Bond	4.20	4.70	4.31	4.68	0.48 ▲
10 Year German Bond	2.30	2.63	2.30	2.58	0.29 ▲
10 Year Japanese Bond	0.73	0.91	0.74	0.88	0.15 ▲

TCorp bonds (%)	Previous month close	Month high	Month low	Month close	Month change
April 2024					
20-Aug-24	4.27	4.39	4.27	4.39	0.12 ▲
20-Mar-25	4.17	4.53	4.17	4.48	0.31 ▲
20-May-26	3.92	4.50	3.92	4.42	0.50 ▲
20-May-27	3.89	4.50	3.89	4.41	0.52 ▲
20-Mar-28	3.92	4.56	3.92	4.48	0.56 ▲
20-Apr-29	4.01	4.66	4.01	4.57	0.56 ▲
20-Feb-30	4.12	4.76	4.12	4.68	0.56 ▲
20-Mar-31	4.26	4.90	4.26	4.82	0.56 ▲
20-Feb-32	4.40	5.03	4.40	4.95	0.55 ▲
08-Mar-33	4.52	5.16	4.52	5.08	0.56 ▲
20-Mar-34	4.63	5.27	4.63	5.19	0.56 ▲
CIB 2.75% 20 Nov 25	1.29	1.62	1.29	1.55	0.27 ▲
CIB 2.50% 20 Nov 35	2.18	2.56	2.18	2.48	0.30 ▲



Source: TCorp

Commodity markets (US\$)	Previous month close	Month high	Month low	Month close	Month change
April 2024					
Brent Oil (per barrel)	87.5	91.2	87.0	87.9	0.4% ▲
Iron Ore (per tonne)	100.1	111.2	98.4	110.9	10.8% ▲

TCorp forecasts	June-24	Dec-24	Jun-25	Dec-25
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90 Day Bank Bill	4.35	3.60	2.85	2.50
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CLAUSE **CL06**

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FROM **Vanessa Edwards, Finance Manager**

TRIM REF **24/4949**

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1.250%	NSW Treasury Corp Bond (\$2.5M Face Value) Maturity 20/3/25	2,439,025.00		7,700.00	4.53%
1.250%	NSW Treasury Corp Bond (\$2M Face Value) Maturity 20/11/30	1,619,400.00	12,500.00	5,220.00	3.01%
2.000%	NSW Treasury Corp Bond (\$2M Face Value) Maturity 8/3/33	1,567,720.00		1,660.00	2.91%
1.750%	Government of the ACT Bond (\$600k Face Value) Maturity 17/5/3	508,050.00	5,250.00	1,218.00	0.94%
5.082%	NAB FRN (\$1.7M Face Value) Maturity 10/05/2027	1,700,884.00		(1,479.00)	3.16%
5.370%	Bendigo Adelaide Bank FRN (\$800k Face Value) Maturity 08/05/2	801,408.00		1,408.00	1.49%
Total		53,845,417.27	178,152.47	84,941.48	100%

*YTD Fund Return

Bank Bonds/Floating Rate Notes will have positive or negative revaluations from month to month. Upon maturity date the principal investment will be paid back in full.

Balance of Griffith City Council Trading Bank Account 12,922,671.64
 GHFL/HHF Bank Account Balances 23,932.10

Total Cash & Investments at 31/05/2024 66,792,021.01

RETURN ON INVESTMENTS

Return on Investments Analysis	Actual
Accumulated Return on Investments Brought Forward	2,703,136.00
Interest received on Griffith Health Facilities Limited Bank Accounts YTD May 2024	293.51
Return on Investments for the month of May 2024	263,093.95
Trading Bank Account Interest Received for the month of May 2024	30,385.53
Total Return of Investments YTD May 2024	2,996,908.99

Fund	Revised Budget Annual Total	Budget YTD	Actual YTD
Ordinary Fund	1,100,000.00	1,008,333.33	1,016,910.19
Water Fund	1,010,000.00	925,833.33	1,105,792.31
Sewerage Fund	540,000.00	495,000.00	627,070.38
Waste Fund	255,000.00	233,750.00	242,430.26
Western Riverina Library	3,000.00	2,750.00	4,705.85
Total	2,908,000.00	2,665,666.66	2,996,908.99
		Percentage of Year at Report Date	91.67%

In accordance with Section 212 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021, I hereby certify that the investments detailed above are made in accordance with the Local Government Act, its regulations and Council's investment policy adopted on 14 July, 2023.

RESPONSIBLE ACCOUNTING OFFICER

(b) Investments Returns Analysis - 12 month Annualised Yields

INVESTMENT RETURNS ANALYSIS - 12 MONTH ANNUALISED YIELDS			
Month	Average Funds Invested for the month	Return on Investment/ Revaluation Adjustments	Yield %
Jun-23	\$60,569,391	\$74,708	0.12%
Jul-23	\$64,144,808	\$302,181	0.47%
Aug-23	\$64,307,885	\$228,475	0.36%
Sep-23	\$63,569,386	\$30,484	0.05%
Oct-23	\$63,449,129	-\$7,967	-0.01%
Nov-23	\$64,311,568	\$577,517	0.90%
Dec-23	\$64,699,621	\$523,235	0.81%
Jan-24	\$64,486,966	\$278,035	0.43%
Feb-24	\$62,632,743	\$228,370	0.36%
Mar-24	\$58,302,926	\$350,050	0.60%
Apr-24	\$54,803,438	-\$85,447	-0.16%
May-24	\$54,025,221	\$263,094	0.49%
12 Month Annualised Performance			4.42%
Current Year Performance Jul 23 - Jun 24			4.30%
(Cash basis only, net of fees)			

Monthly economic report

The global economy

Central banks in advanced economies appear to be comfortable with the inflation outlook but remain vigilant for signs that the disinflationary progress may stall. While inflation is expected to return to targets, the prevailing view is that it is falling slower than was expected at the start of this year and may not be smooth. As a result, central banks are cautious about cutting interest rates too soon and – once commenced – rate cuts are likely to be gradual.

US inflation measures were either in line with or slightly lower than expectations in April, which was a relief following a series of upside inflation surprises in the first 3 months of 2024. With inflation only falling gradually, investors expect that interest rates will remain higher for longer.

Comments from the US Federal Reserve (Fed) have reinforced this view, with policymakers emphasising their cautious approach to rate cuts amid continued resilience in the US economy and labour market. In practice, policymakers probably need to see a few months of low inflation before gaining the confidence to reduce rates. Importantly, however, Fed Chair Powell noted that further interest rate rises are unlikely, which allayed investor concerns around the possibility of further rate hikes.

In contrast to the higher-for-longer narrative in the US, the central banks of Sweden and Switzerland have already cut rates and the European Central Bank (ECB) is expected to deliver its first rate cut in June. However, ECB policymakers have noted that the timing and pace of additional rate cuts (beyond June) are likely to be gradual and guided by incoming inflation data.

In China, exports and investment in the manufacturing sector continue to drive economic activity, including investment in the green energy transition. Consumer spending and the property sector remain weak, though authorities announced a suite of measures in May to support the property market. While it remains to be seen how effective these measures will be, it is noteworthy that some support has been announced as authorities likely want to minimise the risk of not achieving this year's 5% GDP growth target.

The Australian economy

The Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA) Board held interest rates steady at its May meeting. The RBA Governor emphasised the Board's neutral policy stance, as it views risks to the outlook as balanced. The RBA expects inflation to continue falling but thinks it will remain above the 3% target band until mid-2025. The Governor's comments were less hawkish than investors feared, which alleviated concerns the RBA might tighten policy further. While inflation surprised to the upside in April, the figure is still consistent with the RBA's latest forecasts and is unlikely to alter the near-term outlook for monetary policy. Investors currently expect no change to interest rates this year.

Although inflation looks to be falling more slowly, the Australian economy is weaker than the RBA expected a few months ago. Household spending is particularly soft, with many households cutting discretionary spending and instead choosing to save and pay down debt. In addition, construction activity surprised to the downside in the March quarter, and new building approvals remain very weak, particularly on a per capita basis.

The labour market also continues to gradually loosen, though conditions remain tight overall. Wages growth slowed slightly in the March quarter and leading indicators are pointing to smaller wage rises ahead. The Fair Work Commission's annual decision on minimum and award wages, due on 3 June, will be important for the wage growth and inflation outlooks.

Financial market commentary

Equity markets in advanced economies rose in May, but there was some divergence across bond markets as investors reacted to local data and commentary from central bank policymakers.

Equity markets (performance in local currency, excluding dividends)

Lower US bond yields supported the equity market, with the S&P500 gaining 4.8% in May and outperforming other advanced economies. All sectors rose except energy stocks, which fell slightly alongside the fall in oil prices in the month. The IT sector recorded the largest gains, boosted by a stronger-than-expected earnings report from Nvidia, which is benefiting from booming interest in artificial intelligence. Nvidia alone has contributed more than one-third of the rise in the S&P500 since the start of this year, with other big technology stocks also making significant contributions.

The ASX200 underperformed most other advanced economies in May, gaining only 0.5%. Consumer-facing stocks weighed, which is consistent with the ongoing weakness in consumer spending. The ASX200 has also significantly underperformed other advanced economies in 2024 to date, with the share prices of several large mining companies falling alongside weakness in some commodities.

Interest rates

US 10-year bond yields fell 18bps in May as encouraging inflation data and comments by Fed officials reassured investors that further interest rate rises were unlikely. Some weaker US economic data also contributed, particularly softer employment in April. However, the fall in yields was limited by the recognition that inflation is only falling gradually, which will keep interest rates elevated for longer. Investors currently expect the Fed to start cutting rates at the end of this year.

Australian 10-year yields were unchanged in May. Yields were dragged lower by the fall in US yields throughout the first half of May, but then rose after domestic inflation surprised to the upside. In contrast, bond yields across Europe rose in May, as comments by ECB policymakers indicated that the pace of rate cuts would likely be gradual.

TCorp bond yields were also little changed in May, in line with Commonwealth Government yields.

Currency and commodity markets

The Australian dollar appreciated against a broad range of currencies in May, including a 2.8% rise against the US dollar. This partly reflected a narrowing in the short-term interest rate differential between the US and Australia, with US bond yields falling while Australian yields were unchanged. Positive risk sentiment in financial markets also contributed.

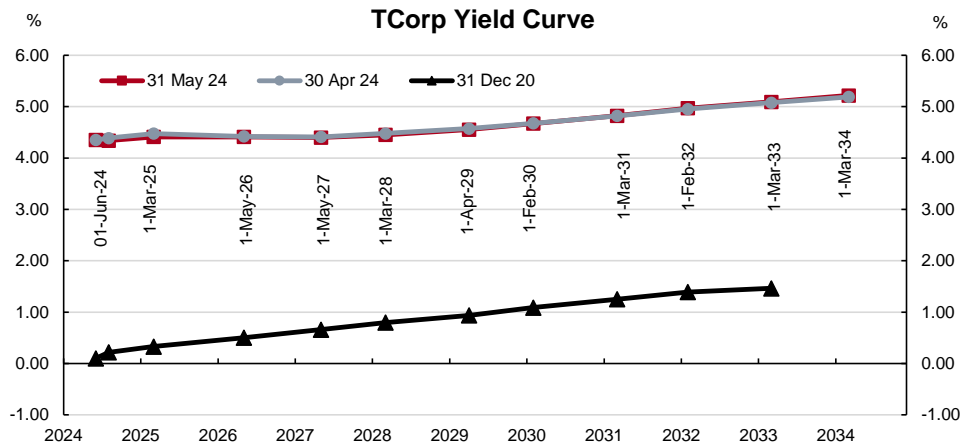
The Japanese Yen ended the month little changed against the US dollar. A sharp appreciation of the Yen at the start of May was gradually unwound, with market intervention from Japan's Ministry of Finance helping to stem the rise.

Oil fell by around 7% in May as geopolitical tensions tentatively eased and some indicators pointed to weaker US oil demand. However, oil prices are still around 6% higher since the start of this year.

Financial market performance

Currency markets May 2024	Previous month close	Month high	Month low	Month close	Month change
AUD/USD	0.647	0.669	0.652	0.665	2.8% ▲
AUD/EUR	0.607	0.616	0.609	0.613	1.1% ▲
AUD/JPY	102.14	104.66	100.83	104.66	2.5% ▲
AUD/GBP	0.518	0.529	0.520	0.522	0.8% ▲
AUD/BRL	3.362	3.490	3.346	3.490	3.8% ▲
AUD/INR	54.01	55.89	54.42	55.53	2.8% ▲
AUD/CNY	4.687	4.835	4.723	4.818	2.8% ▲
Equity markets* May 2024	Previous month close	Month high	Month low	Month close	Month change
MSCI World ex Australia	3392	3571	3381	3536	4.3% ▲
MSCI Emerging Markets	1046	1102	1046	1049	0.3% ▲
S&P/ASX200	7664	7881	7570	7702	0.5% ▲
S&P/ASX Small Ordinaries	3025	3080	2971	3023	-0.1% ▼
S&P500 (US)	5036	5321	5018	5278	4.8% ▲
FTSE 100 (UK)	8144	8446	8121	8275	1.6% ▲
Stoxx600 (Europe)	505	525	503	518	2.6% ▲
DAX (Germany)	17932	18869	17897	18498	3.2% ▲
CAC 40 (France)	7985	8240	7915	7993	0.1% ▲
Nikkei 225 (Japan)	38406	39103	38054	38488	0.2% ▲
Hang Seng (HK)	17763	19636	17763	18080	1.8% ▲
Shanghai Composite (China)	3105	3171	3087	3087	-0.6% ▼
Bovespa (Brazil)	125924	129481	122098	122098	-3.0% ▼
IPC (Mexico)	56728	57846	55179	55179	-2.7% ▼
S&P/BSE Sensex (India)	74483	75418	72404	73961	-0.7% ▼
*Returns are in local currency, and exclude dividend payments					
Bond markets (%) May 2024	Previous month close	Month high	Month low	Month close	Month change
RBA Official Cash Rate	4.35	4.35	4.35	4.35	0.00 –
90 Day Bank Bill	4.41	4.42	4.34	4.35	-0.06 ▼
180 Day Bank Bill	4.70	4.69	4.56	4.60	-0.10 ▼
New institutional term deposits	4.70	4.70	4.60	4.60	-0.10 ▼
3 Year CGS Bond	4.04	4.11	3.84	4.05	0.01 ▲
10 Year CGS Bond	4.42	4.51	4.19	4.41	-0.01 ▼
10 Year US Bond	4.68	4.63	4.34	4.50	-0.18 ▼
10 Year German Bond	2.58	2.69	2.42	2.66	0.08 ▲
10 Year Japanese Bond	0.88	1.09	0.87	1.07	0.19 ▲
TCorp bonds (%) May 2024	Previous month close	Month high	Month low	Month close	Month change
20-Aug-24	4.39	4.39	4.29	4.34	-0.05 ▼
20-Mar-25	4.48	4.53	4.33	4.41	-0.07 ▼
20-May-26	4.42	4.50	4.21	4.41	-0.01 ▼
20-May-27	4.41	4.49	4.18	4.40	-0.01 ▼
20-Mar-28	4.48	4.56	4.23	4.45	-0.03 ▼
20-Apr-29	4.57	4.66	4.32	4.55	-0.02 ▼
20-Feb-30	4.68	4.75	4.43	4.67	-0.01 ▼

20-Mar-31	4.82	4.90	4.58	4.82	0.00	▲
20-Feb-32	4.95	5.04	4.73	4.97	0.02	▲
08-Mar-33	5.08	5.16	4.84	5.09	0.01	▲
20-Mar-34	5.19	5.28	4.96	5.22	0.03	▲
CIB 2.75% 20 Nov 25	1.55	1.78	1.50	1.74	0.18	▲
CIB 2.50% 20 Nov 35	2.48	2.57	2.34	2.55	0.07	▲



Source: TCorp

Commodity markets (US\$)	Previous month close	Month high	Month low	Month close	Month change
May 2024					
Brent Oil (per barrel)	87.9	84.2	81.4	81.6	-7.1% ▼
Iron Ore (per tonne)	110.9	119.6	115.4	117.5	6.0% ▲

TCorp forecasts	June-24	Dec-24	Jun-25	Dec-25
RBA Official Cash Rate	4.35	3.85	3.10	2.35
90 Day Bank Bill	4.35	3.60	2.85	2.50
10 Year CGS Bond	3.75	3.50	3.25	3.25

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CLAUSE	CL07
TITLE	Responses to Councillor Questions Taken on Notice
FROM	Graham Gordon, Director Utilities Carel Potgieter, Acting Director of Sustainable Development
TRIM REF	24/76578

SUMMARY

At the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, 25 June 2024 two items were Taken on Notice.

This report outlines the responses.

RECOMMENDATION

The report be noted by Council.

REPORT

The below items were Taken on Notice at the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, 25 June 2024.

- Councillor Dino Zappacosta asked where the Hanwood Amenities block project is up to, as there seems to have been a halt in works. This was **TAKEN ON NOTICE**.

Response:

Despite the disinformation that's been circulating and causing some delays, the contractor has engaged subcontractors to proceed with the works on site. Council is satisfied with the current activity and progress on site and is still committed to delivering a successful project. The project is on course for completion by the end of August 2024.

- Councillor Zappacosta asked for clarification on the location of the development site referred to in CL02 of the Traffic Committee minutes. This was **TAKEN ON NOTICE**.

Response:

The report in the agenda of the Traffic Committee Agenda for meeting held 11 June 2024 refers to DA 308/2021 relevant to the construction of a new agricultural sales/service centre. The location of this development is 11388 Kidman Way/8 Pedley Road, Hanwood 2680 NSW.

OPTIONS

OPTION 1

As per the Recommendation.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Not Applicable

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Not Applicable

LEGAL/STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

Not Applicable

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

Not Applicable

COMMUNITY IMPLICATIONS

Not Applicable

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

This report has no relevance to the Council's Strategic Plan.

CONSULTATION

Senior Management Team

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

**SCENIC HILL USER GROUP
HELD IN MURRAY ROOM, GRIFFITH ON
MONDAY, 24 JUNE 2024 COMMENCING AT 5:30 PM**

PRESENT

Councillor Jenny Ellis (Chair), Rodney Savage (Community Representative), Sharon Careri (Community Representative), Helen Vowles (Community Representative), Denis Couch (Community Representative), Sally Bamblett (Community Representative), Desma Newman (Griffith Aboriginal Lands Council (GLALC) Representative)

Quorum = 3

STAFF

Acting Director Sustainable Development, Carel Potgieter, Director Infrastructure & Operations, Phil King, Minute Taker, Jessica Bertacco

1 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from David Heffer, Ronald Anson, Matthew Pasin, Mirella Guidolin (Tourism Manager).

Absent - Councillor Christine Stead, Julie Groat, Matthew Hocking.

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Denis Couch and Sally Bamblett that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 6 May 2024, having first been circulated amongst all members, be confirmed.

3 BUSINESS ARISING

Nil

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

5 ITEMS OF BUSINESS

CL01 AGENDA ITEMS RAISED BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

1.1 Items raised by Denis Couch

- Proposing that the Rotary Lookout Park be upgraded – amenities and landscaping.
- Rubbish control required from Pioneer Park to Hermit's Cave.
- Walking trailhead proposed – soft landscaping, native garden work, smoothing out.

- Efforts expended so far to keep the area tidier have proved successful.
- More work to be done – look at getting service clubs involved and advance to the next stage.
- Make the area safer between the Lookout and Hermit's Cave.
- Signage for no camping, no motor bikes etc.
- Tell a story along the trail with signs or QR codes.

1.2 Strategy regarding the old MTN 9 building

Mr Potgieter informed the User Group that this site is not Council owned property however there is a public safety issue. Council is investigating fencing off the area and planting vegetation to screen off the area. Mr King advised Council is unable to contact the owners. Council has exhausted all compliance efforts in terms of the site. The Committee suggested Council investigate ways of future funding the clean-up of the area.

Action: Mr Potgieter took this issue on notice and will report back to the Committee regarding what actions are included in Council's current budget allocation.

1.3 Trailforks website

Sally Bamblett advised the User Group that there is a website called Trailforks which is a trail database map and management system which enables users to keep track of trail conditions, plan and share activities. Ms Bamblett expressed her concerns with some of the track names on the Trailforks website and enquired if the website could be used to encourage use of the trails once the names were changed.

Councillor Ellis stated this is something that can be looked into further as a useful tool to promote the area.

Mr King advised that some of the information currently on the Trailforks website is not correct and would need to be updated.

Ms Newman discussed the process of new signage that is a current project at Cocoparra National Park in conjunction with National Parks and Wildlife & GLALC.

Discussion also took place of illegal camping occurring in the Scenic Hill area, particularly over the long weekend. Councillor Ellis advised she would pass this information on.

1.4 Cat Containment Report

Sally Bamblett summarised her report regarding cat containment stating that stray cats are a problem to native wildlife. Local vets have commended Griffith City Council for the rehoming and vaccination programs in place. There are grants that can be applied for so that there can be more education programs implemented regarding threatened species.

Ms Bamblett suggested that Council consider a cat management plan and containment policy and provide the community with information on this issue.

Mr King advised compliance for 24/7 cat containment would be difficult in terms of Council resources.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Sally Bamblett and Denis Couch that the information be received and Council consider the recommendations outlined in the Cat Containment Report.

SMT Comment:

Since the User Group Meeting held 24 June 2024, Council has received an amended

version of the cat containment report. Should Council support the above recommendation, staff will refer the amended report back to the Scenic Hill User Group, seeking their recommendation to Council with respect to the report's content including implications for resourcing any actions required.

1.5 Shared Platform for User Group

Helen Vowles presented a spreadsheet she prepared to keep track of agendas, minutes and information for subjects that the group discusses.

Ms Vowles requested the user group members have access to the live document so they could add and access information.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Helen Vowles and Denis Couch that the information be received and that Griffith City Council's IT Department investigate options for the user group to access the live register/data as presented by Ms Vowles.

CL02 SCENIC HILL "SINGLE TRACK" TRAIL MAINTENANCE INFO

Councillor Ellis provided an overview of the email received from Feral Joggers regarding trail maintenance and wished to formally thank Allan Jones and the Feral Joggers for the work done on the hill to maintain the trails.

Mr King provided information to the User Group regarding funding for maintenance of fire trails.

Action: Councillor Ellis requested that a member from the Rural Fire Service and Shaun Flood from Crown Lands be invited to attend the next meeting.

CL03 RPPP GRANT

Councillor Ellis provided information on the Regional Precincts and Partnerships Program (rPPP). Options are being considered for different projects. Griffith Local Aboriginal Land Council will consider applying for this grant in July.

6 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil.

7 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Scenic Hill User Group is to be held on Monday, 22 July 2024 at 5:30pm.

There being no further business the meeting terminated at 7:05pm.

ATTACHMENTS

(a) Cat Containment Report

Cat Containment

Purpose

To reduce the impact of domestic cats on native wildlife and improve the welfare of cats themselves.

Background

Roaming domestic cats are likely to live only half as long as cats that are fully contained. The shorter lives of pet cats who roam are due to interactions with cars, increased disease (e.g. feline viruses, infections caught from wildlife, and parasites), the results of fighting with other cats and, possibly, predation of young, elderly or sick cats by foxes. The impact of cat fights is significant, with a 2017 Australia/NZ survey revealing that these were the reason for over 29% of veterinary visits by cat owners each year (Johnston, Szczepanski & McDonag 2017). Keeping cats contained avoids these risks and improves their welfare and safety.

Cats also cause significant harm to native wildlife. A federal report in 2021 confirmed that cats are the primary drivers of native animal extinction in Australia, with pet cats killing millions of animals each year (House of Representatives Standing Committee on the Environment and Energy, 2021). The average pet cat kills 186 mammals, birds, and reptiles annually (Legge et al. 2020). Additionally, pet cats have a 28-52 times greater impact per km² than feral cats because of their greater density in suburbs and urban areas, and their tendency to roam, from an average of 2 and up to 30 hectares, from their home (Legge et al. 2020). NSW and WA are the only two Australian states or territories that have no state-wide cat containment laws. The report recommended compulsory registration of pet cats, compulsory spaying and night-time curfews (House of Representatives Standing Committee on the Environment and Energy, 2021).

In response to the report, the Australian government:

- refers to the Threatened Species Action Plan 2022-2032 which contains a Feral Cat Taskforce

- designates the Feral Cat Taskforce as the forum for states and territories to discuss and collaborate on principles for managing local domestic cat issues.
- agrees local councils should have cat management plans and suggests principles for local council management of domestic cats is best achieved at a local level, with input from experts who know the area and specific management requirements.
- recommends local governments actively consider 24/7 containment plans as more effective than night-time curfews.
- supports removing barriers to responsible cat ownership and running positive cat ownership education campaigns which support desexing, suggesting the National Australian Veterinary Association or RSPCA develop and deliver a campaign with or through local councils (Australian Government 2022).

Issues

Objective 1 of the Threatened Species Action Plan 2022-2032 is to reduce the risk of extinction for all priority species. Griffith City Council report there are 29 threatened species, including frogs, bats and birds that are likely to occur in the local government area (Griffith City Council 2024a).

A key focus of the Feral Cat Taskforce is to improve the cohesion of legislative and regulatory approaches, and collate best practice principles, in relation to domestic, stray and feral cats. The Taskforce met most recently in April 2024 and is awaiting a government response to public feedback prior to finalization of the updated Threat Abatement Plan for Predation by Feral Cats (Feral Cat Taskforce 2024).

From 2021-2025, RSPCA NSW is delivering the Keeping Cats Safe at Home Project, with support from 11 partner local councils and funded by the NSW Environmental Trust.

Partner councils are:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Blue Mountains City Council | 4. City of Parramatta |
| 2. Byron Shire Council | 5. Hornsby Shire Council |
| 3. Campbelltown City Council | 6. Kyogle Council |

7. Northern Beaches Council

8. Shoalhaven City Council

9. Tweed Shire Council

10. Walgett Shire Council

11. Weddin Shire Council

The project aims to encourage and support cat owners to prevent their cats from roaming away from their properties to both keep cats safe and to protect native wildlife. Tailored toolkits have been created for the 11 partner council areas as well as resources to equip cat owners with the knowledge and skills for optimal cat ownership. Social media campaigns, community competitions, desexing programs and educational initiatives in schools and through veterinarians, have been conducted and are ongoing. The resources created by RSPCANSW are freely available on their website. The effectiveness of the campaign is being monitored so the project interventions can be tailored and applied more broadly (RSPCANSW 2024). Gemma Ma, the project manager of the Keeping Cats Safe at Home Project, reports the most impactful component has been the targeted cat desexing programs, which have been very effective at reducing populations of unowned cats.

Cat owners in NSW have a range of responsibilities under the Companion Animals Act 1998. Cats are banned from public areas where food is produced or consumed and from wildlife protection areas. The Companion Animals Act 1998 does not require cat owners to contain their cat on their premises but encourages cat containment by keeping it indoors or by building a cat enclosure. The Nature Conservation Council, Invasive Species Council, Birdlife Australia, WIRES and the Australian Wildlife Society, are calling on the NSW Government to:

1. Amend the NSW Companion Animals Act 1998 to enable local governments to enforce anti roaming laws for pet cats at a local level.
2. Allocate a minimum of \$9 million to fund compliance, education, desexing, identification and registration programs.
3. Encourage local governments to develop companion animal management plans.
4. Develop a state-wide web resource for pet owners.
5. Streamline pet identification and registration processes.
6. Make desexing mandatory state-wide. (Invasive Species Council 2024).

Griffith City Council's website outlines the local council management of domestic cats. The website states council does not respond to cat complaints and refers to the provisions of the Companion Animals Act 1998 that allows cats freedom to roam and prevents active patrol or seizure of stray cats (Griffith City Council 2024b). The website conveys the requirements for pet identification and registration and recommends the consideration of desexing of cats. It costs \$65 to register a cat, \$32 for a pensioner and \$0 for a desexed cat sold by a pound or shelter, subsidized by the NSW government. If a cat is not desexed before 4 months of age, an annual permit fee of \$92 must be paid (Griffith City Council 2024c).

For the 2022-2023 year, Griffith City Council pound recorded a total of 261 incoming cats. 182 were released to rehoming organizations, 6 released back to their owners, 34 sold and 13 were euthanised. Discussion with Griffith City Council animal control indicated a feral cat/unowned cat problem in some areas of Griffith, where cats are living in drains, gutters and abandoned buildings. There had been noted only 2 instances of cat road trauma in 6 months and roaming cats on Scenic Hill had not been noted. Concern was expressed regarding saturation of rehoming organizations' capacity to accept animals, even though rehoming occurs Australia wide. Further concern was expressed about council's ability to enforce laws or penalties related to cat containment.

Local veterinarians were contacted for comment regarding cats they encounter in their practice which are strays, owner surrenders, feral or unowned/semi owned; cats which have been injured by road trauma or catfights; their involvement in targeted cat desexing programmes; and their use of RSPCA or other organizational resources to provide cat ownership skills and knowledge. To date, responses remain pending.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Griffith City Council update it's companion animal management plan to reflect the recommendations of the Australian Government response to the House of Representatives Standing Committee on the Environment and Energy report.
2. Griffith City Council actively consider 24/7 cat containment plans whereby householders are required to keep their cats always contained within the boundaries

of their property or under effective control if moving off their property (eg. on a leash).

3. Griffith City Council partner with RSPCANSW and local veterinarians to develop and deliver community resources to promote responsible cat ownership
4. Griffith City Council partner with RSPCANSW and local veterinarians to implement targeted cat desexing programmes.
5. Of the 29 threatened species cited by Griffith City Council as expected to occur within the local government area, determine if any fall within the priority species list of the Threatened Species Action Plan 2022-2032, which could lead to assistance with a conservation planning approach and grant opportunities for saving native species.

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TITLE Notice of Motion - Griffith Base Hospital Buildings - Councillor Anne Napoli - 28 Jun 2024

FROM Anne Napoli, Deputy Mayor

TRIM REF 24/76019

SUMMARY

A Notice of Motion (attached) was received from Councillor Anne Napoli on 28 June 2024.

RECOMMENDATION

That Griffith City Council:

- (a) Initiate talks with the relevant N.S.W. Ministers for a comprehensive study to explore the potential repurposing of the old Griffith Hospital buildings for future use, including but not limited to:
- * Cancer care accommodation
 - * Medical accommodation
 - * Drug and alcohol unit
 - * End-of-life-care
 - * Family accommodation
- (b) Ensure that no current hospital buildings are demolished until the completion of this study and a thorough evaluation of the findings.
- (c) Secure the necessary funding and resources to conduct a detailed and objective study on the feasibility and benefits of repurposing the old hospital buildings.
- (d) Engages relevant stakeholders, including healthcare professionals, community representatives, and urban planners, in the study to ensure a broad and inclusive approach.
- (e) Contact Minister for Health Hon. Ryan Park MP and Minister for Local Government Hon. Ron Hoenig MP as a matter of urgency.
- (f) Reports the study's findings to the Council and the community, including recommendations for the future use of the buildings and any necessary actions to implement these recommendations.

SENIOR MANAGEMENT TEAM COMMENT

No SMT Comment.

ATTACHMENTS

(a) Notice of Motion [↓](#)

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Notice of Motion

Notice of Motion

Councillor's Name * Cr Anne Napoli

Date * 28-Jun-24
03:31:08 PM

Time * 03:31:08 PM

Brett Stonestreet
General Manager
Griffith City Council
GRIFFITH NSW 2680

Dear Mr Stonestreet, I That Griffith City Council:

hereby give notice of the following Notice of Motion for the Council Meeting to be held as indicated below:*

1. Initiate talks with the relevant N.S.W. Ministers for a comprehensive study to explore the potential repurposing of the old Griffith Hospital buildings for future use, including but not limited to:

- * Cancer care accommodation
- * Medical accommodation
- * Drug and alcohol unit
- * End-of-life-care
- * Family accommodation

2. Ensure that no current hospital buildings are demolished until the completion of this study and a thorough evaluation of the findings.

3. Secure the necessary funding and resources to conduct a detailed and objective study on the feasibility and benefits of repurposing the old hospital buildings

4. Engages relevant stakeholders, including healthcare professionals, community representatives, and urban planners, in the study to ensure a broad and inclusive approach

5. Contact Minister for Health Hon. Ryan Park MP and Minister for Local Government Hon. Ron Hoenig MP as a matter of urgency

6. Reports the study's findings to the Council and the community, including recommendations for the future use of the buildings and any necessary actions to implement these recommendations.

BACKGROUND;

With the development of the new Griffith Hospital, it is crucial to consider the future use of the old hospital buildings. Repurposing these buildings for critical services such as cancer care accommodation, medical accommodation, a drug and alcohol unit, end-of-life care, and family accommodation could provide significant benefits to the community. This motion seeks to initiate a study to explore these possibilities and ensure that the current buildings are not demolished until the study is completed. The community strongly feels car parks are given greater importance than patient care and family support.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION;

- * Overview of the current hospital buildings and their condition
- * Potential benefits of repurposing the buildings for healthcare and community services
- * Examples of similar successful repurposing projects
- * Estimate costs and funding opportunities for the study and subsequent implementations.

Council Meeting 7/9/2024

Date:*

Signature*



Extract from Griffith City Council's Code of Meeting Practice:

Giving notice of business to be considered at Council Meetings

3.10 A councillor may give notice of any business they wish to be considered by the council at its next ordinary meeting by way of a notice of motion. To be included on the agenda of the meeting, the notice of motion must be in writing and must be submitted by 12 pm, five business days before the meeting is to be held.

3.11 A councillor may, in writing to the general manager, request the withdrawal of a notice of motion submitted by them prior to its inclusion in the agenda and business paper for the meeting at which it is to be considered.

3.12 If the General Manager considers that a notice of motion submitted by a Councillor for consideration at an ordinary meeting of the Council has legal, strategic, financial or policy implications which should be taken into consideration by the meeting, the general manager may prepare a report in relation to the notice of motion for inclusion with the business papers for the meeting at which the notice of motion is to be considered by the Council.

3.13 A notice of motion for the expenditure of funds on works and/or services other than those already provided for in the council's current adopted operational plan must identify the source of funding for the expenditure that is the subject of the notice of motion. If the notice of motion does not identify a funding source, the general manager must either:

(a) prepare a report on the availability of funds for implementing the motion if adopted for inclusion in the business papers for the meeting at which the notice of motion is to be considered by the council, or

(b) by written notice sent to all councillors with the business papers for the meeting for which the notice of motion has been submitted, defer consideration of the matter by the council to such a date specified in the notice, pending the preparation of such a report.

Questions with notice

3.14 A councillor may, by way of a notice submitted under clause 3.10, ask a question for response by the general manager about the performance or operations of the council.

3.15 A councillor is not permitted to ask a question with notice under clause 3.14 that comprises a complaint against the general manager or a member of staff of the council, or a question that implies wrongdoing by the general manager or a member of staff of the council.

3.16 The general manager or their nominee may respond to a question with notice submitted under clause 3.14 by way of a report included in the business papers for the relevant meeting of the council or orally at the meeting.

In relation to Section External Funding

3.13 - Please identify the source of funding for expenditure if applicable: *

Privacy Protection Notice

- This information is being collected to process your notice in accordance with Council's Code of Meeting Practice policy.
- This information is voluntarily required to process your request and will not be used for any other purpose without seeking your consent, or as required by law.
- Your information may comprise part of a public register related to this purpose.
- This form will be retained in Council's Records Management System and disposed of in accordance with the Local Government Disposal Authority.
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- For further details on how the Griffith City Council manages personal information, please refer to our Privacy Management Plan.

TITLE Outstanding Action Report

TRIM REF 24/75479

RECOMMENDATION

The report be noted.

ATTACHMENTS

(a) Outstanding Action Report [↓](#)

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28 May 2024	NOTICE OF MOTION RECEIVED FROM COUNCILLOR JENNY ELLIS, AND THE MAYOR, DOUG CURRAN	DSD DIO	146293	24/157	RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Jenny Ellis and Glen Andreazza that: (a) Council commit to exploring the feasibility of including animal or bird enclosures in future master planning of the Lake Wyangan Parklands. (b) Council look for grant opportunities for the development of such enclosures as well as future budget allocations. (c) Council explore partnerships with community organisations or businesses (including but not limited to Altina Wildlife Park) for this future endeavour. (d) Future master planning for the park area includes plantings and areas that might attract local wildlife. (e) Council explore the feasibility of using existing deer enclosure fencing for an off-leash dog park.	03/06/2024: The following SMT Comment was included in the Business Paper in relation to the Notice of Motion as resolved by Council. <i>“Council has adopted a master plan for improvements to the western recreational foreshore area of Lake Wyangan North. An amount of \$2,030,000 has been budgeted by Council and Stage 1 is scheduled for completion by June 2025. An extract of the priority actions from the plan is attached to this report. Should Council support the Notice of Motion as printed, Stage 2 of the master plan could be modified to include the above recommendations. Further, Council’s resolution would be referred to the Lake Wyangan and Catchment Committee for consideration as to the timing and planning of the next phase (stage 2) of the master plan for Lake Wyangan”.</i> This matter will be included on the Agenda for the next Lake Wyangan and Catchment Management Committee meeting.
14 May 2024	CL01 DRAFT SOLAR ENERGY FARMS AND BATTERY ENERGY	SGO	145804	24/135	RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Glen Andreazza and Chris Sutton that:	16/05/2024: On Public Exhibition until 26 June 2024. 1/07/2024: Submissions received. Further report to be

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	STORAGE SYSTEMS POLICY				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Council endorse the Draft Solar Energy Farms and Battery Energy Storage Systems Policy, as Attachment a, to be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days. (b) Should submissions be received, a report with recommendations be presented back to an Ordinary Council Meeting for final endorsement. (c) Should no submissions be received, the Solar Energy Farms and Battery Energy Storage Systems Policy is considered endorsed the day after the close of the public exhibition period. (d) Council prepare a draft Agriculture Impact Assessment guideline modelled on the DPHI Large Scale Solar Energy Guideline but modified to place more prescription and detail requirements on the proponent with respect to cumulative impact of agricultural productivity in the region. 	prepared for 23 July Council Meeting.
14 May 2024	CC04 ST VINCENT'S PRIVATE COMMUNITY HOSPITAL GRIFFITH. REQUEST TO DRAW FUNDS FROM GCC SINKING FUND FOR LIFT REPLACEMENT	FM	145810	24/150	<p>RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Glen Andrezza and Christine Stead that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Griffith City Council endorse the request for \$6,935 Excl GST to be reimbursed to St Vincent's Private Community Hospital Griffith from the Council held Sinking Fund in order to fund additional costs for the replacement of the lift at the hospital. 	<p>03/06/2024: Letter written to St. Vincent's. Reimbursement to be processed.</p> <p>1/07/2024: Reimbursement has been processed.</p>

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					(b) Council note that the balance of the Sinking Fund after the above mentioned reimbursement in (a) will be \$67,716.	
9 April 2024	CL05 LICENCE AGREEMENT RENEWAL - PETER ROSSITER - CAR PARKING	CPO	144576	24/106	<p>RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Chris Sutton and Melissa Marin that:</p> <p>(a) Council enters into a licence agreement with Peter Rossiter for 6 car parking spaces located on Council's Road reserve adjoining 46 Willandra Avenue, Griffith for a term of 5 years (expires 31 December 2028).</p> <p>(b) Peter Rossiter to pay all applicable costs and charges associated with the preparation of the licence agreement together with Council's Administration Fee as per Council's adopted Revenue Policy.</p> <p>(c) The licence fee be charged in accordance with Council's adopted Revenue Policy, currently \$62.00 per car space for the 2023/2024 financial year and on each anniversary thereafter the annual licence fee to be charged in accordance with Council's adopted Revenue Policy in addition to rates and charges.</p> <p>(d) Council authorises the Mayor and General Manager to execute the licence agreement on behalf of Council under the Common Seal.</p>	<p>06/05/2024: Council solicitors are preparing licence document.</p> <p>01/07/2024: Cater & Blumer have prepared the licence agreement; and have forwarded the agreement to the licensee for execution. Waiting on agreements to come back for the General Manager and Mayor to sign.</p>

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<p>9 April 2024</p>	<p>CL06 LICENCE AGREEMENT RENEWAL - LEO FRANCO MOTORS PTY LTD - CAR PARKING</p>	<p>CPO</p>	<p>144577</p>	<p>24/107</p>	<p>RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Glen Andrezza and Anne Napoli that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Council enters into a licence agreement with Leo Franco Motors Pty Ltd for 3 car park spaces on the road reserve adjoining Lot 34 Section 3 DP 758476, Yambil Street, Griffith for a term of 5 years (expires 31 January 2029). (b) Leo Franco Motors Pty Ltd pay all applicable costs and charges associated with the preparation of the licence agreement together with Council's Administration Fee as per Council's adopted Revenue Policy. (c) The licence fee be charged in accordance with Council's adopted Revenue Policy, currently \$62.00 per car space for the 2023/2024 financial year and on each anniversary thereafter the annual licence fee to be charged in accordance with Council's adopted Revenue Policy in addition to rates and charges. (d) Council authorises the Mayor and General Manager to execute the licence agreement on behalf of Council under the Common Seal. 	<p>06/05/2024: Council solicitors are preparing licence document.</p> <p>18/06/2024: Draft licence agreement received from C&B 17/6/2024. Being reviewed by staff.</p> <p>01/07/2024: Cater & Blumer have prepared the licence agreement; and have forwarded the agreement to the licensee for execution. Waiting on agreements to come back for the General Manager and Mayor to sign.</p>
<p>26 March 2024</p>	<p>CL02 COMMUNITY GARDENS LARGE SCALE EVENT MASTERPLAN</p>	<p>USD</p>	<p>144180</p>	<p>24/075</p>	<p>RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Shari Blumer and Glen Andrezza that:</p>	<p>12/4/2024: Manager of Urban Design to arrange meeting with relevant staff to discuss fencing.</p>

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					<p>(a) Council adopts the Community Gardens Large Scale Event Masterplan as exhibited.</p> <p>(b) Council finalise the estimated costing and implement permanent power supply to service food vans adjacent to Willandra Avenue, relocation of existing backstage storage container to be permanently located behind Stuart McWilliam Stage subject to existing budget allocation of \$50,000.</p> <p>(c) Council finalise a staged design of fencing for the Community Gardens site.</p>	<p>06/05/2024: Meeting held on site to discuss fencing on Thursday, 2 May 2024. Costing of fencing being prepared.</p> <p>20/05/2024: Draft Costing will be presented to Council at a meeting in June.</p> <p>04/06/2024: Draft Costing will be presented to Council at a meeting in July.</p>
26 March 2024	MINUTES OF THE NEW CEMETERY MASTERPLAN COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 7 MARCH 2024	DIO		24/084	<p>RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Simon Croce and Christine Stead that the recommendations as detailed in the Minutes of the New Cemetery Masterplan Committee meeting held on 7 March 2024 be adopted, including the SMT Comment as printed below:</p> <p>SMT Comment: Should Council support the above recommendation it is proposed that Council should adopt the following in lieu of the recommendation above.</p> <p>a) Council invite Griffith Regional Funerals to submit a Development Application for assessment with respect to the installation and operation of a cremation service to be located at Lot 4 DP775986 Wakaden St, Griffith and that the owner of the property sign the Development Application.</p>	<p>15/04/2024: Funeral Directors have been advised.</p> <p>17/06/2024: DA has been lodged.</p> <p>1/07/2024: Council's legal representatives have been requested to draft a Deed of Agreement.</p>

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					<p>b) Council appoint an external planner to assess the development application with the determination remaining with Griffith City Council. The assessment report of the development application to be determined by a meeting of Council.</p> <p>c) In the event that Griffith City Council approved the development application that a deed of agreement be drafted between Griffith City Council and Griffith Regional Funeral Services detailing the lease and conditions of use of the cremator. The documentation is to include reference to the owner of the property and their concurrence to the installation and use of the cremator. Further, that the owner concurs to the circumstances that the cremator may be removed from the property. Legal costs to prepare the above documentation are the responsibility of Griffith Regional Funeral Services.</p> <p>d) Subject to a, b and c above being completed, that Council proceed to acquire and install the cremator.</p> <p>e) Funding to be drawn from the long term financial plan 2025/26 approximately \$400,000 installed.</p> <p>f) The fees applicable to the lease of the cremator as detailed in confidential attachment A as</p>
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					previously reported to Council and the Committee will be included in Council's revenue policy and are subject to annual review.	
12 March 2024	NOTICE OF MOTION - UPGRADE TO ORIGINAL BAGTOWN'S FIRST BLACKSMITH STORE SITE	DI&O DSD	143524	24/066	RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Dino Zappacosta and Simon Croce that Council upgrade the original Bagtown's first Blacksmith Store site at the Intersection of Old Wilbriggie (sic) Road and Research Station Road.	<p>18/03/2024: Councillors and SMT inspecting site 19/03/2024 to discuss scope.</p> <p>02/04/2024: Site inspection completed. Project scope to be referred to Council Workshop on 21 May 2024.</p> <p>03/06/2024: Scope of works were determined at Council Workshop.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Survey site; 2. Install gravel surface in a safe location to provide access to site; 3. Remove vegetation that surrounds identified tree; and 4. Install sign with narrative depicting historical significance of site. <p>Plan of Scope of works to be discussed at Council Workshop in October 2024.</p>
23 January 2024	CC01 ENERGY PURCHASE AGREEMENT - HUNTER JOINT ORGANISATIONS OF COUNCILS	PO	141541	24/022	<p>RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Simon Croce and Christine Stead that:</p> <p>(a) Council agree to accept the proposal from Hunter Joint Organisation to tender for the purchase of power for Council's large sites and unmetered streetlighting.</p>	<p>05/02/2024: HJO have been advised. Further report to follow.</p> <p>18/03/2024: Report presented to Council 26/03/2024.</p> <p>02/04/2024: HJO advised of Council's resolution.</p>

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					(b) A further report be submitted for Council for consideration following the completion of stage one (1) of the procurement process as referred to in this report to determine; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. The percentage of energy from renewable sources. ii. The delegation of authority to the General Manager to accept or decline a contract with the preferred tenderer as determined by the Power Purchasing Agreement Steering Committee. 	20/05/2024: Hunter JO to provide final electricity tender figures to Council.
12 December 2023	CCMM01 REVIEW OF LAKE WYANGAN FLOOD STUDY AND FLOODPLAIN RISK MANAGEMENT PLAN	DU	140281	23/317	RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Christine Stead and Glen Andrezza that Council authorise the General Manager to progress action with regard to the review of the Lake Wyangan Flood Study and Floodplain Risk Management Plan, in accordance with this Report.	<p>15/01/2024: Consultancy brief being prepared for tender.</p> <p>04/03/2024: Brief in preparation.</p> <p>18/03/2024: Tender documentation released on Vendor Panel. Tenders close 1 May 2024.</p> <p>20/05/2024: Report to Council meeting 28 May 2024.</p> <p>03/06/2024: Letter sent to successful consultant.</p> <p>01/07/2024: Matter included on the Agenda for August Floodplain Management Committee meeting.</p>
14 November 2023	CL02 THARBOGANG TENNIS CLUB DEMOLITION	CPO	139227	23/260	RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Shari Blumer and Melissa Marin that:	04/12/2023: Council has included in the current budget 2023/24 approximately \$6,500 to part fund the demolition of the building.

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					<p>(a) Council to seek Crown Reserve Improvement Fund funding and if successful in receiving the grant monies then the demolition of the Tharbogang Tennis Club and other infrastructure situated on the Public Reserve can proceed.</p> <p>(b) Council confirm its intention to demolish the Tharbogang Tennis Club facility and Council to then re-engage with the Tharbogang Community to advise of the available funds and Council's decision to demolish the disused Tennis Club building.</p>	<p>Application has been made for further funding to complete the project. Grant funding body to advise outcome in approximately May 2024. Community meeting to be held February 2024.</p> <p>04/03/2024: Tharbogang Public School has been contacted seeking confirmation of suitable date for meeting.</p> <p>06/05/2024: Two dates (22 May and 30 May 2024 5:30pm – 6:30pm) as options for meeting have been submitted to the school. Awaiting a response.</p> <p>20/05/2024: Date of meeting confirmed for 19 June 2024.</p> <p>01/07/2024: Meeting to be rescheduled and will be held at the Tharbogang Primary School. Tharbogang community will be informed of the meeting through the local store, post office box letter drop to residents and social media.</p>
24 October 2023	CL03 CLOSURE OF KOOYOO STREET STAGE 1 - BANNA AVENUE TO BANNA LANE	DIO	138463	23/255	<p>RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Glen Andreazza and Chris Sutton that Council authorise the General Manager to apply to Transport for NSW to permanently close Kooyoo Street, Griffith from Banna Avenue to Banna Lane for the purpose of motor vehicle access.</p>	<p>06/11/2023: Contact made with TfNSW. Report being prepared for consideration of Traffic Committee.</p> <p>15/01/2024: Traffic Committee approved at meeting held 12 December 2023.</p> <p>05/02/2024: Works will be implemented to finalise the closure.</p>

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						<p>04/03/2024: Bollards will be ordered during March 2024 and scheduled for installation.</p> <p>06/05/2024: Bollard installation has been delayed to ensure most suitable product is used.</p> <p>20/05/2024: Bollards have been ordered.</p> <p>01/07/2024: Bollards have been received and will be installed by 12/07/2024.</p>
12 September 2023	CC02 NON RATEABLE ASSESSMENTS, SPORTING CLUBS AND COMMUNITY ORGANISATIONS SUBSIDIES	DBC&F	137019	23/221	<p>RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Glen Andrezza and Laurie Testoni that:</p> <p>(a) The information be noted.</p> <p>(b) The Rates – Payment by Community Organisations Policy be reviewed and presented to Council at a later date.</p>	<p>03/10/2023: Policy to be reported to Council March Quarter 2024.</p> <p>04/03/2024: Policy to be reported to April 2024 Council Meeting.</p> <p>06/05/2024: Policy to be reported to July 2024.</p>
12 July 2022	NOTICE OF MOTION – COUNCILLOR TESTONI – YENDA MASTERPLAN	GM	119905	22/167	<p>RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Laurie Testoni and Glen Andrezza that:</p> <p>(a) Council undertake a master planning exercise for the village of Yenda. Factors such as future residential sub divisions, lifestyle blocks and rural residential to be considered along with future amenities for the village, such as sporting infrastructure to be considered. With a number of major projects nearing completion the time is right to focus on what opportunities are there for our region with growth and development. Yenda has a</p>	<p>01/08/2022: This matter will be scheduled for discussion at Council Workshop 16 August 2022.</p> <p>05/09/2022: Council to submit an application to NSW Department of Planning and Environment for grant funding under Regional Housing Strategic Planning Fund Round 1 to complete a Yenda Masterplan. Application close 30 September 2022.</p> <p>04/10/2022: Grant application submitted.</p>

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				<p>lot of potential for growth and by investigating strategies for the future it would benefit the growth on not only the village but that of the ever expanding Griffith City limits. It would be important for community engagement and with the next Community Opinion Group meeting to be held in Yenda it is a great opportunity for Griffith City Council to engage with community.</p> <p>(b) Council schedule a Councillor Workshop to refine the scope of the Master Plan.</p> <p>(c) Staff prepare the scoping document and report to Council for consideration of source of budget resources, time line, amendment and adoption of scoping document.</p>	<p>03/01/2023: NSW Government advised the Grant application successful on 30 November 2022. Expressions of Interests invited to coordinate and undertake the Yenda Masterplan.</p> <p>13/02/2023: Tender awarded to CBRE.</p> <p>01/05/2023: Site inspection and survey completed. Landowner, MI and staff consultation completed. Draft Masterplan presentation to 20 June Council Workshop.</p> <p>17/07/2023: Draft Masterplan to go to Council in September/October 2023.</p> <p>03/10/2023: Draft Masterplan to go to Council 14 November 2023.</p> <p>06/11/2023: Draft Masterplan to go to Council Meeting in December 2023.</p> <p>04/12/2023: Draft Masterplan to go to Council Meeting in February 2024.</p> <p>15/01/2024: Report to March 2024 Council Meeting.</p> <p>18/03/2024: Council Meeting for 14 May 2024.</p> <p>06/05/2024: Consultant engineers will be invited to address Councillors at Council Workshop on 18 June 2024 regarding engineering</p>
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						challenges with respect to management of drainage. 01/07/2024: Meeting being arranged with property owner of Stage 1 of the Masterplan.
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Council Meeting Date	MEETING ITEM	Action Officer	CRM No.	Minute No.	Council Resolution	Additional Information
28 May 2024	<p>MINUTES OF THE LAKE WYANGAN & CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 15 MAY 2024</p> <p>DRAFT PLAN OF MANAGEMENT – LAKE WYANGAN</p>	CPO	146292 /2024	24/156	<p>RECOMMENDED on the motion of Tom Mackerras and Frank Battistel that:</p> <p>(a) Council refer the Draft Plan of Management for Lake Wyangan, incorporating Jack Carson Wildlife Reserve (Crown Reserve 159017) and North Lake Wyangan (Crown Reserve 1002998) to the Minister administering the Crown Land Management Act 2016 for approval.</p> <p>(b) Upon approval of the Minister administering the Crown Land Management Act 2016 Council amends the Draft Plan of Management Lake Wyangan if required, and place it on public exhibition as per Section 38 of the Local Government Act 1993.</p> <p>(c) Native Title advice has been approved.</p> <p>(d) A report be presented to Council to adopt the final Plan of Management for Lake Wyangan on completion of the exhibition period, to consider all submissions.</p>	<p>28/05/2024: Draft PoM emailed to Councillors.</p> <p>03/06/2024: Sent to Minister for approval to be exhibited.</p>
28 May 2024	CL02 DRAFT PLAN OF MANAGEMENT - SOUTH-WEST	CPO	146289 /2024	24/154	<p>RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Christine Stead and Shari Blumer that:</p> <p>(a) Council refers the draft Plan of Management for South-West</p>	<p>03/06/2024: Sent to Minister for approval to be exhibited.</p>

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	<p>GRIFFITH PRECINCT PARKS</p>				<p>Griffith Precinct Parks to the Minister administering the Crown Land Management Act 2016 for approval. Property details being Crown Reserves Griffith Regional Sports Centre (66750), Beilby Park (74741), Kooragee Park (77295), Willow Park, Venetian Park, I.O.O F Park and City Park (Prt R.81439), Yarrabee Park (90788) and Perre Park (90942) together with Council owned land Borland Leckie Park, Yawarra Three Ways Park, Burley Griffin Community Gardens, Public Reserve Park, Locklea Park, Cappello Close and Lanza Grove Public Reserve</p> <p>(b) Upon approval from the Minister administering the Crown Land Management Act 2016 Council amends the draft Plan of Management for South-West Griffith Precinct Parks if required, and places it on public exhibition as per Section 38 of the Local Government Act 1993.</p> <p>(c) Native Title advice has been provided.</p> <p>(d) A report be presented to Council to adopt the final Plan of Management for South-West Griffith Precinct Parks on completion of the public exhibition period, to consider all submissions.</p>	
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28 May 2024	CL01 DRAFT PLAN OF MANAGEMENT - GRIFFITH CBD PRECINCT	CPO	146288	24/153	<p>RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Shari Blumer and Melissa Marin that:</p> <p>(a) Council refer the Draft Plan of Management for the Griffith CBD Precinct Crown Reserves to the Minister administering the Crown Land Management Act 2016 for approval. Property details being R.74539 – Lot 1 Sec 43 DP758476 (Visitor's Centre and Carpark and Old Bowling Club) R.83521 – Lot 1 DP 87811 (Carpark Visitor's Centre) R.61588 – Lots 2 & 4 Sec 8 DP 758476 and Lot 7 Sec 9 DP 758476 (CWA Park and Memorial Park) R.159000 – Lots 2 & 8 Sec 9 DP 758476 (Griffith Library) R.85064 – Lots 19 & 20 Sec 7 DP 758476 and Lot 1 DP 1272062 (Banna Park) R.82722 – Lots 1, 8-9 Sec 15 DP 758476 (Couchman Carpark) R.1003025 – Lot 1 DP 1035387(Aquatic Centre).</p> <p>(b) Upon approval of the Minister administering the Crown Land Management Act 2016 Council amends the Draft Plan of Management for the Griffith CBD Precinct Crown Reserves if required, and place it on public exhibition as per Section 38 of the Local Government Act 1993.</p>	03/06/2024: Sent to Minister for approval to be exhibited.
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					<p>(c) Native Title advice has been provided.</p> <p>(d) A report be presented to Council to adopt the final Plan of Management for the Griffith CBD Precinct Crown Reserves on completion of the exhibition period, to consider all submissions.</p>	
23 April 2024	CL03 DRAFT PLAN OF MANAGEMENT - MISCELLANEOUS CROWN RESERVES	CPO	144994	24/115	<p>RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Christine Stead and Laurie Testoni that:</p> <p>(a) Council refer the Draft Plan of Management for the Miscellaneous Crown Reserves, Kart Club - Reserve 64662 (Lot 96 DP 756035), Wumbulgal Recreation Reserve – Reserve 64911 (Lot 106 DP 751679), Rankins Springs Camping Area – Reserve 65432 (lot 7003 DP 1001194) and Dave Wallace Range – Reserve 1003005 (Lot 2 DP 48802) to the Minister administering the Crown Land Management Act 2016 for approval.</p> <p>(b) Upon approval from the Minister administering the Crown Land Management Act 2016 Council amends the Draft Plan of Management for Miscellaneous Crown Reserves if required, and place it on public exhibition as</p>	20/05/2024: Awaiting approval from Minister.

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					<p>per Section 38 of the Local Government Act 1993.</p> <p>(c) Native Title advice has been provided.</p> <p>(d) A report be presented to Council to adopt the final Plan of Management for the Miscellaneous Crown Reserves on completion of the exhibition period, to consider all submissions.</p>	
23 April 2024	CL05 DRAFT PLAN OF MANAGEMENT - BAGTOWN CEMETERY	CPO	144997	24/117	<p>RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Dino Zappacosta and Laurie Testoni that:</p> <p>(a) Council refer the Draft Plan of Management for the Bagtown Historic Cemetery - Crown Reserve 52849 (Part Lot 731 DP 751709) to the Minister administering the Crown Land Management Act 2016 for approval.</p> <p>(b) Upon approval of the Minister administering the Crown Land Management Act 2016 Council amends the Draft Plan of Management for the Bagtown Historic Cemetery and place it on public exhibition as per Section 38 of the Local Government Act 1993.</p> <p>(c) Native Title advice has been provided.</p> <p>(d) A report be presented to Council to adopt the final Plan of Management for Bagtown Historic Cemetery on</p>	06/05/2024: Awaiting approval from Minister.

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					completion of the exhibition period, to consider all submissions.	
12 December 2023	CL04 COMPULSORY ACQUISITION - AFFECTING LOT 27 DP751709 - BEAUMONT ROAD, HANWOOD - HANWOOD LEVY	CPO	140274	23/303	<p>RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Glen Andrezza and Melissa Marin that:</p> <p>(a) Council approves the acquisition of Crown Land, shown as Lot 1 DP 1296073 in Plan of Acquisition affecting Lot 27 DP 751709 under the provisions of the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991 for the purposes of the Local Government Act 1993 Section 186.</p> <p>(b) Council make application to the Minister and/or Governor of the Local Government Act 1993 for approval to acquire Lot 1 DP 1296073 as shown in plan of acquisition affecting Lot 27 DP 751709 by compulsory acquisition process under Section 187 of the Local Government Act 1993.</p> <p>(c) Council continues to negotiate with Department of Planning & Environment to acquire the land by agreement, or as determined by the Valuer General as defined in Section 55 of the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991.</p> <p>(d) Following receipt of the Governor's approval, Council</p>	<p>15/01/2024: Application preparation in progress.</p> <p>03/06/2024: Application submitted.</p>

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					<p>give effect to the acquisition by publication of an Acquisition Notice in the NSW Government Gazette and such other publication as may be required by law.</p> <p>(e) Upon acquisition of the land, Council resolves to classify the acquired land as operational land pursuant to Section 31 of the Local Government Act 1993.</p> <p>(f) Council pay compensation to all interest holders entitled to compensation by virtue of the compulsory acquisition on the terms set out in the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991.</p> <p>(g) Council delegate authority to the General Manager to execute the documents on behalf of Council under the Common Seal if required.</p>	
12 December 2023	CL05 COMPULSORY ACQUISITION - AFFECTING LOT 7322 DP1164483, MALLEE STREET, HANWOOD - WATER DRAINAGE WORKS	CPO	140275	23/304	<p>RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Glen Andreatza and Melissa Marin that:</p> <p>(a) Council approves the acquisition of Crown Land, shown as Lot 1 DP 1295951 in Plan of Acquisition affecting Lot 7322 DP 1164483 under the provisions of the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991 for the purposes of the Local Government Act 1993 Section 186.</p>	<p>15/01/2024: Application preparation in progress.</p> <p>03/06/2024: Application submitted.</p>

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					<p>(b) Council make application to the Minister and/or Governor of the Local Government Act 1993 for approval to acquire Lot 1 DP 1295951 as shown in plan of acquisition affecting Lot 7322 DP 1164483 by compulsory acquisition process under Section 187 of the Local Government Act 1993.</p> <p>(c) Council continues to negotiate with Department of Planning & Environment to acquire the land by agreement, or as determined by the Valuer General as defined in Section 55 of the Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991.</p> <p>(d) Following receipt of the Governor's approval, Council give effect to the acquisition by publication of an Acquisition Notice in the NSW Government Gazette and such other publication as may be required by law.</p> <p>(e) Upon acquisition of the land, Council resolves to classify the acquired land as operational land pursuant to Section 31 of the Local Government Act 1993.</p> <p>(f) Council pay compensation to all interest holders entitled to compensation by virtue of the compulsory acquisition on the terms set out in the Land</p>	
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					Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991. (g) Council delegate authority to the General Manager to execute the documents on behalf of Council under the Common Seal if required.	
14 February 2023	CL03 PCYC PROPOSAL TO ERECT AND FITOUT AN INTEGRATED GYMNASIICS AND COVERED OUTDOOR MULTI-SPORTS COMPETITION FACILITY - OLYMPIC STREET, GRIFFITH	GM	128874	22/034	<p>RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Jenny Ellis and Simon Croce that:</p> <p>(a) Council endorse in principle the lease of (Part Lot 1 DP1272062. Crown Reserve 85064, 3 Olympic Street, Griffith) to PCYC NSW for a period of 20 years.</p> <p>(b) The annual lease fee be in accordance with Council’s adopted Revenue Policy (Schedule of Fees and Charges) as at the date of execution of the Lease. 2022/23 annual lease fee to Not for Profit Organisations is \$607.</p> <p>(c) PCYC pay all applicable costs and charges associated with the preparation of the lease agreement (this would include the survey plan preparation for leasing and registration fees if required). Also, an Administration Fee of \$481 (page 13 Revenue Policy) will be applicable.</p> <p>(d) Council communicate the above terms to PCYC NSW</p>	<p>06/03/2023: Letter written to PCYC advising terms of proposed lease. Letter of response received accepting terms. Proposed lease to be prepared by Council and publicly exhibited.</p> <p>4/07/2023: Council staff have obtained a quote for subdivision from PHL. Once the Survey Plan has been finalised a Two (2) Lot subdivision is required to create a Lot for PCYC and a Lot for the remaining land.</p> <p>31/07/2023: PCYC finalising planned subdivision.</p> <p>04/12/2023: Council seeking additional information from PCYC prior to lodgement of their DA.</p> <p>29/04/2024: PCYC contacted 24/4/24. PCYC considers current scope of project will exceed allocated budget. Currently reviewing scope to align with budget.</p>

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					<p>and subject to their agreement, Council advertise the proposed lease for a period of 28 days seeking public submissions.</p> <p>(e) All public submissions be reported to Council for consideration. Should no submissions be received, Council authorise the General Manager and the Mayor to sign the lease under Council seal.</p> <p>(f) Council progress the subdivision of the subject land and authorise the General Manager and Mayor the authority to sign documents under Council seal as required. All costs in relation to the subdivision to be paid by the PCYC NSW.</p>	PCYC anticipate lodging a DA with Council July 2024.”
22 February 2022	NOTICE OF MOTION – YOOGALI SHARED BICYCLE PATH	DIO	114000	22/057	<p>RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Simon Croce and Anne Napoli that:</p> <p>(a) Council consider the construction of the Griffith to Yoogali shared bicycle track as a priority.</p> <p>(b) Council undertake a full costing of the track and bridge as to facilitate funding opportunities to contribute towards the new construction.</p>	<p>14/03/2022: Funding estimate for Path and Bridge: \$1.4 million.</p> <p>100% funding request submitted to Transport for NSW Active Transport Program.</p> <p>16/01/2023: TfNSW has informed Council that its application for 2.5m shared pathway is unsuccessful. Council has been invited to make a submission to TfNSW Active Transport for</p>

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					<p>a 4.5m wide shared pathway for scoping and design. Submission lodged by Council.</p> <p>05/06/2023: Funding application successful. Design to commence.</p> <p>17/07/2023: Inception meeting scheduled for 18 August 2023. Project to be completed 20 June 2025.</p> <p>18/09/2023: Ongoing consultation being held with stakeholders.</p> <p>04/12/2023: Staff updated realignment of plans and have sent to TfNSW representatives for review. Draft tender documents have been prepared. Majority of vegetation removed on proposed pathway.</p> <p>04/03/2024: Tree removal nearing completion.</p> <p>18/03/2024: Tree clearing complete. Tenders for bridge to be called for in March 2024.</p> <p>06/05/2024: Tenders close on Monday, 13 May 2024. Councillor briefing Tuesday, 21 May 2024.</p> <p>03/06/2024: Report to Council 11 June 2024.</p>
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						17/06/2024: Contract awarded. Tenderer advised.
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