
**SCENIC HILL USER GROUP
TO BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, GRIFFITH ON
TUESDAY, 23 SEPTEMBER 2025 AT 12:00 PM**

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Quorum = 3

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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.

**SCENIC HILL USER GROUP
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, GRIFFITH ON
TUESDAY, 17 JUNE 2025 COMMENCING AT 12:03 PM**

PRESENT

Councillor Jenny Ellis (Chair), Denis Couch (Community Representative), Helen Vowles (Community Representative), Sally Bamblett (Community Representative), Timothy Ellis (Community Representative, via Zoom)

Quorum = 3

STAFF

Director Sustainable Development, Joe Rizzo, Director Economic & Organisational Development, Shireen Donaldson, Tourism Manager, Mirella Guidolin and Minute Secretary, Melanie Hebrok

1 APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillor Tony O'Grady, Councillor Laurie Testoni and Lachlan Weymouth.

Absent: Bruno Guidolin, Desma Newman and Ronald Anson.

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Denis Couch and Timothy Ellis that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 25 March 2025, having first been circulated amongst all members, be confirmed.

3 BUSINESS ARISING

3.1 Background

Councillor Ellis informed the Committee that when the Minutes were presented to Council, a question was asked whether adopting the Minutes would guarantee \$40,000 to be allocated to the Masterplan development. The Mayor advised that the Masterplan will be included as a budget bid which still needs to be formally adopted by Council when the final budget is adopted on 19 June.

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil

5 ITEMS OF BUSINESS

CL01 SCENIC HILL MAINTENANCE COUNCIL BUDGET

Mr Rizzo presented the information which was requested by the Committee, with two job numbers allocated to Scenic Hill - \$12,060 for Maintenance and Repairs and \$31,184 for Bi-Annual Clean Up and Removal Costs. In the current financial year, \$22.50 has been allocated to the Maintenance budget and so far, no money has been spent from the Clean Up and Removal budget. Mr Rizzo noted that this does not mean there have not been any clean up works on Scenic Hill but rather that those works may have been allocated to a different job number, possibly a general clean-up / rubbish removal budget. As Mr King had stated at a previous meeting, the Parks and Gardens department are carrying out regular clean ups at approximately \$6,000 per year.

Mr Ellis raised ongoing concerns regarding illegal rubbish dumping on Scenic Hill. In January, two nearby dump sites were reported to Council - one containing personal identification items, and another with large amounts of tree cuttings. Mr Ellis noted that despite submitting reports with photos and GPS data, only one report was traceable by Council staff. He followed up multiple times but was informed that although the matter had been referred to the Works Department, no action had been taken for over two months. A similar incident occurred 3–4 years ago, where rubbish remained uncollected for months despite repeated reports, and was eventually cleaned up by Mr Ellis. He suggested improvements to Council's reporting and tracking system to ensure better follow-up and accountability.

Ms Bamblett noted a similar illegal dumping incident that occurred either late last year or early this year, involving a dumped bedroom suite with smashed mirrors on a fire trail. After reporting the issue to Council and providing a map via email, the majority of the rubbish was promptly removed—likely using a grader. Some glass remained, which Ms Bamblett later collected. She acknowledged Council's responsive action in this case.

Mr Rizzo stated that unfortunately, Council does not always have the necessary resources available to carry out these tasks promptly when other, higher risk profile jobs would take priority.

Ms Donaldson acknowledged that the current customer request management system is outdated and ineffective however, she confirmed that funding has been identified within existing budgets to replace the system. The new system will offer features such as real-time tracking, immediate customer reference numbers, and a mobile app for submitting and monitoring requests. It will streamline workflows for both customers and staff, replacing the current manual and disconnected process. Implementation planning is currently underway.

Mr Couch highlighted the importance of maintaining clean areas to prevent repeat dumping. As an example, he cited the Rotary Lookout, which remains largely clean due to regular upkeep, including picking up litter like fast food wrappers several times a week. He also raised concerns about the ongoing burden on community service order workers, noting feedback about growing fatigue and the difficulty of staying on top of persistent dumping. He stressed the need for increased support and resources to effectively manage key dumping hotspots.

Ms Vowles raised concerns about a lack of communication and coordination regarding works taking place on Scenic Hill. She cited a recent incident involving significant earthworks behind her property, where she asked both Council and the RFS and neither knew about it. She confirmed later directly with the contractor that the works were RFS-related, highlighting confusion among agencies and Council staff. Ms Vowles proposed that Scenic Hill be included as a regular item in internal toolbox meetings or similar forums, so staff can stay informed and provide clear updates to the public.

Mr Rizzo acknowledged past communication issues and noted that he and Ms Donaldson joined the Committee to improve coordination. Job numbers for Scenic Hill have now been identified, enabling better tracking and planning of works. He suggested setting regular maintenance schedules that can be communicated to relevant departments. While the RFS does notify Council of activities, this information does not always reach Customer Service. Efforts are being made to improve internal communication to prevent future gaps.

Mr Ellis noted the presence of multiple burnt-out car wrecks on Scenic Hill in early 2023 and inquired about the removal process and associated costs. Mr Rizzo clarified that abandoned or burnt-out vehicles are managed by the Compliance Department under separate budgets. These costs are not reflected in the Scenic Hill job numbers. Removal follows a legally mandated process, including attempts to contact the owner, police notification, and notice placement, even if the vehicle is clearly inoperable.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Helen Vowles and Sally Bamblett that:

- a) The information be received.
- b) The Director of Infrastructure & Operations be asked to report back to the Committee regarding the current maintenance and clean up schedule for Scenic Hill and a program moving forward taking into account the budget numbers identified. .
- c) Any surplus funds from the 2024-25 budget for Scenic Hill be allocated back to the Committee for a targeted rubbish clean-up program to be determined within the next six months.

CL02 VISITOR FEEDBACK REGARDING HERMIT'S CAVE

The Committee noted recent feedback from visitors received by Councillors regarding the poor condition of the Hermit's Cave lookout area.

Mr Couch said in his opinion, the area is in such disrepair that it should be closed off to the public until vast improvements are undertaken.

The Chair asked staff about the timeline for new Hermit's Cave signage. Mr Rizzo advised that, following budget approval, Council will seek quotes from signage contractors, with installation likely dependent on availability—estimated at around six weeks. He also noted that once Mr King reports back on current available resources for Scenic Hill, the Committee can determine priorities for budget allocation. Not all desired projects may be achievable in one year and may need to be staged or submitted for future budget bids. In some cases, such as for infrastructure like guardrails, external contractors may be required.

Councillor Ellis stated that the next clause will ask members to form a working group to walk key sections of Scenic Hill and develop a detailed vision to help inform the Masterplan and guide future decisions.

Ms Vowles suggested enhancing community and school engagement on Scenic Hill through educational activities beyond rubbish collection. She proposed small-scale revegetation projects involving school groups, particularly in areas recently affected by burnouts, where new growth is emerging. She also inquired about the availability of provenance seeds for planting and noted the potential for educational sessions on ecological recovery and fire management.

Ms Donaldson suggested that, as part of the upcoming Masterplan, a clear community engagement and marketing strategy be developed. More than just anti-litter campaigns, the Committee could establish a structured calendar of events and initiatives. This would support more meaningful communication through existing channels like Council Café and COG meetings. Councillor Ellis proposed a community campaign focused on caring for Scenic Hill, involving schools and local groups in maintaining designated areas. The goal is to foster a

sense of ownership and pride in the area, encouraging ongoing care and discouraging littering. The initiative would extend beyond one-off clean-up events, promoting long-term community involvement rather than relying solely on Council.

The Committee discussed the possibility of reallocating unspent budget funds before the June 30 deadline. It was suggested that, pending clarification regarding current spend from Mr King, the funds could be rolled over and allocated to a targeted clean-up program later in the year, rather than attempting to rush works before the financial year ends. Members agreed that regeneration projects would require more planning and should be addressed through the Scenic Hill Master Plan. A clean up initiative was seen as a more immediate and feasible use of surplus funds. Part c) was added to the recommendation in CL01.

Mirella Guidolin left the meeting at 12:59 pm.

Mr Ellis reported recent sightings of vehicles off-track on Scenic Hill and raised concerns about illegal access by 4WDs. Barriers may help, but are often bypassed. Ongoing issues with bin vandalism, including burning, were noted. A suggestion was made to consider reinstating secure 44-gallon drum bins, though maintenance and illegal dumping remain concerns.

Mr Couch supported the use of trail cameras and signage to deter illegal dumping on Scenic Hill. He suggested focusing on high-traffic areas and installing additional bins, including at Rotary Lookout and encouraged the Committee to explore compliance strategies such as issuing fines to improve accountability and deter repeat offenders.

Mr Rizzo confirmed that Council owns trail cameras used for monitoring illegal dumping, but noted past issues with the equipment and lack of budget for replacements. He will investigate their effectiveness and current condition and report back to the Committee on whether they can be used for Scenic Hill compliance efforts.

Mr Ellis suggested refreshing existing surveillance signage on Scenic Hill and recommended targeted education efforts, particularly for non-English speaking residents, through multilingual signage or promoting proper waste disposal options via posters in shopping areas to reduce illegal dumping.

CL03 IDEAS FOR SCENIC HILL MASTERPLAN

Councillor Ellis discussed the need for a coordinated, long-term approach to address issues on Scenic Hill. She suggested a working group be formed to help shape the Scenic Hill Master Plan which would involve site visits and development of a brief to ensure key priorities are included in the \$40,000 budget allocation.

Mr Couch proposed establishing a communication platform to enable collaboration between meetings, suggesting the use of 'Groups.io'. This tool would allow members to share ideas, documents, and updates outside of quarterly meetings. It would operate independently of Council IT systems. Mr Couch offered to set up and moderate the group, pending Committee interest. He suggested invitations be sent to members for consideration.

Ms Donaldson noted that 'Groups.io' is free for 30 days, then costs \$20/month for full features - the free plan is basic email only. If the Committee chooses this platform, the \$220 yearly fee could be charged to the Scenic Hill budget.

Councillor Ellis will send out an invitation for Committee members to be involved in a working group and meet up on Scenic Hill in a couple of weeks to look at the main areas for the Masterplan.

Joe Rizzo left the meeting at 1:20 pm.

6 OUTSTANDING ACTION REPORT

6.1 Cat Containment

Ms Bamblett noted that the key issue identified is domestic cats roaming and impacting wildlife, rather than feral cats. She acknowledged that while community education is important, Council needs supportive policies to address the problem effectively. Examples from RSPCA and other organisations suggest measures such as mandatory cat registration, desexing bylaws, and 24-hour containment or curfews. It was noted that enforcement is limited under the Companion Animals Act, and community support is critical due to differing views among residents.

Ms Donaldson suggested to start with education and community surveys focused on suburbs around Scenic Hill to gauge support for containment policies, and promoting cat containment for both wildlife protection and cat safety.

Helen Vowles left the meeting at 1:27pm.

Action: Karin Penninga to lead coordination of the campaign with Council's Communications team and potential policy development moving forward.

7 GENERAL BUSINESS

7.1 Grant Opportunities

Mr Ellis suggested exploring a Landcare Grant to support planting more native vegetation on Scenic Hill. Councillor Ellis noted that once the Scenic Hill Master Plan is developed and replanting areas are identified, the Committee can better target relevant grants. Committee members are encouraged to share any grant information, including deadlines and details, to help coordinate future funding opportunities.

8 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Scenic Hill User Group is to be held on Tuesday, 23 September 2025 at 12:00 pm.

There being no further business the meeting terminated at 1:37 pm.

CLAUSE **CL01**

TITLE **Carryover of Funds - Scenic Hill Maintenance & Work**

FROM **Melanie Hebrok, Senior Governance Officer**

TRIM REF **25/82095**

SUMMARY

See attached email from Director Business, Cultural & Financial Services.

RECOMMENDATION

That the information be received.

ATTACHMENTS

(a) Email - Scenic Hill Budget [↓](#)

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From: Max Turner [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, 9 July 2025 9:15 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
Subject: Last nights Council meeting re Scenic Hill funds

Hi All,

In regards to last nights meeting and the resolution regarding the carryover of funds for Scenic Hill maintenance, I advise the following budgeted v actual figures;

Cost Centre – Scenic Hill Maintenance & Work

2024/25 Year		Budget	Actual spent	Net Avail to Carryover into 2025/26 year
064702.0177	Maintenance/Repairs	\$12,060	\$1,726	\$10,334
064702.0326	Biannual Clean up	\$31,184	\$113	\$31,071

2025/26 Year		Budget	Actual spent	Net Available
064702.0177	Maintenance/Repairs	\$12,442	\$0	\$12,442
064702.0326	Biannual Clean up	\$32,381	\$0	\$32,381

Therefore in accordance with the resolution adopted last night, I will arrange for Joemel to carryover the sums highlighted in yellow above and add these to the 2025/26 budget numbers so that the new budget for 2025/26 will be;

2025/26 Year		Budget	Adjustment J/V	Net Available
064702.0177	Maintenance/Repairs	\$12,442	\$10,334	\$22,776
064702.0326	Biannual Clean up	\$32,381	\$31,071	\$63,452

Joemel to post J/V forthwith.

Regards,

Max Turner
Director, Business, Cultural & Financial Services
[REDACTED]

CLAUSE **CL02**

TITLE **Scenic Hill Maintenance**

FROM **Phil King, Director Infrastructure and Operations**

TRIM REF **25/108966**

SUMMARY

The Director of Infrastructure & Operations was asked to report back to the Committee regarding the current maintenance and clean up schedule for Scenic Hill and a program moving forward taking into account the budget numbers identified.

RECOMMENDATION

Targeted clean-up be undertaken.

REPORT

The Scenic Hill User Group has requested a schedule of maintenance and clean up at Scenic Hill. The first part of this issue is to identify that Council staff are not allocated to Scenic Hill permanently.

Prior to 2021, the usual budget allocation to Scenic Hill was approximately \$6,000. This would equate to approximately 150 hours each calendar year to cleaning up the entire hill.

After 2021, Council had an increased budget allocation of \$31,000 to a bi-annual clean-up which was used to hire temporary casuals for cleaning up for a fortnight, under the supervision of a Council staff member. Each time this activity was undertaken any rubbish that could be picked up by hand was picked up across the escarpment from the eastern border with Rifle Range Road to Remembrance Drive on the western side.

In 2024/25, in response to requests from the Scenic Hill User Group, the allocation for maintenance and repairs was doubled from \$6,000 to \$12,000. Although disappointingly, the budget allocation was not spent. Typically resources are prioritised firstly on sporting grounds and playgrounds, then parks, reserves, roadsides and lastly bushland.

During the 2025/26 budget deliberations, Council agreed to carry over funds from the 2024/25 budget and into the 2025/26 budget.

The allocated budget for Scenic Hill Maintenance & Work 2025/26 is \$86,228.

The Committee must be advised there are restrictions on how this allocation can be spent, although it is recommended that a targeted clean up can be undertaken across the hill to provide a clean slate.

There is continued evidence of illegal dumping, although this is not the primary contribution to litter on the hill. As has been previously discussed by this Committee, the plethora of takeaway containers that are left on the hill is the single largest item.

The Committee might like to consider:

- Completing a litter survey
- Restricting vehicular access to certain lookout and “parking” areas
- Requesting a permanent part time specific staff allocation to the lookout.

It should be noted that providing more bins on the hill does not result in less litter on the ground. Council has regularly observed that bins without visual surveillance become sites for household rubbish dumping and further still unwanted waste such as offal, seafood waste and other types.

Counterintuitively, the removal of some bins from parks have resulted in less litter and creates a “take it with you” attitude.

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

This item links to Council’s Strategic Plan item 6.1 Provide, renew and maintain a range of quality infrastructure, assets, services and facilities. and 4.8 Improve the aesthetic of the City and villages by developing quality places and improved public realm that supports active, healthy and inclusive communities.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

CLAUSE **CL03**

TITLE **Formation of Focus Groups for Scenic Hill Masterplan**

FROM **Jenny Ellis, Councillor**

TRIM REF **25/108288**

SUMMARY

The Scenic Hill Advisory Group has identified six key areas of focus for the Scenic Hill Masterplan. To make best use of the expertise and connections within the Committee, smaller focus groups are proposed to research, engage stakeholders, and prepare recommendations for Council.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee:

- (a) Endorse the creation of six focus groups.**
- (b) Appoint a leader and supporting members for each group.**
- (c) Task each group with providing draft recommendations to this Committee, for inclusion in the Scenic Hill Masterplan.**

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LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

This item links to Council's Strategic Plan item 1.2 Actively engage with and seek direction from our community and stakeholders.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

CLAUSE **CL04**

TITLE **Acceptance of Walkshop Reports and Review of Draft EOI**

FROM **Jenny Ellis, Councillor**

TRIM REF **25/108303**

SUMMARY

Two community workshops were held on 5 July and 23 August 2025 to gather observations, ideas, and feedback on the future of Scenic Hill. These workshops were attended by members of the Scenic Hill User Group and other stakeholders.

The Chair has prepared a consolidated report summarising the outcomes, including key infrastructure ideas, environmental challenges, cultural considerations, and potential opportunities for inclusion in the Scenic Hill Masterplan.

A draft Expression of Interest (EOI) document for the development of a Scenic Hill Masterplan has also been prepared, drawing on the outcomes of the workshops. Before progressing further, the Committee is asked to review the draft EOI and consider whether any additional scope items or stakeholders should be included in the consultation process.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee:

- (a) Receive and accept the Chair's report on the Scenic Hill workshops held on 5 July and 23 August 2025.**
- (b) Note that the report will serve as a foundation document for the development of the Scenic Hill Masterplan and guide the work of the newly formed focus groups.**
- (c) Review the draft Expression of Interest (EOI) for the Scenic Hill Masterplan, and provide feedback on:**
 - i. Additional items to be included in the Scope of Works.**
 - ii. Additional stakeholders to be engaged in the consultation process.**

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Decision Required:

- Acceptance of the Chair's walkshop report.
- Feedback and endorsement of the draft EOI (with amendments as agreed).

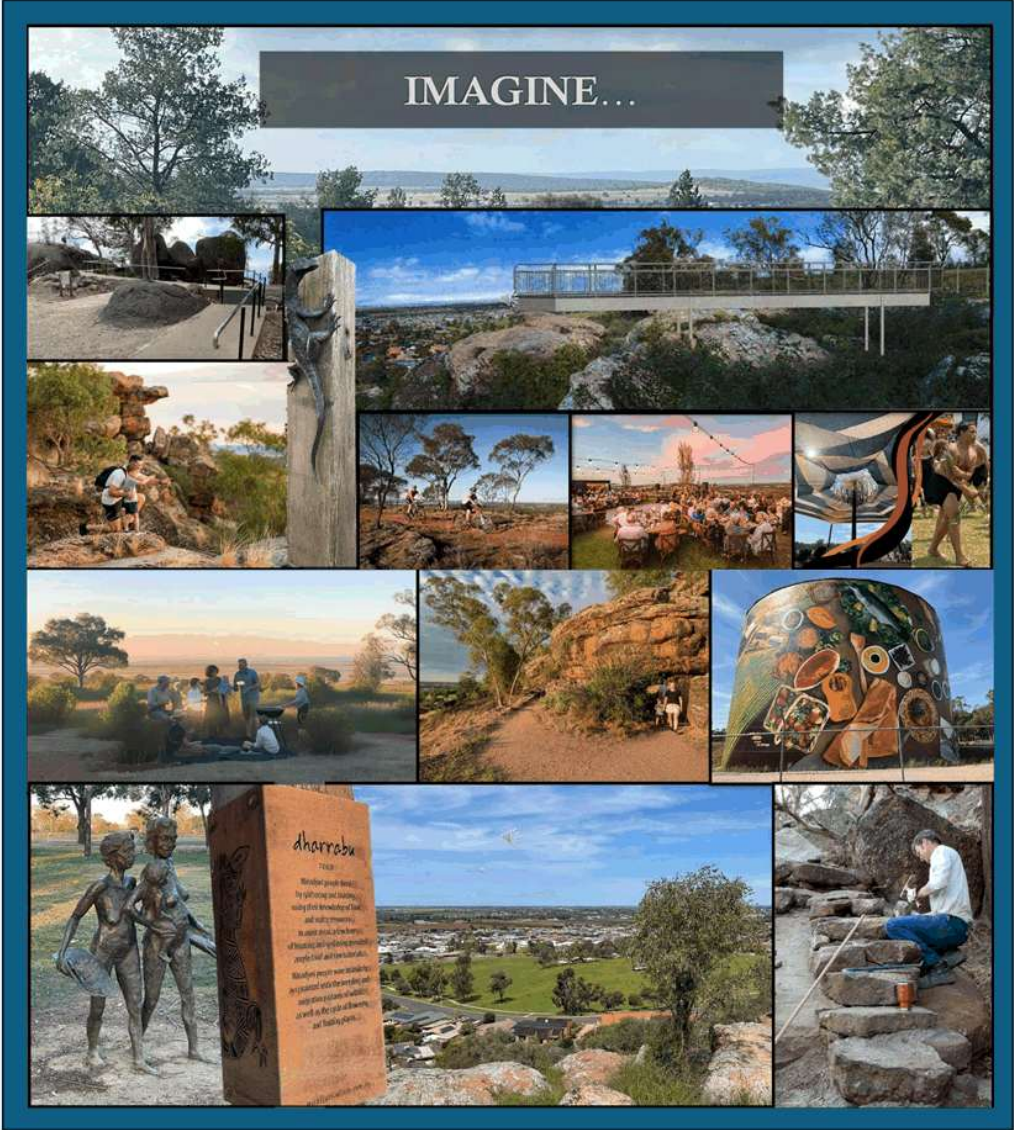
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ATTACHMENTS

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| (a) | Walkshop Report ↓ | 15 |
| (b) | Scenic Hill Masterplan RFQ and Scope of Works ↓ | 23 |

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Scenic Hill Masterplan Suggestions

(Information collected at a couple of “walkshops” held by the Scenic Hill Advisory Group Committee on 5th July and 23rd August 2025.)

Scope of Works

This plan covers the area from the water tank mural at the corner of Remembrance Drive and Scenic Drive to the Hermits Cave precinct.

Key Infrastructure Ideas and Input

- Water Tank Mural: Installation of lighting, historical information, and a designated viewing area.
- Pioneer Park: Addressed by a separate committee and masterplan.
- Lookouts: Five identified lookout points (refer to maps and images), including the Hermits Cave lookout.
- Hermits Cave Precinct
- Walking Tracks and Signage
- Wiradjuri Cultural Centre and Event Space: Located on land next to Pioneer Park.

Global Issues

- Rubbish accumulation
- Infestation of prickly pear and other weeds
- Containment of domestic cats
- Protection of endangered local flora and fauna
- Recognition of Aboriginal history on Scenic Hill
- Preservation of modern history and landmark identification
- Expansion of recreational opportunities (Maintenance of tracks for jogging and mountain biking)
- Management of motorbike and car access
- Aboriginal Land Claims on much of the Hill.

Project Details

Water Tank Mural

This project, already funded in the 2025/26 budget, is not under this committee’s purview. However, it could serve as the starting point for a historical trail, incorporating features like QR codes or audio presentations.

Pioneer Park

While Pioneer Park is addressed by another committee, future increased use of the Hill may justify the addition of a kiosk or coffee bar.

Lookouts

Objective: Enhance lookouts to make them safer and more inviting for tourists and locals, encourage gatherings and discourage littering from parked vehicles.



Rotary Lookout

- The primary stop for visitors viewing Griffith
- Potential starting point for a circular walkway connecting to Hermits Cave and back
- Opportunities for a Welcome to Country display
- Comprehensive signage for all walks, including difficulty and estimated time
- Seating, yarning circle, BBQ facilities, and native landscaping
- Currently owned and managed by Crown Land; designated as a trigonometry site, which will need revision
- Existing infrastructure is outdated; metal lookout frame requires safety assessment
- Interest from Rotary clubs and other community groups in land stewardship
- Denis Couch's regular mowing and rubbish collection (2-3 times per week) have greatly improved the site's appearance (refer to before-and-after photos above)



Lookout 2 ("Old Tip" or Unofficial Lookout)

- Second lookout along Scenic Drive; multiple entry points
- Highest amount of rubbish dumped by vehicles
- Offers a wide, 180-degree view of Griffith and surroundings
- Great view for marking local landmarks
- Large, open area suitable for a recreational park, BBQ, and compost toilet facilities
- Challenges include too many entrances, broken fencing, and historical use as a landfill (may limit building options)
- Not subject to an Aboriginal Land Claim

Lookout 3



Lookouts Three, Four, and Five

- Smaller points, ideal for picnic tables, seating, and bins
- Improved road entrances with gravel to create a more official feel
- Potential for yarning circles, sculptures, and storyboards
- Signage to warn of hazards on rocks
- Less litter, but vehicle management may still be required – consider blocking car access



Lookout 4



Lookout 5



Ron Anson on the rock he was married on 22 years ago (lookout 5)

Hermits Cave Lookout



Current with two suggestions

- Primary tourist attraction in Griffith and the site with the most complaints
- Requires an accessible lookout for elderly and wheelchair users
- New signage funded in the 2025/26 budget
- Ongoing issue with rubbish

Hermit's Cave Precinct

- All signage updated, including directions and walk warnings
- QR codes link to historical photos and narration
- Pathway and stairs to main house repaired
- Circular path to Rotary Lookout with time/ability signs
- Entrance accessibility studied for disabled and elderly from below.
- More bins added
- Additional seating considered
- Heritage NSW Grant available from 2028



Walking tracks and signage

- Select and clear one circular track from Rotary Lookout (or water tank mural) to Hermit's Cave.
- Install signs with directions, walking times, and difficulty levels.
- Add interpretive signs about local flora, history, and Aboriginal heritage.
- Place art installations or sculptures, possibly using leftover centenary granite.
- Provide seating donated by locals and community groups.
- See examples below:



Existing circular track



Example of local Wiradjuri inspired signage from Cocoparra National Park



Example of path and seating



Wiradjuri inspired artwork and yarning circle examples from Forbes NSW

Granite sculpture from Griffith Centenary

Wiradjuri Cultural Centre of Excellence/ Event Space

- “Highest hanging fruit”
- Partnership with GLALC
- On land next to Pioneer Park
- Crown Land earmarked for Museum/ Botanical Garden
- Aboriginal Land Claim is currently over the land.
- Great opportunities for Indigenous Tourism, Events, Indigenous inspired restaurant, Bush tucker plantings etc.
- Rangers could do tours of walks across Scenic Hill.



Stunning view from the land over canola fields out to Cocoparra



Example of a Wagga Wagga business that offers a similar view and experience
“Food I Am”



Home

Cultural Tours

Bush Tucker & Catering



Indigenous Cultural Adventures in Orange offer a business model that could be used here in Griffith

Global Issues

Rubbish Accumulation

- Most litter appears to be left by individuals arriving by car. Fast food wrappers are commonly found at the “Old Tip” Lookout, which has three entrances and multiple tracks suitable for parking vehicles. This area currently lacks rubbish bins, cameras, and signs indicating fines. On the opposite side of the hill, garden and household waste is sometimes deposited along fire trails that are accessible to the public due to the absence of gates. Signs warning of fines are often damaged or missing.
- Council clean-ups are scheduled to occur twice a year, but the committee has not been informed of any council-managed clean-up events for several years, during which time the relevant budget remains unspent.
- Some community groups and residents have organised their own clean-up activities, though litter is sometimes observed at cleaned sites soon after these efforts.

Suggestions:

- Implement an education campaign targeting schools, the wider community, and migrant groups. Involve fast food venues in campaign?
- Improve signage regarding fines.
- Increase accountability and enforcement of fines for those who litter.
- Provide more bins.
- Design bin lids with wider openings.
- Restrict access to fire trails to prevent unauthorised vehicle entry.
- Reduce the number of entrances at Old Tip Lookout.
- Maintain and enhance lookouts to encourage greater use by the local community and visitors, potentially reducing informal parking.
- Establish a volunteer roster involving schools, service groups, sports clubs, and families to support ongoing clean-up efforts and foster a culture where littering is discouraged. Explore similar programs eg City of Hobart’s Bushcare Program.
- Apply for an EPA grant (Due March 2026).
- Install CCTV cameras in high-risk locations.
- Increase lighting in targeted areas.



Rubbish at “old tip” parking spot



Hole too small for those trying to clean up area



Damaged signs warning of illegal dumping



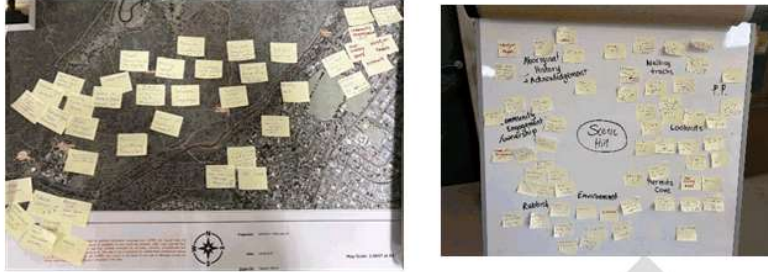
Example of gate that gives access to RFS and authorised vehicles



Dumped household items, and garden refuse, reported in January still there in August 2025.



Other Suggestions and notes from Walkshops:



- Seek input from local agencies: Murrumbidgee Landcare, Riverina Local Land Services, Bush Heritage Australia, Murrumbidgee Field Naturalists, Wires.
- Investigate tourism possibilities: ecotours, Indigenous Tourism, Local History tours
- Wiradjuri Rangers/ Wiradjuri walk, with signage to show both flora/fauna and Aboriginal History at the site
- The hill possesses both contemporary narratives and historical significance that can be communicated, which may serve to foster a sense of ownership among local residents.
- Work with GLALC
- Investigate places where new native plantings would be recommended
- Investigate the possibility of planting endangered species of trees.
- Continue to work with State Government in regards to cat containment policies. Run an education campaign on the benefit of keeping domestic cats indoors.
- Clean up the following directional monument (on separate part of hill)




Griffith City Council

Request for Quotation (RFQ)

Scenic Hill Masterplan

Project Name:	Scenic Hill Masterplan
Location:	Griffith City Council

Lodgement details:

Closing Time:	4.00pm
Closing Date	14 November 2025
Lodgement:	Email submission to admin@griffith.nsw.gov.au

Council Contact Person:

Name:	Joe Rizzo
Position:	Director Sustainable Development
Telephone:	1300 176 077
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Address:	PO Box 485 Griffith NSW 2680

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1. GENERAL INFORMATION

1.1 Purpose of this RFQ

Griffith City Council (hereby known as the 'Council') seeks professional services from a service provider to prepare a masterplan for Scenic Hill.

1.2 Griffith City Council's Contact Person

Any requests for information concerning this RFQ should be made to the contact person nominated on the cover of this RFQ. Any information given to a Contractor to clarify any aspect of this RFQ will also be given to all other Contractors if in the Council's opinion the information would unfairly favour the inquiring Contractor over other Contractors.

Contractors should notify the Council's Contact Person in writing on or before the Closing Date and Time if they find any discrepancy, error or omission in this RFQ.

1.3 The Council's discretion

- The Council may change any details in this RFQ or issue an Addendum.
- Council reserves the right to modify the prepared document and retains ownership of material contained in detailed engineering plans.
- The Council may discontinue the RFQ process at any point for any reason, without making a determination regarding acceptance or rejection of any Quotes.
- The Council may invite fresh quotes based on the same or different criteria.
- The Council is not bound to accept the lowest or any Quote.
- The Council has discretion whether or not to accept Quotes which do not comply with all of the requirements of the RFQ documents, or which contain conditions or qualifications.
- The Council may enter direct negotiations with one or more preferred Contractors.

1.4 Work Health & Safety

The Contractor must conduct its own assessments and investigations regarding the work health and safety of all persons affected by the services sought under this RFQ. The successful Contractor (if any) will be required to comply with the Work Health & Safety Act 2011, any related regulations and codes of practice, and any directions, policies and guidelines given by the Council.



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2. LODGEMENT

2.1 Instructions for Contractors

- Contractors must read all parts of this RFQ document and submit all required information.
- A Contractor must satisfy itself that the Quote, including the quote price is correct, and that it is financially and practically viable for the Contractor to enter into and perform the proposed contract if it were chosen to do so by the Council.
- All pricing information provided in the quote must be **inclusive of GST**. GST must be separately identified in the quoted prices. All prices must be quoted in Australian dollars.
- Contractors must provide any attachments to their Quotes clearly labelled and cross-referenced.

2.2 Extension to Closing Date and Time

The Council may, in its discretion, extend the Closing Date and Time.

2.3 Late Quotes

The Council may consider late quotes where the Council is satisfied that the integrity and competitiveness of the RFQ process has not been compromised.

2.4 Electronic Lodgement

If the method of lodgement stated on the cover of this RFQ includes electronic lodgement, quotes submitted electronically will be treated in accordance with the Electronic Transactions Act 2000 (NSW), and given the highest level of confidentiality and probity.

Quotes are to be submitted to: admin@griffith.nsw.gov.au

2.5 Minimum Validity Period

All Quotes must remain valid for a minimum of 90 days from the Closing Date.

2.6 Further information

The Council may request a Contractor to provide further information after the Closing Date to assist the evaluation process. The Contractor should submit such information in the format and by the time requested.

2.7 Variation of Quotes

At any time before the Council accepts a Quote, a Contractor may vary its Quote by providing the Council with further information by way of explanation or to correct a mistake (so long as the original Quote is not substantially altered or the Contractor is not given an unfair advantage over other Contractors). The Council may provide all other Contractors whose Quotes have similar characteristics with the opportunity of varying their Quotes in a similar way.

2.8 Evaluation of Quotes

Evaluation will be conducted to identify the quote that best meet the Council's requirements and represent the best value for money for the Council.



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3. OUTCOME

3.1 Negotiations

Before making any determination as to acceptance or rejection of Quotes the Council may, at its discretion, elect to conduct limited negotiation with preferred Contractors or a preferred Contractor.

3.2 Public disclosure

The Council may be required to publicly disclose details of any Quotes submitted in response to the RFQ, and details of any contract awarded, in accordance with the Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009.

4. Project Specifications / Scope of Works

4.1 BACKGROUND

Griffith City is a thriving regional capital located in the Murrumbidgee Irrigation Area with a vibrant lifestyle and diverse economy; embracing community, heritage, culture and the environment. The estimated population of Griffith in 2023 was 27,132.

Located in the Riverina, Griffith is 584km from Sydney, 458 km from Melbourne and 358km from Canberra; and is the largest regional centre in the Western Riverina region. Griffith is located in the heart of Wiradjuri Nation – the largest nation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in Australia.

Griffith City Council is responsible for the care and control of many parcels of community land. Scenic Hill represents a significant natural asset for both the City of Griffith and its wider community, offering approximately 795.086 hectares dedicated to formal recreational use, cultural engagement, natural environments, and outstanding visual appeal. Historically, these areas were of great importance to the Wiradjuri Nation prior to irrigation development and continue to serve as an essential connection to Country within the region's contemporary social and physical landscape. Located at the southernmost extent of the MacPherson Range, Scenic Hill forms a prominent visual backdrop against Griffith's predominantly flat terrain.

The management and stewardship of numerous parcels of community land, including those within Scenic Hill, rest with Griffith City Council. Following the implementation of the Crown Land Management Act 2016, the Council, as the designated Crown Land Manager, oversees Crown Reserves under the provisions of the Local Government Act 1993.

The broader Scenic Hill precinct is highly valued by local residents, various user groups, and visitors alike. It provides abundant opportunities for recreation and tourism, including bushwalking, cross-country running, cultural activities, environmental studies, mountain biking, and photography. The recreational landscape is enhanced by existing infrastructure designed to support tourism—such as handrails and interpretive signage at Sir Dudley de Chair Lookout and Hermit's Cave—as well as directional signage along the many walking trails dispersed across the site. Additionally, an extensive network of fire trails is maintained for access and grassfire mitigation purposes; these trails are also frequently used for bushwalking, jogging, and mountain biking.

While "Rotary Lookout" is commonly associated with Scenic Hill, it is in fact located on part of Lot 7012 DP 1024031—a Trigonometrical Reserve (R.34177) managed separately by the Minister.



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Multiple Aboriginal Land Claims are present across the wider Scenic Hill area. Any proposed developments must consider existing or future claims to ensure that activities do not have adverse effects if a claim is upheld by the relevant authorities.

Council faces budgetary constraints that challenge its ability to meet the ongoing financial obligations necessary for maintaining Scenic Hill to expected community standards. As the area comprises natural bushland, it does not generate revenue, thus relying on annual Council budget allocations or external grant funding. The Hermit's Cave complex, included within the broader Plan as Natural Area – Bushland, requires substantial restoration to enhance visitor appeal. Given its heritage listing, any improvement works should be undertaken by appropriately qualified professionals in heritage conservation.

4.2 SCOPE OF WORKS

The Scenic Hill Masterplan is to cover the area from the Water Tank Mural on Remembrance Drive (-34.27673 146.05413) to the Hermit's Cave precinct (-34.26756 146.07518) and address the following:

Infrastructure & Visitor Experience

- Lookouts: Assessment and upgrade of five identified lookout points (including Rotary Lookout and Hermit's Cave).
- Hermit's Cave precinct: Preservation and interpretation of cultural and historic features, signage, accessibility, safety upgrades, and heritage pathways.
- Walking tracks & signage: Development of a circular track linking major features, directional and interpretive signage (flora, fauna, Aboriginal heritage, history), and installation of seating and sculptures/artworks.
- Wiradjuri Cultural Centre of Excellence & Event Space: Integration of cultural tourism opportunities in partnership with GLALC, including Indigenous tours, bush tucker plantings, and event facilities.
- Water Tank Mural precinct: Enhanced viewing area, interpretive displays, and potential as a trail starting point.

Environmental & Land Management

- Weeds & pests: Strategies for prickly pear control, flora/fauna protection, and domestic animal management.
- Rubbish & illegal dumping: Identification of high-risk areas, recommendations for education campaigns, signage, enforcement, lighting, cameras, and volunteer programs.
- Vehicle access: Management of motorbike and car entry, particularly at Old Tip Lookout and fire trails.
- Sustainability: Rehabilitation of degraded sites, native landscaping, and habitat restoration.

Cultural & Historical Significance

- Recognition of Wiradjuri heritage, language, and stories.
- Preservation and interpretation of modern history, including the Hermit of Hermit's Cave.
- Integration of storyboards, Welcome to Country, and yarning circles at key sites.
- Governance & Partnerships



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- Engagement with the Scenic Hill User Group Committee, Griffith Local Aboriginal Land Council, Crown Lands, and relevant stakeholders.
- Alignment with the existing Plans of Management for Scenic Hill.
- Identification of funding pathways (e.g., Crown Reserves Trust, EPA Illegal Dumping Grants, Heritage NSW Grants, rPPP).

4.3 BUDGET

Council has budgeted \$40,000 (incl GST) to prepare the Scenic Hill Masterplan.

4.4 DOCUMENTS TO RELY ON

- Scenic Hill Masterplan Suggestions – Walkshops Held by Scenic Hill Advisory Group Committee

[Link to be provided](#)

- Scenic Hill Reserve – Zone 3 – Natural Areas - Plan of Management

[Scenic Hill \(Zone 3\) - Natural Areas Plan of Management](#)

- Griffith Heritage Study

[HeritageStudyApril04](#)

4.5 CONSULTATION

- Community/Public;
- Griffith Local Aboriginal Land Council;
- Scenic Hill User Group;
- Community Focus Groups within Scenic Hill User Group;
- Council staff and Councillors.

4.6 QUOTATION

To be included in the quotation:

- Any costs associated with visits to Griffith to undertake the work. As a minimum a site visit for face to face consultation with groups (as a minimum) identified in Section 4.5 and a presentation to the Scenic Hill User Group;
- Cost estimates for works identified in the Masterplan;
- Detailed breakdown of costs associated with the scope of works;
- Project Schedule – provide an estimated project schedule and throughput to be completed by **March 2026**;
- Allowance for contingency.

CLAUSE **CL05**

TITLE **Cat Containment**

FROM **Melanie Hebrok, Senior Governance Officer**

TRIM REF **25/92797**

SUMMARY

Several Agenda items related to the cat containment issue have been received since the previous meeting.

Attachment a details feedback from from a local resident at Council Café in August, for the information of the Committee.

Attachment b is a Facebook post from Hilltops Council addressing the feral cat problem in their area.

In response to Outstanding Action Report item CL05 Background – Cat Containment, Karin Penninga has provided the following update:

- Media Campaign Re Responsible Pet Ownership started on 27 August 2025:
 - Daily posts on Griffith Pound & Rehoming Centre Facebook page advising the general public how to be a responsible pet owner (see Attachment c)
 - Posts shared to Griffith City Council Facebook page the week after
 - Responsible Ownership article placed in Council Catch Up
 - A3 and A4 posters to be distributed in Supermarket Notice Boards and other Public Spaces (collaboration with Friends of Griffith Pound) starting 22 September (permitting posters have been printed in time) or the week after
 - Responsible Pet Ownership information to be shared on the upcoming billboard at Griffith Central once the billboard has been installed
- Upcoming free microchipping & information day (planned in October)
- Griffith City Council's website contains accurate and concise information on responsible pet ownership
- Continuous collaboration with Friends of Griffith Pound advising residents how to be responsible pet owners
- Continuous collaboration with Rangers and local residents in 'problem' areas where companion animals cause a nuisance

RECOMMENDATION

For discussion.

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

This item links to Council's Strategic Plan item 1.2 Actively engage with and seek direction from our community and stakeholders.

ATTACHMENTS

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| (a) | Feedback from Council Cafe ↓ | 31 |
| (b) | Hilltops Council Facebook Post ↓ | 32 |
| (c) | Scenic Hill Media Campaign Attachment ↓ | 33 |

From: [Hannah Hall](#)
To: [Governance Workgroup](#)
Subject: Feedback from Council Cafe - Feral Cats - Refer to Scenic Hill User Group
Date: Friday, 8 August 2025 11:53:21 AM
Attachments: [ATT00001.png](#)
[ATT00002.png](#)

Hi All,

We received feedback from Council Café in regard to feral cats. The resident lives on a property which backs onto Scenic Hill and has seen a growing number of feral cats in her yard. They are also killing a lot of native birds that they attract to their yard as well. She would like to see feral cats caught and also Council to enforce regulations around cat ownership.

Can you please take this feedback to the next Scenic Hill meeting?

Thanks,
Hannah

Hannah Hall

Communications & Integrated Planning Officer

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Griffith City Council acknowledges and respects the Wiradjuri people as the traditional custodians and ancestors of the land and waters where we work.

There is no expectation for you to read or respond to this email outside of your normal working hours

OUR CORE VALUES





Thinking of adding a furry friend to your family? 🐾

Pet ownership is a lifelong commitment. Before welcoming a pet into your home, take time to:

- 🐾 Choose a breed that fits your lifestyle and family circumstances
- 🐾 Ensure your home is safe, suitable, and pet-friendly
- 🐾 Consider ongoing costs like food, veterinary care, and boarding

Responsible pet ownership means a happy, healthy life for both you and your companion. ❤️

[#PetOwnership](#) [#ResponsiblePetCare](#) [#FurryFriends](#) [#GriffithPets](#) [#GriffithPoundAndRehomingCentre](#)



Decide

Take time to choose
a breed that suits
your lifestyle and
family circumstances.



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Adoption or buying – which path will you choose? 🐱🐶

Consider adopting from an animal shelter or rescue – it's a rewarding way to give a furry friend a second chance at a loving forever home. ❤️

If you do decide to buy, always choose a registered breeder to ensure your pet's health and wellbeing.

#AdoptDontShop #ResponsiblePetOwnership #ForeverHome #GriffithPets #GriffithPoundAndRehomingCentre



Choose

Adoption versus buying? Consider adopting from an Animal Shelter or Rescue as it is the most rewarding option.





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Keeping pets safe and our community happy 🐾

All cats and dogs must be microchipped and registered on the NSW Pet Registry by 12 weeks of age, or earlier if sold. Make sure your details are always up to date – this can be done online or at Council, free of charge.

When out in public:

- Dogs must be on a leash
- Owners must clean up after their pets

At home:

- Dogs should remain on your property and not cause a nuisance by barking excessively or damaging other property
- Cats must not create excessive noise or damage property outside the home

Responsible pet ownership keeps our furry friends safe and our community enjoyable for everyone. ❤️

#ResponsiblePetOwnership #PetSafety #GriffithPets #CommunityFriendly #GriffithPoundAndRehomingCentre



Healthy pets, happy homes 🐾

Desex your **dog** by 6 months and your **cat** by 4 months to prevent unwanted litters, avoid extra registry fees, and support better behaviour and long-term health.

Regular check-ups, vaccinations, and controlling fleas, ticks and worms are also essential to keep your pets healthy and thriving. ❤️

#ResponsiblePetOwnership #PetHealth #GriffithPets #HealthyPetsHappyHomes #GriffithPoundAndRehomingCentre

Care

Desex your dog by 6 months of age and your cat by 4 months and schedule regular check-ups and vaccinations.



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Pets need more than just food and shelter 🐾

Exercise, play, training, safe spaces, and social interaction are all key to supporting your pet's physical and mental wellbeing. A happy, healthy pet creates a stronger bond with your family and a more joyful home. ❤️

**#ResponsiblePetOwnership #HappyPets #GriffithPets #PetWellbeing
#GriffithPoundAndRehomingCentre**

Enrich

Provide exercise, play,
training, safe spaces and
social interaction to
support their physical
and mental wellbeing



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Your guide to responsible pet ownership

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Decide
Pet ownership is a lifelong responsibility, requiring a suitable breed for your lifestyle, a safe home environment and readiness for ongoing costs like food, vet care and boarding.

Choose
When choosing adoption or buying, consider adopting from a shelter or rescue to give an animal a second chance, or if buying, ensure it is from a registered breeder.

Comply
All cats and dogs must be microchipped and registered, with owners keeping details updated, dogs leashed in public and confined at home, and cats prevented from causing noise or damage.

Care
Desex dogs by 6 months and cats by 4 months, schedule regular check-ups and vaccinations, and control fleas, ticks and worms for health and wellbeing.

Enrich
Provide stimulation, health, safety and positive social interaction



CLAUSE **CL06**

TITLE **Procedure for Submitting Items to the Committee Meeting Agenda**

FROM **Leanne Austin, Governance Manager**

TRIM REF **25/108308**

SUMMARY

The procedure for Committee Members submitting items to the Committee Meeting Agenda is outlined below.

RECOMMENDATION

The Committee note the information.

REPORT

To ensure our meetings are well-structured and that all relevant matters are appropriately considered, the following information is provided to clarify the procedure for placing items on the Committee Meeting Agenda.

In preparation for each meeting, the Committee Secretary will liaise with the Chair and the responsible Director(s) to review and confirm agenda items. This process typically occurs two weeks prior to the scheduled meeting date.

If you wish to propose an item for inclusion on the agenda, please email the Committee Secretary no later than two weeks before the meeting. This allows sufficient time for consultation, review and inclusion in the agenda.

Alternatively, if you have a matter you would like to raise, you are welcome to bring it forward during the General Business section of the meeting. This provides an opportunity for open discussion on emerging issues or items of interest that may not have been submitted in advance.

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

This item links to Council's Strategic Plan item 3.1 Undertake Council activities within a clear framework of risk management, strategic planning, policies, procedures and service standards to enhance accountability resilience and informed decision making.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

CLAUSE **CL07**

TITLE **Meeting Dates for 2026**

FROM **Melanie Hebrok, Senior Governance Officer**

TRIM REF **25/108313**

SUMMARY

The proposed meeting dates for 2026 are:

- 24 March 2026
- 23 June 2026
- 22 September 2026
- 15 December 2026

RECOMMENDATION

That the information be received.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

TITLE Outstanding Action Report

TRIM REF 25/108323

RECOMMENDATION

The report be noted.

ATTACHMENTS

(a) Outstanding Action Report [↓](#)

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Scenic Hill User Group Outstanding Action Report 23 September 2025				
Date of Meeting	Item	Action/Recommendation	Officer	Comment
17 June 2025	CL01 Scenic Hill Maintenance Council Budget	The Director of Infrastructure & Operations be asked to report back to the Committee regarding the current maintenance and clean up schedule for Scenic Hill and a program moving forward taking into account the budget numbers identified.	Phil King	16/09/25: Report presented to the September Committee meeting.
17 June 2025	CL01 Scenic Hill Maintenance Council Budget	Any surplus funds from the 2024-25 budget for Scenic Hill be allocated back to the Committee for a targeted rubbish clean-up program to be determined within the next six months.	Joe Rizzo / Shireen Donaldson	16/09/25: Carryover funds for remaining Scenic Hill maintenance budget from the FY24/25 year have been rolled over into the FY25/26 budget for Scenic Hill maintenance, as per Council resolution for approval of budget at the 8/7/25 meeting.
17 June 2025	CL02 Visitor Feedback regarding Hermit's Cave	Mr Rizzo confirmed that Council owns trail cameras used for monitoring illegal dumping, but noted past issues with the equipment and lack of budget for replacements. He will investigate their effectiveness and current condition and report back to the Committee on whether they can be used for Scenic Hill compliance efforts.	Joe Rizzo	16/09/25: Council currently does not own any functioning cameras for monitoring of illegal dumping. Main issues with the cameras in the past is they are damaged and/or stolen.
	CL03 Ideas for Scenic Hill Masterplan	Mr Couch proposed establishing a communication platform to enable collaboration between meetings, suggesting the use of 'Groups.io'. Councillor Ellis will send out an invitation for Committee members to be involved in a working group and meet up on Scenic Hill in a couple of weeks to look at the main areas for	Councillor Ellis / Denis Couch	

6 Attachment (a) Outstanding Action Report

		the Masterplan.		
25 March 2025	CL05 Background – Cat Containment	The Chair asked if Ms Penninga would be willing to allow Ms Bamblett to work with her to work on an educational campaign for responsible cat ownership.	Karin Penninga / Sally Bamblett	17/06/2025: Karin Penninga to lead coordination of the campaign with Council's Communications team and potential policy development moving forward. 16/09/2025: Report presented to September Committee meeting.