
**ROADS, PARKS & PATHWAYS ENHANCEMENT COMMITTEE
TO BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON
THURSDAY, 29 OCTOBER 2026 AT 4:00 PM**

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Quorum = 3

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Acknowledgement 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.

**ROADS, PARKS & PATHWAYS ENHANCEMENT COMMITTEE
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON
THURSDAY, 23 JULY 2026 COMMENCING AT 4:00 PM**

PRESENT

Councillor Shari Blumer (Chair), Councillor Mark Dal Bon, Councillor Jenny Ellis, Amy Renouf (Community Representative), Brian Savage (Community Representative), Carmel La Rocca (Community Representative), Will Mead (Community Representative), Ema Munro (Community Representative), Jenna Thomas (Community Representative), Simone Murphy (Community Representative), Stephen Parker (Community Representative), Doreen Wood (Community Representative), Patricia Clarke (Alternate Member for Soroptimist), Libby Trembath (Alternate Member for Soroptimist).

Quorum = 3

STAFF

Director Infrastructure & Operations, Phil King, Works Manager - Construction, Shree Shrestha, Parks & Gardens Manager, Peter Craig, Urban Strategic Design & Major Projects Manager, Peter Badenhorst and Minute Secretary, Antoinette Galluzzo

1 APOLOGIES

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Mark Dal Bon and Will Mead that apologies be received from Pirkko Makarainen (Community Representative), Works Manager - Maintenance, Manjit Chugha and Operations Assistant, Cheryl Tucker.

Absent: Anthony Kidman (Community Representative).

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Jenna Thomas and Will Mead that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 5 May 2026, having first been circulated amongst all members, be confirmed.

3 BUSINESS ARISING

Nil.

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Pecuniary Interests

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

There were no pecuniary interests declared.

Significant Non-Pecuniary Interests

Members 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.

There were no significant non-pecuniary interests declared.

Less Than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interests

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

There were no less than significant non-pecuniary interests declared.

5 ITEMS OF BUSINESS

CL01 ROTARY CLUB OF GRIFFITH AVANTI - MEMORIAL PARK GRIFFITH - PEACE POLE PROJECT

Mr King informed the Committee that a request was received from the Rotary Club of Griffith Avanti, regarding the installation of a Peace Pole in Memorial Park.

Mr King highlighted the Peace Pole will have 6 languages on it and Mrs La Rocca requested that the languages be reconsidered to include Hindi in replacement of Punjabi. Mr King will provide this feedback to the organisers.

Stephen Parker entered the meeting at 4:13pm.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Will Mead and Jenna Thomas that the Committee support the installation of a Rotary Peace Pole in Memorial Park located on the lawn at the western end of the park.

CL02 NATIONAL TREE DAY UPDATE

Mr King provided an update on the National Tree Day 2026, highlighting it will be held on Sunday 2 August 2026, 8:30am along Citrus Road.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Shari Blumer and Ema Munro that the Committee note the information in the report and following this year's Tree Planting Day, the Committee will review the event and discuss plans for next year.

CL03 PUBLIC EXHIBITION - DRAFT PLAN OF MANAGEMENT – GRIFFITH CBD PRECINCT

Mr King encouraged everyone to make a submission to the Draft Plan of Management for the Griffith CBD Precinct as it is currently on exhibition.

CL04 GRIFFITH CBD ENHANCEMENT PROJECT UPDATE - PRESENTATION

Mr Badenhorst presented an update to the Committee in relation to the Griffith CBD Enhancement Project. (Please find attached presentation).

An important update was that the Shared Pathway between Blumer Avenue and Jondaryan Avenue has relocated from the northern side of Banna Avenue to the Southern side.

Mr Parker suggested if Council needs to stage this project community consultation be

conducted, to ask the community their preference and priority in relation to the Median strips.

Councillor Blumer requested that the suppliers providing the shade sails at Memorial Gardens join one of our meetings in the future to discuss. Mr Badenhorst indicated they will provide diagrams and they will be presented to the Committee.

Will Mead left the meeting at 5:21pm.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Carmel La Rocca and Doreen Wood that the Committee:

- (a) Note the construction works at Lake Wyangan.
- (b) Note the finalisation of the preferred shared pathway design.
- (c) Place on public exhibition the Roundabouts and Median Strips proposed design for a final community consultation, feedback and to indicate priority areas.
- (d) Endorse the revised scope of works for the Memorial Park shade structure.
- (e) Note that Council is commencing public tender processes for applicable projects in accordance with Council's procurement and requirements.

6 OUTSTANDING ACTION REPORT

Ms Thomas requested an update on the Prendergast Traffic Island. Mr King informed the Committee that staff are revising the plans. He will continue to liaise with the Prendergast family.

Ms Thomas left the meeting at 5:32 pm.

7 GENERAL BUSINESS

7.1 Bins in Banna Avenue

Mrs La Rocca asked about the changes to the bins along Banna Avenue. In response, Mr King advised that Council has undertaken a bin replacement process and have improved the strategic placement of bins throughout the area. They have been replaced with new stainless steel bins, which are more durable and easier to clean and maintain.

8 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Roads, Parks & Pathways Enhancement Committee is to be held on Thursday, 29 October 2026 at 4:00 pm.

There being no further business the meeting terminated at 5:35 pm.

9 ATTACHMENTS

- (a) CBD Enhancement Project Update

CLAUSE **CL01**

TITLE **National Tree Day Review**

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

TRIM REF **26/129435**

SUMMARY

Nil

RECOMMENDATION

For the Committee to discuss.

REPORT

Nil

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

CLAUSE **CL02**

TITLE **Committee Member Agenda Item - Brian Savage**

FROM **Antoinette Galluzzo, Governance Officer**

TRIM REF **26/123387**

SUMMARY

Please find attached correspondence received from Committee member, Brian Savage on 7 October 2026.

RECOMMENDATION

For the Committee to discuss.

REPORT

Nil.

ATTACHMENTS

(a) Email - Brian Savage - 7 Oct 2026  

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Antoinette Galluzzo

From: Barbara Savage [REDACTED]
Sent: Wednesday, 7 October 2026 12:04 PM
To: Antoinette Galluzzo
Subject: Old Railway Lines

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Flagged

Hi Antoinette,
Hope this email finds you well.
Could you please add to our agenda at our next meeting ,the removal of the replaced railway lines which have been discarded along the Yoogali walkway.
The reason is that where they lay cannot be mown(metre high grass) and is a major problem regarding snakes especially being so close to the walkway.
Could we contact NSW Railways to get this problem solved immediately to point out our concerns.
Regards,
Brian Savage
Sent from my iPad

CLAUSE **CL03**

TITLE **Community Submission - Signage or Plaques at Parks**

FROM **Antoinette Galluzzo, Governance Officer**

TRIM REF **26/129199**

SUMMARY

A Community submission was received on 4 September 2026.

“would like signage after who the parks are named after. example Wood park is named after a local boy who died in singapore fighting for australia and our freedom. Wood rd is named after his brother who was killed fighting the japenese. all our streets that are named after fallen soldiers should have some plaque naming who they were and how they served.”

RECOMMENDATION

For the Committee to discuss.

REPORT

Nil

ATTACHMENTS

(a) Community Submission - 4 Sep 2026  

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Antoinette Galluzzo

From: Connect @ Griffith City Council <admin@griffith.nsw.gov.au>
Sent: Friday, 4 September 2026 4:29 PM
To: GCC Admin Mailbox
Subject: Anonymous User completed Have your say

Anonymous User just submitted the survey Have your say with the responses below.

Name

[REDACTED]

Have your say here

would like signage after who the parks are named after. example Wood park is named after a local boy who died in singapore fighting for australia and our freedom. Wood rd is named after his brother who was killed fighting the japenese. all our streets that are named after fallen soldiers should have some plaque naming who they were and how they served.

CLAUSE **CL04**

TITLE **Community Submission - Dog Park**

FROM **Antoinette Galluzzo, Governance Officer**

TRIM REF **26/113807**

SUMMARY

A Community Submission was received on 12 September 2026:

“It would be nice to have a fenced park for off leash dogs, where Taliano Park is between Hardiman Way and Maher Circuit. There’s a big open space behind the kids playground and it would be nice to have another dog park in a different part of town. With more development happening in the North Collins area, it would be something else to add to the “selling point” of the area.”

RECOMMENDATION

For the Committee to discuss.

REPORT

Nil

ATTACHMENTS

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| (a) | Community Submission - 12 Sep 2026   | 12 |
| (b) | 22 Aug 2017 Council Meeting Report - Dog Off-Leash Area - Collina   | 13 |
| (c) | 1 June 2021 - Committee Report - Off-Leash Dog Area   | 22 |

Antoinette Galluzzo

To: Hannah Hall
Subject: RE: Bronte completed Griffith City Council Community Feedback and Ideas

From: Connect @ Griffith City Council <admin@griffith.nsw.gov.au>
Sent: Saturday, 12 September 2026 2:25 PM
To: GCC Admin Mailbox <admin@griffith.nsw.gov.au>; Communications <communications@griffith.nsw.gov.au>
Subject: Bronte completed Griffith City Council Community Feedback and Ideas

Bronte just submitted the survey Griffith City Council Community Feedback and Ideas with the responses below.

Submit your feedback here

It would be nice to have a fenced park for off leash dogs, where Taliano Park is between Hardiman Way and Maher Circuit. There's a big open space behind the kids playground and it would be nice to have another dog park in a different part of town. With more development happening in the North Collins area, it would be something else to add to the "selling point" of the area.

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CLAUSE CL04

TITLE Dog Off-Leash Area - Collina

FROM Nathan Farnell, Project Planner

TRIM REF 17/74813

SUMMARY

At the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 25 July 2017, Council *“resolved on the motion of Councillors Rina Mercuri and Anne Napoli that Council prepare costings for the following projects at Ted Scobie Oval for the:*

- (a) *Installation of pet dropping receptacles (including bags) in various locations around the Oval.*
- (b) *Installation of a dog park at the top of the Oval or any other appropriate area within the Collina precinct.”*

This report provides a costing and assessment in direct response to each part of the motion.

RECOMMENDATION

- (a) **Council purchase and install three (3) dog bag dispensers and receptacles at Ted Scobie Oval.**
- (b) **That options for a Dog off Leash area in the Collina precinct be considered at the General Facilities Committee with a view to consideration in the 2018/19 draft budget preparation.**

REPORT

A dog park was developed at Community Gardens in 2015 to meet longstanding community expectations and legislative requirements. The park has been generally well received and a popular destination. Further, it is noted that during the initial community consultation period there was considerable interest in developing a dog park in the Collina precinct.

Dog Bag Dispensers and Receptacles

Ted Scobie Oval only has fixed bins in the playground and barbecue area towards the southern portion of the Oval. It is recommended that dog bag dispensers be located along the path that circles the boundary of the Oval and that fixed bins be located in close proximity to the dog bag dispensers. It is further recommended that three dog bag dispensers and receptacles be positioned around the Oval (particularly along the western, northern and eastern boundaries) to adequately service the area.

Dog Park

On the basis of Council's motion, staff have assessed several parks and reserves in the Collina area that might appropriately accommodate an off-leash area of approximately 2,000m² or greater, considering nearby land uses, infrastructure and amenity. To provide a comparison, the dog park at Community Gardens is:

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- Approximately 1,500m²
- Located away from residential areas
- Located near a toilet facility and playground; and
- Achieves a high level of amenity with ample shade, seating and parking.

The assessment has involved investigating Ted Scobie Oval, Nichols Street Public Reserve, Chandler Park, Sergi Park and Alexander Park.

Park or Reserve	Strengths	Weaknesses
<i>Ted Scobie Oval</i>	- Large open space area with high visual amenity - Close proximity to toilets	- Top end of the Oval is used as a practice field - Conflict with sporting uses - Adjacent residential properties - Proximity to residential development
<i>Nichols Street Public Reserve</i>	- Long narrow open space network - High visual amenity - Potential to share fence line (reduced cost)	- Adjacent residential properties - Underground power - Proximity to residential development
<i>Sergi Park</i>	- Large open space area - Minimal residential conflict - Multipurpose use for an underutilised park - Potential to share fence line (reduced cost)	- Limited visual amenity - Detention basin - Adjacent residential properties - Proximity to residential development
<i>Chandler Park</i>	- High visual amenity - Well utilised park	- Limited area - Adjacent residential properties - Proximity to residential development
<i>Alexander Park</i>	- High visual amenity	- Detention basin - Isolated location - Adjacent residential properties - Proximity to residential development

While Ted Scobie Oval might be the obvious choice for locating a dog park, this will require compromising a portion of land that is already used as a practice field. It is also noted that

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the high usage and profile of the Oval will more than likely attract significant debate across the community.

Consultation

It is important to note that dog parks are commonly contentious issues within the community. While there is a high community expectation that dog parks are provided, there are also a number of concerns over noise and potential dog attacks that arise in locating a dog park in residential areas. It is therefore recommended that Council conduct a lengthy consultation process to provide the community opportunity to propose ideas and raise concerns.

It has been identified that each of the sites given preliminary assessment will conflict to some degree with residential amenity it is considered that this matter is further discussed by the General Facilities Committee particularly in light of this potential conflict of use.

OPTIONS

(a) Installation of pet dropping receptacles

- (i) 120L Bin surround fitted with dog bag dispenser (\$2800 each)
- (ii) Security bin stand and separate dog bag dispenser (\$650 each)
- (iii) No additional bin and only dog bag dispenser – (\$150 each)

(b) Dog Park in Collina

There are several possible locations that might be considered appropriate for accommodating a Dog Park, as discussed in the main body of the report but it is important that this is decided based on the findings of community consultation.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

No applicable

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

(a) Installation of pet dropping receptacles

On the basis of purchasing three dog bag dispensers and security bin stands (typical solo bin):

Item	Unit Cost	Quantity	Cost
Dog bag dispenser	\$150	3	\$450
Security bin stand	\$500	3	\$1,500
Dog bags (1 roll)	\$35	10	\$350
TOTAL			\$2,300

(b) Installation of a dog park

On the basis of developing a dog park that is 2000m² with two entries and a double service gate:

Item	Unit Cost	Quantity	Cost
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Fencing and gates	\$17.5/sqm	2000sqm	\$35,000
Concrete works	-	-	\$5,000
Signage	\$500	2	\$1,000
Bin and dog bag dispenser	\$3000	1	\$3,000
Dog bags (1 roll)	\$35	5	\$175
Water bubbler (water connection?)	\$4150	1	\$4,150
TOTAL			\$48,325

No costing has been provided for the additional staff requirements for maintaining the dog park.

LEGAL/STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

The Animal Companion Act 1998, Part 3 Division 1 Clause 13 (6) states that “...*there must at all times be at least one public place in the area of a local authority that is an off-leash area*”. Council have sufficiently met this requirement in the development of a dog off leash area at Community Gardens in 2015. There is no legislative requirement for more than one off leash area within the local government area.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no significant environmental implications.

COMMUNITY IMPLICATIONS

As discussed earlier in the report, dog parks are typically hotly debated and contentious issues within a community. It is essential that Council invest time in engaging the community, according to where best to locate a dog park and what a dog park should provide.

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

This item links to Council's Strategic Plan item 5.3 Plan for and provide sporting and recreational facilities to encourage an active lifestyle and wellbeing.

CONSULTATION

Senior Management Team
Parks & Gardens

ATTACHMENTS

- (a) Collina - Locality Plan
- (b) Ted Scobie Oval - Dog Park Design Concept
- (c) Sergi Park - Dog Park Design Concept
- (d) Nichols Street Public Reserve - Dog Park Design Concept
- (e) Chandler Park - Dog Park Design Concept

CL04 Attachment (a) Collina - Locality Plan



CL04 Attachment (b) Ted Scobie Oval - Dog Park Design Concept



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CL04 Attachment (c) Sergi Park - Dog Park Design Concept



CL04 Attachment (d) Nichols Street Public Reserve - Dog Park Design Concept



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CL04 Attachment (e) Chandler Park - Dog Park Design Concept



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Griffith City Council**INFORMATION REPORT**

CLAUSE **CL06**

TITLE **Off-Leash Dog Area**

FROM **Joanne Bollen, Governance Officer**

TRIM REF **21/50410**

SUMMARY

The issue of an additional Off-Leash Dog Area has recently been raised. The matter has also been raised in the past.
Please refer to attachments for information.

RECOMMENDATION

That the information be received.

ATTACHMENTS

- (a) Notice of Motion Off-Leash Dog Area - 25 July 2017 (under separate cover)
- (b) Council Meeting Minutes - 25 July 2017 (under separate cover)
- (c) Committee Report - Off-Leash Dog Area - Collina - 5 Sept 2017 (under separate cover)
- (d) General Facilities Committee Minutes - 5 Dec 2017 (under separate cover)
- (e) General Facilities Committee Minutes - 6 Mar 2018 (under separate cover)
- (f) General Facilities Committee Minutes - 2 Mar 2021 (under separate cover)
- (g) Council Meeting Minutes - 23 Mar 2021 (under separate cover)
- (h) Submission North Griffith Dog Park (under separate cover)

CL06 Attachment (a) Notice of Motion Off-Leash Dog Area - 25 July 2017

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NOTICE OF MOTION

TITLE Dog Off-Leash Area
FROM Simon Croce, Councillor
TRIM REF 17/65850

SUMMARY

Notice of Motion (attached) was received on 5 July 2017 from Councillor Croce.

RECOMMENDATION

- (a) That Council consider the installation of an additional exit/entry gate in the Dog Off-Leash Area located in Coolah St Griffith.
- (b) Indicative costing of the manufacture and installation of the gate and accompanying concrete pad suggests an amendment to the 2017/18 budget of approximately \$10,000 to be included in the first quarter review of the budget.

SENIOR MANAGEMENT TEAM COMMENT

Should Councillors support the above Notice of Motion it is suggested that in conjunction with *“that Council consider the installation of an additional exit/entry gate in the Dog Off-Leash Area”* that a report be prepared and submitted for consideration by the General Facilities Committee.

ATTACHMENTS

- (a) Notice of Motion Received from Councillor Croce [↓](#) 155

CL06 Attachment (a) Notice of Motion Off-Leash Dog Area - 25 July 2017

NOM02 Attachment (a) Notice of Motion Received from Councillor Croce



Councillor's Name: Cr Simon Croce

Address: 28 Gorton St YOOGALI 2680

NOTICE OF MOTION

Mr Brett Stonestreet
General Manager
Griffith City Council
GRIFFITH NSW 2680

Dear Brett,

I hereby give notice of the following motion for the Council meeting to be held on Tuesday,
25 July 2017

"That Council consider the installation of an additional exit/entry gate in the Dog Off-Leash
Area located in Coolah St Griffith.

Indicative costing of the manufacture and installation of the gate and accompanying
concrete pad suggests an amendment to the 2017/18 budget of approximately \$10,000 to
be included in the first quarter review of the budget".

Yours sincerely


.....
Councillor

11-07-2017
.....
Date

CL06 Attachment (a) Notice of Motion Off-Leash Dog Area - 25 July 2017

NOM02 Attachment (a) Notice of Motion Received from Councillor Croce

Excerpt from Council's Code of Meeting Practice:

19. Giving notice of business

The Council must not transact business at a meeting of the Council:

- (a) unless a Councillor has given notice of the business in writing or electronic mail by noon of the Tuesday immediately preceding the meeting; and
- (b) unless notice of business has been sent to the Councillors at least 3 days before the meeting, or, in the event of an extraordinary meeting called in an emergency, at least one day.



MINUTES

**ORDINARY MEETING OF GRIFFITH CITY COUNCIL
HELD IN GRIFFITH CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1 BENEREMBAH STREET, GRIFFITH NSW 2680 ON
TUESDAY, 25 JULY 2017 COMMENCING AT 7:04 PM**

PRESENT

The Mayor, John Dal Broi in the Chair; Councillors, Simon Croce, Deb Longhurst, Rina Mercuri, Anne Napoli, Mike Neville, Brian Simpson, Paul Snaidero, and Dino Zappacosta

STAFF

General Manager, Brett Stonestreet, Manager Executive Services, Shireen Donaldson, Acting Director Utilities, Joe Rizzo, Director Infrastructure & Operations, Phil King, Director Sustainable Development, Neil Southorn and Director Business, Cultural & Financial Services, Max Turner, and Corporate Communications Officer, Naomi Brugger (Minute Secretary)

MEDIA

Oliver Jacques, The Area News

1 COUNCIL PRAYER AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Meeting opened with Councillor Simon Croce reading the Council prayer and the Acknowledgment of Country.

2 APOLOGIES AND REQUESTS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

17/182

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Simon Croce and Dino Zappacosta that apologies be received from Councillors Doug Curran, Eddy Mardon, Christine Stead and Director Utilities Graham Gordon, and a leave of absence granted.

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

17/183

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Rina Mercuri and Mike Neville that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 11 July 2017, having first been circulated amongst all members of Council, be confirmed.

4 BUSINESS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

CL06 Attachment (b) Council Meeting Minutes - 25 July 2017

Minutes of Ordinary Meeting of Council 25 July 2017

5 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Pecuniary Interests

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

Councillor Simon Croce

CL02 – DA 286/2016(1) – Lot 253 DP 1119328 – South Lake Drive Lake Wyangan – 42 Lot Subdivision (Plus Residue)

Reason – Councillor Croce deals directly with the applicant in his place of employment and it could be perceived to affect his decision.

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 Mike Neville

CL08 – 26th National Town Crier Championships 2017

Reason – Councillor Neville's wife has a business that has been approached to support the nominee in this report.

Councillor Paul Snaidero

CL02 – DA 286/2016(1) – Lot 253 DP 1119328 – South Lake Drive Lake Wyangan – 42 Lot Subdivision (Plus Residue)

Reason – Councillor Snaidero was on the same Group as an Objector in the 2016 Local Government Elections.

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 John Dal Broi

CL02 – DA 286/2016(1) – Lot 253 DP 1119328 – South Lake Drive Lake Wyangan – 42 Lot Subdivision (Plus Residue)

Reason – Councillor Dal Broi is mentioned in an attachment (letter of objection).

CL06 – Councillor Expenses

Reason – An attachment to the report includes Mayoral fees and benefit of car running expenses.

Councillor Anne Napoli

CL02 – DA 286/2016(1) – Lot 253 DP 1119328 – South Lake Drive Lake Wyangan – 42 Lot Subdivision (Plus Residue)

Reason – Councillor Napoli has, along with other Council members, inspected the site through an invitation from the Developers.

CC01 – Expression of Interest to Purchase Lake Wyangan Properties

Reason – A member of Councillor Napoli's family is related to one of the persons mentioned in the Expression of Interest.

Councillor Mike Neville

CC01 – Expression of Interest to Purchase Lake Wyangan Properties

Reason – Councillor Neville has been approached by the interested party to discuss their proposal.

CL06 Attachment (b) Council Meeting Minutes - 25 July 2017

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Councillor Brian Simpson

CL06 – Councillor Expenses

Reason – Councillor Simpson received an email from Mr Bill Lancaster in relation to the matter referring to an email sent to all Councillors.

Councillor Dino Zappacosta

Minutes of the Traffic Committee – CL7.1 Marian Catholic College Parking

Reason – Councillor Zappacosta has a grand-daughter who attends the School.

6 PRESENTATIONS

Nil

7 MAYORAL MINUTES

Nil

8 GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

CL01 DA 286/2016(1) - LOT 253 DP 1119328 - SOUTH LAKE DRIVE LAKE WYANGAN - 42 LOT SUBDIVISION (PLUS RESIDUE)

17/184

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Simon Croce and Rina Mercuri that the meeting suspend standing orders to allow Mr Bert Eastoe to address Council, representing Norgriff, the time being 7.11pm.

17/185

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Anne Napoli and Simon Croce that the meeting resume standing orders.

17/186

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Anne Napoli and Rina Mercuri that CL01, DA 286/2016(1) LAY ON THE TABLE.

CL02 DA 255/2016 - INSTALLATION OF ADDITIONAL AND RETENTION OF EXISTING ABOVE GROUND OLIVE STORAGE AND MATURATION TANKS AND RELOCATION OF HEAVY VEHICLE LOADING AREA AT TREE TOPS OLIVE PROCESSING FACILITY

Councillor Paul Snaidero left the meeting having declared a significant non-pecuniary interest, the time being 7.16 pm.

Councillor Simon Croce left the meeting having declared a pecuniary interest, the time being 7:16 pm.

17/187

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Mike Neville and Deb Longhurst that the meeting suspend standing orders to allow members of the public to address Council on the above matter.

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Teresa Reginato addressed Council against the development application, the time being 7.18pm.

Michelle Devery addressed Council against the development application, the time being 7.23pm.

Danny Favero addressed Council against the development application, the time being 7.31pm.

Martin Ruggeri addressed Council for the applicant, the time being 7.33pm.

17/188

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Mike Neville and Brian Simpson that the meeting resume standing orders.

17/189

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Dino Zappacosta and Mike Neville that:

- (a) Council pursuant to the provisions of Sections 80(1)(a) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979, grant consent to Development Application No. 255/2016 for the installation and use of 80 olive storage and maturation tanks and relocation of the unloading facilities at an approved rural industry involving olive processing at Lot 415 DP 751709, Murray Road, Yoogali subject to conditions including those set out in Attachment 'A':
- (b) Development Application No. 255/2016 be referred to the Director Sustainable Development for the issue of the Notice of Determination.

In accordance with the Local Government Action (section 375A - Recording of voting on planning matters) Council must record the Councillor's vote in relation to the matter.

For	Against	Abstained
Councillor John Dal Broi	Councillor Rina Mercuri	Councillor Simon Croce
Councillor Deb Longhurst	Councillor Brian Simpson	Councillor Paul Snaidero
Councillor Anne Napoli		
Councillor Mike Neville		
Councillor Dino Zappacosta		

The division was declared PASSED by 5 votes to 2.

Councillor Paul Snaidero returned to the meeting at 8:03 pm.

Councillor Simon Croce returned to the meeting at 8:03 pm.

CL03 LOCAL GOVERNMENT NSW WATER MANAGEMENT CONFERENCE 2017

17/190

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Mike Neville and Deb Longhurst that:

- (a) Council be represented at the 2017 Local Government NSW Water Management Conference to be held in Dubbo NSW from 4 - 6 September 2017.
- (b) The Mayor and General Manager (or their delegates) attend the Conference.
- (c) Expenses to attend the Conference be paid by Council in accordance with the Councillors Payment of Expenses and Provision of Facilities Policy.

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CL04 PRESENTATION OF RECOMMENDATION - LOCAL ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAM - SECTION 94A REBATE

17/191

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Mike Neville and Dino Zappacosta that:

- (a) Council continue the Local Economic Assistance Program to 30 June 2018.
- (b) A further report be prepared on the need and scope of a section 94 Contributions Plan for future greenfield land release areas.

9 INFORMATION REPORTS

CL05 NSW LOCAL ROADS CONGRESS 2017

17/192

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Simon Croce and Anne Napoli that the report be noted by Council.

CL06 COUNCILLOR EXPENSES

17/193

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Mike Neville and Rina Mercuri that the meeting suspend standing orders to allow Mr Bill Lancaster to address Council, the time being 8.21pm.

17/194

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Rina Mercuri and Deb Longhurst that the meeting resume standing orders.

Councillor Simon Croce left the meeting, the time being 8:33 pm.

Councillor Simon Croce returned to the meeting at 8:35 pm.

17/195

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Dino Zappacosta and Rina Mercuri that the report be noted.

CL07 ATTENDANCE REPORT - NATIONAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT 2017

17/196

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Dino Zappacosta and Mike Neville that the report be noted by Council.

CL08 26TH NATIONAL TOWN CRIER CHAMPIONSHIPS 2017

Councillor Mike Neville left the meeting having declared a significant non-pecuniary interest,

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the time being 8:44 pm.

17/197

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Simon Croce and Brian Simpson that the report be noted by Council.

Councillor Mike Neville returned to the meeting at 8:45 pm.

10 ADOPTION OF COMMITTEE MINUTES

MINUTES OF THE TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 11 JULY 2017

17/198

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Simon Croce and Deb Longhurst that the recommendations as detailed in the Minutes of the Traffic Committee meeting held on 11 July 2017 be adopted.

11 BUSINESS WITH NOTICE – RESCISSION MOTIONS

Nil

12 BUSINESS WITH NOTICE – OTHER MOTIONS

DOG OFF-LEASH AREA

17/199

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Simon Croce and Deb Longhurst that:

- (a) Council consider the installation of an additional exit/entry gate in the Dog Off-Leash Area located in Coolah St Griffith.
- (b) Indicative costing of the manufacture and installation of the gate and accompanying concrete pad suggests an amendment to the 2017/18 budget of approximately \$10,000 to be included in the first quarter review of the budget.
- (c) A report be prepared and submitted for consideration by the General Facilities Committee.

TED SCOBIE OVAL

17/200

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Rina Mercuri and Anne Napoli that Council prepare costings for the following projects at Ted Scobie Oval for the:

- (a) Installation of pet dropping receptacles (including bags) in various locations around the Oval.
- (b) Installation of a dog park at the top of the Oval or any other appropriate area within Collina precinct.

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13 COUNCILLOR QUESTION TIME

Councillor Rina Mercuri asked the following question:

As you are aware Griffith Garden Festival is fast approaching. Is there a plan to beautify the main street and especially Memorial Park by adding colour and tidying the flower beds especially the ones along Banna Avenue.

The General Manager, Mr Brett Stonestreet advised that Council has a CBD Strategy, with the first focus area being Yambil Street, however the User Group could consider Banna Avenue being the second focus area. In the interim, Council will undertake a tidy up of the garden beds ahead of the Garden Festival.

Councillor Paul Snaidero asked the following questions:

As we are now recognised as part of the Regional City Network, does this carry any weighting in the retention of services provided by the Government to the community?

Mr Stonestreet said in a broad sense, the answer is yes, however as the Regional City Network is not a State or Federal organisation, there is more weight placed in the State Government acknowledgement of Griffith being a Regional Growth Centre in the Riverina Regional Plan.

Is it true that the Premier and Cabinet are meeting in Griffith next month and will Council use this as an opportunity to raise concerns of the removal of services at Griffith Base Hospital?

Mr Stonestreet advised that the Premier and Cabinet would be meeting in Griffith on 17 August 2017 and he received an invitation to attend a meeting along with the Mayor. Mr Stonestreet noted that he requested the full Council be invited, however this request was denied. The Mayor added that he would be using this as an opportunity to lobby the Health Minister with regard to Griffith Base Hospital.

Councillor Anne Napoli asked the following question:

Mr Mayor, the Griffith community has great concerns on hearing that our Griffith Base Hospital will have essential services removed or downgraded. Are you able to give us an update on what Griffith City Council is doing about this please?

The Mayor advised that in addition to being vocal in the local media, he had sought a meeting with local member, Adrian Piccoli however he is currently overseas. The Mayor will be meeting with the Minister for Health on 16 August in Griffith to raise concerns about the current and ongoing issues with regard to Griffith Base Hospital.

17/201

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Dino Zappacosta and Anne Napoli that Council formally put their support behind Dr Jaya and Dr Hopp who have spoken out publicly about the decision to downgrade histopathology and other services at Griffith Base Hospital.

Councillor Paul Snaidero asked the following question:

Does Griffith have any representation on the Murrumbidgee Health Board?

Mr Stonestreet advised that Griffith does not have any representative on the Board with the

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Mayor noting Councillor Napoli has applied to the Board unsuccessfully on numerous occasions.

14 OUTSTANDING ACTION REPORT

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RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Mike Neville and Rina Mercuri that the report be noted.

15 MATTERS TO BE DEALT WITH BY CLOSED COUNCIL

In accordance with the Local Government Act 1993 and the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005, 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.

17/203

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Rina Mercuri and Simon Croce 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.

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- (c) 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.

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 EXPRESSION OF INTEREST TO PURCHASE LAKE WYANGAN PROPERTIES

Reason: Council Business 10A(2)(c)

CC02 PURCHASE OF ASPHALT FOR BAGTOWN ROUNDABOUT

Reason: Council Business 10A(2)(c)

Council closed its meeting at 9.12pm. The public and media left the Chamber.

REVERSION TO OPEN COUNCIL

17/204

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Mike Neville and Brian Simpson that open Council be resumed.

Open Council resumed at 9.51pm.

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

MATTERS DEALT WITH IN CLOSED COUNCIL

CC01 EXPRESSION OF INTEREST TO PURCHASE LAKE WYANGAN PROPERTIES

17/205

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Dino Zappacosta and Anne Napoli that:

- (a) The Mayor and General Manager be authorised to enter negotiations with Scremin Investments and Zeplan Developments over the sale of 2 Smeeth Road and 77 McCarthy Road, Lake Wyangan and that a further report be presented to Council following negotiations.
- (b) A Phase Two Contamination Assessment be undertaken with respect to 77 McCarthy Road, Lake Wyangan and that a costing be obtained to remove contaminated material identified at 2 Smeeth Road, Lake Wyangan, and 77 McCarthy Road (if present). Further, that the costing be included in the report to Council (in (a) above).

CC02 PURCHASE OF ASPHALT FOR BAGTOWN ROUNDABOUT

17/206

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Mike Neville and Dino Zappacosta that the report be noted by Council.

There being no further business the meeting terminated at 9.51pm.

Confirmed:
CHAIRPERSON

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COMMITTEE REPORT

CLAUSE CL03
TITLE Dog Off-Leash Area - Collina
FROM Shireen Donaldson, Manager Executive Services
TRIM REF 17/84687

SUMMARY

At the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 22 August 2017, following a Notice of Motion and subsequent report, it was:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Rina Mercuri and Simon Croce that:

- (a) Council purchase and install three (3) dog bag dispensers and receptacles at Ted Scobie Oval.
- (b) That options for a Dog off Leash area in the Collina precinct be considered at the General Facilities Committee with a view to consideration in the 2018/19 draft budget preparation.

The report presented to Council is attached for Committee members information and consideration.

RECOMMENDATION

The Committee make recommendation to Council.

REPORT

At the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 25 July 2017, Council *"resolved on the motion of Councillors Rina Mercuri and Anne Napoli that Council prepare costings for the following projects at Ted Scobie Oval for the:*

- (a) *Installation of pet dropping receptacles (including bags) in various locations around the Oval.*
- (b) *Installation of a dog park at the top of the Oval or any other appropriate area within the Collina precinct."*

This report provides a costing and assessment in direct response to each part of the motion.

A dog park was developed at Community Gardens in 2015 to meet longstanding community expectations and legislative requirements. The park has been generally well received and a popular destination. Further, it is noted that during the initial community consultation period there was considerable interest in developing a dog park in the Collina precinct.

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Dog Bag Dispensers and Receptacles

Ted Scobie Oval only has fixed bins in the playground and barbecue area towards the southern portion of the Oval. It is recommended that dog bag dispensers be located along the path that circles the boundary of the Oval and that fixed bins be located in close proximity to the dog bag dispensers. It is further recommended that three dog bag dispensers and receptacles be positioned around the Oval (particularly along the western, northern and eastern boundaries) to adequately service the area.

Dog Park

On the basis of Council's motion, staff have assessed several parks and reserves in the Collina area that might appropriately accommodate an off-leash area of approximately 2,000m² or greater, considering nearby land uses, infrastructure and amenity. To provide a comparison, the dog park at Community Gardens is:

- Approximately 1,500m²
- Located away from residential areas
- Located near a toilet facility and playground; and
- Achieves a high level of amenity with ample shade, seating and parking.

The assessment has involved investigating Ted Scobie Oval, Nichols Street Public Reserve, Chandler Park, Sergi Park and Alexander Park.

Park or Reserve	Strengths	Weaknesses
<i>Ted Scobie Oval</i>	- Large open space area with high visual amenity - Close proximity to toilets	- Top end of the Oval is used as a practice field - Conflict with sporting uses - Adjacent residential properties - Proximity to residential development
<i>Nichols Street Public Reserve</i>	- Long narrow open space network - High visual amenity - Potential to share fence line (reduced cost)	- Adjacent residential properties - Underground power - Proximity to residential development
<i>Sergi Park</i>	- Large open space area - Minimal residential conflict - Multipurpose use for an underutilised park - Potential to share fence line (reduced cost)	- Limited visual amenity - Detention basin - Adjacent residential properties - Proximity to residential development
<i>Chandler Park</i>	- High visual amenity - Well utilised park	- Limited area - Adjacent residential properties

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		- Proximity to residential development
Alexander Park	- High visual amenity	- Detention basin - Isolated location - Adjacent residential properties - Proximity to residential development

While Ted Scobie Oval might be the obvious choice for locating a dog park, this will require compromising a portion of land that is already used as a practice field. It is also noted that the high usage and profile of the Oval will more than likely attract significant debate across the community.

Consultation

It is important to note that dog parks are commonly contentious issues within the community. While there is a high community expectation that dog parks are provided, there are also a number of concerns over noise and potential dog attacks that arise in locating a dog park in residential areas. It is therefore recommended that Council conduct a lengthy consultation process to provide the community opportunity to propose ideas and raise concerns.

It has been identified that each of the sites given preliminary assessment will conflict to some degree with residential amenity it is considered that this matter is further discussed by the General Facilities Committee particularly in light of this potential conflict of use.

OPTIONS**(a) Installation of pet dropping receptacles**

- (i) 120L Bin surround fitted with dog bag dispenser (\$2800 each)
- (ii) Security bin stand and separate dog bag dispenser (\$650 each)
- (iii) No additional bin and only dog bag dispenser – (\$150 each)

(b) Dog Park in Collina

There are several possible locations that might be considered appropriate for accommodating a Dog Park, as discussed in the main body of the report but it is important that this is decided based on the findings of community consultation.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

No applicable

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**(a) Installation of pet dropping receptacles**

On the basis of purchasing three dog bag dispensers and security bin stands (typical solo bin):

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Item	Unit Cost	Quantity	Cost
Dog bag dispenser	\$150	3	\$450
Security bin stand	\$500	3	\$1,500
Dog bags (1 roll)	\$35	10	\$350
TOTAL			\$2,300

(b) Installation of a dog park

On the basis of developing a dog park that is 2000m² with two entries and a double service gate:

Item	Unit Cost	Quantity	Cost
Fencing and gates	\$17.5/sqm	2000sqm	\$35,000
Concrete works	-	-	\$5,000
Signage	\$500	2	\$1,000
Bin and dog bag dispenser	\$3000	1	\$3,000
Dog bags (1 roll)	\$35	5	\$175
Water bubbler (water connection?)	\$4150	1	\$4,150
TOTAL			\$48,325

No costing has been provided for the additional staff requirements for maintaining the dog park.

LEGAL/STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

The Animal Companion Act 1998, Part 3 Division 1 Clause 13 (6) states that "...there must at all times be at least one public place in the area of a local authority that is an off-leash area". Council have sufficiently met this requirement in the development of a dog off leash area at Community Gardens in 2015. There is no legislative requirement for more than one off leash area within the local government area.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no significant environmental implications.

COMMUNITY IMPLICATIONS

As discussed earlier in the report, dog parks are typically hotly debated and contentious issues within a community. It is essential that Council invest time in engaging the community, according to where best to locate a dog park and what a dog park should provide.

LINK TO STRATEGIC PLAN

This item links to Council's Strategic Plan item 5.3 Plan for and provide sporting and recreational facilities to encourage an active lifestyle and wellbeing.

CONSULTATION

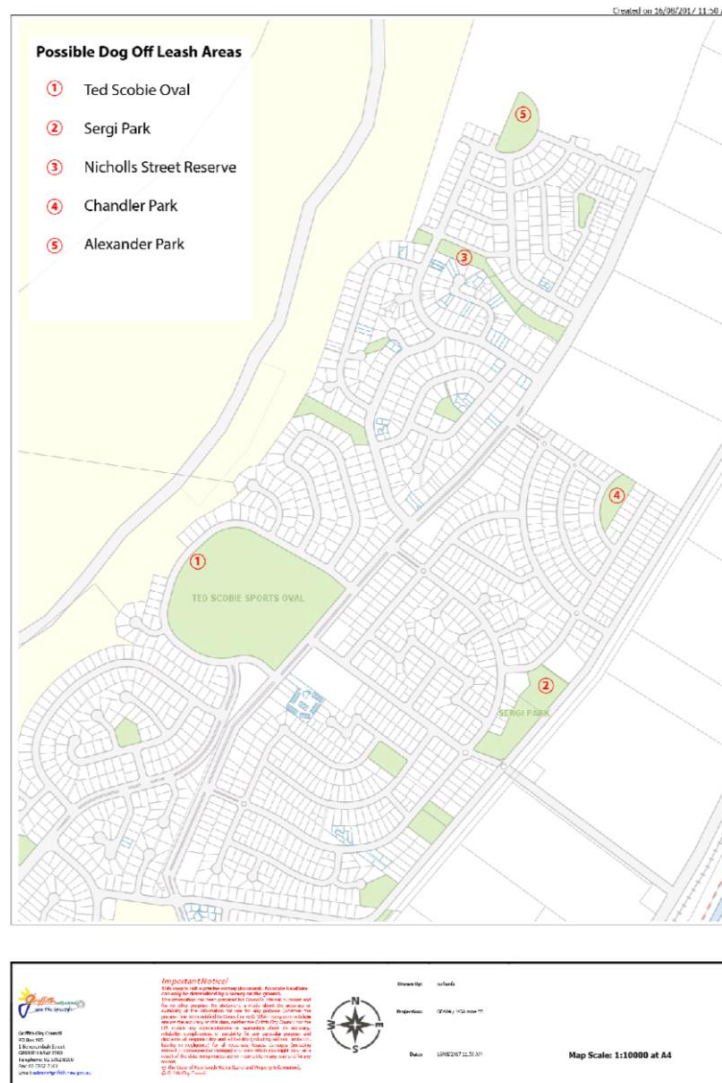
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MINUTES

**GENERAL FACILITIES COMMITTEE
HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON
TUESDAY, 5 DECEMBER 2017 COMMENCING AT 1:00 PM**

PRESENT

Councillor Doug Curran (Chair), Councillor Paul Snaidero, Ronald Anson (Community Representative), Greg Collier (Community Representative), Marilyn Hams (Community Representative), Carolyn Kidd (Community Representative), Wayne Spencer (Community Representative)

Quorum = 3

STAFF

Director Utilities, Graham Gordon, Director Infrastructure & Operations, Phil King, Manager Executive Services, Shireen Donaldson, Parks & Gardens Manager, Peter Craig, and Minute Secretary, Marisa Martinello

1 APOLOGIES

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Ronald Anson and Councillor Paul Snaidero that apologies be received from Councillor Eddy Mardon, Denis Conroy, Les Warren, Paul Lewis, Virginia Tropeano, Wendy Krzus and Warren Hodge.

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Ronald Anson and Councillor Paul Snaidero that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 5 September 2017, having first been circulated amongst all members, be confirmed.

3 BUSINESS ARISING

3.1 Griffith Pound & Rehoming Centre – Working Group

Councillor Curran informed the Committee that a Working Group for the Griffith Pound & Rehoming Centre will be formed in the coming year.

3.2 Funeral Charges

Councillor Curran advised that information regarding funeral charges for funerals that extend past normal times and have a penalty rate charged to the funeral director this will be presented at the next meeting.

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4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Pecuniary Interests

There were no pecuniary interests declared.

Significant Non-Pecuniary Interests

There were no significant non-pecuniary interests declared.

Less Than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interests

There were no significant non-pecuniary interests declared.

5 ITEMS OF BUSINESS

CL01 DOG OFF-LEASH AREA - COLLINA

Discussion took place regarding suitable options for a Dog Off-Leash area in the Collina precinct.

Mr Anson advised that he had inspected listed possibilities and:

- Sergi Park – Has no houses surrounding it, but no parking in the area, but would need significant improvements.
- Chandler Park – Had a well utilised park with a flat piece of grass area that might be suitable
- Alexander Park – Situated at the end of Collina, is a retention basin with a children's park and has shade and opportunity for car parking and dog area
- Nichol Street – lower end of Nichol Reserve near Clifton Blvde may be suitable

Councillor Curran advised that Ted Scobie Oval was a sporting area may not be suitable.

Some other suggestions made were Vaughan Park, John Piccoli Reserve, and Retention basin at new sub-division.

Mrs Kidd and Mr Craig entered the meeting the time being 1.10 pm.

Councillor Curran asked the Committee for their preference for a Dog Off-Leash area in Collina from the following list.

- Ted Scobie Oval
- Sergi Park
- Nichols Street
- Chandler Park
- Alexander Park

The Committee voted Alexander Park first and Sergi Park second.

Mr King left the meeting the time being 1.10 pm and returned at 1.11 pm.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Ronald Anson and Wayne Spencer that Council investigate further a Dog Off-Leash area in the Collina Area first ^{preference} being Alexander Park and second preference being Sergi Park.

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CL02 INSTALLATION OF ADDITIONAL ENTRY/EXIT GATE AT COMMUNITY GARDENS DOG OFF LEASH AREA

Ms Donaldson advised that this report is to assess the requirement for the installation of an additional entry/exit gate at the dog off-leash area located at the Community gardens in Coolah Street following the Notice of Motion received at the Council Meeting 25 July 2017.

Mr Anson advised that it was hard to justify spending \$10,000 for an addition entry/exit gate.

Based on the report there have been no incidents to date at the dog off-leash area at the Community Gardens.

Councillor Snaidero advised responsibility for control of dogs is the owner. There is clear signage outlining responsibility for dog owners.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Ronald Anson and Councillor Paul Snaidero that the request be noted and that no further action is required.

CL03 GRIFFITH LIVESTOCK MARKETING CENTRE

Mr Gordon advised that the Griffith Livestock Marketing Centre's budget is going well. Mr Gordon advised that a strategic approach to expanding the sale yards is required for future planning as capacity at the yards has reached 15,000 to 16,000 for sheep sales and sometimes up to 20,000 sheep per sale.

Councillor Snaidero commended the agents and staff members for a great result and keeping the expenditure down.

Mr Gordon advised the Committee that the Griffith Saleyards are in the top six of the state for sheep sales for 2016/17.

Mr Gordon advised that the design of the truck wash was presented at the last meeting and that this project is still being prepared and then will go out to Tender when ready.

The Committee asked for the gradient in the design of the Truck Wash to be 5.5% not 3.5% for the run off of the effluent.

Councillor Curran asked Mr Gordon to bring the final design back to the Committee for feedback.

The Truck Wash Project is short with funding but through Infrastructure NSW it will proceed.

Councillor Curran congratulated Mr Graham on the works for the Truck Wash Project to date.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Marilyn Hams and Wayne Spencer that the design for the Truck Wash use the additional gradient 5.5%.

CL04 GRIFFITH, YENDA & BAGTOWN CEMETERIES

Mr Collier enquired when reservations on existing plots will cease.

Mr Craig advised that the cut off was at 400 plots in the lawn cemetery.

Councillor Curran advised that the new cemetery location will need to be re-affirmed and then put on next year's agenda.

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RECOMMENDED on the motion of Ronald Anson and Councillor Paul Snaidero that the Committee note the information in the report and the financial position as at 15 November 2017.

CL05 SUBMISSIONS TO THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CEMETERY MANAGEMENT PLAN.

Councillor Curran advised the Committee that a Cemetery Working Group was formed to attend to issues raised.

The Cemetery Working Group reviewed the Cemetery Management Plan with a view to amending guidelines for the placement of ornaments at the Cemetery.

Council placed the proposed amendments to the Cemetery Management Plan on public exhibition in order to finalise the review of the placement of ornaments at grave sites at the Griffith and Yenda Cemeteries. There were a number of submissions received.

Discussion took place as follows:

- Mr Anson acknowledged the work done and advised that the recommendation will not apply to all the areas and that it will only work in the lawn area. Some sections will have interference with the beams. Other sections may have excessive ornaments; Mr Anson is not concerned with the placement of balloons or embellishments.
- Mr King advised that embellishments were allowed on the plaques as long as guidelines were met.
- Councillor Curran advised that this recommendation is to address the lawn section at the Griffith and Yenda Cemeteries.

Ms Kidd and Councillor Curran left the meeting the time being 2:00 pm

Councillor Curran returned to the meeting the time being 2:00 pm.

- Mr Collier expressed his concern that ornaments glued would be a trip hazard and suggested the ornaments not be glued.
- Mr King advised that balloons and Christmas decorations may be placed on the grave site as long as the staff are informed and removed after a couple of days. Also Mr King advised that people grieve in their own way and staff are there to assist and work with them.
- Mr King advised that new vases with larger holding area will be trialled these will be installed at a minimal cost of \$30 each.
- Councillor Curran informed that signage at the Cemetery will need to be changed to reflect the updated procedures. Paperwork with the right procedure to be provided by the funeral directors during the initial process of a burial be put in place.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Paul Snaidero and Greg Collier that the Committee recommends Council amend the Cemetery Management Plan to include the proposed suggestions from the Cemetery Working Group with one modification, being: to prevent gluing of any embellishments on plaques or beams, with the exception of portraits on plaques.

CL06 DALTON PARK

The Jockey Club is going well and has asked that Council keep an eye on the amenities block as it is becoming very run down. The grant originally applied for was unsuccessful for

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the amenities block.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Ronald Anson and Wayne Spencer that the Committee note the information in the report and the financial position.

CL07 SENIOR CITIZENS CENTRE UPDATE

Mr Anson advised that the Senior Citizens is very happy with the assistance that Council staff gives to the Centre. Mr Anson advised that a new user group Alzheimer's Group will be using the Centre.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Ronald Anson and Marilyn Hams that the Committee note the report.

CL08 PROPOSED MEETING DATES FOR 2018

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Ronald Anson and Wayne Spencer that the dates for 2018, 6 March, 5 June, 4 September, 4 December be accepted and that the commencement time for the meeting remain at 4:00 pm.

6 OUTSTANDING ACTION REPORT

The Committee noted the report.

7 GENERAL BUSINESS

7.1 Lawn Plaques

Mr Craig asked that Cemetery staff be notified by the Funeral Directors or stone masons that work is being carried out on plaques at the Cemetery.

7.2 Cemetery Working Group

Mr King wished to express his acknowledgement for all the work that has been done by the Cemetery Working Group

7.3 Cremation – Notification – Pensioner Rebate

Mr Collier enquired as to the reason why cremation statistics be provided to Council. Mr Craig advised Council register required updating and this information is required in relation to pensioner rebates. Mr Craig to provide further information to Mr Collier.

Councillor Curran wished the Committee a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

8 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the General Facilities Committee is to be held on Tuesday, 6 March 2018 at 4.00 pm

There being no further business the meeting terminated at 2:45 pm.

Confirmed:

CHAIRPERSON



MINUTES

**GENERAL FACILITIES COMMITTEE
HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON
TUESDAY, 6 MARCH 2018 COMMENCING AT 4.00 PM**

PRESENT

Councillor Doug Curran (Chair), Eddy Mardon (Councillor - Alternate), Ronald Anson (Community Representative), Denis Conroy (Community Representative), Marilyn Hams (Community Representative), Wayne Spencer (Community Representative), Virginia Tropeano (Community Representative)

Quorum = 3

STAFF

Director Utilities, Graham Gordon, Director Infrastructure & Operations, Phil King, Parks & Gardens Manager, Peter Craig, Team Leader Saleyards, Les Warren & Governance Coordinator & Minute Secretary, Wendy Krzus

1 APOLOGIES

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Ron Anson and Councillor Eddy Mardon that apologies be received from Councillor Paul Snaldero, Carolyn Kidd (Community Representative), Manager Executive Services, Shireen Donaldson, Cemetery Team Leader, Paul Lewis, and Groundsman Dalton Park, Warren Hodge.

Note: Mr Collier submitted an apology on 7 March 2018. Mr Collier advised that he was delayed in Coleambally and therefore unable to attend the meeting.

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Ronald Anson and Eddy Mardon that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 5 December 2017, having first been circulated amongst all members, be confirmed.

3 BUSINESS ARISING

3.1 CL02 – Installation of Additional Entry/Exit Gate at Community Gardens Dog Off Leash Area

Mrs Tropeano questioned the cost of \$10,000 to install an additional entry/exit gate at the dog off-leash area located at the Community Gardens in Coolah Street.

The Chair advised that the gate would be a double gate, with concrete pads which would be quite extensive therefore adding to the cost of installation of the gate.

Mrs Hams entered the meeting the time being 4.06 pm.

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Mr King further added that additional panels would be required adding to the cost of the project.

3.2 CL01 – Dog Off-Leash Area – Collina

Mr King advised that further to discussions at the previous meeting regarding suitable options for a Dog Off-Leash area in the Collina precinct that the Committee had decided at that meeting that Alexander Park would be the most suitable location followed by Sergi Park.

Mr King further advised that the matter originated from a Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor Mercuri in July 2017 asking if Council could investigate the "Installation of a dog park at the top of the Oval or any other appropriate area within Collina precinct."

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Pecuniary Interests

There were no pecuniary interests declared.

Significant Non-Pecuniary Interests

There were no significant non-pecuniary interests declared.

Less Than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interests

There were no significant non-pecuniary interests declared.

5 ITEMS OF BUSINESS

CL01 GRIFFITH LIVESTOCK MARKETING CENTRE

Mr Gordon advised the following:

- Operational expenditure as \$305,703 versus budget of \$315,333.
- Operational Income was \$279,583 versus budget of \$225,170.
- Sheep numbers were 305,136 (1 July 2017 to 31 January 2018).
- Shade sales have been completed for sheep yards - \$12,000.
- Concreting of sheep selling pens will be completed this month.
- Truck wash design is being finalised – waiting on completion of Deed will then be put to tender. Due to costs have had to amend the design. Materials will be more cost efficient.
- Canteen to be refreshed.
- Amenities will also be refreshed.

Mr Warren advised that he is seeking quotations for the tiling of the ladies and gents toilets and that funds are available for painting and refreshing the canteen.

Mrs Hams stated that she felt that the canteen was too small.

Mr Gordon suggested that a master plan is needed to enable works to be carried out over the entire facility in a staged process.

Mr Warren advised that Animal Angels, an animal welfare organisation visited the Griffith Livestock Marketing Centre on Friday, 2 March 2018 and that the RSPCA and Rural Crime would be visiting the following Friday.

Mr Conroy entered the meeting the time being 4.17 pm.

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The Chair enquired if there is a suitable area at the Saleyards where people can congregate and if not, perhaps this could be included in the master plan. It was suggested that an awning could be constructed and the end of the canteen on the lawn area that could be suitable for this purpose.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Wayne Spencer and Marilyn Hams that the Committee note the information in the report and the financial position at the end of January 2018.

CL02 DALTON PARK

Mr Craig provided an update on Dalton Park with the following information being provided:

- Operational expenditure was \$37,813 versus annual budget of \$73,686.
- Operational income \$15,339 versus annual budget of \$17,500.
- Griffith Harness Racing Club has scheduled night meetings for 6 November and 10 November 2018.
- Letters have been sent out to licensees reminding them of their obligation to maintain their respective lots in a clean and tidy condition and to provide Council with a current copy of their \$20 M Public Liability Insurance. Mr Craig to chase up with licensees to make sure Council receives the information requested.

Mr Conroy enquired if approval is required from the Crown for the construction of a swabbing box at Dalton Park.

Mr Craig advised that approval is required from the Crown because the development is on Crown land of which Council is trustee.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Ronald Anson and Denis Conroy that the Committee note the information in the report and the financial position.

CL03 SENIOR CITIZENS CENTRE

Mr Anson advised the following:

- Two new groups have signed up for regular hire, these being the Carers' Dementia Group on the first Wednesday of each month from 10 am to 12 noon and a Zumba Fitness Group each Tuesday between 6.30 pm and 7.30 pm.
- A request for internet connection has been received from one of the user groups, this is currently being investigated.
- Land line at the Centre is currently available for incoming calls with outgoing calls available for emergency services, Griffith City Council and for taxis service.
- A complaint regarding a tree that borders the Senior Citizens Centre and neighbouring property has been dealt with. Following an inspection of the property the Working Group agreed that given the leaf litter which was the subject of the complaint was very minimal, no further action is to be taken and that the complainant be written to and advised of the outcome.
- Screws have been removed from a number of chairs, separating the frame from the seat. A working bee to repair the damaged chairs using 'Loctite' to secure the screws in place is to take place.

The Chair enquired if there is an option to talk to the Men's Shed to see if they could assist with this project. Mr Anson agreed that he would speak to representatives from the Men's Shed.

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RECOMMENDED on the motion of Ronald Anson and Councillor Eddy Mardon that the Committee note the report including the Minutes of the Senior Citizens' Centre Working Group meeting held on 8 February 2018.

CL04 GRIFFITH, YENDA & BAGTOWN CEMETERIES

Mr Craig advised the following:

- Operational expenditure was \$235,814 versus annual budget \$405,594. Operational expenditure tracking well at the moment.
- Ongoing costs associated with spraying and maintenance.
- Trees at entrance of Griffith Cemetery assessed and will be removed if they cause an issue.
- 73 lawn burials during 2017.
- To date for 2018 there has been 10 lawn burials (new plots).
- 4 graves in lawn 5 section have received larger vases after the existing vase holes were core drilled to suit the larger flower vases. Approval was first sought from those with the 'Right of Burial'.

Discussion took place on Attachment (b) of the report – 'Burials at the Griffith Cemetery' and the longevity of the Cemetery.

The Chair enquired what the trigger point is before Council stops accepting reservations in the lawn section of the Cemetery.

Mr Craig advised that it was 400 reservations in the lawn section.

The Chair stated that he believes in time this will need to be communicated to the public.

Mr Craig advised that he will report the figure to the next meeting.

Mr Anson asked what the process is for changing vases on beams.

Mr King advised that a form is available to be completed and submitted to Council who will then engage contractors to undertake the work and that works to date were a trial to see how the new vases would fit.

The Chair advised that feedback he has received to date has highlighted concerns in relation to the mower hitting the flowers in the vases as a result of the location of the vase being close to the edge of the beam and that those who have provided feedback would like to see the vases higher on the beam to prevent this from occurring.

Mr King stated that some of the people in the trial have cabled tied the flowers in the vase which he believes is a good, easy initiative for keeping the flowers in placed.

Mrs Tropeano added that leaf blowers used after the cutting of lawns is blowing the flowers out of the vases.

The Chair stated that once the trials are completed Council will communicate with the community and let them know the process.

Mrs Tropeano enquired what the \$30 fee was for. Mr King explained that it was expected that the drilling would cost \$30 per plot.

Mrs Tropeano asked if this charge would be passed on to those that wished to have the vases replaced.

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Mr King advised that the charge has been included in Council's fees and charges for 2018/2019 which is still to be presented to Council for endorsement.

Virginia Tropeano **MOVED** that no fee be applied to changes to the vases.

The motion failed to achieve a Secunder.

Mrs Tropeano advised that the Mayor had stated on a recent radio program that there would be no charge for changes to vases and that she believed he should honour what was stated.

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RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Paul Snaidero and Rina Mercuri that no fee be applied for the repositioning and enlargement of flower receptacles and that this process be on an application basis.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Ronald Anson and Virginia Tropeano that the Committee note the information in the report and the financial position at 15 January 2018.

CL05 PROPOSED WORKING GROUP FOR GRIFFITH POUND & REHOMING CENTRE

The Chair provided the following update:

- Proposed that a Working Group be formed.
- Guidelines have been established (attached to the report).
- Need to ensure that a good mix of interested persons comprise the Working Group.

Mrs Tropeano stated that she agreed with the report in relation to what the Working Group would be involved in, being:

"The duties of the Pound Working Group could encompass investigation of programs that could be implemented to reduce the number of animals being abandoned. This could include lobbying of local veterinarians to promote and enable affordable de-sexing of animals; promotion of the value of de-sexing animals in the community; further development and promotion of foster care arrangements; promotion of adoption of abandoned animals; the promotion of the importance of microchipping and registering of animals.

A suggested program (Getting 2 Zero) that may be suitable for investigation and may provide viable options was attached to the Report."

Mr Anson stated that he felt it was a good idea to get the Working Group up and running.

The Chair suggested that in order to get the process started an article be placed in Council's section of Friday's Area News calling for interest person/s to apply for membership on the Working Group.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Ronald Anson and Virginia Tropeano that:

- (a) The General Facilities Committee identify suitable activities and goals for a proposed Pound Working Group.
- (b) The General Facilities Committee identify suitable persons for the proposed Pound Working Group.

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6 OUTSTANDING ACTION REPORT

6.1 Meeting Date 08.09.15 – CL09 – Dalton Park

Mr Conroy enquired what 'below the line' means in terms of the budget process. The Chair explained the process. Mr Conroy asked if the works were not carried out due to lack of funding if this means that Council accepts the responsibility if someone is hurt as a result of not funding a fence around Dalton Park.

The Chair advised that he would take the comments on notice and will speak to Council's grants section to see if there is grant funding available.

Mr Craig to obtain pricing on fencing Dalton Park.

Status - remain 'Ongoing'.

6.2 Meeting Date 08.09.15 – CL07 – General Business – Pt 7.3 Review of Cemetery Management Plan

Mrs Tropeano asked when the review of the Cemetery Management Plan would be completed and if it would encompass the whole of the Cemetery. Mr King advised that the review would include the whole of the Cemetery and that it would be an opportunity for this Committee to provide feedback.

Mrs Tropeano stated that cultural differences need to be considered and respected in the review of the Management Plan and suggested that the review be advertised to inform various cultural groups and seek their feedback.

Mr King agreed with Mrs Tropeano's suggestion.

Mrs Tropeano stated that she has noticed a number of graves at the Cemetery which are unmarked and asked if Council could consider placing a generic plaque on the unmarked site if after an agreed time the family has not organised a plaque. Plaque to include name, date of birth and death.

The Chair stated that there was already something in the Management Plan that addresses this issue and that this could be reviewed when reviewing the Management Plan.

Status - remain 'Ongoing'.

6.3 Meeting Date 04.11.15 – Drainage Issues at Dalton Park

The Chair asked if Mr Gordon could bring costings for staged drainage works to the next meeting.

Status - remain 'Ongoing'.

6.4 Meeting Date 13.06.17 – CL02 – Griffith Pound & Rehoming Centre

Dealt with earlier in the meeting, a Working Group to be formed.

Status - remain 'Ongoing'.

6.5 Meeting Date 13.06.17 – General Business – Amenities Block – Pony Club

Mrs Tropeano advised that at the moment this is little opportunity for grant funding.

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Status - remove from Outstanding Action Report.

6.6 Meeting Date 05.09.17 – CL08 – Griffith Livestock Marketing Centre Truck Wash Funding Offer

Status - no further action remove from Outstanding Action Report.

6.7 General Business – Burials – Cultural Considerations

Dealt with Point 6.2 – Review of Cemetery Management Plan.

Status - remove from Outstanding Action Report.

6.8 Meeting Date 05.12.17 – CL01 – Dog Off-Leash Area – Collina

Dealt with earlier in the meeting.

Status - remove from Outstanding Action Report.

6.9 Meeting Date 05.12.17 – CL03 – Griffith Livestock Marketing Centre

Truck Wash plans reviewed, gradient amended.

Status - remove from Outstanding Action Report.

6.10 Meeting Date 05.12.17 CL05 – Submissions to the Proposed Amendments to the Cemetery Management Plan

This matter has been dealt with.

Status - remove from Outstanding Action Report.

The Committee noted the Outstanding Action Report.

7 GENERAL BUSINESS

7.1 Possibility of Stock Theft – From Griffith Livestock Marketing Centre

Mr Warren spoke about a recent discrepancy in stock numbers at the Griffith Livestock Marketing Centre where it was discovered that stock was missing and that the Police was involved in this matter and an incident report noted. This relates to stock numbers registered on the National Vendor Declaration in relation to what is actually sold. It was raised due to these common mistakes made by vendors and are a common occurrence.

8 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the General Facilities Committee is to be held on Tuesday, 5 June 2018 at 4:00 pm

There being no further business the meeting terminated at 5.06 pm.

Confirmed:

CHAIRPERSON

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MINUTES

GENERAL FACILITIES COMMITTEE HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON TUESDAY, 2 MARCH 2021 COMMENCING AT 4:00 PM

PRESENT

Councillor Doug Curran (Chair), Eddy Mardon (Councillor – Alternate via ZOOM), Greg Collier (Community Representative), Marilyn Hams (Community Representative), Ronald Anson (Community Representative), Virginia Tropeano (Community Representative), Bernie Connelly (Community Representative).

Quorum = 3

STAFF

Director Utilities, Graham Gordon, Director Infrastructure & Operations, Phil King, Director Sustainable Development, Phil Harding, Parks & Gardens Manager, Peter Craig, Groundsman Dalton Park, Warren Hodge, Team Leader Cemeteries, Phil Boneham and Minute Secretary, Joanne Bollen.

1 APOLOGIES

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Ronald Anson and Virginia Tropeano that apologies be received from Wayne Spencer and Les Warren.

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Marilyn Hams and Virginia Tropeano that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 1 December 2020, having first been circulated amongst all members, be confirmed.

3 BUSINESS ARISING

Nil

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Pecuniary Interests

There were no pecuniary interests declared.

Significant Non-Pecuniary Interests

There were no significant non-pecuniary interests declared.

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Less Than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interests

There were no significant non-pecuniary interests declared.

5 ITEMS OF BUSINESS

CL01 GRIFFITH LIVESTOCK MARKETING CENTRE

Mr Gordon gave a verbal update on the report, explaining the financial position at the end of January 2021.

Mr Gordon advised sheep sale numbers were 27,792 for January 2021 with no cattle being sold. The saleyards have been fully operational during the COVID-19 pandemic and Council appreciates the effort people are making to obey Council's COVID-19 Policy and rules.

Details of capital works were provided including:

- One new sheep loading ramp is in this current budget but is yet to be installed. A grant application under the "Heavy Vehicle Program Round 7" was submitted on 21 May 2020 for \$76,719 to purchase and install the remaining ramps. Council has been notified that the application was unsuccessful.
- The shade structure for sheep yards - Due to the COVID-19 this has been put back to the 2021/22 budget.
- Concreting of Sheep Pens - Due to the COVID-19 this has been put back to the 2021/22 budget.

Marilyn Hams queried why the grant application was unsuccessful and Mr Gordon acknowledged that we were not advised of a reason.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Marilyn Hams and Ronald Anson that the Committee note the information in the report and the financial position at the end of January 2021.

Greg Collier entered the Meeting, the time being 4:08 pm.

CL02 GRIFFITH AND YENDA CEMETERIES

Councillor Doug Curran and Mr Craig introduced Phil Boneham, Team Leader Cemeteries, to the Committee.

Mr Craig provided an update on Cemetery issues including financial reports, lawn burials and available plots.

Lawn Burials and Available Lawn Plots at the Griffith Cemetery

Currently there have been 13 Lawn Burials (new plots) for the year 2021. There were 56 new plot lawn internments in 2020. Lawn Section (Four) has 397 available plots plus an additional 93 reservations. Lawn Section (Five) has 28 available plots plus an additional 69 reservations.

Construction of two new Lawn Beams at Yenda Cemetery

The construction of two concrete Lawn Beams at the Yenda Cemetery has been completed. The project has delivered 60 new grave plots.

Mr King provided an update on Lawn Section (Six) and advised that quotes had been received for the ground penetrating radar search. The works will take place within the next month will results to come back to the Committee.

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Virginia Tropeano raised the question of the new signs at the Cemetery. Mr King advised that he will draft and get the signs organised.

Virginia Tropeano requested that unmarked graves be followed up and be signified unless otherwise requested.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Virginia Tropeano and Ronald Anson that the Committee note the information and financial position in the Report as at 17 February 2021.

CL03 DALTON PARK

Mr Craig gave a verbal update on his report which included financial reports, bookings and maintenance.

It was advised that the Griffith Jockey Club would be commencing the construction of a storage shed on Friday, 12 March 2021. The completed shed will be 6 metres x 6 metres.

A raw water reservoir will be dredged the week of 15 March 2021. Warren Hodge will contact any lease holders to advise.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Bernie Connelly and Virginia Tropeano that the Committee note the information and financial position in the Report.

CL04 FINANCIALS - SENIOR CITIZENS CENTRE

Ron Anson gave a brief update of the Senior Citizens Centre.

It was advised that all bookings had resumed post COVID-19.

New carpets have been laid, painting is in progress and Parks and Gardens have been maintaining the garden.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Virginia Tropeano and Ronald Anson that the Committee note the Financials for Senior Citizens Centre.

CL05 FINANCIALS - ANIMAL CONTROL

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Virginia Tropeano and Ron Anson that the Committee note the Financials for Animal Control.

CL06 GRIFFITH POUND AND REHOMING CENTRE WORKING GROUP MINUTES

Phil Harding gave a brief update on the Griffith Pound and Rehoming Centre.

It was advised that a new dog drop off area was being considered to move away from using the chute and that money may be allocated in the budget for a dog play pen in the off leash dog park.

Virginia Tropeano asked if there would be more storage allocated for cats at the pound. Phil Harding responded that there would be funding proposed in next year's budget.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Ron Anson and Virginia Tropeano that the recommendations as detailed in the Minutes of the Griffith Pound and Rehoming Centre Working Group meeting held on 30 November 2020 and 1 February 2021 be adopted.

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CL07 SENIOR CITIZENS WORKING GROUP MINUTES

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Ron Anson and Virginia Tropeano that the recommendations as detailed in the Minutes of the Senior Citizen's Working Group meeting held on 19 November 2020 and 18 February 2021 be adopted.

6 OUTSTANDING ACTION REPORT

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Marilyn Hams and Virginia Tropeano that the report be noted.

7 GENERAL BUSINESS

7.1 Cemetery Masterplan

Consultant to be reengaged to compile new proposal focusing on moving the stage closer to the centre of the site, noise and removal of the current location of the proposed exit and revisiting the stormwater solutions.

7.2 Appearance of Remembrance Drive

Virginia Tropeano made mention that the road from the Airport to the water tower was looking untidy and requested that some trees and branches be removed. This was taken on notice by Mr King.

7.3 Crematorium

Greg Collier raised the issue of the Crematorium and where the process was up to. Mr King advised that Council had resolved for a feasibility study to take place on both proposed locations. Mr King has spoken to the consultants and will follow up on when the study will commence.

7.4 Dalton Park – Fencing of boundary

Bernie Connelly from the Griffith Jockey Club provided some information to the Committee in regards replacing the boundary fencing of Dalton Park.

The Griffith Jockey Club is under pressure from Racing NSW to get the kangaroos under control as they have become a WH&S issue for jockeys and track riders.

The Griffith Jockey Club is not seeking any Council funding but is seeking the approval of the Committee.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Marilyn Hams and Ron Anson that the General Facilities Committee endorse the Griffith Jockey Clubs request to proceed to concept design stage.

8 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the General Facilities Committee is to be held on Tuesday, 1 June 2021 at 4:00 pm.

There being no further business the meeting terminated at 5.14 pm.

Confirmed:

CHAIRPERSON



MINUTES

ORDINARY MEETING OF GRIFFITH CITY COUNCIL HELD IN GRIFFITH CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON TUESDAY, 23 MARCH 2021 COMMENCING AT 7:00 PM

PRESENT

The Mayor, John Dal Broi in the Chair; Councillors, Glen Andreazza, Simon Croce, Doug Curran, Deb Longhurst, Eddy Mardon (via Zoom), Rina Mercuri, Anne Napoli, Mike Neville (via Zoom), Christine Stead and Dino Zappacosta

STAFF

General Manager, Brett Stonestreet, Director Economic & Organisational Development, Shireen Donaldson, Director Utilities, Graham Gordon, Director Sustainable Development, Phil Harding, Acting Director Infrastructure & Operations, Manjit Chugha, Director Business, Cultural & Financial Services, Max Turner and Minute Taker, Brittany Everett

MEDIA

Monty Jacka, The Area News

1 COUNCIL PRAYER AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Meeting opened with Councillor Doug Curran reading the Council prayer and the Acknowledgement of Country.

Council observes one minute silence in respect of the passing of Mr Alan Taylor, Mr Lionel Irving, Mr Kevin Pollock and Ms Barbara Hawken.

2 APOLOGIES AND REQUESTS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

21/076

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Rina Mercuri and Anne Napoli that an apology be received from Councillor Brian Simpson and a leave of absence granted.

For
Councillor John Dal Broi
Councillor Glen Andreazza
Councillor Simon Croce
Councillor Doug Curran
Councillor Deb Longhurst
Councillor Eddy Mardon
Councillor Rina Mercuri
Councillor Anne Napoli
Councillor Mike Neville
Councillor Christine Stead
Councillor Dino Zappacosta

Against

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The division was declared PASSED by 11 votes to 0.

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

21/077

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Christine Stead and Simon Croce that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held in Griffith City Council Chambers on 9 March 2021, having first been circulated amongst all members of Council, be confirmed.

For

Councillor John Dal Broi
Councillor Glen Andreazza
Councillor Simon Croce
Councillor Doug Curran
Councillor Deb Longhurst
Councillor Eddy Mardon
Councillor Rina Mercuri
Councillor Mike Neville
Councillor Brian Simpson
Councillor Christine Stead
Councillor Dino Zappacosta

Against

The division was declared PASSED by 11 votes to 0.

4 BUSINESS ARISING

Business Arising – CL05 Flood Mapping Update for Yenda

Councillor Christine Stead requested an update on the public consultation that was held on 18 March 2021 in Yenda. Mayor John Dal Broi stated the consultation was successful and commended the General Manager Brett Stonesteet, Director Graham Gordon and Water & Wastewater Manager Durgananda Chaudhary on the presentation. The updated flood maps are on public exhibition and will be presented to Council with any submissions received.

Minutes of the Transport Committee Meeting held on 8 February 2021

Councillor Zappacosta complimented Council on the rapid completion of the repairs to the road surface on Banna Avenue near the intersection with Jensen Road. Councillor Zappacosta noted Transport for NSW (TfNSW) are yet to complete works on the bridge north of the Kidman Way and Coppard Road intersection.

21/078

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Dino Zappacosta and Simon Croce that Council follow up with Transport for NSW in relation to the upgrade of bridge north of the Kidman Way and Coppard Road intersection.

For

Councillor John Dal Broi
Councillor Glen Andreazza
Councillor Simon Croce
Councillor Doug Curran
Councillor Deb Longhurst
Councillor Eddy Mardon
Councillor Rina Mercuri

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Councillor Anne Napoli
Councillor Mike Neville
Councillor Christine Stead
Councillor Dino Zappacosta

The division was declared PASSED by 11 votes to 0.

5 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Pecuniary Interests

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

Councillor Anne Napoli
Minutes of the Floodplain Management Committee held on 4 March 2021
Reason – Councillor Napoli owns a property along McCormack Road, Yoogali.

Councillor Anne Napoli
Outstanding Action Report
Reason – Councillor Napoli holds a high security water licence and a member of Councillor Napoli's family is one of the Directors of a company that has sub-quoted for the project.

Councillor Anne Napoli
CC01 – Westend Oval Sports Precinct Design & Construct Contractor Appointment
Reason – A member of Councillor Napoli's family is one of the Directors of a company that has sub-quoted for this project.

Significant Non-Pecuniary Interests

There were no significant non-pecuniary interests declared.

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 Dino Zappacosta
CL02 - Suspension of Alcohol Free Zone – Winter Delights Festival May
2021 Reason – Councillor Zappacosta holds a liquor licence.

Councillor Dino Zappacosta
Floodplain Management Committee Minutes held on 4 March 2021
Reason – Councillor Zappacosta owns several businesses in the Hanwood area.

6 PRESENTATIONS

GRIFFITH EAST PUBLIC SCHOOL

21/079

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Glen Andreazza and Christine Stead that Standing Orders be suspended to allow the presentation from Mayor John Dal Broi to Griffith East Public School.

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Councillor Glen Andreazza	
Councillor Simon Croce	
Councillor Doug Curran	
Councillor Deb Longhurst	
Councillor Eddy Mardon	
Councillor Rina Mercuri	
Councillor Anne Napoli	
Councillor Mike Neville	
Councillor Christine Stead	
Councillor Dino Zappacosta	

The division was declared PASSED by 11 votes to 0.

21/080

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Doug Curran and Glen Andreazza that the meeting resume standing orders.

For	Against
Councillor John Dal Broi	
Councillor Glen Andreazza	
Councillor Simon Croce	
Councillor Doug Curran	
Councillor Deb Longhurst	
Councillor Eddy Mardon	
Councillor Rina Mercuri	
Councillor Anne Napoli	
Councillor Mike Neville	
Councillor Christine Stead	
Councillor Dino Zappacosta	

The division was declared PASSED by 11 votes to 0.

7 MAYORAL MINUTES

Nil

8 GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

CL01 SOUTH AUSTRALIAN VARIETY BASH - GRIFFITH FINISH LINE - 21 AUGUST 2021

21/081

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Doug Curran and Christine Stead that Council approve \$10,000 cash donation to the SA Variety Bash Finish Line Event, in addition to the already approved in-kind support valuing \$15,000 (provided the event physically finishes in Griffith as organised). Total sponsorship will then be the value of \$25,000.

For	Against
Councillor John Dal Broi	
Councillor Glen Andreazza	
Councillor Simon Croce	
Councillor Doug Curran	
Councillor Deb Longhurst	
Councillor Eddy Mardon	

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Councillor Rina Mercuri
Councillor Anne Napoli
Councillor Mike Neville
Councillor Christine Stead
Councillor Dino Zappacosta

The division was declared PASSED by 11 votes to 0.

CL02 SUSPENSION OF ALCOHOL FREE ZONE - WINTER DELIGHTS FESTIVAL MAY 2021

21/082

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Glen Andreazza and Rina Mercuri that:

- (a) Council suspend the Alcohol Free Zone of Banna Lane on the 8 May 2021 between 6:00pm and 11:00pm.
- (b) Council suspend the Alcohol Free Zone of Kooyoo Street from the 3 May 2021 until 30 May 2021 between the hours of 12:00pm and 11:00pm.

For
Councillor John Dal Broi
Councillor Glen Andreazza
Councillor Simon Croce
Councillor Doug Curran
Councillor Deb Longhurst
Councillor Eddy Mardon
Councillor Rina Mercuri
Councillor Anne Napoli
Councillor Mike Neville
Councillor Christine Stead
Councillor Dino Zappacosta

Against

The division was declared PASSED by 11 votes to 0.

CL03 WESTERN RIVERINA COMMUNITY COLLEGE - SHORT TERM LICENCE AGREEMENT PART LOT 1 SECTION 127 DP 758476 - KOOKORA STREET

21/083

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Anne Napoli and Rina Mercuri that:

- (a) Council enter into a one year short term licence agreement with Western Riverina Community College over part Lot 1 Section 127 DP 758476, Crown Reserve 81439, Kookora Street, to undertake planning and approvals process to permit the construction of a school on part of the reserve.
- (b) Council advertise its intention to enter into a one year short term licence agreement with Western Riverina Community College over part Lot 1 Section 127 DP 758476, Crown Reserve 81439, Kookora Street. Should any submissions be received a report will be presented to Council for consideration.
- (c) Should no submissions be received, Council will enter into the one year short term licence agreement with Western Riverina Community College.
- (d) No fees be charged for the preparation of the short term licence agreement, Administration Fee or annual fee.
- (e) The General Manager be authorised to sign the one year short term licence agreement on behalf of Council.

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Councillor Eddy Mardon	
Councillor Rina Mercuri	
Councillor Anne Napoli	
Councillor Mike Neville	
Councillor Christine Stead	
Councillor Dino Zappacosta	

The division was declared PASSED by 11 votes to 0.

CL04 REQUEST FOR ROAD NAME - BATTOCCHIO

21/084

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Simon Croce and Christine Stead that Council approve the use of Battocchio Street for road naming purposes for the new shared road known as Road 5 in the subdivision of Clifton Gardens known as Farm 10 Collina.

For	Against
Councillor John Dal Broi	
Councillor Glen Andreazza	
Councillor Simon Croce	
Councillor Doug Curran	
Councillor Deb Longhurst	
Councillor Eddy Mardon	
Councillor Rina Mercuri	
Councillor Anne Napoli	
Councillor Mike Neville	
Councillor Christine Stead	
Councillor Dino Zappacosta	

The division was declared PASSED by 11 votes to 0.

9 INFORMATION REPORTS

CL05 INVESTMENTS AT 28 FEBRUARY, 2021

21/085

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Doug Curran and Deb Longhurst that the report be noted by Council.

For	Against
Councillor John Dal Broi	
Councillor Glen Andreazza	
Councillor Simon Croce	
Councillor Doug Curran	
Councillor Deb Longhurst	
Councillor Eddy Mardon	
Councillor Rina Mercuri	
Councillor Anne Napoli	
Councillor Mike Neville	
Councillor Christine Stead	

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10 ADOPTION OF COMMITTEE MINUTES

MINUTES OF THE LAKE WYANGAN & CATCHMENT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 2 FEBRUARY 2021

21/086

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Doug Curran and Anne Napoli that the recommendations as detailed in the Minutes of the Lake Wyangan & Catchment Management Committee meeting held on 2 February 2021 be adopted.

For

Against

Councillor John Dal Broi
Councillor Glen Andreazza
Councillor Simon Croce
Councillor Doug Curran
Councillor Deb Longhurst
Councillor Eddy Mardon
Councillor Rina Mercuri
Councillor Anne Napoli
Councillor Mike Neville
Councillor Christine Stead
Councillor Dino Zappacosta

The division was declared PASSED by 11 votes to 0.

MINUTES OF THE GRIFFITH COMMUNITY CENTRE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 10 FEBRUARY 2021

21/087

RESOLVED on the motion of Deb Longhurst and Simon Croce that the recommendations as detailed in the Minutes of the Griffith Community Centre Committee meeting held on 10 February 2021 be adopted.

For

Against

Councillor John Dal Broi
Councillor Glen Andreazza
Councillor Simon Croce
Councillor Doug Curran
Councillor Deb Longhurst
Councillor Eddy Mardon
Councillor Rina Mercuri
Councillor Anne Napoli
Councillor Mike Neville
Councillor Christine Stead
Councillor Dino Zappacosta

The division was declared PASSED by 11 votes to 0.

MINUTES OF THE DISABILITY INCLUSION & ACCESS COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 23 FEBRUARY 2021

21/088

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Mike Neville and Doug Curran that the

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recommendations as detailed in the Minutes of the Disability Inclusion & Access Committee meeting held on 23 February 2021 be adopted.

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Councillor John Dal Broi	
Councillor Glen Andreazza	
Councillor Simon Croce	
Councillor Doug Curran	
Councillor Deb Longhurst	
Councillor Eddy Mardon	
Councillor Rina Mercuri	
Councillor Anne Napoli	
Councillor Mike Neville	
Councillor Christine Stead	
Councillor Dino Zappacosta	

The division was declared PASSED by 11 votes to 0.

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 2 MARCH 2021

21/089

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Doug Curran and Eddy Mardon that the recommendations as detailed in the Minutes of the General Facilities Committee meeting held on 2 March 2021 be adopted.

For	Against
Councillor John Dal Broi	
Councillor Glen Andreazza	
Councillor Simon Croce	
Councillor Doug Curran	
Councillor Deb Longhurst	
Councillor Eddy Mardon	
Councillor Rina Mercuri	
Councillor Anne Napoli	
Councillor Mike Neville	
Councillor Christine Stead	
Councillor Dino Zappacosta	

The division was declared PASSED by 11 votes to 0.

Councillor Anne Napoli left the meeting having declared a Pecuniary Interest, the time being 7:30 pm.

MINUTES OF THE FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 4 MARCH 2021

21/090

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Dino Zappacosta and Glen Andreazza that the recommendations as detailed in the Minutes of the Floodplain Management Committee meeting held on 4 March 2021 be adopted.

For	Against
Councillor John Dal Broi	
Councillor Glen Andreazza	
Councillor Simon Croce	
Councillor Doug Curran	
Councillor Deb Longhurst	

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Councillor Eddy Mardon
Councillor Rina Mercuri
Councillor Mike Neville
Councillor Christine Stead
Councillor Dino Zappacosta

The division was declared PASSED by 10 votes to 0.

Councillor Anne Napoli returned to the meeting, the time being 7:31 pm.

MINUTES OF THE TRAFFIC COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 9 MARCH 2021

21/091

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Simon Croce and Doug Curran that the recommendations as detailed in the Minutes of the Traffic Committee meeting held on 9 March 2021 be adopted.

For
Councillor John Dal Broi
Councillor Glen Andreazza
Councillor Simon Croce
Councillor Doug Curran
Councillor Deb Longhurst
Councillor Eddy Mardon
Councillor Rina Mercuri
Councillor Anne Napoli
Councillor Mike Neville
Councillor Christine Stead
Councillor Dino Zappacosta

Against

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

Councillor Anne Napoli left the meeting having declared a Pecuniary Interest, the time being 7:34 pm.

21/092

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Mike Neville and Rina Mercuri that the report be noted.

For
Councillor John Dal Broi
Councillor Glen Andreazza
Councillor Simon Croce
Councillor Doug Curran
Councillor Deb Longhurst

Against

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Councillor Eddy Mardon
Councillor Rina Mercuri
Councillor Mike Neville
Councillor Christine Stead
Councillor Dino Zappacosta

The division was declared PASSED by 10 votes to 0.

Councillor Anne Napoli remained out of the meeting having declared a Pecuniary Interest to CC01.

14 MATTERS TO BE DEALT WITH BY CLOSED COUNCIL

In accordance with the Local Government Act 1993 and the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005, 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.**

21/093

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Christine Stead and Doug Curran 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.
- (c) 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

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Act 1993.

For

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Councillor Simon Croce
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Councillor Deb Longhurst
Councillor Eddy Mardon
Councillor Rina Mercuri
Councillor Mike Neville
Councillor Christine Stead
Councillor Dino Zappacosta

Against

The division was declared PASSED by 10 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 WESTEND OVAL SPORTS PRECINCT DESIGN & CONSTRUCT CONTRACTOR APPOINTMENT

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

CC02 TENDER NO. 10-20/21: PROVISION OF SPECIALIST WORK FOR GRIFFITH CITY COUNCIL, TENDER NO. 11-20/21: PROVISION OF MAINTENANCE WORK FOR GRIFFITH CITY COUNCIL AND TENDER NO. 12-20/21: PROVISION OF TRADE WORK FOR GRIFFITH CITY COUNCIL.

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

CC03 TENDER 20-20/21: PROVISION OF COMPLIANCE SERVICES (COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT)

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

Council closed its meeting at 7:37 pm. The public and media left the Chamber. Livestream was disconnected.

REVERSION TO OPEN COUNCIL

21/094

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Glen Andreazza and Christine Stead that Open Council be resumed.

For

Councillor John Dal Broi
Councillor Glen Andreazza
Councillor Simon Croce
Councillor Doug Curran
Councillor Deb Longhurst
Councillor Eddy Mardon
Councillor Rina Mercuri
Councillor Anne Napoli
Councillor Mike Neville
Councillor Christine Stead
Councillor Dino Zappacosta

Against

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Open Council resumed at 7:49 pm. 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 WESTEND OVAL SPORTS PRECINCT DESIGN & CONSTRUCT CONTRACTOR APPOINTMENT

21/095

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Doug Curran and Christine Stead that:

- (a) Council appoints Hines Construction as the principal construction contractor for Griffith Regional Sports Precinct – Westend Oval Design & Construct Contract at Merrigal Street, Griffith.
- (b) Council resolve to increase the capital budget by a further \$6.1M in order to deliver the increased scope of the facility as a result of finalising community consultation with major sporting user groups and Griffith City Sports Council that resulted in;
 - Increasing the building footprint by an additional 1,263 sqm (or 33%)
 - Installing a new water-based Hockey Pitch instead of sand-based
 - Constructing a new shared pathway around the perimeter of the site as required by additional DA conditions
 - Including various other sporting infrastructure items as determined by the user group consultation.

For

Councillor John Dal Broi
Councillor Glen Andreazza
Councillor Simon Croce
Councillor Doug Curran
Councillor Deb Longhurst
Councillor Eddy Mardon
Councillor Rina Mercuri
Councillor Mike Neville
Councillor Christine Stead
Councillor Dino Zappacosta

Against

The division was declared PASSED by 10 votes to 0.

Councillor Anne Napoli returned to the meeting, the time being 7:45 pm.

CC02 TENDER NO. 10-20/21: PROVISION OF SPECIALIST WORK FOR GRIFFITH CITY COUNCIL, TENDER NO. 11-20/21: PROVISION OF MAINTENANCE WORK FOR GRIFFITH CITY COUNCIL AND TENDER NO. 12-20/21: PROVISION OF TRADE WORK FOR GRIFFITH CITY COUNCIL.

21/096

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Glen Andreazza and Christine Stead that:

- (a) Council accept Tender No. 10-20/21: Provision of Specialist Work for Griffith City Council (Water & Sewer Pipe Maintenance Directive Boring) and appoint Tenderers as listed in the report.
- (b) Council reject all tenders for Tender No. 11-20/21 and No 12-20/21.

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(c) Council authorise the contract documents to be signed by the General Manager.

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Councillor Glen Andreazza	
Councillor Simon Croce	
Councillor Doug Curran	
Councillor Deb Longhurst	
Councillor Eddy Mardon	
Councillor Rina Mercuri	
Councillor Anne Napoli	
Councillor Mike Neville	
Councillor Christine Stead	
Councillor Dino Zappacosta	

The division was declared PASSED by 11 votes to 0.

CC03 TENDER 20-20/21: PROVISION OF COMPLIANCE SERVICES (COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT)

21/097

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillors Simon Croce and Dino Zappacosta that Tender 20-20/21 Provision of Compliance Services (Compliance and Enforcement) be awarded to Kangara Pastoral Co Pty Limited.

For	Against
Councillor John Dal Broi	
Councillor Glen Andreazza	
Councillor Simon Croce	
Councillor Doug Curran	
Councillor Deb Longhurst	
Councillor Eddy Mardon	
Councillor Rina Mercuri	
Councillor Anne Napoli	
Councillor Mike Neville	
Councillor Christine Stead	
Councillor Dino Zappacosta	

The division was declared PASSED by 11 votes to 0.

There being no further business the meeting terminated at 7:52 pm.

Confirmed:

CHAIRPERSON

CL06 Attachment (h) Submission North Griffith Dog Park

Fw: SUBMISSION TO CONSIDER - NORTH GRIFFITH - DOG PARK

Shireen Donaldson to: Joanne Bollen

26/05/2021 09:12 AM

Hi Joanne

I have received this which should be included in the Agenda for the General Facilities Committee Meeting when they consider the other dog park request

Shireen Donaldson

Director Economic & Organisational Development

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Griffith City Council pays respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elders, past, present and future, and acknowledges they are the custodians of this land. Council is committed to building our future together.

----- Forwarded by Shireen Donaldson/Griffith City Council on 26/05/2021 09:11 AM -----

From: Lindy Pacialeo
To: Shireen Donaldson/Griffith City Council@Griffith City Council
Date: 25/05/2021 11:08 AM
Subject: SUBMISSION TO CONSIDER - NORTH GRIFFITH - DOG PARK

Good Morning Shireen

As a resident from North Griffith area, myself and many residents walk our dogs on leads around this area and tend to meet at the park opposite North Griffith Public School.

We allow our dogs to mingle on leads so that they can socialise.

Many residents and myself have mentioned that we require a Dog Park in this area as this would be fantastic for our animals to play in safe and secure park.

Also this is great for us as dog owners because we can feel relieved that we have somewhere that our dogs can have healthy playtime.

Please consider this submission.

Regards
Lindy Pacialeo

TITLE Outstanding Action Report

TRIM REF 26/129580

RECOMMENDATION

The report be noted.

ATTACHMENTS

- (a) Roads, Parks & Pathways Enhancement Committee - Action Report - 29 Oct 2026   76

Roads, Parks & Pathways Enhancement Committee Action Report
29 Oct 2026

Date of Meeting	Item	Action/Recommendation	Officer	Comment
23 July 2026	CL04 Griffith CBD Enhancement Project Update - Presentation	RECOMMENDED on the motion of Carmel La Rocca and Doreen Wood that the Committee: (a) Note the construction works at Lake Wyangan. (b) Note the finalisation of the preferred shared pathway design. (c) Place on public exhibition the Roundabouts and Median Strips proposed design for a final community consultation, feedback and to indicate priority areas. (d) Endorse the revised scope of works for the Memorial Park shade structure. Note that Council is commencing public tender processes for applicable projects in accordance with Council's procurement and requirements.	Peter Badenhorst	
23 July 2026	CL02 National Tree Day Update	RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Shari Blumer and Ema Munro that the Committee note the information in the report and following this year's Tree Planting Day, the Committee will review the event and discuss plans for next year.	Phil King	29/10/2026: See report in this agenda.
23 July 2026	CL01 Rotary Club of Griffith Avanti - Memorial Park Griffith - Peace Pole Project	RECOMMENDED on the motion of Will Mead and Jenna Thomas that the Committee support the installation of a Rotary Peace Pole in Memorial Park located on the lawn at the western end of the park.	Phil King	29/10/2026: Letter sent to Rotary Avanti. COMPLETE
30 Mar 2026	7.2 Canopy Plan	RECOMMENDED on the motion of Jenna Thomas and Stephen Parker that staff investigate a Canopy Plan for Griffith within the last quarter of the year.	Phil King	29/10/2026: On going

29 Jan 2026	7.2 Update on CRM System	Mr Parker requested an update from Shireen Donaldson on Council's new Customer Request Management System. He also mentioned he would like to be part of the user acceptance testing.	Shireen Donaldson	9/03/2026: Shireen Donaldson provided Mr Parker with an update via email. 30/03/2026: Update required in 6 months.
29 Jan 2026 30 Mar 2026	CL02 Budget for Prendergast Traffic Island	RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Mark Dal Bon and Carmel La Rocca that: (a) Staff and Mr Kidman refine the design and costings and a report be presented to the next meeting. (b) Staff write to the Prendergast family to provide them with an update.	Phil King	30/03/2026: Letter has been written and sent to the Prendergast family. 30/03/2026: RECOMMENDED on the motion of Ema Munro and Jenna Thomas that Staff and Mr Kidman further simplify and revise the plans and costing, with the inclusion of large trees, irrigation and worms. 5/05/2026: Phil King has spoken to the family.
26 Nov 2025 30 March 2026	CL02 Concept Designs - NSW Sustainable Communities Program	The Committee RECOMMENDED that options for Roundabouts beautification, Replacement of banners, Memorial Gardens entrances, Power and Data Upgrades and Median Strip be placed on public exhibition until Friday, 27 February 2025, and if submissions are received, a report will be prepared and presented to the Committee.	Joe Rizzo	On public exhibition till Friday 27 Feb 2026. Report to 5 May 2026 Committee Meeting. 30/03/2026: 7.1 Shared Pathway – Sustainable Communities Grant RECOMMENDED on the motion Will Mead and Pirkko Makarainen that the Committee support in principle the proposed option for splitting the pedestrian and cycleway on Banna Avenue from Crossing Street to Blumer Avenue, for the Sustainable Communities Grant.

23 Oct 2025	CL12 Bagtown Cemetery - Minor Works for Beautification	RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Dal Bon and Elizabeth (Will) Mead that the Committee: (a) Note the report. (b) Note the importance of the Bagtown Cemetery to the Community. (c) Request that a report be presented regarding the Bagtown Cemetery that focuses on accessibility.	Phil King / Peter B	26/01/2026: Further information required (Mr King to speak to mover and seconder).
23 Oct 2025	CL11 Bagtown's First Blacksmith Store Site	RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Dal Bon and Stephen Parker that the Committee endorse the draft plan presented.	Phil King / Peter B	20/01/2026: Works will be scheduled for the allocated budget to be completed in prior to June 2026 30/03/2026: Budget update as moved this project to FY2026/2027 29/10/2026: Budget confirmed works yet to commence.
23 Oct 2025	CL07 Committee Member Request - Extending Barellan Street	RECOMMENDED on the motion of Brian Savage and Amy Renouf that correspondence be sent from Council to the various entities outlined in the report, including; Heavy Rail, Transport for NSW (TfNSW), The Country Rail Network (CRN), Rail Infrastructure Manager (RIM), UGL Regional Linx (UGLRL).	Phil King	26/01/2026: Ongoing. 30/03/2026: Correspondence has been sent 5/05/2026: No correspondence received back.
23 Oct 2025	CL06 Committee Member Requests - Ema Munro	Mr Kidman suggested looking at large scale development applications at Lake Wyangan for the tree planting. Councillor Blumer requested this be tabled at the next meeting.	Phil King	26/01/2026: Mr King to provide report to Committee.
23 Oct 2025	CL04 Items Referred from The Disability Inclusion & Access Committee	DIAC - Adult Change Facilities - Ms Owen to prepare a letter to Griffith City Council and Griffith Sports Council requesting that Adult Change Facilities be installed in at GRSC. A report be presented at the next Disability, Inclusion and Access Committee Meeting highlighting costings and options and the matter be referred to the Roads, Parks and Pathways Enhancement Committee.	Peter B	26/01/2026: More information required.

26 June 2025	CL02 Review of Griffith Playground Strategy	RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Mark Dal Bon and Carmel La Rocca that the information be received and noted. A report is to be presented to the next meeting incorporating the updated data and review of the medium and low priority areas.	Phil King	17/09/2025: Report to Committee 23 October 2025. 15/10/2025: Data collection is continuing as part of the review of medium and low priority areas. Report in 2026.
26 June 2025	CL10 Notice of Motion - Naming of Roundabout - 10 Dec 2024	RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Laurie Testoni and Ema Munro that a draft policy be presented to the next Committee meeting.	Phil King	23/10/2025: Due to current volume of reports being considered by the committee that this matter be held over to a future meeting 20/01/2026: Report to April 2026 meeting
26 March 2025	CL09 Review of Griffith CBD Strategy	RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Mark Dal Bon and Jenna Thomas that: (a) Council apply for funding for the upgrading of Banna Ave as reflected in the CBD Strategy. (b) Council review the CBD Strategy to identify the completed initiatives and consolidate the remaining recommendations into achievable projects with clear objectives and scope of works.	Phil King	29 April 2025 – Council staff have completed the funding submission. Further reviews will be completed of the CBD Strategy to consolidate remaining objectives 26 June 2025 – Council has not received any further advice to date regarding the funding submission. 9/10/2025: Successful in funding, 25 Sep 2025 information provided to the Committee. Report to Committee in November 2025 with the concept designs. 26/01/2026: the review of the Griffith CBD Strategy is to be undertaken following the completion of grant-funded works, anticipated in December 2027.