MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MAIN STREET, CAMBRAI
ON TUESDAY 12 SEPTEMBER 2017

1. PRESENT


2. IN ATTENDANCE

Mr R J Peate, Chief Executive Officer, 
Mrs R A Dunstall, Acting Director, Corporate & Financial Services, 
Mr J B Taggart, Acting Director, Development & Environmental Services, (from 9-58 A M), 
Mr G R Hill, Director, Infrastructure Services, 
Mrs D Brokenshire, Governance Manager, 
Mrs C L Budarick, Minute Secretary.

3. COMMENCEMENT AND WELCOME 9-30 A M

The Mayor declared the meeting open and welcomed all present.

4. APOLOGIES

Were received from Cr M K Jennings, Cr A Sakko and Cr B P Schmitt.

19747/1 Cr Kuhn moved that the apologies be received. 
Seconded Cr Myers. 
CARRIED.

5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cr Wilkinson declared a conflict of interest pursuant to Division 3 of the Local Government Act in 
Item 10.2.4 – Dark Sky Nomination Update and intends to participate in the meeting in relation to 
the matter.

6. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

(Page 19650 and Confidential Minutes 1740 – 8/8/2017)

19747/2 Cr Raison moved that the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on the 8 August 2017, be 
taken as read and confirmed. 
Seconded Cr Hall. 
CARRIED.
7. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Nil.

8. BUSINESS DEFERRED

8.1 Mannum Waters Boat Ramp Update

19748/1 Cr Hall moved that Council endorse that the principal boat ramp in Mannum shall be designated as the facility that is now constructed at the Mannum Waters Marina, off Marina Way, Mannum.
Seconded Cr Taylor.

19748/2 Cr Myers moved that the Mannum Waters Boat Ramp Update matter be adjourned and that the item be resumed once additional information has been received.
Seconded Cr Hall.

CARRIED.


19748/3 Cr Raison moved that Council notes in accordance with its Budget Performance Policy, there are no proposed budget amendments.
Seconded Cr Kuhn.

CARRIED.

10. REPORTS FROM OFFICERS

10.1 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES REPORT  See Minute Book Pages 19770 – 19780.

19748/4 Cr Taylor moved that the report be received.
Seconded Cr Raison.

CARRIED.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM REPORT

10.1.2 South Australian Tourism Commission - New Touring Route - Mighty Murray Way

19748/5 Cr Myers moved that the report for South Australian Tourism Commission Touring Routes Signage project - Mighty Murray Way be received.
Seconded Cr Kuhn.

CARRIED.

10.1.3 Recreational Fishing Grants 2017 Applications

19748/6 Cr Wilkinson moved that the report for Recreational Fishing Grants 2017 Applications be received.
Seconded Cr Raison.

CARRIED.
BUSINESS ARISING FROM REPORT CONT’D

10.1.4 Walker Ave Pedestrian Crossing - Mannum Community College

19749/1 Cr Taylor moved that

(1) The report for Walker Ave pedestrian crossing at the Mannum Community College be received.

(2) Council endorse that $10k be allocated to fund Council contribution towards the construction of the pedestrian crossing on Walker Ave and that adjustment be made at the next Financial Review.

Seconded Cr Kuhn. CARRIED.

10.1.5 Community Grant to improve Road Safety, Encourage efficient use of cars and active modes of travel

19749/2 Cr Myers moved that the report for Community Grant to improve Road Safety, encourage efficient use of cars and active modes of travel be received.

Seconded Cr Wilkinson. CARRIED.

10.1.6 Event Permit Application – Palmer Hot Rod Street Party

19749/3 Cr Wilkinson moved that

(1) Subject to the approval of the Commissioner of Police, Council approval be granted for temporary road closures on:
   - Randell Road, Palmer between Reedy Creek Road and Linder Avenue
   - Olive Grove Avenue, Palmer between Randell Road and Education Avenue
   - Education Avenue, Cnr of Olive Grove Road
   on Sunday 1 October 2017 from 9-00am until 6-00pm for the purpose of conducting the Palmer Hot Rod Street Party, subject to approval of the Event Permit Application

(2) The Senior Sergeant – Traffic Planning be advised that Council agrees with the proposed road closure referred to in (1) above and he be requested to proceed with the necessary road closure order and that the following Australian Road Rules Exemptions be sought:
   - Rule 230: Crossing of road – general
   - Rule 238: Pedestrians travelling along a road; except in or on a wheeled recreational device or toy.

(3) Subject to the issue of the road closure order referred to in (2) above certified personnel are to be responsible for traffic marshalling during the event.

(4) Non for profit organisations are exempt from paying the fee (monetary) but will be committed to recognise Mid Murray Council in the promotional / advertising of the event, to the value of $500.00 or greater.

Seconded Cr Raison. CARRIED.
10.2 DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT  See Minute Book Pages 19781 – 19805.

Jake McVicar, Senor Development Officer – Planning in attendance.

19750/1 Cr Hall moved that the report be received.  
Seconded Cr Raison.  
CARRIED.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM REPORT

10.2.1 Update to the Food Act Inspection Fees Policy

19750/2 Cr Wilkinson moved that the Food Inspection Fees Policy, as amended, be endorsed by Council.  
Seconded Cr Myers.  
CARRIED.

10.2.2 Southern Heritage Places Development Plan Amendment

19750/3 Cr Wilkinson moved that

(1) If a public hearing of representations is required to take place for the Southern Heritage Places Development Plan Amendment, the members of Council's Strategic Planning and Development Policy Committee be appointed as the Committee to hear the representations pursuant to Section 25(11)(c) of the Development Act 1993; and

(2) The Acting Director – Development and Environment Services be given delegated authority to authorise any minor amendments to Southern Heritage Places Development Plan Amendment as may be necessary to facilitate on-going progression of the Development Plan Amendment.

Seconded Cr Kuhn.  
CARRIED.

10.2.3 Houseboat Mooring at Bolto & Haythorpe Reserves

19750/4 Cr Myers moved that a houseboat/riverboat 24 hour mooring zone be allocated at the southern end of Haythorpe Reserve, adjacent to the public toilets, extending 100 metre upstream.  
Seconded Cr Hall.  
CARRIED.

10.2.4 Dark Sky Nomination Update

Cr Wilkinson declared a perceived conflict of interest pursuant to Sections 75 and 75A of the Local Government Act in Item 10.2.4 as he is a member of the Mid Murray Landcare Group.  Cr Wilkinson remained in the Chamber and he did not vote on this item.  
A copy of the Draft Light Management Plan/Policy was provided to members at the meeting.
BUSINESS ARISING FROM REPORT CONT’D

10.2.4 Dark Sky Nomination Update Cont’d

19751/1 Cr Hall moved that

(1) Council provide Mid Murray Landcare SA with a letter of support for the Dark Sky initiative, signed by the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer; and

(2) Council supports the Draft Light Management Plan/Policy, as tabled at today’s meeting.

Seconded Cr Raison.

CARRIED.

10.2.5 Nomination – Dog and Cat Management Board

19751/2 Cr Raison moved that Council endorse the nomination of Council’s Manager – Regulatory Services, Rocky Warren, as a Local Government Association representative, to the Dog and Cat Management Board for the upcoming 2017-2020 term.

Seconded Cr Hall.

CARRIED.

10.2.6 Reserves – Private Moorings Policy Waiver Request

19751/3 Cr Raison moved that Council advise the applicant of Development Application 711/112/17 that permission is granted to access the land for the purposes of a jetty. This also permits Crown Lands to grant the necessary licence.

Seconded Cr Hall.

CARRIED.

9-58 A M Joel Taggart, Acting Director Development and Environmental Services attended the meeting.

10.2.7 Sale of Council Land – Vendor Authority

19751/4 Cr Hall moved that pursuant to Sections 38 & 44 of the Local Government Act 1999, Council authorises the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer to execute under the Common Seal of Council the Vendor Documents for the sale of land owned by Council for properties located at:

- Lot 276, 1 North Terrace, Blanchetown
- Lot 70, Church Crescent, Palmer
- Section 6, 81 Centenary Road, Morgan (including various Leases)
- Lot 115, North Terrace, Mount Mary
- Lot 76, Page Drive, Blanchetown
- Lot 66, Page Drive, Blanchetown.

Seconded Cr Raison.

CARRIED.
BUSINESS ARISING FROM REPORT CONT’D

10.2.8 Application to Consent to the Deposit of a Plan of Land Division and to Rescind Land Management Agreements – Land Division 711/D010/09 – Stage 12

19752/1 Cr Raison moved that pursuant to Sections 38 & 44 of the Local Government Act 1999, Council authorises the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer to execute under the Common Seal of Council the Consent for the Deposit of a Plan of Division and the Rescission of the Commercial Waterfront Allotments Land Management Agreement (AG11970049) and Residential Waterfront Allotments Land Management Agreement (AG11773946) from the Allotments comprising Stage 12 of Land Division Application 711/D010/09.

Furthermore, the owner/developer must pay all costs associated with the drafting of the documents and the subsequent lodgement and processing / production fees.

Seconded Cr Kuhn. CARRIED.

10.2.9 Local Nuisance and Litter Control Service Standards

19752/2 Cr Kuhn moved that Council adopt the Local Nuisance and Litter Control Service Standards, as contained in the document entitled ‘Local Nuisance Service Standards’, subject to the inclusion that any matters that relate to a smoke related health issue be actioned as a high focus activity.

Seconded Cr Raison. CARRIED.

10.2.10 State Government Planning Reforms – Draft Community Engagement Charter for Consultation

19752/3 Cr Wilkinson moved that Council notes this report and the Elected Members provide any feedback on this topic to the Acting Director – Development and Environmental Services by 9am on Monday 18 September 2017.

Seconded Cr Kuhn. CARRIED.

10.2.11 Council Assessment Panel – Draft Terms of Reference

19752/4 Cr Raison moved that Council endorse the Terms of Reference for the new Mid Murray Council Assessment Panel, effective from 1 October 2017.

Seconded Cr Hall. CARRIED.

10.2.12 Mannum Waters Development Infrastructure and Water Allocation

19752/5 Cr Raison moved that the verbal update report on the Mannum Waters Development Infrastructure and water allocation be received.

Seconded Cr Wilkinson. CARRIED.

Jake McVicar, Senor Development Officer – Planning left the meeting.
10.3 COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT  See Minute Book Page 19806 – 19809.

19753/1 Cr Myers moved that the report be received.
Seconded Cr Hall.

CARRIED.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM REPORT

10.3.1 STARclub Field Officer Program

19753/2 Cr Wilkinson moved that Council commit to support the continuation of the STARclub program and field officer position for a further 3 years from 2018/19 to 2020/21 at a cost of $12,566 in 2018/19 to $13,853 in 2020/21.
Seconded Cr Kuhn.

CARRIED.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mid Murray Family Connections - Award

Cr Kuhn reported that the Mid Murray Family Connections Network recently one the National Association for Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect (NAPCAN) – Play your Part Awards for inspiring prevention initiatives.

10.4 CORPORATE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES REPORT  See Minute Book Pages 19810 – 19812.

19753/3 Cr Taylor moved that the report be received.
Seconded Cr Hall.

CARRIED.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM REPORT

10.4.1 Business Highlight Report

19753/4 Cr Wilkinson moved that the Business Highlight Report be received.
Seconded Cr Hall.

CARRIED.

10. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT  See Minute Book Pages 19813 – 19837.

19753/5 Cr Kuhn moved that the report be received.
Seconded Cr Myers.

CARRIED.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM REPORT

10.5.2 Mid Murray Council Considers High Speed, High Capacity Broadband to be an Essential Service

19753/6 Cr Hall moved that Council note that Council considers that high speed, high capacity broadband should be declared to be an essential service.
Seconded Cr Taylor.

CARRIED.
BUSINESS ARISING FROM REPORT CONT’D

10.5.3 Consideration of Council Contribution Towards True Grit

19754/1 Cr Raison moved that True Grit be advised that the Mid Murray Council has financially supported the True Grit event since its inception and have noted that as a commercial event, it is now operating in a surplus position and accordingly Council considers that it should not continue its sponsorship for the 2018 event at Caudo vineyard.
Seconded Cr Taylor.

CARRIED.

10.5.5 Funding Request to the State Government for Continuity of the Management of Brookfield Conservation Park - Blanchetown

19754/2 Cr Kuhn moved that Council note the request to the State Government for financial assistance for the continuity of the management of Brookfield Conservation Park by Conservation Volunteers Australia.
Seconded Cr Hall.

CARRIED.

10.5.6 Independent Judicial Inquiry in Relation to the Murray Darling Basin Plan

19754/3 Cr Hall moved that the letter from the State Minister for Water and River Murray dated 10 August 2017 regarding a Judicial Inquiry in relation to the Murray Darling Basin Plan be received.
Seconded Cr Raison.

CARRIED.

10.5.7 Mid Murray Council Selected for Nepal Fellowship

19754/4 Cr Wilkinson moved that the report on the Mid Murray Council being selected as one of only three Councils in Australia to host Nepalese officials to help build the capacity of Local Government Professionals and elected representatives in Nepal be received.
Seconded Cr Kuhn.

CARRIED.

10-24 A M
19754/5 Resolved that the meeting adjourn for morning tea.

10-33 A M
19754/6 Cr Kuhn moved that the meeting resume.
Seconded Cr Taylor.

CARRIED.

17. DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

17.2 Destination Riverland

10-33 A M Caroline Phillips, General Manager, Destination Riverland attended the meeting and provided an update on Destination Riverland’s recent activities.

10-54 A M Caroline Phillips left the meeting.
10.5.8 Mid Murray Council’s Top Three Priorities for Submission to the Federal Shadow Minister for Regional Services, Territories and Local Government

19755/1 Cr Wilkinson moved that Council advise the Federal Shadow Minister for Regional Services, Territories and Local Government, that the Mid Murray Council’s three priorities are infrastructure, water security and health and wellbeing.
Seconded Cr Hall.
CARRIED.

17. DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS CONT’D

17.1 Eastern Hills and Murray Plains Catchment Group

10-57 A M Jo Clarke, Project Officer, Eastern Hills and Murray Plains Catchment Group, attended the meeting and provided Council with an update on their on ground works in conservation in the Mid Murray Council area and funding of their services.

11-27 A M Jo Clarke completed her presentation and retired to the gallery.

10.5.4 Eastern Hills and Murray Plains Catchment Group

19755/2 Cr Raison moved that Ms Clarke, Project Manager from the Eastern Hills and Murray Plains Catchment Group be thanked for attending the Council meeting to outline projects working on within the Mid Murray Council and funding for their service.
Seconded Cr Hall.
CARRIED.

10.5.9 Mount Lofty Ranges World Heritage Listing Update

19755/3 Cr Raison moved that the information on the status of the bid for National and World Heritage listing of the Mount Lofty Ranges be received.
Seconded Cr Hall.
CARRIED.

10.5.10 Proposal for Blanchetown Community Hub

19755/4 Cr Myers moved that to better reflect the range of services available to the public at Blanchetown, the Centre be renamed as the Blanchetown Community Hub and publicity be given to this.
Seconded Cr Taylor.
CARRIED.

10.5.11 Request for Council Support for Increase to Newstart Payment

19755/5 Cr Wilkinson moved that the letter received from the Chief Executive Officer of the South Australian Council of Social Services requesting that Council support advocacy for the Federal Government to raise the Newstart payment be received and noted.
Seconded Cr Myers.
CARRIED.
BUSINESS ARISING FROM REPORT CONT’D

10.5.12 Statistics and Information on Volunteer Hours Undertaken for Mid Murray Council
19756/1 Cr Hall moved that the report on the volunteer hours provided in a range of areas for the Mid Murray Council be received.
Seconded Cr Myers.
CARRIED.

10.5.13 Funding Received for Swan Reach, Nildottie and Mannum Under the Building Better Regional Fund – Infrastructure Projects Stream
19756/2 Cr Hall moved that the report on funding received under the Federal Governments Building Better Regions Fund for Len White’s Reserve (including a mooring facility), Hermann’s Landing and Darling Wharf be received.
Seconded Cr Raison.
CARRIED.

10.5.14 Mannum Truck and Ute Show to be Inducted into Main Street SA Awards Hall of Fame
19756/3 Cr Wilkinson moved that
(1) The letter from Mainstreet SA advising that the SA Truck and Ute Show at Mannum will be inducted into the Mainstreet Hall of Fame be received.
(2) A letter of congratulations be sent to the Mannum Progress Association.
Seconded Cr Raison.
CARRIED.

10.5.15 Confidentiality Order Release – 10.2.10 Council Assessment Panel Presiding Member Appointment
19756/4 Cr Taylor moved that the confidentiality order relating to Confidential Item – Council Assessment Panel Presiding Member Appointment, from the Council meeting held on 8 August 2017, excluding the Confidential attachment – Table of Candidates, be released, as follows:-

BUSINESS ARISING FROM DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT

10.2.10 Council Assessment Panel Presiding Member Appointment
1740/1 Cr Raison moved that
(1) Bruce Ballantyne is a fit and proper person and is to be appointed as Presiding Member of the Mid Murray Council Assessment Panel, pursuant to Section 83 of the Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act, 2016;
(2) The above appointment shall be for a term of 12 months, from 1 October 2017 until 30 September 2018, unless legislative changes require the composition or structure of Council Assessment Panel’s to alter.
Seconded Cr Hall.
CARRIED.
CARRIED.
BUSINESS ARISING FROM REPORT CONT'D

10.5.16 Delegations – Council's Assessment Panel

19757/1 Cr Wilkinson moved that Council resolve the following:
In exercise of the powers contained in Section 20 and 34(23) of the Development Act 1993 the powers and functions under the Development Act 1993 and the Development Regulations 2008 contained in the proposed Instrument of Delegation and which are specified below are hereby delegated to the Council's Assessment Panel, subject to any conditions specified herein or in the Schedule of Conditions contained in the proposed Instrument of Delegation under the Development Act 1993.

Development Act 1993


Development Regulations 2008

8A(1)(a), 8A1(b), 16(1), 16(2), 17(3), 17(4), 17(6), 20(4), 20(5), 30(4), 31A(6)(b), 36, 38(2)(b), 38(4), 48(2), 51(4), 51(6), 52(1), 53(1), 53(2), 53(4), 53(6), 54(1), 58(1), 58(2), 59(1), 1b Clause 2 Schedule 8, Item 3 Clause 2 Schedule 8, Item 7 Clause 2 Schedule 8, 10(b) Clause 2 Schedule 8, Item 15 Clause 2 Schedule 8, Clause 1 Part 1, Clause 2(1)(g) Part 1, Clause 3 Part 1, Clause 5 Part 1, Clause 11 Part 1, Clause 17 Part 1 Schedule 9; Clause 21 Part 2 Schedule 9

Conditions/Limitations

That the CAP shall only exercise powers and functions in the following situations:

1. The assessment of development applications that are non-complying (other than non-complying applications that the Director – Development & Environmental Services or the Manager – Development Services has determined to be able to be assessed by staff under delegated authority).

2. The assessment of all applications that are the subject of an unresolved Category 3 representation, or an unresolved Category 2 representation.

3. Matters which in the opinion of the Director – Development & Environmental Services or the Manager – Development Services warrant consideration by the Panel because they are contentious, controversial or otherwise of significance.

4. The assessment of any other matters which the Chief Executive Officer or the Director – Development & Environmental Services consider requires a decision of the Council Assessment Panel.

5. The assessment of any matter which the Council Assessment Panel has by formal resolution requested be referred to it.

Seconded Cr Kuhn.

CARRIED.
BUSINESS ARISING FROM REPORT CONT’D

10.5.17 Section 270 Internal review of a Council Decision – Mid Murray Support Services

19758/1 Cr Wilkinson moved that the Governance Manager Deb Brokenshire, seek assistance/advice/opinion from a neighbouring Council as required, undertake a Section 270 investigation and prepare a full report for presentation to Council no later than November 2017. Seconded Cr Raison.

CARRIED.

10.5.18 Local Government (Boundary Adjustment) Amendment Bill 2017 Update

19758/2 Cr Wilkinson moved that the report on the Local Government (Boundary Adjustment) Amendment Bill 2017 be received.

Seconded Cr Kuhn.

CARRIED.

OTHER CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S BUSINESS

Correspondence from Mannum District Hospital Health Advisory Council Inc

Being letter from the Mannum Health Advisory Council seeking a Local Government Representative on the Health Advisory Council.

19758/3 Cr Wilkinson moved that Cr Taylor be re-appointed as Council’s representative on the Mannum District Hospital Health Advisory Council Inc.

Seconded Cr Hall.

CARRIED.

11. MAYOR’S REPORT  See Minute Book Page 19838.

19758/4 Cr Myers moved that the report be received.

Seconded Cr Hall.

CARRIED.

12. ELECTED MEMBERS’ REPORTS

Cr Kuhn

Cr Kuhn reported on her attendance at the following meetings and functions – Mid Murray Council meeting and Workshop, Cambrai, Mannum Meals on Wheels Annual General Meeting, Mannum, Mid Murray Family Connections, Palmer Collier Park Community Association Annual General Meeting, Eastern Hills Murray Plains Catchment Group, Palmer, Proposed RSL Building Public Consultation Sessions, Mannum, New Planning System Community Engagement Charter, Mannum Progress Association Annual General Meeting, Wall Flat Progress Association Annual General Meeting, Mannum Riverside Markets.
12. ELECTED MEMBERS’ REPORTS CONT’D

Cr Wilkinson

Cr Wilkinson reported on his attendance at the following meetings and functions – Men’s Breakfast, Mannum, Swan Reach Almond and Blanchetown Chicken Farm Tour, Mannum Main Street Working Party meeting, Mannum, SALA Event, Mannum Dock Museum, Mannum Riverside Markets, Games Obsession Expo, Mannum, Mid Murray Council Meeting and Workshop, Cambrai, Mid Murray Landcare Meeting, Mannum Craft Fair, Proposed RSL Building Public Consultation Sessions, Mannum, Southern Heritage Places DPA Drop In, Cambrai, Region 6 Murray Darling Association meeting, Tailem Bend, Bush Dance, New Planning System Community Engagement Charter, Fund My Neighbourhood Forum, Men’s Discussion Group, Commercial Enterprises Working Party meeting, Mannum, meeting with Tallwood Pty Ltd Directors.

Cr Sakko

Cr Sakko provided details of his attendance at the following meetings and functions – Swan Reach Almond and Blanchetown Chicken Farm Tour, Suicide Prevention meeting, Cambrai, Nildottie Progress meeting and Annual General Meeting, Mid Murray Council meeting, Cambrai, Nildottie Dinner and Fundraiser for Motor Neuron Disease.

Cr Myers

Cr Myers reported on his attendance at the following meetings and functions – Mid Murray Council meeting, Cambrai, Zone Emergency Management Committee, Berri, Riverland West Chamber of Commerce, Waikerie, Zone Emergency Management Committee Chairs meeting, Adelaide, Mannum Dock Museum Board meeting, Commercial Enterprises Working Party meeting, Mannum.

Cr Taylor

Cr Taylor reported on his attendance at the following meetings and functions – Murray Mallee Aged Care Group, Murray Bridge, Proposed RSL Building Public Consultation Sessions, Mannum, Development Assessment Panel meeting, Cambrai, Mannum, Mannum Hospital Auxiliary Annual General Meeting, Mannum, Health Advisory Council meeting, Mannum.

Cr Hall

Cr Hall reported on his attendance at the following meetings and functions – Bowhill Progress Association meeting, Proposed RSL Building Public Consultation, Mannum, RSL Monthly meeting, Long Tan/Vietnam Memorial Day, State Square Dance Convention Opening and Closing, Focus Group meeting, Mary Ann Reserve, Commercial Enterprises Working party meeting, Mannum, Younghusband monthly dinner, Mid Murray Council meeting, Cambrai.

Cr Raison

Cr Raison reported on his attendance at the following meetings and functions – Mid Murray Council meeting, Cambrai, Aminya Board meeting, Mannum, Golf Club Sub Committee meeting, Mannum, Proposed RSL Building Public Consultation Sessions, Mannum, Development Assessment Panel meeting, Cambrai, Opening of Aminya, Mannum, Murray Darling Association Forum, Art Gallery of South Australia, Mid Murray Council meeting, Cambrai.
12. ELECTED MEMBERS’ REPORTS CONT’D

19760/1 Cr Taylor moved that the elected members’ reports be received.
Seconded Cr Kuhn.

CARRIED.

13. QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE – COUNCILLORS

14. QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE – COUNCILLORS

Nil.

15. NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil.

16. CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

16.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT

16.1.1 Confidential Item – Organisational Review Final Report

Confidential item pursuant to Section 90 –

(3) (a) information the disclosure of which would involve the unreasonable disclosure of information concerning the personal affairs of any person (living or dead);

11-43 AM
19760/2 Cr Kuhn moved that

(1) Under the provision of Section 90(2) and (3)(a) of the Local Government Act 1999 an order be made that with the exception of Mr Russell Peate, all other persons present and the public be excluded from attendance at the meeting in order to receive a report and to consider matters under Section 90(3)(a).

(2) The Mid Murray Council is satisfied that pursuant to Section 90(3)(a) of the Act, the information to be received, discussed or considered in relation to the agenda item is information the disclosure of which would involve the unreasonable disclosure of information concerning the personal affairs of any person (living or dead), being Council Employees because it includes matters relating to a review of the Organisational Structure.

(3) Accordingly, on this basis, the principle that meetings of Mid Murray Council should be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed by the need to keep the information and discussion confidential because the information to be received and discussed includes matters relating to a review of the Organisational Structure.

Seconded Cr Raison.

CARRIED.
16.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT CONT’D

16.1.1 Confidential Item – Organisational Review Final Report Cont’d

12-03 P M
19761/1 Cr Raison moved that pursuant to Section 91(7) of the Local Government Act 1999, the Council orders that Confidential Minutes Pages 1748 – 1750 of the meeting held on 12 September 2017, the Chief Executive Officer’s Report item 16.1.1 (Organisational Review Final Report) and attachments and all discussions relating to the matter which was considered in confidence pursuant to Section 90(2) and (3)(a) remain confidential and not available for public inspection until released by Council and that this order be reviewed in twelve months. Seconded Cr Taylor.

CARRIED.

18. PETITIONS

Nil.

19. MINUTES FROM COMMITTEES

19.1 MANNUM LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Nil.

19.2 MID MURRAY COUNCIL COMMUNITY WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS (CWMS) ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Nil.

19.3 MID MURRAY COUNCIL BUILDING FIRE SAFETY COMMITTEE

Nil.

19.4 MANNUM DRY ZONE WORKING GROUP

Nil.

19.5 MID MURRAY COUNCIL DISABILITY ACCESS REVIEW ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Nil.

19.6 MID MURRAY COUNCIL DEVELOPMENT ASSESSMENT PANEL

19761/2 Cr Hall moved that the Minutes of the Mid Murray Council Development Assessment Panel meeting held on 21 August 2017, be received. Seconded Cr Raison.

CARRIED.

19.7 BLANCHETOWN COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

Nil.

19.8 MANNUM DOCK MUSEUM BOARD

Nil.
19.9 PORT OF MORGAN HERITAGE AND TOURISM BOARD

19762/1 Cr Kuhn moved that the Minutes of the Port of Morgan Heritage and Tourism Board meeting held on 1 August 2017, be received.
Seconded Cr Myers.

CARRIED.

19762/2 Cr Raison moved that the following recommendation from the meeting of the the Port of Morgan Heritage and Tourism Board meeting held on 1 August 2017, be adopted by Council –

Discussion on Port of Morgan Heritage and Tourism Board

Phil Reed moved that

(1) The Terms of References for the Port of Morgan Heritage and Tourism Board be amended to better reflect the activities and operations of the Board in the Charter and;
(2) Four Working Parties/Sub Committees be formed (PS Canally, Landseer Museum, Heritage Rail, Visitor Information Office/Craft Shop) with such Working Parties/Sub Committees to be Chaired by the Chairperson of the Port of Morgan Heritage and Tourism Board and in the absence of the Chairperson, the Port of Morgan Heritage and Tourism Coordinator and meetings of such Working Parties/Sub Committees be scheduled by the Port of Morgan Heritage and Tourism Coordinator;
(3) The amended Terms of Reference for the Port of Morgan Heritage and Tourism Board be forwarded to Council for adoption.

Seconded Diana Angel.

CARRIED.

Seconded Cr Wilkinson.

CARRIED.

19.10 MID MURRAY COUNCIL AUDIT COMMITTEE

Nil.

19.11 MID MURRAY COUNCIL WASTE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Nil.

19.12 STRATEGIC PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT POLICY COMMITTEE

Nil.

19.13 MID MURRAY COUNCIL MANNUM MAIN STREET WORKING PARTY

19762/3 Cr Raison moved that the Minutes of the Mid Murray Council Mannum Main Street Working Party meeting held on 3 August 2017, be received.
Seconded Cr Kuhn.

CARRIED.

19.14 OPEN SPACE & RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

19762/4 Cr Wilkinson moved that the Minutes of the Open Space & Recreation Advisory Committee meeting held on 1 September 2017, be received.
Seconded Cr Kuhn.

CARRIED.
19.15 COMMERCIAL ENTERPRISES WORKING PARTY

19763/1 Cr Hall moved that the Minutes of the Commercial Enterprises Working Party Committee meeting held on 31 August 2017, be received.
Seconded Cr Wilkinson.  
CARRIED.

19763/2 Cr Wilkinson moved that the following recommendation from the meeting of the the Commercial Enterprises Working Party Committee meeting held on 31 August 2017, be adopted by Council –

Sale of Surplus Council Properties – Update Report

36/2 Cr Myers moved that it be recommended to Council that

(1) The report be received and noted; and
(2) The following option be pursued in relation to the land at 2998 Randell Road, Mannum

a) Council approach DPTI to negotiate the requirement to construct deceleration lanes off Randell Road.

Seconded Cr Kuhn.  
CARRIED.

Seconded Cr Hall.  
CARRIED.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEM – SALE OF COUNCIL LAND – MORGAN WATER TOWER BLOCK

Confidential item pursuant to Section 90(3)(b)(i) & (ii) Local Government Act 1999

90(3)(b)(i) & (ii) –
(b) information the disclosure of which –

(i) could reasonably be expected to confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting, or proposing to conduct, business, or to prejudice the commercial position of the Council; and
(ii) would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest.

12-07 P M
19763/3 Cr Raison moved that

(1) Under the provision of Section 90(2) and (3)(b)(i) & (ii) of the Local Government Act 1999 an order be made that with the exception of Mr Russell Peate, Mrs Robyn Dunstall, Mr Joel Taggart, Mr Greg Hill and Mrs Carol Budarick, all other persons present and the public be excluded from attendance at the meeting in order to receive a report and to consider matters under Section 90(3)(b)(i) & (ii).

(2) The Mid Murray Council is satisfied that pursuant to Section 90(3)(b)(ii) & (ii) of the Act, the information to be received, discussed or considered in relation to the agenda item is information the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting business, proposing to conduct business and would prejudice the commercial position of the Council.
19.15 COMMERCIAL ENTERPRISES WORKING PARTY CONT’D

CONFIDENTIAL ITEM – SALE OF COUNCIL LAND – MORGAN WATER TOWER BLOCK
CONT’D

(3) Accordingly, on this basis, the principle that meetings of Mid Murray Council should be
carried in a place open to the public has been outweighed by the need to keep the
discussion confidential.

Seconded Cr Kuhn.

CARRIED.

12-07 P M
19764/1 Cr Taylor moved that pursuant to Section 91(7) of the Local Government Act 1999, the
Mid Murray Council orders that Confidential Minutes Pages 1751 – 1752 of the meeting held on 12
September 2017, the (Commercial Enterprises Working Party Committee Meeting Item – Report
Item C Sale of Council Land – Morgan Water Tower Block) and all discussions relating to the
matter which was considered in confidence pursuant to Section 90(2) and (3)(b)(i) & (ii) remain
confidential and not available for public inspection until released by Council and that this order be
reviewed in twelve months.
Seconded Cr Kuhn.

CARRIED.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEM – REDEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL – RANDELL STREET, MANNUM

Confidential item pursuant to Section 90(3)(b)(i) & (ii) Local Government Act 1999

90(3)(b)(i) & (ii) –
(b) information the disclosure of which –

(i) could reasonably be expected to confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the
Council is conducting, or proposing to conduct, business, or to prejudice the commercial
position of the Council; and

(ii) would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest.

12-07 P M
19764/2 Cr Myers moved that

(1) Under the proviso of Section 90(2) and (3)(b)(i) & (ii) of the Local Government Act 1999 an
order be made that with the exception of Mr Russell Peate, Mrs Robyn Dunstall, Mr Joel
Taggart, Mr Greg Hill and Mrs Carol Budarick, all other persons present and the public be
excluded from attendance at the meeting in order to receive a report and to consider matters
under Section 90(3)(b)(i) & (ii).

(2) The Mid Murray Council is satisfied that pursuant to Section 90(3)(b)(i) & (ii) of the Act, the
information to be received, discussed or considered in relation to the agenda item would
prejudice the commercial position of the Council.

(3) Accordingly, on this basis, the principle that meetings of Mid Murray Council should be
carried in a place open to the public has been outweighed by the need to keep the
discussion confidential.

Seconded Cr Taylor.

CARRIED.
19.15 COMMERCIAL ENTERPRISES WORKING PARTY CONT’D

Confidential Item – Redevelopment Proposal – Randell Street, Mannum Cont’d

12-08 P M
19765/1 Cr Taylor moved that pursuant to Section 91(7) of the Local Government Act 1999, the Mid Murray Council orders that Confidential Minutes Pages 1753 – 1754 of the meeting held on 12 September 2017, the (Commercial Enterprises Working Party Committee Meeting Item – Report Item D Redevelopment Proposal – Randell Street, Mannum) and all discussions relating to the matter which was considered in confidence pursuant to Section 90(2) and (3)(b)(i) & (ii) remain confidential and not available for public inspection until released by Council and that this order be reviewed in twelve months.
Seconded Cr Myers.
CARRIED.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEM – MORGAN CARAVAN PARK

Confidential item pursuant to Section 90(3)(b)(i) & (ii) Local Government Act 1999

90(3)(b)(i) & (ii) –
(b) information the disclosure of which –
(i) could reasonably be expected to confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting, or proposing to conduct, business, or to prejudice the commercial position of the Council; and
(ii) would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest.

12-08 A M
19765/2 Cr Myers moved that
(1) Under the provision of Section 90(2) and (3)(b)(i) & (ii) of the Local Government Act 1999 an order be made that with the exception of Mr Russell Peate, Mrs Robyn Dunstall, Mr Joel Taggart, Mr Greg Hill and Mrs Carol Budarick, all other persons present and the public be excluded from attendance at the meeting in order to receive a report and to consider matters under Section 90(3)(b)(i) & (ii).
(2) The Mid Murray Council is satisfied that pursuant to Section 90(3)(b)(i) & (ii) of the Act, the information to be received, discussed or considered in relation to the agenda item is information the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting business, proposing to conduct business and would prejudice the commercial position of the Council.
(3) Accordingly, on this basis, the principle that meetings of Mid Murray Council should be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed by the need to keep the discussion confidential.
Seconded Cr Hall.
CARRIED.
19.15 COMMERCIAL ENTERPRISES WORKING PARTY CONT’D

Confidential Item – Morgan Caravan Park Cont’d

12-08 P M
19766/1 Cr Taylor moved that pursuant to Section 91(7) of the Local Government Act 1999, the Mid Murray Council orders that Confidential Minutes Pages 1755 – 1756 of the meeting held on 12 September 2017, the (Commercial Enterprises Working Party Committee Meeting Item – Report Item E Morgan Caravan Park) and all discussions relating to the matter which was considered in confidence pursuant to Section 90(2) and (3)(b)(i) & (ii) remain confidential and not available for public inspection until released by Council and that this order be reviewed in twelve months. Seconded Cr Kuhn.

CARRIED.

CONFIDENTIAL ITEM – BLANCHETOWN CARAVAN PARK

Confidential item pursuant to Section 90(3)(b)(i) & (ii) Local Government Act 1999

90(3)(b)(i) & (ii) –
(b) information the disclosure of which –

(i) could reasonably be expected to confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting, or proposing to conduct, business, or to prejudice the commercial position of the Council; and

(ii) would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest.

12-09 P M
19766/2 Cr Taylor moved that

(1) Under the provision of Section 90(2) and (3)(b)(i) & (ii) of the Local Government Act 1999 an order be made that with the exception of Mr Russell Peate, Mrs Robyn Dunstall, Mr Joel Taggart, Mr Greg Hill and Mrs Carol Budarick, all other persons present and the public be excluded from attendance at the meeting in order to receive a report and to consider matters under Section 90(3)(b)(i) & (ii).

(2) The Mid Murray Council is satisfied that pursuant to Section 90(3)(b)(i) & (ii) of the Act, the information to be received, discussed or considered in relation to the agenda item is information the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the Council is conducting business, proposing to conduct business and would prejudice the commercial position of the Council.

(3) Accordingly, on this basis, the principle that meetings of Mid Murray Council should be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed by the need to keep the discussion confidential.

Seconded Cr Raison.

CARRIED.

12 09 P M
19766/3 Cr Hall moved that pursuant to Section 91(7) of the Local Government Act 1999, the Mid Murray Council orders that Confidential Minutes Pages 1757 – 1758 of the meeting held on 12 September 2017, the (Commercial Enterprises Working Party Committee Meeting Report Item F Blanchetown Caravan Park) and all discussions relating to the matter which was considered in confidence pursuant to Section 90(2) and (3)(b)(i) & (ii) remain confidential and not available for public inspection until released by Council and that this order be reviewed in twelve months. Seconded Cr Taylor.

CARRIED.
20. CORRESPONDENCE FOR INFORMATION ONLY

20.1 The Murraylands and Riverland Local Government Association


A copy of the letter had been provided to all members.

20.2 Murray Darling Association

Being media release “MDA Backs Calls for an Independent Public Inquiry into Basin Plan”.

A copy of the media release had been provided to all members.

20.3 Ian Hunter MLC, Minister for Climate Change

Being a letter regarding the Building Upgrade Finance mechanism in South Australia.

A copy of the letter had been provided to all members.

19767/1 Cr Kuhn moved that the above correspondence be received and noted. Seconded Cr Myers. CARRIED.

21. LATE CORRESPONDENCE

Nil.

22. URGENT BUSINESS

Nil.

23. NEXT MEETING

To be held at 9-30 am on Tuesday 10 October 2017, location to be confirmed.

12-14 P M The Mayor declared the meeting closed.

To provide a projection of Council’s operating and capital budgets identifying any variations sought to Council’s original budget and the cumulative financial implications.

**Background**

Regulation 9(1)(a) of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations requires a budget update report to include a revised forecast of the Council’s operating and capital investment activities compared with estimates set out in the budget.

Council’s Budget Performance Operational Policy, states that a Budget Update report is to be prepared and included in the agenda of the Ordinary meeting of Council as required by the Act or Regulations or where a subsequent agenda item for decision has a financial impact of $25,000 or greater.

**Discussion**

This report considers the impact that agenda items for consideration at this meeting would have on Council’s 17/18 budget and ongoing financial sustainability if approved.

Budget Update report comprises the following statements – 
Key Financial Indicators
Uniform Presentation of Finances

The future three years of the long term financial plan have been included for information based on the Long Term Financial Plan 2018-27.

Agenda items: there are no budget impacts for consideration at this meeting with the key financial indicators remaining unchanged.

Refer Appendix 9.

**Statutory Responsibilities**

The Budget Update has been prepared in accordance with S9(1)(a) of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 2011.

**Community Engagement**

Council’s Annual Budget is based on extensive community engagement for both the Annual Budget and the Long Term Financial Plan. Budget Updates and Reviews do not require specific consultation with the community, however, in publishing this information the community are able to remain informed about the budget process throughout the year.
9. BUDGET UPDATE 2017-2018 – 12 SEPTEMBER 2017 CONT’D

Financial Implications

There are no financial implications associated with receiving and noting this report. Financial implications of specific projects will be identified in the agenda item for Council decision.

Summary

In accordance with Council’s Budget Performance Policy, there are no budget impacts for consideration with the key financial indicators remaining unchanged.

Recommendation

Moved __________________ Seconded __________________

that Council notes in accordance with its Budget Performance Policy, there are no proposed budget amendments.

Robyn Dunstall

Acting Director, Corporate & Financial Services
10. REPORTS FROM OFFICERS

10.1 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES REPORT

Cr moved that the report be received.
Seconded Cr

10.1.1 Operations Report

Construction Works

Completed
- Milendella Road, Apamurra asphalt resurfacing
- Webber Road (Bow Hill) minor stormwater drainage construction
- Brinkworth Rd – resheeting
- Black Heath – patching due to wet weather
- Pebbly Range – patching due to wet weather

In Progress
- Riverside Retaining Wall, Mannum Bowling Club repairs
- Morgan Boat Ramp Upgrade-Abutment Pads for Gangways
- Bower Boundary Road – resheeting
- Hill Climb Road-resheeting
- Truro carpark asphalt surfacing
- Parker Street Upgrade
- Mary Ann Reserve Pontoon installation
- Preparation for Stage 2 Purnong Rd upgrade
- Greenways Landing Shack Rd upgrade
- Scotts Creek Rd - reformation

Next Month
- Truro Streetscape Paving
- Purnong Road Stage 2 – upgrade
- Roonka Scout Group airstrip extension
- Wandbi Road, - resheet
- John Road Scrubby Flat – section between shacks - resheet

Maintenance Works and Parks/Gardens

Completed
- Second spraying program for cemeteries
- Roadside spraying program
- Township weed spraying – Morgan
- Roadside slashing – Areas 1 & 2
- Variety of infrastructure repairs due to high river levels – Morgan & Swan Reach riverfronts
- Walker Flat, Hettner landing new BBQ and shelter

In Progress
- Walker Flat, Hettner landing new BBQ and shelter
- Seal Road Maintenance (pothole repairs)
- Mannum Waterfalls, Graffiti removal on rocks
- Stormwater pipe and pit cleaning, Mannum, Palmer, Tungkillo & rural roads.

Next Month
- Various customer service requests
- Bitumen Road Shoulder Grading
10.1 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

10.1.1 Operations Report Cont’d

**Tree Trimming & Removal**

**Completed**
- Customer requests – 7 requests for May

**In Progress**
- Various customer service requests for trimming by Council

**Waste Management (Sanitary Collection)**

**Completed**
- Final capping of old Cambrai landfill – soil & mulch
- Work as required – transfer stations & landfill

**In Progress**
- Processing of recyclables
- Baling cardboard & plastics
- Work as required

**Next Month**
- Processing scrap metal materials
- Processing of recyclables
- Work as required

**Plant & Machinery Purchases and Major Repairs**

**Recent Purchases**
- Nil Report.
## 10.1 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

### 10.1.1 Operations Report Cont’d

**Work Identified for Rectification**

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10.1 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

10.1.1 Operations Report Cont’d

**Staff Training & WHS**

**Completed**
- E-Worker pilot programme
- Work Zone Traffic Management Training (27/7/17, 10/08/17 & date to be advised) total 3 sessions
- Forklift training 2 day – 2 persons attending
- Welding equipment inspections

**In Progress**
- Pressure Vessel inspections (to be registered with SafeworkSA)
- ChemAlert Database training (yet to be scheduled - 2 workers per depot)
- Lifting equipment compliance inspections
- Fire Equipment inspection & maintenance (18th -22nd September)

**Customer Request Service Levels:**

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129 Customer Requests, 47 Outstanding Requests
10.1 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

10.1.1 Operations Report Cont’d

Infrastructure Administration

Completed
- Event Management Framework – Event Planning Guide & Updated Forms

Event Permit Applications - Open:
- Event Permit Application: Palmer Hot Rod Street Party (1-Oct-17)
- Event Permit Application: Morgan & District Lions Club Swap Meet (2-Oct-17)
- Event Permit Application: Hills Heroes Proudly Riding for Beyondblue (5-Oct-17)

Ongoing / In Progress
- Mannum Riverside Markets – Monthly review and actions arising
- Information Management for Infrastructure Services – Projects
- Information Management for Waste Management Services – Household Bin Collection

Asset System Officer

Completed
- Footpath asset data capture finished for Mannum
- Formal capitalisation of assets for 16/17 period complete, re-evaluation completed for road network
- Internal SQL server and geoserver built. Begin testing web map services before publishing publically.
10.1 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

10.1.1 Operations Report Cont’d

In Progress

- Web map service server build with IT and Tonkins (to build mapping based solutions for internal and external clients)
- Building asset data capture in progress
- Stormwater asset data capture in progress
- Creating digital rubble royalty form
- HDS Australia to conducting freight study on 1000km of rural roads to assess suitability
- Customizing asset management module in synergy
- Revising Section 105F data collection software/hardware with regulatory services

For members’ information.
10.1 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

10.1.2 South Australian Tourism Commission - New Touring Route - Mighty Murray Way

Report Purpose

To advise Elected Members correspondence received from the South Australian Tourism Commission (SATC) regarding the installation of road signage and markers along a new tourism route called the Mighty Murray Way.

Discussion/Conclusion

SATC is promoting self-drive holidays via six touring routes across South Australia. The Mighty Murray Way route is 509km’s in length which starts/finishes in the Riverland at Renmark and at Lake Alexandrian in Goolwa. Signage will be installed indicating the start and finish points of the route and reinforcement signage installed every 10kms. The signage will be installed by a contractor selected by SATC and signage will remain their infrastructure. However SATC asked that signage installed on Council roads be maintained by Councils at SATC cost. There are six of Council roads which are included in the Mighty Murray Way:

- Morgan-Cadell Road
- Murbko Road
- Purnong Road
- Belvedere Road
- Caloote Road
- Zadow Road

The correspondence from SATC was received on 17 August requesting an indication of approval and agreement to the terms by Friday 25 August 2017. Therefore I have taken the liberty in signing the documents on behalf of Council.

Refer Appendix 10.1.2 Copy of correspondence, route location and example of signage.

References

Community Plan Theme 4: Infrastructure & Community Facilities

Budget Impact: Nil

Legislation Nil

Recommendation

Moved __________________ Seconded __________________

that the report for SATC Touring Routes Signage project-Mighty Murray Way be received.
10.1 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

10.1.3 Recreational Fishing Grants 2017 Applications

Report Purpose

To advise Elected Members correspondence received from Department of Environment Water and Natural Resources (DEWNR) applications for funding for Younghusband riverbank reclamation project and the Mannum township boat ramp were unsuccessful.

Discussion/Conclusion

Council has submitted applications for the past two rounds seeking funding from the Recreational Fishing Grants 2017 for Younghusband reclamation project and the Mannum township boat ramp, without success.

Refer Appendix 10.1.3: Copies of correspondence.

References

Community Plan Theme 4: Infrastructure & Community Facilities
Budget Impact Nil
Legislation Nil

Recommendation

Moved __________________ Seconded __________________
that the report for Recreational Fishing Grants 2017 Applications be received.
10.1 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

10.1.4 Walker Ave Pedestrian Crossing - Mannum Community College

Report Purpose

To advise Elected Members that Council staff have been in discussion with Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure (DPTI) regarding construction of pedestrian crossing for the Mannum Community College on Walker Ave, Mannum.

Discussion/Conclusion

For the past 18 months Council staff has been in discussion with DPTI regarding the construction and funding of a Pedestrian Crossing in front of Mannum Community College on Walker Ave, Mannum, originally requested by the college. The project has been costed at $30k to construct; where DPTI will contribute $20k towards the project and Council will have to fund the remaining $10k. The construction works will be undertaken by contractors with Council overseeing the works being done and will pay the principal contractor with DPTI providing their contribution upfront to Council.

I was not made aware of Council contribution requirements at the time of preparing this year’s financial works program for the budget. To offset the cost, possible use of other income streams (e.g. Black Spot Cycling Fund) has been investigated without success.

To proceed with this project Council will need to consider a further budget of $10k, with an appropriate adjustment to the Financial Budget at the next Financial Review.

Refer Appendix 10.1.4 for correspondence.

References

Community Plan Theme 4: Infrastructure & Community Facilities

Budget Impact (2017-18) Additional cost of $10k to this year's financial budget

Legislation Nil

Recommendation

Moved __________________ Seconded __________________

that

(1) The report for Walker Ave pedestrian crossing at the Mannum Community College be received.

(2) Council endorse that $10k be allocated to fund Council contribution towards the construction of the pedestrian crossing on Walker Ave and that adjustment be made at the next Financial Review.
10.1 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

10.1.5 Community Grant to improve Road Safety, Encourage efficient use of cars and active modes of travel

Report Purpose

To advise Elected Members correspondence received from Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure (DPTI) that applications for community grants are now open.

Discussion/Conclusion

DPTI in partnership with the Motor Accident Commission is offering grant funding to community groups and organisations to deliver small scale projects up to the vicinity of $10k which focus on improving road safety behaviours or getting people to ride, walk or catch public transport to use their car less. Applications close 10th September at 5pm. This type of funding does not provide for hard type of infrastructure like pedestrian crossings/footpaths, but more so bike hire incentive schemes, video conferencing and road safety programmes.

Refer Appendix 10.1.5 for correspondence.

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Recommendation

Moved __________________ Seconded __________________

that the report for Community Grant to improve Road Safety, encourage efficient use of cars and active modes of travel be received.
10.1 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

10.1.6 Event Permit Application – Palmer Hot Rod Street Party

Report Purpose/Introduction

To consider a request from the Bear Rock Rodders Association Inc for the closure of:
- Randell Road, Palmer between Reedy Creek Road and Linder Avenue
- Olive Grove Avenue, Palmer between Randell road and Education Avenue
- Education Avenue, Cnr of Olive Grove Road

on Sunday 1 October 2017 from 9-00am until 6-00pm for the purpose of conducting the Palmer Hot Rod Street Party.

Refer Appendix 10.1.6. Copy Event Permit Application

Discussion/Conclusion

In accordance with the provisions of Section 33 of the Road Traffic Act, the SA Police are responsible for declaring the event and for granting the necessary exemptions from some of the Australian Road Rules.

References

Community Plan  Theme 3: Economic Development & Tourism
3.8 - Partnering, promoting and facilitating continued, and new, investment in event development

Budget  Staff Time

Legislation  Section 33 of the Road Traffic Act

Recommendation

Moved __________________________________ Seconded ____________________________
that

(1) Subject to the approval of the Commissioner of Police, Council approval be granted for temporary road closures on:
- Randell Road, Palmer between Reedy Creek Road and Linder Avenue
- Olive Grove Avenue, Palmer between Randell road and Education Avenue
- Education Avenue, Cnr of Olive Grove Road

on Sunday 1 October 2017 from 9-00am until 6-00pm for the purpose of conducting the Palmer Hot Rod Street Party, subject to approval of the Event Permit Application

(2) The Senior Sergeant – Traffic Planning be advised that Council agrees with the proposed road closure referred to in (1) above and he be requested to proceed with the necessary road closure order and that the following Australian Road Rules Exemptions be sought:
- Rule 230: Crossing of road – general
- Rule 238: Pedestrians travelling along a road; except in or on a wheeled recreational device or toy.

(3) Subject to the issue of the road closure order referred to in (2) above certified personnel are to be responsible for traffic marshalling during the event.

(4) Non for profit organisations are exempt from paying the fee (monetary) but will be committed to recognise Mid Murray Council in the promotional / advertising of the event, to the value of $500.00 or greater.

Greg Hill
Director, Infrastructure Services
10.2 DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT

Cr moved that the report be received.
Seconded Cr

10.2.1 Update to the Food Act Inspection Fees Policy

Reporting Officer  Caroline Thomas
Position  Manager - Health Services

Report Purpose

To update the Food Act Inspection Fees Policy to reflect amendments to the Food Regulations 2017.

Introduction/Background

The Food Regulations 2002 have recently been updated to the Food Regulations 2017 with various changes made. One of those amendments is relating to an increase in the maximum fee that a Council can charge for a Food inspection:

13—Inspection fee

(1) An enforcement agency may impose an inspection fee for the carrying out of any inspection of any premises or food transport vehicle by an authorised officer appointed by the enforcement agency reasonably required in connection with the operation or administration of the Act.

(2) A fee under subregulation (1)—
(a) must not exceed the reasonable costs of the enforcement agency with respect to the inspection by the authorised officer and in any event must not exceed—
(i) in the case of a small business—$118;
(ii) in any other case—$294; and
(b) may be recovered by the enforcement agency as a debt from the occupier of the premises, or from the owner or operator of the food transport vehicle (as the case may be).

Our fees and charges schedule has already been established by Council to reflect our fees for this current financial year and Food Inspections have been included in this.

Nominal Risk Business  $21.00 gst exempt
Small Business  $118.00 gst exempt
Large Business  $294.00 gst exempt
Compliance Inspections – third & subsequent inspections  $20.00 gst exempt.

This amendment to the Regulations has prompted staff to update the existing Policy to reflect the current template and wording as advised by Council’s Governance Manager.

A copy of the amended Policy is attached as Appendix 10.2.1.

Refer Appendix 10.2.1.
10.2 DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

10.2.1 Update to the Food Act Inspection Fees Policy cont’d

Discussion

As outlined in the legislation, Council has the option of charging food inspection fees and if changes to the existing fee schedule are required, this should be considered prior to the next financial year.
This report is purely to adopt an updated Policy to ensure it reflects the current template and wording of the remaining Council Policies.

References

Budget No impact.

Recommendation

Moved __________________ Seconded __________________
that the Food Inspection Fees Policy, as amended, be endorsed by Council.
10.2 DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

10.2.2 Southern Heritage Places Development Plan Amendment

**Reporting Officer**  
Jake McVicar

**Position**  
Acting Manager – Development Services

**Report Purpose**
To provide Council with an update on the Southern Heritage Place Development Plan Amendment (DPA) and seek endorsement for the Strategic Planning & Development Policy Committee Members to act as the Hearing Committee for any representations that express a desire to be heard.

**Discussion**

On 14 June 2017 Council staff received correspondence from the Minister approving the DPA for public consultation. Elected members will also note that in the correspondence the Minister acknowledges Council’s commitment to completing the DPA by the end of 2017. This is a requirement given the ongoing implementation of the Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act, 2016. Please see attached the correspondence from the Minister.

Refer Appendix 10.2.2.

Public consultation on the DPA commenced on 1 August 2017 and will extend through to 26 September 2017. Throughout the consultation period Council staff and our consultants will host two ‘drop in’ sessions for anyone wanting to discuss this DPA further. These sessions will be held in Cambrai (17 August 2017) and Mannum (4 September 2017) from 4pm-6pm.

Once the public consultation period has finalised, a public hearing will be held on Monday 16 October 2017 in Mannum. It should be noted that no meeting will be held if no submissions are received or if no submission makes a request to be heard.

At the time of writing I have received seventeen phone calls from property owners who have concerns over the proposed listing of their property.

Council must also resolve to establish a Committee to hear any representors who wish to be heard in support of any representation received. As stated earlier in my report, if no representor wishes to be heard then the Committee is not necessary, but one should be established in case this situation eventuates.

For previous DPAs, the relevant Committee has consisted of all Council members or simply those members that form part of the Strategic Planning & Development Policy Committee.

I recommend that the Strategic Planning & Development Policy Committee members form the Committee for the hearing of representations. We have found this to be the most effective method for the hearing of representations as a smaller Committee is less daunting for representors to address.

A recommendation has been listed below which will enable the above to occur.
10.2 DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

10.2.2 Southern Heritage Places Development Plan Amendment cont’d

References

Community Plan
Theme 1: The Natural and Built Environment
Facilitate an active partnership between Council and Community to:
Theme 1.5 – Actively identify, record and protect sites of historic significance for both Indigenous and European history.

Respond positively to the Development Planning System reform by:
Theme 1.17 – Encouraging the adoption of best practice design principles in our development plans.

Budget
Budget amounts already allocated.

Legislation

Recommendation
Moved __________________ Seconded __________________
that:

(1) If a public hearing of representations is required to take place for the Southern Heritage Places Development Plan Amendment, the members of Council’s Strategic Planning and Development Policy Committee be appointed as the Committee to hear the representations pursuant to Section 25(11)(c) of the Development Act 1993; and

(2) The Acting Director – Development and Environment Services be given delegated authority to authorise any minor amendments to Southern Heritage Places Development Plan Amendment as may be necessary to facilitate ongoing progression of the Development Plan Amendment.
10.2 DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

10.2.3 Houseboat Mooring at Bolto & Haythorpe Reserves

**Reporting Officer**
Rocky Warren

**Position**
Manager – Regulatory Services

**Report Purpose**

To seek the support of Council to restrict houseboat mooring at Bolto and Haythorpe Reserves to the first 100 metres upstream of the southern boundary of Haythorpe Reserve.

This report was deferred to lay on the table at the 26 June 2017 meeting of the Open Space & Recreation Advisory Committee, as follows:

184/3 Cr Sakko moved that the matter of houseboat moorings at Bolto & Haythorpe Reserves lay on the table until the Manager – Regulatory Services is available to attend the meeting and address the queries.
Seconded Cr Schmitt.

CARRIED.

**Introduction/Background**

Currently houseboats can moor anywhere along the river frontage at Bolto and Haythorpe Reserves. This creates conflict between campers and day users and the houseboats, especially during busy periods. The resolution of this issue will become even more important should Council commit to the leasing of Bolto Reserve.

**Discussion**

As Elected members would be aware, campers using the facilities at Bolto and Haythorpe Reserves are required to pay a camping fee of $10.00 per vehicle per night. The use of the reserves also attracts day users utilising the facilities for fishing, boating and picnics without paying a fee.

Currently, houseboats may moor along the river’s edge of both reserves for any period, without payment, which understandably causes animosity to those paying to use the facilities and in particular the river’s edge. This problem increases when community events are programmed within the township of Mannum.

Within the plans of redevelopment of the Mary Ann Reserve precinct, increased mooring for houseboats are proposed to allow more houseboats access to the river’s edge and overnight mooring.

This report proposes restricting the mooring of houseboats on the river’s edge within the paid camping areas of Bolto and Haythorpe Reserves, with a designated mooring area located on Haythorpe Reserve.

Attached as Appendix 10.2.3 is a diagram indicating the proposed river frontage at Haythorpe Reserve that houseboat mooring will be limited to in respect of both reserves. No mooring is proposed to be permitted at Bolto Reserve.
10.2 DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

10.2.3 Houseboat Mooring at Bolto & Haythorpe Reserves cont’d

Given the recommended restriction it is proposed that houseboats will be able utilise the following alternate location:

- A houseboat/riverboat 24 hour mooring zone will be allocated at the southern end of Haythorpe Reserve, adjacent to the public toilets, extending 100 metres upstream.

Refer Appendix 10.2.3.

Conclusion

The result of restricting houseboat moorings at Bolto and Haythorpe Reserves to the first 100 metres upstream of the southern boundary of Haythorpe Reserve will improve the amenity of the reserves for both day users as well as paid campers.

References

Community Plan
Theme 1: The Natural & Built Environment
Facilitate an active partnership between Council and Community to:
Theme 1.3 – Lobby, advocate and promote for improved environmental protection outcomes through implementation of best practice planning policy.

Budget
Costs of approximately $700 for signage and promotion.

Legislation
Mid Murray Council By-law 4 (Clause 2.28)

Recommendation
Moved __________________ Seconded __________________
that a houseboat/riverboat 24 hour mooring zone be allocated at the southern end of Haythorpe Reserve, adjacent to the public toilets, extending 100 metre upstream.
10.2 DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

10.2.4 Dark Sky Nomination Update

**Reporting Officer**  
Joel Taggart

**Position**  
Acting Director – Development & Environmental Services

**Report Purpose**

To provide Council an overview of the development and progress of the application by Mid Murray Landcare SA to designate a portion of the Mid Murray Council area as a ‘Dark Sky Reserve’.

**Discussion**

Given the potential benefits a formal ‘dark sky’ accreditation would have for Mid Murray Council, particularly from a tourism perspective, Council is collaborating with Mid Murray Landcare SA in order to nominate the area of land between Cambrai and Sunnydale as a ‘Dark Sky Reserve’. Meldanda at Cambrai is earmarked to be the ‘hub’ of this project, given that it is already set up as a nature based tourism facility.

**About the ‘Dark Sky Reserve’ Concept**

The International Dark Sky Association is an American based not-for-profit organisation that seeks to preserve the night sky from light pollution. Where possible, it seeks to recognise these geographical areas of Dark Sky through recognising them as ‘Dark Sky Places’ (there are 5 applicable categories). The organisation’s website ([www.darksky.org](http://www.darksky.org)) provides ample information on the Dark Sky concept and how it is applied across the world. Some information from their website is detailed below -

**Our Mission**

*IDA works to protect the night skies for present and future generations.*

**Our Goals**

- Advocate for the protection of the night sky
- Educate the public and policymakers about night sky conservation
- Promote environmentally responsible outdoor lighting
- Empower the public with the tools and resources to help bring back the night.

**History**

*International Dark-Sky Association (IDA) is a 501(c)(3) (tax ID #: 74-2493011) founded in 1988, and is dedicated to protecting the night skies for present and future generations. Light pollution – the inappropriate use of artificial light at night – is an environmental pollutant that harms our planet and robs us of the opportunity to experience the wonder of a natural night sky. Today, IDA is the recognized authority for night sky protection and has taken the lead in identifying and publicizing the negative impacts of artificial light at night on human health, wildlife and climate change.*
10.2 DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

10.2.4 Dark Sky Nomination Update cont’d

We work with the public, city planners, legislators, lighting manufacturers, parks, and protected areas to provide and implement smart lighting choices.

Our public outreach efforts provide solutions, quality education, and programs that inform audiences across the United States and throughout the world. At the local level, our mission is furthered through the work of our U.S. and international chapters representing five continents.

Council’s Role

Whilst Council has only a minimal role in facilitating this proposal, given Mid Murray Landcare SA is leading this project, Council has provided a small amount of funding to cover the costs associated with a consultant assisting in the nomination process. Given this is an international process, it was considered the best option to engage external professional assistance to prepare the nomination.

Council will be involved in the following ways as the project nomination develops -

- Providing a formal letter of support to Mid Murray Landcare SA from the CEO and Mayor.
- Ensuring that Council policies are consistent with the notion of a “Dark Sky”.
- To liaise with other levels of Government, particularly with DPTI who own many street lights in the region, as well as the River Murray ferries.
- Potentially undertaking a lighting audit of lights in public spaces within the area.
- Developing a ‘Light Management Plan/Policy’.
- Considering any flow on effects of this initiative to Development Plan policies.
- Acting as a conduit for information flow to the community.

Where to from here?

Council is continuing to work with Mid Murray Landcare SA on the nomination process. This nomination will be lodged with the Dark Sky Association directly by the Landcare SA, however given the importance and likely benefits of this project, Council is funding a consultant (Jenny Fleming – professional writer) to assist Landcare SA with its submission. Council’s Tourism Manager has also assisted in obtaining a range of letters of support for the application.

Whilst no community consultation as such will occur as part of the nomination and listing process, the community will be kept informed of the progress of this project via Council’s website, Facebook and various media releases. Consultation is not needed given that no individual properties will be negatively affected by this proposal (i.e. it is not like a heritage listing that restricts development).

Council staff are currently developing the ‘Light Management Plan/Policy’ mentioned above, which will be provided prior to the Council meeting for consideration and information.
10.2 DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

10.2.4 Dark Sky Nomination Update cont’d

It is considered that this proposal, should it be approved by the Dark Sky Association and the ‘Dark Sky Reserve’ becomes a reality, benefits of the proposal are listed below –

- Tourism potential
- Increased brand recognition
- Listing of area on a global website
- Further business and economic development opportunities
- Unique position in Australia and seen as leader in the field.

Conclusion

Overall it is considered that this is a unique and enterprising initiative that capitalises on a natural asset of the Mid Murray region (the Dark Sky). Mid Murray Council is in a unique position, given its largely flat and dry landscape, proximity to Adelaide, as well as the absence of major towns/developments and the fact that it is sheltered from the lights of Adelaide by the Mt Lofty Ranges. Should the area become a formal ‘Dark Sky Reserve’, there will be many tourism opportunities, which will assist with the further economic development of the area.

References

Community Plan
Theme 3: Economic Development & Tourism
Aggressively grow the tourism industry sector by:
Theme 3.6 – Working to cooperatively develop, promote, brand, market and recognise existing tourism infrastructure.

Theme 3.7 – Partnering and facilitating operator development of new tourism assets and experiences.

Theme 3.8 – Partnering and facilitating operator packaging of tourism products.

Theme 3.12 – Link tourism, regional and economic development and attraction efforts through the development of Mid Murray brand/positioning.

Budget
There are no budget implications directly related to this report, however Council is providing funds to pay for Jenny Fleming to assist with the nomination process.

Legislation

Recommendation

Moved __________________ Seconded __________________

that

(1) Council provide Mid Murray Landcare SA with a letter of support for the Dark Sky initiative, signed by the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer; and

(2) Council adopt the Light Management Plan/Policy, as tabled at today’s meeting.
10.2 DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

10.2.5 Nomination – Dog and Cat Management Board

**Reporting Officer**
Joel Taggart

**Position**
Acting Director – Development & Environmental Services

**Report Purpose**
To obtain Council’s endorsement of the nomination of Council’s Manager – Regulatory Services, Rocky Warren, for a second term as a Local Government Association representative on the Dog and Cat Management Board.

**Discussion**
The Local Government Association have again called for nominations to fill vacant positions on the Dog and Cat Management Board (refer Circular 32.5 attached) for the 2017-2020 term.

Refer Appendix 10.2.5.

It is understood there are now two vacant positions on the Board and I believe the Board are looking for continuing/improved regional/country representation through experienced practitioners.

Council’s Manager – Regulatory Services is a current Board Member of the Dog and Cat Management Board, completing his first term of 3 years in October 2017, and has substantial experience in terms of the Dog and Cat Management Act particularly from a rural perspective.

With his current term on the Board expiring in October 2017, he has been present through the preparation and enactment stages of the Dog and Cat Management (Miscellaneous) Bill 2016, and through stage one of the new Legislation introduced on 1 July 2017, and with the second and final stage of the Legislation being introduced in July 2018, in my view would provide valuable input into the Board’s deliberation and activities during this important period. He would also provide a strong voice at the table for regional Councils, and would further promote the good work we do in this field within the Mid Murray Council area.

**References**

Budget
No budget impact.

Legislation
Dog and Cat Management Act 1995.

**Recommendation**
Moved __________________ Seconded __________________
that Council endorse the nomination of Council’s Manager – Regulatory Services, Rocky Warren, as a Local Government Association representative, to the Dog and Cat Management Board for the upcoming 2017-2020 term.
10.2 DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

10.2.6 Reserves – Private Moorings Policy Waiver Request

Reporting Officer: Jake McVicar
Position: Acting Manager – Development Services

Report Purpose

To seek a decision of Council in regards to a request to construct a new private jetty on land under Council’s care and control located at Section 869, East Front Road, Younghusband.

Introduction/Background

On 16 March 2017, the applicant, B & B Prior submitted a Development Application (DA 711/112/17) to construct a jetty on the reserve which is under Council’s care and control. The application has been processed and has been subject to referral to the Department of Environment, Water and Natural Resources and also the Environment Protection Authority. Both government agencies have reviewed the proposal and have directed that if the application is approved that certain conditions and notations be attached.

Given the proposed jetty is to be partially located on Council reserve and Crown land (bed of the river), Crown Lands via email dated 21 August 2017 advised the applicant that they need written permission from Council allowing access across the land before a licence can be granted, given the reserve is under Council’s care and control.

Council have a Reserves – Private Moorings Policy (see attached) that was last reviewed on May 2010. Essentially the policy states that no approval will be granted for any new private jetty on Council owned land or land under Council control.

Refer Appendix 10.2.6.

Discussion

The applicant owns a property at 1492 East Front Road, Younghusband, on the northern (opposite) side of the East Front Road is a reserve which is under Council’s care and control. Their property is located in a cluster of approximately eight (8) dwellings, all of which, according to the applicant, have private jetties on the reserve. The applicant believes they should be afforded the same opportunity as everyone else and be allowed to construct a private jetty.

I assume (given the policy was endorsed in 2010, prior to my time with Council) the policy was introduced to ensure all reserves owner by Council or under Council’s care and control are kept free of development to ensure they remain open and unrestricted to all members of the public. I certainly am of the opinion that this policy has substantial merit and should rarely, if ever, be deviated from.

However, the portion of reserve is located downstream of the Younghusband public access area (boat ramp and reserve) with the proposed jetty being at least 200m from the boat ramp. The proposed location is already high modified with other river structures and whilst it is public land, it does have the appearance of ‘private land’ given the improvements undertaken by many property owners in the locality. The jetty will be located in between existing river structures and will not represent an ‘extension’ of the modified reserve area.
10.2 DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

10.2.6 Reserves – Private Moorings Policy Waiver Request cont’d

Conclusion

The proposed policy is in place to avoid a proliferation of structures, or any structures for that matter, to be constructed on public land owned by or under the care and control of Council. This is to ensure access to these reserves remains open and unrestricted and also the risk of any hazards is reduced.

However, in this instance Council may determine that there is sufficient merit to warrant a departure from this policy given the portion of reserve is already highly ‘built up’ with other river structures owned by adjoining property owners. The proposed structure is located in between other river structures and achieves a significant setback (over 200m) from the Younghusband public area (boat ramp and ski beach).

References

Community Plan
Theme 1: The Natural & Built Environment
Respond positively to the Development Planning System reform by:
Theme 1.14 – Seeking further improvement in the development approval process.

Budget
No impact.

Legislation

Recommendation
Moved __________________ Seconded __________________
that Council advise the applicant of Development Application 711/112/17 that permission is granted to access the land for the purposes of a jetty. This also permits Crown Lands to grant the necessary licence.
10.2 DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

10.2.7 Sale of Council Land – Vendor Authority

Reporting Officer: Jake McVicar
Position: Acting Manager – Development Services

Report Purpose

To seek the Consent of Council to delegate authority to the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer to execute, under Common Seal, the sale of land owned by Council.

Discussion

Council recently placed a number of properties on the market for sale. Suitable offers were received for the following properties:

- Lot 276, 1 North Terrace, Blanchetown
- Lot 70, Church Crescent, Palmer
- Section 6, 81 Centenary Road, Morgan (including various Leases)
- Lot 115, North Terrace, Mount Mary
- Lot 76, Page Drive, Blanchetown
- Lot 66, Page Drive, Blanchetown.

Council’s consent to transfer the land (vendor authority) can only be provided under the Common Seal of Council, which requires a resolution of Council to delegate authority to the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer to execute the documents under the Common Seal.

It should be noted that the Common Seal has already been placed on the attached documents to enable the sales to be processed in a timely manner suitable to all parties. As such, this resolution at the bottom of this report is retrospective. Refer Appendix 10.2.7.

References

Community Plan
Theme 4: Infrastructure & Community Facilities
Manage the sustainability of the existing and future infrastructure:
Theme 4.8 – Audit all of Council’s assets to determine which ones can be sold, developed for future use or retired.

Budget
Proceeds from sale of land.

Legislation

Recommendation

Moved __________________ Seconded __________________
that pursuant to Sections 38 & 44 of the Local Government Act 1999, Council authorises the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer to execute under the Common Seal of Council the Vendor Documents for the sale of land owned by Council for properties located at:

- Lot 276, 1 North Terrace, Blanchetown
- Lot 70, Church Crescent, Palmer
- Section 6, 81 Centenary Road, Morgan (including various Leases)
- Lot 115, North Terrace, Mount Mary
- Lot 76, Page Drive, Blanchetown
- Lot 66, Page Drive, Blanchetown.
10.2 DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

10.2.8 Application to Consent to the Deposit of a Plan of Land Division and to Rescind Land Management Agreements – Land Division 711/D010/09 – Stage 12

Reporting Officer  Jake McVicar
Position  Acting Manager – Development Services

Report Purpose

To seek the Consent of Council to delegate authority to the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer to execute, under Common Seal, the Consent to the Deposit of a Plan of Division and to rescind the Commercial, Marina and Residential Waterfront Land Management Agreements from the allotments for Stage 12 of the Mannum Waters development.

Introduction/Background

The construction of the Mannum Waters development is being undertaken in stages. Numerous stages have currently been completed or are nearing completion.

Tallwood Pty Ltd has obtained Section 51 Clearance (i.e. completion of civil works) for Stage 12 of the development.

The Plan of Division must now be deposited with the Land Titles Office, however prior to doing so the developers will require a document noting that Council consents to the deposit of the plan of division and the rescission of the Commercial, Marina and Residential Waterfront Land Management Agreements from certain allotments.

Discussion

Council has a number of interests in the land (including easements, Land Management Agreements etc.) and accordingly, before the plan can be deposited at the Land Titles Office, Council’s consent is required.

Council’s consent can only be provided under the Common Seal of Council, which requires a resolution of Council to delegate authority to the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer to execute the documents under the Common Seal.

The rescission of the Commercial, Marina and Residential Waterfront Land Management Agreements is necessary because each of the Land Management Agreements in question is not relevant to each of the allotments created in Stage 12, and accordingly they need to be rescinded from the land to ensure they do not have any unintended consequences.

The Deposit and Rescission documents will provide the developers and Land Titles Office with the necessary information to note that Council consents to the deposit of the plan of division and the rescission of the Commercial, Marina and Residential Waterfront Land Management Agreements.

Refer Appendix 10.2.8.
10.2 DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

10.2.8 Application to Consent to the Deposit of a Plan of Land Division and to Rescind Land Management Agreements – Land Division 711/D010/09 – Stage 12 cont’d

References

Community Plan

Theme 1: The Natural and Built Environment
Better understand future growth capacity and demand by:
Theme 1.13 – Documenting current, and future, residential land development opportunities to inform service and infrastructure planning.

Budget

This proposal does not impact on existing budgets.

Legislation


Recommendation

Moved __________________ Seconded __________________
that pursuant to Sections 38 & 44 of the Local Government Act 1999, Council authorises the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer to execute under the Common Seal of Council the Consent for the Deposit of a Plan of Division and the Rescission of the Commercial Waterfront Allotments Land Management Agreement (AG11970049) and Residential Waterfront Allotments Land Management Agreement (AG11773946) from the Allotments comprising Stage 12 of Land Division Application 711/D010/09.

Furthermore, the owner/developer must pay all costs associated with the drafting of the documents and the subsequent lodgement and processing / production fees.
10.2 DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

10.2.9 Local Nuisance and Litter Control Service Standards

Reporting Officer
Joel Taggart

Position
Acting Director – Development & Environmental Services

Report Purpose
To provide Elected Members with an update on the proposed Council service standards for the relatively new legislation, the Local Nuisance and Litter Control Act, 2016.

Introduction/Background
In July 2016, a report was tabled at Council regarding service standards that were adopted for various functions within the Development and Environmental Services Department.

Discussion
Council has determined via the budgetary process (as well as its Long Term Financial Plan) to not increase the level of resourcing allocated to compliance and therefore it must adopt the associated hierarchy of service levels as outlined in this report and the attached table in Appendix 10.2.9. These service levels reflect that to a large extent Council provides a reactive service i.e. that generally services are provided in response to a complaint and that Council staff generally do not go out monitoring compliance matters in a proactive manner. Proactive compliance has previously been presented and discussed with Council (at the February 2016 Council meeting), however this option does require additional resources.

Previously, information has been presented on the resources for compliance in other Councils. For example the Yorke Peninsula Council has little resources allocated to illegal development. The Chief Executive Officer considers that the existing level of resourcing for compliance is sufficient, subject to the service standards.

The attached proposed services standards for activities subject to the new Local Nuisance and Litter Control Act will be used to focus the efforts of staff and avoid staff being stretched too thin. The standards will also help communicate to the community the level of service they can expect.

It should also be noted that the Chief Executive Officer is continuing to undertake a review of the level of demand and role of the Weekend Inspector (currently filled by a Contractor working from Friday through to Monday of each week). The Chief Executive Officer has previously placed an advert in local papers to promote the role of the Weekend Inspector. It is hoped that the review will be completed at a similar time to the finalisation of the current Organisational Review. This will result in a continuation of this service until such time as the Organisational Review is finalised.

Refer Appendix 10.2.9.
10.2 DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

10.2.9 Local Nuisance and Litter Control Service Standards cont’d

Conclusion

Although the standards may continue to evolve or change, it is important for Elected Members to understand the focus on various activities dictated by the attached table i.e. High Focus activities vs Low Focus activities vs No Focus activities as it may lead to concerns being expressed by the community that we are not responsive in some compliance matters. Council staff are always happy to discuss concerns raised with Elected Members and the community, and if necessary, further refine these service standards.

References

Community Plan  Theme 1: The Natural and Built Environment
Facilitate an active partnership between Council and Community to:
Theme 1.1 – Deliver topical and regular environmental education programs. (Such as reuse/recycle campaigns).

Theme 1.2 – Design community led solutions to local problems. (Such as erosion of River banks, carp control, water quality).

Theme 1.3 – Lobby, advocate and promote for improved environmental protection outcomes through implementation of best practice planning policy.

Budget  No additional funding is required for this specific matter.


Recommendation

Moved __________________ Seconded __________________
that Council adopt the Local Nuisance and Litter Control Service Standards, as contained in the document entitled 'Local Nuisance Service Standards'.
10.2 DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

10.2.10 State Government Planning Reforms – Draft Community Engagement Charter for Consultation

Reporting Officer: Joel Taggart  
Position: Acting Director – Development & Environmental Services

Report Purpose

To provide Elected Members with an update on the State Government Planning Reforms, as it relates to the new (draft) Community Engagement Charter.

Introduction/Background

Over the last 12-18 months, staff have provided regular updates to Elected Members, via both Council reports and emails. On Wednesday 23 August 2017, the Chief Executive Officer, Acting Mayor, Acting Director – Development and Environmental Services and Cr Wilkinson attended a “livestream” event about the draft Community Engagement Charter. This web-based event was hosted by the Local Government Association (LGA).

Discussion

The draft Community Engagement Charter was one of the main recommendations from the recent review into the South Australian Planning System. This is proposed to ensure consultation relating to planning policy and strategy across South Australia occurs in a consistent and contemporary manner. This draft Charter also proposes to increasingly use technology as part of the Community Engagement process, as well as have different levels of consultation for different forms of policy and strategy development. Importantly, it is noted that development assessment is excluded from the Community Engagement Charter, as there are specific legislated public notification requirements for Development Applications.

The draft Community Engagement Charter has been prepared by the South Australian Planning Commission, and comments are now being sought. The draft Charter was developed through online community engagement in recent months, as well as an intensive workshop session held over 2 weekends with 50 randomly selected community members in July. Over the 4 days that this workshop was held, there were some 70 ‘stakeholders’ in the SA planning system who also participated in the discussion. Council’s Acting Director – Development and Environmental Services was involved in one of the day workshops.

Overall, Council staff believe that the development of the Community Engagement Charter is a good initiative and that it provides clarity as to when and how the community will be consulted on various planning matters. Further, it will ensure a level of consistency during such consultation across all local governments.

Appendix 10.2.10 contains the documentation related to this matter.

Refer Appendix 10.2.10.
10.2 DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

10.2.10 State Government Planning Reforms – Draft Community Engagement Charter for Consultation cont’d

Conclusion

The draft Charter is currently on public consultation, and both the LGA and the South Australian Planning Commission are seeking Council’s feedback on the document. It is proposed that a consolidated response from Council will be sent to the South Australian Planning Commission. It is therefore asked if any Elected Members have comments on this draft Charter, to forward them through to the Acting Director – Development and Environmental Services, no later than 9am on Monday 18 September 2017.

References

Community Plan
Theme 1: The Natural and Built Environment
Respond positively to the Development Planning System reform by:
Theme 1.14 – Seeking further improvement in the development approval process.

Theme 1.15 – Lobby State Government for sensible amendments that protect local influence, representation and customisation of development plans.

Theme 1.16 – Improve co-ordination, and resource sharing, with neighbouring communities to develop consistent regional planning policy.

Budget
At this point in time, no budget funds are required for this project.

Legislation
Planning, Development & Infrastructure Act 2016.

Recommendation
Moved __________________ Seconded __________________
that Council notes this report and the Elected Members provide any feedback on this topic to the Acting Director – Development and Environmental Services by 9am on Monday 18 September 2017.
10.2 DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

10.2.11 Council Assessment Panel – Draft Terms of Reference

**Reporting Officer**
Joel Taggart

**Position**
Acting Director – Development & Environmental Services

**Report Purpose**
To provide Elected Members with an overview of the current progress associated with establishing the Council Assessment Panel (CAP) to replace the Development Assessment Panel (DAP).

**Introduction/Background**
The new *Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act, 2016*, requires that as of 1 October 2017, all Councils establish a ‘Council Assessment Panel’ to replace their current Development Assessment Panels. Mid Murray Council has been fairly advanced in facilitating this change, having appointed new members and a Presiding Member to the new CAP already. Council now must endorse the Terms of Reference for the CAP.

**Discussion**
Council staff have been liaising with the DAP/CAP Presiding Member, Bruce Ballantyne, and neighbouring Councils to determine how best to prepare and present the CAP Terms of Reference. In addition, the Local Government Association has published a ‘model’ Terms of Reference for CAP’s. The Terms of Reference largely reflect the various requirements for CAP’s, as set out in the legislation. It should also be noted that the CAP is required to have Meeting and Operating Procedures, which is similar the current set-up with the DAP. It is up to the CAP itself to develop and agree on these procedures. Staff have been working with the Presiding Member in order to develop these, ready for adopting at the CAP’s first meeting in October 2017.

The draft Terms of Reference are contained within Appendix 10.2.11. Refer Appendix 10.2.11.

**Conclusion**
As discussed, Council is required to endorse these new Terms of Reference for the CAP as part of the evolution of the new Planning System in South Australia. Largely the proposed Terms of Reference are operational and are similar to the current DAP Terms of Reference.

**References**

- **Community Plan**: Theme 1: The Natural and Built Environment
  Respond positively to the Development Planning System reform by:
  Theme 1.14 – Seeking further improvement in the development approval process.

- **Budget**: There is no budgetary impact resulting from this item.

- **Legislation**: Planning, Development & Infrastructure Act 2016.
10.2 DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

10.2.11 Council Assessment Panel – Draft Terms of Reference cont’d

**Recommendation:**
Moved __________________ Seconded __________________
that Council endorse the Terms of Reference for the new Mid Murray Council Assessment Panel, effective from 1 October 2017.
10.2 DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

10.2.12 Mannum Waters Development Infrastructure and Water Allocation

**Reporting Officer**  Joel Taggart

**Position**  Acting Director – Development & Environmental Services

**Report Purpose**

This report provides an update on aspects of the Mannum Waters development that have been discussed at recent Council meetings. Further updates will be presented at future Council meetings, particularly in relation to the ongoing legal review process (surrounding the development of the existing Infrastructure Agreement/Development Deed for the project).

**Introduction/Background**

As Elected Members will be aware, development has been ongoing at Mannum Waters for several years now. As well as ongoing residential development, a Community Title Marina has been completed and is now managed by a Community Corporation. A Development Plan Amendment (DPA) to rezone further stages of the approved Major Project has been in abeyance for a few years, and more is provided in this report on this matter. Also, Council staff have been reviewing the water allocation/licencing issue associated with evaporation loss from the Marina, and are finalising a discussion paper for Council’s review (this confidential document will be distributed separately before the Council meeting to Elected Members).

**Discussion**

Various updates in relation to the overall development at Mannum Waters are detailed under the headings below.

**Infrastructure Handover Process**

Further to the report on this topic to Council at its August 2017 meeting, Council staff have devised a spreadsheet to monitor and record all infrastructure handover from the Mannum Waters developers to Council (refer Confidential Appendix 10.2.12). In addition, in collaboration with Council’s Governance Manager, a Bonding Policy, based on a LGA template, is being developed presently.

Refer Confidential Appendix 10.2.12.

**Development Plan Amendment (DPA)**

As previously reported to Council last month, the issue at hand in relation to this DPA is now that the State Government’s Planning Reforms are requiring all DPA’s to be finalised by the end of 2017. It is now not possible for this DPA to be completed by that time. Further, staff have now been advised by the State Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure (DPTI) that the Mannum Waters DPA has lapsed, given it has been some time since the Developer last acted on progressing it (some 6-7 years appear to have lapsed).
10.2 DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

10.2.12 Mannum Waters Development Infrastructure and Water Allocation cont’d

Therefore the balance of the undeveloped land at the Mannum Waters Marina cannot be rezoned as part of the current planning system. It is therefore proposed to enact these zoning changes under the new planning system, either by way of conversion of Council’s Development Plan to the SA Planning and Design Code (SA P&D Code) or through a future amendment to the SA P&D Code. Either way, the onus is on the Developer to take the lead and cover Council’s costs in relation to this matter. Council is in ongoing discussions with DPTI about this matter.

Working Group

The Mannum Waters Development Working Group continues to meet every two months to discuss various matters pertaining to the project. The group consists of Senior Council staff, Cr Raison, the Mayor and three representatives from the developer, Tallwood Pty Ltd. Agendas and Minutes of the meeting are not public documents, however are available on request to Elected Members. Given the focus on the Mannum Waters Boat Ramp at both the June and August 2017 Council meetings, this will be a topic of discussion at the upcoming Working Group meeting. At that meeting, three or four local boat users will also attend to discuss their thoughts about the existing Mannum Waters Boat Ramp.

Levee Banks

Following Elected Member and community concern, the issue about perceived structural inadequacy of the levee banks in the Mannum Waters area, south of the existing Marina, have been discussed with the Mannum Waters developers. It was advised that the levee bank in question is only a temporary levee bank until further development, including wetlands, occurs at this southern end of the site. Council staff will continue to monitor this levee bank ensure the safety of the public is maintained.

Water Allocation Status

As Elected Members may be aware, the Mannum Waters Marina is subject to the River Murray water allocation/licencing regime. Whilst this is a national scheme, it is administered in South Australia by the Department of Environment, Water and Natural Resources (DEWNR). DEWNR has advised Council that the portion of the Marina now under Council ownership is required to have water usage (evaporation) covered by a water allocation.

Whilst Council does have a Water Licence and a permanent water allocation that it can use to offset these water losses, the intent of this water is largely for irrigation of recreation grounds and public parks. For the 2016/17 water allocation year, due to the wet spring/summer, and absence of any water allocation cuts, Council had enough of a permanent water allocation to cover the amount of water calculated by DEWNR as having evaporated from the Marina. However given that water allocations will likely be cut in upcoming years (as per past weather trends), it is likely that Council will be needing to purchase water on a yearly basis from the national water market to cover the evaporation losses (the price of obtaining additional permanent water allocations is generally considered as cost-prohibitive).
10.2 DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

10.2.12 Mannum Waters Development Infrastructure and Water Allocation cont’d

Water Licencing and Allocation Factual Paper for DEWNR

Council staff have been reviewing the framework that requires evaporation from the Mannum Waters Marina to be allocated as part of a Water Licence. As this water allocation is inherently linked to the national Murray Darling Basin Plan, this is quite a complex matter. However staff are finalising a paper that relates to the history of this issue and provides an overview of the situation, as well as finding a way forward. This confidential paper will be available to Elected Members prior to the Council meeting. The intent is for Elected Members to review the document, staff to finalise it and then to present it to relevant Ministers and Government Departments in order to lobby for the current regime to change.

Legal Review and Advice – Development Deed

As mentioned above, this issue regarding water licencing and water allocations is a complex area, and as such, the final legal advice on this matter has not yet been received (at the time of writing). It is hoped that this will be circulated prior to the Council meeting. Further, it has become apparent from the law firm assisting Council in reviewing the preparation of the Infrastructure Deed signed by Council several years ago that there is a large amount of documentation to review before they can provide definitive advice to Council about the legality of the Deed’s requirements surrounding Water Licences and Allocations.

Conclusion

Council staff will continue to pursue and work with the developer in relation to the above initiatives and projects, and will continue regularly reporting back on these projects to the full Council. In light of the above, it is important for Council to note the ongoing development and activation of the Mannum Waters Marina area, and in particular the social and economic importance of the development for the Mannum area.

References

Theme 1: The Natural and Built Environment
Facilitate an active partnership between Council and Community to:

Theme 1.6 – Develop and implement an Open Space Strategy that balances the needs of residents and transient population.

Theme 1.8 – Advocate, protect and enhance the River Murray Corridor.

Theme 3: Economic Development & Tourism
Aggressively grow the tourism industry sector by:

Theme 3.6 – Working to cooperatively develop, promote, brand, market and recognise existing tourism infrastructure.

Theme 3.7 – Partnering and facilitating operator development of new tourism assets and experiences.
10.2 DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

10.2.12 Mannum Waters Development Infrastructure and Water Allocation cont’d

Theme 3.13 – Build a **Strategy for the Riverfront corridor of Mannum** that connects, themes and links key infrastructure (both current and proposed).

Budget

At this point in time, there is no budgetary impact from this proposal. Any further development at the site in the short-term is being funded by the developer of Mannum Waters (Tallwood Pty Ltd). At present, they are also trying to obtain grant funding to undertake such work.

Legislation


Recommendation brought forward from the 8 August 2017 Council Meeting

Cr Hall moved that Council endorse that the principal boat ramp in Mannum shall be designated as the facility that is now constructed at the Mannum Waters Marina, off Marina Way, Mannum. Seconded Cr Taylor.

**Recommendation**

Moved __________________ Seconded __________________

that pursuant to Section 91(7) of the Local Government Act 1999, the Council orders that the Confidential attachments in relation to the Development and Environmental Services Report Item 10.2.12 Mannum Waters Development Infrastructure and Water Allocation – Infrastructure Handover Register remain confidential and not available for public inspection until released by Council and that this order be reviewed in twelve months.

Joel Taggart

**Acting Director - Development & Environmental Services**
10.3 COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT

Cr moved that the report be received.
Seconded Cr

10.3.1 STARclub Field Officer Program

**Reporting Officer** Jarrod Manuel
**Position** Community Development Officer

**Report Purpose**

For Council to consider continued funding for the STARclub program for another three years from the completion of the current Memorandum of Understanding.

**Introduction/Background**

Mid Murray Council, in partnership with the Rural City of Murray Bridge, Coorong, Southern Mallee and Karoonda East Murray Council’s Murray Mallee Health, Regional Development Australia and the Office of Recreation and Sport deliver the ‘Be Active Program’ through a jointly funded field officer. This program has evolved into the STARclub program.

The STARclub Field Officer Program is a partnership between the South Australian Office for Recreation and Sport and regional councils, health services and community organisations. STARclub Field Officers work with the community to:
- develop and maintain a strong, vibrant sporting and active recreation culture
- increase community participation in sport and active recreation
- improve the quality of sport and active recreation opportunities
- develop and maintain well managed sustainable sporting and active recreation clubs and associations.

In the Murraylands many clubs have received grants from the Office of Recreation and Sport. Since the inception of the STARclub program there has been over $1.3 million dollars in grant funding for the Murray Lands area, of which 85% of grants received are STARclub Clubs.

The following are Mid Murray Council Clubs that participate in the STARclub program:
- Mannum Rowing Club Inc
- Scouts Australia (SA) - Aroona Scout Group
- Morgan Small Bore Rifle Club
- Wakeboard South Australia
- Mannum Little Athletics
- Mannum Football Club Inc
- Blanchetown Swan Reach Football Club
- Sedan Cambrai Football Netball Club
- Saints Basketball Club
- Swan Reach Soldiers Memorial Bowling Club Inc
- Cadell Bowling Club Inc.
10.3 COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

10.3.1 STARclub Field Officer Program Cont’d

Below is a summary of grants received by clubs in the Mid Murray region in the past 3 years.

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<th>Mid Murray Council</th>
<th>Applicant</th>
<th>Amount Approved</th>
<th>Approved Project</th>
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<tr>
<td>Blanchetown Kart Club</td>
<td>$35,000</td>
<td>Construction of a multi-purpose clubroom.</td>
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<td>Mannum Rowing Club</td>
<td>$3,000</td>
<td>To assist with the purchase of sporting equipment</td>
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<td>Sedan-Cambrai Football Club</td>
<td>$3,500</td>
<td>To assist with the purchase of safety and first aid equipment</td>
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<td>Scouts SA - Land Yachting Division</td>
<td>$2,000</td>
<td>To assist the Land Yachting Division with sport equipment</td>
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<td>Mannum Riding Club</td>
<td>$2,000</td>
<td>To assist with ground maintenance equipment and sport equipment</td>
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<td>Claypans Cricket Club</td>
<td>$11,000</td>
<td>To assist with the installation of cricket practice pitches</td>
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<td>Swan Reach Golf Club</td>
<td>$8,000</td>
<td>To assist with a facility upgrade</td>
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<td>Morgan Dirt-Kart Club</td>
<td>$3,700</td>
<td>To assist with club management program, official training and development, medical training and equipment, ground maintenance equipment</td>
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<td>Mannum Bowling Club</td>
<td>$2,300</td>
<td>Medical Training and Equipment</td>
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<td>Mannum Football Club</td>
<td>$3,000</td>
<td>To assist with one or more of the following: Ground Maintenance Equipment, Medical Training and Equipment, Uniforms</td>
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<tr>
<td>Swan Reach Soldiers Memorial Bowling Club</td>
<td>$8,685</td>
<td>To assist with an irrigation upgrade</td>
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<tr>
<td>Angas Valley Recreation Hall and Tennis Club</td>
<td>$13,000</td>
<td>To assist with the resurfacing of three tennis courts</td>
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<tr>
<td>Mannum Football Club</td>
<td>$50,000</td>
<td>To redevelop the clubrooms at the Mannum Football Club, Mannum</td>
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10.3 COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

10.3.1 STARclub Field Officer Program Cont’d

Summary

As part of the funding agreement with the Office of Recreation and Sport who contribute $50,000 per year, partners are required to sign a Memorandum of Understanding, this is currently under review.

All five councils must commit in order for this program to continue. Rural City of Murray Bridge, Coorong, Southern Mallee and Karoonda East Murray Council’s have committed to the continuation of the program past 2017/18.

This program has a proven track record of delivering outstanding outcomes for our Council area for a minimal outlay. The program also compliments our existing healthy lifestyle programs in Fun 4 YOUth, OPAL and Mannum Leisure Centre.

References

Community Plan 2.8 Strategically prioritise opportunities for community engagement, connection and participation.
2.9 Improve access to innovative health service delivery.

Budget Council has supported this program through its recurrent budget for many years. The contribution for the next three financial years is as follows –

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<td>2018/19</td>
<td>$12,566</td>
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<td>2019/20</td>
<td>$13,194</td>
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<td>2020/21</td>
<td>$13,853</td>
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See Attachment 1 – STARclub budget for full details

Following is Council’s contribution of costs from 10/11 to 16/17 with 17/18 to 20/21 being projected budget.
10.3 COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

10.3.1 STARclub Field Officer Program Cont’d

The Office for Recreation and Sport, has contributed, on average, 54% of funding in past years, moving forward Councils joint contributions will average 53% with The Office for Recreation and Sport being reduced to around 47%.

Recommendation
Moved __________________ Seconded __________________
that Council commit to support the continuation of the STARclub program and field officer position for a further 3 years from 2018/19 to 2020/21 at a cost of $12,566 in 2018/19 to $13,853 in 2020/21.

Robyn Dunstall
Acting Director, Community Services
10.4 CORPORATE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES REPORT

Cr moved that the report be received.
Seconded Cr

10.4.1 Business Highlight Report

The key focus for the Corporate & Finance Services is to validate existing operations, highlight issues and identify optimum approaches to ensure efficient and effective service delivery. This included development and review of specific policies and procedures that articulate and inform operations, the automation of manual processes and formalising of key procedures and protocols.

The automation of manual process and formalising of key procedures through an initiative of continuous improvement has over the past two years and moving forward achieved $1.6m of savings and efficiencies for the following areas:

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<th>Total Savings &amp; Efficiencies</th>
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<td>Procurement</td>
<td>841,400</td>
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<td>Efficiencies</td>
<td>248,700</td>
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<td>Staff Utilisation</td>
<td>250,000</td>
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<td>Workforce Management system</td>
<td>277,000</td>
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**Procurement**

A focus to reduce potential risk to Council through improved procurement process with formal request for quotations, tenders and contracts in accordance with the Procurement Policy thresholds, has delivered the following savings:

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<td>Banking</td>
<td>141,500</td>
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<td>Drainage</td>
<td>57,400</td>
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<td>Fleet</td>
<td>238,900</td>
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<td>Footpaths</td>
<td>57,600</td>
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<td>IT Multifunction devices</td>
<td>181,600</td>
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<td>Public Conveniences</td>
<td>26,700</td>
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<td>Roads</td>
<td>46,400</td>
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<td>Tree Trimming</td>
<td>86,300</td>
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<td>Other</td>
<td>5,000</td>
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<td><strong>841,400</strong></td>
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10.4 CORPORATE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

10.4.1 Business Highlight Report Cont’d

Process improvement

A focus on optimum approaches that improve automation of process to ensure efficient and effective service delivery has resulted in a reduction of monthly processing time of 518 hours or equivalent to a $20,000 monthly savings for the following areas:

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<th>Previous Hours</th>
<th>Now Hours</th>
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<td>Property Searches</td>
<td>495.0</td>
<td>67.5</td>
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<td>Telephone &amp; Electricity Accounts</td>
<td>38.0</td>
<td>4.0</td>
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<td>Payroll processing</td>
<td>16.0</td>
<td>4.7</td>
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<td>Postage &amp; Banking</td>
<td>16.0</td>
<td>2.0</td>
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<td>Camping monies</td>
<td>32.5</td>
<td>1.3</td>
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In conjunction with the process automation we have improved staff utilisation in Customer and Community services which has delivered a $250,000 benefit. These initiatives will result in a reduction of one fulltime equivalent for future years equating to $87,000 of ongoing benefit to Council.
10.4 CORPORATE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES REPORT CONT’D

10.4.1 Business Highlight Report Cont’d

Workforce Management system

Is a system that will improve field operations in regard to safety, resource management and monitoring, with a customer focus solution to improve service delivery by utilising technology to maximise agility and safety. This includes the latest techniques for auto-allocation; scheduling and routing combined with GPS tracking, this will result in savings of $277,000.

**Recommendation**

Moved __________________ Seconded __________________

that the Business Highlight Report be received.

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Robyn Dunstall

*Acting Director, Corporate & Financial Services*
10. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT

Cr moved that the report be received.
Seconded Cr

10.5.1 CEO Monthly Report

Please find listed below a summary of meetings I have attended since the August meeting:

1. Meeting with Noel Faggotter regarding the Blanchetown Caravan Park, Blanchetown.
2. Meeting with the Mannum Golf Club, Mannum.
3. Flinders Rural Health SA Community Engagement meeting, Murray Bridge.
4. Meeting with Michael Nance, Mannum Estates, Mannum.
5. RSL Consultation, Mannum.
7. Meeting with Adelaide Hills Council.
8. Meeting with Mount Barker Council, Mount Barker.
9. Meeting with Dave Hartley, Mannum Motel.
10. Meeting with Frank Boland.
11. Meeting with Susie Smith & Steve Milne regarding the Morgan Solar & Battery Farm, Mannum.
12. RSL Consultation, Mannum.
13. Swan Reach Deep Water Mooring meeting, Mannum.
15. CEO Forum, Adelaide.
16. Square Dancing Convention, Mannum.
17. Meeting with CBS, Mannum.
18. RSL Consultation, Mannum.
19. Meeting to discuss SA Tourism Commission Visit to Mannum.
20. Regional Collaboration Meeting – Funding Opportunities in Boating, Infrastructure & Tourism, Murray Bridge.
21. Meeting with Ngarrindjeri Regional Authority and Chief Executive Officers, Murray Bridge.
23. Breakfast Club, Mannum Community College.
24. Open Space & Recreation Advisory Committee meeting, Cambrai.
25. Community Wastewater Management Scheme meeting, Cambrai.
27. Project Steering Group Meeting World Heritage Project, Stirling.
28. Southern Heritage DPA Discussions, Office of Sport and Recreation.
29. Meeting with Rod James, Morgan.
30. Port of Morgan Heritage & Tourism Board meeting, Morgan.
32. Meeting regarding Event Permit – Mannum Christmas Pageant.
33. Breakfast Club, Mannum Community College.
34. Murray Darling Association Region 5 Members meeting, Morgan.
35. Meeting with Department of Environment, Water and Natural Resources Representatives regarding the Brookfield Conservation Park, Mannum.

N.B. This does not include the various internal staff meetings I have attended.

For information.
10. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT CONT’D

10.5.2 Mid Murray Council Considers High Speed, High Capacity Broadband to be an Essential Service

I have attached Local Government Association Circular 33.13 relating to consideration of whether Councils believe that high speed, high capacity broadband should be declared to be a utility and an essential service. I have attached Council’s response due to comments being required to be submitted by Friday 8 September 2017.

Refer Appendix 10.5.2

References

Community Plan  Theme 4: Infrastructure & Community Facilities
Manage the sustainability of the existing and future infrastructure:
4.7 – Advocate and lobby for improved digital connectivity, with specific regard to access, skill development and need.

Recommendation
Moved ____________________  Seconded _____________________
that Council note that Council considers that high speed, high capacity broadband should be declared to be an essential service.
10. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT CONT’D

10.5.3 Consideration of Council Contribution Towards True Grit

As members are aware, one of the major events within the Mid Murray Council is True Grit, which is held at Caudo Vineyards, near Cadell. I have attached the last Agreement between True Grit and Council. Council has provided in kind assistance with traffic management up to $4,800.

This event is a commercial event and has been in operation for at least the last four years with a small level of assistance from both the Mid Murray Council and the District Council of Loxton Waikerie. In addition, the coordinator of True Grit, Todd Grant, does not coordinate this event anymore. I have attached email from Adam McNamee dated Monday 28 August 2017.

The District Council of Loxton Waikerie at its Council meeting on the 26 May 2017 resolved as follows:-

“That given Council has financially supported the True Grit event since its inception and noting as a private operation it is now operating in a surplus position, Council not continue its sponsorship in the 2017/18 budget”.

Refer Appendix 10.5.3

References

Community Plan

Theme 3: Economic Development & Tourism

Aggressively grow the tourism industry sector by:

3.8 – Partnering, promoting and facilitating continued, and new, investment in event development.

Recommendation

Moved ____________________  Seconded _____________________

that True Grit be advised that the Mid Murray Council has financially supported the True Grit event since its inception and have noted that as a commercial event, it is now operating in a surplus position and accordingly Council considers that it should not continue its sponsorship for the 2018 event at Caudo vineyard.
10. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT CONT’D

10.5.4 Eastern Hills and Murray Plains Catchment Group

As members’ are aware, Jo Clarke, Project Manager from the Eastern Hills and Murray Plains Catchment Group will be attending Council to outline projects worked on within the Mid Murray Council and funding for their service. So that members’ are aware, the Mid Murray Council provides payroll and other associated services (workers compensation and superannuation and invoicing of wages) for the group at an annual cost of around $4,200. In addition, Cr Kuhn and the Acting Director Development and Environmental Services attend the group meetings.

Further, we assist with Ad-hoc attendance at other meetings as well as developing a River Murray retaining wall fact sheet.

Refer Appendix 10.5.4

References

Community Plan Theme 1: The Natural & Built Environment

Recommendation

Moved ____________________  Seconded _____________________

that Ms Clarke, Project Manager from the Eastern Hills and Murray Plains Catchment Group be thanked for attending the Council meeting to outline projects working on within the Mid Murray Council and funding for their service.
10. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT CONT’D

10.5.5 Funding Request to the State Government for Continuity of the Management of Brookfield Conservation Park - Blanchetown

Some members of Council have participated in a tour previously of the Brookfield Conservation Park which is managed by Conservation Volunteers Australia. Cr Wilkinson has informed me that Conservation Volunteers Australia is unable to renew their lease for the management of the Park without financial assistance, particularly from the State Government. I have attached copy of letter sent to the Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Environment, Water and Natural Resources and information on the Brookfield Conservation Park.

A copy of the letter has also been sent to the State Member and Minister for Sustainability, Environment and Conservation. A copy of the letter from the State Member to the Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Environment, Water and Natural Resources is also attached.

Refer Appendix 10.5.5

References

Community Plan Theme 1: The Natural & Built Environment

Recommendation

Moved ____________________  Seconded _____________________
that Council note the request to the State Government for financial assistance for the continuity of the management of Brookfield Conservation Park by Conservation Volunteers Australia.
10. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT CONT'D

10.5.6 Independent Judicial Inquiry in Relation to the Murray Darling Basin Plan

I have attached for members’ information and perusal the following:-

- Resolution of Council dated 8 August 2017
- Letter sent to the Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull dated 10 August 2017
- Letter from the State Minister for Water and River Murray, Ian Hunter dated 10 August 2017
- Article in the Murray Valley Standard dated 17 August 2017 and Letter to the Editor from Tony Pasin MP, Federal Member for Barker
- Letter sent by the Murraylands and Riverland Local Government Association to the Deputy Prime Minister, Barnaby Joyce
- Article in the Murray Valley Standard dated 24 August 2017

A copy of the letter to the Prime Minister from Mid Murray Council has also been sent to other politicians for their information and action.

Refer Appendix 10.5.6

References

Community Plan

Theme 1: The Natural & Built Environment
Facilitate an active partnership between Council and Community to:
1.8 – Advocate, protect and enhance the River Murray Corridor.

Recommendation

Moved ____________________  Seconded _____________________
that the letter from the State Minister for Water and River Murray dated 10 August 2017 regarding a Judicial Inquiry in relation to the Murray Darling Basin Plan be received.
10. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT CONT’D

10.5.7 Mid Murray Council Selected for Nepal Fellowship

Local Government Professionals Australia, which is the professional body for Local Government throughout Australia, recently called for expressions of interest to host Nepalese officials at a Council. All costs involved would be met by the Nepal Fellowship (Federal Government – Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade).

Fellowships aim to build the capacity of Local Government professionals and Elected Representatives in Nepal by creating a bridge between the Local Government sectors of Australia and Nepal, allowing participants to share experiences and expertise. The 2017 program will see fifteen Nepalese fellows visit Australia for 2 weeks. This will involve four days training in Australia at the Institute for Governance and Policy Analysis at the University in Canberra and one week at a host Council.

Three councils have been selected in Australia following an application process. These are Frankston City Council (Melbourne), Georges River (Sydney) and Mid Murray Council (South Australia). I have attached information regarding the Nepal Fellowship for members’ information together with advice that the Mid Murray Council was selected as one of the host Councils for the program.

Placement of the Nepalese fellows at Mid Murray Council is from 18 – 22 September 2017. There will be three male and two female Nepalese fellows who are executive officers, administrator, planning officer and finance officer. Please note that all costs involving travel, food and accommodation whilst in Australia are met.

I am refining the itinerary in conjunction with Local Government Professionals National, but my initial itinerary as part of the application involved, the Local Government Association of South Australia, Adelaide City Council, Barossa Council, Alexandrina Council, Victor Harbor Council and Mid Murray Council. It is planned at this stage for "functions" to be held at Mannum and Morgan.

For members’ interest, I have both personally, financially and professionally supported providing assistance to developing countries for 20 years, including South Africa, Indonesia and Cambodia. For example, I was one of the Chief Executive Officer’s selected as a mentor for community/Local Government officials in Cambodia and Nepal some four years ago and am the only remaining mentor in contact with their Cambodian counterpart.

In addition, some time in November for one week one/two representatives from the host Council are hosted in Nepal. Once again, all costs are met as part of the Nepal Fellowship.

Refer Appendix 10.5.7

Recommendation

Moved ____________________  Seconded _____________________

that the report on the Mid Murray Council being selected as one of only three Councils in Australia to host Nepalese officials to help build the capacity of Local Government Professionals and elected representatives in Nepal be received.
10. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT CONT’D

10.5.8 Mid Murray Council’s Top Three Priorities for Submission to the Federal Shadow Minister for Regional Services, Territories and Local Government

I have attached copy of report to the last Council meeting regarding attendance at the National General Assembly of the Local Government Association and resolution of Council for a report to be submitted to the next Council meeting on Council’s top three priorities that can be submitted to the Shadow Minister for Regional Services, Territories and Local Government.

It is suggested that the top three priorities could be as follows:-

Infrastructure

- Funding to upgrade and maintain roads (the Mid Murray Council has the second largest road length of 68 Councils in the State with 3,500km and 3,200km unsealed).
- Telecommunications (there are a number of areas throughout the Mid Murray Council that have poor coverage or no coverage).
- Electricity supply (there are number of areas throughout Council that suffer from a lack of electricity supply – particularly in the Swan Reach/Blanchetown area).
- Funding for stormwater drainage (the Mid Murray Council has 16 towns, all of which are small, but which in some cases suffer from stormwater drainage issues).
- Electricity prices (ensuring that there is a national policy for electricity distribution and pricing so that the public do not suffer significant increases).

Water Security

- Ensuring that the Murray Darling Basin Plan is implemented in full to ensure not only environmental flows but benefits to river towns throughout the Mid Murray Council as well as irrigators. This will benefit agricultural, agribusiness, tourism (houseboats) and the community.

Health and Wellbeing

- Ensuring that programs are in place so that better and more general practitioner and allied health services can be provided for rural and regional areas.
- Funding for mental health particularly in regional and rural areas (including suicide prevention).
- Funding in the Mid Murray Council to deal with the early developmental problems that exist in the 0-8 year old age group and implementing Mid Murray Family Connections and collective impact strategies.
- The provision of connected community places for Libraries/learning.
10. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT CONT’D

10.5.8 Mid Murray Council’s Top Three Priorities for Submission to the Federal Shadow Minister for Regional Services, Territories and Local Government Cont’d

The three priorities also align with Councils recently adopted Community Plan 2016-2020 as follows:-

Theme 1 The Natural and Built Environment
Theme 2 Community Wellbeing
Theme 4 Infrastructure and Community Facilities

Refer Appendix 10.5.8

**Recommendation**

Moved ____________________ Seconded _____________________

that Council advise the Federal Shadow Minister for Regional Services, Territories and Local Government, that the Mid Murray Council’s three priorities are infrastructure, water security and health and wellbeing.
10. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT CONT'D

10.5.9 Mount Lofty Ranges World Heritage Listing Update

I have attached copy of latest Council resolution in relation to the Mid Murray Council’s partnership for the World Heritage Status for the Mount Lofty Ranges together with media release issued on 4 August 2017. Councils and other partner organisations continue to progress the potential, National and World Heritage Listing for the Mount Lofty Ranges.

Refer Appendix 10.5.9

References

Community Plan  Theme 1: The Natural & Built Environment
Facilitate an active partnership between Council and Community to:
1.5 – Actively identify, record and protect sites of historic significance for both Indigenous and European history.

Recommendation
Moved ____________________  Seconded _____________________
that the information on the status of the bid for National and World Heritage listing of the Mount Lofty Ranges be received.
10. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT CONT’D

10.5.10 Proposal for Blanchetown Community Hub

As members’ may be aware, the Council’s Blanchetown Internet and Resource Centre is open from Monday to Friday 9am from 2pm providing tourist information, a depot library service, community bus bookings, internet and limited Council services. A proposal to rename the Centre to the Blanchetown Community Hub and amended opening hours are attached.

Refer Appendix 10.5.10

Recommendation
Moved ____________________  Seconded _____________________
that to better reflect the range of services available to the public at Blanchetown, the Centre be renamed as the Blanchetown Community Hub and publicity be given to this.
10. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT CONT’D

10.5.11 Request for Council Support for Increase to Newstart Payment

I have attached letter received on 2 August 2017 from the Chief Executive Officer of the South Australian Council of Social Services requesting that Council support advocacy for the Federal Government to raise the Newstart payment. The letter is self explanatory.

Refer Appendix 10.5.11

Recommendation

Submitted for consideration.
10. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT CONT’D

10.5.12 Statistics and Information on Volunteer Hours Undertaken for Mid Murray Council

Over the last 12 months Council has been obtaining information and statistics on the number of hours and activities that volunteers contribute to the Mid Murray Council. Information on volunteer hours is attached for members information and interest.

It is important to recognise the significant number of hours contributed by volunteers to a range of activities throughout the Mid Murray Council.

Refer Appendix 10.5.12

**Recommendation**

Moved ____________________ Seconded ____________________

that the report on the volunteer hours provided in a range of areas for the Mid Murray Council be received.
10.5  CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT

10.5.13  Funding Received for Swan Reach, Nildottie and Mannum Under the Building Better Regional Fund – Infrastructure Projects Stream

Council’s application submitted under the Building Better Regions Fund – Infrastructure Projects Stream has been successful. I have attached the confirmation letters from Senator the Hon Fiona Nash, Minister for Regional Development dated 4 August 2017 and the Department of Industry, Innovation and Science dated 31 July 2017.

I have also attached the previous Council Report highlighting Council’s application that was submitted under the Building Better Regions Fund for Len White Reserve at Swan Reach (including mooring facilities), upgrade/reconstruction of Hermann’s Landing at Nildottie and upgrade and repair of the small Darling Wharf at Mannum. Attached is an extract from Council’s application, detailing works to be undertaken at Swan Reach and the Media Release from Tony Pasin, Member for Barker.

I have also sent letters or emails to Mannum Dock Museum Board outlining the funding received, especially for Darling Wharf, Donna Gauci from Sealink highlighting the funding but also funding and works undertaken to the Mannum Wharf, Mannum Rowing Pontoon and Morgan Wharf, Kay Schmid, Secretary, Swan Reach Progress Association, Ron Kerlatis, Assistant Secretary, Nildottie Progress Association and Sharon Jardine, Swan Reach Progress Association regarding the funding received and works being undertaken not only to the Morgan Wharf but to other marine facilities.

Total cost for the projects for Len White, Reserve, Hermann’s Landing and Darling Wharf is $804,527 including project supervision and engineering consultancy.

Refer Appendix 10.5.13

References

Community Plan  Theme 3: Economic Development & Tourism
Facilitate an active partnership between Council, Business and Community to:
3.12 Build a Strategy for the Riverfront corridor of Mannum that connects, themes and links key infrastructure (both current and proposed).

Recommendation
Moved __________________ Seconded __________________
that the report on funding received under the Federal Governments Building Better Regions Fund for Len White’s Reserve (including a mooring facility), Hermann’s Landing and Darling Wharf be received.
10. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT CONT’D

10.5.14 Mannum Truck and Ute Show to be Inducted into Main Street SA Awards Hall of Fame

Attached is letter received from Vivienne Holloway, Chair of Mainstreet SA advising that 2017 sees the introduction of the Hall of Fame Award to recognise those organisations who have previously won a category for two years in a row. The Mannum Truck and Ute Show has been the recipient of events under $50,000 Award in 2014 and 2016 and will be inducted into the Hall of Fame at the Awards Dinner on Thursday 2 November. This is a great achievement by the Mannum Progress Association and it is suggested that a letter of congratulations be sent to them.

Refer Appendix 10.5.14

References

Community Plan
Budget
Legislation

Recommendation

Moved ____________________  Seconded _____________________

that

(1) The letter from Mainstreet SA advising that the SA Truck and Ute Show at Mannum will be inducted into the Mainstreet Hall of Fame be received.

(2) A letter of congratulations be sent to the Mannum Progress Association.
10.5 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT CONT’D

10.5.15 Confidentiality Order Release – 10.2.10 Council Assessment Panel Presiding Member Appointment

Discussion

At the 8 August 2017 meeting of Council, a motion was carried whereby all information relating to the appointment of the Council Assessment Panel Presiding Member is to remain in confidence for 12 months or is released by Council.

It is considered appropriate that the Minute from the appointment now be released from confidence, however the associated attachment titled – Table of Candidates remain as per the said motion, confidential and not available for public inspection until released by Council and that this order be reviewed in twelve months.

Recommendation

Moved __________________ Seconded __________________

that the confidentiality order relating to Confidential Item – Council Assessment Panel Presiding Member Appointment, from the Council meeting held on 8 August 2017, excluding the Confidential attachment – Table of Candidates, be released, as follows:

BUSINESS ARISING FROM DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT

10.2.10 Council Assessment Panel Presiding Member Appointment

1740/1 Cr Raison moved that

(1) Bruce Ballantyne is a fit and proper person and is to be appointed as Presiding Member of the Mid Murray Council Assessment Panel, pursuant to Section 83 of the Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act, 2016;

(2) The above appointment shall be for a term of 12 months, from 1 October 2017 until 30 September 2018, unless legislative changes require the composition or structure of Council Assessment Panel’s to alter.

Seconded Cr Hall. CARRIED.
10.5 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT CONT’D

10.5.16 Delegations – Council’s Assessment Panel

Reporting Officer: Deb Brokenshire
Position: Manager – Governance

Report Purpose
To table the Instrument of Delegation under the Development Act 1993 and Development Regulations 2008 for Council’s endorsement to Council’s Assessment Panel.

Discussion
The requirements for the new Council Assessment Panels (CAP) under the Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016 come into operation from 1 October 2017.

This means the new CAP will take over from the existing Council Development Assessment Panels (CDAP) and undertake the functions under the Development Act 1993.

As a consequence, Council needs to delegate the powers and functions under the Development Act 1993 to the new CAP. These powers and functions are identical to those already delegated to CDAP. Delegating these powers and functions will ensure efficient transition on October 1 when the Planning Development and Infrastructure Act Commences.

References

Budget: Not applicable
Legislation
Development Act 1993
Development Regulations 2008
Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016

Recommendation
Moved __________________ Seconded __________________
that Council resolve the following:
In exercise of the powers contained in Section 20 and 34(23) of the Development Act 1993 the powers and functions under the Development Act 1993 and the Development Regulations 2008 contained in the proposed Instrument of Delegation and which are specified below are hereby delegated to the Council’s Assessment Panel, subject to any conditions specified herein or in the Schedule of Conditions contained in the proposed Instrument of Delegation under the Development Act 1993.

Development Act 1993
10.5 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT CONT’D

10.5.16 Delegations – Council’s Assessment Panel Cont’d

Development Regulations 2008

8A(1)(a), 8A1(b), 16(1), 16(2), 17(3), 17(4), 17(6), 20(4), 20(5), 30(4), 31A(6)(b), 36, 38(2)(b), 38(4), 48(2), 51(4), 51(6), 52(1), 53(1), 53(2), 53(4), 53(6), 54(1), 58(1), 58(2), 59(1), 1b Clause 2 Schedule 8, Item 3 Clause 2 Schedule 8, 5(1) Clause 2 Schedule 8, Item 7 Clause 2 Schedule 8, 10(b) Clause 2 Schedule 8, Item 15 Clause 2 Schedule 8, Clause 1 Part 1, Clause 2(1)(g) Part 1, Clause 3 Part 1, Clause 5 Part 1, Clause 11 Part 1, Clause 17 Part 1 Schedule 9; Clause 21 Part 2 Schedule 9

Conditions/Limitations

That the CAP shall only exercise powers and functions in the following situations:

1. The assessment of development applications that are non-complying (other than non-complying applications that the Director – Development & Environmental Services or the Manager – Development Services has determined to be able to be assessed by staff under delegated authority).

2. The assessment of all applications that are the subject of an unresolved Category 3 representation, or an unresolved Category 2 representation.

3. Matters which in the opinion of the Director – Development & Environmental Services or the Manager – Development Services warrant consideration by the Panel because they are contentious, controversial or otherwise of significance.

4. The assessment of any other matters which the Chief Executive Officer or the Director – Development & Environmental Services consider requires a decision of the Council Assessment Panel.

5. The assessment of any matter which the Council Assessment Panel has by formal resolution requested be referred to it.
10.5 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT CONT’D

10.5.17 Section 270 Internal review of a Council Decision – Mid Murray Support Services

Reporting Officer  Deb Brokenshire
Position  Manager – Governance

Report Purpose

Seeking Council’s direction on who should undertake an investigation and prepare a report to be presented for Council consideration at a later date.

Discussion

Correspondence has been received from Ms Annette Dempsey, Mid Murray Support Services requesting a Section 270 Internal Review of a Council Decision be conducted in relation to a proposed lease/licence being granted to the Mannum Men’s Shed for their use at the Mannum Community HUB, Walker Avenue, Mannum.

As per Council’s Internal Review of a Council Decision Policy, Council is responsible for determining who will undertake an investigation and then prepare a full report for presentation to Council on this matter. The Policy also states, wherever possible and appropriate, Council will seek to involve an external person/s to assist with the review. Given I am only newly appointed as Governance Manager, have no prior involvement with this matter on any level, and do not have a personal interest in the outcome, it is suggested that I conduct the review with assistance/advice/opinion sought from a neighbouring Council as required (which neighbouring Council has yet to be determined). I will perform the investigative role in an unbiased and objective manner and at the conclusion of the review will offer an appropriate and fair remedy.

As Council is aware, this matter has some background and it is evident that in order to fully understand this, and to ensure all information is captured, understood and collated efficiently will take some time. It is unfortunate that this additional time is required, however to ensure a full and proper review of all of the evidence is performed, thus assuring a fair, consistent and structured review is achieved, I have reasoned that, depending on the selected neighbouring council’s time and available resources, a full report will be presented to Council no later than its November meeting.

All Board members of the HUB have been advised of the proposed process to be undertaken. An assurance has also been made that Council will regularly inform parties of the progress of this matter in accordance with Council’s Policy.
10.5 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT CONT’D

10.5.17 Section 270 Internal review of a Council Decision – Mid Murray Support Services Cont’d

References

Budget Not applicable.

Legislation Local Government Act 1999

Recommendation

Moved __________________ Seconded __________________

that the Governance Manager Deb Brokenshire, seek assistance/advice/opinion from a neighbouring Council as required, undertake a Section 270 investigation and prepare a full report for presentation to Council no later than November 2017.
10.5 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT CONT'D

10.5.18 Local Government (Boundary Adjustment) Amendment Bill 2017 Update

Reporting Officer: Deb Brokenshire
Position: Manager – Governance

Report Purpose

To update members on the Local Government (Boundary Adjustment) Amendment Bill 2017 recently passed through the Legislative Council.

Discussion

The Bill, amongst other things, provides for the Minister to initiate a boundary adjustment proposal, in addition to councils and ratepayers.

Some other amendments of the Bill include:

- The Bill establishes the South Australian Local Government Grants Commission (“the Commission”), - (of which Mayor Burgess is a member) as an independent body to oversee the assessment and investigation of proposed boundary changes. The Commission is answerable to the Minister for Local Government (“the Minister”), who remains the final decision maker in these matters.

The Commission must prepare and publish “proposal guidelines” which set out:

- the procedures for inquiries,
- the requirements relating to consultation that must be undertaken for the purposes of inquiries;
- the procedures relating to the determination by the Commission of the reasonable costs of an inquiry (a provision that was included in response to concerns from the local government sector that councils may be reluctant to put forward proposals, in the absence of understanding the potential cost exposure); and
- any other matter the Commission thinks appropriate.

The Commission may receive a proposal for the making of a proclamation:

- by resolution of either House of Parliament;
- the Minister;
- a council (or councils); or
- the prescribed percentage or number of eligible electors (possibly 10%)

The Bill establishes two (2) categories of proposal, which do not differentiate between public and council proposals (as is currently the case). Instead it categorises proposals as “administrative”, which are considered to be of a minor administrative nature (such as correcting boundary anomalies or adjusting a common boundary) and “general”, which will include significant boundary changes or structural reform or amalgamations.
10.5 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT CONT’D

10.5.18 Local Government (Boundary Adjustment) Amendment Bill 2017 Update

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An “administrative” proposal will be considered by the Commission in accordance with the procedures determined by the Commission. While a “reasonable” amount of community consultation on the proposal is required in accordance with the guidelines, the Commission retains discretion to determine not to conduct consultation if it considers it unnecessary to do so. After conducting an inquiry into an administrative proposal, the Commission must then consult the Minister, after which it must prepare and publish a report including its recommendations (including any variations it thinks fit), a copy of which is provided to the Minister. The Minister will then ultimately determine whether the proposal proceeds, or that it not proceed.

A “general” proposal that is referred to the Commission by resolution of either House of Parliament, by the Minister, or as prescribed by regulation must be inquired into by one (1) or more investigators. All other general proposals may, at the discretion of the Commission, be inquired into by either the Commission or by one (1) or more investigators. At the conclusion of an inquiry (whether conducted by an investigator or the Commission), the Commission must publish a report which includes its recommendation, a copy is then provided to the Minister. The Minister has the power to request that the Commission make amendments to the report (including to the recommendations made). On receipt of such a request, the Commission may make the amendments it considers appropriate. Any amended report is then published and provided to the Minister. Again, the Minister has the power to ultimately determine whether the proposal proceeds or not.

The Commission has the power to refuse to inquire into a proposal (administrative or general in nature) if it considers that the proposal is vexatious, frivolous or trivial; not in the public interest; the same or substantially similar to a previous proposal; or if there is some other good reason to so refuse.

The Commission may recover “reasonable costs” incurred in respect of an inquiry into a general proposal referred to the Commission by a council (or councils), such costs being recoverable as a debt. Guidelines to be published by the Commission will detail the process to ensure councils understand any anticipated cost of the investigation before the proposal proceeds.

The Bill also confers powers on the Commission (or an investigator) relating to inquiries, which include; issuing a summons requiring attendance; requiring a person to provide written or oral answers; requiring a person to verify answers by declaration; requiring a council or person to produce relevant documents or records; and to call for, or receive, submissions or representations.

While the Bill does not go so far as to “require” councils to proactively seek out an amalgamation, the Bill will insert an additional principle to be observed by councils into section 8 of the Local Government Act 1999, that being a requirement that councils “seek to collaborate and form partnerships with other councils and regional bodies for the purposes of delivering cost-effective services (while avoiding cost-shifting among councils), integrated planning, maintaining local representation of communities and facilitating community benefit”.

Dates for changes to boundary adjustment are to be fixed by proclamation, however during debates on the Bill the Minister advised the House of Assembly that the proposed commencement date is likely to be 1 January 2019, to ensure the Commission is given ample opportunity to develop the guidelines required by the Bill.
10.5 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT CONT’D

10.5.18 Local Government (Boundary Adjustment) Amendment Bill 2017 Update
Cont’d

References

Budget Not applicable.

Legislation Local Government Act 1999
Local Government (Boundary Adjustment) Amendment Bill 2017

Recommendation

Moved __________________ Seconded __________________
that the report on the Local Government (Boundary Adjustment) Amendment Bill 2017 be received.
10.5 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT CONT’D

10.5.19 Section 222 Local Government Act 1999 Permits (Road Rent)

Reporting Officer
Deb Brokenshire
Position
Manager – Governance

Report Purpose
To provide an update on the issue of Section 222 permits under the Local Government Act 1999.

Discussion
Council has been in receipt of previous reports in relation to the matter of road rental permits at the Council meetings of November 2016, December 2016 and July 2017 (as attached)

The most recent motion requested the new Governance Manager to report on an implementation process and for this to be submitted to either the August or September 2017 meeting of Council.

Research has commenced on historical data and practices to establish, and determine how best to move forward, not only to mitigate risk to council associated with unmade road reserves, but also to ensure all processes and procedures are performed in an efficient and effective manner and importantly result in a fair and equitable outcome for all parties.

Previous experience learned from conducting the same process (at different councils) illustrates that this matter requires a complete and complex ‘audit’ of all unmade road reserves in the district. This will include preliminary research through desktop review (including measuring road lengths, aerial views, determining native vegetation etc), assessment and consultation to establish use of unmade road, performing of some site visits and collation, calculation and assessment of all information gathered. Assessment will also need to be made to determine if any of the unmade public roads are significant to any other agencies eg Office of Recreation and Sport (a prescribed public authority under the Roads (Opening and Closing) Act.

Direction will also be sought from Council as to its preferred management of road rentals. For example, will there be charges for road rentals and what will the amounts be based upon? Options available include differing charges for arable and non arable land, or they could be based on the adjoining ratepayers land valuation with a rate in the dollar determined and charged. Alternatively, charges could be based on previous advice provided at the November Council meeting of $350 for a five year permit. These are variables which Council needs to consider as part of the overall audit process, and is suggested to be discussed through an Informal Gathering at the completion of the collation of information from the initial audit.

Given a determination has not yet been made on how much Council will charge for road rentals, or how the charge will be calculated, it is difficult to predict an annual income that would result. Nevertheless it is understood income raised from a Council with the similar number of roads (depending on the formula for calculating charges) is approximately $70k - $80k per annum.
10.5 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORT CONT’D

10.5.19 Section 222 Local Government Act 1999 Permits (Road Rent) Cont’d

Once the initial information is classified and collated, more targeted consultation with adjoining property owners will be required to determine their interest in renting the road and proposed use. The audit is likely to also highlight the potential for some of the unmade roads to be permanently closed rather than rented, thus facilitating further the streamlining of process and efficiency for all concerned.

Administration processes on how best to perform the issuing of road rentals will need to be considered to ensure best practice and effectiveness, along with determination of required resourcing not only for the instigation, but also for the ensuing years.

Given the substantial resourcing, and processes required it is anticipated that the audit and all associated tasks will require a resource specifically dedicated to the project. Based on previous experience it is predicted a project officer would be required on a full time basis for a minimum of six months.

It is inevitable that an audit of unmade road reserves is going to be required in the proximate future to ensure Council is meeting its obligations under risk management requirements, as well as due diligence in their operation. It will also ensure affected property owners receive the required permit of Council thus allowing the area to be included within their relevant public liability insurances.

A Project Implementation Plan will be designed for the audit and any budget considerations will be reflected as part of Council’s next budget review process.

Refer Appendix 10.5.19

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For members’ information.

Russell Peate
Chief Executive Officer
11. MAYOR’S REPORT

Cr moved that the report be received.

Seconded Cr

11.1 Mayor’s Report

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David J Burgess
MAYOR

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Kelly A Kuhn
ACTING MAYOR