### ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, 16th April 2015

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Yilgarn Shire Council held in the Council Chambers, Antares Street, Southern Cross on Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> April 2015.

#### **PRESENT**

Cr O Truran, Shire President

Crs W A Della Bosca, J Della Bosca, D Pasini, B Close, G Guerini

Council Officers: E Piper, Chief Executive Officer

J Bingham, Deputy Chief Executive Officer

W J Dallywater, Manager Environmental Health & Building

R J Bosenberg, Manager of Works

E Garner, Finance Manager

#### INFORMATION SESSION

The meeting was declared open for business at 3.30pm.

### **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

Mr. Tony McPherson: referred to two letters previously sent to Council. Mr. McPherson would like to see refugees come into Diemals for five years and then they may get fast tracked approval to stay. There is fresh water on the site from underground sources in the Kimberley's. The President thanked Mr. McPherson for his attendance and comments.

Mr Anthony Millar representing Cliffs: referred to two letters sent to Council and advised Cliffs are asking Council to strike a fair differential rate in the dollar for the upcoming Budget 15/16. The President thanked Mr. Millar for his attendance and comments.

### APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Cr K Chrisp

### DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Nil

#### CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MINUTES

### 52/2015

Moved Cr G Guerini Seconded Cr J Della Bosca That the Minutes of the previous meeting of Council held on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2015 is confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

CARRIED (5/0)

#### 53/2015

Moved Cr J Della Bosca Seconded Cr W A Della Bosca That the Action Sheet for the meeting held on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2015 is confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

CARRIED (5/0)

#### 54/2015

It was noted that the Status Report for the meeting held on Thursday 19th March 2015 be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

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### 55/2015

Moved Cr J Della Bosca Seconded Cr G Guerini That the minutes of the Central Aged Care Alliance meeting held on Thursday  $2^{nd}$  April 2015 be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

CARRIED (5/0)

### 56/2015

Moved Cr J Della Bosca Seconded Cr G Guerini That the minutes for the Bush Fire Officers Advisory Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2015 be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

**CARRIED (5/0)** 

#### 57/2015

Moved Cr J Della Bosca Seconded Cr G Guerini That the minutes for Tourism Advisory Committee Meeting held on Monday13<sup>th</sup> April 2015 be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

CARRIED (5/0)

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Shire President advised the following:

- That she attended a WALGA meeting on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March;
- That she attended a course on "How to Excel at Managing and Supervising" on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March;
- That she attended a CEACA meeting on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April;
- That she attended WALGA/DLGC training on Planning Land Use and Strategy and Risk Management on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> and Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April;
- That she attended a GECZ Executive teleconference on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April;
- That she attended a DHAC meeting on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April

The Deputy Shire President advised the following:

- That he attended a Karara Fire Debrief on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April;
- That he attended a Regional Roads Group meeting on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April;
- That he attended a Skeleton Weed meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> April

### Cr J Della Bosca advised the following:

- That she attended WALGA/DLGC training on Planning Land Use and Strategy and Risk Management on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> and Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April;
- That she attended the Tourism Advisory Committee Meeting on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April;

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**Agenda Reference:** 7.1

Subject: Request for Sponsorship – Small Business Centre Annual Awards

File Reference: 8.2.6.24

**Author:** Eddie Piper – Acting Chief Executive Officer

**Disclosure of Interest:** Nil

**Date of Report:** Friday, 24 April 2015

### **Background**

The Central Wheatbelt Small Business Awards presentation is an annual event. The area covered includes nine (9) local governments including the Shire of Yilgarn. The cost of these events has been borne by the CWSB Association and some sponsors.

#### **Comment:**

A letter has been received from the CWSB Association for the Shire to sponsor. The letter and attachments are attached.

The Acting CEO has made contact with the manager of the Centre and established that there are no nominations for awards from the Yilgarn and it is final that the presentations evening will be held in Merredin.

The manager indicated that a sponsorship of \$100 - \$200 would be appreciated.

Council has had requests in previous year but these have been rejected, apparently at an administrative level.

### **Strategic Implications**

Nil

# **Policy Implications**

Nil

# **Financial Implications**

The 2014/15 Budget includes an amount of \$12,540 in account E041190 (Support Community Groups) of which \$3,505 has been expended.

### Recommendation

That Council authorise the sponsorship of the Central Wheatbelt Small Business Association to the amount of \$200.00 to support the Annual Awards

### **Voting Requirements**

Simple Majority

#### 58/2015

Moved Cr G Guerini Seconded Cr J Della Bosca That Council authorise the sponsorship of the Central Wheatbelt Small Business Association to the amount of \$200.00 to support the Annual Awards.

CARRIED (5/0)

# ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

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**Submission to:** Ordinary Meeting of Council – Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> April 2015

**Agenda Reference:** 7.2

Subject: Letter from Cliffs Asia Pacific Iron Ore Pty Ltd – Regarding Rates

**File Reference:** 3.2.1.5 & 8.1.1.10

**Author:** Eddie Piper – Acting Chief Executive Officer

**Disclosure of Interest:** Nil

**Date of Report:** Friday, 24 April 2015

### **Background**

At its meeting on 19<sup>th</sup> September 2014 Council considered a letter from Cliffs Asia Pacific Iron Ore Pty Ltd regarding imposition of what it considered to be excessive differential rating for the 2014/15 financial year.

Council resolved as follows:

#### 16/5/2014

Moved Cr Close Seconded Cr Chrisp that Council:

- 1. Investigates the justification of the differential rating system, in particular the disparity between mining and non-mining related rates.
- 2. Provide a comparison of GRV rates with other LGAs.
- 3. Provides large rating stakeholders with the "objections and reasons" flyer at the commencement of the advertising period to Impose Differential Rates.
- 4. Will consider all information provided by the CEO in the determination of imposing the 2015/2016 rates.
- 5. To respond to Mr Mark Gell's letter from Cliffs Asia Pacific with findings.

**CARRIED** (7/0)

The CEO advised Cliffs by letter on 30<sup>th</sup> September 2014 (letter attachment 1) On the 6<sup>th</sup> February 2015 the then Acting CEO wrote to Cliffs setting out some detail and reasoning behind the decision on differential rates in relation to mining GRV properties. (Letter attachment 2)

In response to Council's letter dated 6<sup>th</sup> February 2015 Cliffs responded on 16<sup>th</sup> March 2015. (letter attachment 3)

#### **Comment:**

Whilst Cliffs have been advised that the rate in the dollar for GRV Mining will drop from 40.01c to 25.5c this is not a fact until the 2015/16 Budget is adopted to increase or decrease the rate from 40.01c.

The early pre-empting of a particular rate in the dollar is not prudent. Council is obliged to advertise its differential rates before 30th June 2015 calling for comment and/or objections and at this point Cliffs Asia Pacific Iron Ore Pty Ltd would have the opportunity to comment/object to the advertised rate.

# **Strategic Implications**

Nil

### **Policy Implications**

Nil

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#### **Financial Implications**

A reduction will have a detrimental impact on the 2015/16 Budget. It must be accepted the current rate of 40.01c is very high.

#### Recommendation

That Council advise Cliffs Asia Pacific Iron Ore Pty Ltd that it notes the objections and comments and will consider its course of action in relation to the 2015/16 Differential rates in relation to SPQs and mine sites that are valued on a Gross Rental Value (GRV) basis during budget deliberations.

#### **Voting Requirements**

Simple Majority

### 59/2015

Moved Cr J Della Bosca Seconded Cr W A Della Bosca That Council advise Cliffs Asia Pacific Iron Ore Pty Ltd that it notes the objections and comments and will consider its course of action in relation to the 2015/16 Differential rates in relation to SPQs and mine sites that are valued on a Gross Rental Value (GRV) basis during budget deliberations.

CARRIED (5/0)

**Submission to:** Ordinary Meeting of Council – Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> April 2015

**Agenda Reference:** 7.3

Subject: Election of a Representative to Management Committee of an

**Incorporated Body (CEACA)** 

File Reference: 1.3.3.18

**Reporting Officer:** Eddie Piper – Acting Chief Executive Officer **Author:** Helen Westcott, Executive Officer WE-ROC

**Disclosure of Interest:** Nil

**Date of Report:** Friday, 24 April 2015

### **Background**

The Central East Aged Care Alliance (CEACA) was established following discussions at the 2011 Central East Country Local Government Planning Forum held in Kellerberrin. The purpose of CEACA was to develop a holistic regional solution to allow ageing residents to remain in the region for as long as possible, within the context of State and Federal Government policy initiatives.

CEACA's membership includes the 11 Councils from the central east portion of the Western Australian Wheatbelt – the Shires of Bruce Rock, Kellerberrin, Koorda, Merredin, Mt Marshall, Mukinbudin, Nungarin, Trayning, Westonia, Wyalkatchem and Yilgarn.

With funding from the 11 Councils, Regional Development Australia Wheatbelt and the Wheatbelt Development Commission, Verso Consulting was engaged to undertake an aged care needs study for the region.

One of the study's major findings was the need for universally designed independent housing units that would allow residents to remain within their communities (and by extension) the region for as long as possible.

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In addition to their role as advocate for improving service delivery for the aged within their communities, CEACA's Member Councils also saw they had a role in the construction of independent living units for the aged.

Since the release of the Verso Report CEACA has worked on establishing the need for universally designed houses through a needs analysis across each of the 11 Councils and developing a business case for funding to assist CEACA's membership in the construction of the houses to meet this identified need.

Access Housing has been engaged by CEACA to assist in development of a business case for funding from the State Government through its Growing the South Initiative. In the first instance funding is being sought for land assembly and servicing, with CEACA's Member Councils resolving as follows at a meeting on Thursday 26 February 2015:

RESOLUTION: Moved: Cr Truran Seconded: Mr Burton

- 1. That the 11 Member Councils of CEACA approve the business case for the CEACA Seniors Housing Project Stage One Land Assembly and Servicing as prepared by Access Housing and authorise its submission to the Department of Regional Development.
- 2. That the 11 Member Councils of CEACA agree that the Shire of Merredin be the banker for the CEACA Seniors Housing Project Stage One Land Assembly and Servicing project.

**CARRIED** 

The need for a governance model for the CEACA Aged Housing Project has also been under consideration for some time. At a CEACA Meeting held Monday 16 March 2015 a number of decisions around the development of a governance model were taken with CEACA resolving as follows:

RESOLUTION: Moved: Mr Griffiths Seconded: Cr O'Connell

That Member Councils of the Central East Aged Care Alliance (CEACA) approve the establishment of an incorporated body for the purpose of undertaking the CEACA Aged Care Housing Project.

**CARRIED** 

RESOLUTION: Moved: Cr Truran Seconded: Mr Mollenoyux

That the membership of the incorporated body include one representative nominated by each CEACA Member Council.

**CARRIED** 

RESOLUTION: Moved: Cr Davies Seconded: Cr Breakell

That the Wheatbelt Communities Inc. Constitution be used as the basis to form the constitution of the new incorporated body.

**CARRIED** 

RESOLUTION: Moved: Cr Strange Seconded: Cr Davies

That a working group comprising Mr. Darren Mollenoyux, CEO Shire of Bruce Rock, Mr. David Burton, CEO Shire of Koorda, Mr. Greg Powell, CEO Shire of Merredin and Mr. Ian McCabe, CEO Shire of Wyalkatchem, be established and charge with the task of finalising a draft constitution prior to seeking legal advice on the draft constitution.

**CARRIED** 

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RESOLUTION: Moved: Cr Truran Seconded: Cr Shadbolt

That the draft constitution be presented to Member Councils for consideration at their ordinary April Council Meeting for endorsement.

CARRIED

By consensus it was also agreed that:

- 1. David Burton and Ian McCabe would review the Wheatbelt Communities Constitution as a starting point to preparing a draft constitution for the new incorporated body;
- 2. The WE-ROC Executive Officer would provide executive support to the working group as it prepared the draft constitution; and
- 3. Member Councils would provide their respective agenda closing dates to the WE-ROC Executive Officer in order that an agenda item for use by all Councils for consideration at their April round of meetings can be prepared.

A draft constitution was presented to Member Councils at a CEACA Meeting held Thursday 2 April 2015 with CEACA resolving as follows:

RESOLUTION: Moved: Mr Powell Seconded: Mr Griffiths

That:

- 1. The 11 Councils of the Central East Aged Care Alliance endorse the circulated draft constitution for the purpose of creating an incorporated entity for the Central East Aged Care Alliance housing project; and
- 2. Should any further minor corrections to the circulated draft constitution be required, corrections must be provided to the WE-ROC Executive Officer no later than close of business on Tuesday 7 April 2015 in order for the draft constitution to be finalised and circulated to all CEACA's Member Councils for endorsement at the April round of ordinary Council meetings.

**CARRIED** 

### **Comment:**

A copy of the revised draft constitution is presented for endorsement.

Council should also give consideration as to who it wishes to represent it on the incorporated body's Management Committee noting that there will be only one member from the each of CEACA's membership. It may also be prudent to consider the appointment of a deputy.

### **Strategic Implications**

Will allow greater access to sources of funding thus enabling more localised aged person housing

### **Policy Implications**

Nil

# **Financial Implications**

There will be a request for a set up contribution of \$5,000 in the 2015/16 Financial Year.

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#### Recommendation

That the Shire of Yilgarn endorses the draft constitution for Central East Aged Care Alliance Inc. as presented.

- 2. That the Shire of Yilgarn advise the Executive Officer of the Wheatbelt East Regional Organisation of Councils of its endorsement of the draft constitution for Central East Aged Care Alliance Inc. in order that further work leading to the establishment of Central East Aged Care Alliance Inc. can be undertaken.
- 3. That the Shire of Yilgarn appoints Cr O Truran to be its representative on the body's Management Committee.

### **Voting Requirements**

Simple Majority

#### 60/2015

Moved Cr J Della Bosca Seconded Cr G Guerini That the Shire of Yilgarn endorses the draft constitution for Central East Aged Care Alliance Inc. as presented.

- 2. That the Shire of Yilgarn advise the Executive Officer of the Wheatbelt East Regional Organisation of Councils of its endorsement of the draft constitution for Central East Aged Care Alliance Inc. in order that further work leading to the establishment of Central East Aged Care Alliance Inc. can be undertaken.
- 3. That the Shire of Yilgarn appoints Cr O Truran to be its representative on the body's Management Committee.

**CARRIED (5/0)** 

- ✓ Council adjourned for a tea break at 4.45pm.
- ✓ Council re-convened the meeting at 4.55pm and Cr D Pasini entered the Chambers.

**Submission to:** Ordinary Meeting of Council – Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2015

**Agenda Reference:** 8.1

**Subject:** Financial Reports

File Reference: 8.2.3.2

**Author:** John Bingham – Deputy Chief Executive Officer

**Disclosure of Interest:** Not applicable **Date of Report:** 9<sup>th</sup> April 2015

### **Background**

Enclosed for Council's information are various financial reports that illustrate the progressive position of Council financially on a month-by-month basis.

The following reports are enclosed and have been prepared as at the 31st March 2015:

- Rates Receipt Statement
- Statement of Investments
- Monthly Statement of Financial Activity
- Own Source Revenue Ratio

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Councillors will be aware that it is normal practice for all financial reports to be indicative of Council's current Financial Position as at the end of each month.

During the 2012/2013 audit it was noted by the Shire's Auditors that the own source revenue was below acceptable. Council asked for the ratio to be monitored and is therefore included as part of this report.

### **Statutory Environment**

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 Regulation 34(i) (a) and Regulation 17

### **Policy Implications**

None

# **Financial Implications**

None

## **Strategic Implications**

None

### **Voting Requirements**

Simple majority required

#### Recommendation

That Council endorse the various Financial Reports as presented for the period ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2015.

# 61/2015

Moved Cr G Guerini Seconded Cr J Della Bosca That Council endorses the various Financial Reports as presented for the period ending 31st March 2015.

CARRIED (6/0)

**Submission to:** Ordinary Meeting of Council – Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2015

**Agenda Reference:** 8.2

**Subject:** Accounts for Payment

File Reference: 8.2.1.2

**Author:** John Bingham – Deputy Chief Executive Officer

**Disclosure of Interest:** Not applicable **Date of Report:** 9<sup>th</sup> April 2015

### **Background**

Municipal Fund – Cheque Numbers 39684 to 39713 totalling \$59,491.99, Municipal Fund EFT numbers 3436 to 3522 totalling \$343,711.67, Municipal Fund – Cheque Numbers 1211 to 1213 totalling \$168,867.37, Municipal Fund Direct Debit numbers 9500.1 to 9549.9 totalling \$44,765.77

Trust Fund -402106 to 402107 totalling \$1,991.85 and Trust Fund - Cheque Numbers 5943 to 5953(DPI Licensing), totalling \$55,302.20 are presented for endorsement as per the submitted list.

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#### **Statutory Environment**

Sections 5.42 and 5.44 of the Local Government Act 1995 and Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996, Regulation No 12 and 13

# **Policy Implications / Delegation Register**

Council has provided delegation to the Chief Executive Officer, Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Manager of Environmental Health and Building Services and/or Manager for Works to make payments from the Shire of Yilgarn Municipal, Trust or other Fund.

### **Financial Implications**

Reduction to Bank Accounts balances.

#### **Strategic Implications**

Nil

### **Voting Requirements**

Simple Majority

#### Recommendation

Municipal Fund – Cheque Numbers 39684 to 39713 totalling \$59,491.99, Municipal Fund EFT numbers 3436 to 3522 totalling \$343,711.67, Municipal Fund – Cheque Numbers 1211 to 1213 totalling \$168,867.37, Municipal Fund Direct Debit numbers 9500.1 to 9549.9 totalling \$44,765.77 Trust Fund – 402106 to 402107 totalling \$1,991.85 and Trust Fund – Cheque Numbers 5943 to 5953(DPI Licensing), totalling \$55,302.20 are presented for endorsement as per the submitted list.

#### 62/2015

Moved Cr B Close Seconded Cr D Pasini Municipal Fund – Cheque Numbers 39684 to 39713 totalling \$59,491.99, Municipal Fund EFT numbers 3436 to 3522 totalling \$343,711.67, Municipal Fund – Cheque Numbers 1211 to 1213 totalling \$168,867.37, Municipal Fund Direct Debit numbers 9500.1 to 9549.9 totalling \$44,765.77 Trust Fund – 402106 to 402107 totalling \$1,991.85 and Trust Fund – Cheque Numbers 5943 to 5953(DPI Licensing), totalling \$55,302.20 are presented for endorsement as per the submitted list.

CARRIED (6/0)

**Submission to:** Ordinary Meeting of Council – Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2015

**Agenda Reference:** 8.3

**Subject:** Community Resource Centre Coordinators Report

File Reference: 1.3.4.1

**Author:** John Bingham – Deputy Chief Executive Officer

**Disclosure of Interest:** Not applicable **Date of Report:** 9<sup>th</sup> April 2015

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### **Purpose of Report**

For Council information on what activities, planning and training the Community Resource Centre has under taken in the previous month.

### **Background**

To advise what activities, planning and training the Community Resource Centre has under taken in the previous month.

#### **Discussion**



#### **COORDINATOR'S REPORT MARCH 2015**

Prepared by: Ronice Blair 01.03.2015 – 31.03.2015 Southern Cross Community Resource Centre

### **Monthly Statistics**

Not available for this report

#### **ACTIVITIES & EVENTS**

*Seniors Games 2015:* A slightly reduced team travelled to Kulin to participate in the 2015 games which were held 24 March. The team did very well in Basketball, the Quiz and this year we won the banner award. Overall winners were the Kon Kul Kats, (Kondinin Kulin).

The Southern Cross Stars will be hosting the 2016 games and preliminary planning is already underway. The games will be held Tuesday 5 April.

Seniors Centre: The Seniors exercises sessions, held Tuesdays and Thursdays, have continued to see good attendances throughout March. Our volunteer instructor, Marg Pasini will be attending a Tai Chi Workshop being hosted by the Mukinbudin CRC. Marg has been incorporating Tai Chi moves from the Stay on Your Feet workshop held several years ago and it is believed building on her Tai Chi skills will be very beneficial to the community.

No sessions of carpet bowls were scheduled for March's calendar of events but several matches were held on Saturday mornings while the RSL Exhibition was set up at the centre.

**Southern Cross Singers:** The singing group participated in World Day of Prayer, hosted this year by the Anglican Church and are busy practicing for this year's ANZAC ceremonies.

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*Special Event:* The From War to Remembrance – A Living History of the RSL exhibition closed on Saturday 14 March. Numbers viewing the exhibition were disappointing, however responses by all those who did come to see the exhibition suggested it was a worthwhile and positive exhibition to hold. The free movie scheduled to be shown as part of the RSL Celebrations was cancelled due to no interest.

### Special Event- Intergenerational Activity:

The Seniors Centre hosted a group of students from Clontarf Aboriginal College Friday 20 March. Keen bowlers participated in a number of games with the students, and morning tea was catered for. Both groups, seniors and students, enjoyed the day and opportunity to mix and mingle. I have requested the Tour organiser, Kevin Dalgetty Jnr, contact me again next year so that we can have another combined activity.

#### AWACRC AGM

I attended the Association of Western Australian CRCs AGM during March. A report on the meeting will be presented to Council as part of April's report.

### **Statutory Environment**

Nil

### **Financial Implications**

Expenses are allowed for in the 2013-2014 Budget

### **Voting Requirements**

Simple majority required.

#### Recommendation

That the Co-ordinators report for the month of March 2015 be received.

#### 63/2015

Moved Cr J Della Bosca Seconded Cr D Pasini That the Co-ordinators report for the month of March 2015 is received.

CARRIED (6/0)

**Submission to:** Ordinary Meeting of Council – Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2015

**Agenda Reference:** 8.4

Subject: Funding Model Development of Co-Located CRC and VIC

File Reference: 8.2.3.2

**Author:** John Bingham – Deputy Chief Executive Officer

**Disclosure of Interest:** Not applicable **Date of Report:** 9<sup>th</sup> April 2015

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### **Purpose of Report**

For Council to consider the development of a collocated Community Resource Centre and Visitor Information Centre (CRC/VIC) in Southern Cross including the preferred option and funding model.

# Background

The Business Case for the Southern Cross Community Resource Centre and Visitor Information Centre was completed on 19<sup>th</sup> February 2015 by Mr David Holland of Bright house Inc. Included in the report are an Executive Summary and Analysis outlining three options available to Council:

- 1. Do nothing:
- 2. Develop the Facility in full; or
- 3. Develop the Facility in Stages construct the main building without the Studio.

There are benefits, implications and costs for each option as stated in the report.

#### Discussion

After consultation with David Holland and the Tourism Advisory Committee it is felt that option 3 is most suitable - the initial capital cost is reduced from full cost whilst retaining most of the benefits of undertaking the development in full - committing to community strategic planning, meeting regional and state goals, growing prosperity, improving services etc.

The cost of the main building as it is proposed in the business case is \$3,493,190 ex GST. After discussions with David Holland and the Tourism Advisory Committee further savings in the vicinity of \$600,000 to \$800,000 are anticipated through floor area reduction and different style of building construction - a figure around \$3,000,000 is therefore estimable.

To fund the project a combination of Grants and Shire funds is required. Grant sources include:

- ➤ National Stronger Regional Fund \$1,500,000 or 50% of the project cost on the condition the other 50% is matched by Council;
- $\triangleright$  Lottery-west up to \$250,000;
- ➤ Department of Regional Development Co-location Fund up to \$450,000; and
- ➤ WDC Blueprint up to \$250,000.

It is advised Shire only proceed with the project should it be able to source at a minimum 50% of the cost from the above-mentioned Grant sources - Shire sourced funds of \$1,500,000 will need to come from Municipal Funds and/or Reserves. It is recommended therefore that a loan facility be included in the funding model to ease the burden on existing and future cash-flows.

An alternative option for Council is not to proceed with the development of the CRC/VIC at this stage. The proposed Budget for 2015/16 already includes several large capital works projects - four Aged Care units approx. \$1,500,000; upgrade of the Caravan Park approx. \$600,000; upgrade of the Works Depot approx. \$550,000; upgrade of the Swimming Pool approx. \$800,000 plus possible development of the transfer station and sewerage system. Should Council decide not to proceed now the development of the CRC/VIC project could be undertaken in 2016/17 or 2017/18 (NB: access to Grant funding may not be the same during this period).

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### **Statutory Environment**

None

### **Policy Implications**

None

### **Financial Implications**

Revenue and Expenditure impact on Budget 2015/16

### **Strategic Implications**

Commitment to Strategic Community Plan including:

- Social 1.4 Investigate funding opportunities for improving tourist infrastructure and opportunities in the Shire;
- Social 1.5 Promote the Shire to both Western Australian and National travellers to increase tourist numbers to the region;
- Economic 3.1 Maintain community infrastructure to ensure the long term viability and usability of all council and community buildings and services;
- Economic 3.2 Invest, or seek funding for new infrastructure projects to encourage professionals and new families into the Shire, and retain residents in the Shire for the long term:

### **Voting Requirements**

Simple majority required

## Recommendation

That Council consider and deliberate the go ahead for the development of the VIC/CRC in the 2015/16 Budget.

#### Recommendation

That if Council endorse the go ahead for development of the VIC/CRC they also: (is) approve matching funds of up to \$1,500,000 for the purposes of submitting a grant application to the National Stronger Regional Fund; and (ii) approve the CEO apply to the West Australian Treasury Corporation for a loan facility of up to \$1,500,000.

### 64/2015

Moved Cr Pasini Seconded Cr Close That Council consider and deliberate the go ahead for the development of the VIC/CRC in the 2015/16 Budget. That if Council endorse the go ahead for development of the VIC/CRC they also: (i) approve matching funds of up to \$1,500,000 for the purposes of submitting a grant application to the National Stronger Regional Fund; and (ii) approve the CEO apply to the West Australian Treasury Corporation for a loan facility of up to \$1,500,000

**NOT CARRIED (3/3)** 

> President had the casting vote and was against the motion.

#### 65/2015

Moved Cr Truran Seconded Cr W Della Bosca that the matter lie on the table for further discussion at the Budget planning meeting in the next few weeks.

CARRIED (6/0)

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**Submission to:** Ordinary Meeting of Council - Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2015

**Agenda Reference:** 9.1

Subject: Shire of Yilgarn Plant Replacement Program – 2015/2016 –

2024/2025

Location/Address: N.A.
Name of Applicant: N.A.
File reference: 6.4.1.5

**Author:** Robert Bosenberg - Manager of Works

**Disclosure of Interest:** N.A.

**Date of Report:** 8<sup>th</sup> April 2015

# **Background**

A review of Councils plant replacement is carried out on an annual basis, with the attached Plant Replacement Program being for a ten year period. The proposed Plant Replacement Program is expected to provide council with a Strategic Plant Replacement Program that will result in optimum return on both operating and change over costs of Councils Plant and Equipment.

In the past Council has used the following life cycles for the replacement of equipment and plant. This has resulted in Council achieving minimal costly down time and optimum trade prices of the respected plant items.

Graders/ Construction Loader 8 years or 9,000 hours
Multi Tyred Rollers 8 years or 9,000 hours
Steel Drum Rollers 10 years or 10,000 hours
Prime Movers/Tip Trucks 8 years or 200,000km
Small Loader/Backhoe 12 years or 9,000 hours
Light Tip Trucks/Personal Carries 5 years or 150,000kms
Landcruiser Utilities 3-5 years or 100,000kms

Executive Type Vehicles (sedans) 2 years Community Bus 80,000km

### **Comments**

In the 2015/2016 Plant Replacement Program it is proposed to replace a Amman Multi Tyred Roller, two x Personnel Carriers, one x Light Tip Truck, two x Landcruiser Utility's, two x Hilux Utility, two Executive Vehicles, Doctors Vehicle and Community Vehicle.

It is also proposed to purchase an air operated tailgate aggregate spreader for eight tip truck. This item is a carryover from the 2014/2015 Financial Year

Included in the 2015/2016 Plant Replacement Program is the replacing one of council's Amman Multi Tyred Rollers. This roller was purchased in 2007 and has completed 7,000 machine hours. The primary function of this roller is for road surface compaction on road construction and bitumen resealing programs undertaken throughout the year on council's road network.

It is also proposed to replace two Landcruiser utility, which were purchased in 2012, two Personnel Carries purchased in 2010 and one light tip truck purchased in 2010. These vehicles are been utilised by council staff to carry maintenance works and for the transport of councils grading maintenance personnel and fuel supplies to and from worksites.

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The two Hilux Utilities that are proposed to be replaced in the 2015/2016 Financial Year are the NRM/Parks & Gardens utility purchased in 2011, and the Skeleton Weed Dual Cab utility purchased in 2012

Executive type vehicles that are proposed to be replaced in the 2015/2016 Financial Year are Deputy Chief Executive Officer Vehicle, Manager for Woks Vehicle, Doctors Vehicle and Community Vehicle.

There has been no provision allowed for in the 2015/16 Plant Replacement Program for a vehicle if council wish to staff the transfer station. If council opts to staff the transfer station in the 2015/2016 Financial Year and a vehicle is required then it would be recommended not to trade the NRM/Parks and Gardens and utilise this vehicle for this purpose.

**Statutory Environment:** Nil

**Policy Implications:** "Staff Policy  $N^{\circ}$  7.12 Motor Vehicle Replacement and Vehicle

Standard and Accessories"

**Financial Implications:** Ten Year Plant Replacement Programs will form the basis of Capital

Plant Replacement Purchases in future Budgets. Initial indications show the Plant Replacement Programme for 2015/2016 will cost

(net) \$581,000.

**Strategic Implications:** Ten-Year Plan will provide Council with a Strategic Plant

Replacement Program that will result in optimum return on

investment of Plant and Equipment.

#### Recommendation

That the Ten Year Plant Replacement Program for the period 1st July 2015 to 30th June 2025 as attached, be adopted

and

That all vehicles listed for replacement in the 2015/2016 Financial Year Plant Replacement Program be included in 2015/2016 Financial Year Budget deliberations.

### **Voting Requirements**

Simple Majority

#### 66/2015

Moved Cr D Pasini Seconded Cr G Guerini That the Ten Year Plant Replacement Program for the period 1st July 2015 to 30th June 2025 as attached, be adopted And

That all vehicles listed for replacement in the 2015/2016 Financial Year Plant Replacement Program be included in 2015/2016 Financial Year Budget deliberations

CARRIED (6/0)

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**Submission to:** Ordinary Meeting of Council Friday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2015

**Agenda Reference:** Works 9:2

**Subject:** Driver Reviver Easter Campaign

Location/Address: N.A.
Name of Applicant: N.A.
File reference: 6.3.1.2

**Author:** Robert Bosenberg - Manager of Works

**Disclosure of Interest:** N.A.

**Date of Report:** 9<sup>th</sup> April 2015

#### **Comment**

A successful Driver Reviver campaign was run in Southern Cross over the 2015 Easter period. The Driver Reviver campaign was run in conjunction with the Health Agencies of the Yilgarn (HAY Committee), Road Wise Committee, Local Police and Shire of Yilgarn on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup>, Friday 8<sup>th</sup> and Monday 6<sup>th</sup> April. The Driver Reviver Caravan was manned for 22 hours over this period.

The Driver Reviver Caravan was located on the premises of Bernie's Mobile Mechanic Services. Mr. Bernie Dorazio, the proprietor of Bernie's Mobile Mechanic Services also made available at no cost, power to run the fridge/hot water urn and amenity rooms for traveling public taking advantage of the Driver Reviver campaign.

The Health Agencies of the Yilgarn (HAY committee) through Mrs. Pat Dal Busco organized volunteers and rosters for the running of the Driver Reviver campaign.

Eighteen members (as listed below) of the Yilgarn district generously gave up there valuable time to assist with the running of this campaign:

Lisa & Gorge Boso, Laurita Symes, Joseph Pollard, Leonie Gethin, Olwen Beaton, Carla Della Bosca, Robyn Stevens, Pat Dal Bosca, Christy, Kevin & Christine, Rolly & Shelley Blair, Jane & Emma Patroni, Wayne and Dianne Della Bosca.

Over the 22 hour period the Driver Reviver campaign was running, a total of 56 vehicles stopped with 105 drivers and passengers taking advantage of refreshments and hospitality offered by volunteers manning the van and the amenity rooms made available by Mr. Bernie Dorazio.

Correspondence has been forward to Mr. Bernie Dorazio (Bernie's Mobile Mechanic Services) and Mrs. Pat Dal Busco (Health Agencies of the Yilgarn) thanking them for their much appreciated involvement in the Driver Reviver campaign both through the organizing of volunteers and the use of amenity rooms and area for the setup of the Driver Reviver Caravan.

**Statutory Environment**: N/A

**Financial Implications:** N/A

Strategic Implications: Shire of Yilgarn Strategic Planning

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Mission - We will do this by: • providing leadership;

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- promoting interest in local government;
- working in partnership with business, clubs and community groups;
- maintaining a strong liaison with political leaders; and
- maintaining our community minded approach

### Recommendation

That Council's receives the report on the 2015 Easter Driver Reviver Campaign and endorses the action taken by council staff in forwarding letters of thanks to Mr. Dorazio and Mrs. Dal Busco for their assistance and involvement in the Driver Reviver Campaign

#### **Voting Requirements**

Simple Majority

#### 67/2015

Moved Cr W a Della Bosca seconded Cr G Guerini That Council's receives the report on the 2015 Easter Driver Reviver Campaign and endorses the action taken by council staff in forwarding letters of thanks to Mr. Dorazio and Mrs. Dal Busco for their assistance and involvement in the Driver Reviver Campaign.

CARRIED (6/0)

As there was no further business to discuss, the Shire President declared the meeting closed at **6.10pm pm**.

I, Onida T Truran confirm the above Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2015, are confirmed on \_\_\_\_\_ 2015 as a true and correct record of the April Ordinary Meeting of Council.

Cr Onida Truran SHIRE PRESIDENT