



Ordinary
Council
Meeting May
2025
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Ordinary Meeting of Council - April 2025

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Great Eastern Country Zone Minutes – April 2025

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Minutes

Ordinary Meeting of Council

17 April 2025

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1. DECLARATION OF OPENING/ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

The Presiding Member declared the meeting open at 5:00pm.

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE PRESIDING MEMBER

Nil

3. ATTENDANCE

Members	Cr W Della Bosca Cr B Close Cr B Bradford Cr G Guerini Cr L Granich Cr D Newbury Cr L Rose	
Council Officers	N Warren C Watson K Chrisp N Beaton	Chief Executive Officer Executive Manager Corporate Services Asset and Projects Manager Minute Taker
Apologies:	F Mudau G Brigg	Finance Manager Executive Manager Infrastructure
Observers:	Nil	
Leave of Absence:	Nil	

4. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Nil

5. RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

Nil

5.1. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Nil

6. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

6.1 Ordinary Meeting of Council, Thursday, 20 March 2025 - (Minutes Attached)

35/2025

Moved Cr Bradford/Seconded Cr Newbury

That the minutes from the Ordinary Council Meeting held on the 20 March 2025 be confirmed as a true record of proceedings.

CARRIED (7/0)

Cr's For: Della Bosca, Close, Bradford, Guerini, Granich, Newbury, Rose

Cr's Against: Nil

6.2 Shire of Yilgarn Bush Fire Advisory Committee Meeting, Thursday, 18th February 2025 - (Minutes Attached)

36/2025

Moved Cr Rose/Seconded Cr Guerini

That the minutes from the Wheatbelt North East SRRG meeting held on the 18 February 2025 be received.

CARRIED (7/0)

Cr's For: Della Bosca, Close, Bradford, Guerini, Granich, Newbury, Rose

Cr's Against: Nil

6.3 WEROC Inc. Board Meeting Minutes (WEROC), Monday, 17 March 2025 - (Minutes Attached)

37/2025

Moved Cr Granich/Seconded Cr Bradford

That the minutes from the Great Eastern Country Zone meeting held on the 17 March 2025 be received.

CARRIED (7/0)

Cr's For: Della Bosca, Close, Bradford, Guerini, Granich, Newbury, Rose

Cr's Against: Nil

7. PRESENTATIONS, PETITIONS, DEPUTATIONS

Nil

8. DELEGATES' REPORTS

Cr Granich

- AWE Meeting - March 26th 2025
- SAT Hearing Meeting - April 11th 2025
- Easter Egg Hunt (Community Event) - April 16th 2025

Cr Newbury

- AWE Meeting - March 26th 2025
- GECZ Meeting - March 28th 2025

Cr Rose

- AWE Meeting - March 26th 2025
- GECZ Meeting - March 28th 2025
- Covalent Fire Debrief - April 9th 2025
- Tourism Meeting - April 9th 2025
- Bullfinch Meeting/Busy Bee - April 13th 2025

Cr Bradford

- AWE Meeting - March 26th 2025
- GECZ Meeting - March 28th 2025

Cr Close

- GECZ Meeting - March 28th 2025

Cr Della Bosca

- Skeleton Weed Meeting - March 9th 2025
- GECZ Meeting - March 10th 2025
- GECZ Meeting - March 28th 2025

9.1 Officers Report – Chief Executive Officer

9.1.1 Council Decision Status Report 2025

File Reference	2.1.2.4
Disclosure of Interest	Nil
Voting Requirements	Simple Majority
Author	Nic Warren – Chief Executive Officer
Attachments	Council Decision Status Report 2025

Purpose of Report

Council to note the Council Decision Status Report 2025.

Background

A Council Decision Status Report details the decisions of Council and provides a status as to whether the decisions have been completed or if they are still pending, an update as to their progress or reasoning as to why there is delays.

Comment

The Council Decision Status Report does not include decisions that do not require staff and/or Council actions, including:

- Confirmation of minutes
- Financial Reports
- Accounts for Payment
- Applications for Leave of Absence
- Decisions to close meetings to the public and to reopen meetings to the public

Confidential decisions or certain details may also be excluded to maintain confidentiality.

Statutory Environment

Nil

Strategic Implications

Nil

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

Nil

Risk Implications

Risk Category	Description	Rating (Consequence x Likelihood)	Mitigation Action
Health/People	Nil	Nil	Nil
Financial Impact	Nil	Nil	Nil
Service Interruption	Nil	Nil	Nil
Compliance	Nil	Nil	Nil
Reputational	Nil	Nil	Nil
Property	Nil	Nil	Nil
Environment	Nil	Nil	Nil

Risk Matrix						
Consequence		Insignificant	Minor	Moderate	Major	Catastrophic
Likelihood		1	2	3	4	5
Almost Certain	5	Moderate (5)	High (10)	High (15)	Extreme (20)	Extreme (25)
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Unlikely	2	Low (2)	Low (4)	Moderate (6)	Moderate (8)	High (10)
Rare	1	Low (1)	Low (2)	Low (3)	Low (4)	Moderate (5)

Recommendation and Decision

38/2025

Moved Cr Bradford/Seconded Cr Granich

That Council note the updated Council Decision Status Report 2025.

CARRIED (7/0)

Cr's For: Della Bosca, Close, Bradford, Guerini, Granich, Newbury, Rose

Cr's Against: Nil

9.1.2 Strategic Community Plan 2024-2034 - Quarterly Report January to April 2025

File Reference	1.1.12.4
Disclosure of Interest	Nil
Voting Requirements	Simple Majority
Author	Nic Warren - Chief Executive Officer
Attachments	Strategic Community Plan 2024-2034 - Quarterly Report January to April 2025

Purpose of Report

Council to note the Strategic Community Plan 2024-2034 - Quarterly Report January to April 2025.

Background

The Strategy Community Plan, which underwent a major review in 2024, is the highest level planning document in the Integrated Planning and reporting process. This Plan is designed to be a “living” document that guides the development of the Shire of Yilgarn community for the next ten (10) years.

One of the key features of the Strategic Community Planning process is community engagement and the part it plays in influencing the Shire’s strategic direction as it seeks to achieve the community’s long term vision and aspirations.

Strategic planning is a recurring process, requiring constant refinement and review. Every second year a desktop review of this Plan is scheduled to occur which will alternate with a comprehensive review every four (4) years to ensure the Plan remains in line with the community’s vision, aspirations and objectives.

Comment

This Quarterly report aims to inform Councillors and the community as to the Shire’s progress against the outcomes listed in the Plan.

Statutory Environment

Nil

Strategic Implications

Nil

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

Nil

Risk Implications

Risk Category	Description	Rating (Consequence x Likelihood)	Mitigation Action
Health/People	Nil	Nil	Nil
Financial Impact	Nil	Nil	Nil
Service Interruption	Nil	Nil	Nil
Compliance	Nil	Nil	Nil
Reputational	Nil	Nil	Nil
Property	Nil	Nil	Nil
Environment	Nil	Nil	Nil

Risk Matrix						
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Rare	1	Low (1)	Low (2)	Low (3)	Low (4)	Moderate (5)

Recommendation and Decision

39/2025

Moved Cr Bradford/Seconded Cr Newbury

That Council note the Strategic Community Plan 2024-2034 - Quarterly Report January to April 2025.

CARRIED (7/0)

Cr's For: Della Bosca, Close, Bradford, Guerini, Granich, Newbury, Rose

Cr's Against: Nil

Unconfirmed

9.1.3 Review of Delegations Register 2025

File Reference	2.3.3.6
Disclosure of Interest	None
Voting Requirements	Absolute Majority
Author	Chief Executive Officer - Nic Warren
Attachments	Draft Delegation Register

Purpose of Report

To present to Council the annual review of the Shire of Yilgarn's Delegation Register.

Background

To assist in the effective administration of the Shire, Council has granted various delegations to the Chief Executive Officer. Delegations made under the Local Government Act 1995 can only be made to the Chief Executive Officer or Council Committees.

Where appropriate, the Chief Executive Officer can on-delegate to other Officers.

Delegations under other legislation are made directly to the officer concerned.

Council last reviewed the full delegations register in April 2024.

Comment

The Executive staff have reviewed the current Delegations Register, with the only changes being:

- Update of LGA 28 with the deletion of Technical and Works Coordinator position and the insertion of the Asset and Projects Manager position with a delegated authority to issue purchase orders up to \$15,000
- Updating of the document control sections of each delegation.

Statutory Environment

5.42. Delegation of some powers and duties to CEO

- (1) *A local government may delegate* to the CEO the exercise of any of its powers or the discharge of any of its duties under —*
 - (a) *this Act other than those referred to in section 5.43; or*
 - (b) *the Planning and Development Act 2005 section 214(2), (3) or (5).*

** Absolute majority required.*
- (2) *A delegation under this section is to be in writing and may be general or as otherwise provided in the instrument of delegation.*

5.46. Register of, and records relevant to, delegations to CEO and employees

- (1) *The CEO is to keep a register of the delegations made under this Division to the CEO and to employees.*

- (2) *At least once every financial year, delegations made under this Division are to be reviewed by the delegator.*
- (3) *A person to whom a power or duty is delegated under this Act is to keep records in accordance with regulations in relation to the exercise of the power or the discharge of the duty.*

9.10. Appointment of authorised persons

- (1) *In this section —*
law means any of the following —
 - (a) *this Act;*
 - (b) *the Caravan Parks and Camping Grounds Act 1995;*
 - (c) *the Cat Act 2011;*
 - (d) *the Cemeteries Act 1986;*
 - (e) *the Control of Vehicles (Off-road Areas) Act 1978;*
 - (f) *the Dog Act 1976;*
 - (g) *subsidiary legislation made under an Act referred to in any of paragraphs (a) to (f);*
 - (h) *a written law prescribed for the purposes of this section;***specified** means specified in the instrument of appointment.
- (2) *The CEO may, in writing, appoint persons or classes of persons to be authorised persons for the purposes of 1 or more specified laws or specified provisions of 1 or more specified laws.*
- (3) *An appointment under subsection (2) is subject to any specified conditions or limitations.*
- (4) *The CEO must give to each person appointed under subsection (2) an identity card that —*
 - (a) *on the front of the card, sets out —*
 - (i) *the name and official insignia of the local government; and*
 - (ii) *the name of the person; and*
 - (iii) *a recent photograph of the person;*
 - and*
 - (b) *on the back of the card, specifies each law to which the person's appointment relates.*
- (5) *A person appointed under subsection (2) (the **authorised person**) must —*
 - (a) *carry their identity card at all times when performing functions under a specified law; and*
 - (b) *produce their identity card for inspection when required to do so by a person in respect of whom the authorised person has performed or is about to perform a function under a specified law.*
- (6) *A person who, without reasonable excuse, fails to return their identity card to the CEO within 14 days after their appointment ceases to have effect commits an offence.*

[Section 9.10 inserted: No. 16 of 2019 s. 64.]

Strategic Implications

Nil.

Policy Implications

Where a Policy exists for an activity/function that has been delegated, the Chief Executive Officer is to adhere to that Policy.

Financial Implications

Nil

Risk Implications

Risk Category	Description	Rating (Consequence x Likelihood)	Mitigation Action
Health/People	To ensure that Council Officers are aware of their obligations relating to delegations	Moderate (9)	An up-to-date Delegations Register approved by Council and disseminated to appropriate staff
Financial Impact	Allows Officers to be aware of their delegation responsibilities	Moderate (9)	Approved delegations ensure minimal impact
Service Interruption	Nil	Nil	Nil
Compliance	Compliance with Section 5.42 of the Local Government Act	Moderate (6)	Annual review of Register
Reputational	Nil	Nil	Nil
Property	Nil	Nil	Nil
Environment	Nil	Nil	Nil

Risk Matrix						
Consequence Likelihood		Insignificant	Minor	Moderate	Major	Catastrophic
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Almost Certain	5	Moderate (5)	High (10)	High (15)	Extreme (20)	Extreme (25)
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Unlikely	2	Low (2)	Low (4)	Moderate (6)	Moderate (8)	High (10)
Rare	1	Low (1)	Low (2)	Low (3)	Low (4)	Moderate (5)

Recommendation and Decision

40/2025

Moved Cr Rose/Seconded Cr Newbury

That Council, by absolute majority, adopt the reviewed and amended 2025 Shire of Yilgarn Delegations Register as presented.

CARRIED (7/0)

Cr's For: Della Bosca, Close, Bradford, Guerini, Granich, Newbury, Rose

Cr's Against: Nil

9.1.4 Yilgarn Ladies Darts Association - Waiver of Sports Complex Hire Fees

File Reference	1.3.3
Disclosure of Interest	Nil
Voting Requirements	Absolute Majority
Attachments	Nil

Purpose of Report

To submit to Council a request from the Yilgarn Ladies Darts Association, for the waiving of fees associated with hire of the Southern Cross Sports Complex for the 2025 season.

Background

The Yilgarn Ladies Darts Association (the Association) have sought to utilise the Southern Cross Sports Complex due to their previously utilised venues either being no longer suitable or available. The Association have sought a waiver of fees for the 2025 season.

As a result of there being no dart boards in the venue, they have had to “pay for the set-up costs of six freestanding stands and boards with lights”.

The Association further stated:

“The association will be arranging a Mixed Doubles dart event and an Open Tournament inviting other associations, which should see the club in a better financial position to cover the hire fees for the 2026 season.”

Comment

Whilst the Shire does have hourly and daily rates for use of the complex, the Shire also sets annual fees for community groups that utilise the facility regularly. There is currently no annual fee for the Association.

It is proposed that in the 2025/2026 annual budget an annual fee for the Associations use of the complex will be included, however the Shire must utilise the current fees and charges to consider the request.

The proposed usage includes:

- Season commencing on the 6th May and finishing on the 27th September;
- Season consist of 5 rounds;
- With season games and additional tournaments, the complex will be used 21 times in total.
- Normal use will include the lounge area, kitchen and toilets
- During the tournament in October, the same areas along with the bar will be utilised;

The most cost-effective applicable hire rate is the “Private function half day” being \$120 per occasion. As such the applicable fees for the season at the current rate would be \$2,520.

It should be noted the annual fee applied to the netball and basketball clubs for use of complex including the courts is set at \$1,550 per annum. As such in considering this waiver, Council should note the fees being asked to be waived are inflated due to there being no annual fee for the Association at this stage.

This waiver will assist the Association operate in a financially sound manner after transitioning to a new home and incurring significant establishment costs in the new venue.

The hire fee value is greater than the amount permitted to be waived by the CEO under delegation, as such, the matter has been referred to Council.

Statutory Environment

Delegation Register

LGA14	Donations and Waiver of Hire Fees
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Date Adopted:	17 March 2016
Date Last Reviewed:	21 April 2022
Policy Reference:	
Delegate:	CEO
Sub-Delegated:	No
Chief Executive Instruction/Procedure:	N/A
History:	Previously LGA30

Legal (Parent):

- Local Government Act 1995 (As Amended) – Section 5.42

Legal (Subsidiary):

- Local Government Act 1995, Sections 6.12

Extent of Delegation:

Council delegates its authority and power to the Chief Executive Officer to consider requests for Donations and Waiver of Hire Fees,

Subject to-

- a) The donation and /or waiver of hire fees request is:
 - a. less than \$500

- b. for a non-profit group that is located in the Shire of Yilgarn
 - c. for an event that will be held within the Shire and is a general community benefit
- b) All Donations and Waiver of Hire Fees to be recorded in the Annual Report each year.

Conditions Imposed:

Nil

Legislation:

Local Government Act 1995

6.12. Power to defer, grant discounts, waive or write off debts

- (1) Subject to subsection (2) and any other written law, a local government may —
 - (a) when adopting the annual budget, grant* a discount or other incentive for the early payment of any amount of money; or
 - (b) waive or grant concessions in relation to any amount of money; or
 - (c) write off any amount of money, which is owed to the local government.
- * Absolute majority required.
- (2) Subsection (1)(a) and (b) do not apply to an amount of money owing in respect of rates and service charges.
- (3) The grant of a concession under subsection (1)(b) may be subject to any conditions determined by the local government.

Strategic Implications

Shire of Yilgarn Strategic Community Plan 2024-2034 – 4.2 Continue to provide subsidised use of facilities to our community

Policy Implications

Nil.

Financial Implications

Waiving of Hire Fees, valued at \$2,520.

Risk Implications

Risk Category	Description	Rating (Consequence x Likelihood)	Mitigation Action
Health/People	Yilgarn community disadvantaged by location from many	Moderate (8)	A contribution in the form of a waiver of fees, assists with

	sport and cultural activities		providing sporting opportunities
Financial Impact	Nil	Nil	Nil
Service Interruption	Nil	Nil	Nil
Compliance	Nil	Nil	Nil
Reputational	Reputation damage by not seizing an opportunity to adhere to the Strategic Community Plan in relation to Social outcomes	Low (3)	Waiver enables the shire to continue it's commitment to the Strategic Community Plan.
Property	Nil	Nil	Nil
Environment	Nil	Nil	Nil

Risk Matrix						
Consequence		Insignificant	Minor	Moderate	Major	Catastrophic
Likelihood		1	2	3	4	5
Almost Certain	5	Moderate (5)	High (10)	High (15)	Extreme (20)	Extreme (25)
Likely	4	Low (4)	Moderate (8)	High (12)	High (16)	Extreme (20)
Possible	3	Low (3)	Moderate (6)	Moderate (9)	High (12)	High (15)
Unlikely	2	Low (2)	Low (4)	Moderate (6)	Moderate (8)	High (10)
Rare	1	Low (1)	Low (2)	Low (3)	Low (4)	Moderate (5)

Recommendation

Moved Cr Granich/Seconded Cr Close

That Council, by absolute majority, waives the hire fees associated with use of the Southern Cross Sports Complex for the Yilgarn Ladies Darts Association for the 2025 season.

And

Council advise the Yilgarn Ladies Darts Association that any future requests for waivers must be accompanied with a financial position statement.

And

Council are to note the hire bond will still be payable.

Motion Cr Bradford

That Council, by absolute majority, waive the standard usage fee for the Yilgarn Ladies Darts Association for the 2024/2025 Financial Year. Council advises that the Yilgarn Ladies Darts Association that any further requests for waivers must be accompanied with a financial position statement.

Cr Bradford spoke against the motion and moved an alternative motion

Alternative Motion

41/2025

Moved Cr Bradford/Seconded Guerini

That Council, by absolute majority, waive the standard usage fee for the Yilgarn Ladies Darts Association for the 2024/2025 financial year.

And

Council advise the Yilgarn Ladies Darts Association that any future requests for waivers must be accompanied with a financial position statement.

And

Council are to note the hire bond will still be payable

CARRIED (7/0)

Cr's For: Della Bosca, Close, Bradford, Guerini, Granich, Newbury, Rose

Cr's Against: Nil

Reasoning for alternative motion:

Mover Cr Bradford: Believed that the Association should pay something as they are not a newly established group.

9.1.5 Transfer of Property - 54 Spica Street, Southern Cross

File Reference	4.1.7.1
Disclosure of Interest	None
Voting Requirements	Absolute Majority
Author	Nic Warren – Chief Executive Officer
Attachments	Nil

Purpose of Report

For Council to consider a proposal to transfer 54 Spica Street, Southern Cross to the Shire of Yilgarn for no remuneration with an understanding the Shire will undertake the required remedial works for an uninhabitable dwelling.

Background

The property at 54 Spica Street, Southern Cross (the Property) has been the subject of ongoing complaints due to the state of the dwelling and unkept nature of the yard and outbuildings. Specifically, the dwelling is in a state of disrepair and it is assumed, given the appearance and age of the dwelling that it has Asbestos Containing Materials which may pose a health risk should the dwelling deteriorate further.

The then Shire Environmental Health Officer first undertook an inspection of the property in March 2023, upon which the derelict nature of the dwelling was established.

In consultation with the owners, it was found that the owners had sought a quote to demolish the premises but were not in a position to be able to afford the works and as such the owner suggested the transfer of land to the Shire in exchange for the Shire undertaking the works.

In relation to derelict premises, the Shire has the ability to issue a notice under the *Building Act 2011* requiring the owner to undertake such remedial works as is deemed necessary. In the event the owner defaults on the notice, the Shire then has the ability to undertake the works and then via a court of competent jurisdiction seek reimbursement of the reasonable costs incurred.

Whilst generalising, where an owner does not have the funds to undertake the works required in a notice they most likely would not have the funds to pay any costs awarded via the courts and as such the Shire may not see any recuperation of funds spent undertaking the works and obtaining legal counsel if the enforcement route was undertaken.

Whilst the Shire does incur costs of remediating the dwelling, estimated at \$35,000, in return the Shire resolves a number of community complaints relating to the premises; improves the aesthetics of the street; the Shire receives a parcel of land that can be used for the residential asset renewal program and the Shire does not incur significant legal costs seeking recuperation of funds in court.

Based on the original offer from the owner, a formal agreement was drafted of which the owner has agreed to as follows:

The Owner:

- Agrees for the transfer of freehold title of the Property to the Shire, being:
 - o 54 Spica Street, Southern Cross WA – Lot 75 on DP223122
- Agrees to the Shire retaining the overpaid rate balances on the property;
- Agrees to the transfer the property to the Shire in an unencumbered state, being that it is free of any outstanding debts.
- Agree to the Shire undertaking relevant investigations to ensure there are no debts or liabilities tied to the properties.

The Shire:

- Will not take enforcement action relating to breaches of legislation pertaining to the condition of the property and dwelling;
- Will take on ownership of the afore-mentioned Property;
- Will pay for costs incurred by both parties relating to settlement and land transfer costs;
- Will undertake required remediation works on both properties.

Comment

Council were initially briefed on the matter at the April 2023 Councillor Discussion Session, and are now asked to formally consider the proposal.

Statutory Environment

Nil

Strategic Implications

Nil.

Policy Implications

Nil.

Financial Implications

Cost to demolish dwelling estimated at \$35,000

Cost for land transfers estimated at \$2000

Risk Implications

Risk Category	Description	Rating (Consequence x Likelihood)	Mitigation Action

Health/People	Property poses asbestos risk	Moderate (9)	Shire obtains property and removes dwelling
Financial Impact	Shire incurs significant legal costs undertaking a prosecution	Moderate (9)	Shire obtains property removes legal proceedings
Service Interruption	Nil	Nil	Nil
Compliance	Nil	Nil	Nil
Reputational	Ongoing compliance complaints regarding property	High (10)	Shire obtaining property and remediating resolves complaints
Property	Nil	Nil	Nil
Environment	Nil	Nil	Nil

Risk Matrix						
Consequence		Insignificant	Minor	Moderate	Major	Catastrophic
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Unlikely	2	Low (2)	Low (4)	Moderate (6)	Moderate (8)	High (10)
Rare	1	Low (1)	Low (2)	Low (3)	Low (4)	Moderate (5)

Recommendation

42/2025

*Moved Cr Bradford/Seconded Cr Rose
That Council by Absolute Majority:*

- 1. Agrees to the transfer of 54 Spica Street, Southern Cross WA (Lot 75 on DP223122) to the Shire of Yilgarn via unencumbered freehold title;*
- 2. Agrees to the Shire of Yilgarn retaining the overpaid rate balances on the property assessment;*

3. *Endorses the Shire not undertaking enforcement action in the form of a prosecution for breaches of legislation pertaining to the condition of the property and dwelling;*
4. *Agrees to a budget allocation in the 2025/2026 annual budget for the remediation of the dwelling and property;*
5. *Endorses the Shire of Yilgarn covering costs incurred by both parties relating to settlement and land transfer costs;*

CARRIED (7/0)

Cr's For: Della Bosca, Close, Bradford, Guerini, Granich, Newbury, Rose

Cr's Against: Nil

Unconfirmed

9.1.6 2025 Yilgarn Agricultural Show - Financial Contribution

File Reference	8.2.6.27
Disclosure of Interest	None
Voting Requirements	Absolute Majority
Attachments	Nil

Purpose of Report

To present to Council for consideration, the ongoing commitment for financial assistance to the Yilgarn Agricultural Society in conducting the 2025 Yilgarn Show.

Background

In past years Council has contributed financially to the Yilgarn Agricultural Society to assist the Society in attracting performers/rides to make the Show a more attractive event for all ages.

Comment

The Shire's current 2024/2025 budget provided an allocation of \$9,000 for contribution to the Yilgarn Agricultural Show for 2024 which was invoiced and paid in July 2024. These funds did not include the in-kind support provided by the Shire.

The Yilgarn Agricultural Society are in the planning stages for the 2025 show, and have sought a similar donation from the Shire as last year.

Council are asked to consider a future budget inclusion of \$9,000 in the 2025/2026 budget to be invoiced within the 2025/2026 financial year. A decision is sought now to provide the Association with some understanding of their available funding for the 2025 show.

Statutory Environment

Nil.

Strategic Implications

Shire of Yilgarn Strategic Community Plan 2024-2034 - Strategy 1.4: Continue to engage with and support local sporting clubs, community groups and volunteers to deliver their activities, competitions and services

Policy Implications

Nil.

Financial Implications

\$9,000 included in the 2025/2026 annual budget.

Risk Implications

Risk Category	Description	Rating (Consequence x Likelihood)	Mitigation Action
Health/People	To support the Yilgarn Agricultural Society in providing a quality Show for all residents of the district	Low (1)	Contribution to support Yilgarn Ag Society.
Financial Impact	Nil	Nil	Nil
Service Interruption	Nil	Nil	Nil
Compliance	Nil	Nil	Nil
Reputational	Nil	Nil	Nil
Property	Nil	Nil	Nil
Environment	Nil	Nil	Nil

Risk Matrix						
Consequence		Insignificant	Minor	Moderate	Major	Catastrophic
Likelihood		1	2	3	4	5
Almost Certain	5	Moderate (5)	High (10)	High (15)	Extreme (20)	Extreme (25)
Likely	4	Low (4)	Moderate (8)	High (12)	High (16)	Extreme (20)
Possible	3	Low (3)	Moderate (6)	Moderate (9)	High (12)	High (15)
Unlikely	2	Low (2)	Low (4)	Moderate (6)	Moderate (8)	High (10)
Rare	1	Low (1)	Low (2)	Low (3)	Low (4)	Moderate (5)

Recommendation

43/2025

Moved Cr Bradford/Seconded Cr Close

That Council, by absolute majority, endorses an allocation of \$9,000 in the 2025/2026 annual budget for the Yilgarn Agricultural Society to support the 2025 Yilgarn Agricultural Show.

CARRIED (7/0)

Cr's For: Della Bosca, Close, Bradford, Guerini, Granich, Newbury, Rose
Cr's Against: Nil

Unconfirmed

9.2 Reporting Officer – Executive Manager Corporate Services

9.2.1 Financial Reports - March 2025

File Reference	8.2.3.2
Disclosure of Interest	Nil
Voting Requirements	Simple Majority
Author	Cameron Watson – Executive Manager Corporate Services
Attachments	Financial Reports

Purpose of Report

To consider the Financial Reports

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 attached and have been prepared as at the 28 March 2025.

- Rates Receipt Statement
- Statement of Investments
- Monthly Statement of Financial Activity

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.

Comment

Nil

Statutory Environment

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996

34. Financial activity statement required each month (Act s. 6.4)

(1A) In this regulation —

committed assets means revenue unspent but set aside under the annual budget for a specific purpose.

- (1) A local government is to prepare each month a statement of financial activity reporting on the revenue and expenditure, as set out in the annual budget under regulation 22(1)(d), for that month in the following detail —
 - (a) annual budget estimates, taking into account any expenditure incurred for an additional purpose under section 6.8(1)(b) or (c); and
 - (b) budget estimates to the end of the month to which the statement relates; and
 - (c) actual amounts of expenditure, revenue and income to the end of the month to which the statement relates; and
 - (d) material variances between the comparable amounts referred to in paragraphs (b) and (c); and
 - (e) the net current assets at the end of the month to which the statement relates.
- (2) Each statement of financial activity is to be accompanied by documents containing —
 - (a) an explanation of the composition of the net current assets of the month to which the statement relates, less committed assets and restricted assets; and
 - (b) an explanation of each of the material variances referred to in subregulation (1)(d); and
 - (c) such other supporting information as is considered relevant by the local government.
- (3) The information in a statement of financial activity may be shown —
 - (a) according to nature and type classification; or
 - (b) by program; or
 - (c) by business unit.
- (4) A statement of financial activity, and the accompanying documents referred to in subregulation (2), are to be —
 - (a) presented at an ordinary meeting of the council within 2 months after the end of the month to which the statement relates; and
 - (b) recorded in the minutes of the meeting at which it is presented.
- (5) Each financial year, a local government is to adopt a percentage or value, calculated in accordance with the AAS, to be used in statements of financial activity for reporting material variances.

Strategic Implications

Nil

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

Nil

Risk Implications

Risk Category	Description	Rating (Consequence x Likelihood)	Mitigation Action
Health/People	Nil	Nil	Nil
Financial Impact	Monthly snapshot of Councils financial position	Moderate (6)	Ongoing review of Councils operations
Service Interruption	Nil	Nil	Nil
Compliance	LG (Financial Management) Regulations 1996	Moderate (6)	Adherence to statutory requirements
Reputational	Nil	Nil	Nil
Property	Nil	Nil	Nil
Environment	Nil	Nil	Nil

Risk Matrix						
Consequence		Insignificant	Minor	Moderate	Major	Catastrophic
Likelihood		1	2	3	4	5
Almost Certain	5	Moderate (5)	High (10)	High (15)	Extreme (20)	Extreme (25)
Likely	4	Low (4)	Moderate (8)	High (12)	High (16)	Extreme (20)
Possible	3	Low (3)	Moderate (6)	Moderate (9)	High (12)	High (15)
Unlikely	2	Low (2)	Low (4)	Moderate (6)	Moderate (8)	High (10)
Rare	1	Low (1)	Low (2)	Low (3)	Low (4)	Moderate (5)

Officer Recommendation

44/2025

Moved Cr Granich/Seconded Cr Bradford

That Council endorse the various Financial Reports as presented for the period ending 31 March 2025.

CARRIED (7/0)

Cr's For: Della Bosca, Close, Bradford, Guerini, Granich, Newbury, Rose

Cr's Against: Nil

Unconfirmed

9.2.2 Accounts for Payment - March 2025

File Reference	8.2.1.2
Disclosure of Interest	Nil
Voting Requirements	Simple Majority
Author	Steven Chilcott - Finance Officer
Attachments	Accounts for Payment

Purpose of Report

To consider the Accounts Paid under delegated authority.

Background

- Municipal Fund – Cheques 41320 to 41323 totalling \$10,131.65
- Municipal Fund - EFT 16290 to 16408 totalling \$1,471,552.35
- Municipal Fund – Cheques 2577 to 2594 totalling \$294,961.54
- Municipal Fund - Direct Debit Numbers:
 - 19596.1 to 19596.15 totalling \$25,660.09
 - 19633.1 to 19633.15 totalling \$25,586.75
- Trust Fund – Cheques 402701 to 402702 totalling \$640.00

The above are presented for endorsement as per the submitted list

Comment

Nil

Statutory Environment

Local Government Act 1995

5.42. Delegation of some powers and duties to CEO

- (1) A local government may delegate* to the CEO the exercise of any of its powers or the discharge of any of its duties under —
 - (a) this Act other than those referred to in section 5.43; or
 - (b) the *Planning and Development Act 2005* section 214(2), (3) or (5).

* Absolute majority required.

- (2) A delegation under this section is to be in writing and may be general or as otherwise provided in the instrument of delegation.

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996

12. Payments from municipal fund or trust fund, restrictions on making

- (1) A payment may only be made from the municipal fund or the trust fund —
 - (a) if the local government has delegated to the CEO the exercise of its power to make payments from those funds — by the CEO; or
 - (b) otherwise, if the payment is authorised in advance by a resolution of the council.
- (2) The council must not authorise a payment from those funds until a list prepared under regulation 13(2) containing details of the accounts to be paid has been presented to the council.

13. Payments from municipal fund or trust fund by CEO, CEO's duties as to etc.

- (1) If the local government has delegated to the CEO the exercise of its power to make payments from the municipal fund or the trust fund, a list of accounts paid by the CEO is to be prepared each month showing for each account paid since the last such list was prepared —
 - (a) the payee's name; and
 - (b) the amount of the payment; and
 - (c) the date of the payment; and
 - (d) sufficient information to identify the transaction.
- (2) A list of accounts for approval to be paid is to be prepared each month showing —
 - (a) for each account which requires council authorisation in that month —
 - (i) the payee's name; and
 - (ii) the amount of the payment; and
 - (iii) sufficient information to identify the transaction;and
 - (b) the date of the meeting of the council to which the list is to be presented.
- (3) A list prepared under subregulation (1) or (2) is to be —
 - (a) presented to the council at the next ordinary meeting of the council after the list is prepared; and
 - (b) recorded in the minutes of that meeting.

Strategic Implications

Nil

Policy Implications

Council Policy 3.11 - Timely Payment of Suppliers

Financial Implications

Drawdown of Bank funds

Risk Implications

Risk Category	Description	Rating (Consequence x Likelihood)	Mitigation Action
Health/People	Transactions require two senior managers to approve.	Moderate (8)	Transactions require two senior managers to sign cheques or approve bank transfers.
Financial Impact	Reduction in available cash.	Moderate (5)	Nil
Service Interruption	Nil	Nil	Nil
Compliance	Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996	Moderate (6)	Adherence to statutory requirements
Reputational	Non or late payment of outstanding invoices and/or commitments	Moderate (9)	Adherence to Timely Payment of Suppliers Policy
Property	Nil	Nil	Nil
Environment	Nil	Nil	Nil

Risk Matrix						
Consequence		Insignificant	Minor	Moderate	Major	Catastrophic
Likelihood		1	2	3	4	5
Almost Certain	5	Moderate (5)	High (10)	High (15)	Extreme (20)	Extreme (25)
Likely	4	Low (4)	Moderate (8)	High (12)	High (16)	Extreme (20)
Possible	3	Low (3)	Moderate (6)	Moderate (9)	High (12)	High (15)
Unlikely	2	Low (2)	Low (4)	Moderate (6)	Moderate (8)	High (10)
Rare	1	Low (1)	Low (2)	Low (3)	Low (4)	Moderate (5)

Officer Recommendation

45/2025

Moved Cr Bradford/Seconded Cr Rose

That Council endorse the following accounts for payments, as per the submitted lists:

- ***Municipal Fund – Cheques 41320 to 41323 totalling \$10,131.65***
- ***Municipal Fund - EFT 16290 to 16408 totalling \$1,471,552.35***
- ***Municipal Fund – Cheques 2577 to 2594 totalling \$294,961.54***
- ***Municipal Fund - Direct Debit Numbers:***
 - ***19596.1 to 19596.15 totalling \$25,660.09***
 - ***19633.1 to 19633.15 totalling \$25,586.75***
- ***Trust Fund – Cheques 402701 to 402702 totalling \$640.00***

CARRIED (7/0)

Cr's For: Della Bosca, Close, Bradford, Guerini, Granich, Newbury, Rose

Cr's Against: Nil

9.2.3 Corporate Business Plan - 2025/26 - 2029/30

File Reference	1.1.12.4
Disclosure of Interest	Nil
Voting Requirements	Absolute Majority
Author	Cameron Watson - Executive Manager Corporate Services
Attachments	2025/26 – 2029/30 Corporate Business Plan

Purpose of Report

To consider the modified Shire of Yilgarn 2025/26 – 2029/30 Corporate Business.

Background

The 2025/26 – 2029/30 Corporate Business Plan (CBP) includes a service delivery plan comprising 35 key services provided by Council. Each of these key services includes links to Councils Strategic Community Plan, a background on the service to be provided, expected service level and any anticipated issues that may impact the service being provided and any significant actions necessary to provide/maintain the expected service level or required due to statutory obligations.

The CBP also includes the projected operational income / expenditure necessary to provide the service for the coming budget year and estimates for the next four years.

Comment

The CBP is based on the current year's budget figures and a long-term historical average (adjusted for any anomalous instances) for the subsequent four years. An anticipated year on year Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) increase is then factored in. For the presented CBP the LGCI rate used is 3.3% as provided by WALGA in their December 2024 economic forecast.

Statutory Environment

Local Government Act 1995

5.56. Planning for the future

- (1) A local government is to plan for the future of the district.
- (2) A local government is to ensure that plans made under subsection (1) are in accordance with any regulations made about planning for the future of the district.

Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996

19DA. Corporate business plans, requirements for (Act s. 5.56)

- (1) A local government is to ensure that a corporate business plan is made for its district in accordance with this regulation in respect of each financial year after the financial year ending 30 June 2013.
- (2) A corporate business plan for a district is to cover the period specified in the plan, which is to be at least 4 financial years.
- (3) A corporate business plan for a district is to —
 - (a) set out, consistently with any relevant priorities set out in the strategic community plan for the district, a local government's priorities for dealing with the objectives and aspirations of the community in the district; and
 - (b) govern a local government's internal business planning by expressing a local government's priorities by reference to operations that are within the capacity of the local government's resources; and
 - (c) develop and integrate matters relating to resources, including asset management, workforce planning and long-term financial planning.
- (4) A local government is to review the current corporate business plan for its district every year.
- (5) A local government may modify a corporate business plan, including extending the period the plan is made in respect of and modifying the plan if required because of modification of the local government's strategic community plan.
- (6) A council is to consider a corporate business plan, or modifications of such a plan, submitted to it and is to determine* whether or not to adopt the plan or the modifications.

*Absolute majority required.
- (7) If a corporate business plan is, or modifications of a corporate business plan are, adopted by the council, the plan or modified plan applies to the district for the period specified in the plan.

Strategic Implications

Contained within the Corporate Business Plan

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

The Corporate Business Plan is an informing document for current and future budgets.

Risk Implications

Risk Category	Description	Rating (Consequence x Likelihood)	Mitigation Action
Health/People	Service delivery benefits the residents of the district.	Moderate (6)	Nil
Financial Impact	Funding deficit leads to cuts in service level provision.	Moderate (9)	Maintain adequate reserve funds for high-risk services such as sewers and waste disposal sites.
Service Interruption	Variable from minor inconvenience to significant health issue.	High (12)	For high-risk services such as sewerage and transport infrastructure, continue to maintain to a suitable standard.
Compliance	Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996	Low (1)	Nil
Reputational	Service delivery not meeting community expectations.	Moderate (9)	Ensure services are adequately resourced.
Property	Various significant community buildings identified.	Moderate (6)	Ensure buildings are adequately maintained and resourced.
Environment	Effluent and putrescible waste treatment/disposal.	Moderate (6)	Well managed effluent treatment systems and waste management sites.

Risk Matrix						
Consequence Likelihood		Insignificant	Minor	Moderate	Major	Catastrophic
		1	2	3	4	5
Almost Certain	5	Moderate (5)	High (10)	High (15)	Extreme (20)	Extreme (25)
Likely	4	Low (4)	Moderate (8)	High (12)	High (16)	Extreme (20)
Possible	3	Low (3)	Moderate (6)	Moderate (9)	High (12)	High (15)
Unlikely	2	Low (2)	Low (4)	Moderate (6)	Moderate (8)	High (10)
Rare	1	Low (1)	Low (2)	Low (3)	Low (4)	Moderate (5)

Officer Recommendation

46/2025

Moved Cr Bradford/Seconded Cr Rose

That Council adopts the 2025/26 - 2029/30 Corporate Business Plan as presented.

CARRIED (7/0)

Cr's For: Della Bosca, Close, Bradford, Guerini, Granich, Newbury, Rose

Cr's Against: Nil

9.2.4 2025/2026 Differential Rates - Objects & Reasons

File Reference	8.1.1.5
Disclosure of Interest	Nil
Voting Requirements	Simple Majority
Author	Cameron Watson - Executive Manager Corporate Services
Attachments	Attachment 1 – 2025/2026 Rating Strategy Attachment 2 – 2025/2026 Rating Objects & Reasons

Purpose of Report

Council is requested to endorse the 2025/2026 Rating Strategy & Objects & Reasons.

Background

It is proposed to impose Differential Rates for the year ending 30th June 2026 under the various rating categories within the Shire of Yilgarn.

Under Section 6.33 (3) of the Local Government Act 1995, a Local Government is not, without the approval of the Minister, to impose a differential general rate which is more than twice the lowest differential general rate imposed by it.

With the Differential General Rates being proposed in the 2025/2026 Rating Strategy and Objects & Reasons, Council falls under the umbrella of this section of the Act. Note however that it is only applicable to UV Mining. Accordingly, Ministerial approval is required and the proposal to impose this rate must be advertised for a period of not less than 21 days with any submissions received subsequently being presented to Council for consideration.

Comment

The Rates in the dollar being recommended are a result of efficiency measures being implemented and continued over the previous years. As a result of these measures, Council has significantly reduced the burden on its Ratepayers, in some categories, to the effect of as much as a 61% reduction in the rate in the dollar.

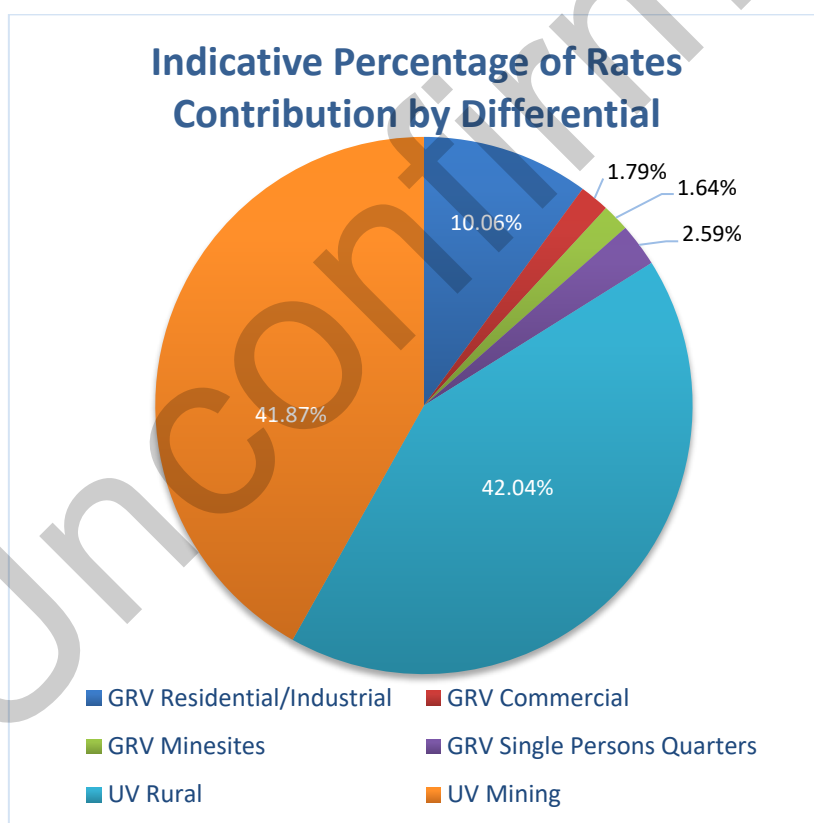
Due to the current economic uncertainties, it will be proposed to recommend that a small 2.5% increase in the Rate in the Dollar and no increase in the minimums be proposed for the 2025/26 financial year.

2025/2026 Proposed Differential Rates

The proposed Differential Rate for each rating category are as follows:

Land Category	Rate – Cents in the Dollar	Minimum Payment
GRV - Residential/Industrial	9.2691	\$600
GRV - Commercial	7.8315	\$450
GRV - Minesites	15.6075	\$450
GRV -Single Persons Quarters	15.6075	\$450
UV - Rural	1.1845	\$450
UV - Mining	16.4341	\$450

The proposed Rates in the dollar for 2025/2026 represents a 2.5% increase over those imposed in 2024/2025. It is proposed to leave the minimums the same as those imposed in 2024/2025.



The recommended Rate in the dollar increase of 2.5% is less than the WA Local Government Cost Index (WALGCI) forecast for 2025/26 of 3.3% and December 2024 Perth CPI of 2.9%. The WALGCI is similar in principle to the Consumer Price Index (CPI) but is weighted towards expenditure types more relevant to Local Governments.

The CPI is based on actual household expenditure data, which is principally derived from the Household Expenditure Survey conducted by the ABS and includes expenditure on areas such

as food and non-alcoholic and alcoholic beverages, tobacco products and clothing & footwear; all of which are not expenditure areas for a Local Government.

The WALGCI is a combination of certain cost items from the CPI and others from the General Construction Index WA (GCIWA). The WALGCI offers an indication of those changes in the WA economy that relate more closely to the functions of Local Government.

Statutory Environment

Attachment 1 - 2025/2026 Rating Strategy, contains a detailed listing of the Local Government Act rating provisions with the addition of:

Local Government Act 1995

1.7. Local public notice

Where under this Act local public notice of a matter is required to be given, notice of the matter must be —

- (a) published on the official website of the local government concerned in accordance with the regulations; and*
- (b) given in at least 3 of the ways prescribed for the purposes of this section.*

[Section 1.7 inserted: No. 16 of 2019 s. 5.]

6.36. Local government to give notice of certain rates

- (1) Before imposing any differential general rates or a minimum payment applying to a differential rate category under section 6.35(6)(c) a local government is to give local public notice of its intention to do so.*
- (2) A local government is required to ensure that a notice referred to in subsection (1) is published in sufficient time to allow compliance with the requirements specified in this section and section 6.2(1).*
- (3) A notice referred to in subsection (1) —*
 - (a) may be published within the period of 2 months preceding the commencement of the financial year to which the proposed rates are to apply on the basis of the local government's estimate of the budget deficiency; and*
 - (b) is to contain —*
 - (i) details of each rate or minimum payment the local government intends to impose; and*
 - (ii) an invitation for submissions to be made by an elector or a ratepayer in respect of the proposed rate or minimum payment and any related matters within 21 days (or such longer period as is specified in the notice) of the notice; and*
 - (iii) any further information in relation to the matters specified in subparagraphs (i) and (ii) which may be prescribed;*

and

- (c) *is to advise electors and ratepayers that the document referred to in subsection (3A) —*
 - (i) *may be inspected at a time and place specified in the notice; and*
 - (ii) *is published on the local government's official website.*
- (3A) *The local government is required to prepare a document describing the objects of, and reasons for, each proposed rate and minimum payment and to publish the document on the local government's official website.*
- (4) *The local government is required to consider any submissions received before imposing the proposed rate or minimum payment with or without modification.*
- (5) *Where a local government —*
 - (a) *in an emergency, proposes to impose a supplementary general rate or specified area rate under section 6.32(3)(a); or*
 - (b) *proposes to modify the proposed rates or minimum payments after considering any submissions under subsection (4),*

it is not required to give local public notice of that proposed supplementary general rate, specified area rate, modified rate or minimum payment.

[Section 6.36 amended: No. 16 of 2019 s. 62.]

[Section 6.36 modified: SL 2020/57^{1M}.]

Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996

3A. Requirements for local public notice (Act s. 1.7)

- (1) *For the purposes of section 1.7(a), notice of a matter must be published on the local government's official website for —*
 - (a) *the period specified in or under the Act in relation to the notice; or*
 - (b) *if no period is specified in relation to the notice — a period of not less than 7 days.*
- (2) *For the purposes of section 1.7(b), each of the following ways of giving notice of a matter is prescribed —*
 - (a) *publication in a newspaper circulating generally in the State;*
 - (b) *publication in a newspaper circulating generally in the district;*
 - (c) *publication in 1 or more newsletters circulating generally in the district;*
 - (d) *publication on the official website of the Department or another State agency, as appropriate having regard to the nature of the matter and the persons likely to be affected by it, for —*
 - (i) *the period specified in or under the Act in relation to the notice; or*
 - (ii) *if no period is specified in relation to the notice — a period of not less than 7 days;*

- (e) *circulation by the local government by email, text message or similar electronic means, as appropriate having regard to the nature of the matter and the persons likely to be affected by it;*
- (f) *exhibition on a notice board at the local government offices and each local government library in the district for —*
 - (i) *the period specified in or under the Act in relation to the notice; or*
 - (ii) *if no period is specified in relation to the notice — a period of not less than 7 days;*
- (g) *posting on a social media account administered by the local government for —*
 - (i) *the period specified in or under the Act in relation to the notice; or*
 - (ii) *if no period is specified in relation to the notice — a period of not less than 7 days.*

[Regulation 3A inserted: SL 2020/213 r. 15.]

Strategic Implications

There are no strategic implications as a result of this report.

Policy Implications

There are no policy implications as a result of this report.

Financial Implications

The outcome of this recommendation will ultimately inform the direction for the 2025/2026 Income Budget as it relates to the raising of Rates.

Risk Implications

Risk Category	Description	Rating (Consequence x Likelihood)	Mitigation Action
Health/People	Nil	Nil	Nil
Financial Impact	Non or late payment of Rates by Ratepayers.	High (12)	If funding not received, projects and/or services can't be provided or undertaken.
Service Interruption	Non or late payment of Rates by Ratepayers.	Moderate (8)	Effective and efficient collection action.
Compliance	Act and Ministerial Policy differential rating requirements.	Moderate (9)	Ensure all requirements undertaken.
Reputational	Nil	Nil	Nil
Property	Nil	Nil	Nil
Environment	Nil	Nil	Nil

Risk Matrix						
Consequence Likelihood		Insignificant	Minor	Moderate	Major	Catastrophic
		1	2	3	4	5
Almost Certain	5	Moderate (5)	High (10)	High (15)	Extreme (20)	Extreme (25)
Likely	4	Low (4)	Moderate (8)	High (12)	High (16)	Extreme (20)
Possible	3	Low (3)	Moderate (6)	Moderate (9)	High (12)	High (15)
Unlikely	2	Low (2)	Low (4)	Moderate (6)	Moderate (8)	High (10)
Rare	1	Low (1)	Low (2)	Low (3)	Low (4)	Moderate (5)

Recommendation

47/2025

Moved Cr Bradford/Seconded Cr Granich

That Council:

1. *Endorse the Differential Rating – Objects and Reasons for the 2025/2026 rating years as presented;*
2. *Endorse the following proposed Differential General Rates Categories, Rates in the Dollar and Minimum amounts for the Shire of Yilgarn for the 2025/2026 financial year:*

<i>Land Category</i>	<i>Rate – Cents in the Dollar</i>	<i>Minimum Payment</i>
<i>GRV - Residential/Industrial</i>	<i>9.2691</i>	<i>\$600</i>
<i>GRV - Commercial</i>	<i>7.8315</i>	<i>\$450</i>
<i>GRV - Minesites</i>	<i>15.6075</i>	<i>\$450</i>
<i>GRV -SPQ</i>	<i>15.6075</i>	<i>\$450</i>
<i>UV - Rural</i>	<i>1.1845</i>	<i>\$450</i>
<i>UV - Mining</i>	<i>16.4341</i>	<i>\$450</i>

3. *Endorse a public notice and consultation process on the proposed Differential General Rates and General Minimum Rates as follows:*
 - *Local public notice being placed on Councils website on Thursday, 1st May 2025 with ancillary notices being published as soon as practicable after this, as per the requirements of section 6.36 of the Local Government Act 1995.*
 - *Individual ratepayer consultation for all ratepayers in General Rate Categories with less than 30 ratepayers.*

CARRIED (7/0)

Cr's For: Della Bosca, Close, Bradford, Guerini, Granich, Newbury, Rose

Cr's Against: Nil

9.2.5 2025/26 - 2034/35 Long Term Financial Plan

File Reference	8.2.5.6
Disclosure of Interest	Nil
Voting Requirements	Absolute Majority
Author	Cameron Watson-Executive Manager Corporate Services
Attachments	2025/26 - 2034/35 Long Term Financial Plan

Purpose of Report

For Council to consider adopting the revised Long-Term Financial Plan 2025/26 – 2034/35.

Background

In February 2009, the Minister for Local Government announced a package of wide-ranging local government reform strategies that were aimed at achieving greater capacity for local government to better plan, manage and deliver services to their communities with a focus on social, environmental, and economic sustainability.

One of the requirements was to develop and review a long-term financial plan (LTFP) that is a ten-year rolling plan that informs the Corporate Business Plan to activate Strategic Community Plan priorities. From these planning processes, annual budgets that are aligned with the strategic objectives can be developed.

Comment

The operating income and expenditure aspects of the LTFP are primarily developed utilising a Local Government Cost Index (LGCI) increase of 3.3% for the life of the plan, however the historic percentage increase/decrease of a given income or expense item could be utilised if appropriate. All estimates can be manually adjusted were necessary to reflect a realistic valuation for the specific income or expenditure item.

Rate income is calculated utilising a 2.5% increase for the first 5 years with the remaining 5 years being calculated on a LGCI % Increase.

The Forward Capital Works aspect of the LTFP has been developed in consultation with the senior management team and with Councils Asset & Projects Manager.

Statutory Environment

Local Government Act 1996

5.56. Planning for the future

- (1) *A local government is to plan for the future of the district.*
- (2) *A local government is to ensure that plans made under subsection (1) are in accordance with any regulations made about planning for the future of the district.*

[Section 5.56 inserted: No. 49 of 2004 s. 42(6).]

Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996

19DA. Corporate business plans, requirements for (Act s. 5.56)

- (1) *A local government is to ensure that a corporate business plan is made for its district in accordance with this regulation in respect of each financial year after the financial year ending 30 June 2013.*
- (2) *A corporate business plan for a district is to cover the period specified in the plan, which is to be at least 4 financial years.*
- (3) *A corporate business plan for a district is to —*
 - (a) *set out, consistently with any relevant priorities set out in the strategic community plan for the district, a local government's priorities for dealing with the objectives and aspirations of the community in the district; and*
 - (b) *govern a local government's internal business planning by expressing a local government's priorities by reference to operations that are within the capacity of the local government's resources; and*
 - (c) *develop and integrate matters relating to resources, including asset management, workforce planning and long-term financial planning.*

The recommendation that follows is consistent with the legislative requirements.

Strategic Implications

This report is informed by and influences the outcome of most, if not all of the strategies within the current Community Strategic Plan.

Policy Implications

There are no policy implications as a result of this report.

Financial Implications

There are no immediate financial implications because of this report however if adopted will inform in the setting of the 2025/2026 Budgeted.

Risk Implications

Risk Category	Description	Rating (Consequence x Likelihood)	Mitigation Action
Health/People	Nil	Nil	Nil
Financial Impact	Nil	Nil	Nil
Service Interruption	Nil	Nil	Nil
Compliance	Compliance with the Local Government Act and associated Regulations.	Low (2)	Ensure Long Term Financial Plan Reviewed.
Reputational	Nil	Nil	Nil
Property	Nil	Nil	Nil
Environment	Nil	Nil	Nil

Risk Matrix						
Consequence Likelihood		Insignificant	Minor	Moderate	Major	Catastrophic
		1	2	3	4	5
Almost Certain	5	Moderate (5)	High (10)	High (15)	Extreme (20)	Extreme (25)
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Rare	1	Low (1)	Low (2)	Low (3)	Low (4)	Moderate (5)

Committee Recommendation

48/2025

Moved Cr Guerini/Seconded Cr Newbury

That Council endorses the Long-Term Financial Plan 2025/26 - 2034/35 as presented.

CARRIED (7/0)

Cr's For: Della Bosca, Close, Bradford, Guerini, Granich, Newbury, Rose

Cr's Against: Nil

Unconfirmed

9.3 Reporting Officer - Executive Manager Infrastructure

9.3.1 5 Year Development Plan for Regional Roads Group

File Reference

Disclosure of Interest

Nil

Voting Requirements

Absolute Majority

Attachments

RRG 5 - year Strategy spreadsheet.

Council's 10 - year funding plan spreadsheet

Purpose of Report

For Council to consider the revised Regional Road Group 5-year funding strategy to improve the Shire of Yilgarn's Local Government Roads of Regional Significance.

Background

The Regional Road Group was created to help coordinate the allocation of funds and ensure that regional roads are properly prioritized. The group is made up of local governments and state government representatives and its role is to ensure the most pressing road issues in regional areas are addressed.

Local governments in regional areas submit proposals for funding or request support for roadworks through their regional road groups. Projects are often prioritized based on factors like:

- **Maintenance:** Ensuring that roads in regional areas are properly maintained to handle the wear and tear of regular use, including heavy freight, agricultural vehicles, and tourist traffic.
- **Upgrades:** Improving key regional roads that are vital for local economies, such as roads serving agricultural hubs, tourism areas, and mining regions.
- **Road Sealing:** Upgrading unsealed roads to sealed roads for better durability and safety, particularly in more remote areas.
- **Traffic Volume:** High-traffic roads, especially those used for freight transport, are more likely to receive funding to ensure they remain functionally safe.

Comment

The Regional Roads Group (RRG) in Western Australia periodically updates its guidelines for funding allocation, project prioritization, and the implementation of roadworks to ensure that regional roads are maintained, upgraded and developed effectively. These guidelines are revised to reflect changing priorities, funding availability and safety standards.

ADT is a common parameter used by shires to prioritize road projects. It represents the average number of vehicles passing through a particular segment of road per day. Roads with higher ADT are often prioritized because they typically experience greater wear and tear and higher safety risks. If a project does not meet the required ADT threshold, it may not be considered for funding.

The Technical Working Group is often responsible for reviewing project proposals or funding applications to ensure they meet the necessary technical, safety, and environmental standards. This involves assessing the technical merit of a project based on criteria such as road conditions, traffic patterns, environmental impacts, and feasibility.

Dulyalbin Road funding submission was not supported by the Technical Working Group, as it didn't meet minimum Average Daily Traffic guidelines. Council's preference was to shift its focus from developing Dulyalbin Road to finish sealing Cramphorne Road. The revised 5-year funding plan reflects Council's decision. Attached is the submitted RRG 5-Year plan and Council's extended 10-year funding plan.

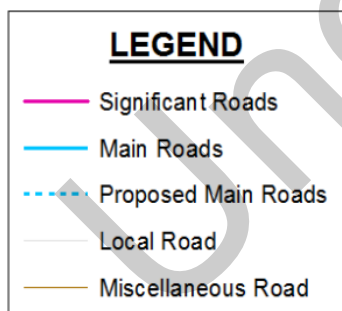
Statutory Environment

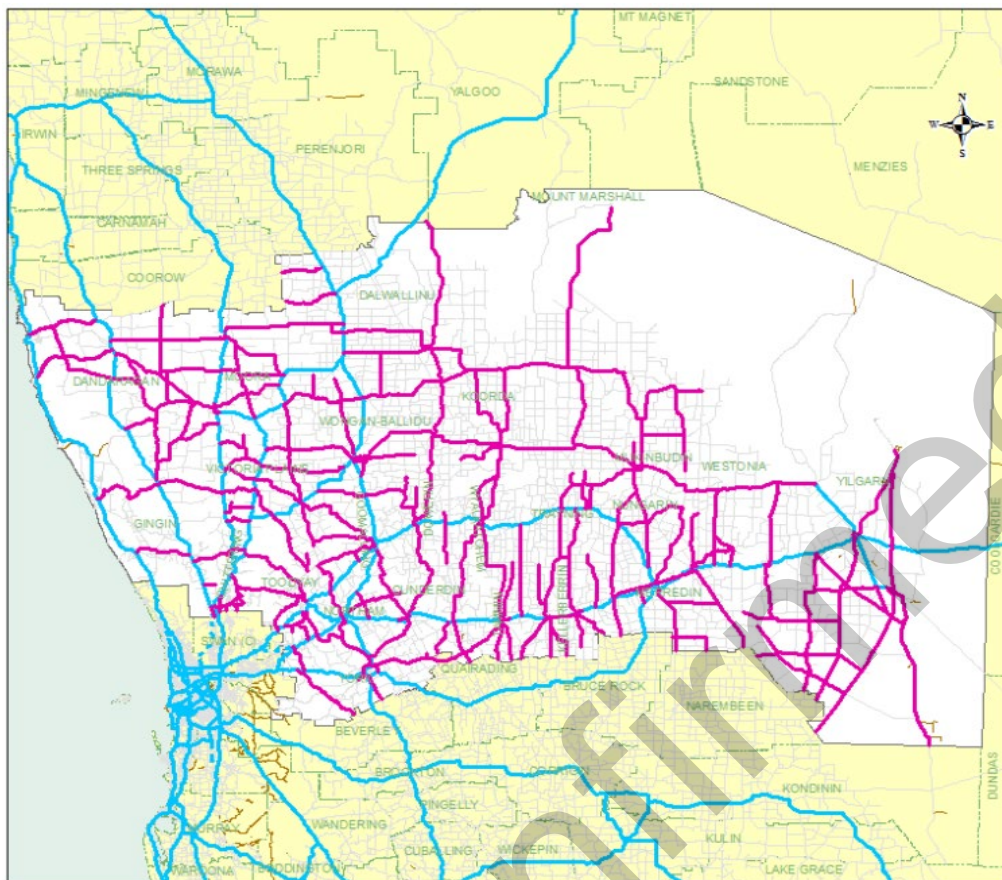
The State Road Funds to Local Agreement provides an allocation of funds to Local Governments in Western Australia for the improvement and maintenance of roads and bridges. The quantum of funding in the Agreement is based on a percentage of motor vehicle licence fee collections by the State Government. The Agreement is intended to ensure that the available funds are allocated across the State of Western Australia, focusing on areas of strategic importance and areas that will provide maximum benefit.

Strategic Implications

If some roads with low traffic are classified as regionally significant, consider downgrading them to local distributor roads, if they no longer serve the traffic needs required for the higher classifications. This may allow councils to shift their focus to roads that need improvement which meet the traffic demand.

Wheatbelt North Region Significant Local Government Roads





The Regional Road Group is involved in improving road networks that connect rural or regional areas to urban centres, ports, and other key infrastructure. Improved connectivity can directly contribute to regional economic growth by facilitating the movement of goods, services, and people.

Strategic Community Plan

Outcome 2.5 Safety and quality of transport networks are maintained and improved

- 2.5.1 Continue to maintain and upgrade our road network
- 2.5.2 Continue to maintain the Southern Cross Airstrip and facilities

Policy Implications

Engineering Policy 5.2

Financial Implications

Regional Road Group works off yearly allocations from a 5-year State Road Agreement. All project totals include, 2/3 Main Roads and 1/3 Local Government funding. Council will continue to allocate funding through the Annual Budget each financial year.

Risk Implications

Risk Category	Description	Rating (Consequence x Likelihood)	Mitigation Action
Health/People	Nil	Nil	Nil
Financial Impact	Council will continue make provisions for Regional Roads Group Funding each year on a 2/3 RRG and 1/3 LG funding basis	Low (2)	Any reduction in funding will require a reduction in the scope of works.
Service Interruption	Unsealed roads will continue to impact access during wet periods.	Low (2)	Sealing gravel roads will provide all weather access.
Compliance	Nil	Nil	Nil
Reputational	Nil		Nil
Property	Nil	Nil	Nil
Environment	Nil	Nil	Nil

Risk Matrix						
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Officer Recommendation

49/2025

Moved Cr Granich/Seconded Cr Rose

That Council, by absolute majority, endorses the revised 5-year plan for Local Roads of Regional Significance as part of the Regional Road Group program as presented.

CARRIED (7/0)

Cr's For: Della Bosca, Close, Bradford, Guerini, Granich, Newbury, Rose

Cr's Against: Nil

Unconfirmed

9.3.2 10-Year Plant replacement Program 2025/2026 to 2034/2035

File Reference	
Disclosure of Interest	Nil
Voting Requirements	Simple Majority
Attachments	2025/2026 to 2034/2035 Plant Replacement Spreadsheet

Purpose of Report

For Council to consider the 10-year 2025/2026 to 2034/2035 Plant Replacement Program to ensure that the Shire of Yilgarn's fleet of machinery, vehicles and equipment remains effective, safe and cost-efficient.

Background

The new plant replacement program requires significant capital investment. A detailed financial plan allocates resources, manages cash flow and ensures investment in plant and equipment which leads to future sustainable asset renewal and maintenance.

Whole of Life Cost Asset Management is an approach that looks beyond the initial acquisition price and considers the total cost of ownership over the asset's life. By using an overall approach this can ultimately lead to greater efficiency, improved financial outcomes and better utilisation.

Using own plant and equipment to maintain assets can be a highly effective approach to reducing operational costs, improve asset longevity and enhance overall operational efficiency.

It requires careful planning and management to ensure that the assets are maintained properly. Reducing the need to outsource maintenance work can save costs over time. The Shire can schedule maintenance based on needs, rather than relying on external providers.

Comment

A significant issue facing all local governments is managing ageing assets which need renewal while balancing the maintenance standards expected by the community.

Fit for purpose plant and equipment is ensuring that the fleet is suitable for the current and future operational needs of the Shire. The program focuses on replacing existing plant and equipment with assets that are better aligned with the specific requirements of the Shire. It is about choosing equipment that provides the right functionality, performance and reliability to meet Shire's asset renewal and maintenance needs.

When purchasing new assets, staff will recommend equipment that is cost-effective throughout the whole of lifecycle, not just the initial acquisition.

Asset renewal involves replacing, upgrading or maintaining a variety of machinery, vehicles and equipment to ensure that services continue to run smoothly, cost-effectively and in alignment with both community expectations and operational efficiency.

Included in the 2025/2026 plant replacement program.

- **Replacement of the 2017, 12M grader.** There are 5 graders within the fleet. One grader is used for construction and the other four are used for maintenance grading.
- **Replacement of the Freightliner Prime Mover.** As discussed with council, this truck has been problematic over the last 2 years. Records show that breakdown repairs in 2023/24 totalled over \$50,000. Repairs in 2024/2025 will exceed \$70,000. The downtime exceeds 5 months this financial year. Staff have been engaging contractors while this unit has been out of action.
- **Purchase of a used dedicated water truck.** The shire previously operated two 8x4 Mack tippers with slip in water tanks. One of these 8x4 Mack trucks has been reconfigured as side tipping truck towing a side tipping dog. This was to improve our gravel hauling capabilities. That only leaves one 8x4 Mack as a water truck. Water trucks are seasonal where two trucks are needed during construction in the warmer months. There is far less requirement for a second truck during the wet season. This plant replacement includes the purchase of a used water truck. The Shire is currently paying \$2,500 per week to dry hire a 6x4 water truck.



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Compare

Save

2012 Kenworth T359

\$198,000*

Excl. Govt. Charges

Finance available ⓘ

- Water Truck
- Automatic
- 245,974 km
- GVM/GCM: 30,100kg/40,100kg

Replacement line marker. This unit is expensive with low utilisation. It is mainly used for marking the oval for different sporting clubs.

Loader mounted road broom. This is an attachment for the backhoe. It will be utilised for sweeping pavements before sealing, sweeping bitumen before resealing and sweeping loose aggregate after resealing.

Light vehicle replacements. This plant replacement introduces a new vehicle for the Administration Office. There are no spare vehicles for staff to travel for general use or for staff to use when training outside the Shire. The plant replacement allows for the initial purchase of an Administration vehicle and programmed to be replaced every 4 years. Ford are just releasing details for their new Ranger Super Duty. It is due for production in 2026. This may delay the Landcruiser replacements if they are more suited for the grader maintenance crews.

Statutory Environment

Local Government Act 1995 (WA)

Section 6.2 (Budgeting and Financial Management): Local governments must develop a budget that includes provisions for asset replacement, including plant and equipment. This is essential for ensuring that the financial capacity for plant replacement is considered in advance.

Section 3.1 (Role of Local Government): Local governments have a responsibility to provide services and facilities to the community in an efficient and effective manner, which includes the timely replacement of plant to maintain operational efficiency.

Section 5.56 (Plan for the Future): Local governments must develop long-term strategic plans (Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework), which include asset management plans and strategies for the replacement of plant, machinery, and other infrastructure.

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 (WA)

Regulation 19 (Annual Budget): This regulation requires local governments to provide a detailed budget, which should account for the replacement of plant and machinery, either through direct purchase or leasing arrangements.

Asset Management: Local governments are required to maintain a register of assets, which includes plant, machinery, and equipment. This register forms the basis for planning replacements and managing the lifecycle of the assets.

Strategic Implications

Plant and equipment replacement for local governments is crucial for maintaining operational efficiency, reducing costs, and ensuring that services provided to the community are of high quality.

Policy Implications

Finance Policy 3.4 Purchasing and Tendering
Finance Policy 3.3 Reserve Portfolio Rational
Local Government (Functions and General) Regulations 1996

Financial Implications

Procurement and Tendering Requirements

Overview: Western Australian local governments are bound by specific rules and regulations related to procurement, including the Local Government (Functions and General) Regulations 1996 (WA).

Relevance to Plant Replacement:

- When replacing plant, local governments must follow procurement processes that ensure transparency, fairness, and value for money. This could involve tendering for the supply of new plant, with a focus on competitive bidding and compliance with procurement regulations.
- **Regulation 11 (Tendering Requirements):** This regulation specifies when a local government is required to publicly advertise for tenders, particularly for significant purchases such as plant replacements.

The 2025/2026 Plant Replacement Program continues to improve the Shires service capabilities. If the overall plant replacement can't be funded from general revenue, council has the option to partly fund it from the Heavy Vehicle Road User Fee or Plant Reserve.

Estimated balance of Reserves at the 30th of June 2025

Heavy Vehicle Road User Fee Reserve: \$2,909,762

Plant Reserve: \$1,032,753

Risk Implications

Risk Category	Description	Rating (Consequence x Likelihood)	Mitigation Action
Health/People		Nil	
Financial Impact	Older equipment often requires more frequent repairs, and risks major component failure which can be expensive. As plant and equipment ages, the cost of maintaining them typically increases.	Low (2)	Replacing old plant and equipment with new models ensures higher reliability, reducing the likelihood of unexpected breakdowns that can lead to costly production downtimes.
Service Interruption	Plant and equipment can fail due to wear and tear, design flaws, or aging components.	Low (2)	Replacing plant and equipment is one of the most effective strategies for reducing service interruptions.
Compliance	Nil	Nil	Nil
Reputational	Frequent service interruptions, poor product quality, or delays due to outdated equipment can lead to	Low (2)	Newer equipment often comes with better performance capabilities, enabling quicker responses to community needs.

	a loss of community trust		
Property	Nil	Nil	Nil
Environment	Nil	Nil	Nil

Risk Matrix						
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Officer Recommendation

Moved Cr Rose/Seconded Cr Newbury

By Simple Majority council accepts the 2025/2026 to 2034/2035 Plant Replacement program as presented.

Cr Bradford Spoke against the motion and moved an alternative motion

Council Decision

50/2025

Moved Cr Bradford/Seconded Cr Close

That the 10-Year Plant replacement Program 2025/2026 to 2034/2035 be laid on the table until the May 2025 Ordinary Council meeting.

CARRIED (7/0)

Cr's For: Della Bosca, Close, Bradford, Guerini, Granich, Newbury, Rose

Cr's Against: Nil

Reason for alternative motion:

Mover Cr Bradford: Sought to ask the absent Executive Manager of Infrastructure specific questions relating to the plant replacement.

10 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

11 MOTIONS FOR WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil

12 NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE INTRODUCED BY DECISION OF THE MEETING

Nil

13 MEETING CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC - CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Nil

14 CLOSURE

As there was no further business to discuss, the Shire President declared the meeting closed at 5:27pm.

I, Wayne Della Bosca, confirm the above Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 17 April 2025, are confirmed on Thursday 15 May 2025 as true and correct record of the April 2025 Ordinary Meeting of Council.

Cr Wayne Della Bosca
SHIRE PRESIDENT

MINUTES
SHIRE OF YILGARN TOURISM ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING
WEDNESDAY, 9th April 2025

Herein are the minutes of the Shire of Yilgarn Tourism Advisory Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 9th April 2025 in the Shire of Yilgarn Council Chambers at 6.00pm.

The presiding member declared the meeting open at 6:00pm.

1. ATTENDANCE

Cr L Rose, Council Representative
K Crafter – Voting member
L Sheehan – Voting Member
J Cobden – Voting member
A Carnicelli (Allison)
A Carnicelli (Anthony)
J Wesley
N Warren – CEO
Glen Brigg – EMI
Kim Chrisp – APM

APOLOGIES

Cr L Granich
O Truran
S Carnicelli
J Karra

2. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Moved K Crafter/Seconded J Cobden

That the Minutes of the Tourism Advisory Committee meeting held on Wednesday, 2nd October 2024 be confirmed.

Carried (4/0)

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

5.1 Actions from Previous Meetings

5.1.1 Entry Statements

Action: Moved Onida Truran Seconded Kaye Crafter

That the committee endorse the concept of the entry statement as provided, and seek minor adjustments to the images and colour scheme.

Carried (6/0)

Glen Brigg will provide update in General Business.

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4. GENERAL BUSINESS

4.1 Entry Statements

At the September 2023 meeting, the committee endorsed the following:

***Action: Moved Onida Truran Seconded Kaye Crafter
That the committee endorse the concept of the entry statement as
provided, and seek minor adjustments to the images and colour
scheme.***

Carried (6/0)

The current preliminary designs have been tabled as Appendix 1 for discussion.

G Brigg provided an update on the design, being undertaken by Elite Steel. Concept uses shadow box to light up the wording, stars and moon within a steel structure. Wording legible at night up to 100m away.

Sought feedback as to a blood moon or a white moon, group's preference was a white moon.

4.2 Mural Community Survey

The Shire undertook a survey of the community to seek ideas for the mural on foodworks wall.

A quote from Jacob Butler (Shakey) has been sought:

For discussion

Thought price for Shakey was high, J Cobden to provide details of mural artist undertaking work at local school for second quote.

Mural responses from community survey to be provided to preferred artist to assist with concept design.

Thought Foodworks wall was not most ideal place

4.3 Lake Koorkadine Walkway

Glen has been working on designs for the Lake Koorkadine Walkway.

Elite Steel are working on the design. Plan is for Reinforced Fibre mesh.

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Images have been provided to indicate proposed construction.



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Noted, sought to include seating and a photo op structure. Preferred colour is black.

4.4 Constellation Park

Shire is working on a new shade structure at Constellation park after the last shade structure was damaged.

Plan is to install a hard shade structure.

The labyrinth is also being planned, to be completed using resin and stone mix in various colours.

Noted

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4.5 Marvel Loch Toilets

The Shire is working on designs for the Marvel Loch public toilets which are due for replacement.

Current designs were provided.

Images depicting wall feature possibilities are provided over page.

Noted

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4.5 CBD and Town Hall Upgrade

The Shire is progressing with plans to upgrade the CBD Main Street and Town Hall.

Concept plans for both were shown at the meeting.

Concept ideas for rain gardens to be incorporated into the CBD development were provided to group.

Noted

4.6 WEROC Intern Report

Through the McCusker Centre, the Wheatbelt East Regional Organisation of Councils (WEROC) were fortunate to secure an intern whose objective was to look at Tourism in the WEROC region.

The report provided by intern Nandita Choudhary was tabled with the committee

Noted by group

5. MATTERS RAISED BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

K Crafter

- Raised the idea of a highway installation every 20km, similar to what Pingelly have done.

Allison Carnicelli

- Raised the state of Karalee Dam camping grounds, advised by CEO that it under jurisdiction of National Trust. Allison asked if we could place signage advising of National Trust being responsible entity.
- Shannon Carnicelli is undertaking a project to determine the history of people of whom the street in Marvel Loch are named after. Though she would be happy to share with Committee.

J Wesley

- Raised placing a large white quartz stone at Emu Park with a plaque noting Yilgarn was named after white quartz.

L Sheehan

- Raised possibility of using Palace fence for mural.

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J Cobden

- Sought to set up a stall to notify community of what the Tourism Committee have been working on. CEO noted a "Minutes on a Page" concept in crosswords might also be an option.

6. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Committee is proposed to be held on 9th of July 2025.

Noted holding meetings at least quarterly.

7. MEETING CLOSURE

The meeting was closed at 7:25pm

UNCONFIRMED

Great Eastern Country Zone Minutes

10 April 2025

**Hosted by the Shire of Merredin
Merredin Regional Community
Leisure Centre**

ZONE STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

The following items are the Zone's priority issues, as resolved at the February 2024 Zone meeting:

- Regional Health Services to include:
 - Hospitals
 - Aged Care
 - Future of Nurse Practitioner Service
- St John Ambulance Service – Impact on Volunteers and the provision of the service generally.
- Regional Subsidiaries
- Transport – Road Network
- Telecommunications
- Education
- Review of GROH Housing and Regional Housing issues
- Waste Management
- Agricultural Land Use

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2. Item 8.4 Main Roads WA presentation
3. Item 8.5 Water Corporation presentation

1. OPENING, ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

1.1. OPENING

Chair, President Cr Tony Sachse opened the meeting at 9:32am.

1.2. ATTENDANCE

MEMBERS	2 Voting Delegates from each Member Council
Shire of Bruce Rock	President Cr Ram Rajagopalan
	Cr Stephen Strange (State Council Representative)
Shire of Cunderdin	President Cr Alison Harris JP
	Deputy President Cr Tony Smith
	Mr Stuart Hobley, Chief Executive Officer, non-voting
Shire of Kellerberrin	Deputy President Cr Emily Ryan
	Mr Raymond Griffiths, Chief Executive Officer (voting delegate)
Shire of Koorda	President Cr Jannah Stratford
	Mr Zac Donovan, Chief Executive Officer, non-voting
Shire of Merredin	Cr Mark McKenzie
Shire of Mount Marshall	President Cr Tony Sachse (Zone Chair)
	Mr Ben McKay, Chief Executive Officer, non-voting
Shire of Mukinbudin	President Cr Gary Shadbolt
	Ms Tanika McLennan, A/Chief Executive Officer, non-voting
Shire of Narembeen	Deputy President Cr Holly Cusack
	Ms Rebecca McCall, Chief Executive Officer, non-voting
Shire of Nungarin	Deputy President Cr Gary Coumbe
Shire of Tammin	Deputy President Cr Tanya Nicholls
	Mr Andrew Malone, Chief Executive Officer, non-voting
Shire of Trayning	Mr John Merrick, A/Chief Executive Officer, non voting

Shire of Westonia	President Cr Mark Crees
	Ms Jasmine Geier, Deputy Chief Executive Officer non-voting
Shire of Wyalkatchem	President Cr Owen Garner
	Ms Sabine Taylor, Chief Executive Officer, non-voting
Shire of Yilgarn	President Cr Wayne Della Bosca
	Mr Nic Warren, Chief Executive Officer, non-voting

GUESTS	
Main Roads WA	Mr Mohammad Siddiqui, Regional Manager Wheatbelt
Regional Development Australia WA	Mr Josh Pomykala, Director Regional Development
Water Corporation	Ms Rebecca Bowler, Manager Customer & Stakeholder – Goldfields & Agricultural Region
CBH Group	Ms Kellie Todman, Manager Governance and Industry Relations

WALGA	
Cr Paul Kelly, WALGA Deputy President	
Mr Ian Duncan, Executive Manager, Infrastructure	
Mr Sam McLeod, Manager Commercial Services (Zone Executive Officer)	
Ms Chantelle O'Brian, Governance Support Officer	

1.3. APOLOGIES

MEMBERS

Shire of Bruce Rock	Mr Mark Furr, Chief Executive Officer, non-voting
Shire of Dowerin	President Cr Robert Trepp
	Deputy President Cr Nadine McMorran
	Mrs Manisha Barthakur, Chief Executive Officer, non-voting
Shire of Kondinin	President Cr Kent Mouritz
	Deputy President Cr Bev Gangell
	Mr David Burton, Chief Executive Officer, non-voting
Shire of Koorda	Deputy President Cr Gary Greaves
Shire of Merredin	Deputy President Cr Renee Manning
	Mr Craig Watts, Chief Executive Officer, non-voting
Shire of Mount Marshall	Deputy President Cr Nick Gillett
Shire of Narembeen	President Cr Scott Stirrat

Shire of Nungarin	President Cr Pippa de Lacy
	Mr David Nayda, Chief Executive Officer, non-voting
Shire of Tammin	Cr Nick Caffell
Shire of Trayning	President Cr Melanie Brown
	Cr Michelle McHugh
Shire of Westonia	Deputy President Cr Ross Della Bosca
	Mr Bill Price, Chief Executive Officer, non-voting
Shire of Wyalkatchem	Deputy President Cr Christy Petchell
Shire of Yilgarn	Deputy President Cr Bryan Close

GUESTS	
Wheatbelt Development Commission	Mr Rob Cossart, Chief Executive Officer

MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT	
Hon Martin Aldridge MLC, Member for Agricultural Region	
Hon Melissa Price MP, Member for Durack	
Mr Rick Wilson MP, Member for O'Connor	
Hon Sandra Carr MLC, Member for Agricultural Region	
Hon Colin de Grussa MLC, Member for Agricultural Region	
Hon Steve Martin MLC, Member for the Agricultural Region	
Hon Shelley Payne MLC, Member for Agricultural Region	
Hon Darren West MLC, Member for Agricultural Region	
Mr Lachlan Hunter MLA, Member for Central Wheatbelt	
Mr Peter Rundle MLA, Member for Roe	

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

We, the Great Eastern Country Zone of WALGA acknowledge the continuing connection of Aboriginal people to Country, culture and community, and pay our respects to Elders past and present.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Elected Members must declare to the Chair any potential conflict of interest they have in a matter before the Zone as soon as they become aware of it. Councillors and deputies may be directly or indirectly associated with some recommendations of the Zone and State Council. If you are affected by these recommendations, please excuse yourself from the meeting and do not participate in deliberations.

Nil.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nil.

5. LOCAL GOVERNMENT 'VIRTUAL HOST'

A Zone member Local Government was invited to make a short presentation on what is occurring in their Local Government.

The **Shire of Wyalkatchem President, Cr Owen Garner** made a presentation to the Zone.

The **Shire of Westonia** is invited to make a presentation to the next Zone meeting, in June.

6. GUEST SPEAKERS / DEPUTATIONS

6.1. SPEAKERS FOR THE APRIL ZONE MEETING

6.1.1. IAN DUNCAN, WALGA EXECUTIVE MANAGER INFRASTRUCTURE

Ian presented on infrastructure matters of interest to the Zone.

The presentation is attached with the Minutes (Attachment 1).

Noted

7. MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT

There were no Members of Parliament in attendance.

A brief apology was given on behalf of the new Member for the Central Wheatbelt, Mr Lachlan Hunter MLA, noting that the meeting was held during the first sitting week of the new Western Australian Parliament. It was also acknowledged that Mr Hunter's office has indicated an interest in representing Mr Hunter at future Zone meetings when Mr Hunter is unable to personally attend.

Noted

8. AGENCY REPORTS

8.1. DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, SPORT AND CULTURAL INDUSTRIES

No report was received.

Noted

8.2. WHEATBELT DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Rob Cossart, Chief Executive Officer

Rob Cossart was an apology for this meeting. A brief update was provided by the Executive Officer.

Noted

8.3. REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AUSTRALIA WHEATBELT

Josh Pomykala, Director Regional Development

The Regional Development Australia report was provided with the Agenda. Mr Pomykala was available to answer questions.

Noted

8.4. MAIN ROADS WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Mohammad Siddiqui, Regional Manager Wheatbelt

Mohammad spoke to his report.

The presentation is attached with the Minutes (Attachment 2).

Noted

8.5. WATER CORPORATION

Rebecca Bowler, Manager Customer and Stakeholder

Rebecca provided a presentation to the Zone.

The presentation is attached with the Minutes (Attachment 3).

Noted

8.6. CBH GROUP

Kellie Todman, Manager - Government & Industry Relations

Kellie provided a verbal update to the Zone.

Noted

9. MINUTES

9.1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES FROM THE GREAT EASTERN COUNTRY ZONE MEETING HELD ON 14 FEBRUARY 2025

The Minutes of the Great Eastern Country Zone meeting held on 14 February 2025 have previously been circulated to Member Councils.

RESOLUTION

Mover **Shire of Koorda**
Seconder **Shire of Cunderdin**

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Great Eastern Country Zone held on 14 February 2025 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings, subject to noting President Cr Mark Crees and CEO Mr Bill Price, Shire of Westonia as apologies.

CARRIED

9.2. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE GREAT EASTERN COUNTRY ZONE MEETING HELD ON 14 FEBRUARY 2025

9.2.1. ITEM 8.1: DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT, SPORT AND CULTURAL INDUSTRIES ATTENDANCE

Background

The Zone requested WALGA enquire about DLGSC representatives attending Zone meetings as it has been a significant period of time since the Zone had an attendee. It is understood that DLGSC representatives did not attend the February round of Zone meetings, which fell during the State Government caretaker period.

On 31 March, Machinery of Government changes were announced, including the transfer of the Local Government and Racing & Gaming (Liquor) portfolios to a new **Department of Local Government, Commerce, Industry Regulation and Safety**, to substantially replace the existing Department of Energy, Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety (DEMIRS).

WALGA will continue to engage with the Local Government portfolio staff to facilitate attendance and reports for Zone meetings.

Noted

9.2.2. ITEM 10.1: DRAFT OPERATIONAL PROCEDURE 113: OPERATIONAL BOUNDARIES AND ASSET MAINTENANCE RESPONSIBILITIES: RURAL REGIONS

A submission to Main Roads WA with the inclusion of collated feedback from the Sector was submitted on 24 March. This submission was attached to the Agenda.

Since this is a procedure of high significance to the operations of both Main Roads and Local Governments, it has been rerecommended that any subsequent drafts be referred to the sector, including Regional Road Groups for further review.

WALGA has also suggested the formation of a reference group comprising representation from the Main Roads Regions, Local Governments, WALGA and Institute of Public Works Engineering Australia (IPWEA) be established to guide the final outcome.

Noted

9.2.3. ITEM 14.1: WA TELSTRA AUTOMATIC TRANSFER UNIT PILOT DEPLOYMENT PROGRAM

Background

The Zone resolved the following:

WALGA organise a roundtable with WALGA, Telstra, Department of Fire and Emergency Services and Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development to discuss the drafting of Community Support Agents Agreement for the implementation of the WA Telstra Automatic Transfer Unit Pilot Deployment Program.

Comment

Following the February meeting, WALGA has been engaging with a range of stakeholders on this important issue.

WALGA met with Mr Brendon Riley, Chief Executive Officer of Telstra InfraCo, and Mr Boyd Brown, Regional General Manager, Telstra, on 10 March, to discuss a range of matters including the Community Support Agents Agreements for the ATU Pilot. WALGA followed up on this meeting and is awaiting further advice from Telstra on the draft Community Support Agents Agreements. It is understood that Telstra's legal division is still developing agreements.

WALGA met separately with DPIRD on 13 March and has been engaging with DPIRD on the potential options for procuring generators. WALGA understands that final site inspections and confirmation of generator specifications is required before procurement can progress.

The Zone Executive Officer also received a helpful overview of pilot work from the Acting CEO of the Shire of Mukinbudin. Initial trial work with the Shire of Mukinbudin has benefited from the Shire's personnel having pre-existing site access credentials through their prior work experience.

WALGA has been advised of a potential further meeting and is awaiting advice on the next date from the Wheatbelt Development Commission.

Noted

9.2.4. TIER 3 RAIL

The Executive Officer advised that WALGA would provide the Zone with WALGA's Advocacy Position on Freight on Rail.

This is WALGA's current Advocacy Position:

5.1.1 Freight on Rail

The Local Government sector supports keeping grain freight (Tier 3) rail lines open.

Please refer to Item 10.3 for a potential related initiative.

Noted

9.3. MINUTES OF THE GREAT EASTERN COUNTRY ZONE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 1 APRIL 2025

The Minutes of the Great Eastern Country Zone Executive Committee meeting held on 1 April 2025 were provided as an attachment to the Agenda.

RESOLUTION

Mover **Shire of Cunderdin**
Seconder **Shire of Mukinbudin**

That the Minutes of the Great Eastern Country Zone Executive Committee meeting held on 1 April 2025 be received.

CARRIED

9.4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE GREAT EASTERN COUNTRY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 1 APRIL 2025

These are reported in Zone Business below.

10. ZONE BUSINESS

10.1. PROVISION OF RURAL GP SERVICES IN RM 6 AND RM 7 COMMUNITIES

Shire of Narembeen

BACKGROUND

Following the WALGA-hosted Band 4 Local Governments meeting on 11 October 2024, where key issues impacting local governments were discussed, the Shire of Lake Grace convened a meeting on 29 November 2024 with six local governments (Band 3 and Band 4) and key stakeholders.

The purpose of this meeting was to discuss the financial and in-kind contributions made by local governments to secure medical service providers in their communities. It was agreed that submissions be made to both the State and Federal Governments for budget consideration to address this pressing issue.

To support this advocacy, Caroline Robinson from 150 Square was contracted to prepare a comprehensive submission and subsequent actions. A position paper was developed on behalf of the Shires of Gnowangerup, Jerramungup, Kojonup, Narembeen, Lake Grace, and Ravensthorpe and was formally submitted to the Federal Budget Pre-Submission process for consideration.

Additionally, the participating local governments agreed that a motion should be prepared and submitted to the ALGA National Assembly of Local Government, scheduled to be held in Canberra from 24-27 June 2025. The Shire of Lake Grace is submitting this motion to ALGA on behalf of the alliance, now collectively referred to as the 'Alliance of RM 6 and RM 7 Councils.'

COMMENT

The motion to be submitted to ALGA calls on the Australian Government to increase Financial Assistance Grants (FAGs) for regional and remote local governments (RM6 and RM7) to cover costs associated with attracting and retaining general practitioners. The aim is to redirect ratepayer funds back to essential local government responsibilities rather than subsidising medical services.

This initiative aligns with the Local Government Primary Healthcare Services Survey conducted by Rural Health West and endorsed by WALGA in December 2024.

The full submission detailing the challenges and proposed solutions for attracting and retaining GPs in RM 6 and RM 7 communities was attached to the Agenda for reference.

The current plan is to send up to four delegates to the Assembly, which will also include meetings with relevant government departments.

If the advocacy campaign is successful, local governments will experience financial relief, enabling them to sustainably retain medical services within their communities while reallocating resources to core local government functions.

RECOMMENDATION (SHIRE OF NAREMBEEN)

That the Great Eastern Country Zone notes the motion submitted to the National Assembly of Local Government regarding financial assistance for the provision of medical services to regional and remote local governments.

WALGA SECRETARIAT COMMENT

WALGA supports the Alliance of RM 6 and RM 7 Councils' (the Alliance) motion submitted to the ALGA NGA calling for increased Australian Government financial support for Local Governments supporting the provision of essential healthcare services for their communities. The provision of healthcare services in Australia is both an Australian and State responsibility, principally through the Medicare system at the Federal level. Raising this issue at the ALGA NGA provides an opportunity to elevate the issue to an ALGA priority at the National level and gain support from Local Governments experiencing similar cost imposts in other jurisdictions. It is pleasing to hear that the WALGA commissioned Local Government Primary Healthcare Services Survey Report (Survey Report) was useful in the development of the Alliances' Position Paper and ALGA motion.

Equitable access to primary healthcare is an important issue for many WALGA, including some that fall outside of the rural zone according to the Rural, Remote and Metropolitan Area (RRMA) classification. Reflective of the financial impact on the sector and building on the Survey Report, WALGA has begun a strategic advocacy plan which includes targeted actions for the Australian and State Governments, leveraging the opportunities of elections, new Cabinet compositions and the renegotiation of the National Health Reform Agreement (NHRA) between the Australian Government and States and Territories. WALGA continues to offer its support to the Alliance on this important issue.

RESOLUTION

Mover **Shire of Wyalkatchem**
Seconder **Shire of Koorda**

That the Great Eastern Country Zone supports the motion submitted to the National Assembly of Local Government regarding financial assistance for the provision of medical services to regional and remote local governments.

CARRIED

10.2. POTENTIAL INITIATIVES TO INVEST CASH RESERVES

The Great Eastern Country Zone has approximately \$200,000 in funds currently held at bank. While having adequate reserve funds provides a financial buffer for the Zone, the buffer is very substantial, and there may be opportunities to invest some of the funds towards new initiatives for the general benefit of Zone members.

At the suggestion of the Zone, WALGA have developed a range of suggestions for how some proportion of the reserve funds could be invested in initiatives or the benefit of Zone Local Governments.

A wide range of potential initiatives has been identified. The management time required to coordinate delivery of these initiatives is expected to be significant, so it is suggested that focusing on the delivery of one preferred initiative may provide for timely completion. One approach could be to provisionally schedule a sequential order of initiatives into the future, which could be reviewed on a regular basis.

It is important to consider that, while WALGA will provide support for any initiatives, the success of any initiative will ultimately depend on the degree to which Zone-based officials contribute to managing the practical delivery of the initiative. This is likely to be particularly imperative for projects that involve consultants and/or specific advocacy for the Zone.

Suggestions are as follows. The estimated cost magnitude represents a realistic upper-bound estimate for what the initiative is expected to cost.

Potential Initiative	Potential Cost Magnitude	Other Resourcing Required from Zone
<p>1. Engage a consultant to undertake a study on potential uses of the new powers for Local Governments to mortgage freehold land to fund development or upgrades to Local Government housing (potentially with/through CEACA), to deliver a report for all Zone members.</p> <p>This work could:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assist in ensuring future advocacy is positioned recognising the needs of Zone LGs; Inform engagement with DLGSC in ensuring any regulations on these powers are fit-for-purpose; Assist Zone LGs with asset and budget planning. 	\$50,000	<p>Advice from Zone CEOs on landholdings</p> <p>Lead zone-based person to assist the consultant.</p>
<p>2. Trial of employing a shared resource to strategically target grant funding opportunities (potentially targeting 2026 Disaster Resilience and Recovery Funding as combined applications, etc.)</p>	\$75,000	<p>Zone LG to be employer or principal for contractor. CEOs to assist with access to records etc.</p>
<p>3. Engage consultant to undertake research and opportunity assessment to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inform advocacy on measures to shift grain freight task back to specific rail routes; and/or Position advocacy in relation to any potential transfer of freight railway transition back to State Government. <p>This work could potentially base on a case study route to be determined by the Zone (as an example that might apply for other railway lines generally, etc.). This work could assist with significant advocacy and earned media.</p>	\$50,000	<p>Zone to determine specific focus of study (routes, issues, etc.)</p> <p>Zone CEOs to be available to brief consultant and provide data if required.</p> <p>May work best if lead LG on relevant freight corridor manage the engagement.</p>

<p>4. Fund a Zone delegation to Perth for specific zone advocacy/engagement aims.</p> <p>Suggest delegation during a Parliament sitting week with the aim of meeting several Ministers on one Parliament Sitting day. Likely to realise greatest value if the delegation was focussed on targeting specific outcomes from political representatives and agencies. This delegation could utilise WALGA's new Member Hub or central city hotel as base.</p> <p>This delegation could also involve:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meetings with Party Leaders and/or Parliamentary dinner (typically a Tuesday only). • Meetings with key agencies and organisations (PoweringWA, Telstra, Synergy, etc.) • Professional development opportunities for matters or topics of interest to Zone delegates. • Earned media opportunities. 	\$15,000	<p>Zone to resolve key intended aims of trip.</p> <p>Zone to confirm travelling party and priority engagements.</p> <p>Zone LG may need to coordinate some logistics.</p>
5. Delegation to Canberra or elsewhere interstate for ALGA Conference	\$35,000	Zone LG may need to coordinate some logistics.
6. Expanded 2027 conference to include interstate or international speakers (potentially regional development experts, economists, agronomists, etc.).	\$20,000	Zone to give direction on areas of interest.
<p>7. Provide group professional development opportunities for Zone Council Members and/or staff - may be able to facilitate discount on all-in training delivered at host LG.</p> <p>Types of PD activity that may be of interest:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WALGA short courses • Guest speakers on specific topics (e.g. updates on use of technology in regional economic sectors) • Media training • Training for potential future CEOs employed by Zone LGs 	\$15,000	<p>Zone LG to host.</p> <p>Zone to define scope of training (what, for who) advise on types of PD of interest.</p>

There may be other initiatives that have not been identified. Further initiatives could be added to the list at the suggestion of Zone members, although it could be advisable to avoid initiatives which might:

- Overlap or duplicate other initiatives or programs,
- Provide only a benefit for a small number of member Local Governments,
- Involve significant risks, or
- Require unrealistic management overhead.

It is proposed that the Zone discusses potential initiatives and priorities, so that further work and proposed priority initiatives can be presented for a formal decision at the June Zone meeting.

RESOLUTION

Mover Shire of Bruce Rock
Seconded Shire of Mukinbudin

That the Great Eastern Country Zone:

1. Notes and reviews this report.
2. Discusses the listed initiatives and adds to the list – Funding for delegates to attend the Local Government Convention and Training for Delegates.
3. Discusses potential considerations for determining priority initiatives.
4. Requests the Executive Committee reports back with proposed priority initiatives for decision at the next Zone meeting on 12 June 2025.

CARRIED

10.3. AVONWEST LOGISTICS AND ENTERPRISE HUB (NORTHAM FREIGHT HUB) – POTENTIAL TRAFFIC IMPLICATIONS FOR GREAT EASTERN HIGHWAY

Following the Executive Committee meeting on 1 April, WALGA made inquiries in relation to the proposed Northam Freight Hub – known also as the Avon Logistics Hub (AvonWest) - which has been supported by studies by the Wheatbelt Development Commission: <https://wheatbelt.wa.gov.au/project/northam-freight-hub-study/>.

A desktop review indicated that part of the site was recently rezoned from “Environmental Conservation” to “Light and Service Industry”, with the amendment gazetted on 12/04/2024. The Shire of Northam appears to have indicated support for the proposal through the relevant planning processes.

Public documents appear to indicate that the logistics hub could potentially facilitate logistics strategies such as load consolidation and multimodal transfers via the Avon Rail Yard, which could improve efficiency of heavy vehicle movements on Great Eastern Highway.

In reply to queries, the Shire of Northam advised that:

The developer, Procon Developments, have a website at <https://www.procondevelopmentsaustralia.com/>, which will provide you an overview of their proposal.

Regarding the traffic concerns / implications, [the] Shire and Main Roads have considered the traffic implications and management as part of the subdivision proposals, which have concluded that the traffic can be managed with upgrades to Yilgarn Ave and the entry and exit points of the site that will cater for RAV7 vehicles.

[The Scheme amendment] relates to 2 portions of the site and the remainder of the site was already zoned Light & Service Industry. This amendment did not really reassess the traffic as it was considered as part of an earlier subdivision application.

Additionally, the developer has also been in discussions with Main Roads to manage any impacts relating to the use and upgrading of their existing road train assembly area to ensure that the area can continue to be used during the construction phase.

WALGA is awaiting further advice from the Shire in relation to any forecast traffic implications for Great Eastern Highway.

RESOLUTION

Mover **Shire of Cunderdin**
Second **Shire of Wyalkatchem**

That the Great Eastern Country Zone:

- 1. Notes this report.**
- 2. Invites the proponent to provide an address at the June Zone meeting.**
- 3. Considers any potential advocacy position in relation to the development.**

CARRIED

10.4. GREAT EASTERN COUNTRY ZONE CONFERENCE 2025

The Forum was held on Friday, 28 March at the Bruce Rock Town Hall, and was attended by around 90 delegates. The Forum ran to plan and initial feedback has been positive. After the Forum, a brief media statement was circulated to Wheatbelt media and published on WALGA's website.

The Zone Executive Committee discussed potential learnings and improvements for future conferences as follows:

General comment:

- The Committee thanked the Shire of Bruce Rock for hosting the Forum, thanked all speakers for their contributions, and expressed appreciation to everyone involved in organising the event.
- Local businesses in the Shire of Bruce Rock were thankful for the business due to the Forum.
- Mr. Lachlan Hunter was pleased to be available for the afternoon session.

Things that worked well:

- The MC, Di Darmody, did an excellent job.
- The centrally located venue was ideal for the event and the venue was well suited to the Forum.
- A good amount of time was provided for networking.

Potential improvements for future events:

- Increase the number of Councillors from the Zone by promoting the event earlier, using more impactful advertising, and featuring a high-profile or must-see keynote speaker or presentation.
- Make sessions more interactive by allocating time for questions and answers, ensuring delegates gain the most benefit from the sessions and can leverage the expertise of the speakers.
- Develop a strategy to address the mid-afternoon slump.
- Clearly define the key question each session aims to answer and continually refer back to it to stay on track.

A short attendee feedback survey has been developed and sent to registered delegates, which is available here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Y3HKNVJ>. All attendees are encouraged to complete the survey by 5:00pm on Friday, 11 April.

A report of the outcomes of the Survey will be presented to the June Zone meeting.

During the Acknowledgement of Country, Shayna Campbell gifted the Zone Chair a message stick as a gesture to welcome the Forum to Bruce Rock. It is proposed that this message stick is bequeathed by the Zone to the Shire of Bruce Rock in recognition of the Shire's generous hospitality at the Forum.

RESOLUTION

Mover **Shire of Bruce Rock**
Seconder **Shire of Mukinbudin**

That the Great Eastern Country Zone:

- 1. Invites verbal reports from President Cr Gary Shadbolt (Conference Committee Chair) and President Cr Ram Rajagopalan (Host Local Government President) on their reflections on the Forum.**
- 2. Considers the reports and receives any further verbal feedback Zone members wish to provide at the Zone meeting.**
- 3. Bequeaths the message stick received from Shayna Campbell to the Shire of Bruce Rock in recognition of the Shire's hospitality at the Forum.**
- 4. Note that a formal report will be presented to the Executive Committee and Zone during the June meetings.**

CARRIED

Cr Shadbolt Comments

Special thanks to Executive: James (prior to leaving WALGA), Tony, Sam, and Meghan.

The Program was excellent.

Discussed the process for planning the Forum.

A future suggestion would be to have more time for Q&A in all sessions.

Cr Rajagopalan Comments

Thanks to the Zone for allowing Bruce Rock to host.

Additionally, thanks to Executive team.

Central location within the Zone was a good place to have the Forum for attendance.

Executive arriving to the region early was well regarded.

Suggestion of an Officer CEO speaker/s maybe a panel for perspective in the role of CEO.

10.5. ZONE PRIORITIES FOR MINISTERIAL BRIEFINGS

By Dana Mason, External Affairs Manager, WALGA

BACKGROUND

Following the March election, the Cook Government has unveiled its new Cabinet, emphasizing regional representation by appointing a dedicated Minister for each region.

The new Cabinet structure shows that the Government intends to have a greater focus on regional WA during this term.

WALGA has written to all Ministers responsible for specific regions, inviting them to participate in upcoming meetings of their respective WALGA Zones.

WALGA will also provide each Minister with a written briefing on the key issues facing their region.

To ensure these briefings are comprehensive, WALGA is seeking input from the Zones to identify the top three to five priorities they would like highlighted.

The Great Eastern Country Zone identified its priority issues at the February 2024 Zone meeting (see page 2) and may like to use these as a basis for identifying their top priorities.

The Zones provide an important opportunity for the Government to have a direct line of communication and engagement with regional WA and ensure that local issues are considered in the broader policy agenda.

WALGA will report on engagements with Ministers responsible for specific regions through the President's report at future Zone meetings.

RESOLUTION

Mover **Shire of Yilgarn**
Second **Shire of Wyalkatchem**

That the Great Eastern Country Zone provide the below top three items to WALGA as the Zone's priorities:

- a. Housing**
- b. GP Services including Locums**
- c. Roads**

CARRIED

10.6. AUTHORISATION OF PUBLIC OFFICER FOR THE ZONES AUSTRALIAN TAXATION OFFICE (ATO)

By Richard May, Finance Manager

Managing the Zones for taxation, registration, and annual reporting requirements occurs through the ATO online services. To ensure adequate cover of authorised officers, the Zone is requested to approve the access to the following WALGA Finance team member:

Public Officer

Richard Andrew Murray Chief Financial Officer

RESOLUTION

Mover Shire of Bruce Rock

Seconded Shire of Cunderdin

That the Great Eastern Country Zone authorise Richard Andrew Murray as Public Officer for the Great Eastern Country Zone.

CARRIED

10.7. UPDATE ON SCHOOL BUS SERVICES

Further to comments about potential School Bus Route changes at the February Executive meeting, the Executive Officer lodged an inquiry with the Public Transport Authority (PTA). It is understood that the PTA review School Bus Routes at the commencement of every school year to make route adjustments in line with enrolments.

In line with the findings of the 2022 Parliamentary Public Accounts Committee Inquiry into the Student Transport Assistance Policy Framework, the PTA has been working to re-institute School Bus Advisory Committees. Further information on those is available here: <https://schoolbuses.wa.gov.au/News/TabId/598/ArtMID/1748/ArticleID/84/School-Bus-Advisory-Committee.aspx>.

After the April Executive Committee meeting, the PTA provided an email response as follows:

"There are no significant changes as such with regard to the way routes are altered i.e. eligibility drives where buses are directed for farm gate pick ups.

"The best way for Shires to get an understanding of school bus routes for 2025 throughout regional Western Australia is to access the spatial data set from SBS' GIS mapping database (MAPNET). Any Shire can access this data by utilising SLIP, which is hosted by Landgate. PTA regularly updates spatial data to SLIP so the bus routes are reasonably up to date. As the start of the new school year results in the most changes of bus routes, it may take a couple of months for all routes to be published via SLIP. Specific detail can also be raised with our Contract Officers. Contact details are on our website linked to regional towns at www.schoolbuses.wa.gov.au."

WALGA has mapped the latest available School Bus Route data for the Great Eastern Country Zone (Attachment 5). It should be noted that this data and map may not yet reflect route changes for the 2025 school year.

If required, WALGA could re-map this dataset following the next update being published by the PTA.

Noted

10.8. UPDATE ON BAND 4 LOCAL GOVERNMENTS MEETING

By Tony Brown, Executive Director Member Services

BACKGROUND

Following the Band 4 roundtable meeting hosted by the Minister for Local Government, Hon Hannah Beasley, on 3 September 2024, WALGA was pleased to host a further meeting of Band 4 Local Governments to continue the discussion.

The meeting was held on 11 October 2024 at the Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre. All 60 Band 4 Local Governments in the State were invited to attend. Overall, 72 representatives from 48 Local Governments attended the meeting.

The aim of the meeting was to identify and agree on the top issues facing Band 4 WA Local Governments, to enable the group to consider and develop potential solutions to these issues, before presenting to the Minister.

Caroline Robinson, Director of 150 Square facilitated the discussion.

As the main outcome of the meeting, the group identified the top four strategic and operational issues facing Band 4 Local Governments (from most pressing to least pressing):

1. Housing;
2. Audit;
3. Provision of medical services; and
4. Financial Assistance Grants (timing).

WALGA has since undertaken considerable work on the above issues.

An update report on the work done to date was recently circulated to all Band 4 CEOs and Presidents and is provided as an attachment (Attachment 6)

Noted

10.9. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (DEVELOPMENT ASSESSMENT PANELS) REGULATIONS 2025

By Chris Hossen, Policy Manager, Planning and Building and Felicity Morris, Manager Governance and Procurement

BACKGROUND

The State Government's 2021 updates to the *Action Plan for Planning Reform* included measures to improve consistency and transparency for DAP applications, including clarifying the respective role of Elected Members and officers to remove Elected Members from what were deemed to be administrative DAP functions.

These changes were not included in amendments to the *Planning and Development Act 2005*, but were included as part of the 2024 reforms to the *Local Government Act 1995* through the insertion of a new section (s. 9.69 B) to allow for the creation of regulations that specify DAP functions that must be performed on behalf of the Local Government by the CEO or authorised officer.

On Tuesday 1 April, new *Local Government (Development Assessment Panels) Regulations 2025* (the Regulations) were gazetted. The Regulations come into full effect from 1 May, and will apply to all Development Assessment Panel (DAP) applications lodged from that date. The Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries (DLGSC) sent an LG Alert to the sector on 2 April advising of the new regulations.

The Regulations:

- require Responsible Authority Reports (RARs) to be prepared and submitted by the CEO of a Local Government, or an employee authorised by the CEO
 - CEOs of Class 1 and 2 Local Governments must authorise at least one employee
 - Local Governments will still be able to engage external consultants to assist in preparing RARs
- prohibit the Council from directing the CEO, an authorised employee or a consultant in preparing the RAR or directing the CEO to engage a particular consultant
- require the CEO and authorised employees to disclose conflicts of interests in accordance with the requirements of the *Local Government Act 1995*, and not undertake any DAP functions in which they have a conflict of interest.

The Regulations are available on the [WA Legislation website](#).

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

WALGA [Advocacy Positions](#) 6.1 Planning Principles and Reform and 6.4 Development Assessment Panels.

COMMENT

Local Governments have one month to consider and implement the appropriate authorisations, and any resulting changes to systems and processes. WALGA will produce template authorisations and will host an officer information session with the relevant departments to assist Local Governments.

While Councils will be prevented from directing staff in the preparation of RARs, the administration can continue to brief Council on the content and progress of any DAP applications. There are no changes to the composition of DAPs.

WALGA will continue to oppose changes that erode Local Government autonomy and influence in the WA planning system and will continue to advocate for reforms that recognise the benefits of local decision making in planning.

WALGA is commencing a review of its Development Assessment Panel advocacy position and will consult with the sector and zones as part of that process.

Questions regarding the Regulations can be directed to the local government reform team at actreview@dlgsc.wa.gov.au or the DAP secretariat at daps@dplh.wa.gov.au.

RESOLUTION

Mover **Shire of Cunderdin**
Seconder **Shire of Yilgarn**

That the GECZ requests the Executive considers the DAP changes and seek advice from WALGA planning staff, to report back to the June meeting.

CARRIED

11. ZONE REPORTS

11.1. CHAIR REPORT

President Cr Tony Sachse

Welcome to our April 2025 meeting.

The Zone Executive met on Tuesday 1st of April. The minutes of the meeting were attached with the Agenda.

The GECZ Forum was held in Bruce Rock on Friday 28th of March. Many thanks to the guest speakers, Shire of Bruce Rock for hosting, MC Di Darmody, WALGA and to the GECZ Forum Subcommittee for organising the forum. It was very successful and well attended. There is an Agenda item including a debrief today. Congratulations to everyone involved.

We welcome and congratulate Ministers Dawson (Regional Development), Winton (Wheatbelt), and Beazley (Local Government) with their appointments in the State Government. We look forward to working with you and hope that you can attend future meetings of our Zone.

Thank you to all the Agency representatives for sending in their respective reports and for your attendance today. There will be sufficient time to give an overview and take questions during the meeting.

The Shire of Wyalkatchem provided a 10-minute presentation.

Some other Agenda items include Provision of Remote GP Services, Zone actions, the Northam Freight Hub and Great Eastern Highway implications, potential initiatives to invest cash reserves, and WALGA business including State Council recommendations. It has been suggested that sufficient time be allowed to go through the WALGA State Council Agenda Items with appropriate input from WALGA Zones.

Thanks to the Shire of Merredin for hosting us today.

RESOLUTION

Mover **Shire of Westonia**
Seconder **Shire of Mukinbudin**

That the Zone Chair's report be received.

CARRIED

11.2. WHEATBELT DISTRICT EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE (DEMC)

President Cr Tony Sachse

The last meeting of the Wheatbelt DEMC was on 12 March. At the time of writing the minutes are not yet available.

Agenda items included:

- Overdue LEMA
- Advising of Agency exercises
- DEMC Webinars and Exercises
- Heatwave Reflection led by WA Country Health Services
- High Risk Weather Period Reflections – OASG Activations
- Community Disaster Resilience Strategy Implementation Plan Project: For Noting
- SEMC Policy Response Subcommittee – EM Districts
- Other information including exercising, OASG debriefs/outcomes, LEMC dates, LEMA status
- Agency Reports

Please note that there have been some very informative webinars run by the DEMC over recent months.

The Wheatbelt Operational Area Support Group (OASG)/ISG is now meeting on an as needed basis.

RESOLUTION

Mover **Shire of Koorda**
Second **Shire of Nungarin**

That the Wheatbelt District Emergency Management Committee Report be received.

CARRIED

11.3. WALGA ROADWISE

Tracey Peacock, Regional Road Safety Advisor is an apology for the meeting.

Nil.

12. WALGA STATE COUNCIL EXECUTIVE REPORTS

12.1. WALGA PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Deputy President, Cr Paul Kelly presented the President's report.

The WALGA President's Report was attached with the Agenda.

RESOLUTION

Mover **Shire of Bruce Rock**
Second **Shire of Merredin**

That the WALGA President's Report be received.

CARRIED

12.2. STATE COUNCILLOR REPORT

Cr Stephen Strange

State Councillor, Cr Stephen Strange provided an update from the previous State Council meeting and State Councillor report to the Zone.

RESOLUTION

Mover **Shire of Mukinbudin**
Second **Shire of Tammin**

That the State Councillor Report be received.

CARRIED

12.3. STATUS REPORT

Agenda Item	Zone Resolution	WALGA Response	Update	WALGA Contact
13 February 2025 Zone Agenda Item 14.1 WA Telstra Automatic Transfer Unit Pilot Deployment Program	That the Great Eastern Country Zone requests WALGA organise a roundtable with WALGA, Telstra, Department of Fire and Emergency Services and Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development to discuss the drafting of Community Support Agents Agreement for the implementation of the WA Telstra Automatic Transfer Unit Pilot Deployment Program.	<p>The Infrastructure Policy Team supported this proposal.</p> <p>WALGA met with senior representatives from InfraCo (a subsidiary that holds Telstra's exchanges, poles, ducts, pits and pipes, and fibre network) and Telstra.</p> <p>Discussions with DPIRD have commenced.</p>	April 2025	Ian Duncan Executive Manager Infrastructure iduncan@walga.asn.au 9213 2031
5 March 2025 State Council Agenda Item 8.1 Climate Change Advocacy Position	The Zone supported the recommendation. However, the Zone also requests that WALGA remains open minded to further conversations on climate change.	<p>State Council ALTERNATE MOTION</p> <p>That State Council refer this advocacy item back to the Environment Policy Team for further development.</p> <p>RESOLUTION 003.1/2025 CARRIED</p>	April 2025	Nicole Matthews Executive Manager Policy nmatthews@walga.asn.au 9213 2039
11 April 2024 Zone Agenda Item 9.1.2 Agricultural Land Use	<p>That the Great Eastern Country Zone recommend that WALGA</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In considering Agricultural Land Use, establishes and promotes policy templates to guide Local Governments for their individual adoption to protect and prioritise the preservation of agricultural land against its displacement by non-agricultural activities that lead to a net reduction of the State's productive agricultural land. 2. Within the Policy includes such uses but not limited to tree planting for offsets or carbon, 	<p>State Council endorsed the Renewable Energy Facilities Advocacy Position at its meeting of 4 September, 2024. This position calls for the State Government to develop a renewable energy facility state planning policy that would provide greater guidance to applicants and decision makers.</p> <p>WALGA is continuing its energy transition advocacy and has written to the Hon Amber-Jade Sanderson BA MLA seeking further discussion on this issue.</p>	April 2025	Nicole Matthews Executive Manager Policy nmatthews@walga.asn.au 9213 2039

	<p>renewable energy generation and transmission.</p> <p>3. Investigates potential impacts to local government rates on rural land, that has approved long term tree planting for different purposes, for example but not limited to planting for carbon offsets, planting for clearing offsets, or planting for renewable fuels; and renewable energy investments.</p> <p>4. Provides advice to local government on what Policies or Special Area Rates should be considered for the land affected.</p>	<p>In respect to the rating issues, it is noted that the land remains rateable land. In WA, rural property is generally based on Unimproved Value (UV) unlike NSW and Victoria which use Capital Improved Value as the basis. Also in Victorias there is Payment in Lieu of Rates (PILOR) system. Established under section 94(6A) of the Electricity Industry Act 2000 (EI Act), the Payment in Lieu of Rates (PiLoR) framework allows for councils and electricity generators to negotiate annual payments. The methodology combines a fixed charge with a variable charge based on the capacity of the power station in megawatts.</p> <p>WALGA is currently scoping a piece of work to research the rating system and other charging regimes. This work is ongoing.</p>	<p>April 2025</p>	<p>Tony Brown Executive Director, Member Services 9213 2051 tbrown@walga.asn.au</p>
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Noted

Shire of Koorda left the meeting at 12.49pm and did not return.

13. WALGA STATE COUNCIL AGENDA

Zone Delegates are invited to read and consider the WALGA State Council Agenda, which was provided as an attachment to the Agenda and can be found via the link [here](#).

The Zone can provide comment or submit an alternative recommendation on any of the items, including the items for noting. The Zone comment will then be presented to the State Council for consideration at their meeting.

The State Council Agenda items requiring a decision of State Council are extracted for Zone consideration below.

13.1. REGULATIONS FOR CEO KPIS AND ONLINE REGISTERS – WALGA SUBMISSION (STATE COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM 8.1)

By Tony Brown, Executive Director Member Services and Felicity Morris, Manager Governance and Procurement

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- Consultation is open on the draft Local Government Regulations Amendment Regulations 2024 (the Draft Regulations), which give effect to reforms relating to the publication of online registers, publication of CEO performance criteria and performance reviews, and other CEO matters.
- The Local Government legislation reform platform from the State Government indicated that one of the reform outcomes was "Reducing red tape, increasing consistency and simplicity".
- The overwhelming sector feedback is that these reforms will not achieve this aim and will instead increase red tape without any clear public benefit.
- Sector feedback has been collated and identifies overarching concerns listed in this report.
- The attached submission, informed by this feedback, is recommended for endorsement.

ATTACHMENT

- [Regulations for CEO KPIs and public registers Draft WALGA submission](#)

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

WALGA's existing advocacy positions are based on the high-level reform proposals provided for public consultation in 2022.

The current [Advocacy Positions](#) are:

2.2.4 CEO Recruitment Panel

The Local Government sector supports the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries establishing a panel of approved panel members to perform the role of the independent person on CEO recruitment panels.

2.5.27 Online Registers

The Local Government sector supports requiring Local Governments to report specific information in online registers on the Local Government's website, including registers for leases, community grants, interests disclosures, applicant contributions and contracts (excluding contracts of employment).

2.5.28 Publishing CEO Key Performance Indicators

- 1. The Local Government sector conditionally supports the reporting of CEO Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) that are consistent with the strategic direction and operational function of the Local Government, subject to exemptions for publishing KPIs of a confidential nature.*
- 2. The Local Government sector does not support results of CEO performance reviews being published.*

BACKGROUND

The *Local Government Amendment Act 2023* (2023 Amendment Act) contained the Tranche 1 reforms to the *Local Government Act 1995* (the Act). This included the following changes which are yet to commence:

- Requirements for Local Government CEO's performance criteria and performance reviews to be published.
- Establishment of a panel of independent persons for CEO performance reviews.
- A requirement for Local Governments to publish and maintain registers on their website.

The draft Local Government Regulations Amendment Regulations 2024 (the Draft Regulations), which will give effect to these reforms, have been released for public consultation. The Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries (DLGSC) have requested comment by 8 May. Information is available on the [DLGSC website](#), including a copy of the [Draft Regulations](#) and a [DLGSC Consultation Paper](#).

WALGA circulated a discussion paper and request for comment to all Local Governments on 30 January.

COMMENT

Responses received from Local Governments indicate serious concerns with the detail of the Draft Regulations. Overarching concerns include:

- The creation of red tape and excessive administrative burden, in conflict with a stated aim of the reform, and without clear public benefit.
- Continued proliferation of compliance requirements for Local Governments, including overlapping but inconsistent reporting obligations.
- Unreasonable implementation timeframes given existing Local Government workload, cumulative burden of ongoing program of reform and upcoming elections.
- Confusion and lack of clarity (plain English drafting) in the Draft Regulations.

Specific concerns are discussed in relation to each proposal.

CEO matters: Publishing performance criteria and reports on performance review

Of the submissions that provided comment on this aspect of the Draft Regulations, over half expressed strong opposition to publication of CEO KPIs and performance reviews. Opposition was based on factors including the inconsistency with public sector practice, risks to CEOs, mechanisms for reporting on organisational rather than individual performance and the erosion of Local Government autonomy. A small number of Local

Governments broadly supported the regulations or their intent. In addressing the content of Draft Regulations 18AA and 18FAA, submissions raised concerns with the proposed reporting of target achievement and the mechanisms for exclusion of performance criteria from publication.

CEO matters: Independent persons panel (CEO recruitment)

Key concerns included a lack of clarity about the selection criteria and processes to be followed by the Departmental CEO in establishing the panel, the capacity for Councils to appoint independent members from within their own districts, and the management of conflicts of interest.

CEO matters: Certification, recruitment and termination

There were divided views on the requirement for separate certification, but support for the retention of a requirement to conduct a selection process before contract expiry, the option to include additional information in a performance criterion and the proposed modification of the CEO Standards in relation to termination during probation.

Registers: General considerations

Local Governments articulated a range of concerns that are applicable to all registers, including the administrative burden, unreasonable commencement and retrospectivity, lack of clarity and difficulty in applying the requirements, and the implications of the *Privacy and Responsible Information Sharing Act 2024* (the PRIS Act).

Lease register

Submissions raised considerable concerns with this proposed register. Issues include the breadth of the lease definition, safety and confidentiality for residents and community groups, commercial in confidence information and the ability of Local Governments to generate best value from assets, whether through commercial returns or community benefits.

Grants and sponsorships register

Some Local Governments provided general support for the register, subject to the exclusion of retrospectivity. However, the majority of submissions identified concerns regarding the value threshold, privacy and confidentiality, and a lack of clarity in the calculation of value.

Development contributions register

The majority of submissions expressed concerns regarding the administrative burden with limited improvements in transparency and oversight of Developer Contribution Plans (DCPs) than is currently provided for under the state planning framework. This burden is exacerbated by the retrospectivity and short implementation timeframe. Those Local Governments with a high number of DCPs advise that this is likely to lead to delays and increased costs in the administration of DCPs. Privacy considerations and practical issues with the calculation of interest for individual contributions, and the list of items and percentage of expenditure were also identified.

Contracts for goods and services register

All submissions that commented on the contract register highlighted concerns including the administrative burden associated with the unreasonably low threshold value and duplication of existing reporting requirements. Members raised heightened fraud risks, and issues relating to commercial in confidence information. There is also a lack of clarity regarding the definition of contract and contract value.

This sector feedback and detailed analysis of the Draft Regulations has informed the preparation of the attached draft WALGA submission.

WALGA RECOMMENDATION

That WALGA endorse the recommendations contained in the attached *'Regulations for CEO KPIs and public registers submission'*.

RESOLUTION

Mover **Shire of Cunderdin**
Second **Shire of Kellerberrin**

That the Zone strongly support the WALGA recommendation for State Council Agenda item 8.1 as contained in the State Council Agenda and as provided above.

CARRIED

13.2. DOG AND CAT MANAGEMENT ADVOCACY POSITION (STATE COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM 8.2)

By Felicity Morris, Manager Governance and Procurement and Marnie Herrington, Governance Specialist

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- Motions from Zones regarding the PetsWA Centralised Registration Database provide an opportunity to review the existing *Puppy Farming* advocacy position and replace it with a new *Dog and Cat Management* advocacy position.
- The purpose of the new position is to reflect the progression of the *Dog Amendment (Stop Puppy Farming) Act 2021* and the emerging concerns of the Local Government sector regarding the PetsWA centralised registration system.
- The Governance Policy Team endorsed the new advocacy position at its meeting on 24 March.

ATTACHMENT

- [Comparison table between current Advocacy Position 2.12 Puppy Farming, and proposed advocacy position Dog and Cat Management.](#)

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

This item is to replace existing Advocacy Position 2.12 *Puppy Farming* with a new *Dog and Cat Management* position.

The current Advocacy Position is as follows:

2.12 *Puppy Farming*

1. *The WA Local Government sector:*
 - a) *Welcomes a cost modelling review of the financial impact on Local Governments to ensure that Local Government is able to fully recover costs and not be disadvantaged in ensuring compliance of any new legislation to Stop Puppy Farming.*
 - b) *Acknowledges the benefit of de-sexing of dogs not used for approved breeding purposes, and request further information on the complexities associated with de-sexing of dogs prior to considering supporting the proposal.*
 - c) *Supports a centralised dog registration system that is developed, operated and maintained by State Government.*
 - d) *Supports appropriate legislative exemptions for livestock working dogs in recognition of their special breeding requirements.*
 - e) *Does not support the transition of pet shops to adoption centres.*
 - f) *Requests there be a Local Government-specific consultation process in relation to the proposed amendments to the Animal Welfare Act to introduce Standards and Guidelines for the Health and Welfare of Animals including dogs.*
 - g) *Supports a State Government-led education initiative whereby the community is encouraged to purchase puppies from professional registered breeders.*
 - h) *Requests the State Government discontinue the use of the term 'Farming' due to the negative connotation that may be associated with other regulated industries, and consider re-naming the initiative 'Stop Puppy Mills'.*

2. *The Local Government sector advocates that:*
 - a) *any additional costs incurred by a Local Government in administering the Dog Act be paid by the State Government; and*
 - b) *the Fees and Charges set in Regulations are reviewed bi-annually and at minimum, be adjusted by the Local Government Cost Index.*

The recommended new Advocacy Position is as follows:

Dog and Cat Management

In regard to the Dog Amendment (Stop Puppy Farming) Act 2021 and the PetsWA Centralised Database, the WA Local Government sector advocates:

- a) *that fees reflect completed cost modelling to ensure that Local Governments achieve full cost recovery in ensuring compliance with the Dog Act 1976 or Cat Act 2011.*
- b) *that Fees and Charges set in Regulations are reviewed bi-annually and, at minimum, adjusted by the Local Government Cost Index.*
- c) *that the PetsWA centralised registration database is developed, operated and maintained by State Government, with no loss to Local Government registration fee revenue.*
- d) *that the function of PetsWA be restricted to the registration of dogs and cats, exclude ancillary functions such as animal related complaints and infringement notices, and integrate with existing Local Government corporate systems.*
- e) *for the continued legislative exemptions for livestock working dogs in recognition of their special breeding requirements.*
- f) *for a State Government-led education initiative whereby the community is encouraged to purchase puppies from approved breeders.*

A table comparing the current and proposed advocacy position can be seen in Attachment A.

BACKGROUND

Stop Puppy Farming Legislation

- At its September 2018 meeting, State Council adopted a detailed position in relation to the Stop Puppy Farming Initiative (*Resolution 103.6/2018*).
- At its March 2020 meeting, State Council resolved that "WALGA write to the Minister and request that he withdraw the Stop Puppy Farming Bill and more appropriately consult with the sector, traditional custodians and the wider community, or failing that, that he remove any reference to Local Government in the bill as the sector does not endorse it in its current form" (*Resolution 13.1/2020*).
- At its September 2021, State Council adopted additional points to the advocacy position, supporting WALGA continuing to advocate that:
 - a. any additional costs incurred by a Local Government in administering the Dog Act be paid by the State Government; and
 - b. the Fees and Charges set in Regulations are reviewed bi-annually and at minimum, be adjusted by the Local Government Cost Index.
 (*Resolution 275.5/2021*)
- In December 2021, the *Dog Amendment (Stop Puppy Farming) Act 2021* (the Act) was passed by Parliament. The Act amended both the *Dog Act 1976* and the *Cat Act 2011* in several ways.

- The implementation of the legislation is occurring in phases, with existing pet shops needing to transition to adoption centres by obtaining a 'pet shop approval' through their Local Governments by 26 May.
- It is anticipated that dog breeding approval provisions and mandatory sterilisation of dogs (unless an exemption is in place) will take effect later in 2025. In August 2024, the State Government awarded a contract to Seisma Group to establish PetsWA (the new centralised registration system for dogs and cats), which is anticipated to be operational later in 2025.

Fees and cost recovery

In a letter to WALGA dated 1 November 2021, Minister John Carey confirmed that “the State Government has committed to covering the costs associated with the establishment of the Centralised Registration System, to centrally record the registration of all domestic cats and dogs within Western Australia”. However, the State Government position relating to ongoing costs associated with the system and the particulars about revenue generated from registrations has not been made clear.

In early 2024, the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries (DLGSC) released a Consultation Paper prepared by consultants Marsden Jacob Associates on the new and existing fees and charges under the *Dog Act 1976* and *Cat Act 2011*. WALGA provided a submission in line with State Councils advocacy position as follows.

That WALGA:

1. *Welcomes a cost modelling review of the financial impact on Local Governments to ensure that Local Government is able to fully recover costs and not be disadvantaged in ensuring compliance of any new legislation to Stop Puppy Farming;*
2. *Supports a centralised dog registration system that is developed, operated and maintained by State Government;*
3. *Any additional costs incurred by a Local Government in administering the Dog Act be paid by the State Government; and*
4. *The Fees and Charges set in Regulations are reviewed biennially and at minimum, be adjusted by the Local Government Cost Index.*

Zone resolutions

Central Country Zone

At the Central Country Zone Meeting of 15 November 2024, the Zone considered an item which raised concerns that the administrative costs of the PetsWA central registration system would be withheld by the State Government from registration fees collected by Local Governments. As already noted, registration fees are already insufficient to cover the costs of Local Government cat and dog management responsibilities.

The Zone resolved:

That the Central Country Zone request WALGA to:

- a) *advocate to the Government of Western Australia that 100% of the revenue derived from pet registrations (both dogs and cats) continue to be returned directly to Local Governments to effectively administer the Dog Act 1976 and Cat Act 2011.*
- b) *recommend that the new centralized PetsWA Pet Registry Scheme, administered by the State Government, should not retain any commission or portion of the registration fees for its operations, as the current fee structure does not adequately cover the costs associated with pet management at the Local Government level.*

North Metropolitan Zone

At the North Metropolitan Zone Meeting of 20 November 2024, the Zone considered an item which raised concerns that the community would be able to lodge complaints through the PetsWA centralised registration system and that infringements would be issued through the system. As no integration with Local Government systems has been advised, this would create a duplicate workload for officers.

The Zone resolved:

That WALGA advocate to the State Government for the PetsWA Centralised Registration Database scope to be restricted to a centralised registration system (excluding complaints and infringements) that integrates with Local Government's existing corporate systems.

COMMENT

As the Act has progressed, the existing advocacy position should be reviewed to reflect the current state.

A comparison between the current and proposed advocacy position is provided in Attachment A, with key themes addressed below.

Cost Recovery

Under the *Dog Amendment (Stop Puppy Farming) Act 2021*, Local Governments will have increased responsibilities, including approvals to breed and pet shop approvals, as well as associated investigation and enforcement functions. WALGA has continued to advocate to the State Government for fees and charges to be set at a level that achieves full cost recovery and that any additional costs incurred by a Local Government in administering the Dog Act be paid by the State Government. The proposed advocacy position retains these key positions.

The fees from registrations and animal related infringements do not currently cover all costs associated with Local Government responsibilities. There is a risk that the State Government could administer the PetsWA system in a way which reduces Local Government income from registrations.

WALGA's existing advocacy position supports PetsWA to be managed by the State (Advocacy Position 2.12.b). The proposed *Dog and Cat Management* Advocacy Position expands on the existing position to make it absolutely clear that there should be no loss of registration fee revenue to the Local Governments in administering the database.

Scope of PetsWA

The Act provides for a centralised registration system, known as PetsWA, to be managed by the State Government. DLGSC has been tasked with the implementation of the system. The contract to develop PetsWA was awarded on 2 August 2024 and is expected to launch in the second half of 2025. PetsWA is intended to replace the dog and cat registers managed by individual Local Governments with a single online system, used state-wide. PetsWA will allow dog and cat owners to register their pets and make payments online.

In addition to uncertainty about revenue from fees and charges under PetsWA, there is ambiguity about the scope of information recorded within PetsWA. DLGSC has noted that PetsWA could be used to manage public complaints, request ranger visits, manage dangerous dog notices, and issue infringements. This could increase administrative burden

on Local Government staff by duplicating data entry with existing record management systems, as there is no clarity on the extent of the integration with Local Government's existing systems.

To avoid this, PetsWA should be integrated with Local Government's existing systems and the scope should be restricted to its original function as a centralised registration system.

WALGA RECOMMENDATION

That WALGA replace Advocacy Position 2.12 *Puppy Farming* with a revised *Dog and Cat Management* advocacy position, as follows:

In regard to the Dog Amendment (Stop Puppy Farming) Act 2021 and the PetsWA Centralised Database, the WA Local Government sector advocates:

- a) that fees reflect completed cost modelling to ensure that Local Governments achieve full cost recovery in ensuring compliance with the Dog Act 1976 or Cat Act 2011.*
- b) that Fees and Charges set in Regulations are reviewed bi-annually and, at minimum, adjusted by the Local Government Cost Index.*
- c) that the PetsWA centralised registration database is developed, operated and maintained by State Government, with no loss to Local Government registration fee revenue.*
- d) that the function of PetsWA be restricted to the registration of dogs and cats, exclude ancillary functions such as animal related complaints and infringement notices, and integrate with existing Local Government corporate systems.*
- e) for the continued legislative exemptions for livestock working dogs in recognition of their special breeding requirements.*
- f) for a State Government-led education initiative whereby the community is encouraged to purchase puppies from approved breeders.*

RESOLUTION

Mover **Shire of Cunderdin**
Seconder **Shire of Bruce Rock**

That the Zone support the WALGA recommendation for State Council Agenda item 8.2 as contained in the State Council Agenda and as provided above.

CARRIED

13.3. NATIVE VEGETATION CLEARING REGULATIONS ADVOCACY POSITION (STATE COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM 8.3)

By Nicole Matthews, Executive Manager Policy and Ian Duncan, Executive Manager Infrastructure

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- The effectiveness, cost and complexity of the regulatory system for native vegetation clearing has been a longstanding concern for Local Governments, particularly in relation to its impacts on the delivery of road and other infrastructure projects.
- WALGA has made numerous representations and submissions to the State Government on this issue.
- WALGA's current [advocacy positions](#) relating to the regulation of clearing of native vegetation were endorsed by State Council in 2004 (5.2.1) and 2006 (5.2.2).
- Numerous reviews and significant legislative and policy changes aimed at streamlining regulatory requirements have occurred since that time which has resulted in some improvement, however, problems persist.
- The updated Advocacy Position, seeks to respond to feedback and issues raised by the sector, calls the State Government to:
 - implement **legislative, policy and process changes**, including the imposition of statutory timeframes for assessments and appeals; increasing the duration of clearing permits; providing a permanent exemption to enable clearing in previously legally cleared transport corridors; and strengthening environmental data sharing requirements.
 - allocate **adequate resources** to implement an expedited process for road safety and state and federally funded or co-funded projects; a dedicated Local Government unit to process applications and support the sector; timely compliance and enforcement action; and implement a state-funded collection and provision of data.
 - undertake **bioregional planning** and implement **strategic solutions for environmental offsets** for Local Government.
 - **reduce duplication** between the State and Australian government regulatory systems.
- At their joint meeting on 24 March, the Environment and Infrastructure Policy Teams recommended that State Council endorse the Native Vegetation Clearing Regulations advocacy position.

ATTACHMENT

- [WALGA Native Vegetation Clearing Regulations Issues Paper](#)
- [Road Safety Briefing Note](#)

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

This item is to replace existing Advocacy Positions 5.2.1 Environmental Protection Act and 5.2.2 Land Clearing in Road Reserves with a new *Native Vegetation Clearing Regulations* position.

The current [Advocacy Positions](#) are as follows:

5.2.1 Environmental Protection Act

Impact on Road Reserves Position Statement. The Local Government sector supports continued advocacy to minimise the impact on road reserves and in regards to

Regulations, processing times, access to vegetation data and a Code of Practice on maintenance activities.

5.2.2 Land Clearing in Road Reserves

The Local Government sector supports Schedule 2 of the Environmental Protection (Clearing of Native Vegetation) Regulations 2004 as a permanent exemption for the maintenance of existing transport corridors and supports the continued advocacy for improvements to processing and timelines of the current clearing legislation.

The proposed Advocacy Position is as follows:

Native Vegetation Clearing Regulations

WALGA calls on the Western Australian Government, in consultation with Local Government, to undertake legislative and policy reform to improve the effectiveness, efficiency and transparency of the regulatory system for clearing native vegetation in Western Australia, including:

- 1. Amending the Environmental Protection Act 1986 and associated regulations to remove unnecessary process, complexity and improve timeframes, including:*
 - a. introducing statutory timeframes for the determination of referrals, permit applications and appeals*
 - b. increasing the default duration of Area and Purpose Permits to 10 years*
 - c. provide a permanent exemption for clearing of previously legally cleared transport corridors*
 - d. strengthening environmental data sharing requirements to ensure proponents cannot opt-out of sharing data collected for environmental assessment and monitoring purposes.*
- 2. Ensuring the regulatory system is adequately resourced to:*
 - a. implement an expedited process for clearing permits for projects that prevent death and serious injury (road safety), and state and federally funded or co-funded projects*
 - b. establish a dedicated Local Government unit within the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation to:*
 - i. case manage Local Government referrals and clearing permit applications*
 - ii. provide guidance and training for Local Governments, particularly in relation to roadside vegetation management*
 - iii. support partnerships with Local Governments in strategic environmental offsets*
 - c. enable timely investigation and enforcement action for illegal clearing*
 - d. increase investment in the collection and provision of statewide biodiversity data, including:*
 - i. funding and coordinating a state-wide biodiversity survey program to standardise habitat and vegetation mapping*
 - ii. making biodiversity data more discoverable, accessible and useable.*
- 3. Undertaking bioregional planning for native vegetation management, with a focus on highly cleared areas and implementing strategic solutions for environmental offsets that can be utilised by Local Government.*
- 4. Working with the Australian Government to reduce duplication between the Environmental Protection Act 1986 and the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999.*

BACKGROUND

Western Australia is one of the most biodiverse places on Earth and has significant regional endemism, meaning it has plants and animals that only live in a particular location (Western Australian Biodiversity Science Institute). Eight of Australia's 15 declared biodiversity hotspots are in WA and the South West Ecoregion, (running from Shark Bay in the northwest to Esperance in south east with a narrow strip along the southeastern coast to the border between WA and SA) is one of only 34 internationally recognised Global Biodiversity Hotspots (and the only in Australia). A Global Biodiversity Hotspot is defined as a geographical region that has at least 1,500 vascular plant species and has lost at least 70 per cent of its original supporting habitat.

In Western Australia the clearing of native vegetation is primarily regulated under Part V Division 2 of the [Environmental Protection Act 1986](#) (EP Act) and [Environmental Protection \(Clearing of Native Vegetation\) Regulations 2004](#) (Regulations). Under section 51C of the EP Act clearing of native vegetation is an offence unless a permit has been granted, or an exemption applies.

The Regulations provide exemptions for routine land management practices, including for clearing done for maintenance in existing, previously legally cleared transport (road and rail) corridors, provided that the previous clearing occurred within the preceding 10 years (Regulation 5, Item 22). Schedule 2, cl. 2 of the Regulations specify the extent of maintenance clearing for an area or purpose:

Area or purpose	Extent of clearing
Crossover area	Clearing to the extent previously cleared for the area.
Lateral clearance area	Complete clearing to the width and height previously cleared for that stretch of road or railway.
Maintenance and protection of transport corridor infrastructure	Clearing to the extent necessary to – a) Maintain the efficacy and safety of the infrastructure; b) Protect the infrastructure (for example from fire); and c) Provide access to the infrastructure to maintain it.
An area that is a public roadside facility	Clearing to the extent necessary to maintain (but not extend) the intended use of the area.
Sight line area	Clearing to the extent previously cleared for that area.

Schedule 2, cl. 1 of the Regulations provides the following definitions:

- *crossover area* means the area occupied by a crossover from a road to a property adjacent to the road and any associated sight line areas;
- *lateral clearance area*, in relation to a stretch of road or railway, means the area (if any) parallel to and immediately adjacent to the stretch of road or railway that is ordinarily cleared;
- *public roadside facility* includes a camping area, rest area, information bay, road train assembly area or parking area or a footpath or cycle track in the road reserve;

- *transport corridor infrastructure*, in relation to a stretch of road or railway, includes barriers, signs, guideposts, drains, levies, embankments, gutters, bridges, overpasses and other similar structures or works.

While this exemption does not apply in an environmentally sensitive area, an area that would otherwise be an environmentally sensitive area is not an environmentally sensitive area to the extent it is in a maintenance area of transport corridor.

The Australian Government regulates clearing that is likely to impact a matter of National Environment Significance through the application of Parts 7 - 9 of the *Environmental Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (the EPBC Act) and *Environmental Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Regulations 2000*.

The effectiveness, cost, complexity and timeframes associated with the regulatory system for native vegetation clearing have been a longstanding concern for Local Governments, particularly in relation to impacts on the delivery of road projects, which make up approximately 60 per cent of Local Government clearing permit applications and 30 per cent of referrals (Dec 2021 – Oct 2024). WALGA has made numerous representations and submissions to the State Government on this issue.

WALGA has three [advocacy positions](#) related to native vegetation clearing regulation dating (2004, 2006, 2018). Numerous reviews and significant legislative and policy changes have occurred since that time, aimed at streamlining regulatory requirements, including the Western Australian Offset Policy (2011) and Guideline (2014), the Review of the Western Australian Offsets Framework (2019), the implementation of cost recovery for clearing permit applications (2019), the release of the [Native Vegetation Policy for Western Australia](#) in 2022, the [Independent \(Vogel-McFerran\) Review of WA Environmental Approvals Processes and Procedures](#) (2023) and amendments to the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* in 2020 and 2024.

As a result of these changes, the exemption for clearing in previously cleared transport corridors increased from 5 to 10 years, a referral process was introduced for low impact clearing and minor scheme amendments no longer require referral to the Environmental Protection Authority.

While these changes have resulted in some improvements, problems persist. This was recognised by the Vogel-McFerran Review, which found that “approvals processes have become overly complex, time-consuming, and costly – holding back economic development without any benefit to the environment”.

In 2024, to inform the development of an updated advocacy position on native vegetation clearing regulation, WALGA undertook research and analysis of the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) and the Office of the Appeals Convenor data, previous submissions and Zone resolutions/feedback and held a sector webinar to inform the development of an [Issues Paper](#). The Paper was considered by the Environment Policy Team and included in the November 2024 Zone meeting Agendas for feedback.

The main themes from the consultations, Zones and issues paper feedback were:

- key challenges faced by the sector related to the complexity of the regulatory system, costs associated with the process and the time taken for assessment and appeals; and

- these challenges can delay critical road and infrastructure projects and impact Local Government's ability to attract and retain grant funding.

COMMENT

A consolidated, updated advocacy position will enable WALGA to comprehensively advocate for members to address the challenges of operating in a complex and costly regulatory environment, whilst balancing the protection of the environment.

The updated Advocacy Position calls on the State Government to:

- Implement **legislative, policy and process changes** including:
 - the imposition of statutory timeframes for assessments and appeals;
 - a permanent exemption for clearing in previously legally cleared transport corridors;
 - increasing the duration of clearing permits; and
 - strengthening environmental data sharing requirements.
- Allocate **adequate resources** to implement an expedited process for road safety and state and federally funded or co-funded projects; a dedicated Local Government unit to process applications and support the sector; timely compliance and enforcement action; and implement a state-funded collection and provision of data.
- Undertake **bioregional planning** and implement **strategic solutions for environmental offsets** for Local Government.
- **Reduce duplication** between the State and Australian government regulatory systems.

WALGA RECOMMENDATION

That WALGA replace the following Advocacy Positions:

5.2.1 Environmental Protection Act

5.2.2 Land Clearing in Road Reserves

with an updated Native Vegetation Clearing Regulations Advocacy Position as follows:

WALGA calls on the Western Australian Government, in consultation with Local Government, to undertake legislative and policy reform to improve the effectiveness, efficiency and transparency of the regulatory system for clearing native vegetation in Western Australia, including:

1. *Amending the Environmental Protection Act 1986 and associated regulations to remove unnecessary process, complexity and improve timeframes, including:*
 - a. *introducing statutory timeframes for the determination of referrals, permit applications and appeals*
 - b. *increasing the default duration of Area and Purpose Permits to 10 years*
 - c. *provide a permanent exemption for clearing of previously legally cleared transport corridors*
 - d. *strengthening environmental data sharing requirements to ensure proponents cannot opt-out of sharing data collected for environmental assessment and monitoring purposes.*
2. *Ensuring the regulatory system is adequately resourced to:*

- a. *implement an expedited process for clearing permits for projects that prevent death and serious injury (road safety), and state and federally funded or co-funded projects*
- b. *establish a dedicated Local Government unit within the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation to:*
 - i. *case manage Local Government referrals and clearing permit applications*
 - ii. *provide guidance and training for Local Governments, particularly in relation to roadside vegetation management*
 - iii. *support partnerships with Local Governments in strategic environmental offsets*
- c. *enable timely investigation and enforcement action for illegal clearing*
- d. *increase investment in the collection and provision of statewide biodiversity data, including:*
 - i. *funding and coordinating a state-wide biodiversity survey program to standardise habitat and vegetation mapping*
 - ii. *making biodiversity data more discoverable, accessible and useable.*
3. *Undertaking bioregional planning for native vegetation management, with a focus on highly cleared areas and implementing strategic solutions for environmental offsets that can be utilised by Local Government.*
4. *Working with the Australian Government to reduce duplication between the Environmental Protection Act 1986 and the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999.*

RESOLUTION

Mover **Shire of Bruce Rock**
Seconder **Shire of Mukinbudin**

That the Zone support the WALGA recommendation for State Council Agenda item 8.3 as contained in the State Council Agenda and as provided above.

CARRIED

13.4. SUBMISSION ON THE STATE RECOVERY ARRANGEMENTS (STATE COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM 8.4)

By Rachel Armstrong, Policy Manager Emergency Management

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- The Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES) is consulting on revised State Recovery Arrangements via [Engage WA Emergency Management](#). Formal consultation closes Friday, 2 May.
- WALGA was granted an extension to enable the draft submission to be included as an Item for Decision in the 7 May State Council Agenda.
- The revised arrangements integrate lessons from past recoveries, current best practices, and clarify roles and responsibilities.
- There are no significant changes to Local Government roles and responsibilities under the *Emergency Management Act 2005* and State Emergency Management Framework.
- The Commonwealth - State Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements - Western Australia (DRFA-WA) are not part of the State Emergency Management Framework and are outside the scope of the review.
- WALGA's draft submission was shared with Local Governments and the draft final version incorporates feedback.
- WALGA's submission is generally supportive of the revised State Recovery Arrangements, which provide improved clarity on roles and responsibilities in recovery, particularly for State Government, and clearer arrangements for transitioning from response to recovery and from recovery to business as usual.
- WALGA's submission highlights the need for State Government investment in streamlined, appropriate and effective funding mechanisms for recovery and resilience building, and the need to ensure adequate support to Local Governments.
- The People and Place Policy Team noted the draft submission at its 18 March meeting.

ATTACHMENT

- [Draft State Recovery Arrangements – WALGA submission](#)

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

WALGA's submission on the State Recovery Arrangements is aligned to the following [Advocacy Positions](#) :

8.1 Emergency Management Principles

- 1. The State Government bears fundamental responsibility for emergency management and has the role of providing strategic guidance, support and services for emergency management activities in Western Australia.*
- 2. The State Government should provide financial and resourcing support as necessary to enable Local Governments to adequately deliver their extensive emergency management roles and responsibilities under the State Emergency Management Framework.*
- 3. The Local Government Sector should be engaged as a partner in policy and legislative reviews that impact Local Government emergency management roles and responsibilities.*

8.2 State Emergency Management Framework

Local Governments are supported to undertake their emergency management responsibilities by a simple and streamlined State Emergency Management Framework with the primary objectives of:

- 1. Protecting people, the economy, and the natural environment from disasters;*
- 2. Supporting communities in preventing, preparing for, responding to and recovering from emergencies;*
- 3. Clearly outlining roles, responsibilities and accountabilities for Local Government and other emergency management stakeholders;*
- 4. Scalability and adaptability that supports Local Governments of varied capacity and capability; and*
- 5. Supporting agency interoperability through common systems and approaches to key activities including data management, communications, and hazard management.*

8.3 Sustainable Grant Funding Model for Emergency Management

Local Government should be empowered to discharge its emergency management responsibilities through sustainable grant funding models that support a shared responsibility and all hazards approach to prevention, preparedness, response and recovery from natural disasters. A sustainable grant funding model for Local Government emergency management:

- 1. Empowers Local Governments to undertake proactive approaches to preparedness, prevention, response and recovery;*
- 2. Supports the resilience of local communities through capacity-building activities and programs;*
- 3. Is responsive to the variations in Local Government resourcing and context; and*
- 4. Develops the skills, capacity and capability of the emergency management workforce; and*
- 5. Is consistent, flexible, timely, accessible, scalable, strategic and the guidance provided is comprehensive.*

8.11 Local Emergency Management Arrangements (LEMA)

- 1. The State Government should fund the implementation of the Local Emergency Management Arrangements (LEMA) Improvement Plan endorsed by the State Emergency Management Committee (SEMC).*
- 2. A reformed LEMA system should:*
 - a. Clearly articulate the roles and responsibilities of Local Governments in emergency management;*
 - b. Simplify the reporting processes and reduce the administrative burden of maintaining compliance;*
 - c. Provide a suite of scalable tools and guidance materials that are accessible through an online knowledge hub;*
 - d. Build the emergency management capacity and capability of Local Governments through the provision of targeted training, exercising support, human resources and sustainable funding;*
 - e. Assist Local Governments to continue to deliver their core business activities and provide public information during an emergency event;*
 - f. Improve the connectivity of Local Governments' various risk management and hazard planning processes through an integrated approach; and*
 - g. Enable resource sharing and collaboration across the Local Government sector.*

5.4.3 Betterment (resilience)

The Local Government sector supports increased funding for the replacement or restoration of damaged assets to a more resilient standard following an event.

BACKGROUND

Since 2020, Western Australia has faced complex recovery challenges from events like Cyclone Seroja, Wooroloo bushfires, and Kimberley floods, necessitating greater State involvement. The review of State Recovery Arrangements aims to integrate lessons from past recoveries, update best practices, and clarify roles.

There are no changes to Local Government's responsibility to manage recovery following an emergency affecting the community in its district as set out in the *Emergency Management Act 2005* (s36b). There are no substantive changes to Local Government roles and responsibilities for recovery under the State Emergency Management Framework.

The proposed changes to the State Recovery Arrangements include:

- introducing four State Strategic Recovery Priorities which are informed by the National Principles for Disaster Recovery in the [Australian Disaster Recovery Framework](#).
- implementing a new four-tiered Model for State Involvement in Recovery where the State's involvement increases with the complexity of the recovery.
- clarifying roles and responsibilities for Local Government, Hazard Management Agencies, State agencies, and support organisations. The improved clarity in State roles in recovery should make it easier for Local Governments to access the support they need to coordinate community-led recovery.
- emphasising greater community engagement in recovery.
- reduced emphasis on an Impact Statement as a trigger for transitioning recovery coordination from the Hazard Management Agency (HMA) to Local or State Government and a new requirement for transition arrangements to be planned/agreed with Local Governments.
- clarifying the requirement for a planned transition from recovery arrangements to 'business-as-usual' service delivery for Local and State Government.

WALGA and Local Governments have been involved in preliminary consultations to support the development of the revised State Recovery Arrangements, including through the State Emergency Management Committee (SEMC), WALGA's Local Government Emergency Management Advisory Group (LGEMAG) and Local Government Focus Groups.

COMMENT

WALGA requested and was granted an extension to enable the draft submission to be included as an Item for Decision in the 7 May State Council Agenda.

WALGA's draft submission incorporates feedback from preliminary consultation, WALGA's advocacy positions, and input from the sector via the Local Emergency Management Arrangements (LEMA) Review and the 2023 Local Government Emergency Management Survey. This feedback has consistently demonstrated support within the sector for shared responsibility for recovery, with the level and type of support required varying with the size, scale and complexity of the event and Local Government capacity.

Overall, the amended State Recovery Arrangements provide much improved clarity on how responsibility for recovery is to be shared and therefore a better foundation for recovery coordination.

The submission recommends:

1. The State Government should develop streamlined, appropriate and effective funding mechanisms to invest in Local Government recovery and resilience building.
2. Investment in recovery should not be limited by the eligibility requirements of the DRFA-WA and should meet the recovery requirements of Local Governments and Communities.
3. The DRFA-WA must be urgently reviewed to streamline administration, approvals and evidentiary requirements, address the cash-flow impacts of the reimbursement model and enable resilient reconstruction / betterment following a disaster.
4. The State Government should invest in effective risk assessment and risk reduction, in addition to ensuring to providing effective and fit for purpose State Recovery Arrangements.

State Strategic Recovery Priorities

5. WALGA supports the proposed four State Strategic Recovery Priorities: 1. Assist people to meet their recovery needs; 2. Enable community-centred recovery; 3. Restore community function and wellbeing; 4. Foster community disaster resilience.

Model for State Involvement in Recovery

6. WALGA supports the proposed 4-tier Model for State involvement in Recovery.
7. WALGA supports the roles assigned to Local Government under each recovery level (R1-4). The roles and responsibilities are aligned to current roles and responsibilities.
8. WALGA supports the roles assigned to State Government under each recovery level (R1-4), which provide improved clarity.

Roles and responsibilities

9. WALGA supports the roles and responsibilities allocated to Local Governments in the revised State Recovery arrangements, including section 6.3 of the revised State EM Policy, with minor amendments as outlined in Appendix 1. The roles and responsibilities in the revised arrangements are aligned to current roles and responsibilities.
10. WALGA recommends that the revised State Recovery Arrangements clearly reinforce the role of the State Recovery Coordinator to confirm individual Local Government's capacity to undertake their allocated roles and responsibilities during recovery and ensures additional support is provided as required.
11. WALGA supports the roles and responsibilities allocated to Hazard Management Agencies and Controlling Agencies in section 6.6 of the revised State EM Policy, which provide improved clarity.
12. WALGA supports the roles and responsibilities allocated to State agencies in section 6.7 and Appendix F of the revised State EM Policy, which provide improved clarity.
13. The revised State Recovery Arrangements should formalise coordination protocols between Local Governments and State agencies to enable rapid mobilisation of essential workers in disaster impacted communities.
14. The revised State Recovery Arrangements should consider inclusion of roles, responsibilities and coordination protocols for essential services, as coordinated restoration of essential services is fundamental to early recovery.
15. The revised State Recovery Arrangements should reinforce compliance with data sharing arrangements under 6.1.72 of the EM Act to ensure that State Agencies are sharing information effectively in recovery and include this as a specific function of the State Recovery Coordinator / Controller.

Greater emphasis on engaging community

16. WALGA supports the greater emphasis on engaging communities in planning recovery, and the flexibility in approach so that this can be adapted to meet Local Government and community needs and capacities.

Phases of Recovery

17. WALGA supports amendments to the State EM Plan to introduce three phases of recovery: 1) Recovery Planning. 2) Response and Early Recovery. 3) Recovery Operations.
18. Considering Phase 3) Recovery Operations:
 - a. The requirements for Local Governments to review and evaluate the Local Operational Recovery Plan should be scalable to the Local Government's capacity, and the recovery level and context and supported by simple and effective guidance.
 - b. All monitoring and evaluation requirements for DRFA-WA programs, if applicable, should be coordinated by the State Government.
19. Recovery Operations should be supported by pre-prepared State-level Urgent Recovery Programs and surge capacity for implementation.
20. Streamlined guidance should be provided for needs assessment, review and evaluation. The approach should be scalable to the Local Government's capacity, and the recovery level and context.

Public Information and Communication

21. WALGA supports nomination of DFES, instead of the State Emergency Public Information Coordinator to coordinate State-level recovery public information and communications. DFES should consult and coordinate with Local Governments on recovery communications.

Transition between response and recovery

22. WALGA supports the proposed requirements for a planned transition of recovery coordination by agreement between the Hazard Management Agency and Local Government for R1 and R2 recoveries.
23. WALGA supports the proposed requirements for a planned transition of recovery coordination between the Hazard Management Agency and State Government for R3 and R4 recoveries with a written transition plan.

Transition from recovery to 'business-as-usual' service arrangements

24. WALGA supports the proposed requirements for the State to plan the de-escalation of State recovery involvement and transition to 'business as usual' service arrangements. The requirements for a transition plan are clearly described and sufficient, however should be outlined in a written plan.

Requirement for an Impact Statement

25. WALGA supports the requirement that the HMA prepares an Impact Statement in all Level 2 and 3 incidents.

Local Operational Recovery Plans

26. WALGA supports the general requirement for a Local Operational Recovery Plan to be prepared for R2, R3 and R4 events.
27. The Local Recovery Guideline should be revised to provide better guidance to Local Governments on how to prepare a Local Operational Recovery Plan.

28. State Recovery support should be provided to prepare a Local Operational Recovery Plan, if requested by the Local Government.
29. WALGA Recommends renaming the Local Operational Recovery Plan to [Event] Recovery Action Plan.

Executive Government Forum

30. WALGA supports provisions to enable strategic oversight and direction for complex recovery issues via referral to an existing cross-government executive forum or a Director General/Chief Executive Officer-level forum.

The People and Place Policy Team noted the draft submission at their 18 March meeting.

WALGA RECOMMENDATION

That State Council endorse the submission to the Department of Fire and Emergency Services on proposed revisions to the State Recovery Arrangements.

RESOLUTION

Mover **Shire of Yilgarn**
Seconder **Shire of Tammin**

That the Zone support the WALGA recommendation for State Council Agenda item 8.4 as contained in the State Council Agenda and as provided above.

CARRIED

13.5. HEALTH (PUBLIC BUILDINGS) REGULATIONS CONSULTATION (STATE COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM 8.5)

By Coralie Claudio, Senior Policy Advisor, Planning

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- The Department of Health (DoH) is seeking feedback on the [Consultation Paper 2025 Health \(Public Buildings\) Regulations 1992](#) (Consultation Paper), which examines whether the Regulations should be repealed without replacement.
- Repealing the Regulations is not supported by the sector, as it would impede Local Governments' ability to proactively manage and mitigate public health risks.
- Revised Regulations are supported to provide a contemporary, risk-based approach to public building management, eliminating unnecessary building construction requirements and incorporating modern compliance and enforcement tools.
- WALGA received an extension of time from DoH to allow the submission to be considered by State Council as part of the May Agenda.

ATTACHMENT

- [WALGA's submission on the Health \(Public Buildings\) Regulations Consultation](#)

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

WALGA's submission is consistent with the following [WALGA Advocacy Position](#)

6.6 Building Act and Regulations

Assessments of the effectiveness of building control systems across Australia have recognised that there is diminishing public confidence in the building and construction industry, and that change is required to ensure buildings are safe and perform to expected standards. Now more than ever, the focus is on Local Government building departments to deliver good governance, local leadership and sustainable services that meet the needs of their communities whilst supporting local jobs and economic growth. The Association has the following endorsed positions:

- 1. Support the retention of Local Government as the primary permit authority in Western Australia for decisions made under the Building Act 2011.*
- 2. Supports mandatory inspections for all classes of buildings; however, Local Government should not be solely responsible for all mandatory inspections.*
- 3. Advocate for the State Government to urgently prioritise legislative reform that addresses systemic failures in the current building control model and to provide clarification on the role of Local Government in building control to ensure building legislation supports the following objectives:*
 - a. Quality buildings that are cost efficient.*
 - b. Functional, safe and environmentally friendly buildings.*
 - c. Good decision making in all aspects of building.*
 - d. Efficiency and effectiveness in building management, administration and regulation.*
 - e. Openness and accountability with respect to all building matters.*
 - f. Recognition of the rights and responsibilities of all parties in building matters in an equitable manner.*
- 4. Existing and proposed building control related fees and charges to be cost recovery for Local Government.*
- 5. WALGA will work with members, state agencies and industry groups to develop training opportunities and to promote the Local Government building surveying*

profession to ensure sustainability of Local Government building control services.

6. *WALGA supports the Australian Building Codes Boards Trajectory for Low Energy Buildings by supporting Local Governments to meet community strategic objectives of a net zero carbon future by 2050 through work with members, state agencies and industry groups.*

BACKGROUND

The *Health (Public Buildings) Regulations 1992* (the Regulations) were established to ensure the safety, health, and welfare of people using public buildings in Western Australia. The current definition of a public building is broad, and captures most public areas where people gather for a pre-determined purpose, including for entertainment, sports and recreation, worship and educational purposes.

These Regulations set standards for the construction, maintenance, and operation of public buildings, covering aspects such as occupancy limits, emergency exits, evacuation plans, ventilation, lighting and sanitary facilities. Local Governments play a crucial role in enforcing the Regulations, specifically by conducting routine inspections to ensure ongoing compliance with health and safety standards.

In 2018, the DoH released a Discussion Paper *Managing public health risks in public buildings in Western Australia*, that sought feedback on two options: repealing the Regulations without replacement or providing new, updated Regulations under the *Public Health Act 2016*.

WALGA's submission at the time supported the latter option as Regulations would continue to allow for the assessment and maintenance of the operational safety of public buildings that would maintain patron safety and provide adequate control and enforcement tools for Local Government officers.

This was the position of DoH when the Consultation Summary Report was published in 2019. The report also noted that the Regulations shouldn't duplicate the construction requirements in building legislation and instead focus on the ongoing management of public health risks associated with the building. No updated Regulations were released.

In February, DoH released the Consultation Paper that re-examined if the Regulations should be repealed without replacement. The paper outlines relevant legislative and regulatory changes since 2019 and further examines the need for Regulations in addition to the WA building legislation and the National Construction Codes (NCC) that set safety standards and protocols for building construction.

COMMENT

WALGA does not support the repealing of the Regulations, as it would impede Local Governments' ability to undertake routine inspections, proactively managing and mitigating public health risks related to public buildings.

WALGA's submission acknowledges that the Regulations are outdated, and they should be reviewed and updated to ensure they are contemporary, fit for purpose and focus on the ongoing management of public buildings, rather than building construction requirements.

Health provisions, specifically the ongoing management of public buildings, are not appropriately placed within building legislation, and the building sector is not adequately trained or resourced to effectively manage ongoing public health risks.

Additionally, the general public health duty under the updated *Public Health Act 2016*, along with other legislation and inspections undertaken by government agencies, does not provide effective management and compliance mechanisms to address public building safety.

WALGA RECOMMENDATION

That WALGA endorse the submission on Health (Public Buildings) Regulations Consultation to the Department of Health.

RESOLUTION

Mover **Shire of Mukinbudin**
Second **Shire of Merredin**

That the Zone support the WALGA recommendation for State Council Agenda item 8.5 as contained in the State Council Agenda and as provided above.

CARRIED

13.6. OTHER STATE COUNCIL AGENDA ITEMS

Zone Delegates are invited to raise for discussion, questions or decision any of the items in the State Council Agenda, including the Items for Noting, Policy Team and Committee Reports or the Key Activity Reports.

14. EMERGING ISSUES

Nil.

15. NEXT MEETING

The next Executive Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, 4 June commencing at 8:00am, via MSTeams.

The next Great Eastern Country Zone meeting will be held on Thursday, 12 June commencing at 9:30am. This meeting will be hosted by the Shire of Kellerberrin.

Depending on confirmation of speakers, it is provisionally anticipated that this meeting will partly have a focus on matters related to Renewable Energy.

The Chair raised the duration of guest speakers and the potential to limit agency speakers at future meetings to 10 minutes. The issue will be raised at the next Executive Committee meeting for possible adjustments to future Zone meetings.

16. CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Chair closed the meeting at 1:20pm.



WEROC Inc. CEO Committee Meeting

Monday 14 April 2025

Kellerberrin Shire Council Chambers/videoconference

MINUTES

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Shires of Bruce Rock, Kellerberrin, Merredin, Tammin, Westonia, Yilgarn

Minutes of the WEROC Inc. CEO Committee Meeting held in Kellerberrin/via videoconference on Monday 14 April 2025.

MINUTES

1. OPENING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Craig Watts, Chair of the WEROC Inc. CEO Committee, was unable to join the meeting in-person and elected to have one of the CEO's physically present, run the meeting on his behalf.

Mr. Raymond Griffiths was nominated to Chair the meeting.

Mr. Griffiths welcomed members and opened the meeting at 11.10am.

2. RECORD OF ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

2.1 Attendance

Mr Mark Furr, CEO Shire of Bruce Rock (joined via videoconference)

Mr Raymond Griffiths, CEO Shire of Kellerberrin

Mr Andrew Malone, CEO Shire of Tammin

Mr Nic Warren, CEO Shire of Yilgarn (joined via videoconference)

Mr Craig Watts, CEO Shire of Merredin (joined via videoconference)

Ms Rebekah Burges, Executive Officer WEROC Inc.

2.2 Apologies

Mr Bill Price, CEO Shire of Westonia

2.3 Guests

Mr Stuart Hobley, CEO Shire of Cunderdin

Ms Sandy Turton-Parkinson, Senior Natural Resource Management Officer, Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (joined via videoconference)

Mr James McGovern, Governance Consultant, Civic Legal (joined via videoconference)

Mr Anthony Quahe, Managing Principal, Civic Legal (joined via videoconference)

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

NIL

4. MINUTES OF MEETINGS

Attachment 1. WEROC Inc. CEO Committee Meeting Minutes 10022025

The Minutes of the previous WEROC Inc. CEO Committee Meeting held in Merredin on 10 February 2025 have been previously circulated and are provided as Attachment 1.

Recommendation:

That the Minutes of the WEROC Inc. CEO Committee Meeting held in Merredin on Monday 10 February 2025 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

RESOLUTION:

Moved: Mr. Andrew Malone

Seconded: Mr. Craig Watts

That the Minutes of the WEROC Inc. CEO Committee Meeting held in Merredin on Monday 10 February 2025 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

5. MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION

5.1 Water

At the WEROC Inc. Board Meeting held on 17 March 2025, emerging priorities for WEROC were considered and it was agreed that water would be added as a priority. The Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) has been invited to join the WEROC CEO Committee meeting for a round table discussion around water issues and funding support available.

Ms. Sandy Turton-Parkinson, Senior Natural Resource Management Officer – Rural Water Planning, will join the meeting via videoconference at 11.15am. Ms. Turton-Parkinson has provided, in advance of the meeting, the following detail on the Community Water Supplies Partnership (CWSP) program:

- Applications are now open and will close at 5.00pm on 16 May 2025
- Applications will be assessed as they are submitted on a first come, first served basis.
- Program objectives include improving non-potable water supplies, ensuring that water is available for public amenities to reduce reliance on potable water supplies and increasing water available for firefighting to better prepare communities for periods of low rainfall.
- Projects must provide clear benefits to the community, reduce reliance on scheme water, improve public amenities through the irrigation of open spaces and establish or upgrade strategic emergency water supplies for firefighting.
- Up to \$100,000 is available for each project. Requests above \$100,000 may be considered subject to approval by the Department.
- Applicants must contribute a minimum of 30% of the total project cost.

Comments from the meeting:

- Most WEROC Shires are looking at applying for this round of CWSP funding.
- Ms. Turton-Parkinson advised that if Shires are unable to meet the 30% co-contribution requirement, the Department could possibly find ways to cover the gap. It was also noted that the co-contribution can be made up of in-kind components such as the time taken to prepare the grant application, source quotes, etc.
- It was questioned if maintenance (e.g., clearing drainage) is an eligible project activity. Ms. Turton-Parkinson advised that it is.
- The pool of funding available in this round is \$7 million. The turnaround time on applications is around three months.
- DWER are keen to explore options for capturing water from CBH sites.
- DWER can assist in negotiating access to water on Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions managed land.

- Mr. Nic Warren questioned whether DWER can facilitate quick access to funding to cart water when water supplies are depleted. Ms. Turton-Parkinson advised that they can, but to be eligible there cannot be a scheme water supply within 40km.
- It was questioned if there is value in developing a water plan for the WEROC local governments. Ms. Turton-Parkinson indicated that Development Commissions are completing water audits and water planning in other regions and the Wheatbelt Development Commission (WDC) are being encouraged to do the same. It was recommended that WEROC contact WDC and request assistance in completing a water audit for our seven local governments.
- It was also noted that the Shire of West Arthur have already completed a water strategy and the consultants that assisted them (Water Technology) might be worthwhile requesting a quote from.

Ms. Turton-Parkinson left the meeting at 11.55am and did not return.

- It was suggested that, given the CWSP funding can be used to engage consultants and contractors for specialist activities and tasks, WEROC consider applying for funding to complete water audits/strategies for each of the seven Councils.

5.2 Housing

Attachment 2: WEROC Stakeholder and Communication Plan

As advised via email on 8 April 2025, the Department of Communities have providing the following clarification regarding the call for submissions from Local Government:

- The call for submissions (CFS) from local governments operates as a non-competitive, non-time limited, and non-funded framework. Any request for funding through this CFS will depend on the availability of funds from existing or future programs.
- The Regional Grants Round which had up to \$50 million in grant funding available and included the CFS from local government as well as a CFS from Community Housing Providers, has already been fully subscribed and even though submissions don't close until September, there is no money left for projects.
- They said that if the proposal was of interest to them, the Department could help find funding through other programs but at the moment they are not aware of any that they can access. They could also keep the project in mind for any future programs that become available.
- They advised that if WEROC local governments do make a submission, we need to clearly define what we consider to be key worker housing (i.e., have clear eligibility criteria) and document our rent setting parameters to ensure it aligns with their requirement for non-market housing.
- It was also advised that before WEROC make a submission, other funding should be secured because it is far more likely that they will actively support a proposal that already has co-contributions confirmed. The Housing Australia Fund Round 3 is meant to open late 2025 and this could be a potential funding avenue, although local government have not been eligible in the past.

In light of this information, and considering the cost involved (indicative quote from Whitney Consulting was \$19,000) is there still interest in preparing a submission?

The Shire of Cunderdin have now been included in the scope of works for the WEROC housing investigation. An allowance of two weeks has been given for the Shire of Cunderdin to have the Shire and business surveys completed. JE Planning have revised the timeline for delivery of the worker housing needs analysis report and we are now looking at completion in July/August 2025 (refer to Attachment 2).

Comments from the meeting:

- Given that there is no pool of funding attached to the call for submissions, it was discussed that paying a consultant to prepare a submission may not be good value for money.
- It was commented that the Wheatbelt Development Commission housing investigation process assisted the AROC Councils in obtaining federal funding for headworks.
- A consensus was reached that funding avenues, including the Department of Communities call for submission, would be explored further once the workforce housing investigation is completed later this year.

5.3 Compliance Audit

At the WEROC Inc. Board Meeting held on 17 March 2025 it was suggested that a compliance audit be conducted to understand where each Council sits in terms of compliance with the amended local government act and regulations.

Mr. James McGovern, Governance Consultant at Civic Legal, and Mr. Anthony Quahe, Managing Principal, Civic Legal, will join the meeting via videoconference at 12.00pm, to discuss the requirements for this compliance audit.

Comments from the meeting:

- Mr. Raymond Griffiths provided initial context for the approach to Civic Legal, explaining that the Shires are seeking a compliance review to ensure adherence to recent and upcoming legislative changes.
- It was clarified that WEROC is seeking to have an internal audit conducted for each Shire to identify any issues that might arise during a formal audit and to highlight areas for improvement in order to achieve best practice.
- Civic Legal advised that they have a program they started approximately five years ago that would fit this requirement. Project AWARE is a governance support service aimed at strengthening governance practices in local government.
- The program consists of six meetings per year, held either online or in person. A template is provided to assist Shires in reviewing and improving their systems and procedures. Shires are responsible for completing the templates internally, and the meetings serve to coach and guide staff in addressing any identified governance issues.
- A query was raised regarding the potential additional resource burden associated with this process. Mr. Quahe responded that most local governments involved in the project do not view the recommendations as additional work, as they are tasks that fall within the general course of business.
- It was requested that Civic legal provide a proposal to deliver Project AWARE across the seven WEROC Shires.
- A separate matter was raised over the difficulty in finding independent persons for audit and risk committees. Mr. McGovern advised that WALGA were looking into establishing a panel of independent persons who could serve on these committees and recommended reaching out to Tony Brown for an update.

Mr. McGovern and Mr. Quahe left the meeting at 12.35pm and did not return.

6. OTHER MATTERS

6.1 Community Benefits Fund

Attachment 3. Shire of Narrogin Future - Community Enhancements Fund

On 25 March 2025, Mr. Raymond Griffiths forwarded details of a community enhancement fund (refer to attachment 3) being considered by the Shire of Narrogin. Mr. Craig Watts advised that the Shire of Merredin are looking at something similar and Mr. Mark Furr advised that the Shire of Bruce Rock would similarly be interested.

The concept of a community benefit fund was discussed at the WEROC Board meeting held on 11 September 2024, and it was recommended by the Executive Officer that the establishment of a regional community benefit fund be considered. At the time there was no support for exploring this option further but in light of recent discussion it may be worth looking at again.

Comments from the meeting:

- Shires will use the Narrogin policy as the basis for their own local policy. These will be taken to respective Councils for endorsement.
- There may be interest in receiving a presentation on the establishment of a community benefit fund or trust once the policies have been approved.

7. FUTURE MEETINGS

The next WEROC Inc. Board meeting will take place in Westonia on Wednesday 7 May 2025. There are no further scheduled meetings of the WEROC Inc. CEO Committee at this time.

8. CLOSURE

There being no further business the meeting closed at 1.05pm.

Minutes of the CEACA Executive Committee meeting held via MS Teams on Monday, 28th April 2025 at 2.00pm

ATTENDEES

Gary Shadbolt – CEACA Deputy Chairperson & Shire of Mukinbudin, Richard Marshall – CEACA Executive Officer (“EO”), Raymond Griffiths - Shire of Kellerberrin, Holly Cusack – Shire of Narembreen and Nic Warren – Shire of Yilgarn.
Minute Taker: Jo Trachy - CEACA Operations Manager (“OM”).

1.1 APOLOGIES

Terry Waldron – CEACA Chairperson & Mischa Stratford – Shire of Wyalkatchem

1.2 WELCOME

The Deputy Chairperson opened the meeting at 2.00pm and welcomed attendees.

1.3 PREVIOUS MINUTES

The Minutes of the CEACA Executive Committee meeting held on 14th October 2024 were approved.

2.0 MATTERS FOR DECISION

2.1 Management of Shire Owned Units (Attachment 2)

EO referred to Attachment 2 and commented as follows:

- The Shire of Merredin has asked for a proposal for management of their Merrittville Retirement Village but has not advised a due date. Their current management agreement expires in October 2025.
- A proposal, based on the earlier Bruce Rock proposal, has been drafted.
- Representatives from CEACA and Elders have inspected several Units at the Merrittville Retirement Village.
- Elders quoted \$110 per unit per month for ongoing management. This is lower than the Elders fee to CEACA due to all Units being in Merredin, no travel required and one inspection instead of 3 per annum being requested.
- The fee proposed by CEACA is set out in Attachment 2.
- Elders ensure compliance with RTA, collect rent and conduct inspections.
- CEACA provides a comprehensive service which includes planned and preventive maintenance, payment of accounts, building modifications, welfare of tenants and consulting with family, home care providers, allied health professionals in relation to support services, mobility aids and other requirements they may have.

General discussion ensued.

DECISIONS

- EO to seek clarification from the Shire of Merredin regarding the process and timeline for the proposal and if they are going to open tender.
- Executive Committee or a delegation thereof to present to Merredin Council Members as to additional services that CEACA offers. Recommended that the meeting be held at the Council briefing session in May as shires will be aiming to finalise their budgets.
- EO to ask the Shire if they are going to tender and if a presentation to Council would be helpful.

2.2 Rent Increases (Attachment 3)

EO referred to Attachment 3 and commented as follows:

- Market rents were obtained from Elders. CEACA’s rents are very low compared to the market and for the level of service provided.
- The recommendation is to increase current rents at a slightly higher rate than CPI.
- A decision should be reached at the Management Committee meeting to be held on 19th May 2025, as rents can only be increased every 12 months, and tenants must receive 60 days’ notice of increase.

DECISION

The proposed increases to rents are recommended to the Management Committee for approval.

2.3. CEACA Expansion Project Manager Feedback (Attachment 4)

EO referred to Attachment 4 and commented as follows:

- The attachment is an update only for discussion as CEACA are yet to receive notification of funding approval.
- CEACA Management met with individuals and organisations who have the potential to assist with the initial procurement and tender process for a Builder and potentially the project management of the build.
- CEACA Management were impressed with all the candidates but feel that the two that would have the best fit would be either Colin Lange from Lange Consulting or the Office of Regional Architecture ("ORA").
- Two organisations have submitted proposals with costs for the procurement and tender process based on the information provided.

General discussion ensued. Raymond Griffiths spoke highly of Colin Lange and his work for Kellerberrin Shire.

DECISION

The information relating to potential procurement contractors and project managers be presented to the Management Committee.

2.4 Government Rent Setting Policy for Social Housing (Attachment 5)

EO referred to Attachment 5 and commented as follows:

- An action item from an earlier CEACA Management Committee meeting was to invite a representative from the Department of Communities or relevant agency to the next meeting, to explain how social housing rents and Commonwealth Rent Assistance are calculated. The EO and OM spoke to the Department, Shelter WA and others.
- Based on enquiries it is unlikely that a government employee would want to present to CEACA on the mechanics of rent setting policies for social housing.
- The feedback was that a presentation would not be appropriate as all applicants are assessed on an individual basis and the outcome depends on their household circumstances and referred us to the Rent Setting Calculator.
- EO has conducted research, made calculations and produced a scenario analysis.
- Schedule Attachment 5 shows how social housing rent would be calculated and how it compares with CEACA rents.
- In all scenarios except one, rents are higher than we currently charge for Merredin. Only the first scenario is lower and is based on household income of \$20k which would not be applicable to most, as the aged pension equates to \$29k per annum.

General discussion ensued.

DECISIONS

- CEACA Management obtain information relating to the number of CEACA tenants claiming rent assistance and if so, how much. CEACA can then assess what the impact would be if rents increased.
- CEACA reviews its current rent review process and considers how a potential transition to a social housing rent setting model could be implemented.

3. GENERAL BUSINESS

EO advised that we are yet to receive notification regarding funding for additional houses. We expect to receive feedback by mid-May.

The Deputy Chairperson advised that he had received feedback that the current name for CEACA (Central East Wheatbelt Accommodation & Care Alliance Inc) suggests that they would only consider Members from this area of the Wheatbelt, and we may want to consider changing the name to something which suggests shires from other parts of the Wheatbelt would be welcome to join CEACA.

DECISION

That the possible change of name issue be added to the Management Committee Agenda for 19th May 2025.

4. NEXT MEETING

A date for the next Executive Committee meeting will be set in due course.

5. MEETING CLOSURE

There being no further business, the meeting was closed at 3.12pm.

DECLARATION

The Central East Accommodation & Care Alliance Inc Chairperson confirmed these Minutes at the meeting held on

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Signed _____.

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Meeting	Resolution Number	Resolution	Status
February 2025	4/2025	That Council, by Absolute Majority: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Declare, in accordance with section 4.20(4) of the Local Government Act 1995, the Electoral Commissioner to be responsible for the conduct of the 2025 ordinary election, together with any other elections or polls which may be required; 2. Decide, in accordance with section 4.61(2) of the Local Government Act 1995 that the method of conducting the election will be as a Postal election. 	Complete Resolution provided to WAEC.
February 2025	5/2025	That Council endorses the following response in relation to the request for comment from the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation regarding Covalent Lithium Pty Ltd's application for a works approval: <p>In regards to the works approval application from Covalent Lithium Pty Ltd (Reference APP-0026596) for a Category 64: Class II or III putrescible landfill site at Mining tenement M77/1066, the Shire of Yilgarn have no objections.</p>	Complete DWER advised of decision
February 2025	6/2025	That Council in relation to the proposed closure of a portion of King Ingram Road as per provided plans: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Notes the 35 day notice period for the closure has been undertaken as per Section 58 of the Land Administration Act 1997, commencing on 16 January 2025 and closing on 20 February 2025; - Notes there were no submissions received; - Endorses the Chief Executive Officer making application to the Minister of Lands for the closure. 	Complete Application lodged with Minister for Lands and DPLH.
February 2025	7/2025	That Council, by Absolute majority: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Note that no community submissions were received in relation to the: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Public Places, Local Government Property and Trading Local Law 2025 ○ Removal of Refuse, Rubbish and Disused Materials Local Law 2025 ○ Bush Fire Brigade Local Law 2025 • Note the responses from the Hon Hannah Beazley MLA, Minister for Local Government and Commissioner of the Department of Fire and Emergency Services . • Agree to accept all changes proposed and adopt the following Local Laws as presented: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Public Places, Local Government Property and Trading Local Law 2025 ○ Removal of Refuse, Rubbish and Disused Materials Local Law 2025 ○ Bush Fire Brigade Local Law 2025 	In progress Published in Government Gazette on 1/05/2025. Explanatory Memorandum sent to Joint Standing Committee on 9/5/2025.

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Meeting	Resolution Number	Resolution	Status
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Determine the proposed Local Laws are not Significantly Different as a result of the proposed amendments. Authorise the CEO to make minor grammatical and formatting changes to the adopted local laws prior to gazettal. Authorise the CEO to advertise the adopted local laws in the Government Gazette. Authorise the CEO to Submit to the Minister for Local Government, following advertising in the Government Gazette, a copy of the adopted local laws. Authorise the CEO to advertise, as a local public notice, the adoption of the local laws. Authorise the CEO to compile and submit the Explanatory Memorandum and associated papers to the Joint Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation. 	
February 2025	9/2025	<p>That Council:</p> <p>A. Determine that the proposed Tree farm use may be consistent with the objectives of the Rural/Mining zone and advertise under clause 64 of the deemed provisions of the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015 before considering an application for development approval for the use of the land.</p> <p>B. Note the application has been advertised for public comment and that all public submissions received at the time of writing this report have been summarised in Table 4.</p> <p>C. Note the issues raised in Table 4, however note that matters are addressed in the application and /or can be addressed through conditions of any development approval.</p> <p>D. Approved the application for a Tree Farm on various lots in Southern Cross that are generally known as Avalon Homestead South, Avalon North, Cairns Road, Garrat, Marafioti, Newbury, Perilya and South Garrat on the following conditions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Prior to commencement of planting, an amended Project Management Plan and updated Plantation Design maps showing rows with a minimum width of 30m between planting lines must be lodged with the Shire for approval by the Chief Executive Officer. The development must at all times be carried out in accordance with the approved Project Management Plan and Plantation Design maps including measures such as site preparation, weed management, and pest control. 	<p>Complete</p> <p>Decision letter provided to applicant.</p>

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Meeting	Resolution Number	Resolution	Status
		<p>3. Within 3 months after the date of this approval updated Bushfire Management Plans that include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> contact details of a locally employed plantation manager and/or fire officer; and contact details of owners/occupiers of neighbouring lots; <p>are to be lodged with the Shire for approval by the Chief Executive Officer.</p> <p>4. The measures outlined in all approved Bushfire Management Plans must be implemented during the life of the development.</p> <p>5. A copy of the approved Bushfire Management Plan is stored at the main entrance to the respective properties in a secure, weatherproof and clearly labeled container at all times in a location shown in the applicable approved Bushfire Management Plan.</p> <p>6. Internal access tracks are to be adequately sign posted to provide clear direction to water points (for fire emergencies) and exit points.</p> <p>7. Internal firebreaks, access tracks and turnaround areas are to be adequately maintained to the satisfaction of the Chief Executive Officer for access by emergency fire vehicles.</p> <p>8. Prior to harvesting, the owner/developer is to lodge a detailed Harvesting Plan for approval by the Chief Executive Office. The Harvesting Plan is to include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Haulage routes for vehicles involved in the harvest transport; Clear demarcation of local roads and any roads under the care and control of Main Roads WA; Heavy vehicle movements scheduling; Use of escort vehicles; Traffic management and interaction with other road users; A Pre-Construction Road Condition Report along the agreed main haulage routes within the local government area, and the obligation to prepare a Post-Construction Road Condition Report once harvesting for different properties are complete. An outline of all separate approvals required through Main Roads WA. <p>The extent of the main haulage route for a Pre-Construction and Post-Construction Road Condition Report is to be agreed to separately in writing by the developer and the Chief Executive Officer.</p> <p>9. Harvesting must be carried out in accordance with the approved Harvesting Plan.</p>	

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Meeting	Resolution Number	Resolution	Status
		<p>10. Any damage caused to the roads attributable to any harvesting phase of the development is to be rectified by the developer at their own cost to the standard identified in the Pre-Construction Road Condition Report to the satisfaction of the Chief Executive Officer.</p> <p>11. Where the developer intends to undertake the development in stages, a Staging Plan must be lodged with the local government at the same time as the Management Plan referred to in Condition 1 or at a later time agreed to separately in writing by the Chief Executive Officer. The purpose of the Staging Plan is to determine the scope of information required in order to satisfy the conditions of approval as it relates to that stage.</p> <p>12. The approved plans required by these conditions may amended from time to time with the written approval of the Chief Executive Officer.</p> <p>Advice Notes</p> <p>If an alternative plantation manager and/or fire officer is engaged (other than the persons stated in an approved Bushfire Management Plan), or any relevant contact details change, then a revised Management Plan is to be lodged to the Shire.</p>	
February 2025	10/2025	That Council waives the fees associated with weekly use of the Southern Cross Seniors Centre for Wheatbelt Agcare, totalling \$3,640 per annum for a period of three years.	<p>Complete</p> <p>Waiver applied and Wheatbelt Agcare notified.</p>
February 2025	15/2025	<p>That Council endorse:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> the recommended amendments to policy 4.5 - Heavy Vehicle Road Improvement Contribution; endorse the renaming of policy 4.5 - Heavy Vehicle Road Improvement Contribution to 4.5 – Heavy Vehicle Road Usage Fee; and the amendment to the 2024/2025 Schedule of Fees & Charges as presented and approves an imposition date of 24th February 2025. 	<p>Complete</p> <p>Advertising of new Fee undertaken.</p>
February 2025	16/2025	<p>That Council, pursuant to Section 6.64 (1) (b) of the Local Government Act 1995, take possession of the land indicated and proceed to sell the land listed hereunder which have rates in arrears for three or more years.</p> <p>List of Land by Assessment Number:</p> <p>Assessment: A1590 – 25 Polaris Street, Southern Cross Assessment: A18005 – 42 West Street, Bullfinch</p>	<p>Implemented</p> <p>LG (FM) Regs, Form 4 sent 4th March 2025 to both properties. Seizure for Sale notice to be issued on or about 4th June if payment not received.</p>

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Meeting	Resolution Number	Resolution	Status
February 2025	19/2025	That Council: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Endorses the CEO Performance and Remuneration Review 2023 to 2024 and the recommendations contained within; - Endorses the CEO Performance Criteria 2024-2025, noting this will form the basis for the next CEO review; and - Endorses the Report to Inform the Annual CEO Remuneration Review. 	Complete
March 2025	27/2025	That Council adopts the 2024 Local Government Compliance Audit Return for the Shire of Yilgarn for the period 1 January 2024 to 31 December 2024. And That Council in accepting the Compliance Audit Return, authorises the Shire President and Chief Executive Officer to sign and submit the same to the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries as required.	Complete Lodged with DLGSC on 27/03/2025.
March 2025	31/2025	That Council, declines to accept the following proposal for the repayment of rates and charge due on Assessment A1670: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Waive the outstanding interest amount, being - \$2,443.57 2. Write off the incurred legal expenses being - \$3,678.23 3. Make periodic payments to clear \$7,826.77 of non-deferred rates prior to 30 June 2025. 4. Leave the amount of \$9,166.57 as deferred with an indeterminate payment date. 	In progress The Ratepayers representative has lodged an application with SAT to set aside this resolution, hearing scheduled for 11 th April at 10pm via Video Link in Chambers, Councillors welcome to attend and observe. SAT mediation hearing set for Fri 9 th May at 10am via Video Link in Chambers, Councillors welcome to attend and observe.
March 2025	33/2025	That Council: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A. Determine that the proposed use may be consistent with the objectives of the Rural/Mining zine and advertise under clause 64 of the deemed provisions before considering an application for development approval for the use of the land. B. Not the application is being advertised for public comment and the consultation period ceases on the 15th April 2025. C. Pursuant to Clause 82(1) and 82(2) of the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015 grant (by Absolute Majority) delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to determine the application for a Met Mast Lot 1146 (no 235) Nulla Nulla North Road, Bodallin. 	Completed Approval issued 1/05/2025.

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Meeting	Resolution Number	Resolution	Status									
March 2025	34/2025	<p>That Council appointment the following persons under Section 38(1) of the Bush Fire Act 1954:</p> <p>Chief Bush Fire Control Officer: Leigh Dal Busco Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer North: John Roberts Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer South: Corey Hilder</p>	<p>Complete</p> <p>Advertised in Kal Miner on 4 April 2025.</p>									
April 2025	41/2025	<p>That Council, by absolute majority, waive the standard usage fee for the Yilgarn Ladies Darts Association for the 2024/2025 financial year.</p> <p>And</p> <p>Council advise the Yilgarn Ladies Darts Association that any future requests for waivers must be accompanied with a financial position statement.</p> <p>And</p> <p>Council are to note the hire bond will still be payable</p>	<p>Complete</p> <p>Association advised on decision 5/05/2025</p>									
April 2025	42/2025	<p>That Council by Absolute Majority:</p> <p>1. Agrees to the transfer of 54 Spica Street, Southern Cross WA (Lot 75 on DP223122) to the Shire of Yilgarn via unencumbered freehold title; 2. Agrees to the Shire of Yilgarn retaining the overpaid rate balances on the property assessment; 3. Endorses the Shire not undertaking enforcement action in the form of a prosecution for breaches of legislation pertaining to the condition of the property and dwelling; 4. Agrees to a budget allocation in the 2025/2026 annual budget for the remediation of the dwelling and property; 5. Endorses the Shire of Yilgarn covering costs incurred by both parties relating to settlement and land transfer costs;</p>	<p>In Progress</p> <p>Seeking quotes from conveyancing agents.</p>									
April 2025	43/2025	<p>That Council, by absolute majority, endorses an allocation of \$9,000 in the 2025/2026 annual budget for the Yilgarn Agricultural Society to support the 2025 Yilgarn Agricultural Show.</p>	<p>In Progress</p> <p>To be included in 2025/2026 budget. Agricultural Society advised 5/05/2025</p>									
April 2025	47/2025	<p>That Council:</p> <p>1. Endorse the Differential Rating – Objects and Reasons for the 2025/2026 rating years as presented; 2. Endorse the following proposed Differential General Rates Categories, Rates in the Dollar and Minimum amounts for the Shire of Yilgarn for the 2025/2026 financial year:</p> <table><tr><td>Land Category</td><td>Rate - Cents in the Dollar</td><td>Minimum Payment</td></tr><tr><td>GRV - Residential/Industrial</td><td>9.2691</td><td>\$600</td></tr><tr><td>GRV - Commercial</td><td>7.8315</td><td>\$450</td></tr></table>	Land Category	Rate - Cents in the Dollar	Minimum Payment	GRV - Residential/Industrial	9.2691	\$600	GRV - Commercial	7.8315	\$450	<p>In Progress</p> <p>Advertising of the 21-day submission period made 1st May 2025. Submissions to be received prior to 4pm, 23rd May 2025</p>
Land Category	Rate - Cents in the Dollar	Minimum Payment										
GRV - Residential/Industrial	9.2691	\$600										
GRV - Commercial	7.8315	\$450										

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Meeting	Resolution Number	Resolution	Status
		<div><div>GRV - Minesites15.6075\$450</div><div>GRV -SPQ15.6075\$450</div><div>UV - Rural1.1845\$450</div><div>UV - Mining16.4341\$450</div></div> <div>3. Endorse a public notice and consultation process on the proposed Differential General Rates and General Minimum Rates as follows:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Local public notice being placed on Councils website on Thursday, 1st May 2025 with ancillary notices being published as soon as practicable after this, as per the requirements of section 6.36 of the Local Government Act 1995.• Individual ratepayer consultation for all ratepayers in General Rate Categories with less than 30 ratepayers.</div>	
April 2025	48/2025	That Council endorses the Long-Term Financial Plan 2025/26 - 2034/35 as presented.	<div>Complete</div> <div>No further action required</div>



MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

(Containing the required statement of financial activity and statement of financial position)

For the period ended 30 April 2025

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1995

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT) REGULATIONS 1996

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SHIRE OF YILGARN
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 APRIL 2025

	Adopted Budget Estimates	YTD Budget Estimates	YTD Actual	Variance* \$ (c) - (b)	Variance* % ((c) - (b))/(b)	Var.
Note	(a) \$	(b) \$	(c) \$	(c) - (b) \$	((c) - (b))/(b) %	
OPERATING ACTIVITIES						
Revenue from operating activities						
General rates	4,601,698	4,601,698	4,563,515	(38,183)	(0.83%)	
Grants, subsidies and contributions	1,459,097	1,176,036	1,355,661	179,625	15.27%	▲
Fees and charges	2,060,787	1,774,919	2,105,765	330,846	18.64%	▲
Reimbursements	86,174	75,496	220,673	145,177	192.30%	▲
Interest revenue	774,449	645,370	691,677	46,307	7.18%	
Other revenue	626,300	522,550	602,013	79,463	15.21%	▲
Profit on asset disposals	10,749	0	70,000	70,000	0.00%	
	9,619,254	8,796,069	9,609,304	813,235	9.25%	
Expenditure from operating activities						
Employee costs	(4,680,008)	(3,902,738)	(3,517,243)	(385,495)	9.88%	
Materials and contracts	(2,876,890)	(3,117,935)	(953,167)	(2,164,768)	69.43%	
Utility charges	(1,038,701)	(740,400)	(778,742)	38,342	(5.18%)	
Depreciation	(4,739,000)	(3,949,080)	(3,909,082)	(39,998)	1.01%	
Finance costs	(31,123)	(30,923)	(7,371)	(23,552)	76.16%	
Insurance	(358,984)	(345,940)	(390,783)	44,843	(12.96%)	
Other expenditure	(763,366)	(737,740)	(671,249)	(66,491)	9.01%	
Loss on asset disposals	(240,976)	(201,025)	(21,037)	(179,988)	89.54%	
	(14,729,048)	(13,025,781)	(10,248,674)	2,777,107	21.32%	
Non cash amounts excluded from operating activities	2(c) 4,989,810	4,150,105	3,860,579	(289,526)	(6.98%)	
Amount attributable to operating activities	(119,984)	(79,607)	3,221,209	3,300,816	4146.39%	
INVESTING ACTIVITIES						
Inflows from investing activities						
Proceeds from capital grants, subsidies and contributions	4,184,946	3,616,790	1,831,541	(1,785,249)	(49.36%)	▼
Proceeds from disposal of assets	491,500	66,000	60,909	(5,091)	(7.71%)	
	4,676,446	3,682,790	1,892,450	(1,790,340)	(48.61%)	
Outflows from investing activities						
Payments for property, plant and equipment	(9,525,921)	(6,135,915)	(6,184,457)	48,542	(0.79%)	
Payments for construction of infrastructure	(5,896,353)	(5,239,524)	(3,460,408)	(1,779,116)	33.96%	
	(15,422,274)	(11,375,439)	(9,644,865)	1,730,574	15.21%	
Amount attributable to investing activities	(10,745,828)	(7,692,649)	(7,752,415)	(59,766)	(0.78%)	
FINANCING ACTIVITIES						
Inflows from financing activities						
Proceeds from new borrowings	1,190,000	0	0	0	0.00%	
Transfer from reserves	2,952,000	2,952,000	2,702,000	(250,000)	(8.47%)	
	4,142,000	2,952,000	2,702,000	(250,000)	(8.47%)	
Outflows from financing activities						
Payments for principal portion of lease liabilities	0	(1,097)	(1,097)	0	0.00%	
Repayment of borrowings	(98,814)	98,814	98,814	0	0.00%	
Transfer to reserves	(1,076,615)	(438,770)	(464,759)	(25,989)	(5.92%)	
	(1,175,429)	(341,053)	(367,042)	(25,989)	(7.62%)	
Amount attributable to financing activities	2,966,571	2,610,947	2,334,958	(275,989)	(10.57%)	
MOVEMENT IN SURPLUS OR DEFICIT						
Surplus or deficit at the start of the financial year	2(a) 8,015,561	8,015,561	8,415,551	399,990	4.99%	
Amount attributable to operating activities	(119,984)	(79,607)	3,221,209	3,300,816	4146.39%	▲
Amount attributable to investing activities	(10,745,828)	(7,692,649)	(7,752,415)	(59,766)	(0.78%)	
Amount attributable to financing activities	2,966,571	2,610,947	2,334,958	(275,989)	(10.57%)	▼
Surplus or deficit after imposition of general rates	116,320	2,854,252	6,219,303	3,365,051	117.90%	▲

KEY INFORMATION

- ▲ ▼ Indicates a variance between Year to Date (YTD) Budget and YTD Actual data outside the adopted materiality threshold.
 - ▲ Indicates a variance with a positive impact on the financial position.
 - ▼ Indicates a variance with a negative impact on the financial position.
- Refer to Note 3 for an explanation of the reasons for the variance.

This statement is to be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

SHIRE OF YILGARN
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 APRIL 2025

	Actual 30 June 2024	Actual as at 30 April 2025
	\$	\$
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	20,479,306	14,833,306
Trade and other receivables	682,397	886,153
Inventories	37,455	142,324
Other assets	139,938	135,262
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	21,339,096	15,997,045
NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
Trade and other receivables	67,678	62,960
Other financial assets	83,171	83,171
Property, plant and equipment	34,411,026	40,066,489
Infrastructure	457,722,270	458,002,706
Right-of-use assets	3,104	2,007
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	492,287,249	498,217,333
TOTAL ASSETS	513,626,345	514,214,378
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Trade and other payables	784,488	622,413
Other liabilities	670,304	670,304
Lease liabilities	1,296	214
Borrowings	98,814	0
Employee related provisions	472,459	472,459
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	2,027,361	1,765,390
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Lease liabilities	1,683	1,683
Borrowings	564,069	564,069
Employee related provisions	75,527	75,527
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	641,279	641,279
TOTAL LIABILITIES	2,668,640	2,406,669
NET ASSETS	510,957,700	511,807,709
EQUITY		
Retained surplus	69,236,941	72,324,193
Reserve accounts	11,321,095	9,083,854
Revaluation surplus	430,399,664	430,399,664
TOTAL EQUITY	510,957,700	511,807,709

This statement is to be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

SHIRE OF YILGARN
NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 APRIL 2025

1 BASIS OF PREPARATION AND MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF PREPARATION

This prescribed financial report has been prepared in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1995* and accompanying regulations.

Local Government Act 1995 requirements

Section 6.4(2) of the *Local Government Act 1995* read with the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*, prescribe that the financial report be prepared in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1995* and, to the extent that they are not inconsistent with the Act, the Australian Accounting Standards. The Australian Accounting Standards (as they apply to local governments and not-for-profit entities) and Interpretations of the Australian Accounting Standards Board were applied where no inconsistencies exist.

The *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996* specify that vested land is a right-of-use asset to be measured at cost, and is considered a zero cost concessionary lease. All right-of-use assets under zero cost concessionary leases are measured at zero cost rather than at fair value, except for vested improvements on concessionary land leases such as roads, buildings or other infrastructure which continue to be reported at fair value, as opposed to the vested land which is measured at zero cost. The measurement of vested improvements at fair value is a departure from AASB 16 which would have required the Shire to measure any vested improvements at zero cost.

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996, regulation 34 prescribes contents of the financial report. Supplementary information does not form part of the financial report.

Accounting policies which have been adopted in the preparation of this financial report have been consistently applied unless stated otherwise. Except for cash flow and rate setting information, the financial report has been prepared on the accrual basis and is based on historical costs, modified, where applicable, by the measurement at fair value of selected non-current assets, financial assets and liabilities.

PREPARATION TIMING AND REVIEW

Date prepared: All known transactions up to 12 May 2025

THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT REPORTING ENTITY

All funds through which the Shire controls resources to carry on its functions have been included in the financial statements forming part of this financial report.

All monies held in the Trust Fund are excluded from the financial statements.

MATERIAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Material accounting policies utilised in the preparation of these statements are as described within the 2024-25 Annual Budget. Please refer to the adopted budget document for details of these policies.

Critical accounting estimates and judgements

The preparation of a financial report in conformity with Australian Accounting Standards requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that effect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expenses.

The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors believed to be reasonable under the circumstances; the results of which form the basis of making the judgements about carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

As with all estimates, the use of different assumptions could lead to material changes in the amounts reported in the financial report.

The following are estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year and further information on their nature and impact can be found in the relevant note:

- Fair value measurement of assets carried at reportable value including:
 - Property, plant and equipment
 - Infrastructure
- Impairment losses of non-financial assets
- Expected credit losses on financial assets
- Assets held for sale
- Investment property
- Estimated useful life of intangible assets
- Measurement of employee benefits
- Measurement of provisions
- Estimation uncertainties and judgements made in relation to lease

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FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 APRIL 2025

2 NET CURRENT ASSETS INFORMATION

(a) Net current assets used in the Statement of Financial Activity

Current assets

Cash and cash equivalents
Trade and other receivables
Inventories
Contract assets
Other assets

Less: current liabilities

Trade and other payables
Other liabilities
Lease liabilities
Borrowings
Employee related provisions
Other provisions

Net current assets

Less: Total adjustments to net current assets

Closing funding surplus / (deficit)

Note	Adopted Budget Opening 1 July 2024	Actual as at 30 June 2024	Actual as at 30 April 2025
	\$	\$	\$
	11,270,218	20,479,306	14,833,306
	808,210	682,397	886,153
	52,445	37,455	142,324
	477,873	0	0
	253,474	139,938	135,262
	12,862,220	21,339,096	15,997,045
	(376,739)	(784,488)	(622,413)
	(652,228)	(670,304)	(670,304)
	0	(1,296)	(214)
	(959,293)	(98,814)	0
	(425,957)	(472,459)	(472,459)
	(242,524)	0	0
	(2,656,741)	(2,027,361)	(1,765,390)
	10,205,479	19,311,735	14,231,655
2(b)	(10,392,150)	(10,896,184)	(8,758,979)
	(186,671)	8,415,551	5,472,676

(b) Current assets and liabilities excluded from budgeted deficiency

Adjustments to net current assets

Less: Reserve accounts
Less: Current assets not expected to be received at end of year
- Current financial assets at amortised cost - self supporting loans
- Rates receivable
Add: Current liabilities not expected to be cleared at the end of the year
- Current portion of lease liabilities
- Current portion of borrowings
- Current portion of employee benefit provisions held in reserve

Total adjustments to net current assets

	(11,321,098)	(11,321,095)	(9,083,854)
	(369,000)		
		1,296	214
	959,293	98,814	0
	338,655	324,801	324,661
2(a)	(10,392,150)	(10,896,184)	(8,758,979)

(c) Non-cash amounts excluded from operating activities

Adjustments to operating activities

Less: Profit on asset disposals
Add: Loss on asset disposals
Add: Depreciation
Non-cash movements in non-current assets and liabilities:
- Pensioner deferred rates
- Employee provisions

Total non-cash amounts excluded from operating activities

	Adopted Budget Estimates 30 June 2025	YTD Budget Estimates 30 April 2025	YTD Actual 30 April 2025
	\$	\$	\$
	(10,749)	0	(70,000)
	240,976	201,025	21,037
	4,739,000	3,949,080	3,909,082
	6,000		460
	14,583		0
	4,989,810	4,150,105	3,860,579

CURRENT AND NON-CURRENT CLASSIFICATION

In the determination of whether an asset or liability is current or non-current, consideration is given to the time when each asset or liability is expected to be settled. Unless otherwise stated assets or liabilities are classified as current if expected to be settled within the next 12 months, being the local governments' operational cycle.

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3 EXPLANATION OF MATERIAL VARIANCES

The material variance thresholds are adopted annually by Council as an indicator of whether the actual expenditure or revenue varies from the year to date actual materially.

The material variance adopted by Council for the 2024-25 year is \$30,000 and 10.00% whichever is the greater.

Description	Var. \$	Var. %	
	\$	%	
Revenue from operating activities			
Grants, subsidies and contributions	179,625	15.27%	▲
Higher than anticipated HVRIC payments			
Fees and charges	330,846	18.64%	▲
+\$75k - SX & ML Sewer Charges, +\$33k - Planning Fees, +\$24k Landing Fees, +\$100k Caravan Park Income, -\$47k Standpipe Income & +\$74k Private Works			
Reimbursements	145,177	192.30%	▲
Fulton Hogan Standpipe Usage Incorrectly Charged as a Reimbursement and not a Fee & Charge			
Other revenue	79,463	15.21%	▲
Outback Carbon Contribution to Rec Centre upgrades			
Inflows from investing activities			
Proceeds from capital grants, subsidies and contributions	(1,785,249)	(49.36%)	▼
Variance due to delay in receiving LRCI grant			
Delays in Grant Funded Road Works			
Surplus or deficit after imposition of general rates	3,365,051	117.90%	▲
Due to variances outlined above			

SHIRE OF YILGARN
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

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BASIS OF PREPARATION - SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Supplementary information is presented for information purposes. The information does not comply with the disclosure requirements of the Australian Accounting Standards.

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1 KEY INFORMATION

Funding Surplus or Deficit Components

Funding surplus / (deficit)				
	Adopted Budget	YTD Budget (a)	YTD Actual (b)	Var. \$ (b)-(a)
Opening	\$8.02 M	\$8.02 M	\$8.42 M	\$0.40 M
Closing	\$0.12 M	\$2.85 M	\$6.22 M	\$3.37 M

Refer to Statement of Financial Activity

Cash and cash equivalents		
	\$14.83 M	% of total
Unrestricted Cash	\$5.75 M	38.8%
Restricted Cash	\$9.08 M	61.2%

Refer to 3 - Cash and Financial Assets

Payables	
	% Outstanding
Trade Payables	\$0.09 M
0 to 30 Days	99.6%
Over 30 Days	0.4%
Over 90 Days	0.0%

Refer to 9 - Payables

Receivables		
	\$0.38 M	% Collected
Rates Receivable	\$0.51 M	89.7%
Trade Receivable	\$0.38 M	% Outstanding
Over 30 Days		20.6%
Over 90 Days		0.7%

Refer to 7 - Receivables

Key Operating Activities

Amount attributable to operating activities			
Adopted Budget	YTD Budget (a)	YTD Actual (b)	Var. \$ (b)-(a)
(\$0.12 M)	(\$0.08 M)	\$3.22 M	\$3.30 M

Refer to Statement of Financial Activity

Rates Revenue		
YTD Actual	\$4.56 M	% Variance
YTD Budget	\$4.60 M	(0.8%)

Grants and Contributions		
YTD Actual	\$1.41 M	% Variance
YTD Budget	\$1.17 M	20.9%

Refer to 13 - Grants and Contributions

Fees and Charges		
YTD Actual	\$2.11 M	% Variance
YTD Budget	\$1.77 M	18.6%

Refer to Statement of Financial Activity

Key Investing Activities

Amount attributable to investing activities			
Adopted Budget	YTD Budget (a)	YTD Actual (b)	Var. \$ (b)-(a)
(\$10.75 M)	(\$7.69 M)	(\$7.75 M)	(\$0.06 M)

Refer to Statement of Financial Activity

Proceeds on sale		
YTD Actual	\$0.06 M	%
Adopted Budget	\$0.49 M	(87.6%)

Refer to 6 - Disposal of Assets

Asset Acquisition		
YTD Actual	\$3.46 M	% Spent
Adopted Budget	\$5.90 M	(41.3%)

Refer to 5 - Capital Acquisitions

Capital Grants		
YTD Actual	\$1.56 M	% Received
Adopted Budget	\$4.18 M	(62.8%)

Refer to 5 - Capital Acquisitions

Key Financing Activities

Amount attributable to financing activities			
Adopted Budget	YTD Budget (a)	YTD Actual (b)	Var. \$ (b)-(a)
\$2.97 M	\$2.61 M	\$2.33 M	(\$0.28 M)

Refer to Statement of Financial Activity

Borrowings	
Principal repayments	\$0.10 M
Interest expense	\$0.01 M
Principal due	\$0.56 M

Refer to 10 - Borrowings

Reserves	
Reserves balance	\$9.08 M
Net Movement	(\$2.24 M)

Refer to 4 - Cash Reserves

Lease Liability	
Principal repayments	(\$0.00 M)
Interest expense	(\$0.00 M)
Principal due	\$0.00 M

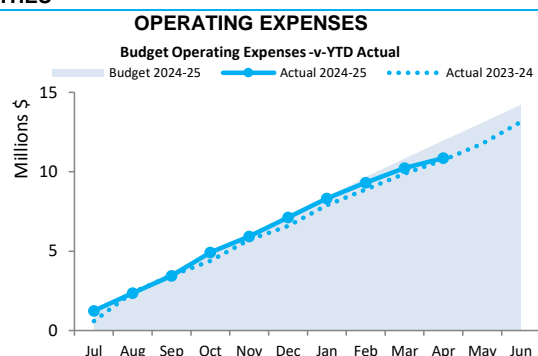
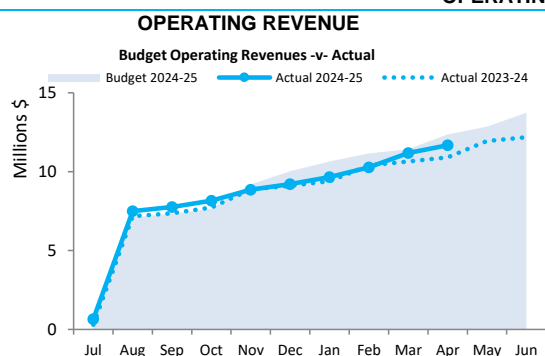
Refer to Note 11 - Lease Liabilities

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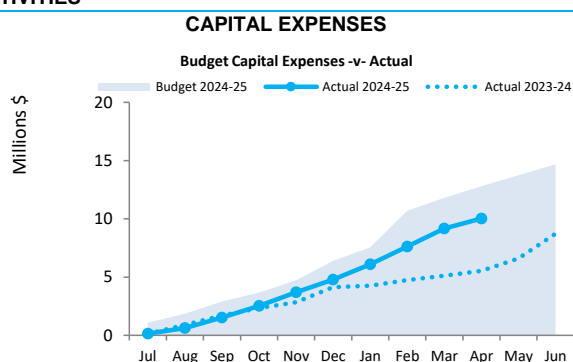
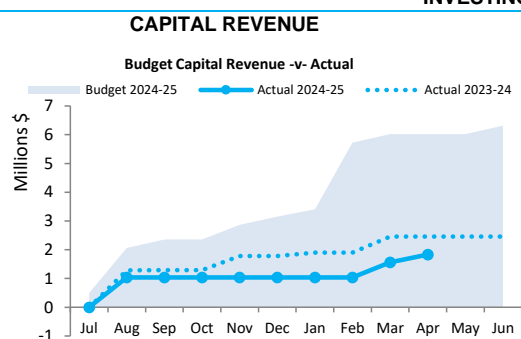
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2 KEY INFORMATION - GRAPHICAL

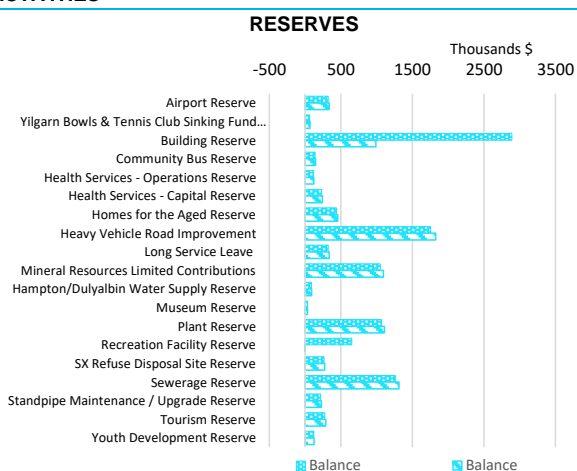
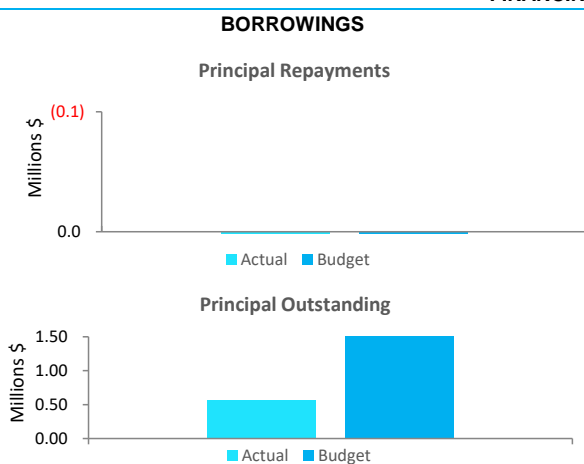
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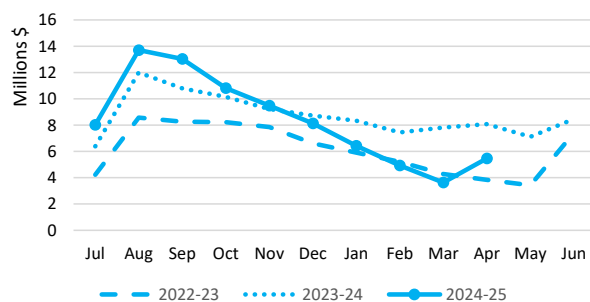
INVESTING ACTIVITIES



FINANCING ACTIVITIES



Closing funding surplus / (deficit)



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3 CASH AND FINANCIAL ASSETS AT AMORTISED COST

Description	Classification	Unrestricted	Reserve Accounts	Total	Trust	Institution	Interest Rate	Maturity Date
		\$	\$	\$	\$			
Cash on hand		1,350		1,350				
Muni funds - bank working acc	Cash and cash equivalents	442,048		442,048		WBC	0.00%	
Muni funds - at call account	Cash and cash equivalents	3,261,049		3,261,049		WBC	1.05%	
Muni funds - investment account (31 days)	Cash and cash equivalents	2,000,000		2,000,000		WBC	4.55%	(rolling 31 day)
Reserve funds - investment account (90 days)	Cash and cash equivalents	0	9,083,854	9,083,854		WBC	4.85%	(rolling 90 day)
Trust Account	Cash and cash equivalents	45,005		45,005	45,005	WBC	0.00%	
Total		5,749,452	9,083,854	14,833,306	45,005			
Comprising								
Cash and cash equivalents		5,749,452	9,083,854	14,833,306	45,005			
		5,749,452	9,083,854	14,833,306	45,005			

KEY INFORMATION

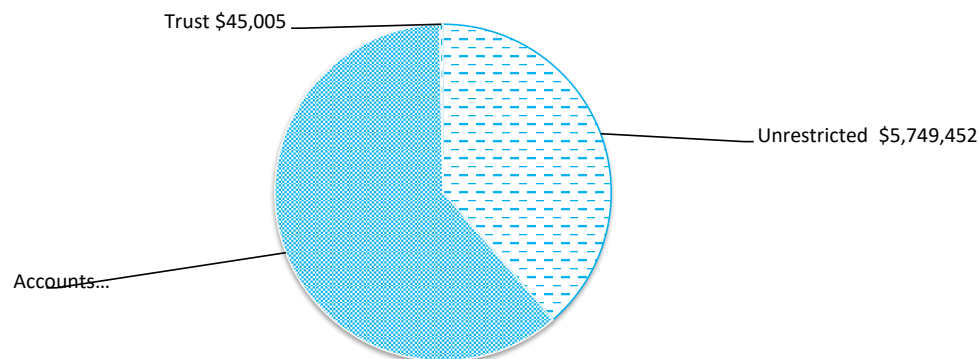
Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand, cash at bank, deposits available on demand with banks and other short term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

Bank overdrafts are reported as short term borrowings in current liabilities in the statement of net current assets.

The local government classifies financial assets at amortised cost if both of the following criteria are met:

- the asset is held within a business model whose objective is to collect the contractual cashflows, and
- the contractual terms give rise to cash flows that are solely payments of principal and interest.

Financial assets at amortised cost held with registered financial institutions are listed in this note other financial assets at amortised cost are provided in Note 8 - Other assets.



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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
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4 RESERVE ACCOUNTS

Reserve account name	Budget				Actual			
	Opening	Transfers	Transfers	Closing	Opening	Transfers	Transfers	Closing
	Balance	In (+)	Out (-)	Balance	Balance	In (+)	Out (-)	Balance
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Reserve accounts restricted by Council								
Airport Reserve	323,313	14,549	0	337,862	323,313	13,273	0	336,586
Yilgarn Bowls & Tennis Club Sinking Fund Reserve	65,982	9,635	0	75,617	65,982	2,708	0	68,690
Building Reserve	2,889,718	130,037	(2,020,000)	999,755	2,889,718	118,629	(2,020,000)	988,347
Community Bus Reserve	140,791	6,336	0	147,127	140,790	5,780	0	146,570
Health Services - Operations Reserve	118,856	5,349	0	124,205	118,856	4,880	0	123,736
Health Services - Capital Reserve	231,479	10,417	0	241,896	231,479	9,503	0	240,982
Homes for the Aged Reserve	438,360	19,726	0	458,086	438,360	17,996	0	456,356
Heavy Vehicle Road Improvement	1,754,849	628,968	0	2,383,817	1,754,848	72,041	0	1,826,889
Long Service Leave	324,072	14,583	0	338,655	324,072	13,304	0	337,376
Mineral Resources Limited Contributions	1,051,058	47,298	0	1,098,356	1,051,058	43,149	0	1,094,207
Hampton/Dulyalbin Water Supply Reserve	87,643	11,444	0	99,087	87,643	3,598	0	91,241
Museum Reserve	32,877	4,479	0	37,356	32,876	1,350	0	34,226
Plant Reserve	1,066,585	47,996	(250,000)	864,581	1,066,585	43,786	0	1,110,371
Recreation Facility Reserve	652,076	29,343	(682,000)	(581)	652,076	26,769	(682,000)	(3,155)
SX Refuse Disposal Site Reserve	264,960	11,923	0	276,883	264,960	10,878	0	275,838
Sewerage Reserve	1,261,614	56,773	0	1,318,387	1,261,614	51,792	0	1,313,406
Standpipe Maintenance / Upgrade Reserve	218,291	9,823	0	228,114	218,291	8,961	0	227,252
Tourism Reserve	276,924	12,462	0	289,386	276,924	11,368	0	288,292
Youth Development Reserve	121,650	5,474	0	127,124	121,650	4,994	0	126,644
	11,321,098	1,076,615	(2,952,000)	9,445,713	11,321,095	464,759	(2,702,000)	9,083,854

5 CAPITAL ACQUISITIONS

Capital acquisitions	Adopted		YTD Actual	YTD Variance
	Budget	YTD Budget		
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Buildings	6,930,921	6,070,915	4,789,272	(1,281,643)
Furniture and equipment	65,000	0	6,584	6,584
Plant and equipment	2,530,000	65,000	1,388,601	1,323,601
Acquisition of property, plant and equipment	9,525,921	6,135,915	6,184,457	48,542
Infrastructure - roads	5,411,353	4,790,034	3,426,525	(1,363,509)
Infrastructure- Other	485,000	449,490	33,883	(415,607)
Acquisition of infrastructure	5,896,353	5,239,524	3,460,408	(1,779,116)
Total of PPE and Infrastructure.	15,422,274	11,375,439	9,644,865	(1,730,574)
Total capital acquisitions	15,422,274	11,375,439	9,644,865	(1,730,574)
Capital Acquisitions Funded By:				
Capital grants and contributions	4,184,946	3,616,790	1,557,255	(2,059,535)
Borrowings	1,190,000	0	0	0
Other (disposals & C/Fwd)	491,500	66,000	60,909	(5,091)
Reserve accounts				
Building Reserve	2,020,000	2,020,000	2,020,000	0
Plant Reserve	250,000	0	0	0
Recreation Facilities Reserve	682,000	682,000	682,000	0
Contribution - operations	6,603,828	4,990,649	5,324,701	334,052
Capital funding total	15,422,274	11,375,439	9,644,865	(1,730,574)

KEY INFORMATION

Initial recognition

An item of property, plant and equipment or infrastructure that qualifies for recognition as an asset is measured at its cost.

Upon initial recognition, cost is determined as the amount paid (or other consideration given) to acquire the assets, plus costs incidental to the acquisition. The cost of non-current assets constructed by the Shire includes the cost of all materials used in construction, direct labour on the project and an appropriate proportion of variable and fixed overheads. For assets acquired at zero cost or otherwise significantly less than fair value, cost is determined as fair value at the date of acquisition.

Assets for which the fair value as at the date of acquisition is under \$5,000 are not recognised as an asset in accordance with *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 17A(5)*. These assets are expensed immediately.

Where multiple individual low value assets are purchased together as part of a larger asset or collectively forming a larger asset exceeding the threshold, the individual assets are recognised as one asset and capitalised.

Individual assets that are land, buildings and infrastructure acquired between scheduled revaluation dates of the asset class in accordance with the Shire's revaluation policy, are recognised at cost and disclosed as being at reportable value.

Measurement after recognition

Plant and equipment including furniture and equipment and right-of-use assets (other than vested improvements) are measured using the cost model as required under *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 17A(2)*. Assets held under the cost model are carried at cost less accumulated depreciation and any impairment losses being their reportable value.

Reportable Value

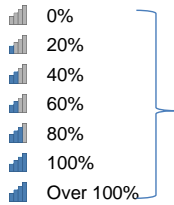
In accordance with *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 17A(2)*, the carrying amount of non-financial assets that are land and buildings classified as property, plant and equipment, investment properties, infrastructure or vested improvements that the local government controls.

Reportable value is for the purpose of *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 17A(4)* is the fair value of the asset at its last valuation date minus (to the extent applicable) the accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses in respect of the non-financial asset subsequent to its last valuation date.

5 CAPITAL ACQUISITIONS (CONTINUED) - DETAILED

Capital expenditure total

Level of completion indicators

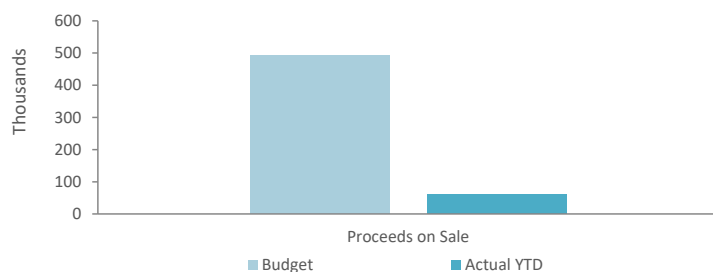


Percentage Year to Date Actual to Annual Budget expenditure where the expenditure over budget highlighted in red.

			Adopted		30 April 2025	Variance
Account Description			Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	(Under)/Over
			\$	\$	\$	\$
Buildings						
E07451	Medical Centre - Land & Buildings Capital		15,196	15,196	12,927	(2,269)
E08250	Child Care Centre - Land & Buildings Capital		45,000	45,000	11,807	(33,193)
E08350	Senior Citizens Centre - Land & Buildings Capital		10,000	10,000	497	(9,503)
J08403	Homes For The Aged - Land & Buildings Capital		77,603	77,603	6,277	(71,326)
E09710	Housing Construction - Land & Buildings		860,384	860,384	89,318	(771,066)
J09750	37 Taurus St - Land & Buildings Capital		36,000	36,000	23,224	(12,776)
J09753	103 Altair St - Land & Buildings Capital		9,093	9,093	2,242	(6,851)
J09754	3 Libra Pl - Land & Buildings Capital		18,653	18,653	19,104	451
J09755	35 Taurus St - Land & Buildings Capital		41,174	41,174	4,994	(36,180)
J09760	1/50 Antares St - Land & Buildings Capital		6,000	6,000	0	(6,000)
J09764	2 Libra Place - Land & Buildings Capital		30,783	30,783	0	(30,783)
J09766	13 Libra St (East) - Land & Buildings Capital		8,500	8,500	0	(8,500)
J09767	13 Libra St (West) - Land & Buildings Capital		8,500	8,500	0	(8,500)
J10722	Cbd Public Toilets - Land & Buildings Capital		12,063	10,020	14	(10,006)
E11250	Swimming Pool - Land & Buildings Capital		30,000	30,000	0	(30,000)
J11341	Yilgarn Bowls & Tennis Centre - Land & Buildings Capital		12,826	10,670	2,445	(8,225)
SPRT11	Moorine Rock Tennis Club - Land & Buildings Capital		5,600	4,660	0	(4,660)
SPORT9	Netball Courts / Pavilion / Toilets - Land & Buildings Capital		14,297	11,910	0	(11,910)
J11342	Lrci Rnd 3 - Southern Cross Sports Complex Upgrades		4,990,000	4,158,330	4,469,334	311,004
J13203	Caravan Park Improvements - Land & Buildings Capital		556,739	556,739	93,404	(463,335)
J13207	Caravan Park Residence - Land & Buildings Capital		18,000	18,000	22,078	4,078
J14602	Depot - Land & Buildings Capital		58,479	48,720	23,172	(25,548)
J14604	Depot - Yard Surfaces - Land & Buildings Capital		25,000	20,830	258	(20,572)
J14603	11 Antares Street - Shop Front Capital		18,739	15,590	6,213	(9,377)
J14607	11 Antares Street - Residence Capital		22,292	18,560	1,962	(16,598)
Furniture						
E14655	Shire Administration - Furniture & Equipment Capital		65,000	65,000	6,584	(58,416)
Plant and equipment						
E10353	Southern Cross Sewerage Scheme - Plant & Equipment Capital		52,500	43,750	4,855	(38,895)
E10451	Marvel Loch Sewerage Scheme - Plant & Equipment Capital		10,500	8,750	0	(8,750)
J11345	Sx Sporting Complex - Plant & Equipment Capital		25,000	20,830	29,139	8,309
E11357	Parks & Gardens - Plant & Equipment Capital		275,000	229,170	93,141	(136,029)
E12350	Purchase Of Plant And Equipment		1,975,000	1,645,830	1,100,993	(544,837)
E12353	Depot - Plant & Equipment Capital		75,000	75,000	62,981	(12,020)
E13257	Caravan Park Improvements - Plant & Equipment Capital		65,000	65,000	53,873	(11,127)
E14656	Shire Administration - Plant & Equipment		52,000	52,000	43,619	(8,381)
Infrastructure - roads						
RRG28	R2030 - Bodallin Wheatbin Rd - Replace Culvert And Reconstruc		1,772,300	1,772,298	905,031	(867,267)
R2R40	R2R - Marvel Loch Forrestania Rd - Reconstruct To 8M Primer Se		445,054	445,052	457,971	12,919
R2R41	R2R - Marvel Loch Forrestania Rd - Reseal - Slk 0.17 - 2.90 (24/2		120,728	120,728	121,118	390
R2R42	R2R - Koorda-Bullfinch Rd - Shoulder Widening - Slk 6.00 - 11.20		303,088	303,088	328,024	24,936
R2R43	R2R - Southern Cross South Rd - Gravel Sheet - Slk 86.00 - 91.9		414,953	414,953	425,292	10,339
WSFN1	Wsfm - Koorda/Bullfinch Rd - Geotesting, Survey & Replace 2 Culv		136,500	136,494	7,510	(128,984)
RRU38	Rru - Various Reseals, Short Sections And Intersections (24/25)		406,980	406,980	108,840	(298,140)
RRU39	Rru - Noonga North Rd - Gravel Sheet - Slk ?? (24/25)		303,017	303,017	234,192	(68,825)
RRU40	Rru - Cockatoo Tank Rd - Resheet - Slk 0.00 To 5.00 (24/25)		364,894	0	11,900	11,900
RRU41	Rru - Dulyalbin Rd - Gravel Sheet - Slk 1.00 - 5.00 (24/25)		282,325	282,325	284,567	2,242
RRU42	Rru - Lrci Phase 4B - Replace Various Culverts		272,000	226,660	189,495	(37,165)
RRU43	Rru - Ivy Rd - Gravel Sheet - Slk 23.00 - 28.00 (24/25)		308,576	0	30,967	30,967
TRU14	Tru - Altair St - Reseal - Slk 0.00 - 1.35 (24/25)		70,291	70,291	0	(70,291)
HVRIC9	Hvric - Koolyanobbing Rd - Replace Various Culverts And Recons		308,148	308,148	321,617	13,469
Infrastructure - Other						
E10350	Southern Cross Sewerage Scheme - Infrastructure Capital		17,500	14,580	0	(14,580)
E10450	Marvel Loch Sewerage Scheme - Infrastructure Capital		25,500	21,250	0	(21,250)
J11344	Renewal Of Cricket Practice Nets & Surface		30,000	25,000	33,883	8,883
J12101	Concrete Footpath - Spica Street - Southern Cross		120,000	100,000	0	(100,000)
AERO5	Windsock Lighting Upgrade		20,000	16,660	0	(16,660)
TRU15	Tru - Lrci Phase 4B - Sx Town Kerbing		272,000	272,000	0	(272,000)
			15,519,775	13,515,769	9,644,865	(3,870,904)

6 DISPOSAL OF ASSETS

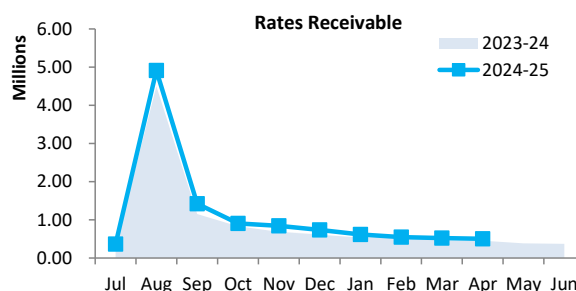
Asset Ref.	Asset description	Budget				YTD Actual			
		Net Book	Proceeds	Profit	(Loss)	Net Book	Proceeds	Profit	(Loss)
		Value				Value			
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Plant and equipment									
2061	Light Tip Truck	54,881	40,000	0	(14,881)	57,286	45,455	0	(11,831)
2013	Freightliner Prime Mover	153,753	65,000	0	(88,753)	0	0	0	0
2011	Replace Asset 2011 - John Deere Grader	163,055	80,000	0	(83,055)	0	0	0	0
P1818	Replace Asset P1818 - Tandem Dolly	17,272	10,000	0	(7,272)	0	0	0	0
2018	Toro GM360 Ride On	23,606	4,500	0	(19,106)	0	0	0	0
2057	Dual Cab 4x4 Truck	67,716	60,000	0	(7,716)	0	0	0	0
2058	Dual Cab 4x4 Truck	67,716	60,000	0	(7,716)	0	0	0	0
2035	Tray Deck & Crane	56,172	45,000	0	(11,172)	0	0	0	0
2112	Toyota Landcruiser (WS)	60,251	70,000	9,749	0	0	0	0	0
2043	Builders Ute	25,000	26,000	1,000	0	24,659	15,454	0	(9,205)
2100	Mitsubishi Outlander	32,305	31,000	0	(1,305)	0	0	0	0
		721,727	491,500	10,749	(240,976)	81,945	60,909	0	(21,036)



7 RECEIVABLES

Rates receivable

	30 June 2024	30 Apr 2025
	\$	\$
Opening arrears previous year	310,001	324,478
Levied this year	4,378,475	4,563,515
Less - collections to date	(4,363,998)	(4,382,731)
Net rates collectable	324,478	505,262
% Collected	93.1%	89.7%



Receivables - general

	Credit	Current	30 Days	60 Days	90+ Days	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Receivables - general	0	80,820	3,398	16,945	678	101,841
Percentage	0.0%	79.4%	3.3%	16.6%	0.7%	
Balance per trial balance						
Trade receivables						101,842
Other receivables						367
GST receivable						242,236
Allowance for credit losses of rates and statutory receivables						(4,452)
Other receivables [describe]						40,898
Total receivables general outstanding						380,891

Amounts shown above include GST (where applicable)

KEY INFORMATION

Trade and other receivables include amounts due from ratepayers for unpaid rates and service charges and other amounts due from third parties for goods sold and services performed in the ordinary course of business.

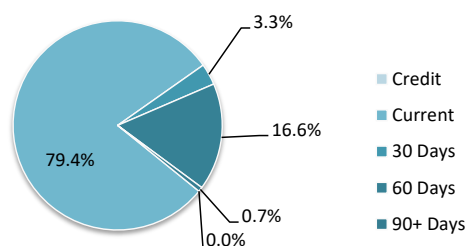
Trade receivables are recognised at original invoice amount less any allowances for uncollectable amounts (i.e. impairment). The carrying amount of net trade receivables is equivalent to fair value as it is due for settlement within 30 days.

Classification and subsequent measurement

Receivables which are generally due for settlement within 30 days except rates receivables which are expected to be collected within 12 months are classified as current assets. All other receivables such as, deferred pensioner rates receivable after the end of the reporting period are classified as non-current assets.

Trade and other receivables are held with the objective to collect the contractual cashflows and therefore the Shire measures them subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

Accounts Receivable (non-rates)



8 OTHER CURRENT ASSETS

	Opening Balance 1 July 2024	Asset Increase	Asset Reduction	Closing Balance 30 April 2025
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Other current assets				
Inventory				
Fuel and materials	37,455	104,869	0	142,324
Other assets				
Accrued income	4,676	0	(4,676)	0
Contract assets	135,262			135,262
Total other current assets	177,393	104,869	(4,676)	277,586
Amounts shown above include GST (where applicable)				

KEY INFORMATION

Inventory

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

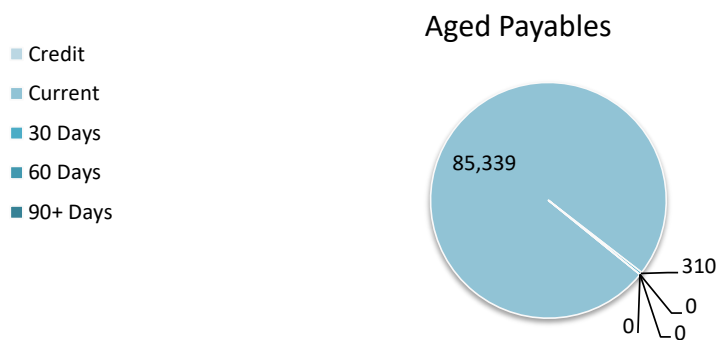
Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less the estimated costs of completion and the estimated costs necessary to make the sale.

9 PAYABLES

Payables - general	Credit	Current	30 Days	60 Days	90+ Days	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Payables - general	0	85,339	310	0	0	85,649
Percentage	0.0%	99.6%	0.4%	0.0%	0.0%	
Balance per trial balance						
Sundry creditors						85,649
Accrued salaries and wages						215,708
ATO liabilities						249,136
Bonds and deposits held						4,115
Trust						67,805
Total payables general outstanding						622,413
Amounts shown above include GST (where applicable)						

KEY INFORMATION

Trade and other payables represent liabilities for goods and services provided to the Shire prior to the end of the period that are unpaid and arise when the Shire becomes obliged to make future payments in respect of the purchase of these goods and services. The amounts are unsecured, are recognised as a current liability and are normally paid within 30 days of recognition. The carrying amounts of trade and other payables are considered to be the same as their fair values, due to their short-term nature.



10 BORROWINGS

Repayments - borrowings

Information on borrowings Particulars	Loan No.	1 July 2024	New Loans		Principal Repayments		Principal Outstanding		Interest Repayments	
			Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
WA Treasury, Southern Cross swimming pool	98	662,883	0	0	98,814	98,814	564,069	564,069	9,525	7,323
Southern Cross Recreation Center Upgrade	99	0	0	1,190,000	0	81,239	0	1,108,761	0	22,600
Total		662,883	0	1,190,000	98,814	180,053	564,069	1,672,830	9,525	29,923
Current borrowings		98,814					0			
Non-current borrowings		564,069					564,069			
		662,883					564,069			

All debenture repayments were financed by general purpose revenue.

New borrowings 2024-25

Particulars	Amount Borrowed	Amount Borrowed	Institution	Loan Type	Term Years	Total Interest & Charges	Interest Rate	Amount (Used)		Balance Unspent
	Actual	Budget						Actual	Budget	
	\$	\$				\$	%	\$	\$	\$
Southern Cross Recreation Centre Upgrade	0	1,190,000	WATC	Annuity	10	252,168	4.49	0	1,190,000	0

KEY INFORMATION

The City has elected to recognise borrowing costs as an expense when incurred regardless of how the borrowings are applied.

Fair values of borrowings are not materially different to their carrying amounts, since the interest payable on those borrowings is either close to current market rates or the borrowings are of a short term nature.

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FINANCING ACTIVITIES

11 LEASE LIABILITIES

Movement in carrying amounts

Information on leases		New Leases			Principal Repayments		Principal Outstanding		Interest Repayments	
Particulars	Lease No.	1 July 2024	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Canon Photocopier (back office)		2,979	0		(1,097)		1,882	2,979	(78)	(1,200)
Total		2,979	0	0	(1,097)	0	1,882	2,979	(78)	(1,200)
Current lease liabilities		1,296					214			
Non-current lease liabilities		1,683					1,683			
		2,979					1,897			

All lease repayments were financed by general purpose revenue.

KEY INFORMATION

At inception of a contract, the Shire assesses if the contract contains or is a lease. A contract is or contains a lease, if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration. At the commencement date, a right of use asset is recognised at cost and lease liability at the present value of the lease payments that are not paid at that date. The lease payments are discounted using that date. The lease payments are discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease, if that rate can be readily determined. If that rate cannot be readily determined, the Shire uses its incremental borrowing rate.

All contracts classified as short-term leases (i.e. a lease with a remaining term of 12 months or less) and leases of low value assets are recognised as an operating expense on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease.

12 OTHER CURRENT LIABILITIES

	Note	Opening Balance 1 July 2024	Liability transferred from/(to) non current	Liability Increase	Liability Reduction	Closing Balance 30 April 2025
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Other current liabilities						
Other liabilities						
Contract liabilities		629,211	0			629,211
Unearned Revenue		41,093	0			41,093
Total other liabilities		670,304	0	0	0	670,304
Employee Related Provisions						
Provision for annual leave		244,291	0			244,291
Provision for long service leave		228,168	0			228,168
Total Provisions		472,459	0	0	0	472,459
Total other current liabilities		1,142,763	0	0	0	1,142,763

Amounts shown above include GST (where applicable)

A breakdown of contract liabilities and associated movements is provided on the following pages at Note 13

KEY INFORMATION

Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Shire has a present legal or constructive obligation, as a result of past events, for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will result and that outflow can be reliably measured.

Provisions are measured using the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation at the end of the reporting period.

Employee Related Provisions

Short-term employee benefits

Provision is made for the Shire's obligations for short-term employee benefits. Short-term employee benefits are benefits (other than termination benefits) that are expected to be settled wholly before 12 months after the end of the annual reporting period in which the employees render the related service, including wages, salaries and sick leave. Short-term employee benefits are measured at the (undiscounted) amounts expected to be paid when the obligation is settled.

The Shire's obligations for short-term employee benefits such as wages, salaries and sick leave are recognised as a part of current trade and other payables in the calculation of net current assets.

Other long-term employee benefits

The Shire's obligations for employees' annual leave and long service leave entitlements are recognised as employee related provisions in the statement of financial position.

Long-term employee benefits are measured at the present value of the expected future payments to be made to employees. Expected future payments incorporate anticipated future wage and salary levels, durations of service and employee departures and are discounted at rates determined by reference to market yields at the end of the reporting period on government bonds that have maturity dates that approximate the terms of the obligations. Any remeasurements for changes in assumptions of obligations for other long-term employee benefits are recognised in profit or loss in the periods in which the changes occur. The Shire's obligations for long-term employee benefits are presented as non-current provisions in its statement of financial position, except where the Shire does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least 12 months after the end of the reporting period, in which case the obligations are presented as current provisions.

Contract liabilities

An entity's obligation to transfer goods or services to a customer for which the entity has received consideration (or the amount is due) from the customer.

Capital grant/contribution liabilities

Grants to acquire or construct recognisable non-financial assets to identified specifications be constructed to be controlled by the Shire are recognised as a liability until such time as the Shire satisfies its obligations under the agreement.

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OPERATING ACTIVITIES

13 GRANTS, SUBSIDIES AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Provider	Unspent grant, subsidies and contributions liability					Grants, subsidies and contributions revenue		
	Liability	Increase in	Decrease in	Liability	Current	Adopted	YTD	YTD
	1 July 2024	Liability	Liability	30 Apr 2025	Liability	Budget	Budget	Revenue
	\$	\$	(As revenue)	\$	\$	Revenue	\$	Actual
Grants and subsidies								
GRANTS COMMISSION GENERAL				0		526,462	394,845	310,828
GRANTS COMMISSION ROADS				0		179,759	134,817	133,089
ESL OPERATING GRANT				0		62,500	62,500	55,652
CRC PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT & TRAINING				0		2,500	2,080	0
DRD GRANT FUNDING (CRC)				0		113,944	113,944	119,428
GRANT FUNDING				0		1,000	0	0
STREET LIGHT - OPERATION GRANT				0		12,500	0	0
HVRIC - HEAVY VEHICLE ROAD IMPROVEMENT CHARGE				0		550,000	458,330	789,407
	0	0	0	0	0	1,448,665	1,166,516	1,408,404
Contributions								
GRANT FUNDING - OTHER				0		10,432	1,738	3,819
	0	0	0	0	0	10,432	1,738	3,819
TOTALS	0	0	0	0	0	1,459,097	1,168,254	1,412,223

14 CAPITAL GRANTS, SUBSIDIES AND CONTRIBUTIONS

Provider	Capital grant/contribution liabilities					Capital grants, subsidies and contributions revenue		
	Liability 1 July 2024	Increase in Liability	Decrease in Liability (As revenue)	Liability 30 Apr 2025	Current Liability 30 Apr 2025	Adopted Budget Revenue	YTD Budget	YTD Revenue Actual
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Capital grants and subsidies								
LOCAL ROADS AND COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE (LRCI)				0		1,136,311	568,156	0
GRANT ROADS 2025				0		1,181,522	1,181,521	945,228
MRWA DIRECT GRANT				0		561,067	561,067	561,067
ROADS TO RECOVERY (R2R)				0		1,178,691	1,178,691	0
COMMODITY ROUTE / SECONDARY FREIGHT NETWORK FUNDING				0		127,355	127,355	50,960
	0	0	0	0	0	4,184,946	3,616,790	1,557,255

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15 TRUST FUND

Funds held at balance date which are required by legislation to be credited to the trust fund and which are not included in the financial statements are as follows:

Description	Opening Balance 1 July 2024	Amount Received	Amount Paid	Closing Balance 30 April 2025
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Police Licensing	759	0	0	759
Builders Levy	11,765	123	(10,638)	1,250
Transwa Bookings	3,047	0	0	3,047
Staff Personal Dedns	(1)	0	0	(1)
Housing Tenancy Bonds	4,240	0	(240)	4,000
Hall Hire Bonds And Deposits	1,115	0	0	1,115
Security Key System - Key Bonds	1,830	0	0	1,830
Clubs & Groups	(111)	0	0	(111)
Third Party Contributions	6,338	0	0	6,338
Rates Overpaid	16,047	0	(4,333)	11,714
Retention Monies	20,000	20,000	(15,000)	25,000
Council Nomination Deposit	100		(100)	0
	65,129	20,123	(30,311)	54,941

Shire of Yilgarn

Payments made from the Municipal Account for the Period 1st April 2025 to 30th April 2025
Presented to Council, 15th May 2025

Date	Payee	Description	Amount
CORPORATE CREDIT CARDS			
09/04/2025	KMART	DISCOUNT STORES	\$ 382.00
26/04/2025	SQ SOUTHERN CROSS FOOTBALL	BANDS, ORCHESTRAS AND MISC	\$ 112.00
26/04/2025	DALAL LAARAJ	EATING PLACES, RESTAURANTS	\$ 18.00
26/04/2025	SMP MOROCCAN FOOD	FAST FOOD RESTAURANTS	\$ 85.09
29/04/2025	DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH	GOVERNMENT SERVICES NOT ELSE	\$ 136.00
TOTAL CEO CREDIT CARD:			\$ 733.09
01/04/2025	IINET BATCH	COMPUTER NETWORK/INFORMATION	\$ 79.99
01/04/2025	ASCENSIO	COMPUTER SOFTWARE	\$ 144.33
04/04/2025	CA ANZ	COMPUTER SOFTWARE	\$ 1,804.00
10/04/2025	SHIRE OF YILGARN	GOVERNMENT SERVICES NOT ELSE	\$ 46.85
13/04/2025	QUALITY INN RAILWAY MOTEL	HOTELS, MOTELS, RESORTS	\$ 418.00
16/04/2025	BWS LIQUOR	PACHAGE STORES - BEER, LIQUOR	\$ 28.00
16/04/2025	SAFETYCULTURE	COMPUTER SOFTWARE	\$ 31.90
TOTAL EMCS CREDIT CARD:			\$ 2,553.07
TOTAL CREDIT CARD:			\$ 3,286.16

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FUEL CARDS			
31/03/2025	BP CUNDERDIN ROADHOUSE	5294 7495 SURCHARGE	\$ 2.39
31/03/2025	BP CUNDERDIN ROADHOUSE	5294 7495 FUEL	\$ 82.73
31/03/2025	WEX AUSTRALIA	5294 7495 TRANSACTION FEE	\$ 0.83
30/04/2025	WEX AUSTRALIA	5294 7495 CARD FEE	\$ 10.93
CARD 5294 7495 TOTAL:			\$ 96.88
30/04/2025	WEX AUSTRALIA	5521 9892 CARD FEE	\$ 10.93
CARD 5521 9892 TOTAL:			\$ 10.93
03/04/2025	DUNNINGS SOUTHERN CROSS	5701 7682 FUEL	\$ 113.44
03/04/2025	WEX AUSTRALIA	5701 7682 TRANSACTION FEE	\$ 0.83
30/04/2025	WEX AUSTRALIA	5701 7682 CARD FEE	\$ 10.93
CARD 5701 7682 TOTAL:			\$ 125.20
23/04/2025	WEX AUSTRALIA	5809 3955 FUEL	\$ 217.07
23/04/2025	WEX AUSTRALIA	5809 3955 TRANSACTION FEE	\$ 0.83
30/04/2025	WEX AUSTRALIA	5809 3955 CARD FEE	\$ 10.93
CARD 5809 3955 TOTAL:			\$ 228.83
03/04/2025	DUNNINGS SOUTHERN CROSS	6339 6948 FUEL	\$ 121.28
03/04/2025	WEX AUSTRALIA	6339 6948 TRANSACTION FEE	\$ 0.83
06/04/2025	DUNNINGS SOUTHERN CROSS	6339 6948 FUEL	\$ 39.10
06/04/2025	WEX AUSTRALIA	6339 6948 TRANSACTION FEE	\$ 0.83
13/04/2025	DUNNINGS SOUTHERN CROSS	6339 6948 FUEL	\$ 78.51
13/04/2025	WEX AUSTRALIA	6339 6948 TRANSACTION FEE	\$ 0.83
14/04/2025	DUNNINGS SOUTHERN CROSS	6339 6948 FUEL	\$ 91.42
14/04/2025	WEX AUSTRALIA	6339 6948 TRANSACTION FEE	\$ 0.83
22/04/2025	DUNNINGS SOUTHERN CROSS	6339 6948 FUEL	\$ 109.11
22/04/2025	WEX AUSTRALIA	6339 6948 TRANSACTION FEE	\$ 0.83
27/04/2025	DUNNINGS SOUTHERN CROSS	6339 6948 FUEL	\$ 41.30
27/04/2025	WEX AUSTRALIA	6339 6948 TRANSACTION FEE	\$ 0.83
30/04/2025	WEX AUSTRALIA	6339 6948 CARD FEE	\$ 10.93
CARD 6339 6948 TOTAL:			\$ 496.63
30/04/2025	WEX AUSTRALIA	6346 5230 CARD FEE	\$ 10.93
CARD 6346 5230 TOTAL:			\$ 10.93

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FUEL CARDS			
06/04/2025	AMPOL COOLGARDIE	6673 6959 FUEL	\$ 62.57
06/04/2025	WEX AUSTRALIA	6673 6959 TRANSACTION FEE	\$ 0.83
13/04/2025	BP SOUTHERN CROSS	6673 6959 FUEL	\$ 46.41
13/04/2025	WEX AUSTRALIA	6673 6959 TRANSACTION FEE	\$ 0.83
14/04/2025	COLES EXPRESS ALBANY	6673 6959 FUEL	\$ 92.34
14/04/2025	WEX AUSTRALIA	6673 6959 TRANSACTION FEE	\$ 0.83
15/04/2025	CORRIGIN ROADHOUSE	6673 6959 FUEL	\$ 87.65
15/04/2025	WEX AUSTRALIA	6673 6959 TRANSACTION FEE	\$ 0.83
23/04/2025	ATLAS FUEL SAWYERS VALLEY	6673 6959 SURCHARGE	\$ 2.44
23/04/2025	ATLAS FUEL SAWYERS VALLEY	6673 6959 FUEL	\$ 77.52
23/04/2025	WEX AUSTRALIA	6673 6959 CARD FEE	\$ 0.83
27/04/2025	BP SOUTHERN CROSS	6673 6959 FUEL	\$ 81.51
27/04/2025	WEX AUSTRALIA	6673 6959 TRANSACTION FEE	\$ 0.83
30/04/2025	WEX AUSTRALIA	6673 6959 CARD FEE	\$ 10.93
		CARD 6673 6959 TOTAL:	\$ 466.35
26/04/2025	UNITED KELLERBERRIN	7746 1787 FUEL	\$ 98.71
26/04/2025	WEX AUSTRALIA	7746 1787 TRANSACTION FEE	\$ 0.83
30/04/2025	WEX AUSTRALIA	7746 1787 CARD FEE	\$ 10.93
		CARD 7746 1787 TOTAL:	\$ 110.47
31/03/2025	WEX AUSTRALIA	5526 7685 CARD FEE	\$ 10.93
		CARD 5526 7685 TOTAL:	\$ 10.93
31/03/2025	WEX AUSTRALIA	5808 4749 CARD FEE	\$ 10.93
		CARD 5808 4749 TOTAL:	\$ 10.93
31/03/2025	WEX AUSTRALIA	7629 4940 CARD FEE	\$ 10.93
		CARD 7629 4940 TOTAL:	\$ 10.93
		TOTAL FUEL CARD:	\$ 1,579.01

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DIRECT DEBITS				
DD19665.1	08/04/2025	The Trustee for AWARE SUPER	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	\$ 14,292.78
DD19665.2	08/04/2025	MERCER SUPER TRUST	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	\$ 1,218.00
DD19665.3	08/04/2025	BT PANORAMA SUPER	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	\$ 846.18
DD19665.4	08/04/2025	THE TRUSTEE FOR MACQUARIE	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	\$ 707.02
DD19665.5	08/04/2025	HESTA SUPER FUND	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	\$ 699.28
DD19665.6	08/04/2025	AUSTRALIAN RETIREMENT TRUST	SUPERANNUATION CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 160.81
DD19665.7	08/04/2025	PERPETUAL WEALTHFOCUS SUPER PLAN	SUPERANNUATION CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 195.31
DD19665.8	08/04/2025	REST (RETAIL EMPLOYEES SUPERANNUATION TRUST)	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	\$ 1,622.02
DD19665.9	08/04/2025	AUSTRALIAN SUPER	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	\$ 2,491.23
DD19665.10	08/04/2025	CBUS	SUPERANNUATION CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 1,690.70
DD19665.11	08/04/2025	AUSTRALIAN RETIREMENT TRUST	SUPERANNUATION CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 526.91
DD19665.12	08/04/2025	HOSTPLUS EXECUTIVE SUPERANNUATION FUND	SUPERANNUATION CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 916.30
DD19665.13	08/04/2025	MLC SUPER FUND	SUPERANNUATION CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 387.39
DD19665.14	08/04/2025	PRIME SUPER	SUPERANNUATION CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 389.58
DD19665.15	08/04/2025	THE GARY AND JOSIE KENT SUPERANNUATION FUND	SUPERANNUATION CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 339.73
TOTAL DIRECT DEBIT 19665:				\$ 26,483.24

DD19677.1	22/04/2025	The Trustee for AWARE SUPER	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	\$ 14,558.58
DD19677.2	22/04/2025	MERCER SUPER TRUST	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	\$ 1,120.53
DD19677.3	22/04/2025	BT PANORAMA SUPER	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	\$ 1,470.56
DD19677.4	22/04/2025	THE TRUSTEE FOR MACQUARIE	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	\$ 295.24
DD19677.5	22/04/2025	HESTA SUPER FUND	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	\$ 756.65
DD19677.6	22/04/2025	AUSTRALIAN RETIREMENT TRUST	SUPERANNUATION CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 197.10
DD19677.7	22/04/2025	PERPETUAL WEALTHFOCUS SUPER PLAN	SUPERANNUATION CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 212.19
DD19677.8	22/04/2025	REST (RETAIL EMPLOYEES SUPERANNUATION TRUST)	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	\$ 1,742.82
DD19677.9	22/04/2025	AUSTRALIAN SUPER	PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS	\$ 3,031.92
DD19677.10	22/04/2025	CBUS	SUPERANNUATION CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 2,110.89
DD19677.11	22/04/2025	AUSTRALIAN RETIREMENT TRUST	SUPERANNUATION CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 526.92
DD19677.12	22/04/2025	HOSTPLUS EXECUTIVE SUPERANNUATION FUND	SUPERANNUATION CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 852.38
DD19677.13	22/04/2025	MLC SUPER FUND	SUPERANNUATION CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 392.01
DD19677.14	22/04/2025	PRIME SUPER	SUPERANNUATION CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 378.71
DD19677.15	22/04/2025	THE GARY AND JOSIE KENT SUPERANNUATION FUND	SUPERANNUATION CONTRIBUTIONS	\$ 343.22
TOTAL DIRECT DEBIT 19677:				\$ 27,989.72
TOTAL DIRECT DEBITS:				\$ 54,472.96

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BANK				
CHARGES				
	03/03/2025	WESTPAC BANK	BANK CHARGES	\$ 10.00
	03/03/2025	WESTPAC BANK	BANK CHARGES	\$ 363.13
	03/03/2025	WESTPAC BANK	BANK CHARGES	\$ 538.43
TOTAL BANK CHARGES:				\$ 911.56

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<i>EFT</i>			
07/04/2025	AERODROME MANAGEMENT SERVICES PTY LTD	EFT16409	\$ 3,095.15
07/04/2025	GOLDEN HORSE MINERALS (AUST) PTY LTD	EFT16410	\$ 307.49
07/04/2025	AMPAC DEBT RECOVERY (WA) PTY LTD	EFT16411	\$ 3,712.55
07/04/2025	EUROFINS ARL PTY LTD	EFT16412	\$ 341.00
07/04/2025	AQUATIC SERVICES WA	EFT16413	\$ 1,576.62
07/04/2025	AUSTRALIAN SERVICES UNION WESTERN AUSTRALIAN BRANCH	EFT16414	\$ 53.00
07/04/2025	CR BRADFORD	EFT16415	\$ 400.00
07/04/2025	BROOKS HIRE SERVICES PTY LTD	EFT16416	\$ 5,452.59
07/04/2025	AUST. GOVERNMENT CHILD SUPPORT AGENCY	EFT16417	\$ 470.81
07/04/2025	CR CLOSE	EFT16418	\$ 400.00
07/04/2025	COPIER SUPPORT	EFT16419	\$ 1,926.69
07/04/2025	TEAM GLOBAL EXPRESS PTY LTD	EFT16420	\$ 606.53
07/04/2025	DELL AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	EFT16421	\$ 620.42
07/04/2025	CR NEWBURY	EFT16422	\$ 589.12
07/04/2025	TOVOBELLO FARMS	EFT16423	\$ 22,638.00
07/04/2025	ESAM AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	EFT16424	\$ 5,340.50
07/04/2025	CR GUERINI	EFT16425	\$ 493.07
07/04/2025	STAFF	EFT16426	\$ 680.00
07/04/2025	KARIS MEDICAL GROUP	EFT16427	\$ 902.00
07/04/2025	LANDGATE	EFT16428	\$ 27.15
07/04/2025	LEETHAL TILT & FR8	EFT16429	\$ 1,045.00
07/04/2025	CR ROSE	EFT16430	\$ 716.83
07/04/2025	CR GRANICH	EFT16431	\$ 419.80
07/04/2025	LNB ELECTRICAL	EFT16432	\$ 32,831.38
07/04/2025	WA LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION (WALGA)	EFT16433	\$ 1,413.50
07/04/2025	G & PM DELLA BOSCA	EFT16434	\$ 8,096.00
07/04/2025	MERREDIN GLAZING SERVICE	EFT16435	\$ 1,562.55
07/04/2025	M & W KITCHENS & CABINETS	EFT16436	\$ 13,248.40
07/04/2025	OFFICE NATIONAL	EFT16437	\$ 50.74
07/04/2025	PERFECT COMPUTER SOLUTIONS PTY LTD	EFT16438	\$ 297.50
07/04/2025	RAILWAY TAVERN	EFT16439	\$ 99.00
07/04/2025	WA CONTRACT RANGER SERVICES	EFT16440	\$ 2,090.00
07/04/2025	ROB WHITE CONSULTING	EFT16441	\$ 45,364.13
07/04/2025	SHEQSY PTY LTD	EFT16442	\$ 197.84
07/04/2025	YILGARN SHIRE SOCIAL CLUB	EFT16443	\$ 66.00
07/04/2025	SUPAGAS PTY LTD	EFT16444	\$ 721.13
07/04/2025	SOUTHERN CROSS HARDWARE AND NEWS	EFT16445	\$ 3,459.65
07/04/2025	SOUTHERN CROSS MOTOR MART	EFT16446	\$ 369.00
07/04/2025	SOUTHERN CROSS PLANT & MECHANICAL SERVICES PTY LTD	EFT16447	\$ 4,199.86
07/04/2025	SYNERGY	EFT16448	\$ 14,401.20
07/04/2025	TOWN PLANNING INNOVATIONS PTY LTD	EFT16449	\$ 495.00
07/04/2025	T-QUIP	EFT16450	\$ 1,084.33
07/04/2025	VISIMAX	EFT16451	\$ 3,381.00
07/04/2025	BOB WADDELL & ASSOCIATES PTY LTD	EFT16452	\$ 1,320.00
07/04/2025	CR DELLA BOSCA	EFT16453	\$ 1,413.86
07/04/2025	WB CONTRACTING	EFT16454	\$ 42,144.31
07/04/2025	WESTRAC EQUIPMENT PTY LTD	EFT16455	\$ 7,592.80
17/04/2025	3SIXT AUTOMOTIVE SERVICES	EFT16456	\$ 214.25
17/04/2025	CENTRAL REGIONAL TAFE - NORTHAM	EFT16457	\$ 938.63
17/04/2025	CEO	EFT16458	\$ 84.99
17/04/2025	ABCO PRODUCTS PTY LTD	EFT16459	\$ 261.79
17/04/2025	AERODROME MANAGEMENT SERVICES PTY LTD	EFT16460	\$ 321.75
17/04/2025	ALINTA SALES PTY LTD	EFT16461	\$ 12,312.05
17/04/2025	ALARM MONITORING PERTH	EFT16462	\$ 407.55
17/04/2025	EUROFINS ARL PTY LTD	EFT16463	\$ 341.00

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<i>EFT</i>			
17/04/2025	AUSTRALIAN SERVICES UNION WESTERN AUSTRALIAN BRANCH	EFT16464	\$ 132.50
17/04/2025	AUSTRALIA POST	EFT16465	\$ 187.74
17/04/2025	AVON WASTE	EFT16466	\$ 15,522.03
17/04/2025	AVON SKIP BIN'S	EFT16467	\$ 4,200.00
17/04/2025	BANNER EXCAVATIONS & ROCKBREAKING	EFT16468	\$ 64,226.20
17/04/2025	BENARA NURSERIES	EFT16469	\$ 1,668.07
17/04/2025	BOC GASES	EFT16470	\$ 68.71
17/04/2025	BRANDWORX AUSTRALIA	EFT16471	\$ 33.00
17/04/2025	NARADA HOTEL INVESTMENTS PTY LTD	EFT16472	\$ 601.40
17/04/2025	BUNNINGS GROUP LTD	EFT16473	\$ 564.34
17/04/2025	EMCS	EFT16474	\$ 135.79
17/04/2025	CAPER GROUP PTY LTD	EFT16475	\$ 143.00
17/04/2025	CARBOS CONCRETE	EFT16476	\$ 2,129.00
17/04/2025	C & F BUILDING APPROVALS	EFT16477	\$ 770.00
17/04/2025	AUST. GOVERNMENT CHILD SUPPORT AGENCY	EFT16478	\$ 470.81
17/04/2025	COMBINED TYRES PTY LTD	EFT16479	\$ 4,847.59
17/04/2025	TEAM GLOBAL EXPRESS PTY LTD	EFT16480	\$ 260.91
17/04/2025	DELNORTH PTY LTD	EFT16481	\$ 20,520.50
17/04/2025	DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING, LANDS AND HERITAGE	EFT16482	\$ 183.34
17/04/2025	DEVLYN AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	EFT16483	\$ 219,602.89
17/04/2025	DUN DIRECT PTY LTD	EFT16484	\$ 16,709.00
17/04/2025	DEPARTMENT OF FIRE & EMERGENCY SERVICES	EFT16485	\$ 39,145.52
17/04/2025	FULTON HOGAN INDUSTRIES PTY LTD	EFT16486	\$ 1,452.00
17/04/2025	EMI	EFT16487	\$ 89.00
17/04/2025	HOBART EARTHMOVING	EFT16488	\$ 3,696.00
17/04/2025	HERSEY SAFETY PTY LTD	EFT16489	\$ 3,141.40
17/04/2025	HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION PTY LTD	EFT16490	\$ 5,000.00
17/04/2025	IAN DEREK CHRISTIE	EFT16491	\$ 72,387.13
17/04/2025	KARIS MEDICAL GROUP	EFT16492	\$ 1,353.00
17/04/2025	STAFF	EFT16493	\$ 239.87
17/04/2025	LANDGATE	EFT16494	\$ 27.15
17/04/2025	LEETHAL TILT & FR8	EFT16495	\$ 3,300.00
17/04/2025	LNB ELECTRICAL	EFT16496	\$ 8,357.59
17/04/2025	WA LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION (WALGA)	EFT16497	\$ 949.00
17/04/2025	LOCK, STOCK & FARRELL LOCKSMITH PTY LTD	EFT16498	\$ 907.30
17/04/2025	G & PM DELLA BOSCA	EFT16499	\$ 18,216.00
17/04/2025	OMNICOM MEDIA GROUP AUSTRALIA PTY LTD (MARKETFORCE)	EFT16500	\$ 238.25
17/04/2025	MCLEODS LAWYERS PTY LTD	EFT16501	\$ 186.12
17/04/2025	MERREDIN COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE	EFT16502	\$ 40.00
17/04/2025	MOORE AUSTRALIA (WA) PTY LTD	EFT16503	\$ 2,750.00
17/04/2025	IXOM OPERATIONS PTY LTD	EFT16504	\$ 2,279.33
17/04/2025	QUEST INNALOO	EFT16505	\$ 862.97
17/04/2025	RAILWAY TAVERN	EFT16506	\$ 306.00
17/04/2025	WA CONTRACT RANGER SERVICES	EFT16507	\$ 1,485.00

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<i>EFT</i>			
17/04/2025	REGIONAL EARLY EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT INC	EFT16508	\$ 11,550.00
17/04/2025	YILGARN SHIRE SOCIAL CLUB	EFT16509	\$ 66.00
17/04/2025	FOODWORKS	EFT16510	\$ 1,318.69
17/04/2025	STAFF	EFT16511	\$ 478.50
17/04/2025	STIRLING ASPHALT	EFT16512	\$ 78,485.00
17/04/2025	SOUTHERN CROSS HARDWARE AND NEWS	EFT16513	\$ 4,181.76
17/04/2025	SOUTHERN CROSS MOTOR MART	EFT16514	\$ 416.20
17/04/2025	SOUTHERN CROSS PLANT & MECHANICAL SERVICES PTY LTD	EFT16515	\$ 1,079.41
17/04/2025	SOUTHERN CROSS TYRE & AUTO SERVICES	EFT16516	\$ 1,130.25
17/04/2025	TOTALLY WORKWEAR	EFT16517	\$ 719.49
17/04/2025	BOB WADDELL & ASSOCIATES PTY LTD	EFT16518	\$ 1,320.00
17/04/2025	WATER CORPORATION	EFT16519	\$ 75,929.16
17/04/2025	WB CONTRACTING	EFT16520	\$ 86,834.00
17/04/2025	WESTRAC EQUIPMENT PTY LTD	EFT16521	\$ 663.32
17/04/2025	YILGARN AGENCIES	EFT16522	\$ 1,700.87
17/04/2025	SOUTHERN CROSS COFFEE LOUNGE	EFT16523	\$ 533.50
TOTAL EFTS:			\$ 1,038,387.11

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Date	Payee	Description	Amount
		CHQ	
11/04/2025	TELSTRA	2595	\$ 122.97
08/04/2025	TELSTRA	2596	\$ 21.00
14/04/2025	TELSTRA	2597	\$ 935.35
22/04/2025	TELSTRA	2598	\$ 616.94
15/04/2025	MOTORCHARGE LIMITED	2599	\$ 2,482.59
09/04/2025	SHIRE OF YILGARN - PAYROLL	2600	\$ 122,366.38
22/04/2025	SHIRE OF YILGARN - PAYROLL	2601	\$ 128,721.13
01/04/2025	SOUTHERN CROSS GENERAL PRACTICE	2602	\$ 8,800.00
24/04/2025	CANON FINANCE AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	2603	\$ 127.62
14/04/2025	TELCO CHOICE - COMMANDER CENTRE NORTH PERTH	2604	\$ 250.00
16/04/2025	TELCO CHOICE - COMMANDER CENTRE NORTH PERTH	2605	\$ 1,369.77
28/04/2025	SOUTHERN CROSS PHARMACY AND HEALTH	2606	\$ 550.00
15/04/2025	WESTPAC BANKING CORPORATION	2607	\$ 1,400.00
15/04/2025	WESTPAC BANKING CORPORATION	2608	\$ 1,371.99
04/04/2025	DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT	2609	\$ 1,470.15
11/04/2025	DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT	2610	\$ 11,149.20
18/04/2025	DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT	2611	\$ 23,998.45
25/04/2025	DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT	2612	\$ 25,813.85
30/04/2025	DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT	2613	\$ 2,703.80
		TOTAL CHEQUES:	\$ 334,271.19

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		<i>CHQ</i>	
07/04/2025	CORNERSTONE HR LEADERSHIP, CULTURE & STRATEGY PTY LTD	41324 \$	1,155.00
17/04/2025	HEALTH INSPECTOR	41325 \$	104.61
		TOTAL CHEQUES:	\$ 1,259.61

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2025 - 2026 FEES AND CHARGES

2024 - 2025 FEES & CHARGES

Function	Description	Fee	GST	Total	Fee	GST	Total
GENERAL PURPOSE FUNDING							
<u>Rates</u>							
	Admin Fee - Caveat Lodgement	29.09	2.91	32.00	29.09	2.91	32.00
	Admin Fee - Rates Recovery from Rent	29.09	2.91	32.00	29.09	2.91	32.00
	Admin Fee - Refund of Overpayments	59.09	5.91	65.00	59.09	5.91	65.00
	Rate Enquiry Fees - Property Information Reports	90.00	9.00	99.00	90.00	9.00	99.00
	Rate Notice Copy	15.00	1.50	16.50	15.00	1.50	16.50
	Rate Enquiry	33.64	3.36	37.00	33.64	3.36	37.00
	Rates Database Extract	14.55	1.45	16.00	14.55	1.45	16.00
	Title Search	40.00	4.00	44.00	40.00	4.00	44.00
<u>Freedom of Information</u>							
	Application Fee - FOI (personal)			No Charge			No Charge
	Application Fee - FOI (non-personal)	30.00	0.00	30.00	30.00	0.00	30.00
	Staff Time Dealing with Application - Per Hour	30.00	0.00	30.00	30.00	0.00	30.00
	Staff Supervised Access to Information - Per Hour	30.00	0.00	30.00	30.00	0.00	30.00
	Photocopying - as per fees listed in CRC printing section						
	Delivery, Packaging & Postage			At Cost			At Cost
<u>Other</u>							
	Interest on Outstanding Standard Debtors (60+ Days overdue)			11.00%			11.00%
	Standard Debtors Installment Fee	10.00	1.00	11.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Copy of State Electoral Roll	19.09	1.91	21.00	19.09	1.91	21.00
	Dishonoured Cheque Fee	19.09	1.91	21.00	19.09	1.91	21.00
	Bullfinch Book	33.64	3.36	37.00	33.64	3.36	37.00
	Koolyanobbing Book	33.64	3.36	37.00	33.64	3.36	37.00
	Yilgarn History Book	38.18	3.82	42.00	38.18	3.82	42.00
	Vultee Vengeance Book - Soft Cover	28.18	2.82	31.00	28.18	2.82	31.00
	Yellowdine Book	29.09	2.91	32.00	29.09	2.91	32.00
	Books - Postage Charge	13.64	1.36	15.00	13.64	1.36	15.00
	Wheatbelt Visitors Centre - Wholesale						
	Koolyanobbing Book	20.45	2.05	22.50	20.45	2.05	22.50
	Vultee Vengeance Book - Soft Cover	16.91	1.69	18.60	16.91	1.69	18.60
	Yellowdine Book	17.45	1.75	19.20	17.45	1.75	19.20
LAW ORDER AND PUBLIC SAFETY							
<u>Dog & Cat Poundage</u>							
	Poundage / Sustenance - per day or part thereof	20.00	2.00	22.00	20.00	2.00	22.00
	Impounding Fee	68.18	6.82	75.00	68.18	6.82	75.00
	Release Fee	45.45	4.55	50.00	45.45	4.55	50.00
	Animal Destruction	40.91	4.09	45.00	40.91	4.09	45.00
<p>* All Poundage & Registration Fees (if any) are to be paid in full prior to release.</p> <p>* Poundage & Registration Fees will be waived if animal is surrendered for rehousing.</p>							
<u>Dog Registration - as per the Dog Act 1976</u>							
	Annual (Unsterilised)	50.00	0.00	50.00	50.00	0.00	50.00
	Tri-Annual	120.00	0.00	120.00	120.00	0.00	120.00
	Lifetime	250.00	0.00	250.00	250.00	0.00	250.00
	Annual (Sterilised)	20.00	0.00	20.00	20.00	0.00	20.00
	Tri-Annual	42.50	0.00	42.50	42.50	0.00	42.50
	Lifetime	100.00	0.00	100.00	100.00	0.00	100.00
<p>* Pensioners (50% of applicable fee charged)</p> <p>* Bona fide use in the droving or tending of stock (25% of applicable fee charged)</p>							
	Kennel Annual Fee	200.00	0.00	200.00	200.00	0.00	200.00

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Function	Description	Fee	GST	Total	Fee	GST	Total
<u>Cat Registration - as per the Cat Act 2011</u>							
	Annual (Sterilised)	20.00	0.00	20.00	20.00	0.00	20.00
	- 50% if first registration and application made after 31 May						
	Tri-Annual	42.50	0.00	42.50	42.50	0.00	42.50
	Lifetime	100.00	0.00	100.00	100.00	0.00	100.00
	Pensioners (50% of fee charged)						
	Application or Renewal of Approval to Breed Cats - fee per breeding cat	100.00	0.00	100.00	100.00	0.00	100.00

HEALTH

Shire of Yilgarn Health local laws 1997

Lodging house registration	180.00	0.00	180.00	180.00	0.00	180.00
Itinerant food vendors license- Annual	180.00	0.00	180.00	180.00	0.00	180.00
Itinerant food vendors license - Daily	10.00	0.00	10.00	10.00	0.00	10.00

Liquor and Gaming

Cert. of Local Authority - Section 39 - Liquor	60.00	0.00	60.00	60.00	0.00	60.00
Cert. of Planning Authority - Section 40 - Liquor	60.00	0.00	60.00	60.00	0.00	60.00
Cert. of Local Authority - Section 55 - Gaming	60.00	0.00	60.00	60.00	0.00	60.00

Offensive Trades

As set by the Offensive Trades (Fees) Regulations 1976

Health (Public Building) Regulations 1992

Low Risk Public Building Application	90.00	0.00	90.00	90.00	0.00	90.00
Medium Risk Public Building Application	180.00	0.00	180.00	180.00	0.00	180.00
High Risk Public Building Application	832.00	0.00	832.00	832.00	0.00	832.00

Food Act 2008

Notification of a Non-Exempt Food Business	60.00	0.00	60.00	60.00	0.00	60.00
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(Source: Health Department Schedule of Local Government Fees and Charges)

EDUCATION AND WELFARE

SOUTHERN CROSS COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE

Photocopying / printing - black (per page)

A5 single sided	0.14	0.01	0.15	0.00	0.00	0.00
A5 double sided	0.18	0.02	0.20	0.00	0.00	0.00
A4 single sided	0.27	0.03	0.30	0.27	0.03	0.30
A4 double sided	0.36	0.04	0.40	0.36	0.04	0.40
A3 single sided	0.55	0.05	0.60	0.55	0.05	0.60
A3 double sided	0.73	0.07	0.80	0.73	0.07	0.80
A5 nonstandard paper (per side)	0.27	0.03	0.30	0.00	0.00	0.00
A4 nonstandard paper (per side)	0.55	0.05	0.60	0.55	0.05	0.60
Over 150 copies A5 single sided	0.05	0.00	0.05	0.00	0.00	0.00
Over 150 copies A5 double sided	0.09	0.01	0.10	0.00	0.00	0.00
Over 150 copies A4 single sided	0.18	0.02	0.20	0.18	0.02	0.20
Over 150 copies A4 double sided	0.27	0.03	0.30	0.27	0.03	0.30
Over 150 copies A3 single sided	0.45	0.05	0.50	0.45	0.05	0.50
Over 150 copies A3 double sided	0.64	0.06	0.70	0.64	0.06	0.70

Photocopying / printing - colour (per page)

A5 single sided	0.45	0.05	0.50	0.00	0.00	0.00
A5 double sided	0.68	0.07	0.75	0.00	0.00	0.00
A4 single sided	0.91	0.09	1.00	0.91	0.09	1.00
A4 double sided	1.36	0.14	1.50	1.36	0.14	1.50

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Function	Description	Fee	GST	Total	Fee	GST	Total
	A3 single sided	1.82	0.18	2.00	1.82	0.18	2.00
	A3 double sided	2.55	0.25	2.80	2.55	0.25	2.80
	A5 nonstandard paper (per side)	0.73	0.07	0.80	0.00	0.00	0.00
	A4 nonstandard paper (per side)	1.45	0.15	1.60	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Over 150 copies A5 single sided	0.36	0.04	0.40	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Over 150 copies A5 double sided	0.59	0.06	0.65	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Over 150 copies A4 single sided	0.82	0.08	0.90	0.82	0.08	0.90
	Over 150 copies A4 double sided	1.27	0.13	1.40	1.27	0.13	1.40
	Over 150 copies A3 single sided	1.73	0.17	1.90	1.73	0.17	1.90
	Over 150 copies A3 double sided	2.45	0.25	2.70	2.45	0.25	2.70
<u>Large format printing / scanning (up to 36" wide) - per ½ metre or part there of</u>							
	Printing - schematics & line drawings (Black)	10.91	1.09	12.00	10.91	1.09	12.00
	Printing - posters & pictures (Black)	22.73	2.27	25.00	22.73	2.27	25.00
	Printing - schematics & line drawings (Colour)	16.36	1.64	18.00	16.36	1.64	18.00
	Printing - posters & pictures (Colour)	31.82	3.18	35.00	31.82	3.18	35.00
	Scanning - per ½ metre	4.55	0.45	5.00	4.55	0.45	5.00
<u>Laminating</u>							
	Business Card	0.91	0.09	1.00	0.91	0.09	1.00
	A4	1.82	0.18	2.00	1.82	0.18	2.00
	A3	2.73	0.27	3.00	2.73	0.27	3.00
* Photocopying / printing cost not included.							
<u>Facsimile</u>							
	Facsimile first page	1.36	0.14	1.50	1.36	0.14	1.50
	Per page thereafter	0.91	0.09	1.00	0.91	0.09	1.00
<u>Binding</u>							
	A4 booklet 1-150 pages	3.18	0.32	3.50	3.18	0.32	3.50
	A4 booklet over 150 pages	4.09	0.41	4.50	4.09	0.41	4.50
<u>Internet Usage</u>							
	15 minutes	1.82	0.18	2.00	1.82	0.18	2.00
	15 - 30 minutes	3.64	0.36	4.00	3.64	0.36	4.00
	30 minutes to 1 hour	5.45	0.55	6.00	5.45	0.55	6.00
<u>Secretarial Services</u>							
	15 minutes	13.64	1.36	15.00	10.00	1.00	11.00
	15 - 30 minutes	27.27	2.73	30.00	20.00	2.00	22.00
	1 Hour	54.55	5.45	60.00	38.64	3.86	42.50
* Photocopying / printing, faxing, scanning and emailing cost not included.							
<u>Video Conferencing</u>							
	Video Conference link-up - per hour	45.45	4.55	50.00	45.45	4.55	50.00
<u>Conference Room Hire</u>							
	Per hour (1 - 3 hours or part thereof)	18.18	1.82	20.00	18.18	1.82	20.00
	Per day	63.64	6.36	70.00	63.64	6.36	70.00
	Late cancellation fee	18.18	1.82	20.00	18.18	1.82	20.00
Additional to Conference Room rates							
	Internet access (per hour)	4.55	0.45	5.00	4.55	0.45	5.00
	Internet access (per day)	27.27	2.73	30.00	27.27	2.73	30.00

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<u>Scanning</u>							
	A4 & email/ save on own USB or CD/DVD per page	0.27	0.03	0.30	0.27	0.03	0.30
	A3 & email/ save on own USB or CD/DVD per page	0.55	0.05	0.60	0.55	0.05	0.60
	CD media	1.36	0.14	1.50	1.36	0.14	1.50
* Photocopying / printing cost not included.							
<u>Exam Supervision</u>							
	Per hour or part thereof	54.55	5.45	60.00	38.64	3.86	42.50
<u>Disks Services (per disk)</u>							
	CD & DVD Duplication (CD supplied not DVD)	2.73	0.27	3.00	2.73	0.27	3.00
* No items under copyright will be duplicated.							
<u>Crosswords Advertising - Businesses outside Shire of Yilgarn</u>							
Black / white							
	Full page A4	31.82	3.18	35.00	31.82	3.18	35.00
	Full page A4 with typesetting	50.00	5.00	55.00	50.00	5.00	55.00
	Half page A5	18.18	1.82	20.00	18.18	1.82	20.00
	Half page A5 with typesetting	27.27	2.73	30.00	27.27	2.73	30.00
	¼ page	13.64	1.36	15.00	13.64	1.36	15.00
	¼ page with typesetting	22.73	2.27	25.00	22.73	2.27	25.00
Colour							
	Full page A4	145.45	14.55	160.00	145.45	14.55	160.00
	Full page A4 with typesetting	163.64	16.36	180.00	163.64	16.36	180.00
	Half page A5	81.82	8.18	90.00	81.82	8.18	90.00
	Half page A5 with typesetting	90.91	9.09	100.00	90.91	9.09	100.00
	¼ page	45.45	4.55	50.00	45.45	4.55	50.00
	¼ page with typesetting	54.55	5.45	60.00	54.55	5.45	60.00
<u>Crosswords Advertising - Not for-profit & local businesses</u>							
Black / white							
	Full page A4	27.27	2.73	30.00	27.27	2.73	30.00
	Full page A4 with typesetting	45.45	4.55	50.00	45.45	4.55	50.00
	Half page A5	13.64	1.36	15.00	13.64	1.36	15.00
	Half page A5 with typesetting	16.36	1.64	18.00	16.36	1.64	18.00
	¼ page	9.09	0.91	10.00	9.09	0.91	10.00
	¼ page with typesetting	13.64	1.36	15.00	13.64	1.36	15.00
Colour							
	Full page A4	118.18	11.82	130.00	118.18	11.82	130.00
	Full page A4 with typesetting	145.45	14.55	160.00	145.45	14.55	160.00
	Half page A5	63.64	6.36	70.00	63.64	6.36	70.00
	Half page A5 with typesetting	81.82	8.18	90.00	81.82	8.18	90.00
	¼ page	31.82	3.18	35.00	31.82	3.18	35.00
	¼ page with typesetting	36.36	3.64	40.00	36.36	3.64	40.00
<u>Crosswords Classified lineage</u>							
	Real Estate, Garage Sales, Employment max 6 lines	7.27	0.73	8.00	7.27	0.73	8.00
<u>Free Advertising</u>							
	Community Notices (Community Events, Community Group Notices, Health Services, Dog Bating, Volunteers needed etc.) Including Birthdays, Births, Deaths, Thanks, Congratulations, Gotchas, Raffle Results, Business Hours / Disruptions, Wanted adverts.	Free		Free			

* Size and availability of free advertising at the discretion of Editor

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Function	Description	Fee	GST	Total	Fee	GST	Total
<u>Crossword</u>							
	Per issue	0.91	0.09	1.00	0.91	0.09	1.00
	Annual mail subscription	90.91	9.09	100.00	90.91	9.09	100.00
	Online subscription (delivery via email)			Free			Free
<u>Community Directory - Advertising</u>							
	Full Page - Glossy colour - Back cover	318.18	31.82	350.00	318.18	31.82	350.00
	Full Page - Glossy colour - Inside cover	318.18	31.82	350.00	318.18	31.82	350.00
	Full Page - Black & White - Inside book	209.09	20.91	230.00	209.09	20.91	230.00
	Half Page - Glossy colour - Inside & Back cover (excl, front cover)	245.45	24.55	270.00	245.45	24.55	270.00
	Half Page - Black & White - Inside book	190.91	19.09	210.00	190.91	19.09	210.00
	Quarter Page (Horizontal) - Glossy colour - Inside cover	200.00	20.00	220.00	200.00	20.00	220.00
	Quarter Page - Glossy colour - Inside cover	200.00	20.00	220.00	200.00	20.00	220.00
	Quarter Page - Black & White - Inside book	163.64	16.36	180.00	163.64	16.36	180.00
	Eighth Page - Black & White - Inside book	118.18	11.82	130.00	118.18	11.82	130.00
	Community phone directory	4.55	0.45	5.00	4.55	0.45	5.00
* 1st copy of phone directory free per household and charges apply thereafter							
<u>Shire Calendar - Advertising</u>							
	1 Ad	45.45	4.55	50.00	45.45	4.55	50.00
	2 Ads	81.82	8.18	90.00	81.82	8.18	90.00
	3 Ads	109.09	10.91	120.00	109.09	10.91	120.00
<u>Area Promotions Materials</u>							
	Post Cards, Stickers & Magnets			As Marked	0.91	0.09	1.00
	Stickers	0.91	0.09	1.00	0.91	0.09	1.00
<u>Library</u>							
	Membership permanent resident			Free			Free
	Membership temporary residents			Free			Free
	Overdue notice (First free, charges apply thereafter)	5.00	0.50	5.50	5.00	0.50	5.50
	Bond for temporary residents	25.00	0.00	25.00	25.00	0.00	25.00
HOUSING							
<u>Rental Rates per Week</u>							
	Council Staff Housing	120.00	0.00	120.00	60.00	0.00	60.00
	Council Staff - Unit Housing - 91A-C Antares St	60.00	0.00	60.00	50.00	0.00	50.00
	Housing - Medical Services						
	- 35 Taurus Street (Doctor)			Free			Free
	Homes for the Aged - Units 1 to 4	55.00	0.00	55.00	55.00	0.00	55.00
	Homes for the Aged - Units 5 to 8	75.00	0.00	75.00	75.00	0.00	75.00
	Homes for the Aged - Units 9 to 12	120.00	0.00	120.00	120.00	0.00	120.00
	50 Antares Street - Units 1 to 4	250.00	0.00	250.00	250.00	0.00	250.00
	Cleaning Fee (If required on tenant vacating premises) - per hour or part thereof.	77.27	7.73	85.00	45.45	4.55	50.00
* General Shire housing stock may be rented at the discretion of the CEO for a negotiated weekly rental							
* A bond equivalent to four times the weekly rent is payable on all Council houses and units							
<u>Professional Housing</u>							
	Daily Rate						
	13 Libra Place (East)	55.00	0.00	55.00	55.00	0.00	55.00
	13 Libra Place (West)	55.00	0.00	55.00	55.00	0.00	55.00
	11 Antares Street	55.00	0.00	55.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

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Function	Description	Fee	GST	Total	Fee	GST	Total
Weekly Rate							
	13 Libra Place (East)	250.00	0.00	250.00	250.00	0.00	250.00
	13 Libra Place (West)	250.00	0.00	250.00	250.00	0.00	250.00
	11 Antares Street	250.00	0.00	250.00	250.00	0.00	250.00

* The CEO is authorised to negotiate a suitable rental rate if deemed necessary.

Cleaning Fee (If required on tenant vacating premises) - per hour or part thereof.	77.27	7.73	85.00	45.45	4.55	50.00
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COMMUNITY AMENITIES

Rubbish Collection - Sale of 240 litre Sulo Bin

Kerb side waste collection	As determined annually by Council	As determined annually by Council
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* Note: 240 ltr bins; First collection - GST free

240 ltr Rubbish Bins - sale of	At Cost + Admin Charge	At Cost
240 ltr Rubbish Bins Spare Parts (Lids, Wheels etc) - sale of (If Available)	At Cost + Admin Charge	

Refuse Disposal

Controlled Liquid Waste (K210, K110) - per litre	0.12	0.01	0.13	0.12	0.01	0.13
Asbestos Containing Material - per cubic metre	72.73	7.27	80.00	72.73	7.27	80.00
Commercial Waste - per cubic metre	45.45	4.55	50.00	45.45	4.55	50.00
Commercial Green Waste - per cubic metre			Free			Free
Tyres - Small - Passenger/Motorbike (each)	13.64	1.36	15.00	13.64	1.36	15.00
Tyres - Medium - 4WD, SUV (each)	18.18	1.82	20.00	18.18	1.82	20.00
Tyres - Large - Truck (each)	40.91	4.09	45.00	27.27	2.73	30.00
Tyres - Large - Truck - Super Single (each)	81.82	8.18	90.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Tyres - Large - Tractor / Earth Mover - up to 1m (each)	163.64	16.36	180.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Tyres - Large - Tractor / Earth Mover - 1m to 2m (each)	313.64	31.36	345.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Tyres - Large - Tractor / Earth Mover - greater than 2m (each)	472.73	47.27	520.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Opening outside of normal operating hours (minimum charge, waste charges additional)	150.00	15.00	165.00	150.00	15.00	165.00
Local residential waste - during open hours			Free			Free

* Metres³ will be measured onsite

Southern Cross Cemetery

Grant of Right of Burial	250.00	0.00	250.00	250.00	0.00	250.00
Grant of Right of Burial - Niche Wall	100.00	0.00	100.00	100.00	0.00	100.00
Renewal of Grant of Right of Burial	100.00	0.00	100.00	100.00	0.00	100.00
Transfer of Grant of Right of Burial	30.00	0.00	30.00	30.00	0.00	30.00
Copy of Grant of Right of Burial	30.00	0.00	30.00	30.00	0.00	30.00
Interment of Adult	400.00	40.00	440.00	400.00	40.00	440.00
Digging Deeper Grave / Oversized Casket (in addition to applicable Interment Fee)	122.73	12.27	135.00	122.73	12.27	135.00
Interment of child under 7 yrs	231.82	23.18	255.00	231.82	23.18	255.00
Interment of stillborn	177.27	17.73	195.00	177.27	17.73	195.00
Interment of ashes	60.00	6.00	66.00	60.00	6.00	66.00
Reopening of adult grave	381.82	38.18	420.00	381.82	38.18	420.00
Reopening of child grave	272.73	27.27	300.00	272.73	27.27	300.00
Reopening of stillborn grave	218.18	21.82	240.00	218.18	21.82	240.00
Interment without due notice (in addition to applicable Interment Fee)	163.64	16.36	180.00	163.64	16.36	180.00
Interment outside normal working hours (in addition to applicable Interment Fee)	150.00	15.00	165.00	150.00	15.00	165.00
Late arrivals - per hour (in addition to applicable Interment Fee)	45.45	4.55	50.00	45.45	4.55	50.00
Exhumations	381.82	38.18	420.00	381.82	38.18	420.00
Permission to erect headstone	28.18	2.82	31.00	28.18	2.82	31.00
Permission to erect monument	47.27	4.73	52.00	47.27	4.73	52.00
Permission to erect nameplate	10.00	1.00	11.00	10.00	1.00	11.00
Funeral Directors Annual License	200.00	0.00	200.00	200.00	0.00	200.00
Funeral Directors Single License	40.00	0.00	40.00	40.00	0.00	40.00
Single Niche placement (If Shire Staff assistance required)	36.36	3.64	40.00	36.36	3.64	40.00

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Function	Description	Fee	GST	Total	Fee	GST	Total
	Double Niche placement (If Shire Staff assistance required)	36.36	3.64	40.00	36.36	3.64	40.00
	Masons Licence - Annual	100.00	0.00	100.00	100.00	0.00	100.00
	Masons Licence - Single	50.00	0.00	50.00	50.00	0.00	50.00

Sewerage Applications

Fees set by Health (Treatment of Sewage and Disposal of Effluent and Liquid Waste) Regulations 1974

Planning Scheme Amendment Fees - Local Government Fees Only

Minor Town Planning Scheme Amendments, including rezoning or lots when not included as part of a LG amendment - use scale of fees or use average of \$2,000 plus cost for preparing amendment documentation (if applicable)	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
Major Town Planning Scheme Amendments, including Lot Subdivision for 10 or more lots, when not included as part of a LG amendment - use scale of fees or use average of \$4,000 plus cost of preparing amendment documentation (if applicable)	4,000.00	0.00	4,000.00	4,000.00	0.00	4,000.00

Planning Application Fees

Maximum Fees set by Planning and Development Regulations 2009

RECREATION AND CULTURE

Annual Fees

Southern Cross Football Club	3,272.73	327.27	3,600.00	3,272.73	327.27	3,600.00
Yilgarn Cricket Association	1,409.09	140.91	1,550.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Yilgarn Basketball Association (outdoor courts ex Lounge)	600.00	60.00	660.00	600.00	60.00	660.00
Yilgarn Basketball Association (indoor courts inc Lounge)	1,409.09	140.91	1,550.00	1,409.09	140.91	1,550.00
Yilgarn Netball Association (outdoor courts ex Lounge)	600.00	60.00	660.00	600.00	60.00	660.00
Yilgarn Netball Association (indoor courts inc Lounge)	1,409.09	140.91	1,550.00	1,409.09	140.91	1,550.00
Yilgarn Ladies Darts Association (inc Lounge)	1,409.09	140.91	1,550.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Southern Cross Golf Club	545.45	54.55	600.00	545.45	54.55	600.00
Yilgarn Bowls & Tennis Clubrooms	1,409.09	140.91	1,550.00	1,409.09	140.91	1,550.00

* *Annual Fees include uses such as Club Meetings during the relevant season, Club AGM's & Presentation Nights. Annual Fees **DO NOT** include general usage outside of the relevant season. i.e. Club Fundraising Events.*

HIRE OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

Note: Council has agreed to authorise the CEO to waive hire charges for the following:

1. When **not for profit organisations, based in the Shire of Yilgarn**, hires a facility for fundraising for an altruistic purpose (example being the Big Morning Tea). In these instances the hire fee is to be recorded as a Shire donation.
2. When the facility is being used for a **youth** event and the purpose is educational and beneficial to the youth who reside within the Shire (an example being the Young Entertainers). In these instances the hire fee is to be recorded and charged to account E10624 Youth Development Programs.

Community Centre / Halls

Foyer only per day	90.91	9.09	100.00	90.91	9.09	100.00
Foyer only half day	63.64	6.36	70.00	63.64	6.36	70.00
Kitchen only flat rate	63.64	6.36	70.00	63.64	6.36	70.00
Private function per day	209.09	20.91	230.00	209.09	20.91	230.00
Private function half a day	145.45	14.55	160.00	145.45	14.55	160.00
Commercial function per day	304.55	30.45	335.00	304.55	30.45	335.00
Commercial function half day	181.82	18.18	200.00	181.82	18.18	200.00
Bond (refundable)	300.00	0.00	300.00	300.00	0.00	300.00
Extra Cleaning Fee per hour or part thereof (minimum 2 hours)	77.27	7.73	85.00	45.45	4.55	50.00

* *Half Day = 4 hrs*

SHIRE OF YILGARN

2025 - 2026 FEES AND CHARGES

2024 - 2025 FEES & CHARGES

Function	Description	Fee	GST	Total	Fee	GST	Total
<i>Senior Citizens Centre</i>							
	Private & Corporate Functions - Maximum Charge	318.18	31.82	350.00	318.18	31.82	350.00
	Bond (refundable)	300.00	0.00	300.00	300.00	0.00	300.00
* Hire & Charge Rate at CEO's discretion							
<i>Yilgarn Recreation Centre</i>							
Main Lounge							
	Private function - per day	163.64	16.36	180.00	163.64	16.36	180.00
	Lounge only	63.64	6.36	70.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Bar & Lounge only	113.64	11.36	125.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Lounge, Kitchen & Bar	163.64	16.36	180.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Private function - per half day	109.09	10.91	120.00	109.09	10.91	120.00
	Lounge only	40.91	4.09	45.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Bar & Lounge only	86.36	8.64	95.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Lounge, Kitchen & Bar	109.09	10.91	120.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Private function per hour	36.36	3.64	40.00	36.36	3.64	40.00
	Commercial function - per day	209.09	20.91	230.00	209.09	20.91	230.00
	Lounge only	136.36	13.64	150.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Bar & Lounge only	227.27	22.73	250.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Lounge, Kitchen & Bar	318.18	31.82	350.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Commercial function - per half day	145.45	14.55	160.00	145.45	14.55	160.00
	Lounge only	81.82	8.18	90.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Bar & Lounge only	150.00	15.00	165.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Lounge, Kitchen & Bar	250.00	25.00	275.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Commercial function per hour	45.45	4.55	50.00	45.45	4.55	50.00
	Kitchen only	50.00	5.00	55.00	50.00	5.00	55.00
	Lounge only	63.64	6.36	70.00	63.64	6.36	70.00
	Bar & Lounge only	113.64	11.36	125.00	113.64	11.36	125.00
Veiwing Lounge							
	Private function per day	131.82	13.18	145.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Private function half day	86.36	8.64	95.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Private function per hour	31.82	3.18	35.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Commercial function per day	168.18	16.82	185.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Commercial function half a day	118.18	11.82	130.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Commercial function per hour	36.36	3.64	40.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Indoor Sports Court - incl. change rooms							
	Indoor Court - per hour (ex Lounge)	27.27	2.73	30.00	27.27	2.73	30.00
	Indoor Court - per day (ex Lounge)	95.45	9.55	105.00	95.45	9.55	105.00
Outdoor Oval & Sports Courts							
	Sports Oval Hire - per day	409.09	40.91	450.00	409.09	40.91	450.00
	Outdoor Courts - per hour	27.27	2.73	30.00	27.27	2.73	30.00
	Outdoor Courts - per day	95.45	9.55	105.00	95.45	9.55	105.00
* Outdoor Oval & Courts Charges only applicable if exclusive use required							
* Charges NOT applicable to groups/clubs who pay an annual usage fee during applicable sporting season							
	Bond complex (refundable)	300.00	0.00	300.00	300.00	0.00	300.00
	Bond grounds (refundable)	515.00	0.00	515.00	515.00	0.00	515.00
<i>Hire of chairs & tables - Per Day (From Recreation Complex only)</i>							
	Chairs - stack of 10	9.09	0.91	10.00	9.09	0.91	10.00
	Table each	4.55	0.45	5.00	4.55	0.45	5.00

* Pick up & return hirers responsibility.

SHIRE OF YILGARN

2025 - 2026 FEES AND CHARGES

2024 - 2025 FEES & CHARGES

Function	Description	Fee	GST	Total	Fee	GST	Total
<u>Community Bus Hire Rates</u>							
Community Bus							
	Not for Profit Organisation - per km (including fuel)	0.60	0.06	0.66	0.60	0.06	0.66
	Commercial / For Profit Organisations - per km (excluding fuel)	0.90	0.09	0.99	0.90	0.09	0.99
	Community Bus Trailer - per day	50.00	5.00	55.00	50.00	5.00	55.00
	Cleaning Charge (If Not Cleaned)	409.09	40.91	450.00	409.09	40.91	450.00
	Hire Bond - Refundable	300.00	0.00	300.00	300.00	0.00	300.00
* Commercial Hire: Subject to CEO's Approval							
<u>Security Key System</u>							
	Bond required for individual keys (refundable)	50.00	0.00	50.00	50.00	0.00	50.00
<u>Swimming Pool Admission</u>							
	General Admission			Free			Free
	Lane Hire per hour	20.00	2.00	22.00	8.00	0.80	8.80
	Private Hire per hour	145.45	14.55	160.00	100.00	10.00	110.00
<u>Trading In Thoroughfares and Public Places</u>							
	Application for Stallholder permit (inc 1 day operations)	45.45	4.55	50.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Stallholder permit - Daily fee	27.27	2.73	30.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Application for Traders permit (inc 1 day operations)	45.45	4.55	50.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Traders permit - Daily fee	27.27	2.73	30.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TRANSPORT							
<u>Aerodrome</u>							
	Aircraft Annual landing fees (local)	150.00	15.00	165.00	150.00	15.00	165.00
	Aircraft landing (per tonne rounded up)	15.91	1.59	17.50	15.91	1.59	17.50
	Passenger Fee (Incoming & Outgoing)	27.27	2.73	30.00	27.27	2.73	30.00
<u>Other</u>							
	Sale of Gravel & Sand - per cubic metre	30.00	3.00	33.00	5.00	0.50	5.50
	Sale of Aggregate	At Cost + Admin Charge			0.00	0.00	0.00
* Delivery Additional to Above Fees							
ECONOMIC SERVICES							
<u>Building Permit Fees</u>							
	As set by Building Regulations 2013						
<u>Building Services levy</u>							
	As set by Building Services (Complaint Resolution and Administration) Regulations 2011						
<u>Building and Construction Industry Training Fund</u>							
	As set by Building and Construction Industry Training Fund and Levy Collection Act 1990						
<u>Land leases - Annual - Payable by 1 July -</u>							
	Horse Agistment Leases - Annual (per yard)	150.00	15.00	165.00	150.00	15.00	165.00
	Lots 36 & 44 - Cropping	2,000.00	200.00	2,200.00	2,000.00	200.00	2,200.00
	Airport - Cropping	454.55	45.45	500.00	454.55	45.45	500.00

SHIRE OF YILGARN

2025 - 2026 FEES AND CHARGES

2024 - 2025 FEES & CHARGES

Function	Description	Fee	GST	Total	Fee	GST	Total
<u>Water Charges (per kilolitre)</u>							
	Domestic use from Standpipes (On Application) ¹			No Charge			No Charge
1. Water Usage to the Value of \$1,200 Annually - No Charge, Thereafter at applicable normal Standpipe Charge rates.							
Dulyalbin Tank							
	Water used for stock & spraying	1.30	0.00	1.30	1.30	0.00	1.30
Mt Hampton Dam							
	Water used for stock & spraying	0.67	0.00	0.67	0.67	0.00	0.67
Standpipes							
	Beaton - 50mm	10.19	0.00	10.19	9.97	0.00	9.97
	Bodallin - 50mm	10.19	0.00	10.19	9.97	0.00	9.97
	Bodallin - 25mm	3.44	0.00	3.44	3.37	0.00	3.37
	Bullfinch - 50mm	10.19	0.00	10.19	9.97	0.00	9.97
	Bullfinch - 25mm	3.44	0.00	3.44	3.37	0.00	3.37
	Castor - 25mm	3.44	0.00	3.44	3.37	0.00	3.37
	Garrett - 50mm	10.19	0.00	10.19	9.97	0.00	9.97
	Gatherer - 50mm	10.19	0.00	10.19	9.97	0.00	9.97
	Ghooli - 50mm	10.19	0.00	10.19	9.97	0.00	9.97
	Koolyanobbing - 50mm	10.19	0.00	10.19	9.97	0.00	9.97
	Marvel Loch - 50mm	10.19	0.00	10.19	9.97	0.00	9.97
	Moorine Rock - 50mm	10.19	0.00	10.19	9.97	0.00	9.97
	Moorine Rock - 25mm	3.44	0.00	3.44	3.37	0.00	3.37
	Noongar - 50mm	10.19	0.00	10.19	9.97	0.00	9.97
	Noongar - 25mm	3.44	0.00	3.44	3.37	0.00	3.37
	North Bodallin - 40mm	10.19	0.00	10.19	9.97	0.00	9.97
	O'Neils - 25mm	3.44	0.00	3.44	3.37	0.00	3.37
	Perilya - 50mm	10.19	0.00	10.19	9.97	0.00	9.97
* High Flow Standpipes are 40mm and above, Low Flow are less than 40mm							
	Standpipe Swipe Card (per card)	18.18	1.82	20.00	18.18	1.82	20.00

* Standpipe water charges subject to change at any time due to changes in supply costs.

CARAVAN PARK & TOURIST ACCOMMODATION

Sandalwood Lodge - A Rooms (Per night)	118.18	11.82	130.00	109.09	10.91	120.00
Sandalwood Lodge - Family Room (Per night)	172.73	17.27	190.00	163.64	16.36	180.00
Sandalwood Lodge - B Rooms (Per night)	100.00	10.00	110.00	90.91	9.09	100.00
Kurrajong Double or Single Room (Per night)	86.36	8.64	95.00	77.27	7.73	85.00
Kurrajong - Family Room (Per night)	131.82	13.18	145.00	122.73	12.27	135.00
Self Contained 2 x 1 Park Cabins (Per night)	227.27	22.73	250.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Powered Caravan Sites - First 2 Guests (Per night)	31.82	3.18	35.00	31.82	3.18	35.00
Powered Caravan Sites - Additional Person (Per night)	4.55	0.45	5.00	4.55	0.45	5.00
Powered Caravan Sites - First 2 Guests (Per week)	190.91	19.09	210.00	190.91	19.09	210.00
Powered Caravan Sites - Additional Person (Per week)	27.27	2.73	30.00	27.27	2.73	30.00
Unpowered Caravan Sites - First 2 Guests (Per night)	14.55	1.45	16.00	14.55	1.45	16.00
Unpowered Caravan Sites - Additional Person (Per night)	4.55	0.45	5.00	4.55	0.45	5.00
Unpowered Caravan Sites - First 2 Guests (Per week)	87.27	8.73	96.00	87.27	8.73	96.00
Unpowered Caravan Sites - Additional Person (Per week)	27.27	2.73	30.00	27.27	2.73	30.00
Coin Operated Laundry Facilities - Washing Machine (Per cycle)	3.64	0.36	4.00	3.64	0.36	4.00
Coin Operated Laundry Facilities - Dryer (Per cycle)	3.64	0.36	4.00	3.64	0.36	4.00
Showers - Itinerant Use (Per person per use)	5.00	0.50	5.50	4.55	0.45	5.00
Various Promotional & Non Promotional Merchandise			As Marked			As Marked
Lost Key Fee	45.45	4.55	50.00	45.45	4.55	50.00

* Powered & Unpowered Sites - Children under 5 years old free

Cancellations

Notice of:						
More than 48 Hours				Full Refund		Full Refund

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2025 - 2026 FEES AND CHARGES

2024 - 2025 FEES & CHARGES

Function	Description	Fee	GST	Total	Fee	GST	Total
	More than 24 Hours but less than 48 Hours			50% Refund			50% Refund
	Less than 24 Hours			No Refund			No Refund
Cancellation Fee		13.64	1.36	15.00	13.64	1.36	15.00
<u>Concessions</u>							
"Stay for 7 nights, Pay for 6 Nights"		Value of 1 night applicable rate			Value of 1 night applicable rate		
(Applicable only to Park Cabins , Sandalwood Motor Lodge and Kurrajong Rooms)							
<u>Additional Fees</u>							
Additional Servicing of Room/s (Per Room / Per Day)		59.09	5.91	65.00	40.91	4.09	45.00
(While occupied, rooms are serviced on a weekly basis)							
Additional Cleaning on Check Out (Per Hour or part thereof)		77.27	7.73	85.00	77.27	7.73	85.00
(Due to excessive level of disarray such as spills, rubbish, pet hair or rearranged furniture)							
OTHER PROPERTY AND SERVICES							
<u>11 Antares St - Shop Front Rent - Per Year</u>							
Section A (61.90 m ²) plus 32.05% of Annual Sewerage & Rubbish Charges		1,790.95	179.09	1,970.04	1,722.06	172.21	1,894.27
Section B (35.17 m ²) plus 18.21% of Annual Sewerage & Rubbish Charges		1,017.55	101.76	1,119.31	978.42	97.84	1,076.26
Section C (46.64 m ²) plus 24.15% of Annual Sewerage & Rubbish Charges		1,349.43	134.94	1,484.37	1,297.53	129.75	1,427.28
Section D (49.43 m ²) plus 25.59% of Annual Sewerage & Rubbish Charges		1,430.15	143.01	1,573.16	1,375.14	137.51	1,512.65
<u>Labour Hire - Per Hour</u>							
Labour (Operator)		85.00	8.50	93.50	80.00	8.00	88.00
Additional Loading for Overtime (Time and a Half)		20.00	2.00	22.00	20.00	2.00	22.00
Additional Loading for Overtime (Double Time)		40.00	4.00	44.00	40.00	4.00	44.00
Labour (Executive)		155.00	15.50	170.50	120.00	12.00	132.00
<u>Other</u>							
Administration Charge				12%			12%
<u>Major Plant - Per hour, operator included</u>							
Grader		220.00	22.00	242.00	220.00	22.00	242.00
Construction Loader		220.00	22.00	242.00	220.00	22.00	242.00
Town Loader		190.00	19.00	209.00	190.00	19.00	209.00
Backhoe		160.00	16.00	176.00	160.00	16.00	176.00
Skid Steer Loader		160.00	16.00	176.00	160.00	16.00	176.00
Prime Mover and Side Tippers		240.00	24.00	264.00	240.00	24.00	264.00
Prime Mover and Low Loader		240.00	24.00	264.00	240.00	24.00	264.00
8x4 Truck and Dog		220.00	22.00	242.00	220.00	22.00	242.00
Truck <13 tonne		140.00	14.00	154.00	140.00	14.00	154.00
Truck >13 tonne		160.00	16.00	176.00	160.00	16.00	176.00
Tractor		140.00	14.00	154.00	140.00	14.00	154.00
Roller Steel Drum		160.00	16.00	176.00	160.00	16.00	176.00
Roller Multi Tyred		160.00	16.00	176.00	160.00	16.00	176.00
Road Broom (inc Vehicle)		180.00	18.00	198.00	180.00	18.00	198.00
<u>Major Plant - Per hour (not including operator, labour rate to be additional)</u>							
Road Maintenance Truck		160.00	16.00	176.00	160.00	16.00	176.00
<u>Minor Plant - Per day, dry hire</u>							
Minor Plant - Pumps, Generators (< 10kVA) & Trailers etc. (each)		150.00	15.00	165.00	130.00	13.00	143.00
* Generators > 10kVA are NOT Available for Hire							

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10 YEAR PLAN REPLACEMENT PLAN

SHIRE OF YILGARN

YEAR PLAN REPLACEMENT PLAN							Year 1		Year 2		Year 3		Year 4		Year 5		Year 6		Year 7		Year 8		Year 9		Year 10			
Plant No	Reps	Existing Plant		Make	Year	Est Life	Cost	Current Hours or Kilometers	2020/2026		2026/2027		2027/2028		2028/2029		2029/2030		2030/2031		2031/2032		2032/2033		2033/2034		2034/2035	
		Purchase	Net Interest						Purchase	Net Interest	Purchase	Net Interest	Purchase	Net Interest	Purchase	Net Interest	Purchase	Net Interest	Purchase	Net Interest	Purchase	Net Interest	Purchase	Net Interest				
Graders																												
2026	YL 142	Grader		12M Caterpillar	2017	8	\$133,295	8,150hrs	180,000																			
									(110,000)	340,000																		
2026	YL 4201	Grader		12M Caterpillar	2019	8	\$355,800	8,600 hrs	480,000																			
									(114,000)	340,000																		
2026	YL 007	Grader		Caterpillar 140M	2023	8	\$463,150	147hrs																				
2103	YL 5199	Grader		Caterpillar 140M	2022	8	\$416,168	1,709hrs																				
2009	YL 296	Grader		Caterpillar 140M	2022	8	\$309,000	2,249hrs																				
Heavy Trucks																												
2027	YL 469	Truck - 8 Wheeler		Mack	2018	8	\$281,180	7,938 hrs	480,000																			
									(140,000)	360,000																		
2027	YL 698	Truck - 8 wheeler		Mack	2020	8	\$279,903	3,622 hrs																				
N/A	New	Truck - 8 wheeler		Mack	2025	8	\$449,200	0																				
	Used	Dedicated water truck					\$259,000	0	300,000																			
2013	YL 177	Prime Mover		Freightliner	2017	8	\$248,520	8,817 hrs	360,000																			
									(50,000)	300,000																		
Loaders																												
2039	YL 4302	Skid Steer Loader		Cat 290D3	2023	5	\$230,118	426 hrs																				
2118	YL130	Backhoe		Caterpillar 444	2023	8	\$249,590	1,824 hrs																				
2024	YL451	Loader		Cat 924K LT	2016	8	\$247,360	2,643 hrs																				
2004	YL 224	Loader		CAT 950H	2022	8	\$325,006	2,279 hrs																				
Bulldozers																												
2023	YL 595	Bulldozer		C564 Vibrating Drum	2019	8	\$157,500	3,870 hrs																				
2104	YL 5248	Bulldozer		Cat CW24 Multi-Terr	2022	8	\$188,618	2,451 hrs																				
Trailers and Dollies																												
2002	YL 2058	Semi trailer (upper)		Howard Porter (4 Axle)	2021	10	\$99,270	72,707hrs																				
2001	YL 2016	Semi trailer (upper)		Howard Porter (4 Axle)	2021	10	\$99,270	75,779hrs																				
New	New	A Trailer (Double)		Alfreeds (trach)	2023	10	\$99,000	165,000 kms																				
New	New	B Trailer (Double)		Alfreeds	2025	10	\$137,000	0 kms																				
1884	YL 2402	Dolly		Bruscock Engineering	2013	10	\$93,181	Unknown																				
2112	YL 7558	Tandem Dolly		Blackman	2023	10	\$35,013	N/A																				
NB3	NA	Tandem Dolly		Elite Steel	2024	10	\$36,000	0																				
Miscellaneous																												
2025	YL 414	Community Bus		Cougar	2018	8	\$118,369	41,331kms																				
2107	YL 145	Bike-On Mower		Toro GM 3300	2022	5	\$46,004	179hrs																				

CAPITAL COST OR ON TRIGHT PURCHASE PRICE ESTIMATED 10 YEAR NET REPLACEMENT COST

Total investment in plant \$7,635,371
Total capital 10 years 13,983,000
Total Trade 10 years (4,800,000)
Total expenditure 10 years 8,974,000
Depreciation per year 763,637