



Ordinary Council Meeting

AGENDA

Council Chambers, 95-101 Alfred St, Charleville

21 August 2024

9.00am



Adavale Road Re-Sheeting Project has Commenced funded by TIDS/R2R

Notice is hereby given that an Ordinary Council Meeting of the Shire of Murweh will be held in the Council Chambers, 95-101 Alfred St, Charleville on 21, August 2024 at 9.00am.

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DEPUTATION TO COUNCIL

Dr Vincent Flynn

Subject: Artesian Spas

1 OPENING PRAYER

2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Apologies

Nil

Leave of Absence

Nil

Applications for Leave of Absence

3 DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

4 UPDATE/CHANGE TO COUNCILLOR REGISTER OF INTEREST

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Ordinary Council Meeting - 17 July 2024

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Ordinary Council Meeting

MINUTES

Council Chambers, 95-101 Alfred St, Charleville

Wednesday, 17 July 2024

9.00AM



**MINUTES OF MURWEH SHIRE COUNCIL
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 95-101 ALFRED ST, CHARLEVILLE
ON WEDNESDAY, 17 JULY 2024 AT 9.00AM**

PRESENT: Cr S Radnedge (Mayor), Cr R Eckel, Cr P Alexander, Cr T Sommerfield, Cr M Ebsworth

IN ATTENDANCE: B Scott (CEO), J Barton (Director Engineering Services), J Kronk (Director Corporate Services). J Nicholson (Director Economic Development), T Ortiz (Contract Accountant), K Crosby (Manager Regulatory Services),

1 OPENING PRAYER

Fr Peter Doohan delivered the prayer for the guidance of Council.

2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Apologies

Nil

Leave of Absence

Nil

Applications for Leave of Absence

Nil

3 DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil

4 UPDATE/CHANGE TO COUNCILLOR REGISTER OF INTEREST

All Councillors provided the CEO with Annual Confirmation of their and their related parties Register of Interests.

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLUTION 136/24

Moved: Cr R Eckel

Seconded: Cr M Ebsworth

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held 21 June 2024 be taken as read, confirmed with corrections and signed as a correct record of proceedings.

Corrections:

Change 'suspend' Standing Orders to 'move' from Standing Orders.

Change P Eckel to R Eckel

CARRIED

6 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

<p>RESOLUTION 137/24 Moved: Cr M Ebsworth Seconded: Cr T Sommerfield</p> <p>That council endorses the CEO's actions in applying for the Charleville Races Melbourne Cup half day Bank Holiday on 4 November 2025 in addition to the Charleville Show Holiday.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

7 MAYORAL MINUTE

Nil

8 NOTICE OF MOTION

Nil

9 CORRESPONDENCE FOR MEMBERS' INFORMATION

14.1 CORRESPONDENCE FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCILLORS
Noted.

10 COMMUNITY & HEALTH SERVICES

10.1 JUNE LIBRARY MONTHLY REPORT
<p>RESOLUTION 138/24 Moved: Cr P Alexander Seconded: Cr T Sommerfield</p> <p>That Council receives and notes the June Library Report.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

10.2 COMMUNITY & HEALTH SERVICES REPORT
<p>RESOLUTION 139/24 Moved: Cr R Eckel Seconded: Cr T Sommerfield</p> <p>That Council receives and notes the Community and Health Services Report.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

Mr Justin Kronk, Director of Corporate Services and Ms Kay Crosby, Manager of Regulatory Services joined the meeting at 9.32AM

11 CORPORATE & REGULATORY

11.1 HUMAN RESOURCES REPORT
<p>RESOLUTION 140/24</p> <p>Moved: Cr T Sommerfield Seconded: Cr M Ebsworth</p> <p>That Council receives and notes the Human Resources Report.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

11.2 DELEGATION TO THE CEO TO ENTER A LARGE SIZED CONTRACT
<p>RESOLUTION 141/24</p> <p>Moved: Cr M Ebsworth Seconded: Cr R Eckel</p> <p>That Council delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to enter into a contract for the detailed design of the Charleville Sewerage Treatment Plant and the Augathella Common Effluent Disposal Scheme.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

11.3 DELEGATIONS TO THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
<p>RESOLUTION 142/24</p> <p>Moved: Cr P Alexander Seconded: Cr T Sommerfield</p> <p>That Council endorse the attached delegations of power to the Chief Executive Officer as made under <i>section 257 of the Local Government Act 2009</i>. To exercise the power of the Council as a delegated officer.</p> <p>Sub-Delegation to Council Officers by the Chief Executive Officer is made under <i>section 259 of the Local Government Act 2009</i>.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

11.4 REGULATORY SERVICES REPORT - JUNE 2024
<p>RESOLUTION 143/24</p> <p>Moved: Cr M Ebsworth Seconded: Cr P Alexander</p> <p>RECOMMENDATION</p> <p>That Council receives and notes the Regulatory Services Report for June 2024.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

11.5 WINGS ON THE WARREGO - 27 TO 29 SEPTEMBER 2024**RESOLUTION 144/24**

Moved: Cr R Eckel

Seconded: Cr M Ebsworth

That Council approve to hold Wings on the Warrego at the Charleville Airport from Friday 27 to Sunday 29 September 2024, an event to show case the aviation history of this area on the following conditions:

1. As the host organisation, Council's Public Liability Insurance policy will cover the event; and
2. Council employees will be used in the following locations:
 - (a) Charleville Airport – security
 - (b) Café in the Mulga – Saturday (normally closed), Sunday
 - (c) WWII Secret Base
3. Waive landing and parking fees for participating planes, including WarPlanes a business that will be undertaking joy flights over the weekend; and
4. Entry fee to the Charleville airport parking area \$5.00 per person
5. Entry fee to live entertainment Saturday afternoon Charleville Showgrounds \$20.00 per person; and
6. Free entry to the Aviation Museum; and
7. Free entry to the career expo; and
8. Free entry to the vintage car display as well as Remote Control model play display area.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned for a morning tea break at 10:56 AM.

The meeting resumed normal proceedings at 11:36 AM.

Mr Evan O'Brien, Principal Engineer, Genesis Hydrology joined the meeting when proceedings resumed to provide an overview and presentation of his work completing Flood Risk Assessments at Charleville and Augathella funded by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA).

The meeting adjourned for a lunch break at 01:11 PM.

The meeting resumed normal proceedings at 01:49 PM.

Mr Evan O'Brien, Principal Engineer, Genesis Hydrology was no longer in attendance.

Mr Justin Kronk, Director of Corporate Services and Mr Tom Ortis, Accountant was in attendance.

11.6 MONTHLY FINANCE REPORT (ENDING JUNE 2024)
<p>RESOLUTION 145/24</p> <p>Moved: Cr P Alexander Seconded: Cr M Ebsworth</p> <p>That Council receives the Initial Finance Report for the period ending 30 June 2024, including;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Cash Position 2. Monthly Cash Flow Estimate 3. Comparative Data 4. Capital Funding – budget V’s actual 5. Road Works – budget V’s actual 6. Capital Funding Detail 7. Rates Summary 8. Income Statement June 2024 9. Balance Sheet June 2024 10. Financial Statements Actual June 2024 <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

Mr Justin Kronk, Director of Corporate Services and Mr Tom Ortis, Accountant left the meeting at 2.16PM

12 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

12.1 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MONTHLY REPORT
<p>RESOLUTION 146/24</p> <p>Moved: Cr M Ebsworth Seconded: Cr T Sommerfield</p> <p>That Council receives and notes the June Economic Development Report as presented.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

Mr Jacob Barton, Director of Engineering Services entered the meeting at 2.32PM

13 ENGINEERING SERVICES

13.1 ENGINEERING REPORT
<p>RESOLUTION 147/24</p> <p>Moved: Cr R Eckel Seconded: Cr T Sommerfield</p> <p>That Council receives and notes the June Engineering Services Report.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

Mr Jacob Barton, Director of Engineering Services left the meeting at 3.07PM

14 OFFICE OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE

14.1 TOURISM REPORT

RESOLUTION 148/24

Moved: Cr T Sommerfield
Seconded: Cr R Eckel

That Council receives and notes the Tourism Report.

CARRIED

14.2 SOUTH WEST QUEENSLAND REGIONAL ORGANISATION OF COUNCILS (SWQROC) REPRESENTATION AT STATEWIDE OVERSIGHT GROUP AND QUEENSLAND DOG OFFENSIVE GROUP

RESOLUTION 149/24

Moved: Cr M Ebsworth
Seconded: Cr R Eckel

That Council nominates Councillor Sommerfield as the South West Queensland Regional Organisation of Councils representative on the;

1. Statewide Oversight Group
2. Queensland Dog Offensive Group

CARRIED

14.3 CHARLEVILLE STATE HIGH SCHOOL TRIVIA NIGHT DONATION

RESOLUTION 150/24

Moved: Cr M Ebsworth
Seconded: Cr R Eckel

That Council support the Charleville State High School Trivia Night by a donation of goods and the nomination of a Murweh Shire Council Team to support this event.

CARRIED

14.4 MULGA CUP REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE

RESOLUTION 151/24

Moved: Cr P Alexander
Seconded: Cr M Ebsworth

That Council support the Mulga Cup Committee in hosting the 2024 Mulga Cup Under 11s Carnival by providing the assistance requested in their correspondence to Council dated 11 July 2024 in providing:

1. The hire of the showgrounds from Thursday 12th September through to Monday 16th September 2024.

2. The use of the lights, toilet blocks (including cleaning over the weekend), canteen facility and the show office/commentary box.
3. The emptying of bins over the weekend and the use of the mobile stage.
4. Relocate the grandstands to the inside of the fence at the showgrounds on the Thursday prior.
5. Assist in the printing of the carnival programs.

CARRIED

14.5 MAYORS ACTIVITY REPORT

RESOLUTION 152/24

Moved: Cr T Sommerfield

Seconded: Cr M Ebsworth

That Council approves the Mayor’s travel as presented and notes the Mayor’s monthly meeting schedule and correspondence as presented.

CARRIED

15 CORRESPONDENCE FOR CONSIDERATION

Nil

Mr Justin Kronk, Director of Corporate Services entered the meeting at 3.38PM

16 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

RESOLUTION 153/24

Moved: Cr P Alexander

Seconded: Cr M Ebsworth

That Council considers the confidential report(s) listed below in a meeting closed to the public in accordance with Section 254J of the Local Government Regulations 2012:

16.1 Write off Outstanding Debt

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 254J - 3 (g) of the Local Government Regulations, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government;.

16.2 Sale of Land for Arrears of Rates

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 254J - 3 (e) of the Local Government Regulations, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with legal advice obtained by the local government or legal proceedings involving the local government including, for example, legal proceedings that may be taken by or against the local government;.

16.3 Sale of Land and Buildings

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 254J - 3 (g) of the Local Government Regulations, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with negotiations relating to a commercial

matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government;.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 154/24
 Moved: Cr R Eckel
 Seconded: Cr M Ebsworth

That council moved out of closed meeting and resume normal proceedings.

CARRIED

16.1 WRITE OFF OUTSTANDING DEBT

RESOLUTION 155/24
 Moved: Cr P Alexander
 Seconded: Cr M Ebsworth

That Council write off the outstanding debt amount of \$875.45 relating to invoice 16091.

CARRIED

16.2 SALE OF LAND FOR ARREARS OF RATES

RESOLUTION 156/24
 Moved: Cr T Sommerfield
 Seconded: Cr M Ebsworth

That Council resolve under Chapter 4, Division 3 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 to sell the following land for overdue rates and charges:

1. Assessment Number 00171-00000-000
2. Assessment Number 00241-00000-000
3. Assessment Number 00569-00000-000
4. Assessment Number 00647-00000-000
5. Assessment Number 01511-00000-000
6. Assessment Number 01556-00000-000
7. Assessment Number 01989-00000-000
8. Assessment Number 01989-50000-000

CARRIED

16.3 SALE OF LAND AND BUILDINGS

RESOLUTION 157/24
 Moved: Cr P Alexander
 Seconded: Cr M Ebsworth

That Council commence the sale process for the following assets:

1. 53 Edward Street, Charleville
2. 15 Edward Street, Charleville
3. 52 Galatea Street, Charleville
4. Lots 2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,12,13,14,15,16,17 & 20 of the Charleville Industrial Estate on Bollon Road.

CARRIED

17 CLOSURE

There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 4:05pm.



SHIRE OF MURWEH

MORVEN - CHARLEVILLE - AUGATHELLA

Special Council Meeting

MINUTES

Council Chambers, 95-101 Alfred St, Charleville

Tuesday, 30 July 2024

9:00AM



**MINUTES OF MURWEH SHIRE COUNCIL
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 95-101 ALFRED ST, CHARLEVILLE
ON TUESDAY, 30 JULY 2024 AT 9:02AM**

PRESENT: Cr S Radnedge (Mayor), Cr R Eckel, Cr P Alexander, Cr T Sommerfield, Cr M Ebsworth

IN ATTENDANCE: C Alexander (Contract Accountant), B Scott (Chief Executive Officer), J Kronk (Director of Corporate Services)

1 OPENING PRAYER

Father Peter Doohan delivered the prayer for the guidance of Council

2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Apologies

Nil

Leave of Absence

Nil

Applications for Leave of Absence

3 DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Nil

4 UPDATE/CHANGE TO COUNCILLOR REGISTER OF INTEREST

Nil

CONDOLENCE MOTION VALE PAST COUNCILLOR, GEOFFERY DOUGLAS TURNER

Murweh Shire Council passes on its sincere condolences on the news of the sad loss of past Councillor, Geoffery Douglas Turner. We recognise Councillor Turners significant service to the communities of the Murweh Shire during his term in office.

MAYOR'S BUDGET ADDRESS

Murweh Shire Council Mayor, Councillor Shaun Radnedge presented the 2024-25 Budget Address to the Meeting.

5 CORPORATE & REGULATORY

5.1 OPERATIONAL PLAN 2024 - 2025

RESOLUTION 158/24

Moved: Cr R Eckel

Seconded: Cr M Ebsworth

That Council That Council as per section 104 of *the Local Government Act 2009* and *Local Government Regulation 2012* section 174 adopts the Operational Plan for 2024-2025.

CARRIED
5.2 REVENUE POLICY LG REG. 2012 S193
<p>RESOLUTION 159/24 Moved: Cr M Ebsworth Seconded: Cr P Alexander</p> <p>That Council in accordance with Sections 169 (2) and 193 of the <i>Local Government Regulation 2012</i> adopts the Revenue Policy for the year 2024-25 as tabled.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">.CARRIED</p>

5.3 REVENUE STATEMENT 2024-2025 LG REG. 2012 S169
<p>RESOLUTION 160/24 Moved: Cr P Alexander Seconded: Cr T Sommerfield</p> <p>That Council in accordance with Sections 169 (2) and 172 of the <i>Local Government Regulation 2012</i>, adopts the Revenue Statement for the year 2024-25 as tabled.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

5.4 GENERAL RATES																																																				
<p>RESOLUTION 161/24 Moved: Cr T Sommerfield Seconded: Cr R Eckel</p> <p>That the Council set the following differential rating categories, minimum general rates and cents in dollar for the financial year 2024-25 as follows:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Category</th> <th>Description</th> <th>Cent in \$</th> <th>Minimum per annum</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1</td> <td>Charleville Residential</td> <td>8.226504</td> <td>\$746.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2</td> <td>Augathella Residential</td> <td>8.226504</td> <td>\$746.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3</td> <td>Augathella Non residential</td> <td>8.226504</td> <td>\$746.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4</td> <td>Morven Residential</td> <td>2.268448</td> <td>\$746.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>5</td> <td>Morven Non residential</td> <td>2.268448</td> <td>\$746.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>6</td> <td>Rural <700 Hectares</td> <td>1.08836</td> <td>\$1,229.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>7</td> <td>Rural 700 - 5,000 Hectares</td> <td>0.478296</td> <td>\$1,866.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>8</td> <td>Rural 5,001 - 10,000 Hectares</td> <td>0.478296</td> <td>\$4,867.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>9</td> <td>Rural over 10,000 Hectares</td> <td>0.478296</td> <td>\$4,867.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>11</td> <td>Charleville Multi Dwellings</td> <td>8.226504</td> <td>\$852.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>12</td> <td>Charleville Commercial</td> <td>6.805344</td> <td>\$746.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>13</td> <td>Charleville Tourist Parks, Short Accommodation and Clubs</td> <td>6.805344</td> <td>\$746.00</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Category	Description	Cent in \$	Minimum per annum	1	Charleville Residential	8.226504	\$746.00	2	Augathella Residential	8.226504	\$746.00	3	Augathella Non residential	8.226504	\$746.00	4	Morven Residential	2.268448	\$746.00	5	Morven Non residential	2.268448	\$746.00	6	Rural <700 Hectares	1.08836	\$1,229.00	7	Rural 700 - 5,000 Hectares	0.478296	\$1,866.00	8	Rural 5,001 - 10,000 Hectares	0.478296	\$4,867.00	9	Rural over 10,000 Hectares	0.478296	\$4,867.00	11	Charleville Multi Dwellings	8.226504	\$852.00	12	Charleville Commercial	6.805344	\$746.00	13	Charleville Tourist Parks, Short Accommodation and Clubs	6.805344	\$746.00
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14	Charleville Industry	6.805344	\$746.00
15	Transformer	2.016872	\$1,289.00
16	Outside Urban - Other Land <700 Hectares	1.134224	\$1,257.00
17	Outside Urban - Large Industry	10.473944	\$5,013.00
20	Carbon Farms	0.487968	\$7,520.00
21	Work Camps >15 persons	1.8148	\$12,421.00
22	Renewable Energy 1-10 MW	2.015624	\$4,227.00
23	Renewable Energy >10 MW	2.015624	\$8,452.00
CARRIED			

5.5 CHARLEVILLE SEWERAGE AND CLEANSING CHARGES
<p>RESOLUTION 162/24</p> <p>Moved: Cr R Eckel Seconded: Cr M Ebsworth</p> <p>That the following sewerage and cleansing/garbage charges be set for the 2024-25 financial year:</p> <p>Sewerage</p> <p>Sewerage Base Charge (First Pedestal) \$ 437.00</p> <p>Sewerage Reduced Rate (60%) (Sewerage– Short Stay – Additional Pedestal) \$ 262.00</p> <p>Sewerage Concession Rate (50%) (Sewerage – Additional Pedestal) \$ 219.00</p> <p>Charge per annum</p> <p>Cleansing/Garbage</p> <p>Charleville – Garbage (1st Bin) \$ 374.00</p> <p>Charleville – Garbage (Additional Bins) \$ 395.00</p> <p>Waste Levy (no bin collection service) \$ 104.00</p> <p>Charge per service per annum</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

5.6 AUGATHELLA CLEANSING CHARGES

RESOLUTION 163/24

Moved: Cr M Ebsworth
Seconded: Cr P Alexander

That the cleansing/garbage charge per service per annum be set for the 2024-25 financial year.

Augathella – Garbage (1st Bin)	\$ 270.00	
Augathella – Garbage (Additional Bins)	\$ 291.00	
Waste Levy – (no bin collection service)	\$ 104.00	CARRIED

5.7 CED CHARGES & SEPTIC CHARGES

RESOLUTION 164/24

Moved: Cr P Alexander
Seconded: Cr T Sommerfield

That the following CED and septic charges be set for the 2024-25 financial year:

C.E.D - Building not specified	\$ 213.00	
C.E.D. - Aged Persons Complex	\$ 2,132.00	
C.E.D. - Business Premises	\$ 520.00	
C.E.D. - Church	\$ 182.00	
C.E.D. - Dwelling	\$ 451.00	
C.E.D. - Hall	\$ 182.00	
C.E.D. - Hospital	\$ 1,492.00	
C.E.D. - Hotel/Motel	\$ 2,555.00	
C.E.D. - Lodge	\$ 182.00	
C.E.D. - Public Park	\$ 451.00	
C.E.D. - School	\$ 2,132.00	
Septic	\$ 437.00	CARRIED

5.8 MORVEN CLEANSING CHARGES

RESOLUTION 165/24

Moved: Cr T Sommerfield
Seconded: Cr R Eckel

That a cleansing/garbage charge per service per annum be set for the 2024-25 financial year.

Morven – Garbage	\$ 270.00	
Morven – Garbage (Additional Bins)	\$ 291.00	
Waste Levy (no bin collection service)	\$ 104.00	CARRIED

5.9 CHARLEVILLE, AUGATHELLA & MORVEN WATER SUPPLY CHARGES				
RESOLUTION 166/24				
Moved: Cr R Eckel				
Seconded: Cr M Ebsworth				
That the charge for the supply of water to properties within the Charleville/Augathella/Morven Water Supply area, and surrounding properties approved by Council, be set for the 2024-25 financial year, based on the following:				
Category	Description	Access Charge (per meter)	KI Charge – Tier 1	KI Charge – Tier 2
Vacant	Vacant Land.	\$286.00	\$0.20 (≤1,300kl)	\$0.67 (>1,300kl)
Residential 1	2 or less single residential dwellings units on one meter.	\$572.00	\$0.20 (≤1,300kl)	\$0.67 (>1,300kl)
Residential 2	3 or more single residential dwelling on one meter.	\$1,464.00	\$0.67	
Commercial 1	Rateable, non-residential land.	\$572.00	\$0.67	
Commercial 2	Non-Rateable, non-residential with 40 mm or less diameter meter.	\$2,288.00	\$0.67 (≤1,200kl)	\$1.25 (>1,200kl)
Commercial 3	Caravan Parks, Hotels, Motels licensed club.	\$892.00	\$0.67	
Commercial 4	Non-Rateable, non-residential 1st Meter greater than 40 mm diameter (Additional meters ≤40mm in diameter to be charged at commercial 2).	\$14,300.00	\$0.67 (≤1,200kl)	\$1.25 (>1,200kl)
Commercial 5	Sporting fields and schools, 1st Meter greater than 40 mm diameter. (Additional meters ≤40mm in diameter to be charged at commercial 2).	\$14,300.00	\$0.67	
				CARRIED

5.10 DISCOUNT ON RATES LG REG. 2012 S130				
RESOLUTION 167/24				
Moved: Cr M Ebsworth				
Seconded: Cr P Alexander				
That Council allows, ten per cent (10%), by way of a discount on rates and charges levied by Council, (excluding interest, fire levy and excess water charges) for the 2024-25 financial year when all rates and charges are paid by the due date.				
				CARRIED

5.11 INTEREST ON RATES LG REG. 2012 S133**RESOLUTION 168/24**

Moved: Cr P Alexander
 Seconded: Cr T Sommerfield

That in accordance with Section 133 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council resolves that;

- (1) Overdue rates will bear interest at the rate of 12.35 % per annum from the date that the rate becomes overdue; and
- (2) That the amount of interest will be calculated on daily rests, applying the interest as compound interest

.CARRIED**5.12 PENSIONER REMISSION LG REG. 2012 S119****RESOLUTION 169/24**

Moved: Cr T Sommerfield
 Seconded: Cr R Eckel

That in accordance with Section 119 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council resolves to provide assistance to qualifying Age Pensioners, having a Commonwealth Government Concession Card, be granted a remission of up to \$400 per annum of general rates levied for the 2024-25 financial year, under the same criteria as the State Government Pensioner Remission Scheme

.CARRIED**5.13 RATING EXEMPTION AND REBATES 2024-25****RESOLUTION 170/24**

Moved: Cr R Eckel
 Seconded: Cr M Ebsworth

In terms of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council may:

- Rebate all or part of the rates or charges;

Owing to the significant community involvement of the following organisations, Council has resolved to rebate the payment of general rates for the financial year 2024-2025: -

1353/21000	Retirement Village, Charleville, (Burke St, Charleville)
1645/50000	Multifunctional Child Care Centre, (2 Baker St, Charleville)
1867/00000	86-88 Brunel Street, Morven. Morven Progress Association
1907/00000	90-92 Albert Street, Morven. 2 Aged Units
1946/00000	4 Cemetery Road, Morven. Morven Progress Association
1948/00000	4 Newton Street, Morven. Morven Progress Association
1952/00000-	6 Eurella Street, Morven. Morven Progress Association
1967/00000	Trustees Morven Racecourse
2043/00000	Trustees Augathella Racecourse

2048/50000	Augathella Pony Club Paddock
2168/52100	Warrego Pony Club, Charleville, (Pony Club Paddock 323 ha)
2171/10000	Charleville Field Archers Assoc Inc., (Bollon Road, Charleville)

In terms of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council may exempt from rating land used for religious, charitable, educational or public purposes. The following organisations have been given exemption under this provision until further notice:-

0017/00000	Anglican Church, Augathella, (59-61 Main St, Augathella)
0084/00000	Masonic Lodge Augathella, (55-57 Cavanagh St, Augathella)
0107/00000	Catholic Church, Augathella, (96-98 Cavanagh St, Augathella)
0303/00000	Anglican Church, Charleville, (Church/Rectory, Alfred St, Charleville)
0324/00000	Historic House, Charleville, (87 Alfred St, Charleville)
0327/00000	Charleville & Dist. Senior Citizens, (107-109 Alfred St, Charleville)
0515/00000	Q.C.W.A., Charleville, (73 Galatea St, Charleville)
0604/00000	Presbyterian Church Charleville, (74-76 Church/Hall Galatea St, Charleville)
0605/00000	Masonic Lodge, Charleville, (70-72 Galatea Street, Charleville)
0612/00000	Presbyterian Church Charleville, (Residence 56 Galatea St, Charleville)
0661/00000	Saint Vincent de Paul, (63 Edward St, Charleville)
0805/00000	Catholic Church, Charleville, (Presbytery Wills/Watson St, Charleville)
0868/00000	Sisters of Mercy, Charleville, (Dwelling 92 Watson St, Charleville)
0869/11000	Girl Guides Assoc, Charleville, (80 Watson St, Charleville)
0872/00000	Catholic Church, Charleville, (School Oval 68 Watson St, Charleville)
1252/00000	Presbyterian Church, Charleville, (Dwelling 4 Warrego St, Charleville)
1288/00000	Boy Scouts Assoc, Charleville, (44 Sturt St, Charleville)
1425/30000	Lions Club of Charleville, (47 Hilda St, Charleville)
1592/00000	Jehovah Witnesses, Bentwell Street, Charleville
1729/8000	Save the Bilby Fund Ltd Tourist Attraction
1756/20000	Christian Outreach Centre Charleville, (Sturt St, Charleville)
1923/00000	Morven Historical Museum, Morven, (53 Albert St, Morven)
1925/00000	Morven Historical Museum, Morven, (57 Albert St, Morven)
1935/00000	Anglican Church, Morven, (Church, 33 Eureka St, Morven)
2166/00000	Royal Flying Doctor Service, (Land used for radio communications)
2303/20000	Scout Association of Australia, (Mangalore)

CARRIED

5.14 CHANGE IN RATES AND CHARGES LG REG. 2012 S169**RESOLUTION 171/24**

Moved: Cr M Ebsworth
Seconded: Cr P Alexander

That in accordance with Section 169 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Council adopt the total value of the change, expressed as a percentage, in the rates and utility charges levied for the financial year compared with the rates and utility charges levied in the previous budget. For the financial year 2024-25 the change is 4%.

CARRIED**5.15 DEBT POLICY LG REG 2012 S192****RESOLUTION 172/24**

Moved: Cr P Alexander
Seconded: Cr T Sommerfield

That Council in accordance with Section 192 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council adopts the Debt Policy for the year 2024-25 as tabled.

CARRIED**5.16 INVESTMENT POLICY 2024-2025 LG REG 2012 S191****RESOLUTION 173/24**

Moved: Cr T Sommerfield
Seconded: Cr R Eckel

That Council in accordance with the *Statutory Bodies Financial Arrangements Act 1982* and Section 191 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council adopts the Investment Policy for the year 2024-25 as tabled.

CARRIED**5.17 FINANCIAL HARDSHIP POLICY LG REG. 2012 S120****RESOLUTION 174/24**

Moved: Cr R Eckel
Seconded: Cr M Ebsworth

That Council as per Local Government Regulation 2012 Section 120, adopts the financial hardship policy 2024-25 as tabled.

CARRIED

5.18 FEES AND CHARGES 2024-2025**RESOLUTION 175/24**

Moved: Cr P Alexander
Seconded: Cr T Sommerfield

That Council in accordance with Sections 97, 98, 262 (3) and 280 (2) (d) of the *Local Government Act 2009* adopt the Schedule of Regulatory Fees & Commercial Charges 2024-25 as tabled.

CARRIED

5.19 ESTIMATED FINANCIAL POSITION FOR 30 JUNE 2024**RESOLUTION 176/24**

Moved: Cr R Eckel
Seconded: Cr M Ebsworth

That pursuant to Section 205 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, the Statement of Estimated Financial Position for the previous financial year to 30 June 2024 be received and its contents noted.

CARRIED

5.20 BUDGET FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2024-25 TO 2026-27**RESOLUTION 177/24**

Moved: Cr M Ebsworth
Seconded: Cr P Alexander

That Council in accordance with Section 169 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* adopt the Budget Financial Statements for the 2024-25 financial year and the following two financial years as tabled.

CARRIED

5.21 10 YEAR FINANCIAL FORECAST LG REG. 2012 S169**RESOLUTION 178/24**

Moved: Cr P Alexander
Seconded: Cr T Sommerfield

That Council in accordance with Section 169 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* Council adopt the 2024-2034 long term financial forecast as tabled

.CARRIED

5.22 FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY RATIOS LG REG. 2012 S169**RESOLUTION 179/24**

Moved: Cr T Sommerfield

Seconded: Cr R Eckel

That Council in accordance with Section 169 (4), (5) and (6) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* Council adopt the measures of financial sustainability as tabled.

CARRIED

5.23 CODE OF COMPETITIVE CONDUCT**RESOLUTION 180/24**

Moved: Cr R Eckel

Seconded: Cr M Ebsworth

That Council in accordance with Sections 39 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* and Section 47 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, Council adopts to not apply the Code of Competitive Conduct for the following business activities for 2024-25;

- Building Certification – operating expenses of \$ 216,000 is below the threshold of \$ 340,000.
- Roads activity – operating expenses of \$ 2,433,879 is above the threshold of \$340,000.

However, as the Contract is awarded to Council based on quotation, Council will not apply the code of competitive conduct at this time.

CARRIED

5.24 PROCUREMENT POLICY 2024-2025**RESOLUTION 181/24**

Moved: Cr M Ebsworth

Seconded: Cr P Alexander

That Council as per Section 198 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* adopts the Procurement Policy effective 1 January 2025 as tabled.

CARRIED

6 CLOSURE**COUNCILLOR TESTIMONIAL**

On behalf of Mayor & Councillors, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Peter Alexander thanked the CEO and staff for the inclusion and transparency of the 2024-2025 Budget process.

There being no further business the Mayor declared the meeting closed at 9:57 AM.

6 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

7 MAYORAL MINUTE

Nil

8 NOTICE OF MOTION

Nil

9 CORRESPONDENCE FOR MEMBERS' INFORMATION

9.1 CORRESPONDENCE FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCILLORS

Author: CEO

Authoriser: CEO

BACKGROUND

Correspondence received since the last meeting for the information of Councillors.

LINK TO CORPORATE PLAN

- 1.3.1 Council has in place operational systems and capacity to deliver strategic priorities and core operations.

ATTACHMENTS

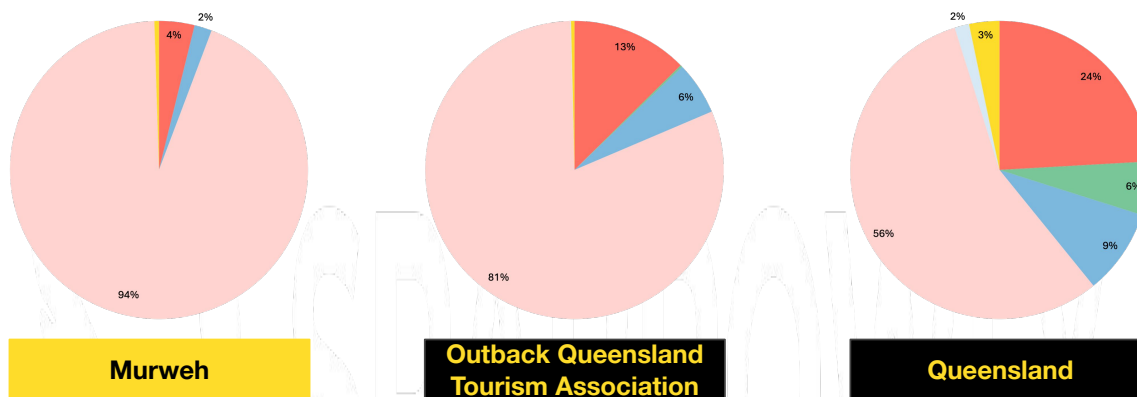
1. **Agriculture Diversification Report - Murweh Shire Council** [↓](#)
2. **CEO - Housing Availability and Affordability (Planning and Other Legislation Amendment) Act 2024** [↓](#)
3. **Wild Dog Barrier Fence Review** [↓](#)
4. **Consultation Questions for Councils and Producers for the Economic Evaluation of the Wild Dog Barrier Fence 30 July** [↓](#)
5. **Review into the Wild Dog Barrier Fence Annual Payment Calculation Methodology May 2023** [↓](#)
6. **QRA CEO Letter to - Murweh Shire Council - FRMP WP3 additional funding_Part28 (004)** [↓](#)
7. **RTS DDSWSB - FINAL - JULY 2024 (Web)** [↓](#)
8. **SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE IMPACT OF CLIMATE RISK ON INSURANCE PREMIUMS AND AVAILABILITY** [↓](#)
9. **CEO - Rural Doctors Foundation Donation** [↓](#)

Murweh Shire Council Agritourism Snapshot



Agriculture in Murweh

Agriculture is the largest employer in Murweh shire, employing over 16% of the total workforce.¹ Beyond an employer, 50% of the total businesses in the region are involved in agriculture, forestry and fisheries adding a gross value of \$149.3m to the local economy.² Livestock represents nearly all of the agricultural production in the shire with 94% of primary producers engaged in the sector.³ Within Murweh, towns such as Charleville feature vast picturesque landscapes and great internet connectivity and rail connections within the state. This provides farmers within the region an opportunity to participate and host events and festivals, while offering stays and tours as more bespoke options.⁴ The following represents the state of the local agriculture economy of the region followed by its regional tourism organisation and the state, for added context:



References:
 1. Murweh Shire Council, 'Murweh Shire Council Planning Scheme'
 2. ABS, Economy and industry, ASGS and LGA, 2011, 16-2022 (Years 2020-2022)
 3. ABS, AGRICULTURAL COMMODITIES—Australia, states and territories and Local Government Areas—2020-21
 4. Experience Charleville Outback Queensland, 'Charleville'

■ Cereals and other crops ■ Fruit and nuts
 ■ Hay and silage ■ Livestock
 ■ Nurseries, cut flowers or cultivated turf ■ Vegetables

Agritourism in Australia

Agritourism is thriving in Australia, providing visitors with immersive experiences across the agricultural value chain, while helping farmers maximise economic returns and promote long-term sustainability.

This global trend, driven by a desire for educational and sustainable interactions with agriculture, particularly through culinary adventures, not only preserves farmland but also presents opportunities or destinations to showcase their unique offerings.

Agritourism demand is estimated to reach \$18.6 billion in Australia by 2030 (CSIRO, [Agritourism – Australian food and agribusiness](#)).

► Agritourism inspiration for Murweh

Woolleen Station Stay, Murchison, WA

Produce Value added

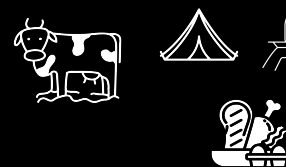
- Homestead stay, remote camping
- Special events
- Guided sunset tours
- Bird Museum
- Animal and bird watching
- Mountain bike and walk trails



Cheela Plains Station, Paraburdoo WA

Produce Value added

- On farm cafe and outback dining
- Experiential camping and accommodation
- Station hikes and birdwatching
- On farm events, weddings and corporate functions.



► How to get started?

Sparrowly Group is a leader in agritourism strategy, education and delivery having delivered development programs across Australia. We work with farmers and industry to support a thriving visitor economy. For more information on our Agritourism offering or general questions on how to begin your regions diversification journey please contact Giovanna Lever at giovanna@sparrowly.com

Our reference: DEPBN24/753



23 July 2024

Mr Bruce Scott
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Department of
**Housing, Local Government,
Planning and Public Works**

Dear Mr Scott

I am writing to inform you about the recent amendments to the planning framework because of the *Housing Availability and Affordability (Planning and Other Legislation Amendment) Act 2024* (HAAPOLA Act).

The HAAPOLA Act is a key deliverable under the *Homes for Queenslanders* plan and aims to simplify and expedite housing supply in the right locations, faster than ever before. It provides new tools for use across Queensland that will tackle the biggest challenges in housing and land supply, including current development approval pathways through the new State Facilitated Development (SFD) process.

To support the HAAPOLA Act's objectives, amendments were also made to the following instruments:

- Planning Regulation 2017
- Economic Development Regulation 2023
- Environmental Offsets Regulation 2014
- Minister's Guidelines and Rules (MGR)
- Development Assessment (DA) Rules, and
- DA Form 1.

These amendments commenced on 22 July 2024 and provide for the establishment of SFD to facilitate development that is a priority to the State, the creation of new acquisition and easement powers to deliver critical development infrastructure and a new ability to impose conditions for an affordable housing component. They also enable streamlining of the renewal and registration processes for the urban encroachment provisions, improved functionality for applicable events and temporary use licences, a streamlined direction process for updating local planning instruments, and clarified assessment arrangements for Queensland heritage places.

The amended MGR (version 3.0) and copy of the public notice is available online at: <https://www.planning.qld.gov.au/planning-framework/plan-making/state-planning/ministers-guidelines-and-rules> and the amended DA Rules (version 2.0) and copy of the public notice is available at: <https://www.planning.qld.gov.au/planning-framework/development-assessment/development-assessment-process/da-rules>. DA Form 1 has also been updated and is available at: <https://www.planning.qld.gov.au/planning-framework/development-assessment/development-assessment-process/forms-and-templates>.

For information about the HAAPOLA Act and its consequential amendments, please visit our website at: <https://www.planning.qld.gov.au/planning-issues-and-interests/housing-availability-and-affordability-pola-amendment-act-2024>.

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If you need further information, please contact Mr Phil Joyce, A/Executive Director, Policy and Statutory Planning in the department by telephone on (07) 3452 7449 or by email at phil.joyce@dSDLGP.qld.gov.au who will be please to assist.

Yours sincerely



Tess Pickering
**Deputy Director-General
Planning Group**

Bruce Scott

From: Roderick Strahan <Roderick.Strahan@daf.qld.gov.au>
Sent: Tuesday, 30 July 2024 10:42 AM
To: Bruce Scott
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Subject: Wild Dog Barrier Fence Economic Evaluation
Attachments: Consultation Questions for Councils and Producers for the Economic Evaluation of the Wild Dog Barrier Fence 30 July.docx

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OFFICIAL

Bruce

Hi, Thanks for agreeing to arrange a meeting for consultation in respect to the Wild Dog Barrier Fence (WDBF). Biosecurity Queensland are undertaking a review of the WDBF and the DAF Economic Policy and Analytics team have been engaged to undertake the Economic Evaluation of the WDBF as part of this overall review.

We are planning a road trip to Western Queensland Councils along the Warrego Highway. The meeting time as agreed is **9 AM, Thursday 29 August at Murweh Council Office** at a room you will designate. As Discussed we would appreciate you arranging the attendance of Council Staff, Councillors and Land Management committee persons that have an interest or work in wild dog management. Along with Council staff, we are seeking detailed information from Producers in respect to the WDBF and exclusion fencing so ideally we are interested to speak to a few selected Producers that have exclusion fencing as well as Producers that do not about wild dogs etc. If you could invite some Producers to this meeting it would be appreciated.

Please find attached a list of questions for Council as well as Producers. If you could provide the detail in respect to these questions prior to the meeting it would be extremely helpful.

Thanks very much and look forward to our meeting.
 Regards Rod

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Economic Evaluation of the Wild Dog Barrier Fence. DAF, Economic Policy and Analytics. 30 July 2024

Consultation Questions for Councils and Producers for the Economic Evaluation of the Wild Dog Barrier Fence.

Council Responding:

Questions for Councils:

1. Does the Council keep a record of numbers of livestock (sheep, cattle, goats) and livestock producers in their Shire or region?
2. If numbers are kept, what are they and have there been any significant change in recent times in those numbers?
3. What policies and /or programs does the Council have re wild dog control or management?
4. What strategies or methods do they apply to control the impact of wild dogs? Have these strategies changed over time?
5. What issues does the Council have with wild dogs? Is the problem increasing or decreasing?
6. Does the Council monitor wild dog numbers and their location within the shire?
7. What expenditure does Council incur in the control of wild dogs? What are the items of expenditure and their cost? Is this expenditure or its allocation expected to change in the future?
8. Has the Council contributed to exclusion or cluster fences? If so, how has that contribution been made?
9. What area or length of cluster or exclusion fencing has the Council contributed to?
10. What records does the Council have of other exclusion fences and /or cluster fences constructed in the Shire? If so, what is the length of fencing, the area contained by the fences and the amount invested in their construction?
11. Does the Council contribute to the Wild Dog Barrier Fence costs?
12. What difference does the Wild Dog Barrier Fence make to the management of wild dogs in the Council area?
13. Does the Council have any general comments on the management of wild dogs and how it could be improved?

Questions for producers:

- Are you part of a cluster fencing agreement or do you have exclusion fencing?
- What is the impact of wild dogs on livestock production on your property?
Frequency of impact, is it increasing or decreasing?
- What does the threat of wild dog attack prevent you from doing or running on your property?
- What would you need to implement to change to this alternative activity and what would be the benefits of making the change?
- Or – If you have implemented a change to manage wild dogs, what has that change allowed you to do and what have been the benefits?
- What strategies do you implement to control or manage wild dogs?
- How often do you have to manage the impact of wild dogs?
- What are the costs you incur in controlling wild dogs? Are the costs increasing or decreasing?
- How effective are the different methods of wild dog control?
- Do you have any general comments on the management of wild dogs and how it could be improved?
- What difference does the Wild Dog Barrier Fence make to the management of wild dogs on your property?

Rod Strahan
Fred Chudleigh

Review into the Wild Dog Barrier Fence Annual Payment Calculation Methodology

General

- 1) What is your local government's position on the current effectiveness of the Wild Dog Barrier Fence(WDBF), specifically in regard to its management of wild dogs?

The current WDBF is retaining wild dogs on the outside of the fence, so long as the maintenance is kept to a high standard. There are sections that have allowed dogs to infiltrate to the inside for varying reasons. However, holistically, the fence forms one management tool for landholders that undertake wild dog management. In the scenario of the entire fence being in excellent condition, the fence forms a barrier and works in accordance with the purpose in which it was built. This fence is strategic infrastructure in the control of wild dogs in south west Queensland.

- 2) Does your local government continue to support the WDBF for the management of wild dogs in southern Queensland? Why/Why not?

Council continues to support the WDBF for the management of wild dogs as this infrastructure forms protection and increases the economic viability and health and well being of its landholders. Reducing or eliminating predation of wild dogs to landholders increases the regions economy and has a domino effect, building vibrant communities, increases population and service delivery. It is extremely important for all landholders to support the upgrade and maintenance of the fence, to ensure the communities in which they live and rely on essential services, remain viable.

Exclusion fences that have been built (private and grant funding) on rural land has come from a necessity to protect their businesses, whilst increasing their capacity for sustainable environmental care of the land. The WDBF enhances these smaller enclosures, allowing landholders to action wild dog control measures in a smaller area, eliminating the predation on smaller stock.

The current situation is similar to the late 1800's, where rabbit/dog netting fences traversed the landscape providing protection from rabbits and dingoes. Over years, and when the population of these species reduced to a lower level, the fences disappeared to plain wire or barb wire fences. Populations of wild animals are placing economic pressure on land managers once again, therefore the need to build fences that will achieve the environmental goals and reduce predation, the wild dog barrier fence is an integral segment of these fences across the landscape.

- 3) Does your local government support an annual payment for the maintenance and operation of the WDBF? If not, would your local government support a transitional program in which local governments' and Queensland Government's WDBF contributions are utilized to deliver locally

- a. Strategic close the gap fencing programs; and
- b. Engagement of wild dog management coordinators to deliver landscape scale wild dog management programs.

Council continues to support the annual payment for the maintenance and operation of the WDBF. The history of maintenance and operation has resulted in the current management arrangement.

Many of the options in this paper have been trialed previously and failed due to the commitment (financially and resource) of the responsible person for operation and management of this fence. The partnership between State and Local Government remains the most appropriate option, and the costs can be shared in an equitable manner, as is the current situation.

Having partnership arrangements with landowners/managers where the wild dog barrier fence is strategic infrastructure on their rural land, will need to have a third party inspection. This has been done previously, and it was found not to be a viable option.

Key stakeholders need to work together to achieve the goal, currently in a forward momentum by landholders, the wild dog barrier fence is a strategic fence for the whole of Queensland. If the wild dog barrier fence is removed from the landscape, or falls into disrepair, it will affect all landholders and not those that immediately join or have the fence traverse through their local government area.

Council does not support a transitional program in which local governments' and Queensland Government's WDBF contributions are utilized to deliver locally

- c. Strategic close the gap fencing programs; and*
- d. Engagement of wild dog management coordinators to deliver landscape scale wild dog management programs.*

During this review process, has there been any consideration to straighten the fence, reducing the length for efficiency and effectiveness.

Wild Dog Barrier Fence Report

- 4) What is your local government's position on the WDBF Review – Options Paper's Management option 1?

This option is the preferred option for Council. DAF are the key organization to be responsible for the management and maintenance of the WDB fence and are the lead agency for Bio-Security events – the WDBF would be a pivotal line in a county wide or state wide Bio-Security event. Federal or State actions could be worked from this critical infrastructure, similar to COVID-19 pandemic actions at border crossings.

It is timely to review the specifications and design of how the fence is to be erected/maintained, in line with the most appropriate material available to achieve the WDBF goal. It may be beneficial for a review of the design and specifications to occur every two years, as fencing materials improve.

- 5) What is your local government's position on the WDBF Review – Option Paper's Funding methodology option 1?

This methodology places further administrative costs to local governments, and particularly Murweh. Council would need to review (desk top utilizing mapping) its current rate charges for those landholders bordering the WDBF in line with the DAF calibration method.

All landholders benefit from the WDBF and exclusion fences directly or indirectly. These types of fences reduce the environmental impact on the landscape, thus reducing the operational costs. These fences increase the economy of any region both directly and indirectly as identified in the research. As such, the cost should be shared across commercial operators working the landscape, and not leave it to one particular area or landholder.

- 6) What is your local government's position on the WDBF Review - Option Paper's Funding methodology option 2?

There is no reliable factual data for this option. Each local government has some knowledge of where exclusion fencing has been erected within their Shire, however do not have comprehensive mapping, data and or knowledge. Extra administrative costs to Council each annum, and further financial pressure placed on landholders that do not have the capacity to erect exclusion fencing on their land.

This is not a preferred option for Council

- 7) What is your local government's position on the WDBF Review – Option Paper's Funding methodology option 3?

As above – not all landholders have participated and or erected exclusion fencing. Therefore this methodology may be met with opposition from landholders. It is not fair and equitable for rural land that benefits indirectly from having the wild dog barrier fence

Not a preferred option

- 8) What is your local government's position on the WDBF Review – Option Paper's Funding methodology option 4?

This option has the capacity to financially disadvantage landholders with the initiative to construct exclusion fencing on their property and where the State Government inserted the wild dog barrier fence.

There is the potential for higher percentage of opposition by these landholders in this methodology option.

- 9) What is your local government's position on Appendix 1 of the WDBF Review – Options Paper and the inclusion of a capacity-to-pay indicator' for Option 1, 2, 3, and 4 (based on your local government's three-year annual gross rate revenue)?

In the case of Murweh, payment is moderately similar to current payments for all options.

- 10) Are there any additional variables that should be considered before selecting a future WDBF management option and/or funding methodology, noting the need for publicly available and accurate datasets to accompany any option?

As stated, options 2, 3 and 4 are based on data sets that are not available. Therefore further funding is required to implement these data sets initially and on-going. The State Government is to remain a partner in the management and 50% maintenance of the wild dog barrier fence, with Council's collecting the remaining 50% maintenance revenue from its rural landholders.



For reply please quote: QRATF/24/3374

19 July 2024

Mr Bruce Scott
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Dear Mr Scott

I am pleased an additional \$18 million in funding has been made available under the 2021-22 Flood Risk Management Program (FRMP), bringing the total funding for the FRMP to \$49 million.

The FRMP is jointly funded by the Australian and Queensland governments under the Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) exceptional circumstances Category C and D funding packages approved following the severe weather events of 2021-22.

The FRMP provides funding to undertake key activities that support evidence-based response, mitigation and resilience strategies for the management of river, creek and overland flood risk. The FRMP comprises of three Work Packages (WP):

- WP1: Community Engagement and Education Material
- WP2: LiDAR Capture and associated datasets
- WP3: Flood studies, risk assessments, management studies and intelligence systems.

The additional \$18 million in funding will further support undertaking of key activities under WP2 and WP3, with \$7.8 million available for Council-led projects.

Under WP3, additional funding is available to the 39 Councils activated for DRFA funding from the following 2021-2022 events:

- Central, Southern and Western Queensland Rainfall and Flooding, 10 November - 3 December 2021
- Ex-Tropical Cyclone Seth, 29 December 2021 -10 January 2022
- South-East Queensland Rainfall and Flooding, 22 February - 5 April 2022
- Southern Queensland Flooding, 6 May - 20 May 2022.

As Murweh Shire Council was activated for DRFA assistance during one or more of these events, you are eligible to apply for additional FRMP Funding under WP3.

The additional funding is available through a grants application process, where council can apply for funding for the following categories of projects:

- Flood studies including data collection
- Flood risk management studies and plans
- Flood warning intelligence systems and plans.

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The grants are open for application, closing 13 August 2024. Given projects are required to be delivered by 30 June 2026, please ensure applications prioritise projects that can feasibly be delivered in this timeframe.

To support your possible application for funding, the Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA) has prepopulated the application form with eligible projects that were not approved for funding in the original FRMP WP3 applications. We understand priorities may have changed and we request this application form is reviewed and updated based on Council's needs, including deleting any project council does not wish to progress, or adding other projects as required.

Please find attached the 2021-2022 FRMP – Work Package 3 – application form for Murweh Shire Council.

More information on the program can also be found by visiting:
www.qra.qld.gov.au/frmp-2021-22-funding-councils.

The Work Package 3 funding guidelines for Councils and frequently asked questions can be found by visiting: <https://www.qra.qld.gov.au/frmp-2021-22-funding-councils#Funding-guidelines>.

Please submit your application form and any corresponding attachments to QRA via email to submissions@qra.qld.gov.au by close of business, 13 August 2024.

Should you have any questions about the funding program or Councils application process, please feel welcome to contact the Flood Team, QRA via email to floodteam@qra.qld.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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FOREWORD

The global economy is undergoing a historic shift from carbon-intensive industries to a cleaner, decarbonised economy. As the impacts of climate change become increasingly evident, governments and investors around the world are transforming their economies at an unprecedented scale. This is changing how economies source their energy, where investors allocate capital, and the products customers buy.

The Queensland Government is committed to working with industry, local governments and the regions to harness opportunities that this transformation presents.

The Queensland Energy and Jobs Plan (released in 2022) outlines the Queensland Government's plans to transform Queensland's energy system to deliver clean, reliable and affordable power and achieve 80 per cent renewable energy by 2035. The Plan also targets the Queensland Government's plans to reduce emissions to 75 per cent below 2005 levels by 2025.

The Queensland New-Industry Development Strategy (released in 2023), identifies the key industries where Queensland is likely to have a competitive advantage in a decarbonised global economy.

The Regional Transformation Strategies build on these state-wide initiatives to identify specific opportunities for four regions – North West Queensland (including the corridor to Townsville), Greater Whitsunday, Central Queensland, and Darling Downs, South West and the South Burnett (DDSWB).

These regions are home to traditional, primary industries that today are a significant source of economic activity and jobs. However, they also have unique opportunities to support new industries like critical minerals, renewable energy, and low-carbon fuels such as hydrogen and biofuels, which will thrive in a decarbonised global economy.

The DDSWB Regional Transformation Strategy (RTS) aims to build on the unique strengths and advantages of the region to support its long-term transformation.

Harnessing the region's world-class agriculture industry and abundant land and natural assets, a growing manufacturing base and an emerging health and research capability, the RTS identifies key opportunities for jobs and investment growth in a

low-emissions economy. These include value-added agriculture, growth in solar, wind and battery supply and componentry, advanced manufacturing and health research and services. Some of these specifically harness opportunities associated with decarbonisation; others provide diversification opportunities as the region transitions over time from carbon-intensive industries.

The RTS sets out specific priorities to sustainably grow these industries and support resilient regional economies. It aims to ensure the DDSWB region has a strong future in a low-carbon economy, with a resilient economy, sustainable industries and thriving communities.

These priorities build on the significant investment already underway in the region, including more than \$5 billion of renewable energy projects since 2015 as part of the Southern Queensland Renewable Energy Zone, more than \$1.3 billion in health precinct developments and significant investment to support local manufacturing.

The RTS details the range of support currently available to the regions to support transition. This includes the \$200 million of funding under the Regional Economic Futures Fund to support specific regional transition and the \$415.5 million Industry Partnership Program.

The objectives and priorities that underpin this RTS have been developed in partnership with local government, industry and the wider community.

As implementation occurs the Queensland Government will continue to consult and partner with communities in the region.

The region has a strong, vibrant future – and the Queensland Government is committed to supporting its transformation towards a world-class, low-carbon economy.

QUEENSLAND REGIONAL TRANSFORMATION OBJECTIVES

Resilient regions with diversified, value-adding industries and a highly skilled workforce

Sustainable regions with innovative industries that lead the way in a net zero economy

Thriving, liveable and inclusive regions that attract and retain people, businesses and investment

Darling Downs, South West and South Burnett Priorities



Value-add and circular economy in agriculture

Development of the circular economy in the region through conversion of agricultural waste and by-products

Development and commercialisation of research and development (R&D), technology, new industry innovation and skills development and attraction to support a globally competitive agricultural industry

Reliable and secure water supply for higher-value agricultural enterprises (including exploring potential water security, capture and re-allocation from the winding-down of water-intensive coal-fired power stations)

Enhanced capability for tourism operators, including local governments, primary producers and First Nations peoples for high quality agri-tourism and outback/country tourism experiences

Growth in sustainable land management practices through elevating First Nations peoples' knowledge, increasing biodiversity, recognition of natural capital and supporting local communities with carbon farming opportunities and challenges, especially those related to cumulative social impacts and absentee landholders



Clean and sustainable energy

Investigation of community-owned initiatives that provide green energy generation and storage at a local level (e.g. wind, solar, battery storage and bioenergy production), including service maintenance hubs

Investigation of opportunities to support supply chain resilience and improve network capacity and access within the Southern Queensland Renewable Energy Zone (REZ) region as well as other areas in the region

Development of industrial and agricultural precincts using alternative fuel sources, including bioenergy and green hydrogen

Investigation of opportunities to repurpose future disused infrastructure from carbon-intensive industries for alternate uses



Strengthen advanced manufacturing capabilities

Establishment or scale-up of clean, industrial precincts to strengthen the capability of the manufacturing industry

New or enhanced local training, education and vocational programs in advanced manufacturing and renewable energy production

Improvement of freight transport connectivity within the region (such as the Toowoomba Wellcamp Airport and the Port of Bundaberg) to unlock opportunities for downstream agricultural processing, transportation of components for renewable projects and advanced manufacturing

Supporting the circular economy in the region through R&D of waste recycling and remanufacturing, including batteries and other renewable energy components



Health and pharmaceuticals

Partnering with First Nations communities to investigate the development of traditional bush foods and use of medicinal plants

Supporting the growth of collaborative health, science and community precincts, including training and research

Growing of the region's role in producing and processing pharmaceutical products, such as duboisia, heparin, collagen and keratin

THE IMPORTANCE OF TRANSFORMATION IN REGIONAL QUEENSLAND

Why transformation matters

As Australia and nations around the world prioritise the decarbonisation of their economies, regional Queensland has an important role to play in the future industries that will underpin a low-emissions global economy. Adapting to that global shift and harnessing regional Queensland’s distinctive strengths is key to ensuring that our state is globally competitive and home to vibrant regional communities that continue to prosper.

Being resource rich and trade-oriented, regional Queensland faces significant change over the coming decades. The global economy is undergoing a generational shift in response to the growing impacts of climate change, with an increasing focus on decarbonisation. In response, governments and industry around the world are shifting away from carbon-intensive supply chains towards new, low-carbon industries.

Regional Queensland is well positioned for this new economy. This is through a vast endowment of the minerals needed to support low-carbon industries, abundant land and resources suitable for sustainable agriculture and renewable energy generation and expertise in world-leading industries, such as mining.

Transformation relies on continued investment in economic and social enablers, such as diverse

housing, water, energy, health, education and transport infrastructure, a skilled workforce and digital connectivity.

Transforming the region around the key industries of agriculture, mining, renewable energy and tourism will require working across government and with local governments and the community to have the right land use and infrastructure in place. Of particular importance to the region will be the protection of land for its best use. In some circumstances, multiple land uses can be navigated to achieve sustainable coexistence. Other times, competing land use must be assessed to ensure any identified adverse impacts are appropriately avoided, minimised or mitigated, to support and strengthen the region’s ongoing competitive advantage.

That is why the RTS is designed to align with other government policies as well as federal and local government policies. The RTS will also support the national and Queensland emissions targets, as outlined in Figure 1 (page 8).

Queensland’s agricultural, forestry and fishing, mining and manufacturing industries contributed

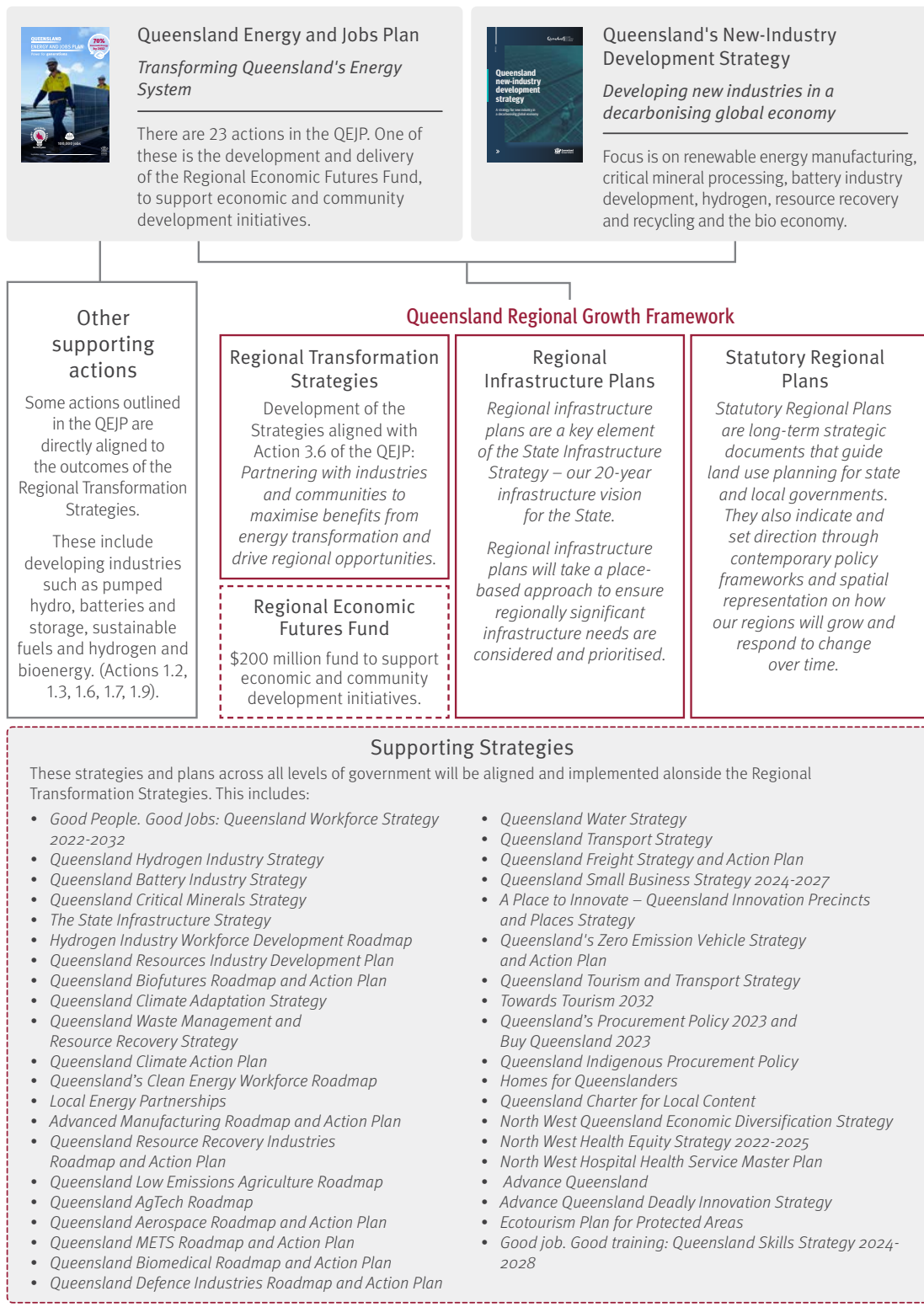


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¹ As of 2022, Data sourced from REMPLAN, 2018-2022, Release 1.

Figure 1: Queensland regional transformation policy context.

AUSTRALIA AND QUEENSLAND'S TARGETS: NET ZERO EMISSIONS BY 2050



Queensland Energy and Jobs Plan and the Queensland New-Industry Development Strategy

The Queensland Energy and Jobs Plan (QEJP) outlines how Queensland’s energy system will transform to deliver clean, reliable and affordable energy for Queenslanders. It outlines key renewable energy targets and actions for Queensland, including:

- a new renewable energy target of 70 per cent by 2032 and 80 per cent by 2035.
- a commitment to convert all of Queensland’s publicly owned coal-fired power stations into clean energy hubs by 2035, backed by a Job Security Guarantee for workers.
- substantial investment across the state, with 95 per cent of clean energy infrastructure investment anticipated to be in regional Queensland.

The QEJP will harness Queensland’s existing natural resources and skilled workforce to transform the state’s electricity system and deliver clean, reliable and affordable power to Queensland’s energy system. This will include around 25 gigawatts (GW) of large-scale wind and solar, foundation pumped hydro assets plus additional storage and firming technologies and new transmission.

Queensland’s natural advantages in renewables

Queensland has natural advantages in its high-quality renewable resources, including:

- **Solar** – Queensland has abundant solar resources and is well positioned for large scale solar generation, particularly in areas located near existing network infrastructure and major population centres.
- **Wind** – Queensland has high quality and nationally competitive wind resources, underpinned by recent improvements in wind turbine technology.
- **Biomass** – Queensland’s strong agricultural industry generates substantial amounts of biomass. Using biomass to generate bioenergy (green electricity) and sustainable liquid fuels could contribute significantly to Queensland’s renewable energy capacity.
- **Hydro-electricity** – There is significant potential to expand and build upon Queensland’s opportunities.



Solar farm, regional Queensland



Flow battery, National Battery Testing Facility

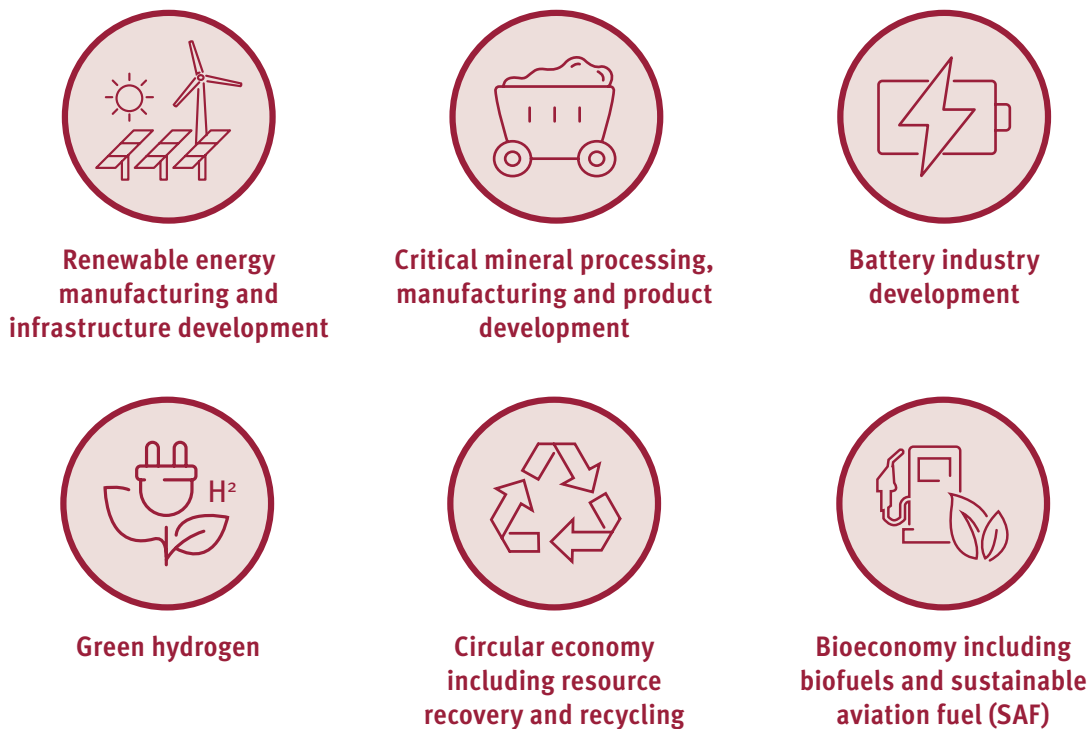
Other focus areas of the QEJP that will assist with regional transformation

These RTS are one action of the QEJP (Action 3.6 – partner with industries and communities to maximise benefits from the energy transformation and drive regional opportunities). Other actions under the QEJP that will help facilitate regional transformation include:

- Developing industries and technology such as pumped hydro (Action 1.2), batteries and storage (Action 1.3), future renewable hydrogen (Action 1.6), sustainable liquid fuels (Action 1.7) and bioenergy futures (Action 1.9)
- Continuing to support the Uniform Tariff Policy, ensuring regional Queenslanders can access affordable energy (Action 2.7)
- Implementing a \$150 million Job Security Guarantee to support affected energy workers in Queensland’s publicly owned coal-fired power stations and associated coal mines (i.e., Kogan Creek and Meandu mines) (Action 3.2)
- Delivery of Queensland’s Clean Energy Workforce Roadmap, which was released on 25 October 2023, and \$192 million for Powerlink to develop Transition and Training Hubs in Townsville and Gladstone (Action 3.3)
- Committing \$11.6 million to build capacity in the manufacturing industry and encourage local content in Queensland to grow the renewable energy supply chain in Queensland (Action 3.4)
- \$10 million to deliver a Queensland Microgrid Pilot Fund to support network resilience for First Nations communities and ensure an inclusive SuperGrid (Action 3.5).

The Queensland New-Industry Development Strategy (QNIDS) sets out the Queensland Government’s approach to proactively develop the industries that are critical to the global shift to a net zero economy. QNIDS outlines the impact of decarbonisation in reshaping commodity demand, and opportunities for Queensland to capitalise on manufacturing opportunities to build the infrastructure and products required to transition towards renewable energy sources. The six key industries identified by QNIDS are outlined in Figure 2 (page 11).

Figure 2: QNIDS industry priorities.



The Regional Economic Futures Fund (REFF)

The REFF is a \$200 million program to support communities, which will be directly impacted by the transition to a low-emission economy, to seize industry development opportunities presented by global decarbonisation.

The objectives of the REFF are to support long-term community prosperity by facilitating sustainable employment and increasing investment in economic development and diversification projects. The REFF supports activities which:

- create new jobs and a stronger workforce,
- strengthen regional supply chains,
- support decarbonisation and the QEJP,
- build or identify a region’s strengths, and/or
- support renewable energy precinct development.

The REFF is a component of the QEJP and QNIDS. The RTS provide a coordinated approach to delivering state government programs, including REFF.

How does the RTS align to these priorities?

The RTS identifies key economic strengths and future industry priorities for those Queensland regions likely to be most impacted by the shift to a decarbonised global economy, based on the unique geography, resources and workforce skills of these regions. This will enable these regions to have a targeted and place-based approach in line with the statewide strategic priorities outlined in the QNIDS, and the renewable energy targets outlined in the QEJP. The industry priorities in the RTS have been developed to align with both existing strengths and several of the industries identified in both QNIDS and QEJP.

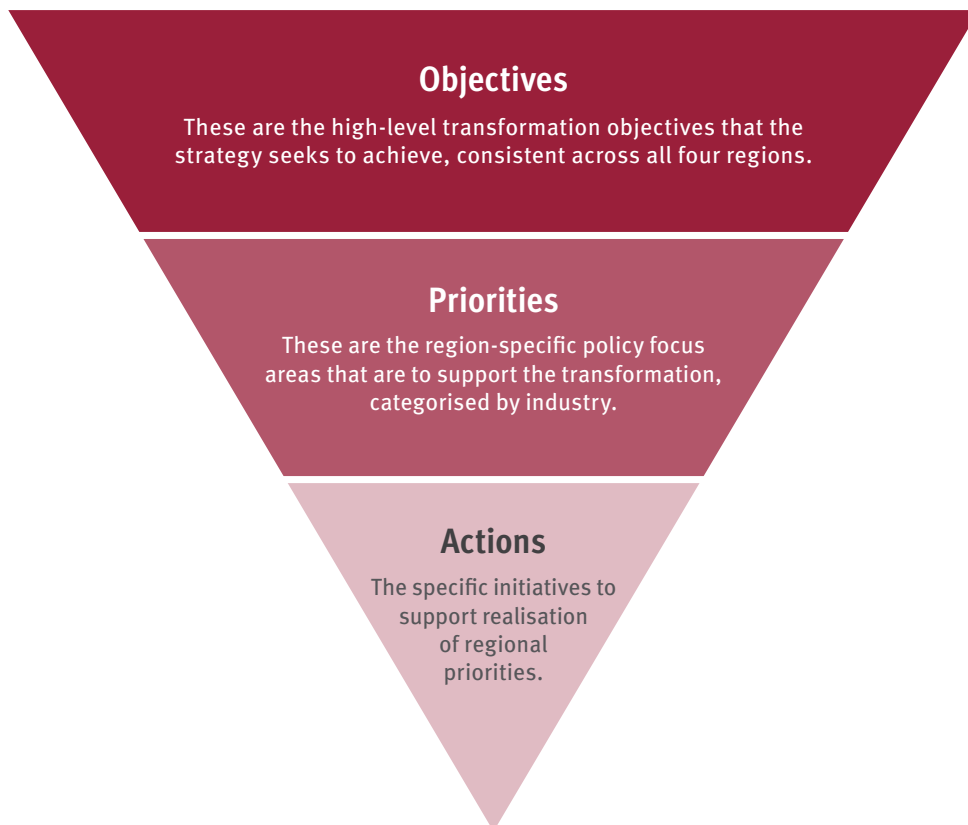
Framework for the Regional Transformation Strategies

The development of the RTS is based on a practical, outcome-based framework and provides a clear link between the strategic opportunities of each region and future actions and outcomes. It has been underpinned by extensive community and industry consultation. Their input is fundamental to these strategies, which have been developed with a 10–20 year horizon, acknowledging that advancing global decarbonisation and energy transition in the regions during this period will be critical to meeting the Queensland Government’s renewable energy target of 70 per cent by 2032, and 80 per cent by 2035.

The approach to the Regional Transformation Strategies

The strategy framework outlines how the overarching transformation objectives for regional Queensland are supported by region-specific priorities and targeted actions. The overarching objectives provide a long-term vision for all of Queensland’s regions that are the focus of transformation. They recognise the important relationship between sustainable, resilient and prosperous economies and thriving, liveable and inclusive communities.

Figure 3: Regional Transformation Strategy Framework.



The objectives for regional transformation

Through close consultation with communities, a vision for regional Queensland has been developed that is encapsulated in three objectives.

Figure 4: Queensland Regional Transformational Objectives.

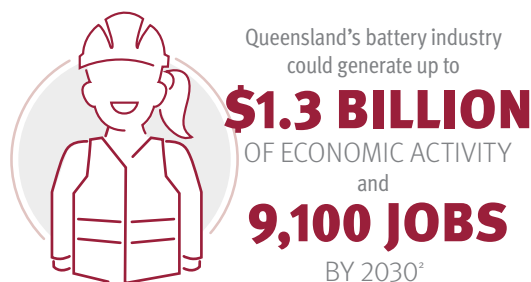


OBJECTIVE 1: Resilient regions with diversified, value-adding industries and a highly skilled workforce

The future of regional Queensland is one of resilient communities, underpinned by a diverse economy, value-adding industries and a highly-skilled workforce. In this context resilience means being ready to harness the opportunities of a decarbonised global economy. It is this proactive approach that will underpin the long-term future of our regions – a future with competitive industries and well-paid, highly-skilled jobs and a lifestyle to match.

Traditional industries, such as mining and agriculture, have and continue to underpin the economic prosperity of regional Queensland. They provide well-paid jobs for communities and produce high-quality exports for domestic and global markets. These industries are making significant investments to reduce their carbon footprint, and they will continue to play an important role in the Queensland economy.

While demand in these industries will continue for some time to come, and low-emissions producers will have a critical role in a transformed economy, the long-term economic resilience of our regions will depend upon having a range of industries. This will better insulate our economy against changes in global commodity prices, reducing the risk of ‘boom and bust’ economic cycles.



Value-adding industries will have a key role in our resilient regional economies, by helping to capitalise on our strong resource base while also providing well-paid jobs for communities. A shift to boosting sovereign processing and manufacturing capability in a more uncertain world is adding to the case for ‘moving up the value chain’ in areas where our regions will be competitive. A mix of primary and other industries will provide regional communities with highly skilled jobs, helping to attract and retain both people and investment.

What does this mean for the DDSWSB region?

- An economy that continues to be underpinned by a world-leading agricultural industry, but also harnesses this advantage to generate new, value-added agricultural products in sustainable ways.
- Strengthening existing value-adding industries. This includes strengthening the capability of the region’s existing advanced manufacturing industry for emerging needs and supporting the expansion of health and pharmaceutical products from the region’s rich agricultural sector.
- Capitalising on the transition to renewable energy by building capability in wind, solar and battery power supply and componentry.

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² Accenture (2023, January 17). Battery industry opportunities for Queensland.

OBJECTIVE 2: Sustainable regions with innovative industries that lead the way in a net zero economy

The future vision for regional Queensland is one underpinned by sustainable and innovative industries that will lead the way in a net zero economy. By leveraging existing economic strengths and natural endowments, each region can be well positioned to meet growing demand for sustainable products. This will involve both the decarbonisation of existing industries and the emergence of new, clean energy industries.

The QNIDS outlines the government’s approach to proactively developing the industries that will be in demand in a decarbonising world. At the same time, we are transforming our energy system.

With a highly-skilled workforce, critical mineral deposits and abundant natural resources, Queensland’s regions will be at the forefront of these strategic initiatives. This means the regions being underpinned by clean industries will be competitive in a world where supply chains and trade agreements place a growing emphasis on low emissions. Existing industries, such as manufacturing, resources, agriculture, transport and tourism, will play a key role in this. Businesses in these industries are already leading the way in reducing emissions. Innovative future industries will have an increasingly key role in our regions. A more circular approach to consumption and production will be prioritised, where we are recycling, re-manufacturing, re-designing and re-using products and materials at their highest value for as long as possible.

Preserving and ensuring the ongoing sustainability of our natural environments will be critical, particularly with the challenges brought by climate change. An important part of this will be recognising and elevating First Nations peoples’ deep knowledge systems in land and sea management practices. Management of climate risk, including by adapting to expected climate change impacts and mitigating further change, is vital to ensure the sustainability of the region, economically, socially and in terms of assets and infrastructure.

What does this mean for the DDSWSB region?

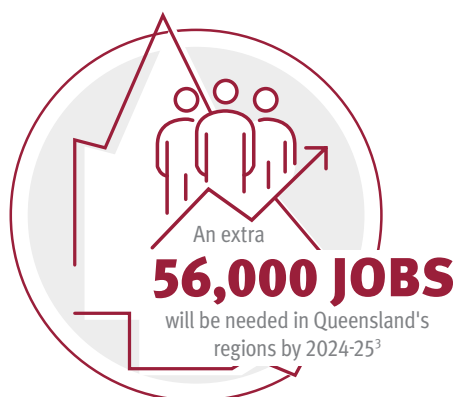
- Harnessing the region’s abundant wind and solar resources and manufacturing capability to strengthen its renewable energy industries.
- Strengthening circular economy principles in the region’s agriculture and manufacturing industries to facilitate more innovative and sustainable products.



OBJECTIVE 3: Thriving, liveable and inclusive regions that attract and retain people, businesses and investment

At the heart of the transformation of our regions and their future prosperity will be the communities within them. Retaining people and attracting new residents will be key to strengthening our communities and providing a sustainable future. There is immense opportunity for investment and jobs in Queensland’s regions as the world continues to decarbonise. However, this will only be possible if our communities are thriving, liveable and inclusive.

Fit-for-purpose and quality enabling infrastructure, such as diverse housing, water, energy, transport and digital connectivity, that is planned and built with consideration of the changing climate, is fundamental to support thriving, liveable and inclusive communities. This will support the wellbeing of residents and ensure regional communities provide the services that will attract and retain a competitive workforce. This will also ensure families have access to the services needed to provide future opportunities.



Highlighting the economic opportunities for communities in regional Queensland.

To make Queensland a location of choice for businesses, opportunities offered by transformation will need to be provided for all people in the regions.

Making up over 97 per cent of all business enterprises in Queensland, small businesses are the foundation of our communities⁴. They employ around 42 per cent of the private sector workforce and play an important role in the supply chain of new industries, as well as continuing to support the growth of traditional industries⁵.

First Nations peoples have unparalleled cultural resources and traditional knowledge of the lands and waters in the regions and are central to the nation’s identity and history.

What does this mean for the DDSWSB region?

- Ensuring local opportunities for businesses and communities in renewable energy generation and storage infrastructure, particularly wind and solar.
- Upskilling the workforce through training programs for local and long-term jobs in renewable energy projects, particularly wind and solar.
- Prioritising enduring infrastructure that will support the community and economy.
- Attracting new workers and business investment to the region.

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³ Jobs Queensland. Data portal for the projection period 2021-22 to 2025-26. Net new jobs. Excludes Brisbane, Cairns, Gold Coast, Ipswich, Logan – Beaudesert, Moreton Bay – North, Moreton Bay – South and Sunshine Coast. Accessed on 18 September 2023.

^{4,5} Queensland Small Business Outlook – Beyond the pandemic, 2023, Queensland Small Business Commissioner, accessible at : < https://qsbcc.qld.gov.au/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/QSBC_Beyond-the-pandemic_Accessible-web.pdf

How the RTS has been developed

The RTS has been informed by the outcomes and findings of extensive consultation processes with key regional stakeholders, including industry bodies, businesses, community members and organisations, local governments and other Queensland Government departments and agencies.

Consultation identified a diverse range of opportunities for each region and broadly supported the strategic direction of the underpinning

Queensland policy frameworks to help Queensland transition to a decarbonised future. Stakeholders also acknowledged that it will be important that regional transformation will need to be undertaken in a manner that is inclusive, sustainable and supports the liveability of our regions, with continued stakeholder input. Key stakeholders will continue to be periodically engaged through the regional **Local Economic Opportunity (LEO) Network**.



A Stakeholder Advisory Committee (SAC) for each region provided advice and feedback on a range of issues specific to each region. These consultations informed the development of the RTS by identifying key strengths and opportunities for the region, transformation objectives, key priorities and potential actions that would support the transformation of the region. These forums will continue to have a role supporting the implementation of the RTS for the region.

Targeted consultations have been undertaken with a range of stakeholders across each region to explore their insights on the economic strengths of the region, opportunities for economic transformation and actions that may support the transformation objectives and priorities.

A targeted survey was conducted to obtain stakeholder insights on key economic opportunities and challenges relating to economic development and transformation in each region.

Public consultation has been undertaken to obtain feedback from people who live, work, or own a business in one of the four targeted regions. This was done through a range of media channels and an online survey.

ABOUT THE REGION

The Darling Downs, South West and South Burnett region encompasses three sub-regions:

- Darling Downs sub-region – located to the west of the Great Dividing Range and immediately adjacent to South East Queensland (SEQ). Includes Toowoomba, which is the major administrative and commercial centre of the DDSWSB region and home to major construction, manufacturing and agricultural industries. Located 132 kilometres west of Brisbane, Toowoomba and the Darling Downs sub-region is strategically linked by major highways, railway lines and the Toowoomba Wellcamp Airport. This part of the region plays an important role in transport and logistics, including road, rail and air. The proposed Inland Rail alignment also traverses this sub-region and its proximity to existing rail, the Wellcamp Airport and existing key industries, may provide further regional transformation opportunities.
- South West sub-region – located to the west of the Darling Downs sub-region, the South West represents around 80 per cent of the region’s land area. It is characterised by rural and natural landscapes, with agriculture and oil and gas being the key economic industries.
- South Burnett sub-region – located north of the Darling Downs sub-region, South Burnett is the southern gateway to the Wide Bay Burnett

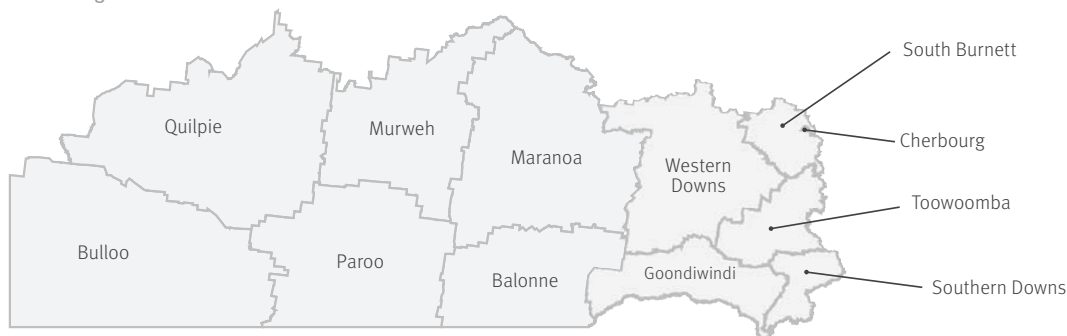
region. Kingaroy is the key administrative centre of the sub-region, which is home to a significant agricultural industry. Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council also forms part of this sub-region.

The DDSWSB region has a total land area of 404,940 square kilometres⁶, representing 23 per cent of Queensland’s total land mass. It comprises 12 local government areas (LGAs): Bulloo, Quilpie, Paroo, Murweh, Maranoa, Balonne, Western Downs, Goondiwindi, Toowoomba, Southern Downs, South Burnett and Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire.

The region is well represented by a number of organisations which provide support at both a regional and industry level. One of these is the South West Queensland Regional Organisation of Councils (SWQROC), which is supported through the Queensland Government’s Remote Area Board program.

The region is home to the Kullilli, Bunthamurra, Budjiti, Mardgany, Baakandji, Bidjara, Madandanji, Kooma, Bigambul, Barunggam, Iman (Yiman), Wakka Wakka, Jarowair, Githabul, Jagera, Giabal and Wulli Wulli Nations, who are recognised as the Traditional Custodians of its lands and waterways, having lived in the region for many thousands of years and retained strong connections to the region. The region is home to the Bunya Mountains, a site of significant cultural and environmental significance for First Nations peoples, considered to be the regional meeting point for local communities. For many thousands of years, First Nations peoples from New South Wales and

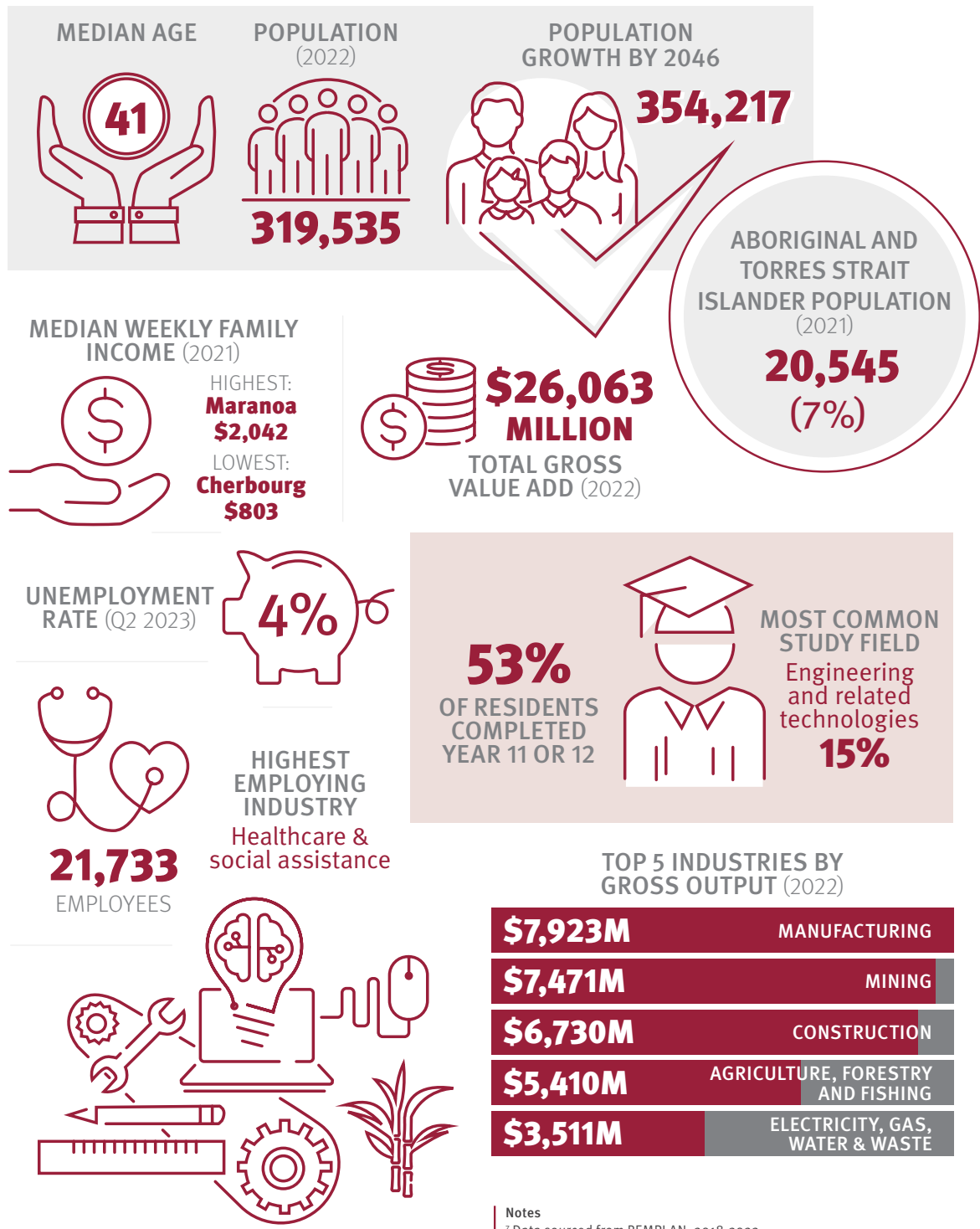
Figure 6 Map of the DDSWSB region



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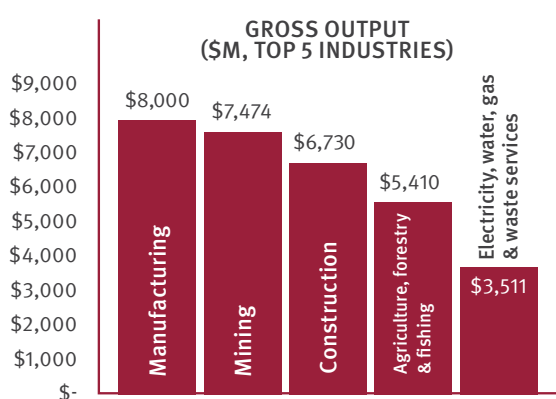
⁶ Queensland Government Statistician’s Office (2021) Custom Regional Profile generated 3 July 2023

Figure 7 Statistical overview of the region ⁷



Economic overview

Agriculture, mining and manufacturing (particularly food processing) are key industries that underpin the DDSWSB region, in addition to health and education services. One quarter of Queensland’s agricultural output is produced from this region.⁸ These industries collectively contribute 40 per cent of gross regional output⁹ and employ almost a fifth¹⁰ of the region’s workforce.



Mining

With coal and coal seam gas (CSG) extraction from the Surat Basin and oil and gas extraction from the Cooper/ Eromanga Basins, the mining and gas extraction industries are the largest contribution by value-add to the DDSWSB regional economy. Mining accounts for \$6.8 billion of exports and \$4.6 billion of regional value-add.



Construction

The construction industry is the second largest by number of registered businesses in the DDSWSB region and employs 8.1 per cent of the region’s workforce. House construction has been a key driver of economic activity for the regional economy, with increases in industry specialisation over the last ten years.



Agriculture, forestry, and fishing

The industry is tied to the DDSWSB region’s identity, which began from First Nations peoples practising a form of sustainable agriculture. Today, the region produces at least 22 per cent of Queensland’s cattle, 75 per cent of Queensland’s wheat crop and 85 per cent of Queensland’s cotton. The region is also home to Australia’s single export-certified pork abattoir.



Electricity, gas, water & waste services

Historically, the DDSWSB region’s resource extraction industry has enabled the location of several gas and coal-fired power plants in the region, as well as transmission infrastructure. This has also enabled a growing renewable energy sector, particularly in wind and solar.



Manufacturing

The largest industry by gross output at \$7.9 billion, manufacturing in the DDSWSB region supports other core industries (agriculture and energy) through food processing, manufacturing farm equipment, metal and composite products for the energy and gas industries.



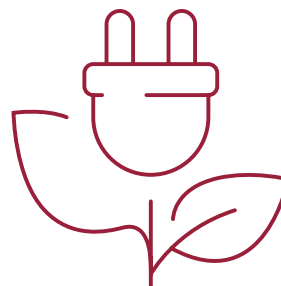
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⁸ 2022 data. Data sourced from REMPLAN, 2018-2022

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¹⁰ Queensland Government Statistician’s Office, 2021, Custom Regional Profile generated 3 July 2023

There is an opportunity to promote advanced manufacturing activity in the region, such as through leveraging artificial intelligence, automation, and other Industry 4.0 technologies.



Emerging industries in the DDSWSB region

By promoting advanced manufacturing activity in the region, such as through leveraging artificial intelligence automation, and other Industry 4.0, we can improve the efficiency of manufacturing, allowing businesses to explore greater value-add opportunities.

Businesses implementing advanced manufacturing technologies indicated there is a need to upskill and increase staffing to manage new technologies and process greater outputs.

The transition to renewable energy in the DDSWSB region is a key focus of the Queensland Government. The Western Downs and Southern Downs LGAs are home to two Queensland Renewable Energy Zones (REZs).

These in-flight zones are already progressing with developing renewable energy capability under the current, ‘open access’ generation practices under National Electricity Rules.

These zones have a combined 4,000-5,200 megawatt (MW) of expected installed energy generation, with the region more broadly home to 57 operational, under construction, or proposed renewable energy projects. These are resulting in more construction, maintenance and support roles for local energy production in a rapidly growing renewable energy industry.

Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing

The DDSWSB region is underpinned by abundant and high-quality agricultural land and an attractive climate. It hosts a diverse agricultural industry, with key strengths in livestock (such as cattle, wool, pig and goat farming), broadacre cropping, dairy and horticulture. Livestock rearing is the most specialised industry in the region, with a specialisation index of 4.17,* while being the third largest industry by exports.

In addition to Queensland and other domestic markets, products are exported to international markets, particularly East and South-East Asia, through key ports, such as the Port of Brisbane and

the Port of Bundaberg, and airports, such as the Toowoomba Wellcamp Airport. The core export, processed meat, is underpinned by the region’s highly accredited processing and production facilities.

OUTPUT: \$5,410 million
VALUE ADD: \$2,133 million
EXPORTS: \$3,326 million

REMPPLAN 2018-2022

*The employment specialisation ratio measures how much more or less the region’s population is employed in a given industry compared to Queensland. This is measured as the ratio of the percentage of people employed in a given industry in the region to the percentage of people employed in that industry across the state. For example, a specialisation ratio of greater than one indicates that the region has a larger share of employment in that industry as compared to the broader state.

Manufacturing

The manufacturing industry is the largest in the DDSWSB region by output, contributing \$7,923 million or 15 per cent of gross output in 2021-22.¹¹ It employs 6.7 per cent of the region’s workforce¹² and supports several other industries, including agriculture and mining¹³. Technical expertise in agriculture, mining, civil construction and CSG contributes to the strength of the industry.

The manufacturing industry is the second largest exporter for the region, with a gross output of \$3,998 million or 21 per cent of total exports.¹⁴ Over the four-year period to 2021-22, it expanded significantly as a major export industry, increasing in export value by \$1,129 million over the period.¹⁵

The industry is centred around food and metal-related products¹⁶, particularly in the Darling Downs sub-region, which is one of Australia’s largest for manufacturing of broadacre farm equipment.¹⁷ Direct access to food producers in the region and a strong supply chain network, particularly in the Western Downs, Maranoa, Toowoomba and South Burnett LGAs, is a key strength of the industry.

There are major abattoirs and meat processing plants in Warwick and Oakey, given the significant presence of privately-operated grazing systems throughout the region. The cattle sale yard complexes in Roma, Dalby and Toowoomba are some of the largest in Australia. Most pigs produced in the Darling Downs and South Burnett are transported to an abattoir and processing facility in Kingaroy, which is the only export-certified pork abattoir in Australia.

Building on existing strengths in food and metal production, there is an opportunity to develop advanced manufacturing precincts within the DDSWSB region, particularly around hubs that are linked to local universities, schools and Technical and Further Education (TAFE). Advanced manufacturing, or Industry 4.0, involves the manufacturing of products using smart, innovative technology, such as cloud computing, autonomous robotics, Artificial Intelligence (AI) and big data. Due to Toowoomba’s strategic location, transport connections and education hubs, such as University of Southern Queensland and TAFE campuses, there is the potential for the regional centre to become a site for advanced manufacturing clusters and a manufacturing hub for the aerospace and defence industry, such as the Agtech and Logistics Hub in Toowoomba, which is Australia’s home of digital agriculture and agribusiness innovation space.

OUTPUT: \$7,923 million
VALUE ADD: \$1,370 million
EXPORTS: \$3,998 million

REMPPLAN 2018-2022



Notes
¹¹ Data sourced from REMPLAN, 2018-2022
¹² Queensland Government Statistician’s Office (2021) Custom Regional Profile generated 3 July 2023
¹³ Regional Development Australia (2019) Final Economic Indicators Report. Accessed at: <https://rdafcw.com.au/wp-content/uploads/Final-Economic-Indicators-Report-December19-compressed.pdf>
¹⁴⁻¹⁵ Data sourced from REMPLAN, 2018-2022
¹⁶⁻¹⁷ Toowoomba and Surat Basin Enterprise (2021), Analysis of the Darling Downs Manufacturing Sector. Accessed at: https://www.tsbe.com.au/sites/default/files/uploaded-content/field_f_content_file/manufacturing_report_online.pdf

CASE STUDY: TOOWOOMBA ENTERPRISE HUB

The Toowoomba Enterprise Hub is a significant transport, logistics and business hub, co-located at the Toowoomba Wellcamp Airport, the AATLIS Industrial Precinct, and InterLinkSQ, a major freight facility. This is a significant precinct, and it has a potential role to play in the decarbonisation of Queensland's economy with manufacturing of renewable energy components and high-tech agriculture components. Activities to be undertaken in the precinct include the development of agricultural processing machinery and technologies to support greater value-add activities, AgTech hubs, co-location of a data centre and an aerospace and defence manufacturing hub through Boeing Defence Australia.



Electricity and Gas

The DDSWSB region is well positioned to play a key role in the transformation of Queensland’s energy system. Historically, coal and gas production in the region has attracted the development of several power stations that generate electricity using these inputs. These power stations are concentrated in the Western Downs, Toowoomba, Maranoa, South Burnett and Bulloo LGAs.

The region is emerging as a key location for renewable energy generation, with plentiful solar and wind resources. The Southern Queensland REZ region is located within the DDSWSB region, identifying numerous locations with attributes most suited to the establishment of new commercial-scale solar and wind facilities. Currently, there are 57 renewable energy projects being planned, under construction or in operation, using solar, wind and battery storage¹⁸, including Coopers Gap Wind Farm and Kogan Creek Energy Hub, and there is potential to generate significantly more renewable capacity in the DDSWSB region in the future. Upgrades to the existing transmission infrastructure will be necessary to support this.

The Queensland Government is working with government-owned energy companies, including Stanwell Corporation, to develop long-term strategic plans to gradually convert all publicly owned coal-fired power stations, including Tarong and Tarong North, into clean energy hubs by 2035. A key component of the energy transformation in this region will be to ensure these projects support and deliver lasting legacy capacity and benefits to existing industries and communities.

OUTPUT: \$3,511 million
VALUE ADD: \$1,189 million
EXPORTS: \$1,407 million

REMPPLAN 2018-2022

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¹⁸ Department of Energy and Public Works 2023. Accessed on 9 August 2023 at: <https://electricity-generation-map.epw.qld.gov.au/>



Solar Farm, Regional Queensland

CASE STUDY: CS ENERGY - ENERGY HUB AT KOGAN CREEK

CS Energy, a Queensland Government owned energy company, is developing a renewable energy hub next to the Kogan Creek Power Station, located in the Western Downs LGA. This includes the Kogan Renewable Hydrogen Demonstration Plant and Chinchilla Battery. The Chinchilla Battery is a \$150 million project to add grid-scale energy to the Darling Downs sub-region and will support a greater uptake in renewable energy through enabling stable energy supply from renewable solar energy. The project is one of several landmark battery projects in Australia and is paving the way for the scaling-up of renewable energy storage in the region.

The Renewable Hydrogen Demonstration Plant is being developed in a joint venture with Senex Energy. It will include the co-location of a solar farm, battery, hydrogen electrolyser and a hydrogen fuel cell next to the Kogan Creek Power Station. Hydrogen refuelling facilities will be located at Chinchilla and Charlton to support hydrogen-powered transportation in the region.

Mining

Mining is the second largest industry in the DDSWSB region by economic output, contributing \$4,616 million or 20 per cent of Gross Value Add (GVA) in 2021-22.¹⁹ Over the four-year period to 2021-22, the mining industry experienced the largest increase in GVA, increasing by \$1,776 million.²⁰ This has been driven by substantial activity in the Surat Basin, which is located across the Maranoa, Western Downs and Toowoomba LGAs. This supports CSG production and thermal coal mining, which underpins the region’s electricity generation. The Cooper/Eromanga Basin stretches across the Bulloo and Quilpie LGAs,

producing oil and gas. The mining industry is the largest contributor of exports for the DDSWSB region, accounting for 35 per cent of total exports by dollar value.²¹

OUTPUT: \$7,471 million
VALUE ADD: \$4,616 million
EXPORTS: \$6,829 million

REMPAN 2018-2022

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¹⁹ Queensland Government Statistician’s Office (2021) Custom Regional Profile generated 3 July 2023

²⁰ Data sourced from REMPLAN, 2018-2022

²¹ Data presented for the Electricity, Gas, Water and Waste Services industry. Data applicable to energy generation is thus smaller than reported

²¹ Queensland Government Statistician’s Office (2021) Custom Regional Profile generated 3 July 2023

Economic and social enablers

Future transformation of the region is underpinned by strong, vibrant communities. This requires certain economic and social enablers to ensure that the region is best placed to harness future opportunities. These enablers, which include diverse housing, transport and social infrastructure, water, energy, utilities and a well-skilled workforce, are essential

to support the economic prosperity of the region, its liveability and its ability to attract and retain people.

There are both challenges and opportunities in relation to these enablers and the Queensland Government is investing heavily at both a state and regional level to address these, as outlined below.

ENABLER	HOUSING
OVERVIEW	<p>With vacancy rates in the DDSWSB region down to 0.78 per cent²², increasing the housing supply to improve availability and affordability will help attract and retain the local workforce and build stronger communities. Housing (purchase and rental) and short-term accommodation needs a place-based response in each township for regional transformation to be successful.</p>
KEY INITIATIVES UNDERWAY IN THE REGION TO ADDRESS THIS	<p>With housing stress felt across the nation, multiple funding programs and plans are currently being delivered at a state and federal level to address housing affordability and availability:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Government Employee Housing supports the attraction and retention of frontline staff such as police, health workers and teachers through the provision of suitable, good quality and safe housing. The demand for new housing increases each year, driven by the expansion of agency services in regional and remote communities. The program will build up to 439 homes and maintain an existing portfolio of approximately 2,900 homes for essential frontline workers in regional and remote communities. • The DDSWSB region falls across three Quickstarts Qld regions: Wide Bay/Burnett, Darling Downs and the Outback. • Under QuickStarts Qld and Social Housing Accelerator, the State has committed to commence 253 social homes in the Wide Bay/Burnett region, 154 social homes in the Darling Downs Region and 181 social homes in the Outback region by 30 June 2025. • From 1 July 2015 to 31 May 2024, 217 social homes have been delivered in Wide Bay/ Burnett, 260 social homes have been delivered in Darling Downs and 92 social homes have been delivered in the Outback, including through QuickStarts Qld and the Social Housing Accelerator. • The new Homes for Queenslanders will work across the broader housing spectrum – bringing together private and public housing delivery, planning reforms, local government partnerships, state development, and significant infrastructure and public works as part of an additional \$3.1 billion investment across Queensland to support social and affordable housing and housing and homelessness outcomes. • The Queensland Government is also supporting federal housing initiatives, such as the Help to Buy scheme.

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²² SQM vacancy data, February 2024, access at: <https://sqmresearch.com.au/vacancy.php>

ENABLER	TRANSPORT
OVERVIEW	<p>The DDSWSB region relies on the National Land Transport Network and Nationally Accredited Key Freight Routes to enable its economy. These routes include the Warrego Highway, Gore Highway, Cunningham Highway, New England Highway, Landsborough Highway, Leichhardt Highway and the Carnarvon Highway, and are supported by other state-controlled roads and the local transport network. There are three key regional airports located in Toowoomba, Charleville and Roma, and a number of aerodromes in the region. The West Moreton rail system provides connectivity for bulk freight, such as coal and agriculture, with ports such as the Port of Brisbane and the Port of Bundaberg being key destinations. Maintaining reliable freight routes is critical to ensuring communities and local industries can efficiently access inputs and export goods to demand centres.</p>
KEY INITIATIVES UNDERWAY IN THE REGION TO ADDRESS THIS	<p>The Regional Transport Plans for this region prioritise supporting economic growth, enhancing liveability, improving transport safety and improving network resilience. Regional planning actions have been developed to support these priorities. The Queensland Transport and Roads Investment Program change to 2024-25 to 2027-28 lists the following program highlights within the Darling Downs, South West and South Burnett districts and areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$1 billion funding commitment for the Inland Freight Route (Charters Towers to Mungindi) (jointly funded with the Australian Government) • \$361.7 million funding commitment for the Warrego Highway (jointly funded with the Australian Government) • \$52.4 million towards Gore Highway (Millmerran - Goondiwindi), Wyaga Creek, upgrade floodway (jointly funded with the Australian Government) • \$27 million Toowoomba - Cecil Plains Road, improve safety • \$15.4 million Cunningham Highway (Ipswich - Warwick), Tregony to Maryvale, improve safety (jointly funded with the Australian Government)
ENABLER	WATER
OVERVIEW	<p>The DDSWSB region has an extensive dam network, with total water reserves amounting to 852 gigalitres (GL) across nine dams. In addition to rainwater and local streams, remote areas rely on water from local aquifers, predominantly the Great Artesian Basin. Water plays a key role in local mining, agricultural and manufacturing industries for ore processing, irrigation and cooling. The region is within the head waters of the Murray-Darling Basin which is Australia's most significant river system.</p>
KEY INITIATIVES UNDERWAY IN THE REGION TO ADDRESS THIS	<p>The DDSWSB region faces challenges in ensuring a sustainable and secure water supply to sustain its communities and industries in the face of increased climate variability. Increased available water has the potential to unlock investment and increase higher-value horticulture in the region. Plans and initiatives include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Southern and Darling Downs Regional Water Assessment - to review water security options • Bundaberg and Burnett Regional Water Assessment - to identify solutions to maximise water supply and drive economic growth • The Water Plan (Great Artesian Basin and Other Regional Aquifers) 2017 - provides a framework for the sustainable management of water of the Queensland section of the Great Artesian Basin and considers availability of water and future water requirements • Great Artesian Basin Rehabilitation Program - an initiative (grant program) delivered by the Department of Regional Development, Manufacturing and Water (DRDMW) with State, Commonwealth and industry funding - to reduce water wastage, improve pressure and deliver social, economic, cultural and environmental benefits • Central Queensland Water Assessment - to identify options for new water storages to support economic growth.

ENABLER	POWER
OVERVIEW	<p>The DDSWSB region has a prominent electricity industry, with several major power stations located in the east. Major coal and gas-fired electricity generators include Tarong. There are a number of large-scale wind and solar projects in development on the existing transmission infrastructure.</p>
KEY INITIATIVES UNDERWAY IN THE REGION TO ADDRESS THIS	<p>Queensland's south, including the Darling Downs and Wide Bay Burnett regions, have unique advantages and opportunities for REZ development to support Queensland's energy transformation.</p> <p>Action plans in the QEJP that will support the DDSWSB region's transition towards renewable energy include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a Strategic REZ Readiness Assessment for REZ Development to look at workforce, housing and infrastructure needs and other matters to understand community needs • investment to begin building the Queensland SuperGrid, which will ensure vast amounts of power can be moved efficiently across the state • investment to deliver world-class pumped hydros, including the Borumba pumped hydro in southern Queensland • \$500 million for community and large-scale battery projects, to store excess rooftop solar and improve network resilience • \$25.5 million to replace and refurbish existing infrastructure at Kogan Creek Power Station to ensure continued reliability of supply.
ENABLER	EDUCATION AND TRAINING
OVERVIEW	<p>The DDSWSB region has a wide education network and is home to multiple higher-education campuses, including Griffith University, TAFE Queensland, and University of Southern Queensland.</p>
KEY INITIATIVES UNDERWAY IN THE REGION TO ADDRESS THIS	<p>Closer proximity to social amenities like education and employment would support residents' ability to live in the region and train the future workforce. State and federal funding includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In 2023-24, \$64.2 million for education to maintain, improve and upgrade schools in the Darling Downs, with \$30.3 million allocated for education to maintain, improve and upgrade schools for Outback Queensland • Free kindergarten education for all eligible-aged children attending a government-approved kindergarten program • Funding is provided to organisations throughout the region for the provision of Early Years Services • \$2.1 billion infrastructure investment allocated across Queensland schools in 2023-2034 • \$290 million allocated annually across Queensland State Schools as part of Investing for Success • \$48.3 million for teacher housing in rural and remote areas of Queensland • Approximately \$8.1 million in capital upgrades to the Toowoomba TAFE campus to establish the Rural Centre of Excellence, nurse training rooms and new general learning areas • \$600,000 expansion to the Gateway to Industry Schools program to cover a dedicated renewable energy focus, and additional funding to support the development and implementation of online resources to support Queensland teachers to deliver clean energy content and student learning • Up to \$10 million investment across the state to uplift state owned training infrastructure to support the skills needs of the clean energy workforce

(CONTINUED)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$66.9 million to establish 20 more Regional University Study Hubs, with one to be located in Chinchilla • \$120 million over four years to implement the Queensland Early Childhood Workforce Strategy, which includes \$40 million to attract and retain Early Childhood Teachers in outer regional, remote and very remote communities • \$5.04 million investment across Queensland to strengthen partnerships between schools and industry through the Regional School Industry Partnership Program.
ENABLER	HEALTH
OVERVIEW	Proximity to healthcare services is key for attraction and retention of a skilled workforce in the region, including allied and mental health professionals. This has important flow on effects for encouraging regional investment and economic development.
KEY INITIATIVES UNDERWAY IN THE REGION TO ADDRESS THIS	<p>The recent budget includes \$28.9 billion allocated to Queensland Health, with the majority to be spent on Hospital and Health Services across Queensland. This includes redevelopment of three health care buildings and a hospital in the region, and construction of a new hospital in Toowoomba.</p> <p>A total of \$1.5 billion has been allocated in 2024–25 for the Darling Downs and South West Hospital and Health Services.</p> <p>Planning for a medical health precinct is underway in the South Burnett LGA, leveraging the proximity of the recently redeveloped Kingaroy Hospital and Lady Bjelke-Petersen Community Hospital, the latter of which has already been identified as an anchor tenant of the precinct.</p>
ENABLER	TELECOMMUNICATIONS
OVERVIEW	Access to digital connectivity is essential to growing business and adopting technologies. While satellite internet does provide coverage across the entire region, it is cost prohibitive for many residents and businesses who rely on cellular networks instead.
KEY INITIATIVES UNDERWAY IN THE REGION TO ADDRESS THIS	<p>The Queensland Government is delivering training and capacity-building programs to assist businesses to undertake digital transformation activities.</p> <p>In 2023 the Queensland Government committed to investing \$200 million over three years to grow the state’s digital economy and improve digital connectivity.</p> <p>Connectivity is also being addressed through state initiatives, such as the under development Digital Infrastructure Plan, and Australian Government initiatives, such as the Telecommunications Disaster Resilience Innovation program.</p> <p>The Better Connectivity Plan is a key Australian Government initiative that will invest upwards of \$656 million across five years to improve connectivity in regional Australia, including coverage on regional roads, place-based connectivity infrastructure, on-farm connectivity and more.</p> <p>The Queensland Government has announced a \$250 million investment to upgrade the Queensland Capacity Network (QCN) and support electricity distribution networks in regional areas which will improve digital connectivity, support high-paying tech jobs and provide connections needed for advanced manufacturing jobs.</p>
ENABLER	WORKFORCE
OVERVIEW	Developing industry and the economy will require an increase in the available workforce to support the development and ongoing operation of new industry.

<p>KEY INITIATIVES UNDERWAY IN THE REGION TO ADDRESS THIS</p>	<p>The Queensland Workforce Strategy Action Plan (2022-2025) includes a focus on local solutions. It contains actions to implement locally focused and led workforce planning and coordinate efforts across industry, the community and government at all levels. In part of this region, the Toowoomba Regional Jobs Committee brings together local stakeholders and is a key mechanism in supporting the delivery of the strategy.</p> <p>The Queensland Workforce Strategy builds on a suite of programs that have together powered the state's significant economic growth. This includes a \$200 million Future Skills Fund.</p> <p>Queensland's Clean Energy Workforce Roadmap recognises and supports regional Queensland to prepare for growth associated with energy transformation. Key actions out of this \$30 million strategy that will be delivered in regional Queensland include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$500,000 to develop and implement a digital energy skills passport app, addressing workforce mobility barriers in Queensland's renewable energy sector by establishing agreed skills, qualifications and competencies required for the trade workforce for applicable projects in Queensland • a \$600,000 expansion to the Gateway to Industry Schools program to cover a dedicated renewable energy focus, and additional funding to support the development and implementation of online resources to support Queensland teachers to deliver clean energy content and student learning • up to \$10 million investment across the state to uplift state owned training infrastructure to support the skills needs of the clean energy workforce. <p>The Hydrogen Industry Workforce Roadmap 2022-2032 sets a clear path for industry and government to work together to deliver a strong and adaptable workforce for a safe and thriving Queensland hydrogen industry. This includes an \$800,000 investment in the Gateway to Industry Schools project for the hydrogen industry.</p>
<p>ENABLER</p> <p>OVERVIEW</p>	<p>REGULATORY FRAMEWORKS</p> <p>Planning and regulatory frameworks are constantly evolving in response to emerging markets and challenges – to achieve economic, social and environment objectives. Project proponents must consider planning and environmental regulations under the relevant Australian, Queensland and local government legislation applying to the site, including the <i>Planning Act 2016</i> and State Development Assessment Provisions (SDAP). Wind farms must be lodged and assessed against State Code 23: Wind farm development of the SDAP, while solar farm proposals require liaising with local government.</p>
<p>KEY INITIATIVES UNDERWAY IN THE REGION TO ADDRESS THIS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Queensland Government is delivering on a commitment to review the planning framework for renewables, specifically the State Code 23: Wind farm development and the associated planning guidance. This includes working with government agencies, communities, local governments and stakeholders to provide more certainty and ensure individuals, communities and adverse impacts are considered in relation to local haulage routes, on-site construction camps and decommissioning of wind farms. • The proposed changes to State Code 23 underwent community consultation from 7 August 2023 to 4 September 2023. • The Coordinator-General, under the <i>State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971</i>, provides significant support to the coordination of major projects, evaluation and responsible management of regional impacts. • Economic Development Queensland (EDQ) is the Queensland Government's land use planning and property development agency. • On 18 April 2024 the Queensland Parliament passed the <i>Clean Economy Jobs Act 2024</i> and the <i>Energy (Renewable Transformation and Jobs) Act 2024</i> to secure Queensland's spot at the centre of a global energy transformation. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> › The <i>Clean Economy Jobs Act 2024</i> sets out a pathway to decarbonisation that will support jobs in the state's key traditional industries, including agriculture, resources and manufacturing, and unlocking investment in new industries including renewables, manufacturing, critical minerals, hydrogen, and sustainable aviation fuel.

TRANSFORMING THE DARLING DOWNS, SOUTH WEST AND SOUTH BURNETT REGION

The DDSWSB region has several key industries which are a significant source of economic activity and jobs. The region is also uniquely positioned to strengthen existing, and develop new, industries to harness the opportunities as the world transitions to net zero.

The transformation of the DDSWSB region will be underpinned by industries that leverage the region’s

strengths and have significant growth potential, whilst supporting long-term economic growth, diverse economies and sustainable jobs. Figure 7 sets out the region’s distinctive strengths by industry, while specific transformation priorities, in these current and emerging industries, are outlined on the following pages.

Figure 7 DDSWSB’s key industry strengths

AGRICULTURE (RAW PRODUCTS AND VALUE-ADDED)



- The region is a significant agricultural producer, producing one quarter of Queensland’s agricultural output
- Natural capital, including prime agricultural land, which supports a diverse agricultural sector
- Strong food processing facilities and value-added activities throughout the region
- Proximity to domestic and international markets through SEQ
- Abundant raw materials and products to support future circular economy opportunities

RENEWABLE ENERGY



- Suitable geographic and environmental conditions for wind and solar
- Existing transmission infrastructure to expand renewable energy generation
- The Southern Queensland REZ region identifies locations with suitable attributes for commercial-scale solar and wind facilities
- Land available for development and attractive to investors

ADVANCED MANUFACTURING



- Technically skilled workforce that supports the agriculture, mining and construction industries
- Location and proximity to markets, major renewable projects, freight and logistics infrastructure
- Various educational precincts in the region to support skilling of the workforce
- Land available for development and attractive to investors

HEALTH AND PHARMACEUTICALS



- Diverse and rich agricultural lands and circular economy opportunities support new and further expansion of pharmaceutical products
- Construction of the new Toowoomba Hospital precinct and redevelopment of the Kingaroy Health precinct to support co-location of health, education and community clusters

How the transformation will provide opportunities for First Nations peoples in the DDSWSB region

Several priorities have been identified with a specific focus on facilitating economic participation for First Nations peoples as the region transforms. These include:

- **Priority 1.4** – Enhanced capability for tourism operators, including local governments, primary producers and First Nations peoples for high quality agri-tourism and outback/country tourism experiences – this includes opportunities to promote cultural understanding, economic development and sustainable tourism practices for First Nations businesses and individuals. These opportunities should be collaborative and respectful to the rights and traditions of First Nations peoples.
- **Priority 1.5** - Growth in sustainable land management practices through elevating First Nations peoples' knowledge, increasing biodiversity, recognition of natural capital and supporting local communities with carbon farming opportunities and challenges, especially those related to cumulative social impacts and absentee landholders – this recognises the vital role and recognition of Native Title rights of First Nations peoples in land management practices, having extensive history in managing the lands and waters for thousands of years.
- **Priority 2.1** – Investigation of community-owned initiatives that provide green energy generation and storage at a local level (e.g. wind, solar, battery storage and bioenergy production), including service maintenance hubs – in particular, this supports powering microgrid communities in isolated areas of the region (including First Nations communities).
- **Priority 3.2** – New or enhanced local training, education and vocational programs in advanced manufacturing and renewable energy production – this would include supporting jobs and skilling outcomes for First Nations peoples. It will be important to provide capability building and procurement support to promote equitable participation for First Nations businesses in advanced manufacturing and renewable energy projects.
- **Priority 4.1** –Partnering with First Nations communities to investigate the development of traditional bush foods and use of medicinal plants – Not only are these natural resources culturally important, there is significant potential for First Nations communities to play a key role in the sustainable harvesting and production of bush foods and medicinal plants. It is vital that efforts be made to protect traditional knowledge and practices and ensure economic benefits with these growing markets flow back to First Nations peoples.

These priorities have been identified through consultation with First Nations stakeholders in the region. It is essential that the transformation of the region drives improvements in economic participation outcomes for First Nations peoples to support diverse and stronger economies and communities for all.

The Queensland Government is developing a First Nations Economic Strategy that will support agencies to engage with First Nations peoples, communities and businesses to address barriers and explore economic opportunities and pathways to jobs, skills and training, education, business development and entrepreneurship in current and emerging industries and sectors.

These priorities will also be supported by other government initiatives including the Queensland Indigenous Procurement Policy. A Queensland Indigenous Business Network has also been established and led by First Nations peoples to support First Nations-owned small businesses to grow and thrive.

Priority 1: Agriculture

Strengthen existing and expand value-adding activities in agriculture, including processing of primary produce and development of by-products.



Agriculture (raw products and value-added)

Priority 1.1: Development of the circular economy in the region through conversion of agricultural waste and by-products.

Priority 1.2: Development and commercialisation of research and development (R&D), technology, new industry innovation and skills development and attraction to support a globally competitive agricultural industry.

Priority 1.3: Reliable and secure water supply for higher-value agricultural enterprises (including exploring potential water security, capture and re-allocation from the winding-down of water-intensive coal-fired power stations).

Priority 1.4: Enhanced capability for tourism operators, including local governments, primary producers and First Nations peoples for high quality agri-tourism and outback/country tourism experiences.

Priority 1.5: Growth in sustainable land management practices through elevating First Nations peoples' knowledge, increasing biodiversity, recognition of natural capital and supporting local communities with carbon farming opportunities and challenges, especially those related to cumulative social impacts and absentee landholders.





The agricultural industry is a significant driver of economic growth for the DDSWSB region. The region is renowned for producing high quality food and other agricultural products and provides a quarter of Queensland’s total agricultural output.²³ The region’s natural assets, climate and terrain, a strong supply chain, location on key transport routes and export-accredited meat production and food processing industries underpin its success. A growing population, particularly in Asian markets, will continue to fuel demand for the region’s products.

To maintain competitiveness on a domestic and global scale, reduce emissions intensity, strengthen resilience and adapt to climate impacts, it will be important to reduce the environmental footprint of the industry and expand value-adding activities, both before and after goods are produced and processed. This is the focus of the sub-priorities as outlined.

A key priority is developing alternative uses for agricultural waste and by-product, including new or different products.

Harnessing technology will support this, enabling better ways to repurpose waste, such as waste-to-energy technologies, or developing new compounds through bio-chemical manufacturing. The adoption of R&D or AgTech (agricultural technology) may also

improve efficiencies, increase output, or pave the way for new higher-value-adding horticulture and nutraceuticals with nutritional delivery a focus (such as microgreens, fresh cuts).

The availability and reliability of water will continue to be a critical issue for the industry, particularly with increased climate variability. More secure and reliable water supply can help unlock more diverse agricultural production and value-adding activities.

Appropriate management of land use competition is critical to ensure the region’s finite soil resources are available for agriculture to expand and capitalise on future opportunities in a dynamic global environment.

Regenerative land practices, including enabling local opportunities for carbon farming, will also contribute to the long-term vitality and sustainability of the DDSWSB region’s natural assets and ecosystems, including soil, vegetation, biodiversity and waters.

The recognition of First Nations peoples’ knowledge, having been custodians of the lands and waters for thousands of years, can also help improve land management practices. It will be critical to have appropriate policy framework and land-use planning mechanisms that support ongoing development of agriculture and associated value-added industries.

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²³ 2022 data. Calculated from data sourced from REMPLAN, 2018-2022

Queensland Government actions to support implementing this priority:

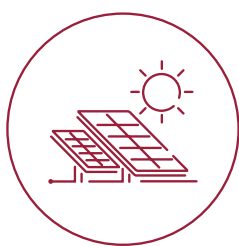
The **Regional Economic Futures Fund (REFF)** is a new fund that supports economic and community development initiatives. REFF funding that aligns to this priority is expected to be announced in 2024.

Other activities include:

- The \$3 million Agtech and Logistics Hub in Toowoomba to future-proof the state's agriculture sector, and create opportunities for agribusiness, innovators, researchers, industry, manufacturing and investors to solve our agribusiness sector's biggest challenges and grow local capability and jobs (Department of Environment, Science and Innovation [DESI]).
- The Queensland Resource Recovery Industries Roadmap and Action Plan (DSDI).
- The Queensland Waste Management and Resource Recovery Strategy (DESI).
- The Queensland Biofutures Roadmap and Action Plan (DSDI).
- The Queensland Low Emissions Agriculture Roadmap (Department of Agriculture and Fisheries [DAF]).
- The Queensland AgTech Roadmap (DAF).
- Rural Economic Development grants - up to \$200,000 as a co-contribution grant to strengthen primary production sectors and bolster rural communities (DAF).
- Rural Agricultural Development (sheep and goats) grants - up to \$200,000 as a co-contribution grant to support economic development in relevant rural areas and support growth within the industry (DAF). Round 2 closed on 2 June 2023.
- The Works for Queensland program provided \$200,000 to the Goondiwindi Regional Council Water Main Upgrades, supporting an estimated 12 jobs (Department of Housing, Local Government, Planning and Public Works [DHLGPPW]).
- Water initiatives (DRDMW) including:
 - Rural Water Futures program; \$7.1 million allocated over four years to enhance water modelling capacity to support water planning, water security and infrastructure assessments
 - Development of the Queensland Water Strategy and Queensland Strategic Water Infrastructure Plan and Pipeline
 - Construction of Toowoomba to Warwick Pipeline
 - Regional Water Assessment Program including Southern and Darling Downs, and Bundaberg and Burnett Regional Water Assessments.
- Round 6 of Building our Regions has awarded \$10.4 million to projects in the Darling Downs South West part of the region, leveraging over \$5.2 million in additional contributions and supporting an estimated 104 jobs during construction to improve water supply and sewerage systems (DRDMW).
- Queensland's Land Restoration Fund supporting land-sector carbon projects and to increase participation in carbon farming by Queenslanders (DESI).
- The Queensland tourism industry strategy, Towards Tourism 2032 (TT32) – Transforming Queensland's visitor economy future, was developed in partnership with industry and released in November 2022. TT32 is Queensland's collective framework to guide industry and government's partnership to deliver long-term growth and success for Queensland tourism. Among activity under Phase 1 (2023-2025) of TT32 there are ongoing industry and government efforts to enable, develop and enhance tourism product, infrastructure and experiences, including promoting and integrating Queensland's farming and food tourism experiences (Department of Tourism and Sport [DTS]).

Priority 2: Renewable Energy

Grow investment in clean and sustainable energy, particularly wind, solar, battery and bioenergy, to power industries and communities.



Renewable energy

Priority 2.1: Investigation of community-owned initiatives that provide green energy generation and storage at a local level (e.g. wind, solar, battery storage and bioenergy production), including service maintenance hubs.

Priority 2.2: Investigation of opportunities to support supply chain resilience and improve network capacity and access within the Southern Queensland Renewable Energy Zone (REZ) region and other areas in the region.

Priority 2.3: Development of industrial and agricultural precincts using alternative fuel sources, including bioenergy and green hydrogen.

Priority 2.4: Investment in a sustainable ethanol industry, including for sustainable aviation fuels and other applications.

The DDSWSB region has a significant role to play in Queensland’s energy transformation. The existing transmission infrastructure and the region’s strong solar and wind attributes make it a prime location for the rapid expansion of renewable energy generation. This has the potential to support growth in manufacturing jobs, as outlined in Priority 3.

There is a strong pipeline of renewable energy projects being proposed or under construction. As of June 2023, \$11.1 billion has been invested since 2015 into large-scale, operational renewable energy projects across Queensland.²⁴

The DDSWSB region hosts the largest wind and solar projects in Australia, being the 400 MW Western Downs Green Power Hub, the 453 MW Coopers Gap Wind Farm and the Macintyre Wind Farm (planned capacity of 1,026 MW). There is a clear opportunity to transform industries and communities in the DDSWSB region by providing clean and sustainable energy sources delivered via the grid.

At a local level, stand-alone power systems will allow regional communities to capitalise on the plentiful wind and solar resources available to access green energy. Localised battery storage will also be important when there are fluctuations in wind and solar energy production.

There is also an opportunity to investigate bioenergy sources from the region’s substantial production of biomass to power local industrial precincts and communities.

The region’s mining industry is also substantial, across coal, oil and gas, and in particular CSG. While the market will ultimately drive future investment decisions around these industries, over the long-term, as demand for carbon-intensive products decline, there is an opportunity to explore the use of legacy pipeline infrastructure for alternative use.

Notes

²⁴ Queensland Government, Department of Energy and Public Works. Queensland’s renewable energy target. Statistics for large-scale (>5 MW) operational, under construction or financially committed projects since 2015. As of June 2023, accessed at: <https://www.epw.qld.gov.au/about/initiatives/renewable-energy-targets#:~:text=Queensland%20is%20accelerating%20towards%20its,under%20construction%20or%20financially%20committed>).

Queensland Government actions to support implementing this priority:

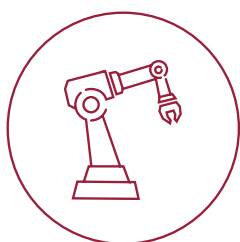
The REFF is a new fund that supports economic and community development initiatives. REFF funding that aligns to this priority is expected to be announced in 2024.

Other activities include:

- The Queensland Hydrogen Industry Strategy (DSDI).
- The Queensland Biofutures Roadmap and Action Plan (DSDI).
- The Queensland Battery Industry Strategy (DSDI).
- Queensland's Clean Energy Workforce Roadmap (Department of Employment, Small Business and Training [DESBT]).
- Development of the Net Zero Emissions for Transport Roadmap (Transport Roadmap), a commitment under the Queensland Climate Action Plan. The Transport Roadmap will provide the foundational blueprint to reduce Queensland's transport sector emissions and contribute to achieving Queensland's emission reduction targets (Department of Transport and Main Roads [DTMR]).
- The Queensland Government will invest \$4.5 billion as part of the Queensland Renewable Energy and Hydrogen Jobs Fund for government owned corporations to increase ownership of commercial renewable energy and hydrogen projects, as well as supporting infrastructure, including in partnership with the private sector. In the DDSWSB region, allocations so far include the Wambo Wind Farm, Tarong West Wind Farm, Kogan Renewable Hydrogen Project and Brigalow Hydrogen Ready Gas Peaking Plant (Department of Energy and Climate [DEC] and Queensland Treasury [QT]).
- Supported by the new progressive royalty rates announced in the 2022-23 Budget, the Queensland Government is providing \$10 billion in funding to the government owned corporations and Queensland Hydro (QT).
- Business Growth Fund grants provide between \$50,000-\$75,000 in grant funding to purchase specialised equipment to unlock growth potential, increase production, expand the workforce and maximise economic returns. Special consideration is given to applications in, or part of, the supply chain for these priority industries (DESBT).
- The Queensland Low Emission Agriculture Road Map (DAF).
- The Queensland AgTech Roadmap (DAF).
- The Queensland Quantum Strategy has provided \$10 million to develop the quantum technologies to make renewable energy more efficient and cheaper (DESI).
- Launched the \$9.25 million Local Energy Partnerships initiative to create a framework for community participation and benefit sharing from the renewable energy transformation, including the expansion of the former GasFields Commission to Coexistence Queensland which will enable the commission to engage communities and support coexistence with other industries, including between the renewable energy and agriculture sectors (DEC).
- In the 2024-25 State Budget, the Queensland Government committed \$376.7 million for Stanwell towards the development of the 506 MW Wambo Wind Farm and \$424 million for its 100 per cent owned and operated 436.6MW Tarong West Wind Farm (DEC).
- The draft REZ Roadmap includes five potential REZs for development in the Southern Queensland Region - Southern Downs REZ (2,000-2,600 MW of expected installed generation), Western Downs REZ (2,000-2600 MW of expected installed generation), Woolooga REZ (1,800-2,400 MW of expected installed generation), Darling Downs REZ (1,600-2,000 MW of expected installed generation) and Tarong REZ (2,000-2,600 MW of expected installed generation) (DEC).
- The QEJP will create a pipeline of investment to help expand Queensland's share of the renewable energy supply chain and increase the use of local content on projects. A coordinated effort across the Queensland Government is underway to attract and secure foundational manufacturers to sites in Queensland and to support growth in local supply chains that will help deliver the infrastructure needed for the renewable energy transformation (DEC).
- Local Thriving Communities is a significant long-term reform that will embed change, resulting in a visibly different way of working alongside communities across the state to improve outcomes for First Nations Queenslanders, including the primary industry sector (Department of Treaty, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships, Communities and the Arts [DTATSIPCA]).

Priority 3: Advanced manufacturing

Strengthen the capability of the advanced manufacturing industry, particularly in specialist renewable energy and aerospace and defence componentry.



Advanced Manufacturing

Priority 3.1: Establishment or scale-up of clean, industrial precincts to strengthen the capability of the manufacturing industry.

Priority 3.2: New or enhanced local training, education and vocational programs in advanced manufacturing and renewable energy production.

Priority 3.3: Improvement of freight transport connectivity within the region (such as the Toowoomba Wellcamp Airport and the Port of Bundaberg) to unlock opportunities for downstream agricultural processing, transportation of components for renewable projects and advanced manufacturing.

Priority 3.4: Supporting the circular economy in the region through R&D of waste recycling and remanufacturing, including batteries and other renewable energy components.

The Queensland Government has identified a strategic need to onshore the manufacturing and maintenance of renewable energy technologies, such as the construction of wind towers and large-scale battery assembly, much of which is currently imported.

There is an opportunity to take advantage of the DDSWSB region’s established construction and manufacturing labour force for emerging advanced manufacturing needs, particularly renewable energy, as well as aerospace and defence componentry. Existing investments around the Toowoomba Wellcamp Airport, as well as engineering and technical service clusters in Toowoomba, Dalby, Roma, Murgon and Kingaroy, are well placed to provide this.

Strategically located industrial precincts that are co-located near skilling hubs, such as universities or TAFEs, will enable capability for advanced manufacturing.

The potential to use the DDSWSB region’s existing manufacturing labour force requires coordination

with local employment and training organisations, as well as channels to communicate opportunities from developers. There should be equal access to employment opportunities for First Nations peoples and support for gender and culturally diverse workforces.

It will also be important to strengthen transport connectivity between advanced manufacturing and emerging resource recovery industries, renewable energy sites and key ports. Unlocking greater opportunities in the South Burnett region and adjacent areas, including Toowoomba and the Port of Bundaberg, will require improved road freight capability.

There is also an opportunity to develop recycling precincts, supporting councils and industry to identify and develop scalable technologies to allow recycling and repurposing of waste. To enable efficiencies and the development of green industrial precincts, these should be co-located near manufacturing and renewable energy hubs.

Queensland Government actions to support implementing this priority:

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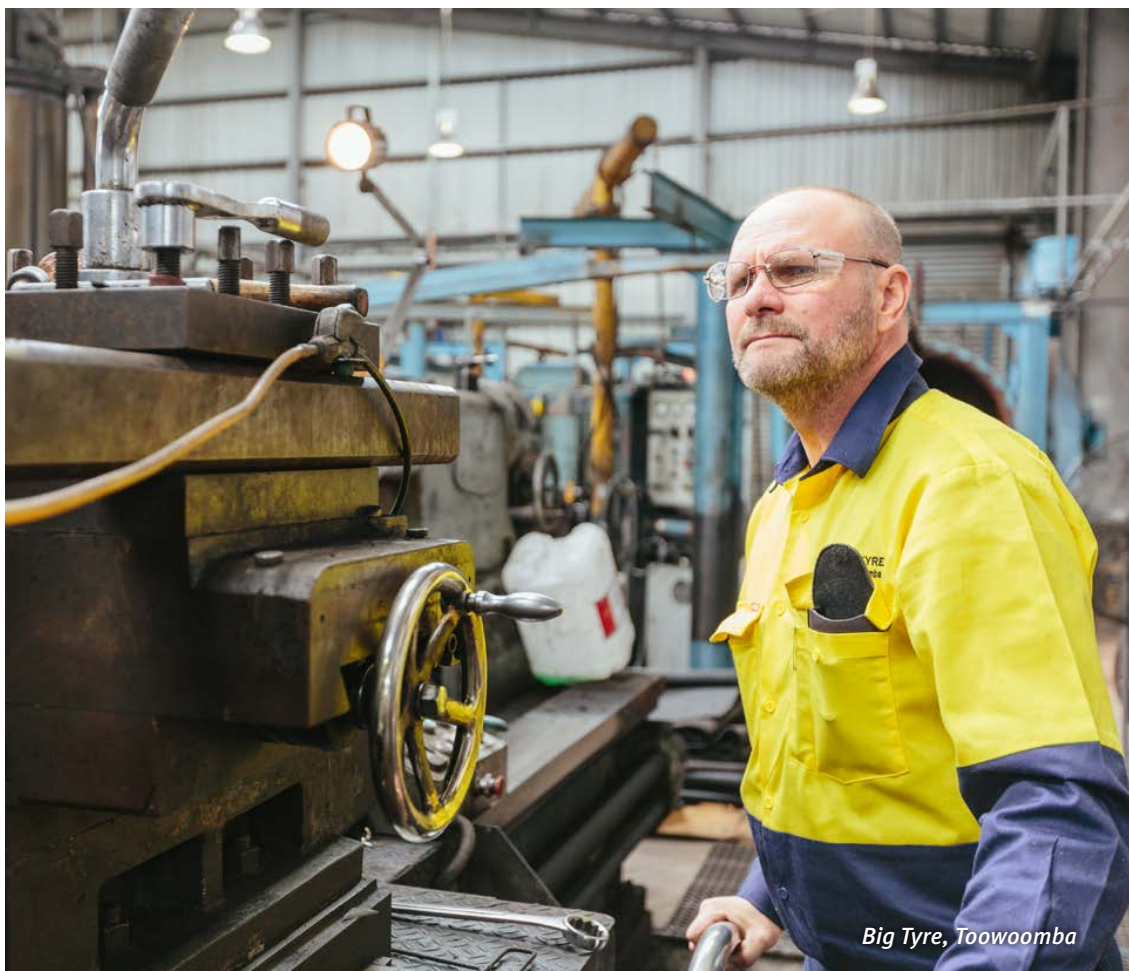
Other activities include:

- The Advanced Manufacturing Roadmap and Action Plan includes actions to support manufacturers to grow in a carbon neutral future (DRDMW).
- Queensland's Procurement Policy 2023 and Buy Queensland 2023 are the government's overarching policies for the procurement of goods and services. This will use procurement power to support local jobs through applying a 'local benefits' approach and supporting the establishment and growth of new industries through declaring Supply Chains of State Significance. These will boost Queensland manufacturing industries, Queensland content and manage risks for critical supply chains (DEC).
- The Queensland METS Roadmap and Action Plan (DSDI).
- The Queensland Defence Industries Roadmap and Action Plan (DSDI).
- The Queensland Aerospace Roadmap and Action Plan (DSDI).
- The Queensland Waste Management and Resource Recovery Strategy (DESI).
- The Queensland Resource Recovery Industries Roadmap and Action Plan (DSDI).
- The Manufacturing Energy Efficiency Grant (MEEG) Program is a \$7.1 million Queensland Government program helping the manufacturing sector to increase their competitiveness in a low carbon future by implementing energy efficiency measures that reduce energy costs and operational emissions (DRDMW).
- The \$121.5 million Made in Queensland grant program helps small to medium sized manufacturers to increase international competitiveness, productivity and innovation and to generate high skilled jobs of the future. The program also supports manufacturers to achieve energy efficiency, export, onshoring and the advancement of decarbonisation and net zero outcomes (DRDMW).
- The Manufacturing Sustainability Benchmarking Program enables manufacturers to benchmark their progress towards sustainability and provides a report outlining opportunities for further action. This program is subsidised by DRDMW.
- The Manufacturing Capability Development program provides a range of workshops, seminars and events to increase manufacturers knowledge and understanding of contemporary issues and challenges within and facing the industry (DRDMW).
- The Queensland Jobs Fund provided a \$12.6 million loan for the InterLinkSQ Intermodal Terminal (DSDI).
- The Queensland AgTech Roadmap (DAF).
- The Queensland Government is providing free or reduced fee training through Free TAFE, Free Apprenticeships for Under 25s, User Choice, Certificate 3 Guarantee and Higher-Level Skills (DESBT).
- Queensland's Clean Energy Workforce Roadmap includes an action to appoint a dedicated Renewables Project Officer for Manufacturing Skills Queensland (MSQ) to work with local manufacturing businesses to build workforce capacity and access clean energy supply chain opportunities (DESBT).
- Business Growth Fund provides between \$50,000-\$75,000 to business experiencing high growth to buy specialised equipment to unlock growth potential, increase production, expand the workforce and maximise economic returns. Special consideration is given to applications in, or part of, the supply chain for these priority industries. The largest industry that commonly receives the grant are those part of the manufacturing industry (DESBT).
- The QEJP represents long term opportunities for relevant manufacturing businesses to accelerate, establish or expand their operations in Queensland. Under the action 3.4 of the QEJP, to grow the renewable energy supply chain in Queensland, the Queensland Government committed \$11.6 million to help build capacity in the manufacturing sector and encourage local content in Queensland to supply future renewable energy projects. The Queensland Government will announce mechanisms to encourage local content in mid-2024 (DEC).

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Queensland Government actions to support implementing this priority CONT.

- The Advance Queensland (DESI) initiative is supporting sustainable and resilient regional economies through innovation, and the suite of targeted programs is empowering our regions to unlock potential, harness opportunities, be innovative, collaborate and create jobs, such as:
 - A Place to Innovate – Queensland Innovation Precincts and Places (QIPP) Strategy 2022-2032 is Queensland’s ten-year strategy to release the potential from the state’s innovation precincts and places and builds on decades of investment in Queensland’s innovation ecosystem.
 - \$15 million Queensland Innovation Precincts and Places Fund to help innovation places achieve their goals across the three pillars of people, place and purpose.
 - The Deadly Innovation Strategy supported the establishment of the Cherbourg Digital Service Centre, where a partnership between Fujitsu Australia and the Cherbourg Aboriginal Shire Council has created a skilled workforce and digital career pathways on Country; and also supported the new Cherbourg Data Hubs that is developing pathways for the community to develop AI technology skills and careers.



Priority 4: Health and pharmaceuticals

Position the DDSWSB region as a health, research and pharmaceutical precinct for regional Australia.



Agribusiness innovation and transformation

Priority 4.1: Partnering with First Nations communities to investigate the development of traditional bush foods and use of medicinal plants.

Priority 4.2: Supporting the growth of collaborative health, science and community precincts, including training and research.

Priority 4.3: Growth of the region’s role in producing and processing pharmaceutical products, such as duboisia, heparin, collagen and keratin.

There is an opportunity to develop well-recognised bio-clusters and health precincts in the DDSWSB region, which both contribute to improved health and wellbeing services for communities, as well as progress research and innovation for new health products.

To achieve this requires a multifaceted and holistic approach to improving community health outcomes and advancing development in the pharmaceutical industry. This includes considering a precinct approach to foster collaboration between health, research and education providers. With further investments into the Toowoomba Hospital, Toowoomba will be strategically positioned to further its status as a regional health, R&D hub in collaboration with universities.

Harnessing the DDSWSB region’s diverse and rich agricultural lands will also support the expansion of the production and processing of pharmaceutical products. There is a growing recognition and demand for native pharmaceutical products, such as duboisia and bushfoods. It will be important to grow this industry particularly through empowering First Nations-led businesses and ensuring consistent supply. In addition, the expansion of a circular economy for animal by-products will unlock supply of pharmaceutical products, for example, exploring the production of keratin and collagen from the substantial pork industry in the South Burnett LGA.

State Government actions to support implementing this priority:

The REFF is a new fund that supports economic and community development initiatives. REFF funding that aligns to this priority is expected to be announced in 2024.

Other activities include:

- Investment in Queensland hospitals, for new and upgraded hospitals (Queensland Health).
- The Science into Industry Initiative aims to make Queensland’s science sector more competitive by accelerating the translation of research and development, supporting universities and research institutes to partner with industry to build new products and services (DESI).



**SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE IMPACT OF CLIMATE RISK ON INSURANCE
PREMIUMS AND AVAILABILITY**

12 August 2024

Mr Bruce Scott
Murweh Shire Council

By email: Bruce.Scott@murweh.qld.gov.au

Dear Mr Scott

Thank you for your submission to this inquiry.

The committee has decided to accept and publish your submission on the committee website, with some material being received as confidential. This means that your submission, your name (if on the submission) and the name of your organisation will be made publicly available on the committee's website, with signatures, contact details and confidential material removed. Public submissions are searchable through internet search engines (for example, Google).

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Please feel welcome to contact the secretariat if you have any questions about this inquiry or the committee process. Information is also available on the Australian Parliament website at: [Getting involved in Parliamentary Committees – Parliament of Australia \(aph.gov.au\)](#).

Thank you for participating in this inquiry.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'JT'.

Dr Jane Thomson
Committee Secretary

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Hi Bruce

On behalf of the Foundation, I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to you and the Council for your invaluable support of the GP service. Your donation and recognition of the importance of the service to your town's healthcare workers are greatly appreciated.

I will get the invoice to you promptly.

The service with Dr John Douyere will be returning in the first week of October to deliver again from Acacia Country Practice. While it is yet to be confirmed, if I am attending, I hope we can catch up again then.

Thank you once again for the support.

Kind Regards

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10 COMMUNITY & HEALTH SERVICES

10.1 COMMUNITY & HEALTH SERVICES REPORT

Author: Director Community & Health Services

Authoriser: CEO

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the Community and Health Services Report.

BACKGROUND

Water Quality

The Charleville, Morven and Augathella water supplies tested free from contamination.

Sewerage / Wastewater

Interim solution designs expected to be completed in August 2024. Once accepted, work may commence to implement said designs at Augathella and Charleville. This is intended to reduce environmental harm both plants are causing while new full plants are being designed and constructed.

Swimming Pool

Installation of the new filters commenced on the 13th August 2024. New managers have organised chlorine delivery, and once filters are commissioned, they will have time to familiarise themselves with the new plant & equipment.

Art Gallery

Joint exhibition of Frank McCormick paintings, and WOW display showing until September when the Queensland Regional Art Awards arrives in Charleville. November will see the "BIG" exhibition by Charleville Art Association. Full WOW exhibition planned for January/February 2025.

Libraries

Story walk boards to be installed in Morven once Main Roads have completed the maintenance currently being conducted on that section of the highway.

Meetings attended

- 11th July – Pinnacle IT – Monthly meeting.
- 12th July – Neighbourhood Centre – Fortnightly meeting.
- 12th July – Connell Griffin – Progress meeting.
- 1st August – LGMA – Arts, Heritage and Cultural Services Exchange.
- 5th August – Pinnacle IT – Monthly meeting
- 5th August – Darling Downs Health Unit – Catchup meeting.
- 6th August– Care Collective – South West Primary Care Pilot Program.
- 7th August – Premise – Progress meeting.
- 9th August – Workshop – South West Primary Care Pilot Program.

13th August – Augathella CED & Charleville STP – Project steering committee meeting.

LINK TO CORPORATE PLAN

- 1.2.1 Council has in place effective whole of community communication and engagement strategies
- 2.6.1 Water supply and storages are managed to achieve the highest standard of quality, efficiency, delivery, and sustainability
- 2.6.2 Sewerage treatment and water re-use supply are managed to achieve the highest standard of quality, efficiency, and delivery for human and environmental health.
- 2.6.3 Public access to potable water and sanitation.
- 3.1.1 Health and wellbeing services meet community needs and expectations

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

10.2 JULY MONTHLY LIBRARY REPORT

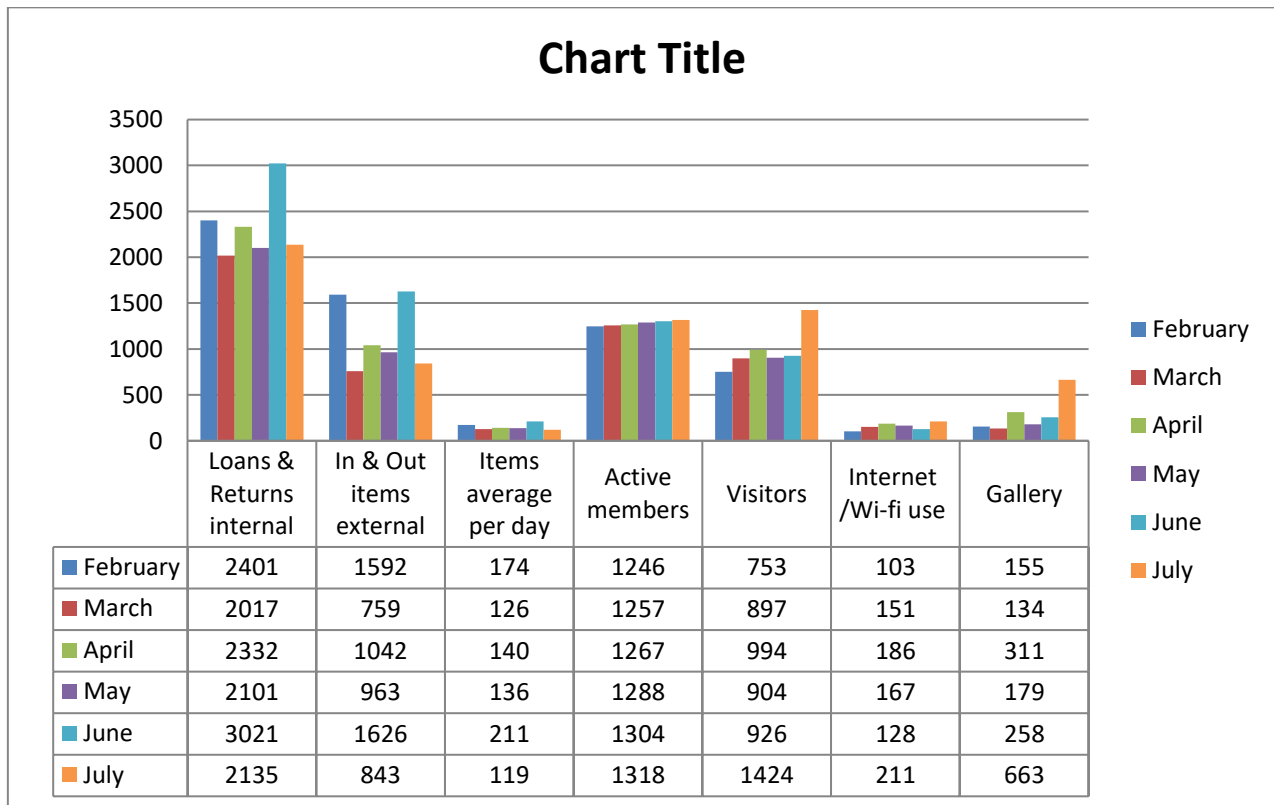
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Authoriser: CEO

RECOMMENDATION
 That Council receives and notes the Library Report.

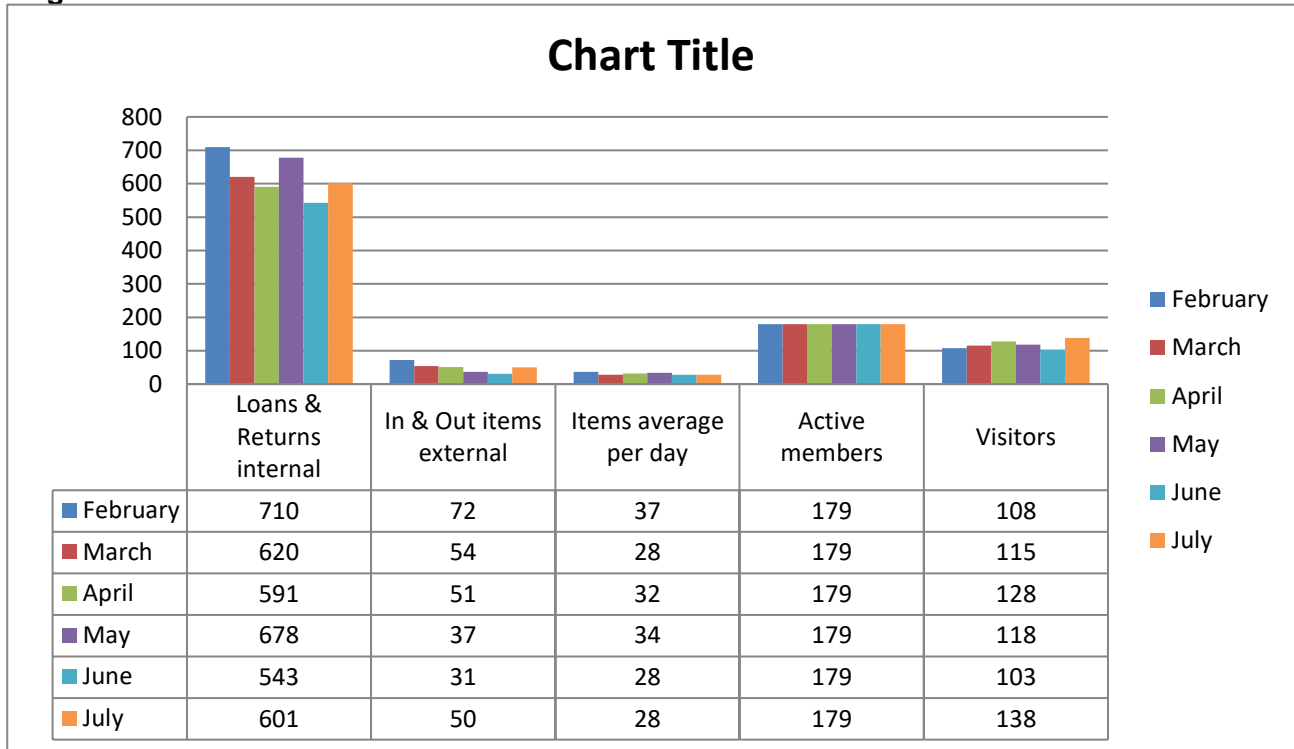
BACKGROUND

Report for July 2024 – Charleville / Augathella & Morven

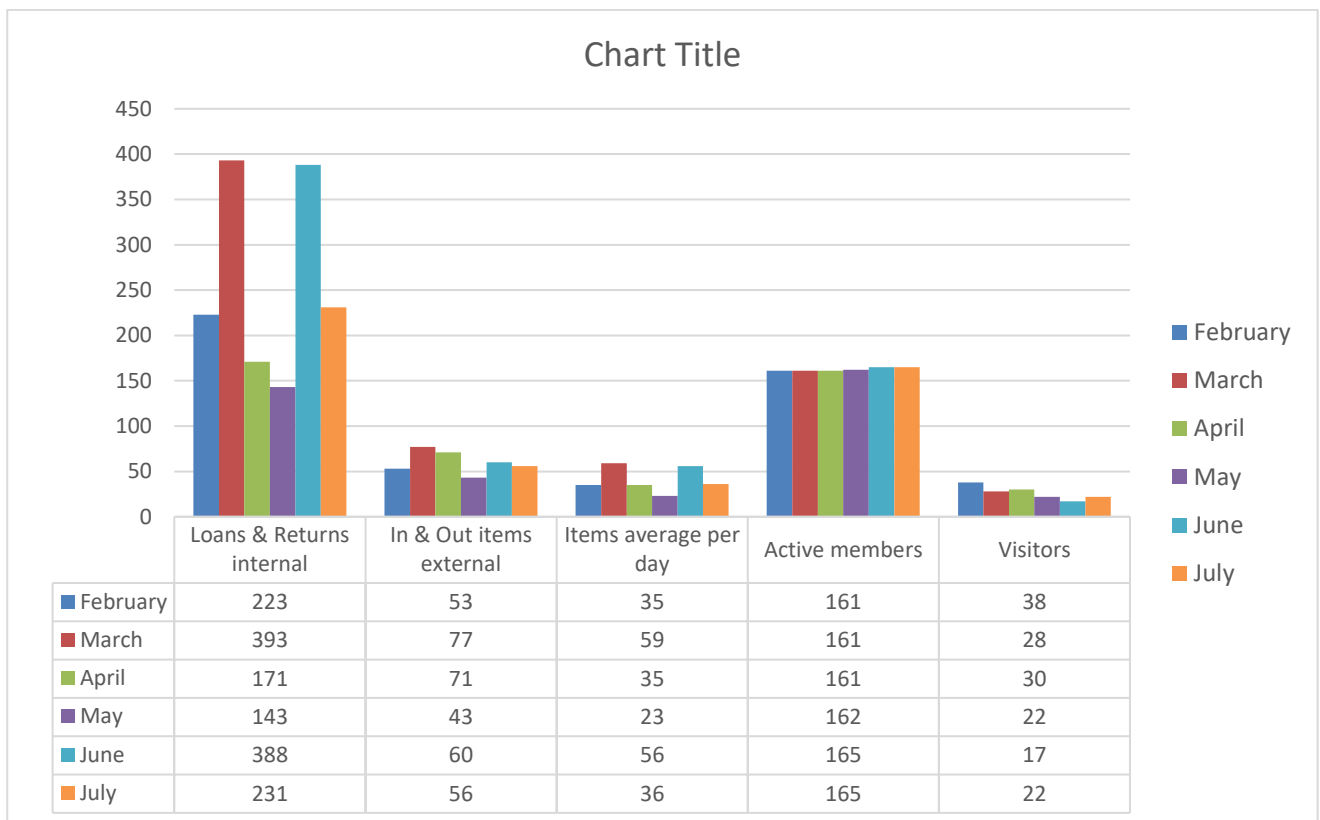
Charleville



Augathella



Morven



Operational Information

Charleville Library

Renovations left to be completed:

- mats, or soft coating for back area (to run sensory/messy Storytime sessions).

The street library has been extremely popular in the last month with people coming in to talk about it and asking if they can add books in. At the start we were re-stocking it once or twice a week but the longer it has been there the more locals and tourists have been putting books in themselves. This is exactly what we were aiming for as the concept of a street library is to take a book and leave a book. The aim is to eventually have a cupboard instead of the tub that we can decorate and place in front of the fake doorway (see below for example of a street library)

" Street Libraries are a beautiful home for books, planted in your front yard. They are accessible from the street and are an invitation to share the joys of reading with your neighbours.

Street Libraries are a window into the mind of a community; books come and go; no-one needs to check them in or out. People can simply reach in and take what interests them; when they are done, they can return them to the Street Library network, or pass them on to friends." (<https://streetlibrary.org.au/what-is-a-street-library/>).



The puzzle competition on the 6th of July was completely booked out with 8 teams (32 people) attending. The aim of the competition is to complete a 500-piece jigsaw puzzle in the two -hour time limit.

It was a very successful afternoon that was enjoyed by everyone and has people immediately asking when the next one is. The Charleville community has many people who love doing Jigsaw puzzles and the competition is the Charleville Libraries way of creating a space for social interaction as well as a sense of camaraderie and community. The Murweh community has many incredible opportunities for sports, and the arts, we wanted to provide the community with an event that we hadn't seen, and it has been very well received by the community (see pictures below).



- Library visitors – 1424 visitors
- Current Library Memberships – 1318 (14 new members added in May)

First5 Forever –

A statewide program providing strong early literacy foundations for all Queensland children aged 0-5 years.

Morven & Augathella

Nikki and Melissa are going well with running the fortnightly sessions in Morven and Augathella.

Charleville

Storytime has been going well with weekly sessions in the Charleville Library

Story walks Project

Morven Storywalk has yet to be put up as Chris from Warrego Signs will do this once the roadworks is complete and he can access the area.

The variation request application to use the remaining grant money from the Storywalk project has been approved. This leftover grant money will be used to buy resources that are themed towards each of the twelve Stories for Little Queenslander books. When the story walks are changed, these kits will go to each of the towns to support library and First 5 Forever staff with the opening session for the new Storywalk.

These twelve books “promote strong early literacy foundations through a range of subjects and styles: the amusing antics of Queensland’s faunal emblem, the koala; educational aids such as counting and alphabet books; stories of belonging; journeys of discovery; true-life tales; and much more”.

Story walks are a fun, educational activity, which allows us to promote literacy, physical activity, and the resources that our communities have in a fun way along popular walking routes.

Mulga Lands Gallery –663 people visited the Gallery with the new kids’ art exhibit.

Morven Library

No comments.

Augathella Library

No Comments.

LINK TO CORPORATE PLAN

- 1.1.1 Council has in place strategic decision-making frameworks to identify, prioritise, and meet current and future needs .
- 1.2.1 Council has in place effective whole of community communication and engagement strategies

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

10.3 COMMUNITY SERVICE COORDINATOR REPORT**Author: Community Service Coordinator****Authoriser: Director Community & Health Services****RECOMMENDATION**

That Council receives and notes the report from the Community Service Coordinator for July 2024.

BACKGROUND

The pilot consultation with stakeholders was highly productive and set a solid foundation for my role. Here's a summary of the key findings and next steps based on our meeting:

Key Findings:**1. Role Expectations:**

- Clear understanding of my responsibilities and the impact of this role in the community.
- Importance of connecting individuals with medical assistance and other services was emphasized.

2. Upcoming Positions:

- New positions related to my role will be advertised soon, which may influence the scope of my work or create additional opportunities.

3. Community Outreach:

- The significance of spreading awareness about services within the community was highlighted.
- Initial outreach through emails has been completed, leading to increased community engagement.

4. Engagement with Community Services:

- Introduction to community services and participation in meet-and-greets were identified as critical steps.
- The goal is to clearly articulate how I can support individuals in need and connect them to necessary resources & services.

Next Steps:**1. Continue Outreach:**

- Maintain communication with community members who have reached out for help.

- Use follow-up emails, phone calls, and meetings to reinforce your role and services.

2. **Expand Networking:**

- Continue attending meet-and-greet events with community services and stakeholders.
- Foster relationships with key community members and organizations to enhance collaboration.

3. **Promote Services:**

- Develop and distribute materials (flyers, brochures, newsletters, social media posts) to increase visibility of your services.
- Host informational sessions or workshops to further educate the community about available assistance.

4. **Evaluate and Adapt:**

- Regularly assess the effectiveness of the outreach strategies and adjust as needed.
- Seek feedback from community members and stakeholders to improve mine and other services.

Conclusion:

Exciting times are indeed ahead as we establish presence and make a meaningful impact. By continuing to engage with the community and adapt to their needs, I will be well-positioned to fulfill my role effectively and build strong, supportive connections.

LINK TO CORPORATE PLAN

- 1.2.1 Council has in place effective whole of community communication and engagement strategies
- 3.1.1 Health and wellbeing services meet community needs and expectations

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

10.4 REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE - INSTALLATION OF SHADE SAIL AT CHARLEVILLE CULTURAL CENTRE

Author: Director Community & Health Services

Authoriser: CEO

RECOMMENDATIONS

That Council provides in kind assistance to the Charleville Cultural Association for the installation of a shade sail at the Cultural Centre up to a value of \$5000.

BACKGROUND

Correspondence received from Charleville Cultural Association seeking assistance with installation of a shade sail at the Cultural Centre.

Discussion

The cultural centre features several areas/rooms that are used regularly for a multitude of arts activities. These connect to a central open courtyard which is utilised by those using the facilities, particularly during workshops which are held regularly throughout the year.

The Cultural Association would like to have a shade sail installed to make the courtyard more comfortable/useable, especially in the heat of summer. They are happy to purchase the shade sail, and any materials needed for installation but have asked if council would be able to assist with the actual shade sail installation.

Financial Risks

No financial assistance has been allotted for this project, but the Charleville Cultural Association will be providing a large proportion of the funding, for a project that will ultimately add value to a council facility.

Social Risk

To not proceed with sunshade project would be contrary to councils ongoing commitment to provide shade (sun protection) in other leisure facilities, such as the library, swimming pool, and children's playgrounds.

Legal Risk

Nil

LINK TO CORPORATE PLAN

1.2.1 Council has in place effective whole of community communication and engagement strategies

ATTACHMENTS

1. Email requesting assistance [↓](#)
2. Shade sail brochure [↓](#)

From: Charleville & District Cultural Association Inc.
<cvilledistculturalassocinc@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, August 12, 2024 12:05 PM

To: mail <mail@murweh.qld.gov.au>

Cc: Jacob Barton <Jacob_Barton@murweh.qld.gov.au>; CEO
<ceo@murweh.qld.gov.au>

Subject: Request Works Approval - Shade Structure at Cultural Centre

CAUTION: This email originated from outside the organization. Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

Good Morning

The Charleville & District Cultural Association Inc seeks Council approval to erect a shade structure between the two buildings at the centre.

With an aging member base we are finding it more and more difficult to erect portable shade structures when holding events. The proposed shade structure will provide our members with ease of access to a shaded area by using this retractable shade system.

The Cultural Association is happy to purchase the shade structure and any necessary materials for installation but ask if council could assist by providing the workmanship to install the structure.

Community Assistance has not been sought for this project as applications have already closed for this year.

If you require any further information Ben Heinemann is familiar with this proposal after having an inspection with our Treasurer Maree Phillott or you may contact us by email.

Regards

Allison Edwards

(Secretary)



Architect: Mountford Will
 Builder: Catalyst Home
 Photography: Phil Handforth

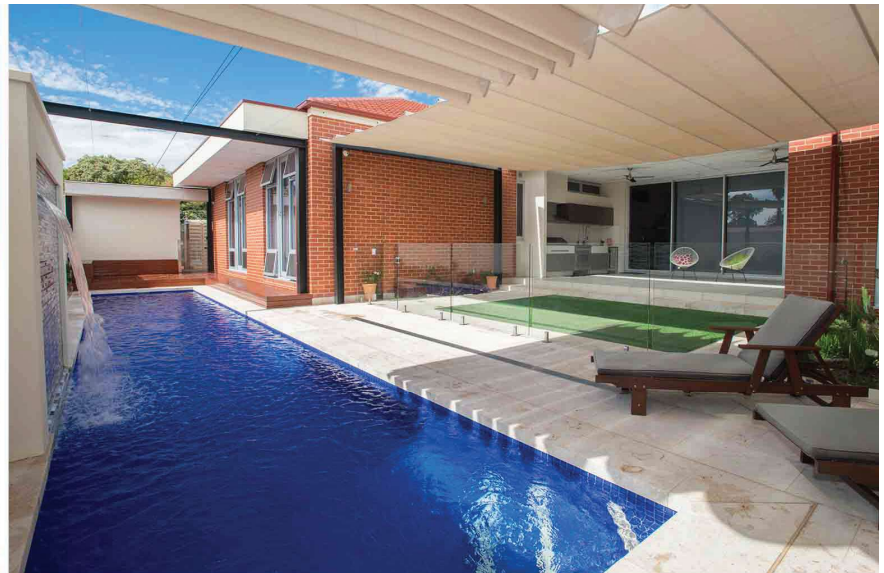
Shaderunner®

retractable sail system

The Shaderunner® Retractable Sail System is ideally suited for a range of applications around the home, from outdoor entertaining spaces & patios, to swimming pools and courtyards.

- ✓ Retractable shade on demand
- ✓ Manual or motorised operation
- ✓ UV protection & glare reduction
- ✓ Summer shade or winter sun
- ✓ Large spans with minimal structure
- ✓ Flexible design suitable for most spaces





CONVENIENT CLIMATE CONTROL

This simple yet functional system enables the homeowner to shade outdoor spaces as and when required, meaning outdoor areas can be used and enjoyed even during the hotter parts of the day.

The Shaderunner® can be manufactured from a **wide range of fabrics** including **Polyester Mesh** for dependable shading with 95% block out, to **translucent Waterproof PVC** for a weatherproof solution. Each fabric is mould resistant and offers protection from glare and the sun's harmful rays, with a wide range of colours available.

With so many colour options available, the Shaderunner® complements all architectural styles, from **contemporary suburban homes** to **traditional country residences**.

The Shaderunner® is ideally suited for a range of applications around the home, from **outdoor entertaining spaces** and **patios** to **swimming pools** and **courtyards**.

Available in a manual or motorised version, the Shaderunner® can be installed to existing or purpose built **pergola**, **between walls**, **fascias** or **free standing posts**.

The unique qualities of the Shaderunner® enable it to be utilised for a multitude of applications, from the **smallest setting** right up to **large span commercial projects**, such as **aquatic parks** and **hotels**.

Constructed using only the most **durable 316 stainless steel fittings** and **marine grade Ronstan ball bearing pulleys**, the Shaderunner® Retractable Sail provides years of trouble-free shading with minimal maintenance.



Durable Fabrics

The Shaderunner® is manufactured from a range of **rigorously tested fabrics** which are durable as they are stylish, being designed to withstand high traffic applications and the demands of the harsh Australian climate with ease.

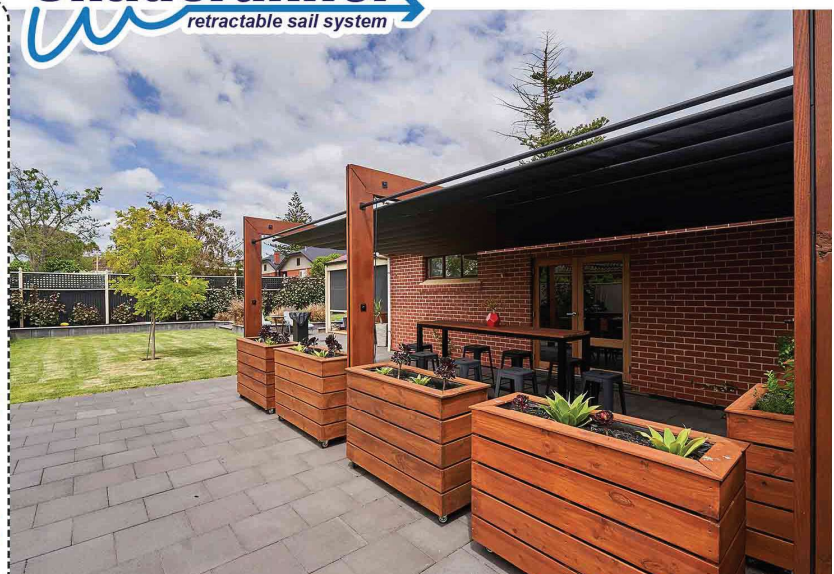
Polyester Mesh (10 Year Warranty)
95% UV block out for controllable shade and glare reduction.



Waterproof PVC (10 Year Warranty)
Translucent all-weather protection - system requires no fall for water runoff.



Acrylic Canvas (5 Year Warranty)
Including Weathermax - suited to both internal & external applications.

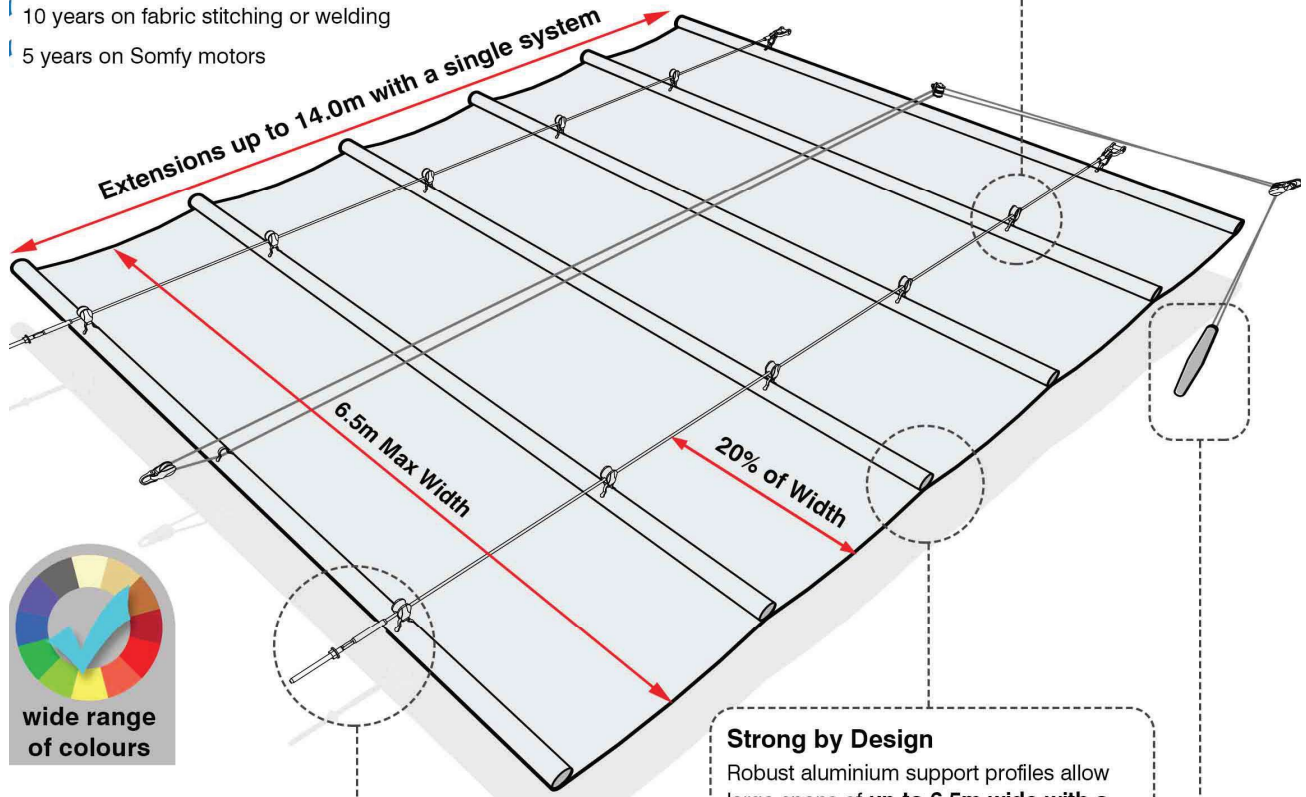


Shaderunner® is durable by design and will provide **years of trouble free use**. For peace of mind, this is backed up by the following warranties:

- 5 years on components & workmanship
- 5-10 years on fabrics
- 10 years on fabric stitching or welding
- 5 years on Somfy motors



The Shaderunner® is constructed using only the most robust components including **marine grade Ronstan ball bearing pulleys & 316 stainless fittings**. These low friction ball bearing pulleys ensure continued ease of use and durability.



Strong by Design

Robust aluminium support profiles allow large spans of **up to 6.5m wide with a single system**. For wider areas additional systems can be added for further coverage.



High Strength Fittings

High strength 316 stainless steel running wires and tension fittings enable large extensions, typically up to **4m as a single system**.

Larger spans are possible subject to site conditions & structural design. Also possible with twin Shaderunner® fabrics running on the same wires, stacking at both ends and extending to the centre.



Simple Operation

Manually operated Systems

feature an endless cord system to easily extend and retract the fabric, with the cord then secured and tied off at the horncleat.

For very large systems, or where the Shaderunner® is sloped or angled, a **manual winch** can be added to aid operation. When not in use the winch handle can be detached and stowed away.

Remote motorised operation

is also available for the ultimate convenience if preferred. The Shaderunner is effortlessly extended at the touch of a button with the **Somfy remote control**.

(limited to 14m extension *Conditions apply)





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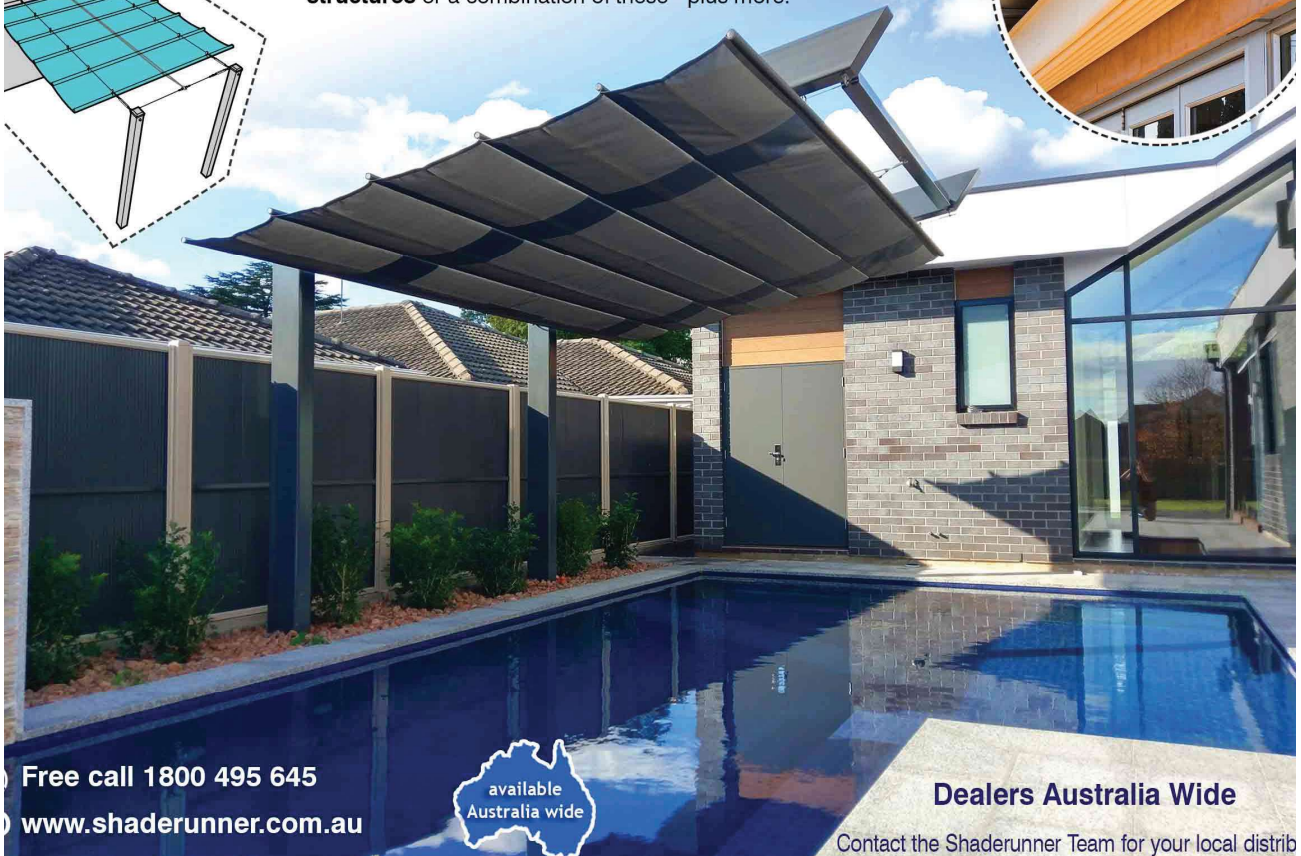
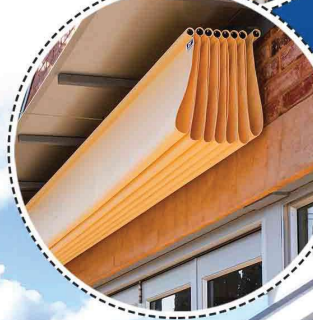
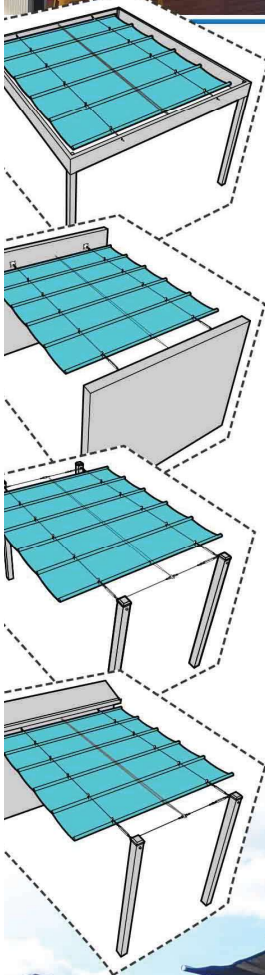
retractable sail system

Specification

- Width:** 6.5m maximum, 2.0m minimum for motorised
- Extension:** Up to 14.0m as a single system (standard) (larger extensions subject to structural design)
- Fabric Drop:** 250-500mm typical stowed fabric depth (custom designed to suit site conditions)
- Running Wires:** 2 x Stainless Steel Wires as standard (additional wires where required)
- Operation:** Manual operation as standard with endless cord system & cleat Motorised option with remote (max 8m extension or 40sqm area)
- Motor type:** Somfy RTS motor in powdercoated slimline headbox
- Sensors:** Optional Somfy wind, sun or rain sensors
- Wind Resistance:** 25 knots (or to suit engineer design of support structure)

Range of Support Options

Versatile by design, the Shaderunner® is ideally suited to a range of structural support systems. The Shaderunner® is typically fixed to **buildings, fascias, walls, posts, pergolas, custom structures** or a combination of these - plus more.



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10.5 REQUEST FOR INCREASED DONATION - MORVEN STATE SCHOOL

Author: Director Community & Health Services
Authoriser: CEO

RECOMMENDATION

That Council provides a donation of \$12,500 to Morven State School to assist with annual swimming pool operation and maintenance costs; or

That Council provides an increased donation to Morven State School to assist with annual swimming pool operation and maintenance costs; or

That Council does not provide a donation.

BACKGROUND

Morven State School has written to Council requesting an increased donation towards maintenance and operation of its swimming pool.

Discussion

Council has donated annually to both Morven & Augathella State Schools for many years to assist in the upkeep of their swimming pools. In return the residents in those towns gain access to the pools for recreational use outside of school hours.

This year the Morven State has asked for an increased donation (last year’s donation was \$12,500, not \$12,000 as stated in letter from the school) to cope with the increase in running cost associated with the pool. CPI for the June quarter was 3.8% which equates to an increase of \$475 on a \$12,500 donation.

The current financial year’s budget (2024/25) has already allocated \$13,500 for this year’s donation.

Environmental Risk

Nil

Financial Risk

Nil. \$13,500 has been allocated in 2024/25 budget.

Social Risk

If council chooses not to provide financial assistance the pool may become unavailable as a recreational resource for residents.

Legal Risk

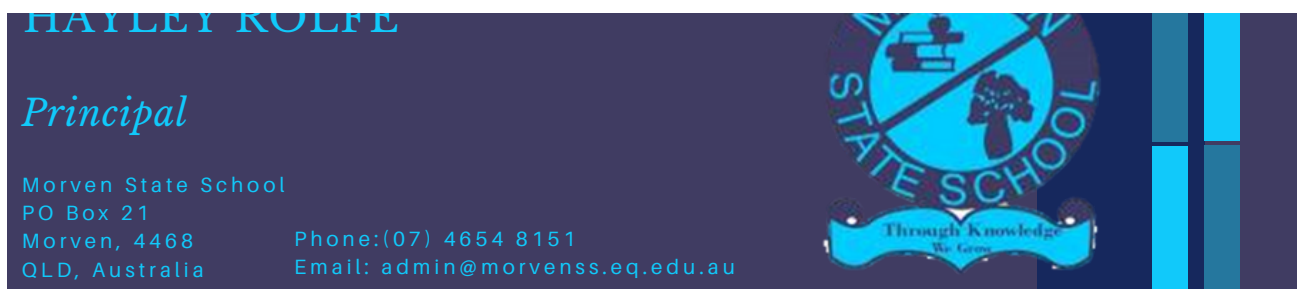
Nil

LINK TO CORPORATE PLAN

- 1.2.1 Council has in place effective whole of community communication and engagement strategies

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Letter from Morven State School [↓](#)



Mr Bruce Scott OAM
The Chief Executive Officer
Murweh Shire Council
PO Box 63
Charleville Qld 4470

Dear Mr Scott,

Re: Murweh Shire Council Donation for the Morven Pool

On behalf of the Morven State School and the Morven community, I wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to the Murweh Shire Council for your steadfast support of our community pool. The pool plays a crucial role in our town, offering an important recreational resource for residents. We open the pool between 3 to 7 times a week during the swimming season, and it is frequently filled with young children and their families, illustrating its significance to our community.

We greatly value the longstanding support provided by the Murweh Shire Council, especially the previous donation of \$12,000. This contribution has been instrumental in maintaining the pool's operations. However, the costs associated with running the pool have increased significantly over the years, while revenue from the Shire and School Pool appropriations has remained unchanged.

The funding shortfall has been covered by reallocating funds from other areas of the school's budget that were not originally intended for pool maintenance, impacting other projects. To ensure that we can continue to offer this vital resource to our community, we respectfully request consideration for an increase in the annual donation.

Your continued support is crucial for the pool's operation, and we are hopeful for a positive response. We look forward to another successful swimming season and thank you once again for your ongoing commitment to our community.

Kind regards,

Hayley Rolfe

Principal, Morven State School

For inquiries, reach us at:

Phone: (07) 4654 8151
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11 CORPORATE & REGULATORY**11.1 FINANCE REPORT - MONTH ENDING 31 JULY 2024**

Author: Accountant
Authoriser: Director of Corporate Services

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives the Finance Report for the period ending 31 July 2024, including;

1. Cash Position
2. Monthly Cash Flow Estimate
3. Comparative Data
4. Capital Funding – budget vs actual
5. Road Works – budget vs actual
6. Capital Funding Detail
7. Rates Summary
8. Income Statement July 2024
9. Balance Sheet July 2024
10. Financial Statements Actual July 2024

BACKGROUND

In accordance with Section 204 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a financial report summarising Council's actual performance against budgeted performance must be provided to Council.

This report provides information to Council regarding actual financial performance for the month

Revenue

Total revenue of \$ 9.4 M to 31 July represents 21 % of the total budget of \$44.8 M.

These statements are for 1 month of the financial year and generally would represent 8.33 % of the overall budget.

Actual revenue year to date is ahead at 21 % as FAGs which was normally received at the end of the 23/24 financial year was received in July 2024. 85 % of Murweh Shire Council's 2024-25 Financial Assistance Grant entitlement was received 2 July 2024.

Expenses

Total expenditure of \$ 2.6 M to 30 June represents 6 % of the total budgeted expenditure of \$ 40.9 M.

Actual expenses of 6 %, which is just under the year-to-date budget of 8.33 %.

Outcome

There is currently a cash balance of \$ 10.7 M, versus last month's balance of \$ 2.3 M.

Restricted cash – grant not yet spent: \$ 2.7 M (last month \$ 3.1 M). Restricted cash includes the unspent loan of \$1.0 M.

Actual unrestricted/surplus cash: \$ 7.9 M (last month -\$ 793 K).

The total cash balance is sufficient to cover restricted cash.

Please note that net cost to operate the tourism facilities at the end of July were \$ 45,212 compared with the YTD budget of \$ 98,489. Net cost to Council has decreased by \$ 53 K (budget vs actual).

Payments to Bilby fund for tickets sold less management fees are now up to date.

Capital Works

See the Capital Funding Report 2024 – 25 for details of all projects.

1. Cash Position
2. Monthly Cash Flow Estimate
3. Comparative Data
4. Capital Funding – budget V's actual
5. Road Works – budget V's actual

1. **Cash Position as at 31 July 2024**

CASH AT BANK			
	Operating Account		\$191,591
SHORT TERM INVESTMENTS			
	National Bank of Australia		\$ -
	QTC Cash Fund		\$10,468,188
		Total	\$ 10,659,779
The following items should be backed by cash and investments, plus any increases in the surplus of Debtors over Creditors.			
	Cash backed Current Liabilities (AL,LSL,SL,RDO)		\$2,308,242
	Restricted cash - grants/loan received not yet spent		\$2,707,239
			\$ 5,015,481
Balance of estimated rates/other debtors - estimated creditors :			
	(\$2,870,662 - \$325,102)	\$ 2,545,559
Plus cash surplus/(deficit)	\$ 10,659,779	- \$ 5,015,481	\$ 5,644,298
Working Capital		Total	\$ 8,189,857

2. **Monthly Cash flow Estimate: - August 2024**

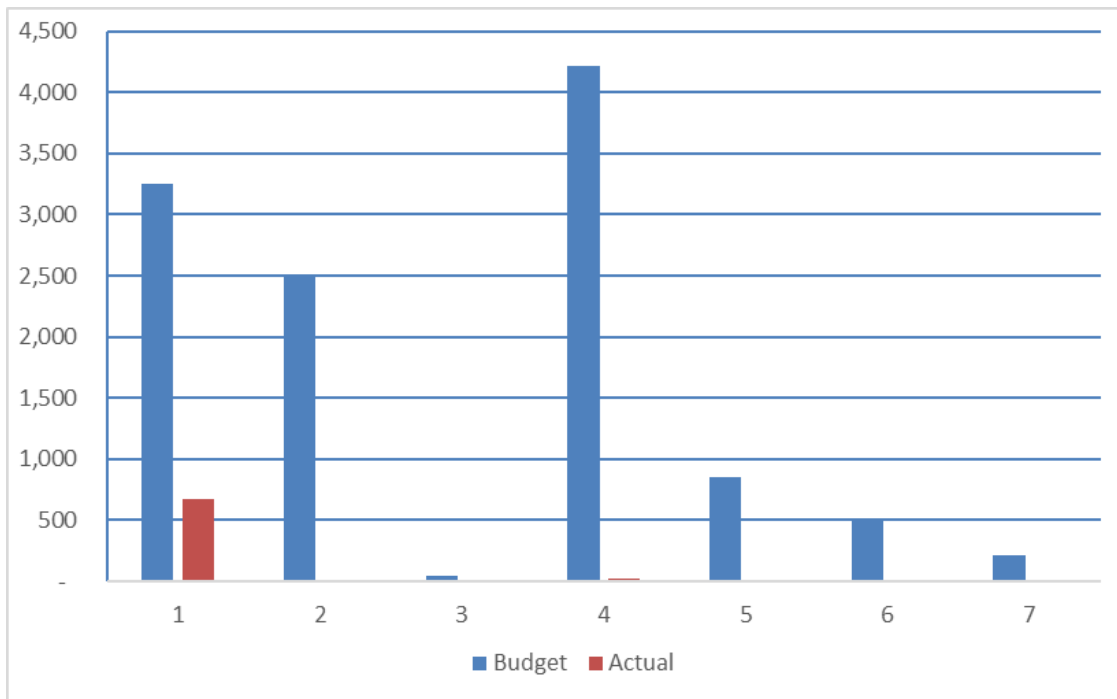
Cash Flow Estimate			
Receipts		Expenditure	
Rates	\$25,000	Payroll	\$880,000
Fees & Charges	\$25,000	Creditor Payments	\$1,000,000
Debtors	\$50,000	Loan Payments	\$0
Grants/Claims/Loan QTC	\$500,000	Lease Payments	\$0
Total	\$600,000	Total	\$1,880,000
Therefore cash is expected to decrease by		\$1,280,000	in the period.

3. Comparative Data for the month of 31 July 2024

Comparative Year	2024	2023	2022
	\$000	\$000	\$000
Cash position	\$ 10,659	\$ 11,640	\$ 8,016
Working capital	\$ 8,190	\$ 7,476	\$ 5,197
Rate arrears	\$ 713*	\$ 584	\$ 731
Outstanding debtors	\$ 407	\$ 606	\$ 169
Current creditors	\$ 306	\$ 532	\$ 274
Total loans	\$ 3,423	\$3,622	\$2,821

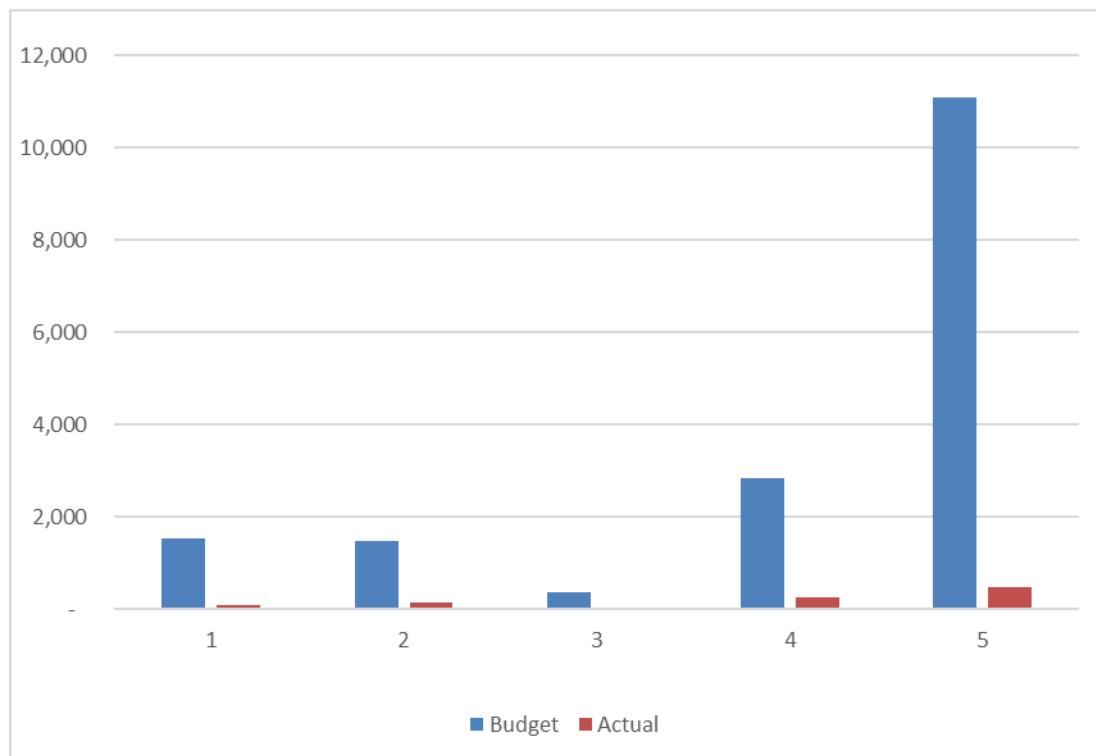
*Net of rates paid in advance of \$ 385,282.

4. Capital Funding: Year to 31 July 2024



	Budget \$(000)	Expended YTD Actual \$(000)	% of Budget Expended
Total Capital Funding	\$11,579	\$702	6.06%
1 Buildings / Other Structures	\$3,252	\$668	20.53%
2 Plant & Equipment / Furniture & Fittings	\$2,500	\$8	0.32%
3 Airport Upgrade	\$50	\$0	0.00%
4 Roads & Drainage Infrastructure	\$4,216	\$19	0.45%
5 Water & Sewerage Infrastructure	\$850	\$4	0.52%
6 Office/Other Equip	\$500	\$3	0.53%
7 QTC - Loan Redemption	\$211	\$0	0.00%

5. Road Works Expenditure: Year to 31 July 2024



		Budget \$(000)	Expended YTD Actual \$(000)	% of Budget Expended
	Total Road Expenditure	\$17,340	\$946	5%
1	Rural Roads	\$1,532	\$86	6%
2	Town Streets	\$1,495	\$139	9%
3	Private Works	\$380	\$0	0%
4	RMPC Works	\$2,834	\$247	9%
5	Flood Damage	\$11,100	\$474	4%

LINK TO CORPORATE PLAN

1.3.1 Council has in place operational systems and capacity to deliver strategic priorities and core operations.

ATTACHMENTS

1. **Work in Progress July 2024-25** [↓](#)
2. **Outstanding Rates Report** [↓](#)
3. **Revenue & Expense Summary July 2024** [↓](#)
4. **Balance Sheet July 2024** [↓](#)
5. **Financial Statements Actual July 2024** [↓](#)

2023-24

Projects											
Asset Class/GL Number	Job Number	Project Description	Funding source	30/06/2024 Balance carry over projects	Actual year to date 2024-25	% of 2024-25 budget	Budget Project Costs 2024-25	Responsible Officer	Officers update, ie % of completion, what's been done, commitments, etc	Project Status (traffic lights)	Progress (%)
Land Clearing											
0215-4000-0	1500-0040	Aurora Estate	Housing Support Program (Fed)	\$ -	\$0	0.00%	\$578,584	DCS			
	Sub total			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 578,584				
Airport											
242-4000-0	8000-3609	Charleville Airport Masterplan	Grants W4Qld	\$ -	\$0	0.00%	\$50,000	DCS or MRS?			
	Sub total			\$ -	\$ -		\$ 50,000				
Buildings											
360-4000-0	8000-1750	Executive Housing	Loan	\$ -	\$300,000	30.00%	\$1,000,000	CEO	Contract has been signed on the purchase of 9 High St Charleville for \$530,000 - with settlement early August.		
	8000-2594	Charleville Showgrounds – Full Canteen Upgrade LRCIP 4	LRCIP 4	\$ 5,200	\$0	0.00%	\$100,000	DCS			
	8000-2953	Charleville Racecourse Upgrades LRCIP 4	LRCIP 4	\$ 5,200	\$0	0.00%	\$336,089	DCS			
	8000-2954	Charleville Cosmos Centre- Air Conditioning LRCIP 4	LRCIP 4	\$ 1,820	\$0	0.00%	\$100,000	DCS / John Nicholson			
	8000-2593	Construct amenities to support Multi -sport at Charleville Showgrounds-Dept of Tourism/sport	Dept Tourism& Sport	\$ 244,111	\$0	0.00%	\$578,289	DCS / John Nicholson			
	8000-2592	Cosmos Upgrade	Dept Tourism& Sport	\$ 32,256	\$0	0.00%	\$158,601	DCS / John Nicholson			
	8000-2591	King Edward Park Precinct Masterplan	W4Qld 21-24	\$ -	\$0	0.00%	\$50,000	DCS / John Nicholson			
	8000-2590	Council Facility Infrastructure Program	SES/Council	\$ -	\$0	0.00%	\$250,000	DCS / John Nicholson			
	8000-2589	Governance and Risk Capability Improvements	General	\$ 78	\$0	0.00%	\$100,000	DCS / John Nicholson			
	Sub total			\$288,665	\$300,000		\$2,672,979				
Plant Clearing Account											
445-4000-0	8000-1200	Plant Purchase	General	\$ -	\$8,000	0.32%	\$2,500,000	DES	Ongoing. Grader and Street sweeper tenders currently out.		
	Sub total			\$ -	\$8,000		\$2,500,000				
Road Infrastructure											
525-4000-0	8000-2305	Kerb and Channel annual renewals	General	\$ 31,460	\$1,586	1.06%	\$150,000	DES	Program under development.		
	8000-2310	Box culvert BOM to RFDS	General	\$ -	\$0	0.00%	\$20,000	DES	DES to revisit scope to ensure sufficient funds, and complete as fill in project.		
	8001-3040	Footpath renewals	General	\$ 134,622	\$15,817	7.91%	\$200,000	DES	Program under development.		
	8000-4001	R2R/TIDS project - Adavale Rd	R2R/TIDS	\$ -	\$0	0.00%	\$2,095,000	DES	Construction started on Adavale Road.		
	8000-3999	R2R - Resheeting & Reseals - Rural 500K	R2R	\$ -	\$0	0.00%	\$500,000	DES	Planning to spend 50% on resheeting, 50% on town street reseals.		

2023-24

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	8000-3998	R2R - Resheeting & Reseals - Town \$500K	R2R	\$ -	\$0	0.00%	\$500,000	DES	Planning to spend 50% on resheeting, 50% on town street reseals.		
	8000-3024	Town Street Rehabilitation Program	Grants W4Qld	\$ -	\$0	0.00%	\$50,000	DES	Reseal prop works, to be completed in advance of reseals.		
	8000-4076	Old Tambo Road - Augathella	LRCIP 4	\$ 126,080	\$1,699	0.77%	\$220,000	DES	Complete.		
	8000-3016	Charleville Alfred Street	LRCIP 4	\$ -	\$0	0.00%	\$117,467	DES	Reseal project - to be packaged up with R2R sealing works.		
	8000-3020	Charleville Edward Street (1)	LRCIP 4	\$ -	\$0	0.00%	\$74,000	DES	Reseal project - to be packaged up with R2R sealing works.		
	8000-3021	Charleville Edward street (2)	LRCIP 4	\$ -	\$0	0.00%	\$100,000	DES	Reseal project - to be packaged up with R2R sealing works.		
	8000-3022	Augathella stormwater drainage- Main Street	LRCIP 4	\$ 18,124	\$0	0.00%	\$130,000	DES	Redesigned to use concrete mat, given concrete pumping costs were too high. Material on site, MSC crew to lay.		
	8000-3023	Charleville Hood Street	LRCIP 4	\$ -	\$0	0.00%	\$60,000	DES	Reseal project - to be packaged up with R2R sealing works.		
		Sub total		\$310,285	\$19,102		\$4,216,467				
Water Infrastructure											
555-4000-0	8000-5254	Charleville water renewals	General	\$ 100,421	\$0	0.00%	\$200,000	DES	Program under development.		
	8000-5260	Morven water renewals	General	\$ 14,807	\$4,400	2.93%	\$150,000	DES	Mains upgraded on Eureka Street intersection while TMR undertaking upgrades.		
	8000-5252	Augathella water renewals	General	\$ 21,058	\$0	0.00%	\$150,000	DES	Program under development.		
	8000-5270	Water and Sewerage CA & Programming	Grants W4Qld	\$ -	\$0	0.00%	\$100,000	DES	Us of W4Q funds to prioritise work locations and assist with planning renewals based on condition and risk.		
		Sub total		\$ 136,286	\$ 4,400		\$ 600,000				
Sewerage Infrastructure											
585-4000-0	8000-5350	Augathella sewerage renewals	General	\$ -	\$0	0.00%	\$100,000	DES	Program under development.		
	8000-5360	Charleville sewerage renewals	General	\$ 16,697	\$0	0.00%	\$150,000	DES	Program under development.		
		Sub total		\$ 16,697	\$0	0.00%	\$250,000				
Outback Tourism BBRF											
360-4000-0	8000-2680	Outback Museum of Australia	Building Better Regions	\$ 5,205,775	\$367,624	0.00%	\$0	John Nicholson			
				\$ 5,205,775	\$ 367,624		\$ -				
Equipment Clearing Account											
597-4000-0	8000-1782	Computers Renewals	General	\$ 19,535	\$2,643	10.57%	\$25,000	DCHS	10.57% complete. Awaiting invoices for another laptop that has been ordered.		

2023-24

Asset Class/GL Number	Job Number	Project Description	Funding source	30/06/2024 Balance carry over projects	Actual year to date 2024-25	% of 2024-25 budget	Budget Project Costs 2024-25	Responsible Officer	Officers update, ie % of completion, what's been done, commitments, etc	Project Status (traffic lights)	Progress (%)
	8000-1790	IT/Finance and Records System	General	\$ 125,871	\$0	0.00%	\$100,000	DCHS	Still on hold. Finance system not being updated for minimum of 2 years. Currently looking at replacement records system.		
	8000-1795	Dental Equipment	General	\$ -	\$0	0.00%	\$50,000	John Nicholson			
	8000-1796	Emergency Generator	Other State/Other Federal	\$ -	\$0	0.00%	\$325,000	CEO			
	Sub total			\$ 145,405	\$2,643	0.00%	\$500,000				
	Total Capital			\$6,103,114	\$701,769	\$0	\$11,368,030				
Loan repayments		Current Loans Payments	General	\$ -	\$0	0.00%	\$211,000		First quarter payment due in September 2024.		
	Sub total				\$0	0.00%	\$211,000				
GRAND TOTAL				\$6,103,114	\$701,769	6.1%	\$11,579,030				

STATEMENT OF RATES AND CHARGES

31 JULY 2024



	ARREARS 30 JUNE 2024	LEVIES	INTEREST	RECEIPTS	DISCOUNT	WRITE OFFS	PENSIONER STATE	PENSIONER COUNCIL	BALANCE
<i>Charleville</i>	\$254,137.23	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$25,249.95	\$46.67	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$228,840.61
<i>Augathella</i>	\$33,389.59	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,409.69	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$29,979.90
<i>Morven</i>	\$16,249.83	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$762.84	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$15,486.99
Total Urban	\$303,776.65	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$29,422.48	\$46.67	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$274,307.50
<i>Rural</i>	\$216,194.65	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7,994.97	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$208,199.68
TOTAL GENERAL	\$519,971.30	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$37,417.45	\$46.67	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$482,507.18
CLEANSING	\$134,075.22	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$10,909.28	\$18.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$123,147.94
SEWERAGE	\$148,490.09	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$13,773.75	\$22.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$134,694.34
WATER	\$277,807.43	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$21,933.74	\$27.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$255,846.19
WATER CONSUMPTION	\$22,412.34	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,257.56	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$19,154.78
C.E.D.	\$20,758.40	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,242.21	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$17,516.19
LEGAL FEES	\$5,483.66	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$202.58	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,281.08
LAND CHARGES	\$753.50	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$753.50
TOTALS	\$1,129,751.94	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$90,736.57	\$114.17	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,038,901.20
STATE EMERGENCY LEVY									\$60,252.80
TOTAL CURRENT & ARREARS									\$1,099,154.00

Current Year	1 Year	2 Years	3 Years	4 Years	5 Years +	Interest	
\$0.00	\$543,096.24	\$218,780.99	\$106,692.45	\$48,992.41	\$52,791.36	\$128,800.55	\$1,099,154.00
RATES PAID IN ADVANCE							\$385,282.18
NET OUTSTANDING AS PER RATES GL							\$713,871.82

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		REVENUE		EXPENDITURE		SURPLUS/(DEFICIENCY)				
		31 Jul 2024	Budget	31 Jul 2024	Budget	31 Jul 2024	Budget	31 Jul 2024	Budget	
1000-0001	EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT									
1100-0002	CORP GOVERNANCE SUB PROGRAM	0.00	0	68,937.84	586,368	(68,937.84)		12%	(586,368)	
1300-0002	DISASTER MANAGEMENT SUB PROGRAM	0.00	17,500	331.80	92,705	(331.80)		0%	(75,205)	
1500-0002	HUMAN RESOURCES SUB PROGRAM	0.00	500	14,540.81	313,040	(14,540.81)		5%	(312,540)	
1000-0001	EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT	0.00	18,000	83,810.45	992,113	(83,810.45)		9%	(974,113)	
2000-0001	CORPORATE SERVICES									
2100-0002	REVENUE SUB PROGRAM	6,622,819.94	12,257,668	0.00	0	6,622,819.94		54%	12,257,668	
2200-0002	STORES OPERATION SUB PROGRAM	0.00	0	1,928.72	137,800	(1,928.72)		1%	(137,800)	
2300-0002	ADMINISTRATION SUB PROGRAM	23,441.27	200,000	319,331.04	3,228,612	(295,889.77)		10%	(3,028,612)	
2400-0002	FINANCE SUB PROGRAM	0.00	0	4,716.44	94,614	(4,716.44)		5%	(94,614)	
2500-0002	ONCOSTS SUB PROGRAM	0.00	0	13,873.92	(41,600)	(13,873.92)		-33%	41,600	
2600-0002	LIBRARY SUB PROGRAM	550.91	18,500	23,626.32	325,590	(23,075.41)		8%	(307,090)	
2700-0002	AERODROMES SUB PROGRAM	50,353.94	400,000	34,281.88	1,013,918	16,072.06		-3%	(613,918)	
2800-0002	AREA PROMOTION/DEVT SUB PRO									
2800-0003	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	(1,094,715.31)	3,754,741	25,015.93	563,198	(1,119,731.24)		-35%	3,191,543	
2805-0003	COUNCIL HOUSING	0.00	1,000	3,028.21	171,848	(3,028.21)		2%	(170,848)	
2815-0003	CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT	0.00	26,775	12,841.65	201,775	(12,841.65)		7%	(175,000)	
2820-0003	TOURISM & PROMOTION									
2855-0004	TOURISM AND PROMOTION	355,209.93	2,300,163	416,834.88	3,678,990	(61,624.95)		4%	(1,378,827)	
2820-0003	TOURISM & PROMOTION	355,209.93	2,300,163	416,834.88	3,678,990	(61,624.95)		4%	(1,378,827)	
2800-0002	AREA PROMOTION/DEVT SUB PRO	(739,505.38)	6,082,679	457,720.67	4,615,811	(1,197,226.05)		-82%	1,466,868	
2000-0001	CORPORATE SERVICES	5,957,660.68	18,958,847	855,478.99	9,374,745	5,102,181.69		53%	9,584,102	
3200-0001	HEALTH/ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES									
3200-0002	SPORT, REC & COMMUNITY FACILITIES									
3200-0003	SPORTS & RECREATION FACILITIES									
3200-0004	PARKS GARDENS & RESERVES	13,244.64	30,000	80,793.83	1,814,361	(67,549.19)		4%	(1,784,361)	
3220-0004	RACECOURSE	190.00	31,000	18,003.05	282,478	(17,813.05)		7%	(251,478)	
3240-0004	SWIMMING POOLS	0.00	0	106,376.51	361,880	(106,376.51)		29%	(361,880)	
3200-0003	SPORTS & RECREATION FACILITIES	13,434.64	61,000	205,173.39	2,458,719	(191,738.75)		8%	(2,397,719)	
3260-0003	COMMUNITY FACILITIES									
3260-0004	TELEVISION, CCTV and WIFI	0.00	0	9,717.85	161,119	(9,717.85)		6%	(161,119)	

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		31 Jul 2024	Budget	31 Jul 2024	Budget	31 Jul 2024	Budget			
3270-0004	HALLS & CENTRES	905.44	1%	60,500	5,776.64	1%	422,833	(4,871.20)	1%	(362,333)
3280-0004	SHOWGROUNDS	7,283.20	24%	30,000	9,972.39	4%	275,000	(2,689.19)	1%	(245,000)
3290-0004	CEMETERIES & MEMORIALS	2,262.72	5%	50,000	10,439.41	5%	218,400	(8,176.69)	5%	(168,400)
3320-0004	PUBLIC CONVENIENCES	0.00	0%	0	20,604.60	9%	227,061	(20,604.60)	9%	(227,061)
3330-0004	AGED CARE	6,606.00	7%	100,000	2,605.83	2%	167,170	4,000.17	-6%	(67,170)
3260-0003	COMMUNITY FACILITIES	17,057.36	7%	240,500	59,116.72	4%	1,471,583	(42,059.36)	3%	(1,231,083)
3200-0002	SPORT, REC & COMMUNITY FACILITIES	30,492.00	10%	301,500	264,290.11	7%	3,930,302	(233,798.11)	6%	(3,628,802)
3400-0002	ENVIRONMENTAL SUB PROGRAM									
3410-0003	COMMUNITY HEALTH	0.00	0%	13,000	6,512.24	7%	96,000	(6,512.24)	8%	(83,000)
3435-0003	ANIMAL CONTROL	5,732.82	9%	61,700	11,955.73	4%	267,999	(6,222.91)	3%	(206,299)
3460-0003	RESERVES	0.00	0%	0	15,518.34	6%	281,000	(15,518.34)	6%	(281,000)
3475-0003	STOCK ROUTES	0.00	0%	150,000	14,785.95	2%	655,000	(14,785.95)	3%	(505,000)
3400-0002	ENVIRONMENTAL SUB PROGRAM	5,732.82	3%	224,700	48,772.26	4%	1,299,999	(43,039.44)	4%	(1,075,299)
3500-0002	REFUSE MANAGEMENT SUB PROGRAM									
3500-0004	CHARLEVILLE REFUSE MANAGEMENT	736.95	0%	694,218	31,586.88	3%	911,040	(30,849.93)	14%	(216,822)
3540-0004	MORVEN REFUSE MANAGEMENT	0.00	0%	27,337	2,944.78	6%	47,959	(2,944.78)	14%	(20,622)
3570-0004	AUGATHELLA REFUSE MANAGEMENT	0.00	0%	61,575	3,668.04	9%	41,980	(3,668.04)	-19%	19,595
3500-0002	REFUSE MANAGEMENT SUB PROGRAM	736.95	0%	783,130	38,199.70	4%	1,000,979	(37,462.75)	17%	(217,849)
3200-0001	HEALTH/ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES	36,961.77	3%	1,309,330	351,262.07	6%	6,231,280	(314,300.30)	6%	(4,921,950)
4000-0001	ENGINEERING SERVICES									
4100-0002	ENGINEERING OFFICE SUB PROGRAM	0.00	0%	0	685,545.46	16%	4,290,319	(685,545.46)	16%	(4,290,319)
4200-0002	BUILDING & PLANNING SUB PROGRAM	8,911.64	9%	104,000	20,013.88	8%	249,600	(11,102.24)	8%	(145,600)
4300-0002	PLANT OPERATIONS SUB PROGRAM	1,395.17	1%	225,600	(406,477.59)	133%	(304,591)	407,872.76	77%	530,191
4400-0002	PRIVATE WORKS ACTIVITIES	3,582,717.11	51%	7,005,185	178,498.36	5%	3,406,772	3,404,218.75	95%	3,598,413
4500-0002	OTHER ROAD ACTIVITIES SUB PROGRAM	(186,774.28)	-1%	14,303,960	710,727.51	5%	14,008,488	(897,501.79)	-304%	295,472
4000-0001	ENGINEERING SERVICES	3,406,249.64	16%	21,638,745	1,188,307.62	5%	21,650,588	2,217,942.02	<999%	(11,843)
5100-0001	WATER & SEWERAGE SERVICES									
5100-0002	WATER SUPPLY ACTIVITIES SUB PROGRAM									
5100-0003	CHARLEVILLE WATER	(27.50)	0%	1,570,192	71,931.11	10%	736,398	(71,958.61)	-9%	833,794
5200-0003	MORVEN WATER	0.00	0%	130,288	19,180.34	11%	176,800	(19,180.34)	41%	(46,512)
5300-0003	AUGATHELLA WATER	0.00	0%	186,286	10,177.32	7%	153,804	(10,177.32)	-31%	32,482

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		31 Jul 2024	Budget	31 Jul 2024	Budget	31 Jul 2024	Budget
5390-0003	WATER DEPRECIATION	0.00	0	0.00	654,106	0.00	(654,106)
5100-0002	WATER SUPPLY ACTIVITIES SUB PROGRAM	(27.50)	1,886,766	101,288.77	1,721,108	(101,316.27)	165,658
5400-0002	SEWERAGE ACTIVITIES SUB PROGRAM						
5400-0003	CHARLEVILLE SEWERAGE	(22.00)	919,692	29,112.16	459,414	(29,134.16)	460,278
5450-0003	AUGATHELLA SEWERAGE	0.00	96,462	1,721.14	135,200	(1,721.14)	(38,738)
5490-0003	SEWERAGE DEPRECIATION	0.00	0	0.00	398,431	0.00	(398,431)
5400-0002	SEWERAGE ACTIVITIES SUB PROGRAM	(22.00)	1,016,154	30,833.30	993,045	(30,855.30)	23,109
5100-0001	WATER & SEWERAGE SERVICES	(49.50)	2,902,920	132,122.07	2,714,153	(132,171.57)	188,767
TOTAL REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE		9,400,822.59	44,827,842	2,610,981.20	40,962,879	6,789,841.39	3,864,963

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	OPENING BALANCE	YEAR TO DATE 31 Jul 2024		BUDGET	CURRENT BALANCE 31 Jul 2024		BUDGET
CURRENT ASSETS							
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0100-0001	CURRENT ASSETS						
0105-3000	Cash at Bank - General Account	346,045.32	(156,824.73)	---	0	189,220.59	52% 362,046
0110-3000	Cash on Hand	1,570.00	0.00	0%	0	1,570.00	100% 1,570
0115-3000	QTC - Cash Investments	1,977,075.14	8,491,113.09	---	0	10,468,188.23	84% 12,441,156
0116-3000	NAB - Term Deposits	0.00	0.00	0%	0	0.00	0% 0
0117-3000	Cash: Cosmos Centre Float	500.00	0.00	0%	0	500.00	100% 500
0118-3000	Cash: Visitor Info Centre	300.00	0.00	0%	0	300.00	100% 300
0120-3000	Accounts Receivable - Rates	863,151.95	(149,705.13)	---	0	713,446.82	105% 681,304
0121-3000	Acct Rec - Rates EOY Receipts	0.00	0.00	0%	0	0.00	0% 340,463
0127-3000	Provision for Doubtful Rates	0.00	0.00	0%	0	0.00	0% 0
0130-3000	Stores and Materials	347,337.91	(24,981.01)	---	0	322,356.90	113% 286,340
0132-3000	Inventory - Cosmos Centre	90,799.41	0.00	0%	0	90,799.41	100% 90,799
0140-3000	Prepaid Expenses	144,165.45	0.00	0%	0	144,165.45	57% 253,896
0147-3000	Accrued Revenue - General	2,124,235.76	(2,124,235.76)	---	0	0.00	0% 844,919
0148-3000	Contract Assets	1,424,458.84	186,792.00	---	0	1,611,250.84	104% 1,546,068
0150-3000	Workers Compensation Receivable	26,850.03	0.00	0%	0	26,850.03	165% 16,255
0155-3000	Accounts Receivable - Debtors	661,921.57	(254,147.30)	---	0	407,774.27	117% 347,106
0156-3000	Accts Rec - Debtors EOY Receipts	0.00	0.00	0%	0	0.00	0% 50,093
0160-3000	Provision for Doubtful Debts	(166,333.03)	0.00	0%	0	(166,333.03)	100% (166,333)
0165-3000	GST Receivable/Suspense	136,503.21	(24,863.20)	---	0	111,640.01	121% 92,526
0170-3000	Industrial Land for Resale	1,156,028.41	0.00	0%	0	1,156,028.41	100% 1,156,028
0171-3000	Provision for Obsolescence	(679,028.40)	0.00	0%	0	(679,028.40)	100% (679,028)
0100-0001	CURRENT ASSETS TOTAL	8,455,581.57	5,943,147.96	---	0	14,398,729.53	82% 17,666,008
	TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	8,455,581.57	5,943,147.96	---	0	14,398,729.53	82% 17,666,008

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NON-CURRENT ASSETS								
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0200-0001	NON-CURRENT ASSETS							
0200-4000	Land at Cost	0.00	0.00	0%	0	0.00	0%	0
0205-4000	Land for Resale	0.00	0.00	0%	0	0.00	0%	0
0210-4000	Land at Valuation	3,125,500.00	0.00	0%	0	3,125,500.00	100%	3,125,500
0211-4000	Land Improvements at Valuation	0.00	0.00	0%	0	0.00	0%	0
0215-4000	Land Clearing Account	(54,845.09)	(4,429.65)	---	0	(59,274.74)	-148%	40,005
0217-4000	WIP - Land Improvements	11,340.50	0.00	0%	578,584	11,340.50	2%	584,125
0221-4000	Aerodrome Landing Strip at Cost	442,570.92	0.00	0%	0	442,570.92	100%	442,571
0231-4000	Aerodrome Landing Strip at Valuation	15,096,088.25	0.00	0%	0	15,096,088.25	101%	14,914,494
0241-4000	Accum Depn - Aerodrome Landing Strip	(4,113,424.37)	0.00	0%	0	(4,113,424.37)	106%	(3,876,338)
0242-4000	WIP - Aerodrome Upgrade	65,004.65	0.00	0%	50,000	65,004.65	12%	560,005
0300-4000	Buildings at Cost	9,553,186.67	0.00	0%	0	9,553,186.67	82%	11,580,681
0310-4000	Buildings at Valuation	66,691,293.25	0.00	0%	0	66,691,293.25	113%	58,882,901
0320-4000	Accum Depn - Buildings	(27,493,038.50)	0.00	0%	0	(27,493,038.50)	113%	(24,434,721)
0330-4000	Other Structures at Cost	9,114,088.44	0.00	0%	0	9,114,088.44	99%	9,240,442
0340-4000	Other Structures at Valuation	1,126,787.22	0.00	0%	0	1,126,787.22	355%	317,374
0350-4000	Accum Depn - Other Structures	(2,657,190.44)	0.00	0%	0	(2,657,190.44)	113%	(2,352,495)
0360-4000	WIP - Buildings	5,398,716.71	367,624.14	17%	2,136,890	5,766,340.85	55%	10,526,238
0370-4000	WIP - Other Structures	1,685,542.53	7,465.27	1%	536,089	1,693,007.80	54%	3,140,049
0380-4000	Parks at Cost	2,039,532.75	0.00	0%	0	2,039,532.75	108%	1,889,533
0381-4000	Accum Depn - Parks	(6,971,966.45)	0.00	0%	0	(6,971,966.45)	115%	(6,075,158)
0382-4000	WIP - Parks	0.00	0.00	0%	0	0.00	0%	0
0383-4000	Parks at Valuation	15,778,029.88	0.00	0%	0	15,778,029.88	119%	13,213,417
0400-4000	Equipment and Furniture Fittings	3,331,783.20	0.00	0%	0	3,331,783.20	61%	5,444,671
0410-4000	Accum Depn - Equipment and FF	(1,786,228.14)	0.00	0%	0	(1,786,228.14)	43%	(4,115,060)
0411-4000	Plant	17,315,861.53	0.00	0%	0	17,315,861.53	115%	15,112,174
0415-4000	Accum Depreciation - Plant	(7,539,470.31)	0.00	0%	0	(7,539,470.31)	107%	(7,072,664)
0420-4000	Furniture and Fittings	2,112,888.28	0.00	0%	0	2,112,888.28	---	0
0430-4000	Accum Depn - Furniture and Fittings	(2,478,710.10)	0.00	0%	0	(2,478,710.10)	---	0
0445-4000	Plant Clearing Account	87,450.00	8,000.00	0%	2,500,000	95,450.00	2%	6,010,000
0500-4000	Road Infrastructure at Cost	17,909,464.08	0.00	0%	0	17,909,464.08	140%	12,765,204
0510-4000	Road Infrastructure at Valuation	337,260,867.14	0.00	0%	0	337,260,867.14	99%	341,996,801
0520-4000	Accum Depn - Road Infrastructure	(73,279,176.84)	(623,000.00)	---	0	(73,902,176.84)	106%	(69,811,812)
0525-4000	WIP - Road Infrastructure	2,330,655.40	38,444.08	1%	4,216,467	2,369,099.48	33%	7,216,759
0530-4000	Water Infrastructure at Cost	2,966,549.60	0.00	0%	0	2,966,549.60	104%	2,843,162
0540-4000	Water Infrastructure at Valuation	32,425,705.95	0.00	0%	0	32,425,705.95	100%	32,549,093
0550-4000	Accum Depn - Water Infrastructure	(17,599,431.38)	0.00	0%	0	(17,599,431.38)	104%	(16,947,117)
0555-4000	WIP - Water Infrastructure	171,828.29	12,331.10	2%	600,000	184,159.39	13%	1,390,000
0560-4000	Sewerage Infrastructure at Cost	844,013.02	0.00	0%	0	844,013.02	100%	844,013
0570-4000	Sewerage Infrastructure at Valuation	25,844,982.89	0.00	0%	0	25,844,982.89	100%	25,844,983
0580-4000	Accum Depn - Sewerage Infrastructure	(14,975,825.28)	0.00	0%	0	(14,975,825.28)	103%	(14,582,674)
0585-4000	WIP - Sewerage Infrastructure	697,160.88	14,315.60	6%	250,000	711,476.48	8%	8,717,998

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0586-4000	WIP - Aurora Estate Stage 2	12,067.70	0.00	0%	0	12,067.70	100%	12,068
0587-4000	WIP - Aurora Estate Stage 3	24,682.00	0.00	0%	0	24,682.00	100%	24,682
0588-4000	WIP State Gov - Bradleys Gully Div	0.00	0.00	0%	0	0.00	0%	0
0589-4000	WIP - Industrial Estate	7,800.00	0.00	0%	0	7,800.00	100%	7,800
0595-4000	Residential Land Resale (NCA)	0.00	0.00	0%	0	0.00	0%	0
0596-4000	Right of Use Assets	221,275.59	0.00	0%	0	221,275.59	100%	221,276
0596-4001	Accumulated Amortisation	(221,275.59)	0.00	0%	0	(221,275.59)	100%	(221,276)
0597-4000	Equipment Clearing Account	270,882.26	2,694.95	1%	500,000	273,577.21	34%	813,871
0599-4000	Landfill Asset	0.00	0.00	0%	0	0.00	0%	0
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0200-0001	NON-CURRENT ASSETS TOTAL	414,793,017.09	(176,554.51)	-2%	11,368,030	414,616,462.58	94%	440,782,575
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	TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	414,793,017.09	(176,554.51)	-2%	11,368,030	414,616,462.58	94%	440,782,575
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	TOTAL ASSETS	423,248,598.66	5,766,593.45	51%	11,368,030	429,015,192.11	94%	458,448,583
CURRENT LIABILITIES								
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0600-0001	CURRENT LIABILITIES							
0600-5000	Accounts Payable	21,465.87	290,799.39	---	0	312,265.26	---	0
0605-5000	Accrued Expenses - All	1,143,706.79	(1,143,706.79)	---	0	0.00	0%	1,729,514
0610-5000	Fire Services Levy Payable	149,683.97	(130,646.40)	---	0	19,037.57	64%	29,675
0612-5000	Contract Liabilities	3,171,329.67	0.00	0%	0	3,171,329.67	119%	2,670,045
0613-5000	Prepaid Rates	0.00	0.00	0%	0	0.00	0%	340,463
0614-5000	Unearned Revenue	0.00	0.00	0%	0	0.00	0%	0
0615-5000	PAYG Payable	0.00	0.00	0%	0	0.00	0%	0
0625-5000	Payroll Suspense	0.00	0.00	0%	0	0.00	0%	0
0630-5000	Wages Advance	0.00	0.00	0%	0	0.00	0%	0
0632-5000	RDO & Toil Accumulated	14,853.18	5,398.58	---	0	20,251.76	194%	10,424
0635-5000	Stock Routes Fees Payable	1,204.16	0.00	0%	0	1,204.16	---	0
0636-5000	Finance Lease - Current	0.00	0.00	0%	0	0.00	0%	0
0640-5000	Office Extension Current Loan	0.00	0.00	0%	0	0.00	0%	0
0645-5000	Cosmos Centre Current Loan	0.00	0.00	0%	0	0.00	0%	0
0650-5000	Medical Centre Current Loan	32.34	0.00	0%	0	32.34	0%	49,790
0660-5000	Morven Rail Current Loan	62,356.87	0.00	0%	61,739	62,356.87	34%	182,522
0665-5000	Plant Replacement Current Loan	0.00	0.00	0%	0	0.00	0%	0
0666-5000	Plant Replacement No 2 Current Loan	0.00	0.00	0%	0	0.00	0%	0
0670-5000	Residential Current Loan	51,077.99	0.00	0%	54,691	51,077.99	41%	124,861
0671-5000	Flood Mitigation Current Loan	48,626.40	0.00	0%	47,637	48,626.40	35%	140,478
0672-5000	Airport Upgrade Current Loan	47,883.07	0.00	0%	46,933	47,883.07	35%	137,066
0675-5000	Annual Leave payable	936,239.38	81,875.77	---	0	1,018,115.15	108%	944,655

General Ledger2023.6.13.1		Balance Sheet				Page - 4		
(Accounts: 0100-0001-0000 to 5490-2000-0000. All report groups. 9% of year elapsed. To Details. Excludes committed costs)		Financial Year Ending 2025				Printed(TOMASO): 13-08-2024 9:11:02 PM		
MURWEH SHIRE COUNCIL (Budget for full year)								
		OPENING	YEAR TO DATE		CURRENT BALANCE			
		BALANCE	31 Jul 2024		BUDGET	31 Jul 2024	BUDGET	
0680-5000	Long Service Leave Payable	1,071,772.21	7,332.90	---	0	1,079,105.11	99%	1,095,363
0685-5000	Sick Leave Payable	170,725.51	20,044.42	---	0	190,769.93	92%	208,053
0690-5000	Land Rebate Holding Account	(7,000.00)	0.00	0%	0	(7,000.00)	100%	(7,000)
0697-5000	Salary Sacrifice Deduct - Before Tax	335,449.54	9,407.67	---	0	344,857.21	135%	256,296
0698-5000	Salary Sacrifice Deduct - After Tax	(345,695.43)	1,984.67	---	0	(343,710.76)	132%	(259,997)
0699-5000	Suspense Account: General Account	153,505.73	(165,738.15)	---	0	(12,232.42)	-19%	64,584
0600-0001 CURRENT LIABILITIES TOTAL		7,027,217.25	(1,023,247.94)	-485%	211,000	6,003,969.31	78%	7,716,792
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		7,027,217.25	(1,023,247.94)	-485%	211,000	6,003,969.31	78%	7,716,792
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		=====						
0700-0001 NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES								
0700-6000	Non-Current Long Service Leave	174,469.53	0.00	0%	0	174,469.53	100%	174,470
0701-6000	Finance Lease - Non current	0.00	0.00	0%	0	0.00	0%	0
0740-6000	Office Extension Non-Current Loan	0.00	0.00	0%	0	0.00	0%	0
0745-6000	Cosmos Centre Non-Current Loan	0.00	0.00	0%	0	0.00	0%	0
0750-6000	Medical Centre Non-Current Loan	0.00	0.00	0%	0	0.00	0%	0
0760-6000	Morven Rail Non-Current Loan	759,764.39	0.00	0%	0	759,764.39	92%	821,458
0765-6000	Plant Replacement Non-Current Loan	0.00	0.00	0%	0	0.00	0%	0
0766-6000	Plant Replacement No 2 Non-Current	0.00	0.00	0%	0	0.00	0%	0
0770-6000	Residential Develop Non-Current Loan	901,513.45	0.00	0%	0	901,513.45	95%	953,025
0771-6000	Flood Mitigation Non-Current Loan	929,156.30	0.00	0%	0	929,156.30	95%	976,746
0772-6000	Airport Upgrade Non-Current Loan	622,235.56	0.00	0%	0	622,235.56	93%	669,104
0780-6000	Landfill Restoration Provision	2,788,439.19	0.00	0%	0	2,788,439.19	100%	2,788,439
0700-0001 NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES TOTAL		6,175,578.42	0.00	0%	0	6,175,578.42	97%	6,383,242
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		6,175,578.42	0.00	0%	0	6,175,578.42	97%	6,383,242
TOTAL LIABILITIES		13,202,795.67	(1,023,247.94)	-485%	211,000	12,179,547.73	86%	14,100,034
NETT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)		410,045,802.99	6,789,841.39	61%	11,157,030	416,835,644.38	94%	444,348,549

General Ledger2023.6.13.1		Balance Sheet				Page - 5	
(Accounts: 0100-0001-0000 to 5490-2000-0000. All report groups. 9% of year elapsed. To Details. Excludes committed costs)		Financial Year Ending 2025		Printed(TOMASO): 13-08-2024 9:11:02 PM			
MURWEH SHIRE COUNCIL (Budget for full year)							
COMMUNITY EQUITY		OPENING	YEAR TO DATE		BUDGET	CURRENT BALANCE	
=====		BALANCE	31 Jul 2024			31 Jul 2024	BUDGET
0800-0001	EQUITY						
0800-0002	SHIRE CAPITAL						
0805-7000	Retained Surplus	47,026,755.59	0.00	0%	0	47,026,755.59	100% 47,026,756
0807-7000	Retained Surplus-Cosmos	(1,275,671.18)	0.00	0%	0	(1,275,671.18)	100% (1,275,671)
0810-7000	Asset Revaluation Reserve - Roads	199,528,539.56	0.00	0%	0	199,528,539.56	100% 199,517,879
0811-7000	Asset Revaluation Reserve - W & S	25,635,764.99	0.00	0%	0	25,635,764.99	100% 25,625,035
0812-7000	Asset Reval Res - Bldgs & Structures	41,164,376.05	0.00	0%	0	41,164,376.05	112% 36,683,835
0813-7000	Asset Revaluation Reserve-Land	716,322.33	0.00	0%	0	716,322.33	100% 716,322
0815-7000	Asset Revaluation Reserve Aerodrome	12,631,866.21	0.00	0%	0	12,631,866.21	100% 12,631,866
0816-7000	Asset Revaluation Reserve - Plant	0.00	0.00	0%	0	0.00	0% 0
0820-7000	Current Surplus / Deficit	0.00	6,789,841.39	176%	3,864,963	6,789,841.39	176% 3,864,963
0825-7000	Year End Surplus/Deficit	84,617,849.44	0.00	0%	0	84,617,849.44	81% 104,998,180
0800-0002	SHIRE CAPITAL TOTAL	410,045,802.99	6,789,841.39	176%	3,864,963	416,835,644.38	97% 429,789,165
0830-0002	RESERVES						
0800-0001	EQUITY TOTAL	410,045,802.99	6,789,841.39	176%	3,864,963	416,835,644.38	97% 429,789,165
	TOTAL COMMUNITY EQUITY	410,045,802.99	6,789,841.39	176%	3,864,963	416,835,644.38	97% 429,789,165

Murweh Shire Council Statement of Comprehensive Income

	Jul 24 Actual \$000	Jun-25 Budget \$000
Revenue		
Operating revenue		
Net rates, levies and charges	-	7,926
Fees and charges	360	3,368
Interest received	50	465
Sales revenue	354	3,614
Other income	31	67
Grants, subsidies, contributions and donations	8,606	22,767
Total operating revenue	9,401	38,207
Capital revenue		
Grants, subsidies, contributions and donations	-	6,515
Total revenue	9,401	44,722
Capital income		
Total Capital Income	-	106
Total income	9,400	44,828
Expenses		
Operating expenses		
Employee benefits	961	9,880
Materials and services	1,023	23,507
Finance costs	4	102
Depreciation and amortisation	623	7,474
Total operating expenses	2,611	40,963
Net result	6,789	3,865

Murweh Shire Council Statement of Financial Position

	Jul 24 Actual	Jun-25 Budget
	\$000	\$000
Assets		
Current assets		
Externally restricted component	2,707	2,077
Unrestricted component	7,953	1,401
Cash and cash equivalents	10,660	3,478
Trade and other receivables	1,425	1,643
Inventories	890	854
Contract Assets	1,424	2,353
Other current assets	-	253
Total current assets	14,399	8,581
Non-current assets		
Property, plant & equipment	414,616	433,058
Total non-current assets	414,616	433,058
Total assets	429,015	441,639
Liabilities		
Current liabilities		
Trade and other payables	1,544	2,819
Contract Liabilities	3,171	2,670
Borrowings	210	218
Provisions	1,079	1,155
Total current liabilities	6,004	6,862
Non-current liabilities		
Borrowings	3,213	2,990
Provisions	2,963	2,903
Total non-current liabilities	6,176	5,893
Total liabilities	12,180	12,755
Net community assets	416,835	428,884
Community equity		
Asset revaluation surplus	279,677	282,325
Retained surplus	137,159	146,559
Total community equity	416,835	428,884

Murweh Shire Council Statement of Cash Flows

	Jul 24 Actual \$000	Jun-25 Budget \$000
Cash flows from operating activities		
Receipts from customers	3,111	15,423
Payments to suppliers and employees	(2,982)	(32,827)
Interest received	50	465
Non-capital grants and contributions	8,606	22,768
Borrowing costs	(4)	(105)
Other cash flows from operating activities	-	-
Net cash inflow from operating activities	8,781	5,723
Cash flows from investing activities		
Payments for property, plant and equipment	(446)	(11,368)
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment	-	106
Grants, subsidies, contributions and donations	-	6,515
Net cash inflow from investing activities	(447)	(4,747)
Cash flows from financing activities		
Repayment of borrowings	-	(211)
Net cash inflow from financing activities	-	(211)
Total cash flows		
Net increase in cash and cash equivalent held	8,334	765
Opening cash and cash equivalents	2,325	2,713
Closing cash and cash equivalents	10,659	3,478

11.2 OPERATIONAL PLAN 2023-2024 QUARTER FOUR REPORT

Author: Accountant

Authoriser: CEO

RECOMMENDATION

That Council as per section 174 (3) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, receives the fourth quarter review outcomes of the Operational Plan 2023-2024.

BACKGROUND

As per Legislation Section 104 (7) of the Local Government Act, LG Reg.2012 Div 4, S174 Council must adopt an Operational Plan Annually and this plan is to be reviewed at least every 3 months (quarterly).

LG Act 2009**S 104 Financial management systems**

(5) The system of financial management established by a local government must include—

(a) (v) an annual operational plan; and

(b) (iv) a report on the results of an annual review of the implementation of the annual operational plan

(7) A local government must carry a review of the implementation of the annual operational plan annually

LG Regulation 2012**S 174 Preparation and adoption of annual operational plan**

(1) A local government must prepare and adopt an annual operational plan for each financial year.

(2) The local government may, but need not, adopt the annual operation plan for a financial year at the same time the local government adopts its budget for the financial year.

(3) The chief executive officer must present a written assessment of the local government's progress towards implementing the annual operational plan at meetings of the local government held at regular intervals of not more than 3 months.

Discussion

The Murweh Shire Council Operational Plan 2023 – 24 is aligned to the Murweh Shire Council Corporate Plan 2022 – 2027. The last four quarters of the Operational Plan 2023-24 have been reviewed. The review encompasses the delivery of identified projects, tasks and services. The review does not include the delivery of the budget or estimated cost.

Full details are found in the Operational Plan 23-24 attachment.

Consultation:

The following staff have been consulted during the update of the Operational Plan and reporting.

- Chief Executive Officer
- Director of Engineering
- Director of Corporate Services
- Director of Community and Health
- Director of Economic Development
- Manager, Regulatory Services
- Finance Consultant

Financial Risks: Nil.

Environment Risks: Nil

Social Risks: Nil

LINK TO CORPORATE PLAN

- 1.3.1 Council has in place operational systems and capacity to deliver strategic priorities and core operations.

ATTACHMENTS

1. **Operational Plan 23-24 Quarter Four** [↓](#)

MURWEH SHIRE COUNCIL

OPERATIONAL PLAN 2023-24

PRIORITY	CORPORATE PLAN GOALS	CORPORATE PLAN STRATEGIES	AREA	DIRECTORATE	DELIVERY ACTIONS	PERFORMANCE MEASURES	IMPACT	Q4 UPDATE & OUTPUTS	
1. LEADERSHIP & GOVERNANCE	1.1. STRATEGIC FRAMEWORKS	1.1.1. Council has in place strategic decision-making frameworks to identify, prioritise, and meet current and future needs.	Community engagement	CEO	Targeted community consultation sessions.	Sessions held in Morven (2) and Augathella (2).	Increased community engagement and participation rates.	Council has engaged the services of a local media and communications person. This will provide better and more up-to-date communications and information to the community. Council has held a community meeting in Augathella.	
					1.2. COMMUNICATION	1.2.1. Council has in place effective whole of community communication and engagement strategies.	Foster relationships within council and with the community to manage expectations that are appropriate, realistic, and	Corporate Comms	CRS
	Corporate Comms	CRS	Bi-monthly Council newsletter for community distribution.	6 x touchpoint reporting and communication to community.	Increased community awareness.	Newsletter distributed as planned.			
	Corporate Comms	CEO	Shire promotion and community updates via social media and Mayor weekly updates.	2 x weekly media touchpoints to community.	Increased community awareness.	With a local media person, Council is exploring ways in which it can get its messaging out to the community on differing			
	1.3. SYSTEMS AND CAPACITY	1.3.1. Council has in place operational systems and capacity to deliver strategic priorities and core operations.	Governance and corporate planning processes and management address responsibilities, risks, and security, and optimise opportunities.	Revenue	CRS	Rates, charges, subsidies, grants, fees, donations and contributions collected and received within statutory obligations.	Rates issued on time, February & August. Rate arrears managed to below 10% of total rating revenue.	Improved cashflow. Full Compliance.	Second half yearly rates and cahrges 23-24 were issued in March 2024
				Finance	CRS	Administration of the revenue and debt policies to achieve budget forecasts and minimise borrowing costs, debt collection and bank charges.	Quarterly budget review undertaken. Budget forecasts in line with projection.	Improved financial position.	Second budget review presented and adopted May 2024 council meeting
	Work in Progress Update			Current Loans Repayment				Fourth quarter loan repayment paid	
	Finance	CRS	10 year Financial Sustainability Report reviewed annually.	10 Year Financial Report reviewed.	Improved financial sustainability.	Second budget review presented and adopted May 2024 council meeting			
	Finance	CRS	Administrative overheads recovered and distributed over operations through oncost rates applied to job costing system.	100% administration overhead cost recovery.	Improved financial position.	Second budget review presented and adopted May 2024 council meeting			
	Finance	CEO	New financial system adopted and maintained. Staff training conducted. Contract: delivery with IT Vision.	Operational competency achieved.	Improved accountability and operational	Project not going ahead. Move to expense 30 June 2024			
Work in Progress Update			IT/Finance and Records System				Project not going ahead. Move to expense 30 June 2024		
Work in Progress Update			Computer hardware annual renewals				On going replacement as required		

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PRIORITY	CORPORATE PLAN GOALS	CORPORATE PLAN STRATEGIES	AREA	DIRECTORATE	DELIVERY ACTIONS	PERFORMANCE MEASURES	IMPACT	Q4 UPDATE & OUTPUTS		
			Audit	CRS	Internal audit functions provided for.	Internal Audit function and findings within Council direction.	Full Compliance.	Creditors review finalised in June 2024. Internal Audit Plan 24-25 signed off - Council and Crowe Horwath.		
			Audit	CRS	External audit completed.	QAO audit completed within statutory timeframe.	Full Compliance.	Audited FS 22-23 completed and signed 23 October 2023. Unqualified audit issued.		
			Training	Councillors	Councillor training and skills development.	100% participation in training.	Improved Councillor governance skills.	Training undertaken		
			Customer Service	CRS	Customer service standards maintained and processes followed for customer complaints.	Customer complaints attended to within the allocated time. Results reported back to complainant.	Improved customer service standards.	On Going. Meetings commenced with Snap Send Solve on improving workflows for task requests		
			Customer Service	CEO	Customer service obligations and requirement standards achieved. Staff training implemented according to the training needs analysis.	Employee online induction completed prior commencement which includes Council's customer service standard	Improved customer service standards. 90% employee induction completed	Council ELT is continuing to refine its customer management processes. Council is considering a new records management system to better manage complaints and requests.		
			Administration	CHS	Increased connectivity to improve administrative functions in Augathella and Morven.	Connectivity in satellite offices.	Improved customer service standards.	Regional connectivity and WIFI installation completed.		
			Work in Progress Update			Upgrade Council's Public Records Storage				Internal lining complete. Shelving installed, drainage and electrical fitout complete.
			Risk Management	CRS	Enterprise Risk Management System is maintained, and Risk Register is reviewed annually.	Risk Register is reviewed and actioned.	Improved risk management.	Included in the internal audit plan 2024-25		
			WHS	CRS	WH&S System is maintained, and annual audit undertaken.	Greater than 70% audit outcome. Demonstration of continuous improvement.	Risk management. No major incidents.	Initial rollout of Safety Champion planned for completion in July 24.		
			<p>▶ To demonstrate compliance to all concerned parties</p> <p>▶ Attract, retain, and empower a capable, skilled, and fully complemented workforce.</p>	Quality Assurance	ES	Accredited Roadworks Quality Assurance System (QRAS) maintained, and audited annually.	Successful RQA System annual audit. Third Party Accreditation with	Revenue opportunities.	Proposing Murweh Shire Council abandon ISO9001 accreditation.	
Staff	CEO	Enterprise Bargaining Agreement in place and implemented.		Agreement ratified. Staff are aware of the new agreement and requirements.	Staff retention. Workforce morale. Financial certainty for Council.	Certified agreement operative date: 29 September 2022 – Nominal expiry date: 29 September 2025				
Staff	CRS	Human Resource provisions are adequately resourced and staff are well trained and informed.		Management provided timely and appropriate advice on staff matters.	Staff retention. Service Standards achieved.	On going provision of HR services across directorates				
Staff	ALL	Retain appropriately qualified and skilled staff to deliver services across all teams.		Staffing levels are maintained. Vacancies are filled.	Fully complemented workforce.	On going				

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PRIORITY	CORPORATE PLAN GOALS	CORPORATE PLAN STRATEGIES	AREA	DIRECTOR RATE	DELIVERY ACTIONS	PERFORMANCE MEASURES	IMPACT	Q4 UPDATE & OUTPUTS		
CORE SERVICES			Staff	ALL	Staff training framework is maintained and implemented.	Staff appropriately trained.	Staff capability and skills.	Staff training is maintained and implemented.		
			Staff	CRS	Employment satisfaction survey undertaken once per annum, and strategies to improve outcomes identified and implemented.	2 x surveys conducted. Increased satisfaction levels from prior surveys.	Staff retention. Staff empowered.	Survey completed		
			Staff	CRS	Provide and maintain housing for senior staff.	Leasing arrangements with private real estate agents in place for all senior staff.	100% senior staff positions filled.	Current leases maintained for senior staff housing		
			Work in Progress Update		Executive housing					Contract signed to purchase 1 house and land in June 2024
			▶ Council facilities, assets, plant and resourcing meet operational requirements.	Assets	ES	Asset Management System is maintained and Asset Management Plans implemented for all assets.	Asset maintenance activities delivered to budget and schedule. AMPs reviewed annually.	100% compliant assets. Reduced long-term maintenance	Update of AMP is currently work in progress	
			Work in Progress Update		Plant Purchase					88% complete
				Plant	ES	Construction plant is adequately resourced and maintained to meet requirements.	Reduced downtime and increased plant availability.	Plant availability and hire income maximised.	Budget adopted July 2023	
				Contract Works	ES	Contract civil works for other agencies and funding programs.	Programs are resourced and delivered within contract schedule, timeframe.	Increased revenue. Maximise use of	RMPC continuing 23-24. REEF Widening contract CN-18506 has reached financial completion.	
				Stores	CRS	Stock control and procurement management standards maintained	Stocktake and operations meet external audit compliance.	Full Compliance.	First Budget Review 23/24 - see project below	
			Work in Progress Update		Depot Fuel Tank Purchase					Quotes received, placed during May 24
2.1. DISASTERS	2.1.1. No loss of life or property, critical infrastructure is protected, and economic impacts are minimised from natural disasters.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Disaster risk planning, reduction and preparedness with partner agencies and community. ▶ Mitigation works, disaster response and recovery. 	Disaster	CEO	MSC Disaster Management Plan is reviewed annually and implemented.	QFES Emergency Management Officer undertaken review.	Risk management.	LDMG Meeting and review of the High Risk Weather Season held in May and the Charleville DDMG Meeting held in June.		
			Emergency	CEO	SES is adequately funded and resourced, training needs analysis undertaken, and training is conducted by the local controller.	Training delivered where identified.	SES teams are prepared and in state of readiness.	Council has been engaged with the SES Local Controller and staff, and continues to be supportive of SES operations and resourcing.		
			Work in Progress Update		SES Shed					New SES Shed completed. Funding received
			Disaster	ES	Flood mitigation maintenance of river channels in/around Charleville and Cool Burning Program.	Fire and flood preparedness and risk mitigation		Budget 23-24, on going ops and mtce conducted. Flood levee remediation works completed		

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PRIORITY	CORPORATE PLAN GOALS	CORPORATE PLAN STRATEGIES	AREA	DIRECTORATE	DELIVERY ACTIONS	PERFORMANCE MEASURES	IMPACT	Q4 UPDATE & OUTPUTS
2. COF	2.2.1. Stock routes are well maintained for stock movement and regulated use.	► Stock route planning, coordination, and implementation with stakeholders.						
	2.2.2. Town reserves and public lands are well maintained for community access and recreational use.	► Improvement and maintenance activities.	Rural Lands	CRS	Stock route facilities maintained, review water facility options in collaboration with adjacent landholders.	User satisfaction and compliance.	Full Compliance.	Draft water agreements complete - to be reviewed by Dept Resources.
	2.2.3. All public lands are actively managed to support riverine and ecosystem health and landscape connectivity.	► Advocacy to resource increasing responsibilities.	Rural Lands	CRS	Continue solar panel upgrade in line with Council three year forward plan, funded through Dept. Resources capital funding scheme	Stock routes and water facilities conditions met. Continue with 3-5 year rolling program.	Reduced maintenance costs.	Update three year rolling capital works plan complete. Awaiting review by Dept Resources for next years capital works preliminary approval.
			Town Reserves	CRS	Town Reserves and riverine areas maintained to reduce known hazards. Continue cool burning program.	Maintenance schedule implemented.	Hazard and safety impacts minimised.	Cool burn maps have been presented to Qld Fire Services - consulted with Environmental Officer and Stock Route Officers regarding possible burning of identified areas.
		► Resource the implementation of priority actions and responsibilities in the Biosecurity Plan.	Biosecurity	CRS	Active management of pest animals in the shire, conduct coordinated baiting campaigns April/May and October/November.	Increase landholder participation Trained staff to administer 10-80 poison.	Minimise impact of pests. Improve sustainable Agriculture.	Two stock route officers completed training so as they can administer Fluroacetate (1080) solution. Adhoc baiting has continued - information notifying landholders of adhoc baiting capabilities in August edition of the
			Biosecurity	CRS	Pursue funding and resourcing opportunities in collaboration with key stakeholders to fulfill biosecurity obligations	Increased funding investments.	Improved implementation. Cost recovery.	Limited funding resources in last quarter.
2.4. ROADS	2.4.1. Road and street infrastructure investment is strategic and effective to accomplish maintenance priorities and development opportunities.	► Asset management plan for priority and strategic maintenance and developments. ► Policy direction for resource cost share investment for private benefit infrastructure.	Civil Infrastructure	ES	Road and street infrastructure maintenance works carried out according to the works program schedule.	Maintenance standards achieved. Schedule of works communicated to public.	Improved safety. Cost efficiencies.	Budget 23-24, on going ops and mtce undertaken
			Civil Infrastructure	ES	Road and street infrastructure improvement works carried out according to the works program schedule.	Improved networks standards achieved. Schedule of works communicated to public.	Improved standards. Improved safety.	Budget 23-24, on going ops and mtce undertaken
Work in Progress Update			Walking the Grant Project			Charleville plan complete. Augathella under development.		

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PRIORITY	CORPORATE PLAN GOALS	CORPORATE PLAN STRATEGIES	AREA	DIRECTORATE	DELIVERY ACTIONS	PERFORMANCE MEASURES	IMPACT	Q4 UPDATE & OUTPUTS
			Civil Infrastructure	ES	Rural Roads upgrade works conducted.	Schedule of works completed.	Improved standards. Improved safety.	Budget adopted July 2023. Project below
		<i>Work in Progress Update</i>	Mt Tabor Road					Works completed
		<i>Work in Progress Update</i>	Old Tambo Road - Augathella					Complete but over budget due to significant pavement damage from ACC carting while road closed.
			Civil Infrastructure	ES	Town Streets upgrades and reseal works conducted.	Schedule of works completed.	Improved standards.	Budget adopted July 2023. Projects below
			Civil Infrastructure	ES	Bridge structures inspected and assessed on annual basis and event based as required.	Inspection schedule implemented.	Improved standards.	Comprehensive valuation completed 30 June 2023
			Civil Infrastructure	ES	Culverts and Floodways upgrade works conducted.	Schedule of works completed.	Improved standards.	Budget adopted July 2023. Project below
		<i>Work in Progress Update</i>	Charleville Alfred Street					Project carried over to 24-25
		<i>Work in Progress Update</i>	Charleville Edward Street (1)					Project carried over to 24-25
		<i>Work in Progress Update</i>	Charleville Edward street (2)					Project carried over to 24-25
		<i>Work in Progress Update</i>	Augathella stormwater drainage- Main Street					Project carried over to 24-25
		<i>Work in Progress Update</i>	Charleville Hood Street					Project carried over to 24-25
		<i>Work in Progress Update</i>	Box culvert BOM to RFDS					Project carried over to 24-25
			Civil Infrastructure	ES	Kerb and Channel upgrade works conducted.	Schedule of works completed.	Improved standards. Improved safety.	Budget adopted July 2023. Project below
		<i>Work in Progress Update</i>	Kerb and Channel annual renewals					25% complete, annual allocation
			Civil Infrastructure	ES	Footpaths works conducted.	Schedule of works completed.	Improved standards.	Budget adopted July 2023. Project below
		<i>Work in Progress Update</i>	Footpath renewals					
			Civil Infrastructure	ES	Levee Bank inspections and annual maintenance works conducted.	Inspection and maintenance schedule implemented.	Improved standards.	Budget adopted July 2023. Projects below
		<i>Work in Progress Update</i>	Flood Levee Renewal					100% complete
		<i>Work in Progress Update</i>	Flood Levee Remediation Works					100% complete

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			Civil Infrastructure	ES	New Charleville Weighbridge for public access.	Works completed on time and budget. Increased utilisation.	Support local business and industry.	Project started, update below
		Work in Progress Update	Charleville Weighbridge					All concrete works complete. Waiting for Ergon hookup to commission. Require funding to finish project with sealing, delineation, signage and licensing.
			Policy	CEO	Prepare policy relating to resource cost share investment for private benefit infrastructure.	Private contribution to infrastructure costs.	Cost share equality.	Not started
	2.5.2. All recoverable resources are diverted from landfill.	► Waste transfer centre.	Recycling	EDT	Continue resource recovery options in collaboration with community.	Resource recovery rates increased.	Environmental Health.	Continued representation on South West Region Waste Management forum. Council leading study on an Intermodal rail hub, to include waste as a commodity to be transported.
		Work in Progress Update	Landfill remediation works					Project Completed
	2.5.3. Community is encouraged and supported to reduce waste, reuse, and recycle.	► Community recycling collection facilities.	Waste	CRS	Implement and monitor landfill operation and maintenance in accordance with agreement.	Contractor monthly reports submitted to Council on time. Compliant landfill operations in line with environmental licence.	Improved waste management facility condition.	Design complete for an internal transfer station - limited budget to implement at this time. Continual upgrade of the landfill site and internal roads, together with signage. Office building has been relocated closer to the entrance of the facility for ease of visitor access.
			Waste	CRS	Landfill operation and maintenance.	Monthly inspections and reporting of contractor compliance and performance.	Improved waste management facility condition.	Augathella refuse site is stock proof, with a new grid installed at the entrance. Morven refuse site pushed and covered to eliminate bird hazard.
		► Education and communication of waste reduction strategies and recycling services, and illegal dumping and compliance.	Waste	CRS	Education and communication to the community about the Charleville waste facility upgrades, and recycling programs in the Bi-monthly newsletter and social media.	Improved compliance and reduction of illegal dumping.	Environmental Health. Health and safety.	No further communication provided to the community in this quarter.
2.6. WATER AND SANITATION	2.6.1. Water supply and storages are managed to achieve the highest standard of quality, efficiency, delivery, and sustainability.	► Leverage resources for the upgrade of Augathella and Charleville sewerage treatment facilities.	Water	ES	Storage and supply of urban water maintained, monitoring and inspection schedule conducted of reservoirs, mains and services, and repaired and replaced where required.	Annual reporting of all water KPIs as required by various state and federal agencies is published on Council's website.	Full Compliance. Health and safety.	Condition assesment completed for Bores #1, #2 & #3, water meter replacements and mains replaced where required
		Work in Progress Update	UV Cleaning system					New main installed UV unit in Charleville Kit shed procured MSC builders to erect shed start of august PO raised with UV installer Delivery on track for 30/09/24

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	2.6.2. Sewerage treatment and water re-use supply are managed to achieve the highest standard of quality, efficiency, and delivery for human and environmental health.	▶ Asset management and service delivery excellence.	Water	ES	Upgrade water mains in Morven, Charleville and Augathella	Services maintained to standard.	Health and safety.	Budget 2023-24, projects listed below	
			<i>Work in Progress Update</i>		<i>Water renewals - Charleville</i>				<i>71% complete, annual allocation</i>
			<i>Work in Progress Update</i>		<i>Water renewals - Morven</i>				<i>13% complete, annual allocation</i>
			<i>Work in Progress Update</i>		<i>Water renewals - Augathella</i>				<i>14% complete, annual allocation</i>
	2.6.3. Public access to potable water and sanitation.	▶ Communicate availability of water access points for travellers.	Water	CHS	Water supply monitoring schedule conducted with testing and treatment levels maintained across major towns. Option for replacement of Charleville inground reservoir critical.	Water quality maintained. DEWS requirements met. Rail Hub bore installed and commissioned.	Full compliance.	Concrete slab completed. UV installation scheduled for 24th August 2024.	
			Sewerage	CHS	Sewerage treatment plant and ponds operating to standard, monitoring and testing schedule conducted and action plan implemented.	EPA licence mitigation actions met in consultation with DES.	Full Compliance.	Premise' selected as designer/constructor of Charleville STP and Augathella CED. Will have interim solution design completed by 23rd August 2024	
			<i>Work in Progress Update</i>		<i>Sewerage Annual Budget - Charleville</i>				<i>On going renewal</i>
			<i>Work in Progress Update</i>		<i>Sewerage Annual Budget - Augathella</i>				<i>On going renewal</i>
			Sewerage	ES	Sewerage reticulation operating efficiently, monitoring and inspection schedule conducted of pump stations, mains and services, and repaired and replaced where required.	Annual reporting of all sewerage KPIs as required by various state and federal agencies is published on Council's website.	Full Compliance.	Budget 23-24, on going ops and mtce conducted.	
			Sewerage	ES	Upgrade pump stations and mains as per Asset Management Plan.			Budget 23-24. See projects listed below	
<i>Work in Progress Update</i>		<i>CED Scheme Design - Augathella</i>				<i>Project managers, have currently working with successful tenderer on design and construction. Funding variation request submitted for time extension.</i>			
<i>Work in Progress Update</i>		<i>CED Scheme - Augathella</i>				<i>Project managers, have currently working with successful tenderer on design and construction. Funding variation request submitted for time extension.</i>			
<i>Work in Progress Update</i>		<i>Sewerage Treatment Plant Upgrade - Charleville</i>				<i>Project managers, have currently working with successful tenderer on design and construction. Funding variation request submitted for time extension.</i>			

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3.1. HEALTH AND WELLBEING	3.1.1. Health and wellbeing services and facilities meet community needs and expectations.	<p>▶ Continue support for critical health services and advocate to meet current gaps in our communities.</p> <p>▶ Well maintained facilities, services, and experiences offered, that enhance the sports, recreation, arts, and cultural profile</p>	Environmental Health	CRS	Conduct annual inspections of licensed premises to ensure compliance with Food Safety legislation.	25 Annual food licensing inspections.	All premises compliant.	Adhoc inspections of registered food business undertaken, in change over process and to provide up to date information to new owners/managers. Annual inspections completed in September/October prior to issue of license.		
			Animal Control	CRS	Ensure keeping of animals in the town area is in accordance with MSC Local Laws.	Town Ranger service and pound 365 days. Authorised inspection program delivered. 20% increase registration compliance.	Less dog attacks. Reduced community complaints.	Urban allotment inspections continues within each community. Six letters have been sent to land owners, with one being actioned by Council. Six staff completed snake handling and transport training - procedure needs to be completed for Council to continue this practice.		
			Health	CHS	Resource and staff immunisation clinics for childhood and other vaccination programs.	14 clinics.	100% childhood immunisation.	Council no longer providing immunisation clinics. Responsibility has reverted to Queensland Health.		
			Facilities	CRS	Aged care units are maintained and operated to a high standard of safety and reflect community expectations.	Maintenance schedule implemented. Compliant and safe facilities.	Standards maintained. Compliance.	Ongoing maintenance occurs as client advises Council, or when a change in resident for the unit.		
			Libraries	CHS	Maintain service levels and resource libraries in Augathella, Charleville and Morven, and implement initiatives where applicable.	Staff levels and opening times maintained. First 5 program delivered.	Increased library use. Increased education under 5	Storywalks installed at Charleville and Augathella. Morven to be installed once Department of Main Roads have completed works on Warrego highway through Morven.		
			Work in Progress Update			Refurbish Shire Libraries			Project Completed	
			Arts & Culture	CHS	Arts and culture projects are developed and completed, with two rounds advertised, assessed and delivered in accordance with funding guidelines and Council policy.	2 funding rounds of RADF projects.	Contribute to arts and culture profile.	100% complete		
			Arts & Culture	CHS	Operate the Art Gallery in Charleville, with the Charleville Art Gallery Committee, to coordinate exhibitions and displays.	Operating as per MOU.	Contribute to arts and culture profile.	WOW exhibition in place. Queensland Regional Art Awards finalists exhibition arriving September 2024		
			Arts & Culture	CHS	Public Art concepts are considered when presented to Council.	Public art projects supported.	Contribute to arts and culture profile.	Support remains ongoing.		
			Community	CHS	Community Assistance is offered to community organisations for sponsorship and fee waivers.	Support provided as per policy.	Community assistance support.	Moving to to two community Assistance rounds of funding. Once allocated funds exhausted for financial year, that's it. No guarantee that requests for Council assistance will be entertained between rounds.		

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			Community	CHS	In partnership with Progress Associations, promote, assess applications and distribute funds collected from Donation Boxes to worthy causes in line with Council policy.	Support provided as per policy.	Community assistance support.	On going	
			Parks & Gardens	ES	Maintain and enhance all parks for continued public use and enjoyment.	Maintenance schedule implemented.	Increased utilisation.	Budget 23-24, on going ops and mtce of parks	
			Work in Progress Update					Amenities at Alfred St	100% complete
			Parks & Gardens	ES	Graham Andrews Park new toilet block.	Works completed on time and budget.	Increased utilisation.	Completed 22-23	
			Facilities	ES	Maintain and enhance sporting facilities and showgrounds to a safe standard for continued public use and enjoyment.	Maintenance schedule implemented.	Increased utilisation.	Budget 23-24, on going ops and mtce.	
			Facilities	ES	Upgrade Racecourse in conjunction with Queensland Racing to improve facilities.	Works completed on time and budget.	Standards maintained. Increased utilisation.	Budget 23-24, see project below	
			Work in Progress Update					Refurbish existing racecourse complex building	60 % Complete
			Work in Progress Update					Charleville Showgrounds – Full Canteen Upgrade	Project carried over to 24-25
			Work in Progress Update					Charleville Racecourse Upgrades	Project carried over to 24-25
			Facilities	CHS	Maintain and enhance the pool condition and operation to a high level of health and safety and reflect community expectations. Pool filters in urgent need of replacement.	Testing undertaken and compliant. Staffing levels meet requirements.	Safety. Standards maintained. Increased	New filters have arrived and installation scheduled for 12th August 2024.	
			Work in Progress Update					Installation of shade facilities at Charleville Swimming Pool	Construction completed late June.
			Work in Progress Update					Charleville Swimming Pool Filters	Still awaiting delivery of filters
			Facilities	CHS	Upgrade Swimming Pool infrastructure, including replacement/upgrade of the Toddler Pool.	Works completed on time and budget.	Increased utilisation.	Budget 23-24, see project below	
			Work in Progress Update					Upgrade existing Toddler Pool at Charleville Swimming Pool	Funding moved to another project

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		<i>Work in Progress Update</i>	CH - Toddler Pool Installation					<i>Funding moved to another project</i>
			Facilities	CRS	Public halls, cultural centre and medical practitioner facilities maintained, in conjunction with Augathella and Morven Progress Associations.	Works completed on time and budget.	Increased utilisation.	Ongoing
		<i>Work in Progress Update</i>	Charleville Town Hall - Replace Glass Door					<i>Project not going ahead.</i>
		<i>Work in Progress Update</i>	Charleville Town Hall - Installation of gates and fence					<i>Project completed</i>
			Facilities	CRS	Community housing are maintained and upgraded to an acceptable standard.	Works completed on time and budget.	Standards maintained.	Budget 23-24, see project below
		<i>Work in Progress Update</i>	Council housing renewals					<i>Funding moved to another project</i>
			Facilities	ES	Cemeteries maintained and enhanced to a high standard and reflect community expectations.	Facilities meet community expectations.	Standards maintained.	On going ops and mtce. Budget 23-24, see projects below
		<i>Work in Progress Update</i>	Columbarium - three towns					<i>100% complete</i>
			Facilities	ES	Charleville Lawn cemetery beams upgrade.	Works completed on time and budget. Facilities meet community	Improved services.	Budget 23-24, see project below
		<i>Work in Progress Update</i>	Upgrade existing Charleville Cemetery					<i>100% complete</i>
3.2. SOCIAL PROTECTION	3.2.1. Safety and protection strategies meet community needs and expectations.	▶ Collaborate with stakeholders to deliver community safety and	Planning	EDT	Installation of street lighting and cameras for public safety.	Works completed on time and budget.	Improved public safety.	Budget 23-24, see project below
		<i>Work in Progress Update</i>	Install CCTV cameras at selected Council facilities					<i>Completed, currently in discussion with external parties on the use of data.</i>
3.3. EDUCATION	3.3.1. The education needs of the community are represented and pursued.	▶ Collaborate with education and training stakeholders to advocate for further education pathways and options locally.	Staff	CRS	Appointment of apprentices, trainees and school-based traineeships	Funding secured and appointment of trainees and apprentices	Employment opportunities	Traineeship and apprentices appointments continuing

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pursue representation and advocacy opportunities that support childcare, pre-school, student retention, school completion, special needs support, training, apprenticeships, and 	Planning	EDT	Advocate and collaborate to secure further education and training pathways locally	Training facilitated and delivered locally	Employment and training opportunities	Traineeship and apprentices appointments continuing		
3.4. CONNECTION TO COUNTRY	3.4.1. Preservation and recognition of the traditions and cultures of Aboriginal people and their ongoing custodianship of country.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Connection to country, interests, and rights of traditional owners are recognised, and support Aboriginal people to benefit 	Community	CHS	Community liaison with Traditional Owners to support a collaborative, inclusive and respectful relationship. Progress Reconciliation Action Plan.	Effective engagement with Traditional Owners.	Improved relationships.	None for the quarter		
			Land Tenure	CRS	Negotiate Land Tenure relating to Native Title Freehold, protecting Council interests and land management outcomes with respects to cultural heritage.	Resolution of land tenure matters.		None for the Quarter.		
4.1. GROWTH	4.1.1. Encourage and facilitate targeted population retention and growth, underpinned by liveability and employment opportunities.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pursue regional strategies that address affordable and accessible housing. Ensure sufficient and appropriate land availability for residential and industrial developments. 								
			Land Tenure	CEO	Industrial and residential land is developed (as per industrial land below).	Sale and disposal of Industrial Land.	Provide for housing development.	Budget 23-24, see projects below. Council is now in a position to seek external funding for the development of Aurora Estate and prepare the Bollon Rd Industrial land for sale.		
			<i>Work in Progress Update</i>		<i>Augathella Industrial land acquisition</i>					<i>Survey complete and plan submitted to Solicitor for finalisation.</i>
			<i>Work in Progress Update</i>		<i>Morven Industrial land</i>					<i>Land purchased paid, awaiting final ownership documentation</i>
			<i>Work in Progress Update</i>		<i>Augathella Truck Wash Upgrade</i>					<i>Project not going ahead, funding moved to another project</i>
4.2. INDUSTRY	4.2.1. Facilitate certainty and security, underpinned by industry diversity, resilience, and capability.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proactively overcome identified barriers to encourage industry diversification, innovation, and investment. Town planning is proactive and development friendly. 	Planning	CRS	Planning and building certification services maintained, and development approvals in accordance with regulatory frameworks.	SPA compliance	Non compliance issues minimised.	On going provision of certification services. Monthly site visits		
			Planning	CRS	Regular compliance inspections conducted, and building approvals in accordance with regulatory frameworks.	Building and ancillary construction compliance maintained.	Non compliance issues minimised.	Ongoing provision of building inspection. Monthly site visits - increase if inspections are required for building work.		

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4.E		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Empower local leadership of business development and growth. ▶ Establish a value proposition that positions Murweh as a preferred place to do business. 	Economic	EDT	In partnership with DSDTI and SWQROC pursue Economic Development Strategies for Murweh Shire that respond to economic drivers and opportunities and guides development.	SW Economic Development Strategy. Local strategies identified and pursued.	Economic growth.	Shire visits from Australian trade and Investment Department. Ongoing links with SWQROC . Ongoing scoping of new economic drivers.
			Economic	EDT	Economic Development Officer pursues economic development opportunities, grants and private investment, and support community organisation pursuits and capacity.	Increased funding and investments in the Shire. Local leadership encouraged. Increase capacity of local organisations.	Economic growth.	Successful grants include \$520,000 for new changing rooms to give community capacity to increase active participation in sport. Funding applications to roll out renewable energy projects.
			Economic	EDT	Active representation and partnerships with strategic organisations including LGAQ, South West Regional Organisation of Councils (SWROC), and Western Queensland Alliance, and links with Government Departments in relation to emerging trends, economic development outcomes and prospects and tourism.	Economic and regional development opportunities and challenges identified and pursued. Regional strategies for economic development and investment.	Economic growth.	Ongoing participation and meetings with regional bodies and peak bodies.
			Economic	EDT	Promote campaigns to support local businesses throughout the Shire.	Buy Local campaign executed.	Support local business and industry.	On hold this quarter to complete projects and deadlines.
			Industrial Land	CEO	Industrial land is developed, available and released for sale in the three communities. Resolve land tenure matters with NRME to free up land for development.	Sale and disposal of Industrial Land. Augathella Industrial Land stage 1 completed.	Support local business and industry.	Council has applied through the Australian Government Housing Support program for funding to plan the development of Aurora Estate. The Bollon Rd Industrial land will be put for sale as soon as possible in the 2024-25 F/Y.

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		► Enhance Murweh's position as a leading tourism destination.	Tourism	CEO	Develop a Tourism Strategy that identifies key drivers and opportunities and guides strategies for tourism market development and value return to the community.	Increased financial return for investment. Increased tourism GRP.		Tourism Manager appointed and has started in the position. The development of a Tourism Strategy can now be progressed. This will require external support to complete.	
			Tourism	CEO	Proactively encourage and support other organisations to pursue tourism ventures and products.	Increased tourism GRP. Sustainability of local tourism.	Contribute to tourism profile.	Council continues to work with the OQTA, TEQ and tourism operators to improve the local and regional tourism experience.	
			Tourism	CEO	Continued support, development and promotion of the Cosmos Centre.	Services maintained to standard. Staff levels maintained to meet needs.	Increased visitors. Increased sales.	The Cosmos Centre Manager is continually exploring ways to improve the facility and content experience by attendance at conferences and engaging with astronomers from other areas.	
			Tourism	CEO	Maintain service levels and resources for Visitor Information Centres in the three communities.	Visitor Information Centre accreditation. Staff trained and levels meet needs.	Increased visitors. Increased sales.	The Cosmos Centre Manager is continually exploring ways to improve the facility and content experience by attendance at conferences and engaging with astronomers	
			Tourism	CRS	Charleville VIC renovations completed, including flooring and painting.	Capital improvement works completed.	Safety and compliance standards. Increased	Complete	
			Tourism	CEO	Operate the Bilby Centre in partnership with the Save the Bilby Fund.	Operating as per MOU.	Contribute to tourism profile.	The working relationship with Council and the Save the Bilby Fund operators continues to work well with continuing strong tourism numbers. The transfer of booking funds to the Save the Bilby Fund is working well, and an adjustment will be made at the of each F/Y.	
			Tourism	EDT	Charleville Airfield Museum is established in partnership with the Charleville Airfield Committee to oversee the build. Project: Building Better Regions Fund for build.	Capital infrastructure project completed. Operating as per lease agreement	Contribute to tourism profile.	Budget 23-24, see project below	
		Work in Progress Update	Charleville Airport Museum						100 % complete
			Tourism	EDT	Identify new tourism experiences as either a new product or the enhancement of an existing product.	MSC tourism products and experiences enhanced. New tourism products and	Contribute to tourism profile.	Ongoing.	
			Tourism	EDT	Build collaboration between MSC, industry groups, tourism operators and community groups.	Actively liaise with industry groups (OQTA, SWQROC, TEQ, Natural Sciences Loop). Host two tourism industry catch ups per year for shire operators.	Contribute to tourism profile.	Ongoing. Partnerships maintained.	

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			Tourism	EDT	RSL exhibition completed for Brisbane Line Interpretive building and WWII Interpretive display.	Capital infrastructure project completed. Operating facility.	Contribute to tourism profile.	Complete
		<i>Work in Progress Update</i>	<i>Charleville WWII Base</i>					<i>100 % complete</i>
			Tourism	CEO	Tourism Precinct continued development from the Tourism Precinct Strategy, in collaboration with Universities. Including the new Outback Museum of Australia.	Projects implemented.	Contribute to tourism profile.	Budget 23-24, see projects below. Council is providing an application to the Australian Government Regional Precinct and Partnerships Program for the next stage of the OMoA.
		<i>Work in Progress Update</i>	<i>Augathella Heritage Museum</i>					<i>100% complete</i>
		<i>Work in Progress Update</i>	<i>Outback Museum of Australia</i>					<i>Work in progress, awaiting extension approval</i>
		<i>Work in Progress Update</i>	<i>Charleville Cosmos Centre-Internal Painting</i>					<i>Project carried over to 24-25</i>
		Enhance Murweh's position as a leading tourism destination	Tourism	EDT				Budget 23-24, refer to various tourism projects
4.3. SUPPLY CHAIN AND SERVICES	4.3.1. Supply chain infrastructure and service meet current and future industry needs and community expectations.	▶ Continue to build and enhance air, rail, road capacity, connectivity, and utilisation.	Aerodromes	CRS	Maintain service levels, staffing and resourcing of aerodromes to accommodate regional passenger airlines in Charleville and sealed light aircraft aerodrome in Augathella.	All licenses, accreditations and manuals up to date. CASA accreditation maintained. Staff, safety and service levels maintained.	High service levels. Increased utilisation.	On going ops and mtce. Budget 23-24, see projects below
		<i>Work in Progress Update</i>	<i>Airport Reseals</i>					<i>100% Complete</i>
		<i>Work in Progress Update</i>	<i>Augathella Aerodrome Updated Planning</i>					<i>No further planning for the Augathella Aerodrome. Hydrology report complete, funding does not cover project work that is required.</i>
		<i>Work in Progress Update</i>	<i>Augathella Airstrip-Old Tambo road - Augathella</i>					<i>Not yet started. Project to be identified as carry over at first budget review</i>
			Aerodromes	CRS	Upgrade the main apron including hard stand for aircraft parking, seeking funding from programs that may become available.	Secure funding. Upgrade and maintenance works completed.	Safety and compliance standards.	Completed in prior year
			Aerodromes	CRS	Café in the Mulga at the Charleville Airport Terminal is achieving business goals and adequately staffed.	Café opened daily. Increased sales.	Service and utilisation of airport facilities. Financial viable business.	On going provision of café services at the airport

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		▶ Continue to build and enhance connectivity and communication networks.	Connectivity	EDT	Finalise rollout of 5 new towers and high speed internet capacity.	Works completed on time and budget.	Improved mobile and data coverage, accessibility and speeds.	Completion for Morven and Augathella communities
			Connectivity	EDT	Free visitor Wi-Fi access is available in the communities and CCTV camera coverage is extended.	Wi-Fi established in Charleville, Morven and Augathella.	Improved data accessibility.	Completed
			Connectivity	CHS	Radio and television rebroadcast facilities available in communities.	Project funding secured and project delivered.	Improved Rebroadcast accessibility.	Completed
4.4. CIRCULAR ECONOMY	4.4.1. Encourage adoption of circular economy principles and practices.	▶ Identify and communicate key opportunities to reduce waste and improve supply chain efficiencies within current industries and new developments.	Waste	CEO	Continue collaboration with other Local Governments to develop and implement waste management strategies to secure funding for capital upgrade.			Continue to work with Darling Downs and South West Waste group to implement strategies that will benefit this region. Working with this group regarding the recent guidelines released by Department of Environment & Science - challenges for south west local governments to implement requirements.
4.5. ALTERNATIVE ENERGY	4.5.1. Visionary and encouraging approach to enhance alternative energy.	▶ Encourage and attract opportunities for alternative energy generation and supply. ▶ Encourage energy efficiency and self-sufficiency.	Energy	EDT	Solar power sources connected to Council building.	Portion of energy connected to solar.	Reduced energy costs.	Awaiting funding decision
			Energy	EDT	Actively seek opportunities for alternative energy supply initiatives.	Research and development initiatives pursued.	Reduce emissions. Increase climate	On going advocacy and initiatives with SWROQ
4.6. CLIMATE	4.6.1. Encourage holistic and integrated approaches to climate	▶ Seek to understand climate change actions, opportunities, ▶ Exercise leadership and planning to influence appropriate adoption of initiatives locally.	Climate	EDT	Partner to the Climate Resilient Communities Program and pursue opportunities for climate	Research and development initiatives pursued.	Reduce emissions.	Addressing non compliancy needed for certification
			Climate	EDT	Representation and partnerships with South West Regional Organisation of Councils (SWROC), LGAQ and Western Queensland Alliance in relation to economic outcomes and prospects and tourism.	Economic and regional development opportunities and challenges identified and pursued.		Ongoing representation and workshops
4.7. LANDSCAPES	4.7.1. Embrace the unique landscape, and its ecosystems.	▶ Continue to support species recovery and protection efforts. ▶ Embrace community connection and promote environmental protection of the Shire's unique landscapes and ecosystems.	Biodiversity	CEO	Support Bilby recovery through arrangements with the Bilby Centre in partnership with the Save the Bilby Fund.	Operating as per MOU.	Contribute to biodiversity recovery.	Ongoing promotion, administration of online bookings for shows, and provision of guides for the shows
			Biodiversity	CRS	Investigate opportunities to improve Biodiversity management with participation in Biodiversity and Carbon credit trading programs.	Opportunities identified and considered.	Improved biodiversity. Leveraged resources.	Continue advocacy and lobbying, no new opportunities in this quarter.

11.3 DESKTOP VALUATION – LAND ASSETS

Author: Accountant
Authoriser: Director of Corporate Services

RECOMMENDATION

- 1) That Council note the land desktop valuation report 30 June 2024
- 2) That Council authorise management to update the asset register reflecting the desktop land valuation result effective 30 June 2024

BACKGROUND

Council is required to assess non-current assets at fair value on a regular basis.

Council engaged Shepherds services to conduct an indexation review of roads and airport infrastructure assets, buildings, and other structures.

DESKTOP VALUATION ANALYSIS AND OUTCOMES**Approach**

Council engaged Herron Todd White (HTW) to desktop valuation of land assets effective 30 June 2024.

Desktop Valuation Outcome

As shown in the below table, the land values increased by \$46K or 1.5%.

CONSULTATION

A number of stakeholders contributed to the asset valuation process as outlined below;

- Chief Executive Officer
- Director Corporate Services
- Finance

Financial Risks: Potential overstatement or understatement of depreciation expense and replacement values if non current assets fair value is not reviewed on a regular basis.

Environment Risks: Nil

Social Risks: Nil

LINK TO CORPORATE PLAN

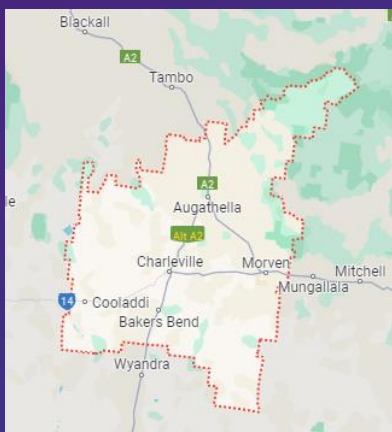
- 1.3.1 Council has in place operational systems and capacity to deliver strategic priorities and core operations.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Desktop Assessment Report [↓](#)

Restricted/Desktop Assessment Report

Land Assets



Murweh Shire Council Land Asset Assessments 2024

As at 30 June 2024
Prepared for Murweh Shire Council
Our Ref JB3950655
Client Ref 18832/1

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HOLD HARMLESS INDEMNITY

We have been requested to provide a desktop and restricted assessment of the properties.

Please note that assessments of the assets provided on a restricted/desktop basis only, fall outside the scope of the API standards. Accordingly, we would only be able to provide an assessment on this basis, subject to the inclusion of the following limitation into the reports to be delivered:

- “This restricted/desktop assessment provides an indication of the value of the subject property, based on information obtained and is not a representation as to the Market Value of the subject property/ies as defined in the Australian Property Institute Professional Practice document and the Practice Standards and Guidance Notes contained therein”.
- Murweh Shire Council should be aware that the restricted/desktop assessment methodology carries with it risks which entail a degree of likely variation greater than would be expected to be produced by a valuation that came about as a result of a physical inspection. The methodology adopted in undertaking this assessment carries with it risks.
- The risks include:
 1. The risk of inaccuracy of information contained in the restricted/desktop assessment as compared to valuations.
 2. The fact that the Valuer cannot verify the accuracy of information contained in a restricted/desktop assessment as would be provided in a valuation.
 3. The fact that restricted/desktop assessment will have significant limitations when compared to valuations, including a greater degree of variation in the resulting indicative assessment.
- Unless stated to the contrary, Herron Todd White (Darling Downs) Pty Ltd has relied upon the information provided by Shepherd Services & Murweh Shire Council in completing the restricted/desktop assessment and makes no warranty as to the accuracy of the information that has been provided by third parties. The restricted/desktop assessment does not involve a physical inspection of the subject property.
- This restricted/desktop assessment may only be relied upon by Murweh Shire Council and has been prepared for the private and confidential use of Murweh Shire Council and it should not be reproduced in whole or in part or relied upon for any other purpose or by any party other than Murweh Shire Council without express written authority.
- Murweh Shire Council agrees that it will have no cause of action against Herron Todd White (Darling Downs) Pty Ltd and its servants and agents, whether in contract, tort or otherwise, by reason only that the client suffered loss or damage by relying upon a restricted/desktop assessment therefore fully indemnify Herron Todd White by agreeing to these instructions.
- Murweh Shire Council acknowledges that it accepts that a restricted/desktop assessment is not, and will not, be construed to be a valuation in the same meaning as a valuation conducted in accordance with the general concepts, principles and definitions as detailed in these standards promulgated by the Australian Property Institute, which is based on an inspection of the subject property.
- Murweh Shire Council further agrees that it will indemnify Herron Todd White (Darling Downs) Pty Ltd and its servants and agents against any claim for loss or damage by a third party invited or permitted by the lender/client to rely upon a restricted/desktop assessment, whether arising in contract, tort or otherwise and arising out of or in conjunction with reliance by that third party on a restricted/desktop assessment.



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Property Details

Address	Murweh Shire Council Land and Building Asset Assessments 2024
Instructing Party	Claire Alexander.
Prepared For	Murweh Shire Council.
Reference	18832/1
Basis of Assessment	The interest being valued is the unencumbered estate in fee simple.
Purpose of Valuation	<p>Our valuation has been prepared for Financial Reporting purposes only.</p> <p>The valuation has been prepared in line with the requirements of Australian Accounting Standards AASB 116 Property, Plant and Equipment and AASB 13 Fair Value Measurement.</p> <p>The essential test in determining Fair Value of an asset is whether there is an active and liquid market for the asset. Where a quoted market price in an active and liquid market is available for an asset, that price represents the best evidence of the asset's Fair Value (Level 1 or 2 input). In regard to non-market type or current use assets (specialised assets) the assets are valued in respect to current or existing use which entails the use of the depreciated replacement cost method (Level 3 input).</p> <p>This report has not been prepared for mortgage security lending purposes. We will not accept any responsibility or liability for any reliance upon this valuation for such purposes or for any purpose, other than that stated herein.</p>
Instructions	<p>We have been instructed to undertake the following restricted/desktop assessments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 57 land assets <p>Outputs will include assessed values in excel spreadsheets and a summary report in PDF, including the scope of work, sales evidence, market overview and including the valuation schedules.</p>
Date of Valuation	30 June 2024.
Date of Issue	15 July 2024.
Registered Owner	Murweh Shire Council.
Local Authority	Murweh Shire Council.
Town Planning	We have relied upon town planning information provided by Murweh Shire Council and contained within the Planning and Development Section of the council website.
Real Property Description	As listed in the valuation tables.
Encumbrances	Title Searches of each individual property have not been undertaken. Our valuations assume there are no encumbrances that would be detrimental to value.



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Property Description ‘As Is’

The portfolio comprises land located throughout the Murweh Shire Local Government Area, with most properties situated within the towns of Augathella, Charleville and Morven.

The properties are primarily used by council to undertake normal local authority activities, including parks and gardens, water and sewerage treatment, recreation, administration and construction works. A number of vacant land lots are also included in the portfolio. **As per our specific instructions we are valuing the underlying land component only excluding any improvements.**

Total of Individual Current Market Values – Land Only Assets (Excl. GST)	\$3,171,500 (Three Million One Hundred and Seventy One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars)
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Ian Douglas
 AAPI / Certified Practising Valuer/Director
 API Number: 66586 - State Registration Number: QRV2611
 Property Inspected - No



Callum Moffatt
 AAPI / Certified Practising Valuer
 API Number: 108219 - State Registration Number: QRV5165
 Property Inspected - No

Important:

All data provided in this summary is wholly reliant on and must be read in conjunction with the information provided in the attached report. It is a synopsis only designed to provide a brief overview and must not be acted on in isolation.

The Counter Signatory, Callum Moffatt, has reviewed the report and is satisfied that the opinion of value contained in the report has been reached based on reasonable grounds. For the avoidance of doubt, the Counter Signatory has not inspected the property and as such (under the API Professional Practice) cannot be an author of this report, and is confirming prima facie that the methodology used by the author of the report (the prime signatory) is sound.

The total of the assessed individual current market values is not the same as a sale in one line value assessment. The reader should note that should the assets be assessed or placed to the market in one line, some discounting from the individual assessed values is likely.



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Assumptions, Conditions and Limitations

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- Critical Assumptions**
- This assessment report is provided subject to the assumptions, disclaimers, limitations and qualifications detailed within this report. Reliance on this report and extension of our liability is conditional upon the reader’s acknowledgement and understanding of these statements.
 - We have assessed the property’s market value and we acknowledge that, underlying the definition of Fair Value is a presumption that the entity is a going concern without any intention or need to liquidate, to curtail the scale of its operations or to undertake a transaction on adverse terms.
 - It is assumed that the asset is exchanged after an adequate period of marketing to obtain its best price, having regard to the highest and best use of the asset for which market participants in the principal or most advantageous markets would be prepared to pay.
 - Most property markets experienced buoyant conditions and strengthening sale prices over the 2021/early-mid 2022 period. More recently, high inflation and a sharply rising interest rate cycle have contributed to weaker consumer sentiment and an easing in market activity. We highlight that forecasting the short to medium term performance of the local economy and property sector remains challenging and given the stage in the cycle, we caution any party authorised to rely on this report to take this uncertainty into consideration.

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- Easements**
- This assessment is subject to there being no other encumbrances (other than those noted within this report), which may have an adverse effect on our valuation. Should any such easement or encumbrance become apparent, we reserve the right to review our valuation.

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- Environmental**
- It should be noted that environmental matters are beyond the scope of our expertise and as such, we would recommend that anyone relying on our valuation satisfy themselves in relation to any environmental risks or contamination issues. Should any such problem become apparent, we would reserve the right to review our valuation.

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- Market Evidence**
- Market data has been obtained from a range of sources, or as reported by real estate agents. As well as using such documented and generally reliable evidence or market transactions, it was also necessary to rely on hearsay evidence. Except as noted herein, a reasonable attempt has been made to verify all such information.

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- Recommendations and Cautions**
- This report has not been prepared for mortgage security lending purposes. We will not accept any responsibility or liability for reliance upon this valuation for such purposes.
 - The total assessed value is a gross realisation of the individual values and does not represent an in-one-line value.

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- Town Planning**
- We assume that planning data obtained from the relevant Local Planning Authority is accurate. In the event that a Town Planning search or any other relevant Planning document is obtained and the information therein is later found to be materially different to the town planning information detailed within the valuation, we reserve the right to amend the valuation. A Town Planning search has not been provided or obtained and therefore this valuation has been undertaken on the basis that all necessary and appropriate town planning and/or building, consents, approvals and certifications have been issued for the use of occupation of the improvements as more fully described in this report
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1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Instructions

We have been instructed by Claire Alexander of Murweh Shire Council, to assess the market value of a range of Murweh Shire Council land assets.

The following restricted / desktop assessments:

- 57 land assets

Outputs will include assessed values in excel spreadsheets and this summary report in PDF, including the scope of work, sales evidence, cost data evidence, market overview and including the valuation schedules.

A copy of our instructions are annexed to this report.

1.2 Basis of Assessment

The interest being valued is the unencumbered estate in fee simple.

Our assessment has been prepared for financial reporting purposes for use by Murweh Shire Council. It has been prepared in line with the requirements of Australian Accounting Standards AASB 116 Property, Plant and Equipment and AASB 13 Fair Value Measurement.

The report is not available for any other purpose, nor is any liability extended to any third party, without the Valuer's written authority and consent.

1.3 Definitions

This valuation has been undertaken in accordance with the following definitions:

Market Value

The estimated amount for which an asset or liability should exchange on the valuation date between a willing buyer and a willing seller in an arm's length transaction, after proper marketing and where the parties had each acted knowledgeably, prudently and without compulsion.

Highest and Best Use

The use of an asset that maximises its potential and that is physically possible, legally permissible and financially feasible.

As Is

A valuation that provides the market value of the property as it currently exists rather than the value of any proposed development.

1.4 Date of Valuation

30 June 2024.



2 TITLE AND STATUTORY DETAILS

2.1 Title Details

The real property description of each lot is contained within the annexed Schedule of Properties.

2.2 Easements, Encumbrances and Interests

Title searches of each individual property have not been undertaken. Our valuations assume there are no encumbrances that would be detrimental to value.

Where there are obvious easements such as power lines and other services, suitable allowance has been made in our valuation assessments.

Easements have not been individually searched nor a legal opinion obtained regarding their precise impact on the land.

This valuation is subject to there being no other encumbrances, which may have an adverse effect on our valuation. Should any such easement or encumbrance become apparent, we reserve the right to review our valuation.



3 TOWN PLANNING AND APPROVALS

3.1 Town Planning Summary

Local Authority	Murweh Shire Council.
Planning Scheme	Murweh Shire Council Planning Scheme 2017.
Zoning	We have relied upon town planning information provided by Murweh Shire Council and contained within the Planning and Development Section of the council website. We note the zonings are in some cases are specifically for community type purposes which significantly reduces their usability/functionality to the broader market.
Conforming Use	We have assumed the current use of each lot is consistent with current planning guidelines.

We assume that planning data obtained from the relevant Local Planning Authority is accurate. In the event that a Town Planning search or any other relevant Planning document is obtained and the information therein is later found to be materially different to the town planning information detailed within the valuation, we reserve the right to amend the valuation.

A Town Planning search has not been provided or obtained and therefore this valuation has been undertaken on the basis that all necessary and appropriate town planning and/or building, consents, approvals and certifications have been issued for the use of occupation of the improvements as more fully described in this report.

3.2 Approvals

We have not been provided with any current development approvals over any of the sites.

3.3 Flood Mapping

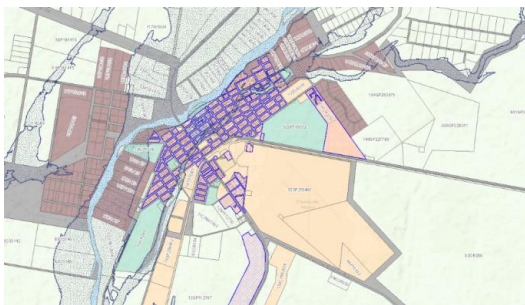
We have had specific regard to MSC Flood mapping and impacts on functionality of blocks and impacts on value.



Town of Augathella



Town of Morven



Town of Charleville

Source: Murweh Shire Council

The Murweh Shire Council Local Planning Instrument has been used to interpret the effect of the designated flood hazard as outlined in the MSC Flood Hazard Maps (above).



3.4 Zoning

Murweh Shire Planning Scheme 2017.

Recreation and Open Space

The purpose of the recreation and open space zone code is to:

- protect the areas within the Shire with the most significant ecological and landscape values including state forests, national parks, significant habitat, wetlands and waterways, wildlife corridors, timber reserves, regional parks and areas of high scenic amenity;
- maintain public accessibility to publicly-owned open space consistent with the protection of the environmental values of the area;
- provide recreation opportunities that are compatible and sustainable with the environmental values of the land; and
- ensure that buildings, structures and other developments are sympathetic to, and integrated with, the environment and values of the land.

Rural

The purpose of the rural zone code is to:

- ensure the productive capacity of agricultural and associated rural industries that rely on Important Agricultural Areas (IAA) identified as IAA as shown on SPP mapping – Economic Growth, Agriculture is maximised and maintained while protecting biodiversity values and also allowing for farm diversification and value adding industries to occur in the rural area;
- maintain the character and amenity of the rural and natural environment;
- encourage tourism development where it can value-add to the viability of rural enterprises, does not diminish biodiversity values and avoids impacts of flooding and bushfire;
- ensure that the stock route network is maintained and protected from development to ensure that the stock route is maintained and protected from inappropriate or incompatible development; and
- ensure development protects extractive resources development from reverse amenity impacts resulting from existing and proposed rural uses and; also protects new rural uses from impacts of existing or future extractive industries; and
- development does not inhibit the safe and efficient operation of pipelines.

Rural residential

The purpose of the code is to provide for:

- residential development on large lots set in a pleasant, semi-rural setting, which is connected to MSC's water supply; and
- Small scale activities which support economic development and which remain ancillary to the primary residential use.

Township

The purpose of this code is to provide for the urban development of the towns and villages of the Shire as community and service centres. Development located in this zone provides for a mix of uses which support the needs of the local rural community.

The Township zone provisions aim to:

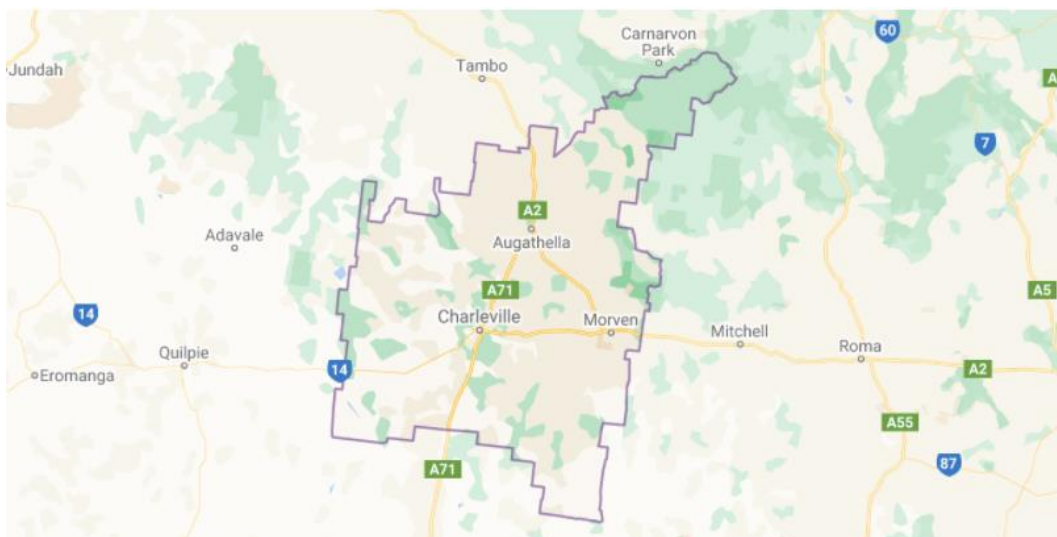
- maintain the character and amenity of Charleville, Augathella and Morven;
- provide for the continuation of existing infrastructure and community uses such as schools, halls and recreation facilities;
- allow for tourist uses where these can be successfully integrated into the character and fabric of the town;
- ensure that development provides an appropriate level of infrastructure; and
- facilitate economic development in commercial and industrial precincts by:
 - promoting re-use of existing buildings in commercial areas; and
 - providing for a wide range of industrial uses where they don't conflict with sensitive uses.



4 THE LAND

4.1 Location Details

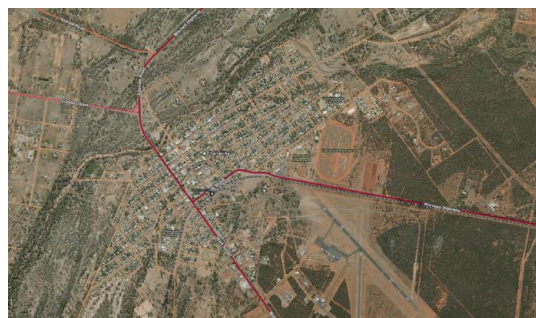
The general location of the subject Local Government Area is indicated on the maps below.



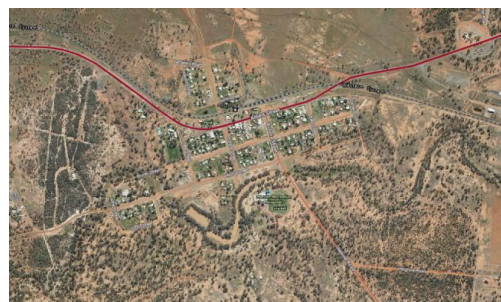
Murweh Shire Council



Town of Augathella



Town of Charleville



Town of Morven

Source: Google Maps and Qld Globe



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JB3950655
Date of Valuation: 30 June 2024

4.2 Land Description

Area	The area of each land parcel is noted in the below Schedule of Properties.
Flooding	Some of the properties contained within the portfolio appear to be contained within flood risk overlays of the local authority flood maps. A formal flood search has not, however, been undertaken and should this be an issue, then this report should be referred back to the Valuer for comments.
Services	<p>Availability to services varies from property to property.</p> <p>The following major services are connected to developed sites within the urban precincts: reticulated water, sewerage, telephone and electric power.</p> <p>Some of the more remote rural sites have limited services connected.</p>
Topography	Topography varies from property to property, we have taken individual aspects into account in assessed values.

This valuation assumes that the subject land is not adversely affected by flood or stormwater drainage concerns (other than those detailed within this report). Should any such flood or stormwater concerns become apparent, we reserve the right to review our valuation.



5 ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

5.1 Site Contamination

We have not conducted contaminated or environmental site register searches on any of the individual sites.

We consider the Council Depots and refuse transfer and dump sites could have some contamination issues.

The Depots have operated as a works and fuel depots or other similar usages and therefore fuels, oils and other products capable of causing contamination are or have or may have been used and/or stored on the property as part of the operation conducted on the property. Accordingly, the property could be affected by contamination. Similarly the refuse sites may be impacted by contamination issues caused by the dumping of household and trade waste.

Our valuation is based upon the assumption that the property is not contaminated or impacted by environmental issues that will affect the marketability or value of the property. It should be noted that environmental matters are outside of our expertise and that this valuation has been prepared without the benefit of soil tests or any other environmental studies.

We recommend that any party who has the right to rely upon this valuation report satisfy themselves in relation to any environmental risks or contamination issues, prior to reliance upon this valuation. Should any such issues become apparent, this valuation is not to be relied upon and the report must be returned to the Valuer for review and comment.

Whilst we have provided broad commentary on the above topic, we advise that these matters are outside of our area of expertise and if doubt exists, specialist advice should be sought and if relevant, referred to the Valuer for comment prior to relying upon the valuation.



6 MARKET REPORT

6.1 Economic Indicators

The Australian economy continued to grow at a steady but slow rate during the December Quarter 2023. The Reserve Bank of Australia (RBA) expects growth to remain below trend over the next 18 months, with cost of living pressures continuing to weigh on consumer demand. The RBA central forecast is for GDP growth of 1.8% through the 2024 calendar year, followed by 2.3% in 2025 (Source: *Statement on Monetary Policy – Feb 2024*).

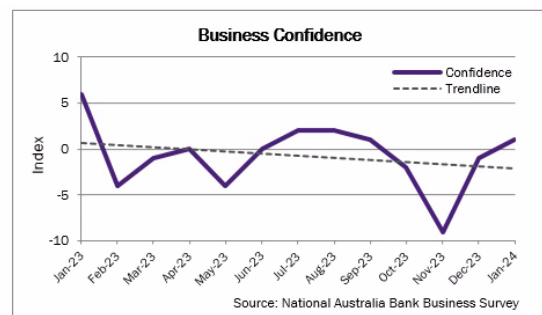
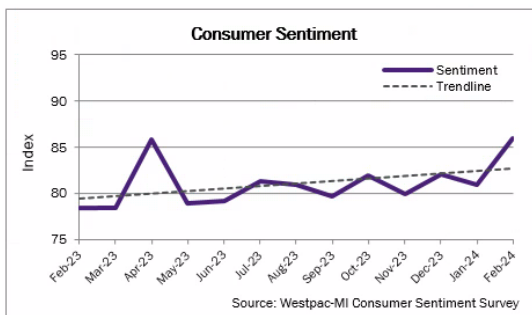
Some key economic indicators providing a snapshot of the Australian economy are detailed below:

Indicator	Latest Growth Rate	Previous Growth Rate	12 Months Prior	Comments
Gross Domestic Product (GDP)	+0.2%	+0.2%	+0.5%	The Australian economy (GDP, seasonally adjusted) rose 0.2% in the December quarter 2023, being consistent with the previous quarter. GDP grew by 1.5% through the year to 31 December 2023.
Final Consumption Expenditure	+0.2%	+0.4%	+0.4%	Expenditure (seasonally adjusted) grew 0.2% in Q4 2023. Household spending increased by 0.1%; while Government expenditure rose 0.6%.
Exports of Goods and Services	-0.3%	-0.7%	+1.1%	Exports of goods and services (seasonally adjusted) decreased by 0.3% in the fourth quarter 2023. Imports fell by 3.4% during the same period.
Real Net National Disposable Income	+1.4%	-0.6%	+1.6%	Net disposable income (seasonally adjusted) rose 1.4% in Q4 2023 and by 1.6% over the year. The terms of trade rose 2.2% over the quarter.
Population	+0.6%	+0.7%	+0.3%	Australia’s population increased by 0.6% in the June Quarter 2023 and by 2.4% over the 12 months to 30 June 2023.
Inflation	+0.6%	+1.2%	+1.9%	The Consumer Price Index (All Groups) rose 0.6% in Q4 2023 and by 4.1% over the twelve months ending 31 December 2023. This denotes the fourth consecutive quarter of lower annual inflation.
Retail Sales	+1.1%	-2.7%	+1.9%	Australian retail trade (seasonally adjusted) for January 2024 rose 1.1% month on month. Turnover was also 1.1% above the sales for Jan 2023.

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics

Indicator	Latest Rate/Index	Previous Rate/Index	12 Months Prior	Comments
Target Cash Rate	4.35%	4.35%	3.35%	At its February 2024 meeting the RBA left the cash rate unchanged and stated “higher interest rates are working to establish more sustainable balance between aggregate demand and supply in the economy”.
Unemployment Rate	4.1%	3.9%	3.7%	The national unemployment rate (seasonally adjusted) for January 2024 rose 20bp to 4.1%. The number of people unemployed rose by 5,200 over the month, while employment numbers increased by 7,400.
Consumer Sentiment	86.0	81.0	78.5	Westpac-MI consumer sentiment index for February 2024 rose 6.2% to 86pts. Whilst still in pessimistic territory, consumer confidence has improved on the back of slowing inflation and stable interest rates.
Business Confidence	+1	-1	+6	NAB business confidence index for January 2024 rose slightly to +1pts, led by the manufacturing and construction sectors. Confidence remains in negative territory across most states and industries (in trend terms).

Source: Australian Bureau of Statistics, Reserve Bank of Australia, Westpac-MI and National Australia Bank



6.2 Local Market Overview

Augathella

Property markets of those smaller rural towns across the Balonne, Maranoa, Murweh, Paroo, Warrego and Channel Country regions have experienced stable market conditions throughout recent years in line with strong rainfall and the easing of drought across the region. Slow market conditions are likely to return, should drought conditions re-emerge.

We note the volume of enquiry across the region reduced throughout 2023 in line with broader market concerns relating to inflation and cost of living pressures. The property market may be nearing its peak and while currently stable an element of uncertainty is expected going forward.

Charleville

The Charleville residential/rural lifestyle market saw strong activity throughout 2021/22 with general market confidence and strong commodity prices. Through 2022 the market continued to strengthen given the general lack of properties available and strong buyer competition assisted by low borrowing costs and strong commodity prices particularly, at that time, in the beef industry. The property market began to show signs of peaking late in 2022. In many cases property values have doubled since the mid 2010's. While market confidence remains sound this confidence is waning.

The property market has continued to show signs of sound conditions, however there are signals that it is nearing the peak with lessening enquiry for properties. Inflationary challenges remain and continue to pressure operating and living costs. The Reserve Bank of Australia has also raised the cash rate from the historical lows of 0.1%; with rates now slightly above the pre-covid normal. The outlook for economic growth in Australia remains positive though is forecast to slow with growing speculation of a future recession. Overall there are mounting signs of peaking market conditions.

Morven

We note Morven has seen development due to its Highway location such as development of the rail freight / livestock connection; redevelopment of the pub and some other works including town centre landscaping, improvements to the main BP including a rural supplies store. All of these factors have seen positive media provided to Morven and have helped it to be recognised as a 'stop' on the western tourist route and at the least have improved the town amenities for locals. Many of these works have been beneficial in terms of employment and the local economy though impact to the residential property market has been somewhat limited, with the market considered to follow those broader trends identified within the Augathella broad market overview. It is our opinion that such works will translate to positive market sentiment over the medium to longer term and may result in some notional market improvement.

We note however that the local market may be nearing its peak along with the broader market with lessening enquiry due to inflationary concerns and cost of living pressures.



7 VALUATION RATIONALE

7.1 Highest and Best Use

The current use of the asset is presumed to be the highest and best use unless market or other factors suggest that a different use by market participants would maximise the value of the asset. For this valuation, no such factors have become evident.

AASB13 paragraph 27 states “A fair value measurement of non-financial assets takes into account a market participant’s ability to generate economic benefits by using the asset in its highest and best use or by selling it to another market participant that would use the asset in its highest and best use”.

7.2 Fair Value Hierarchy

The subject property is required to be analysed with land and building assets divided into various levels of inputs as required by the standard. Assets are required to be classified into Level 1, 2 and 3 valuation inputs.

Level 1 inputs are quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets that can be accessed at measurement date (essentially no assumptions required). It is unlikely Level 1 inputs will be available for assets such as property, plant and equipment.

Level 2 inputs are quoted prices that are observable for the asset, either directly or indirectly. Inputs are observable using market data. Adjustments to Level 2 inputs include factors specific to the asset, such as the condition, location or comparability of the asset. Level 2 inputs are commonly used in the valuation of property, plant and equipment.

Level 3 inputs are unobservable inputs for the asset. Unobservable inputs shall be used to measure fair value to the extent that relevant observable inputs are not available, thereby allowing situations in which there is little, if any, market activity for the asset or liability at the measurement date. Used for specialised assets where there is no definable market activity under the cost approach methodology.

The subject properties have been assessed using Level 2 inputs.

7.3 Methods of Valuation

AASB 13 requires the use of valuation techniques that are appropriate in the circumstances and for which sufficient data are available to measure fair value, maximising the use of relevant observable inputs and minimising the use of unobservable inputs. Two commonly used valuation techniques are the market approach and the cost approach.

The market approach is a valuation technique that uses prices and other relevant information generated by market transactions involving identical or comparable assets. Commonly used methodologies include the capitalisation of net income approach and direct comparison approach. Either in a used market (i.e. property) or a new market (i.e. replacement costs).

The cost approach is a valuation technique that reflects the amount that would be required currently to replace the service capacity of an asset (depreciated replacement cost).

In determining the Value of the subject properties, the market approach has been used.

In valuing the subject properties, we have relied upon the above valuation approach being the direct comparison method.

7.4 Sales Evidence

We have examined market activity within the locality and have researched sales evidence provided by national sales data providers for details of comparable sales. The more relevant sales are summarised in the following tables.



Vacant Land

No	Address		Lot Plan	Sale Price	Sale Date	Land Area (sqm)	\$/m ² Land Area
1	3 Ariotti Street	Charleville	L1 RP100227 & L3 RP219269	\$10,000	30/03/2024	1,402	\$7.13
2	4 Kennedy Street	Charleville	L19 RP76341	\$25,000	28/03/2024	1,012	\$24.70
3	21 Alfred Street	Charleville	L10 C14021	\$24,000	19/03/2024	1,012	\$23.72
4	18 Cypress St	Charleville	L14 OR319	\$18,000	18/03/2024	809	\$22.25
5	1 Chest Street	Charleville	L20 RP200739	\$25,000	12/03/2024	621	\$40.26
6	16 Racecourse Drive	Charleville	L28 SP113624	\$26,000	06/03/2024	1,001	\$25.97
7	25 Galatea Street	Charleville	L7-8 C14072	\$9,000	08/02/2024	2,024	\$4.45
8	55 Murweh Drive	Charleville	L19 SP203538	\$65,000	29/01/2024	12,990	\$5.00
9	14 Ridge Street	Charleville	L36 C140139	\$30,000	22/12/2023	809	\$37.08
10	159 Caviar Drive	Charleville	L38 SP249974	\$60,000	09/11/2023	62,170	\$0.97
11	61-65 Wills Street	Charleville	L2 RP1576 & L1 RP50504	\$40,000	02/11/2023	1,864	\$21.46
12	Burcher Street	Charleville	L43 RP40795	\$19,500	21/06/2023	2,023	\$9.64
13	Murweh Drive	Charleville	L15 SP203538	\$55,000	29/05/2023	14,870	\$3.70
14	Kennedy Street	Charleville	L17,29-30 RP76341	\$66,000	30/03/2023	3,016	\$21.88
15	1/11 South Street	Morven	L23 M2326	\$18,500	10/08/2023	2,023	\$9.14

Lots up to 62,170 square metres (6.22Ha) range from approximately \$9,000 to \$66,000; with the majority sitting between \$10,000 and \$40,000 though being highly dependent on location, access to services and land area.

Source: HTW & RP Data

Market data has been obtained from a range of sources, or as reported by real estate agents. As well as using such documented and generally reliable evidence or market transactions, it was also necessary to rely on hearsay evidence. Except as noted herein, a reasonable attempt has been made to verify all such information.

7.5 Sales Commentary and Conclusions

The sales evidence has shown a small increase in land values over the last 12 month period to 30/06/2024, values assessed for land parcels which are considered to have strong utility have been increased. Some parcels within the portfolio which have restrictions due to location, use or zoning have been assessed in line with the previous valuation.

7.6 Valuation Conclusions

In valuing the subject properties, we have relied upon the above valuation approach being the direct comparison method.



8 VALUATION

Subject to the assumptions and qualifications contained within the body of this report, as at 30 June 2024, the subject properties are assessed as follows:

Total of Individual Current Market Values – Land Only Assets assessed at (Excl. GST)	
\$3,171,500	(Three Million One Hundred and Seventy One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars)



Ian Douglas
 AAPI / Certified Practising Valuer/Director
 API Number: 66586 - State
 Registration Number: QRV2611
 Property Inspected - No



Callum Moffatt
 AAPI / Certified Practising Valuer
 API Number: 108219 - State Registration
 Number: QRV5165
 Property Inspected - No

This valuation is for the use only of the Murweh Shire Council to whom it is addressed and for no other purpose. No responsibility is extended to any third party who may use or rely on the whole or any part of the content of this valuation. No responsibility will be accepted for photocopied signatures.

The Counter Signatory, Callum Moffatt, has reviewed the report and is satisfied that the opinion of value contained in the report has been reached based on reasonable grounds. For the avoidance of doubt, the Counter Signatory has not inspected the property and as such (under the API Professional Practice) cannot be an author of this report, and is confirming prima facie that the methodology used by the author of the report (the prime signatory) is sound.

The total of the assessed individual current market values is not the same as a sale in one line value assessment. The reader should note that should the assets be assessed or placed to the market in one line, some discounting from the individual assessed values is likely.

9 QUALIFICATIONS AND DISCLAIMERS

Please note that specific disclaimers are indicated in italics within the relevant sections of the report.

Accuracy of Information	We advise that any objective information, data or calculations set out in the Valuation Report will be accurate so far as is reasonably expected from a qualified and experienced valuer, reflecting due skill, care and diligence. However, we have not independently verified third party information, adopted it as our own, or accepted its reliability. If any of the information provided by others and referred to in the Valuation Report is incorrect, it may have an impact on the valuation. The valuation is provided on the proviso that the reliant party accepts this risk.
API Standards	This valuation has been prepared in accordance with the current Australian Property Institute's Valuation Practice Standards.
Conflict of Interest	Neither the valuer, nor to the best of their knowledge, any member of this firm, has any conflict of interest, or direct, indirect or financial interest in relation to this property that is not disclosed herein.
Encroachments	There do not appear to be any encroachments, however, we are not surveyors and no warranty can be given without the benefit of an identification survey.
Excluded Searches	The following searches have not been undertaken: Land Survey Plan, Building Survey Plan, Formal Flood, Detailed Town Planning, Contaminated Land Register, Heritage Register, Local/State Road Widening, Vegetation Protection, Native Title. Our valuation assumes such searches would identify no issues that may affect the value and/or liquidity of the property. Should any person relying on the contents of this report be aware or become aware of an issue that may affect value and/or liquidity then the searches should be referred to the valuer for comment.
Goods and Services Tax (GST)	We stress we are not experts in assessment of GST. We are not privy to the financial circumstances of the owner(s), any agreements executed (or to be executed) between the parties or the previous transactions relating to the property which may impact upon the status of the property for GST. We recommend any party relying upon this valuation seek independent advice in regard to any GST liabilities which may attach to the property.
Land Not Affected	Unless identified within the body of this report, we assume, the land is not affected by unstable, hazardous, or toxic soil material; however, no professional expert advice has been sought in this regard. This valuation assumes that there are no problems, however, should any such issues arise; then this matter should be referred to the Valuer for further comment.
Limited Liability	Liability limited by a scheme approved under professional standards legislation.
Local Economy Impact	<p>The Coronavirus (Covid-19) pandemic is forecast to have a significant impact on global economic growth and the Australian economy. This in turn may have detrimental impacts on the Australian property market. Whilst the potential breadth of impact is difficult to quantify at this point, we consider that the tourism and most retail sectors are likely to suffer early impact. Further sectors may be adversely impacted if the outbreak extends further.</p> <p>Based on previous economic downturns, it is possible that the property market more broadly will experience a greater level of uncertainty, and some (or all) sectors may experience a period of weak buyer demand, extended selling periods and potentially diminution in asset values.</p> <p>At this stage, the full impact of Coronavirus on the local economy and more specifically the property market cannot be known.</p>
Market Movement	This valuation is current as at the date of valuation only. The value assessed herein may change significantly and unexpectedly over a relatively short period of time (including as a result of general market movements or factors specific to the particular property). We do not accept responsibility or liability for losses arising from such subsequent changes in value. Without limiting the generality of the above comment, we do not assume responsibility or accept liability where the valuation is relied upon after the expiration of 90 days from the date of the valuation or such earlier date if you become aware of any factors that have an effect on the valuation. However, it should be recognised that the 90 day reliance period does not guarantee the value for that period; it always remains a valuation at the date of valuation only.
Market Uncertainty	The possibility that the Valuers professional opinion as to the Market Value of the asset may differ from the price that could be achieved in a transfer of the asset as at the valuation date, assuming all other market conditions and variables remain constant.
No Compliance Certificate	No Compliance Certificate/Certificate of Classification has been obtained. This valuation is subject to the building(s) complying in all material respects with any restrictive covenants affecting the site. Furthermore, it is assumed that the site improvements have been built, occupied and operated in full compliance with all requirements of law, including all zoning, land-use classifications, building, planning, fire and health by-laws (including asbestos and legionnaires disease), rules, regulations, orders and codes of all authorities, and that there are no outstanding requisitions.
No Pecuniary Interest	The valuer has no pecuniary interest in the subject property either past, present or prospective at the date of preparing this report and the opinion expressed is free of any bias in this regard.
Not to be reproduced without permission	Neither the whole nor any part of this valuation or any reference thereto may be included in any published documents, circular or statement, nor published in part or full in any way, without written approval of the form and context in which it may appear.



Other Taxation Implications	Herron Todd White are not taxation experts and we provide our valuation assessment and any associated sales, rental or feasibility analysis, independent of any consideration of income tax, capital gains tax or any other property related tax implications that may be associated directly or indirectly with the subject property.
Photographic Evidence	Some photograph(s) are not time and date stamped as there was a technological malfunction on the valuer's camera. We confirm that we have fully inspected the property.
Reliance and Disclosure	The Report has been prepared for the private and confidential use by the party to whom it is addressed. This valuation is for the use of and may be relied upon only by the party/parties to whom it is addressed. No other parties are entitled to use or rely upon it and Herron Todd White does not assume any liability or responsibility to any other party who does so rely upon the valuation without the express written authority of Herron Todd White. The whole Report must be read and any failure to do so will not constitute reliance by such party asserting reliance on the Report. Neither the whole nor any part of this valuation or any reference thereto may be included in any published documents, circular or statement, nor published in part or full in any way, without the written approval from Herron Todd White including the form and context in which it may appear.
Security Suitability	The decision as to the suitability of security for a lending transaction is a commercial decision for the lender/client. That decision must not only be based on the content of the Report but should also extend to other factors beyond the subject property itself. The recommendation within the Report is based on the opinion of the valuer, as to whether the subject property itself, as observed, is in a satisfactory condition both internally and externally, and readily saleable at the assessed market value.
Structural Survey	This valuation report does not purport to be a site or structural survey of the land or improvements thereon, and any advice provided is not given in the capacity as an expert.



Annexure 1 Schedule of Properties

Asset ID	Street Address	Lot Plan	Lot Size (sqm)	2024 Land Values (HTW)
>>LAN/AUG54	71 Main Street Augathella 4477	1/RP92	1,416	\$10,000
>>LAN/AUG5	80 Main Street Augathella 4477	1/RP90	506	\$3,000
>>LAN/AUG53	60 Main Street Augathella 4477	11/A23720	1,012	\$10,000
>>LAN/AUG9	U 1-4 Forest Street Augathella 4477 (1-4, 48-50 Cavanagh St)	1-2/RP206685 & L4-5/SP227794	5,265	\$21,000
>>LAN/AUG55	73-79 Main Street Augathella 4477	5/SP253467	3,440	\$15,000
>>LAN/AUG12	46 Bendee Street Augathella 4477	92/OR145	20,200	\$31,500
>>LAN/BB20	Lot 206 Mitchell Highway Bakers Bend 4470	206/W2011	2,023	\$500
>>LAN/BB21	Lot 207 Mitchell Highway Bakers Bend 4470	207/W2011	2,023	\$500
>>LAN/BB22	Lot 209 Mitchell Highway Bakers Bend 4470	209-210/W2011	4,049	\$1,000
>>LAN/BB23	Lot 306 Mitchell Highway Bakers Bend 4470	306/W2011	2,023	\$500
>>LAN/BB24	Lot 308 Mitchell Highway Bakers Bend 4470	308/W2011	2,023	\$500
>>LAN/BB71	Lot 101 Mitchell Highway Bakers Bend 4470	101,110/W2011	4,049	\$1,000
>>LAN/BB72	Lot 104 Mitchell Highway Bakers Bend 4470	104-107/W2011	8,107	\$1,500
>>LAN/BB73	Lot 301 Mitchell Highway Bakers Bend 4470	301,310/W2011	4,049	\$1,000
>>LAN/BB74	Lot 302 Mitchell Highway Bakers Bend 4470	302,309/W2011	4,050	\$1,000
>>LAN/ALFED4	95 Alfred St Charleville 4470	4/C1401	3,288	\$126,000
>>LAN/CHA11	269 Alfred St Charleville 4470	4/RP220935	83,000	\$30,000
>>LAN/CHA13A	94 Alfred Street Charleville 4470	1/SP259562	1,227	\$42,000
>>LAN/CHA9	89 Galatea Street Charleville 4470	8/RP1530	470	\$8,000
>>LAN/CHA14	67 Edward Street Charleville 4470	1/RP1556	1,768	\$42,000
>>LAN/CHA16A	137-139 Alfred Street Charleville 4470	10/SP118650	2,828	\$47,500
>>LAN/CHA58	62A Parry Street Charleville 4470	13/SP162531	1,012	\$21,000
>>LAN/CHA59	120 Parry Street Charleville 4470	21/SP301995	1,011	\$21,000
>>LAN/CHA15	69-75 Edward Street Charleville 4470	906/C1405	3,394	\$157,500
>>LAN/CHA10	2-3 Alfred Street Charleville 4470	1-2/RP55290	4,244	\$35,000
>>LAN/CHA16	4-122 Edward Street Charleville 4470	1-2/RP1570	2,024	\$20,000
>>LAN/CHA17	12 Watson Street Charleville 4470	12/RP108385	4,699	\$15,000
>>LAN/CHA18	75-79 Watson Street Charleville 4470	24/C14012	2,529	\$10,000
>>LAN/CHA23	11-13 Eyre Street Charleville 4470	1/RP1572	2,023	\$10,000
>>LAN/CHA34	34 Delta Court Charleville 4470	35/SP113624	79,300	\$35,000
>>LAN/CHA24	14 Eyre Street Charleville 4470	9/RP108386	5,772	\$15,000
>>LAN/CHA25A	39 Burcher Street Charleville 4470	39/RP40795	2,064	\$16,000
>>LAN/CHA26	10 Wildie Street Charleville 4470	3/RP92909	642	\$8,000
>>LAN/CHA27	21-23 Hunter Street Charleville 4470	21/RP87650	13,800	\$20,000
>>LAN/CHA28	15 Lockett Street Charleville 4470	24/RP87650	1,626	\$20,000
>>LAN/CHA3	29 Alfred Street Charleville 4470	13/C14021	1,012	\$10,000
>>LAN/CHA8	208 Alfred Street Charleville 4470	1-2/RP92909	1,277	\$21,000
>>LAN/CHA2	1-3 Alfred Street Charleville 4470	9-10/RP1560	4,077	\$31,500
>>LAN/CHA21	6 Warrego Street Charleville 4470	6/RP1561	2,023	\$10,500
>>LAN/CHA33	68 Cobb Street Charleville 4470	68/SP123646	58,000	\$42,000
>>LAN/CHA44	26 Foley Street Charleville 4470	26/C14023	2,378	\$10,500
>>LAN/CHA31	10 Delta Court Charleville 4470	39/SP113624	2,485	\$31,500
>>LAN/CHA29	53 Charleville Airport - BOM Building 'Cosmos Centre' Sturt Street Charleville 4470	Part 53/OR240 53/SP253460		\$2,000,000
>>LAN/GOW68	National Highway A2 Gowrie Station 4470	5/B6111	4,047	\$1,000
>>LAN/LANGLO29	401, 410 Charleville Adavale Road Langlo 4470	401,410/K5093	4,046	\$1,000
>>LAN/LANGLO30	405 - 406 Charleville Adavale Road Langlo 4470	405-406/K5093	4,045	\$1,000
>>LAN/LANGLO70	302 Unnamed Road Langlo 4470	302/K5093	2,023	\$500
>>LAN/LANGLO28	6945 Charleville Adavale Road Langlo 4470	201,209-210/K5091 2/RP211245	7,082	\$1,500
>>LAN/MOR5A	60 Albert street Morven 4468	1/RP71260	531	\$5,500
>>LAN/MOR6A	58 Albert street Morven 4468	2/RP71260	680	\$5,500
>>LAN/MOR12	47 Warrego Highway Morven 4468	47/SP136831	2,615	\$8,500
>>LAN/MOR4A	48 Warrego Highway Morven 4468	48/SP136831	4,727	\$10,500
>>LAN/MOR6	6-8 Brunel Street Morven 4468	17/M2326	2,023	\$5,500
>>LAN/MOR2	1, 5, 6, 7 Council Depot Roma Street Morven 4468	1,5-7/M23212	8,092	\$26,500
>>LAN/MOR11	Council Camp 59 Eureka Street Morven 4468	1/SP253478	5,059	\$10,500
>>LAN/MOR8A	54-56 Albert Street Morven 4468	21/SP135742	2,205	\$8,500
>>LAND/MORV8	101 - 104 Morven Rail Hub Warrego Highway Morven 4468	101-104/M23210	63,300	\$131,500



Annexure 2 Purchase Order



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Order Date 20-03-2024

Deliv. Due By 20-03-2024

Deliver To


Phone : 4639 7600 **Fax :**
Requisitioned By : CLAIRE ALEXANDER **Reqn. No :** 12330

Ship Via
Account No

Description of Goods and Services	Quantity	Units	Value
DESKTOP VALUATIONS MURWEH SHIRE LANDHOLDINGS AS PER QUOTE	1	EA	4,400.00

Order No. Must Be Quoted on All Invoices & Delivery Dockets

Total \$4,400.00

Special Instructions	Authorised Officer
	 <hr/> JUSTIN KRONK DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES



11.4 INDEXATION REPORT - ROADS, BRIDGES AND DRAINAGE AND AIRPORT INFRASTRUCTURE & BUILDINGS AND OTHER STRUCTURES

Author: Accountant
Authoriser: CEO

RECOMMENDATION

- 1) That Council notes the indexation report as presented.
- 2) That Council authorise management to update the asset register reflecting the indexation to be applied for Buildings and Other Structures – 7.44%
- 3) That Council notes the 3.89% indexation rate applicable to Roads, Bridges and Drainage and Airport Infrastructure will not be applied to this asset class

BACKGROUND

In March 2022, Council approved the revised non-current assets policy including the application of rolling valuation approach to all infrastructure assets.

The following table shows the proposed schedule of comprehensive asset revaluation by Asset Class.

Asset Class	Frequency
Roads Infrastructure	Every second year following last valuation – 2022/23
Water and Sewerage Infrastructure	Every third year following last valuation – 2023/24
Buildings, Other Structures, Parks and Land	Every fourth year following last valuation – 2024/25

Council engaged Shepherds valuation services to perform an indexation assessment applicable to Roads, Bridges and Drainage, Airport Infrastructure, Buildings and Other Structures.

Following is the analysis of pre and post indexed asset values for Buildings and Other Structures.

Asset Class	Pre Index \$	Post Index \$	Increase \$
Building and other structure			
Gross	97,225,666.71	104,302,918.20	7,077,251.49
Accum	34,924,214.51	37,520,925.37	2,596,710.86
WDV	62,301,452.20	66,781,992.83	4,480,540.63

Valuation Result: Overall estimated increase in fair value of \$ 4.4 million.

Financial Risks: Potential overstatement or understatement of depreciation expense and replacement values if non-current assets are not valued on a regular basis.

Environment Risks: Nil

Social Risks: Nil

LINK TO CORPORATE PLAN

1.3.1 Council has in place operational systems and capacity to deliver strategic priorities and core operations.

ATTACHMENTS

1. **MSC Indexation Valuation 2024_v1.1** [↓](#)



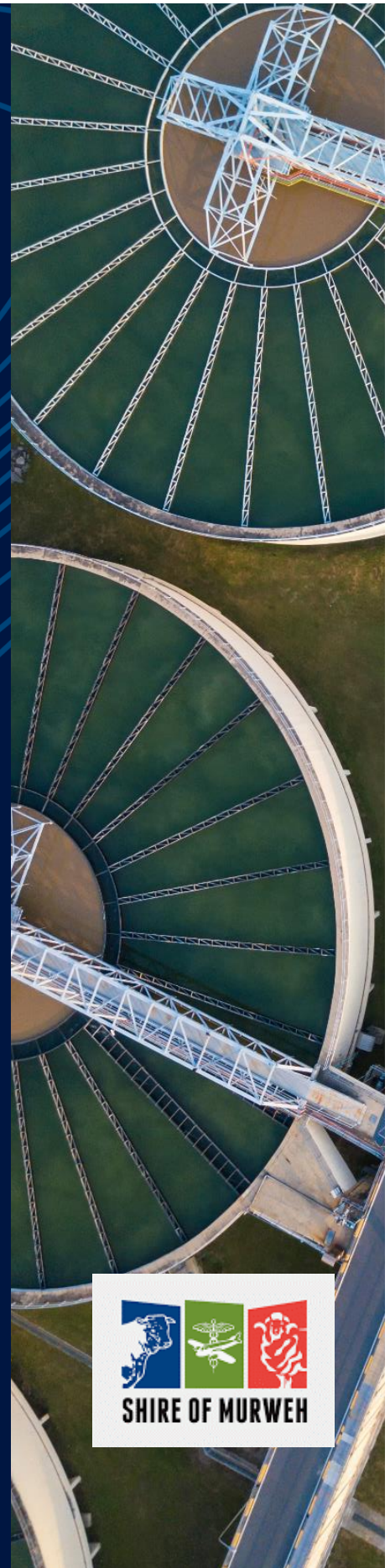
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CERTIFICATE

To comply with the AASB 116 Council needs to determine if the carrying values of its assets differ materially from that which would be determined using fair value methods under AASB13.

I certify that the compliance to these requirements have been completed as at the 30 June 2024

The methodology of compliance is documented in this report.

Steven Forbes
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METHODOLOGY

To comply with the AASB 116 Council needs to determine if the carrying values of its assets differ materially from that which would be determined using fair value methods under AASB13, as at 30 June 2024.

Council has considered the "Highest and Best Use" values that are physically possible for this fair value assessment and determined that for all assets that the current use and highest and best use is the same.

Roads, Drainage and Bridges (inc. Airport Runway & Flood levees), Buildings and Other Structures asset classes carried at fair value, are measured on a recurring basis.

The Queensland Government Treasury "Non-Current Asset Policies" section 5.3 Interim Revaluation, specifies the following:

"To maintain the value of assets in current terms, interim revaluations of assets measured at fair value should be performed on an annual basis. These interim valuations should use relevant Australian Bureau of Statistics price indices or other reliable measures that can be used to estimate the current values of major asset classes."

The last comprehensive revaluation completed on each Asset class was as per below:

- Buildings & Other Structures Assets Class in 2021/22, index applied 2022/23
- Roads, Drainage and Bridges (inc. Airport Runway & Flood levees) Assets Class in 2022/23

All the comprehensive revaluations above involved the full development of unit rates, useful lives and remaining lives that reflected Council's conditions.

Accordingly, the relevant Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) price indices table 6427 for each asset class has been used to determine if there has been a material change since the last comprehensive revaluation.

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DESKTOP VALUATION OUTCOME

The results of the reviews carried out on the various asset classes are summarised in the table below:

Asset Class	Index Rate (%)	Indexation Recommendation
Buildings & Other Structures	7.44	YES
Roads, Drainage and Bridges (inc. Airport Runway & Flood levees)	3.89	NO

The detailed review workings are displayed in the following appendices:

- Appendix A – Buildings & Other Structures Asset Class Indexation Review
- Appendix B – Roads, Drainage and Bridges (inc. Airport Runway & Flood levees) Asset Class Indexation Review

Also, to comply with AASB 116 we have reviewed the asset class assumptions for useful and remaining lives and have confirmed with Council’s staff that these assumptions are still relevant for this reporting period.

COUNCIL’S ASSET REGISTERS

Council’s Asset Register is held in both the Civica Practical Plus Accounting System (financial information) and Council’s Mapping Application (Asset Attribute information). The registers are updated each year.

Capitalisations have been completed in Council’s “Asset Capitalisation Workbooks” and access can be obtained from Council’s Finance Manager.



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APPENDIX A

Buildings Asset Class Indexation Review



Appendix A: Buildings & Other Structures Asset Class Indexation Review

To determine what indexes might be required to be applied against the buildings Asset Class, a review was completed utilising the Australian Bureau of Statistics indexes, ABS Catalogues, 6427.0 Producer Price Indexes, Australia. Table 17. Index Number 3020, “Non-residential building construction”, was deemed to be the most appropriate index.

The review found that the estimated cumulative index from June 2023 to June 2024 was 7.44%
The workings for the ABS review are displayed in the table below.

Australian Bureau of Statistics

Ref. ABS Catalogues, 6427.0 Producer Price Indexes, Australia. Table 17.

Index Number: 3020 Non-Residential Building Construction Queensland	
Unit	Index Numbers
Series Type	Original
Data Type	INDEX
Frequency	Quarter
Collection Month	3
Series Start	Sep-1996
Series End	Mar-2024
No. Obs	111
Series ID	A2333721X
Jun-21	120.8
Sep-21	126.5
Dec-21	128.4
Mar-22	130.8
Jun-22	135.6
Sep-22	138.9
Dec-22	139.9
Mar-23	141.8
Jun-23	142.8
Sep-23	148
Dec-23	148.1
Mar-24	151.1
Jun-24	
Average change Per Period	2.33
Estimated Cumulative Index from Jun 23 - Jun 24	153.4
Percentage Increase for year	7.44%



APPENDIX B

**Roads, Drainage
and Bridges
(inc. Airport
Runway &
Flood levees)**



Appendix B: Roads, Drainage and Bridges (inc. Airport Runway & Flood levees) Asset Class Indexation Review

To determine what indexes might be required to be applied against the buildings Asset Class, a review was completed utilising the Australian Bureau of Statistics indexes, ABS Catalogues, 6427.0 Producer Price Indexes, Australia. Table 17. Index Number 3101, "Road and Bridge Construction", was deemed to be the most appropriate index.

The review found that the estimated cumulative index from June 2023 to June 2024 was 3.89%. The workings for the ABS review are displayed in the table below.

Australian Bureau of Statistics

Ref. ABS Catalogues, 6427.0 Producer Price Indexes, Australia. Table 17.

Index Number ; 3101 Road and bridge construction Queensland ;	
Unit	Index Numbers
Series Type	Original
Data Type	INDEX
Frequency	Quarter
Collection Month	3
Series Start	Sep-98
Series End	Jun-23
No. Obs	100
Series ID	A2333727L
Jun-21	120.8
Sep-21	117.7
Dec-21	119
Mar-22	121.8
Jun-22	126.4
Sep-22	129.5
Dec-22	134
Mar-23	135
Jun-23	135.6
Sep-23	138.4
Dec-23	138.7
Mar-24	139.7
Jun-24	
Average change Per Period	1.18
Estimated Cumulative Index from Jun 23 - Jun 24	140.9
Percentage Increase for year	3.89%



APPENDIX C

The SHEPHERD Team – Experience and Qualifications

Appendix C: The SHEPHERD Team – Experience and Qualifications



Experience That Delivers

Out of the box thinking and a collaborative approach are key to SHEPHERD’s ability to deliver practical solutions that work for local government.

SHEPHERD are experts at combining over 20 years hands-on engineering experience with leading edge technology to create simple yet powerful tools that enable councils to achieve best practice asset management, tailored to their specific needs.

Our people know local government because they are local government professionals – from qualified engineers and accountants to GIS specialists, senior technicians and project managers.

The SHEPHERD Difference

- We are 100% Local Government specialists
- We believe that financially fit councils deliver better outcomes for local communities
- We go beyond compliance to deliver outcomes that work
- We align financial sustainability with practical engineering outcomes
- We inform your strategic decisions with quality information
- We share our expertise and experience to build the capacity of your team
- We stand by the quality of work we deliver and warrant our service

Integrated and Specialised Services

- Asset Management Services
- GIS Services
- Road Asset Condition Assessment System ([RACAS](#))
- Roads Maintenance Management ([Online Road Management Hub](#))
- Valuation Services
- Project Management Services
- Flood Restoration Services

What Our Clients Say

I trust the SHEPHERD Team and know I can rely on their expert advice. They are professional asset managers and work alongside our team to deliver on our requirements – every time.

Aaron Meehan, General Manager Infrastructure South Burnett Regional Council

SHEPHERD’s high standard of excellence to any project and level of service to the client is unmatched. In my thirty plus years of working with and for engineers, I have not yet had the pleasure of working with a more creative and energetic team. SHEPHERD is absolutely the best in the business.

Bradley Pyle, Manager Finance Goondiwindi Regional Council

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Steven Forbes

Curriculum Vitae

Steven Forbes is a qualified Civil Engineer and Partner/General Manager Asset and Road Management at SHEPHERD.

Steven has over 29 years' experience in the construction industry, 22 years of that within the local government environment. Throughout his career he has held the positions of Civil Design Coordinator, Design Manager and Acting Technical Services Manager which has enabled Steven to obtain extensive experience in Asset Management and Project Management from different strategic levels within an organisation.

KEY EXPERIENCE

Asset Management skills in all infrastructure asset classes, with expertise in:

- Bridge Inspector Level 1 and 2
- Road Pavement and Surface Condition Inspector
- Project Scoping and briefing
- Civil Engineering Surveying
- Civil Design for roads, drainage and services
- First Principle Estimating for Asset Valuation modelling
- Project Management and supervision
- Operational and management background in infrastructure assets construction and maintenance
- Useful and remaining lives determinations
- Estimating unit rate development for replacement asset values
- Vast knowledge of local government projects and processes
- Asset Register development.
- Asset Management Plans development and implementation
- Budgeting and programming renewals works
- Financial Modeling for road renewals
- Council Planning Codes and Approval process
- Construction Tendering, Contract Management and Supervision

EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL STATUS

- Masters of Engineering Practice – Public Works & Infrastructure, (USQ)
- Bachelor of Engineering Technology - Civil, (USQ)
- Registered Professional Engineer of Queensland, RPEQ 27665
- MIEAust CPEng NER
- Registered Professional Engineer VIC
- Diploma of Management, LGAO
- Builder – Low Rise, QBCC
- Member, Institute of Public Works Engineering Australia
- Level 1 and 2 Bridge Inspector




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Patrick McGuire

Curriculum Vitae

Patrick McGuire is a Spatial Sciences professional with over ten years’ experience working in the local government sector promoting best practice in Surveying, GIS and Asset Management. Prior moving into local government, Patrick worked in a private land surveying business completing cadastral surveys, detailed surveys for design and as-constructed surveys.

Patrick is an active member of IPWEA and currently a committee member for the Tasmanian IPWEA division. Patrick is professionally certified in geographical information systems (GIS) and asset management planning in local government.

KEY EXPERIENCE

Specialist expertise in these areas:

- MapInfo Professional suite of products
- QGIS
- ESRI products
- Fulcrum field collection application
- Traditional Survey techniques
- GPS surveying and data collection
- Asset register development – verification and collection using GPS data collection tools and Mapping software.
- Asset Management Plans.
- Unit rate development for replacement asset values
- Data analysis, including GIS database design and querying
- Producing maps for road and stormwater networks, planning scheme development and mapping.

EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL STATUS

- Bachelor of Spatial Science and Technology – GIS, University of Southern Queensland
- IPWEA Professional Certificate in Asset Management Planning
- Member, Institute of Public Works Engineering Australia
- Committee member for IPWEA Tasmanian division.

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

- IPWEA Professional Certificate in Asset Management Planning
- IPWEA Certificate of Attainment – Levels of Service & Community Engagement
- IPWEA Certificate of Attainment – Stormwater Drainage workshop

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Jodie Tydings

Curriculum Vitae

Jodie Tydings is Project Manager – Asset Accountant at SHEPHERD with six years of local government experience. Throughout her career Jodie has held positions in Finance and Asset Management and has a wealth of experience in Asset Accounting and Audit Compliance.

Jodie enjoys collaborating with councils to improve their asset management maturity and long-term financial sustainability.

KEY EXPERIENCE

Asset Management skills in all infrastructure asset classes, with expertise in:

- Asset valuations for all asset classes
- Corporate software implementation and integration to multiple systems
- Asset Capitalisations and end of financial year processes
- Asset register development and verification
- AASB116 and AASB13 compliance and methodology
- Unit rate development for replacement asset values
- Internal and External Auditor Liaison

EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL STATUS

- Bachelor of Commerce (Accounting and Marketing), University of The Sunshine Coast
- CERT III Business Administration

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

- Construction Safety Induction White Card
- Coordinating Capitalisations of a \$40mil capital works program

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11.5 HUMAN RESOURCES REPORT

Author: Human Resource Manager
Authoriser: Director of Corporate Services

RECOMMENDATION
 That Council receives and notes the Human Resources Report.

BACKGROUND

Current Recruitment:

Nil

Resignation/Retirement:

Nil

The Council will be closed for its annual Christmas shutdown from Monday December 23 and will reopen on Monday 6 January 2025.

Overtime:

Pay Period	Dates	Hours	Amount	Hours	Amount
26-1	1/06/24 to 28/06/24	714	35,848	938	48,024
2-3	29/6/24 to 26/7/24	631	32,526	854	43,203
4-	27/7/24 to 9/8/24	735	37,563		

LINK TO CORPORATE PLAN

1.3.1 Council has in place operational systems and capacity to deliver strategic priorities and core operations.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Snap Send Solve July 24 [↓](#)
2. Website Monthly Analytics July 2024 [↓](#)



Murweh Shire Council

Monthly report summary

This period: 2024-07-01 to 2024-07-31
 Last period: 2024-06-01 to 2024-06-30

Total Reports

This Period	Last Period	% Change
5	8	-38%

Customer Satisfaction Score

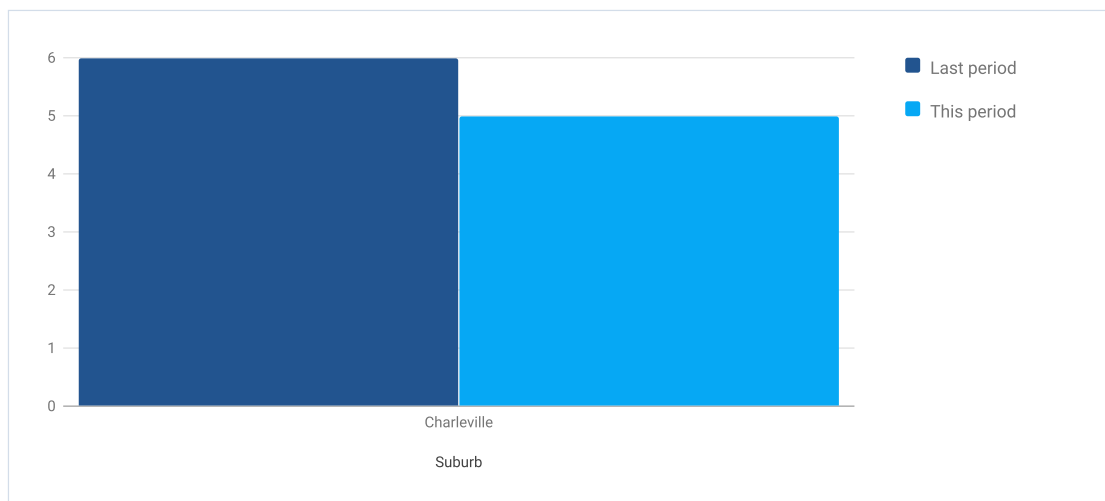
Customer Satisfaction Score (out of 5) provided by Snap Send Solve users for your authority.

	This Period	Last Period	% Change
Murweh Shire Council	2.1	5.0	-57%
Similar sized council average(state based)	2.8	4.5	-37%
State average	3.8	3.7	2%

Reports by Top 5 Suburbs

Total reports received by suburb for the period.

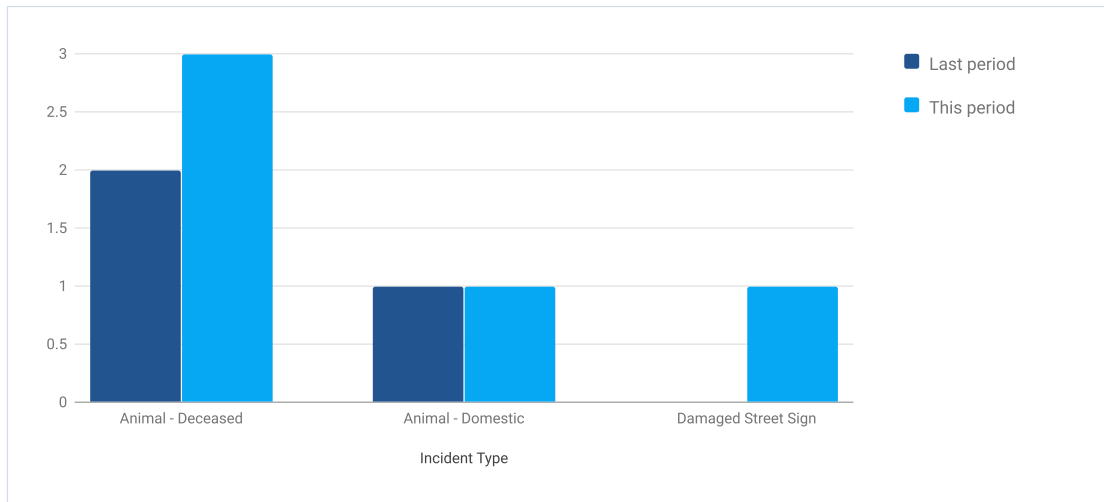
	This Period	Last Period	% Change
Charleville	5	6	-17%



Reports by Top 5 Incident types

Total reports received by Incident type for the period.

	This Period	Last Period	% Change
Animal - Deceased	3	2	50%
Animal - Domestic	1	1	0%
Damaged Street Sign	1	0	N/A



Reports by Top 5 Suburbs and Top 5 Incident types (This period)

	Animal - Deceased	Animal - Domestic	Damaged Street Sign
Charleville	3	1	1

Reports Triaged

Total reports received by your Authority that have been triaged to other authorities by your Customer Service team.

	This Period	Last Period	% Change

Reports Sent to Other Authorities

Total reports sent by Snap Send Solve users to other Authorities within your boundary, that your Authority is not responsible for.

	This Period	Last Period	% Change
nbn	3	0	N/A

NA* - There is no comparison data for this period

For any questions or comments, please contact [Snap Send Solve](#)
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Murweh Shire Council - Monthly Analytics Snapshot

Jun 1, 2024 - Jun 30, 2024

Sessions

4,762

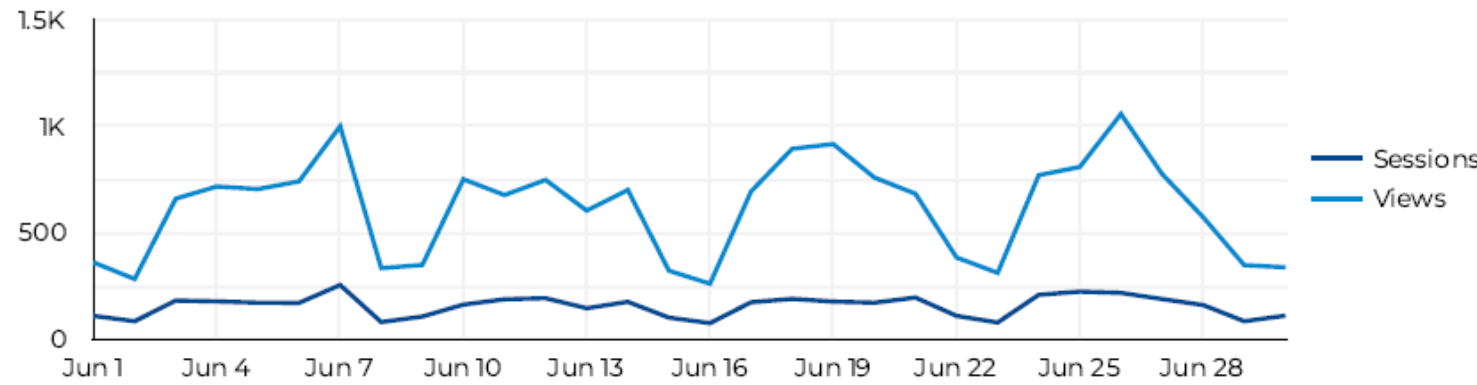
Views

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Views / Session

3.89

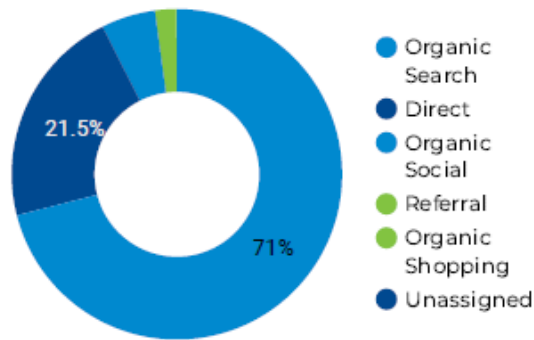
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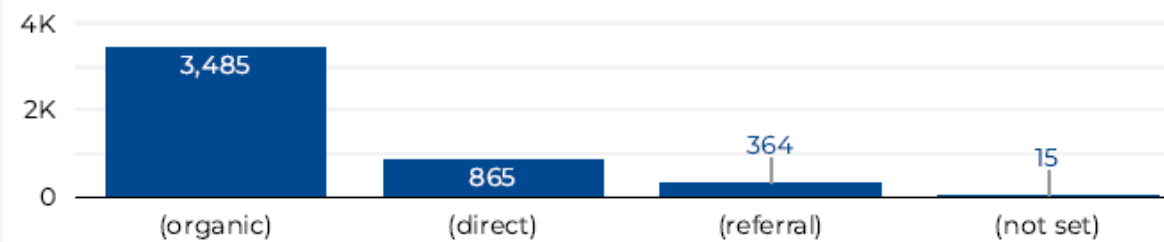
Top 10 Pages

Rank	Page path	Views
1.	/	2,523
2.	/council/employment	1,332
3.	/downloads/download/98/e...	888
4.	/site-search/results/	566
5.	/facilities/cemeteries	433
6.	/contact-us	422
7.	/council	351
8.	/about-council/agendas-and...	264
9.	/about-council/key-personnel	260
10.	/community-services	242

Channels



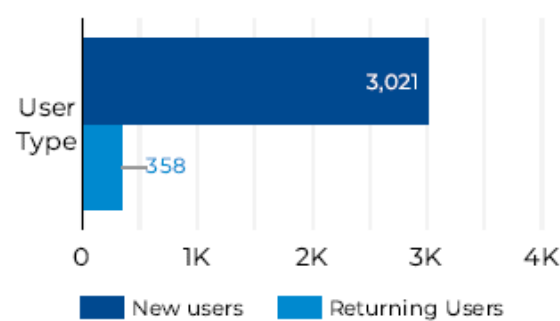
Sessions by Session Campaign



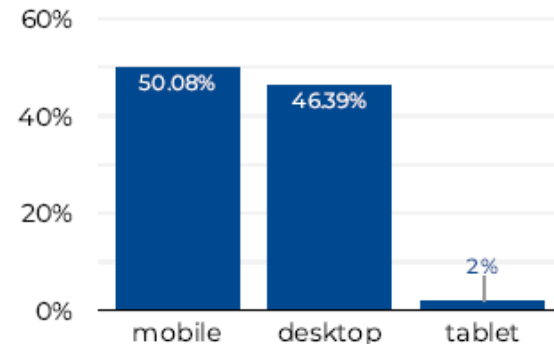
Top 10 Referral Sources

Rank	Session source	Sessions	Views
1.	google	3,242	12,929
2.	(direct)	865	2,570
3.	bing	196	1,407
4.	m.facebook.com	123	374
5.	lm.facebook.com	51	220
6.	l.facebook.com	46	222
7.	duckduckgo	22	90
8.	au.search.yahoo.c...	22	79
9.	(not set)	15	19
10.	galaxy.lgaq.digital	13	92

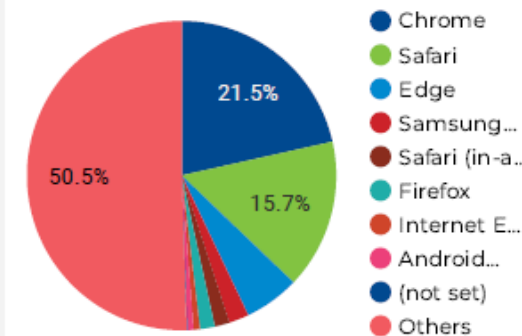
Sessions by User Type



Sessions by Device Type



Sessions by Browser



11.6 POLICY REVIEW HR-20 RECOGNITION OF SERVICE POLICY

Author: Human Resource Manager
Authoriser: Director of Corporate Services

RECOMMENDATION

That Council approves the Policy HR-20 - Recognition of Service Policy

BACKGROUND**Purpose**

The purpose of this policy is to recognise and celebrate long-term service, loyalty and commitment from employees of Murweh Shire Council. In identifying the significant service of employees, Council recognises the contribution of individuals to the community at specified service milestones and how these milestones will be recognised by Murweh Shire Council.

Consultation

The following staff were consulted in relation to the revision of this policy

- Director of Corporate Services

LINK TO CORPORATE PLAN

1.3.1 Council has in place operational systems and capacity to deliver strategic priorities and core operations.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Recognition of Service Policy HR-20 [↓](#)



Recognition of Service Policy

Policy No:	HR-20
Council Resolution Ref:	
Date Adopted:	August 2024
Review Date:	August 2027
Version No:	2
Responsible Officer:	HR Manager

Purpose

The purpose of this policy is Council values, recognises and commends long-term service, loyalty and commitment from its employees. In identifying the significant service of employees, Council recognises the employment contribution of individuals at specified service milestone

Commencement of Policy

This Policy will commence on adoption by Council. It replaces all other Recognition of Service policies (whether written or not).

Application

This policy applies to employees of Murweh Shire Council. It does not form part of any employee’s contract of employment.

Definitions

Employee - An employee includes full, or part time ongoing employees and executive officers employed under contract. It excludes casual employees and contingent labour. An employee who ceases employment due to misconduct is ineligible for a service recognition award.

Service - Service for the purpose of this policy is any period of continuous employment with Council, including approved leave (paid and unpaid). It does not include periods of service earned outside of Council (even if those periods are recognised for Long Service Leave purposes). Casual service will not be recognised as eligible service for the purposes of this policy

Continuous Service – Continuous service for the purpose of this policy is a period of ongoing employment (excluding casual employment) where there have been no breaks in service for periods of 3 months or more. If service is broken for a period of 3 months or more then the recognition of service count will revert to zero.

Exceptions - Service for the purpose of this policy only may include periods of non-continuous Council employment as a result of one or more of the following circumstances:

- resignation due to family reasons or illness and subsequent re-employment with Council on the condition that the employee has performed no paid work during that absence;
- an approved secondment period to a position or project in another government authority or entity;
- transition to a business in which the Council is a shareholder and re-employment with Council with no break in service continuity.

An employee may be required to provide documentation and/or a written statement confirming that he/she did not undertake any form of paid employment during any periods of absence from Council.



Recognition of Service Policy

Policy

Recognition of Years of Service – Existing Staff

The Payroll Officer will generate a list of employees who have achieved service milestones as at 30 June each year. Service recognition is on a financial year basis.

Eligible employees who have left Council prior to an award recognition event may receive a service recognition award via the post if unable to attend the relevant service recognition function

Entitlements	20yrs	25yrs & over
Certificate of Service	✓	✓
Gold Watch	✓	

Recognition of Years of Service – Staff Leaving Council

Directors/Supervisors are encouraged to acknowledge employees who leave Council (other than for reasons of misconduct) in an appropriate way (e.g. morning tea) in consultation with the employee.

Entitlements	2–4yrs	5–9yrs	10-14yrs	15+ yrs
Gift Value	Not to exceed \$100	\$100	\$300	\$500

Audit and Review

This policy shall be reviewed every **three years** or as required due to changes to in legislation.

Definitions

[insert definitions]

Example

"Public Sector Ethics" means the ethics principles as defined in the *Public Sector Ethics Act 1994*.

References

[insert legislation, guideline or statutory instrument]

Example

- *Local Government Act 2009*

11.7 WHS REPORT

Author: Administration
Authoriser: Director of Corporate Services

RECOMMENDATION
 That Council receives the report from the Workplace Health and Safety section.

BACKGROUND

INCIDENT REPORTS (since the last report)			
IR - 473	30.05.2024	RMPC - Roller reversed into another roller	No damage to person or plant
IR – 474	11.06.2024	Road Maintenance - Excavator hit by grid when removing	Damage to excavator

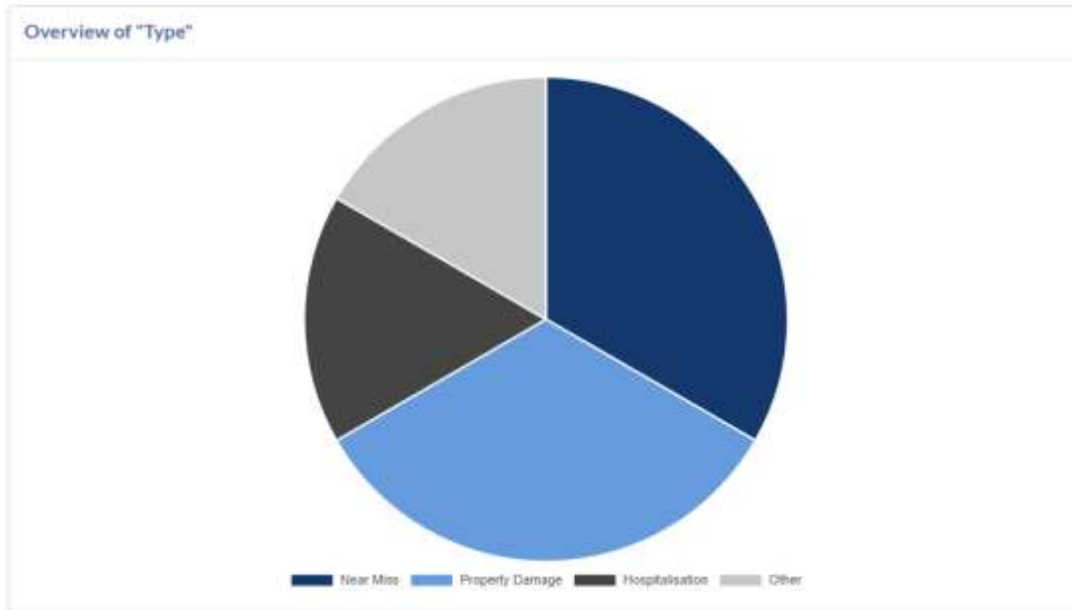
Following the implementation of the Safety Champion System the format for incident reporting is now updated from the graphs previously provided. This information is now provided in the table below.

INC0002	2024-09-07	Hospitalisation	View	Elbow forearm hit with fold down forklift tank on backhoe front bucket.	Workshop	Workshop	View	Close
INC0005	2024-07-30	smashed front windscreen	View	bucket dug into earth travelling off road	Lot 57 Warrego Hwy, Merwen QLD 4465, Australia	Town Crew	View	Close
INC0004	2024-06-27	Property Damage	Close	When taking grass from one Topper Truck the tray came down and hit the Toolbox and bent the tailgate and the Toolbox Tongue	Charleville Robotic Centre	Workshop	View	
INC0003	2024-07-15	Property Damage	Close	Brent Thomas was whipped snapping the gully and a rock flew up and hit a passing vehicle, resulting in breaking rear passenger window of passing vehicle.	corner of vazeon and evers street	Murwillihalli Council	View	
INC0002	2024-07-11	Near Miss	Close	Driving After Rain and Hit two Pot holes on Bicentennial Lane 1 and 2	Rhyler Road Dim Augathella Side of Dingy Barrier gate	Road Maintenance - Construction	View	
INC0001	2024-07-16	Near Miss	Close	passing Toyota On Single Lane Bicentennial Through Rocks and Smashed Driver side Window	Old Tanko Road	Workshop	View	

Reported Incidents:

Status	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug
Reported	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	1
Closed	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0
Open	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2

Type of Incident:



TOOL BOX TALKS & TAKE 5's

Take 5's have reduced. There will be a discussion at the next WHS meeting as to timing and method we will use to change this item using the safety champion system moving forward.

	Jul-2	Aug-	Sep-	Oct-
	0			
Total	53	0	0	0

SAFETY CHAMPION SET-UP

The new safety program, "Safety Champion," rollout commenced at the end of July and we are using the system to record our safety compliance within all our work areas in Murweh.

Initial use of the system has been positive with some expected teething problems. Staff have been engaged with using the system and providing feedback and are adapting well to the change at this stage.

WHS COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Last meeting held: 23 May 2024

Next Meeting to be held: 20 August 2024

FIRE EXTINGUISHER TESTING AND INSPECTIONS

Wormald will be testing and inspecting our Fire Extinguishers within the Murweh Shire's work areas and facilities starting Monday the 12th of August.

SAFETY ALERT**Two serious incidents involving falls from ladders**

In a recent incident, a worker was injured after falling from a height at a construction site. Initial enquiries indicate that the worker was descending from an upper floor under construction using a ladder, when for reasons yet to be established, the worker has fallen to the concrete floor below.

In the second incident, a worker suffered injuries as a result of falling from height from a roof. Investigations into both incidents are continuing.

Work involving ladders often leads to falls because of:

- ladder instability
- moving on or off the ladder
- the type of work carried out
- unsafe use, including the person leaning out to the side of the ladder

Implementing a safe system of work when using ladders that considers:

- the design, condition, and layout of elevated work areas, including the distance of a potential fall
- positioning and setting up of ladders. Before setting up a ladder, it should be inspected for visible damage or faults, for example, broken rungs, stiles, and feet. Faulty or damaged ladders must be removed from service.

When setting up a ladder you should check that:

- the ladder is the correct height for the work to avoid over-reaching or stretching
- locking devices on the ladder are secure
- the ladder is not placed so that the weight of the ladder and any person using the ladder is supported by the rungs.
- setting up a ladder on a solid and stable surface, and to prevent the ladder from slipping.

Single and extension ladders can be prevented from slipping by:

- ensuring the ladder has non-slip feet
- placing ladders at a slope of 4:1 (the distance between the ladder base and the supporting structure should be about 1 metre for every 4 metres of working ladder height)
- securing ladders at the top or bottom, or if necessary, at both ends
- [How to manage work health and safety risks code of practice 2021](#) (PDF, 0.65 MB)
- [Scaffolding code of practice 2021](#) (PDF, 1.63 MB)
- [Work at heights – construction](#)
- [Safe work method statements](#)
- [Managing fall risks on roofs in housing construction](#)
- [Heightened focus – eSAFE article](#)

Murweh Shire Council's Control Measures:

- Access through Safety Champion Noticeboard WHSQ link for staff to retrieve compliance stated in WHS Codes of Practices-current
- Working at Heights Safe Work Method Statements, Procedures and Safe Work Instructions and Risk Assessments that can be obtained and implemented by staff in Safety Champion
- Council provides Working at Heights Training Courses to all staff who require the training for their work area tasks.

TEST AND TAGGING

We are in the process of organising and engaging with contractors to have our Facility's Electrical Equipment Tested and Tagged.

Think Safe

Work Safe

Home Safe

LINK TO CORPORATE PLAN

3.2.1 Safety and protection strategies meet community needs and expectations

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

11.8 REGULATORY SERVICES - JULY

Author: Manager Regulatory Services
Authoriser: CEO

STOCK ROUTE

Water facilities Maintenance/ Repairs

Council has contacted Department of Resources, seeking emergency assistance to repair the Augathella water facility. This facility has failed (two 22,500 litre poly tanks) due to one tank splitting at the base, releasing all of the water.

One tank has been taken off line, leaving one available for stock watering purposes. The split in the base of the tank is due to poor installation design which encompasses an old galvanised tank filled with dirt and the poly tanks placed on top. One poly tank was placed overhanging the old galvanised tank causing the base to split. An application has been submitted to the Department for the installation of a new 122,000 litre tank in line with its water policy requirements.



Tank overlapping base – galvanised tank filled with dirt

Stock Route Capital Work (funded by Department of Resources – Stock Route Services)

All previous EOI's applied for have been provisionally approved by Department of Resources, Stock Route division and quotations are currently being sought for online submission and approval. The following stock route water facilities are to be upgraded over the next seven months.

- Clara creek new 122,000 litre tank
- Charleville new 122,000 litre tank
- Nive new 122,000 litre tank
- Biddenham new troughs

Wild Dog Control

An ad hoc baiting program was conducted in partnership with a number of landholders north of Augathella – 1200kg of privately supplied meat treated on property. Certification (fluoroacetate) issued by Qld Health has been received by one officer, awaiting certification for the other. Once certification has been obtained, Council will have three officers that can undertake this treatment.

Eighty (80) scalps have been presented to Council for bonus payments since 1 July 2024 (\$4,000.00) Forty-five male, thirty-five female with no pups to date.

Roma Feral Animal Baiting

Maranoa Regional Council held an information day in Roma regarding feral animal baiting and bonus scalp authorised officer improvements. The day involved sharing of information regarding the new legislation which requires all baits to be injected rather than rolled. A number of landholders advised they felt this method did not work, and factory baits were not destroying target species.

The Department of Resources provided an informative talk on pig control, covering off on the percentage of pigs destroyed by recreational hunters (approximately 5%).

Western Downs undertakes an annual pig aerial shooting program which has reduced the number of feral pigs within their shire. This has assisted with financial return on grain properties, to an extent that landholders are now working together to undertake their own annual program.

Pest Plant Matters

Rubber vine and Parkinsonia have been detected within and along the Warrego River through the Charleville township. These plants have been and are currently being sprayed for control and eventually eradication. Continual monitoring to ensure these pest species do not spread within this major water course is being undertake. Department of Resources have been advised of these species being within the Warrego River. Approximately 15 Rubber Vine various sized plants have been sprayed.



Rubber vine – identified Warrego River

Two days of pest plant spraying has been completed on the Cooladdi Common, targeting Hudson pear, Coral Cactus, Harrisia Cactus and Mother of Millions. More spraying will be undertaken in the not too distant future to keep this infestation at bay.

Council will be supporting the forthcoming integrated weed management day at Sommariva with officers talking about weed control and showcasing spray units and bio-control's for a number of different species.

Operational Cool Burn

The attached document No. 2 provides a map of bushfire risk mitigation areas identified in 2020 to implement as 'Operation Cool Burn'. Discussion with Councill Officers within the town crew and Stock Routes Crew regarding the areas they have identified for this year to be included in 'operation cool burn' include the vacant land on the 2nd channel of the Warrego adjacent to the Adavale/Augathella Road intersection back to the north, as well as a site west of Jupp and Howitt Streets. Fire breaks will need to be updated prior to any burning.

The new urban fire officer has been provided with a copy of the maps (Refer to Document No. 2). He will further discuss with Brad Steer (local knowledge) prior to coming back to Council in relation to approval for a fire permit. Further information may be available at Council meeting.

AIRPORT

Due to shower rain events that occurred over the month of July, Council's airport reporting officer has implemented sweeping water off the main runway mechanically and manually. The below photos indicates where the water is pooling on the runway. With the introduction of the new 'Global Reporting Format', water ponding will be reported as part of the ASI for further knowledge to the aviation industry – wet, slippery or ponding.



Drone image of runway 12/30 – sections of ponding water



Taxi way to RFDS



Water pooling on the apron – area in front of the Terminal building

Emergency generator has been serviced and a new battery installed, as it failed when undertaking a weekly check. Working well with the new battery, and has been used over this month with the couple of power failures.

Augathella Lighting

Changed battery in the red/green end of runway lights for Augathella. One of the lights had a crack in the cover allowing water to penetrate and the light became unserviceable. Provided new lights and have order new lights to replace those that are damaged.

Bureau of Meterology

Hydrogen machine has been reset approximately six times over the month for the Bureau of meterology.

Home Affairs Applications

Both applications (RFDS Ball and Wings Over the Warrego) sent to Department of Home Affairs to allow for events to occur on airside have not been approved. Further information has been provided for both events.

ANIMAL CONTROL*Feral Cats*

Council has received a number of further complaints regarding feral cats within the urban areas. All three cat traps are in use, and approximately six cats have been captured over the past three weeks. It has been identified that residents are feeding the cats, allowing for further breeding.

Barking Dog Complaint

The mayor, Town Ranger and myself met with a resident regarding the issue of barking dogs within the immediate neighbourhood and provided information on the steps Council takes to achieve an outcome.

The complainant has been given time to complete the necessary paperwork to enable Council to implement further action, to date no further information has been provided to Council. Formal correspondence will be sent to the complainant advising Council is closing the complaint, and giving the reason for closure.

Overgrown allotments

The Town Ranger has been undertaking inspections at Charleville, Augathella and Morven. Correspondence has been issued to five land owners, with Council taking action to clear the urban allotments within Charleville. One site in Augathella is being reviewed to ensure that it has been mowed to reduce identified risk.

Drinking Water Testing

Water testing has continued over the month, with all test being clear and meeting the drinking water guidelines.

WASTE MANAGEMENT

Council is working with Proterra Group to obtain the monthly report in time for each monthly Council meeting. The following information has been extracted from the June Monthly Waste Facility Report provided by Proterra:

Operational Service

1. Green waste – numerous piles have been developed, and Proterra have requested Council review QRA funding for mulching as a direct result of storm damage 'South Queensland Severe Storms and Rainfall, 24 December 2023 – 3 January 2024'.

- a. *A review of the QRA funding has occurred, and as there is no factual evidence to provide in the claim to support this request, Council is unable to seeking financial assistance in this manner.*
 - b. *Consultation with neighbouring local governments to identify if working together collaboratively for a contractor to undertake action to rid – tyres/green waste etc. benefiting all areas is an option – maybe an agenda item for South West ROC.*
2. *Change to site hours (currently 6am to 6pm)– prior to this being implemented, consultation with the community is required. Council has completed a survey, with the preferred hours being 8am to 5pm and open on the weekends. A report will be tabled for Council to consider the following to commence on the 2 January 2025:*
 - a. *Monday to Friday – 8am to 5pm*
 - b. *Saturday 8am to 2pm*
 - c. *Sunday 8am to 3pm*
 3. *Update on the possible Change to fees and charges for the new financial year – will this be amended to m3 rather than by tonne – This request will be discussed further with Proterra, as when Council are required to complete the annual return, the measurement is in tonne rather than metre cube. Should Council require clients to measure loads prior to going to the waste facility utilising the weighbridge, tonne would be the measurement rather than metre cube.*
 4. *Update on the provision of software, EFTPOS terminal etc for acceptance of payment on behalf of Council, to meet the fees and charges requirements. Council have a Square dock and reader that could be used at the waste facility. Trial would be required to ensure it works as required, prior to implementation.*
 5. *Update on the transfer station design. Should this be amended now that the weighbridge is being installed along the highway? At this time, the design can remain as completed by Proterra for Council, as it will not be constructed within the next financial year.*
 6. *Hot coals not to be delivered to site. A media release will be sent to the community regarding delivery of coals to the waste facility. Hot coals are to be identified and advised to the gate person, or only cold coals will be accepted at site.*

Waste Volume Summary 2023/24

Asbestos 467.42 m³

Batteries 115.86 m³

Commercial and Industrial 24,803 m³

Construction and Demolition 1,140 m³

Green waste 42,239 m³

General Waste Facility Updates

The current landfill cell is running south of the delivery ramp to fill in lower areas whilst construction of the wall on the norther side for future cells. Stockpiles of dirt from down the back are being stockpiled near tip face for cover. An area at the bottom of the ramp has been left open for wet weather events.

One of the waste facility officers has retired.

Tyre Stockpile

Small rigid truckloads of tyres continue to be delivered to site weekly by local companies. The stockpile is increasing and requires mulching.

Scrap Steel

Large stockpile accumulating mostly light steel and white goods. Contaminates still being placed in area, cleared by onsite team daily.

Green waste

Fire breaks have been reinstated around the older stockpiles. The stockpiles have been reduced in size to reduce known risks. Additional stockpile areas are being developed.

Animal Waste Area

New pits completed and covered as required. High volume of waste from the Abattoir is consuming landfill cell space and will continue to be monitored. This waste is rotten and decaying upon arrival, causing concern for other users of the site, as well as the health and well-being of on-site employees. Abattoir is reluctant to notify operators of delivery days, and at times do not stop at the gate hut to discuss options of disposal. The waste manager has spoken with Mr McPhee seeking for possibility of this type of waste to be diverted from landfill. Currently no cost to deliver to site.

Battery Area

Eight pallets are wrapped and awaiting collection. A number of batteries were stolen from site, however it is believed the person or persons that removed the batteries has been dealt with by the local Police service.

LINK TO CORPORATE PLAN

- 1.1.1 Council has in place strategic decision-making frameworks to identify, prioritise, and meet current and future needs .

ATTACHMENTS

1. **Biosecurity Day Sommariva** [↓](#)
2. **Bushfire Risk Mitigation Map - Charleville** [↓](#)



Farm Business Resilience Program

Integrated Weed Management Day

This day is multifaceted to help you identify and manage weeds on your property, giving you strategies to improve farm business resilience. It'll be an opportunity to engage with Qld DAF including Biosecurity Qld, Murweh Shire Council and SQ Landscapes.

What the day will cover:

- **Identify key local weeds** including emerging threats
- Manage risks to livestock from **toxic weeds**
- **Weed control methods** including non-chemical options
- **Paddock walk** at nearby sites
- Hear about **available support** for on-farm actions, property planning, and accessing government assistance programs
- **Bonus...** see weed samples, biocontrol agents and a spray unit demonstration on the day!

Biocontrol to take home!
Limited amounts only.

Bring suspect plants for ID!
Must be in a sealed tupperware or storage container.

Location: 'Sommariva', Charleville

Wednesday 4th Sept

9am - 1:30pm

Arrive from 8:30am
Smoko and lunch provided

Register here

<https://www.trybooking.com/CUBOV>



For more information

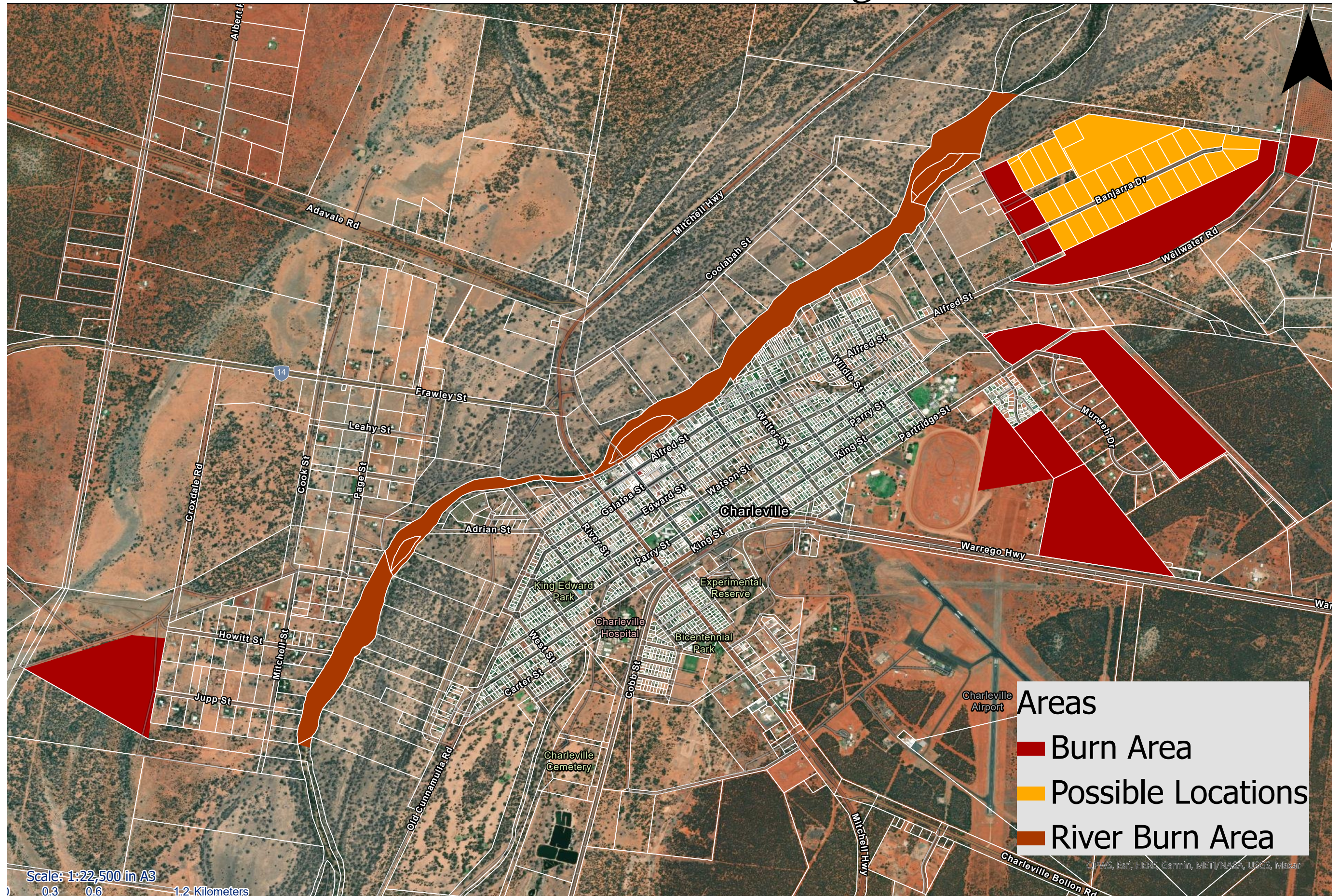
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This program is jointly funded through the Australian Government's Future Drought Fund and the Queensland Government's Drought and Climate Adaptation Program.



2021 COOL BURN FIRE RESISTANCE AND MITIGATION - CHARLEVILLE



11.9 COUNCIL ASSISTANCE 2024-2025

Author: Director of Corporate Services
Authoriser: CEO

RECOMMENDATION
 That Council approves the Community Assistance Grants (for assistance required up to 31 Dec 2024) 2024-2025 as tabled.

BACKGROUND

Each year council calls for applications from the community for Council’s Community Assistance Program. The spreadsheet attached details the applications received for assistance required up to 31 December 2024, another round of Assistance will be called in October for applications for Jan-Jun 2025.

Applications for the first half of 2024-2025 total \$75,800.00

Applications in previous years have totalled as follows;

20-21	\$112,636.00
21-22	\$110,300.00
22-23	\$125,354.00
23-24	\$117,400.00

LINK TO CORPORATE PLAN

- 3.1.1 Health and wellbeing services meet community needs and expectations
- 1.3.1 Council has in place operational systems and capacity to deliver strategic priorities and core operations.

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Council Assistance Applications 2024-2025 ROUND 1 [↓](#)

Council Assistance 2024-2025

Applicant	Town	Assistance Applied For	Total Value (\$)
Augathella Diggers Campdraft Assn.	Augathella	Water Truck, Use of pound yards, Rubbish Bin Hire	\$ 2,000.00
Augathella Hospital Auxiliary	Augathella	Mow field, Loan of stage for Melbourne Cup Fete night, Loan of tables and chairs for Melbourne Cup Fete night, loan of rubbish bins for fete night, Hall hire if raining, use of digital display board, use of flood lights	\$ 2,000.00
Augathella Progress Ass.	Augathella	Use of Meat Ant Park 9 December, mowing of park day before, council staff to deliver tables & Chairs (and hire), use of council light tower	\$ 2,000.00
Charleville Bowls Club	Charleville	waiver of water charges from rates	
Charleville Combined Churches	Charleville	Stage, Chairs, Sound System, Rubbish Bins, BBQ Meal up to \$1000	\$ 2,500.00
Charleville Cricket	Charleville	waiver of hire fees for showgrounds and lights 4/10/24-30/03/25	\$ 3,000.00
Charleville Dance House	Charleville	Waiver of hire fees for town hall and racecourse. InKind assistance at	\$ 7,000.00
Charleville & District Cultural Assn.	Charleville	Waiver of hire fees for chairs, tables, bollards for Creative Lane	\$ 250.00
Charleville Endurance Riders	Charleville	Grading and maintenance of riding track for Endurance Events	\$ 4,500.00
Charleville Golf Club	Charleville	Hire of chairs etc for community event. Supply of sand/loam, mowing when required.	\$ 5,000.00
Charleville Performing Arts	Charleville	hire of outdoor stage, bollards and hazmesh, hire of hall waiver	\$ 5,000.00
Charleville Polocrosse Club	Charleville	Water truck, plumbing, portaloos fees, grounds maintenance, tractor, sand/gravel	\$ 8,000.00
Charleville Scouts	Charleville	Waiver of rates	\$ 1,000.00
Charleville Small Bore Rifle Club	Charleville	Rates Assistance (\$800 per year) and slashing & mowing	\$ 2,800.00
Morven Historical Museum	Morven	Loam for landscaping, tables, chairs bins for market day, backhoe to shift machinery if needed, tree lopping, pest control	\$ 5,000.00
Morven Progress Assn.	Morven 446	installation of A/Cs already purchased by MPA, temporary fencing at ball time	\$ 4,000.00
Morven Race Club	Morven	Watering of the track the of week and on Race Day (If required), 30 Large Wheelie Bins from theCharleville Show Grounds, 100 Chairs from Morven Rec Grounds, Morven Rubbish Trailer, Portable Stage (Already booked), Pumping out of Septic Tanks, Slashing (If required), Loam for tie up stalls (If required)	\$ 10,000.00
Mulga Cup	Charleville	Use of showgrounds (lieghts, toilets, canteen), assistance of caretaker over weekend of carnival. Camping at the showgrounds allowed	\$ 2,000.00
Seniors Week	Charleville	Cost of catering Mayor's morning tea, waiver of hire fees, use of bus	\$ 2,000.00
South West Retirement	Charleville	slash adjacent block when needed, if prisinors unavailable. Load loam and chop trees.	\$ 1,500.00
Southern Cross Association		Waiver of hire fees and camping fees for motorcycle charity ride.	\$ 750.00
Warrego Campdraft Assoc. Inc.	Mungallala	water truck, bins, use of toilets and showers at showgrounds, assistance from caretaker, waiver hire fees tables and chairs	\$ 5,000.00
Warrego Equestrian Club Inc.	Charleville	Waiver of hire fees and use of stables and showgrounds for weekend	\$ 2,500.00
			\$75,800.00

12 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

12.1 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MONTHLY REPORT

Author: Director Economic Development

Authoriser: CEO

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the Economic Development report as presented.

1. PROJECT UPDATES

Outback Museum of Australia

Progressing in line with budget constraints. Liaising with Government department with regard to final reporting and acquittal expectations.

Cluster Fencing

310 kms of the subsidised 411kms installation has currently been completed by the five cluster Associations of Loddon, Reynella; Yanna; Myendetta and Nive.

Cosmos Centre Upgrade

Schedule of works, priorities and costs on updates and refurbishment within the Centre's main building is being finalised for presentation to Government department.

Earth Check Destination Sustainability Certification.

Working through list of issues and adjustments needed by auditor to qualify for silver accreditation.

Rural Economic Futures Fund

Intermodal Rail Freight Study (Charleville & Roma Terminals). Scoping of project in progress to include Freight data, Future demand, Capacity constraints, Decarbonisation, Productivity, Sustainability. A business case will also be produced to create a working model with emphasis on value added services, employment, training opportunities, cost efficiencies and price of freight.

Minor Infrastructure Fund

Charleville Showgrounds inclusive ablution and team changing room facility. Design works in progress and additional funding applied for through Queensland NRL.

2. FUNDING PROJECTS BEING SCOPED

Queensland Remembers Fund

Project to repair and restore Charleville Memorial area at the town hall. Work requirements currently being prioritised and costed

3. FUNDING AWAITING CONFIRMATION

Community Energy Upgrade Program (Solar Installations)

Multicultural Affairs, Welcome to Charleville 2025.

4. GENERAL

Project reporting, budgets and authorisations.

5. MEETINGS

Regional Economic Futures Meeting in Roma

Tennis Club committee regarding public and tourist access to courts.

LINK TO CORPORATE PLAN

1.1.1 Council has in place strategic decision-making frameworks to identify, prioritise, and meet current and future needs .

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

13 ENGINEERING SERVICES

13.1 ENGINEERING REPORT

Author: Director Engineering Services

Authoriser: CEO

RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives and notes the Engineering Services Report.

BACKGROUND

Executive Update

Local Roads

- Works program attached and communicated to community via social media.
- Program changes expected. Nebine road damaged by heavy vehicles following recent rainfalls.

TIDS

- Work on Adavale Road continuing – currently undertaking formation works.

TMR

- RMPC Contract - \$6.66 million over two financial years. PO received. Works underway.
- No capital works on 4 year QTRIP

Works for Queensland (W4QLD)

Bore #5 UV Disinfection Unit:

- New main installed
- UV unit in Charleville
- Kit shed currently under construction by MSC builders
- UV installer on site 24 August 2024

Local Shire Roads

A summary of the capital works and maintenance activities on Local Shire Roads are listed below.

Road Name	Activity Name	Chainage From (km)	Chainage To (km)	Remarks
Adavale Road	Guidepost maintenance	79,510.00	79,510.00	Replace guidepost
Adavale Road	Guidepost maintenance	76,740.00	76,740.00	Replaced 2 guideposts
Adavale Road	Inspections	0.00	101,670.00	Racas run - Category 2
Adavale Road	Clearing	86,160.00	96,700.00	Clearing for TIDS project on both sides of road approx. 4m wide. Drains approx. 6m wide either side of drains.
Bakers Bend Road	Inspections	0.00	2,690.00	Racas run - Category 2, some small wheel tracks PG
Barngo Road	Install Signs	26,250.00	26,450.00	Signage for the Betterment project.
Barngo Road	Install Signs	710.00	710.00	Signage for the Betterment project.
Barngo Road	Install Signs	31,750.00	31,750.00	Signage for the Betterment project.
Barngo Road	Install Signs	25,560.00	25,780.00	Signage for the Betterment project.
Barngo Road	Table Drain & Floodway Maintenance	26,020.00	26,020.00	Betterment.
Blackburn Road	Inspections	0.00	8,450.00	Category 2 - fair to good
Bollon Road	Slashing	10.00	56,000.00	
Caldervale Road	Inspections	0.00	2,750.00	Category 2 - good
Cunno Road	Inspections	0.00	11,840.00	Category 2 - good
Dillalah Bridge Road	Inspections	0.00	4,300.00	Category 2 - requires slashing and poisoning
Guestling Road	Inspections	0.00	20,500.00	Category 3 - bad inverts, wheel tracks, PG
Hythe Road	Inspections	0.00	18,500.00	Category 3 – washouts, deep wheel tracks, MG
Killarney Road	Slashing	0.00	73,530.00	
Khyber Road	Install Signs	58,120.00	58,440.00	Signage for defect
Langlo Mt Morris Road	Inspections	0.00	65,510.00	Racas run - Category 4
Langlo Mt Morris Road	Maintenance Grading with w/cart	40,030.00	65,510.00	
Langlo Mt Morris Road	Install Signs	36,840.00	65,510.00	Caution signage for unsealed road
Mt Tabor Road	Slashing	0.00	44,170.00	No slashing through Moorak
Murweh Road	Inspections	0.00	9,700.00	Category 4 – signage, bad inverts, deep wheel tracks, MG
Noorooloo Road	Inspections	0.00	92,270.00	inspection for clearing

Noorooloo Road	Slashing	85,270.00	92,270.00	Slashed by Morven town crew
Old Tambo Road	Install Signs	2,380.00	53,650.00	Replace and erect signs
Old Tambo Road	Guidepost maintenance	53,900.00	58,580.00	Guideposts on LRCIP4 project
Palmers Road	Inspections	0.00	1,670.00	Category 3 - wheel tracks, PG
Percival Road	Inspections	0.00	3,660.00	Category 2 - could use MG
Red Ward Road	Inspections	0.00	67,580.00	Resheet and clearing run
Wallal Riverleigh Road	Inspections	0.00	34,200.00	Category 3 – washouts, corrugations, wheel tracks, vegetation, MG
Wellwater Road	Slashing	0.00	11,880.00	
Yanna Bridge Road	Inspections	0.00	3,910.00	Category 4 – signage, washouts, corrugations, PG

Construction crew commenced work on the TIDS/R2R project on the Adavale Road.

Maintenance crew continuing flood repair on the Old Tambo Road.



Completed sealing works on Old Tambo Road (Funded by LRCI Phase 4)

Road Maintenance Performance Contract (RMPC)

July 2024 Maintenance Works on National Highways and State Controlled Roads

Location	Activity Name	Chainage From (km)	Chainage To (km)	Quantity	Costs (\$)
Diamantina Dev Road (Charleville - Quilpie)	Call Outs Required As Normal Defects	0.01	106.15	5,740.00	\$5,740.00
Diamantina Dev Road (Charleville - Quilpie)	Insitu-Stabilisation Minor (<500 m2)	103.37	103.38	15.00	\$7,125.00
Diamantina Dev Road (Charleville - Quilpie)	Insitu-Stabilisation Minor (<500 m2)	62.26	62.26	20.00	\$9,500.00
Diamantina Dev Road (Charleville - Quilpie)	Inspections for Forward List of Works	0.01	106.15	3,990.00	\$3,990.00
Diamantina Dev Road (Charleville - Quilpie)	Rest Area Servicing	0.01	106.15	7,605.00	\$7,605.00
Landsborough Highway (Augathella - Tambo)	Repair or Replace Guide Markers	0.01	57.09	100.00	\$9,900.00
Mitchell Highway (Charleville - Augathella)	Call Outs Required As Normal Defects	0.01	78.40	20,253.00	\$20,253.00
Mitchell Highway (Charleville - Augathella)	Call Outs Required As Normal Defects	73.58	73.58	4,055.00	\$4,055.00
Mitchell Highway (Charleville - Augathella)	Other roadside work	78.00	78.40	3,745.00	\$3,745.00
Mitchell Highway (Charleville - Augathella)	Pavement Repairs Gravel (Mechanical) Minor	78.00	78.40	21.00	\$4,200.00
Mitchell Highway (Charleville - Augathella)	Tractor Slashing, Rural	0.01	78.40	88.00	\$30,976.00
Mitchell Highway (Cunnamulla - Charleville)	Call Outs Required As Normal Defects	126.54	196.52	6,975.00	\$6,975.00
Mitchell Highway (Cunnamulla - Charleville)	Call Outs Required As Normal Defects	131.61	131.61	21,956.00	\$21,956.00
Mitchell Highway (Cunnamulla - Charleville)	Insitu-Stabilisation Minor (<500 m2)	133.36	133.36	27.00	\$12,825.00
Mitchell Highway (Cunnamulla - Charleville)	Insitu-Stabilisation Minor (<500 m2)	133.37	133.37	45.00	\$21,375.00
Warrego Highway (Morven - Charleville)	Call Outs Required As Normal Defects	72.91	72.91	4,504.00	\$4,504.00
Warrego Highway (Morven - Charleville)	Call Outs Required As Normal Defects	20.64	20.76	41,520.00	\$41,520.00
Warrego Highway (Morven - Charleville)	Herbicide Spraying	0.01	86.91	1,000.00	\$5,000.00
Warrego Highway (Morven - Charleville)	Tractor Slashing, Rural	0.01	5.00	6.00	\$2,112.00
Warrego Highway (Mitchell to Morven)	Hand Mowing	67.44	92.60	550.00	\$3,850.00
Warrego Highway (Mitchell to Morven)	Inspections for Forward List of Works	67.44	92.60	6,270.00	\$6,270.00
Warrego Highway (Mitchell to Morven)	Other Roadside Work	67.44	92.60	3,640.00	\$3,640.00
Warrego Highway (Mitchell to Morven)	Pavement Repairs Gravel (Mechanical) Minor	75.67	75.67	20.00	\$4,000.00

Warrego Highway (Mitchell to Morven)	Pavement Repairs Gravel (Mechanical) Minor	68.40	68.40	15.00	\$3,000.00
Warrego Highway (Mitchell to Morven)	Pavement Repairs Gravel (Mechanical) Minor	75.51	75.51	21.00	\$4,200.00
Warrego Highway (Mitchell to Morven)	Rest Area Servicing	67.44	92.60	7,100.00	\$7,100.00
Warrego Highway (Mitchell to Morven)	Tractor Slashing, Rural	67.44	92.60	35.00	\$12,950.00
				TOTAL	\$268,366

RMPC 24-25 Works Expenditure

Schedules	Allocated Budget	UpToDate Expenditure	Remaining
Schedule 1 (National Highways)	\$ 649,210.00	\$ 54,910.00	\$ 594,300.00
Schedule 2 (Other State Controlled Roads)	\$ 2,534,750.00	\$ 213,456.00	\$ 2,321,294.00
Schedule 4 – Invasive Plants & Animals (Other State Controlled Roads)	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 6,000.00
Schedule 5 – Fire Risk Management (National Highways)	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 4,000.00
Schedule 6 – Fire Risk Management (Other State Controlled Roads)	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 6,000.00
TOTALS	\$ 3,199,960.00	\$ 268,366.00	\$ 2,931,594.00



Shouldering works on 93A Diamantina Developmental Road (Charleville-Quilpie)

Water & Sewerage

Maintenance works carried out in July 2024.

Water Works

Charleville

Activities	Completed
Service Line Breaks	6
Repair Water Mains	6
Meters Replaced/ checked	5
Pump Station Faults	0
Water Bore Maintenance	1
Disconnections	0
New Connections	0

General Comment: Meter reading ongoing.

Moved existing pipe at Bore 5 for new shed slab.

Morven

Activities	Completed
Service Line Breaks	0
Repair Water Mains	3
Meters Replaced/ checked	0
Pump Station Faults	3
Water Bore Maintenance	0
Disconnections	0
New Connections	0

General Comment: Renew water main on corner of Albert Street and Eureka Street.

Overhead filler at Rail Hub completed.

UV machine not working at Rail Hub.

Augathella

Activities	Completed
Service Line Breaks	1
Repair Water Mains	2
Meters Replaced/ checked	0
Pump Station Faults	0
Water Bore Maintenance	0
Disconnections	0
New Connections	0

General Comment: UV machine not working properly.

Sewerage Works

Charleville

Activities	Completed
Main line Chokes	3
Service Line Chokes	0
Pump Station Faults	0
Toilet Faults	1
New Connections	0
Unblock Sewer House / Main Connections	3
Pressure System Faults	0

General Comment: Nil.

Morven

Activities	Completed
Main line Chokes	0
Service Line Chokes	0
Pump Station Faults	0
Toilet Faults	4
New Connections	0
Unblock Sewer House / Main Connections	0
Pressure System Faults	0

General Comment: Nil.

Augathella

Activities	Completed
Main line Chokes	0
Service Line Chokes	0
Pump Station Faults	0
Toilet Faults	0
New Connections	0
Unblock Sewer House / Main Connections	0
Pressure System Faults	0

General Comment: Nil.

Plumbing

Works completed by Council’s Preferred Supplier for Plumbing Services, **Lehmann Plumbing and Gas Services**.

Activity	Charleville	Augathella	Morven
Replace Council jump up & unblock sewerage line – Galatea Street pump station	✓		
Supply and install 3x brass shower head rail slides in Morven			✓
Repair leak at Medical Centre	✓		
Replace taps at Riverview Units, 29 Alfred Street	✓		
Camera inspection of sewer at Showgrounds	✓		
Replace hot water system at Riverview Units, 29 Alfred Street	✓		
Charleville Depot - Fit off 2 x toilets and a hand basin. Move outside sink and water bubbler from inside the shed. Connect hot water unit for new toilets in mechanic shed.	✓		
Replace broken junction in Augathella		✓	
Repair leaking bubbler at Graham Andrews Park	✓		
Install hot water system Morven Rec Grounds			✓
Unblock sewerage at 223 Alfred Street	✓		
Bore 5 - move pipe to new shed	✓		
Repair leaking male toilet in Council Office	✓		

Electrical

Works completed by Council’s Preferred Supplier’s for Electrical Services, **Charleville Refrigeration and Electrical (CRE), Brayley’s Electrical and Patto’s Electrical**.

Activity	Charleville	Augathella	Morven
Brayley’s Electrical			
Urgent repairs to cable for Big Sky Observatory	✓		
Workshop electrical repairs	✓		
Electrical repairs to Genelite Generator for Workshop	✓		
Install hot water system at aged unit 29 Alfred Street	✓		

Charleville Refrigeration and Electrical (CRE)			
Called to Racecourse to inspect cold room. Found to be running as it should. Advised it was freezing fruit and vegetables. Turned thermostat ¼ up approx. 2 degrees. Return it back down when finished.	✓		
Repair WWII auto doors	✓		
Repair Art Gallery air conditioner	✓		
CCTV inspections	✓		
Patto's Electrical			
Called after hours by Les Baker to investigate why lights at Netball Courts not working. Found switches turned off in control box, tested and passed. Turned back on.	✓		
Travel to Augathella Airport, change out faulty lighting at the toilet/sitting area that is currently burnt out.		✓	
Replace various lights at Charleville Camp	✓		
Disconnect power from Augathella Q150 Shed		✓	
Call out – Check out sump pump in bladder, replaced and installed new pump	✓		
Call out – Sewerage station pump burnout, replaced contactors and overload	✓		
Call out – Travel to Morven to check out septic system, no power at Cemetery Street			✓
Investigate power tripping at Unit 3 Delta Court	✓		
Isolate/disconnect pool blower	✓		
Changed burnt out W/P 36-watt light at Morven Depot. Tested and passed.			✓
Changed faulty CB at the Morven Rec Grounds for the septic system.			✓
Install pressure tank to pump set at Morven Rail Hub with assistance from Casey Day.			✓
Repair showgrounds lights	✓		
SCADA system repairs	✓		
Flood light for Town Hall	✓		
Bore 6 – Generator test/replace	✓		
Morven Rail Hub – replace seal kit			✓
Replace broken switch Unit 2 Wildie Street	✓		
Replace various outlets at Cosmos Centre	✓		

Building

Activity	Charleville	Augathella	Morven
Workshop Office <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Prep and pour concrete in second office - Framing - Sheet roof for storage 	✓		
New Workshop Toilets <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Tile walls - Grout tiles - Install epoxy flooring 			
Lock at 17 Racecourse Drive	✓		
Cultural Centre <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fix splashback tiles - Fix exit sign - Repair guttering 	✓		
Make new key rack for Council Office	✓		
Re-install fence at swimming pool	✓		
Measure shade sail at King Edward Park	✓		
Measure Racecourse fence	✓		
Fix broken door at Showgrounds	✓		
Mount remote for shades at Racecourse	✓		
Fix sliding glass door at Unit 2 aged care		✓	
Measure for tin and flashings at Council Depot		✓	
Measure small shed at rear of Council office for re-sheeting	✓		
Remove and install new door on sun viewing room at Cosmos Centre	✓		
Drain and repair swimming pool ready for opening	✓		
Install epoxy flooring around splash pool	✓		
Prep and pour concrete slab for new UV disinfection unit	✓		



Concrete slab for new UV disinfection unit

Town Maintenance

Activity	Charleville	Augathella	Morven
Grave Digging	0	0	0
Edge Break			
Pothole Patching	✓		
Repair Seal Defects			
Bitumen Sealing (Reseal)			
Heavy Patching/Pavement Repair			
Gravel Resheeting			
Table Drain & Floodway Maintenance			
Clear Culverts			
Subsurface Drains			
Slashing	✓	✓	✓
Hand Mowing	✓	✓	✓
Clearing	✓	✓	✓
Weed Spraying			
Maintain Signs			
Guidepost Maintenance			
Footpath Works	✓		
Line Marking			
Kerb & Channel			
Street Furniture Maintenance			
Riverwalk Maintenance	✓		
Litter Collection	✓	✓	✓
Pit Maintenance			
Dead Animals			
Other			
Works Requests	✓	✓	✓
Playground Inspections			
Clean BBQs	✓	✓	✓
Slash Gully			
Plant Flowers			
Fix Sprays in Park	✓		✓
Water pots in Main Street	✓	✓	
Mow Ovals & Parks	✓	✓	✓
Service Plant	✓	✓	✓
New Signs			

Completed Town Works

- General town maintenance in all three towns.
- Replace footpath in Sturt Street from Ambulance to Tafe Building.
- Cut and trimmed trees at Town Hall.
- New trees planted at Morven Cemetery and new water system put in place.

Workshop

MSC WORKSHOP MONTHLY REPORT JULY 2024	
SAFETY	Zero incidents and accidents.
WORK CARRIED OUT ON UTES	
Unit 674	Installed intercooler protector
Unit 610	Repaired UHF and replaced top intercooler hose
Unit 663	Replaced battery
Unit 611	Carried out service
Unit 612	Carried out service
WORK CARRIED OUT ON GRADERS	
Unit 116	Repaired transmission oil leak, replaced beacon light, replaced headlights, repaired arm rest, replaced compressor ducting and repaired coolant leak
Unit 114	Shimmed a-frame ball, adjusted circle, replaced steps and replaced headlights
Unit 118	Replaced right hand door glass, replaced cylinder wear cups, shimmed a-frame ball, replaced cab marker light and replaced right hand articulation cylinder bushes
Unit 117	Carried out 1000-hour service, shimmed a-frame ball, adjusted circle, replaced cylinder wear cups, replaced articulation cylinder bushes, replaced cab marker lights, replaced batteries, replaced aerial and replaced steps
WORK CARRIED OUT ON TRUCKS	
Unit 49	Replaced ring feeder and repaired headlight wiring
Unit 47	Replaced tie rod shaft and tie rod ends
Unit 34	Repaired battery hold down clamp, repaired diff lock and replaced right hand parker light
Unit 52	Carried out service, repaired spray rig, replaced transmission torque converter seal and replaced engine rear main seal
Unit 57	Carried out top motor service, replaced fan brake, replaced fan shaft bearings and repaired skids
Unit 55	Replaced right hand front window
Unit 38	Replaced front drive axle shocks and turn table wear pad
Unit 39	Replaced front drive axle shocks
Unit 2	Repaired PTO oil leak
Unit 56	Repaired hi-ab and replaced batteries
Unit 43	Replaced front door indicator
Unit 44	Repaired park light
Unit 58	Installed bump stops on rear tailgate
Unit 54	Repaired trailer plug
WORK CARRIED OUT ON TRAILERS	
Unit 239	Install battery, carry out RW inspection, repack bearings and replace bushes
Unit 574	Carry out annual service
Unit 567	Carry out annual service

Unit 330	Replaced broken water valve
Unit 490	Repair engine and replace jockey wheel
Unit 374	Carry out annual service
Unit 321	Carry out annual service and repair fluid leaks
Unit 235	Carry out annual service
Unit 370	Carry out annual service
Unit 238	Carry out annual service
Unit 336	Repair hydraulic oil leak
Unit 280	Carried out annual service, replaced water pump and hoses
Unit 239	Carried out annual service, RW inspection, re greased wheel bearings, replaced brake pads and replaced suspension bushes
WORK CARRIED OUT ON NAVMAN	
Unit 203	Replaced duress button and wiring
Unit 2	Carried out new install
Unit 50	Repaired system
Unit 33	Repaired system
WORK CARRIED OUT MOWERS AND TRACTORS	
Unit 175	Repaired hydraulic control lever
Unit 192	Replaced PTO clutch, replaced exhaust mount, repaired seat, replaced PTO shaft and replaced headlights
Unit 573	Replaced batteries
Unit 584	Rebuilt PTO gearbox and carried out service
Unit 586	Repaired deck, rebuilt spindle and replaced front wheel bearings
Unit 227	Repaired caster forks, replaced trailing wheels, repaired trailering arm mounts and repaired PTO shaft
Unit 582	Replaced glow plugs, replaced push rod and repaired injectors
Unit 193	Repaired exhaust mount
Unit 591	Replaced deck belt and rebuilt right hand spindle
Unit 228	Replaced PTO clutch, replaced slasher wheels, repaired wheel caster, repaired height adjuster and repaired trailing arms
WORK CARRIED OUT ON MISCELLANEOUS	
Unit 172 Loader	Replaced right hand windscreen
Unit 203 Multi Tyre Roller	Replaced transmission output shaft seal, replaced diff input shaft seal, replaced leaking hydraulic hoses, repaired coolant leak and repaired air con control cable
Unit 164 Backhoe	Replaced bonnet struts
Unit 156 Skid Steer	Repaired bucket wiring
Unit 567 Line Marker	Carried out service
Unit 191 Drum Roller	Replaced hydraulic hoses
Unit 176 Excavator	Carried out check over and repaired front stone guard

Unit 212 ATV	Carried out service and replaced beacon light
Unit 351 Dingo	Carried out service and repaired hydraulic leak
Unit 389 Cosmos Generator	Carried out service and repaired fuel cut off solenoid wiring
Unit 385 Line Marker	Carried out annual service
Unit 201 Multi Tyre Roller	Replaced beacon lights
Unit 545 Airport Generator	Carried out service and replaced batteries
Unit 388 SES Generator	Carried out service
Unit 400 Bore 5 Generator	Carried out service
Unit 401 Bore 6 Generator	Carried out service
Unit 178 Backhoe	Repaired step and replaced hydraulic ball vale handle
PLAN FOR AUGUST	
Start preparing for annual heavy vehicle inspections NHVR, continue organising workshop and continue with plant replacement tendering.	

Murweh Shire Flood Restoration Works – July Report

Monthly Progress Report



Enginfra Consulting
Engineers and Project Managers

Project Name	Murweh Shire Dec 21, May 22 & Sept 22 Flood Restoration Delivery		
Date	6 August 2024	Report Period	July 2024
Project Manager	Russell Hood		
Reporting To	Bruce Scott Jacob Barton Troy McQueen		

1.	<p>Current Status</p> <p>The last of the work from the 21-22 program is nearing completion, with the concrete floodway poured for the betterment project on Bamgo Road and minor works to finish this being done this month. All other works under the Dec 21 and May 22 programs are complete and close-out submissions are being finalised.</p> <p>Overall progress for the Sept 22 event from the 22-23 year to the end of July 2024 as reported to QRA is 68%. There are 182 damage sites remaining under the Sept 22 event, primarily as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Heavy formation grading and areas of gravel top-up on Norah Park, West Loddon, Cooladdi Access, Biloola and Monamby Roads which will be done in August / September 2024; - Heavy formation grading and areas of gravel top-up on Mt Tabor and Khyber Roads; - Sealed Road pavement repairs on Old Tambo, Biddenham, Khyber and Nebine Roads with Old Tambo Road work currently in-progress due to be complete this month. <p>This work must be completed prior to 30 June 2025.</p> <p>Council has been activated for 2 new events from heavy rainfall and flooding in late January 2024 and early April 2024. Emergency works are complete for both events, and claims have been submitted to QRA. Damage assessment is complete for the January 2024 event and 60-70% complete for the April 2024 event. This will result in 2 new events in the 23-24 financial year. Preliminary assessment of damage is estimated at \$15M.</p>
	<p>Delivery</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Sealed road pavement repairs were completed on Adavale Road and are in-progress on Old Tambo Road under the Sept 22 event. o The concrete floodway on Bamgo Road has been poured and will be completed in August 2024. o Sections of grading were completed on Khyber Road under the Sept 22 event.
2.	<p>Submissions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o All submissions under the Sept 22 event are approved. The approved funding of this event including Project Management, Contingencies and Escalation is \$11,783,608.
3.	<p>Overall Program Progress</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Sept 22 event overall program progress is 68% to end of July 2024. o QRA monthly progress reports and payment claims have been lodged with QRA on 6/8/2024.
4.	<p>Budget</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Total claimed expenditure Dec 21 and May 22 events to end of July 2024 - \$5,259,926.84 o Estimated cost to complete - \$21,000 (Betterment Project Bamgo Road) o Estimated final cost - \$5,280,926.84 o Total claimed expenditure Sept 22 event to end of June 2024 - \$6,170,023.19 o Estimated cost to complete - \$2,957,000 o Estimated final cost - \$9,127,023.19

Monthly Progress Report



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Payment claims are being made each month where expenditure of a submission exceeds 30% upfront payment. Where submissions have reached 90% completion, no further payments will be made until the final close-out of the submission is done, when the final 10% will be paid. o Submission MuSC.0031.2223C has been completed and the final close-out submission has been lodged with QRA with all completion photos and financial transactions. The final cost for this submission was \$745,265. o Submission MuSC.0024.2122B has been completed and the final close-out submission has been lodged with QRA with all completion photos and financial transactions. The final cost for this submission was \$652,220. o Submission MuSC.0038.2223C has been completed and the final close-out submission has been lodged with QRA with all completion photos and financial transactions. The final cost for this submission was \$700,593. o Submission MuSC.0034.2223C has been completed and the final close-out submission has been lodged with QRA with all completion photos and financial transactions. The final cost for this submission was \$528,678. o Submission MuSC.0023.2122B has been completed and the final close-out submission has been lodged with QRA with all completion photos and financial transactions. The final cost for this submission was \$1,300,735. o Submission MuSC.0025.2122B has been completed and the final close-out submission has been lodged with QRA with all completion photos and financial transactions. The final cost for this submission was \$588,709. o Submission MuSC.0021.2122B has been completed and the final close-out submission has been lodged with QRA with all completion photos and financial transactions. The final cost for this submission was \$813,664. o Submission MuSC.0026.2122B has been completed and the final close-out submission will be lodged with QRA by 31 August 2024. The final cost for this submission was \$565,341. o Submission MuSC.0029.2122J has been completed and the final close-out submission will be lodged with QRA by 31 August 2024. The final cost for this submission was \$462,224.
5.	<p>Potential Risks and Issues</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o The remainder of the Dec 21 and May 22 submission close-outs can now be done to receive the final 10% payment of funding. Council has to carry these costs until such time as all assessment and sampling by QRA is complete and the final payments are made. Council is still waiting for most of the finalised submissions listed above to be assessed and these will be followed up to minimise the time Council is waiting for final payments.

December 2021 Event Flood Restoration

Asset / road name	Recommended Value	Claimed Expenditure	% Complete	Timing
Barngo Road	\$491,386.77	\$542,988.75	100%	
Barngo Road Floodway	\$72,607.17	\$51,555.78	80%	Betterment
Bogarella Road	\$64,001.48	\$86,165.21	100%	
Caldervale Road	\$15,453.92	\$23,493.26	100%	
Caroline Crossing Road	\$11,633.65	\$11,804.36	100%	
Cunno Road	\$65,259.78	\$39,502.71	100%	
Hoganthulla Road	\$32,712.54	\$25,140.32	100%	
Mona Road	\$668.16	\$106.29	100%	
Orange Tree Crossing	\$7,915.22	\$12,136.33	100%	
Rosewood Road	\$22,084.35	\$20,778.00	100%	
Waterford Road	\$2,500.81	\$2,825.02	100%	
Mt Tabor Road	\$1,055,284.10	\$732,004.07	100%	
Balmacarra Road	\$62,252.69	\$55,431.58	100%	
Black Ward Road	\$415,370.48	\$332,080.02	100%	
Cooladdi Langlo Road	\$2,117.46	\$2,745.60	100%	
Coolaman Road	\$1,057.61	\$0.00	100%	
Creswell Access Road	\$2,759.13	\$0.00	100%	
Croxdale Road	\$6,145.33	\$5,860.65	100%	
Middle Creek Road	\$308,150.50	\$287,691.69	100%	
Newholme Road	\$92,915.98	\$92,082.50	100%	
Old Quilpie Road	\$68,382.26	\$57,984.00	100%	
Pinnacle Road	\$5,372.43	\$5,027.40	100%	
Red Ward Road	\$367,389.86	\$352,971.39	100%	
Rosepark Road	\$792.95	\$0.00	100%	
Yarronvale Road	\$11,707.06	\$4,869.00	100%	
Alice Downs Road	\$55,524.22	\$49,620.00	100%	
Armidilla Road	\$6,279.35	\$6,275.00	100%	
Bakers Bend Road	\$11,355.28	\$8,220.00	100%	
Bollon Road	\$12,529.98	\$7,569.09	100%	
Caledonia Road	\$2,934.05	\$2,970.00	100%	
Columbo Road	\$9,613.03	\$6,800.00	100%	
Dundee Road	\$5,295.96	\$5,100.00	100%	
Durella Road	\$25,496.45	\$25,915.00	100%	
Gunnawarra Road	\$2,112.52	\$1,380.00	100%	
Maryvale Road	\$81,488.86	\$79,517.50	100%	
Nebine Road	\$73,825.73	\$71,188.51	100%	
Noorooloo Road	\$183,664.55	\$181,518.61	100%	
Old Charleville Road	\$47,409.69	\$46,501.04	100%	
Palmers Road	\$6,995.00	\$4,460.00	100%	
Percvial Road	\$6,046.20	\$4,250.00	100%	

Rocky Road	\$30,370.00	\$29,947.26	100%
Shelbourne Road	\$37,743.59	\$35,185.00	100%
Wallal Riverleigh Road	\$20,055.23	\$16,760.77	100%
Wheatleigh Road	\$21,430.06	\$19,560.00	100%
Allendale Warrah Road	\$103,380.29	\$99,238.67	100%
Belrose Road	\$32,957.19	\$31,547.50	100%
Borea Road	\$528.80	\$570.00	100%
Clara Creek Road	\$12,882.71	\$9,485.43	100%
Greenstead Road	\$7,720.76	\$7,210.00	100%
Gundare Road	\$6,014.05	\$5,100.00	100%
Killarney Road	\$35,330.55	\$34,764.41	100%
Mt Maria Road	\$59,121.25	\$56,605.00	100%
Newstead Road	\$27,901.17	\$28,785.12	100%
Northview Road	\$1,760.88	\$1,817.50	100%
Ouida Downs Road	\$7,042.42	\$6,630.00	100%
Rainmore Road	\$23,957.20	\$15,374.82	100%
Uabba Road	\$13,315.04	\$14,313.24	100%
Wellwater Road	\$178,074.64	\$168,023.67	100%
Winnebah Road	\$65,082.16	\$64,860.00	100%
Biddenham Road	\$33,431.09	\$40,856.63	100%
Cargara Road	\$13,779.28	\$13,929.00	100%
Kyhber Road	\$458,526.01	\$344,311.79	100%
Laguna Road	\$41,960.76	\$53,610.82	100%
Naaraga Raincourt Road	\$45,124.46	\$36,592.95	100%
Old Tambo Road	\$29,071.67	\$27,810.00	100%
Dec 21 PM	\$388,255.85	\$388,283.91	100%
Total	\$5,411,309.67	\$4,797,702.17	100%

Weighted Percentage Complete from QRA Progress Reports

98%

Dec 21 & May 22 RV \$5,840,685.03
Dec 21 & May 22 Exp \$5,259,926.84

May 2022 Event Flood Restoration

Asset / road name	Recommended Value	Claimed Expenditure	% Complete	Timing
Adavale Road	\$309,538.86	\$311,911.00	100%	
Claren Park Road	\$13,770.46	\$5,945.49	100%	
Killarney Road	\$1,698.53	\$0.00	100%	Defer to Sept 22
Old Tambo Road	\$54,919.00	\$106,433.76	100%	
Red Lane Road	\$16,370.75	\$7,129.96	100%	
Wardsdale Road	\$573.78	\$244.15	100%	
Wellwater Road	\$1,670.66	\$0.00	100%	
Project Management	\$30,833.32	\$30,560.31	100%	

Total	\$429,375.36	\$462,224.67	100%
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Killarney Road superceded by additional damage in Sept 22 Event.

September 2022 Event Flood Restoration

Asset / road name	Recommended Value	Claimed Expenditure	% Complete	Timing
Alfred Street	\$5,372.92	\$865.00	5%	Aug-24
Belrose Road	\$31,830.77	\$27,117.50	100%	
Gowrie Crossing Road	\$25,823.14	\$638.00	0%	Aug-24
Greenstead Road	\$171,245.26	\$70,137.50	100%	
River Street	\$7,234.47	\$0.00	0%	Aug-24
Wellwater Road	\$1,218,192.93	\$693,926.17	100%	
Wills Street	\$5,425.84	\$0.00	0%	Aug-24
Bilbie Park Road	\$53,510.90	\$50,569.20	100%	
Bollon Road	\$520,837.10	\$256,735.00	100%	
Merrigang Road	\$10,828.06	\$8,710.00	100%	
Newstead Road	\$71,104.80	\$49,391.00	100%	
Noorooloo Road	\$731,306.49	\$266,560.52	100%	
Shelbourne Road	\$8,525.31	\$5,300.00	100%	
Old Tambo Road	\$551,237.37	\$396,298.97	80%	In progress
Allendale Warrah Road	\$132,020.06	\$89,820.00	100%	
Borea Road	\$87,368.78	\$27,590.00	100%	
Clara Creek Road	\$208,600.87	\$113,257.00	100%	
Gundare Road	\$81,060.69	\$79,595.00	100%	
Joylands Road	\$11,166.96	\$12,922.50	100%	
Meigunya Access Road	\$35,189.61	\$34,420.00	100%	
Newholme Road	\$26,085.76	\$25,547.50	100%	
Ouida Downs Road	\$78,642.22	\$62,912.20	100%	
Valeravale Road	\$22,106.68	\$21,165.00	100%	
Woolabra Road	\$7,025.92	\$6,800.00	100%	
Balmacarra Road	\$38,245.44	\$35,525.00	100%	
Burrandilla Road	\$149,646.56	\$140,714.50	100%	
Croxdale Road	\$28,296.81	\$24,671.00	100%	
Lass O Gowrie Road	\$9,671.37	\$1,813.00	100%	
Lyons Road	\$7,697.09	\$6,925.00	100%	
Middle Creek Road	\$106,181.16	\$77,477.10	100%	
Pinnacle Road	\$1,345.45	\$1,840.00	100%	
Red Ward Road	\$332,964.12	\$155,500.02	100%	
Rhylstone Road	\$10,606.95	\$6,061.72	100%	
Wardsdale Road	\$227,531.32	\$178,892.78	100%	
Albury Road	\$15,962.30	\$7,440.00	100%	
Blackburn Road	\$31,199.02	\$29,325.00	100%	
Coolaman Road	\$4,820.47	\$2,550.00	100%	
De Warra Road	\$2,720.85	\$2,390.00	100%	
Dillalah Bridge Road	\$799.14	\$6,423.23	100%	Abutment Repair
Dundee Road	\$13,174.04	\$10,180.00	100%	
Fortland Road	\$29,203.76	\$26,930.00	100%	
Glenbrook Road	\$36,417.91	\$0.00	0%	Sep-24
Guestling Road	\$115,672.05	\$111,765.00	100%	

Gunnawarra Road	\$17,746.81	\$14,590.00	100%	
Hythe Road	\$159,137.92	\$158,135.00	100%	
Killarney Road	\$118,983.48	\$120,754.18	100%	
Murweh Road	\$85,055.84	\$84,600.00	100%	
Nebine Community Rd	\$108.97	\$0.00	100%	
Nebine Road	\$264,545.58	\$230,000.00	85%	Aug-24
Nebine Shortcut Road	\$1,995.29	\$1,700.00	100%	
No 7 Block Road	\$8,188.49	\$0.00	100%	
Wallal Riversleigh Road	\$171,519.79	\$136,470.00	100%	
Wheatleigh Road	\$86,010.23	\$44,045.00	100%	
Wyandra Boatman Road	\$30,881.72	\$0.00	100%	
Yanna Bridge Road	\$35,495.27	\$30,600.00	100%	
Biloola Road	\$92,498.59	\$235.76	2%	Sep-24
Cooladdi Access Road	\$5,233.38	\$1,569.64	20%	Sep-24
Cooladdi Langlo Road	\$331,521.85	\$274,853.73	100%	
Doobiblah Road	\$85,569.86	\$36,708.50	100%	
Glenallen Road	\$23,399.29	\$15,409.00	100%	
Langlo Mt Morris Road	\$276,833.03	\$88,591.50	100%	
Loddon East Road	\$17,045.81	\$11,316.00	100%	
Loddon West Road	\$26,043.65	\$8,447.61	30%	Sep-24
Merrigol Road	\$16,636.57	\$15,673.00	100%	
Monamby Road	\$23,042.44	\$2,993.32	10%	Aug-24
Nimboy Road	\$85,048.52	\$125,046.67	100%	
Norah Park Road	\$40,624.68	\$4,594.47	10%	Sep-24
Old Quilpie Road	\$122,010.67	\$83,415.27	100%	
Old Ward Road	\$2,949.98	\$2,600.00	100%	
Ouida Road	\$2,176.68	\$0.00	100%	
Riccartoon Road	\$23,095.99	\$18,090.00	100%	
Wiringa Road	\$20,060.09	\$19,864.50	100%	
Wooyenong Road	\$58,252.00	\$26,148.00	100%	
Yarronvale Road	\$74,590.05	\$31,877.00	100%	
Adavale Road	\$340,190.93	\$198,171.96	90%	Inv's outstanding
Biddenham Road	\$1,935,722.62	\$152,877.93	10%	Sep-24
Cargara Road	\$10,701.98	\$13,930.52	100%	
Caroline Crossing Road	\$101,681.91	\$93,859.00	100%	
Cavanagh Street	\$46,493.95	\$15,929.34	100%	
Khyber Road	\$143,120.50	\$41,784.53	30%	Aug-24
Laguna Road	\$233,614.12	\$185,939.00	100%	
Main Street	\$442.93	\$426.48	100%	
Mt Tabor Road	\$199,990.73	\$14,027.62	10%	Sep-24
Raincourt Road	\$100,063.28	\$49,107.00	100%	
Oxford Downs Road	\$194,507.62	\$117,655.00	100%	
Perola Park Road	\$19,877.89	\$14,150.00	100%	
Project Management	\$886,998.48	\$557,135.25	60%	
Total	\$11,783,608.18	\$6,170,023.19	86%	

Weighted Percentage Complete from QRA Progress Reports 68%

LINK TO CORPORATE PLAN

- 1.1.1 Council has in place strategic decision-making frameworks to identify, prioritise, and meet current and future needs .
- 2.4.1 Road and street infrastructure investment is strategic and effective to accomplish maintenance priorities and development opportunities

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. **Engineering Services Costing Report** [↓](#)
- 2. **Rural Roads 6 Month Program** [↓](#)

MURWEH SHIRE COUNCIL ENGINEERING SERVICES COSTING SUMMARY

ROAD MAINTENANCE AND FLOOD DAMAGE

Road No	Road Name	Routine Maintenance Expenditure	ORA May 2022 Flood Damage Expenditure	ORA Sep 2022 Flood Damage Expenditure	ORA Jan 2024 (REPA) Flood Damage Expenditure	ORA Apr 2024 (EW) Flood Damage Expenditure	ORA Apr 2024 (REPA) Flood Damage Expenditure
4001	Adavale Road	\$ 5,352	\$ -	\$ 127,967	\$ -	\$ 6,497	\$ -
4002	Alice Downs Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4003	Allambie Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4004	Allendale - Warrah Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4005	Armadilla Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4006	Bakers Bend Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4007	Balmacarra Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4008	Bannermans Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4009	Bargo Road	\$ 152	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4010	Biddenham Road	\$ 556	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4011	Bilbie Park Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4012	Biloola Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4013	Blackburn Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4014	Loddon Road Black Tank	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4015	Black Ward Road	\$ 0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4016	Boggarella Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4017	Belrose Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4018	Burrandulla Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4019	Albury Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4020	Caldervale - Khyber Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4021	Auburnvale Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4022	Calowrie Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4023	Cargara Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4024	Caroline Xing Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4025	Clara Creek Road	\$ 0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4026	Cooladdi Access Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4027	Cooladdi-Langlo Crossing	\$ 13,098	\$ -	\$ 25,026	\$ -	\$ 0	\$ -
4028	Cooladdi-Yarronvale Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4029	Coolamon Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4030	Croxdale Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4031	Cunno Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4032	Derbyshire Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4033	De Warra Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
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4046	Hoganthulla Road	\$ 0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4047	Hythe Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4048	Joylands Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4049	Khyber Road	\$ 7,965	\$ -	\$ 41,785	\$ -	\$ 1,541	\$ -
4050	Killarney Road	\$ 12,555	\$ -	\$ 300	\$ -	\$ 2,304	\$ 0
4051	Laguna Road	\$ -	\$ 0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4052	Langlo River Road	\$ 13,545	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,812
4053	Maruga Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
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4055	Merrigang Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
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4057	Middle Creek Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4058	Mona Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4059	Mt Maria Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4060	Meigunya Access road	\$ 156	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4061	Mt Tabor Road	\$ 0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4062	Murweh Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4063	Narrga (Raincourt) Road	\$ 0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4064	Nebine Road	\$ 676	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4065	Nebine Bollon Shortcut	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4066	Nebine Comm. Ctr Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4067	New Farm Road	\$ 435	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4068	Newholme Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4069	Newstead Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4070	Nimboy Road	\$ 0	\$ -	\$ 6,555	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4071	Nooraloo Road	\$ 700	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4072	Norah Park Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4073	No 7 Block Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4074	Old Charleville Road	\$ 0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4075	Old Quilpie Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4076	Old Tambo Road	\$ 2,045	\$ 7,572	\$ 191,760	\$ -	\$ 4,923	\$ -
4077	Orange Tree Xing Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4078	Ouida Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4079	Ouida Downs Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4080	Oxford Downs Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4081	Perola Park Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4082	Pinnacle Road	\$ 0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4083	Red Ward Road	\$ 435	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
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4085	Rocky Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
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4087	Roslin Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4088	Rose Park Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4089	Rosewood Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4090	Shelbourne Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0	\$ -
4091	Sherwood Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4092	Loddon Road West	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,847	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
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4095	Uabba Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4096	Urana Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4097	Valeravale Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4098	Wallal-Riversleigh Road	\$ 0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0	\$ -
4099	Wardsdale Road	\$ 3,330	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4100	Waterford Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4101	Wellwater Road	\$ 2,808	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 0	\$ -
4102	Wheatleigh Road	\$ 463	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4103	Winneba Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4104	Wiringa Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4105	Wongalee South Rd	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4106	Wongalee North Rd	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4107	Wongamere Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4108	Woolabra	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4109	Wooyanong Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4110	Boatman Wyandra Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4111	Red Lane Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4112	Borea Access Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4113	Clara Access Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4114	Caledonia Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4115	Wintara Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4117	Riccartoon Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4118	Yanna Bridge Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4119	27 Mile Gardens Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4120	Bollon Road	\$ 12,061	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4121	Breakaway Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4122	Claren Park Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4123	Columbo Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4124	Cooladdi Pump Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4125	Creswell Access Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4128	Lango Hall Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4129	Lasso Gowrie Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4130	Rosemount Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4131	Aronfield Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4132	Monamy Park Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4133	Northview Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4134	Palmers Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4135	Lyons Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4136	Percival Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4137	Rainmore Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4138	Westlyn Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
4139	Old Ward Road	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total Expenditure		\$ 77,151	\$ 7,572	\$ 395,240	\$ 0	\$ 15,265	\$ 1,812
Budget		\$ 1,531,507	\$ 429,375				
Percentage Expended		5%	2%				
Percentage through Year		11%					

PLANT MAINTENANCE

Item	2023-2024 Expenditure	2024-2025 Expenditure
Wages	\$ 449,406	\$ 42,318
Parts	\$ 956,318	\$ 60,375
Tyres & Tubes	\$ 161,242	\$ 12,413
Fuels & Oils	\$ 1,034,997	\$ 84,223
Registration	\$ 101,651	\$ -
Wages (supervision)	\$ 268,791	\$ 20,457
Consumables	\$ 35,746	\$ 8,322
Insurance	\$ 72,700	\$ -
Total Expenditure	\$ 3,080,850	\$ 228,108
Budget Expenditure		\$ 3,061,628
Percentage Expenditure		7%
Revenue to Date		\$ 692,498
Budget Revenue		\$ 4,337,205
Percentage Revenue		16%
Percentage through Year		11%

URBAN STREET MAINTENANCE

Item	2023-2024 Expenditure	2024-2025 Expenditure
Augathella Street Lighting	\$ 17,526	\$ 203
Morven Street Lighting	\$ -	\$ -
Charleville Street Lighting	\$ 36,718	\$ -
Augathella Street Maintenance	\$ 315,283	\$ 15,636
Morven Street Maintenance	\$ 147,729	\$ 4,696
Charleville Street Maintenance	\$ 836,915	\$ 82,466
Augathella Street Cleaning	\$ 39,415	\$ 4,586
Morven Street Cleaning	\$ 33,702	\$ 4,228
Charleville Street Cleaning	\$ 325,794	\$ 24,354
Total Expenditure	\$ 1,753,081	\$ 136,169
Budget		\$ 1,495,265
Percentage Spent		9%
Percentage through Year		11%

PUBLIC FACILITIES MAINTENANCE

Item	2023-2024 Expenditure	2024-2025 Expenditure
Augathella Public Facilities Maintenance	\$ 56,224	\$ 5,034
Morven Public Facilities Maintenance	\$ 55,635	\$ 7,077
Charleville Public Facilities Maintenance	\$ 83,651	\$ 8,162
Augathella Vandalism Expenses	\$ -	\$ -
Charleville Vandalism Expenses	\$ 78	\$ -
Morven Vandalism Expenses	\$ 1,413	\$ -
Total Expenditure	\$ 197,000	\$ 20,272
Budget		\$ 182,000
Percentage Spent		11%
Percentage through Year		11%

PARKS AND GARDENS MAINTENANCE

Item	2023-2024 Expenditure	2024-2025 Expenditure
Augathella Parks & Garden	\$ 135,226	\$ 10,743
Morven Parks & Garden	\$ 135,611	\$ 8,242
Charleville Parks & Garden	\$ 733,414	\$ 58,938
Total Expenditure	\$ 1,004,252	\$ 77,922
Budget		\$ 1,038,808
Percentage Spent		8%
Percentage through Year		11%

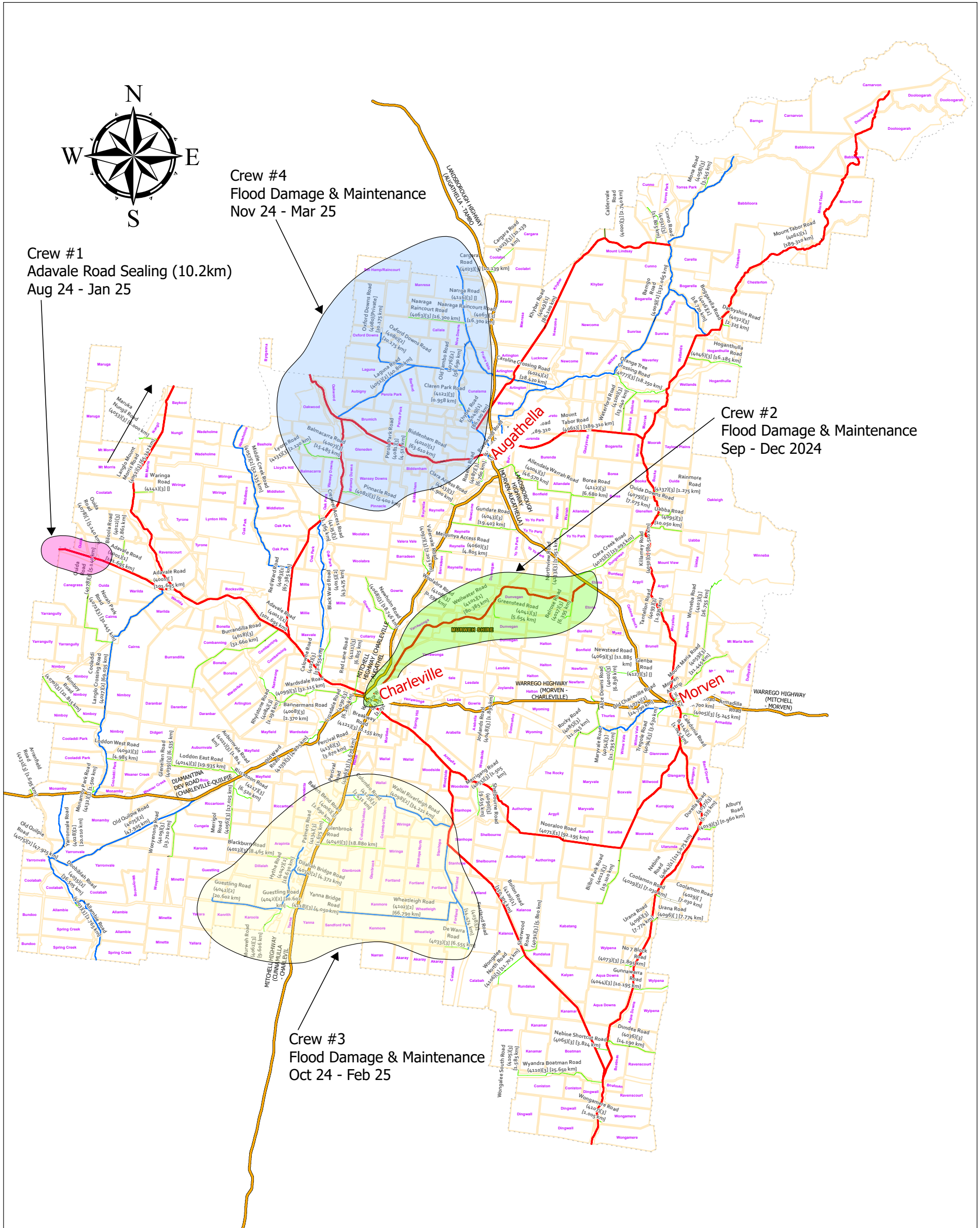
WATER & SEWERAGE MAINTENANCE

Item	2023-2024 Expenditure	2024-2025 Expenditure
Charleville		
Charleville Water Pump Maintenance	\$ 86,172	\$ 3,690
Charleville Water Telemetry Maintenance	\$ 31,203	\$ 4,586
Charleville Water Retic Maintenance	\$ 492,532	\$ 55,576
Charleville Water Meter Maintenance	\$ 12,942	\$ 134
Charleville Sewerage Treatment Maintenance	\$ 16,348	\$ -
Charleville Sewerage Pump Station Maintenance	\$ 38,550	\$ 1,410
Charleville Sewerage Retic Maintenance	\$ 116,033	\$ 6,912
Augathella		
Augathella Water Pump Maintenance	\$ 58,680	\$ 425
Augathella Water Telemetry Maintenance	\$ 3,590	\$ -
Augathella Water Retic Maintenance	\$ 53,404	\$ 1,823
Augathella Water Meter Maintenance	\$ 7,780	\$ -
Augathella Sewerage Treatment Maintenance	\$ 2,140	\$ 64
Augathella Sewerage Pump Station Maintenance	\$ 22,150	\$ 750
Augathella Sewerage Retic Maintenance	\$ 3,902	\$ 40
Morven		
Morven Water Pump Maintenance	\$ 57,705	\$ 1,215
Morven Water Telemetry Maintenance	\$ 3,406	\$ -
Morven Water Retic Maintenance	\$ 57,853	\$ 6,844
Morven Water Meter Maintenance	\$ 3,554	\$ 314
Morven Rail Hub Water Maintenance	\$ 19,122	\$ 3,849
Morven Sewerage Works	\$ 9,387	\$ 4,753
Capital Works		
Augathella Water Renewals	\$ 21,058	\$ -
Morven Water Renewals	\$ 14,807	\$ 4,400
Charleville Water Renewals	\$ 100,421	\$ -
Augathella Sewerage	\$ -	\$ -
Charleville Sewerage	\$ 60,351	\$ -
Total Expenditure	\$ 1,293,090	\$ 96,786
Budget		\$ 2,411,616
Percentage Spent		4%
Percentage through Year		11%

CAPITAL WORKS - FOOTPATH & KERB/CHANNEL

Item	2023-2024 Expenditure	2024-2025 Expenditure
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MSC - Rural Road Program (August 2024)



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Spatial Reference Name: WGS 1984 Web Mercator Auxiliary Sphere
 PCS: WGS 1984 Web Mercator Auxiliary Sphere
 GCS: GCS WGS 1984

Datum: WGS 1984
 Projection: Mercator Auxiliary Sphere
 Scale Factor: 0.0000
 Azimuth: 0.0000
 Map Units: Meter



SHIRE OF MURWEH

13.2 TRAVEL CONDITIONS FOR HEAVY VEHICLES

Author: Director Engineering Services

Authoriser: CEO

RECOMMENDATION

That the Director of Engineering Services (DES) liaise with the National Heavy Vehicle Regulator and The Australian Livestock and Rural Transporters Association to impose travel restrictions on Type 1 and Type 2 road trains. Travel restrictions give Council legal recourse to pursue costs associated with damage to Council roads where operators do not adhere to road closures, restrictions or other conditions such as trafficking pavements after wet weather.

BACKGROUND**Purpose**

Council previously carried resolution 285/23 (November 23) to add the following seven roads on the local road network for Type 2 Road Trains (RT2 - triples):

1. Adavale Road (Charleville to Adavale, entire length)
2. Langlo Mount Morris Road (Langlo entire length)
3. Biddenham Road (Ward to Augathella, entire length)
4. Mount Tabor Road (Warrego to Caroline Crossing, entire length)
5. Khyber Road (Nive to Upper Warrego, entire length)
6. Clara Creek Road (Clara Creek, entire length)
7. Killarney Road (Caroline Crossing to Morven, entire length)

This request was received from the Australian Livestock and Rural Transporters Association (ALRTA) via the National Heavy Vehicle Regulator. Adding these seven roads to Council's RT2 network provided general access to Type 2 road trains and as such operators no longer need to apply for a permit through NHVR on a regular basis.

Discussion

1. DES to brief Council on traffic impacts for Type 1 vs Type 2 Road Trains
2. Consider rescinding previously carried resolution 285/23
3. Options to actively manage restrictions via the NHVR portal

The aim is not to prevent Type 2 Road Trains (RT2) from accessing the local network but acknowledge that livestock movements are extremely damaging to our local roads and economy when operators do not consider the vulnerability of our pavements to inclement weather or early life construction (2 examples). It should be noted that many of our local operators do operate on rural roads responsibly, but there have been multiple instances of operators outside the Shire/District showing disregard for our local roads and causing extensive damage and unnecessary cost to Council.

Consultation

Consulted with the National Heavy Vehicle Regulator held 13 August 2024 with a follow up training session scheduled for 19 August 2019 to discuss all options at Councils disposal.

Financial Risks

Council can't fund extensive pavement repairs after wet weather or large stock movements during prolonged periods of dry weather with the budget available for routine maintenance.

Environmental Risks

N/A

Social Risk

Lengthy road closures need to be enforced after extensive pavement damage. This may impact the ability of primary producers to move stock, incurring significant financial loss or hardship.

Legal Risk

Without imposing further conditions, Council has no legal recourse to recover costs or discourage irresponsible behaviour by operators.

Council also does not have the resources to promptly rectify extensive pavement damage and such the rural road network is subject to these defects for months at a time. While every effort is made to control known risks, more pavement defects on the local road network presents a higher risk of traffic incident.

LINK TO CORPORATE PLAN

- 2.4.1 Road and street infrastructure investment is strategic and effective to accomplish maintenance priorities and development opportunities
- 1.3.1 Council has in place operational systems and capacity to deliver strategic priorities and core operations.

ATTACHMENTS

1. **Email from NHVR** [↓](#)

Hi Raju,

Hope you are well,

Im hoping to urgently follow up with you regarding the attached form for the Australian Livestock and Rural Transporters Association (ALRTA) request. Please let me know if you would like to have another meeting.

Thank you,

Athena Ferraro

QLD Stakeholder Engagement Officer

National Heavy Vehicle Regulator

P: 07 3309 8694 | M: 0447 497 162 | E: athena.ferraro@nhvr.gov.au

From: Athena Ferraro

Sent: Thursday, July 27, 2023 3:52 PM

To: Raju Ranjit <Raju_Ranjit@murweh.qld.gov.au>

Subject: RE: NHVR Meeting + Livestock Enquiry

Importance: High

Good afternoon Raju,

Just wanting to urgently follow up with you regarding the below email.

Thank you,

Athena Ferraro

QLD Stakeholder Engagement Officer

National Heavy Vehicle Regulator

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Sent: Wednesday, 12 July 2023 8:44 AM

To: Raju Ranjit <Raju_Ranjit@murweh.qld.gov.au>

Subject: RE: NHVR Meeting + Livestock Enquiry

Importance: High

Good morning Raju,

As previously discussed, please see the attached *Murweh Shire Council - Type 2 Road Train Network - Adding Roads* form, including the roads that have been requested by the Australian Livestock and Rural Transporters Association (ALRTA).

Please assess the requested roads and then complete the form – add any road and/or travel conditions – sign off and send back to me as soon as you can.

**I have visually mapped the roads on the NHVR Portal Route Planner tool – Route ID Code 1DBOZ-3*

Please let me know if you have any questions or need any additional information,

Thank you,

Athena Ferraro

A/Manager Industry Engagement & Customer Experience

National Heavy Vehicle Regulator

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From: Raju Ranjit <Raju_Ranjit@murweh.qld.gov.au>

Sent: Thursday, 29 June 2023 10:54 AM

To: Athena Ferraro <Athena.Ferraro@nhvr.gov.au>

Subject: RE: NHVR Meeting + Livestock Enquiry

Hi Athena

Yes, please .

Regards,

Raju Ranjit

Director Of Engineering Services | Murweh Shire Council
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From: Athena Ferraro <Athena.Ferraro@nhvr.gov.au>

Sent: Thursday, June 29, 2023 10:40 AM

To: Raju Ranjit <Raju_Ranjit@murweh.qld.gov.au>

Subject: RE: NHVR Meeting + Livestock Enquiry

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Hi Raju,

No worries – would you like me to set up that online meeting to discuss the livestock access enquiry? 😊

Thank you,

Athena Ferraro

QLD Stakeholder Engagement Officer

National Heavy Vehicle Regulator

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Sent: Tuesday, 27 June 2023 6:52 PM

To: Athena Ferraro <Athena.Ferraro@nhvr.gov.au>

Subject: RE: NHVR Meeting + Livestock Enquiry

Hi Athena

It is great idea. See you here.

Regards,

Raju Ranjit

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Importance: High

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Hi Raju,

Thank you for the quick phone catch up this morning. As discussed it looks like ill be in your area the week commencing the 7th August if you were free anytime that week for a face-to-face coffee catch up?

The Australian Livestock and Rural Transporters Association (ALRTA) have also asked for my assistance in discussing Road Train Type 2 53.5m long access with yourself and Murweh Regional Council. Understanding council may have concerns with providing general access (*a green shaded area on the map*) – would your council be willing to have a conversation about “access by exclusion” or an approved list of roads? If industry start applying for road access applications, this could dramatically increase the number of consent requests that you receive in the NHVR Portal system. By considering network access in your area, this would ensure your work load remains at its currently level.

The ALRTA is also currently trying to contact the mayor of Murweh Regional Council to raise this request. I’m hoping I might be able to assist you prior to this being escalated 😊

Let me know if you have any questions – also happy to set up an online meeting in the meantime to discuss further.

Thank you,

Athena Ferraro

QLD Stakeholder Engagement Officer

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13.3 LOCAL ROADS OF REGIONAL SIGNIFICANCE

Author: Director Engineering Services

Authoriser: CEO

RECOMMENDATION

That the Director of Engineering Services (DES) submit a motion to the South West Regional Road and Transport Group (SWRRTG) to add Alfred Street and Wills Street Charleville to the register of Local Roads of Regional Significance (LRRS).

BACKGROUND**Purpose**

Local Roads of Regional Significance (LRRS) are eligible for co-funding under the Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme (TIDS). Wills Street and Alfred Street Charleville are Council's busiest local urban roads which comprise most business activities within the Charleville CBD and are the primary travel routes for tourists and local traffic.

If Wills Street and Alfred Street Charleville are successfully added to the LRRS register, Council can submit projects for consideration to the SWRRTG and potentially co-fund the capital improvement of these two critical urban roads.

Discussion

1. TIDS priorities and other funding opportunities

Consultation

Discussion with Shepherd Services indicates the proposal has merits and meets the requirements of the Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme.

Financial Risks

N/A

Environmental Risks

N/A

Social Risk

TIDS funding has been primarily used for rural road network in recent years. Council to consider the need/priorities on rural vs urban roads.

Legal Risk

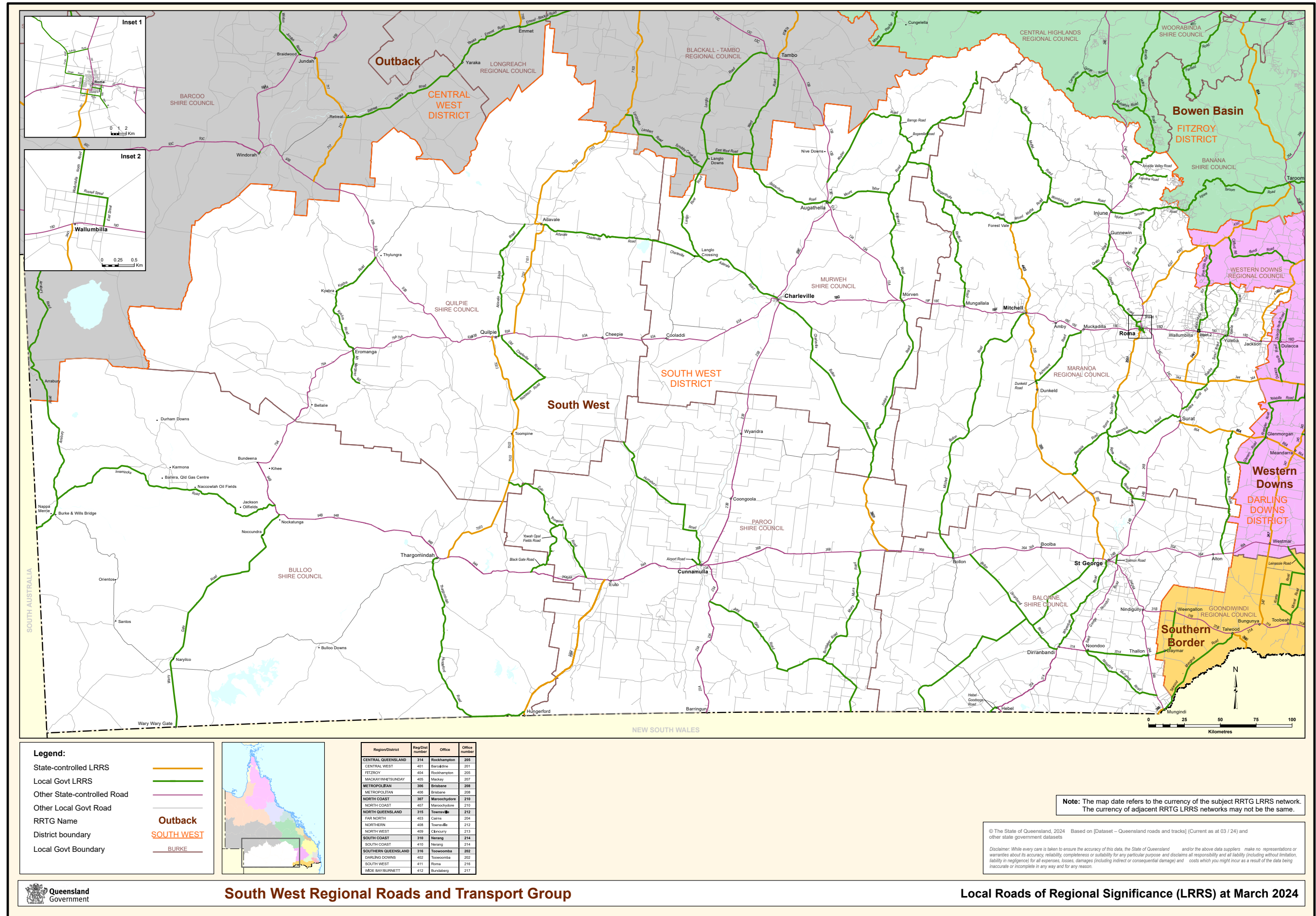
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LINK TO CORPORATE PLAN

- 2.4.1 Road and street infrastructure investment is strategic and effective to accomplish maintenance priorities and development opportunities
- 1.3.1 Council has in place operational systems and capacity to deliver strategic priorities and core operations.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Local Roads of Regional Significance network maps as at March 2024 [↓](#)



13.4 PROPERTY ACCESS & ACCESS DRIVEWAYS POLICY

Author: Director Engineering Services

Authoriser: CEO

RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopt the attached policy (new), ENG-005 Property Accesses & Access Driveways – Design, Construction & Maintenance.

BACKGROUND**Purpose**

Council currently does not have a policy that informs property owners of their obligation to construct and maintain their own property accesses. The attached policy sets out a formal position, and ensures requests for construction and maintenance of property accesses are handled consistently within Council.

Discussion

1. Previous requests and community expectations
2. Alignment with neighbouring LGA's

LINK TO CORPORATE PLAN

- 2.4.1 Road and street infrastructure investment is strategic and effective to accomplish maintenance priorities and development opportunities
- 1.3.1 Council has in place operational systems and capacity to deliver strategic priorities and core operations.

ATTACHMENTS

1. **ENG-005 Property Access & Access Driveways Policy** [↓](#)



Property Accesses & Access Driveways – Design, Construction & Maintenance

Policy No:	ENG-005
Council Resolution Ref:	
Date Adopted:	
Review Date:	
Version No:	1
Responsible Officer:	Director Engineering Services

Purpose

Murweh Shire Council (Council) controls and maintains over 2700 kilometres of roads, as well as the verge/footpaths and parking lanes on state-controlled roads.

Council receives requests for the construction of both urban and rural property accesses.

This policy:

- sets out guidelines as to the location, size and standards for construction in relation to both urban and rural property accesses crossing road reserves such that a uniform standard is achieved and safe access to roads is maintained.
- has been established to avoid instances of sub-standard construction affecting road safety and generating maintenance impacts.

This policy also details the responsibilities for the design, construction and maintenance of property accesses.

Commencement of Policy

This Policy will commence on adoption by Council. It replaces all other policies (whether written or not). Council may amend this policy by resolution.

Application

This policy applies to all residential, rural, commercial and industrial property accesses in the region. This includes on rural and urban roads – with kerb and/or channel and without.

It does not override or set to replace any development conditions that may have been imposed on an applicant for a development under Council’s Planning Scheme.

Policy

1. Key Responsibilities

1.1. Property Owner’s Responsibility

- Property owners are responsible for the construction and maintenance of their driveways and property accesses even though they are located on the road reserve.
- Obtain Council approval (by application and payment of appropriate fee) to upgrade an existing, or construct a new, property Access Crossing.



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- Construct property accesses to Council’s standards from the roadway to the property boundary at the property owner’s cost. The owner may construct the access or engage a private contractor to do the work.
- Maintain the property access to a standard that is safe for all road users including pedestrians and maintain longitudinal drainage paths for the roadway.

1.2. Council Responsibility

- Where Council alters or removes part of an existing “Approved” Access Crossing for the purpose of reconstructing a roadway or installing Council services, Council will reinstate the access at an equal or higher standard than existed prior to the work taking place.
- Council will assess the application and provide the standard conditions and drawings for construction of either an Urban or Rural driveway.

1.3. Extent of Access Crossing Responsibility

- 1.3.1. For roads with kerb or kerb and channel, the property owner is responsible for constructing and maintaining the driveway between the top back kerb and channel line and the property boundary. Where the access crossing includes a grated drain, or other structure, the property owner is responsible for the maintenance of the drain/structure.
- 1.3.2. For roads without kerb and channel, the property owner is responsible for providing access from the road pavement or formation to the property boundary.

1.4. Existing Accesses

- 1.4.1. If an existing Access Crossing is to be upgraded it shall be assessed, designed and constructed in accordance with this policy.
- 1.4.2. The obstruction of public services or drains or gutters with any objects used by the occupier to obtain access, and any structure of this nature may render the Access Crossing as Unauthorised.
- 1.4.3. From time to time accesses in the region may be audited by Council. Council may request upgrading of “unauthorised” access crossings and/or maintenance of “approved” access crossings.
- 1.4.4. If owners do not comply with remedial action requested by Council, within 60 days of the date of the letter, then Council may perform the works itself or through a third party and invoice the owner for all associated costs.
- 1.4.5. This may include requesting drainage improvements wherever property accesses either potentially or actually scour and cause silt deposits on joining road reserves, where stormwater discharges on to a roadway or other improvements where the accesses are unsafe or detrimental.

1.5. Design and Construction of Accesses (Upgrade Existing and New)

- 1.5.1. Persons wishing to construct or upgrade an Access Crossing are required to make application in writing to Council. This application applies whether the construction is to be undertaken by Council, a private contractor, or the owner.
- 1.5.2. Following receipt of an application to construct an Access Crossing, the site may be inspected by Council to determine any conditions which will apply to the approval.
- 1.5.3. Where works are not being performed Council a permit to perform works on the road shall be issued by Council subject to evidence of necessary insurance and other requirements deemed necessary.



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1.5.4. Private Contractors or property owners can construct the works only after an approval is issued for the construction of the access. The construction of the access is to be in accordance with Council approval and standards.

1.5.5. All works are to be inspected by a Council Officer, including:

- Formwork must be inspected before concrete is poured and excavation must be inspected before pipes are backfilled.
- Concrete must not be poured and pipes must not be laid until approved. Council requires 48 hours' notice before concreting or pipe backfilling is to be carried out.
- Final inspection will be made following advice from the applicant that the construction is completed. The Access Crossing shall be inspected and approved by Council.
- The minimum requirements for a proposed Access Crossing to be constructed are detailed in Section 3.

3.5. Required Standards

3.5.1. Proposed accesses must be located so as to ensure adequate safe sight distance and safe gap distance are maintained.

3.5.2. Urban Driveways where Kerb and Channel Exists

a. All driveways leaving kerb and channel shall be constructed in accordance with Council's Standard Drawing CMDG-R-041 (latest revision). Approval to vary the standard detail must be sought from the Director – Engineering Services.

b. Wherever practicable, the location of crossings in relation to neighbouring lots shall be such as to preserve the maximum amount of kerbside parking space.

c. Where the site is a corner allotment, no crossing shall be situated closer than six (6) metres from the corner, or in the case of a channelised intersection, such greater distance as may be determined by the Director – Engineering Services or his representative.

d. No crossing shall be approved unless there is a clear space of not less than six (6) metres within the property boundary on which a vehicle may park.

e. Unless otherwise approved under special circumstances, all crossings shall be set square to the kerb line, and directly opposite the point of entry at the property boundary.

3.5.3. Industrial and Commercial Accesses

a. The crossing shall be constructed in accordance with CMDG-R-042 or CMDG-R-043 (latest revisions) unless approval of the Director – Engineering Services has been received.

3.5.4. Property Accesses Outside Urban Areas where there is No Kerb and Channel

a. Accesses outside of urban areas shall be constructed in accordance with Council's Standard Drawing CMDG-R-040 (latest revision).

3.6. Maintenance of Property Accesses

3.6.1. The responsibility of maintaining an Access Crossing(s) will belong to the property owner. Landowners are responsible for providing for drainage of stormwater entering or exiting their property along the access.



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3.6.2. The following exemptions apply in relation to the maintenance provisions:

- On Roads Without Kerb and Channel, Council will maintain the first one (1) metre of the access, measured from the nearest edge of pavement, in recognition of continuing requirements for shoulder grading and maintaining of drainage paths. The maintaining of the road cross section including shoulder profile may mean that there is a slight dip in the access surface.
- Construction Work by Council. Where Council alters or removes part of an existing “Approved” Access Crossing for the purpose of reconstructing a roadway or installing Council services, Council will reinstate the access at an equal or higher standard than existed prior to the work taking place.

3.7. Accesses and Driveways General

3.7.1. The costs of construction and maintenance of any access crossing shall be borne by the property owner.

3.7.2. No alteration or improvements shall be constructed or obstructions placed on the road reserve, unless an approval under Local Laws No. 1 & No. 4 is obtained and the work is in accordance with Council’s standards and conditions and is to the satisfaction of the Director – Engineering Services or their representative.

3.7.3. All water valves, hydrants, sewer manholes, telecommunications and power access points and the like are to be relocated clear of any proposed crossing at the expense of the property owner. The relevant authority in charge of any service is to be contacted, so that services can be relocated clear of the proposed crossing prior to construction.

3.7.4. The applicant is responsible obtaining all permissions and approvals required for removal of vegetation or anything of environmental significance which intrudes into the proposed Access Crossing. Any costs incurred in this regard will be the responsibility of the contractor, developer or applicant.

3.7.5 Property owners are entitled to construct one (1) property access per property. Property owners may submit an application to construct additional property accesses, with such applications considered based on their impact to adjacent properties, infrastructure, traffic and any merits deemed appropriate by Council.

3.8. Redundant Vehicle Crossings

3.8.1. Where works on a property involve the relocation or closure of a point of vehicular access, any redundant part of a vehicle crossing must be removed and the kerb, drain, footpath, nature strip or other part of the road be reinstated to the satisfaction of the Council and is the owner’s responsibility and cost.

3.8.2. Such works shall be completed within one (1) month of the completion of the new crossing.

3.8.3. Council may require the owner or occupier of a property to remove any part of or all of a vehicle crossing for which there is no effective point of vehicle access and to reinstate the road.

3.9. Other Considerations

- The adoption of this policy does not limit in any way Council’s right to impose differing conditions for proposals, nor limit the discretion of the Director – Engineering Services to vary as considered



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necessary, the engineering requirements in respect of a particular application or individual property having regard to good engineering practice.

- Under the following special circumstances involving safety issues, the Director – Engineering Services has the discretion to authorise maintenance or construction works on an Access Crossing if:
 - a) It is in the public interest to complete the repairs or undertake construction; or
 - b) A significant or adverse impact may result on Council’s reputation or good standing in the community if Council does not intervene; or
 - c) Other extenuating circumstances warrant the work being undertaken by Council in the overall public interest.

3.10. Disclaimer

3.10.1. Council shall have no responsibility to the user or applicant or any other person or entity with respect to any liability, loss or damage caused or alleged to be caused, directly or indirectly, by the adoption and use of this Policy and Standard Drawings.

This includes, but is not limited to, any interruption of service, loss of business or anticipatory profits, or consequential damages resulting from the use of these Policy and Standard Drawings as the equivalent of, or a substitute for, project- specific design and assessment by an appropriately qualified professional.

3.10.2. No liability or warranty is implied or expressed by any inspection or the absence of any inspection or by the Council decision regarding property access.

Audit and Review

This policy shall be reviewed every ***three years*** or as required due to changes to in legislation.

Definitions

Access Crossing

An Access Crossing is that section of property access; between the edge of the pavement on a dedicated public rural road, and the property boundary or between the kerb & channel or edge of pavement (where kerb & channel is absent) in urban areas.

“Approved” Access Crossing

An Access Crossing either constructed by Council or constructed by the owner and/or their contractor to Council’s specifications and level if appropriate.

“Unauthorised” Access Crossing

An Access Crossing

- constructed without prior permission and/or not in accordance with Council’s levels or specifications; or
- that creates an obstruction to a public service, road users, or stormwater drainage.

References

- Transport Operations (Road Use Management Act 1995).

14 OFFICE OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE**14.1 TOURISM REPORT****Author:** Tourism Manager**Authoriser:** CEO**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council receives and notes the monthly tourism report.

BACKGROUND**Budget Tracking:**

This will be an item moving forward in new financial year from August 2024 as we are having one on one budget meetings monthly.

Meetings Attended:

SWROC Steering Committee

B2B Trade Presentation Training for 2025 Trade International Trade Presentations

TEQ Campaign Update

Mental Health Workplace Evening

SWQ Tourism Steering Committee Meeting:

We have had multiple discussions regarding advertising and best dollar values, still in process of formulating who to go with and what campaign to utilise. We have also discussed QMF Music Trail and what councils will be working with them. Murweh appears to have gained the most and had the better relationship with QMF. Also working on the Toowoomba Expo in July, all councils are going to market regions, Linda will be the Murweh representative. Looking at refreshing the Natural Sciences loop and formulating star gazing trail as well.

Media:

TEQ Bluey campaign, Charleville has our promotion on website, thanks to Michelle for providing a huge amount of assistance with this. We also launched our green and open video on our Experience Charleville FB page and are working on updates for the website.

Transport:

Charleville Visitor Information Centre booked for 3 people - Queensland Rail Tickets.

Charleville Visitor Information Centre booked for 10 people - Greyhound Tickets.

Charleville Visitor Information Centre had 0 enquiries about Rex Airline.

Charleville Visitor Information Centre:

Charleville Visitor Information Centre seen a 10.66% increase in visitor numbers for July compared to the same period last year.

This year we seen most of our tourist this year over the June July school holidays.

For the month of July, the Charleville Visitor Information Centre were busy welcoming people through the doors and supporting them with everything Charleville and Murweh.

Additional tours were available due to the high number of tourist.

Camping at the Showgrounds was open to tourist before, during and after big Red Bash as an overflow to local caravan parks.

The Bilby boy, Mr N.T arrived and has settled into the Bilby Experience with hope for babies.

Charleville VIC Walk in Stats													
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	
2019	230	159	285	1333	1893	2150	2896	1666	1737	158	303	123	12933
2020	193	201	186	0	24	606	1333	1351	2183	1236	657	340	8310
2021	367	266	1134	3543	2086	6972	7169	3393	5040	2758	982	750	34460
2022	670	332	1311	3544	3433	6313	6703	4713	4660	2234	1022	544	35479
2023	677	656	1184	2947	4290	6582	6002	4646	4206	1665	695	411	33961
2024	525	506	1103	2537	3925	5213	6678						

Charleville VIC Phone Stats													
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	
2019	103	91	125	159	139	156	206	223	219	131	92	37	1681
2020	83	138	111	59	78	199	101	153	277	183	149	40	1571
2021	124	84	525	461	652	1222	344	384	490	366	188	152	4792
2022	147	170	318	526	666	998	1019	725	554	349	255	109	5836
2023	159	206	314	488	800	1075	1010	709	666	454	238	147	6266
2024	271	242	383	747	631	1055	1263						

Information Packs Sent Out													
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	
2019	16	25	14	9	8	14	6	9	5	1	4	1	112
2020	3	6	5	5	3	8	4	0	0	0	2	2	38
2021	8	12	13	13	6	3	0	0	2	1	1	0	61
2022	0	7	9	10	3	9	6	16	5	4	1		72
2023	4	8	6	3	7	6	2	1	0	2	0	0	39
2024	0	7	4	10	3	9	6						

Email Enquiries													
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	
2018							0	5	3	4	8	2	22
2019	3	6	16	8	8	10	4	11	8	17	4	6	101
2020	6	7	114	11	2	2	168	5	12	18	15	15	375
2021	20	20	86	61	306	712	713	33	149	28	9	5	2142
2022	12	17	24	102	96	25	48	26	19	8	12	7	336
2023	12	17	18	25	45	47	34	22	10	19	15	8	272
2024	15	24	16	18	32	31	22						

Morven Visitor Information Centre:

The Morven Visitor Information Centre had a total of 1000 people visit the centre for the month of July.

Augathella Visitor Information Centre:

The Augathella Visitor Information Centre had a total of 372 people visit for the month of July.

Bilby Experience:

Bilby Experience Pak													
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	
2021			231	1749	1559	1334	2928	1334	2418	1334	272	270	13429
2022	178	0	547	1633	1606	2515	2777	1890	1992	876	270		14284
2023	76	105	288	1159	1442	2454	2144	1656	1730	543	180	0	11777
2024	10	51	342	845	1054	1832	2221						

Bilby Experience Shows													
Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	
2021	0	0	15	72	61	101	102	48	64	37	23	19	542
2022	21	0	43	60	60	74	73	60	66	47	13	11	528
2023	8	11	26	58	64	75	59	55	64	32	21	0	473
2024	3	6	29	51	49	47	71						

Charleville Cosmos Centre:

Briefing:

Visitor numbers across all tours remained high throughout the remainder of the June/July school holidays and continued for the rest of July.

Opening the Small and Personal tours for most moonless nights is proving to be successful and many guests are showing interest in this premium experience – some choosing to do both the Big Sky and the Small and Personal tour.

Sun Viewing continues to increase in popularity and people are blown away when they find out they can view the sun through a telescope. There has been a noticeable shift in guests asking about the Sun Viewing tour rather than finding out about it when they walk in the door. Many guests confirm that they heard about it through word of mouth or when checking our reviews before visiting.



Upgrades

The wooden Cosmos sign that has been a popular spot for guests to take photos has been replaced with a metal one. The wooden one was heavily weathered and falling apart.



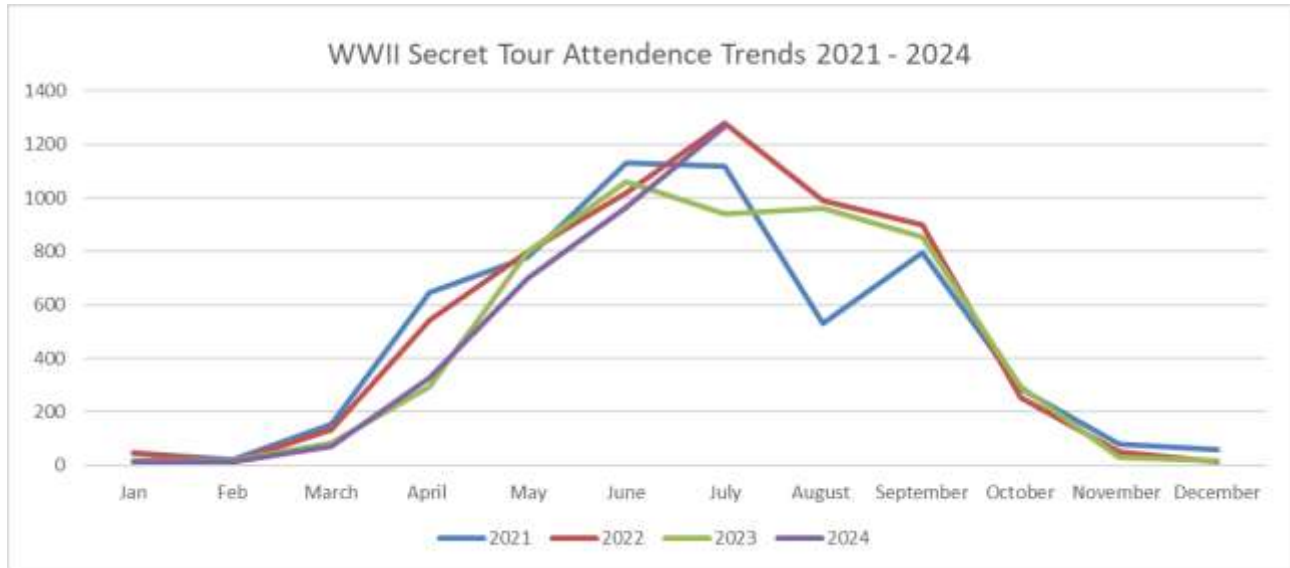
WWII Secret Base:

The WWII Secret Base had an outstanding month, welcoming 3,104 visitors our second busiest month on record! This marks a 14% increase compared to July of last year. The surge in visitors was likely due to travellers returning from the Big Red Bash and the perfect weather, which made for worry-free travel.

General:

We've successfully hired a support admin/guide to help with the day-to-day operations, ensuring consistent management is available 7 days a week for smooth operations. Bringing on another full-time team member has also allowed us to reduce our reliance on casual staff, helping to save on costs where possible.

Earlier this month, we had a site visit and judging as part of the Tourism Awards criteria. The initial feedback was positive, with the judge impressed by the quality of our facility and the overall professionalism in our operations. The official feedback report will be available after the Tourism Awards judging in November.



WWII Tour monthly	2021	2022	2023	2024	% growth
Jan	47	46	19	15	-21%
Feb	23	15	17	15	-12%
March	153	133	83	71	-14%
April	647	543	294	329	12%
May	777	801	800	699	-13%
June	1129	1018	1061	967	-9%
July	1119	1281	942	1266	34%
August	532	991	961		

Future Planning/Events:

We have an itinerary going to HelloWorld for Q Rail travel and Cobb & Co have come on board to support this. This will see us being advertised in HelloWorld and Q Rail networks in both the domestic and international markets. A lot of working has been done in getting Murweh Shire Council Trade Ready for the international market and we are in the planning stages of having international wholesalers come out to do familiars with Amanda Kruse, who is working with us, and getting a feel for our region and get us into the international market.

Chamber of Business:

Linda and Robyn have been working with the existing Chamber of Commerce to get this back up and running. We have been working with them since April 2025 and as yet we are still at a stale mate, no real progress has been made. Due to the work that was done earlier to generate interest from businesses in Charleville to get this up and running, a discussion was had that we get a new Business Chamber up and running, with new constitution and garnish council support for this.

Council Resolutions:

Two proposals for council:

1. Council to pass the attached rates from 1st April 2025.
2. Council to pass a resolution to support the council support of the Charleville Business Chambers.

LINK TO CORPORATE PLAN

- 1.3.1 Council has in place operational systems and capacity to deliver strategic priorities and core operations.

ATTACHMENTS

1. **2024 - 2025 - WWII Base Tour - Rates Facts** [↓](#)



WWII Secret Base Contracted Rates 01 April 2025 - 31 March 2026

1 Qantas Drive, Charleville, QLD, 4470

Our Mission

Our duty at the WWII Secret Base is to honour, remember and educate on the stories of the American and Australian forces that served in Charleville during WWII. Enlisting at our state-of-the-art interactive exhibit, you'll put yourself in the boots of an American soldier stationed in Charleville.

BASE TOUR & TAG-A-LONG TOUR

Flat Rate \$420

BASE TOUR

Adult	\$20
Concession	\$18
Child	\$10
Student	\$18

Special Notes / Conditions:

In the event that the WWII Secret Base Exhibit cancels due to unforeseen circumstances, you have a choice of rescheduling your tour at no cost or receiving a full refund. If you cancel within 24 hours no refund is available.

OPERATING TIMES

March – October	Monday – Sunday	9am – 5pm
November – February	Monday – Friday	9am – 3pm

FACILITIES

- Air-conditioning
- Coach, car & Caravan Parking
- Wi-Fi
- Disability access
- Souvenir gift shop
- Toilets

Base Tour

Self-guided interactive exhibit

Enlist your squadron in the interactive exhibition where they'll take a step back in time on a self-guided experience in which they will immerse themselves into the lifestyle of various personnel stationed at Charleville during WWII. They'll learn about their living & working conditions, entertainment and most importantly what Charleville's top secret mission was... Can you keep a secret?

Departure Time: As requested

Days of operation: March to October - Monday to Sunday
November to February - Monday to Friday

Duration: 1 hour (recommended)

Min/Max Numbers: N/A

Inclusions: Access to interactive exhibit & Souvenir gift shop



Reservations:

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WWII Secret Base Contracted Rates 01 April 2025 - 31 March 2026

Base Tour & Tag-a-long Tour *Self-guided interactive exhibit & Fully guided tour of original base*

Learn all aspects of Charleville's unique WWII history by combining the Tag-a-long Tour for a first-hand look at the original sites with added in-depth information shared by our guides. As well as the opportunity to experience the enlistment process for yourself through our state-of-the-art Interactive Exhibit.

- Departure Time:** As requested
- Days of operation:** March to October - Monday to Sunday
November to February - Monday to Friday
- Duration:** 1.5 hours (recommended)
- Min/Max Numbers:** N/A
- Inclusions:** Access to interactive exhibit, Souvenir gift shop, Guided tour of original sites from WWII



Product description:

25 Words:

Our duty at the WWII Secret Base is to honour, remember and educate on the stories of the American and Australian forces that served in Charleville during WWII. Enlisting at our state-of-the-art interactive exhibit, you'll put yourself in the boots of an American soldier stationed in Charleville.

50 Words:

Enlist your squadron in the interactive exhibition where they'll take a step back in time on a self-guided experience in which they will immerse themselves into the lifestyle of various personnel stationed at Charleville during WWII. They'll learn about their living & working conditions, entertainment and most importantly what Charleville's top secret mission was... Can you keep a secret?

100 Words:

Our duty at the WWII Secret Base is to honour, remember and educate on the stories of the American and Australian forces that served in Charleville during WWII. Enlisting at our state-of-the-art interactive exhibit, you'll put yourself in the boots of an American soldier stationed in Charleville experiencing how they adapted to the outback conditions and Australian culture all while uncovering one of the greatest secrets of the Pacific Theatre. You'll be inspired by the courage and determination of those who served and gain a deeper appreciation for the freedoms we enjoy today. Will you do your duty?

TERMS OF TRADE

- PAYMENT:** All Reservations will be held only if full pre-payment is made, unless credit facilities have been previously arranged.
- ACCOUNTS:** All clients who establish credit must have payment forward within 30 days
- CANCELLATION FEES:** 100% cancellation fee inside 24 hours of departure time
- NO SHOWS:** 100% cancellation fee
- SPECIAL NOTE:** All rates are subject to increase in case of Government levies and taxation.
- WEATHER POLICY:** No responsibility will be accepted for adverse weather conditions.
- CHILD POLICY:** 0-4 years FOC / 5-12 years Child rate applies

BANK DETAILS

- Bank:** National Australian Bank
- Account Name:** MSC General
- BSB:** 084 500
- Acc No:** 508592772
- ABN:** 98 117 909303

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14.2 2024 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF QUEENSLAND (LGAQ) ANNUAL CONFERENCE**Author: CEO****Authoriser: CEO****RECOMMENDATION**

That Council approves the attendance of the Mayor, Cr Shaun Radnedge, Deputy Mayor, Cr Alexander and CEO, Mr Scott at the 2024 Local Government Association of Queensland (LGAQ) Annual Conference to be held in Brisbane on 21-23 October at the Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre.

BACKGROUND

The Local Government Association of Queensland (LGAQ) will hold its 128th Annual Conference and Annual General Meeting (AGM) between 21-23 October at the Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre.

The conference theme for this year is '*Don't Leave Local Communities Behind*', And from the organiser's comments, they have an exciting program planned across the three days.

As all of the six councils represented by the South West Queensland Regional Organisation of Councils (SWQROC) will be in Brisbane for this event, it provides a good opportunity for the SWQROC Member Councils to hold meetings and deputations.

The LGAQ Annual Conference is also an opportune time for the Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) and LGAQ Road and Transport Alliance to hold its annual forum.

The time commitment for attending Councillors would be from Sunday 20 October to Thursday 24 October 2024.

LINK TO CORPORATE PLAN

1.3.1 Council has in place operational systems and capacity to deliver strategic priorities and core operations.

ATTACHMENTS

1. **Local Government Association of Queensland (LGAQ) 2024 Annual Conference Program.** [↓](#)

LGAQ | Every Queensland community deserves to be a liveable one

128th LGAQ ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Don't Leave Local Communities Behind

Program

21-23 October 2024
Brisbane Convention and Entertainment Centre

#LGAQ2024



WELCOME TO BRISBANE

Welcome to Brisbane for the 128th Local Government Association of Queensland Annual Conference.

Whether it's roads, rubbish, playgrounds or community events, local government has an impact on almost everything people interact with on a day-to-day basis.

As Australia's largest local government, I'm proud to welcome you to our city so we can learn from each other and advocate together to make our communities better.

Brisbane is one of Australia's fastest growing capital cities and our state is growing too with more people choosing to live and work here.

Councils are closest to their community and we continue to take on more costs and responsibilities while the Federal and State governments collect 97 per cent of all taxation revenue.



Over the next few days, I look forward to discussing how we can work together to advocate for better outcomes for our community and build on the great momentum our state is experiencing to make our communities even better.

I hope you enjoy Brisbane's incredible lifestyle while you're here and take the time to support local business while exploring everything our city has to offer during your stay.

Lord Mayor Adrian Schrinner
City of Brisbane

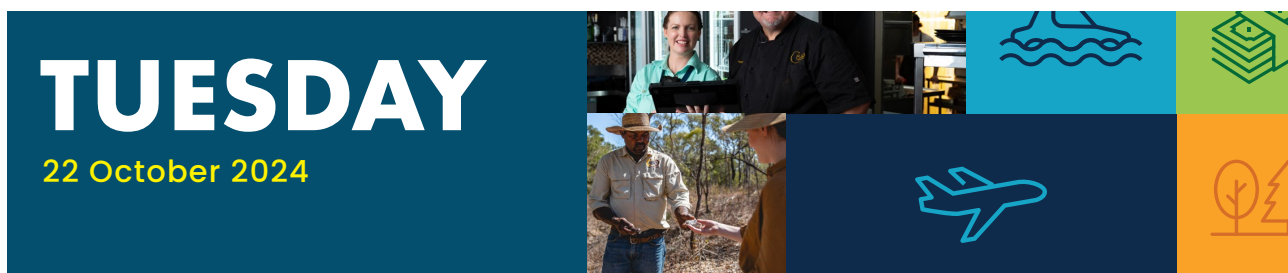




Time	Topic
12:00pm – 4:30pm	Policy Executive Meeting
9:00am – 10:30am	<p>Peak Services Professional Development Courses</p> <p>Dealing with Confrontational People The 21st century has been coined the 'Age of Rage'. With ongoing pressures in work, social, financial and personal lives, people can become verbally volatile and demonstrate their annoyance towards our leaders. Learning how to manage confrontational people is an essential skill. By teaching effective listening and responding, participants will learn how to neutralise anger and increase safety for themselves and the community at large.</p>
1:00pm – 4:00pm	<p>Rates and Charges for Elected Members For many councils, rates, levies, fees and charges are their main source of revenue besides Queensland and Australian government grant funding.</p> <p>Our program covers how rates and charges are calculated, the Acts and Regulations that apply to the decision-making process and how to evaluate and determine the range of services required by councils to help establish rates charges. Topics covered include the relevant legislation, revenue raising and rating scenarios. This rates and charges foundation skills program will provide an overall understanding of your responsibilities as a Queensland elected member.</p>
2:00pm – 5:00pm	<p>Registration Delegates, observers, trade, corporate and accompanying persons</p>



Time	Topic
8:00am – 5:00pm	Registration Delegates, observers, trade, corporate and accompanying persons
10:00am – 2:00pm	Indigenous Leaders Forum
11:30am – 12:30pm	Lunch
12:15pm – 12:30pm	New attendee session: What you need to know about the LGAQ Annual Conference
12:30pm – 2:30pm	Roads and Transport Forum
2:30pm – 3:00pm	Optional Sessions Session 1: The employee value proposition – leveraging your council as a great place to work! Session 2: Newly elected mayors – strategies for successful leadership
3:00pm – 3:30pm	Afternoon Tea
3:30pm – 5:00pm	Council Segment Forums Rural and Remote councils Resources councils SEQ councils Coastal councils
Welcoming Ceremony	
5:20pm – 5:50pm	5:20pm Welcome to Country
	5:30pm Welcome to Brisbane Cr Adrian Schrinner, Lord Mayor of Brisbane
	5:35pm Response Mayor Matt Burnett, Gladstone Regional Council and Acting President, LGAQ
	5:45pm Sponsor Address Tim Fynes-Clinton, Executive Partner, King & Company
5:50pm – 7:30pm	Networking Event Trade Exhibition Hall
7:15pm	Young Councillor Cohort Networking Event Sponsored by Brighter Super



Time	Topic
7:00am – 8:30am	CEO Breakfast Sponsored by Telstra
8:00am – 5:00pm	Registration Delegates, observers, trade, corporate and accompanying persons
8:30am	Welcome Master of Ceremonies Tim Cox, Communications Advisor, LGAQ
8:35am	Call to Order and Acting President Address Mayor Matt Burnett, Gladstone Regional Council and Acting President, LGAQ
8:45am	Presentation of the Policy Executive
8:55am	CEO Reflection and scene setting Alison Smith, Chief Executive Officer, LGAQ
9:00am	Official Opening
9:15am	Cruel Summer – Lessons learned from the 2023/24 disaster management season Major General Jake Ellwood, CEO, Queensland Reconstruction Authority Cr Tom Tate, Mayor, City of Gold Coast Brendan Moon, CEO, National Emergency Management Agency
9:45am	Emerging issue
9:55am	Don't leave local communities behind with insurance – A better deal for local communities in Australia's most disaster-prone state Facilitated by: Alison Smith, CEO, LGAQ Cr Shaun (Zoro) Radnedge, Mayor, Murweh Shire Council Cr Amy Eden, Mayor, Cairns Regional Council Ian Leckenbv. Chair. LGMS

10:25am	Sponsor Address - Telstra
10:30am	Morning Tea
11:00am	Council Showcases Part 1 Coastal Rural & Remote First Nations
12:00pm	Sponsor Address - Department of Housing, Local Government Planning and Public Works
12:05pm	Lunch
1:05pm	Council Showcases Part 2 Resources SEQ CEO's pick
1:35pm	Sponsor Address - Brighter Super
1:40pm	State Opposition update David Crisafulli MP, Leader of the Opposition, Shadow Minister for Tourism, Shadow Minister for Olympics and Paralympics
1:55pm	Stop the Cost Shift to communities
2:20pm	ALGA update
2:30pm	Federal Opposition update
2:40pm	Afternoon Tea
3:10pm	Vote for Local Scorecard Analysis
3:40pm	Peak Services update
3:50pm	Emerging Issue
4:15pm	Close day 2
6:15pm	Awards Ceremony and Gala Dinner Dinner theme: Choose Local Dress code: After 5 wear
11:30pm	Dinner concludes



Time	Topic
8:15am	Conference Resumes
8:20am	Federal Government update Kristy McBain, Minister for Regional Development, Local Government and Territories
8:30am	Sponsor Address
8:35am	Annual General Meeting – voting overview Darren Leckenby, Chief Financial Officer & Company Secretary, LGAQ
8:40am	Motions Debate
10:15am	Sponsor Address
10:20am	Morning Tea
10:50am	Motions Debate
12:30pm	Lunch
1:30pm	Motions Debate
3:00pm	Emerging Issue
3:10pm	Motions Debate
4:10pm	Close of Conference

MONDAY

21 October 2024

INDIGENOUS LEADERS FORUM

Since 2011, the Indigenous Leaders Forum (ILF) has been a valuable way for First Nations councils to come together to share their successes, discuss specific challenges and put forward issues they would like the LGAQ's support to address. The Forum is held twice-yearly.

ROADS AND TRANSPORT FORUM

Queensland's transport network serves as the backbone of our economic vitality and community wellbeing. At this year's Roads and Transport forum, experts will delve into crucial themes such as sustainability in infrastructure, enhancing disaster resilience and response and the role of technology in modernising our transport systems. Each of these essential topics drives forward the progress of our transport networks to meet the dynamic needs of Queensland's communities.

COUNCIL FORUMS

Join your council peers in one of four forums to explore, share and discuss key issues. This is also your opportunity to talk with each other and your Policy Executive members about how the LGAQ can assist and support your council.

Please register for the forum you believe will most benefit your council and, if you can't decide, you are most welcome to send delegates from your council to different forums.



CONFERENCE REGISTRATION (GST incl)

Early Bird Registration – prior to and including 23 September 2024	
Council or State Government observer	\$ 1700.00
5 or more observers from one Council/Government Department	\$ 1550.00
Corporate (Private Sector)	\$ 3300.00
After 23 September 2024	
Council or State Government observer	\$ 1800.00
5 or more observers from one Council/Government Department	\$ 1650.00
Corporate (Private Sector)	\$ 3400.00
Early Bird One Day Registration – prior to and including 23 September 2024	
Council or State Government observer	\$ 850.00
Corporate (Private Sector)	\$ 1330.00
After 23 September 2024	
Council or State Government observer	\$ 1060.00
Corporate (Private Sector)	\$ 1760.00
Functions	
Welcoming Ceremony (accompanying persons, day registrations and additional trade exhibitors)	\$ 85.00
Dinner	
Gala Dinner – Tuesday evening (22 October 2024)	\$ 195.00

Please note that the Welcoming Ceremony on Monday evening is included in the conference fee for delegates, observers and corporates attending the full three days of conference. Accompanying persons are welcome to attend the Welcoming Ceremony and Gala Dinner.

ACCOMMODATION

RYDGES SOUTH BANK

is in the heart of Brisbane's arts and entertainment precinct, only minutes away from the Brisbane Convention & Exhibition Centre and South Bank Parklands, and is offering Annual Conference delegates and attendees 10% off the best flexible rate at the time of booking.

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14.3 AUSTRALIAN CARAVAN CLUB HIRE OF THE CHARLEVILLE SHOW GROUNDS**Author: CEO****Authoriser: CEO****RECOMMENDATION**

1. That Council supports the Australian Caravan Club Ltd with a bulk hire of \$1,000.00 per day for the Charleville Racecourse and the Charleville Show Grounds for the holding of their National Muster.
2. That Council assist the Australian Caravan Club Ltd in making connections to local clubs and community groups for the organisation of the logistic associated with the holding of the National Muster and visiting club members' activities while in Charleville.

BACKGROUND

The Board of the Australian Caravan Club Ltd are considering holding its National Muster in Charleville from the 12 - 19 October 2025 (8 days) and would like Council to consider a bulk rate for the hire of the Charleville Racecourse and the Charleville Show Grounds for this event.

For the Australian Caravan Club Ltd to hold their National Muster in Charleville, they have identified that they would require the Charleville Racecourse and the Charleville Show Grounds from 08 - 21 October 2025 (14 Days) to allow for set-up and demounting of the assets and logistics associated with the National Muster.

The Australian Caravan Club Ltd have identified that the Charleville Racecourse and the Charleville Show Grounds are adequate for their functions and camping arrangements with the below planned activities at the facilities various locations.

Racecourse complex:

- Opening Ceremony.
- AGM.
- Dinner Dance.
- Closing Ceremony.

The smaller upstairs room may be used for meeting/functions:

- First Timer Happy Hour greeting.
- Secretary/Presidents meeting.

Showgrounds:

- Camping sites for the National Muster attendees.
- The large pavilion building and kitchen for catering and functions
- The Showground Secretary Office for the National Muster Office.

The Australian Caravan Club Ltd would look to the Shire Council to assist in the establishment of the National Muster and would like to see that the National Muster has an interaction with the Charleville Community.

The Australian Caravan Club Ltd National Muster Program would include outings that promote the local sites e.g. The Bilby Experience, WW11 Secret Base, Date Farm, Cosmos Centre Experience plus other items as they explore the region.

The Australian Caravan Club Ltd are planning to engage with local clubs to assist in providing of breakfasts, and charity morning tea and other functions for fund raising.

Once Council and the Australian Caravan Club Ltd have been able to agree with the costings, the Club would require a short video that promotes the Murweh Shire and Charleville and the distribution a quantity of tourism booklets to promote the venue at this year's National Muster, being held in Mildura, Victoria through the Murweh Shire Visitor Information Centres.

The cost of the hire of the Charleville Showgrounds and the Charleville Racecourse from the 2024-25 Murweh Shire Council's Fees and Charges are as follows.

- Showgrounds per day functions including all facilities @ \$552.00
- Full Charleville Racecourse Complex @ \$1,000.00

LINK TO CORPORATE PLAN

1.2.1 Council has in place effective whole of community communication and engagement strategies

ATTACHMENTS

1. **Australian Caravan Club 2025 National Muster.** [↓](#)

**Australian Caravan Club Limited**

ACN 121 300 856

P O Box 24 Keeps Creek NSW 2178**Ph: 1800 734 493****www.australiancaravanclub.com.au*****...where Friendships and Adventure begin***

Cr Shaun (Zoro) Radnedge
PO Box 63
Charleville QLD 4470

Dear Shaun,

Thank you for your interest in showing Tom & I around the Racecourse and Showground facilities on Thursday 25 July.

In discussion with the Board of the Australian Caravan Club Ltd, we believe the facilities that we have seen would enable the Club to conduct a successful National Muster in October 2025. The actual Muster date will be from the **12 – 19 October 2025**, with bump in commencing on the 8 October and bump out completed by the 21 October.

The Racecourse facilities are totally adequate for the following functions, due to the size, lighting and sound system:

- Opening Ceremony.
- AGM.
- Dinner Dance.
- Closing Ceremony.

The smaller upstairs room may be used for meeting/functions:

- First Timer Happy Hour greeting.
- Secretary/Presidents meeting.

The camping area, within the Showground would provide adequate camping sites for the National Muster, with power in most places and water. The amenities we believe would also be adequate when one considers that most caravans (RV's) today have a shower etc.

The large building, with a kitchen would be used for happy hours and other functions during the muster.

The Secretaries building, that is owned by the Show Society would be useful as our Muster office.

The Club would look to the Shire Council to assist in the establishment of the National Muster in various methods as we view our National Muster as a link between the local Shire, Community and the ACC. The program for the Muster includes outings that promote the local sites eg The Bilby Experience, WW11 Secret Base, Date Farm, Cosmos Experience plus other items as we explore the region. The Club also wishes to assist local Service Clubs in providing Breakfast, Charity Morning Tea and other functions.

We look forward to receiving costings from the Shire so that the Club can move forward with our plans.

Once we have been able to agree with the costings etc the Club would require a short video that promotes the Shire and Charleville and a quantity of tourism booklets to promote the venue at this year's National Muster, being held in Mildura, Victoria.

Look forward to yours and the Shire's response.

Regards

Graham Humphreys
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Chairman & Membership Director
Australian Caravan Club Limited

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14.4 MORVEN HISTORICAL MUSEUM STORM WATER DRAINAGE**Author: CEO****Authoriser: CEO****RECOMMENDATION**

That Council assist the Morven Historical Museum with labour and machinery in the placement of storm water drainage infrastructure at the Morven Museum as part of the Murweh Shire Council Community Assistance Program.

BACKGROUND

Council has been approached on numerous occasions to assist the Morven Historical Museum in dealing with storm water runoff from the buildings located at the Morven Historical Museum precinct.

It appears that when the historic buildings were placed at this precinct, there was no provision for the management of storm water from the buildings. As a consequence, the storm water discharges directly from the gutter and ponds around the buildings creating an access problem and a risk for possible subsidence of the buildings if this to left continue.

From conversations with the Morven Historical Museum, it appears that there may have been promises made in the past by Council staff - that Council would do the works as part of their general community assistance.

I have not been able to verify these conversations, but not providing some assistance in this matter does cause Council some reputational risk in the community and with the Morven Historical Museum members.

I have spoken to the Morven Historical Museum Secretary, and she as indicated that they would provide the PVC piping for this project - if Council was in a position to provide the labour and machinery to undertake the works. This arrangement has been verified in the attached correspondence from the Morven Historical Museum Secretary.

I have discussed the request from the Morven Historical Museum with the Murweh Shire Council Director of Engineering Services, and he is of the opinion that the total works involved in rectifying the storm water issue would be in the order of \$2,500.00 - \$3,000.00 if works were completed by the Morven Town Crew.

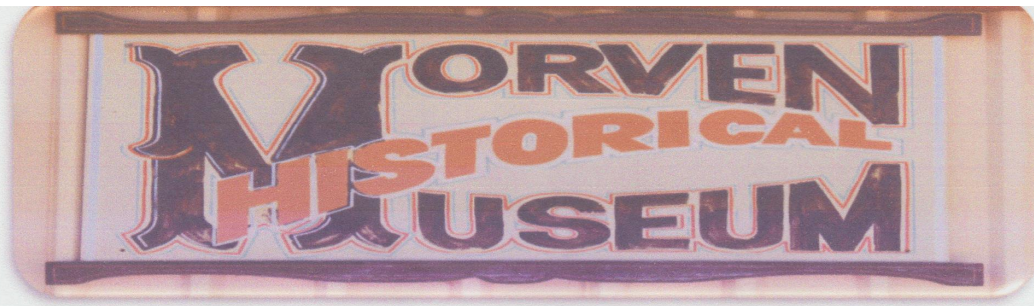
The Morven Historical Museum has applied under the Murweh Shire Council Community Assistance Program for assistance in completing these works.

LINK TO CORPORATE PLAN

1.3.1 Council has in place operational systems and capacity to deliver strategic priorities and core operations.

ATTACHMENTS

1. **Drainage issues at the Morven Historical Museum.** [↓](#)



6th August 2024

Mr Bruce Scott OAM,
Chief Executive Officer,
Murweh Shire Council,
Alfred Street,
CHARLEVILLE. QLD. 4470

Dear Bruce,

RE: DRAINAGE

I refer to our previous meeting with you in relation to the above issue stating Council would be happy to put in, in kind via the Community Assistance Program, towards getting the drainage issue fixed.

I make mention too that you were looking into the cost of the procedure and were to get back to us.

We understand that it is our responsibility to get the work done and advise that we have the PVC for the downpipes and some of the underground work plus fittings.

Casey Day is happy to do the job as he knows where all the underground irrigation is as he fitted it all.

We have submitted our assistance application and as of today have not heard from you regarding the costings. We are needing to know the costs of the job at hand and what Council is prepared to assist us with so we can move forward on this issue.

With our Annual General Meeting coming up in September we appreciate if you can get back to us as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Linda James', is written over a horizontal line.

Linda James
Secretary

14.5 MAYOR'S MONTHLY REPORT

Author: Mayor
Authoriser: CEO

RECOMMENDATION
 That Council receives and notes the monthly report from the Mayor.

BACKGROUND



CR SHAUN RADNEDGE

MAYOR'S REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF July/August 2024

Date	Meeting
July	
15	Meeting – Landcare, carbon farming
17	General Council Meeting
18	Citizenship ceremony
19	SWROC Weekly leadership meeting OMOA Budget Update
23	Murweh Youth Council Meeting with Hannah Ariotti
24	WQAC leadership meeting
25	Meeting with T.M.R, freight
26	SWROC, weekly catchup
29	OMOA Budget meeting, senior staff
30	Special budget Meeting of Council Meeting with DAF, Jamie Gorry
August	
1	Funding update Lifeline Charleville
2	WQAC meeting with Rex administrators Writers Out West, Soiree & welcome address
5	QMF, catch up meeting
6	Mayors morning tea Meeting with Premier Steven Miles SWROC Leaders meeting
8	Meetings in Brisbane, Minister Scanlon, DG Linda Dobe, sewerage treatment plant, TMR/Translink, Juanita Rechichi

9	Rural Press Club breakfast at Ekka Select Committee on the Impact of Climate Risk on Insurance Premiums and Availability TMR Roads, Andrew Mahon
13	Business chamber discussion TAC meeting – Caravan symposium weigh bridge
14	SWROC tourism steering committee meeting Main Roads meeting, Bill Lansbury, Steven Dart Catch up for upcoming events
16	SWROC weekly meeting
17	Deb Ball

LINK TO CORPORATE PLAN

- 1.2.1 Council has in place effective whole of community communication and engagement strategies
- 1.3.1 Council has in place operational systems and capacity to deliver strategic priorities and core operations.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Mayor - CoP Letter to Mayor Shaun Radnedge Murweh Shire Council Re Disaster Management Arrangements and Review of Plans [↓](#)
2. Mayor - QRA CEO Letter to Murweh Shire Council (004) [↓](#)
3. Mayor - QRA CEO Expanded Responsibilities. [↓](#)
4. OQTA Letter to Murweh Shire (002) [↓](#)
5. OQTA Report Card January 2024 (002) [↓](#)
6. AV Cup_2024 Letter To MSC Council [↓](#)



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23 July 2024

Councillor Shaun Radnedge
Mayor of Murweh Shire Council
Chair Murweh Local Disaster Management Group
95 - 101 Alfred Street
Charleville QLD 4471

Email: shaun_radnedge@murweh.qld.gov.au

Review and Renewal of the State Disaster Management Plan and the Prevention, Preparedness, Response and Recovery Disaster Management Guideline (DM Guideline)

Dear Mayor Radnedge

As you are aware, responsibility for disaster management functions have transitioned from the former Queensland Fire and Emergency Services (now the Queensland Fire Department) to the Queensland Police Service (QPS).

QPS is implementing a range of programs and activities to continue to support disaster management in Queensland. One of these programs is the review and renewal of the State Disaster Management Plan (SDMP) and the Prevention, Preparedness, Response and Recovery Disaster Management Guideline (DM Guideline).

As a result of the transition of disaster management functions, legislative changes to the *Queensland Disaster Management Act 2003*, *Disaster Management Regulation 2014*, and the substantial stakeholder engagement required to review and renew the SDMP and DM Guideline, the QPS will implement a three-phased approach to this work on behalf of the Queensland Disaster Management Committee (QDMC).

Phases one and two will be completed before the end of 2024 and will focus on changes linked to *Administrative Arrangements Orders (No.1 and No.2) 2023*, the *Emergency Services Reform Amendment Bill 2023*, and the *Disaster Management and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2024*. Given the legislative and administrative nature of these changes, stakeholder engagement will be limited to impacted Queensland Government departments during phases one and two of the program.

Q U E E N S L A N D P O L I C E S E R V I C E

Phase three will commence in the second half of this year and will culminate in a comprehensively revised SDMP and DM Guideline. Extensive stakeholder consultation will be undertaken for phase three with engagement across Queensland's disaster management sector. Initial engagement rounds are anticipated to commence in July to September 2024. The QPS Doctrine and Guidelines team will be in contact with key stakeholders in the coming months to commence planning stakeholder engagement sessions.

Phase three will be the sector's opportunity to shape the SDMP and DM Guideline moving forward, and your organisation's participation is strongly encouraged. If you have any queries related to the planned approach to the review and renewal of the SDMP and the DM Guideline, please email D&GFramework@police.qld.gov.au.

In the interim, if you have any queries specifically related to the DM Guideline, please email DMGuidelines@police.qld.gov.au.

The QPS will continue to inform the sector as this body of work progresses and I thank you for your continued support during the transition of Queensland's disaster management responsibilities.

Yours sincerely,



STEVE GOLLSCHESKI APM
COMMISSIONER



For reply please quote: – QRATF/24/4731

16 July 2024

Mayor Shaun Radnedge
Local Disaster Management Chair
Murweh Shire Council
shaun_radnedge@murweh.qld.gov.au

Dear Mayor

I am writing to you to inform you of the Queensland Reconstruction Authority's (QRA) expanding responsibilities from 1 July 2024 as a result of the Disaster and Emergency Management Reforms.

Through the reforms, disaster management arrangements are being streamlined across the Queensland Fire Department (QFD), Queensland Police Service (QPS) and QRA.

QRA will have expanded responsibilities in the areas of prevention, mitigation and preparedness, aimed to deliver our mission of delivering stronger, safer and more resilient Queensland communities.

From 1 July, QRA will be responsible for:

- State-level Hazard and Risk functions (including the state risk assessment tool) formerly performed by the Hazard and Risk Unit of Queensland Fire and Emergency Services (QFES);
- certain Community Engagement and Education projects and activities; and
- certain Community Awareness Campaigns (including the expansion of QRA's Get Ready Queensland brand which occurred in October 2023, to include the 'If It's Flooded Forget It' campaign).

QRA has commenced the enhancement of our natural hazard and disaster risk management capability, combining QRA's well established Flood Risk Management and Geographic Information System (GIS) Teams, with capacity to be built to ensure QRA is well positioned to mature and deliver the state-level hazard and risk function. QRA will continue to seek feedback from key disaster management stakeholders, in particular councils and disaster management groups on the effectiveness of the current risk management approach and methodology in Queensland, as QRA's delivery of this function evolves.

For any queries relating to QRA's delivery of the state-level Hazard and Risk function, please contact Hazard.Risk@gra.qld.gov.au.

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QRA will continue to focus on collaborative partnerships with all levels of government, private industries and not-for-profit organisations, and remains committed to supporting Queensland communities in their resilience and recovery efforts.

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As a key stakeholder in your local region, I have also provided a copy of this letter to Mr Bruce Scott, Acting Chief Executive Officer, Murweh Shire Council. I look forward to working with you in our expanded prevention, mitigation and preparedness role.

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Murweh Shire Council
Mayor Shaun Radnedge
95-101 Alfred Street
Charleville QLD 4470

1st July 2024

Dear Mayor Radnedge

Thank you for your ongoing commitment to Outback Queensland tourism through your partnership with the Outback Queensland Tourism Association (OQTA) during 2023/24.

Our partnerships with Councils across our region are vital to developing and sustaining a resilient and united industry and your support ensures that our marketing and trade response continues to be inspiring and agile, particularly in the face of increased domestic and international competition and changes to the distribution system and supply chain.

OQTA has worked with our partners this year to elevate our destination messaging, build trade preparedness and capacity across the network and spearhead product development initiatives including the Best of Outback Experiences program, the Wellness Way and the Outback Queensland Agritourism Accelerator Project.

These activities, along with our targeted marketing and PR campaigns and industry development partnerships, demonstrate our strategy to work collaboratively to amplify our destination's tourism and event offerings and boost innovation and operational excellence.

Lobbying and advocating on your behalf is also a key role for OQTA. We will continue to work with government and our various industry bodies to seek out opportunities to put Outback Queensland on the agenda, drive product development and visitation, and connect and support stakeholders.

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As the economic and social impacts of current global market conditions are felt across the state, the importance of tourism and the visitor economy to communities across the Outback region has never been more vital. OQTA has worked with the State Government to secure Tourism

Network Funding at a similar level to last financial year, however costs continue to rise across all budget lines, given the current fiscal environment.

The OQTA Board has taken the decision to apply a 3.4% CPI adjustment to OQTA Council Partnership fees for the 2024/25 financial year, with no other increase. The Board intends to use CPI as a benchmark for any future changes to fees for the foreseeable future.

We look forward to working with you to support our local communities and keep our sector viable, sustainable, and attractive to visitors seeking a memorable and authentic holiday experience.

Yours sincerely



Denise Brown
Chief Executive Officer
Outback Queensland Tourism Association
Ph: 0438 394 492
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cc. CEO Bruce Scott



REPORT CARD

January 2024

FOR JULY – DECEMBER 2023

MEDIA AND MARKETING SUCCESS



11

NUMBER OF FEATURES



6.3M

PEOPLE REACHED

Website

441,397

PAGE VIEWS

253,356

SESSIONS

1,979

OPERATOR LEADS (+23%)

Top Keywords

ROMA, QUEENSLAND MAP, CUNNAMULLA, LONGREACH, JULIA CREEK, BARCALDINE, CHARLEVILLE, BIRDSVILLE



Website Updates

We developed a new page on the OQTA website to help support our trade and media partners. The page provides key resources for trade and media to access easily - including the Outback Queensland Trade Product Manual, Traveller's Guide and key media resources and images.

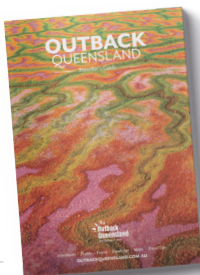
Newsletters

58,069

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Traveller's Guide

4,101

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532

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New Blogs

6 New Things to See and Do in Charleville
 Outback Queensland Pubs – Restored & Reopened



QOTA REPRESENTATION AT CONSUMER SHOWS

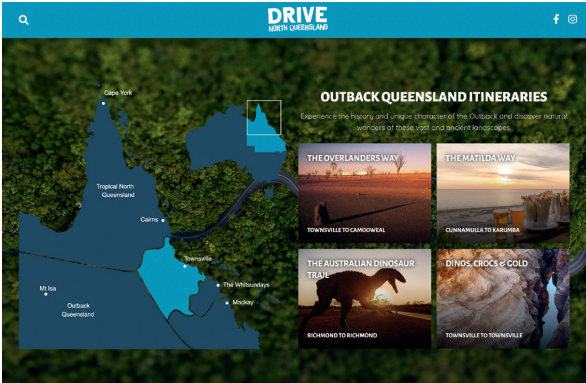
- 28-30 JUL QLD Outdoor Adventure Expo, Toowoomba
- 14-16 JUL Sydney 4x4 Show
- 12-20 AUG Royal Queensland Show (Ekka)
- 18-20 AUG Melbourne 4x4 Show



DriveNow.com Competition
 OQTA partnered with DriveNow.com.au to launch an August giveaway to celebrate DriveNow's 20-year anniversary. The competition, also in partnership with WWII Secret Base, Qantas Founders Museum and John Flynn Museum and Cloncurry Unearthed, saw one lucky winner win seven days free motorhome rental, along with free entry to some of Outback Queensland's key attractions.



OQTA Co-op Marketing Activities
 Getaway TV filmed three segments in the North West region in August as part of our targeted co-operative marketing campaign with partners Cloncurry Shire Council, Mount Isa City Council and Kronosaurus Korner.



Drive North Queensland (DNQ) Campaign
 The 2023 DNQ Campaign includes a new DNQ drive map and media campaign including social posts and advertising in 4x4 Australia and Australian Geographic magazines.



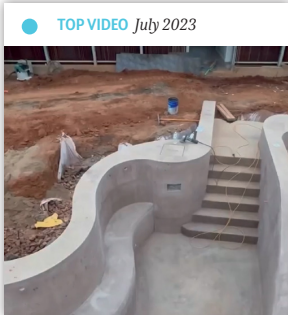
2024 Season
 Plans for the 2024 season are in full swing as we prepare to launch the all-new Traveller's Guide and season campaign in February 2024.
 ◀ Minister Michael Healy and DD

SOCIAL MEDIA SUCCESS

Instagram



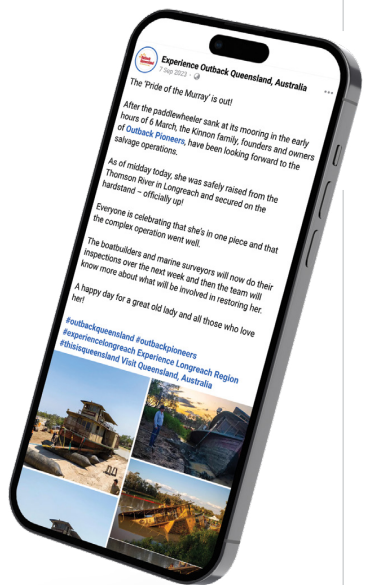
TOP POST December 2023
 1,734 INTERACTIONS
 19,731 IMPRESSIONS
 23,191 ACCOUNTS REACHED



TOP VIDEO July 2023
 28,762 PLAYS
 27,211 ACCOUNTS REACHED

* since April 2020

Facebook



INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT AND ADVOCACY



ATEC Meeting Place

OQTA CEO Denise Brown (DD) attended ATEC Meeting Place in November to share industry learnings and raise the profile of Outback Queensland with inbound tour operators, online travel agents, domestic wholesalers and national tour companies. The event also saw Denise nominated for the Captain Trevor Haworth Outstanding Contribution to the Tourism Export Industry award.

Industry Development Initiatives

OQTA was successful in securing several TEQ contestable grants to amplify our activities in 2023.

We've partnered with agriculture and visitor economy experts Sparrow Group to deliver the **Outback Queensland Agritourism Accelerator Project**. The project aims to educate and support local businesses to diversify their operations and develop sustainable, high quality and distinctive agritourism experiences.

OQTA has joined with Capricorn Enterprise to reinvigorate the **Dig the Tropic** campaign. The project seeks to update products and experiences along the trail and grow awareness and visitation through a targeted media and marketing campaign.

Work is well under way on **Outback Queensland's Wellness and Bathing Trail**, which is set to be launched in 2024. The project aims to leverage our existing and planned bathing locations and experiences to disperse high value wellness travellers and increase overnight stay and spend.

The **Best of Outback Experiences** program was rolled out to help more Outback Queensland tourism operators achieve Best of Queensland Experiences status, by working with those who regularly achieve scores between 60 per cent and 80 per cent. The program included tailored one-on-one mentoring sessions for 20 operators delivered in an online format.

The **Drive North Queensland** project builds on the successful Drive North initiative to promote the state's drive offering, in collaboration with TTNQ, Tourism Whitsundays, Mackay Isaac Tourism and Townsville Enterprise Ltd.

The **Drive Queensland** project will further develop the state's drive offering while also maintaining a presence at industry events in partnership with 10 RTO partners.

With support from TEQ we continued the **TEMP** program delivering in-region training workshops and mentorship for Outback operators.



WWII SECRET BASE

OQTA CEO Denise Brown attended the official opening of the WWII Secret Base in Charleville in October alongside former Queensland Tourism Minister Stirling Hinchliffe, Federal Member for Maranoa David Littleproud MP and Murweh Mayor Shaun "Zoro" Radnedge.

DD with QTIC's Mel Anderson



From top: Better in Blackall Festival; I Got Hooked draw

REPRESENTATIONS AND DELEGATIONS

- ▶ Maranoa Regional Tourism Networking Event, Roma
- ▶ Balonne Business Mentoring Program
- ▶ Bush Councils, Goondiwindi
- ▶ Qld Outdoor Adventure Expo, Toowoomba
- ▶ Towards Tourism 2023 RTO Advisory Group
- ▶ North West Minerals Province Stakeholder Advisory Committee
- ▶ QRTN Executive Committee
- ▶ Ekka 2023
- ▶ QTIC/UQ Tourism Employment Project
- ▶ Outback Way
- ▶ Adventure Way
- ▶ Better in Blackall Festival
- ▶ EarthCheck Inner Circle
- ▶ Outback Festival, Winton
- ▶ CW Regional Drought Resilience Program
- ▶ Cobbold Gorge Famil
- ▶ WWII Base Official Opening, Charleville
- ▶ LGAQ Annual Conference, Gladstone
- ▶ 'I Got Hooked' Scavenger Hunt draw, St George
- ▶ Mount Isa Mines Rodeo
- ▶ Western Queensland Alliance of Councils Assembly
- ▶ Australian Regional Tourism (ART) Convention, Newcastle
- ▶ Red Ridge Showcase, Parliament House
- ▶ SWQROC Meeting, Roma
- ▶ SWQ Tourism Steering Committee
- ▶ ATEC Meeting Place, Adelaide
- ▶ Destination IQ, Cairns
- ▶ Destination Q Conference, Cairns
- ▶ QTIC Qld Tourism Awards, Cairns



QUEENSLAND TOURISM AWARDS

We congratulate all our Outback Queensland winners!

- WINNER (GOLD): Unique Accommodation – Mitchell Grass Retreat
- WINNER (GOLD): Festivals and Events – 2022 Mount Isa Mines Indigenous Rodeo Championships
- WINNER (GOLD): Cultural Tourism – Fun over 50 Holidays
- WINNER (GOLD): The Steve Irwin Award for Ecotourism – Fun over 50 Holidays
- (SILVER): Major Festivals and Events – 2022 Mount Isa Mines Rodeo
- (SILVER): Festivals and Events – Outback Queensland Masters
- (BRONZE): Cultural Tourism – Qld Music Trails – The Outback Trail



Bush Councils Convention

OQTA CEO Denise (DD) Brown was a guest presenter at the Bush Councils Convention in Goondiwindi in July. It was a great opportunity to connect with Outback Mayors, Councillors and industry stakeholders, along with conference host, the Local Government Association of Queensland, to share issues and opportunities impacting our region.



Maranoa Regional Tourism Networking

OQTA's Kelly Hensley travelled to Roma in July for the Maranoa Regional Tourism Networking event at one of the region's newest attractions, the Western Queensland Spirit small-batch craft distillery and cellar door.



69 formal letters of support, invitations and advocacy



OQTA AGM

OQTA held its Annual General Meeting in November, with more than 50 members attending in person and online. Mount Isa Mines Rodeo CEO Natalie Flecker was appointed Chair of the OQTA Board, having previously served as Deputy Chair. Former Chair and Blackall-Tambo Regional Council Mayor Andrew Martin has taken on the role of Deputy Chair. Joining the Board for the first time as our new South West Region representative is Corey Richards from the Eromanga Natural History Museum. We thank outgoing South West representative Meryl Eddie for her enduring commitment to the Board and the Outback region.

From top: Minister Stirling Hinchliffe and Natalie Flecker; Prime Minister Anthony Albanese and DD

Mount Isa Mines Rodeo

OQTA was thrilled to attend the Mount Isa Rodeo Festival in August, one of Outback Queensland's most iconic events, alongside Prime Minister Anthony Albanese, (former) Queensland Tourism Minister Stirling Hinchliffe, OQTA Chair and Mount Isa Mines CEO Natalie Flecker and TEQ CEO Trish O'Callaghan.

Adrian Vowles Rugby League Cup Association Incorporated

Wednesday, 7 August 2024

To Our Valued Alliance

RE: Charleville Show Grounds Cricket Pitch

The committee and I of the AV Cup thank you for everything that you do and have done to support our organisation over the last 11 years. This year's carnival was a busy one, being our largest yet Charleville was overflowing with kids, parents, and supporters.

Our previous and future events would not & will not be at all possible without your kind support and assistance, we ourselves support and assist groups within the community and wider football community with contributions going to – Charleville Triathlon, Charleville Junior Football, Zone 4, Blue light, Warrego Equestrian, Hospital Aux, Charleville Swimming Club, QCWA & PNG girls' team 2024.

On behalf of our committee, I am writing to say that we noticed that some of the infrastructure needed to run junior sport at the showgrounds needs replacing shortly and we would like to offer to pay half of the cost with Council to purchase a new mat to cover the cricket pitch.

If this opportunity appeals to you, please reach out to either myself or Leslie Mckay.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Adrian Vowles', is written over a white background.

Adrian Vowles

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15 CORRESPONDENCE FOR CONSIDERATION

Nil

16 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

Nil

17 CLOSURE