

SHOALHAVEN CITY COUNCIL

ORDINARY MEETING

To be held on Tuesday, 27th February, 2007
Commencing at 4.00 pm

City Administrative Centre
Bridge Road
NOWRA NSW 2541

21st February, 2007

Councillors,

NOTICE OF MEETING

You are hereby requested to attend the Ordinary Meeting of the Council of the City of Shoalhaven, to be held in the Council Chambers, City Administrative Centre, Bridge Road, Nowra on Tuesday, 27th February, 2007 commencing at 4.00 pm for consideration of the following business.

Yours faithfully

R D Pigg
General Manager

Membership
All Councillors

BUSINESS OF MEETING

PRAYER: Captain Paul Warren - Assisting Minister - Nowra Uniting Church

1. Australian National Anthem
2. Apologies
3. Confirmation of Minutes
Ordinary Meeting - 30th January, 2007
4. Presentation of Petitions
5. Reports of Committees
Report of the Policy and Planning Committee Meeting - 13th February, 2007
Report of the Works and Finance Committee Meeting - 13th February, 2007
Report of the Development Committee Meeting - 13th February, 2007
Report of the Shoalhaven Water Operations and Strategic Review Committee Meeting - 20th February, 2007
Report of the Crown Reserves, Community and Commercial Operations Committee Meeting - 20th February, 2007
Report of the Shoalhaven Traffic Committee Meeting - 20th February, 2007
6. Report of the General Manager
Assistant General Manager
Strategic Planning
Finance & Corporate Services
City Services & Operations / Strategic Planning
7. Notices of Motion

Note:- Presentations to Mr John Ashton, OAM, AFS, Clr. Alex Darling, OAM, Mr Neville Stephenson, OAM and Commodore Geoff Ledger, OAM, DSC.

Cell Phones:

Council's Code of Meeting Practice states that "All cell phones are to be turned off for the duration of the meeting".

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1993

Chapter 3

Section 8(1) - The Council's Charter

(1) The council has the following charter:

- to provide directly or on behalf of other levels of government, after due consultation, adequate, equitable and appropriate services and facilities for the community and to ensure that those services and facilities are managed efficiently and effectively
- to exercise community leadership
- to exercise its functions in a manner that is consistent with and actively promotes the principles of multiculturalism
- to promote and to provide and plan for the needs of children
- to properly manage, develop, protect, restore, enhance and conserve the environment of the area for which it is responsible, in a manner that is consistent with and promotes the principles of ecologically sustainable development
- to have regard to the long term and cumulative effects of its decisions
- to bear in mind that it is the custodian and trustee of public assets and to effectively account for and manage the assets for which it is responsible
- to facilitate the involvement of councillors, members of the public, users of facilities and services and council staff in the development, improvement and co-ordination of local government
- to raise funds for local purposes by the fair imposition of rates, charges and fees, by income earned from investments and, when appropriate, by borrowings and grants
- to keep the local community and the State government (and through it, the wider community) informed about its activities
- to ensure that, in the exercise of its regulatory functions, it acts consistently and without bias, particularly where an activity of the council is affected
- to be a responsible employer.

REPORT OF THE POLICY AND PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHOALHAVEN HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY ADMINISTRATIVE CENTRE, BRIDGE ROAD, NOWRA ON TUESDAY 13TH FEBRUARY, 2007 COMMENCING AT 3.32 PM

The following members were present;

Clr G Watson – Chairman
Clr J Finkernagel
Clr R Rudd
Clr P Murphy
Clr P Green
Clr J McCrudden
Clr J Kerr
Clr G Ward
Clr G Kearney
Clr J Anderson
Clr J Willmott
Clr R Bates – arrived 3.36 pm

Apologies:

Apologies were received from Clr Young.

1. Additional item – Signage Strategy (DCP82) File 4102-06

Mayor Watson advised the meeting that due to the increasing amount of State election campaign signs in the Shoalhaven, he had used his powers under Section 226 of the Local Government Act to amend policy between council meetings which resulted in Council's Signage Strategy (DCP82) Policy has been amended.

Clr Green declared his non pecuniary interest in this matter being a candidate in the State election and left the room and did not take part in discussion or vote on this matter.

Clr Ward declared his non pecuniary interest in this matter being a member of the Liberal Party.

A MOTION was moved by Clr Ward, seconded Clr Kerr that the Policy and Planning Committee make the following recommendation to Council:

RECOMMENDED that Council endorse the Mayor's actions to vary the Council's Signage Strategy (DCP82) Policy to allow election campaign signs to be erected up to eight (8) weeks prior to election day.

The MOTION upon being PUT to the meeting was declared CARRIED

Note: Clr Bates arrived at 3.36 pm, during discussion on this item.

Note by General Manager: Copy of Section 226 of the Local Government Act and Development Control Plan (DCP) No.82 in attachments. The Act allows the Mayor to make a policy decision in respect of a specific need in cases of necessity. This does not extend to making a "permanent" Policy or Policy variation which needs to be resolved by Council in the normal manner.

In this case Council needs to formally resolve to amend DCP 82, (Page 29) Part C, Election Signs to allow election campaign signs to be erected up to eight (8) weeks prior to election day in respect of Local, State and Federal government elections.

If Council wishes to amend the DCP on a permanent basis, as above, it is necessary to go through the statutory procedures as set out under Section 74 of the EP&A Act and Part 3 of the EP&A Regulations which involves resolution to amend, public exhibition, consideration of submissions and adoption of the amended DCP, public notice in a local newspaper and notification to the Director General of the Department of Planning.

REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER

NOWRA SKATE PARK ADVISORY GROUP – MONDAY 29TH JANUARY 2007

2. Nowra Skate Park Advisory Committee File 35337

A MOTION was moved by Clr Ward, seconded Clr Finkernagel that the Policy and Planning Committee make the following recommendation to Council:

RECOMMENDED that

- a) The Nowra Skate Park Advisory Committee endorse the dates and times for the next 3 meetings being:
 - Thursday 8th March 2007 at 4 pm
 - Wednesday 4th April 2007 at 4 pm
 - Thursday 10th May 2007 at 4 pm
- b) Any further meetings be confirmed as required.

The MOTION upon being PUT to the meeting was declared CARRIED

3. Nowra Skate Park Design and Development File 34954

A MOTION was moved by Clr Ward, seconded Clr Finkernagel that the Policy and Planning Committee make the following recommendation to Council:

RECOMMENDED that

- a) The report of the General Manager (Strategic Planning) on the progress of work on the design and development of the Nowra Skate Park be received for information.
- b) Council support an inspection by the Nowra Skate Park Advisory Group members of existing skate parks constructed with Rhino material and also concrete to assist with the establishment of the Nowra Skate Park design guidelines.
 - i) A representative of Rhino material be invited to meet with the Group on the inspection to discuss questions raised by the skaters and Committee on the product.

The MOTION upon being PUT to the meeting was declared CARRIED

4. Nowra Skate Park Design – Survey of Users File 24903

A MOTION was moved by Clr Ward, seconded Clr Finkernagel that the Policy and Planning Committee make the following recommendation to Council:

RECOMMENDED that the report of the General Manager (Strategic Planning & City Services and Operations) regarding the Nowra Skate Park Design, survey of users be received for information.

The MOTION upon being PUT to the meeting was declared CARRIED

COUNCIL PROPERTY STEERING COMMITTEE – MONDAY 5TH FEBRUARY 2007

5. Sale of Council Land at 38-40 Owen Street and 3 Morton Street, Huskisson File 35143

A MOTION was moved by Clr Finkernagel seconded Clr Ward that the Policy and Planning Committee make the following recommendation to Council:

RECOMMENDED that

- a) Further consideration of the submission, following the Expressions of Interest on the sale of Council Land at 38-40 Owen Street and 3 Morton Street, Huskisson, be deferred pending receipt of the formal valuation of the land;
- b) Upon receipt of the formal valuation the General Manager (Assistant General Manager) submit a report to the Council Property Steering Committee in regard to the Expression of Interest submission.

The MOTION upon being PUT to the meeting was declared CARRIED

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE – MONDAY 5TH FEBRUARY 2007

6. Shoalhaven Delegation to Visit China in May 2007 File 35618, 32929

A MOTION was moved by Clr Ward, seconded Clr Green that the Policy and Planning Committee make the following recommendation to Council:

RECOMMENDED that the General Manager submit a report to the Shoalhaven Tourism Board requesting that consideration be given in the Shoalhaven Tourism Masterplan to address the expected increase in Asian Tourism within the Shoalhaven.

The MOTION upon being PUT to the meeting was declared CARRIED

7. blueprint Shoalhaven File 33110-02

A MOTION was moved by Clr Ward, seconded Clr Green that the Policy and Planning Committee make the following recommendation to Council:

RECOMMENDED that the report of the General Manager (Finance & Corporate Services) regarding *blueprint Shoalhaven* be received for information.

The MOTION upon being PUT to the meeting was declared CARRIED

8. Masterplan File 32731

A MOTION was moved by Clr Ward, seconded Clr Green that the Policy and Planning Committee make the following recommendation to Council:

RECOMMENDED that the report of the General Manager (Finance & Corporate Services) regarding Masterplan be received for information.

The MOTION upon being PUT to the meeting was declared CARRIED

9. Student Workplace Learning Program File 35615

A MOTION was moved by Clr Ward, seconded Clr Green that the Policy and Planning Committee make the following recommendation to Council:

RECOMMENDED that the report of the General Manager (Finance & Corporate Services) regarding the Student Workplace Learning Program be received for information.

The MOTION upon being PUT to the meeting was declared CARRIED

10. Boat Harbour Facilities in Jervis Bay File 1451-02

A MOTION was moved by Clr Rudd, seconded Clr Bates that the Policy and Planning Committee make the following recommendation to Council:

RECOMMENDED that:

- a) Council consider the formation of an Executive Marina Review Committee comprising Colin Waller as Chairperson and Clrs Kearney, Finkernagel, Kerr, Rudd and available Councillors as members;
- b) This Committee have delegated authority to appoint independent advisors when needed;
- c) The aims of objectives of this Committee be to review potential locations for development of Boat Harbours and Marinas in Jervis Bay and throughout the Shoalhaven;
- d) The Executive Marina Review Committee report to the Industrial Development & Employment Committee with a strategy to advance development of Boat Harbours/Marinas throughout the Shoalhaven.

The MOTION upon being PUT to the meeting was declared CARRIED

STRATEGIC PLANNING

11. Section 94 Contributions Plan - Adoption of Draft Amendment 91 - Plan Formulation, Administration and Management File 34035

A MOTION was moved by Clr Ward, seconded Clr Kerr that the Policy and Planning Committee make the following recommendation to Council:

RECOMMENDED that in relation to Section 94 Contributions Plan Revised Draft Amendment No. 91 (Plan Formulation, Administration and Management) that:

- a) The revised Draft Amendment be adopted as exhibited; and
- b) Notice of adoption be advertised in local newspapers within 28 days.

The MOTION upon being PUT to the meeting was declared CARRIED

12. Section 94 Contributions Plan - Policy for Contributions from Retirement Villages and Senior Living Developments File 1361

A MOTION was moved by Clr Willmott, seconded Clr Ward that the Policy and Planning Committee make the following recommendation to Council:

RECOMMENDED that Council defer consideration of Section 94 Contributions Plan – Policy for contributions from Retirement Villages and Senior Living Developments pending a Councillor Briefing.

The MOTION upon being PUT to the meeting was declared CARRIED

13. New Flood Information File 4355-06

A MOTION was moved by Clr Finkernagel, seconded Clr Green that the Policy and Planning Committee make the following recommendation to Council:

RECOMMENDED that in relation to new Flood Study information:

- a) When First Draft Flood Study information is available, applicants for flood information or new developments be advised of the proposed new flood information, but not be made to comply with that new information;
- b) Upon satisfactory completion and adoption by Council of the revised Draft Flood Study, following the technical review, the new flood information be provided on Section 149 Certificates and applied for assessment of DAs, etc via Council's Interim Flood Policy; and
- c) After the adoption of the finalised Flood Study the full report be available on Council's Internet site.

The MOTION upon being PUT to the meeting was declared CARRIED

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14. Quarterly Report – Strategic Planning Group, Environmental Planning & Assessment Act (EPAA) Tasks and Priorities File 28283
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A MOTION was moved by Clr Kearney, seconded Clr Kerr that the Policy and Planning Committee make the following recommendation to Council:

RECOMMENDED that the quarterly report of the General Manager (Strategic Planning) in relation to the Strategic Planning Group Work Program be received for information and the work program adopted.

The MOTION upon being PUT to the meeting was declared CARRIED.

Note by the General Manager - A draft DCP has been submitted for the Bridge Road “Hotel” site and Strategy Planning staff have been required to commence initial assessment. This is not a task identified in the adopted Works Program. IF Council wishes to advance this project it will need to determine whether this is a priority to be added to the Works Program. If Council resolves this way it should be acknowledged that this will divert staff resources away from the established Works Program.

FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES

15. Mayoral & Councillor Fees 2006/2007 File 5141-02
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A MOTION was moved by Clr Kerr, seconded Clr Bates that the Policy and Planning Committee make the following recommendation to Council:

RECOMMENDED that the General Manager (Finance & Corporate Services) prepare a submission to the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal highlighting the inadequacy of the existing Mayoral and Councillor Fees for Local Government Councillors.

The MOTION upon being PUT to the meeting was declared CARRIED.

16. SEATS - Council Representation File 3678-11
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A MOTION was moved by Clr Finkernagel, seconded Clr Willmott that the Policy and Planning Committee make the following recommendation to Council:

RECOMMENDED that Councillor Anderson be confirmed as a delegate to the South East Australia Transport Strategy Inc and that this attendance be deemed business of Council.

The MOTION upon being PUT to the meeting was declared CARRIED

17. Customer Service Targets File 34862
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A MOTION was moved by Clr Ward, seconded Clr Anderson that the Policy and Planning Committee make the following recommendation to Council:

RECOMMENDED that:

- a) The Draft Customer Service Targets documents as amended be adopted;

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- b) The General Manager review the Customer Service Targets after a six month period and report back to Council on progress made with levels of customer service provided.

The MOTION upon being PUT to the meeting was declared CARRIED

18. Leave of Absence - Councillor Josi Young File 28866

A MOTION was moved by Clr Kerr, seconded Clr Kearney that the Policy and Planning Committee make the following recommendation to Council:

RECOMMENDED that Council

- a) Grant leave of absence to Councillor Josi Young for a period of one calendar month commencing 1st February 2007.
- b) The normal annual councillor fee (determined monthly) be paid to Councillor Young during this period of absence.

The MOTION upon being PUT to the meeting was declared CARRIED

19. Management Plan 2006-2009 - 2nd Quarterly Operating Report File 33481

NOTE: Clr Willmott left the meeting the time being 4.32 pm and was absent from the meeting during discussion on this item.

A MOTION was moved by Clr Anderson, seconded Clr Green that the Policy and Planning Committee make the following recommendation to Council:

RECOMMENDED that the report of the General Manager regarding the 2nd Quarterly Operating Report (1st October 2006 to 31st December 2006) of the Management Plan 2006-2009 be received for information.

The MOTION upon being PUT to the meeting was declared CARRIED

20. Quarterly Budget Review as at 31st December 2006 File 2127-02

A MOTION was moved by Clr Kerr, seconded Clr Green that the Policy and Planning Committee make the following recommendation to Council:

RECOMMENDED that the December Quarterly Budget Review and vote movements outlined in the reports and document be adopted by Council

The MOTION upon being PUT to the meeting was declared CARRIED

NOTE: Clr Willmott was absent from the meeting during discussion on this item.

DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

21. Quarterly Progress Report - Key Performance Indicators for Development Activity File 1442

A MOTION was moved by Clr Kearney, seconded Clr Anderson that the Policy and Planning Committee make the following recommendation to Council:

RECOMMENDED that the report of the General Manager (Development and Environmental Services) regarding Quarterly Progress Report - Key Performance Indicators for Development Activity be received for information.

The MOTION upon being PUT to the meeting was declared CARRIED

NOTE: Cllr Willmott was absent from the meeting during discussion on this item.

Cllr Willmott returned, the time being 4.34 pm.

There being no further business, the meeting concluded, the time being 4.35 pm.

Cllr Watson
CHAIRPERSON

REPORT OF THE WORKS & FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHOALHAVEN HELD IN COMMITTEE ROOM 1, CITY ADMINISTRATIVE CENTRE, BRIDGE ROAD, NOWRA ON TUESDAY 13TH FEBRUARY, 2007 COMMENCING AT 5.02 PM

The following members were present;

Clr J Finkernagel - Chairman
Clr J Anderson
Clr J Kerr
Clr R Bates
Clr P Green
Clr G Kearney

REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER

1. Telecommunications Services - Tender File 33125

RECOMMENDED that

- a) Council accept the tender from Optus for the supply of fixed and mobile telephone services.
- b) Council fund the purchase of mobile telephone connection equipment from Bluetower for \$9,419 (excluding GST) from call savings achieved from the Optus revised pricing.

CITY SERVICES AND OPERATIONS

2. Turpentine Road Upgrade File 8012

RECOMMENDED that:

- a) Council upgrade and seal Turpentine Road in front of as many houses as possible using available funds.
- b) Works initially commence in the section from 2.33km to 4.33kms from the Princes Highway.

3. Proposed Road Works - East Crescent Culburra File 35108

RECOMMENDED that:

- a) Council proceed with the construction of the road link along East Crescent, Culburra Beach to a sealed road standard approximately five metres wide and to match the existing seal.
- b) Council reply to resident submissions advising of Council's decision.
- c) The situation be monitored, and should excessive speeds be observed, a traffic calming device be considered.

RECOMMENDED that

- a) Council adopt the following 2006/2007 Capital Works Program – Additional Works to be funded from the savings in the change of timing for the construction of the car park located on the old gasworks site:

2007/2008 Works Program	Works	Budget Allocation
Guardrail Program	Kangaroo Valley Road (approximately 300 lm)	\$50,000
Local Roads Repair Program - \$1,195,000	Wilfords Lane, Milton – Stage 2 works – repair pavement – combine funding with existing Stage 1 funded works to achieve economy of scale and minimise disruption to residents	\$105,000
	Woodhill Mountain Road, Berry – CH1.45-1.60km – repair pavement	\$62,000
	North Street, Berry – CH1.30-1.60km – repair pavement	\$110,000
	Golden Wattle Drive, Ulladulla – Add \$93,000 to \$62,117 already in allocated in 2005/2006 to increase scope of works – pavement repair required at Village Drive and Royal Mantle Drive roundabouts	\$93,000
	Shoreland Place, Nowra – replace kerb and gutter – CH0.010 – 0.092km LHS	\$22,000
Kerb and Guttering Replacement - \$125,000	Mandalay Avenue, Nowra – remove 8 trees and replace kerb and gutter (60.1m)	\$25,000
	Quickmatch, Hobart, McKay and Queensborough Streets, East Nowra – kerb and gutter replacement (300.1m)	\$78,000
	Scenic Drive, Nowra – new footpath between Mandalay Avenue and Shoalhaven Street	\$10,000
	Walton Way, Currarong – footpath	\$10,000
Footpaths - new	TOTAL	\$565,000

- b) The additional funding required for the Gas Works car park be included in the 2007/2008 budget.
- c) Funding for projects brought forward from the 2007/2008 budget not be included in the 2007/08 budget.

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5. Tenders - Flinders Industrial Estate - Stage 9 - Electrical Reticulation File 34324

RECOMMENDED that:

- a) Council authorise the General Manager (Director City Services & Operations) to enter Contract JK1006/03 with Powercountry Pty Ltd in an amount of \$274,340 for Flinders Industrial Estate, Stage 9 Electrical Reticulation;
- b) The Contract be executed under the seal of Council.

6. Offer of Grant Funds for South Coast Giant Parramatta Grass Management Group Project File 4044-05

RECOMMENDED that:

- a) Council endorse the actions taken by staff and accept the grant of \$5,000 on behalf of the South Coast Giant Parramatta Grass Management Group Project, with the grant funds to be distributed to the participating Councils on the agreed ratio for participating Councils.
- b) Council accept the grant of \$2,250 and note the required matching funds of \$2,000 is available from the existing 2006/07 Noxious Weeds budget.

7. Public Libraries Local Priority Projects Funding 2006/2007 File 7290-03

RECOMMENDED that Council:

- a) Accept the Public Libraries Local Priority Funding Grant in the amount of \$23,294, and;
- b) Write to the Minister for Arts, Mr Bob Debus MP, thanking him for the Public Libraries Priority Funding Grant allocation.

STRATEGIC PLANNING

8. Creation of Easement - Drainage Issues - Princes Highway, Falls Creek File 35501

RECOMMENDED that

- a) Council resolve to accept the benefit of an easement for drainage purposes approximately six (6) metres wide over Lots 75 and 76 DP15507 the route of which is shown on the attached plan.
- b) The Common Seal of the Council of the City of Shoalhaven be affixed to any documents required to be sealed otherwise the General Manager is authorised to sign any documentation necessary to give effect to this resolution.

9. Classification of Land at Sanctuary Point as Operational File 34967

RECOMMENDED that Council resolve to classify Lot 394 DP16557 as Operational Land pursuant to Sections 31(2) and 34 of the Local Government Act 1993.

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10. Release of Restriction as to User - McMahons Road, North Nowra File SF3214

RECOMMENDED that

- a) Council resolves to release the Restriction as to User burdening Lot 14 DP241348 and registered No. S586174.
- b) The Common Seal of the Council of the City of Shoalhaven be affixed to any documents required to be sealed otherwise the General Manager is authorised to sign any documentation necessary to give effect to this resolution.

11. Proposed Lease to the Wollongong Centre for Education & Training - Shoalhaven City Arts Centre File 33992

RECOMMENDED that

- a) The Council of the City of Shoalhaven leases to the Wollongong Centre for Education & Training a 335 m2 area of the first floor of the Shoalhaven City Arts Centre at 12 Berry Street, Nowra for a term of 10 years at an initial rental of \$25,000 per annum plus GST with annual CPI reviews.
- b) The Common Seal of the Council of the City of Shoalhaven is affixed to any documents required to be sealed and that otherwise the General Manager is authorised to sign any documentation necessary to give effect to this resolution.

12. Sussex Inlet Royal Volunteer Coastal Patrol (RVCP) Proposed New Patrol Headquarters File 6599

RECOMMENDED that

- a) Council endorse and support applications for funding under the Commonwealth Regional Partnerships or other relevant State Government grants for construction of a new headquarters building for the Sussex Inlet Royal Volunteer Coastal Patrol.
- b) Council continues to support the Sussex Inlet Royal Volunteer Coastal Patrol in developing a final design for their new patrol headquarters and consider the provision of funding of \$61,000 in the 2007/08 budget.
- c) A further report be presented to Council once the outcome of the grant application is known.

13. Sussex Inlet Commercial Car Parking File DA03/4263, 28269-02, 16282

RECOMMENDED that Council

- a) Endorse the finalisation of design and the submission of development application for the construction of public parking to the car parks of Neilson Lane and Ellmoos Avenue, Sussex Inlet with the possibility of additional acquisition.
- b) Endorse the construction of the car parks in 2007/08 subject to funding availability and clarification of the S94 position.

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- c) Consider a further report on funding options for the car park projects once detailed designs and estimates are available.

14. Local Government Shires Association Road Safety Award File 1744-03

RECOMMENDED that the Report of the General Manager (Strategic Planning) regarding Local Government Shires Association Road Safety Award be received for information.

15. Caravan Parks Flood Safety Study - Councillor Briefing by Consultant and Project Steering Committee Membership File 33067-02

RECOMMENDED that in relation to the Caravan Parks Flood Safety Study Council nominate 4 Councillors to be members of the new project steering committee for the project.

16. Princes Highway, South Nowra – Landscape south of Hillcrest Avenue File 3897, 1383-11

RECOMMENDED that the report of the General Manager (Strategic Planning) regarding Princes Highway, South Nowra – Landscape south of Hillcrest Avenue be received for information.

FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES

17. Abandonment of Debt – Neal Jones Earthmoving Pty Ltd File 2040

RECOMMENDED that Council abandon the amount of \$4,710.45 owed by Neal Jones Earthmoving Pty Ltd.

DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

18. Request to Waive Sewage Management Facility Renewal Fee File DR1999/3735

RECOMMENDED that

- a) Council decline the request to Waive Sewage Management Facility Renewal Fee of \$98.00 for the Currarong Progress Association.
- b) The General Manager (Development and Environment Services) advised the Currarong Progress Association accordingly.

CITY SERVICES AND OPERATIONS & FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES

19. Jervis Bay Triathlon Festival File 2236-02

RECOMMENDED that Council support the Jervis Bay Triathlon Festival to be held from 23rd to 26th February at Huskisson by:

- a) Donating \$1,648 from the Unallocated Donations Vote for;
- i) Pick up/delivery/hire of 240 litre ins x 12 @ \$16.50 each totalling \$198

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- ii) Pick up/delivery of Council store items (barricades, traffic cones etc) at approximately \$450
 - iii) Fees associated with instalment of temporary power to White Sands Park at approximately \$1,000
- b) Waiving the six (6) day hire fees for White Sands Park from to the value of \$750.00.

GENERAL BUSINESS

20. Additional Item - Recent Projects Presentation

Mr John Gould, Assistant General Manager gave a brief presentation to the meeting on:

- Lakehaven Drive Jetty and disabled access pontoon
- Forest Road upgrade and sealing
- Mitchell Parade footpath
- Village Sign Huskisson and Vincentia
- Sussex Inlet sludge slab extension
- Vincentia Public School blister and refuge
- Cook/Emmett Street drainage Callala Bay.

There being no further business, the meeting concluded, the time being 6.10 pm.

Clr Anderson
CHAIRPERSON

REPORT OF THE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHOALHAVEN HELD IN COMMITTEE ROOM 2 & 3, CITY ADMINISTRATIVE CENTRE, BRIDGE ROAD, NOWRA ON TUESDAY 13TH FEBRUARY, 2007 COMMENCING AT 5.12 PM

The following members were present;

Clr G Watson - Chairperson
Clr J McCrudden
Clr P Murphy
Clr R Rudd
Clr G Ward
Clr J Willmott
R D Pigg – General Manager

Apologies:

Apologies were received from Clr Young.

REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER

DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

1. Stationary Food Vans on Existing (Operating) Service Station Sites Policy File 33417

RECOMMENDED that:

- a) Council adopt the draft Stationary Food Vans on Existing (Operating) Service Station Sites Policy, for the purposes of public exhibition in accordance with Council's Community Consultation Policy;
- b) The draft amendments be placed on public exhibition for a minimum period of twenty-eight (28) days and published in the local newspapers;
- c) The draft Policy be put on Council's Internet site, with an easy link to facilitate submissions/comments online;
- d) Following the consideration of submissions from the public exhibition of the draft Stationary Food Vans on Existing (Operating) Service Station Sites Policy, this matter be reported back to Council;
- e) An amendment, removing any restrictions to the hours of operation or related conflicts with existing businesses as set out in Section 3.1, be made to the draft Stationary Food Vans on Existing (Operating) Service Station Sites Policy, prior to public exhibition.

There being no further business, the meeting concluded, the time being 5.25 pm.

Clr Watson
CHAIRPERSON

REPORT OF THE SHOALHAVEN WATER OPERATIONS AND STRATEGIC REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHOALHAVEN HELD IN COMMITTEE ROOM 1, 2 & 3 CITY ADMINISTRATIVE CENTRE, BRIDGE ROAD, NOWRA ON TUESDAY 20th FEBRUARY, 2007 COMMENCING AT 3.53 PM

The following members were present;

Clr G Watson - Chairperson
Clr J Anderson
Clr R Rudd
Clr P Green
Clr J Willmott
Clr J Kerr
R D Pigg – General Manager
B Tomkinson – Acting Director, Shoalhaven Water

Apologies:

Apologies were received from Clr Bates, Clr Kearney and Clr Young.

REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER

SHOALHAVEN WATER

1. Charges for New Developments File 2213-02

RECOMMENDED that Council:

- a) Adopt the charge of \$7,468.00 for the design and installation of “on-property” pressure sewer in new developments as detailed below:
- “Fee Description” – Developer charges for the property design and installation of pressure sewer systems
- “Purpose” – to recover the cost of design and installation of pressure sewer units and associated works on individual properties
- “Pricing Policy” – cost recovery
- “GST Inclusion” – No
- “2006-2007 Amount” - \$7,468.00 plus additional estimated cost for sites with difficult terrain and/or rock conditions.
- b) The above proposed charge to be placed on public exhibition for a period of 30 days and that during this period further consultation take place with local developers.

2. Pressure Sewer System Policy Amendments File 12039

RECOMMENDED that Council:

- a) Receive the report for information

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- b) Amend the Pressure Sewer Policy by inclusion of a section after 2.20 as below:
“Vacant single dwelling residential lots”;
For existing vacant single dwelling residential lots at the time of gazettal of this scheme, the on-property pressure sewer systems will be supplied and installed in the same way as for new developments (see heading “New Developments”) and charged as below:
- c) The vacant lot new development charge phased in as follows:
1. No charge corresponding to the number of spares provided under the individual backlog sewerage scheme subsidy.
 2. For up to five years from gazettal each owner contributing 45% (Tabourie) and/or 43% (Lake Conjola) of the charge.
 3. After 5 years, as per the new development charge.
- d) The amended draft policy be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 days and that following the expiry of the exhibition period if there are no submissions received then the policy be adopted as submitted.

3. Shoalhaven Heads Sewerage Treatment Plant - Design Tender File 35126

RECOMMENDED that:

- a) In accordance with Clause 178 (a)(b) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2005, Council decline to accept any tender for contract 0601699.
- b) The General Manager (Shoalhaven Water) review potential developments for Shoalhaven Heads in conjunction with Strategic Planning and in doing so the Design Tender scope for the Shoalhaven Heads Sewerage Treatment Plant be amended and re-tendered.

4. Free Energy and Water Audits for Shoalhaven Residents File 1611-02

RECOMMENDED that Council:

- a) Support in principle the water and energy audit scheme as an extension to the partnership with Field Force.
- b) Provide information to residents of details on the water and energy audit program.

There being no further business, the meeting concluded, the time being 4.45 pm.

Clr Watson
CHAIRPERSON

REPORT OF THE CROWN RESERVE, COMMUNITY AND COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SHOALHAVEN HELD IN COMMITTEE ROOM 1, 2 & 3 CITY ADMINISTRATIVE CENTRE, BRIDGE ROAD, NOWRA ON TUESDAY 20th FEBRUARY, 2007 COMMENCING AT 4.50 PM

The following members were present;

Clr J Anderson - Chairperson
Clr J Finkernagel
Clr R Rudd
Clr P Green – left 6.08pm
Clr J Willmott
Clr J Kerr
Clr R Bates – arrived 5pm
Clr G Ward – arrived 5.32pm, left 6.02pm
R D Pigg – General Manager

Apologies:

Apologies were received from Clr Watson, Clr Kearney and Clr Young.

REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER

CITY SERVICES AND OPERATIONS

1. Acceptance of Grants - NSW Sport and Recreation - Capital Assistance Program File 34229

RECOMMENDED that:

- a) Council accept the grants from the NSW Sport and Recreation; and
 - b) Council write to the Minister for NSW Sport and Recreation, the Hon Sandra Nori to express Council's appreciation for making the grant funds available.
 - c) Funding for Council's contribution to be allocated from the following 2006/2007 Works Programs:
 - i) Capital Works Program - Huskisson Sports Ground irrigation – 82510 - \$80,000
 - ii) Active rec. minor improvement program – 82487 - \$5,500 - Seating at various sports grounds.
 - iii) Top-dressing program – 22107.24481 - \$7,000 - Surface upgrade Mollymook Oval.
2. Reflections - Progress & General Information Report File 27771

RECOMMENDED that the report of the General Manager (City Services and Operations) regarding the Reflections progress and general information report be received for information.

RECOMMENDED that:

- a) The review of fees and charges for 2007/2008 consider the costs of developing land to be used for burial or cremation, future maintenance, the number of intended interments or cremations and infrastructure costs.
- b) 5% of the fee levied (GST exclusive) for cremations be transferred into a reserve account, to be established for the future replacement of the Cremator at Shoalhaven Memorial Gardens & Lawn Cemetery.
- c) Council apply Clauses 34 & 35 of “The Crown Lands (General Reserves) By-law” concerning the possible revocation of Rights of Burial issued sixty or more years ago and submit a report back to Council within six months on the outcome.
- d) All Rights of Burial issued by the previous trustees of the public cemeteries now administered by Council must be administered in accordance with “The Crown Lands (General Reserves) By-law”.
- e) “Clause 3.1.2. Right of Burial” of Council’s “Cemeteries, Crematorium & Memorial Gardens Policy” be changed to read:
 - i) A Right of Burial is a written undertaking by the Shoalhaven City Council (Council) to grant a license to occupy a specific grave, burial site or immurement chamber, without interference once the remains of a deceased person have been placed in it.
 - ii) The Council may charge a fee to issue a Right of Burial Certificate.
 - iii) Any Right of Burial issued by the Council will be administered under the Crown Lands (General Reserves) By-law 2006.
 - iv) The Right of Burial or any license issued under its provisions does not transfer any equity or ownership of cemetery land to the owner of the Certificate or a beneficiary of it.
- f) Delete Clause “3.1.4. Refusal to Grant Exclusive Rights of Memorials” from Council’s “*Cemeteries, Crematorium & Memorial Gardens Policy*” as it is now made redundant by the Crown Lands (General Reserves) By-law 2006.

RECOMMENDED that Council proceed to implement the terms of its Resolution Min 06.1578 of 28 November, 2006 in respect of a new Premium Membership for the Bomaderry Aquatic Centre and Sussex Inlet Aquatic Centre.

RECOMMENDED that the PremiumPlus Corporate Health & Wellbeing Membership Scheme eligibility is open to business organisations and their direct paid employees only.

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6. Extension of Season Length - Seasonal Pools Files 2233, 3070, 5070, 24581, 29005, 29006, 29007, 30050, 31181
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RECOMMENDED that

- a) The report of the General Manager (City Services & Operations) concerning Extension of Season Length - Seasonal Pools be received for information.
- b) The General Manager (City Services & Operations) submit a further report to Council on the costs of extending the opening hours of
 - i) Sea Pools until the end of Easter 2007
 - ii) Seasonal pools until the end of Easter 2007.

7. Nowra Pool Repairs File 12677
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RECOMMENDED that

- a) The Report of the General Manager (City Services & Operations) regarding Nowra Pool repairs be received for information.
- b) Council allocate \$50,000 from the 2006/07 Strategic Project Reserve towards site investigation works for the Northern Shoalhaven Leisure Centre.
- c) The General Manager (City Services and Operations) consider the priority of constructing and funding a Northern Shoalhaven Leisure Centre in the preparation of Council's 10 year capital works program.

STRATEGIC PLANNING

8. Public Reserves Management Fund - Financial Assistance File 28769, 3617-02, 3595
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RECOMMENDED that the estimated cost (\$10,000) for the path linking Scerrie Drive with the boat ramp car parking area and the southern end of Kioloa Beach (Action 1.1.1 O'Hara Head Plan of Management) and the development of a low key walking track system on O'Hara Head be undertaken from Job No. 82511.

9. NSW Maritime Infrastructure Program File 12624-02
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RECOMMENDED that

- a) The Grant offer of \$19,000 for Greys Beach be accepted and expenditure voted and authorised.
- b) Construction of a new boat ramp and floating pontoon for the main foreshore at Greenwell Point be programmed for construction in July 2008 subject to the receipt of a favourable funding offer from NSW Maritime in February 2008.
- c) The provision in the draft 2007/10 Management Plan of \$647,000 (\$100,000 grant; \$547,000 general fund) in 2007/08 for the construction of the Currarong Boat ramp be listed for consideration.

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10. Greenwell Point Foreshore Reserve Plan of Management - Restrictions File 29965

RECOMMENDED that

- a) Council reconsider the Greenwell Point Foreshore Reserve Plan of Management
- b) The General Manager (Strategic Planning) prepare a further report to Council identifying the possible amendments (including those identified) to the Greenwell Point Foreshore Reserve Plan of Management.

FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES

11. Huskisson Beach Tourist Resort - Stage 1 Redevelopment - Progress Report File 17887-05

RECOMMENDED that the report of the General Manager (Finance and Corporate Services) regarding the Huskisson Beach Tourist Resort, stage 1 redevelopment progress be received for information.

12. Holiday Haven Tourist Parks - financial performance to January 2007 File 9694-07

RECOMMENDED that the report of the General Manager (Finance and Corporate Services) regarding the Holiday Haven Tourist Parks financial performance to January 2007 be received for information.

13. Holiday Haven Tourist parks Gumnut Award Scheme File 28193

RECOMMENDED that

- a) The report of the General Manager (Finance and Corporate Services) regarding the Holiday Haven Tourist parks Gumnut Award Scheme be received for information.
- b) Council congratulate the staff and relevant Tourist Park Managers for their efforts in achieving the silver award status in the Gumnut Award Scheme.

ADDENDUM REPORT - FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES

14. Shoalhaven Heads Tourist Park and Surround Area - Security Issues File 2695

RECOMMENDED that Council endorse actions to fence the Shoalhaven Heads Tourist Park to increase security and reduce undesirable activity arising from non-patrons entering the Park.

CITY SERVICES & OPERATIONS / STRATEGIC PLANNING

15. Future Operation of Culburra Beach Public Hall and Proposed Extensions to the Culburra Beach Community Centre File 4170, 4172

RECOMMENDED that

- a) The General Manager (City Services & Operations and Strategic Planning) submit a further report to Council on the process for selling Culburra Beach Public Hall.

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- b) Council allocate the funds received from the sale of the Culburra Beach Public Hall towards the extension of Culburra Beach Community Centre.
 - c) Concept plans for the extension of the Culburra Beach Community Centre be modified in consultation with user groups, the local community and the current Management Committee to meet their needs and a further report be submitted to Council detailing likely funding and extent of Stage 1 works.

16. Access Areas for Dogs Policy - Berry Off-Leash Amendment File 3220-06

RECOMMENDED that

- a) Council amend its Access Areas for Dogs Policy to include the area at the Berry Sporting Complex, between the Skate Park and North Street.
- b) Council allocate \$4,600 from Job Number 82497 towards the installation of appropriate fencing and signage.

GENERAL BUSINESS

17. Additional Item - Ulladulla Library Temporary Expansion File 34411

RECOMMENDED that the General Manager (City Services and Operations) prepare a report to Council on the cost and feasibility of a temporary expansion of the Ulladulla Library services into the Ulladulla Civic Centre.

There being no further business, the meeting concluded, the time being 6.47 pm.

Clr Anderson
CHAIRPERSON

SHOALHAVEN TRAFFIC COMMITTEE – 20TH FEBRUARY 2007

ORDINARY MEETING

TUESDAY, 27TH FEBRUARY, 2007

REPORT OF THE CONVENOR

ITEMS FOR APPROVAL UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY

1. No Stopping Zone - Garside Road, Mollymook Beach (PN 2166) File 2948, 1704

RECOMMENDED that the Director Strategic Planning arrange for the following works to be carried out:-

- a) To investigate and submit a report on any necessary adjustments that may be required to the existing centre linemarking along the entire length of Garside Road between Matron Porter Drive and Donlan Road, Mollymook Beach to a future Shoalhaven Local Traffic Committee meeting.
- b) Install a continuous yellow edge line on Garside Road:-
 - i) from the boundary of house numbers 82 / 78 and the eastern side of house number 74
 - ii) from the boundary of house number 65 / 63 and the eastern side of house number 61
- c) That the local residents be advised of the proposed changes and regulations as contained in Rule 169 (ARR 1999) by way of a letterbox drop.
- d) A report be submitted to the Shoalhaven Traffic Committee in regard to community education and the feasibility of the use of continuous yellow edge line marking for designation of 'No Stopping'.

2. Forest Road – Linemarking (PN 2034) File 9519

RECOMMENDED that the Linemarking plan as submitted for Forest Road, Comberton Grange be approved subject to technical review.

3. Parking Restrictions - Tomerong Street, Huskisson (PN 2174) File 2944

RECOMMENDED that the Director Strategic Planning arrange for the installation of:

- a) "No Stopping" (R5 - 400) regulatory signs on the northern side of Tomerong Street east of Dent Street for a distance of 20 metres (approx).
- b) "No Stopping" (R5 - 400) regulatory signs on the eastern side of Dent Street south of Tomerong Street for a distance of 10 metres (approx).

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4. Parking Restrictions - Holden and Sutton Streets, Huskisson-Vincentia (PN 2175) File 10582

RECOMMENDED that the Director Strategic Planning arrange for the installation of:

- a) "No Stopping" (R5 - 400) regulatory signs across the gated area in front of the sewerage pumping station on the western side of Holden Street, Vincentia.
- b) "No Stopping" (R5 - 400) regulatory signs to replace existing "No Standing" (R5 - 420) regulatory signs across the driveway in front of the sewerage pumping station on the eastern side of Sutton Street, Vincentia.

5. No Stopping - Mathews Street, Shoalhaven Heads (PN 2176) File 4731

RECOMMENDED that the Director Strategic Planning Group be requested to arrange for the existing No Stopping zone (approx. 25m) located on the western side of Mathews Street adjacent to the southern gate access of the Shoalhaven Heads Public School to be relocated to a position in front of the northern school gate (approx. 30m to the north) and that the zone be amended to operate only during standard school hours (ie 8.00am to 9.30am and 2.30pm to 4.00pm school days).

6. No Stopping Zone - Jervis Street, Greenwell Point (PN 2177) File 2937

RECOMMENDED that:

- a) The existing No Stopping zone (8.00am to 9.30am and 2.30pm to 4.00pm School Days) located on the eastern side of Jervis Street, north of Greenwell Point Road be extended south by a distance of approx. 15 metres
- b) A No Stopping zone commence at the end of the above No Stopping (8.00am to 9.30am and 2.30pm to 4.00pm School Days) zone wrapping around the corner into Greenwell Point Road (northern side) for a distance of approx. 15m.

7. Bus Zone / Loading Zone - Bay & Basin Leisure Centre Car Park - The Wool Road, Vincentia (PN 2161) File 10582, 5910

RECOMMENDED that the Director Strategic Planning arrange for the installation of a "Loading Zone" (R5 - 23) at location "A" and "Bus Zone" (R5 - 20) at location "B" as shown on attached plan TRAF 2007 / 02.

8. Annual Wandandian Endurance Horse Ride (PN 598) File 1644-05

RECOMMENDED that permission be granted to the Wandandian Endurance Horse Ride Committee to hold their annual Endurance Ride on Sunday 25 March 2007, subject to the following conditions:

- a) Police Department consent and conditions. This consent to be obtained directly from the Police Department by the applicant a minimum of six (6) weeks prior to the event.
 - b) Consent be obtained from State Forests for holding of this event in the State Forests.
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- c) All residents/shopkeepers who may be affected by the activity being personally notified by the organisers.
 - d) Submission of a Traffic Control Plan to Council for approval. All traffic control measures in the Plan to be in accordance with Australian Standard AS1742.3.
 - e) Media advertisements of road closures, road disruptions and events, are the responsibility of the applicant.
 - f) Placement and removal of barricades and/or regulation of traffic is to be carried out either by the Police or Traffic Controllers accredited by Council or the Roads and Traffic Authority.
 - g) A Public Liability Insurance policy to the amount of \$10 million should be endorsed to indemnify Shoalhaven City Council against any claim arising out of the activity, a copy of which is to be directed to Council's insurance office prior to the event.
 - h) The applicant is to forward a letter to Council accepting the above conditions.
 - i) Notwithstanding the above conditions this approval should not be misconstrued as providing development consent under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. The organisers should contact Council's Development Services Division to ascertain if such consent is required and if so, to make arrangements for the lodging of such an application.

9. Australian Red Cross Mobile Blood Unit - Caravan Parking - Sanctuary Point (PN 2173) File 3238

RECOMMENDED that approval in principle be given to the Australian Red Cross to utilise the parking area (approximately six parking spaces) located immediately to the right of the entrance driveway of the public car parking area located at the rear of the Sanctuary Point Shopping Centre, to park a donor mobile for a one day every three (3) months until further notice.

10. Additional Item - Temporary Road Closures - Anzac Day (PN 1496) File 8601

Marc Poulton, Administrative/Project Officer, advised of the need to grant permission for temporary road closures for all RSL Sub-Branches to allow for the Anzac Day marches on Wednesday, 25th April 2007.

RECOMMENDED that permission be granted to all RSL Sub-Branches located within the city of Shoalhaven for the holding of their annual ANZAC Day marches on Wednesday, 25th April 2007 subject to:

- a) Police Department consent and conditions. This consent to be obtained directly from the Police Department by the applicant a minimum of six (6) weeks prior to the event.
- b) If the proposed event is to be held on or will impact upon a Classified or Regional Road (see attached list), or within 100 metres of traffic signals, the applicant must obtain a Road Occupancy Licence (ROL) from the Roads & Traffic Authority and must comply with all conditions of the ROL. A Road Occupancy Licence can be obtained from the Roads & Traffic Authority (Southern Region) – contact the Traffic Operations Unit on ph. (02) 4221 2460.

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- c) All residents/shopkeepers who may be affected by the activity being personally notified by the organisers. The organisers shall address any concern expressed with respect of the proposed closure/traffic disruption in the first instance.
 - d) All bus operators, taxi companies and emergency service providers (including ambulance and fire fighting services) that may be affected by the activity being personally notified by the organisers.
 - e) Submission of a Traffic Control Management Plan and a Pedestrian Management Control Plan to Council for approval. Such plans to be submitted a minimum of three (3) weeks prior to the date of the event. All traffic/pedestrian control measures contained in the plan(s) are to be in accordance with Australian Standard AS1742.3.
 - f) All traffic control including the placement and removal of barricades and/or regulation of traffic is to be carried out by either Police or Traffic Controllers appropriately trained in accordance with the requirements of AS1742.3.
 - g) Access for residences and businesses contained within the affected area (including reasonable vehicular access), is to be maintained at all times during the event.
 - h) Advertisement of the temporary road closure and/or traffic disruption together with associated traffic management proposals is to appear in the local area printed media a minimum of ten (10) days prior to the date of the event. NOTE – All media advertisements of road closures, traffic disruptions and events, are the responsibility of the applicant.
 - i) A Public Liability Insurance Policy to the amount of \$10 million shall be endorsed to indemnify Shoalhaven City Council against any claim arising out of the activity, a copy of which is to be directed to Council's Insurance Office a minimum of three (3) weeks prior to the event.
 - j) The applicant is to forward a letter to Council accepting the above conditions.
 - k) Compliance with the above conditions should not be misconstrued as providing development consent under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 979. The organisers should contact Council's Development Services Division to ascertain if such consent is required and, if so, to make arrangements for the formal lodgement of such application.
 - l) If the proposed event is to be held on public land, a permit will be sought from Shoalhaven City Council.

Classified / Regional Roads

- State Highway No. 1 – Princes Highway – Full Length (State Highway)
- Main Road 261 (MR261) – Nowra / Moss Vale Road – Full Length (Main Road)
- Main Road 92 (MR92) – Braidwood / Nerriga Road – (Main Road)
NOTE – this includes Kalandar Street west from Princes Highway to Albatross Road, Albatross Road west from Kalandar Street to Braidwood Road, and Braidwood Road west from Albatross Road to the Endrick River Bridge (Shoalhaven LGA boundary)
- Main Road 293 (MR 293) – Bolong Road – (Main Road)
NOTE – this just includes that section of Bolong Road east from the Princes Highway (Bomaderry) to Shoalhaven Heads Road
- Main Road 312 (MR 312) – Jervis Bay Road to Huskisson Road – (Main Road)
NOTE – this just includes that section of Jervis Bay Road east from the Princes Highway (Falls Creek) to Huskisson Road

- 7631 – The Wool Road – (Designated Regional Road)
NOTE – The Wool Road extends from the Princes Highway at Bewong to Elizabeth Drive (Vincentia) and includes The Wool Road (through Basin View and St Georges Basin to Tasman Road), Tasman Road, Island Point Road (Tasman Road to Meriton Street), Meriton Street, Loralyn Avenue (from Meriton Street to Walmer Avenue), Walmer Avenue (from Loralyn Avenue to Paradise Beach Road), Paradise Beach Road, Larmer Avenue and The Wool Road (from Larmer Avenue to Elizabeth Drive)
- 7632 – Nowra-Culburra Road – (Designated Regional Road)
NOTE - this includes Kalandar Street/Greenwell Point Road east from the Princes Highway to Pyree Lane, Pyree lane for its full length and Culburra Road from Pyree Lane to the West Street/Canal Street intersection at Culburra Beach
- 7633 – Sussex Inlet Road – (Designated Regional Road)
NOTE – this includes that section of Sussex Inlet Road from the Princes Highway to Jacobs Drive, Sussex Inlet
- 7634 – Jervis Bay (Naval College) Road – (Designated Regional Road)
NOTE – this includes the full length of Naval College Road from Huskisson Road to the ACT border

11. Additional Item - Regulatory Signage - Tallyan Point Road, Basin View (PN 176) File 1653

John Freeman, Traffic Technical Specialist, advised the Shoalhaven Traffic Committee of the need for approval of the signs and lines plans for the proposed traffic facility on Tallyan Point Road, Basin View as discussed at the meeting.

RECOMMENDED that the signs and lines plans (# XXX-04 & XXX-05), as shown in the attachment, for the proposed traffic facility on Tallyan Point Road, Basin View be approved in principle.

12. Additional item - Nowra Public School - 'No Parking' Signs (PN 772) File 2636-02

John Freeman, Traffic Technical Specialist, advised the Shoalhaven Traffic Committee of the potential danger to the school children from the Nowra Infants School when crossing Berry Street to visit the Library at the Nowra Primary School as the traffic lights do not stay green for long enough and visibility is limited due to parked cars.

Mr Freeman also noted that the Nowra Public School requested a specific drop off/pick up zone be established on the eastern side of Berry Street between the first gate south of the traffic lights and the intersection of Berry and Plunkett Streets, Nowra.

RECOMMENDED that the Director Strategic Planning group be requested to arrange for the:

- a) Installation of 'No Parking Zone to operate between the hours of 8.00 to 9.30 am and 2.00 to 4.30 pm' school days starting at the existing No Stopping and extending for a distance of 30m to the existing power pole on the eastern side of Berry Street; Nowra; south of the traffic lights;
- b) The Roads and Traffic Authority be requested to investigate a pedestrian phase at Berry and Plunkett Streets traffic lights.

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- c) Investigation of options relating to school traffic and pupil access in the vicinity of Nowra Public School on Berry Street, Nowra and report back to future meeting of the Shoalhaven Traffic Committee.

R Sutherland
CONVENOR/CHAIRPERSON

SHOALHAVEN TRAFFIC COMMITTEE – 20TH JANUARY, 2007

INFORMATION REPORT

ORDINARY MEETING

TUESDAY, 27TH FEBRUARY, 2007

REPORT OF THE CONVENOR

ITEMS NOT REQUIRING APPROVAL UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY

1. Road Safety - The Wool Road, Old Erowal Bay (PN 2157) File 1708

RESOLVED by consent that in regard to inspections undertaken on the visibility of the three turnoffs from The Wool Road into Old Erowal Bay:

- a) The Director Strategic Planning Group investigate future upgrading options of The Wool Road between the round-about at Jervis Bay Road to Sanctuary Point to cater for future Traffic generation increases
- b) A report be submitted to a future Shoalhaven Traffic Committee meeting incorporating future options for upgrading The Wool Road and addressing the road safety issues at the three turnoffs into Old Erowal Bay

2. Speeding Vehicles - Cammaray Drive, Sanctuary Point (PN 1439) File 1709-02

RESOLVED by consent that :

- a) No action be taken with regards to the request for the installation of traffic calming devices on Cammaray Drive, Sanctuary Point as the current road environment is not conducive to such installations.
- b) The Director Strategic Planning conduct a Speed Classification Survey on Cammaray Drive, Sanctuary Point approximately 50 meters west of Forrester Court and 50 meters east of Hewitt Avenue.
- c) The NSW Police Force be requested to undertake regular and ongoing enforcement patrols of that section of Cammaray Drive, Sanctuary Point.
- d) The letter writer be informed accordingly.

3. Proposed Parking Restrictions – Berry (PN 1213) File 2637

RESOLVED by consent that:

- a) In view of the comments received from the Berry Chamber of Commerce no further action be taken with respect of the request for the installation of additional short term (1/4P) parking area in Queen Street, Berry and adjacent to the Berry Post Office.

b) The applicant be advised accordingly.

4. Stop Sign - Junction of Sky Farm Lane with Porters Creek Road, Yatte Yattah (PN 2159)

File 19525

RESOLVED by consent that:

a) No action be taken with respect of the request for the installation of a "Stop" sign at the intersection of Sky Farm Lane & Porters Creek Road, Yatte Yattah as the standard 'T' junction Give Way rule is applicable and appropriate, however the Director Strategic Planning be requested to arrange for the installation of:-

i) "Side Road Junction" (W2 - 4B) warning sign on Porters Creek Road at the approaches to Sky Farm Lane.

ii) "T Junction" (W2 - 3B) warning sign on Sky Farm Lane at the approach to Porters Creek Road.

b) The letter writer be advised accordingly.

5. Speed Humps - Car Park, Paradise Beach Road, Sanctuary Point (PN 2165)

File 1709-02

RESOLVED by consent that:

a) No action be taken with regard to the request for the installation of traffic calming devices in the car park at the far western end of Paradise Beach Road, Sanctuary Point due to the area being unsealed.

b) The NSW Police Force be requested to undertake regular and ongoing enforcement patrols of the above mentioned section of Paradise Beach Road, Sanctuary Point.

c) The letter writer be advised accordingly.

6. Dedicated Left Turn Lane - Northbound on Princes Highway at the Junction of Bridge Road, Nowra (PN 2167)

File 2016

RESOLVED by consent that the Roads & Traffic Authority be requested to investigate the provision of a dedicated left turn lane for north bound motorists on the Princes Highway at the junction of Bridge Road, Nowra and report back to a future meeting of the Shoalhaven Local Traffic Committee.

7. Road Safety - Bomaderry Public School, Cambewarra Road, Bomaderry (PN 162)

File 1667

RESOLVED by consent that the Roads & Traffic Authority be requested to submit a further report back to the Shoalhaven Local Traffic Committee identifying preferred options for the improvement of the current School Crossing located on Cambewarra Road and adjacent to the Bomaderry Public School after the results are known of the current speed / classification survey.

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8. No Stopping Zone - Trentham Road, Shoalhaven Heads (PN 2171) File 4731
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RESOLVED by consent that:

- a) No action be taken with respect to the request for installation of parking restrictions in Trentham Road, Shoalhaven Heads as an in-site inspection revealed that there is no kerb & gutter in the stub of Trentham Road and parking restrictions would not be effective as vehicles could continue to park illegally on the footpath area.
- b) The NSW Police Service and Council's Ranger Services be requested to undertake regular and ongoing enforcement patrols of that section of Trentham Road, Shoalhaven Heads.
- c) The letter writer be advised accordingly.

9. Road Safety - Intersection of Quinns Lane and Old Southern Road, South Nowra (PN 1672) File 1712
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RESOLVED by consent that the Director Strategic Planning Group be requested to arrange for the installation of reflectorised rumble bars on the centreline of Quinns Lane at its intersection with Old Southern Road, South Nowra.

10. Intersection of Pitt St / McMahons Rd, North Nowra (PN 399) File 1706
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RESOLVED by consent that the Director Strategic Planning Group be requested to arrange for the installation of reflectorised rumble bars on the centreline of McMahons Road at its intersection with Rock Hill Road & Pitt Street, North Nowra.

11. Traffic Issues - Albany Lane (PN 2143) File 2637
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RESOLVED by consent that:

- a) No action be taken with respect of the request for parking restrictions to be installed in Albany Lane, Berry (limiting on-street parking to one side of the lane) as an on-site inspection of the area revealed that such installation is not warranted.
- b) The letter writer be advised accordingly.

12. Additional Item – Committee Membership (PN 2181) File 1491
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Robert Sutherland, Convenor/Chairperson, advised the Shoalhaven Traffic Committee that John George, representing Member for Southern Highlands was an apology for today's meeting and that he would not be attending any more meetings as electoral boundaries have now been adjusted to include Kangaroo Valley within the Member for Kiama's electorate.

It was also noted that the electoral boundaries for the electorates of South Coast and Bega had been adjusted as well and that the electorate of South Coast will now incorporate all of the southern region of the City of Shoalhaven to its southern extremity at north Durras.

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13. Additional Item - Pedestrian Facilities - Graham Street and Junction Street, Nowra (PN 2182) File 1707
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RESOLVED by consent that the Director Strategic Planning Group investigate and replace any missing warning signs, 'Pedestrians Must Give Way to Vehicles', from the pedestrian blisters in Junction Street, Nowra (Berry Street to Kinghorne Street).

14. Additional Item - Booklet on Crash Statistics in the Shoalhaven (PN 2183) File 2504
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Kim Davis, Road Safety Officer, advised the Shoalhaven Traffic Committee of the availability of compiled data from the Roads and Traffic Authority comprising statistics on traffic accidents within the Shoalhaven that have been reported to Police.

Ms Davis will circulate to all committee members and Councillors copies of the booklet.

R Sutherland
CONVENOR/CHAIRPERSON

REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

ORDINARY MEETING

TUESDAY, 27TH FEBRUARY 2007

GENERAL MANAGER

REPORT OF THE SHOALHAVEN ARTS BOARD – WEDNESDAY 7TH FEBRUARY 2007

1. Purchases for Shoalhaven City Art Collection File 18106

RECOMMENDED that

- a) Members of the Shoalhaven Arts Board be advised to inspect the Terry Webber painting, currently on show at the Shoalhaven Arts Centre, that has been nominated as a possible purchase for the Shoalhaven City Art Collection;
- b) Any comments from the members be included in a report to be submitted to the next meeting of the Shoalhaven Arts Board
- c) The General Manager (City Services and Operations) submit a report to the next meeting of the Shoalhaven Arts Board regarding the contents of the Shoalhaven City Arts Collection and the Collection Policy for review and discussion.

2. Corporate Gifts File 2123-13

RECOMMENDED that the Shoalhaven Arts Board investigate and gain costings for the modification and further development of the winning design for their corporate gift.

3. Arts Board Grants 2007 File 35609

RECOMMENDED that:

- a) The Shoalhaven Arts Board adopt and implement the Arts Grants report 2007;
- b) Diana Fallon, Richard Ballinger, Clr Willmott and Clr McCrudden be considered as applicants for the Selection Panel for the Shoalhaven Arts Board Arts Grants 2007.

4. Shoalhaven City Arts Centre – Variation of Hours File 35610

RECOMMENDED that the volunteers attached to the Shoalhaven Arts Centre be surveyed in regard to the proposed variation of operating hours for the Shoalhaven Arts Centre and a report be submitted to the Shoalhaven Arts Board.

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5. David Hockney Exhibition File 28729-08, 18106

RECOMMENDED that the General Manager (City Services and Operations) investigate the purchase of a print from the David Hockney Exhibition and a report be submitted to the next meeting of the Shoalhaven Arts Board.

6. Multi Media and Music Centre File 34887

RECOMMENDED that the report of the General Manager (City Services and Operations) regarding the Multi Media and Music Centre be received for information

7. Additional Item - Next Meeting of the Shoalhaven Arts Board File 2123-13

RECOMMENDED that:

- a) The next meeting of the Shoalhaven Arts Board be held at the Shoalhaven Arts Centre in April;
- b) Consideration be given to the re-design of the courtyard area of the Shoalhaven Arts Centre.

REPORT OF THE SKILLS DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE WORKING PARTY – THURSDAY 8TH
FEBRUARY 2007

1. Employment Opportunities for Trainees, Apprentices and Cadets

File 8341

RECOMMENDED that Council (Human Resources and other appropriate Groups / Sections) continue to progress the following initiatives:

- a) Strategic Training Needs Analysis – this an annual undertaking.
- b) Development of the Workforce Management Strategy.
- c) Work Experience Placements.
- d) Future Local Government Careers Displays in Sydney and Country areas.
- e) University of Wollongong Careers Displays during 2007 and beyond.
- f) High School Careers Days during 2007 and beyond.
- g) Presentations to High Schools during 2007 and beyond.
- h) Prepare another application when the Department of Local Government call for round two of the Local Government Skills Shortages Scholarship Program towards the end of 2007.
- i) Continue to work-up the Local Government Information Evening initiative.
- j) Continue to work-up the Shoalhaven City Council Adopt a School proposal.
- k) On completion of the existing Schools Based Apprenticeship review and continue the scheme.
- l) Council allocate funding of up to \$10,000 to fund a person with a disability traineeship at the Ulladulla Office for a 12 month period and Council seek available grant funding for a trainee with a disability.
- m) Council set a target for all Groups to obtain a Trainee / Apprentice / Cadet ratio of 5% of Group staff numbers subject to Council considering the annual funding needs within the budget process.
- n) Information Leaflets be supplied to the Local Government and Shires Country Week 2007 Expo in August 2007.

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REPORT OF THE COUNCIL PROPERTY STEERING COMMITTEE – MONDAY 12TH FEBRUARY 2007

1. Sale of Council Land - Lot 1 DP1107453 Junction Street, Nowra File 32480-02
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RECOMMENDED that following finalisation of the sale of Council Land – Lot 1 DP1107453 Junction Street, Nowra to LEDA Holdings Pty Ltd the General Manager negotiate a licence for the interim use of the Skateboard Park.

2. Small Lot Rural Subdivisions – Heritage Estates – Transfer of Land in lieu of unpaid rates File 16401, 1446-06, 01056.695, 01104.795
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RECOMMENDED that

- a) Council accept the transfer of land in accordance with Section 570 of the Local Government Act, 1993 within the Heritage Estates COI investigation areas in lieu of unpaid rates and charges or accrued interest, if requested to do so by landowners and/or their representatives;
- b) Council apply (a) above to land in all small lot rural subdivisions identified by the attached maps (refer Attachment A);
- c) Council meet all legal costs and other costs (registration, etc) associated with any transfers under Section 570 (LGA);
- d) Council accept the transfer of land within the Heritage Estate Commission of Inquiry at no cost to Council other than legal and other associated transfer costs if requested to do so by landowners and/or their legal representatives.
- e) For the purpose of easy access by Council and the public, Council adopt the attached draft policy which seeks to consolidate all existing resolutions and those arising from this report into a single policy document (refer Attachment B).

REPORT OF THE RURAL FIRE SERVICE STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE – THURSDAY,
15TH FEBRUARY 2007

1. Bendalong Rural Fire Station File 25365

RECOMMENDED that the report of the General Manager (Assistant General Manager) regarding the Bendalong Rural Fire Station be received for information.

2. Lake Tabourie Rural Fire Station File 5362

RECOMMENDED that the report of the General Manager (Assistant General Manager) regarding the Lake Tabourie Rural Fire Station be received for information.

3. Falls Creek Rural Fire Station and Bawley Point Rural Fire Station File 6826, 10466

RECOMMENDED that the report of the General Manager (Assistant General Manager) regarding the Falls Creek Rural Fire Station and Bawley Point Rural Fire Station be received for information.

4. Proposed Bay and Basin Regional Rural Fire Service Station File 5609-02

RECOMMENDED that the report of the General Manager (Assistant General Manager) regarding the Proposed Bay and Basin Regional Rural Fire Service Stations be received for information.

5. Rural Fire Stations – New Standards File 8296-02

RECOMMENDED that the report of the General Manager (Assistant General Manager) regarding Rural Fire Stations – New Standards be received for information.

6. Culburra Beach Rural Fire Service Station File 8827

The Culburra Beach RFS has advised that a new tanker will be purchased for the Culburra RFS in 2008/9. The new tanker will require an extension of the existing station building and it may be most cost effective to build a wing alongside the existing building. Mr Ian Stewart advised that no funding for the investigation work has been included in the budget but the RFS may be able to reallocate from funds allocated to other projects which are not immediately required. The Brigade can contribute \$5,000.00 towards the investigative work. The investigation and concept plan will cost approximately \$10,000.

It was agreed that if funds are available, Council do the investigation and design work this financial year and if funds are available the following year, the work can be carried out.

RECOMMENDED that subject to funds being made available in the 2007/08 financial year, Council commence the investigation and design for extending the Culburra Beach Rural Fire Service Station to accommodate the new tanker.

RECOMMENDED that the report of the Fire Control Officer be received for information.

R.D Pigg
GENERAL MANAGER

REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER

ORDINARY MEETING

TUESDAY, 27TH FEBRUARY 2007

GENERAL MANAGER

1. Local Government Economic Development Conference File 4154-03

In accordance with Clause 3.3(e) of the 'Council Members – Payment of Expenses and Provision of Facilities' Policy, Cllr John Willmott has submitted the following report following his attendance at the Local Government Economic Development Conference held in Melbourne on 16th & 17th November 2006.

"I attended as Council's representative as Council had been nominated for an award for the Blueprint Shoalhaven. We were unsuccessful. The conference only strengthened my support for Victorian Councils initiatives and the need for us to lift productivity. I forwarded onto Mr Wells some exciting developments in the Libraries Space. It will be interesting to see how some of the initiatives progress."

Submitted for information.

R D PIGG
GENERAL MANAGER

REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER

ORDINARY MEETING

TUESDAY, 27TH FEBRUARY 2007

ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER

1. Reconstruction of Princes Highway over Conjola Mountain - Auslink Funding - Southern Councils Group File 27588-02
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Reason for the Report

The report seeks to gain Council's approval to sign an agreement with Kiama Municipal Council to act on behalf of Southern Councils Group to administer the Auslink Grant Funding for the reconstruction of the Princes Highway between Bendalong Road and Conjola Creek Bridge over Conjola Mountain.

Background

The Southern Councils Group is made up of:

- Bega Valley Shire Council
- Eurobodalla Shire Council
- Kiama Municipal Council
- Shellharbour City Council
- Shoalhaven City Council
- Wingecarribee Shire Council
- Wollongong City Council

For many years, Kiama Municipal Council has acted as the host Council for the Group and has employed persons and provided accommodation to make funding applications and carry out administrative work and otherwise perform roles on behalf of the Southern Councils Group.

On the 28th April 2006, Kiama Council applied to the Australian Government for funding of \$10,000,000 under the Auslink Strategic Regional Program for the reconstruction of the Princes Highway between Bendalong Road and Conjola Creek Bridge over Conjola Mountain. The work included new horizontal and vertical realignments and the provision of overtaking opportunities. This project was agreed to by the Roads and Traffic Authority from a list of a number of upgrading projects for the Princes Highway.

The Project

Southern Councils Group has been successful in its application for \$10 million towards the project and the Roads and Traffic Authority of NSW have agreed to contribute up to \$15 million towards the cost of the project. On behalf of the Southern Councils Group, Kiama Council has negotiated with the RTA as the Project Manager and Construction Authority for the project.

As Kiama Council is acting on behalf of the Southern Councils Group, it has asked all members of the Group to enter into an agreement which:

- Confirm Kiama Council's instruction to make the Auslink application on behalf of the Group.
- Authorise Kiama Council to negotiate with the Australian Government and the RTA in relation to agreements.
- Confirm that all legal and administrative costs associated with those matters will be met by the Group.
- Indemnify Kiama Council against any claims arising out of the Auslink application, the funding agreement, and RTA agreement and otherwise.

Kiama Council is also entering into an agreement with the RTA.

The agreement also indicates that if Kiama Council is unable to recover costs under the funding arrangement, or from the RTA, the Group agree that it will be responsible for all of the costs and will reimburse the cost to Kiama Council within fourteen days.

A copy of the agreement can be found in the Councillors Information Folder.

The Proposal

An agreement has been prepared and it is proposed that all Councils in the Southern Group of Councils become signatories to the agreement with Kiama Municipal Council to comply with the issues mentioned above.

Accordingly, Shoalhaven City Council will need to resolve that Council enter into the agreement and provide the General Manager the delegation to sign on Council's behalf.

RECOMMENDED that Council enter into an agreement with Kiama Municipal Council acting on behalf of the Southern Councils Group for the administration of the Auslink funding for the reconstruction of the Princes Highway between Bendalong Road and Conjola Creek Bridge over Conjola Mountain and delegate the General Manager to sign the agreement on Council's behalf.

J Gould
ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER

R.D Pigg
GENERAL MANAGER

REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER

ORDINARY MEETING

TUESDAY, 27TH FEBRUARY 2007

STRATEGIC PLANNING

1. Bomaderry Creek Flood Study - Assessment of Consultant Proposals File 34657-05
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Reason for Report

To provide Council with results of the assessment of proposals for the preparation of the Bomaderry Creek Flood Study and to seek Council's endorsement of the preferred consultant.

Background

Council received two offers from the State Government through the State Assisted Program for the preparation of a detailed Flood Study for the Bomaderry Creek catchment. The available budget for this study during this financial year is of \$89,550 (excluding GST). The State Government has approved this budget through the Department of Natural Resources under the New South Wales Floodplain Management Program. It is anticipated that the State Government will provide \$59,700 (excluding GST) on the basis of 2:1 ratio.

Quotation Invitation and Submissions

Following the grant offer, a Consultant Brief was prepared in August 2006. The consultant brief was forwarded to approximately 30 interested consulting firms after advertising for tenders to submit proposals for the flood study during August 2006.

Proposals from fourteen consultants were received by the closing time of proposals on 17 October 2006. A table containing the proposed cost estimate of each proposal has been included in the Councillor's Information Folder.

Assessment of Proposals

Other than the price, a number of other attributes, in accordance with Australian Consulting Engineers Associations (ACEA) weighted scoring system, were used in the analysis. They are Technical Skills, Management Skills, General Track Record, Relevant Experience, Time Performance and Methodology. Different weightings were assigned to different attributes in the analysis. A spreadsheet was used to rank the consultants. A sensitivity analysis was also carried out by varying the weighting given to each attribute to test how they influence the outcome. Considering the high margin between the proposals less weighting was allocated to the cost criteria. This was compensated by allocating more weighting to Technical Skills and Methodology.

A detailed spreadsheet assessing each of the submitted proposals has been undertaken and placed on the central file.

Following a detailed merit assessment of all submitted proposals, a shortlist of three consultants was compiled:

- Halcrow
- WBM Oceanics Australia
- Webb McKeown Associates

Summary of Assessment

Analysis of the submitted proposals indicate that all the short-listed consultants would be appropriately equipped to undertake the Bomaderry Creek Flood Study. Both WBM and Webb McKeown have extensive knowledge of the area from previous work in the Shoalhaven. Halcrow has not worked in the area before, however, show excellent experience and methodologies for the proposed project.

Based on the results of the detailed assessment, it is recommended that the project be awarded to WBM Oceanics Australia for the following reasons:

- The methodology given by WBM Oceanics is comprehensive and site specific to Bomaderry Creek catchment. They show excellent appreciation of required tasks;
- WBM staff has undertaken several studies with Council in the past, and have a demonstrated ability to efficiently deliver the services on time. The firm has a strong track record in developing software solutions. Bill Syme is the author of TUFLOW, the recommended hydraulic model;
- A significant number of senior staff hours have been proposed to be working on the project;
- In the past, WBM demonstrated a high standard of presentation skills and professionalism at committee meetings and public presentations. Their staff have a very good understanding of the issues relevant to similar studies and their professional staff are able to convey them in simple language;
- Overall, WBM's price is very reasonable; and
- Through their vast experience with flood related projects of this nature, and in particular their involvement in studies in the Shoalhaven Area, the WBM project team is better placed to commence work on the study, and therefore, is likely to provide better value for money.

RECOMMENDED that in relation to the preparation of the Bomaderry Creek Flood Study, Council accept the quotation from the consultant, WBM Oceanics Australia, to carry out the Study for an upper limited fee of \$64,550 (excl. GST), plus the associated preliminary survey costs of \$25,000 (excl. GST) which will be finalised after the engagement of the consultant.

Reason for Report

Council invited tenders for the Lake Tabourie Flood Study. A consultant has been selected and Council approval is sought to engage the selected consultant.

Background

Proposals were invited to undertake a detailed flood study for the Lake Tabourie catchment. This catchment represents the last of the seven catchments identified in the June 2001 SMEC report "Risk Assessment of Floodplain Management Issues and Responsibilities: Shoalhaven City Council" as having a high priority in requiring Floodplain Risk Management Plans. Funding for the project has been provided via the Natural Disaster Mitigation Program (NDMP) on a 1:1:1 basis for Council, State and Federal Government. Council had previously voted to accept the grant funding and allocated Council's share from within the Floodplain Management Program (Min 06/1442).

Tender Advertisement and Response

Invitations to tender for the study were advertised in the South Coast Register on 13th September 2006 and in the Sydney Morning Herald on 12th and 16th September 2006. A table containing the proposed cost estimate of each submitted proposal has been included in the Councillor's Information Folder.

Tender Assessment

Council and DNR Floodplain Engineers assessed all tenders based on essential competence criteria for the study in accordance with the Australian Consulting Engineers Association (ACEA) Value Selection weighted point score system. The chosen selection criteria and weightings used are set out in Table 1. A rating table was prepared, following which tenders were ranked and preferred tenderers identified.

Attributes and weightings used in tender assessment

Attribute	*Weighting [%]
Relevant Experience	15
General Track Record	10
Technical Skills	20
Methodology	25
Management Skills	15
Time Performance	5
Price	10
Total	100

*A sensitivity analysis of the weighting factors showed that changing the weighting of individual attributes did not influence the final outcome of the assessment. While it did change the rankings of tenders within the top four, the highest score in each case went to the same tenderer.

Within the framework of the above attribute table, the following criteria considered to score each individual tender:

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- Expertise in river, floodplain and coastal lake modelling as well as undertaking associated technical investigations;
 - Proven experience in assessment of flooding hazards;
 - Expertise in modelling ocean entrance conditions;
 - Comprehensive GIS/computer map base system;
 - Study team experience and key staff involvement in project;
 - Proposed project methodology;
 - Expertise in community consultation;
 - Effective presentation and project reporting methods;
 - General performance track record;
 - Expertise in undertaking Floodplain Risk Management Studies and Plans (in view of required continuation of the projects as per the NSW Floodplain Management Manual's process); and
 - Cost of undertaking the study.

Results of Tender Assessment

Most consultants showed sufficient relevant experience and technical ability to undertake a basic flood study. However, the assessment process identified the preferred tenderer on a merit basis via their addressing each attribute as detailed above.

The four tenders scoring highest were WBM Oceanics, Webb McKeown, Rienco and GHD Nowra.

Webb McKeown's proposal presented a good and technically sound methodology, an extensive list of previously completed flood studies as well as floodplain risk management studies and plan and a good knowledge of coastal and estuary issues.

Rienco's proposal offered a project specific geodatabase, an extensive number of model scenarios, a detailed community information package and sound modelling techniques to assess entrance conditions for the lake.

GHD Nowra also proposed a very good methodology including a sound community consultation strategy as well as the advantage of easy face to face contact with their staff due to their Nowra office location.

Though the above-mentioned tenders were considered superior within the range of those received the preferred tenderer is WBM Oceanics because:

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- The core project personnel working on the project (as opposed to overseeing the project) have extensive industry experience in equivalent environmental settings and impressive and relevant postgraduate qualifications;
 - Many of the tenders received from different consultants, including WBM, proposed to use TUFLOW as the hydraulic model to undertake the work. WBM developed TUFLOW and were considered to possess in house the significant depth of understanding and superior working knowledge of the software;
 - WBM propose a detailed investigation of entrance modelling requirements and demonstrated an excellent understanding of local issues and requirements. The linkage of technical aspects of the tender proposal to relevant local issues was a key attribute;
 - WBM have undertaken flood studies and entrance modelling for coastal lakes within the Shoalhaven and have demonstrated ability to work to project schedules;
 - Council's previous experience with WBM is that their professional staff provide a very high standard of presentation within both Committee and public forums. Key attributes are an ability to explain technical detail in simple language and a depth of understanding of flood, coastal and estuary processes that enable them to cover issues of concern to council and community members cognisant of the interaction of these processes in the Shoalhaven Local Government Area; and
 - Detailed understanding of the environmental processes in concert with high levels of expertise and previous experience facilitated a tender that was the most precisely refined towards Council's requirements and hence provided the best value for money tender.

Whilst there were cheaper quotes, WBM rated highest overall against the technical assessment criteria, but at a price which is only a little higher.

Timeframe for the Completion of Work

WBM's tender submission indicates a timeframe for completion of 12 months. While that estimate is relatively reliable as a reflection of the work required, Council's previous experience is that delays may occur during the course of such studies and are generally due to added complexities uncovered by the study itself or due to the time required for satisfactory community consultation. However, Council will work closely with the consultant to ensure a high quality outcome within a reasonable timeframe.

RECOMMENDED that the General Manager (Strategic Planning) be authorised to accept the tender from WBM Consulting to undertake the Lake Tabourie Flood Study for an upper limiting fee of \$63,970 (excl GST and survey costs), plus an allowance of \$25,000 (excl GST) for survey costs.

Reason for report

To Classify Lot B DP 335109 as operational within the meaning of Section 31 of the Local Government Act 1993.

Background

- # By way of minute 06-1045 (Attachment A) Council resolved to acquire Lot B DP 335109 for road widening and to classify the land as operational.

Council has now acquired Lot B DP 335109 and has three months within which to classify the land failing which it is classified as 'community land'. As community land the land would be subject to the restrictions on leasing found within the Community Land Provision of the Local Government Act. Pending commencement of road widening activities Council is currently exploring prospects for the commercial leasing of the two buildings that stand on lot B DP 335109.

In accordance with the terms in Minute 1045-06 to classify the land as operational this resolution has been advertised in accordance with the terms of Section 34 of the Local Government Act 1993.

RECOMMENDED that Council Classify Lot B DP 335019 as 'Operational Land' pursuant to Sections 31(2) and 34 of the Local Government Act 1993.

4. Malbec Subdivision, Manyana - S94 Contributions Imposed by Minister for Planning

File SF9787 & SF 9747

Purpose of Report

The Department of Planning has requested advice on possible S94 contributions that could be considered by the Minister of Planning as consent conditions for this subdivision, in addition to those required by Council's Contributions Plan.

This request was received by Council staff on 6th February 2007. This report seeks Council direction on further advice to the Department.

Background to the Subdivision Application

- # The Malbec subdivision application is for 179 residential lots to be located at Lot 172 DP 755923, Cunjurong Point Road, Manyana, as shown in Attachment 1. As a Part 3A application, the Minister for Planning is the consent authority. Council staff have identified a number of issues with the proposed subdivision, including the provision of open space, traffic impacts, conservation of an endangered ecological community, stormwater drainage and soil management. These issues are undergoing further investigation.

The Malbec subdivision application is one of a number of investigation areas within Manyana. Also shown in Attachment 1 are the locations of the Vacenta lands (the subject of SF9747, a proposed 71 lot subdivision that is also a Part 3A application with the Department of Planning) and the Kylor lands (the subject of a rezoning request from Kylor). A requirement of the consultants brief for the Kylor rezoning is that a Section 94 Plan be prepared for any increased density of development.

As a separate matter, staff from the Department of Planning have consulted with the Manyana community. The community has indicated to the Department their concern that although Council will collect S94 contributions from the Malbec proposal (if approved) under Council's Contributions Plan, little of this will be applied to projects in Manyana. It is this issue which is the subject of this report.

S94 Contributions Required by Council

Table 1 summarises the S94 contributions required per lot under Council's Contributions Plan, as at 9th February 2007. The following comments apply:

- Credit for the existing lot will be included when the contributions calculation is finalised;
- The monetary contribution for open space (passive recreation) is likely to be offset against the value of land to be dedicated to Council as open space;
- Whilst the contribution to sporting facilities (active recreation) is currently to be applied to facilities in Ulladulla, this part of the Contributions Plan is under review and additional facilities at Manyana could be authorised by amendment to the Contributions Plan;
- Works for project 05ROAD2020 have been completed in advance of development. This project remains the subject of contributions until Council's costs have been recouped;
- Council's Traffic Committee has recommended additional road works be undertaken by the applicant as a condition of consent. These works are not the subject of a contribution because they are required only because of the development;
- A draft amendment for the contribution to project CW MGMT 0001 (Contributions Plan Administration & Management) has been exhibited and recommended for adoption. Should Council adopt this amendment, the contribution rate will increase to \$366 per lot. This is likely to occur before the application is determined and will therefore apply; and
- A contribution to local fire services provides the only other works project where contributions will be applied in the Manyana local area.

Table 1
Contributions required from SF9787 under Council's Contributions Plan

Project	Description	Contribution rate per lot
01 FIRE 0009	City Wide - fire control/state emergency services	\$29.77
05 AREC 0001	Tennis, Football, Cricket & Netball (Area 5)	\$1,109.45
05 AREC 0002	Leisure Centre Heated Indoor Swimming Pool	\$127.51
05 CFAC 0010	S94 CP AMENDMENT No.67: Southern Shoalhaven Branch Library	\$217.83
05 FIRE 0007	Cunjarong Point/Bendalong - fire control	\$138.85
05 OREC 0004	Manyana/Cunjurong	\$1,660.77
05 ROAD 2020	Bendalong Road + Inyadda Drive	\$100.20
CW AREC 0003	Hockey Facilities	\$177.11
CW CFAC 0001	S94 CP AMENDMENT No.67: Stage 1: Shoalhaven City Library Extensions	\$243.11
CW CFAC 0001	S94 CP AMENDMENT No.67: Stage 2: Shoalhaven City Arts Centre	\$21.99
CW CFAC 0001	S94 CP AMENDMENT No.67: Stage 3: Shoalhaven Mobile Childrens Services	\$7.21
CW CFAC 0002	Shoalhaven Multi Purpose Cultural & Convention Centre	\$217.35
CW MGMT 0001	Project Management Costs	\$182.77
CW OREC 0001	Embellishment of Icon and District Parks and Walking Tracks	\$140.96

Ministerial Directions for S94 Contributions Plans

Under powers created by Amendment to the Environmental Protection & Assessment Act, effective in June, 2006, the Minister of Planning can direct that S94 contributions in Council's Contributions Plan are unreasonable or that the services to be provided are unsuitable. However, the Minister can also direct that additional contributions be required. An extract of the legislation describing these powers is in Attachment 2.

If the Minister is to address community concerns over the application of contributions in considering the subdivision application, the Minister may direct that additional contributions be included in the conditions of consent for the subdivision. Consequently, Department of Planning staff have invited Council to suggest to the Minister which works projects could be considered.

Because the contributions required by the Minister are made under S94, conditions apply:

- Nexus must still be established; i.e. the works must be required as a result of demand from the development; and
- A cost estimate is required to determine the amount of the contribution.

It is recommended that the Minister consider additional S94 contributions under both the Malbec application and the Vacenta application.

Suggested Ministerial Contributions

The following items were discussed at the meeting of Sustainable Planning Committee of 8th February 2007.

1. Embellishment of existing community hall and surrounding community land

Advice from Council's Community Development Officers is that a replacement building is not necessary, but that the existing facility could be extended and the usefulness of the facility can be improved which would cater for increased demand. This could be achieved by better lighting, improved access, car parking, landscaping, footpaths, cycleways, etc.

The issue of public transport has been raised, with an increased resident population likely to create more demand for buses, so the provision of a roadside bus stop could be incorporated. Under the terms of the current Contributions Plan, contributions for sporting facilities are applied to facilities in Ulladulla. In the long-term, additional sporting facilities may be required at Manyana, but in the short-term, an increased population will increase pressure on existing facilities (soccer and tennis). Some improvement works for the existing facilities is recommended. These are located on the same land as the Community Hall, which presents an opportunity for integrated delivery.

It is suggested that this cost be shared by Malbec (178 new lots) and Vacenta (70 new lots) in proportion to the number of additional lots to be created. It is expected that additional facilities will be required should future demand exceed these levels and Kylor has a deed of agreement with Council based on the demands of the existing zoning.

Preliminary cost estimate		\$260,000
Cost share by Malbec::	72% =	\$187,200
Cost share by Vacenta:	28% =	\$72,800
Council share		nil

2. Upgrade of nearby foreshore facilities

There are 3 main access points to the foreshore at Manyana and Cunjurong Point, each with a car park and beach access track, one with a boat ramp and two with toilet blocks. These are currently in need of upgrade, and an increased population will accelerate their deterioration. It is recommended that the Minister require a contribution to these works, but with Council making a contribution on behalf of existing residents. At the 2001 census, there were 711 dwellings in Manyana, with current land zones allowing a maximum of approximately 1,117 dwellings, of which 16% is represented by the Malbec proposal and 6% by the Vacenta proposal. These works

are the subject of an application for grant funding submitted to the Southern Rivers Catchment Management Authority to supplement Council's cost share.

Preliminary cost estimate		\$425,000	
Cost share by Malbec:	16% =	\$68,000	
Cost share by Vacenta:	6% =	\$25,500	
Balance – from other developers and Council.	78% =	\$331,500	Apportionment and source of funds subject to further investigation.

(Grant funding applied for (\$158,800)).

3. Rehabilitation of Bendalong Road and Inyadda Drive

In addition to road works required as a direct impact of the subdivision, the long-term integrity of Bendalong Rd and Inyadda Dr will be compromised by an increase in traffic generally, and heavy vehicle traffic during development in particular. Consequently, it is recommended the Minister require a contribution to rehabilitation of these roads to restore them to their current condition. Based on rehabilitation costs and equivalent standard axle loads of heavy vehicles, the accelerated depreciation rate of road pavement can be estimated at \$1.20 per km per trip. For the Malbec subdivision, assuming 1800 heavy vehicle movements during the construction phase of the development over a length of around 13 km, this would be equivalent to approximately \$56,000. A similar calculation for Vacenta is applied.

Preliminary cost estimate: \$56,000 funded by Malbec and \$22,000 funded by Vacenta.

4. Roundabout at the intersection of Bendalong Road and Inyadda Drive

In assessing the Malbec subdivision application, and in considering the remaining development potential at Manyana and Bendalong, Council's Traffic & Transport Manager has advised that this intersection will require upgrading to a roundabout when development occurs. It is recommended that the estimated cost be borne by future development, as the intersection is adequate for the existing population. Malbec is proposing 179 lots of an estimated 406 additional lots possible under the existing land zonings, representing 44% of future development. The 71 lots proposed by Vacenta represent 17.5% of future development. It is expected that the proposed roundabout can be accommodated within the existing road reserves.

Preliminary cost estimate		\$300,000	
Cost share by Malbec::	44% =	\$132,000	
Cost share by Vacenta:	17.5% =	\$52,500	
Other developers	38.5% =	\$215,500	(but this would require introduction of a S94 project)
Council share		nil	

5. Princes Highway – Bendelong Road intersection upgrade

Assessment by Council staff of expected traffic impacts of future development has also identified that an upgrade of the intersection of Bendelong Road with Princes Highway may be necessary. This will require RTA concurrence before inclusion in a S94 Contributions Plan, and it is recommended that the Department of Planning consult with RTA on this matter. It is further recommended that the upgrade of the intersection also include provision for a bus interchange to improve safety and convenience for bus-to-bus and bus-to-car passengers transfers.

Conclusion

Council is in a position to advise Department of Planning staff of contributions to works projects that the Minister for Planning could consider as possible conditions of consent for SF9787, in addition to those required under Council's S94 Contributions Plan. The following recommendation seeks concurrence with the proposed works projects contained in this report.

RECOMMENDED that in regard to SF9787 and SF9747 at Manyana, Council request the Minister for Planning to consider the following additional S94 contributions, as outlined in this report:

- a) Embellishment of the Manyana community hall and surrounding community land;
- b) Upgrade of foreshore facilities at Manyana and Cunjurong Point;
- c) Rehabilitation of Bendelong Road and Inyadda Drive;
- d) Construction of a roundabout at the intersection of Bendelong Road and Inyadda Drive;
and
- e) Princes Highway – Bendelong Road intersection upgrade and bus interchange.

E J Royston
DIRECTOR, STRATEGIC PLANNING

J Gould
ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER

R D Pigg
GENERAL MANAGER

REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

ORDINARY MEETING

TUESDAY, 27TH FEBRUARY 2007

FINANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES

1. Record of Investments

File 2126

Under Section 625 of the Local Government Act 1993, and Clause 19, Part 4 of the Local Government Financial Management Regulations it is a requirement to provide a written report to Council on a monthly basis setting out details of all money that Council has invested.

Below is a list of investments as at 31st January 2007:

**RECORD OF INVESTMENTS
as at 31st January 2007**

TOTAL INVESTMENTS		89,009,176
LESS INVESTMENTS HELD IN RELATION TO RESTRICTED ASSETS		
LEAVE ENTITLEMENTS	5,667,202	
WASTE DISPOSAL	2,572,824	
STRATEGIC PROJECTS GENERAL	3,764,416	
MULTI PURPOSE CULTURAL & CONVENTION CENTRE	14,000,000	
OTHER INTERNAL RESERVES	4,732,047	
SECTION 94	14,745,511	
SECTION 94 LIABILITY RESERVE	3,000,000	
TRUST	68,141	
WORKCOVER GUARANTEE	3,755,000	
SECTION 64 WASTE WATER	1,095,811	
SEWER COMPENSATION	6,568	
SEWER CONSTRUCTION WORKS	1,667,567	
SECTION 64 WATER	2,825,961	
WATER CONSTRUCTION WORKS	23,098,517	
TOTAL RESTRICTED		80,999,565
UNRESTRICTED		
GENERAL	6,009,611	
WATER	1,000,000	
WASTE WATER	1,000,000	
TOTAL UNRESTRICTED INVESTMENTS		8,009,611

RECORD OF INVESTMENTS - 31ST JANUARY 2007							
Institution	Credit Rating	Security Type	Principal	Terms	Interest Rate	Date Matured	SCC Inv No
CBA	A1+	BB	1,407,686.27	94	6.3600%	12/02/2007	2869
CBA	A1+	BB	1,969,795.75	88	6.3600%	26/02/2007	2957
CBA	A1+	BB	2,000,000.00	88	6.3700%	6/03/2007	2916
NAB	A1+	BB	1,500,000.00	98	6.3700%	21/02/2007	2870
WESTPAC	A1+	BB	985,066.93	87	6.3600%	8/03/2007	2887
WESTPAC	A1+	BB	2,950,795.29	96	6.3400%	26/02/2007	2982
CBA	A1+	MABB	68,140.89	94	6.3600%	12/02/2007	2869
BANK OF QLD	BBB	FRN	1,500,000.00	91	6.6700%	17/03/2008	2918
Colonial Finance	A1	FRN	1,700,000.00	89	6.8167%	26/03/2007	2910
Deutsche Bank AG London	AA-	FRN	2,000,000.00	90	6.6300%	30/05/2007	2863
HSBC	A	FRN	2,000,000.00	91	7.1000%	16/07/2007	2905
Macquarie Bank	A-	FRN	1,000,000.00	92	7.2500%	18/02/2008	2902
Australian Central Credit Union	NR	TD	2,000,000.00	181	6.6600%	21/05/2007	2952
CITIBANK	A1+	TD	2,000,000.00	146	6.5100%	26/04/2007	2986
CITIBANK	A1+	TD	3,000,000.00	98	6.4300%	22/02/2007	2864
CITIBANK	A1+	TD	3,000,000.00	120	6.4600%	28/02/2007	2965
CITIBANK	A1+	TD	4,000,000.00	113	6.4600%	22/03/2007	2879
CITIBANK	A1+	TD	6,000,000.00	93	6.4600%	21/03/2007	2868
Credit Union Australia	NR	TD	1,500,000.00	98	6.5300%	14/03/2007	2882
HORIZON	NR	TD	1,000,000.00	91	6.5100%	7/03/2007	2959
HORIZON	NR	TD	1,500,000.00	101	6.5200%	22/03/2007	2880
HORIZON	NR	TD	3,000,000.00	117	6.5200%	28/03/2007	2985
IMB	A3	TD	2,000,000.00	91	6.5200%	19/03/2007	2908
IMB	A3	TD	2,500,000.00	90	6.5100%	15/03/2007	2886
IMB	A3	TD	3,000,000.00	91	6.4600%	22/02/2007	2913
IMB	A3	TD	3,000,000.00	95	6.4700%	27/02/2007	2981
IMB	A3	TD	3,000,000.00	123	6.5400%	24/04/2007	2964
LGFS	A1	TD	1,000,000.00	93	6.4000%	21/02/2007	2983
LGFS	A1	TD	1,000,000.00	92	6.4600%	8/03/2007	2861
LGFS	A1	TD	1,000,000.00	90	6.4900%	27/03/2007	2963
NAB	A1+	TD	2,500,000.00	122	6.4000%	29/03/2007	2961
Savings and Loans Credit Union	NR	TD	1,500,000.00	98	6.5800%	14/03/2007	2881
Savings and Loans Credit Union	NR	TD	1,500,000.00	181	6.6600%	21/05/2007	2907
T/CORP	A1+	TD	1,014,000.00	365	6.2400%	4/10/2007	2842
T/CORP	A1+	TD	3,290,000.00	365	6.2400%	4/10/2007	2842
LGFS	A1	CRI	1,000,000.00	91	6.5200%	12/07/2007	2793
CBA	A1+	O/S	895,811.40	120	5.7700%	28/05/2009	2732
NAB	A1+	O/S	71,917.05	120	5.8300%	27/06/2007	190
NAB	A1+	O/S	800,916.81	120	5.8700%	26/06/2008	186
INDIVIDUALLY MANAGED PORTFOLIO		IMP	5,126,925.72	At Call	8.4700%	At Call	2984
Deutsche Cash Plus	Af	MGMD FD	4,364,451.18	At Call	6.5900%	At Call	2915
Macquarie Income Plus	Af	MGMD FD	1,103,588.60	At Call	6.3500%	At Call	2915
Perpetual Investments	Af	MGMD FD	3,260,080.28	At Call	6.8200%	At Call	2915

Note:

BB Bank Bill	FRN Floating Rate Note
OS Offset Loan	IMP Individually Managed Portfolio
MGMD FUND Managed Fund	CRI Committed Rolling Investment
TD Term Deposit	MABB Mayors Appeal Bank Bill

It is noted that these have been made in accordance with the Act, Regulations and the Council's Investment Policies.

P.J. Dun
Director, Finance & Corporate Services Group

RECOMMENDED that the Report of the General Manager (Finance & Corporate Services Group) on the Statement of Record of Investments for the period of 31st January 2007 be received for information.

Summary

The Minister for Local Government is consulting on Local Government reform proposals, including Integrated Planning and Reporting. This is one of the most important reforms affecting the Local Government sector since the 1993 rewrite of the Local Government Act. This report outlines the options for reformed Integrated Planning and Reporting. It should be noted at the outset Integrated Planning and Reporting is about governance and strategic management in general not land use planning. Councillors received a briefing on this issue on Friday 16th February 2007.

Background

The Minister for Local Government, the Hon Kerry Hickey MP, recently announced a series of proposals that aim to set a new direction for Local Government.

The pressure leading to these changes have been identified in the *Independent Financial Sustainability Inquiry* (the Allan, Darlison and Gibbs inquiry) and Local Governmental Departmental reviews. They have found that there are a number of issues affecting councils' ability to develop and deliver long-term strategic plans, and achieve better long term outcomes.

These issues include:

- The nature of the existing framework
- A general lack of resources for Local Government
- Confusion over roles and responsibilities in developing strategic plans
- Uncertainty about how to develop and deliver the plans
- Lack of long-term financial planning
- Lack of sufficient supporting information to develop a long-term plan
- Uncertainty about integrating council plans with state and regional priorities

Many councils may be largely unaffected by these issues and do long term planning very well. Other councils are significantly impacted by some or all of these issues and face significant challenges in strategic planning.

Details of the proposals are outlined in the following two documents:

- *A New Direction for Local Government - A Position Paper* Oct 2006; and
- *Planning a Sustainable Future - A Department of Local Government Options Paper on Integrated Planning and Reporting for NSW Local Councils* Nov 2006 (hereafter called the options paper)

These documents can be found on the Department of Local Government website www.dlg.nsw.gov.au.

Overview of Options Paper

The options paper proposes three basic options for the planning and reporting framework:

- 1) Maintain the status quo
- 2) Add to the existing framework
- 3) Reshape the framework

Option 1 – Maintain the status quo

Option 1 proposes maintaining the status quo including the elements below:

- Management Plan 3 years
- Social Plan 5 years
- State of the Environment Report 4 years

The option of maintaining current structures should always be considered.

Whilst having limitations, pros include:

- It encourages at least three years of forward planning
- It includes some requirements for community consultation
- It requires councils to report to their communities on principal activities
- It mandates some social and environmental planning and reporting mechanisms.

Concerns include:

- It doesn't encourage councils to take a long-term view
- It isn't sufficiently flexible to accommodate the varied needs and resources of different councils
- It is overly prescriptive, encouraging a focus on compliance rather than strategic direction
- It focuses too heavily on operational matters and doesn't encourage integration with other systems, such as long-term financial planning, asset management and land use planning
- The planning and reporting timeframes don't align

As the environment in which councils operate is changing, it may not be possible to “maintain the status quo” in terms of planning and reporting. The weight of changing expectations, management roles and infrastructure will demand a new approach not easily catered for by the existing framework.

Over the years, the focus has shifted to compliance with the regulations, rather than applying the strategic intent of the framework. Combined with limitations on resources, this has tended to make planning more reactive than strategic. In this environment, it would be reasonable to suggest that the current planning framework is not providing the optimum results.

If the existing framework is maintained, future impacts could be mitigated by:

- Ensuring impact assessments are undertaken before any new requirements are added
- Providing guidelines and better practice examples to assist councils
- Encouraging regional approaches to some reporting, e.g. State of the Environment reports
- Making requirements more flexible where possible

Option 2 – Add to the existing framework

Option 2 proposes improving the existing framework by adding a mandatory strategic plan. Under this proposal, councils could be required to:

- Consider the needs of their community over the next 10-20 years
- Identify key directions and priorities
- Outline strategies for achieving these outcomes.

Whilst having limitations, pros include:

- It may ensure that long-term needs and pressures are considered and the community had more direct input.
- It could enable change with the least disruption.

Concerns include:

- The requirements to complete a separate State of the Environment Report and Social and Community Plan would remain.
- It could result in additional resource requirements for councils.
- The level of benefit that could be obtained from this investment is open to question, because it would still lack integration of the various planning mechanisms.
- Councils would need to determine how they could integrate the objectives of their new strategic plan into the management plan structure and how the social plan and SoE could help to inform the strategic plan. The existing problems with differing timeframes, e.g. SoEs every four years, social plans every five and management plans at least every three years, would remain. There is also potential for duplication, particularly with community consultation, as the various plans are prepared.

Option 3 – Reshape the framework

The final option is to reshape the existing framework to strengthen strategic focus, streamline the planning and reporting processes, reduce red-tape and encourage integration between various plans.

The proposed model is designed to give councils more autonomy in responding to their community's various needs, and encourages elected representatives to play a leading role in developing long term plans. Key elements of the model include:

A mandatory requirement for a long-term strategic plan.

This recognises the findings of the Allan inquiry which found that whilst many councils have a strong strategic focus, many councils currently experience difficulty with strategic planning and there are varying views as to what constitutes a "strategic plan". Some regard a "strategic plan" as the combination of their strategic documents, such as the social plan, strategic land use plans, service development strategies etc. Others see it as a separate entity, overarching these documents. There are questions as to whether a council's strategic plan should relate to the future of the community it serves, or the future of the council.

A base model upon which all councils could build.

The strategic plan would focus on building a sustainable community and the various roles that council can play in achieving this aim. Key elements of a sustainable community include social cohesion, functional economy, robust environment and sound infrastructure.

The term "Community Strategic Plan" has been used to refer to the strategic plan, to reinforce the view that it is a plan for the community, rather than just the council. There is no intention to mandate what councils should call their plan. However, all plans would include four mandatory "themes": Social; Environmental; Economic; and Governance, which must be addressed in some way.

A prescribed minimum timeframe of 10 years.

Councils would be free to adopt any timeframe they choose beyond that point. The purpose of the Plan is to identify the community's main priorities and expectations for the future and to plan strategies for achieving these goals.

Consideration of outcomes that council could be achieved by different means.

These include:

- Providing direct services or programs
- Providing or facilitating services and programs in partnership with other agencies
- Acting as a community advocate, to lobby other levels of government and agencies for change.

Mandatory community engagement.

The method of carrying it out would not be mandated. Council will be free to decide appropriate methods, depending on the nature of its communities.

A 10-year resourcing strategy outlining the financial commitment required to achieve the Plan's outcomes.

This will give councils a clearer picture of the resources required, particularly if the Plan has identified the need for major capital works or asset upgrades/augmentations.

Strong working partnership between staff and elected representatives.

For councils to successfully develop their Plan, they will need to have a strong working partnership between elected representatives and staff. It is proposed that the Mayor and councillors would hold legislative responsibility for the Plan. These responsibilities would include establishing the strategic direction of the council, in consultation with the community and staff, and ensuring the Plan is implemented and reported to the community.

Delivery Program.

A delivery program will be prepared by councillors and staff and look at the council's programs and priorities for its term and include four years of detailed budgets. However, councils would still have the flexibility to review these budgets annually when determining their rates and charges for the year.

Operational Plan.

Councils would also prepare an annual operational plan, which outlines the "nuts and bolts" of implementing the Delivery Program for that year, and the budget that will be required. It will be a separate document to the Plan and the Delivery Program. The operational plan will focus on the detail of implementing each year of the Delivery Program and should not depart substantially from the direction and budgets set in the Program. Councils will be required to place the document on public exhibition, as it will contain the proposed fees and charges for the year.

Prescription of General Manager special duties/accountability.

The General Manager would be required to ensure that council is constantly monitoring and assessing its operating environment and adjusting its plans accordingly.

The General Manager would be responsible for ensuring monitoring systems are in place to inform council of key issues that may impact on the Plan. These systems would include, as a minimum:

- Maintenance of current social planning mechanisms, including demographic profiles
- Systems for monitoring relevant legislative changes, financial drivers and environmental data
- Asset management systems and stakeholder consultation networks

Review.

The Plan would not be submitted to the Department of Local Government for “compliance checking”. Regional mentoring and liaison teams including DLG, professionals, LGSA and councillors would consider whether:

- the Plan adequately addresses the four themes prescribed by the legislation
- its objectives are tangible and achievable i.e. not just “motherhood” statements
- the Delivery Program is adequately aligned with the objectives of the Plan
- the financial projections and resourcing arrangements are realistic and achievable
- additional borrowings, or a special variation to rates will be required.

Each new council would review the Community Strategic Plan to determine whether or not its objectives were still relevant and appropriate to the community. It would also be required to roll the Plan forward a further four years, so that its planning timeframe is perpetual. If councils wished to change the plan substantially – for example change a key objective – they would need to carry out further consultation with their community.

Pros include:

- Each council would be free to develop its Strategic Plan within the context of its own community needs and existing frameworks, provided that the plan addresses the four key themes of Social; Environmental; Economic; and Governance.
- This model allows councils the maximum flexibility to develop business systems that suit their own particular needs.
- Councils could choose to be more innovative in their approach – or they could simply adopt the basic framework and target their monitoring activities to a series of key indicators, depending on the resources available.
- The requirement to consider resourcing over the 10-year period of the plan will help councils to take a wider view of their needs, considering not only finances, but also human resources and asset requirements.

Concerns include:

- While the mandatory structure of the Social Plan would no longer be applied, councils would still be expected to undertake social planning and monitoring. Similarly, State of the Environment reporting would not be prescribed, though councils would be expected to develop adequate monitoring and reporting frameworks, in consultation with the CMA.
- Option 3 would require substantial changes to existing legislation and a significant implementation period. Some councils have already progressed substantially along the lines of Option 3, but the majority have not yet embraced strategic planning at this level. The initial stages of implementation would involve additional commitment of resources. To assist in the transition, a staged implementation and assistance package is proposed, over the 2008-2012 council term.

Stakeholder Positions

In considering the issues being canvassed by the options paper, council may wish to consider the position of key stakeholders. Stakeholder positions are varied and include the following.

External stakeholders

NSW Business Chamber (formerly Australian Business Limited): The Chamber's recent report card on NSW Government states that "Local Government continues to act as the poorer cousin of elected governments. The Allan Report details the current difficulties surrounding the funding and performance of Local Government. Improving the performance of Local Government is a critical component in lifting the economic performance of NSW."

Farmers NSW Association: The Association's Rural Affairs/Building Rural Communities website indicates that rural communities form the lifeblood of much of NSW and are fundamental to ensuring a positive and sustainable future for rural industry. Unfortunately, many rural communities are experiencing declining populations, declining services and increasing numbers of exhausted volunteers. Improving services in rural communities is vitally important.

Farmers NSW recently carried out research into the state of NSW country towns, with regional visits and survey results providing a much-needed insight into the state-wide challenges facing rural communities. Many rural communities are experiencing declining services in the areas of health, education, transport, banking, police, child care, aged care and employment. The research also found that strong and effective leadership is a vitally important ingredient in encouraging innovation and local entrepreneurship, resulting in growth and development.

NCOSS (Council of Social Service of NSW): NCOSS's State Election Platform, a Fairer NSW, states that geographic equity must be a priority for human services. Currently there are significant gaps in services and infrastructure outside our major cities, and even on the metropolitan fringe. NCOSS wants:

- the whole of government (including Local Government) to consider the impacts of their planning upon the health of the population; and
- the NSW Government, in collaboration with local governments, the private sector and community organisations, to develop specific coordinated strategies for local areas with high rates of unemployment that address job creation, community renewal and improved human services.

Property Council: The Property Council believes that Local Government in NSW is weak and in structural decline. This is not in the community's or the property industry's interests. Around 25% of councils are not financially viable, their capacity to deliver quality services to communities is under strain and community confidence in many aspects of Local Government performance is low.

State government has two alternatives: it can either allow this decline to continue, or it can initiate a reform agenda which strengthens the institution of Local Government. Part of the solution is larger, more powerful councils. There is nothing sacred about local government boundaries. They were pegged out a century ago and bear little relation to modern social, environmental or economic realities.

The Property Council recommends that the State government should embark on a major reform of Local Government designed to strengthen this it. This should include:

- structural reform to create larger councils in urban areas (amalgamations in some cases and totally reconstituting new councils in others).
- drop rate capping for these larger councils (any straggler small councils should have rate capping retained) subject to adherence to a fiscal responsibility framework .
- mandate that all mayors must be directly elected for four year terms, serve full time, and have their salaries linked to that of a NSW cabinet minister as an investment in leadership.
- increase the allowances paid to councillors to attract community and business leaders.
- provide compulsory training for new and existing councillors on their roles and responsibilities as an investment in professionalism.

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- limit the number of councillors to nine per council to ensure a workable executive government.
 - introduce legislation to facilitate the establishment of Business Improvement Districts to enable business communities to be brought into the heart of city governance, with an additional rate levy and revenues controlled by a business-majority board.
 - require all councils to produce a ten year infrastructure strategy every two years in similar format to that of the State Infrastructure Strategy.

Local Government stakeholders

LGMA: LGMA promotes long term strategic planning and reporting and supports option 3 in-principle.

Local Government specific groups: With proposed reforms of this scale there are views amongst Local Government social policy practitioners across the spectrum. However, it is fair to say to date amongst these practitioners there is reasonable support for an enhanced Option 3, provided it does not lose the demonstrated gains that have flowed from the social planning regulation. The LGSA Social Issues Reference Group spent time discussing the package noting option 3 was exciting, and could offer further gains for social planning and wider social issues, once the predictable trepidation was overcome with a well structured and carefully staged introductory process.

The LGSA Library and Information Services Reference Group spent time discussing it noting social planning needs to remain central and there would be room for concern if it was seen that strategic planning had to start afresh rather than build from the immediate past. Members also noted the title was still confusing councils with it being seen as land use planning; greater work is needed to get the message across that it was about governance and strategic management.

Local Government Practitioners working on Aboriginal, ageing, disability, children, youth and health issues have all noted the need to maintain a focus on mandatory target groups and use of periodic reviews when new census data becomes available. There are also concerns that care needs to be exercised that integration with or connection to land use planning does not lead to the situation which Local Government already encounters with land use planning, where the Minister is seen to override council decisions too often.

Unions: Unions covering the local government sector include DEPA, APESMA and the USU. Whilst no formal position has been obtained in relation to strategic planning and reporting, the USU's submission to the Allan inquiry stated that:

- The council charter (Section 8, *Local Government Act*) requires councils to show leadership, have regard to the long term cumulative effects of its decisions, bear in mind that it is the custodian and trustee of public assets and to effectively account for and manage the assets for which it is responsible. Industry leadership includes establishing of fair and equitable wages and conditions of employment. Further, a strong Local Government workforce with employment security can be particularly important for the ongoing economic viability of regional and rural centres.
- When considering the financial sustainability of Local Government it is critical to take into account the importance of the provision of employment and skills investment.
- Regional co-operation between councils appears to have some success in enabling Local Government to provide more equitable outcomes in service provision, infrastructure provision and planning programs when problems require an increase in resources or a cross-boundary approach. The Union considers the pooling of resources, sharing of equipment or secondment of staff through co-operative approaches between councils to be more beneficial to the workforce, communities and the financial viability of Local Government as compared to privatisation through public-private partnerships or contracting out. However, regional co-operation must not be used as a

means of avoiding employment protection obligations that may otherwise arise in the event of boundary changes or amalgamation.

Key questions

The following questions are worth Councillors taking time to consider.

Concepts

- Which of the proposed models would work best for council?
- What are some of the advantages/disadvantages of the models proposed?

Roles and responsibilities

- What role should the Mayor and Councillors play in planning for the community's future and reporting on achievements?
- Should special responsibilities be assigned to the Mayor in this regard?
- What role and responsibilities should be assigned to the General Manager in planning for the community's future and reporting on achievements?
- How could people with differing views work together to develop shared long-term plans for the community?
- How could Councillors and council staff work together to develop a Community Strategic Plan?
- How could social, environmental, land use planners and asset managers work together to develop the Community Strategic Plan?
- What assistance would new Councillors need to help them participate in the strategic planning process?

Reporting

- How could the annual report be streamlined, while still maintaining accountability to communities?
- How could Catchment Management Authorities and local councils work together to improve environmental reporting outcomes?
- What reporting requirements should be imposed on the proposed Delivery Program in Option 3?
- Do you have any suggestions for further streamlining local government reporting, under the *Local Government Act 1993*?

Implementation

- Could your council's current planning framework be readily adapted to the integrated model? Why/why not?
- What training/information/assistance is required to help councils implement Options 2 or 3?

Additional questions raised by LGSA:

Should legislative amendments proposed by Option 3 be used as an opportunity to seek a broader review of the Local Government Act and/or further clarification on the role and responsibilities of Mayors and councillors including:

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1. Should the term of Mayors be lengthened to align with the longer-term planning framework in order to promote and encourage certainty and ownership?
 2. Should the Governor be able to dismiss a councillor for misbehaviour and order a by-election (instead of dismissing a whole council) after a public inquiry?

Summary

Shoalhaven City Council has already embraced strategic planning through the CityPlan process, and has also produced 10 Year Financial Plans that provide resourcing detail for future works & services. On this basis, it could be appropriate for Council to support Option 2, where the continuation of this level of integrated planning & reporting is expected. Council would continue to engage the community in relation to its proposed works & services, and plan in the longer term through the continuation of its CityPlan process.

Council could also consider whether to support any other changes to legislation proposed, as detailed in the report.

RECOMMENDED that the General Manager (Finance & Corporate Services)

- a) Forward a submission to the Department of Local Government by 9th March 2007 supporting changes to the integrated planning & reporting for NSW Councils in line with Option 2 of the Planning a Sustainable Future options paper.
- b) Forward a copy of this submission to the Local Government & Shires Association

P.J. Dun
DIRECTOR - FINANCE & CORPORATE SERVICES GROUP

R.D Pigg
GENERAL MANAGER

REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER

ORDINARY MEETING

TUESDAY, 27 FEBRUARY, 2007

CITY SERVICES AND OPERATIONS & STRATEGIC PLANNING

1. “Building Roads Better” File 34899

On 6 February, 2007 Councillors were presented with a Briefing relating to approaches and management models which might improve Council’s efficiency and effectiveness in respect of road construction and maintenance, through a long term partnership approach with a service provider.

The Briefing referred to road construction and maintenance models being pursued by two (2) Victorian Local Government areas – Mornington and Cardinia – who had, to varying degrees, introduced a partnering approach with a service provider for road construction, maintenance and associated works over a fifteen (15) year contract period.

The Briefing demonstrated positive commercial, environmental and social benefits which flow from accelerated provision of road sealing to a specified construction/pavement standard. These benefits were addressed at length in the Briefing, copies of which were provided to attending Councillors.

This report invites Council to consider progressing certain tasks which flow from the Briefing if Council wishes to investigate these opportunities in more detail. These tasks involve:

- 1) Externally reviewing financial modelling scenarios, noting that the whole Council funded and whole loan funded models presented at the Briefing presented a very conservative position regarding commercial benefits to Council. More detailed modelling is required to take into account, for example, expenditures that Council would have ordinarily applied to its road construction and maintenance budget in the current Management Plan, and the availability of Section 94 funding. It is suggested that a sum of \$10,000-\$15,000 needs to be set aside to engage an appropriate accounting firm to undertake this assessment, and advise Council of the commercial viability of a new approach to road construction and maintenance.
- 2) Undertaking a traffic modelling and pavement condition analysis of the roads which might be the subject of a long term construction and maintenance agreement. As indicated in the Briefing, knowledge of pavement condition is an essential pre-requisite to entering into a partnering arrangement with a service provider and will have a critical bearing on costings submitted by the selected provider.

To progress the development of the schedule of roads to be included in the expressions of interest for both sealing and maintenance of existing sealed roads, it will be necessary to engage resources to:

- a) Better define existing and (predicted) future traffic volumes and traffic type;
- b) Define project briefs for all roads to be sealed detailing pavement, width and other design criteria;
- c) Review the schedule of roads for sealing to maximise maintenance savings and confirm priorities;
- d) Review existing sealed roads for inclusion in maintenance contract and in particular:
 - i) Existing condition
 - ii) Need for pavement widening or other improvements;
- e) Review road locations to determine if acquisitions are required.

The estimated costs for this preliminary investigation to allow for expressions of interest are:

Traffic counts	\$7,000
Site reviews, preparation of project briefs and review of existing sealed road conditions	\$15,000
Review of survey data to confirm need for acquisition	<u>\$4,000</u>
TOTAL	\$26,000

Included in the Councillors Information Folder are preliminary lists showing priority needs for inclusion for sealing in the expressions of interest, additional roads for possible inclusion for sealing and sections of sealed road for inclusion in potential maintenance contract. It is to be noted that it is estimated that 70km of sealed road could be included for maintenance, should Council decide to pursue the program.

- 3) Develop appropriate Expressions of Interest documentation which would scope the contract/agreement and provide the framework within which interested service providers could approach a “Building Roads Better” program within the Shoalhaven. This can be done by Council’s Project Delivery team using a provisional budget of, say, \$10,000.

It is therefore suggested that provision be made in the 2007/2008 budget for a financial allocation in the order of \$50,000 to fund necessary lead-up work to enable Council to confidently explore the partnering approach to road construction and maintenance for parts of its program over (say) a fifteen (15) year agreement period.

RECOMMENDED that an allocation be provided in the 2007/2008 budget in the amount of \$50,000 to enable preliminary investigations required to prepare an expressions of interest document under a proposed “Building Roads Better” Shoalhaven program.

J J Wells
DIRECTOR CITY SERVICES & OPERATIONS

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GENERAL MANAGER

ADDENDUM

ORDINARY MEETING

TUESDAY, 27 FEBRUARY 2007

CITY SERVICES AND OPERATIONS

1. Extension of Seasonal Pool Season

File 1754-08

The 20 February 2007 meeting of the Crown Reserves, Community and Commercial Operations Committee recommended as follows:-

'(b) the General Manager (CS & O) submit a further report to Council on the feasibility of extending the opening hours of

- i. Sea pools until the end of Easter 2007*
- ii. Seasonal pools until the end of Easter 2007*

Implementation of the above recommendations would result in an extension of the pool season from Sunday 25 March 2007 until Easter Monday 9 April 2007. Staff estimate such an extension would cost:-

- 1) for sea pools only - \$5,865
- 2) for all season pools - \$16,165^(a)

^(a) Based on estimated revenue of \$10,230 and expenditure of \$26,395, which includes an additional licence fee for Kangaroo Valley pool.

Staff submit the above estimates subject to a number of caveats, including:-

- 1. Reasonable weather is maintained
- 2. Reasonable water temperatures are maintained
- 3. Availability of lifeguarding staff, especially if Council decides to extend the pool season of all seasonal pools.

Councils Leisure Services budget does not make provision for extending the pool season beyond 25 March, although the estimated costs of opening the sea pools only may be capable of accommodation within the current budget.

The cost of the decision to open all seasonal pools for an extended season could be voted, or dealt with in the March quarterly review.

SUBMITTED for information

J J Wells
DIRECTOR CITY SERVICES & OPERATIONS

J Gould
ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER

R.D Pigg
GENERAL MANAGER

ADDENDUM REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

ORDINARY MEETING

27 FEBRUARY 2007

STRATEGIC PLANNING

1. Malbec Subdivision, Manyana S94 Contributions imposed by Minister for Planning - Additional Information File SF9787, SF9747

This report provides additional information to the above item which is reported on page 58 of the business paper.

Since the report was made available to the public and notified to the applicants the applicants have requested that further discussion/negotiation take place.

At this point in time, there has been no consultation between the Department and the applicant, nor Council and the applicant, on the nature and extent of possible additional contributions. Such consultation is not expressly required and consultation with individual developers outside the formal exhibition process is not part of Council's normal practice in setting contributions. However, no other community consultation has yet taken place, as is the requirement in S94 plan preparation, and it is unclear if the Minister will require a consultation process in making additional contributions effective. Furthermore, Department of Planning staff have informally indicated a preference that the applicant and Council are in agreement with Council's submission.

It is therefore further recommended that the General Manager be delegated to negotiate further on the matter if necessary.

RECOMMENDED that in relation to additional Ministerial s94 contributions from SF9787, the General Manager be authorised to negotiate if necessary with the applicant (and Malbec Properties) and finalise Council's position with the Department of Planning.

E J Royston
DIRECTOR, STRATEGIC PLANNING

J Gould
ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER

R D Pigg
GENERAL MANAGER

NOTICES OF MOTION

ORDINARY MEETING

TUESDAY, 27TH FEBRUARY 2007

1. Rescission Motion – Payment of Section 94 Contributions File 1057

The following Rescission Motion of which due notice has been given, is submitted for Council's consideration:

That the Motion in respect of Payment of Section 94 Report adopted at the Ordinary Meeting of Council on 30th January 2007 be rescinded.

Signed:

Clr Ward
Clr Anderson
Clr Finkernagel

Note: The following resolution was adopted at the Council meeting held on Tuesday 30th January 2007.

RECOMMENDED that

- a) *The Policy on payment of Section 94 contributions be amended to allow payment by instalments over 5 years when special circumstances can be demonstrated for tenants or businesses operating in the Shoalhaven Local Government Area;*
- b) *Requests for payment by instalment be made by application;*
- c) *Deferred and periodic payment not be considered when the works project to which the contribution is to be applied is essential infrastructure or relates to public safety or health, or the amount of the contribution is less than \$5,000;*
- d) *Such payments be subject to interest charges equivalent to that applied to overdue rates and an administration charge equivalent to the bank guarantee lodgement fee for subdivision related matters;*
- e) *The full amount of the contribution plus interest charges be secured by bank guarantee;*
- f) *The administration charge be paid at the time of lodgement of the bank guarantee;*
- g) *Future amendments to the Contributions Plan include clauses to this effect; and*
- h) *This change be notified by newspaper advertisement.*

2. Rescission Motion – Pedestrian/Cycleways - Section 217 Funding

File 2093

The following Rescission Motion of which due notice has been given, is submitted for Council's consideration:

That the Motion in respect of Pedestrian/Cycleways - Section 217 Funding Report adopted at the Ordinary Meeting of Council on 30th January 2007 be rescinded.

Signed:

Clr Anderson
Clr Willmott
Clr Bates

Note: The following resolution was adopted at the Council meeting held on Tuesday 30th January 2007.

RESOLVED on a MOTION of Clr Watson, seconded Clr Ward, that

- a) *Council not apply the Section 217 Roads Act levy in respect of future pedestrian/cycleways.*
- b) *Council's Works Program be amended to reflect the changes.*

3. Nowra Bomaderry Structure Plan.

File 1028-05

The following MOTION of which due notice is given, is submitted for Council's consideration.

RECOMMENDED that in relation to the Nowra Bomaderry Structure Plan:

- a) Council give in principle support to the Regional Services Corridor being moved south utilising the North West corner of Lot 51 DP1011824.
- b) Options be investigated and advertised to effected property owners then amend the Nowra Bomaderry Structure Plan accordingly.

Signed

Clr J Willmott
Clr R Rudd
Clr J Kerr

Background

Following recent representations from the residents of Bell and Taylors Lane, Cambewarra I reviewed a previous recommendation in relation to Lot 51, DP1011824.

This recommendation read to move the corridor north of Lot 51, the recommendation needs to be clarified. Discussions in Development Committee and a briefing did not exclude the use of the north west corner of Lot 51 DP101824. As a result of the poorly worded Motion the staff have moved the corridor which significantly impacts the residents who bought with the full knowledge of the Gazetted Road Corridor.

GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMENTS

Attached are Council resolutions of 28th March 2006, 24th October 2006 and an extract from the report on the Nowra Bomaderry Structure Plan to Policy and Planning Committee on 10th October 2006.