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Ordinary Council Meeting Minutes 19 September 2013

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Signed at Exmouth (B Price), Chief Executive Officer Shire of Exmouth

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ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Our Vision

To support and develop a vibrant, welcoming community that embraces its past, values its present and plans for a sustainable future

Our Purpose

To responsibly provide governance for the whole community in the best interest of current and future generations

Our Strategic Objectives

- **❖** To provide sustainable management of the organisation
- **❖** To consistently apply the principles of Good Governance
 - ***** To communicate effectively
 - ***** To promote socioeconomic development
 - ***** To value our environment and heritage

1. DECLARATION OF OPENING/ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

The Acting Shire President declared the meeting open at 3.01pm and welcomed special guests Mr and Mrs Dobbs from Exmouth, Devon UK.

Peter and Siobhan Dobbs are currently travelling around Australia and have made a special stop into Exmouth. The Exmouth Town Council, Devon UK provided Mr and Mrs Dobbs with a plaque, letter of friendship and gifts to be presented to the only other town in the world with the same name. The Shire of Exmouth returned the gesture with a commemorative plaque and local Exmouth gifts to take back to their home town.

Clif O'Toole, as Acting Executive Manager Aviation Services, informed Council that Exmouth Aerodrome was awarded the 'Un-Certified Airport of the Year Award' for its Solar Lighting Installation Project at the recent AAA Awards Night held in Darwin on Wednesday 18 September 2013. Shire President Turk Shales and Executive Manager Aviation Services Jenny Kox were both in attendance to receive the award on the night.

2. RECORD OF ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES/APPROVED LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Councillor S Fitzgerald Acting Shire President

Councillor M Hood Councillor G Thompson Councillor R Winzer

Mr B Price Chief Executive Officer

Mrs S O'Toole Executive Manager Corporate Services
Mr Clif O'Toole Acting Executive Manager Aviation Services
Mr R Kempe Executive Manager Community Engagement
Mr R Manning Executive Manager Health & Building
Mr R Mhasho Executive Manager Town Planning

GALLERY

Visitors: 6

APOLOGIES

Councillor C (Turk) Shales Mrs J Kox Mr K Woodward

Shire President
Executive Manager Aviation Services
Executive Manager Engineering Services

LEAVE

Nil

3. RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

4. PUBLIC QUESTIONS TIME

In accordance with section 5.24 of the Local Government Act 1995, a 15 minute public question time is made available to allow members of the public the opportunity of questioning Council on matters concerning them.

Council Consideration Towards Public

When public questions necessitate resolutions of Council, out of courtesy and at the President discretion the matter is to be dealt with immediately to allow the public to observe the determination of the matter (obviates the need for the public to wait an undetermined period of time).

When a matter is listed on the Agenda and member/s of the public are in attendance to observe the determination of the matter, out of courtesy and at the discretion of the President the matter is to be brought forward on the agenda and dealt with immediately to allow the public to observe the determination of the matter (again this obviates the need for the public to wait an indeterminate period of time).

- 1 Question was submitted by Brooke Collins.
- Q1. Is something being done about the lack of car parking at Learmonth Airport?
- A1. The Acting EMAS, Clif O'Toole advised that negotiations with Rental Car companies is currently being carried out to create a designated limited rental car parking area at the rear of the car park for each company. It is also being enforced that all companies are to reduce the number of rental cars left at the airport and an overall master plan for the carpark area is currently being undertaken.

5 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The Local Government Act 1995 (Section 2.25) provides that a Council may, by resolution, grant leave of absence to a member for Ordinary Council Meetings. A member who is absent, without first obtaining leave of the Council, throughout three consecutive Ordinary meetings of the Council is disqualified from continuing his or her membership of the Council.

Disqualification from membership of the Council for failure to attend Ordinary Meetings of the Council will be avoided so long as the Council grants leave prior to the member being absent. The leave cannot be granted retrospectively. An apology for non attendance at a meeting is not an application for leave of absence.

Nil

6. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Shire of Exmouth held on the 22nd August 2013 be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

COUNCIL DECISION – 01-0913 - ITEM 6

Moved Councillor Hood, Seconded Councillor Thompson.

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Shire of Exmouth held on the 22nd August 2013 be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

CARRIED 4/0

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PRESIDING PERSON WITHOUT DISCUSSION

The Acting Shire President informed Council of the Stop Work Strike currently being carried out at Exmouth District High School. The State Government's move to reduce the number of teachers and teacher's aides at public schools due to budget restrictions has forced the Teacher's Union to take this action. The Acting Shire President reiterated the influence our school has on retaining and furthermore increasing our population, one of our core initiatives set out in our 10+ Year Strategic Community Plan to ensure Exmouth's future sustainability.

Councillor Winzer suggested the issue be raised at the next Gascoyne Country Zone Meeting as it has an effect on the entire region.

The Acting Shire President proposed the following motion:

That the Council of the Shire of Exmouth write a letter to the Minister for Education outlining Council's opposition to the State Government's move to decrease the number of teachers and teacher's aides in public schools.

COUNCIL DECISION - 02-0913 - ITEM 7

Moved Councillor Winzer, Seconded Councillor Thompson.

That the Council of the Shire of Exmouth write a letter to the Minister for Education outlining Council's opposition to the State Government's move to decrease the number of teachers and teacher's aides in public schools.

CARRIED 4/0

8. PETITIONS/DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS/SUBMISSIONS Nil

9. REPORT OF COUNCILLORS

Councillor Winzer informed Council of his participation in the Gascoyne Country Zone Meeting via teleconference held on 29 August 2013. Matters for discussion included wild dogs, public transport between regional centres and the rating exemption for Charitable Group independent housing projects.

He also informed Council of his recent attendance to the WALGA State Council Meeting held in Perth on 4 September 2013. The main topic of discussion was the Metropolitan Council Amalgamations. The next Gascoyne meeting is to be held in Gascoyne Junction on 27 November and the next State Council meeting will be held in Perth on 4 December 2013.

Councillor Hood informed Council that the Visitor Centre Marketing Committee and Shire have now formally signed the funding agreement. The Race Club working party has slowed a little bit, awaiting funding for a consultant to produce a track and multi-purpose facility design. Hopefully the consultant will visit Exmouth sometime in the next two weeks.

He informed Council of his Ministerial Appointment to the board of the Gascoyne Development Commission. Councillors and Executive Staff congratulated Councillor Hood on his appointment to the GDC Board.

10. REPORTS OF OFFICER

10.1 Chief Executive Officer

10.1.1 Chief Executive Officers Report

Location: Exmouth

Applicant: Chief Executive Officer

File Reference: GV.CM.0 Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Date: 10 September 2013

Author: Chief Executive Officer, Mr B Price

Signature of Author:

SUMMARY

The following report contains a brief summary of significant activities, events or issues that were raised since the last meeting.

BACKGROUND

Ningaloo Centre - Project Officer Report - 10 September 2013

1. RFT 04/2013 'Design and Construction of the Ningaloo Centre'

The Instrument of Agreement with Matera Construction to formalise the contract for the Design and Construction of the Ningaloo Centre Contract was formally executed by Phil Matera, Director and Bill Price, CEO at the Matera Offices on Tuesday 3 September 2013. Mark Gomez, General Manager and Andrew Forte, SPO were also there marking the momentous occasion.



Matera and Site Architecture intend to commence stakeholder consultation meetings immediately now that the contract execution has been completed and will be in Exmouth from Tuesday 17 to Thursday 19 September. They will be making a presentation to Council at the Council briefing session on Tuesday 17 September.

2. Department of Regional Development (DRD)

Council has been informed that the Cabinet has finally approved the stage 1 funding allocation for the Ningaloo Centre project. The Department of Regional Development (DRD) and Shire have been in constant deliberations in finalising the Financial Assistance Agreement (FAA) for same with likely execution being completed prior to the meeting.

The Minister for Regional Development, Hon Brendon Grylls, released a media statement on Tuesday 10 September announcing the stage 1 funding allocation which is attached for Councillor information. (Refer *Attachment 1*)

3. Regional Development Australia Funding (RDAF) Grant Funding

The Commonwealth's \$7M RDA Fund grant agreement has been reviewed, Schedules and Annexures completed and the Department has been informed it is now deemed suitable for execution once the government comes out of caretaker mode.

The funds are to be made available for Construction over financial years 2014/15 and 2015/16 with payment retrospective on demonstrated progress and expenditure claim.

4. Grant Applications

An application has been prepared and has been formally submitted to Lotterywest on Wednesday 4 September 2013. The total amount requested is \$3.5m in consideration of an additional amount to assist in the inclusion of a dedicated performance area within the Convention Space.

Meetings with the four (4) resource sector companies operating in the Exmouth catchment are continuing. These are BHP Billiton, Woodside Petroleum, Apache Energy and Chevron to progress grant funding following their collective commitment to contribute to the Ningaloo Centre project.

5. Next Phase of Project Manager's Focus

Ensure carriage of the funding agreements, State and Federal, through to finality.

Draft substantive case for a Chevron grant.

Coordinate meeting with Durack TAFE in consultation with the Contractor on final design requirements and tenancy formalisation.

Coordinate presentation meeting with Ningaloo Alliance partners providing update on project.

Initiate meetings with the remaining resource sectors to determine their capital appetite for the Ningaloo Centre.

Changes to the Royalties for Regions Programs

Since the State Government elections and with the National Party losing the balance of power with the Liberal Government, significant changes have been made to the delivery of the Royalties for Regions programs. The emphasis of the Government is to allocate the funding to infrastructure projects (essentially State Government projects) only with very little opportunity for community based projects.

The Country Local Government Fund (CLGF) has been the first casualty of this decision with the program basically being extinguished effective from the 2014/15 financial year (refer *Attachment 2*). This will reduce grant funding to the Council by @ \$400,000 annually which has been allocated to capital projects in Council's Forward Capital Works Plan.

As a replacement for the program, \$5m in funds has been allocated to Development Commissions for Regional Centres Development Plans, a further \$3m allocated to the Department of Local Government and Communities for Capacity Building and \$1m being retained by DRD to administer the funding.

A new governance structure has also been established for the completion of the Gascoyne Revitalisation Plan. The existing GRSC committee in which local governments were represented has been disbanded in lieu of a new Gascoyne Advisory Group (GAG) consisting of the local member, Vince Catania, the Director General, Paul Rosair and the GDC Chairman Tony Beard who will oversee the progress of current and future projects.

2013 Tidy Towns Regional Awards

The Keep Australia Beautiful Council (KABC) 2013 Tidy Towns Regional Awards will be holding the event for the Pilbara towns in Karratha on Wednesday 16 October 2013. Council will be represented by several staff members for the event.

Jurabi/Bundegi Coastal Parks Committee

Council would be aware of its shared responsibility with the DPaW on the management of the Jurabi/Bundegi Marine Parks.

As a requirement of the Jurabi/Bundegi Coastal Management Plan we are required to meet occasionally to discuss issues within the park area.

Attached is a copy of the minutes of the meeting for Councillor information. (Refer *Attachment 3*)

Community Information Forum

The next Community Information Forum is proposed to be held on Thursday 17 October 2013 at the Shire Hall commencing at 6.30pm. The program will include presentations on the following

- BoM presentation on the forthcoming weather prediction for the Cyclone Season.
- Update on the 2013/14 Council Budget including major projects
- Update on the Ningaloo Centre project.
- Other Business.

Exmouth Harbour Upgrade Steering Group

Council would be aware that the State Government have considered allocating funds for the stage 1 upgrade of the Exmouth Marina Harbour.

A Harbour Upgrade Steering Group has been established with representation consisting of

Steve Jenkins - Chair Executive Director Coastal Infrastructure DoT

Stephen Webster - CEO GDC

Andrew Mann - Manager Regional Investment - Infrastructure DRD

Bill Price – CEO Shire of Exmouth.

The objective of the group is to:

'Oversee and manage key stakeholder interests & expectations. Provide a conduit for stakeholder, public consultation & coordinated project updates and media releases. Provide regular, coordinated updates to the Minister for Transport, Minister for Regional Development, and Shire of Exmouth. Keep informed on Exmouth planning issues and potential impacts on Harbour Upgrade Project'.

The inaugural meeting of the Group was held in Exmouth on Friday 13 September 2013.

Local Government Elections

The Returning Officer for the upcoming Local Government Election, Mr Sean Fletcher visited Exmouth from Wednesday 4 September to Friday 13 September 2013 to facilitate the Candidate Nomination Process on behalf of the Western Australian Electoral Commission.

A Councillor Nomination Information Forum was held on Wednesday 4 September 2013 at 6.00pm at the Council Chambers. Mr Fletcher gave a presentation on what it means to be a Councillor and the roles, responsibilities and expectations of a Councillor. He also provided an overview of the nomination and election process.

At the close of nominations six (6) candidates submitted an application for the four (4) vacancies hence there will be a need for an election. Nominations have been received from the following:

Turk Shales Bob Todd Ross Winzer Jackie Brooks Kevin Bayne Sue McHutchison

Key dates for the election include:

15 October 2013 Close of Absent Voting or Postal Vote Applications

19 October 2013 Election Day

As soon as practicable Election Results declared and publicised

Following the declaration of the results the successful candidates will be officially sworn in at a special meeting of Council proposed for Tuesday 22 October 2013.

Staff

I will be on leave from Monday 16 September until Friday 4 October 2013 however will still be attending the Council Briefing Session on Tuesday 17 September 2013 and Council Meeting on Thursday 19 September 2013.

A celebratory function was held for Council staff involved in the Federation Park Upgrade project on Friday 13 September 2013.

Other Meetings & Functions attended by the CEO

- 1. EMTP & myself met with representatives from the Department of Housing on Wednesday 21 August 2013 to discuss the Affordable Housing Project for Lefroy Street.
- 2. I conducted a Citizenship Ceremony in the absence of the Shire President for Mr Ted Roberts in Chambers on Friday 30 August 2013.
- 3. Met with Anthony Anderson from Department of Mines Karratha on Monday 2 September 2013.

Other Meetings Scheduled for next Month

- 1. EMAS & myself to attend the Heliport Consultative Committee meeting scheduled for Tuesday 8 October 2013.
- 2. SPO & myself to meet with representatives from Durack, Matera and Site Architecture in Perth on Wednesday 9 October 2013 in relation to Ningaloo Centre project.

CONSULTATION

Nil

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Civic Leadership

Objective 4: To work together as custodians of now and the future.

- Outcome: 4.1: To be a collaborative community with the capacity to manage the current and future direction of Exmouth
- Outcome: 4.2: A local government that is respected, professional, trustworthy and accountable
- Outcome: 4.3: To be strong advocates representing the region's interests

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple Majority

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION – 10.1.1

That the Council of the Shire of Exmouth receive the Chief Executive Officers Report for the month of September 2013.

COUNCIL DECISION - 03-0913 - 10.1.1

Moved Councillor Hood, Seconded Councillor Winzer.

That the Council of the Shire of Exmouth receive the Chief Executive Officers Report for the month of September 2013.

10. REPORTS OF OFFICER

10.1 Chief Executive Officer

10.1.2 Office Shutdown Christmas New Year Period

Location: Exmouth

Applicant: Chief Executive Officer

File Reference:

Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Date: 10 September 2013

Author: Chief Executive Officer, Bill Price

Signature of Author:

SUMMARY

Council consideration in closing the administration offices during the Christmas period is required.

BACKGROUND

In previous years Council has resolved to close the Shire Office over the Christmas New Year period. Shire staff usually take annual/accumulated leave for the days on which the office is closed. Generally, the town is very quiet at that time of the year and previously it does not seem to have been inconvenient to the general public to have the office closed. It is proposed that a Senior Officer of the Shire will be in town during this period should an emergency arise.

This year the days in question are Monday 23, Tuesday 24 and Friday 27 December.

As Council will be hosting the 50 Year celebrations on New Year's Eve it is intended to have as many staff back at work to assist in the coordination and setup, hence the office will be open on Monday 30 and Tuesday 31 December 2013.

Hence, the office will be closed from COB Friday 20 December and reopen again on Monday 30 December 2013, allowing staff to have a decent break over the festive period.

COMMENT

Nil.

CONSULTATION

Nil

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

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VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple Majority

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION – 10.1.2

That the Shire of Exmouth agrees to close the administration office on Monday 23, Tuesday 24 and Friday 27 December inclusive, to coincide with the existing Christmas public holidays.

COUNCIL DECISION – 04-0913 – 10.1.2

Moved Councillor Thompson, Seconded Councillor Hood.

That the Shire of Exmouth agrees to close the administration office on Monday 23, Tuesday 24 and Friday 27 December inclusive, to coincide with the existing Christmas public holidays.

CARRIED 4/0

10. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

10.2 Executive Manager Corporate Services

10.2.1 General Report

Location: Exmouth
Applicant: S O'Toole
File Reference: CM.RE.0
Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Date: 11 September 2013

Author: Executive Manager Corporate Services

Signature of Author:

Senior Officer: Chief Executive Officer, Bill Price

SUMMARY

The following report contains a brief summary of activities and issues that were raised during the last month.

BACKGROUND

Rating

Property Sales

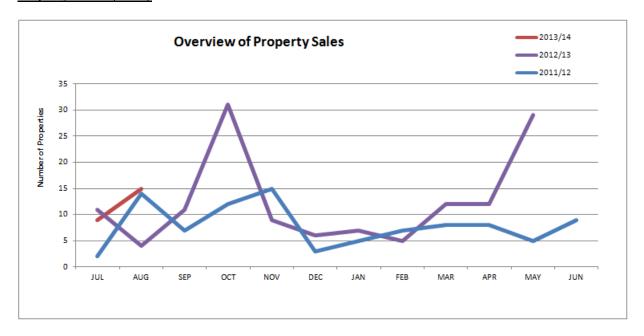
Below is a summary of properties sold during 2013/14:

2013/14 Summary of Property Sales

Number Sold	Land Usage	Total Sales	Average Sale
16	Vacant Land	\$5,471,500	\$341,969
6	Residential	\$3,882,500	\$647,083
2	Industrial	\$2,830,000	\$1,415,000
0	Mixed Use	\$0	\$0
0	Composite Devel	\$0	\$0
0	Special Use	\$0	\$0
0	Tourism	\$0	\$0
24		\$12,184,000	

Property Sales	2013/14	2012/13	2011/12
Sales	2013/14	2012/13	2011/12
JUL	9	11	2
AUG	15	4	14
SEP		11	7
OCT		31	12
NOV		9	15
DEC		6	3
JAN		7	5
FEB		5	7
MAR		12	8
APR		12	8
MAY		29	5
JUN		20	9
	24	157	95

Property Sales (cont.)



Rates Collection

2013/14 Rates Collection Analysis

	\$
Rates & Charges Levied 2013/14	3,678,689
Arrears 1 July 2012	995,039
Less Collections	(746,221)
Total Rates & Charges Outstanding	3,927,507
Less Pensioner Deferred Rates	(18,210)
Total Rates Collectable	3,909,297
% Collected to Date	16.4%
Notices Sent	7/08/2013
Due Date	11/09/2013

2012/13

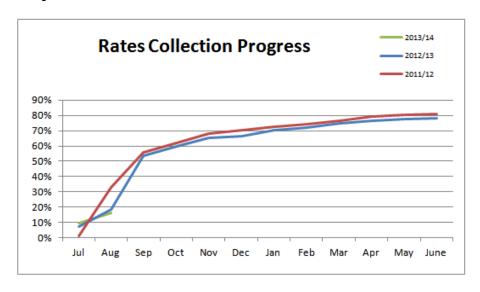
2011/12

Comparative percentage of rates collected monthly

2013/14

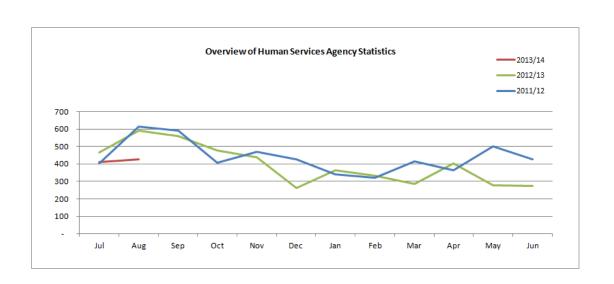
Rates Due Date	11/09/2013	10/09/2012	2/09/2011
Jul	10%	7%	1%
Aug	16%	19%	33%
Sep		54%	56%
Oct		60%	62%
Nov		65%	68%
Dec		67%	70%
Jan		70%	72%
Feb		72%	74%
Mar		75%	77%
Apr		77%	79%
May		78%	81%
June		78%	81%

Graphical Overview of Rates Collection



Human Services Agency (formerly Centrelink)

							Hours of	Operation	/week
							12.5	12.5	15
	Lodgement of Forms/Assist with Completion		Assist with use of Equipment & Computer		TOTAL		2013/14	2012/13	2011/12
Jul	118	81	13	199	411	Jul	411	464	403
Aug	149	68	21	189	427	Aug	427	592	615
Sep					-	Sep		560	590
Oct					-	Oct		478	406
Nov					-	Nov		436	469
Dec					-	Dec		262	427
Jan					-	Jan		364	340
Feb					-	Feb		332	320
Mar					-	Mar		285	416
Apr					-	Apr		403	364
May					-	May		278	500
Jun					-	Jun		272	428
TOTAL	267	149	34	388	838		838	4,726	5,278



CONSULTATION

Nil

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

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STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Civic Leadership

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• Outcome: 4.2: A local government that is respected, professional, trustworthy and accountable

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple Majority

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION – 10.2.1

That the Council of the Shire of Exmouth receive the Executive Manager Corporate Services Report for the month of September 2013.

COUNCIL DECISION - 05-0913 - 10.2.1

Moved Councillor Winzer, Seconded Councillor Hood.

That the Council of the Shire of Exmouth receive the Executive Manager Corporate Services Report for the month of September 2013.

CARRIED 4/0

10. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

10.2 Executive Manager Corporate Services

10.2.2 Monthly Financial Statements and Report

Location: Exmouth
Applicant: S O'Toole
File Reference: FM.FI.0
Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Date: 11 September 2013

Author: Executive Manager Corporate Services, Sue O'Toole

Signature of Author:

Senior Officer: Chief Executive Officer, Bill Price

SUMMARY

The provisions of the Local Government Act 1995 and associated Regulations require the Shire of Exmouth to produce a monthly financial management report for presentation to the Council. This report recommends Council accept the financial report and pass the accounts for payment.

BACKGROUND

Financial report for the period ended 31 August 2013 has been prepared and a copy of the Report is attached as *Attachment 1* and a complete list of accounts for payment is attached as *Attachment 2*.

COMMENT

Nil

CONSULTATION

Nil

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Local Government Act 1995 and Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Civic Leadership

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VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple Majority

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION – 10.2.2

- 1. The monthly financial report for period ended August 2013 be accepted; and
- 2. The accounts as listed in the monthly financial report be received:
 - a. Municipal Fund ~ August 2013 \$1,994,129.76 incorporating cheque numbers 12357 to 12393 inclusive and direct debits
- b. Trust Fund ~ \$9,534.80 incorporating cheques numbers 400767 to 400772 and direct debits. Outstanding Creditors totalling ~ \$247,933.12

COUNCIL DECISION – 06-0913 – 10.2.2

Moved Councillor Thompson, Seconded Councillor Winzer.

- 1. The monthly financial report for period ended August 2013 be accepted; and
- 2. The accounts as listed in the monthly financial report be received:
 - a. Municipal Fund ~ August 2013 \$1,994,129.76 incorporating cheque numbers 12357 to 12393 inclusive and direct debits
 - b. Trust Fund ~ \$9,534.80 incorporating cheques numbers 400767 to 400772 and direct debits.

Outstanding Creditors totalling ~ \$247,933.12

CARRIED 4/0

10. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

10.3 Executive Manager Aviation Services

10.3.1 General Report

Location: Exmouth
Applicant: J Kox
File Reference: TT.SP.0
Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Date: 5 September 2013

Author: Executive Manager Aviation Services, Jenny Kox

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Signature of Author:

Senior Officer: Chief Executive Officer, Bill Price

SUMMARY

The following Aviation Services Department report contains a brief summary of significant activities and issues arising since the August 2013 Council Meeting agenda report.

BACKGROUND

Defence

A request for relocation of the fuel facility has been sent to the Department of Defence for consideration. The proposed location is to the South of the heliport terminal.

SAS activities being undertaken from 12-28 September 2013 will see around 400 personnel based at RAAF Learmonth and increased military aircraft activities. The USAF will also be undertaking a series of heavy lifts approximately every two weeks over the coming months due to construction works at Harold E Holt.

Regulatory

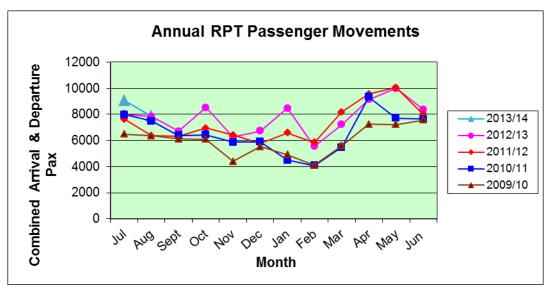
The Department of Transport Exmouth Community Consultation Group meetings were held on 5 September. Of note, the Department of Transport undertook some small surveys of the services which indicated that around 44% of passengers are holiday makers, around 50% travel for work reasons and the remainder are medical or family visitors. The respondents were also asked to rate the services on air fare, convenience of flight times and quality of service where responses of acceptable through to excellent were 85%, 91% and 97% respectively. These results well exceeded other regulated air-routes in WA and reinforced that Exmouth is seen as both a leisure and business market.

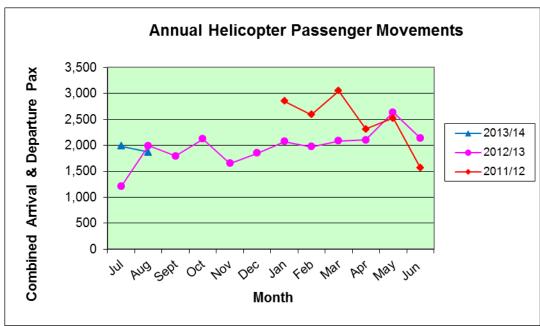
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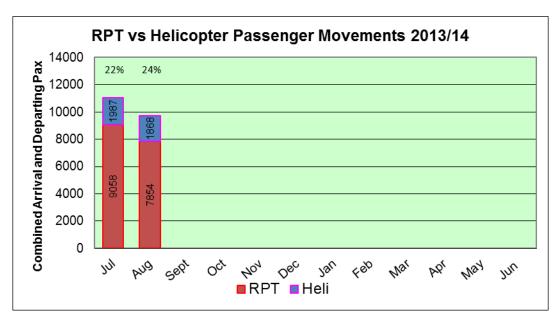
August RPT passenger numbers were only 26 more than the same period in 2012.

Helicopter passenger numbers were slightly down on the previous month and lower numbers are expected to continue throughout September. Helicopter passengers and therefore RPT numbers are expected to increase in October due to the commencement of increased drilling campaigns.

See the graphical presentation of statistics below.







<u>Airport</u>

A live emergency exercise is being planned for the 1st week of November 2013. Planning meetings for the exercise have commenced.

PCS have undertaken a site visit on 3-5 September 2013 with a view to making computer & networking improvements at the airport. Also under consideration was provision of internet connectivity available to rental car operator booths.

Heliport

It has been a consistent month at the heliport even with the departure of Shell at months end. It is expected that September will be a quieter period as we await commencement of upcoming drilling campaigns. The commencement dates of these two extended drilling campaigns in October is yet to be confirmed.

Staffing

Staff performance reviews have been undertaken throughout the month. Sara Dunny-Fox has resigned as she will be heading oversees for a number of weeks. Replacement has commenced with advertising of a new ARO/screener/heliport operations position which closed on 13 September 2013. Interviews will be undertaken in the coming weeks.

Jenny & Stephen Kox are attending the Australian Airports Association's National Conference from 16-20 September 2013 with a week's leave prior. During this period, Clif O'Toole is acting EMAS and Andrew Froome acting Airport Manager. Jenny has also been invited to present at the conference and will be talking within the Regional Airport Management section of the program on 'Understanding Airports – Airport Basics for Councillors and CEO's'. Andrew Forte will also be presenting within the technical program on 'Successfully introducing helipad operations' following the success of introduction of heliport operations at Learmonth.

Leasing

A number of draft leases have been sent to Learmonth Airport and Exmouth Aerodrome tenants for their consideration. Detailed survey of Exmouth Aerodrome to the lease allocation plan is underway for inclusion into the leases.

Required advertising for the Bristow and Norwest Air Work leases closes on 25 September 2013.

<u>Projects</u>

Work is commencing on upgrading of doors and access control systems within the airport terminal to emergency exit standards. Similarly, planning for toilet refurbishment in the heliport and crew room relocation in the airport terminal is underway.

Other Items

A couple of complaints have been received about the lack of parking available, especially on Monday and Thursday afternoons. Rental car companies have been reminded to limit their vehicles at the airport and an area of land has been identified for overflow rental vehicle storage.

Exmouth Aerodrome

Maintenance of the runway, runway strip and roadways has been planned for the year and is underway. Additional widening of the runways strip by 15m either side is required before visual runway edge markings can be installed.

COMMENT

Nil

CONSULTATION

Nil

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

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POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

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STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Economic

Objective 1: To be a diverse and innovative economy with a range of local employment opportunities.

- Outcome: 1.1: To increase the number of local businesses, industries and services that will provide a range of employment opportunities for the people of Exmouth
- Outcome: 1.2: Planned and balanced economic growth
- Outcome: 1.3: Diverse tourism opportunities

Civic Leadership

Objective 4: To work together as custodians of now and the future

- Outcome: 4.1: To be a collaborative community with the capacity to manage the current and future direction of Exmouth
- Outcome: 4.2: A local government that is respected, professional, trustworthy and accountable.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple Majority

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION – 10.3.1

That the Council of the Shire of Exmouth receive the Executive Manager Aviation Services Report for the month of September 2013.

COUNCIL DECISION - 07-0913 - 10.3.1

Moved Councillor Hood, Seconded Councillor Winzer.

That the Council of the Shire of Exmouth receive the Executive Manager Aviation Services Report for the month of September 2013.

CARRIED 4/0

10. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

10.4 Executive Manager Community Engagement

10.4.1 General Report

Location: Exmouth
Applicant: R Kempe
File Reference: GV.ME.0
Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Date: 4 September 2013

Author: Executive Manager Community Engagement, Rogé Kempe

Signature of Author:

Senior Officer: Chief Executive Officer, Bill Price

SUMMARY

The following report contains a brief summary of significant activities, events and issues that were raised during the last month.

BACKGROUND

Tourism Activities

Exmouth Visitor Centre

With the Visitor Centre now operating independently from the Shire, statistics and data on sales and number of visitors are no longer provided to Council on a monthly basis.

The Funding Agreement has been finalised and was signed and executed by the Shire and the Exmouth Visitor Centre Marketing Committee on Thursday 12 September 2013. Reporting is required on the KPI's set for the funding agreement and progress reports will be presented to Council in due course.

Library and Community Resource Centre (CRC)

No library data is available for the past month but Council will receive an update next month when the Library Coordinator is back from leave.

Community Development

Youth Matters

The *Youth Action Exmouth* (YEA) group are working well together. They supported Shire staff at the Official Opening of stage 1 of the Foreshore/ CBD Re-development. The group worked well together and their Sumo Suits Wrestling was a big hit with their peers.

The group are also working with the Community Development Officer to produce their event management booklet and this process is at the design stages. It is also hoped to recruit 2 new young people to the group and offer them the opportunity to attend the *Propel Youth Arts Arts CAMP* in Perth this October.

As Council is aware, BHP Billiton has funded part of this programme and staff approached them to investigate the possibility of continuing the project into 2014-2015.

The Shire has set up a YAE Facebook page; the purpose of the page is to offer staff a way of effectively communicating with young people and provide them with information about the YAE project and events. So far there are about 45 'likes' and the YAE group are assisting with promoting and publicising the page further amongst their peers.



Crime and Community Safety Plan

The CDO has met with the Sargent of Exmouth Police Station, Mr Ian Gilyead to start the review of the Shire's Crime Prevention and Community Safety Plan. A working group will be set up to assist this process, and if any Councillors are interested in getting involved please contact Lauren. It is envisaged that the Plan will be completed by January 2014.

Disability Access & Inclusion

There will be a screening in the Shire Hall of the documentary '*The Ride*' on 21 September 2013. This documentary follows the journeys of 4 men who had car accidents and are now wheelchair bound. After the screening there will be an opportunity to have a Q&A session with one of the stars of the documentary.

Exmouth was the starting point of this year's Variety Bash and the positive feedback received was enormous. Also, the community has been applauded for its approach to disability issues and the warmth it displayed to Jack, the 2013 Variety Bash Mascot, and his family. However, his family made a few constructive comments in relation to the accessibility of the Exmouth Town site and improvements that could be made. It is important that the welcoming attitude of our town is reflected in the accessibility of our built environment and we have commenced identifying opportunities for further improvements.

Official Opening of stage 1 - CBD & Foreshore Revitalisation Program

This opening event created some excitement for our community as it coincided with the start of the Variety WA Bash for 2013.

The morning started with the Exmouth team from Car 308 handing over a cheque and a water wheelchair to the Shire as part of the Variety WA donation to the water spray ground. There was a special visit from Jack, the Variety WA's Sponsor Child, who went through the water ground in his wheel chair. A colourful and noisy display of Bash cars gave our Exmouth kids a treat as they were taken for a lap around Federation Park along the realigned Payne Street. An estimated 600 Exmouth locals gave them a very hearty farewell.

The crowd followed our zany balloon man to the new stage in the park where he dazzled kids with his crazy balloon creations and the Exmouth Stardust dancers performed for an enthusiastic crowd. The Official Opening of Stage 1 - CBD & Foreshore Revitalisation was conducted by Vince Catania MLA Member for North West Central and Shire President Turk Shales.

There were plenty of activities for the kids of all ages and a lot of positive feedback provided from Exmouth locals that were very impressed with our new Federation Park and the coordination of the entire event.

The Krait: 70 years since she returned safely to Exmouth

The Krait was originally a Japanese fishing vessel based in Singapore called Kofuku Maru. The ship eventually reached Australia and was handed over to the Australian Military. In Australian service she was renamed Krait after the small but deadly snake.

The aim of Operation Jaywick was to use the Japanese fishing boat as a cover to make the journey from Exmouth to Singapore undetected. In September 1943 Krait transported members of Z Special Unit to Singapore where they successfully raided the city's harbour, sinking seven ships. The whole group arrived safely back in Exmouth on 19 October 1943.

It will be 70 years since the Krait returned safely to Exmouth and to remember this fact, staff members have worked with the WA Museum to develop some exhibition panels about the story of the Krait and its crew. These panels will be on display via a temporary history trail through the





shopping centre with panels and a DVD audio display in different shop windows. This will run for one week around 19 October 2013. The panels remain Shire property and can be used in the Ningaloo Centre.

Passionately Pink

This event is organised in partnership with the Exmouth Hospital and planned for Friday 18 October 2013. The aim is to raise awareness about women's health issues and guest speaker Dr Linda Friedland will be attending a special dinner event. Tickets are currently on sale and are selling well.

Media and Community Information

- Shire Newsletter for August
- Information provided about Exmouth Spray Ground and Variety Bash to Northern Guardian.
- Information provided for the programme of the Rio Tinto Emergency Response Skills Challenge.

COMMENT

Nil

CONSULTATION

Nil

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Economic

Objective 1: To be a diverse and innovative economy with a range of local employment opportunities.

• Outcome 1.3 – Diverse Tourism opportunities.

<u>Social</u>

Objective 3: To be a dynamic, passionate and safe community valuing natural and cultural heritage.

- Outcome 3.3 –An inclusive, responsible and cohesive community.
- Outcome 3.5 Maintain and increase participation levels in local community organisations and clubs.

Civic Leadership

Objective 4: To work together as custodians of now and the future

• Outcome 4.2 –A local government that is respected, professional, trustworthy and accountable.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple Majority

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION – 10.4.1

That the Council of the Shire of Exmouth receive the Executive Manager Community Engagement Report for the month of September 2013.

COUNCIL DECISION - 08-0913 - 10.4.1

Moved Councillor Winzer, Seconded Councillor Thompson.

That the Council of the Shire of Exmouth receive the Executive Manager Community Engagement Report for the month of September 2013.

CARRIED 4/0

10. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

10.5 Executive Manager Health & Building

10.5.1 General Report

Location: Exmouth
Applicant: R M Manning
File Reference: GV.CM.0
Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Date: 11 September 2013

Author: Executive Manager Health & Building, R M Manning

Signature of Author:

Senior Officer: Chief Executive Officer, Bill Price

SUMMARY

The following report contains a brief summary of significant activities, events or issues that were raised during last month.

BACKGROUND

Applications for Permits and Certificates Pursuant to the Building Act 2011

Below is a summary of building licence and building certificate applications and approvals up to 31 August 2013.

	Building Applications							
Applica tion No	Date Received	Lot No	Development Location	Description	Decision	Decision Date		
13/28	06/03/2013	404	22 Madaffari Drive	Jetty	Awaiting information from applicant 06/05/2013			
13/35	25/03/2013	331	4 Kestrel Place	Jetty	Awaiting informat 06/05	ion from applicant /2013		
13/36	26/03/2013	365	2 Corella Court	Jetty	06/05			
13/37	25/03/2013	326	5 Gnulli Court	Jetty	Awaiting informat 06/05	ion from applicant /2013		
13/90	10/07/2013	375	22 Corella Court	Dwelling	Approved	02/09/2013		
13/91	10/07/2013	361	5 Kestrel Place	Dwelling	Approved	02/09/2013		
13/97	19/07/2013	111	Nimitz Street	Patio	Approved	26/07/2013		
13/100	23/07/2013	33	8 Crevelle Way	Outbuilding and carport	Awaiting information from applicant			
13/103	05/08/2013	443	24 Osprey	Fence	Approved	26/08/2013		
13/104	06/08/213	997	3 Schmidt Way	Addition/Alterat ion	Approved	07/08/2013		
13/105	06/08/2013	1077	11 Cameron Street	Addition/Alterat ion	Approved	07/08/2013		
13/106	06/08/2013	999	1 Griffiths Way	Retaining Wall	Approved	21/08/2013		
13/107	06/08/2013	182	12 Ningaloo Street	Carport	Approved	12/08/2013		
13/108	06/08/2013	1273	7 Grayling Way	Outbuilding	Approved	19/08/2013		
13/110	08/08/2013	745	79 Nimitz Street	Outbuilding	Approved	13/08/2013		
13/112	13/08/2013	737	26 Carr Way	Patio	Approved	21/08/2013		
13/113	22/08/2013	333	Kestrel Place	Dwelling	Awaiting informat	ion from applicant		
13/115	27/08/2013	1378	19 Preston Street	Entry Verandah	Approved	04/09/2013		
13/117	29/08/2013	998	1 Schmidt Way	Swimming pool	Approved	03/09/2013		

<u>Summary of Building Licence/Permit Applications</u> 2007 to Year to date 31 August 2013

Year	No. Applications	Total Value of Works	No. Applications up 31 August 2013	Value up to 31 August 2013
2007- 2008	114	\$13,465,725.00	21	\$4,455,100.00
2008- 2009	132	\$26,600,941.00	19	\$2,866,871.00
2009 - 2010	198	\$26,916,869.00	29	\$3,447,175.00
2010 - 2011	188	\$24,816,605.00	27	\$5,852,355.00
2011-2012	144	\$23,057,154.00	25	\$6,831,241.00
2012- 2013	150	\$19,931,790.00	30	\$4,694,192.00
2013-2014			23	\$3,250,031.00

COMMENT

BUILDING

Council's Building Surveyor recently wrote to separate owners of two Exmouth Marina Village –Precinct A giving them notice of intent to serve a building order in relation to Jetty structures that have been constructed without a building permit.

The company responsible for the above works was also questioned earlier this year on a number of issues relating to jetty construction (e.g. capping rocks being disposed of in to the canal water way and revetment wall not reinstated in accordance with conditions of approval).

There are 10 separate lots that are currently subject of further investigation by Council's Building Surveyor. Further formal action is likely to follow in relation to at least some of the above matters.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

The general environmental health functions are continuing with regular food premises, public buildings, onsite waste water system and accommodation inspections continuing together with ongoing sampling of public swimming pools, potable and environmental waters. We will be targeting food premises in September 2013.

Waste Management and Recycling

Shire of Exmouth collected 3626kgs of E-Waste on its collection day in July. This is 3626kgs of waste which has been diverted away from our local landfill. Members of the public have been enquiring if there will be any further collection days.

Clean Up Australia - Great Northern Clean Up: 20 to 22 September 2013

Early indications are that the Exmouth community's participation in the Great Northern Clean Up will be very well supported.

Sentinel Chickens & Mosquito Borne Diseases

The University of Western Australia's Sentinel Chicken Bleeding Program is continuing with bi-monthly bleeding of chicken flocks. There were no new positives blood tests to report of for Murray Valley Encephalitis, Kunjin Virus or other flaviviruses from the rounds of testing up to 4 September 2013.

Paltridge Memorial Swimming Pool

The Pool will be opening with a special Open Day on Sunday 15 September 2013 from 1 pm to 5pm. On this day entry will be free along with free activities such as the Aqua Run and Bouncy castle. There will be information available on this day regarding the coming pool season, the pools Learn to Swim registrations and Swimming club registrations.

Prior to the opening of the pool there will be a pool information session held on Thursday evening 12 September 2013 at 5.30pm for all regular public pool users, Swimming Club Coaches, Swimming Teachers, School Physical Education Teachers, Aqua Fitness Teachers, Dive Instructors and all pool staff. The purpose of this meeting is to educate as many regular pool users as possible on the location phone, the emergency rescue equipment, how the Emergency evacuation of the pool facility should work and what to do if the Chlorine Gas Alarm goes off, so that in the event of an emergency where every second counts, the more

people who know what to do will certainly increase the likelihood of the best outcome possible. This is critical considering most of the time the pool is only manned by one person.

An Austswim Teacher of Swimming and Water Safety course is scheduled to run at the pool the weekend of the 26 and 27 October 2013 to ensure we have enough qualified Swimming Teachers for the coming pool season.

The Pilbara Championships will be held at the Exmouth Pool on the weekend of the 22 to 24 November 2013.

CONSULTATION

Nil

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

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STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Environment

Objective 2: To have a balanced respect for our environment and heritage, both natural and built.

• Outcome 2.4: To be a leader in eco-friendly initiatives and innovations.

Social

Objective 3: To be a dynamic, passionate and safe community valuing natural and cultural heritage.

- Outcome 3.2: Excellent lifestyle, recreational and cultural facilities.
- Outcome 3.3: An inclusive, responsible and cohesive community.
- Outcome 3.4: A community that is well informed and educated about our natural, cultural and built environment.
- Outcome 3.5 Maintain and increase the participation levels in local community organisations and clubs.

Civic Leadership

Objective 4: To work together as custodians for now and the future.

- Outcome 4.1: To be a collaborative community with the capacity to manage the current and future direction of Exmouth.
- Outcome 4.2: A local government that is respected, professional, trustworthy and accountable.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple Majority

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION – 10.5.1

That the Council of the Shire of Exmouth receive the Executive Manager Health & Building Report for the month of September 2013.

COUNCIL DECISION - 09-0913 - 10.5.1

Moved Councillor Winzer, Seconded Councillor Hood.

That the Council of the Shire of Exmouth receive the Executive Manager Health & Building Report for the month of September 2013.

CARRIED 4/0

10. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

10.6 Executive Manager Town Planning

10.6.1 General Report

Location: Exmouth
Applicant: N/A
File Reference: LP.PL.0
Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Date: 8 September 2013

Author: Executive Manager Town Planning, Rhassel Mhasho

Signature of Author:

Senior Officer: Chief Executive Officer, Bill Price

SUMMARY

The following report contains a brief summary of significant activities, events or issues that were raised during the last month.

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BACKGROUND

Planning Applications and Approvals

Below is a summary of planning applications and approvals up to 15 September 2013.

Applic No	Lodgement Date	Lot	Property Address	Description	Decision	Date Determined
PA49/13	21/05/2013	1	4a Pellew Street	Outbuilding	Septem	ber OCM
PA69/13	21/06/2013	128	Thresher Street	Retaining walls	Awaiting info applicant	
PA82/13	17/07/2013	1112	1 Nimitz St Exmouth	Alfresco Area	Approved	23/08/2013
PA87/13	29/07/2013	132	38 Young Street	Single Dwelling Approved		16/08/2013
PA89/13	29/07/2013	121	35 Skipjack Circle	Outbuilding	Approved	14/08/2013
PA90/13	30/07/2013	33	8 Crevalle Way	Carport and Outbuilding	Approved	06/09/2013
PA94/13	08/08/2013	963	27 Patterson Way	Outbuilding	Approved	23/08/2013
PA95/13	08/08/2013	183	10 Ningaloo Street	Patio And Outbuilding	atio And Outbuilding Approved	
PA96/13	12/08/2013	1112	(Site 216) 1 Nimitz Street	Permanent Caravan	ravan Approved	
PA97/13	09/08/2013		Willersdorf Road	Extension To Clubhouse Approved		23/08/2013
PA98/13	13/08/2013	104	Bluefin Cove	Single Dwelling	Approved	16/08/2013
PA99/13	16/08/2013	2	24 Nimitz Street	Added New Use	Approved	16/08/2013
PA100/13	19/08/2013	1	19a Part 1 Learmonth Street	Change Of Use	Approved	09/09/2013
PA101/13	21/08/2013	2	Yardie Creek Road	Verandah To New Ablution Block	Approved	02/09/2013
PA102/13	21/08/2013	353	Lot 353 Kestrel Place	Single Dwelling	Septem	ber OCM
PA104/13	21/08/2013	729	73 Maidstone Crescent	Change Of Use / Addition	Approved	03/09/2013
PA105/13	28/08/2013	1142	6 Koolinda Way	Shed Approved		09/09/2013
PA108/13	06/09/2013	422	64 Madaffari Drive	Jetty	Septem	ber OCM
PA109/13	06/09/2013	330	2 Kestrel Place	Jetty	Processing	
PA110/13	09/09/2013	406	26 Madaffari Drive	Jetty	Processing	
PA111/13	10/09/2013	354	Lot 354 Kestrel Place	Fencing	Processing	

Summary of Total Planning applications/Codes Variations

Year	No. Applications
2009-2010	131
2010-2011	149
2011-2012	163
2012-2013	175
2013-2014	28

BACKGROUND

Update on the preparation of the Local Planning Strategy and the New Town Planning Scheme No 4

The focus over the last month was on Stages 2 and 3 of the Project. The collation and interpretation of the Workshop Outcomes has been completed. The final copy of the Community Workshop Outcomes Report can be downloaded on the Council website. (Refer to *Attachment 1*).

Exmouth South Structure Plan

The Structure Plan was approved by the Statutory Planning Committee on 27 August 2013 subject to a number of modifications. (Refer to *Attachment 2*). TME consultants will now have to make the modifications as per the WAPC letter thereafter 3 copies of the plan will be sent to WAPC for endorsement.

Town Planning Scheme No. 3 - Scheme Amendment 27 - Lot 1, 101, 112 & 220 Minilya- Exmouth Road

The amendment was presented to Council during the March 2013 Ordinary Council meeting for final adoption. The Scheme amendment was presented to the Statutory Planning Committee on 27 August 2013 and the outcome of the meeting is attached. (Refer to *Attachment 3*).

The applicant will now be required to make modifications and corrections to the scheme amendment documents as per the WAPC letter. Thereafter 3 copies of the amendment will be sent to WAPC for the finalisation & gazettal process.

State Administrative Tribunal – Mediation DR 103/2013 Penfold v Shire of Exmouth

On 30 August 2013 the parties responded to each other's submissions. We are currently waiting for the SAT determination on the preliminary issue.

Major Departure and Modification - Nimitz Street Outline Development Plan

On 1 August 2013 the Council of the Shire of Exmouth resolved to adopt a major departure to the Nimitz Street Outline Development Plan. The modified Outline Development Plan is currently being advertised for public comment. Public consultation will close on 25 September 2013.

Affordable Housing in Exmouth

Council in conjunction with the Department of Housing (DoH) are currently working on the Exmouth Key Worker Housing Project. The Department of Housing are currently working out the best land tenure arrangements and rental model that can be applied to this development.

The DoH Communications and Marketing Department are finalising a brochure and survey questionnaire to be sent to the business owners in town to determine who and how many houses are required or at least to determine if we can adequately fill up the proposed 20 dwellings and what their configurations should be.

New Caravan Park

Council during the December 2012 Council meeting gave an in principle support for Tourism WA to engage a consultant to investigate the possibility of a new caravan park on Lot 1403 Truscott crescent. AEC group was engaged in April 2013 and has now completed the demand and pre-feasibility study. (Refer to *Attachment 4*).

Ranger Services

A summary of the activities performed by Ranger Services during August 2013.

	Dogs	Camping	Parking	Litter	Fire	Off road	Other
Warning/caution	4	0	6	0	0	0	9
Infringement	0	11	0	0	0	0	0
Court	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
August Total	4	11	6	0	0	0	9
July Total	6	36	2	0	0	0	0
2013-2014 Totals	10	47	8	0	0	0	9

Emergency Services

Local Emergency Management Committee

In accordance with State Emergency Management Policy 2.5, the Exmouth Local Emergency Management Committee meeting was held on Tuesday, 27 August 2013.

Firebreak Notices

In preparation for the prohibited burning period for the Shire of Exmouth which commences on 1 October this year and finishes on 30 April 2014, firebreak notices have been issued to all owners and occupiers of land within the district.

Donation of an Automated External Defibrillator to the Exmouth Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade

The Department of Fire and Emergency Services has advised that the Exmouth Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade will be provided with an Automated External Defibrillator to further enhance the safety of the volunteers. (Refer to *Attachment 5*).

Exmouth Bush Fire Brigade- Legislative Changes

On 20 June 2013, Council resolved (Council Decision -13-0613 - 10.6.2) to support the legislative change that provides the option for Local Government to transfer the responsibility of the Exmouth Bush Fire Brigade operations and administration to the Department of Fire and Emergency Services.

In a follow up to the decision, the Department of Fire and Emergency Services has provided a state wide response summary which notes that approximately 35% of Local Governments that provided a response support the proposal. (Refer to *Attachment 6*).

CONSULTATION

Nil

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Planning and Development Act 2005 Shire of Exmouth Town Planning Scheme No. 3

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Economic

Objective 1: To be a diverse and innovative economy with a range of local employment opportunities.

• Outcome 1.2 - Planned and balanced economic growth.

Environment

Objective 2: To have a balanced respect for our environment and heritage, both natural and built.

- Outcome 2.2: Our pristine natural environment and biodiversity will be understood, maintained and protected.
- Outcome 2.4: To be a leader in eco-friendly initiatives and innovations.

Social

Objective 3: To be a dynamic, passionate and safe community valuing natural and cultural heritage.

- Outcome 3.2: Excellent lifestyle, recreational and cultural facilities.
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Civic Leadership

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- Outcome 4.1: To be a collaborative community with the capacity to manage the current and future direction of Exmouth.
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VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple Majority

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION – 10.6.1

That the Council of the Shire of Exmouth receives the Executive Manager Town Planning's Report for the month of September 2013.

COUNCIL DECISION - 10-0913 - 10.6.1

Moved Councillor Thompson, Seconded Councillor Hood.

That the Council of the Shire of Exmouth receives the Executive Manager Town Planning's Report for the month of September 2013.

CARRIED 4/0

Councillor Hood informed Council of his frustration regarding the Scheme Amendment Process for Scheme Amendment 27 and the State Government's power to override original Council decisions.

10. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

10.6 Executive Manager Town Planning

10.6.2 Carport – Lot 1 (4A) Pellew Street, Exmouth

Location: Lot 1 (4A) Pellew Street, Exmouth

Applicant: Philip Hall File Reference: A272 (PA49/13)

Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Date: 2 September 2013

Author: Executive Manager Town Planning, Rhassel Mhasho

Signature of Author:

Senior Officer: Chief Executive Officer, Bill Price

SUMMARY

This report recommends that the Council of Shire of Exmouth refuse planning approval for a carport upon Lot 1 (4A) Pellew Street, Exmouth. (Refer to *Attachment 7*).

BACKGROUND

The applicant seeks Council's planning approval for a carport upon Lot 1 (4A) Pellew Street, Exmouth. The subject lot is the result of a four (4) lot Survey-Strata approval of Lot 100 granted by the West Australian Planning Commission in June 2010. Condition 8 of the subdivision approval states "all buildings having the necessary clearance from the new boundaries as required by the relevant Town Planning Scheme (Local Government)."

Lot 1 has an area of 457m^2 and has an approved and constructed showroom.



PROPOSAL

The construction of an open sided Carport $6m \times 9m = 54m^2$, setback 1m from the side and front boundaries with 3.05m maximum pitched roof height. The reason for the construction of the carport is to provide cover for three existing parking bays.

COMMENT

The development has been assessed using the Shire of Exmouth Town Planning Scheme No. 3 (Scheme). Listed below are the relevant Scheme clauses which can be used to assess the application:

Clause 5.6.2 (b)

Site requirements for development:

- For non-residential development the front setback shall be 7.5m.

Clause 8.5 matter to be considered by council in considering a planning approval

- i. The requirements of orderly and proper planning
- ii. The preservation of the amenities of the locality

Clause 4.8 Use of setback areas:

- No person shall in any zone use the land between a street alignment and the distance that buildings are required to be setback from such street alignment for any purpose other than one or more of the following:
 - i. A means of access
 - ii. The daily parking of vehicles
 - iii. The loading and unloading of vehicles
 - iv. Landscaping

ISSUES

Reduced Front Setback

The proposed carport varies the provisions of the Shire of Exmouth Town Planning Scheme Number 3 with a front setback of 1m in lieu of 7.5m. The application does not comply with the Scheme requirement 'For non-residential development the front setback shall be 7.5m.' The proposed carport is setback 1m from the front boundary.

Council Officer recommends that Council do not support this variation as the approval for the proposed carport within the front setback will have a significant impact on amenities in the locality and will set precedence for developments within front setbacks in the mixed use zone.

Use of Setback Areas

Carports are not listed as being permissible in the front setback in accordance with the provisions of the Shire of Exmouth Town Planning Scheme Number 3. The proposed carport does not comply with the Town Planning Scheme provisions for the use of setback areas. The Scheme provides for the daily parking and unloading of vehicles in the front setback.



Although the proposed carport will be used to provide shade and weather protection to three vehicles parking in existing parking bays, the Officer recommends the use of shade sails as an ideal means of providing shade to the vehicles or the applicant will be advised that Council will only approve a carport which is 2m in length as indicated on the plans.

Considering the above issues, Council officers recommend that the Council of the Shire of Exmouth refuse the carport for the following reasons:-

- 1. The application varies the provisions of the Shire of Exmouth Town planning Scheme Number 3 with a 1m front setback in lieu of 7.5m;
- **2.** Carports are not listed as being permissible within front setbacks in accordance with the provisions of the Shire of Exmouth Town Planning Scheme Number 3.
- **3.** The approval for the proposed carport within the front setback will have a significant impact on amenities in the locality and will set precedence for developments within front setbacks in the Mixed Use zone.

CONSULTATION

Follow up onsite meeting with the owner to discuss options available and put forward recommendation/s. The owner did not want to change his application and requested a determination be made for the carport to be setback 1m from the front boundary.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Planning and Development Act 2005 Town Planning Scheme No. 3

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Economic

Objective 1: To be a diverse and innovative economy with a range of local employment opportunities.

• Outcome 1.2 - Planned and balanced economic growth.

Civic Leadership

Objective 4: To work together as custodians for now and the future.

- Outcome 4.1: To be a collaborative community with the capacity to manage the current and future direction of Exmouth.
- Outcome 4.2: A local government that is respected, professional, trustworthy and accountable.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple Majority

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION – 10.6.2

That the Council of the Shire of Exmouth refuse planning approval for a carport upon Lot 1 (4a) Pellew Street, Exmouth for the following reasons:

- 1. The application does not comply with Condition 8 of West Australian Planning Commission subdivision approval which states "all buildings having the necessary clearance from the new boundaries as required by the relevant Town Planning Scheme (Local Government)";
- 2. The application varies the provisions of the Shire of Exmouth Town planning Scheme Number 3 with a 1m front setback in lieu of 7.5m;

- 3. Carports are not listed as being permissible within front setbacks in accordance with the provisions of the Shire of Exmouth Town Planning Scheme Number 3; and
- 4. The approval for the proposed carport will have a significant impact on amenities in the locality and will set precedence for the development of carports within front setbacks in the Mixed Use zone.

<u>Advice</u>

- i) An applicant aggrieved by a decision of the Council in respect of the exercise of a discretionary power under the Scheme may appeal in accordance with the rules and regulations made pursuant to the Planning and Development Act 2005 (as amended). Any such appeal must be lodged within 28 days of the date of this decision to the State Administrative Tribunal (telephone 9219 3111 or 1300 306 017).
- ii) The applicant is advised Council can only approve part of the proposed carport outside the front setback as indicated on the plans.

COUNCIL DECISION - 11-0913 - 10.6.2

Moved Councillor Hood, Seconded Councillor Winzer.

That the Council of the Shire of Exmouth refuse planning approval for a carport upon Lot 1 (4a) Pellew Street, Exmouth for the following reasons:

- 1. The application does not comply with Condition 8 of West Australian Planning Commission subdivision approval which states "all buildings having the necessary clearance from the new boundaries as required by the relevant Town Planning Scheme (Local Government)";
- 2. The application varies the provisions of the Shire of Exmouth Town planning Scheme Number 3 with a Im front setback in lieu of 7.5m;
- 3. Carports are not listed as being permissible within front setbacks in accordance with the provisions of the Shire of Exmouth Town Planning Scheme Number 3; and
- 4. The approval for the proposed carport will have a significant impact on amenities in the locality and will set precedence for the development of carports within front setbacks in the Mixed Use zone.

Advice Advice

- i) An applicant aggrieved by a decision of the Council in respect of the exercise of a discretionary power under the Scheme may appeal in accordance with the rules and regulations made pursuant to the Planning and Development Act 2005 (as amended). Any such appeal must be lodged within 28 days of the date of this decision to the State Administrative Tribunal (telephone 9219 3111 or 1300 306 017).
- ii) The applicant is advised Council can only approve part of the proposed carport outside the front setback as indicated on the plans.

CARRIED 3/1

Councillor Thompson voted against.

10. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

10.6 Executive Manager Town Planning

10.6.3 Dwelling - Lot 353 (21) Kestrel Place, Exmouth

Location: Lot 353 (21) Kestrel Place Exmouth

Applicant: Freeval Pty Ltd File Reference: A1467 (PA102/13)

Disclosure of Interest: Nil Date: 2013

Author: Executive Manager Town Planning, Rhassel Mhasho

Signature of Author:

Senior Officer: Chief Executive Officer, Bill Price

SUMMARY

This report recommends that the Council of the Shire of Exmouth grant conditional planning approval for a dwelling upon Lot 353 (21) Kestrel Place, Exmouth. (Refer to *Attachment 8*).

BACKGROUND

The subject land has a lot area of 906m² in the Exmouth Marina Village Precinct 'A' and is currently vacant with no vegetation coverage. This proposal seeks Council's planning approval for a single storey residential 402.77m² dwelling comprising of four bedrooms, main en suite, separate bath and toilet, laundry, meals and kitchen with a walk in pantry, double garage and alfresco.



PROPOSAL

Setbacks:

- Average front setback to the main dwelling provided is 3.25m, required is min 3m
- Average front setback to garage provided − 5.566m, required min 5.5m
- Eastern side (Lot 354) setback 1m to 1.6m
- Western side (Lot 352) setback 1.5m to 3.2
- Rear setback nil to CDA 4m to alfresco at 5m RL

COMMENT

The development has been assessed against the Shire of Exmouth Town Planning Scheme No. 3, Residential Design Codes of Western Australia and the Exmouth Marina Precinct A Detailed Design Guidelines adopted by Council as Policy. A dwelling within the Marina zone is a 'P' use meaning the use is permitted.

The application varies the provisions of the Residential Design Codes with:

- Reduced eastern side setback of 1m in lieu of 1.5m.

The application varies the provisions of Local Planning Policy 6.16: Design Guidelines for Exmouth Marina Village Precinct A with:

- Reduced average front setback of 3.25m in lieu of 4.5m; and
- 1.3m high retaining wall in lieu of 0.75m.

ISSUES

Reduced eastern side setback

The applicant is proposing an eastern side setback of 1m in lieu of 1.5m in accordance with the provisions of the Residential Design Codes. The reduced setback is considered to have minimal visual impact from the street and adjoining properties.

Front setback

The application includes a reduced average front setback of 3.25m in lieu of 4.5m. The total area of the dwelling protruding into the front setback is $5m^2$ and this is effectively compensated for within the open space a further 4.5m behind the primary street setback. Further the guidelines permit a minimum 3m front setback. Officer recommends approval of the reduced average front setback.

Fencing

The application includes 1000mm high fencing in the Conditional Development Area (CDA) and in the front setback. In accordance with the Design Guidelines a maximum height of 900mm is permitted in the front setback area and the CDA. Standard fencing conditions have been included to ensure compliance with the 900mm fencing requirements.

The plans also propose a 1000mm high fence within 2 metres of the shared staircase. It shall be conditioned that no fencing is permitted within 2 metres of the shared stair access to the canals.

Overheight Retaining Wall

The application includes a 1.3m high retaining wall in lieu of 0.75m in accordance with the provisions of the Exmouth Marina Precinct A Detailed Design Guidelines. The 1.3m retaining wall is setback 4m from the canal side of the second retaining wall. The intent of the 0.75m high retaining wall is to stagger development within the Conditional Development Area and to reduce visual impacts from the canal. The minimum setback for a retaining wall is 2m from the canal side of the second retaining wall. The 1.3m high retaining wall setback 4m from the canal side of the second retaining wall is consistent with the intent of design guidelines for the Exmouth Marina Precinct A.

Colour Palette

The applicant has not provided details regarding colours to be used. A standard condition has been included to ensure consistency with council's colour palette.

Stormwater

Details regarding drainage and stormwater have not been provided. This has been conditioned.

Landscaping

No details regarding landscaping have been provided. Landscaping plans are to be submitted and approved prior to occupancy. A standard condition has been included.

External Fittings and Fixtures

A standard condition has been included to ensure external fittings and fixtures will be screened from view of the public.

Considering the above, officers recommend that the Council of the Shire of Exmouth grant conditional planning approval for a dwelling upon Lot 353 (21) Kestrel Place, Exmouth.

CONSULTATION

In accordance with the requirements of the Exmouth Marina Village Precinct A Detailed Design Guidelines adjoining neighbours are to be consulted were modification to the design guidelines are requested. Adjacent properties were invited to comment on the proposed variation from Thursday 29 August 2013 to Thursday 12 September 2013. A summary is tabled below:

Received	Comment
Nil	
No objection	
Nil	
Nil	
	Nil No objection Nil

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Town Planning Scheme No.3 Planning and Development Act 2005

Residential Design Codes of Western Australia

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Local Planning Policy 6.2: Colour Palette for Developments

Local Planning Policy 6.16: Design Guidelines for Exmouth Marina Village Precinct 'A'

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Economic

Objective 1: To be a diverse and innovative economy with a range of local employment opportunities.

• Outcome 1.2 - Planned and balanced economic growth.

Environment

Objective 2: To have a balanced respect for our environment and heritage, both natural and built.

Civic Leadership

Objective 4: To work together as custodians for now and the future.

- Outcome 4.1: To be a collaborative community with the capacity to manage the current and future direction of Exmouth.
- Outcome 4.2: A local government that is respected, professional, trustworthy and accountable.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple Majority

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION – 10.6.3

That the Council of the Shire of Exmouth grant planning approval for a dwelling upon Lot 353 (21) Kestrel Place, Exmouth subject to the following conditions:-

- 1. The development being carried out generally in accordance with the approved plans (as amended) (PA102/13) and the Exmouth Marina Village Precinct 'A' Design Guidelines to the satisfaction of Council Officers;
- 2. Storm water being managed on site and/or discharged into the Shire's road drainage system, in accordance with Council Policy, the Building Code of Australia and to satisfaction of Council Officers;
- 3. The development having external colours consistent with Council's Policy (6.2) Colour Palette for Developments (attached);
- 4. A landscaping plan being submitted for the approval of Council and landscaping being established in accordance with that approved plan prior to occupation of the new building/s;
- 5. Any fencing within the front street setback area (including the street front boundary) shall not exceed 0.9 metres in height;
- 6. Solid side fencing within the Conditional Developable Area shall be a maximum height of 0.9m. A further 0.6m shall be open style (minimum 90% visually permeable) with a maximum total height of 1.5m, allowing for water to pass through below the 1:100 year flood level;
- 7. No fencing is permitted within two (2) metres of any shared stair access to the canals. Only open style fencing (minimum of 90% visually permeable) to a maximum of 1.2m in height is permissible within 2 metres setback from the canal side of the secondary retaining wall;
- 8. The total width of the crossover at street frontage between the road carriageway and the property boundary shall not exceed 40% of the frontage of the lot;
- 9. The retaining wall shall be setback 4m from the canal side of the second retaining wall and shall be a maximum height of 1300mm;
- 10. External clothes drying facilities, rubbish bin and all service fittings and fixtures shall not be visible from the public road;
- 11. Any development within 2m of the Conditional Development Area (CDA) shall be certified by a suitably qualified structural engineer;
- 12. The Nutrient Retention Area shall not be paved/sealed, but being used for garden purposes or covered with grated/permeable materials that allow for nutrient run off to be contained on-site;
- 13. No fertilisers, other than slow release granular fertilisers specially formulated to reduce nutrient run-off and nutrient infiltration into the water table, being used. No fertilizers being used in the Nutrient Retention Area;
- 14. No obstructions are permitted to restrict and/or hinder access along the canal edge footpath or the shared stairway providing access to the path and is subject to Council local laws;
- 15. Lot owners being responsible for ensuring that no materials deleterious to the water quality shall enter the canals;
- 16. In accordance with the Exmouth Vessel Management Plan, no toilet water, sewerage, bilge or other pollutant wastes being discharged into the canal waters. Boat wastes being disposed of at boat water disposal units provided by the relevant authorities or otherwise where permitted and specified by the authorities;
- 17. The owner of any canal frontage lot being responsible for the ongoing maintenance of the stabilised surfaces and revetment walls and private jetties within their lot. Each owner being responsible for the ongoing maintenance of any pontoon or jetty that gives access to that lot;
- 18. Moorings, jetties and similar structures shall not be erected or attached to the canal walls without the prior approval being obtained from the Shire of Exmouth and the Department of Transport;

- 19. All canal revetment walls along the canal frontage being kept in a structurally sound condition and not being altered, extended or removed without the prior written approval of the Council and the Department of Transport;
- 20. Any graffiti or paint or other un-natural markings shall be removed. The Council may direct the owners of lots adjoining/abutting the canals to maintain the canal interface to the requirements of the Department of Planning and Infrastructure;
- 21. No structural loading being placed on canal walls;
- 22. Any additional development not being in accordance with the original application or conditions of approval, as outlined above will require further approval by the Shire of Exmouth. Any commencement of development not subject of a current approval is an offence under the Shire of Exmouth Town Planning Scheme No.3;
- 23. Any substantial variation from the approved plans contained herein requires a separate planning approval. Should your plans for a building licence differ from these plans, a building licence may not be issued until such time as fresh planning approval is granted; and
- 24. The approval granted being valid for a period of two (2) years from the date of this approval. Should the use approved not substantially commence within this time, the approval will lapse.

<u>Advice</u>

- i. Prior to any construction, the applicant being required to obtain a building permit approval from the Shire of Exmouth.
- ii. Any future fencing being in accordance with the Design Guidelines and requires a building licence from the Shire of Exmouth.
- iii. All fencing shall be of adequate structural design to meet cyclone requirements.
- iv. Due to proximity of the development to the Exmouth Gulf and the possible exposure to high salt laden winds, it is recommended that all structural steel members and external steel cladding be of a type suitable for high saline environments in accordance with the BCA Volume 2.
- v. The 'Nutrient Retention Area' (NRA) is located above the top of the first (highest) retaining wall, and serves to ensure that nutrient run off from domestic uses is retained on site rather than entering the canal system. The NRA comprises an area 1.6m wide area located along the edge of the highest retaining wall constructed by the developer.
- vi. The applicant is advised that landscaping is to comprise of species of plants as defined within Councils Landscaping Policy.
- vii. The approval granted is not to be construed as approval granted under the Building Act 2011, Building Regulations 2012 or any other relevant statutory approval.
- viii. An applicant aggrieved by a decision of the Council in respect of the exercise of a discretionary power under the Scheme may appeal in accordance with the rules and regulations made pursuant to the Planning and Development Act 2005 (as amended). Any such appeal must be lodged within 28 days of the date of this decision to the State Administrative Tribunal (telephone 9219 3111 or 1300 306 017).

COUNCIL DECISION – 12-0913 – 10.6.3

Moved Councillor Thompson, Seconded Councillor Hood.

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- 2. Storm water being managed on site and/or discharged into the Shire's road drainage system, in accordance with Council Policy, the Building Code of Australia and to satisfaction of Council Officers;
- 3. The development having external colours consistent with Council's Policy (6.2) Colour Palette for Developments (attached);
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- 6. Solid side fencing within the Conditional Developable Area shall be a maximum height of 0.9m. A further 0.6m shall be open style (minimum 90% visually permeable) with a maximum total height of 1.5m, allowing for water to pass through below the 1:100 year flood level;
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<u>Advice</u>

- i. Prior to any construction, the applicant being required to obtain a building permit approval from the Shire of Exmouth.
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- viii. An applicant aggrieved by a decision of the Council in respect of the exercise of a discretionary power under the Scheme may appeal in accordance with the rules and regulations made pursuant to the Planning and Development Act 2005 (as amended). Any such appeal must be lodged within 28 days of the date of this decision to the State Administrative Tribunal (telephone 9219 3111 or 1300 306 017).

CARRIED 4/0

10. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

10.6 Executive Manager Town Planning

10.6.4 Creation of Public Access Routes - Bay of Rest and Sandy Bay 4WD Track, Exmouth

Location: Bay of Rest, Sandy Bay, Cape Range National Park, Exmouth

Gulf Pastoral Station Lot 1586

Applicant: Shire of Exmouth

File Reference:

Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Date: 5 September 2013

Author: Executive Manager Town Planning, Rhassel Mhasho

Signature of Author:

Senior Officer: Chief Executive Officer, Bill Price

SUMMARY

This report recommends that the Council of the Shire of Exmouth request the Minister for Lands create two Public Access Routes in accordance with the provisions of the Land Administration Act 1997.

- 1. From Sandy Bay on the Western Coast through the Cape Range National Park and Exmouth Gulf Pastoral Station connecting to Minilya-Exmouth Road; and
- 2. From Minilya-Exmouth Road through Exmouth Gulf Pastoral Station to the Bay of Rest. (Refer to *Attachment 9*).

BACKGROUND

In early 2012, the Shire of Exmouth assisted by funding from the Department of Planning, commissioned the preparation of a structure plan for the area extending from south of the Exmouth town site to south of Learmonth. The Structure Plan identifies the key issues and actions required to progress the subject land through more detailed planning and development processes.

Clause of the structure plan states

Management of the coast and foreshore should take into consideration the proliferation of recreational and management tracks and off-road vehicle use, with consideration being given to rationalisation of tracks and management of off road activity.

The Exmouth South Structure Plan also notes the following regarding Sandy Bay 4WD track and the Bay of Rest.

Sandy Bay 4WD Track:

- *Is one of few across the Cape Range;*
- An opportunity exists to formalise the track as 4WD tourism experience that showcases the national park and wilderness values from reef to range across the peninsula;
- Under the Cape Range National Park Management Plan No.65 2010, access to the top of the range in the short term should be from the western side only;
- The National park Management Plan also recommends access be subject to a permit or monitoring and management system that enables DEC to obtain information on the use levels and patterns and manage environmental impacts, visitor safety and visitor expectations;
- A revised alignment should be investigated outside defence boundary, following existing tracks and fence lines and providing a connection with Minilya Exmouth road; and
- Consultation with pastoral lease holders, DEC, Defence, Shire and other stakeholders would be required.

6.14 Sandy Bay 4WD track

- Objective The Sandy Bay track to become renowned as a four wheel drive tourism experience that showcases the Cape Range National Park and wilderness values 'from reef to range to gulf' across the North West Cape peninsula.
- Actions: 6.14.1 In consultation with DEC, the owners of Exmouth Gulf Station, Defence, Shire of
 Exmouth and other stakeholders formalise the existing Sandy Bay track as a 4WD tourism experience
 inclusive of a new eastern access from Minilya Exmouth road in the vicinity of the Krait memorial and a
 track alignment that avoids Defence land.

Bay of Rest and Gales Bay:

• The waters in these areas are known as highly productive fisheries including prawn nurseries. The Bay of Rest is a popular resting place for whales seasonally migrating along the WA coast. Dugongs, manta rays and other significant marine species also inhabit the area.

6..11 Pastoral Land – Action 6.11.5 creation or rationalization of public access agreements that grant a right of way for the use and benefit of the general public (e.g. to access isolated Crown land) should occur in consultation with the pastoral lease owners and have appropriate regard to the interests of the owners of the public.

Also Council engaged Taylor Burrell Barnett Town Planning and Design and Terra Rosa Cultural Resource Mapping as a consultant for preparing the Local Planning Strategy and Local Planning Scheme No. 4. On 18 June 2013 a Community Workshop was held which is the first phase of the community's involvement in the preparation of the Shire's new Local Planning Strategy, which will translate into the new Local Planning Scheme No. 4.

The Workshop was an information gathering session and used as a method for helping establish a set of principles in the form of issues, constraints and opportunities, selected by the attendees. One of the key outcomes from the community workshop was support for conservation with appropriate consultation, and greater accessibility for the community to Bay of rest and Gale Bay.

An existing informal track provides access between Sandy Bay on the Western Coast and Minilya Exmouth Road. The track cuts through the Cape Range National Park, Exmouth Gulf Station and Defence land close to Learmonth Airport.

COMMENT

The provision of formal access for locals and tourists to the coastal area was highlighted as an important issue in two strategic planning processes highlighted above. Currently there is an existing informal track providing access to the Bay of Rest from Minilya- Exmouth Road. The track cuts through the Exmouth Gulf Station. There is also an informal Sandy Bay 4WD track and informal Bay of Rest track providing access to significant natural tourist attractions for recreational activities. The 4WD track over the range is considered a significant attraction itself. Since these informal tracks pass through leased land there is a concern that the owners of these properties can block informal access to these areas.

One way of providing legal access across Crown land to remote sites of recreational or tourist interest (for example fishing or scenic spots), where a Local Government body does not wish to take responsibility for dedicated public roads is the creation of Pedestrian Access Routes (PARs).

The Land Administration Act defines a PAR as a form of statutory easement (in the nature of an easement under section 144 of the LAA) granted by the Minister in favour of members of the public generally for the purpose of providing members of the public with access through Crown land to an area of recreational or tourist interest, by order delivered after all necessary consents have been obtained. Division 3 -Section 64-65 of the Land Administration Act 1997, discusses in detail PARs. (Refer to *Attachment 10*)

In simple terms below are the important principles of PARs:

- No person can claim any loss or damage suffered while using or traversing on a PAR;
- Any person with an interest in the Crown land which the PAR traverses is not liable for any accidents, injuries, damages sustained while using the PAR;
- The rights and obligations of an interest holder over the crown land through which the PAR passes is retained;

- An interest holder is not entitled to any compensation for loss of value to his or her interest in the crown land, due to the creation of the PAR:
- It is an offence for persons using a PAR to hinder or obstruct the proper management of Crown Lands the subject of a PAR;
- It is an offence for PAR users to camp on a PAR or adjacent Crown land the subject of an interest, without the interest holders consent;
- It is an offence to camp on crown land without reasonable excuse and the permission of the Minister for Lands;
- There is no legal responsibility to construct and/or maintain a PAR. Any action undertaken by RDL, the local government or any other person to construct or maintain a PAR may incur liability outside the requirements of the LAA and should be considered carefully; and
- The public use a PAR entirely at their own risk.

Before the Minister will declare a PAR, the parties seeking the PAR must:

- Obtain consents of all interest holders of the crown land through which the PAR is proposed;
- Inform any native title claimants of a proposed declaration of a PAR. A declaration of a PAR should come within the intent of section 24LA(1) and (2) of the native title act 1993 and be a 'low impact future act' with no procedural rights applying; and
- Identify on a plan showing the exact location of the proposed PAR. A copy of the plan should be provided to RDL with the parties request.

Officer recommends that the Council of the Shire of Exmouth send a request to Department of Lands to initiate the creation of two (2) Public Access Routes between Sandy Bay and Minilya-Exmouth Road, and between Minilya-Exmouth Road and the Bay of Rest. Formalisation of Public Access Routes will provide access across the Cape Range and to the Bay of Rest to utilise existing tracks and fence lines and will reduce the proliferation of tracks.

CONSULTATION

Nil

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Land Administration Act 1997 Native Title Act 1993

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

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STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Economic

Objective 1: To be a diverse and innovative economy with a range of local employment opportunities.

• Outcome 1.2 - Planned and balanced economic growth.

Civic Leadership

Objective 4: To work together as custodians for now and the future.

- Outcome 4.1: To be a collaborative community with the capacity to manage the current and future direction of Exmouth.
- Outcome 4.2: A local government that is respected, professional, trustworthy and accountable.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple Majority

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION – 10.6.4

That the Council of the Shire of Exmouth send a request to the Department of Lands for the creation of two (2) public access routes between Sandy Bay and Minilya-Exmouth Road, and between Minilya-Exmouth Road and the Bay of Rest in accordance with the provisions of the Land Administration Act 1997 as indicated in Attachment 10.

COUNCIL DECISION - 13-0913 - 10.6.4

Moved Councillor Thompson, Seconded Councillor Hood.

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CARRIED 4/0

10. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

10.7 Executive Manager Engineering Services

10.7.1 General Report

Location: Exmouth

Applicant: Keith Woodward

File Reference: GV.ME.0
Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Date: September 2013

Author: Executive Manager Engineering Services, Keith Woodward

Signature of Author:

Senior Officer: Chief Executive Officer, Bill Price

SUMMARY

The following report contains a brief summary of significant activities, events and issues that were raised during the last month.

BACKGROUND

Exmouth Town Centre and Foreshore Revitalisation Plan, Hassell April 2012.

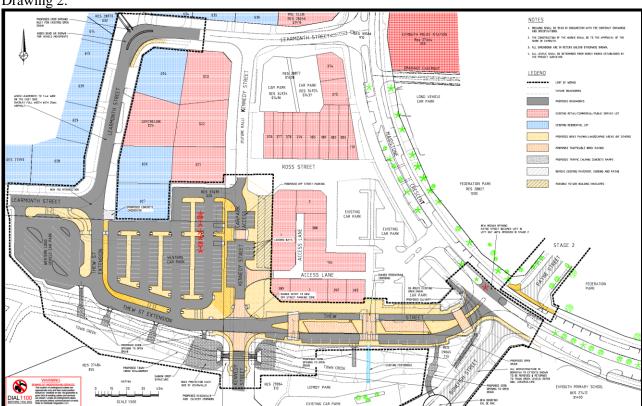
The tenders to re-construct the Town Centre road network and parking will be released in the next two months. The Town Centre re-development locations include Thew Street, Kennedy Street-Carparks and Learmonth Street. The road design accords with the Exmouth Town Centre and Foreshore Revitalisation Plan, Hassell April 2012 as per Drawing 1.

Drawing 2 shows the new Town Centre general arrangement. Additional design works have been undertaken regarding Thew Street, the general cut and fill levels and floodway drainage options. The Thew Street redesign example is shown on Drawing 2 and 3. The draft preliminary Gantt chart and Works Area plan is provided as *Attachment 1*, the 10 weeks construction phase under each work area will be rationalised when the construction tenderers submit their construction plans. Ideally the construction period would be limited to 3 months.

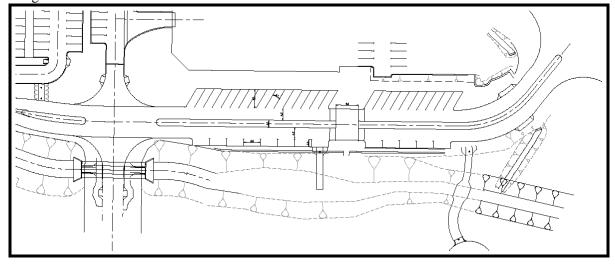


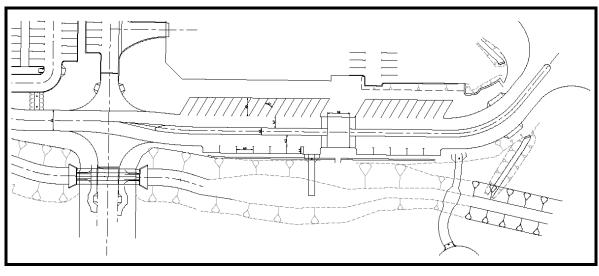


Drawing 2:



Drawing 3 and 4:





The Exmouth Town Centre and Foreshore Revitalisation Plan, Hassell April 2012 outlines the Town Beach landscaping design and development targets. The second stage of the Foreshore Revitalisation construction project is scheduled to commence with the tenders to re-construct the Town Beach landscaping being released in the next three months. Drawings 1 and 2 show the general arrangement plans. The landscaping works are designed to complement the first stage of works 'seawalls'.

A range of improvements to the existing town beach will include:

- Town Beach entry streetscape including new street lighting and tree planting; identifies arrival to town beach and gulf.
- Way finding, and art and interpretation located along pedestrian links and streetscapes.
- Upgraded existing toilet block.
- Formalised existing car park including vehicle access to the town beach.
- Pedestrian links to future development (eg: Norcape site) including beach access and boardwalks.
- Retaining wall and limestone revetment to protect existing infrastructure such as the car park and beach access, and new boardwalk, beach access and lighting.
- New amenities for beach goers including showers, shade shelters and BBQ facilities, seating, tables and night lighting.
- Irrigated turf parkland to the rear of the existing foredune, designed to cater for seasonal overtopping from foredune to turf. Fencing will be required to protect foredune rehabilitation along turf area and beach access.
- Car park/drop-off to centre of beach parkland.
- Stabilised gravel pathways connecting the town beach and yacht club, continuing the broader existing connections along the foreshore.
- Large sheltered area for event use e.g. weddings.
- Revegetation to both foredune and primary dune to increase stabilisation.
- Treeplanting in species mixes and planting groups to increase shade and limit impact of tree loss in potential cyclones/storms.

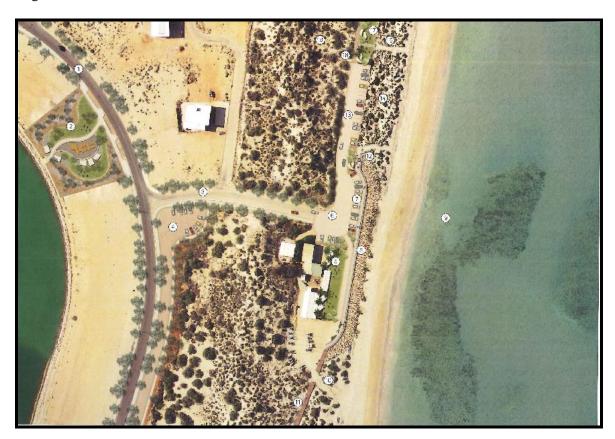
Beach extension to yacht club

- Irrigated turf areas will be increased behind the foredune, including shelters, barbeque facilities, seating, tables and night lighting.
- Formalised car park will be realigned further away from the shore line to allow foredune recovery and provide extra protection to the car park.
- Retaining wall and limestone revetment to protect existing infrastructure including Yacht club, car park, boardwalk, beach access and lighting.
- Yacht club entry streetscape.
- Yacht club overflow car park.
- Future development to yacht club, restaurant/kiosk/water hire.
- Upgrades to the yacht club beach access.
- Composite material board walk pedestrian link to Novotel Resort and marina.

Drawing 1:

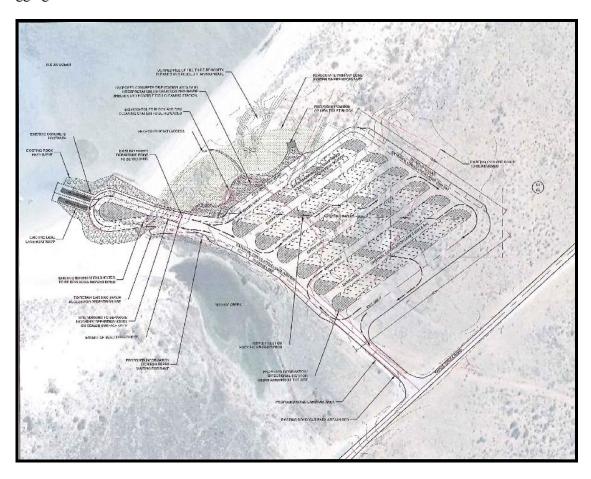


Drawing 2:



Tantabiddi Carpark, Sand Removal and Public Toilet

The Shire and Department of Parks and Wildlife through the Jurabi/Bundegi Coastal Parks and Muiron Islands Management Committee have developed the Tantabiddi Carpark design and are planning to construct the pathways and hardstands to accommodate the public toilet, interpretative information, fish cleaning table and the tourism bus parking area. The areas where the tourism buses currently park will be re-constructed as the 'Rigging Area'.



It was reported to Council in July 2013 "that record monthly rainfall impacted Exmouth. The associated rainfall caused the Tantabiddi catchment to discharge stormwater flow which subsequently flushed open 'stinky' creek on the southern side of the Tantabiddi Boat Ramp and Carpark. The stormwater forced sand from 'stinky' creek and the beach opposite into the Tantabiddi Boat Ramp area.

The Shire excavated an estimated 3,000m² of sand from the boat ramp area however increasing tides stopped works. It is estimated that there is 4,000m² of sand still to be removed. It is the Engineering Services intension to recommence the sand extraction works once the 2013/2014 Shire Budget has been adopted and the tides are favourable. In the interim it is expected that the sand accretion will cause problems launching and retrieving vessels on low tides."

The Shire is returning to Tantabiddi to excavate and cart sand on 22 to 25 September 2013.

Tantabiddi Toilets

The construction of the Tantabiddi toilets has been completed.

Revitalisation Projects-Town Beach Seawalls, Payne Street and Federation Park Stage 2

The construction of the Town Beach seawall, Payne Street and Federation Park has been completed.

Oval Sports Lighting

The construction of the sports lighting, transformer and power connect has been completed.

2013-2014 Engineering Services Construction Program

The Engineering Services Project Schedule 2013/2014 provides an overview of the project start and completion dates. It is important to note that staffing levels, contractor availability, private works and environmental conditions such as cyclone/floods influence the project timeframes.

Engineering Services 2013-2014					
Civil Maintenance/Capital		Actual Working Days	Start	Finish	Budget
Federation Park and Payne Street	Capital	35 days	1/7/13	22/8/13	
General Town Street Maintenance	Maintenance	20 days	22/8/13	23/9/13	\$225,847.00
Guide Posts/Signage/Pot Holes	Maintenance	20 days	22/8/13	23/9/13	\$0.00
Excavation Tantabiddi	Contract/Shire	7 days	22/9/13	2/10/13	\$15,000.00
Exmouth Aerodrome	Maintenance	5 days	23/9/13	1/10/13	\$189,382.00
Sand Removal Tantabiddi	Maintenance	9 days	1/10/13	14/10/13	\$20,000.00
Learmonth Airport	Maintenance	5 days	14/10/13	22/10/13	\$9,301.00
Ningaloo Access Road	Capital	8 days	22/10/13	5/11/13	\$47,057.00
Fire Breaks	Maintenance	3 days	5/11/13	8/11/13	\$26,058.00
Cyclone Verge Cleanup	Maintenance	10 days	5/11/13	20/11/13	\$45,825.00
Murat Road Palm Removal and Replanting	Capital	12 days	20/11/13	6/12/13	\$58,840.00
Murat Road Street Lights	Capital	12 days	20/11/13	6/12/13	\$175,000.00
Murat Road (North and South) Road Works	Capital/Maintenance	15 days	20/11/13	11/12/13	\$378,000.00
Bitumen Seal YCR, Murat, Lane and School, LAS, Learmonth	Capital	5 days	16/12/13	23/12/13	\$582,884.00
Disabled Access Cemetery	Capital	5 days	11/12/13	19/12/13	\$7,000.00
General Town Street Maintenance	Maintenance	5 days	19/12/13	31/12/13	\$0.00
Guide Posts/Signage/Pot Holes	Maintenance	5 days	19/12/13	31/12/13	\$0.00
Exmouth Aerodrome	Maintenance	3 days	31/12/13	7/1/14	\$0.00
Urban Storm Water	Maintenance	10 days	7/1/14	22/1/14	\$40,116.00
Yardie Creek Road Works	Capital	20 days	22/1/14	25/2/14	\$0.00
Coastal Beach Accesses, fencing, steps	Maintenance	10 days	25/2/14	13/3/14	\$0.00
General Town Street Maintenance	Maintenance	5 days	13/3/14	20/3/14	\$0.00
Guide Posts/Signage/Pot Holes	Maintenance	5 days	13/3/14	20/3/14	\$0.00
Exmouth Aerodrome	Maintenance	3 days	20/3/14	26/3/14	\$0.00
Charles Knife Road	Capital	30 days	26/3/14	15/5/14	\$204,318.00
Pot-shot and Krait War Memorials	Maintenance	5 days	15/5/14	23/5/14	\$0.00
Town Streets General Works	Maintenance	10 days	23/5/14	10/6/14	\$0.00
Exmouth Aerodrome	Maintenance	3 days	10/6/14	16/6/14	\$0.00
Training		10 days	16/6/14	1/7/14	\$0.00
Total					\$2,024,628.00
Capital					
Stokes Hughes Footpath	Contract	10 days	24/3/14	8/4/14	\$100,000.00
LIA Floodway	Contract	60 days	27/3/14	4/7/14	\$1,500,000.00
Total					\$1,600,000.00
Capital Revitalisation					
Kennedy Street Development of Mall	Contract	60 days	16/12/13	27/3/14	\$315,540.00
Kennedy Street Development of Carpark	Contract	60 days	16/12/13	27/3/14	\$682,680.00
Bonefish redevelopment of Carpark and link into	Contract	60 days	16/12/13	27/3/14	\$177,700.00
Maidstone Crescent					
Thew Street Development	Contract	60 days	16/12/13	27/3/14	\$1,187,565.00
Town Beach Landscaping	Shire/Contract	30 days	16/12/13	6/2/14	\$818,000.00
Marina Bridge Landscaping	Shire/Contract	30 days	16/12/13	6/2/14	\$532,994.00
Underground Power	Contract				\$200,000.00
Total					\$3,914,479.00
Grand Total					\$7,539,107.00
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CONSULTATION

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

As per Shire 2013-2014 Budget

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Economic

Objective 1: To be a diverse and innovative economy with a range of local employment opportunities.

• Outcome 1.5: Maintain & Improve Shire Infrastructure

Environment

Objective 2: To have a balanced respect for our environment and heritage, both natural and built.

• Outcome 2.5: To make Exmouth an attractive town that is a comfortable and welcoming place to live and visit, and reflects the lifestyle values and unique natural environment

Social

Objective 3: To be a dynamic, passionate and safe community valuing natural and cultural heritage.

• Outcome 3.2: Excellent lifestyle, recreational and cultural facilities.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple Majority

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION – 10.7.1

That the Council of the Shire of Exmouth receive the Executive Manager Engineering Services Report for the month of September 2013.

COUNCIL DECISION – 14-0913 – 10.7.1

Moved Councillor Thompson, Seconded Councillor Winzer.

That the Council of the Shire of Exmouth receive the Executive Manager Engineering Services Report for the month of September 2013.

CARRIED 4/0

11. ELECTED MEMBERS MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN
Nil

12. NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE INTRODUCED BY DECISION OF MEETING
Nil

13. MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED BEHIND CLOSED DOORS

Nil

14. CLOSURE OF MEETING

The Acting Shire President declared the meeting closed at 4.20pm.