

**AGENDA OF ORDINARY MEETING OF YARRIAMBIACK SHIRE COUNCIL TO BE HELD
ON WEDNESDAY 12 JUNE 2013 AT THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE 34 LYLE STREET
WARRACKNABEAL AT 9:30 AM**

1 WELCOME

2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We acknowledge the traditional owners of the land on which we meet today and pay our respect to both past and present elders.

3 PRAYER

Almighty God, without whom no Council can stand nor anything prosper we ask that you be present and guide us in our deliberations today. We pray that we will be fair in our judgements and wise in our actions and that decisions will be made with goodwill and a clear conscience for the betterment and welfare of the people of Yarriambiack Shire.

Amen

4 PRESENT

Crs K Zanker, H Ballentine, T Grange, A McLean, G Massey, L Woods, R Kingston, Ray Campling (Chief Executive Officer) & James Magee (Director Infrastructure & Planning).

5 APOLOGIES

6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Ordinary Meeting of Council – 8 May 2013

Closed Session of Council – 8 May 2013

7 DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

8 BUSINESS ARISING

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- 10.7 Infrastructure Services Report
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- 11.6 Wimmera Southern Mallee Regional Growth Plan
- 11.7 Community Group Financial Assistance Scheme Grants
- 11.8 Adoption of Council Plan 2013 – 2017
- 11.9 Request to Name Un-named Track in Murtoa
- 11.10 Request to Name Un-named Lane in Woomelang
- 11.11 SHARE Community Grant Evaluation, 5th Round
- 11.12 Proposed Planning Scheme Amendment C18
- 11.13 Town Planning Application TP 08-13
- 11.14 Approval of Section 86 Committee of Management, Woomelang Retirement Community Units and Delegation of Authority
- 11.15 Approval of Section 86 Committee of Management, Murtoa Housing Units and Delegation of Authority

10.1 Mayor's Report – prepared by Cr Kylie Zanker**Mayor Kylie Zanker**

9 May	Rural Northwest Health – Business Networking Meeting
10 May	Volunteering Western Victoria – Committee and Governance Meeting
14 May	Met with CEO Julie Pettett, Volunteering Western Victoria – various matters
17 May	Guest speaker at the Murtoa Probus Meeting
17 May	Volunteering Western Victoria Awards Night
18 May	Volunteering Pins of Appreciation distributed at local footy – Beulah / Hopetoun game
19 May	50 th Celebrations of the Senior Citizens in Warracknabeal – afternoon tea with Minister Peter Walsh and CEO Ray Campling
20 May	Interview with ABC Bush Telegraph
20 May	Met with Jaye Macumber (Manager Community, Business & Economic & Development) and had discussions regarding Warracknabeal Target Country Closure
21 May	Community Meeting with regard to Target Country Closure
21 May	Met with Target Management regarding Closure of the Warracknabeal Target Country Store
22 May	Met with CEO Ray Campling and Jaye Macumber with regard to Target closure and strategies for the future
23 May	Win News interview regarding Target Country Closure
20-26 May	I undertook numerous Melbourne radio interviews with community radio stations in relation to Warracknabeal Target Country Closure
30 May	University Ballarat Graduation Ceremony
3 June	Social Media in Small Business panel discussion
4 June	Met with Cr L Woods – various matters
6 June	Regional Development Australia Dinner in Horsham
8-9 June	Attended Hopetoun Hospital 70 th Birthday Dinner and Celebrations

Councillor's Reports**Cr G Massey**

22 May Council Forum

Cr A McLean

22 May Council Forum

5 June Attended the Sunraysia Highway Improvement Committee Meeting in Birchip

Cr L Woods

14 May Attended the Wimmera Development Association Board Meeting in Horsham

17 May Launched Yarriambiack Urban Professionals Network at the Commercial Hotel (now Creekside Hotel) in Warracknabeal

21 May Attended the Warracknabeal Neighbourhood House & Learning Centre Board Meeting with new Manager, Karen Fuller

22 May Council Forum

22 May Hosted Lisa Curry Community Session at the Warracknabeal Leisure Centre

23 May Attended Lisa Curry's Boot Camp Session at 6am with Mayor, Kylie Zanker

Cr H Ballentine

- 10 May Attended Motor Neurone Fundraiser at Rural Northwest Health Hopetoun Campus
- 13 May Gave support to upcoming 70th Birthday Celebrations of Health Services in Hopetoun
- 13 May Attended Hopetoun Senior Citizens Mother's Day Lunch
- 15 May Attended Beulah Progress Association Meeting
- 16 May Attended 75th Birthday of Beulah Country Women's Association
- 21 May Chaired Wimmera Mallee Tourism Meeting in Warracknabeal
- 29 May Attended Dinner at Ouyen with Rural Financial Counselling Service
- 29 May Attended Woomelang Biggest Morning Tea and Fashion Parade

Cr R Kingston

- 10 May Volunteer Governance Mentoring Program Steering Committee Meeting – Horsham
- 15 May Lighting the Regions Planning and Governance Meeting – Donald
- 15 May Meeting with CEO Julie Pettett, Volunteering Western Victoria – Horsham
- 16 May MAV State Council Meeting – Melbourne
- 22 May Council Forum
- 24 May Wimmera Mallee Sustainability Alliance Strategic Directions Meeting – Horsham
- 27 May Lighting the Regions Update Meeting – Teleconference
- 31 May North West Municipalities Association AGM and Meeting – Swan Hill
- 4 June Wimmera Housing Investment Steering Committee Meeting – Horsham

Cr T Grange

8 May	Formal Council Meeting
14 May	Wimmera Development Association (WDA) Executive Meeting – Horsham
14 May	WDA Board Meeting – Horsham
17 May	Volunteering Western Victoria Awards – Horsham
18 May	Presented Volunteer Awards to the Minyip/Murtoa Football/Netball Club and the Warracknabeal Football/Netball Club at Minyip
21 May	Wimmera Regional Transport Group Meeting – Horsham
22 May	Council Forum
22 May	Council Website Committee Meeting – Warracknabeal
29 May	No Interest Loan Scheme (NILS) and Step Up Microfinance explained – Warracknabeal. Finance for those in need - on many occasions clients need to make Statutory Declarations and no one from NILS were aware that some senior Council Officers and all sworn Councillors can sign Statutory Declarations
31 May	SHARE Meeting – Minyip
2 June	'I Love a Sunburnt Wimmera' function, Dooen Hotel. This was an artistic exploration of the Wimmera Landscape
3 June	Wimmera Streetlife Social Media in Small Business – Warracknabeal
5 June	Microfinance (NILS) and Step Up (finance for those in need explained) – Murtoa
6 June	Leadership Wimmera Alumni Video Testimonials Launch – Horsham
10 June	Wimmera Roadsafe Meeting – Horsham
11 June	WDA Board Meeting – Horsham

10.3 Chief Executive Officer, Activity Report – Prepared by Ray Campling

- Met with Dean Miller, North Western Municipality Association matters
- Attended Volunteering Western Victoria Function in Horsham
- Met with Tim Westcott, Department of Planning & Community Development – Regional Planning
- With Councillors L Woods and T Grange attended Wimmera Development Association Meeting
- Met with Marc Amos, Regional Development Victoria in Horsham
- Attended Rural Councils Victoria (RCV) Meeting in Melbourne
- Met with Maxine Morrison, RCV – Hopetoun Open Day
- Attended Western Victoria Volunteer’s Dinner at the Horsham Town Hall
- Attended Wimmera Southern Mallee Regional Plan Meeting in Horsham
- Met with Sally Clyde, Saines Lucas Solicitors – Woomelang Old General Store
- Met with Colin Kemp, Wimmera Development Association – various matters
- Met with Melissa Mitchell – Woomelang Old General Store
- Met with Tim Shaw, Executive Officer, Wimmera Southern Mallee Local Learning & Employment Network
- Attended Warracknabeal Senior Citizens’ 50th Anniversary Celebrations
- With Mayor Zanker and Jaye Macumber met with Target Executive Representatives
- Met with CEO David Preiss, Local Government Professionals Association
- Attended Grampians Regional Management Forum in Ararat
- Attended Lisa Curry visit at the Warracknabeal Leisure Centre
- Attended Funding Announcement by Minister Peter Walsh at the Brims Sports Centre
- Met with Gavin Mahoney, Municipal Association of Victoria – various matters
- Attended Gateway BEET Annual General Meeting in Hopetoun
- Attended Local Government Post Budget Partner Briefing by Minister for Local Government, Jeanette Powell
- Attended Regional Development Australia Grampians Dinner in Horsham

10.4 Director Infrastructure & Planning Report – Prepared by James Magee**Warracknabeal Weir Gates**

The final three weir gates have been installed at the Rainbow Road Weir in Warracknabeal. An impressive eight gates now regulate water at the structure. Only two gates were in place during the 2011 flood.

Speed Limits Review

VicRoads have a draft document out for comment at present. The main initiatives are a reduction in the number of speed limit zones. The 90km/hr and 70km/hr are proposed to be dropped. Generally these will revert to the next lower limit ie 80km/hr and 60km/hr.

There will also be greater flexibility for 40km/hr limits to be utilised. Currently significant physical constraints such as speed humps or chicanes are required.

Assets – Prepared by Mick Evans

- Developed Geographic Information System Mapping for Grading Program
- Started to develop draft 'Level of Service Plans' for the Assets Department
- Developed Road Condition Inspection Regime for 2013

OH&S

- Assist with a Risk Management Audit by AFS & Associates Pty Ltd

Environment – Prepared by Geoff Harvey

- Met Department of Sustainability & Environment staff re threatened species on roadsides
- Inspect street trees, Minyip and Hopetoun
- Met plumbers to obtain quotes for Local Government Energy Efficiency Program Grant to install energy efficient hot water systems on Council properties
- Met with Landcare staff re Roadside Pests Program
- Discussions with Contractors and Landcare members re Roadside Pests Program
- On site visit with Council works staff re threatened species on roadsides
- Attended Street Lighting Bid Meeting in Donald
- Attended Tech Services Meeting
- Obtained trees for Hopetoun Depot
- Arranged installation of prescience detectors in Shire Office
- Attended Emergency Management Committee Meeting
- Finalised and submitted grant application for Local Government Energy Efficiency Program
- Responded to various ratepayer requests/complaints

Technical Services – Prepared by Tony Brennan

- Processed various Civic Requests as needed
- Updated vehicle checklists and plant machinery checklists with vehicle changeovers as required
- Issue Road Opening Permits as needed for various minor/major works
- Monitor all 'Dial Before You Dig' enquiries throughout the Shire to assess if a Road Opening Permit is required
- Commenced process for the inclusion of an Asset Protection Permit into Local Laws and Road Opening Permit system to cover the cost of any damage to Council assets by contractors
- Use Plant Assessor Website to produce the correct Standard Operating Procedure Checklist and Pre-Operational Checklist for use by the plant operator, describing the type of plant being used
- Complete paperwork as required from the recent Civil Aviation Safety Authority Audit of the Hopetoun Aerodrome

Warracknabeal Regional Livestock Exchange

- Continue with ongoing works to extend fence/gate and race height as required at north end of complex
- Put together a Asset Service Plan for the Saleyards and Truckwash per supplied template from the Asset Engineer
- Continue negotiations with External Quality Assurance Scheme (Aust) Pty Ltd to update their OH&S manual to current standards

Risk & Safety Report – Prepared by Barry Sullivan

- Assisted in Worksafe inspections and documentation for the Hopetoun Depot and Minyip Swimming Pool
- Developed auditing procedures for the upcoming audits for all seven kindergartens in our Shire
- Assisted two Risk Management Officers in performing audits on each Council department re managements risk procedures and documentation
- Developed Risk Management Statements for Council Plan
- Redeveloped the Employee Personal Protective Equipment / Clothing Policy and developed a new Mental Health Policy. Keryn Grainger (from the Rupanyup Office) assisted on the development of the new Health and Wellbeing Policy
- Assisted Keryn Grainger in setting up the Work Health Program for staff to participate in June and July

Technical Support – Prepared by Nathan McLean

- Traffic Counter Operation
- Assisted the Design Engineer with surveying
- Letters re road name changes
- Community Project Letters
- Asset Asyst Inspection Data
- Capital Works Program Data Report
- Hopetoun Depot Project

Design – Prepared by John Boehm

Council Capital Works Program 2012/2013

Surveys, Design and Set Out:

- Pavement reconstruction and bitumen sealing to the Sea Lake Lascelles Road
- Concrete kerb & channel and bitumen seal to the parking lane for one block in Phillip Street, Beulah (shopping centre area)
- Continued works on drainage and concrete kerbing in Lloyd Street, Murtoa
- Section of concrete footpath replacement in Phillip Street, Warracknabeal (at the Town Hall) and the replacement of 50m of concrete kerbing (footpath works)
- Upgrade plans for the new Hopetoun Depot

Other Projects

- Investigations and surveys for updating the Beulah Flood Map
- A Site plan for the development of a Parkland Recreation Reserve at the Woomelang Wetlands Site ('Cronomby Tanks Allotment')
- Repair works to the concrete drain pit at the Brim Weir (works complete)
- Assessments and reports to Planning Applications, specifically covering engineering issues

10.5 Works Report – Prepared by Brian Poulton**Capital Works Program – Roads and Streets 2012-2013**

URBAN ROAD PROJECTS	% COMPLETE	START DATE	COMPLETION DATE	COMMENT
King Street Brim (\$119,715)	100%	November 2012	November 2012	Road Reconstruction & Seal - Shire
Byrne Street Yaapeet (\$8,400)	100%	September 2012	September 2012	Shoulder Reconstruction & Seal - Shire
Strachan Street Hopetoun (\$34,500)	100%	November 2012	December 2012	Road Reconstruction & Seal - Shire
Mandeville Street Hopetoun (\$11,025)	100%	July 2012	July 2012	Shoulder Reconstruction & Seal - Shire
Gladstone Street Beulah (\$7,700)	%	June 2013		Shoulder Reconstruction & Seal - Shire
Hope Road Hopetoun (\$8,610)	100%	July 2012	July 2012	Shoulder Reconstruction & Seal - Shire
Conran Street Hopetoun (\$8,750)	100%	July 2012	July 2012	Shoulder Reconstruction & Seal - Shire
Dingwell Street Beulah (\$8,820)	%	June 2013		Shoulder Reconstruction & Seal - Shire
Bell Street Beulah (\$1,680)	%	June 2013		Shoulder Reconstruction & Seal - Shire

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URBAN ROAD PROJECT	% COMPLETE	START DATE	COMPLETION DATE	COMMENT
Degenhardt Street Murtoa (\$9,775)	100%	May 2013	May 2013	Road Reconstruction & Seal - Shire
Friend Street Murtoa (\$32,775)	100%	January 2013	May 2013	Road Reconstruction & Seal - Shire
Munro Street Murtoa (\$13,110)	100%	May 2013	May 2013	Road Reconstruction & Seal - Shire
McDonald Street Murtoa (\$22,724)	100%	August 2012	September 2012	Road Reconstruction & Seal - Shire
Rabl Park Car Park Murtoa (\$15,000)	100%	May 2013	May 2013	Signage & Resurfacing
Cemetery Road Warracknabeal (\$117,300)	100%	November 2012	December 2012	Road & Shoulder Reconstruction - Shire
Gardiner Street Warracknabeal (\$51,117)	100%	November 2012	January 2013	Road Reconstruction & Seal - Shire
Pyers Street Warracknabeal (\$18,802)	100%	January 2013	February 2013	Road Reconstruction & Seal - Shire
Rose Street Warracknabeal (\$16,388)	100%	November 2012	November 2012	Road Reconstruction & Seal - Shire

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RURAL PROJECTS	% COMPLETE	START DATE	COMPLETION DATE	COMMENT
Bell Street Beulah (\$10,005)	20%	March 2013		Re-align & Construct Gravel Road shire
Galaquil West Road (\$29,932)	100%	February 2013	February 2013	Slurry Seal Contractor
Patchewollock – Temy Road (\$250,793)	100%	September 2012	November 2012	Road Reconstruction & Seal - Shire
Sea Lake - Lascelles (\$185,557)	90%	April 2013	June 2013	Road Reconstruction & Seal – Shire
Brim West Road (\$126,274)	100%	February 2013	February 2013	Cold Mix Seal Contractor
Galaquil East Road (\$323,050)	100%	February 2013	February 2013	Cold Mix Seal Contractor
Galaquil East Road (\$276,983)	100%	February 2013	February 2013	Cold Mix Seal Contractor
Lascelles West Road (\$86,521)	100%	April 2013	April 2013	Road Reconstruction & Seal – Shire
Harts Road Beulah (\$187,072)	100%	February 2013	March 2013	Road Reconstruction & Seal – Shire
Thomas Road Murtoa (\$276,400)	100%	February 2013	April 2013	Road Reconstruction & Seal – Shire
Ashen Jacksons Road (\$44,210)	100%	April 2013	May 2013	Road Reconstruction & Seal – Shire
Dimboola – Minyip Road (\$153,208)	100%	February 2013	March 2013	Road Reconstruction & Seal – Shire

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RURAL PROJECTS	% COMPLETE	START DATE	COMPLETION DATE	COMMENT
Glenorchy Road (\$214,782)	100%	January 2013	February 2013	Road Reconstruction & Seal - Shire
Minyip Rich Avon Road (\$66,396)	100%	October 2012	November 2012	Road Reconstruction & Seal - Shire
Minyip Rich Avon Road (\$33,527)	100%	October 2013	November 2012	Road Reconstruction & Seal - Shire
Mount Pleasant Road (\$50,276)	100%	February 2013	February 2013	Cold Mix Seal Contractor
Mount Pleasant Road (\$12,277)	100%	February 2013	February 2013	Cold Mix Seal Contractor
Cemetery Road Murtoa (\$168,365)	100%	November 2012	February 2013	Road Reconstruction & Seal - Shire
Lah Angle Road (\$389,344)	100%	September 2012	October 2012	Road Reconstruction & Seal - Shire

Footpath Program 2011/2012

PROJECT	% COMPLETE	START DATE	COMPLETION DATE	COMMENT
Foundry Street Minyip (\$14,582)	100%	February 2013	February 2013	Quarry Dust Maintenance
Wimmera Street Minyip (\$4,815)	100%	January 2013	February 2013	Quarry Dust Maintenance
McLeod Street Murtoa (\$6,007)	100%	February 2013	February 2013	Quarry Dust
Breen Street Murtoa (\$2,153)	100%	April 2013	May 2013	Quarry Dust Maintenance
Bowman Street Warracknabeal (\$2,770)	100%	April 2013	April 2013	Reseal Shire Maintenance
Jamouneau Street Warracknabeal (\$2,093)	100%	April 2013	April 2013	Concrete Maintenance
Miller Street Murtoa (\$7,383)	100%	April 2013	May 2013	Quarry Dust
Beggs Street Warracknabeal (\$10,047)	%	June 2013		Concrete
Coral Avenue Warracknabeal (\$11,861)	70%	May 2013		Concrete
Gardiner Street Warracknabeal (\$14,652)	100%	February 2013	April 2013	Concrete
Phillips Street Warracknabeal (\$15,000)	90%	May 2013		Concrete
Scott Street Warracknabeal (\$61,260)	100%	November 2012	May 2013	Concrete
Werrigar Street Warracknabeal (\$16,885)	100%	April 2013	April 2013	Concrete

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PROJECT	% COMPLETE	START DATE	COMPLETION DATE	COMMENT
Cumming Street Hopetoun (\$9,070)	100%	November 2012	November 2012	Concrete
Garrard Street Hopetoun (\$50,097)	100%	September 2012	November 2012	Concrete
Garrard Street – Cumming Street Hopetoun (\$8,254)	100%	November 2012	November 2012	Quarry Dust

Total Gravel Re-sheet Works 62.490km

Completed Works – May 2013

- *Dyer's Estate Road
- *Hurley Road
- *Ballentine Road
- *Pine Gully Road
- *Patchewollock – Tempy Road

Completed Gravel Re-sheet Works 59.070km

Gravel Shoulders

- *Blue Ribbon Road
- *Rupanyup Road

10.6 Community Services – Prepared by Gavin Blinman

Kindergartens

Good news at last on the Early Years Transport Report, the Department of Education & Early Childhood Development (DEECD) will now send a team up to meet with us locally and discuss the issues for transport and small rural kindergartens. We will probably arrange to meet with them in Hopetoun rather than Warracknabeal as then we can highlight the issues of distance.

Early June I attended a two day forum in Melbourne to discuss future planning for kindergartens.

Rupanyup has now been assessed under the National Quality Framework; we will know the results of the assessment in the next few weeks.

Aged and Disability

Survey results from the Meals on Wheels Program and Volunteer Transport have been collated. The feedback is very good and the services are both well received. Feedback relating to the meals will be passed on to the contracted agencies so they can look at their services.

Michelle (Aged & Disability Services Officer) has nearly finalised a newsletter as part of our Improving Livability for Older Persons Project [ILOP]. It will go out quarterly across the Shire and provide older citizens with information about what is happening in Yarriambiack Shire and their area.

The mapping of towns for gopher safe footpaths is complete and final drafts of handy maps are being developed.

The University of the 3rd Age, U3A Dunmunkle Branch is in place and developing their program. All ILOP goals are now near completion.

The community bus is slowly gaining numbers; at the recent Health Alliance Meeting a change of route was discussed to cover the town more efficiently.

The new Home & Community Care (HACC) staff timesheet and communication upgrade has commenced with training for office staff.

Memory Lane Café in Hopetoun was a great success with 30 people attending.

All HACC staff attended First Aid Training and CPR update this month.

Environmental Health / Local Laws

Council has received three enquiries from across the Shire in relation to individuals exploring the possibility of opening new food premises.

An additional hair dressing business has also commenced operation in the northern part of the Shire. Meetings have been undertaken with these individuals and relevant advice/registrations provided.

One complaint has been received this month after a customer alleged a food business proprietor was selling tobacco to underage children. This matter was investigated and is likely to be linked to a private dispute. Council will not be taking any action at this stage.

Onsite wastewater inspections have increased in May with four premises being completed, including two CFA Shed upgrades in Wilkur and Rosebery.

School immunisations have been undertaken across all appropriate schools in the Shire. Children received their second HPV vaccination, with these sessions including the administration of the vaccine to boys; an initiative that commenced this year.

During the month of May, Tim Rose (Environmental Health Officer) attended a Waste Water Forum in Ararat to discuss the new changes to the EPA Code of Practice relating to onsite waste water. He also attended the Grampians Region Quarterly EHO Meeting in Daylesford.

One outbreak of gastro was recorded at a nursing home facility. This matter was investigated and all appropriate information provided to the Department of Health.

Only five dogs in the pound this month, all of these were surrendered by their owners; four of these have now been rehoused.

Cats and Kittens continue to come in, with cat traps still being used across the Shire.

A dog attack on other animals occurred this month; the dogs have been euthanized and the owner will be fined.

The new Animal Management Plan has been initiated and will be completed by June.

The new Local Laws document is still with the legal advisors and the EHO and Ranger are communicating on sections that have been looked at by the legal firm.

Youth

This month Alistar Baker (Youth Worker) has continued his work with the Warracknabeal Secondary College to promote and develop the 'Engage Project'.

Currently, College staff and Alistar Baker are working on a major workshop and promotion to improve the 'Yarriambiack Has Talent' event.

A number of meetings have been held with staff at the Secondary College and the young people are now really taking on their roles of being involved in all planning and development of the programs.

Emergency Relief

This month we have seen seven people, four of these are first time clients to the Emergency Relief Program; this has been the trend each month, as at least 50% are first time or one off need clients. A number of these clients have been under 25 who are very transient in their lifestyle.

Council is supporting an application by Wimmera Uniting Care who is seeking funding to have a RARE Worker in the Buloke and Yarriambiack Shires. The RARE Program has been successfully working in Hindmarsh and West Wimmera Shires. RARE stands for Rural and Remote Engagement; a worker does cold calling and appointment visits with rural families and individuals on a range of issues. With the current rainfall situation the RARE Worker would be valuable to support farming families who may be stressed and going through an uncertain period.

Volunteer Transport

Seven people were transported 1828 kilometers this month, four from Warracknabeal and three from Hopetoun. Destinations included Ballarat, Hamilton, Horsham and Mildura.

Maternal and Child Health

Second round of the School Immunization Program is now complete.

Staff Hep B sessions have started with the first round completed.

Nanette attended a Maternal Child & Health Conference and is now looking at a few ideas from the conference to introduce, like funding to improve adult whooping cough immunizations.

Birth notifications are at 65 for the year.

10.7 Infrastructure Services Report – Prepared by Bernie Naylor

Free Green Waste Day

Council held our annual Free Green Waste Day on Sunday, 26 May 2013. The collection day was very well received by the rate payers with all transfer stations kept very busy, for example Warracknabeal took over 80 loads of Green Waste alone.

The following transfer stations were open for disposal of **Green Waste** during their normal operating hours:

Woomelang	Beulah	Rupanyup
Yaapeet	Murtoa	
Hopetoun	Warracknabeal	Minyip

Note: Patchewollock, Speed & Tempy were open on Saturday, 25 May 2013.

Transfer Stations were open for other types of waste as usual but normal charges applied.

Overnight Truck Parking

As advised at the April Council meeting, a number of complaints from residents particularly in Warracknabeal and Murtoa were received regarding large trucks parking in residential streets.

Our local police in Warracknabeal and Murtoa have taken action through verbal warnings and also notices on windscreens prior to prosecution.

Council has now erected signage at the southern end of the Warracknabeal Saleyards to dedicate this area for overnight truck parking.

Council has also ordered signage for the area adjoining the caravan parking area in Minyip for overnight truck parking as well, following a meeting with the Progress Committee.

Gardiner Street Drainage Pump

The Gardiner Street, Warracknabeal storm water pumping station upgrade commenced on Thursday, 30 May 2013.

As reported previously to Council following the major rain events and the issues we had in Gardiner Street regarding storm water drainage for that particular area, Council has engaged Rob Hudson from Midbrook Constructions to undertake the upgrade at the pump station.

Works will include installation of a second pump being a of 225mm submersible pump. This pump has approximately six times the output of the existing pump and will become the primary pump with the existing pump being a backup in large rain events.

The cost of these works to install a second pump including concrete form work will be \$42,000 to undertake these works.

Warracknabeal Swimming Pool

Council has undertaken extensive testing to ascertain where the swimming pool has been leaking from.

The results from these investigations provided the following results:-

- Major leak at the expansion joint on the centre of the filtered water return line at the start of the incline is delaminating.
- Main filtered water line pipe from main pool shell to pump in plant room heavily corroded and showing some signs of leaking.

Council has obtained quotations to undertake the following works:-

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| Stage 1 - | * | Removal of all water from main pool shell |
| | * | Scour and jet clean six meters of filtered water line in centre of pool from incline |
| | * | Reline the existing filtered water line with a synthetic impervious lining |
| | * | Reinstate fresh water holes in return line through the new reline |
| Stage 2 | * | Scour and jet clean 40 meters of cast iron piping from main pool to main pump in plant room |
| | * | Reline the existing filtered water line with a synthetic impervious lining |

Council has applied for funding through the "Seasonal Pool Funding" under the 2014/2015 Community Facility Funding Program.

This funding program is two for one, total cost of works \$65,800.

10.8 Economic & Community Development Report – Prepared by Jaye Macumber

Meetings Attended

03/05/2013	Craig Klemm, BuildPro Horsham – re Emma's Café, Minyip
07/05/2013	Hopetoun Open Day
07/05/2013	Tammy McDonald – re Wimmera Development Association, Horsham
08/05/2013	Charee Bolwell – re Rupanyup Flood Concert
08/05/2013	Andy Morcom – Warracknabeal Yarriambiack Creek Committee
08/05/2013	Jenny Moore – Wimmera Grain Company
08/05/2013	SHARE Evaluation
08/05/2013	Colin Barber – re Woomelang Lascelles Football Club
13/05/2013	David Grigg – Murtoa Progress Association
13/05/2013	Rupanyup Consultative Committee
14/05/2013	Bill Polman – IGA Beulah
14/05/2013	Prue McCredden – Beulah Business Centre
15/05/2013	Hanna Buteyanna – re Funding for 2014 Music Concert in Warracknabeal
16/05/2013	Pauline Fay – Regional Development Victoria
16/05/2013	Keith Boschen – re Minyip Bushland Reserve Resurfacing Project
17/05/2013	Yarriambiack Urban Professionals Launch Night
21/05/2013	Tim Muir – Target Corporate Affairs Advisor
22/05/2013	Lisa Curry – Information Evening
23/05/2013	Pauline Fay – Regional Development Victoria
24/05/2013	AFL Victoria Local Government Forum
26/05/2013	Commercial Hotel / Creekside Hotel re-naming
28/05/2013	Geoff Lovell – re Speed Field Days
28/05/2013	Barry Osler – Hooz on Main (Commercial Hotel Minyip)
28/05/2013	Mark Schache – re Lake Marma Committee
29/05/2013	Willhomena Dutsche – re Warracknabeal Lutheran Church Music Concert
29/05/2013	Pauline Mitchell - re New Business in Warracknabeal
29/05/2013	Opportunities for Microfinance in Business Warracknabeal Event
29/05/2013	Jenny Taylor – Warracknabeal Town Hall Committee
30/05/2013	Adrian Tyler – Rupanyup Consultative Committee
30/05/2013	Claire Morgan – Rupanyup Living
30/05/2013	Adam McKenzie – Tuff Equipment Minyip
31/05/2013	Alan McLean – Warracknabeal Anzac Park Trustees
31/05/2013	Jane Hatcher – Hopetoun Gateway Beet
31/05/2013	Melinda Petschel – Brad Petschel Auto Electrician Hopetoun
03/06/2013	Dan Carr – Warracknabeal Secondary College Business Class
03/06/2013	Streetlife Warracknabeal Businesses Event
03/06/2013	Warracknabeal Action Group (WAG)
04/06/2013	Small Town Enhancement Project (STEP)
05/06/2013	Opportunities for Microfinance in Business Dunmunkle Event

Community Development

Lisa Curry visited Murtoa, Minyip and Warracknabeal on May 13 and 14 – over 100 people in attendance at the night meeting and 30 people participated in the following morning's boot-camp. Thursday included a visit to Woodbine by Lisa.

Grant Application inquiries received and Shire assistance provided to Community Groups from: Patchewollock, Lascelles, Murtoa, Woomelang, Minyip, Beulah, Warracknabeal, Hopetoun and Brim.

Community Projects

Flood Story Boards

- Frames being manufactured
- Graphic art for signs in progress
- Completion planned for June
- Opening function planned for each town

Footbridge over Yarriambiack Creek in Warracknabeal

- Waiting on approval of Expression of Interest (EOI) from Regional Development Victoria (RDV)

Woomelang Cronomby Tanks Walking Track Development

- Walking tracks and car park have been gravelled
- Currently investigating options for a toilet

Warracknabeal Lutheran Church African Music Event

- Working with Church Committee on scoping the project

Warracknabeal Memorial Swimming Pool Pipe Work Upgrade

- Preparing EOI application for the project

Warracknabeal Schools Music Workshop

- Working with Hanna Butuyuyu on scoping the project

Minyip Bushland Reserve Resurfacing Project

- EOI supported by RDV
- Funding application completed and submitted to RDV

Murtoa Lake Marma BBQ

- Being scoped by Community Group
- EOI being prepared by Community Group

Patchewollock Music Event

- EOI supported by RDV
- Application to be completed

Minyip Emma's Cafe Upgrade

- Quotes have been obtained

Business & Economic Development**Hopetoun Industrial Estate**

Currently waiting on approval of Expression of Interest by Regional Development Victoria

Target Country Warracknabeal**20/05/2013 – “Target Country Warracknabeal Store to Close”**

“Target Australia today announced the upcoming closure of its Target Country store in Scott Street, Warracknabeal. As a result of a mandatory upgrade to the site, the extensive ongoing maintenance works required and poor financial performance; the store will not trade beyond Friday 31 May. Target Country Warracknabeal has been serving members of the local community since 1951 and during that time, it has been a fixture in the area's retail precinct.

Target Australia's Southern Region Manager, Greg Howell, said closing the store was a difficult decision for the company. "The decision to close our Warracknabeal store was the result of careful consideration and it was not taken lightly," he said. "After 62 years of committed service to the local community, our team will be saddened to say farewell." "Following the recent opening of the Wimmera's first full-line Target store in Horsham, all 14 Warracknabeal team members will be offered a role at that store. Where our team members would prefer to continue working in Warracknabeal and surrounds, a thorough outplacement process will explore employment opportunities with fellow Wesfarmers businesses," Greg continued. Members of the Warracknabeal community will continue to have access to the region's other stores in Horsham and Ararat, in addition to the extensive range of merchandise available at Target's online store at target.com.au.

Customers with laybys at the store will be contacted directly to discuss their options.

Town meeting held at Yarriambiack Shire Council Offices.

Facebook page started “SAVE Target Country Warracknabeal”

22/05/2013 – “As part of our ongoing discussions, statement from Greg Howell as Target Australia's Victorian Regional Manager; As a result of the feedback we have received from the Warracknabeal community, we have made the decision to delay the closure of our current Target Country store in Scott Street until Friday, 21 June. We'll continue our open communication with the Yarriambiack Shire Council regarding this announcement.”

27/05/2013 – Signatures from the online and pen signed petitions. 3,392 names, plus many, many letters of support were all sent to Targets' Corporate Affairs Office in North Geelong. Research will be made into business alternatives **IF** the June 21, 2013 closure is not revoked.

Community Projects – Prepared by Dennis Smith**Country Football and Netball Program 2011/2012**

The Hopetoun Netball Courts Upgrade project has been completed and grant acquittal documentation will now be prepared.

Putting Locals First Program

The application for funding to upgrade the heating and cooling systems at the Brim Sports and Social Club has been approved with a grant of \$15,775 for a total project cost of \$21,036. We are now waiting for the Funding Agreement.

Country Football and Netball Program 2012/2013

A full application for the Minyip Murtoa Football Netball Club to upgrade the existing lighting to meet the minimum training illumination standard at the Murtoa Recreation Reserve has been prepared and submitted. The application requests a grant of \$100,000 for a total project cost of \$153,230.

Community Facilities Funding Program 2013/2014

The two projects submitted under this grant program have now been approved. The Beulah Bowling Club Synthetic Surface project grant is \$100,000 for a total project cost of \$152,300 and the Hopetoun Cricket Club Practice Facilities grant is \$22,400 for a total project cost of \$33,600. Signed Activity Schedules for each project have been returned to Department of Planning & Community Development and works can commence after 1 July, dependent on contractor availability.

Community Facilities Funding Program 2014/2015

The process in applying for funding to the Community Facilities Funding Program next round has been changed to a two stage application process. Subsequently, a Project Proposal for the Murtoa Bowling Club Synthetic Green Installation has been prepared and submitted to Sport & Recreation Victoria, with a grant requested of \$100,000 for a total project cost of \$153,000.

Beulah Recreation Reserve Lighting Upgrade

This project is now complete and grant acquittal documentation will be prepared over the forthcoming weeks.

Murtoa Angling Club Clubhouse

Internal works, tank installation, veranda and paving are completed, the fishing platform upgrade is well underway and the pathway will be constructed at completion of the fishing platform. Anticipated completion of the remaining work is the end of August.

Hopetoun Golf Club Synthetic Tees

This project is now complete and grant acquittal documentation will be prepared over the forthcoming weeks.

Warracknabeal Streetscape Stage Three

This project is now complete, with only the acknowledgement sign to be arranged, and when remaining invoices are received, and processed, acquittal documentation will be prepared.

Warracknabeal Golf Club Clubhouse Redevelopment

Work on the construction of the disabled toilet facility and the upgrade to the ladies locker room have commenced and will be ongoing over the next two months, with the construction of the disabled access and men's locker room upgrades expected to be completed late August / early September.

SHARE Program (Sustainable Healthy Adaptable Resilient Engaged) – Prepared by Marianne Ferguson**Beulah Community Planning Forum**

Beulah will host a Community Planning Forum in the Supper Room of the Memorial Hall on Wednesday, 10 July at 7.30pm. Ideas generated from the forum will be utilised to update the Beulah Community Action Plan.

Go Online: A Start up Guide for Business Workshop

The above mentioned workshop will be held at the Woomelang Community Centre on Tuesday, 18 June at 6.30pm. The workshop will incorporate setting up a website, using social media, e-business basics and how to communicate with customers online.

Jackie Mac Park Woomelang

Landscaping works are underway at the Jackie Mac Park in Woomelang. New paving, gypsum paths, seating and fencing will complement the newly installed playground.

Mallee Bush Retreat

The Lake Lascelles / Corrong Committee of Management is currently working on an Expression of Interest to obtain funding from the 'Putting Locals First Program' for the fifth stage of the development, that will see the construction of a 'Single Man's Quarters' and a custom built, self serve 'Information Kiosk'.

Woomelang Caravan Park

Renovation works have begun at the Woomelang Caravan Park. The renovations will include the installation of showers, tiles and new fixtures.

Yarriambiack Open Day

The Yarriambiack Open Day was held on Saturday, 4 May 2013 to encourage potential new residents to visit the Yarriambiack Shire. The heart of the Open Day was based at the Mallee Bush Retreat on the foreshore of Lake Lascelles in Hopetoun. The Open Day provided an opportunity for participants to tour townships, explore local facilities and communicate with local champions. Feedback from the event was extremely positive and the Yarriambiack Alive! Facebook Page will continue to promote the Shire as an appealing destination for potential residents.

Yarriambiack Tourism Association

The Yaapeet brochure is now complete and being circulated throughout the region. The Yarriambiack Tourism Facebook Page continues to grow and currently has 138 'Likes'. The Yarriambiack Tourism Logo is now complete and can be viewed at www.yarriambiack.vic.gov.au

11 REPORTS FOR DECISION

11.1 Finance Report – Prepared by Anita McFarlane

The Finance Report as at May 2013 will be tabled.

Recommendation

The Finance Report as at May 2013 be received.

11.2 Revenue Report – Prepared by Chantelle Pitt

The Revenue Report as at June 2013 will be tabled.

Recommendation

The Revenue Report as at June 2013 be received.

11.3 Draft Budget 2013-2014 – prepared by Anita McFarlane (*Tabled*)

The Draft Budget 2013–2014 is presented to Council for consideration.

Recommendation

That Council gives Public Notice as required under Section 127 of the Local Government Act 1989 that the 2013/2014 Budget has been prepared.

11.4 Contract No C176/2013 – Loan Borrowings 2013 - Prepared by Anita McFarlane

Currently Council has an outstanding unfunded superannuation liability of \$2,104,861. Council has agreed to repay this unfunded liability by using Long Service Leave investments, current savings in the 2012/13 budget and taking out a loan.

Council engaged the services of Andrew Whitmore from Whitmore Consulting to do an independent tender document and evaluation for the purpose of obtaining the best interest rate for a loan for either \$500,000 or \$750,000.

Council received four (4) tenders for the above mentioned contract.

At the Closed Session of the Council meeting held on Wednesday, 8 May 2013 Council evaluated the tenders for Contract C176/2013.

Following the evaluation it was recommended that Council borrow \$500,000 from the National Australia Bank over 5 years.

Council is now required to Sign and Seal the loan documents.

Recommendation

That Council Sign and Seal the loan documents with the National Australia Bank for \$500,000.

11.5 Mayoral and Councillor Allowance Review – Prepared by Ray Campling

Summary

This report details Council's obligation and the consultation process for setting the Councillor and Mayoral Allowances.

Rationale

As per section 74 of the *Local Government Act 1989* (the Act) Council must review and determine the level of the Councillor Allowance and the Mayoral Allowance within six months of the General Election.

Councillors receive an allowance that is fixed by an order of Council. There are three category ranges which are based on the revenue and population base of each Council. Yarriambiack Shire Council is within Category One. A majority of Councils in Category One have set the Councillor Allowance at the top end of the range specified by the Minister. Yarriambiack Shire Council has also in the past set its allowances at the top end of the range.

Under Section 73B of the Act the Minister must at least once every year, review the limits and ranges of Councillor and Mayoral Allowances. As at 27 October 2012 the adjusted limits and ranges for Category One approved by the Minister for Local Government are:

Councillor Allowance: \$7,542 - \$17,969 per annum
Mayoral Allowance: \$53,684 per annum

At the Council Meeting held 8 May 2013 Council resolved to:-

1. In accordance with notification published under Section 73B of the Local Government Act 1989 in the Victorian Government Gazette on 26 October 2012 adopt the Councillor Allowance of \$17,969 and the Mayoral Allowance of \$53,684.
2. Authorise the Councillor and Mayoral Allowances to be placed on public exhibition for 28 days in accordance with Section 223 of the Local Government Act 1989.
3. Following public exhibition, receive a report to Council to consider any submissions received and adopt Councillor and Mayoral Allowances.

A public consultation process was instigated and the proposed allowances were advertised in the Warracknabeal Herald and Council's Website inviting public submissions from 26 April to 29 May 2013. At conclusion of the public comment period, no submissions had been received in respect to the proposed Councillor and Mayoral Allowances.

Legislation, Council Plan, Strategy and Policy Implications

Local Government Act 1989

Options

1. That Council in accordance with notification published under Section 73B of the Act in the Government Gazette on 26 October 2012 adopt the Councillor Allowance of \$17,969 and the Mayoral Allowance of \$53,684.
2. That Council reject the Councillor Allowance of \$17,969 and the Mayoral Allowance of \$53,684.

Consultation

As per section 74(4) of the Act, Council is required to call for submissions as per section 223 of the Act. This entails publishing a public notice outlining the decision of Council and allowing at least 28 days for submissions to be received. A submitter may request to be heard at a meeting of Council where their submission is considered.

Reference Documents

Victorian Government Gazette – No S 360 Friday 26 October 2012

Recommendation

Council resolves to:

1. Adopt the Councillor Allowance of \$17,969 and the Mayoral Allowance of \$53,684 in accordance with notification published under Section 73B of the Local Government Act 1989 in the Victorian Government Gazette on 26 October May 2012.

11.6 Wimmera Southern Mallee Regional Growth Plan – Prepared by Ray Camping

Purpose

To provide Councillors with information about the development of the Wimmera Southern Mallee Regional Growth Plan and seek endorsement of the plan as the region's strategic framework for growth and land use planning.

Background

1. Regional growth plans are being prepared for Victoria's eight regions as the next stage of planning for growth and change across Victoria.
2. The Wimmera Southern Mallee Regional Growth Plan (the plan) has been developed in partnership between Local Government, state agencies and authorities.
3. The plan has been developed to facilitate economic development and population growth throughout the region. It will provide Councils with a clear regional land use context to inform and influence future local strategic planning, scheme amendments and local decisions. This includes providing justification for future planning scheme amendments and developments which are consistent with the plan.
4. The plan provides land use planning responses to the strategic directions and actions identified in the Wimmera Southern Mallee Regional Strategic Plan prepared in 2010. This plan identified the need to undertake regional scale planning strategies to provide a common approach to land use issues affecting the Wimmera Southern Mallee.
5. The plan identifies preferred locations for particular activities or development in both rural and urban areas. It does this by examining existing economic, environmental, and social issues and trends, looking at how these might change in the future. The plan takes a long term, strategic approach by setting out a vision over a 30 year timeframe. In particular the plan:
 - Establishes at a regional scale where future development will be encouraged
 - Provides direction for accommodating change and additional land requirements for residential, employment, industrial, commercial and primary industry uses
 - Identifies important regional environmental, economic, community and cultural resources to be preserved, maintained or developed
 - Identifies key regional needs for future infrastructure planning and investment to support growth
6. The plan does not generally provide direction at a local level; this is the role of Council's normal planning functions and processes such as structure planning, municipal strategic statements and other strategic projects, and the issuing of planning permits.
7. The plan has been developed over a two year period to allow for extensive consideration of the issues affecting the region, existing strategies, drivers of future change and views of stakeholders and the community. The development of the plan has included the following key stages:

- a. Establishment of governance arrangements involving councils and other key agencies
 - b. Development of issues papers to build an evidence base of data, issues and policy
 - c. Setting the strategic directions of the plan. This included the preparation of a brochure for public consultation which set out a proposed vision, principles and key directions for the plan. Public consultation on the brochure occurred from 30 March 2012 to 27 April 2012
 - d. Development of the draft plan and background report. The draft plan was subject to public consultation from 19 November 2012 to 21 December 2012
 - e. Finalisation of the plan. Submissions have been considered and the plan updated
8. The final plan has been considered and endorsed by the Project Steering Committee to be considered for adoption by all Councils in the region.
9. Once adopted by Councils, the Project Steering Committee will send the plan to the Minister for Planning for approval.

Discussion

10. The plan has been prepared by the project team in close collaboration with council officers and key agencies including Government Departments, Water Authorities, Catchment Management Authorities and the Wimmera Development Association. All councils in the Wimmera Southern Mallee region are represented on the plan's Project Steering Committee and Technical Working Group and have had a significant input into the direction and content of the plan.
11. It is intended that the plan be used to support regional and local infrastructure planning and investment which help implement the directions of the plan.
12. It is expected that the plan will be referenced or included in planning schemes to aid its implementation.
13. The plan includes future directions and land use actions in relation to the following matters:
- **Economic Development** – this includes rural land use, agriculture, industry, energy, tourism and commercial activity
 - **Environment** – this includes landscapes, water, natural hazards and key environmental assets
 - **Settlement** – this includes identifying the regional settlement network, planning for key towns and managing smaller and rural settlements
 - **Infrastructure** – this includes transport, social infrastructure and utilities
14. The principles guiding the direction of the plan are as follows:
- Growth should be encouraged throughout the region to create a network of integrated and prosperous settlements
 - Key centres should be a focus to manage population change and access to services
 - Ecological health and rural landscapes should be enhanced
 - Key agricultural resources should be protected, productivity maintained, and the development of industry supported

- The region's assets should be used to facilitate the diversification of the economy and ensure a resilient community
 - Planning should support adaptation to changes in climate
 - The development of distinct settlements should be supported to create healthy, attractive and liveable communities
 - Opportunities for growth should be identified to facilitate appropriate local development
 - Infrastructure required to support growth should be identified
15. Opportunities for growth are a central focus of the plan, both in relation to the regional economy and key towns. The plan seeks to build on existing assets and key opportunities such as renewable energy, nature-based tourism and diversification of the agricultural sector to provide a long term framework for economic development and growth.
16. Major environmental and resource assets are also identified to ensure that these are considered in future planning.
17. The liveability of the region is also a key direction of the plan with a focus on ensuring that residents have access to a variety of housing options throughout the region and appropriate infrastructure. This will help attract and retain families and skilled workers.
18. There is detailed consideration of the region's ten largest towns including identifying whether additional land may be required for residential or employment purposes and other key strategic issues or initiatives that will assist, or affect their long term growth. The plan considers the role of settlements in a regional context, including how they service other centres within their local community of interest. It identifies that these largest settlements will play an important role in providing a critical population mass for the delivery of services and facilities and the attraction of new residents and industry.

Communication

19. The plan has been under development since June 2011. Stakeholders and the broader community have been involved at various stages of the plan's development.
20. There were two stages of public consultation as part of the project. These were conducted as part of establishing the plan's strategic directions in March-April 2012 and as part of the preparation of the draft plan in November-December 2012. These provided an extensive range of feedback and suggestions which have assisted in the plan's development and refinement.
21. A framework for the project's approach to consultation was established through the development of a community engagement strategy guided by the IAP2 spectrum of public consultation.
22. Generally, consultation and engagement included a website, brochures, newsletters, face-to-face briefings, online questionnaires, hard-copy questionnaires, telephone interviews, and advertisements placed in locally circulating newspapers across the region.
23. The project team has undertaken a number of meetings with councillors and Council officers during the development of the plan.

Financial

24. There is no impact on Council's budget. All costs in the preparation of the plan have been borne by the Department of Planning and Community Development.
25. Department of Planning & Community Development will prepare the amendments that introduce the Regional Growth Plan into planning schemes, including any consequential changes to the LPPF needed to give them effect, however will not include MSS reviews.
26. Council and other agencies may use the plan to help seek future funding and investment in infrastructure or other planning which supports the directions of the plan.

Recommendation

That Council:

- a. Adopt the Wimmera Southern Mallee Regional Growth Plan as endorsed by the Wimmera Southern Mallee Regional Growth Plan Project Steering Group; and
- b. Request the Minister for Planning to approve the Wimmera Southern Mallee Regional Growth Plan as adopted and consult with Wimmera Southern Mallee Councils on implementation into planning schemes.

11.7 Community Group Financial Assistance Scheme Grants – Prepared by Ray Campling

Council received a total of twenty applications for funding under this scheme. The total amount requested by the various organisations is \$9,625. The total budget for this round of funding is \$10,000 and as a consequence all the applicants are eligible to receive their requested amount.

SUMMARY OF APPLICATIONS RECEIVED – JUNE 2013 ROUND OF FUNDING

COMMUNITY GROUP	PROJECT DETAILS	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT RECOMMENDED
Beulah Historical Learning & Progress Association	To paint the inside of their premises (77 Phillips Street)	\$500	\$500
Brim Lions Club	To upgrade the Redda Park showers and toilet Facilities	\$500	\$500
Brim Memorial Bowling Club	To laser the bowling green	\$500	\$500
Lake Lascelles / Corrong Committee of Management	Purchase of filing cabinet and chairs	\$500	\$500
Hopetoun RSL	Installation of two large glass entrance doors	\$500	\$500
Hopetoun Swimming Club	Purchase of blinds for the office and kitchen	\$500	\$500
Lascelles Progress Association	To purchase a gate for between the caravan park and Memorial Park to secure the playground and BBQ area	\$500	\$500
Minyip & District Historical Society	Restore and repair stain glass window and door	\$445	\$445
Minyip Lawn Bowls Club	Upgrade player and spectator seating area	\$472	\$472
Minyip Mens Shed	Purchase of a small fridge	\$275	\$275
Minyip Memorial Hall Inc	To replace aging ceiling fans in the main hall	\$488	\$488
Minyip Murtoa Football & Netball Club	To re-sheet the walls of the Murtoa Netball Clubroom	\$500	\$500
Minyip Progress Association Inc	Provide signage at the Minyip Caravan Park	\$500	\$500
Murtoa & District Historical Society/Community Museum Inc	Metal sign outside Concordia Building showing significant dates in relation to the Concordia School	\$445	\$445
Murtoa Show Yards Reserve Committee of Management	To fit gutter guard to spouting of the clubrooms	\$500	\$500
SLAAM – Murtoa & District Neighbourhood House	Purchase of a filing cabinet and two new wave multi cookers	\$500	\$500
Anglican Church – Parish of Warracknabeal	Contribution towards the construction of a ramp to enable improved access to the church	\$500	\$500
Warracknabeal & District Historical Society	To purchase a research and computer desk	\$500	\$500

YARRIAMBIACK SHIRE COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING

AGENDA

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COMMUNITY GROUP	PROJECT DETAILS	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT RECOMMENDED
Warracknabeal Lions Club	To purchase a notebook computer and accounting software	\$500	\$500
Warracknabeal Neighbourhood House & Learning Centre	Painting of walls to assist disabled clients particularly sight impaired	\$500	\$500
	Total	\$9,625	\$9,625

Recommendation

That Council endorses and approve the payment of the above grants to a total of \$9,625.

**11.8 Adoption of Council Plan 2013 – 2017 (Tabled) – Prepared by Ray
Campling**

At the Forum Meeting of Council held on Wednesday, 22 May 2013 Council reviewed the Council Plan 2013 -2017.

Recommendation

The Council Plan 2013 - 2017 be adopted.

11.9 Request to Name Un-named Track in Murtoa – Prepared by Nathan McLean

Council received correspondence from Jenny and Barry Williams on the 23 November 2012 proposing recognition for the Uhe pioneers for their contribution as founding German settlers in Murtoa.

Jenny and Barry proposed that an un-named track running through Rabl Park on the west side from Breen Street to the Wimmera Highway opposite the original Uhe selection be named the “Uhe Track”.

Council advertised in all relevant local papers and invited comments or objections from any interested parties as per the Geographic Names Guidelines and no comments or objections were received.

Recommendation

That Council adopt the name “Uhe Track” and continue due process with Geographic Names.

11.10 Request to Name Un-named Lane in Woomelang – Prepared by Nathan McLean

Council received correspondence from Col Bailey on 2 March 2013 requesting consideration to be given, to honour the name of World War I Soldier, Private William Bailey who made the ultimate sacrifice in battle. The naming of this currently un-named lane in Woomelang would be recognition for the name that exists in the community today.

Col Bailey wishes to propose the un-named Lane linking Dettman Lane to Roberts Street in Woomelang be named “Bailey Lane”.

Council advertised in all relevant local papers and invited comments or objections from any interested parties as per the Geographic Names Guidelines and no comments or objections were received.

Recommendation

That Council adopt the name “Bailey Lane” and continue due process with Geographic Names.

11.11 SHARE Community Grant Evaluation, 5th Round – Prepared by Marianne Ferguson

The SHARE Community Grant, 5th Round Evaluations took place on Wednesday, 8 May 2013. The evaluation panel consisted of Cr Lisa Woods, Cr Graeme Massey, Cr Terry Grange, Manager Community, Business & Economic Development, Jaye Macumber and Community Development Officer, Marianne Ferguson. 18 applications were assessed with 10 applications recommended for funding. The total requested amount from all applications combined was \$52,180. A total of \$27,443 Inc. GST is proposed to be distributed amongst successful projects across the Shire.

APPLICATION NO.	NAME OF ORGANISATION	DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST	FUNDING ALLOCATED
1	Friends of Wyperfeld National Park Inc	Purchase data projector and screen	\$1,500
2	Hopetoun & District Historical Society Inc	Development and printing of promotional brochures for Corrong Homestead	\$1,290
3	Hopetoun Cemetery Trust	Purchase small lawn mower	\$ 650
4	Minyip Recreation Reserve Committee of Management	Upgrades to the secretary office, time keepers, scorers and associated access areas	\$2,500
5	Murtoa Progress Association	Installation of a Recreational Vehicle Dump Point	\$5,000
6	Patchewollock Progress Association	Oaks Day musician/entertainer and catering	\$3,000
7	Rupanyup Unit Vic SES	Purchase lap top computer and wireless printer	\$ 703
8	Warracknabeal Apex Club Inc	Purchase soft fall, red gum edging and concrete	\$3,000
9	Warracknabeal Town Hall Committee of Management	Kitchen upgrades	\$4,800
10	Yaapeet Community Club	Purchase paint and colour bond to upgrade the community centre building	\$5,000
			\$27,443 Inc GST

Recommendation

That Council approve the above nominated projects under the 2012/2013 SHARE Community Grant Program.

11.12 Proposed Planning Scheme Amendment C18 – Prepared by David Young

Applicant: CPG on behalf Department of Education and Early Childhood Development.

Summary

In March Council approved Planning Scheme Amendment C18 and sent it to the Department of Planning and Community Development.

Council resolved to:

“Request the Minister for Planning; approve Planning Scheme Amendment C18 as advertised.

Moved Cr T Grange seconded Cr R Kingston that Council request the Minister for Planning approve Planning Scheme Amendment C18 as advertised.”

The Department of Planning and Community Development have now advised Council that they are not prepared to accept the amendment as adopted by Council as it does not have the word **ADOPT** in the recommendation. Department of Planning and Community Development require Council ensure that “it should be clear that an amendment is adopted.” within its adopted recommendation.”

Therefore this report is presented again to Council for approval with the word **ADOPT** in the recommendation.

Introduction

Council is requested to consider giving final approval to an amendment to the Yarriambiack Planning Scheme for various parcels of land, mainly to do with the disused Murtoa Primary School.

Background

CPG on behalf Department of Education and Early Childhood Development has requested Council to rezone the former Murtoa Primary School and two adjoining properties from a Public Use Zone Schedule 2 to a Township Zone and correct the Heritage description of the land. See appendix 1.0- Location Plan and Current Zone Plan.

The former Murtoa Primary School is located on land at the corner of Duncan and Degenhardt Streets in Murtoa and is known as 20 Cromie Street, Murtoa - Crown Allotment 1, Section 6 Murtoa. The adjoining site at 17 Duncan Street and part of the adjoining lot at 19 Duncan Street and the school site are currently zoned Public Use Zone - Schedule 2: Education.

This rezoning will ensure consistency with State Government policy which requires any Department land deemed surplus to requirements be rezoned to its underlying zone prior to sale.

The amendment proposes to amend the schedule to the heritage overlay applying to this site and associated sites to correctly reflect the site by making the following changes:

- Moving H037 to the actual Mechanics Institute site at 35 Duncan Street
- Moving H043 from 70 Duncan Street to the former school site at 20 Cromie Street

Council is therefore requested to initiate an amendment to the Planning Scheme Maps, see attached, and Ordinance for the following:

Proposal

The amendment proposes to:

1. rezone land know as:
 - Crown Allotment 1 Section 6 Murtoa, 17 Duncan Street, Murtoa
 - Crown Allotment 1A, Section 6 Murtoa and 19 Duncan Street
 - Lot 1, TP663913
from a Public Use Zone Schedule 2 to a Township Zone
2. amend the schedule to the heritage overlay applying to this site and associated sites to correctly reflect the site by making the following changes:
 - Moving H037 to the actual Mechanics Institute site at 35 Duncan Street
 - Moving H043 from 70 Duncan Street to the former school site at 20 Cromie Street

Officer Comments and Strategic Assessment

Why is the amendment required?

The amendment proposes to rezone the former school site and its neighbouring properties from the Public Use Zone 2 - Education to the Township Zone that is considered to be its underlying zone. The new zone will facilitate the future sale and redevelopment of the property that has been identified by the State Government as being surplus to requirements for education. The amendment proposes to amend the Schedule to the Heritage Overlay to ensure it correctly covers the significant aspects of the former school site.

The applicant has advised Council that "The rezoning of the site to its underlying zone will allow the Department of Education and Early Childhood Development to comply with State Government policy regarding surplus department land. This policy requires that surplus land is rezoned to its underlying zone before offered for sale."

The changes to the overlay and zoning will ensure that the land can be sold and is covered by the most appropriate planning controls. The amendment will allow the former school site to be sold and developed for the future development of the Murtoa Township.

Does the amendment implement the objectives of planning and address any environmental, social and economic effects?

The proposed amendment implements the planning objectives as it will provide for the redevelopment and use of vacant land and fully utilize current infrastructure. The amendment will have positive social and economic effects as it will facilitate the redevelopment of the site and encourage its use for residential development that will respect and reflect the surrounding residential neighbourhood character.

There should be no significant environmental effects from this rezoning amendment and the site is not considered to have any significant environmental constraints.

Does the amendment comply with the requirements of any Minister's Direction applicable to the amendment?

The amendment complies with the requirements of the Ministerial Direction on the Form and Content of Planning Schemes and is accompanied by the relevant information.

Does the amendment support or implement the SPPF?

The applicant has advised that "by amending the planning scheme to allow the use of an underutilised piece of land within the Murtoa the amendment supports the following objectives of the SPPF:

- Planning is to anticipate and respond to the needs of existing and future communities (Clause 11)
- Planning is to facilitate sustainable development that takes full advantage of existing settlement patterns and facilities (Clause 11)
- Developing networks of settlements that will support resilient communities and the ability to adapt and change (Clause 11.05-1)
- Providing for appropriately located supplies of residential, commercial and industrial land across a region, sufficient to meet community needs (Clause 11.05-1)
- Directing housing growth into existing settlements (Clause 11 .05-3)
- Directing growth to locations where utility, transport, commercial and social infrastructure and services are available or can be provided in the most efficient and sustainable manner (Clause 11.05-4)
- Improving the availability of a diverse range of affordable accommodation, including social housing, in locations with good access to transport, commercial facilities and community services (Clause 11.05-4)
- To promote a housing market that meets community needs (Clause 16.01 -1); and
- Increase the supply of housing in existing urban areas by facilitating increased housing yield in appropriate locations, including under-utilised urban land (Clause 16.01-1)"

The amendment does and supports these objectives of the SPPF as it responds to the changing needs for Murtoa and the community. The location of the subject land is consistent with Clause 11 as it will allow for sustainable development in an already serviced area.

By correcting anomalies in heritage overlay mapping the amendment supports the following objectives of the SPPF:

- To ensure the conservation of places of heritage significance (Clause 15.03-1)
- Provide for the conservation and enhancement of those places which are of, aesthetic, archaeological, architectural, cultural, scientific, or social significance, or otherwise of special cultural value (Clause 15.03-1); and
- Retain those elements that contribute to the importance of the heritage place Clause 15.03-1)

Does the amendment support or implement the LPPF?

The amendment implements and supports the MSS AS IT allows for land to be release within the township of Murtoa to that has previously been constrained from future development. The amendment also implements the heritage strategies of Clause 21.08-5, which seek to ensure the protection, maintenance and enhancement of heritage assets and features by continuing to protect the original school building. The correction of the heritage overlay mapping will ensure the heritage overlay is appropriately applied to the relevant sites in Murtoa.

The amendment will implement the objectives of Clause 22.01-1, which seeks to consolidate existing township areas by maximising development opportunities within these areas.

Does the amendment make proper use of the VPP?

The amendment utilises the most appropriate VPP tools in the form of rezoning the land to Township Zone and correcting errors in the application of the Heritage Overlay.

Is the amendment consistent with any relevant planning practice note?

The amendment is consistent with applying the Heritage Overlay, as it corrects errors within the Schedule to the overlay.

How does the amendment address the views of any relevant agency?

Exhibition of the amendment will allow for any relevant agency to submit their view which will be considered as part of the amendment process.

Does the amendment address relevant requirements of the Transport Integration Act 2010?

The proposed amendment will have no significant impact on the transport system as defined under section 3 of the Transport Integration Act 2010.

There are no applicable statements relating to the proposal under section 22 of the Transport Integration Act 2010.

What impact will the new planning provisions have on the resource and administrative costs of the responsible authority?

The impact of the proposed amendment on the resource and administrative costs of Council will be limited. Council is required to carry out all administrative requirements in relation to amendments. Council should ensure the applicant agrees to meet any cost associated with panel hearings, preparation of documents and advertising.

Process for Planning Scheme Amendments

Planning Scheme amendments are required to follow a statutory process as set out under the Planning and Environment Act 87. This is as follows:

1. Authorisation

Council seeks the Ministers approval to prepare an amendment to the planning scheme.

2. Preparation

Information about preliminary investigation, strategic assessment, consultation and preparation of the amendment documentation are carried out.

3. Exhibition

Public exhibition of the amendment is carried out for a minimum of 30 days unless an exemption to advertising is requested.

4. Submissions

If submissions received an independent panel is commissioned to consider the amendment.

5. Adoption

Council considers whether to adopt or abandon the amendment once submissions and panel report are received.

6. Approval

The amendment is submitted to the Minister for approval and the Minister's consideration and decision or if approved Council may approve the amendment.

Submission

Council received one submission from Spiire (CPG Australia) supporting the application. As the submissions was a letter of support for the proposal Council is not required to request a planning panel, appointed by the Minister for Planning, review the submission and the proposed amendment.

Conclusion

The former Murtoa School site has been disused for a number of years and has been allowed to fall in to a state of disrepair. The Department of Education and Early Childhood Development have now identified the land as being surplus to requirements and wish to sell the land on the open market. In order for this to occur the land needs to be rezoned to its underlying zone and a correction made to the Heritage Overlay.

The applicant has stated that the proposed amendment seeks to:"

- It allows for the future use of the surplus former school site for a range of township purposes
- It corrects anomalies within the Schedule to the Heritage Overlay which will ensure the appropriate future protection of the brick school building and other significant sites in the area
- It provides additional semi-vacant land for development within the boundaries of the Murtoa Township, thus reducing development pressure on its fringes
- It is an appropriate use of the Victoria Planning Provisions
- It will have a positive impact on the community socially, economically and environmentally
- It will allow for the future sale of the former school site in line with Stage government policy regarding public land disposal"

As there have been no negative submissions received on the proposed amendment and based on the information provided and Council's own desire to see the site redeveloped the application should be supported.

Recommendation

That Council:

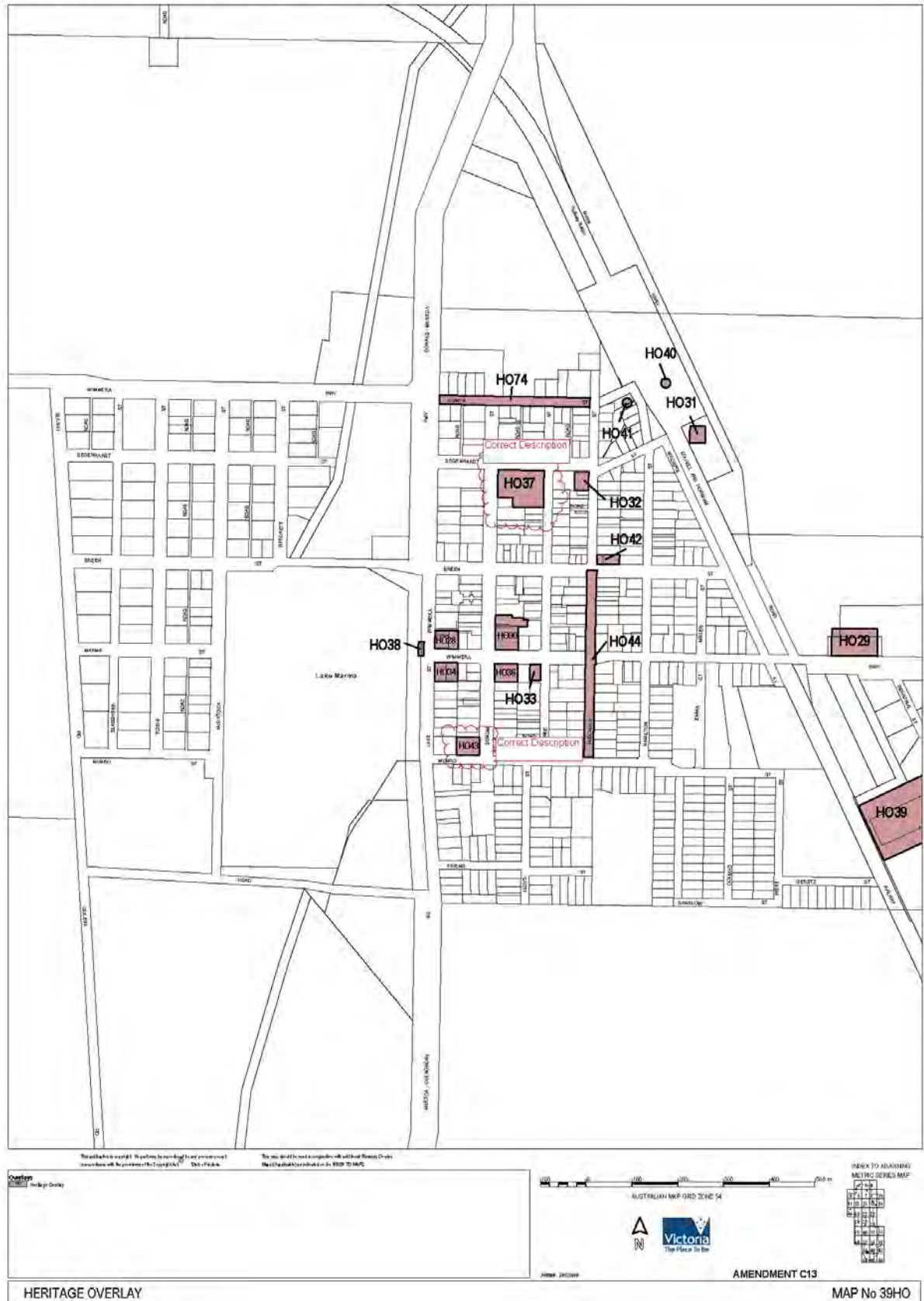
- **ADOPT** Amendment C18 pursuant to section 29 of the Planning and Environment Act 1987.
- Request the Minister for Planning approve Planning Scheme Amendment C18 to the Yarriambiack Planning Scheme under section 35 of the Planning and Environment Act 1987.

Appendix 1.0 Location and Current Zone Plan



Appendix 2.0 Heritage Changes

YARRIAMBIACK PLANNING SCHEME - LOCAL PROVISION



11.13 Town Planning Application TP 08-13 – Prepared by David Young

Applicant's Name:	David Mathews on behalf of Wimmera Grain Company PTY LTD		
Land/Address:	Lot 1 TP 170979 Wimmera HWY Rupanyup		
Owners Name:	Wimmera Grain Company PTY LTD		
Proposal: Planning Scheme Definition	To Develop the land by the erection of 4 * 280 metric tonnes cone bottom silos to be used in conjunction with a Rural industry "Land used to handle, treat, process, or pack agricultural produce;"		
Why is a planning permit required?	Development of Land Associated with a Section 2 Use 35-07.4		
Zone	Farming Zone	Overlay	Nil

Introduction

David Mathews on behalf of Wimmera Grain Company PTY LTD has lodged an application for the land to be developed by the erection of 4 * 280 metric tonnes cone bottom silos to be used in conjunction with a Rural Industry. (See appendix 1.0 Development Plan).

Background

Wimmera Grain Company PTY LTD has established a Rural Industrial business on land in the Township of Rupanyup. Anecdotal evidence suggest the business started from a small shed and has grown from this point without serious consideration being given to expansion and impacts on surrounding uses. Past applications have received objections based on the current operations of the facility and its impact on residential uses. In considering this application Council will need to be mindful that future expansion plans do not create a worsening situation. Council will also need to investigate the site to determine if appropriate permits have been issued that cover the Use and Development of the land and what can be done to minimise impacts on surrounding properties.

Subject Site & Locality

The site fronts Wimmera Highway via an easement and has one main access points from Stewart Street, Rupanyup. Wimmera Grain do not use the carriageway easement from the Wimmera Highway for access. The land is currently being used as a processing and packaging plant. The land contains a number of sheds and associated buildings and other structures. The property is connected to the relevant services.

The subject land contains a large shed used for the storage of grain. Previously Council issued a planning permit for a Subdivision that required vehicle traffic to come into the site from the Wimmera Highway. The subdivision has not been finalized as Wimmera Grain does not want to use this access which would alleviate traffic from the urban roads.

Surrounding land consists of residential dwellings to the north-west and west. Recreation land to the north-east and rural land to the south-east. (See appendix 2.0 Site and Locality Plan).

Public Notification

The application was required to be advertised pursuant to Section 52 of the Planning and Environment Act 1987 as it was deemed that material detriment may be created through the issuing of a planning permit.

One objection has been received regarding the application. The concerns raised in the objections relate to the current practices occurring on the site and not the application at hand.

The objections can be summarised as:

1. Wimmera Grain is having a significant impact on residential uses through its current operations
2. The development will not improve these impacts
3. Does not meet environmental considerations
4. Non compliance with other conditions on the site

(See Appendix 3.0 Objection letters)

Referrals

External Referrals/Notices Required by the Planning Scheme:

Referrals/Notice	Advice/Response/Conditions
Section 55 Referrals	Nil
Section 52 notices	General Advertising

Assessment**The zoning of the land and any relevant overlay provisions**

The subject land associated with this application is zoned Farming Zone and features no Overlays. The majority of Wimmera Grains operation is also constructed within a Township Zone.

Purpose of Farming Zone

- To implement the State Planning Policy Framework and the Local Planning Policy Framework, including the Municipal Strategic Statement and local planning policies
- To provide for the use of land for agriculture
- To encourage the retention of productive agricultural land
- To ensure that non-agricultural uses, particularly dwellings, do not adversely affect the use of land for agriculture
- To encourage use and development of land based on comprehensive and sustainable land management practices and infrastructure provision
- To protect and enhance natural resources and the biodiversity of the area

The State Planning Policy Framework (SPPF)**Agricultural Objective**

- To ensure that the State's agricultural base is protected from the unplanned loss of productive agricultural land due to permanent changes of land use and to enable protection of productive farmland which is of strategic significance in the local or regional context

17.05-2 General implementation (part)

- Permanent removal of productive agricultural land from the State's agricultural base must not be undertaken without consideration of its economic importance for the agricultural production and processing sectors
- Planning should support effective agricultural production and processing infrastructure, rural industry and farm-related retailing and assist genuine farming enterprises to adjust flexibly to market changes
- Planning should provide encouragement for sustainable agriculture and support and assist the development of innovative approaches to sustainable practices
- Subdivision of productive agricultural land should not detract from the long-term productive capacity of the land

**The Local Planning Policy Framework (LPPF) - including the Municipal Strategic Statement (MSS) and local planning policies
Policies**

It is policy that in considering an application for use or development (including subdivision) in rural areas, the responsible authority will implement the following policies:

- The retention of the resource of agricultural land in productive units will be preferred and the fragmentation of land will be strongly discouraged
- Use and development of agricultural land will ensure the long term sustainable management of the natural resources and environment that support the agricultural use of land, together with the productive potential of the agricultural land
- The capability and suitability of agricultural land will be considered in the assessment of use and development proposals. The use and development of agricultural land will make the optimum use of the productive potential of the land
- Use and development, including subdivision, which is in support of sustainable agriculture and improved land management will be strongly supported
- Agricultural land will be protected as an economic and environmentally valuable resource. Conversion of land to non-soil based use will be strongly discouraged unless there is not another suitable site for the proposed use and overwhelming public benefit is demonstrated

Officer Assessment

Both the State and Local Planning Policy Framework generally support the establishment of uses that will assist in the economic well being of the rural and township areas. The Local Planning Policy Framework supports the development of the rural area in a sustainable manner that will not impact of the economic well being or agricultural land. Wimmera Grain plays an important part in the economic development of Rupanyup. However, Council must ensure any development considered potential and long term impacts on surrounding land uses.

The proposed development its self should not impact on the orderly planning of the area and the current uses and development. As the subject site adjoins the recreational reserve and farming land and not residential development.

The proposed development is not expected to have an impact on the amenity of the area as the land is already being used for agricultural processing. However, if the silos are used to store additional grain and then trucked back to the processing shed, close to the existing residential areas, than the chance of affecting the amenity of the residential area is increased. The subject site is in close proximity to the recreation reserve however, the proposed development should not impact of the use of the reserve.

The Local Planning Policy Framework supports the development of the rural area in a sustainable manner that will not impact of the economic well being or agricultural land. In this instance the separation, or loss, of agricultural land will actual assist in the production of an agricultural service industry.

The proposed development will support agricultural production through the use of the site for seed processing. Purchase of seed from surrounding farms as well as processing will ensure economic benefits in employment and flow on to other service industries. The proposed development should not impede the continue operation of the adjoining farm land nor the township of Rupanyup.

Objections

The letter objection states that the silos, even located behind the recreation reserve, will still impact on them as the grain that will be stores will still be trucked back to the processing facility behind their house. This intern will increase noise and dust. Also that:

- inadequate drainage on the WIMMERA Grain site is causing water to flow into their own property
- Wimmera Grain has failed to comply with previous agreements

Wimmera Grain has stated in their reply to the objections that the new silos will remove export container grain away from residential areas thus reducing current and potential impacts.

That drainage is an issue for the township, however, Wimmera Grain has tried to elevate potential drainage issues and sort the help of a drainage expert. When question about the drainage expert Wimmera Grain could provide any further details. From the on site inspection many of the drains internally require cleaning or reconstruction and lack an overall drainage outcome.

Conclusion

Non compliance with previous permits, overall drainage issues not associated with the proposal and current operations are matters that need to be address by Council other than through this process. Even thought the comments raised are considered important the application only deals with the erection of the four silos and potential impact from the development.

Based on the above assessment it is recommended that Council support the application.

Recommendation

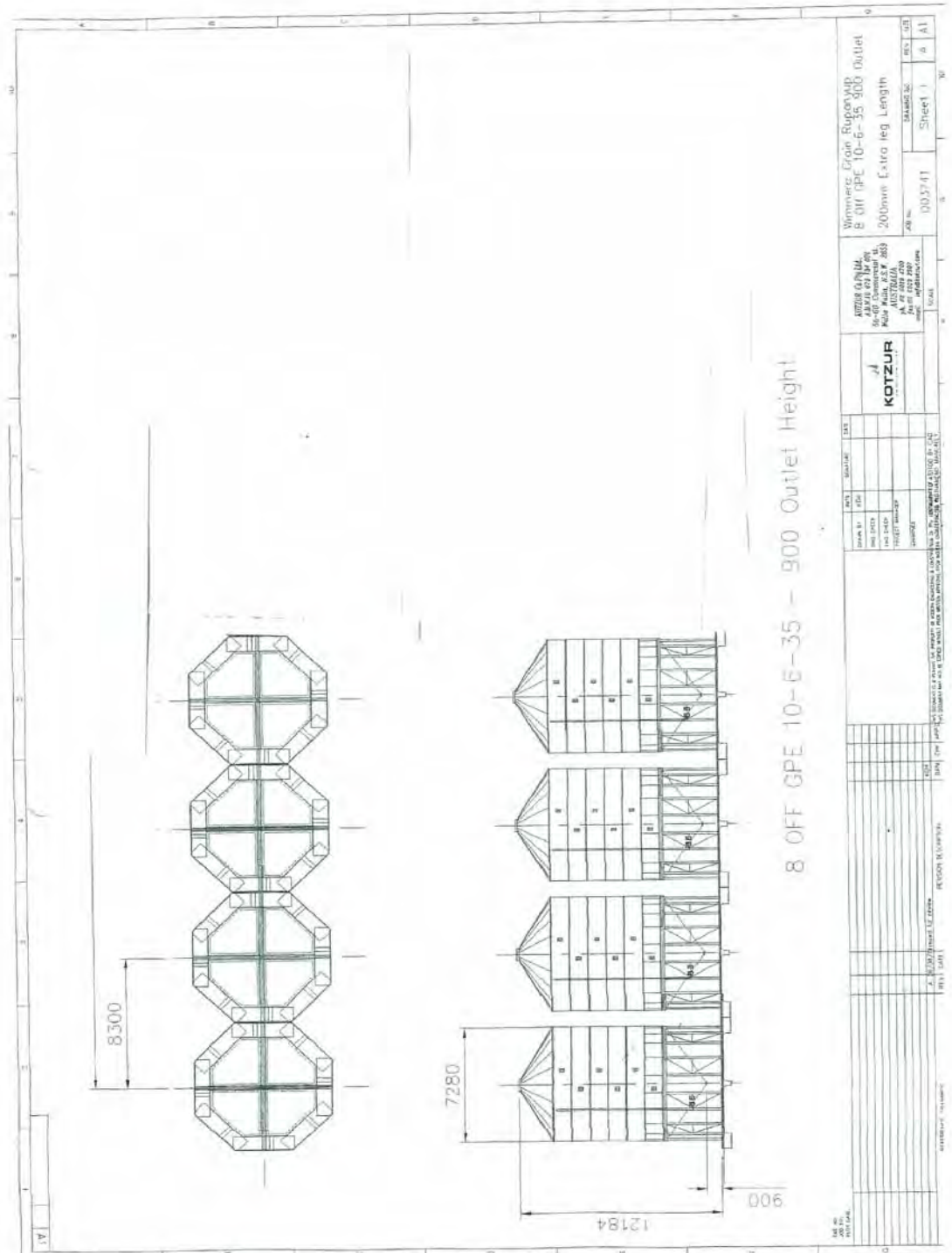
Notice of Decision to Grant a Permit

That Council having caused notice of Planning Application No TP 08.13 to be given under Section 52 of the Planning and Environment Act 1987 and having considered all the matters required under Section 60 of the Planning and Environment Act 1987, decides to Grant a Notice of Decision to Grant a Permit for the Development of the land by the erection of 4 * 280 metric tonnes cone bottom silos to be used in conjunction with a Rural industry at Lot 1, TP 170979 Wimmera Highway, Rupanyup in accordance with the endorsed plans subject to the following conditions:

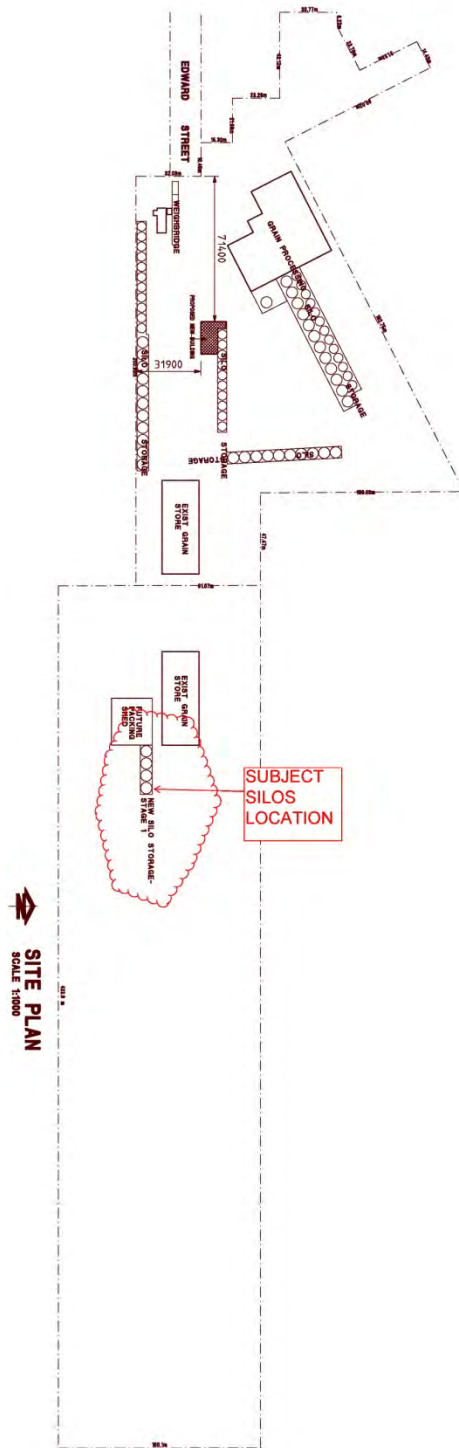
1. The development as shown on the endorsed plans must not be altered without the written consent of the responsible authority.
2. The Use of the proposed silos shall only be in conjunction with the Rural Industry being conducted on Lot 3 LP 121532 and be to the satisfaction of the responsible authority.
3. The development must be managed so that the amenity of the area is not detrimentally affected, through the:
 - transport of materials, goods or commodities to or from the land
 - appearance of any building, works or materials
 - emission of noise, artificial light, vibration, smell, fumes, smoke, vapour, steam, soot, ash, dust, waste water, waste products, grit or oil
 - presence of vermin
4. The loading and unloading of goods from vehicles must only be carried out on the land at all times.
5. Any contaminated soils or products removed from the site must be disposed of in accordance with the relevant State Environmental Protection polices and to the satisfaction of the responsible authority.
6. Any fill proposed to be moved onto the site must be free from contamination and other matter. All fill is to be to the satisfaction of the responsible authority.
7. The site must be graded to allow the effective runoff of stormwater into an on-site basin perimeter drains that surround the subject land and be to the satisfaction of the responsible authority.
8. No runoff from the site shall be directed onto adjacent private land or the Wimmera Highway road reserve.
9. No polluted and/or sediment laden run-off is to be discharged directly or indirectly into drains or watercourses. To this end, pollution or litter traps must be provided on site to the satisfaction of the responsible authority.
10. The applicant is to ensure appropriate controls, over mosquitoes, to ensure infestation of the water/waterways do no occur to the satisfaction of the responsible authority.
11. This permit will expire if:
 - the development and use are not started within two years of the date of this permit
 - the development is not completed within three years of the date of this permit

The responsible authority may extend the periods referred to if a request is made in writing before the permit expires, or within three months afterwards.

Appendix 1.0 Development Plans

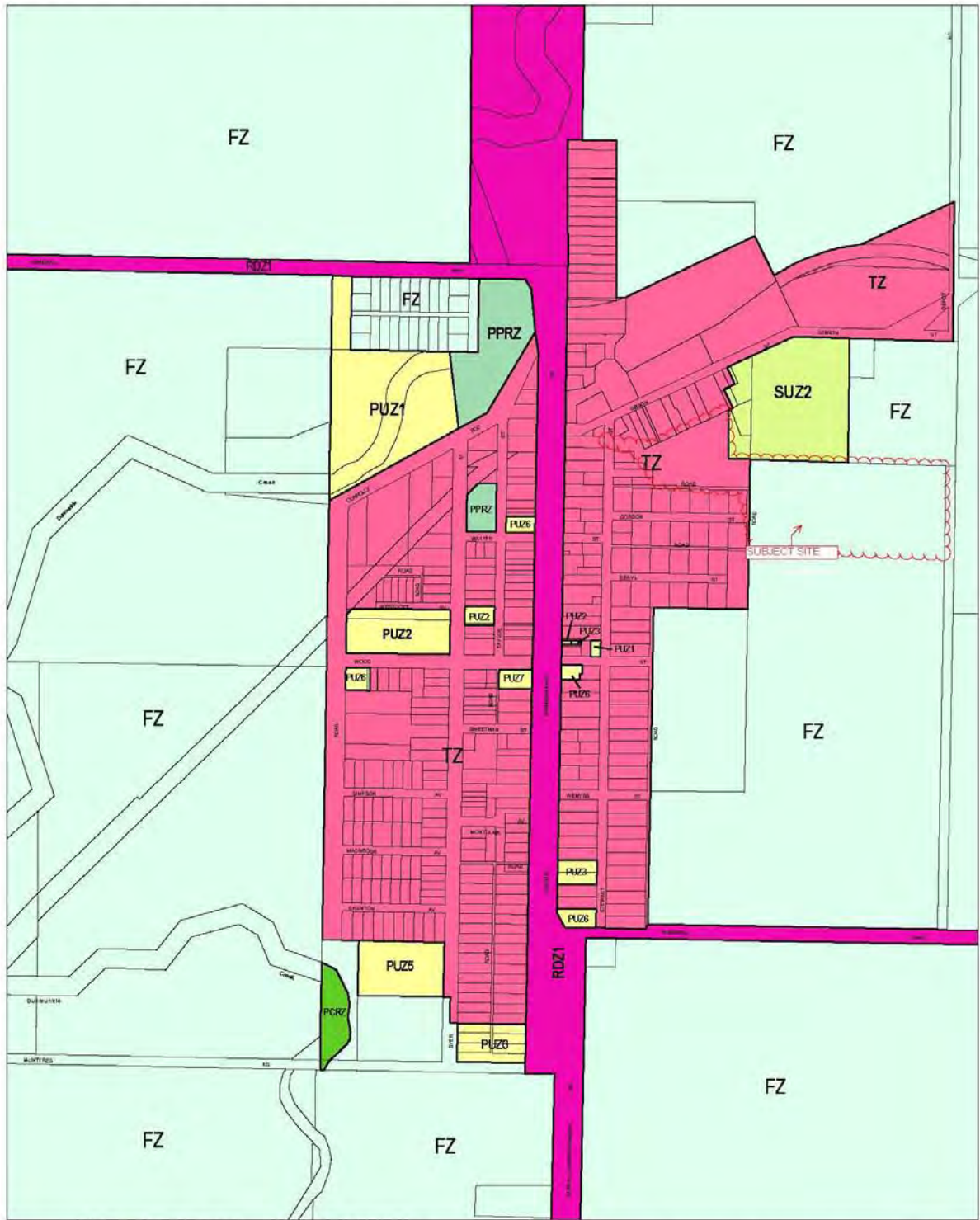


<p>PROPOSED NEW GRAIN SILOS RUPANUP WIMMERA GRAIN CO</p>	<p>SKETCH PLAN REF: 10/12 9C-01A 1/10/12</p>
<p>DATE SHOWN: 1/10/12 SCALE: A1 DRAWN BY: N. M. 10/12</p>	<p> </p>



Appendix 2.0 Site and Locality Plan

YARRIAMIACK PLANNING SCHEME - LOCAL PROVISION



The public is invited to comment on any proposed amendments to the provisions of this Plan. The map should be used in conjunction with the Local Planning Scheme (LPS) and the Victorian Planning Provisions (VPP).


Public Land	Public Land	Public Land
Public Land - General Purpose	Public Land - Recreation	Public Land - Other Public Use
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ZONES

AMENDMENT C8

MAP No 42

Appendix 3.0 Letter of Objection and Applicants Response



10 April 2013

Yarriambiack Shire Council
ATTN: David Young
PO Box 243
WARRACKNABEAL VIC 3393

Dear David,

Re: Town Planning Application TP08-13, addressing letter of objection.

In response to the issues raised in the objection letter; The Wimmera Grain Company wish to address the concerns raised.

Noise and dust levels:

The letter raises concerns of increased noise and dust levels due to the extra capacity of the site. This is incorrect as these silos are being placed for the sole purpose of container packing, as detailed in our permit application.

- This will take the bulk of our export through-put away from the residential areas.
- This will decrease dramatically the amount of grain being handled through our current container packing system; this in turn will decrease traffic, dust and noise within that area.
- The amount of grain processed through the cleaning plant is equivalent to less than 10% of what is directly packed into containers, this will not alter. In simple terms the majority of grain that is exported will move from current location to our proposed location.

Drainage issues:

The drainage historically has been an issue, not just with Wimmera Grain, with Rupanyup in general. This is an issue we have been actively managing over a long period of time in conjunction with council.

Specifically:

- We have had our yard laser levelled and drains put through the centre of the yard to push water toward the east.
- A new sump pit has been concreted at the eastern end of our packing yard to disperse catchment water; this has been good in recent rain events.
- We have placed a drain along our southern boundary to link in with a drain that runs east out of town through the Recreation Reserve; this will collect any surface water coming from adjoining properties to the south and re-direct it to the water catchment dam which in-turn supplies water for the recreation reserve to water oval.

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Drainage Issues (cont.):

- Advice has been sought from drainage experts as to the best course of action in relation to moving water along our northern boundary (the residential fence line) toward the storm water drains. This is something we hope to resolve in the coming months.

Screening trees:

The planting of a natural screen is something that The Wimmera Grain Company had done in compliance with the conditions, it has been noted that some trees had died and the others are not substantial enough to form a screen.

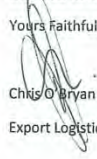
- We will re-establish this screen with appropriate flora, investigating faster growing options.
- We will investigate the option of more mature trees to make the screen effective in a shorter time frame.
- This is an issue we had self-noted, it is coupled to the draining of water along that fence line. We will action this as a priority once we are given direction on drainage solutions for this area.

The Wimmera Grain Company are aware of the concerns of neighbours; hence the move to develop our high traffic/capacity packing area away from residential dwellings. The erection of the 4 cone bottom silos will see the export packing moved to the eastern precinct of our establishment and as outlined it will greatly reduce the impact our activities supposedly have upon residences.

As you would now be aware The Wimmera Grain Company see this solely as a positive step in the progression of our business, while generating the least amount of impact on any neighbouring parties. I'm sure David that you aware through our planning outlined above; we are doing our utmost to be pre-emptive on these issues.

In summary, The Wimmera Grain Company propose this construction to endeavour to satisfy issues raised in earlier discussion between Council and residential neighbours; primarily regarding the need to focus the majority of our packing activity in areas further from residences.

Yours Faithfully



Chris O'Bryan

Export Logistics Manager



YARRIAMBIACK SHIRE COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING

AGENDA

12 JUNE 2013

R & K Grainger
15 Gibson Street
RUPANYUP 3388

24 March 2013

David Young
Planning Officer
Yarriambiack Shire Council
PO Box 243
WARRACKNABEAL. 3393

Dear David

Re: **Planning Permit Application TP08-13**

We wish to object to the planning application by The Wimmera Grain Company Pty Ltd to erect four silos.

We are objecting on the grounds of increased noise levels, dust and drainage issues.

Although we understand the silos are to be positioned behind the recreation reserve the expansion will still impact on us. The grain will only be put in the silos for storage it still has to be transported back up their yard to their processing plant. This will make further noise as the grain is augured into closer silos at our back fence line with their grain elevators making more dust which covers our yard and house contaminating our rain water supply.

When the grain company is working behind our fence line the noise in our backyard is so loud that we cannot hear each other if we are more than a couple of metres away.

If we have more than 20ml of rain our backyard becomes a lake as the grain company doesn't have an adequate drainage system in place.

The Wimmera Grain Company had conditions put on their planning permit for the erection of a Processing Shed back in 2008 to plant screening trees along their northern boundary. Some trees were planted but most have died and the trees that have survived are only shrubs and definitely not a screening plant. We were promised screening trees prior to 2002 and it is very disappointing that something so simple hasn't been carried out.

We hope that our objection will be looked at closely and that our concerns are addressed.

Yours sincerely

Richard & Keryn Grainger




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12 GENERAL BUSINESS (including strategic direction and specific issues)

13 CLOSED SESSION

14 MINUTES FROM MEETINGS

15 ATTACHMENTS / REPORTS

16 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of Council will be held on Wednesday 10 July 2013 at 9:30am at Warracknabeal.

17 CLOSE

ADDENDUM TO AGENDA**11.14 Approval of Section 86 Committee of Management, Woomelang Retirement Community Units and Delegation of Authority – Prepared by Gavin Blinman**

The Woomelang Community Units (5 in total) are the property of the Yarriambiack Shire Council; in 1996 a Committee of Management was appointed and has managed the units for Council since this time.

After a meeting on 8 November 2012, the following community members have nominated for the Committee of Management.

Donald Collins- President
Rodney Mitchell – Vice President
Gwyneth Barbary – Secretary
Pauline Gooding – Treasurer

General Members

Colin Bailey	Tony Hand
Les Knights	Alison Riordan
Thelma Adcock	Mary Hatcher

Recommendation

- That Council approves the above listed people to the Woomelang Retirement Community Units Committee of Management and; delegates under Section 86(3) of the Local Government Act 1989, the powers, duties and functions as set out in the schedule (as tabled) on this date before Council
- That the committee members listed above are exempt from completing an annual interest return and that a copy of the exemption is kept on Council's Central Register

ADDENDUM TO AGENDA**11.15 Approval of Section 86 Committee of Management, Murtoa Housing Units and Delegation of Authority – Prepared by Gavin Blinman**

The Murtoa Community units (2 in total) are the property of the Yarriambiack Shire Council; in 1996 a Committee of Management was appointed and has managed the units for Council since this time.

Following the resignation of retiring members, Council advertised in the Murtoa Advertiser for interested community members to reform the committee.

After a meeting on 14 May 2013, the following community members have nominated for the Committee of Management.

Mark Lieschke- Chairperson
Paula Clark – Secretary
Terry Tyler – Treasurer

General Members

Bernadette Delahunty
David Grigg
Pam Kosch

Recommendation

- That Council approves the above listed people to the Murtoa Community Units Committee of Management and; delegates under Section 86(3) of the Local Government Act 1989, the powers, duties and functions as set out in the schedule (as tabled) on this date before Council
- That the committee members listed above are exempt from completing an annual interest return and that a copy of the exemption be kept on Council's Central Register