

**AGENDA OF ORDINARY MEETING OF YARRIAMBIACK SHIRE COUNCIL TO BE HELD
ON WEDNESDAY 24 APRIL 2019 AT THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE 34 LYLE STREET
WARRACKNABEAL AT 9:30AM**

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1 WELCOME**2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT & PRAYER**

Cr G Massey opened the meeting at 9:30am by acknowledging the Indigenous Community and offering the opening prayer.

Acknowledging Traditional Owners

'I would like to acknowledge that this meeting is being held on the traditional lands of the Wotjobaluk, Jaadwa, Jadawadjali, Wergaia and Jupagulk people, and I pay respects to their Elders, both past, present and emerging'

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

3 PRESENT

Cr G Massey,
Cr C Heintze,
Cr J Wise,
Cr K Zanker,
Cr T Hamilton,
Cr S Roberts,

Jessie Holmes (Chief Executive Officer),
Gavin Blinman (General Manager Community Services & Development),
Anita McFarlane (General Manager of Corporate Services)
James Magee (General Manager Infrastructure & Planning),
Belinda Penny (Executive Assistant)

4 APOLOGIES or REQUEST FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE**4.1 Cr H Ballentine – Request for Leave of Absence****Leave of Absence – Report written by Graeme Massey****Discussion:**

Councillor Helen Ballentine has requested a leave of absence from the April and May Ordinary Council meetings to deal with personal matters.

Recommendation:

That Council resolve, in the exercise of the powers conferred by section 66B of the Local Government Act 1989, that:

Councillor Helen Ballentine be granted a leave of absence from the Ordinary Council meetings of 24 April 2019 and 22 May 2019.

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Ordinary Council Meeting and Closed Council Meeting – 27 March 2019

6 DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Direct; or

Indirect interest ;

a) by close association;

b) that is an indirect financial interest;

c) because of conflicting duties;

d) because of receipt of an applicable gift;

e) as a consequence of becoming an interested party; or

f) because of an impact on residential amenity.

Declaration of direct or indirect interest must also be advised by Councillors at the commencement of discussion of the specific item.

7 BUSINESS ARISING

7.1 Ongoing and Pending Action List

Council meeting	Recommendation Action	Action Taken
23/01/2019	Minyip units – Notice of Intention to Approve Planning Permit	No VCAT appeal – Planning Permit issued
27/02/2019	Murtoa Rezone amendment authorisation	Further information request from the Department around past uses and contamination concerns prior to the issue of an authorisation number
27/03/2019	Cease of HACC-PYP service letter to DHHS	Letter sent 23/04/2019

8 PETITIONS

9 CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 State Budget –Warracknabeal Education Precinct Funding Support Letter

Recommendation:

That Council write to the Premier Mr Daniel Andrews and Minister for Education Mr James Merlino and Local Member for Lown Ms Emma Kealy

advocating for Stage 2 Funding in the 2020/2021 Budget of the Warracknabeal Education Precinct.

10 ASSEMBLY OF COUNCILLORS –

The attached Assembly of Councillors Records are presented as an attachment to the Council agenda for the information of Councillors and recorded at the Council meeting as required under s80A Local Government Act 1989.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council accepts the Assembly of Councillors Records as presented

10.1 Agenda Audit Committee Meeting 08/04/2019

AGENDA FOR MEETING OF THE YARRIAMBIACK SHIRE COUCNILLORS AND INDEPENDENT AUDIT COMMITTEE TO BE HELD AT THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE 34 LYLE STREET WARRACKNABEAL AT 5.00pm MONDAY 8th April 2019

- **Welcome** – James Gregson

- **Present –**
Cr G Massey,
Cr C Heintze,
Cr J Wise,
Cr K Zanker,
Cr T Hamilton,
Cr S Roberts,

Brad Ead AFS

James Gregson
Diane Connolly,
Martin Moynihan

- **Apologies -**

Cllr Helen Ballentine

- **Conflict of Interest**

- **Audit schedule and progress**

- **2018/19 Forecast**

- **2019/2020 Proposed Budget**

- **General Business**

- **Next Meeting**

- **Closed**

YARRIAMBIACK SHIRE COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING

AGENDA

24 APRIL 2019

10.2 Agenda Council Forum 10/04/2019

COUNCIL FORUM AGENDA

Date: Wednesday, 10 April 2019
Venue: Council Chamber Warracknabeal
Time: 9.30am
Appointments Ben – Valuations
 Minister Somyurek visit 12 noon
Present: Cr G Massey, Cr S Roberts, Cr T Hamilton, Cr J Wise, Cr C Heintze,
 Cr K Zanker, J Magee, B Naylor, A McFarlane, C Pitt, M Ferguson,
 J Turner, M Evans, T Rose
Apologies: Jessie Holmes, Belinda Penny

Items for Action	Officer	Outcome
Rates	CP	YTD & Setting the differential
Permit Application to Keep extra Animals	TR	As per the attached report, Tim (on Craig's behalf) will present a recommendation to not approve a permit to keep Goats in the township area.
SHARE Grant Applications	MF	SHARE community Grant applications to be discussed.
Minister Adem Somyurek MP Visit	GM	
Wimmera Broadband	JM	
Capital Works Draft	JT	
Audit Meeting	AM	
Early Grants Commission Payment	AM	

YARRIAMBIACK SHIRE COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING

AGENDA

24 APRIL 2019

R2R Funding	AM	
Previous Matters		
General Business		
Next forum meeting		April 24 (after council meeting)

11 SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Nil reports

12 ACTIVITY REPORTS

12.1 Mayor's Report – Prepared by Graeme Massey

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| 1 April | Visited the new Police Station at Warracknabeal with Inspector Paul Margett and Sergeant Kylie Newell |
| 2 April | Attended the opening of Willow Lake and fish release, Hopetoun |
| 4 April | Attended the Yarriambiack Youth Achievement Award Presentation and Endoreic Short Film Festival at Lake Lascelles, Hopetoun |
| 5 April | Attended Seasonal Conditions Meeting in Hopetoun |
| 5 April | Attended the Induction of Pastor Arthur Broughton, Southern Mallee Co-operative Parish in Hopeoutn |
| 6 April | Attended the Warracknabeal Rotary Club, Paddock to Plate Dinner |
| 8 April | Met with Internal Audit Committee members |
| 8 April | Attended the 'Let's Scoot and Skate' Event at the Warracknabeal Skate Park |
| 8 April | Attended the Warracknabeal Town Hall Annual General Meeting |
| 9 April | Attended the Warracknabeal Action Group (WAG) meeting |
| 10 April | Attended Council Forum where Minister Adem Somyurek introduced himself and discussed Local Government issues |
| 10 April | Met with Carol Guttery, journalist from California re: the Silo Art Trail |
| 17 April | Attended the Rural Councils Victoria meeting in Melbourne |
| April 19 | Opened the YFest Art Show for the Arts Council |
| April 20-22 | Attended the Easter Weekend - YFest events |
| 23 April | Opened the Hopetoun Bowls Annual Tournament |

12.2 Councillor's Reports**Cr H Ballentine**

Currently on Leave

Cr K Zanker

- April 4 Attended the Yarriambiack Youth Achievement Award Presentation and Endoreic Short Film Festival at Lake Lascelles, Hopetoun
- April 8 Attended Internal Audit review committee Meeting
- April 9 Guest judge for the Volunteering Recognition Awards
- April 10 Attended Council Forum where Minister Adem Somyurek introduced himself and discussed Local Government issues
- April 10 Guest judge for the Volunteering Recognition Awards
- April 15 Guest judge for the Volunteering Recognition Awards
- April 16 Attended the Rural Financial Counselling Services deed and program review with David Evans and Timothy Marley from Department of Agriculture and Water Resources in Melbourne
- April 19 Attended the official opening of the Easter Art exhibition and YFEST
- April 20 Attended the Warracknabeal Street Parade YFEST celebrations
- April 20 Attended the Warracknabeal Races

Cr T Hamilton

- April 5 Attended Grant information session at Murtoa
- April 10 Attended Council Forum where Minister Adem Somyurek introduced himself and discussed Local Government issues
- April 10 Attended the Yarrilinks Site Visit
- April 10 Attended Murtoa Big Weekend meeting in Murtoa
- April 16 Attended Murtoa Progress Meeting

Cr S Roberts

- April 2 Attended the opening of Willow Lake and fish release, Hopetoun
- April 10 Attended Council Forum where Minister Adem Somyurek introduced himself and discussed Local Government issues
- April 8 Attended Internal Audit review committee Meeting
- April 16 Attended Neighbourhood House Meeting
- April 20-22 Attended the Easter Weekend - YFest

Cr C Heintze

- April 2 Attended the Attended the opening of Willow Lake and fish release, Hopetoun
- April 3 Attended the Minyip Progress Meeting
- April 8 Attended Internal Audit review committee Meeting
- April 8 Attended the Rupanyup Consultative Committee Meeting
- April 10 Attended Council Forum where Minister Adem Somyurek introduced himself and discussed Local Government issues
- April 23 Attended the Wimmera Mobility Group as guest speaker in Horsham
- April 24 Attended the Minyip RSL sub branch 100 anniversary meet and greet

Cr Jean Wise

- April 4 Attended WSMRP – Early Years Yarriambiack Project Centre Group Meeting
- April 8 Attended Internal Audit committee Meeting
- April 10 Attended Council Forum where Minister Adem Somyurek introduced himself and discussed Local Government issues
- April 11 Attended Centre for Participation Volunteer Awards Judging
- April 12 Attended the Wimmera Regional Library Board Meeting
- April 12 Attended Centre for Participation Volunteer Awards Judging
- April 15 Attended Yarriambiack Grants Assessment
- April 20-22 Attended the Easter Weekend - YFest

12.3 CEO's Report – Prepared by Jessie Holmes

March 28	Attended LGPRO/MAV CEO Meeting
March 30	Attended the Murtoa Stick Shed Dinner
April 1	Visited the new Police Station at Warracknabeal with Inspector Paul Margett and Sergeant Kylie Newell
April 4	Attended Wimmera Southern Mallee Regional Partnership Early Years Meeting
April 6 – 15	Annual Leave
April 16	Met with Mallee Regional Partnership in relation to Silo Art
April 17	Attended the Rural Councils Victoria Meeting in Melbourne

12.4 General Manager of Infrastructure & Planning – Prepared by James Magee

Wimmera Broadband

Council met with three representatives of the proponent company Wimmera Broadband. They wish to bring fixed wireless broadband internet to all areas of Yarriambiack Shire who only have current access to satellite services.

They are interested in providing a service to Woomelang, Lascelles, Yaapeet, Sheep Hills, Lubeck, Tempy, Speed, Patchewollock and all the rural areas that cannot reach a wireless service.

They have a Facebook page which includes a details form if you are interested in obtaining a service. The company can then look at designing and costing a system to ensure coverage. The company is currently investigating possible sites as transmission points.

Mobile Blackspot Program

Round 5 of the Mobile Blackspot Program is now open to Mobile Network Operators and close in July 2019. Round 5 will target Public Interest Premises, economic centres, emergency facilities and educational facilities.

I suggest the following priorities for the program within Yarriambiack Shire for discussion purposes:

P1. Near Lubeck - gives coverage to the small settlement of Lubeck which includes a CFA station and will also assist in providing coverage to the Stawell Warracknabeal Road between Rupyanyup and Glenorchy.

P2. Rosebery - would provide coverage to small settlement which includes CFA shed and cafe. The Rosebery Silo Art facility also has regular visitors. This location is on the Henty Highway and would assist in providing coverage between Hopetoun and Beulah.

P3. Near Lascelles - would provide coverage to small settlement which includes CFA shed and cafe, art gallery, caravan park, post office and Hotel. The Lascelles Silo Art facility also has regular visitors. This location is on the Henty Highway and would assist in providing coverage between Hopetoun and Lascelles and also on the Hopetoun Sea Lake Road between Hopetoun and Woomelang.

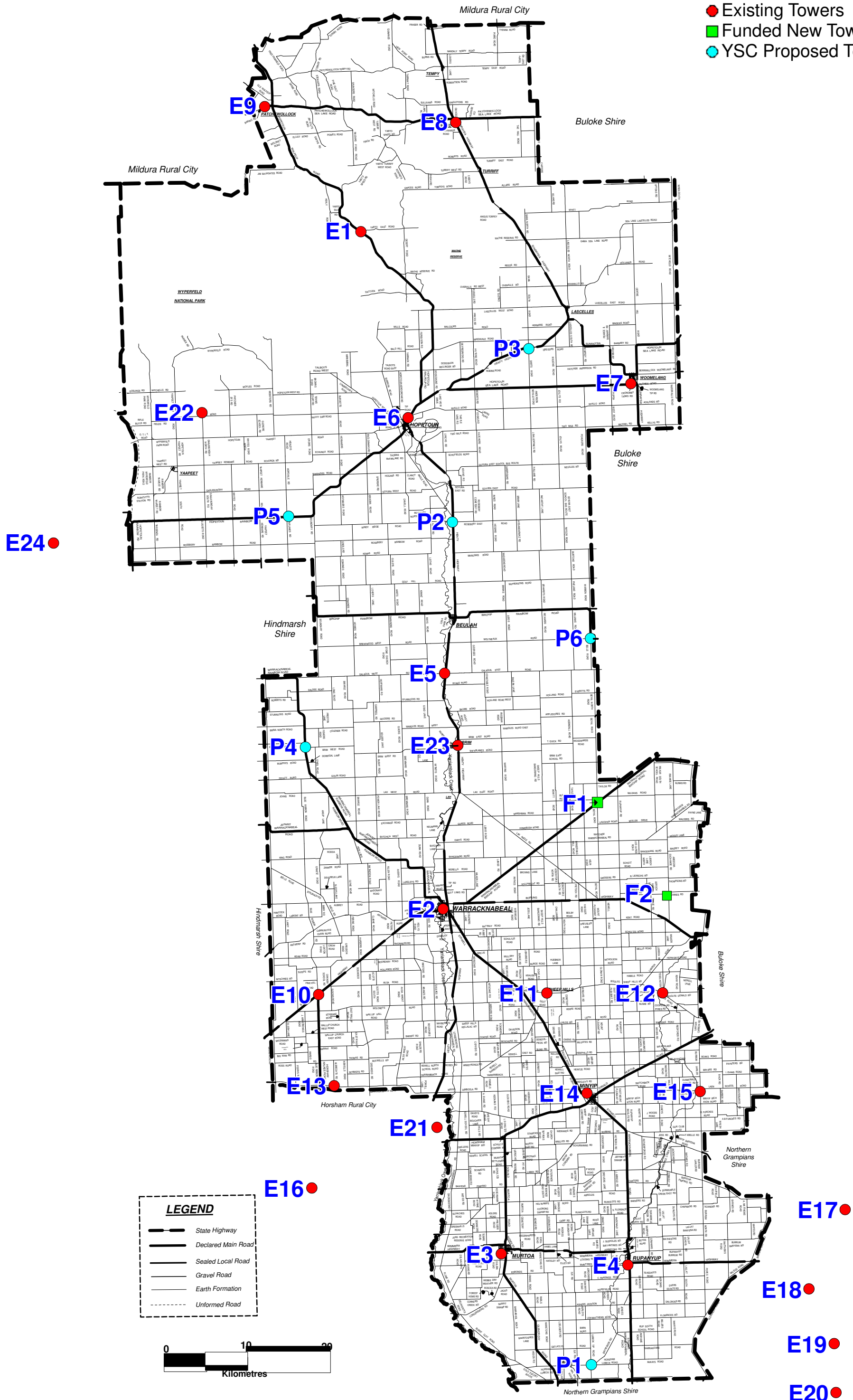
P4. Brim West area known as Willenabrina - this location is on the Warracknabeal Rainbow Road and would assist in providing coverage between Warracknabeal, Rainbow and Jeparit. It will service the Crymelon CFA shed.

P5. West of Rosebery - this site will service the Hopetoun Rainbow Road between Hopetoun and Rainbow and the Hopetoun West CFA shed.

P6. Reedy Dam - east of Beulah, the site will service Birchip Rainbow Road between Beulah and Birchip.

Mobile Phone Towers

- Existing Towers
- Funded New Towers
- YSC Proposed Towers



Current Contracts

- Council is participating in a joint Procurement Tender for the Supply of Bituminous Surfacing Works with Horsham Rural City, Hindmarsh, West Wimmera and Northern Grampians Councils. Tenders Close on the 17th May, 2019
This contract will be for a period Three (3) Years with an option for a further two (2) Years.
- Murtoa Swimming Pool Change rooms Upgrade - Council has now received the final design and plans for the Murtoa Project.
Specification Documentation has been completed and tenders for Contract C244/2019 being the Murtoa Swimming Pool Change Rooms Upgrade have been advertised with tenders closing on the 10th May, 2019.
- Swimming Pools – The swimming pool season has now finished with all pools now shut down.
There are some issues with the Beulah Pool in relation to the sand filter which has split – currently working with committee to see how we can replace it.
- Tammy Smith and Bernie Naylor are currently working on updating our procurement policy and the associated procurement Procedures
- Contract C230/2019 - Supply of two (2) Graders - both these graders have now been delivered.

Caravan Park Occupancy - March 2019

State	Warracknabeal	Hopetoun	Murtoa
VIC	188	136	143
WA	0	0	1
TAS	1	6	0
SA	21	16	72
QLD	32	20	11
NT	0	0	0
NSW	96	0	23
ACT	0	40	1
International	0	0	0
Permanents	4	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	343	221	251

Caravan Park Occupancy Comparison - March 2018

State	Warracknabeal	Hopetoun	Murtoa
VIC	223	253	142
NSW	48	51	22
WA	1	2	10
QLD	27	8	18
SA	21	20	5
NT	1	0	0
ACT	0	4	0
TAS	4	3	1
International	0	1	0
Permanents	11	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	336	342	198

Warracknabeal Regional Livestock Exchange**Sales figures**

Feb 27 th	6788 head
March 10 th	7034 head
Please note April 24 th	Sale <u>Cancelled</u>
Next Sale – May 8 th	

12.5 General Manager of Community Services & Development - Gavin Blinman

Caravan Parks

Council is continuing the review of all caravan park registrations in accordance with the Residential Tenancies Act. Council has met with all caravan park operators/committees onsite to discuss their obligations under the Act and over coming months, will work towards a satisfactory outcome for all sites.

Cigarette Sales to Minors Program

The Tobacco Unit of DHHS has provided Council with funding to undertake a cigarette sales to minors program. This program involves the use of a minor, who attempts to purchase cigarettes without ID from retailers within the Shire. Council has completed two full days of test purchasing, with reserve funding enabling a third day. Unfortunately, the 15 year old test purchaser had a 66 percent success rate in obtaining cigarettes.

Blue Green Algae

Blue Green Algae in Lake Marma has shown signs of improvement, with the latest results confirming the algae levels are below the threshold set in the State BGA Circular. It is anticipated that final testing will enable signage to be removed.

Local Law

Council's Local Law Officer attended a truck rollover at Minyip and provided assistance in the management of stock that were being carted in the truck. Unfortunately, a large number of stock sustained significant injuries and were humanely destroyed.

Aged and Disability Services Report prepared by Alannah Lehmann

Volunteer Meals and Transport

Transport

For the month of March 2019 the Shire completed 5 drives and had 2 cancellations. This month elderly were mainly accessing services in Horsham
The table below is a comparison over the last three years.

March	2019	5 drives, 2 cancellations
March	2018	10 drives, 1 cancellations
March	2017	12 drives, 1 cancellations

Meals on Wheels

March	2019	673 Meals
March	2018	556 Meals
March	2017	585 Meals

Centre Base Meals

March 2019	223 Meals
March 2018	257 Meals
March 2017	268 Meals

Meal Vouchers

March 2019	108 Vouchers
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Assessment Officer Report prepared by Barb Whiteford/Hanna Butuyuyu**GENERAL**

- Barb off for 1 week
- Ongoing issues with IT and My Aged Care platform dropping out
- Client Satisfaction Surveys to be lodged Quarterly with DHHS
- MAC NSAF (National Screening and Assessment Form) Audit to be lodged Quarterly with DHHS

WAITLIST

- 6 with appointments scheduled for all clients

ASSESSMENTS COMPLETED

- Completed: 21
- Declined: 0
- LAHA Assessments:1

REVIEWS COMPLETED

- Reviews:12

EDUCATION & TRAINING

- Hanna undertaking University of Tasmania bachelor of Dementia care

MEETINGS

- Shared Care Meeting; Cancelled

Early Years Coordinator Report - prepared by Glenda Hewitt

I was very fortunate to be appointed to the role of Early Years Coordinator, in late February. My initial process has involved re-establishing relationships with all Early Childhood educators in the Shire and consequently I have been paying visits to all services, including supported playgroups and reviewing the latest Assessment and Ratings reports.

This year, Yarriambiack Shire Kindergartens will be subject to unannounced Departmental visits. These are regulatory visits to ensure that all services are maintaining appropriate records and that all regulations are being adhered to. Thus, I have been working with all educators to ensure that necessary documentation has been completed and displayed and regulatory requirements are monitored.

2020 will indeed be a year of new challenges in the Early Years space, as the roll-out of fully subsidised three year old Kindergarten is implemented in the Yarriambiack Shire. In preparation for this State Government initiative, Local Governments will be required to contribute to a capacity assessment process to determine staffing, programming, infrastructure requirements and possible constraints, as the process will necessitate changes to some existing programming and provision of services.

Supported Playgroups prepared by Kathryn Camilleri

Warracknabeal and Hopetoun have an increasing number of families attending, around 5-6 families each week. The children enjoyed a special Easter treat of eggs and hot cross buns on the last session of term.

I have made connections with different services including Uniting Wimmera (Wimmera Uniting Care Horsham) and Rural North West Health as well as continuing to work with Michelle, Nanette and Glenda.

Uniting Wimmera came for a play in term 1. They spoke with parent's about some of the services that they provide and brought along some of their toys. They will visit again on the 13th of May, where they will bring along Family Week activity's.

Rural North West Health will visit Warracknabeal and Hopetoun during Family Week 20 May and 22 May with their "Learn To Play" activities and health promotion.

I have completed the Domestic Violence Alert Training, Mental Health First Aid and attended the Playgroup Victoria Conference and Communities Of Practice. Was great to meet other facilitators to discuss what works and does not working in our respective areas.

Will continue Bastow training in Horsham where the project team are looking at forming a directory of all the services available to our shire to be used by professionals (Facilitators, Teachers, Practitioners, Dr etc) to use to assist smooth referral to services for families.

Now that Hopetoun has a good number of families attending regularly I will introduce some of the 'Small Talk' strategies this term which I am excited about. Vince from PRC will visit Hopetoun on the 16th of May

Warracknabeal group is going well and I will look at transitioning away from them allowing them to run with their own group which is also exciting.

Project Report prepared by Andrea Stepney

Project	Description	Status	Stage	% comp
Beulah Cabins	Installations of two cabins at caravan park	Completed- finalising completion report Project \$120k	Completed	100
W'beal Town Hall Strong Foundations Project	Replacement, renew floors, wall & ceiling repair	Project commenced 9/4/19. Project \$130k	Construction	5
E-Rup Retail Development	Development of Rupanyup Retail Precinct	Funding agreement RDV – executed (\$500k), DCP agreement executed (\$100k). Final stages of design & finance.	Initiation	90
Warracknabeal Leisure Centre	New court surfaces	Funding agreement with Sportaus executed. Project commences November 2019. Project value \$284K	Initiation	95
Warracknabeal Saleyards Upgrade Project	Major Refurbishment	Funding agreement negotiation completed with BBRF. Awaiting final agreement. Project commences December 2019. Project value \$272k	Initiation	50
Warracknabeal Town Hall	Kitchen Upgrade Upstairs toilets reinstatement.	Full refurbishment of kitchen facility and upstairs toilets. Currently obtaining quotes. Funded by YSC. Budget \$115k	Development	75
Warracknabeal Leisure Complex	Facility Upgrade - Gym	Scope pending user group consultation. Funded by YSC. Budget \$50k	Development	0

Pipeline				%
Minyip Grandstand	Refurbishment of grandstand	Application to SPORTAUS submitted. Application unsuccessful. Approximate project value \$157k	Sourcing grant	0
Murtoa Netball Court	Install additional netball court	Preparing application for Country Football netball program	Preparing Application	10
Warracknabeal Town Hall Upgrade Project	Various repairs/upgrades	Sourcing new funding. Developing new scope and priority list.	Development	50
Minyip Rec Reserve	Irrigation Project	Flagged project with SRV. Interested in progressing project. Feedback on EOI provided. Committee to develop project.	Development	10

YARRIAMBIAK SHIRE COUNCIL

COUNCIL MEETING

AGENDA

24 APRIL 2019

Beulah Rec Res Change Rooms	New change rooms & toilets for Football/Netball	Project reported to SRV for Minor Facilities funding. Committee currently preparing plans. Feedback on proposed project provided.	Development	10
Murtoa Netball Change Rooms	New change rooms and Netball court	Project reported to SRV for Major Facilities funding. Committee has prepared concept plans. Feedback provided. Committee to develop project.	Development	10
Beulah Netball Club Pavilion	Upgrade netball facilities	Project reported to SRV for Minor Facilities funding. Feedback provided. Committee to develop project.	Development	5
Hopetoun Rec Res Lighting Upgrade	New lighting to sports oval	Project reported to SRV for Minor Facilities funding. Feedback provided. Committee to develop project.	Development	5
Hopetoun Golf Club Equipment Shed	New shed for equipment	Sourcing funding. Committee to develop project	Development	5
Brim Bowls Club	Promaster synthetic surface	Project reported to SRV for Minor Facilities funding. Committee to develop project	Development	5
Rupanyup Rec Res Lighting Upgrade	New lighting to sports oval	Project reported to SRV for Major Facilities funding. Committee to develop project	Development	5
Hopetoun Rec Reserve	Extend sprinkler system	Project reported to SRV for Minor Facilities funding. Committee to develop project	Development	5
Hopetoun Bowls Club Synthetic Green 2 Project	Second Synthetic Surface	Potential for future SRV funding who have request a Schedule of Use to support second synthetic green. Committee to develop	Development	5

Assistance Only			
Warracknabeal Showgrounds	Fencing replacement	FRRR funding application submitted	Awaiting Outcome
Woods Museum	Historical Costume Display	Needs funding for climate controlled costume display. Est \$50k	Sourcing Grant
Warracknabeal Playgroup	Shared Facilities Project	Funding for Multifunction Children's Centre	Project in Development

13 REPORTS FOR DECISION

13.1 Finance Report – Prepared by Anita McFarlane

Recommendation

The Finance Report as at March 2019 be received.

YARRIAMBIACK SHIRE COUNCIL
INCOME STATEMENT BY RESOURCES
FOR MARCH 2019

	March Actuals	2018/2019 Budget	YTD Actuals	Forecast	YTD Variance	YTD % Variance
Income						
Asset Disposal & Fair Value Adjustments	\$ (140,000)	\$ (316,000)	\$ (246,409)	-322,000	\$ (69,591)	22%
Contributions, Donations & Reimbursement	\$ (74,050)	\$ (289,678)	\$ (289,103)	-350,316	\$ (575)	0%
Government Grants & Charges	\$ (465,570)	\$ (9,913,657)	\$ (6,675,508)	-9,867,894	\$ (3,238,149)	33%
Interest Income	\$ (10,055)	\$ (89,245)	\$ (58,726)	-89,221	\$ (30,519)	34%
Rates & Charges	\$ 1,397	\$ (12,183,053)	\$ (13,188,709)	-12,254,148	\$ 1,005,656	(8%)
User Charges, Fees & Fines	\$ (99,175)	\$ (1,132,475)	\$ (815,250)	-1,205,796	\$ (317,225)	28%
Other Income	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (750)	-10,800	\$ 750	0%
Income Total	\$ (787,453)	\$ (23,924,108)	\$ (21,274,455)	\$ (24,100,175)	\$ (2,649,653)	11%
Expenditure						
Asset Disposal & Fair Value Adjustments	\$ -	\$ 338,071	\$ -	338,071	\$ 338,071	0%
Bad & Doubtful Debts	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ -	500	\$ 500	0%
Contributions & Donations	\$ 42,035	\$ 802,661	\$ 737,690	796,195	\$ 64,971	8%
Depreciation Amortisation & Impairment	\$ -	\$ 7,035,311	\$ -	6,015,193	\$ 7,035,311	100%
Employee Costs	\$ 631,520	\$ 8,692,053	\$ 6,642,718	8,730,355	\$ 2,049,335	24%
Finance Costs	\$ 1	\$ 75,515	\$ 5	10,010	\$ 75,510	100%
Materials	\$ 410,096	\$ 6,119,123	\$ 3,467,374	4,945,172	\$ 2,651,749	43%
Other Expenses	\$ 81,017	\$ 1,413,287	\$ 1,163,873	1,386,964	\$ 249,414	18%
Expenditure Total	\$ 1,164,669	\$ 24,476,521	\$ 12,011,660	\$ 22,222,460	\$ 12,464,861	51%
Total	\$ 377,216	\$ 552,413	\$ (9,262,794)	\$ (1,877,715)	\$ 9,815,207	

YARRIAMBIACK SHIRE COUNCIL
INCOME STATEMENT BY DEPARTMENT
FOR MARCH 2019

	March Actuals	2018/2019 Budget	YTD Actuals	Forecast	YTD Variance	YTD % Variance
Income						
Community Services	\$ (156,089)	\$ (2,383,136)	\$ (2,096,832)	\$ (2,803,457)	\$ (286,304)	12%
Corporate Services	\$ (51,380)	\$ (16,207,365)	\$ (14,299,440)	\$ (14,063,504)	\$ (1,907,925)	12%
Economic Development	\$ (17,703)	\$ (475,927)	\$ (249,403)	\$ (410,727)	\$ (226,524)	48%
Engineering	\$ (513,959)	\$ (2,540,429)	\$ (2,850,874)	\$ (4,547,456)	\$ 310,445	(12%)
Recreation & Culture & Leisure	\$ (3,804)	\$ (307,384)	\$ (146,946)	\$ (299,290)	\$ (160,438)	52%
Regulatory Services	\$ (13,874)	\$ (163,300)	\$ (137,398)	\$ (199,292)	\$ (25,902)	0%
Waste & Environment	\$ (30,644)	\$ (1,846,567)	\$ (1,493,561)	\$ (1,776,449)	\$ (353,006)	19%
Income Total	\$ (787,453)	\$ (23,924,108)	\$ (21,274,455)	\$ (24,100,175)	\$ (2,649,653)	11%
Expenditure						
Community Services	\$ 209,015	\$ 2,965,997	\$ 1,982,124	\$ 2,946,258	\$ 983,873	33%
Corporate Services	\$ 93,800	\$ 1,949,349	\$ 1,334,879	\$ 1,861,739	\$ 614,470	0%
Economic Development	\$ 97,886	\$ 954,514	\$ 646,532	\$ 1,004,117	\$ 307,982	32%
Engineering	\$ 417,934	\$ 12,468,551	\$ 4,279,493	\$ 10,893,190	\$ 8,189,058	66%
Governance	\$ 58,426	\$ 1,085,292	\$ 748,568	\$ 1,120,269	\$ 336,724	31%
Recreation & Culture & Leisure	\$ 71,903	\$ 1,848,746	\$ 975,292	\$ 1,532,907	\$ 873,454	47%
Regulatory Services	\$ 47,239	\$ 582,206	\$ 372,825	\$ 558,771	\$ 209,381	36%
Waste & Environment	\$ 168,466	\$ 2,621,866	\$ 1,671,951	\$ 2,305,209	\$ 949,915	36%
Expenditure Total	\$ 1,164,669	\$ 24,476,521	\$ 12,011,664	\$ 22,222,460	\$ 12,464,857	51%
Total	\$ 377,216	\$ 552,413	\$ (9,262,791)	\$ (1,877,715)	\$ 9,815,204	

Yarriambiack Shire Council
Summary of major Income and Expenses by Resources for March

Income			
Asset Disposal & Fair Value Adjustments	Trade in of Cat Grader	\$ 65,000	
	Trade in of Cat Grader	\$ 70,000	
Rates & Charges	Pensioner Concession	\$ (1,397)	
Contribution & Donations	Income protection staff contribution	\$ 5,810	
	Income protection insurance recoupment	\$ 41,561	
	Long Service Leave - Other Councils	\$ 23,804	
	Community Contributions	\$ 2,875	
Government Grants & Charges	Dept of Education & Training - Preschools (State)	\$ 57,788	
	Dept of Education & Training - Maternal & Child Health (State)	\$ 27,531	
	CIR - Immunizations	\$ 162	
	Regional Development - Beulah Recreation Reserve Power Supply Upgrade (Drought Funding) (Cwealth)	\$ 23,250	
	Dept of Health - HACC grants (State)	\$ 17,636	
	Dept of Health - Meals On Wheels grants (State)	\$ 513	
	Dept of Health - Senior Citizens grants (State)	\$ 1,142	
	Roads to Recovery - 3rd installment (Cwealth)	\$ 200,290	
	Mallee Catchment Management Authority - Contract 2308 Milestone 1	\$ 6,000	
	Sustainability Victoria - LGESP Stream 2 Facility Audits C-1081	\$ 19,258	
	DEDJTR - Local Roads to Market inst 1 Dimboola Minyip Road	\$ 100,000	
	DEDJTR - Warracknabeal Birchip Road - Final payment	\$ 12,000	
	Interest Income	Interest on investments	\$ 8,155
		Interest on rates & FSPL	\$ 1,900
User Charges	Caravan Park Fees	\$ 17,097	
	Leaseback	\$ 6,045	
	Property Leases	\$ 2,560	
	Sporting Fees	\$ 376	
	Building Fees & Permits	\$ 2,826	
	Rates Certificates	\$ 658	
	Planning Permits	\$ 2,738	
	Waste Disposal Fees	\$ 8,983	
	Scrap Metal	\$ 17,925	
	HACC & Brokerage Fees	\$ 26,229	
	Saleyard Fees	\$ 366	
	Road Opening/Closure Fees	\$ 200	
	Membership	\$ 553	
	Animal Fees & charges	\$ 7,719	
Other Income	\$ 3,875		
Total Income for March		\$ 787,453	

Expenses		
Employee Costs	Salaries & Wages & Oncosts (includes Annual Leave, Sick Leave, Long Service Leave etc)	\$ 550,772
	Workcover	\$ 3,221
	Superannuation	\$ 52,162
	Allowances	\$ 15,476
	Travelling	\$ 4,370
	Staff Clothing	\$ 654
	Conferences & Training	\$ 4,428
	Other costs	\$ 437
Materials	Contracts - (includes Wimmera Mallee Waste, Civica, Skillinvest, Simpson Personnel, Horsham Rural City Council etc)	\$ 229,446
	Materials	\$ 107,963
	Consultants	\$ 26,314
	External Services	\$ 12,718
	Plant Hire External	\$ 6,260
	Plant Hire Internal	\$ (90,546)
	Power	\$ 14,003
	Telephone	\$ 7,996
	Meeting Expenses	\$ 118
	Tools & Equipment	\$ 11,152
	Catering Expenses	\$ 769
	Radio Charges	\$ 3,421
	Cost of Meals	\$ 12,862
	Fuel	\$ 63,603
	Contributions & Donations	Wimmera Regional Library - quarterly contribution
Other Expenses	Bank Fees	\$ 7,554
	OH& S Supplies	\$ 1,461
	Advertising	\$ 1,609
	Lease Expenses	\$ 15,680
	Postage	\$ 2,738
	Audit Services	\$ 10,993
	Stationery	\$ 272
	Water	\$ 26,478
	Subscriptions	\$ 4,025
	Legal Services	\$ 5,083
	Public Liability	\$ 173
	Printing & Photocopying	\$ 4,826
Total Expenses for March		\$ 1,164,669

YARRIAMBIACK SHIRE COUNCIL
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE FOR MARCH 2019

	March Actuals	2018/2019 Budget	YTD Actuals	Forecast	YTD Variance	YTD % Variance
01929 - Administration - Capital						
0900 - Building Capital Works	\$ 6,170	\$ 5,000	\$ 20,025	\$ 18,586	\$ (15,025)	(301%)
0910 - Furniture & Equipment Capital Works	\$ -	\$ 2,000	\$ 30,411	\$ 31,000	\$ (28,411)	(1421%)
01939 - Asset Management - Capital						
0900 - Building Capital Works	\$ 126	\$ 11,000	\$ 48,322	\$ 56,319	\$ (37,322)	(339%)
0920 - Computer / IT Capital Works	\$ -	\$ 6,000	\$ -	\$ 6,000	\$ 6,000	100%
01949 - Information Technology - Capital						
0920 - Computer / IT Capital Works	\$ 10,254	\$ 42,000	\$ 23,557	\$ 42,000	\$ 18,443	44%
02919 - HACC Administration - Capital						
0910 - Furniture & Equipment Capital Works	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%
0920 - Computer / IT Capital Works	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 3,751	\$ 3,751	\$ (3,751)	0%
02000 - Housing						
0900 - Building Capital Works	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20,500	\$ 20,500	\$ (20,500)	0%
02929 - MECC - Capital						
0910 - Furniture & Equipment Capital Works	\$ -	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,000	100%
02939 - Senior Citizens - Capital						
0900 - Building Capital Works	\$ -	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	100%
02949 - Environmental Health - Capital						
0910 - Furniture & Equipment Capital Works	\$ -	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ 1,000	\$ 2,000	100%
02959 - Animal Pound - Capital						
0930 - Animal Pound - Capital Works	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%
02969 - Maternal & Child Health - Capital						
0900 - Building Capital Works	\$ -	\$ 5,500	\$ -	\$ 5,500	\$ 5,500	100%
0920 - Computer / IT Capital Works	\$ 6,813	\$ -	\$ 7,860	\$ 1,047	\$ (7,860)	0%
02979 - Fire Hydrants - Capital						
0965 - Fire Hydrants - Capital	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%
02989 - Preschools - Capital						
0900 - Building Capital Works	\$ -	\$ 15,000	\$ -	\$ 5,500	\$ 15,000	100%
0920 - Computer / IT Capital Works	\$ 2,451	\$ -	\$ 2,451	\$ 1,500	\$ (2,451)	0%
03909 - Industrial Estate - Capital						
0905 - Industrial Estate Capital Works	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%
03919 - Caravan Parks - Capital						
0900 - Building Capital Works	\$ -	\$ 40,000	\$ 6,498	\$ 40,000	\$ 33,502	84%
0910 - Furniture & Equipment Capital Works	\$ -	\$ 3,500	\$ -	\$ 2,000	\$ 3,500	100%
03929 - Public Amenities - Capital						
0900 - Building Capital Works	\$ -	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,000	100%
04909 - Historical Society - Capital						
0900 - Building Capital Works	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ (5,000)	0%
04929 - Library - Capital						
0900 - Building Capital Works	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,615	\$ 2,615	\$ (2,615)	0%
04939 - Hall - Capital						
0900 - Building Capital Works	\$ -	\$ 65,000	\$ -	\$ 90,000	\$ 65,000	100%
05909 - Parks & Playgrounds - Capital						
0975 - Playground Capital Works	\$ -	\$ 10,000	\$ 16	\$ 10,000	\$ 9,984	100%
05919 - Recreation Reserve - Capital						
0900 - Building Capital Works	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%
05939 - Swimming Pool - Capital						
0900 - Building Capital Works	\$ -	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5,000	100%
05949 - Sporting Complex - Capital						
0900 - Building Capital Works	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 13,038	\$ 13,038	\$ (13,038)	0%
0910 - Furniture & Equipment Capital Works	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%
05959 - Gymnasium - Capital						
0910 - Furniture & Equipment Capital Works	\$ -	\$ 4,000	\$ -	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,000	100%
05969 - Bowling Clubs - Capital						
0900 - Building Capital Works	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%
06909 - Local Roads - Capital						
0935 - Urban Road Construction	\$ 1,568	\$ 474,502	\$ 404,644	\$ 492,000	\$ 69,858	15%
0940 - Rural Road Construction	\$ 564,220	\$ 1,766,001	\$ 2,616,467	\$ 2,446,091	\$ (850,466)	(48%)
0945 - Reseals	\$ -	\$ 429,637	\$ -	\$ 498,000	\$ 429,637	100%
0950 - Resheets	\$ 112,339	\$ 1,206,877	\$ 721,140	\$ 1,183,361	\$ 485,737	40%
0955 - Shoulder Resheets	\$ -	\$ 251,904	\$ 157,254	\$ 759,525	\$ 94,650	38%
06919 - Footpath - Capital						
0980 - Footpath Construction	\$ -	\$ 70,667	\$ -	\$ 120,000	\$ 70,667	100%
06929 - Bridge - Capital						
0990 - Bridge Construction	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%
06939 - Kerb & Channel - Capital						
0985 - Kerb & Channel Construction	\$ 3,395	\$ 72,360	\$ 3,395	\$ 200,000	\$ 68,965	95%
06959 - Aerodrome - Capital						
0900 - Building Capital Works	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%
0950 - Resheets	\$ 12,168	\$ 500,000	\$ 582,504	\$ 570,336	\$ (82,504)	(17%)

YARRIAMBIACK SHIRE COUNCIL
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE FOR MARCH 2019

	March Actuals	2018/2019 Budget	YTD Actuals	Forecast	YTD Variance	YTD % Variance
06979 - Depot - Capital						
0900 - Building Capital Works	\$ 88	\$ 120,000	\$ 13,724	\$ 70,000	\$ 106,276	89%
07909 - Drainage - Capital						
0995 - Drainage Construction	\$ -	\$ 26,527	\$ 26,400	\$ 26,527	\$ 127	0%
07929 - Transfer Stations & Landfills - Capital						
0960 - Waste Site Capital Works	\$ 27,045	\$ 300,000	\$ 27,045	\$ 260,000	\$ 272,955	91%
08909 - Livestock Exchange - Capital						
0900 - Building Capital Works	\$ -	\$ 205,000			\$ 205,000	100%
0920 - Computer / IT Capital Works	\$ -		\$ 10,040	\$ 10,040	\$ (10,040)	0%
69760 - Staff Vehicle Purchases						
6800 - Plant Purchases	\$ 96,981	\$ 365,000	\$ 292,460	\$ 365,000	\$ 72,540	20%
69860 - Works Plant Purchases						
6800 - Plant Purchases	\$ 737,000	\$ 975,000	\$ 822,344	\$ 900,000	\$ 152,656	16%
Total	\$ 1,580,618	\$ 6,990,475	\$ 5,861,461	\$ 8,265,236	\$ 1,129,014	

**Yarriambiack Shire Council
Summary of Capital Works for March**

Capital Work		
Administration	Installation of LED lights	\$ 6,170
Informantion & Technology	Laptops, Screens & Accessories	\$ 8,491
	DWN Protect 6TB Appliance	\$ 1,764
Maternal & Child Health	Laptops, Screens & Accessories	\$ 6,813
Preschools	Laptops, Screens & Accessories	\$ 2,451
Urban Road Construction	Craig Avenue, Warracknabeal	\$ 1,568
Rural Road Construction	Coorong Swamp Road	\$ 179,153
	Bells Road	\$ 371,191
	Minyip Dimboola Road	\$ 6,938
	Hopetoun Yaapeet Road	\$ 6,938
Resheets	Roscrea Road	\$ 16,540
	Mclean Lane	\$ 15,335
	Lawler Road	\$ 23,513
	Woodwards Road	\$ 9,432
	Lallat North Road	\$ 1,008
	Cannum 5 Chain Road	\$ 11,736
	Mcfarlanes Road	\$ 8,431
	Bangerang Road	\$ 8,523
	Delavedovas Road	\$ 14,088
	Hopefields Road	\$ 3,733
Kerb & Channel	Anderson Street, Warracknabeal	\$ 3,395
Aerodrome	Linemarking for the Hopetoun runway	\$ 12,168
Transfer Stations & Landfills	Warracknabeal E Waste Shed	\$ 9,015
	Murtoa E Waste Shed	\$ 9,015
	Hopetoun E Waste Shed	\$ 9,015
Staff Vehicle Purchases	Hyundai Santa Fe Elite Wagon	\$ 46,659
	Ford Endura ST-Line Wagon	\$ 50,322
Works Plant Purchases	CAT M12 Series Grader	\$ 368,500
	CAT M12 Series Grader	\$ 368,500
Total Capital Works for March		\$1,580,618

YARRIAMBIACK SHIRE COUNCIL

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st MARCH 2019

	March Actuals	2018/2019 Budget	YTD Actuals	Forecast	YTD Variance	YTD % Variance
Current Assets						
Cash & Cash Equivalents Investments	\$ (1,918,252)	\$ 3,573,000	\$ 9,904,729	\$ 3,573,000	\$ (6,331,729)	(177%)
Rate Debtors	\$ (310,349)	\$ 1,053,000	\$ 2,553,049	\$ 1,053,000	\$ (1,500,049)	(142%)
Debtors	\$ (80,407)	\$ 450,000	\$ 415,593	\$ 450,000	\$ 34,407	8%
Other Current Accrued Assets	\$ 4,352	\$ 1,206,000	\$ 84,139	\$ 1,206,000	\$ 1,121,861	93%
Inventory On Hand	\$ 41,458	\$ 765,000	\$ 641,947	\$ 765,000	\$ 123,053	16%
Assets Held for Resale	\$ -	\$ 30,000	\$ 29,974	\$ 30,000	\$ 26	0%
Current Assets Total	\$ (2,263,198)	\$ 7,077,000	\$ 13,629,431	\$ 7,077,000	\$ (6,552,431)	
Non Current Assets						
Non Current Debtors	\$ -	\$ 1,000	\$ -	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	100%
Investments	\$ -	\$ 496,000	\$ 533,738	\$ 496,000	\$ (37,738)	(8%)
Fixed Assets	\$ 1,580,618	\$ 163,692,000	\$ 148,059,516	\$ 163,692,000	\$ 15,632,484	10%
Non Current Assets Total	\$ 1,580,618	\$ 164,189,000	\$ 148,593,254	\$ 164,189,000	\$ 15,595,746	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ (682,580)	\$ 171,266,000	\$ 162,222,685	\$ 171,266,000	\$ 9,043,315	
Current Liabilities						
Creditors	\$ (307,893)	\$ 1,707,000	\$ 2,580,687	\$ 1,707,000	\$ (873,687)	(51%)
Current Loans	\$ -	\$ 21,000	\$ 20,870	\$ 21,000	\$ 130	1%
Short Term Provisions	\$ -	\$ 3,000,000	\$ 3,505,004	\$ 3,000,000	\$ (505,004)	(17%)
Trust & Deposits	\$ 4,268	\$ 20,000	\$ (902,004)	\$ 20,000	\$ 922,004	4610%
Current Liabilities Total	\$ (303,625)	\$ 4,748,000	\$ 5,204,557	\$ 4,748,000	\$ (456,557)	
Non Current Liabilities						
Long Term Provisions	\$ -	\$ 482,000	\$ 464,417	\$ 482,000	\$ 17,583	4%
Non Current Loans	\$ (1,739)	\$ 79,000	\$ 84,548	\$ 79,000	\$ (5,548)	(7%)
Non Current Liabilities Total	\$ (1,739)	\$ 561,000	\$ 548,965	\$ 561,000	\$ 12,035	
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ (305,364)	\$ 5,309,000	\$ 5,753,522	\$ 5,309,000	\$ (444,522)	
NET ASSETS	\$ (377,216)	\$ 165,957,000	\$ 156,469,163	\$ 165,957,000	\$ 9,487,837	
Current Assets						
Accumulated Surplus/Deficit	\$ (377,216)	\$ 61,900,000	\$ 75,220,392	\$ 61,900,000	\$ (13,320,392)	(22%)
Asset Revaluation Reserve	\$ -	\$ 104,057,000	\$ 81,248,771	\$ 104,057,000	\$ 22,808,229	22%
TOTAL EQUITY	\$ (377,216)	\$ 165,957,000	\$ 156,469,163	\$ 165,957,000	\$ 9,487,837	

Investments

Bendigo Bank	\$ 346,896.09	2.30%	03/04/2019
Commonwealth Bank	\$ 135,612.27	2.60%	01/09/2019
National Australia Bank	\$ 239,339.79	2.70%	14/07/2019
AMP (oncall)	\$ 420.39		Oncall
	\$ 722,268.54		

Loans

Porter Plant - Street Sweeper	\$ 105,418	5 years
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Yarriambiack Shire Council
Summary of Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2019

Assets		
Current Assets		YTD Actuals
Cash & Cash Equivalents	The general bank account had a balance of \$8.780 million at the 31st March. Council is holding \$324,924 in cash and investments of Section 86 Committees. Council has \$722,268 invested with the CBA, NAB, AMP and Bendigo Banks.	\$ 9,904,729
Rate Debtors	For the month of March Rate Debtors decreased by \$310,349. The 3rd rate installment was due on the 28th February. Outstanding rates are still being pursued by debt collection agencies with some accounts advancing to the legal stage. Final Rate notices will be issued in the coming week.	\$2,553,049
Debtors	General Debtors have decreased by \$80,407.	\$415,593
Non Current Assets		
Fixed Assets	Increased by \$1.580 million as per the Capital Works report.	\$148,059,516

Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Creditors	At the time of preparing this report all the March invoices have been processed.	\$2,580,687
Net Assets		\$156,469,163

13.2 Revenue Report – Prepared by Chantelle Pitt

Recommendation

The Revenue Report as at April 2019 be received.

Rates Report - April 2019

Prepared by Chantelle Pitt

Rate Classification	2017/2018 Budget	2017/2018 Actuals	2018/2019 Budget	Actual YTD Receipts	Rebates	Outstanding Rates			
						Current	Arrears & Legals	Interest	Total
Commercial	\$ 329,952.32	\$ 314,333.31	\$ 359,251.86	\$ (322,749.87)	\$ (3,280.98)	\$ 45,166.89	\$ 55,531.22	\$ 33,042.65	\$ 133,740.76
Farmland	\$ 8,067,046.45	\$ 104,715.86	\$ 8,272,096.97	\$ (7,906,190.61)	\$ (3,156.03)	\$ 489,148.13	\$ 132,554.93	\$ 25,986.46	\$ 647,689.52
Residential	\$ 2,038,571.57	\$ 557,185.91	\$ 2,098,915.45	\$ (1,617,227.82)	\$ (124,296.64)	\$ 445,248.21	\$ 422,407.37	\$ 116,066.02	\$ 983,721.60
Total	\$ 10,435,570.34	\$ 976,235.08	\$ 10,730,264.28	\$ (9,846,168.30)	\$ (130,733.65)	\$ 979,563.23	\$ 610,493.52	\$ 175,095.13	\$ 1,765,151.88

Rate Classification	2017/2018 Budget	2017/2018 Actuals	2018/2019 Budget	Actual YTD Receipts	Rebates	Outstanding Rates			
						Current	Arrears & Legals	Interest	Total
Kerbside Garbage Charges	\$ 713,682.94	\$ 195,596.47	\$ 740,677.47	\$ (591,877.93)	\$ (37,645.66)	\$ 141,595.48	\$ 107,283.87	\$ 42,646.63	\$ 291,525.98
Kerbside Recycling Charges	\$ 361,705.40	\$ 96,630.29	\$ 394,258.80	\$ (301,300.49)	\$ (26,580.37)	\$ 84,787.75	\$ 57,178.80	\$ 12,730.18	\$ 154,696.73
Municipal Charge	\$ 357,641.57	\$ 176,825.27	\$ 366,685.92	\$ (284,885.92)	\$ (16,493.07)	\$ 79,102.02	\$ 119,861.83	\$ 37,160.50	\$ 236,124.35
Fire Services Fixed Charge	\$ 732,391.00	\$ 203,733.46	\$ 748,468.00	\$ (592,215.52)	\$ (45,100.00)	\$ 133,641.33	\$ 144,737.94	\$ 26,114.77	\$ 304,494.04
Fire Services Levy	\$ 487,711.25	\$ 26,871.90	\$ 363,449.08	\$ (346,549.56)	\$ -	\$ 26,199.28	\$ 13,972.66	\$ 1,621.83	\$ 41,793.77
Credits	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 77,421.44	\$ -	\$ (76,123.83)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (76,123.83)
Total	\$ 2,653,132.16	\$ 699,657.39	\$ 2,613,539.27	\$ (2,039,407.98)	\$ (125,819.10)	\$ 389,202.03	\$ 443,035.10	\$ 120,273.91	\$ 952,511.04

Grand Total	\$ 13,088,702.50	\$ 1,675,892.47	\$ 13,343,803.55	\$ (11,885,576.28)	\$ (256,552.75)	\$ 1,368,765.26	\$ 1,053,528.62	\$ 295,369.04	\$ 2,717,662.92
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Breakdown of Outstanding Rates by Ward

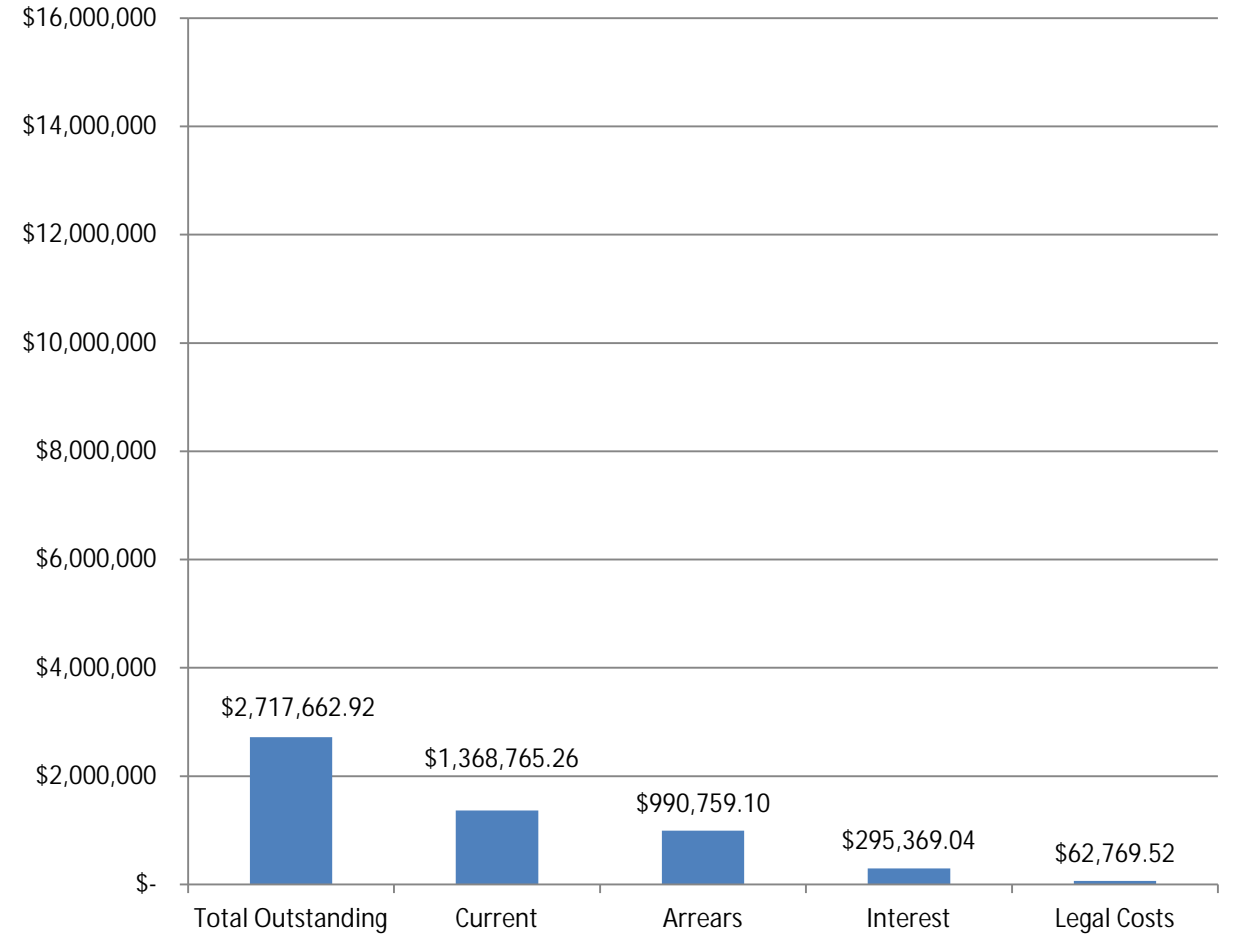
Dunmunkle Ward	2018/2019 Budget	Actual YTD Receipts	Rebates	Current	Arrears & Legals	Interest	Total
Commercial Rates	\$ 91,734.48	\$ (75,074.53)	\$ (1,747.70)	\$ 15,678.10	\$ 46,647.11	\$ 27,850.11	\$ 90,175.32
Farmland Rates	\$ 2,707,165.76	\$ (2,575,135.48)	\$ (573.72)	\$ 177,179.39	\$ 30,515.56	\$ 1,329.76	\$ 209,024.71
Residential Rates	\$ 635,601.98	\$ (474,481.43)	\$ (40,834.13)	\$ 152,279.97	\$ 138,209.62	\$ 34,504.78	\$ 324,994.37
Kerbside Garbage Charges	\$ 204,663.95	\$ (153,240.37)	\$ (12,420.59)	\$ 45,388.78	\$ 37,828.15	\$ 15,329.47	\$ 98,546.40
Kerbside Recycling Charges	\$ 118,484.60	\$ (86,054.66)	\$ (8,683.60)	\$ 28,421.46	\$ 22,618.94	\$ 4,896.14	\$ 55,936.54
Municipal Charge	\$ 106,781.76	\$ (81,313.17)	\$ (5,515.54)	\$ 23,653.33	\$ 25,393.45	\$ 7,850.83	\$ 56,897.61
Credits	\$ -	\$ 27,629.66	\$ -	\$ (23,650.83)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (23,650.83)
Fire Services Fixed Charge	\$ 211,905.00	\$ (164,531.76)	\$ (14,800.00)	\$ 38,647.72	\$ 32,525.25	\$ 5,359.24	\$ 76,532.21
Fire Services Levy	\$ 114,148.67	\$ (107,799.81)	\$ -	\$ 9,503.56	\$ 5,336.09	\$ 809.06	\$ 15,648.71
Total	\$ 4,190,486.20	\$ (3,690,001.55)	\$ (84,575.28)	\$ 467,101.48	\$ 339,074.17	\$ 97,929.39	\$ 904,105.04

Hopetoun Ward	2018/2019 Budget	Actual YTD Receipts	Rebates	Current	Arrears & Legals	Interest	Total
Commercial Rates	\$ 103,416.09	\$ (98,122.69)	\$ (1,052.50)	\$ 6,230.23	\$ 4,019.63	\$ 4,424.16	\$ 14,674.02
Farmland Rates	\$ 2,725,075.76	\$ (2,591,683.69)	\$ (1,345.60)	\$ 180,176.31	\$ 38,801.15	\$ 1,792.70	\$ 220,770.16
Residential Rates	\$ 391,592.30	\$ (298,568.99)	\$ (30,213.90)	\$ 77,296.32	\$ 124,418.22	\$ 47,856.16	\$ 249,570.70
Kerbside Garbage Charges	\$ 165,887.92	\$ (130,389.75)	\$ (11,557.24)	\$ 31,837.45	\$ 36,654.08	\$ 18,614.76	\$ 87,106.29
Kerbside Recycling Charges	\$ 97,917.95	\$ (73,657.81)	\$ (8,336.09)	\$ 20,045.14	\$ 19,449.94	\$ 5,543.22	\$ 45,038.30
Municipal Charge	\$ 108,397.44	\$ (83,384.74)	\$ (5,169.45)	\$ 24,550.10	\$ 53,314.67	\$ 17,695.86	\$ 95,560.63
Credits	\$ -	\$ 8,184.79	\$ -	\$ (20,936.84)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (20,936.84)
Fire Services Fixed Charge	\$ 230,731.00	\$ (183,484.64)	\$ (12,150.00)	\$ 42,596.53	\$ 63,576.12	\$ 12,542.50	\$ 118,715.15
Fire Services Levy	\$ 115,376.62	\$ (110,440.92)	\$ -	\$ 7,692.00	\$ 3,456.07	\$ 270.06	\$ 11,418.13
Total	\$ 3,938,395.08	\$ (3,561,548.44)	\$ (69,824.78)	\$ 369,487.24	\$ 343,689.88	\$ 108,739.42	\$ 821,916.54

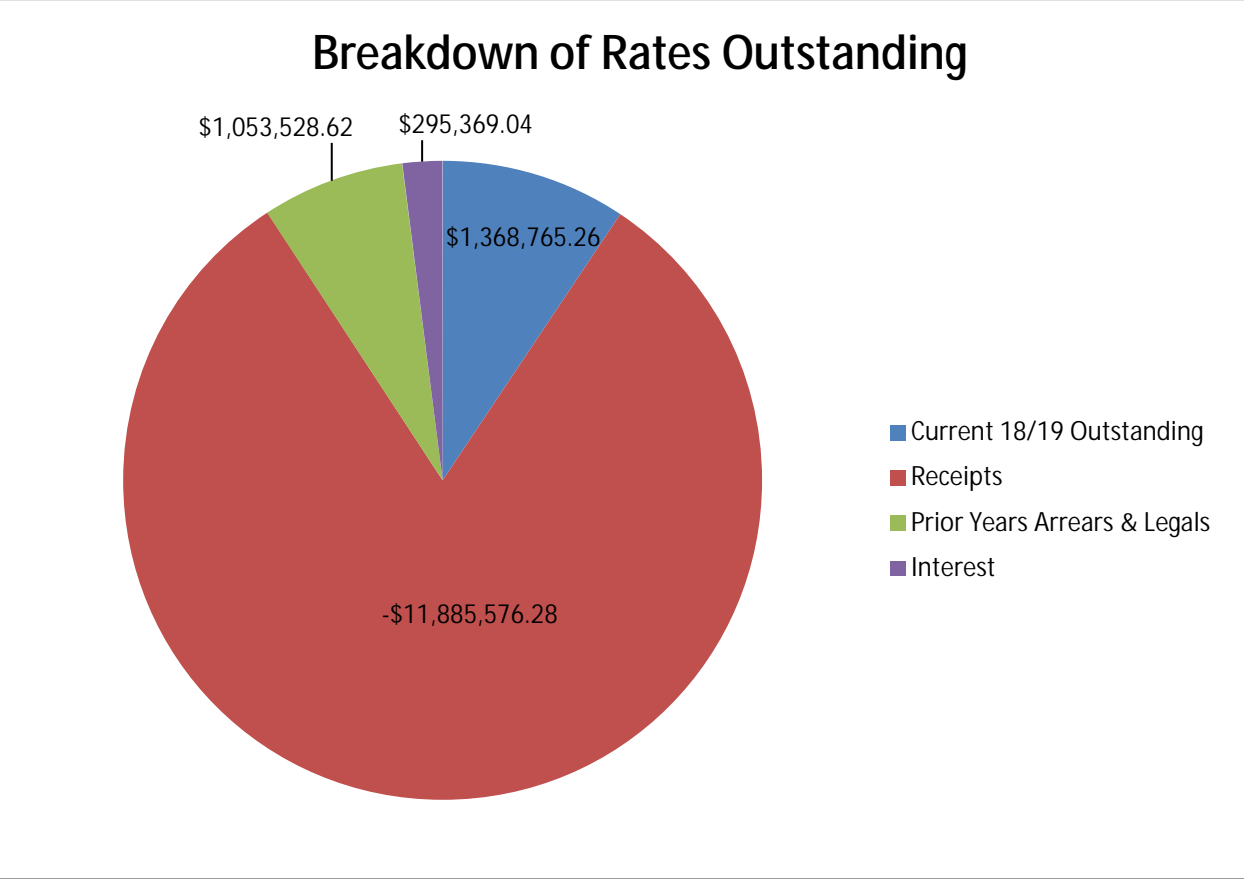
Warracknabeal Ward	2018/2019 Budget	Actual YTD Receipts	Rebates	Current	Arrears & Legals	Interest	Total
Commercial Rates	\$ 164,101.29	\$ (149,552.65)	\$ (480.78)	\$ 23,258.56	\$ 4,864.48	\$ 768.38	\$ 28,891.42
Farmland Rates	\$ 2,839,855.45	\$ (2,739,371.44)	\$ (1,236.71)	\$ 129,876.69	\$ 54,902.09	\$ 4,982.59	\$ 189,761.37
Residential Rates	\$ 1,071,721.17	\$ (844,177.40)	\$ (53,248.61)	\$ 217,587.66	\$ 168,115.66	\$ 51,586.49	\$ 437,289.81
Kerbside Garbage Charges	\$ 370,125.60	\$ (308,247.81)	\$ (13,667.83)	\$ 64,369.25	\$ 32,801.64	\$ 8,702.40	\$ 105,873.29
Kerbside Recycling Charges	\$ 177,856.25	\$ (141,588.02)	\$ (9,560.68)	\$ 36,321.15	\$ 18,051.42	\$ 2,290.82	\$ 56,663.39
Municipal Charge	\$ 151,506.72	\$ (120,188.01)	\$ (5,808.08)	\$ 30,898.59	\$ 38,212.21	\$ 11,613.81	\$ 80,724.61
Credits	\$ -	\$ 41,606.99	\$ -	\$ (31,536.16)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (31,536.16)
Fire Services Fixed Charge	\$ 305,832.00	\$ (244,199.12)	\$ (18,150.00)	\$ 52,397.08	\$ 48,636.57	\$ 8,213.03	\$ 109,246.68
Fire Services Levy	\$ 133,923.79	\$ (128,308.83)	\$ -	\$ 9,003.72	\$ 5,180.50	\$ 542.71	\$ 14,726.93
Total	\$ 5,214,922.27	\$ (4,634,026.29)	\$ (102,152.69)	\$ 532,176.54	\$ 370,764.57	\$ 88,700.23	\$ 991,641.34

Grand Total	\$ 13,343,803.55	\$ (11,885,576.28)	\$ (256,552.75)	\$ 1,368,765.26	\$ 1,053,528.62	\$ 295,369.04	\$ 2,717,662.92
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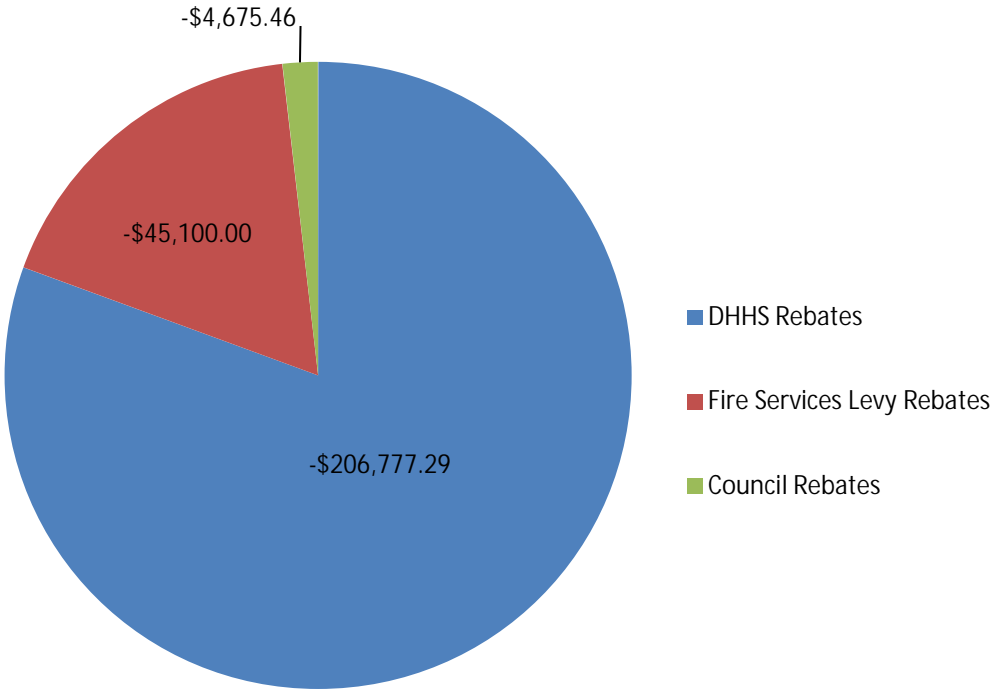
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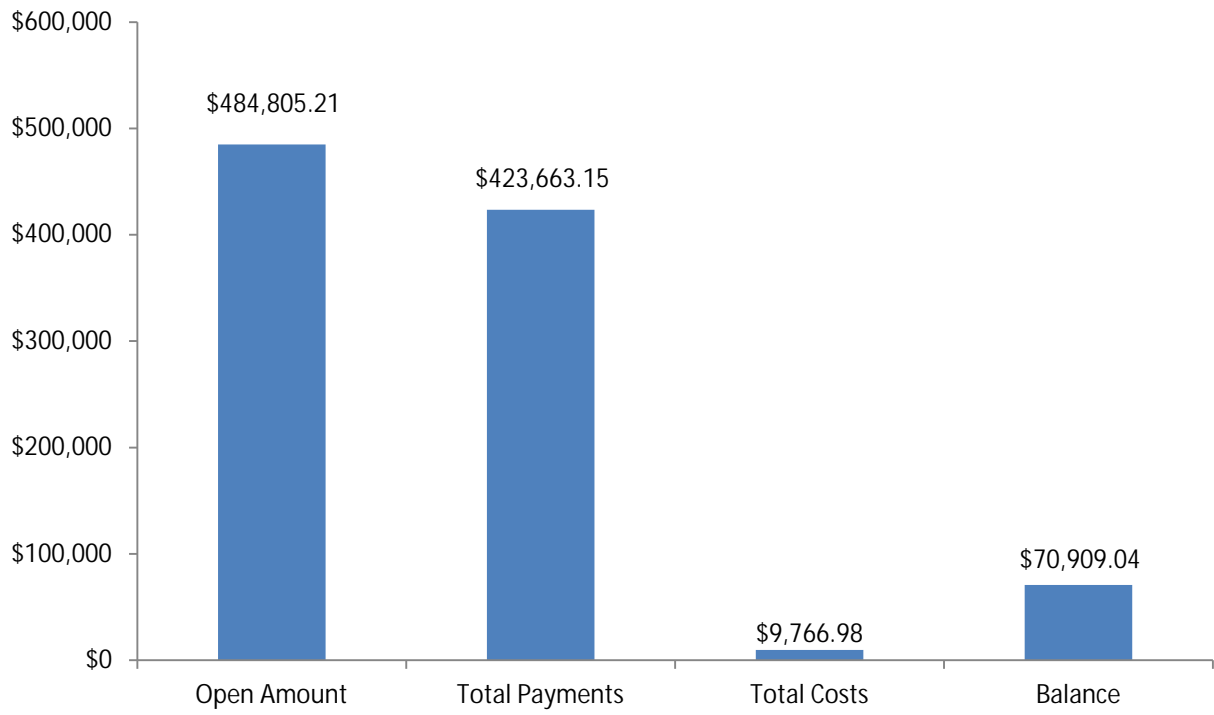
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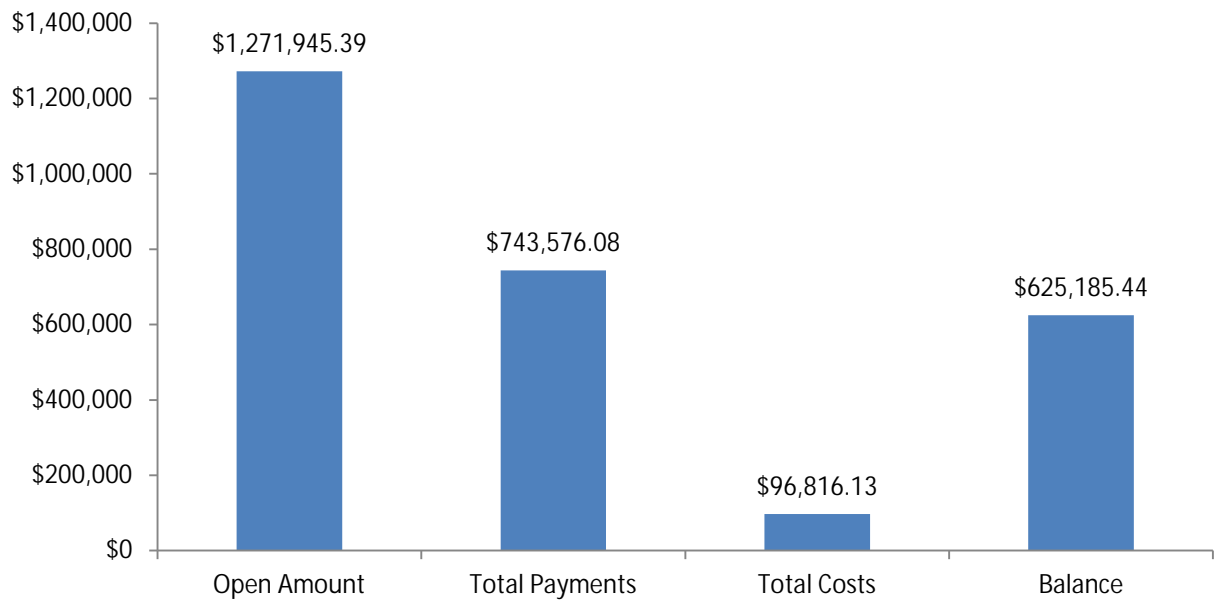
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MCC Debt Collection Report Summary



ARL Debt Collection Report Summary



13.3 Capital Works Program March 2018/2019 – Prepared by Joel Turner

Roads & Streets					
Urban Roads					
Project	Funding	% Completed	Start Date	Completion Date	Comments
South Street Minyip	Shire	100%	August	September	Seal shoulder starting Church St to Foundry St
Flood Levee Warracknabeal	Shire & State/Federal Gov	100%	August 2018		Asphalt sections of levee bank are complete
Rural Roads					
Dimboola Minyip Road	YSC/HRCC	100%	April	March	1km x 6.6m Seal starting 10,315 metres from Geodetic Rd
Minyip Dimboola Road	Shire/Roads to Market	50%	February		Widen Shoulders 10.6kms starting Stawell Warracknabeal Rd
Minyip Banyena Road	Shire/Roads to Market	100%	November	December	1.47km x 6.6m Seal starting 6,955 metres from Stawell Warracknabeal Rd
Hopetoun Yaapeet Road	Shire/Roads to Market	100%	September	October	1.48km x 6.6m Seal starting near Yaapeet North Rd – hot mix intersection
Sea Lake Lascelles Road	Shire/Roads to Market	100%	November	January	1.28km of Seal starting 4,545 metres from Sunraysia Hwy
C Loats Road	R2R	100%	September	November	Seal 1.33km x 6.6m starting at Stawell Warracknabeal Rd
Coorong Swamp Rd	FCR	100%	February	March	Start construction on 1.59km from Donald Murtoa Rd
Bells Rd	FCR	100%	February	February	4kms, 5m gravel to 6.6m sealed road between Molyeaux Rd to Galaquil East Rd, Andersons gravel

Footpaths					
Project	Funding	% Completed	Start Date	Completion Date	Comments
Anderson St Warracknabeal	Shire	50%	April		Upgrade path to concrete – 187m Werrigar St to Gardiner St
O'Brien St Warracknabeal	Shire	0%	May		Upgrade path to concrete – 81m Campbell St to Beggs St
Miller St Murtoa	Shire	0%	May		Construct new quarry dust path – 167m Marma St to Breen St
Lloyd St Murtoa	Shire	0%	May		Construct new quarry dust path – 210m TBA
Austin St Hopetoun	Shire	0%	May		Construct new quarry dust path – 55m Lake Lascelles to Hope Rd
Kelsall St Warracknabeal	Shire	0%	June		Construct new quarry dust path – 144m between Rainbow Rd to Devereux St
Kelsall St Warracknabeal	Shire	0%	June		Construct new quarry dust path – 109m Scott St to Devereux St
Wood St Warracknabeal	Shire	0%	May		Construct new quarry dust path – 265m Hudgson St to Creek
Hopetoun St Beulah	Shire	0%	May		Construct new quarry dust path – 160m Higginbotham St to Lator St
Hopetoun St Beulah	Shire	0%	June		Construct new quarry dust path – 105m School St to Higginbotham St
Hopetoun St Beulah	Shire	0%	June		Construct new quarry dust path – 160m Lator St to Taverner St

Kerb & Channel					
Project	Funding	% Completed	Start Date	Completion Date	Comments
Hamilton St Murtoa	Shire	0%	May		Renew Kerbing left & right hand sides Breen St to Degenhardt St

Gravel Shoulders					
Project	Funding	% Completed	Start Date	Completion Date	Comments
Rosebery East Road	R2R	100%	March	April	4km starting 460 metres from Highway
Sheep Hills Kellalac Road	R2R	100%	January	February	3.2km starting 3km from Highway
Lascelles West Road	R2R	0%	April		1km starting 3,950 metres from Highway

Gravel Re-Sheets					
Project	Funding	% Completed	Start Date	Completion Date	Comments
Alisa Road	R2R	100%	April	April	1.83km starting 7.3km from Borung Hwy Drums Sandstone
Bangerang Road	Shire	100%	April	March	600 metres starting 23.270km from Henty Hwy Hewitts Sandstone
Daveys Road	Shire	100%	August	August	870 metres starting 7.82km from Donald Murtoa Rd Drums Sandstone
Cannum Five Chain Road	Shire	100%	February	February	660 metres starting 2.5km from Blue Ribbon Rd Hewitts Sandstone
Delavedovas Road	R2R	50%	April		2.4km starting Donald Murtoa Rd Gre Gre Gravel
Donald Laen Road	R2R	100%	October	October	1.25km starting Minyip Rich Avon Rd Gre Gre Gravel

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Gravel Re-Sheets (continued)					
Project	Funding	% Completed	Start Date	Completion Date	Comments
Dunlops Road	R2R	0%	May		1.09km starting 2.46km from Matheson Rd Gre Gre Gravel
F Krelle Road	Shire	0%	May		570 metres starting Minyip Banyena Rd Gre Gre Gravel
Hepworth Road	Shire	0%	April		710 metres starting 4.06km from Rupanyup Rd Gre Gre Gravel
Hopefields Road	Shire	100%	April	April	830 metres starting 1.28km from Murtoa Glenorchy Rd Gre Gre Gravel
Kewell East Road	Shire	0%	May		660 metres starting 2.18km from Stawell Warracknabeal Rd & 840 metres starting 4.47km from Stawell Warracknabeal Rd Drums Sandstone
Kewell School Road	Shire	0%	May		1.27km starting 3.05km from Donald Murtoa Rd Drums Sandstone
Lallat North Road	Shire	100%	April	April	1.64km starting 1.84km from Stawell Warracknabeal Rd Drums Sandstone
Lawler Road	Shire	0%	March		1.52km from end of seal Boolite Sheep Hills Rd Gre Gre Gravel
Loeligers Road	R2R	100%	March	April	1.12km starting 3.21km from Horsham Lubeck Rd Gre Gre Gravel
Mellis Road	Shire	0%	June		1km starting 16.77km from Stawell Warracknabeal Rd Hewitts Sandstone
Minyip Rich Avon Road	Shire	100%	October	October	460 metres starting Stawell Warracknabeal Rd Gravel
Morgans Rd	R2R	100%	September	September	1.63km starting 3.25km from Dalcross Rd Gravel
Roscrea Rd	Shire	100%	February	February	839 metres starting Longerenong Rd Drums Sandstone

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Schultzs Road 2	Shire	50%	March	April	1.36km starting Donald Murtoa Rd Drums Sandstone
Gravel Re-Sheets (continued)					
<i>Project</i>	<i>Funding</i>	<i>% Completed</i>	<i>Start Date</i>	<i>Completion Date</i>	<i>Comments</i>
Wallup Hall Road	Shire	100%	December	January	2.5km starting Blue Ribbon Rd Drums Sandstone
Watsons Road	Shire	100%	July	July	760 metres starting Minyip Rich Avon Rd Gre Gre Gravel
Burdetts Road	Shire	100%	October	October	1.15km starting 1.6km from Hopetoun Yaapeet Rd Websters Gravel
Erhardts Road	R2R	100%	January	January	1.08km starting 2.52km from Birchip Rainbow Rd Andersons Gravel
Geodetic Road	Boundary road	100%	March	March	3.8km starting 24.525km from Wail East Rd
Goads Lane	Shire	100%	April	April	1.6km starting Brim West Rd Hewitts Sandstone
Goads Road	Shire	100%	April	April	840 metres starting 3.35km from Highway Hewitts Sandstone
Goyura East	Shire	0%	April		1.4km starting Innes Rd Websters Gravel
Hogans Road	Shire	0%	May		1.61km starting 2.42km from Hopetoun Rainbow Rd Websters Gravel
Hopevale Road	R2R	100%	October	October	1.45km starting Hopetoun Rainbow Rd Eys Gravel
Jim Jollys Road	R2R	100%	September	September	1.22km starting 1.29km from Sea Lake Patchewollock Rd Moles Gravel
Lascelles East Road	R2R	100%	August	August	2.2km starting 7.4km from Lascelles Sea Lake Rd Andersons Gravel
McFarlanes Road	Shire	0%	April		1.22km starting 2.75km from Highway Hewitts Sandstone

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McLeans Lane	Shire	100%	February	March	1km starting Galaquil East Rd Websters Gravel
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Gravel Re-Sheets (continued)					
<i>Project</i>	<i>Funding</i>	<i>% Completed</i>	<i>Start Date</i>	<i>Completion Date</i>	<i>Comments</i>
Michael Road	R2R	100%	August	August	2.58km starting from Pohlner Rd Andersons Gravel
Phelans Road	Shire	100%	December	January	620 metres starting 1.23km from Birchip Beulah Rd Andersons Gravel
Rosebery East Road	R2R	100%	November	November	1.41km starting 11.345km from Highway Clugstons Gravel
Shearing Shed Road	Shire	0%	May		1.62km starting Patchewollock Sea Lake Rd Burns Gravel
Turriff East Road	Shire	0%	May		1.41km starting 4.36km from Sunraysia Hwy Burns Gravel
Wirrbibial Road	Shire	100%	November	November	1.74km starting 2.55km from Cambacanya Rd Websters Gravel
Woodwards Road	Shire	100%	February	February	600 metres starting 1km from Beyal Rd Hewitts Sandstone
Yaapeet Kenmare Road	R2R	100%	September	September	2.25km starting 9.77km from Cowan St Eys Gravel

Recommendation

The Capital Works Report as at March 30 2019 be received.

**13.4 Permit Application to keep more than the allowed number of animals –
Prepared by Craig Byron**

On the 26th February 2019, Ms Melissa Ritchie of 45 Munro Street, Murtoa applied for a permit to keep more than the allowed number of animals at her residence; 3 x Goats.

One neighbour has previously objected to the Permit application, on the grounds of noise from the goats and dogs barking because of this.

Clause 412 of our Local Law doesn't allow Goats to be kept in a township area without a Permit.

Recommendation

That Council does not grant the permit to keep 3 Goats (1 x Mother Goat and 2 x kids), at 45 Munro Street Murtoa.

Whilst the property has a large rear yard with ample room and plenty of shedding. Where the goats are currently housed, is right alongside the fence shared with the neighbour that has objected.

The objection is reasonable as the noise is in close proximity to the neighbours house. If we approved this permit application it would open a Pandora's box.

13.5 SHARE Community Grants, April 2019 – Prepared by Marianne Ferguson

Council extensively advertised the SHARE Community Grants Program for a period of 5 weeks throughout the Shire. The total funding available in this round is \$30,000 including GST. The evaluation panel consisted of the following representatives: Cr Jean Wise, Cr Corinne Heintze, Cr Shane Roberts and Community Development Officer Marianne Ferguson. 32 applications were assessed requesting a total of \$65,196.52. 19 applications are recommended for funding.

APPLICATION NO.	NAME OF ORGANISATION	DESCRIPTION OF REQUEST	FUNDING ALLOCATED
1	Murtoa Bowling Club	Murtoa Bowls Tournament Sponsorship of 1st prize for Men's fours bowls tournament in January 2020.	\$200
2	Rupanyup Major Events on behalf of Rupanyup 2020 'Back To' Committee	Sunset Banquet – event in paddock for current and returning to the region residents as a conclusion to the 2020 'Back To' celebrations. Catering, marquee, generator and entertainment.	\$1000
3	Warracknabeal Action Group	Christmas Festival 2019 - costs involved in hiring sound equipment for Carols by Candlelight	\$1000
4	Yaapeet Community Club	Catering for Auskick nights - approx attendance each week 50 people	\$800
5	Beulah Bowling and Croquet Club Inc	Kitchen Fridge Replacement Purchase a new kitchen fridge to replace the existing 30 year old one.	\$1000
6	Beulah Fire Brigade. CFA	Beulah CFA replacement footpath on the western side of the shed with a concrete path.	\$1100
7	Beulah Public Purpose Reserve Committee of Management / Beulah Caravan Park	Resurface the 3km walking track around the Beulah weir pool. Apply gravel to the 2 new cabins, create adjacent car parks and resurface caravan park gravel that has thinned out to dust / gravel.	\$3000
8	Brim Sports & Social Club Inc	Replacement of the current weather damaged wooden bench seats that line the exterior of the north, east and west walls of the building. Replacement of the football trainers seats in the side field shelters.	\$1500
9	Hopetoun Angling Club	Install a sprinkler system on the east side of Lake Lascelles surrounding the BBQ area. Volunteers currently use hoses to manually water the area which are often stolen.	\$2000
10	Hopetoun Table Tennis Club	Purchase of event sign - sandwich board to be placed outside venue for 24 hours prior to sessions to promote Table Tennis and encourage new members.	\$400
11	Minyip Golf Club Inc	Assist with the purchase of equipment shed for the safe and adequate storage of golf club and individual member's	\$2000

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		equipment.	
12	Murtoa Progress Association Inc	To purchase and install an external defibrillator, including cabinet at the Murtoa Police Station	\$1865
13	Patchewollock Music Festival	Patchewollock Music Festival - assist in the costs involved in putting together the festival.	\$3000
14	Rupanyup Major Events	Wood Art Trail - Assist in the cost for one of the carvings. Project to include a total of 7 wood art formations on five different sites designed and made by chainsaw artist John Brady.	\$3000
15	Nick Cave subgroup -Warracknabeal Action Group	Nick Cave Statue Merchandise and Exhibition Assist with costs of developing a project logo, print t-shirts, stubby coolers and stickers to promote the statue project and Cave's connection to Warracknabeal.	\$1300
16	Warracknabeal Bowling Club Inc	Warracknabeal Bowling Club Shade Paving Construct a level surface and install pavers to create a safe environment to enable maximum use of the area.	\$1500
25	Warracknabeal Golf Bowls Club	Boundary Fence Redevelopment including some fence rails and 40 brush panels that separate the car park from the bowling green.	\$1500
17	Warracknabeal Swimming Club	Warracknabeal Swimming Club new lane ropes and trolleys.	\$1500
18	Woomelang Bowling Club Inc	Overhead Watering System Replace sprinkler heads and the wire supports for the system.	\$1335
19	Woomelang Returned Soldiers Rooms and Memorial hall	Install an air conditioner in the kitchen at the Hall.	\$1000
		Total	\$30,000

Recommendation

That Council approve the above nominated projects under the 2018/2019 SHARE Community Grant Program.

13.6 Instrument of Appointment and Authorisation – Report prepared by Jessie Holmes

Discussion

The appointment of authorised officers enables appropriate staff within the organisation to administer and enforce various Acts, regulations or local laws in accordance with the powers granted to them under legislation or a local law.

Instruments of Appointment and Authorisation are prepared based on advice from the Maddocks Authorisations and Delegations Service.

Whilst the appointment and authorisation of authorised officers under other relevant legislation is done by the Chief Executive Officer under delegation, Maddocks recommend that officers enforcing the Planning and Environment Act 1987 be authorised by Council resolution.

Community Considerations

The community expectations are for Council to be well governed and Council staff to exercise their statutory powers within the limits of the appropriate Acts and regulations.

Environmental Considerations

There are no Environmental considerations.

Financial and Risk Considerations

Council subscribes to the Maddocks Authorisations and Delegations Service, and relevant advice has been considered in the preparation of this report.

The costs to prepare and adopt the Instrument are minimal and met within the current Governance departmental budget.

Recommendation

That Council resolve, in the exercise of the powers conferred by section 224 of the Local Government Act 1989 and section 147(4) of the Planning and Environment Act 1987, that:

1. The members of Council staff referred to in the Instrument of Appointment and Authorisation (Attachment 1 as annexed to the minutes) be appointed and authorised as set out in the Instrument.
2. The Instrument comes into force immediately once the common seal of Council is affixed to the Instrument, and remains in force until Council determines to vary or revoke it.
3. The Instrument of Appointment and Authorisation be sealed

S11A Instrument of Appointment and Authorisation (Planning and Environment Act 1987)

Yarriambiack Shire Council

Instrument of Appointment and Authorisation

(Planning and Environment Act 1987 only)

Instrument of Appointment and Authorisation (*Planning and Environment Act 1987*)

In this instrument "**officer**" means -

Mr Adam Moar

By this instrument of appointment and authorisation Yarriambiack Shire Council -

1. under s 147(4) of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* - appoints the officer to be an authorised officer for the purposes of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* and the regulations made under that Act; and
2. under s 232 of the *Local Government Act 1989* authorises the officer generally to institute proceedings for offences against the Acts and regulations described in this instrument.

It is declared that this instrument -

- (a) comes into force immediately upon its execution;
- (b) remains in force until varied or revoked.

This instrument is authorised by a resolution of the Yarriambiack Shire Council on **24th April 2019**.

THE COMMON SEAL of the **YARRIAMBIACK SHIRE COUNCIL** was affixed hereto by authority of the Council in the presence of:

Signature of Mayor/Councillor

Name

Signature of Councillor

Name

Signature of Chief Executive Officer

Name

Date _____

14 OTHER BUSINESS

(including strategic direction and specific issues)

14.1 Financial Assistance Grant Advocacy

FAGs are a vital part of the revenue base of all councils, and this year councils will receive \$2.4 billion from the Australian Government under this important program.

The value of the FAGs has been declining for more than 20 years. In 1996 the level of funding for the FAGs was equal to around 1% of Commonwealth Taxation Revenue but this has steadily fallen since 1996 under successive Federal Governments until it has reached a level now less than 0.55% of Commonwealth Taxation revenue. This decline was exacerbated by a three-year freeze on the indexation of FAGs from 2014-15 to 2016-17 which has cost local government an estimated \$925m in foregone FAGs funding.

FAGs are essential for many councils, particularly those in regional and remote areas of Australia which have very limited access to alternative revenue sources such as rates. These councils are dependent on the FAGs for the provision of infrastructure and services for their communities.

At the national level there has been an increasing level of demand from the community for local services and a growing expectation for a higher standard of services. This comes at the same time as cost shifting by state and territory governments onto local government continues to be a problem and state and territory governments in several states impose revenue restrictions on councils through rate capping.

The Australian Local Government Association has made the restoration of the FAGs and the provision of a Fairer Share for local communities a key election initiative and ALGA and the state and territory local government associations are seeking the support of Council for the campaign and asking Council to engage directly with local candidates in the Federal Election to seek their support for a Fairer share of Federal funding for our community.

Recommendation:

That the Council:

1. Acknowledges the importance of federal funding through the Financial Assistance Grants program for the continued delivery of council services and infrastructure;
2. Expresses its concern about the decline in the value of Financial Assistance Grants funding at the national level from an amount equal to around 1% of Commonwealth Taxation Revenue in 1996 to a current figure of around 0.55%.; and
3. Calls on all political parties contesting the 2019 Federal Election and their local candidates to support the Australian Local Government Association's call to restore the national value of Financial Assistance Grants funding to an amount equal to at least 1 % of Commonwealth Taxation revenue and therefore to provide a Fairer Share of Federal funding for our local communities.

15 REPORTS FOR DECISION – CLOSED SESSION

ATTACHMENTS / REPORTS

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of Council will be held on Wednesday, 22 May 2019 at 9:30am at Warracknabeal.

CLOSE

_____ **Mayor**