



AGENDA

Ordinary Council Meeting

Thursday 27 April 2017
@ 11:00 am

To be held in the Council Chambers, Hack St Sandstone



ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING NOTICE PAPER

Thursday 27 April 2017 – 11:00 am

Dear President and Councillors,

An Ordinary Meeting of Council is called for Thursday 27 April 2017, in the Council Chambers, Hack Street, Sandstone, commencing at 11:00 am.

Councillors please note:

A Briefing Session will be held at the conclusion of the Council Meeting.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'H. Hawkins', is positioned above the printed name of the Chief Executive Officer.

Harry Hawkins
Chief Executive Officer

28 March 2017

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

A 15 minute public question time is available to allow members of the public the opportunity of submitting questions to Council on matters concerning them. Questions should be submitted in writing prior to the meeting. The questions will be addressed by the President or their nominated person. Where an answer cannot be given at the meeting, a reply will be given in writing subsequent to the meeting.

Discussion will not be allowed.



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WRITTEN DECLARATION OF INTEREST IN MATTER BEFORE COUNCIL

NOTE: USE ONE FORM PER DECLARATION

I, (1) _____ hereby declare an interest in the following item to be considered by Council at its Meeting to be held on (2) _____ and regarding

Agenda item (3) _____

The type of interest I wish to declare is (4)

- Financial pursuant to Sections 5.60A of the Local Government Act 1995
- Proximity pursuant to Section 5.60B of the Local Government Act 1995
- Indirect Financial pursuant to Section 5.61 of the Local Government Act 1995
- Impartiality pursuant to Regulation 11 of the Local Government (Rules of Conduct) Regulation 2007

The nature of my interest is (5)

The extent of my interest is (6)

I understand that the above information will be recorded in the Minutes of the Meeting and recorded by the Chief Executive Officer in an appropriate Register.

(Signature)

(Date)

RECEIVED BY:

(Chief Executive Officer)

(Date)

- (1) Insert your name.
- (2) Insert the date of the Council Meeting at which the item it to be considered.
- (3) Insert the Agenda Item Number and Title.
- (4) Tick the box(es) to indicate the type of interest (for explanation, see the extracts overleaf from the Act.
- (5) Describe the nature of your interest.
- (6) Describe the extent of your interest (if seeking to participate in the matter under the s.5.68 of the Act)

Financial pursuant to Section 5.60A of the Local Government Act 1995

s5.60A Financial Interest

For the purpose of this Subdivision, a person has a financial interest in a matter if it is reasonable to expect that the matter will if dealt with by the local government, or an employee or committee of the local government or member of the council of the local government, in a particular way, result in a financial gain, loss, benefit or detriment for the person.

[Section 5.60A inserted by No. 64 of 1998 s. 30; amended by No. 49 of 2004 s. 50.]

Proximity pursuant to Section 5.60B of the Local government Act 1995

s5.60B Proximity Interest

- (1). For the purposes of this Subdivision, a person has a proximity interest in a matter if the matter concerns –
 - (a). a proposed change to a planning scheme affecting land that adjoins the person's land;
 - (b). a proposed change to zoning or use of land that adjoins that person's land; or
 - (c). a proposed development (as defined in section 5.63 (5)) of land that adjoins the person's land.

- (2). In this section, land ("**the proposal land**") adjoins a person's land if –
 - (a). the proposal land, not being a thoroughfare, has a common boundary with the person's land;
 - (b). the proposal land, or any part of it, is directly across a thoroughfare from, the person's land; or
 - (c). the proposal land is that part of a thoroughfare that has a common boundary with the person's land.

- (3). In this section a reference to a person's land is a reference to any land owned by the person or in which the person has any estate or interest.

[Section 5.60B inserted by No 64 of 1998 s. 30.]

Indirect Financial pursuant to Section 5.61 of the Local Government Act 1995

s5.61 Indirect Financial Interest

A reference in this Subdivision to an indirect financial interest of a person in a matter includes a reference to a financial relationship between that person and another person who requires a local government decision in relation to the matter.

Impartiality pursuant to Regulation 11 of the Local Government (Rules of Conduct) Regulation 2007

reg 11 Disclosure of Interest

- (1). In this regulation –
Interest means an interest that could, or could reasonably be perceived to; adversely affect the impartiality of the person having the interest arising from kinship, friendship or membership of an association.

- (2). A person who is a council member and who has an interest in any matter to be discussed at a council or committee meeting attended by the member must disclose the nature of the interest –
 - (a). in a written notice given to the CEO before the meeting;
 - or
 - (b). at the meeting immediately before the matter is discussed.

- (3). Sub-regulation (2) does not apply to an interest referred to in section 5.60 of the Act.
- (4). Sub-regulation (2) does not apply if –
 - (a). A person who is a council member fails to disclose an interest because the person did not know he or she has an interest in the matter; or
 - (b). A person who is a council member fails to disclose an interest because the person did not know the matter in which he or she had an interest would be discussed at the meeting and the person disclosed the interest as soon as possible after the discussion began.
- (5). If, under sub-regulation (2)(a), a person who is a council member discloses an interest in a written notice given to the CEO before a meeting then –
 - (a). Before the meeting the CEO is to cause the notice to be given to the person who is to preside at the meeting; and
 - (b). At the meeting the person presiding is to bring the notice and its contents to the attention of the persons present immediately before a matter to which the disclosure related is discussed.
- (6). If –
 - (a). Under sub-regulation (2)(b) or (4)(b) a person's interest in a matter is disclosed at a meeting; or
 - (b). Under sub-regulation (5) (b) notice of a person's interest in a matter is brought to the attention of the persons present at a meeting.

The nature of the interest is to be recorded in the minutes of the meeting.

Describe the extent of your interest (If seeking to participate in the matter under s.5.68 of the Act)

s5.68 Councils and Committees may allow Members disclosing interests to participate etc. in Meetings

- (1). If a member has disclosed, under section 5.65, an interest in a matter, the members present at the meeting who are entitled to vote on the matter
 - (a). may allow the disclosing member to be present during any discussion or decision making procedure relating to the matter; and
 - (b). may allow , to the extent decided by those members, the disclosing member to preside at the meeting (if otherwise qualified to preside) or to participate in discussions and the decision making procedures relating to the matter if –
 - (i) the disclosing member also discloses the extent of the interest; and
 - (ii) those members decide that the interest –
 - (I) is so trivial or insignificant as to be unlikely to influence the disclosing member's conduct in relation to the matter; or
 - (II) is common to a significant number of electors or ratepayers
- (2). A decision under this section is to be recorded in the minutes of the meeting relating to the matter together with the extent of any participation allowed by the council or committee.
- (3). This sections does not prevent the disclosing member from discussing, or participating in the decision making process on, the question on whether an application should be made to the Minister under section 5.69.

**SHIRE OF SANDSTONE
ELECTED MEMBER'S REQUEST FORM**

Councillor's Name: _____

Date: ____/____/2017

Urgency: Low / Medium / High / Strategic

Road / Public Building / Area: _____

Request: _____

Description: _____

OFFICE USE ONLY:-----

Action Taken: _____

Comment: _____

Completed: ____/____/2017

Signature: _____

Inspected and/or authorised by: _____
(Chief Executive Officer)

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Councilor's Claim for Sitting Fees and Travel

Councillor _____

Creditor No _____

<i>Date</i>	<i>Meeting</i>	<i>Sitting Fees</i>	<i>Travel Km's</i>	<i>Amount</i> <small>.7087 cents per km</small>
Date of Meeting	Type of Meeting	\$170/ \$340	No of km's	Office Use
	Full Council			

Fees payable are in accordance with the Local Government Act (5.98) – Administration Regulations (30)

Total		Total
<input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>		<input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>
04109	Line Item 370	04100
		TOTAL: <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/>

OTHER MEETINGS ATTENDED IN THE MONTH

Date	Meeting	Km's	Vehicle supplied?

If this form is not filled out correctly with all information the claim for payment will be rejected.

_____ (Signature) _____ (Date)

Calculations Checked _____ Date _____

Goods Received / Payment Approved _____

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ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING TO BE HELD IN
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, SANDSTONE ON THURSDAY, 27 April 2017

1 DECLARATION OF OPENING AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF ANY VISITORS

The Presiding Member, Cr Bethel Walton (Shire President) to declare the Meeting open at 11.00 am.

2 ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE PRESIDING MEMBER AND/OR COUNCILLORS (without discussion unless otherwise determined)

Nil

3 ATTENDANCE

3.1 Present

Elected Members

Cr B (Bethel) Walton	Shire President (and Presiding member of this Meeting)
Cr C (Carol) Hodshon	Deputy Shire President
Cr F (Freda) May	
Cr D (David) Lefroy	
Cr K (Kerry) Key	
Cr J P Bennett	

Staff Members

Mr Harry Hawkins	Chief Executive Officer
Mr Danny Humphries	Works Supervisor

3.2 Apologies

3.3 Approved Leave of Absence

4 RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

Nil

5 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

6 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- 6.1 Declarations of Financial Interest
- 6.2 Declarations of Proximity Interest
- 6.3 Declarations of Indirect Financial Interest
- 6.4 Declarations of Impartiality Interest

7 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Nil

8 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

- 8.1 That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 23 March 2017 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

MOVED: Cr

SECONDED: Cr

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 23 March 2017 are confirmed as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

NOT/CARRIED (??)

9 PRESENTATIONS

- 9.1 Petitions
Nil
- 9.2 Presentations
Nil
- 9.3 Deputations
Nil

9.4 Delegates/Councillor's Reports

Nil

10 OFFICERS REPORTS

10.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORTS

10.1.1 Status Report Update – April 2017

Agenda Reference: CEO 04/17 - 01
Location/Address: Shire of Sandstone
Name of Applicant: Shire of Sandstone
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Date of Report: 13/03/2017
File No:
Previous References: Various

Author: Harry Hawkins, CEO



Signature of Author:

Summary

The purpose of this report is to advise Council on the status of its decisions from previous Council meetings.

Attachments

10.1.2A Status Update April 2017

Background

It is important that the Council receives an update on the outcome of its resolutions on a regular basis.

Comment

As per the comments in the body of this report.

Consultation

Nil

Statutory Environment

Nil

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

Nil

Strategic Implications

Nil

Voting Requirements

Simple majority

Officer Recommendation – Item 10.1.1

That Council accepts the Status Update for April 2017

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

MOVED: Cr

SECONDED: Cr

That Council accepts the Status Update for April 2017

CARRIED/NOT CARRIED (X/X)

Status Update April 2017

The Status Update is used to provide information to Elected Members regarding the Status of decisions made at Council Meetings:

Meeting Date	Item No	Resolution (Action Required)	Response (Update)	Officer	Timeframe
August 2016					
66/16	10.1.3	That Council – 1. notes the submissions from the Department of Local Government and Communities in relation to the	15/08/16 Final adopted versions of Dogs LL received from Niel Mitchell 19/08/16	CEO/Finance Officer	

		<p>following proposed Dog Local Law.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. resolves to make the Dog Local Law noted above as per the attached drafts, incorporating amendments outlined by the Department of Local Government and Communities; 3. authorise the affixing of the Common Seal to the Dog Local Law; 4. publish the Dog Local Law noted above, in the Government Gazette; 5. provide copy of the local law to the Minister for Local Government; 6. forward a copy of the Gazetted Local Laws, explanatory memoranda and associated documentation to the Parliamentary Joint Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation for review. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dogs local Laws signed and sealed by the Shire President and Acting CEO; • Copies sent to Niel Mitchell for submission to the Joint Standard Committee on Delegated Legislation <p>26/08/16 Draft advert for local public notice received regarding notification of the adoption and <i>Gazetta</i> today of the Dogs Local Laws</p> <p>09/09/2016 Signed copies Dogs Local Laws and Explanatory memoranda and associated documentation signed by the President and CEO sent to Parliamentary Joint Standing Committee on Delegated Legislation for review.</p>	
85/16	10.1.3	That Council request an inspection of the houses with a view to purchasing them if structurally sound and price is reasonable.	<p>28/9/2016 Keys received and houses inspected. Department Contacted for price and further details.</p> <p>10/03/2017 Email sent to officer at the Department of Housing for an update on this proposal.</p>	
12/17	10.3.1	That Council approves having the map of Bush Fire Prone Areas reassessed and pushed out further from the boundaries of the Sandstone town site	<p>15/03/2017 Email sent to Bill Atyeo advising him of Council's decision</p>	

Legend

Category	Status
Not Started	
In Progress	
Completed	

10.1.2 Plant Purchases 2017- 2018

Agenda Reference:	CEO 04/17 - 02
Location/Address:	Shire of Sandstone
Name of Applicant:	Shire of Sandstone
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date of Report:	28 March 2017
Author:	Harry Hawkins, Chief Executive Officer

Summary

The withdrawal of the concession on vehicle licence fees for local government also withdraws the exemption from Stamp Duty on vehicle and plant purchases.

Attachments

Letter Department of Transport and Letter from Mark McGowan

Background

In December 2016 local governments around the state were contacted by the Department of Transport to advise of a 2016 budget measure withdrawing the motor vehicle licence concessions for Local Governments. Tied to the concessions is a legislative provision that also exempts local governments from Stamp Duty on vehicle and plant purchases.

Comment

The Plant Replacement Schedule for 2017 – 2018 has listed for replacement 2 prime Movers, the fuel trailer, Works Supervisors vehicle, CEO vehicle and small tip truck however in discussion with the Works Supervisor this has been reduced to one prime mover and the 2 staff vehicles. To replace these 3 vehicles plus purchase a new front end loader in 2017 – 2018 would attract stamp duty of \$33,425 however if these were purchased prior to the 30th June 2017 while the exemption is still in place this would not be payable. Also if the vehicles were registered prior to the 30th June 2017 the subsidy on licence fees would also apply.

While the negotiations with the new state government regarding the withdrawal of concessions is ongoing given the state government's budget position and the tone of the letter from the new Premier a reversal of this decision by the previous government appears unlikely. The estimated net change over of the 3 vehicles plus the purchase of the new loader after trade in of the backhoe would be approximately \$370,000 which would be taken from the plant replacement reserve. An estimate of the interest lost on the term deposit for the extra time the money would have remained in the reserve is estimated at \$4,007 meaning the shire would save \$29,418 by buying these vehicles and plant before the 30th

June 2017 if the decision to remove subsidies was not reversed. Alternatively if the decision was reversed there is the possibility that the shire would lose \$4,007 in interest on the Plant Reserve term deposit.

This saving is only available if the new vehicles are ordered and available to be delivered before the 30th June 2017.

Consultation

Works Supervisor

Statutory Environment

Nil

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

The shire would save \$29,418 in stamp duty unless the removal of the concession was reversed by the state government in which case there would be a potential loss of \$4,007 in interest on the reserve funds.

Strategic Implications

Nil

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

Officer Recommendation – Item No. 10.1.2

That Council agree to the bringing forward of plant replacement items scheduled for 2017-2018 to the 2016–2017 year to save approximately \$29,418 in stamp duty and the approximately \$370,000 net cost of these replacements is taken from the Plant Replacement Reserve.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

MOVED: Cr

SECONDED: Cr

That Council agree to the bringing forward of plant replacement items scheduled for 2017-2018 to the 2016–2017 year to save approximately \$29,418 in stamp duty and the approximately \$370,000 net cost of these replacements is taken from the Plant Replacement Reserve.

CARRIED/NOT CARRIED (??)

10.1.3 COMPLIANCE AUDIT RETURN 2016

Agenda Reference: CEO 04/17 – 03
Location/Address: Shire of Sandstone
Name of Applicant: Nil
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Date of Report: 31 March 2017
Author: Harry Hawkins, Chief Executive Officer

Summary

The Audit Committee has reviewed the Compliance Audit Return for 2016 and presents it to Council for adoption. The Committee noted no areas of non-compliance in the Return.

Attachments

Nil

Background

All local governments are required to complete and submit a Compliance Audit Return for the previous calendar year by the 31st March of the following year. For 2017 a new way of delivering the return was introduced and the circular explaining that does not appear to have been received by the Shire of Sandstone therefore the return is being adopted by Council and lodged after the due date.

Comment

The Shire of Sandstone Audit Committee has today met and reviewed the 2016 Compliance Audit Return as required by the Local Government Audit Regulations 1996. The Committee went through the completed return and advise that there were no areas of non-compliance in the 2016 Return.

Consultation

Nil

Statutory Environment

Local Government (Audit) Regulations 1996 – 15 (1)

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

Nil

Strategic Implications

Nil

Voting Requirements

Absolute majority

Officer Recommendation – Item No. 10.1.3

Council adopt the 2016 Compliance Audit Return as recommended by the Audit Committee, with no identified areas of non-compliance, and it be submitted to the Department of Local Government and Communities

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

MOVED: Cr

SECONDED: Cr

Council adopt the 2016 Compliance Audit Return as recommended by the Audit Committee, with no identified areas of non-compliance, and it be submitted to the Department of Local Government and Communities

CARRIED/NOT CARRIED (??)

10.1.4 Development Assessment Panel Nominees

Agenda Reference: CEO 04/17 – 04
Location/Address: Shire of Sandstone
Name of Applicant: Development Assessment Panels
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Date of Report: 31 March 2017
Author: Harry Hawkins, Chief Executive Officer

Summary

Council is required to nominate members for the local development assessment panel.

Attachments

Nil

Background

Legislation requires local governments to nominate 2 elected members to sit on a Development Assessment Panel (DAP) and 2 alternate members to act on occasions when one of the members is not available. The DAP sits when there is a need to determine a planning application that meets a certain threshold value.

All the current members' term expires on the 26th April and new nominees need to be appointed. Existing members for the Shire of Sandstone are Shire President Cr Beth Walton

and Deputy President Cr Carol Hodshon with alternate members being Cr Freda May and Cr Donna Bennett. There is no record of a replacement alternate member being appointed upon the resignation from Council of Cr Donna Bennett.

Comment

There is a statutory requirement for the Shire to nominate elected members to represent the Shire to assess development applications that meet the appropriate criteria that would require the DAP to meet. Council will need to nominate 2 members and 2 alternative members to sit on the DAP for the next 3 years. It is acknowledged by the Department of Planning that members nominated now may not be on Council following the October 2017 elections and that this should be taken into consideration when nominating members although replacement members can be nominated after the election if necessary.

Consultation

Nil

Statutory Environment

Planning and Development (Development Assessment Panels) Regulations 2011

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

There may be some training required however these costs can be allocated from existing budget provisions.

Strategic Implications

Nil

Voting Requirements

Simple majority

Officer Recommendation – Item No. 10.1.4

That the Council nominate the following elected members for appointment by the Minister for Planning to the local Development Assessment Panel;

Cr as panel member

Cr as panel member

Cr as alternative panel member

Cr as alternative panel member

Staff Recommendation

MOVED:

SECONDED:

That the Council nominate the following elected members for appointment by the Minister for Planning to the local Development Assessment Panel;

Cr	as panel member
Cr	as panel member
Cr	as alternative panel member
Cr	as alternative panel member

CARRIED/NOT CARRIED (?!?)

10.1.5 Annual Review of Delegations Register

Agenda Reference:	CEO 04/17 – 05
Location/Address:	Shire of Sandstone
Name of Applicant:	Nil
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Date of Report:	3 April 2017
Author:	Harry Hawkins, Chief Executive Officer

Summary

Council is required to review its register of delegations at least once every 12 months.

Attachments

Updated Delegations Register

Background

Legislation requires local governments to review their Register of Delegations at least once every 12 months. The Shire of Sandstone last reviewed their register in April 2016.

The Delegations Register is a register which records the allocation by Council of its powers and authority downwards to the CEO and any Committee to achieve effective results in a timely manner. Legislation also prescribes that not all powers of Council are able to be delegated and this is taken into account in compiling the register.

Comment

There is a statutory requirement for Council to review its register and there have been several changes made in this years review. Those changes are as follows;

1. EO – D03 Public Interest Disclosures. This delegation has been removed because the Public Interest Disclosure Act section 23 (1)(a) gives the power to the Principal

Executive Officer of the public authority therefore it is not Council's power to delegate.

2. FI – D03 Budget Allocation and Implementation, FI – D04 Calling for Tenders and FI – 13 Purchase Order Authorisation amended to reflect changes to regulations lifting the tender threshold to \$150,000.
3. FI – D15 The name Greenfields Technical Services has been removed and replaced with a generic term so that any technical consultant used can be present at tender openings.
4. TP – D02 Development Applications Advertising. This delegation has been removed because if the application requires advertising for community comment then it should not be approved by staff under delegation but by Council.

All other delegations are unchanged from the 2016 review.

Consultation

Nil

Statutory Environment

Local Government Act 1995 Sections 5.42 and 5.43.

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

Nil

Strategic Implications

Nil

Voting Requirements

Absolute majority

Officer Recommendation – Item No. 10.1.5

That Council adopt the Register of Delegations for 2016-2017 as attached.

Staff Recommendation

MOVED:

SECONDED:

That the Council adopt the Register of Delegations for 2016-2017 as attached.

CARRIED/NOT CARRIED by ABSOLUTE MAJORITY(??)

10.1.6	Murchison Sub-Region Economic Development Plan
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Agenda Reference: CEO 04/17 – 06
Location/Address: Shire of Sandstone
Name of Applicant: Nil
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Date of Report: 3 April 2017
Author: Harry Hawkins, Chief Executive Officer

Summary

Council is asked to endorse the Murchison Sub-Region Economic Development Plan.

Attachments

Draft Murchison Sub-Region Economic Development Plan (latest version)

Background

The Murchison Sub-Region Economic Development Plan was prepared by Alison Madson from Local Synergies on behalf of the Murchison Executive Group (MEG).

In April 2016 a 2 day Murchison Economic Development Forum was held in Cue which provided much of the input into the plan, unfortunately it appears as though there was no attendee from the Shire of Sandstone. The acknowledgements show that input also came from websites and publications of the Midwest Development Commission, state government departments and Murchison shires including the Shire of Sandstone.

Comment

Attached to the plan is a list of projects and strategic directions which along with Actions listed throughout the plan may if implemented help the sub region to achieve the development within the plan.

Those strategic directions are broken down into Pillars that focus on;

1. Physical Infrastructure for transport including road and rail, Water both quality for residential and quantity for industrial and agriculture pursuits, Energy including renewables, Waste including recycling and reuse,
2. Digital Communications including the internet, mobile communications, satellite and the rumoured removal of land lines.
3. Economic Development which looks at the Resource Economy including gold mining and the effects of FIFO on local communities, Tourism and keeping tourists in the region for longer, Agriculture and Food including innovation in agriculture, horticulture and the pastoral industry, Land Development and release, Business and Industry Development supporting existing industry and fostering innovative business and entrepreneurship, Trade Development to build a brand that is globally recognised and links the Murchison to Asia and other developing nations and Security by supporting the Australian Defence Force operations in the north west.

4. Highly Desirable Communities is another pillar focussing on community development leadership and collaboration to enhance the capacity of local communities to manage change, Spaces and Places by providing infrastructure and services that help create exciting healthy and vibrant local communities, Regional Housing to provide workforce accommodation aged care services and aboriginal housing, Health and Wellbeing to provide sophisticated health services to support improved health and quality of life in communities, Remote Communities to have equal opportunities and Environment to ensure the Murchison's diverse natural assets are protected and managed.
5. The final focus is on knowledge and learning by looking at Education and Training by making equitable and accessible high quality education and training available to all residents, Workforce Development creating a dynamic and skilled workforce to match economic growth and development and finally Research and Innovation by providing investment in innovation and knowledge management that supports growth and productivity in all sectors of the Murchison.

Consultation

Nil

Statutory Environment

Nil

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

Nil

Strategic Implications

Provides the opportunity for the sub-region to set common goals

Voting Requirements

simple majority

Officer Recommendation – Item No. 10.1.6

That Council endorse the Murchison Sub-Region Economic Development Plan

Staff Recommendation

MOVED:

SECONDED:

That Council endorse the Murchison Sub-Region Economic Development Plan

CARRIED/NOT CARRIED (?!?)

10.1.7	Recognition of George Dent
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Agenda Reference: CEO 04/17 – 07
Location/Address: Shire of Sandstone
Name of Applicant: Alison Sampson (Great Grand Daughter)
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Date of Report: 18 April 2017
Author: Harry Hawkins, Chief Executive Officer

Summary

Council is being asked to consider a way to recognise the part played by George Dent in the foundation of Sandstone in a similar way to the way his partners the Hack brothers were recognised by the naming of Hack Street.

Attachments

Letter from Alison Dent dated 9 May 2016.

Background

The attached letter was sent to the Shire President 12 months ago and it has been discussed by Council previously however any resolution or decision made is not included in the minutes of any meeting. The request has been ongoing in various forms over the last 12 months and it is being brought formally onto the agenda for Council to make a decision on a way to recognise Mr Dent if considered appropriate.

Comment

In Sally Senior's book Sandstone From Gold to Wool and Back Again very little is said of George Dent other than that he was a partner to Theodore Hack in the 12 acre Adelaide lease 9 miles north of Black Range one of the early reef gold discoveries in 1903 and later that year their mine was sold to Hans Irvine. Other than that there is little to indicate that he was a significant person in the Black Range district in that era.

Consultation

Shire President

Statutory Environment

Nil

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

Nil

Strategic Implications

Nil

Voting Requirements

Simple majority

Officer Recommendation – Item No. 10.1.7

That Council consider recognising the contribution of George Dent to the growth of the Sandstone (Black Range) district by using his name when the opportunity arises for new roads, buildings, parks or the like in or around Sandstone in the future.

Staff Recommendation

MOVED:

SECONDED:

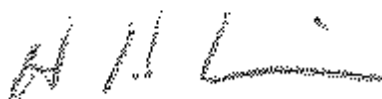
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CARRIED/NOT CARRIED (??)

10.2 FINANCIAL REPORTS

10.2.1 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR MONTHS OF MARCH 2017

Location: Shire of Sandstone
Applicant: Shire of Sandstone
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Date of Report: 11 April 2017
Author: **Harry Hawkins, Chief Executive Officer**



Signature of Author:

Summary

The Statement of Financial Activity reports for the month ending 31 March 2017 are presented to Council in accordance with *Regulations 34 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*.

Attachments

10.2.1A: Monthly Financial Report for the period ended 31 March 2017

Background

The Financial Management Regulations require a monthly statement of financial activity to be presented to Council.

Summary of Funds – Shire of Sandstone as at: 31 March 2017

Municipal Cheque Account - On-line (BWA)	\$81,464.59
Municipal Investment Account – On-line (BWA)	\$460,000.00
Municipal Term Deposit Account (Bankwest)	\$302,864.80
Trust Fund (Bank West)	\$4,015.20
Reserve Term Deposits (Bank West)	\$4,757,308.55

Consultation

Finance Officer

Statutory Environment

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 - Regulations 34 (1A) and 17.

The Regulations require a Local Government to prepare each month a statement of financial activity, accompanied by relevant documents and that this information must be presented to Council at an ordinary meeting within 2 months after the end of the month.

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

Nil

Strategic Implications

Nil

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

Officer Recommendation – Item 10.2.1

That Council accepts the Statements of Financial Activity for the months of March 2017 as presented, including the attachments 10.2.1A Monthly Financial Reports for March 2017.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

MOVED: Cr

SECONDED: Cr

That Council accepts the Statement of Financial Activity for the months of March 2017 as presented, including the attachments 10.2.1A Monthly Financial Reports for March 2017.

NOT/CARRIED (??)

**10.2.2 ACCOUNTS UPDATE FOR THE MONTH of March 2017
(Includes Credit Cards, the Caravan Park, Fuel Sales and Rates report)**

Location: Shire of Sandstone
Applicant: Shire of Sandstone
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Date of Report: 11 April 2017
Author: **Rhonda Miles – Finance Officer**
Senior Officer: **Harry Hawkins – Chief Executive Officer**

Signature of Author: _____

Summary

Presented for Council's information is the list of accounts paid in the month from the Municipal Fund and Trust Fund in accordance with the requirements of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*. Payments made through the corporate credit cards as well as income from the Caravan Park and Fuel Sales are included as attachments.

Attachments

- 10.2.2A to C: The list of accounts (EFT and cheque payments) is attached which will enable Council to see the payments made to the Shire's creditors.
- 10.2.2D to F: Payments via Credit Cards (CEO and Works Supervisor), Caravan Park Income and Fuel Sales Income.

Background

Council has delegated to the CEO the exercise of its power under Financial Management Regulation 12 to make payments from Municipal Fund and Trust Fund.

The *Financial Management Regulations (Regulation 13 (3))* requires a schedule of payments made through the Shire's bank accounts to be presented to Council. The lists include details for each payment made incorporating the payee's name, amount of payment, date of payment and a brief transaction description.

Comment

Invoices supporting all payments are available for inspection. Queries regarding any payment should be made through the CEO to the staff who handles the financial transactions prior to this meeting.

All invoices and vouchers presented to Council have been certified as to receipt of the goods or services and that the amounts shown were due for payment.

Consultation

Nil

Statutory Environment

Local Government Act 1995

Financial Management (Local Government) Regulations 1996 – Regulation 12

Financial Management (Local Government) Regulations 1996 – Regulation 13

Please, also refer to the comments in the Background Section.

Policy Implications

Payments have been made under Council delegation.

Financial Implications

Funds were available to meet the expenditure.

Strategic Implications

Nil

Voting Requirements

Simple majority

Staff Recommendation – Item No. 10.2.2

That Council receives the March 2017 accounts paid as presented:

Municipal Fund March 2017

- Municipal printed cheque numbers 105124 - 105132 totalling \$24,085.82
- EFT Payment Numbers 5221 – 5317 totalling \$374,134.54
- Superannuation \$6,428.67

Trust Fund March 2017:

- Trust printed cheque number 205028 - 205031 totalling \$4756.00
- Trust EFT payment number 5220 totalling \$5668.60

Payroll EFT March 2017:

\$31,650 and \$35,228 totalling \$66,878

Credit Cards:

DD 3177.1 totalling \$1,350.70

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

MOVED: Cr

SECONDED: Cr

That Council endorses the March 2017 accounts paid as presented:

Municipal Fund March 2017

- Municipal Printed cheque numbers 105124 - 105132 totalling \$24,085.82
- EFT Payment Numbers 5221 – 5317 totalling \$374,134.54

- Superannuation \$6,428.67

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Trust Fund March 2017

- Trust printed cheque number 205027 totalling \$1,570.05
- Trust EFT payment number 5220 totalling \$5668.60

Payroll EFT:

\$31,650 and \$35,228 totalling \$66,878

Credit Cards:

DD 3177.1 totalling \$1,350.70

NOT/CARRIED (??)

10.3 HEALTH, BUILDING and TOWN PLANNING

Nil

10.4 WORKS and SERVICES

Nil

11 MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil

12 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS WITHOUT NOTICE

Nil

13 NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE INTRODUCED BY DECISION OF THE MEETING

Nil

14 MEETING ITEMS CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC

13.1 Meeting Closed to the Public

Nil

13.2 Public Reading of Resolutions to be made Public

Nil

TIME and DATE of NEXT MEETING

The next scheduled Ordinary Council Meeting will be held on Thursday 25 May 2017

15 CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no further business, the Shire President closed the meeting at _____pm.

CERTIFICATION

I, _____, certify that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 23 March 2017, as shown, were confirmed as a true and accurate record at the Meeting held on 27 April.

(Presiding Member)

Date: 27 April 2017