



UNCONFIRMED MINUTES

For the Ordinary Council Meeting

Held on the 29th April 2022



Ian Holland

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

22nd April 2022

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1 **DECLARATION OF OPENING**

The Shire President welcomed those in attendance and declared the meeting open at 10.11am.

2 **ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

In accordance with section 14 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996 “Meetings held by electronic means in public health emergency or state of emergency (Act s. 5.25(1)(ba))”, the President to declare that this Meeting may take place via instantaneous communication. All Councillors and staff are to be available either via telephone (teleconference) or in person.

Shire President Cr Gregory Payne

Deputy President Cr Gail Trenfield

Councillors Cr Raul Valenzuela
Cr Gail Simpson

Chief Executive Officer Ian Holland

Deputy CEO Thomas Gorman

Executive Support Officer Diane Hodder

APOLOGIES Cr Tamisha Hodder

LEAVE OF ABSENCE Cr Stanley Willock

3 **DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS**

Councillors and Officers are reminded of the requirements of s5.65 of the Local Government Act 1995, to verbally disclose any interest during the meeting before the matter is discussed or to provide in writing the nature of the interest to the CEO before the meeting.

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4 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

NIL

REPONSES TO QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

NIL

QUESTIONS TAKEN WITHOUT NOTICE

NIL

5 PETITIONS/DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS/SUBMISSIONS

NIL

6 NOTICE OF MATTERS TO BE DISCUSSED BEHIND CLOSED DOORS

NIL

7 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Cr Stanley Willock notified the CEO that he will not be in attendance at the Ordinary Council meeting 29 April 2022 and has requested a leave of absence for the remainder of the meeting.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION – C2022-04-01

Moved: Cr Raul Valenzuela

Seconded: Cr Gail Trenfield

That Cr Stanley Willock be granted a Leave of Absence for the 29 April 2022 Ordinary Council Meeting.

CARRIED: 4/0

8 ANNOUNCEMENTS CONCERNING MEETINGS ATTENDED

Date	Location	Meeting	Attendance
22 April 2022	Cue	Murchison Country Zone of WALGA	Cr Gregory Payne CEO Ian Holland
28 April 2022	Yalgoo	APA NACAP Meeting	Cr Raul Valenzuela Cr Stanley Willock

9 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

- 9.1 Minutes of the Audit Committee Meeting – 23rd March 2022
Minutes of the Special Council Meeting – 13th April 2022
Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting – 25th March 2022

RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the Audit Committee Meeting held on the 23rd March 2022 as attached be confirmed as a true and correct record.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION – C2022-04-02

Moved: Cr Raul Valenzuela Seconded: Cr Gail Simpson

That the minutes of the Audit Committee Meeting held on the 23rd March 2022 as attached be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED: 4/0

That the minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on the 13th April 2022 as attached be confirmed as a true and correct record.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION – C2022-04-03

Moved: Cr Raul Valenzuela Seconded: Cr Gail Trenfield

That the minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on the 13th April 2022 as attached be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED: 4/0

That the minutes of the Council Meeting held on the 25th March 2022 as attached be confirmed as a true and correct record.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION – C2022-04-04

Moved: Cr Gail Simpson Seconded: Cr Raul Valenzuela

That the minutes of the Council Meeting held on the 25th March 2022 as attached be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED: 4/0

10 MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS

10.1 REPORTS OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS

11 TECHNICAL REPORTS

11.1 CAPITAL PROGRESS REPORT

Applicant:	Shire of Yalgoo
Date:	13 April 2022
Reporting Officer:	Dominic Carbone
Disclosure of Interest:	NIL
Attachments:	NIL

SUMMARY

To receive the Progress Report on the 2021/22 Capital Works Program.

BACKGROUND

The Shire in its 2021/22 Annual Budget has allocated funds amounting to \$4,686,320 for the acquisition of capital assets and undertaking infrastructure works.

COMMENT

The Capital Projects are detailed below.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

NIL

POLICY/FINANCIAL IMPLCATIONS

To deliver the Capital Works Program within budgeted allocations.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple Majority

OFFICERS RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive the Progress Report on the Capital Works Program as at 31st March 2022.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION – C2022-04-05

Moved: Cr Raul Valenzuela Seconded: Cr Gail Trenfield

That Council receive the Progress Report on the Capital Works Program as at 31st March 2022.

CARRIED: 4/0

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CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAMME

The following assets and works are budgeted to be acquired or undertaken during the year:

		2021-22 ANNUAL BUDGET	2021-22 MARCH ACTUAL	VARIANCE FAV (UNFAV)	COMMENTS
		\$	YTD \$	\$	
<u>By Program</u>					The CEO to provide a verbal update on the status of the capital projects as at 31 March 2022
Governance					
000000-Admin Computers Hardware, System Upgrade and Telephone Replacement	F & E	37,500		37,500	
000000-External Monitor Display	F & E	40,000	18,398	21,602	Project in progress
000000-Financial Software	F & E	20,000	75,070	(55,070)	Project in progress
000000-Tables and Chairs	F & E	5,000		5,000	
000000-Landscape - Admin Office	Other	40,000		40,000	
Law Order Public Safety					
000000- CCTV Yalgoo Townsite Housing	F & E	10,000		10,000	
000000-Other Housing - Nurse Accommodation	L & B	350,000		350,000	
Communities Amenities					
000000- Cemetery - Toilet and Water Tank Construction	L & B	102,000	106,525	(4,525)	Project in progress
Recreation and Culture					
000000 - Community Hall Renovations	L & B	600,000		600,000	
000000-Core Stadium Exercise Equipment	F & E	32,000		32,000	
000000- BBQ Shamrock Park	L & B	11,000	10,735	265	Completed
000000- Sports Complex -Footpath to School	Recreation	7,000		7,000	
000000- Kubota Utility	P & E	30,000	43,854	(13,854)	Completed
000000- Oval Water Treatment	Recreation	23,000	4,545	18,455	Project in progress
000000- Oval Fixed Exercise Equipment	Recreation	18,000		18,000	

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By Program					The CEO to provide a verbal update on the status of the capital projects as at 31 March 2022
Recreation and Culture					
000000- Dalganga Crater Signage and Viewing Platform	Other	50,000	38,107	11,893	Project in progress
000000- Machinery Shed Depot Concrete Floor 2 Bays	L & B	25,000	27,000	(2,000)	Completed
000000- Storage Shed Depot	L & B	27,000	11,032	15,968	Project in progress
000000-Skidsteer	P & E	50,000		50,000	
000000- Dual Axle Box Trailer	P & E	10,000	9,510	490	Completed
000000- Genset Trailer	P & E	30,000		30,000	
000000- Slasher Attachment	P & E	8,000		8,000	
000000-Debris Vacuum	P & E	6,100		6,100	
000000-Traffic Light Pair	P & E	36,000		36,000	
000000- Prime Mover	P & E	280,000		280,000	
000000- Portable Toilet on Trailer	P & E	8,500		8,500	
000000- Trailer Side Tipper	P & E	200,000		200,000	
000000-Works Forklift	P & E	50,000		50,000	
000000-Utility Work Crew	P & E	40,000		40,000	
000000-Satelite Phones and Vehicle Tracking	P & E	10,000	9,388	612	Completed
000000- Street Lighting	Other	50,000		50,000	
000000- Paynes Find Entry Statements	Other	35,000	16,348	18,652	Project in progress
ROADS TO RECOVERY GRANTS					
000000- Yalgoo/Morawa Road - Widen to 7m	Roads	760,000	641,235	118,765	Project in progress
RRG SPECIAL GRANT RD WORKS					
000000- Yalgoo/Ninghan Road - Seal to width 4m	Roads	300,000	7,625	292,375	Project in progress

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		\$	YTD \$	\$	
<u>By Program</u>					The CEO to provide a verbal update on the status of the capital projects as at 31 March 2022
MUNICIPAL FUND					
000000- Sandford River Crossing	Roads	100,000		100,000	
000000- Casurina Causeway Widen to 2 Lanes	Roads	100,000		100,000	
000000-Sealing of Road to Nature Based Park	Roads	35,000		35,000	
000000-Sealing of Road and Parking Area - Yalgoo Lookout	Roads	95,000		95,000	
000000- Badja Woolshed Seal to Airstrip	Roads	120,000	2,500	117,500	Project in progress
000000- Fixed Road and Wayfinding Signage	Roads	40,000		40,000	
000000- Jokers Tunnel Sealed Floodway and Improved Access	Roads	100,000		100,000	
000000- Sealing Outside primary School	Roads	40,000		40,000	
000000- Sealing Paynes Find Pioneer Cemetery	Roads	10,000		10,000	
Economic Services					
000000-Caravan Park - 2 Self Contained Accommodation Units	L & B	171,000	141,956	29,044	Project in progress
000000-Caravan Park - Commercial Washing Machine and Dryer	F & E	40,000		40,000	
000000-Caravan Park - Theme Bed Linen	F & E	3,000		3,000	
000000-Caravan Park -BBQ	L & B	11,000	10,735	265	Completed
000000-Caravan Park -Upgrade Water and Power Supply	L & B	50,000		50,000	
000000-Heritage Building Renewals	L & B	202,220		202,220	
Other Property and Services					
000000-Solar Panel - Shire Buildings	L & B	100,000		100,000	
000000-Motor Vehicle CEO	P & E	70,000	53,425	16,575	Completed
000000-Motor Vehicle Subaru	P & E	42,000	39,072	2,928	Completed
000000-Motor Vehicle Fortuner	P & E	56,000	51,013	4,987	Completed
		4,686,320	1,318,073	3,368,247	

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11.2 TECHNICAL SERVICES REPORT AS OF 22nd April 2022

Applicant:	Shire of Yalgoo
Date:	22 April 2022
Reporting Officer:	Craig Holland Works Manager
Disclosure of Interest:	NIL
Attachments:	NIL

SUMMARY

That Council receive the Technical Services Report as at the 22nd April 2022

COMMENT

Road Construction and Capital

Yalgoo Lookout Road - Sheeting

Badja Woolshed Road - Sheeting

Yalgoo-Morawa Road – Widening

Yalgoo Ninghan Road – Sheating

Road Maintenance

Maintenance Grade: Yalgoo Ninghan Road, Maranalgo Road, Goodengnow Road, Yalgoo North Road.

Plant and other infrastructure maintenance

Yalgoo Ninghan Road – Grid Repair

Yalgoo Morawa Road near Bunnawarra – SILT Removed

L.H. concrete powder for floodways ordered

Parks, Reserves and Properties

Town Street – general clean, verges slashed.

Art & Culture Centre – general gardening maintenance carried out.

Community Oval & Core Stadium – general gardening maintenance, Barbecue lids fitted to Barbecue.

Community Park, Gibbons St – general gardening maintenance conducted on a weekly bases – mowing, pruning and watering.

Community Park, Shamrock St – general gardening maintenance conducted on a weekly bases – mowing, pruning and watering.

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Water Park & Rage Cage – general maintenance and cleaning carried out.

Yalgoo Caravan Park – general gardening maintenance is done every two weeks.

Railway Station – general gardening maintenance conducted on a weekly bases – mowing, pruning and watering.

Yalgoo Nursing Post – No changes or additions

Yalgoo Rubbish Tip – tip head pushed over on a weekly basis.

Airstrip Yalgoo – Graded

Airstrip Paynes Find - Graded

Staff Housing – 8 Henty Street glass sliding door replaced

Purchasing: Road signs, 2 ton asphalt in a bag

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

NIL

POLICY/FINANCIAL IMPLCATIONS

To deliver the Capital Works Program within budgeted allocations.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple Majority

OFFICERS RECOMMENDATION

That Council receive the Technical Services Report as of 22nd April 2022

COUNCIL RESOLUTION – C2022-04-06

Moved: Cr Raul Valenzuela Seconded: Cr Gail Simpson

That Council receive the Technical Services Report as of 22nd April 2022

CARRIED: 4/0

12 DEVELOPMENT, PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH REPORTS
NIL

13 FINANCIAL REPORTS

13.1 LIST OF ACCOUNTS

Applicant:	Shire of Yalgoo
Date:	13 April 2022
Reporting Officer:	Dominic Carbone
Disclosure of Interest:	NIL
Attachments:	NIL

SUMMARY

Council approval is sought for the payments made in the period 1st March 2022 to 31st March 2022 as detailed in the List of Accounts below.

COMMENT

The Local Government Act 1995 and the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 requires the Chief Executive Officer to present a list of accounts paid and/or payable to Council and to record those accounts in the minutes of the meeting.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Local Government Act 1995

6.10 Financial Management regulations

Regulations may provide for –

- a. The security and banking of money received by a local government' and
- b. The keeping of financial records by a local government; and
- c. The management by a local government of its assets, liabilities and revenue; and
- d. The general management of, and the authorisation of payments out of –
 - I. The municipal fund; and
 - II. The trust fund, of a local government.

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996

13. Payments from municipal fund or trust fund by CEO, CEO's duties as to etc.

1. If the local government has delegated to the CEO the exercise of its power to make payments from the municipal fund or the trust fund, a list of accounts paid by the CEO is to be prepared each month showing for each account paid since the last such list was prepared –
 - I. The payee's name; and
 - II. The amount of the payment; and

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- III. The date of the payment; and
 - IV. Sufficient information to identify the transaction.
2. A list of accounts for approval to be paid is to be prepared each month showing –
- a. For each account which requires council authorisation in that month –
 - I. The payee's name; and
 - II. The amount of the payment; and
 - III. Sufficient information to identify the transaction; and
 - b. The date of the meeting of the council to which the list is to be presented.
3. A list prepared under subregulation (1) or (2) is to be –
- a. Presented to the council at the next ordinary meeting of the council after the list is prepared; and
 - b. Recorded in the minutes of that meeting.

POLICY/FINANCIAL IMPLCATIONS

NIL

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple Majority

OFFICERS RECOMMENDATION

That Council approve the list of accounts paid for the period 1st March to 31st March 2022 amounting to **\$694,996.34** and the list be recorded in the minutes.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION – C2022-04-07

Moved: Cr Gail Simpson Seconded: Cr Raul Valenzuela

That Council approve the list of accounts paid for the period 1st March 2022 to 31st March 2022 amounting to **\$694,996.34** and the list be recorded in the minutes.

CARRIED: 4/0

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SHIRE OF YALGOO			
LIST OF ACCOUNTS PAID AND PAYABLE			
FOR THE PERIOD 1 MARCH 2022 TO 31 MARCH 2022			
DATE	SUPPLIER	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT \$
	MUNICIPAL FUND		
1	4/03/2022 ATYEO'S ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES	CONSULTANCY FEES ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES	3,760.83
2	4/03/2022 BEACHLANDS PLUMBING	PLUMBING REPAIRS	2,947.78
3	4/03/2022 CANINE CONTROL	RANGER SERVICE JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 2022	2,641.36
4	4/03/2022 CLEVERPATCH	EASTER ACTIVITY SUPPLIES ART CENTRE	307.93
5	4/03/2022 CLOUD PAYMENT GROUP	DEBT COLLECTION FEES	3,574.85
6	4/03/2022 COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS GERALDTON	SATELLITE PHONES AND VEHICLE TRACKING SYSTEM	10,327.27
7	4/03/2022 DARREN LONG CONSULTING	CONSULTANCY FEES 2020-21 ANNUAL REPORT ADJUSTMENT REVIEW	110.00
8	4/03/2022 DFES	ESL 2021-22 3RD QUARTER INSTALMENTS	5,913.60
9	4/03/2022 DOMINIC CARBONE AND ASSOCIATES	CONSULTANCY FEES FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION	4,537.50
10	4/03/2022 DTM TOURISM	CONSULTANCY FEES TOURISM PLAN	8,112.50
11	4/03/2022 FSP AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	SIGNS CARAVAN PARK	668.25
12	4/03/2022 GERALDTON BELAIR GARDENS CARAVAN PARK	3 NIGHTS ACCOMMODATION T FIELD	370.00
13	4/03/2022 GERALDTON GLASS SERVICE	REGLAZE BROKEN WINDOW 27 AND 74 WEEKES STREET	2,634.50
14	4/03/2022 GERALDTON TOYOTA	SERVICE YA800, YA1000	1,306.92
15	4/03/2022 HERSEY'S SAFETY PTY LTD	DEPOT SUPPLIES	1,191.30
16	4/03/2022 HODDER TAMISHA	MEETING FEES AND ALLOWANCES FEBRUARY 2022	527.67
17	4/03/2022 INSTANT RACKING	SHELVING CORE STADIUM STORAGE	1,027.00
18	4/03/2022 LITTLE HOTELIER	CARAVAN PARK ONLINE BOOKING FEE	174.90
19	4/03/2022 LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROFESSIONALS AUSTRALIA	MEMBERSHIP DCEO AND E LEARNING INDUCTION TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROGRAM	375.51
20	4/03/2022 LO-GO APPOINTMENTS	CONSULTANCY FEES - CEO KPI REVIEW	1,633.50
21	4/03/2022 LUSCOMBE SYNDICATE	SUPPLIES CARAVAN PARK	70.98
22	4/03/2022 MARKETFORCE	ADVERTISING TENDER TOWN HALL	340.16
23	4/03/2022 MIDWEST WINDSCREENS	SUPPLY FIT NEW WINDSCREEN YA0	1,130.00
24	4/03/2022 POOL ANS SPA MART	CHLORINE	149.40
25	4/03/2022 RAUL VALENZUELA	MEETING FEES AND ALLOWANCES FEBRUARY 2022	641.42
26	4/03/2022 REBUS RESTROOMS	BOLLARD KIT CEMETERY	654.17
27	4/03/2022 REFUEL AUSTRALIA	FUEL FEBRUARY 2022	17,599.48
28	4/03/2022 ROCKE DAVID	CLEANING AND MTCE PAYNES FIND COMMUNITY CENTRE AND ADAPTOR FOR YA898	1,172.21

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SHIRE OF YALGOO				
LIST OF ACCOUNTS PAID AND PAYABLE				
FOR THE PERIOD 1 MARCH 2022 TO 31 MARCH 2022				
DATE	SUPPLIER	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT \$	
29	4/03/2022	SEEK LIMITED	ADVERTISING PARKS AND GARDENS EMPLOYEE	302.50
30	4/03/2022	TDL	CONSULTANCY FEES CONCEPT DESIGN ADMIN OFFICE GARDEN	2,772.00
31	4/03/2022	TRENFIELD GAIL	MEETING FEES AND ALLOWANCES FEBRUARY 2022	777.67
32	4/03/2022	TYRERIGHT GERALDTON	WHEEL ALIGNMENT AND TYRES YA805	897.00
33	4/03/2022	VEOLIA ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES	RUBBISH COLLECTION SERVICE	4,089.14
34	4/03/2022	WALGA	STAFF TRAINING AND SUPPLY RAPID ANTIGEN TESTS	4,884.00
35	4/03/2022	WESTERN INDEPENDENT FOODS	CARAVAN PARK SUPPLIES	97.22
36	4/03/2022	WESTRAC EQUIPMENT PTY LTD	PARTS YA860, YA853, YA495, AND WORKSHOP SUPPLIES	7,062.38
37	4/03/2022	WILLOCK STANLEY	MEETING FEES AND ALLOWANCES FEBRUARY 2022	819.34
38	4/03/2022	WURTH	CARAVAN PARK AND DEPOT SUPPLIES	859.44
39	9/03/2022	AWARE SUPER	SUPERANNUATION CONTRIBUTIONS FEBRUARY 2022	25,141.64
40	24/03/2022	YOUNG MOTORS PTY LTD	PURCHASE OF PAJERO	59,039.73
41	24/03/2022	BOEKEMAN TOYOTA	PURCHASE 2 TOYOTA HILUX LESS TRADE IN YA805	49,917.91
42	25/03/2022	BEACHLANDS PLUMBING	PLUMBING REPAIRS STAFF HOUSING	2,596.28
43	25/03/2022	BEAUREPAIRES	TYRES YA860	2,150.00
44	25/03/2022	BOC LIMITED	OXYGEN AND CYLINDER RENTAL	115.99
45	25/03/2022	BRIDGED GROUP PTY LTD	IT SUPPORT	346.50
46	25/03/2022	BUSHFIRE STORE	400 LITRE SPRAY UNIT	5,465.00
47	25/03/2022	COMPLETE OFFICE SUPPLIES	COVID PPE SUPPLIES	626.81
48	25/03/2022	CORE BUSINESS AUSTALIA	CONSULTANCY FEES - REMOTE ROADS FUNDING APPLICATION	3,432.00
49	25/03/2022	DARREN LONG CONSULTING	CONSULTANCY FEES 2020-21 BANK RECONCILIATIONS	4,400.00
50	25/03/2022	DATAKOM SOLUTIONS	PAYROLL SERVICE FEBRUARY 2022	266.20
51	25/03/2022	DE MESTRE & COMPANY	LEGAL EXPENSES AUSTRALIAN GEM RESOURCES	1,168.75
52	25/03/2022	DIGGA WEST & EARTHWORKS WA	PARTS YA493	1,070.52
53	25/03/2022	IT VISION	SUPPLY IMPLEMENTATION AND TRAINING SYNERGY SOFTWARE	82,577.00
54	25/03/2022	LOCAL GOVERNMENT PROFESSIONALS AUSTRALIA	MEMBERSHIP SHIRE	550.00
55	25/03/2022	PAPER PLUS OFFICE NATIONAL	LEAD FOR VIDEO ADMINISTRATION	39.90
56	25/03/2022	PAYNE GREGORY	MEETING FEES AND ALLOWANCES FEBRUARY AND MARCH 2022	3,740.65

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FOR THE PERIOD 1 MARCH 2022 TO 31 MARCH 2022				
DATE	SUPPLIER	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT \$	
57	25/03/2022	PLANWEST	PREPARATION OF STATION STAYS AMENDMENT AND LOCAL PLANNING POLICIES	3,630.00
58	25/03/2022	PROMPT SAFETY SOLUTIONS	CONSULTANCY FEES TRAFFIC PLANNING YALGOO NINGHAN ROAD AND BADJA WOOLSHED ROAD	5,500.00
59	25/03/2022	RAUL VALENZUELA	MEETING FEES AND ALLOWANCES MARCH 2022	645.67
60	25/03/2022	ROBINSON ELIZABETH ROSSLYN JOY	WORKSHOP PRINT MAKING ART CENTRE	2,026.20
61	25/03/2022	ROWE CONTRACTORS	PROGRESS PAYMENT YALGOO MORAWA ROAD WIDENING	336,798.00
62	25/03/2022	SIMPSON GAIL	MEETING FEES AND ALLOWANCES MARCH 2022	645.67
63	25/03/2022	THE FELT ING POT	WORKSHOP FELTING HAT	4,320.00
64	25/03/2022	WESTRAC EQUIPMENT PTY LTD	PARTS	732.52
65	25/03/2022	WILLOCK STANLEY	MEETING FEES AND ALLOWANCES MARCH 2022	645.67
66	25/03/2022	WURTH	DEPOT SUPPLIES HAND CLEANER AND PRESSURE PUMP	134.02
		CREDIT CARD		
67	28/02/2022	BENDIGO BANK	CARD FEE	4.00
68	31/03/2021	EXPRESS ONLINE TRAINING	STAFF TRAINING KHIAN HILL	57.74
69	31/03/2021	CUE ROADHOUSE MOTEL	ACCOMMODATION CEO AND ELECTED MEMBERS MURCHISON COUNTRY ZONE MEETING	450.00
70	31/03/2022	AUSKI MOTEL MEEKATHARRA	ACCOMMODATION CEO	168.00
71	31/03/2021	ZOOM VIDEO COMMUNICATIONS	COUNCIL MEETING FEE	20.99
72	31/03/2021	AMPOL WONTHELLA	FUEL YAO	107.30
73	31/03/2021	BENDIGO BANK	CARD FEE	4.00
		TOTAL		694,996.34

13.2 INVESTMENTS AS AT 31ST MARCH 2022

Applicant:	Shire of Yalgoo
Date:	13 April 2022
Reporting Officer:	Dominic Carbone
Disclosure of Interest:	NIL
Attachments:	NIL

SUMMARY

That Council receive the investments report as at 31st March 2022.

COMMENT

Money held in the Municipal Fund of the Shire of Yalgoo that is not required for the time being may be invested under the Trustee Act 1962 Part III.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Local Government Act 1995
6.14 Power To Invest

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996
19 Investments, control procedures for
19C Investment of money, restrictions on (Act s6.14(2)(a))

Shire Delegated Authority

POLICY/FINANCIAL IMPLCATIONS

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple Majority

OFFICERS RECOMMENDATION

That the Investment Report as at 31st March 2022 be received.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION – C2022-04-08

Moved: Cr Raul Valenzuela Seconded: Cr Gail Trenfield

That the Investment Report as at 31st March be received.

CARRIED: 4/0

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This Worksheet details the investments held by the Shire as at 31st March 2022.

SHIRE OF YALGOO CASH HOLDINGS AS AT 31 MARCH 2022								
INSTITUTIONS	SHORT TERM RATING	INVESTMENT TYPE	ACCOUNT N ^o	TERM	DATE OF TRANSACTION	DATE OF MATURITY	INTEREST RATE	PRINCIPAL
MUNICIPAL FUND								
Note Balance as per Bank Statement								
NAB	N/A	Operating a/c	50-832-4540	Ongoing	N/A	N/A	Variable	\$40,302.89
BENDIGO	N/A	Operating a/c	171336274	Ongoing	N/A	N/A	Variable	\$2,766,185.04
BENDIGO	N/A	Saving	171336282	Ongoing	N/A	N/A	Variable	\$25,082.34
NAB	N/A	Short Term Investment	24-831-4222	Ongoing	N/A	N/A	Variable	\$52,135.44
TOTAL								\$2,883,705.71

RESERVE FUNDS								
Bendigo	N/A	Term Deposit	3479107	140 days	10.02.2022	30.06.2022	0.35%	\$169,849.43
Bendigo	N/A	Term Deposit	3483811	172 days	10.01.2022	30.06.2022	0.45%	\$473,182.52
Bendigo	N/A	Term Deposit	3483825	172 days	10.01.2022	30.06.2022	0.45%	\$1,137,950.57
Bendigo	N/A	Term Deposit	3724716	172 days	10.01.2022	30.06.2022	0.45%	\$325,293.86
TOTAL								\$2,106,276.38

INVESTMENT REGISTER						
01 MARCH 2022 TO 31 MARCH 2022						
NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK						
ACCOUNT N ^o	DATE OF MATURITY	INTEREST RATE	OPENING BALANCE	INTEREST EARNT TO 31.03.2022	INVESTMENT TRANSFERS	CLOSING BALANCE 31.03.2022
171336282	Ongoing	Variable	\$52,131.57	\$3.87	0	\$52,135.44
24-831-4222	Ongoing	Variable	\$25,072.96	\$9.38	0	\$25,082.34
3567670	30.06.2022	0.45%	\$472,429.22	\$753.30	0	\$473,182.52
3567677	30.06.2022	0.45%	\$1,136,138.97	\$1,811.60	0	\$1,137,950.57
3567669	30.06.2022	0.35%	\$169,571.83	\$277.60	0	\$169,849.43
3724712	30.06.2022	0.45%	\$324,776.00	\$517.86	0	\$325,293.86

13.3 FINANCIAL ACTIVITY STATEMENT AS AT 31st MRCH 2022

Applicant:	Shire of Yalgoo
Date:	13 April 2022
Reporting Officer:	Dominic Carbone
Disclosure of Interest:	NIL
Attachments:	Statement of Comprehensive Income Financial Activity Statement Summary of Current Assets and Current Liabilities Statement of Current Financial Position Detailed Worksheet Supplementary Financial Reports – Reserve & Loan

SUMMARY

Adoption of the Monthly Financial Statements for the period 1st July 2021 to the 31 March 2022.

COMMENT

Local Governments are required to prepare monthly reports.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Local Government Act 1995 - Section 6.4

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 - Regulation 34

POLICY/FINANCIAL IMPLCATIONS

2.4 Material Variance

Provision of timely accounting information informs Council of the financial status and affairs of the local government

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple Majority

OFFICERS RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopts the Financial Activity Statement for the period ended 31st March 2022.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION – C2022-04-09

Moved: Cr Gail Trenfield Seconded: Cr Gail Simpson

That Council adopts the Financial Activity Statement for the period ended 31st March 2022.

CARRIED: 4/0

14 ADMINISTRATION REPORTS

14.1 CEO General and Operational Report

Applicant:	Shire of Yalgoo
Date:	13/04/2022
Reporting Officer:	Chief Executive Officer Ian Holland
Disclosure of Interest:	NIL
Attachments:	NIL

SUMMARY/COMMENT

Waste Services

A Waste Service Request for Quote will shortly be advertised for rubbish collection in Yalgoo. This is a joint request for quote that looks to leverage the buying power of multiple neighbouring local governments who all utilise the Geraldton landfill. While the Shire's waste services sit below the tender threshold, even across a number of years, it has been some time since the market was tested. This process is being conducted through WALGA procurement.

EFTsure

Administration has recently subscribed to the EFTsure payment checking platform. This service provides extra checks for all new creditors and payments. It also assesses whether an invoice has already been paid. This provides a way for administration to ensure that creditors details are not changed fraudulently or by error and will be a significant improvement to internal controls.

DRFAWA

At the end of March significant and intense rains caused widespread damage to the road network. Main Roads Western Australia and multiple other surrounding Shires were also impacted. Shire staff and contractors began immediate/emergency reinstatement works. This work and a damage pickup is being conducted by CORE Business.

Federal Election

After no local polling options for the last Federal or State Election a pre-polling option will be provided in Yalgoo. Under delegated authority the CEO has provided the use of Core Stadium free of charge and the date of this polling place will be advertised shortly.

Should there be no other conflicts the CEO is seeking permission to facilitate democracy and engage in employment with the Australian Electoral Commission during the 2022 Australian Federal Election.

Shire Mining Tenement

Administration was able to again demonstrate over \$24,000 of expenditure from recorded prospecting hours of visitors to the Yalgoo Prospecting Tenements. These continue to be a popular attraction.

Fit for Work

Workplace Drug and Alcohol testing was recently conducted as part of a quarterly workplace health and safety visit by Prompt Safety. There was no adverse finding as a result of this testing.

Budget Planning

A workshop will be held at the conclusion of the May Ordinary Council Meeting to discuss items for inclusion in the 2022/23 Capital Budget. Please provide any suggestions at least one week prior to this meeting so they can be noted for discussion.

Landscape Concept

A draft landscape concept for the Shire Office will be tabled for input from Councillors.

OFFICERS RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives the Chief Executive Officers Report and accepts the CEOs request to be employed by the Australian Electoral Commission for the 2022 Federal Election.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION - C2022-04-10

Moved: Cr Gail Trenfield Seconded: Cr Raul Valenzuela

That Council receives the Chief Executive Officers Report and accepts the CEOs request to be employed by the Australian Electoral Commission for the 2022 Federal Election.

CARRIED: 4/0

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14.2 Southern Rangelands Pastoral Alliance Contribution Request

Applicant:	Southern Rangelands Pastoral Alliance
Date:	14/04/2022
Reporting Officer:	Chief Executive Officer Ian Holland
Disclosure of Interest:	NIL
Attachments:	SRPA Letter

SUMMARY

That Council provide further certainty to the Southern Rangelands Pastoral Alliance (SRPA) after receiving their presentation during the March 2022 Ordinary Council Meeting.

COMMENT

In December 2021 Council passed the following resolution:

COUNCIL RESOLUTION – 2021-12-10

Moved: Raul Valenzuela Seconded: Stanley Willock

That Council provide in principal support to the Southern Rangelands Pastoral Alliance funding request and seek further information on the uptake by other Councils.

CARRIED 6/0

The request from the SRPA is for funding that will allow them to engage or maintain suitable staff who will continue to apply for pastoral sector funding while working towards being a self sufficient or member supported organisation. Significant funding from the Midwest Development Commission has allowed them to start up and already inject a significant amount of project funds into the pastoral sector.

With the states removal of a third of the Shires rate generating pastoral stations for conservation it can easily be demonstrated that Shire expenditure for these businesses is already significant. There are still 18 full or partial pastoral stations located within Yalgoo Shire.

It is suggested that the requested contribution of \$20,000 be considered for 1 year (not 5) dependent on the adoption of the 2022/23 budget. With the Vermin Cell fence construction complete, consistent expenditure is expected while the fence is maintained and the Murchison Regional Vermin Council looks to restructure.

Some surrounding Shires have looked to contribute on a per station basis or a smaller lump sum amount with ongoing assessment.

A focused industry body should be able to provide support to the pastoral sector as it undergoes significant potential changes. Carbon farming, tourism and sustainable restocking will all be significantly impacted by environmental and political conditions that standard SME support will not be able to navigate.

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Provided that there is continued local buy in and membership, Council can be requested by local pastoral businesses to continue support of this organisation in future budgets.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Local Government Act 1995

POLICY/FINANCIAL IMPLCATIONS

NIL

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Absolute Majority

OFFICERS RECOMMENDATION

That Council include a \$20,000 contribution payment to the Southern Rangelands Pastoral Alliance in the 2022/23 Budget.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION - C2022-04-11

Moved: Cr Raul Valenzuela

Seconded: Cr Gail Trenfield

That Council include a \$20,000 contribution payment to the Southern Rangelands Pastoral Alliance in the 2022/23 Budget.

LOST: 3/1

Opposed by Cr Gail Trenfield

14.3 Rates Outstanding 3 years – Sale of Land

Applicant:	Shire of Yalgoo
Date:	14/04/2022
Reporting Officer:	Chief Executive Officer Ian Holland
Disclosure of Interest:	NIL
Attachments:	NIL

SUMMARY

That Council consider a sale of Assessment 587 (39 - 41 Campbell Street, Yalgoo) due to rates for this land which have remained unpaid for greater than 3 years.

COMMENT

Titles for 39-41 Campbell Street, Yalgoo, being Lot 43 & 44 with Volume 1518 & Folio 821 & Volume 2001 & Folio 876 are held by an Aboriginal Corporation that was deregistered in 2010.

With respect to Shire Assessment 587 an amount of \$4630.55 in total is owing with a component of \$662.12 that has been outstanding for a period of three years for rates/service charges.

Cloud Payment Group who carry out debt collection services on behalf of the Shire, have issued notices and final demands in an attempt to reclaim monies owed. Unsuccessful in this attempt CloudPG contacted the Office of the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations (ORIC) as property discovered after a corporation is deregistered is vested with the Registrar.

The Registrar provided the following response with respect to the Corporations (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander) Act 2006:

“As previously advised the Registrar does not utilise his powers under s546-25(2) for the benefit of third parties such as mortgagees, charges and local governments as these parties have remedies available under their security, and in the case of local government, under the relevant Local Government Act.

The Registrar does not intend to sell the property of the corporation under s546-25(2) of the Act to satisfy the outstanding fees, or any rates that may accrue.

*The Registrar has no objection to the Council exercising any power of sale it may have. Where the Council does exercise its power of sale over the property, any surplus proceeds of sale after all rates, expenses, mortgagees, etc. have been paid out in order of propriety, together with a full account of how those proceeds were distributed, must be forwarded to the Registrar as they vest in the Registrar.
I am forwarding you a copy of the policy statement PS 18- Property of deregistered corporations for your information”*

While a lease of this property may be practical in the short term the local government would have no power to lease once monies are recovered and as can be seen from

the information above the Registrar has no intention to satisfy outstanding fees. This would result in the same situation again in three years time provided a suitable tenant was found and managed.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Local Government Act 1995

Section 6.64 Actions to be taken

- (1) If any rates or service charges which are due to a local government in respect of any rateable land have been unpaid for at least 3 years the local government may, in accordance with the appropriate provisions of this Subdivision take possession of the land and hold the land as against a person having an estate or interest in the land and —
 - (a) from time to time lease the land; or
 - (b) sell the land; or
 - (c) cause the land to be transferred to the Crown; or
 - (d) cause the land to be transferred to itself.
- (2) On taking possession of any land under this section, the local government is to give to the owner of the land such notification as is prescribed and then to affix on a conspicuous part of the land a notice, in the form or substantially in the form prescribed.
- (3) Where payment of rates or service charges imposed in respect of any land is in arrears the local government has an interest in the land in respect of which it may lodge a caveat to preclude dealings in respect of the land, and may withdraw caveats so lodged by it.

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996

POLICY/FINANCIAL IMPLCATIONS

Rate Recovery Policy

The sale of this property will equate to a decrease of \$4,630.55 in outstanding rates.

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple Majority

OFFICERS RECOMMENDATION

That Council

1. proceeds to sell A587, 39-41 Campbell Street, Yalgoo, being Lot 43, Volume 1518 and Folio 821 and Lot 44, Volume 2001 and Folios 876 for arrears of 3 or more years, and recover from the proceeds of sale the outstanding balances which total \$4630.55;

and

2. authorises the Chief Executive Officer to issue the required forms and notices as prescribed for Section 6.64 of the Act under Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 72, 73 & 74.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION - C2022-04-12

Moved: Cr Raul Valenzuela

Seconded: Cr Gail Trenfield

That Council:

1. proceeds to sell A587, 39-41 Campbell Street, Yalgoo, being Lot 43, Volume 1518 and Folio 821 and Lot 44, Volume 2001 and Folios 876 for arrears of 3 or more years, and recover from the proceeds of sale the outstanding balances which total \$4630.55;

and

2. authorises the Chief Executive Officer to issue the required forms and notices as prescribed for Section 6.64 of the Act under Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 72, 73 & 74.

CARRIED: 4/0

ATTENDANCE: 11.31am Cr Gail Trenfield left the meeting.

ATTENDANCE: 11.33am Cr Gail Trenfield re-joined the meeting.

14.4 Supply of Water for Gas Pipeline Construction

Applicant:	Shire of Yalgoo
Date:	14/04/2022
Reporting Officer:	Chief Executive Officer Ian Holland
Disclosure of Interest:	NIL
Attachments:	NIL

SUMMARY

That Council consider a request from NACAP for the use of water from the town Dam supply.

COMMENT

The Yalgoo Railway Dams are a key water supply for fire and road construction in the area around the Yalgoo Townsite. Rainfall in March 2021 provided useful water through to a new rainfall event in March 2022 which has replenished the supply.

A request has been received from the contractor engaged to construct the Northern Goldfields interconnect Pipeline Project to utilise 6ML of water, while the pipeline is under construction near Yalgoo.

The two dams are estimated to have a combined capacity of 10ML when full provided they are 2-3m deep. A significant portion of which is lost to evaporation.

Administration proposes that this supply be sold at a rate of \$3.50 per kL as it is not a potable supply (Water Corporation Standpipe Step 15 for location \$8.995 with minimal capacity).

NACAP will also be expected to maintain access into and out of the Dam and a request for water tanks will also be made if any are in suitable condition at the end of the construction project. These tanks could be useful for future fire or road construction supply.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Local Government Act 1995

POLICY/FINANCIAL IMPLCATIONS

NIL

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Absolute Majority

OFFICERS RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopt a \$3.50 fee and charge for commercial sale of non-potable water and authorise the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate on dam access with respect to asset maintenance and suitable infrastructure.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION - C2022-04-13

Moved: Cr Raul Valenzuela

Seconded: Cr Gail Simpson

That Council adopt a \$3.50 fee and charge for commercial sale of non-potable water and authorise the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate on dam access with respect to asset maintenance and suitable infrastructure.

LOST: 3/1

Cr Gail Trenfield opposed due to the following concerns – e.g. Children Safety and Shire water usage.

ATTENDANCE: 11.35am Deputy CEO Thomas Gorman left the meeting.

ATTENDANCE: 11.37am Deputy CEO Thomas Gorman re-joined the meeting.

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14.5 Report to the Minister on Significant Findings in the 2019/20 Audit

Applicant:	Shire of Yalgoo
Date:	14/04/2022
Reporting Officer:	Chief Executive Officer Ian Holland
Disclosure of Interest:	NIL
Attachments:	2019/20 Audit Management Letter

SUMMARY

That Council accept a report on significant audit findings that will be published on the Shire website and provided to the Minister for Local Government.

COMMENT

At the Audit Meeting held on the 21st March 2022 the Committee was asked to give consideration to the Audit Management Letter and Independent Auditors Report for the year ended 30th June 2020 together with responses provided by the Chief Executive Officer. An exit interview with the Office of the Auditor General was held on Friday 25 February 2022 and the auditors report was received on the 3rd March 2022. This report resulted in a Disclaimer of Opinion.

Council is required to examine the report of the Auditor and take appropriate action in relation to the matters raised.

The findings identified during the Audit of the Shire of Yalgoo Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2020 are stated in the Management letter, together with the response provided by the Chief Executive Officer under the heading of “Management Comment” as provided to the Audit Committee.

The Auditors Report identified the following material/significant matters to be addressed by the Shire of Yalgoo.

- (i) The following material matters indicating non-compliance with Part 6 of the *Local Government Act 1995*, the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 or applicable financial controls of any other written law were identified during the course of my audit:
 - a. Changes made to the supplier, employee, debtors and fixed assets masterfiles were not independently reviewed and authorised. This increased the risk of unauthorised changes to key information, although our audit sampling did not identify any.
 - b. For 13 out of 26 purchases sampled there was no purchase order raised. Additionally, 11 out of 13 of the purchase orders sampled were dated after the dates of the corresponding supplier invoices. Further, for 22 out of 26 payments sampled the creditor batch listing were not consistently signed as evidence of independent review and 21 out of 26 physical bank authorisation forms were not consistently signed by two authorities prior to payment. Additionally, for 7 out of 26 purchases sampled there was insufficient documentation to confirm if sufficient quotes had been obtained. These practices increase the risk of fraud or favoritism of suppliers, not obtaining value for money in procurement, and inappropriate or unnecessary purchases.
 - c. All daily banking reconciliations sampled (being 21 instances) were either not completed or not signed by the preparer or reviewer. This

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- increases the risk of errors and omissions relating to cash remaining undetected.
- d. From our review of the financial policy manual there were numerous instances identified where policies were out of date, required further work or did not reflect current practices. Without approved policies and procedures, this may lead to errors, fraud or non-compliance.
 - e. Management has not updated the asset management plan and long-term financial plan since 2013. As a result the Asset Renewal Funding Ratio for all years presented in the annual financial report as required by section 50(1)(c) of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 is not able to be supported by verifiable information or reasonable assumptions.
 - f. Our payroll testing identified that office employee timesheets are not independently reviewed and signed off. This could result in errors in the payroll or incorrect amounts being paid.
 - g. Our sampling identified that for 8 out of 12 months of the year, there were not receipts or invoices to support expenditure incurred on the purchasing cards. This could result in unauthorised expenditure by the Shire.
 - h. Reconciliations for Trust accounts, investments, fixed assets, sundry debtors, sundry creditors, rates debtors and rates valuations were not maintained by the Shire for the full year. With key balance sheet accounts not being reconciled to the general ledger on a regular basis there is an increased risk that errors or imbalances will not be detected on a timely basis, which in turn could lead to misstatements in the Shire's financial reporting.
 - i. Accounting journal entries were processed with no evidence of independent review and approval by a senior staff member for 90% of the journals sampled. Additionally, adequate supporting documentation or commentary was not retained to support journal entries in 80% of the journals sampled. Accounting journals can represent significant adjustments to previously approved accounting transactions and, should therefore be independently reviewed and approved with evidence of this review being retained.
- (ii) As a result of the matters described in the Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion section of my report, I am not able to report that:
- a. All required information and explanations were obtained by me.
 - b. All audit procedures were satisfactorily completed.
 - c. The Asset Consumption Ratio included in the annual financial report was supported by verifiable information and reasonable assumptions.

Further Management Comment

The Shire of Yalgoo is addressing the issues raised. Additional staff and contractors have been engaged to improve internal controls and review these potential weaknesses. Where work has been undertaken by a contractor more internal documentation is being produced to assure auditors of review and approval.

The Shire is currently transitioning to more fit for purpose financial software. This is a costly and time consuming process that will improve staff training and benefit internal controls.

The Community Strategic Plan has been renewed allowing for further Integrated Plans to be adequately redeveloped. Proposed local government reforms could see some of this process significantly changed or made obsolete. It would not be financially responsible for a small Council to engage contractors, generate all required reports and then shelve them due to altered requirements. That being said valuations and data collection is being undertaken to redevelop asset and other long term plans.

Due to changes in management a significant number of these issues have been practically improved and further changes are being implemented as described by the Management Comments provided to the Audit Committee. Policy reviews and staff training have resulting in improvements to payroll and purchasing authorisations and further policy review will be conducted when operationally achievable.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Local Government Act 1995

7.12A. Duties of local government with respect to audits

- (3) A local government must —
 - (aa) examine an audit report received by the local government; and
 - (a) determine if any matters raised by the audit report, require action to be taken by the local government; and
 - (b) ensure that appropriate action is taken in respect of those matters.
- (4) A local government must —
 - (a) prepare a report addressing any matters identified as significant by the auditor in the audit report, and stating what action the local government has taken or intends to take with respect to each of those matters; and
 - (b) give a copy of that report to the Minister within 3 months after the audit report is received by the local government.
- (5) Within 14 days after a local government gives a report to the Minister under subsection (4) (b), the CEO must publish a copy of the report on the Local governments' official website.

POLICY/FINANCIAL IMPLCATIONS

NIL

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple Majority

OFFICERS RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopts the Report on the Audit Management Letter for the financial year ended 30 June 2020 for publication on the Shire Website and forwarding to the Minister for Local Government.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION - C2022-04-14

Moved: Cr Raul Valenzuela

Seconded: Cr Gail Simpson

That Council adopts the Report on the Audit Management Letter for the financial year ended 30 June 2020 for publication on the Shire Website and forwarding to the Minister for Local Government.

CARRIED: 4/0

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14.6 Australian Local Government Association – 2022 National General Assembly Motion – Rail Safety National Law

Applicant:	Shire of Yalgoo
Date:	14/04/2022
Reporting Officer:	Chief Executive Officer Ian Holland
Disclosure of Interest:	NIL
Attachments:	Cue Parliament Submission – Lara Jensen

SUMMARY

That Council endorse a motion to lobby State and Federal Governments, through WALGA and ALGA, to immediately introduce legislation to improve safety lighting on trains and at passive level crossings.

COMMENT

A submission was recently received at Cue Parliament (the WALGA Zone meeting for the Murchison Region of Western Australia) regarding legislating improvements to safety lighting on trains and at passive level crossings. It was suggested that this submission be endorsed by an individual council for presentation to WALGA and notably as a motion to the Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) National General Assembly.

When leaving the Yalgoo Shire and travelling to surrounding areas and regional centers it is highly likely you will drive across a level train crossing. While some on highways or local government roads are significantly illuminated with or without boom gates, others on side roads have 1-2 small fixed signs and either give way or stop signs. This paired with kilometers long, jet black freight cars is a recipe for disaster which has been experienced by the 12 families that wrote to our Zone. Running lights and reflective surfaces the length of a train are not a legislated requirement and some companies or bodies may feel they do not have the resources to adequately address this risk. This is where regulation should be used to implement low cost and uniform measures for public safety.

Residents of Yalgoo frequently interact with quads (heavy haulage road trains 60m in length). These vehicles are required to have multiple reflective surfaces along their trailers as well as running lights in many instances. This reduces the same hazards that would be experienced at road intersections ie running into the side of a vehicle that has no significant visibility from the side or headlights that can be confusing for road users.

Please see attached, information submitted to Cue Parliament by Lara Jensen, a representative of 12 families who have all lost loved ones as a result of collisions with trains at passive level crossings.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Local Government Act 1995

POLICY/FINANCIAL IMPLCATIONS

NIL

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple Majority

OFFICERS RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Recommend to WALGA and ALGA the lobbying of State and Federal Governments to immediately introduce legislation through Rail Safety National Law to improve safety lighting on trains and provide funding for low cost solar powered warning systems at passive level crossings; and
2. Endorse (1) above as a submission of motion to the ALGA 2022 National General Assembly.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION - C2022-04-15

Moved: Cr Raul Valenzuela

Seconded: Cr Gail Trenfield

That Council:

1. Recommend that WALGA and ALGA lobby the State and Federal Governments to immediately introduce legislation through Rail Safety National Law to improve safety lighting on trains and provide funding for low cost solar powered warning systems at passive level crossings; and
2. Endorse (1) as a submission of motion to the ALGA 2022 National General Assembly.

CARRIED: 4/0

ATTENDANCE: 12.05pm Cr Raul Valenzuela left the meeting.

ATTENDANCE: 12.06pm Cr Raul Valenzuela re-joined the meeting.

14.7 HVS Application – Yalgoo Ninghan Road

Applicant:	BGC
Date:	28/04/2022
Reporting Officer:	Chief Executive Officer Ian Holland
Disclosure of Interest:	NIL
Attachments:	Extracts from WALGA cost recovery guides

SUMMARY

That Council consider a request from BGC Transport to Amend Yalgoo-Ninghan Road on the Restricted Access Vehicle Network.

COMMENT

A request has been received from BGC Transport to operate Network 7.3 vehicles on the southern section of Yalgoo-Ninghan Road. This section of road has already been deemed suitable for Network 10 vehicles but is not currently approved for the Accredited Mass Management Scheme.

There are significant controls in place for the scheme through Main Roads WA and compared to smaller networks 7 and 10 create less gravel dispersion through reduced truck movements, there is however an increase in wear and tear due to a larger number of Equivalent Standard Axles. Please refer to the attached comparisons between network levels provided through WALGAs user guides.

A similar tonnage can be transported by 7.3 to the 10.1 that currently exists. The advantage to this situation would be trucks that are significantly shorter than a Network 10 Quad.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Local Government Act 1995

POLICY/FINANCIAL IMPLCATIONS

Extraordinary Freight Task Cost Recovery

VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple Majority

OFFICERS RECOMMENDATION

That Council support SLK 0 to SLK 71.78 being amended on the Restricted Access Vehicle Network to include Network 7.3.

Unanimous support to include this late item

COUNCIL RESOLUTION – C2022-04-16

Moved: Cr Raul Valenzuela

Seconded: Cr Gail Simpson

That Council That Council support SLK 0 to SLK 71.78 being amended on the Restricted Access Vehicle Network to include Network 7.3.

CARRIED: 4/0

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15 NOTICE OF MOTIONS

NIL

16 URGENT BUSINESS

NIL

ATTENDANCE: 12.14pm Cr Gail Simpson left the meeting.

ATTENDANCE: 12.15pm Cr Gail Simpson re-joined the meeting.

17 MATTER FOR WHICH THE MEETING MAY BE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC

NIL

18 NEXT MEETING

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council is due to be held in the Council Chambers, Gibbons Street Yalgoo on Friday 27th May 2022 commencing at 10.00 am.

19 MEETING CLOSURE

There being no further business the Shire President declared the Ordinary meeting closed at 12.16pm.