Shire of Perenjori

MINUTES

Ordinary Council Meeting

Held in the Shire of Perenjori Council Chambers, Fowler Street, Perenjori on 15th October 2009.

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9101 PRELIMINARIES

9101.1 DECLARATION OF OPENING AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

The Chairman opened the meeting at 1.30pm
Rodney Desmond, Councillor designate, was announced as a visitor

9101.2 OPENING PRAYER

Cr King led Council in the opening prayer.

9101.3 DISCLAIMER READING

Nil

9101.4 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE, APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Present Cr C R King
    Cr R A Benton
    Cr I F West
    Cr G K Reid
    Cr L C Butler
    Cr J H Hirsch (1.49pm)
    Cr J A Bensdorp
    Cr J R Cunningham

CEO  Stan Scott
DCEO  Rose Jones
WS   Ken Markham
MCS  Garry Agnew

Apologies
EDO  Phil Cleaver

9101.5 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Nil

9101.6 PETITIONS / DEPUTATIONS / PRESENTATIONS

9101.7 NOTATIONS OF INTEREST

Financial Interest – Local Government Act s 5.60A
Proximity Interest – Local Government Act s 5.60B
Interest Affecting Impartiality – Shire of Perenjori Code of Conduct.
Cr Cunningham may have a conflict of interest as a contractor to Sino Steel
Cr King may have a conflict of interest with Collection of Pest Rates

9101.8 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

9101.9 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES
Minutes of Ordinary meeting of Council held 17th September 2009 are attached.
Moved: Cr Benton    Seconded: Cr Butler
That the minutes of the Ordinary meeting of Council held on the 17th September 2009 be accepted as a true and correct record.
CARRIED: 7/0

9101.10 ANOUNCEMENTS BY PERSON PRESIDING WITHOUT DISCUSSION
Nil

9101.11 MATTERS FOR WHICH MEETING MAY GO BEHIND CLOSED DOORS
Nil
Executive Summary:

The EDO has held discussions with Bioelectric Pty Ltd which wishes to establish a pilot algae plant in the Perenjori light industrial area.

Applicants Submission:

The EDO has been in contact with the R&D Chemist and Managing Director of the Bioelectric Pty Ltd.

Bioelectric is interested in setting up open air and enclosed algae production ponds in the Perenjori Light Industrial Area. This facility is primarily a pilot to ensure that the concept works in this climatic zone, and to have the facility in place for promotion to potential partners. The ultimate intent is to establish a larger scale facility.

The potential for the algae is as follows:

- Unpossessed the algae may be used directly as stock feed;
- With processing can be an input for pelletised stock feed of fish food;
- The biomass can be used to produce biogas, extract oil, produce bio-diesel or generate electricity;
- It could be a useful adjunct to solar power are it uses solar energy through photosynthesis to produce methane to generate power at night;
- The exhaust from gen-sets can be used to turbo charge the algae production, so it may have a potential role in reducing emission in mining operations.

The facility will be complimentary to existing and planned development projects already under way such as renewable energy, farming, mining and aquaculture research facility. The proponent was attracted to Perenjori through the network of academic contacts we have been nurturing over the last 3 years.

Background
Council previously considered a presentation by Dr Andrew Beveridge on the development of algae for the production of fuels. This is a low tech alternative.

Council resolved last year to express interest in the establishment of an Agribusiness precinct. This is the type of enterprise that, on a large scale, would be suitable for development as part of an agribusiness precinct.

A sample process map is detailed below:
Possible Algal Biomass Pathway, With biogas generator.

Statutory Environment:

*Local Government Act 1995 S3.1* – the general Function of Local Government is to provide for the good government of people in its district.
Policy Implications: Nil

Financial Implications:
Bioelectric is a potential purchaser of an industrial lot, or may prefer to lease.

Strategic Implications:
The fundamental premise of the EDO activity is diversification of the economic base of Perenjori though complementary activity that will reduce our reliance on agriculture and mining.

Consultation:
The EDO maintains contact with a wide range of potential stakeholders, investors or funding organisations.

Comment:
The tasks have complied with effort to

- Diversify the local economy through attracting new industries or emerging technologies;
- Add value to existing agricultural industry through diversification or downstream processing
- Take advantage of existing intellectual capital within the district
- Encouraged partnerships with external bodies and agencies
- Overcome barriers to growth such as lack of available land or housing;

Within the scope of these activities also:
- Seek funding opportunities to offset the costs and/or widen the scope of economic development activities

Voting Requirements:
Simple Majority

Officers Recommendation:
1. That Council authorises the CEO and EDO to advise the proponent that Council is happy for the facility to be established in Perenjori subject to:
   - Agreement to purchase or lease an industrial lot on England Crescent;
   - Given the proximity of the Light Industrial Area to the townsite, adequate assurance that the activity will not generate unpleasant odours.

2. Should the proponent not be able to satisfy the requirements above that the Shire will attempt to locate a suitable alternative location within the Shire.

Council Resolution:
Moved: Cr Reid  Seconded: Cr West

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• Agreement to purchase or lease an industrial lot on England Crescent;
  Given the proximity of the Light Industrial Area to the townsite, adequate assurance that the activity will not generate unpleasant odours.

2. Should the proponent not be able to satisfy the requirements above that the Shire will attempt to locate a suitable alternative location within the Shire.

Carried: 7/0
Executive Summary:
As required by the Local Government Act and Financial Management Regulations a Monthly Statement of Financial Activity is required to be presented to each monthly meeting. This statement is used with Councils adopted 10% variance or $5000 figure which was adopted by Council at its July meeting. A report detailing the variances is also included.
Other Financial statements are also attached as per the Finance Committee preferences.

Statutory Environment: N/A
Policy Implications: N/A
Financial Implications: N/A
Strategic Implications: N/A
Consultation: N/A
UHF Haines Norton

Voting Requirements: Simple Majority

Officers Recommendation:

1. Statement of Financial Activity
That the Statement of Financial Activity for the period ended 30th September 2009 including report on variances be accepted as presented.

2. Finance Report
That the Finance Report for the period ended 30th September 2009 be accepted as presented.
3. Acquisition of Assets
That the Acquisition of Assets Report for the period ended 30th September 2009 with a balance of $711,190.00 as presented be received.

4. Reserves Report
That the Reserves Report for the period ended 30th September 2009 with a balance of $1,747,209 as presented be received.

5. Net Current Assets
That the Net Current Assets report for the period ended 30th September 2009 as presented be received.

6. Bank Reconciliation's
That the balances of the Municipal Fund of $812,567.79 and the Trust Fund of $55099.18 as at 30th September 2009 as presented be received.

7. Sundry Creditors Report
That the Sundry Creditors Report for the period ended 30th September 2009 with a balance of $130,765.34 as presented be received.

8. Sundry Debtors Report
That the Sundry Debtors Report for the period ended 30th September 2009 with a balance of $72,257.59 as presented be received.

9. Accounts for Payment
That the Accounts for payment for the Municipal Account consisting of Cheque Numbers 17206 to 17250 and EFT Numbers 1038 to 1115 for $609,384.78 and the Trust Account consisting of EFT Number 1110 for $138.00 for the period ended 30th September 2009 as presented be accepted.

10. Rates Outstanding
That the Rates Outstanding Report for the period ended 30th September 2009 with an outstanding balance of $1,549,337.00.

Council Resolution
Moved: Cr West                     Seconded: Cr Cunningham
That Items 1-10 relating to the Financial Activity Reports for the period ended 30 September 2009 be accepted as presented.  
CARRIED: 7/0
Executive Summary:
Listed are the roads graded for the month of SEPTEMBER.

Applicants Submission:
Lochada rd                              Rabbit Proof Fence rd
Sharpe rd                                 Taylors rd
Back Bowgada rd                    I Just rd
Settlement rd                            Rowe rd
Payne rd                                  Olden rd
Oversby rd                                Old Perth rd
Syson rd                                  Perenjori Rothsay rd

Background:
Statutory Environment:
Local Government Act 1995 S3.1 – the general function of Local Government is to
Provide for the good government of people in its district.

Policy Implications:                   Nil
Financial Implications:
As per Council’s Road Maintenance Budget

Strategic Implications:
To maintain roads to a standard

Consultation:                         Nil
Comment:                              Nil
Voting Requirements:                  Nil
Officers Recommendation:              Nil
Executive Summary:
Mr Norm Everett has been appointed Council's mechanic.
Mr Ricky Thomas is leaving Council’s employment.

Applicants Submission:
Applications were sought for a replacement mechanic left vacant by Dave Jones in July. First advertisements gained no response and whilst we readvertised, Mr Norm Everett offered to help out. Norm then applied for the position along with three other applicants and after short listing and interviewing two applicants, Norm was offered the position.

Mr Ricky Thomas is leaving the Shire’s employment for family reasons. Ricky was employed as a General Hand with the outside staff.

Background:

Statutory Environment:
Local Government Act 1995 S3.1 – the general function of Local Government is to provide for the good government of people in its district.

Policy Implications: Nil
Financial Implications:
Strategic Implications:
Consultation: Nil
Comment: Nil
Voting Requirements: NIL

Officers Recommendation: NIL
9105.3 PURCHASE OF GRADER

APPLICANT: SHIRE OF PERENJORI
FILE: 0
DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST: 0
AUTHOR: STAN SCOTT – CEO
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER: STAN SCOTT – CEO
REPORT DATE: 6 OCTOBER 2009
ATTACHMENTS QUOTES FOR NEW AND SECOND HAND GRADERS

Executive Summary:
CJD Equipment has advised that they have a near new grader in stock which is fitted with Topcon laser controls, has only 1500 hours on the clock and is $100,000 cheaper than a new grader.

Applicants Submission:
The comparative costings for the two options are set out below.

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The estimated lease costs over 5 years (quotes requested) are as follows. For a new grader a 6 year lease may be contemplated:

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In each case for an operating lease the full purchase price must be funded. Therefore the $67,000 trade in price would be returned to the plant reserve.

Background:
Council has budgeted to lease a new grader this year. Tax incentives for private sector purchases of equipment have made second hand equipment less attractive than might other wise have been the case for private buyers.

Statutory Environment:
Local Government Act 1995 S3.1 – the general Function of Local Government is to provide for the good government of people in its district.

Policy Implications: Nil

Financial Implications:
The cost of leasing a grader will be $20,000 per year cheaper over the life of the machine for a second hand grader. Even comparing a 6 year lease for a new grader with a 5 year lease for a second hand grader, the second hand grader is still $10,000 per year cheaper.

Nil
Strategic Implications:

Consultation: Nil

Comment:

For this purchase:

- The purchase price is over the $100,000 tender threshold;
- CJD is a WALGA preferred supplier for new and used equipment; and
- ISIS Capital is a WALGA preferred supplier for leasing services.

This means that we can proceed to purchase without calling for public tenders.

Voting Requirements:

Simple Majority

**Officers / Committee Recommendation:**

That the committee recommend that Council lease the second hand grader in lieu of a new grader.

**Council Resolution:**

Moved: Cr Bensdorp  Seconded: Cr Butler

That the Plant and Works Committee recommend that Council lease the second hand grader in lieu of a new grader.

Carried: 7/0
QUOTE 365A.09

VOLVO G930 MOTOR GRADER

Illustration does not necessarily show the standard version of the machine

FOR:
Shire of Perenjori
Attention: Chief Executive Officer
Fowler St
PERENJORI WA 6620

6 October, 2009

BY:
CJD Equipment Pty Ltd
52 Great Eastern Highway
GUILDFORD WA 6055

From: Bill Hastings
Regional Sales Manager

Quote: 365A.09
TENDER QUOTATION

SUPPLY OF ONE (1) ONLY VOLVO G930 ARTICULATED MOTOR GRADER

In response to your invitation to tender/quote, we are pleased to offer our VOLVO G930 ARTICULATED MOTOR GRADER as follows:-

Standard machine features

- Volvo D7DGAE3, (2007 tier 3 compliant) 6 cyl. Turbo charged
  - Variable Horsepower Diesel
  - Engine: Net power
  - 116 kW (155hp): Low Range
  - 131 kW (175hp): Mid Range
  - 145 kW (195hp): High Range
  - 80 Amp alternator
  - Venturi dust extractor STD.
  - Tropical Cooling – Hydraulic Driven Reversible Fan

- Fully Sequential, direct drive, Automatic Powershift transmission
  - 11 Forward / 6 Reverse gears
  - Single lever ‘smart shifter’ control
  - Electronic self diagnostic feature

- Fully sealed, oil disc service brakes
  - Four wheel hydraulically actuated
  - Cross over dual braking circuits

- Load sensing hydraulic system

- Hydraulic power front steering
  - Dual steer cylinders

- Dual cylinder circle drive
  - Direct acting hydraulic power
  - Overload Cushion valve (Slip clutch)
  - 12 ft Moldboard

- Operator controlled, Hydraulic Operated lock/unlock differential

- Fully certified ROPS, low profile cabin, integrated air conditioning with climate control

Additional equipment included in Quoted Price:

- AM/FM Radio CD Player
- RTA Certificate (not Inc stamp duty)
- Sign Writing
- Window Tint
- Two Beacons with Guards
- Hydraulic Suspension Seat
- Canvas Seat Cover
- UHF Radio

- 2.5kg Fire Extinguisher mounted inside cab
- Front and Rear Tow Points
- Spare Wheel and Tyre
- Rubber Cased Padlocks for all service compartments
- Three Complete Sets of Keys
- Light Guards

Quote: 365A.09
## Trade Price

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<td><strong>NET PRICE DELIVERED TO PERENJORI</strong></td>
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## Options

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### Extended Warranty 60 Months/10,000 Hours

Twelve months or 2,500 hours full machine warranty with a total of sixty (60) months or 6,000 hours, whichever occurs first, extended warranty on driveline and tandems.

🌟 Lifetime first owner guarantee on mainframe and articulation joint

Any attachment that you the client elect to fit to this new Volvo machine, which is not a genuine Volvo attachment and has not been approved by CJD Equipment Pty Ltd may void the machine warranty should it be determined by Volvo and/or CJD Equipment that any failure on the machine is caused by fitting such an attachment.

### Delivery Date

Delivery is ex-stock and could be affected in approximately four to six weeks, to be confirmed upon receipt of an official order, subject to prior sale or contingencies beyond our control.

### Operator training

A qualified operator trainer is available for comprehensive training of your nominated personnel.

### Validity

Pricing quoted is valid for 90 days, thereafter subject to confirmation from CJD Equipment Pty Ltd.
First and Second warranty Inspections

Two (2) warranty inspections are carried out free of charge. The first at 100 hours of operation, the second at 1000 hours of operation or twelve months after delivery, whichever occurs first.

After Sales Support

Volvo trained service mechanics provided with fully equipped mobile service vehicles are available at all times. A comprehensive range of spare parts to service Volvo’s product range is held at our depot in Kalgoorlie, which is supported by CJD Equipment’s parts warehouses located throughout Australia.

Payment

Payment must be made prior to delivery by bank cheque or electronic funds transfer.

Technical Data

Technical data is enclosed describing the quoted equipment.

We thank you for the opportunity to provide a tender/quotations for our Volvo G930 on this occasion and should you require any further detail, we would be most happy to assist. We assure you that your valued order would receive our most careful and prompt attention.

Yours faithfully
CJD EQUIPMENT PTY LTD

Quote: 365A.09
## OPERATING LEASE / RENTAL PROPOSAL

**Proposal For:** Shire of Perenjori  
**Proposal Prepared by:** Brad Hunt  
Business Development Manager  
0438 921 058  
bh@isislgfinance.com.au

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Why use an ISIS LG Finance operating lease facility?  
- WALGA Preferred Supplier  
- No up-front capital outlay – Pay for use  
- Rental payments are a cost (not a liability) and are generally tax deductible (you should consult your accountant to confirm that this is the case for you)  
- Finance total acquisition including software, training and installation  
- Conserve existing banking facilities  
- Upgrade as and when it suits you (irrespective of remaining contract term)  
- Flexible end of term options – return the equipment with no further obligations, continue to rent, purchase or upgrade

### Proposal Terms and Conditions

1. Statutory charges are not included in the quoted payment amount. GST is levied by the Federal Government at a rate of 10%.  
2. Contract start dates are the First day of December, March, June and September (or the First of each month for monthly contracts). A pro-rata rental applies to all contracts settled outside of these dates.  
3. Insurance of the assets is to be arranged by the lessee for the account of the lessee noting the lessor’s interest.  
4. Payments are based on the asset specifications and costs specified above. Any variation to the specifications or cost will require re-calculation of the payments.

**Proposal Expiry Date** - This proposal is available for acceptance until: 19 October 2009
Executive Summary:
Main Roads WA has requested a quote for further works on Wubin Mullewa Road.

Applicants Submission:
Main Roads has written to the CEO in the following terms:

Main Roads has funds this year to undertake improvements on the Wubin – Mullewa Road. These improvements consist of the widening of the seal from 5m to 8m (formation width 12.4m) and lowering of the crest between 94.6 SLK and 95.0 SLK.

Main Roads invites the Shire of Perenjori to undertake the works on our behalf. A site inspection between your Foreman Ken Markham and Nigel Goode from Greenfields Technical Services was undertaken so all parties have an understanding of the scope of the works.

From my understanding I believe the Shire are keen to undertake the works.

Please provide an Estimate of Cost to construct the improvement works as discussed on site. This estimate is to include all construction costs; identification and relocation costs of any services; engagement of Greenfield Technical Services for Engineering Services to prepare construction estimate, provide quality control of the works, provide technical advice during construction and reconciliation of onsite costs; and all of the Shires overhead, administration and on costs.

The required testing will be provided by Main Roads Regional staff at Main Roads Cost.

Also please provide a window of opportunity to complete the work.

Background:
The Shire recently completed widening of an adjacent section of the road. There would be a second coat seal applied to the previous job to coincide with this sealing work.

Statutory Environment:
Local Government Act 1995 S3.1 – the general Function of Local Government is to provide for the good government of people in its district.

Policy Implications: Nil

Financial Implications:
Main Roads work earns additional income for the Shire.

**Strategic Implications:**

The Shire through the MWRC is trying to secure an ongoing share of routine MRWA work through Integrated Service Agreements.

**Consultation:** Nil

**Comment:**

It may be necessary over the course of the year to recruit additional staff or use local contractors to be able to complete Main Roads work, work for mining companies and our own works program.

**Voting Requirements:**

Simple Majority

**Officers Recommendation:**

That the committee support the Shire bidding for Main Roads minor improvement works.

**Committee Recommendation:**

That the committee support the Shire bidding for Main Roads minor improvement works, with work to be scheduled for Feb / March 2010 to avoid harvest traffic.

**Council Resolution:**

Moved: Cr Bensdorp

Seconded: Cr West

That the committee support the Shire bidding for Main Roads minor improvement works, with work to be scheduled for Feb / March 2010 to avoid harvest traffic.

Carried: 7/0
9106    GOVERNANCE

9106.1 COLLECTION OF DECLARED PEST RATES

APPLICANT:    WALGA
FILE:          0
DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST: 0
AUTHOR:       STAN SCOTT – CEO ________________________
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER STAN SCOTT – CEO ________________________
REPORT DATE:  22 September 2009
ATTACHMENTS INFO PAGE

Executive Summary:

WALGA is seeking input from Local Governments on their potential role in the collection of Declared Pest Rates under the Biosecurity and Agriculture Management Act 2007.

Applicants Submission:

Under the Biosecurity and Agriculture Management (BAM) Act 2007:

- Rates can be struck for declared pests;
- Rates may only be collected by State Revenue
- Rates are matched by State Government funding and allocated to Registered Biosecurity Groups (RBGs).

WALGA is seeking sector feedback on whether there is potential for greater involvement by Local Government in the BAM Act including for example:

- Collection of Declared Pest Rates
- Involvement in RBGs perhaps through regional Councils.

Background:

Consultation for the BAM Act occurred in 2002/03 and there has been significant change since then including several years collecting the ESL Levy for a fee.

Statutory Environment:

The Biosecurity and Agriculture Management Act 2007 replaces 17 separate State Acts. Regulations under the BAM which allow the imposition of a Declared Pest Rate take effect on 1 July 2010.

Policy Implications:  Nil

Financial Implications:

Local Governments could collect the rates on a fee for service basis or become more involved in Biosecurity activities.

Strategic Implications:

Agriculture and environment are both areas of strategic significance for Perenjori.
Consultation:
Consultation with the sector occurred in 2002/03 in the context of the implementation of the ESL Levy and the cost shifting Inquiry. It is fair to say that at that time there was a predisposition towards refusing additional functions.

Comment:
Perenjori has been quite innovative and forward thinking in its view of the role of local government. This has included high level engagement with project proponents on the fundamentals of their projects and the formation of the Yarra Yarra Catchment regional Council and Mid West Regional Council.

Present arrangements exclude Local Government collection of the Declared Pest Rate, and as a result militate against wider participation in Biosecurity.

It is the CEOs view that any opportunity for Local Governments to diversify their operations and improve the services offered to their customers must be considered. Councils must play an influential role in those industries that are most important to them. Opportunities to increase that influence may include taking on State roles.

The Shire of Perenjori has invested in the formation of a catchment based regional council, encouraged NACC and Yarra Yarra to maintain a presence in Perenjori, and has declared a vision for Perenjori to be a centre for environmental activity.

Potentially the Shire either in its own right or through the YYCRC could collect Declared Pest Rates, Water License fees, charge for the administration in collecting, them, collect matching state funds and deliver environmental programs that result.

The principles which underpin decision on this matter are:

- Local Government has a broad governance role and is in the interest of the sector that this role should not be unnecessarily narrow; and
- There should be no new functions for Local Government without appropriate funding.

These principles almost seem at odds, but if they can be satisfied there is no reason that Local Government should not be involved.

Proposed responses to the WALGA request are as follows:

| Question 1: - is your Local Government interested in collecting and administering a Declared Pest Rate? | Yes | No | Only if we could charge a fee for doing so |
| (please circle) | | | |

YES

| Question 2: - (a) If your Local Government is or will be part of a Regional Organisation of Council's, would you be interested in your ROC collecting and administering a declared pest rate? | Yes | No | Only if we could charge a fee for doing so |
| (please circle) | | | |

YES

(b) If you answered "Yes" to the above question, would you prefer this arrangement over individual Local Government collection?

| (please circle) | Yes | No | N/A |
Either model would be possible – no firm preference.

Question 3:-(a) Does your Local Government understand what a Recognised Biosecurity Group is, and how one might be used to more effectively manage invasive species at a local level?

(please circle)  

Yes  No

Preliminary understanding only.

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(please circle)  

Yes  No

YES. It may be that the role of existing Local Government Groupings (such as Yarra Yarra) could be expanded to include Biosecurity.

**Voting Requirements:**

Simple Majority

**Officers Recommendation:**

That the CEO responds to WALGA as indicated above.

_Cr King declared a proximity interest as Chairman of NACC, a body that is a recognised biosecurity group._

_Cr King left the chambers @ 1.49pm_

_Cr Hirsch rejoined council @ 1.49pm_

_Cr Butler took the Chair_

**Meeting Recommendation:**

Moved: West  
Seconded: Cr Cunningham

That the CEO responds to WALGA as per the responses following:

Question 1:- is your Local Government interested in collecting and administering a Declared Pest Rate?

(please circle)  

Yes  No  Only if we could charge a fee for doing so

“Only if we could charge a fee for doing so”

Question 2:- (a) If your Local Government is or will be part of a Regional Organisation of Council’s, would you be interested in your ROC collecting and administering a declared pest rate?

(please circle)  

Yes  No  Only if we could charge a fee for doing so
“Only if we could charge a fee for doing so”

(b) If you answered “Yes” to the above question, would you prefer this arrangement over individual Local Government collection?

(please circle) Yes No N/A

“N/A”

Question 3:- (a) Does your Local Government understand what a Recognised Biosecurity Group is, and how one might be used to more effectively manage invasive species at a local level?

(please circle) Yes No

“Yes”

Question 5:- Would your Local Government be interested in partnering with other Local Government’s to form a Recognised Biosecurity Group?

(please circle) Yes No

YES. It may be that the role of existing Local Government Groupings (such as Yarra Yarra) could be expanded to include Biosecurity.

Carried: 7/0

Cr King returned to Chambers @ 2pm

Council Resolution
Moved: Cr Cunningham Seconded: Cr Bensdorp
That the meeting be adjourned to allow Councillors to conduct a site inspection of the new swimming pool.

Carried: 8/0

Council Resolution
Moved: Cr Benton Seconded: Cr Butler
That the meeting be reconvened.

Carried 8/0
Shire of Perenjori

MINUTES

Ordinary Meeting

15th OCTOBER 2009

IN BRIEF

Subject: Biosecurity and Agriculture Management Act 2007 (the BAM Act) and associated Declared Pest Rates.

Priority: Medium

To: Chief Executive Officer
From: Jessica Sheppard, Natural Resource Management Facilitator
Organisation: All Councils
Date: 21st September 2009
Reference: 05-038-03-0011

Key Issues:
- Regulations under the BAM Act are due to take effect by 1st July 2010 which will enable the imposition of Declared Pest Rates. As the name implies, the Rates (matched $-for-$ by the State Government), would then be used to manage issues posed by a range of invasive species deemed to be of significance by a local community.
- As it stands, the BAM Act authorises only the Commissioner of State Revenue to assess and collect any Declared Pest Rates imposed.
- WALGA is seeking feedback on Local Government interest in (a) being the collection agent for the Declared Pest Rates at some future point and (b), the Recognised Biosecurity Group model.

Operational Area: Chief Executive Officer

Action Required: Complete attached faxback by Friday 16th October.

Biosecurity and Agriculture Management Act 2007

The main purposes of the Biosecurity and Agriculture Management Act 2007 (BAM Act) are to prevent new animal and plant pests and diseases from entering Western Australia, to manage the impact and limit the spread of those already present in the State and to safely manage the use of agriculture and veterinary chemicals and ensure agriculture products are not contaminated with chemical residues.

When fully implemented, the BAM Act will replace 17 previous separate acts dealing with biosecurity.

Declared pest rates

"There is a mechanism in the BAM Act that allows the Minister to impose Declared Pest Rates in a prescribed area. Money raised via these rates will be matched dollar for dollar by the State Government, and combined funding will be applied to coordinated pest control programs" (Biosecurity and Agriculture Management Act 2007 Factsheet, Department of Agriculture and Food www.agric.wa.gov.au).

Under the BAM Act, pest control services will now be in the hands of Recognised Biosecurity Groups (RBGs). Five RBGs will replace the existing Zone Control Authorities in pastoral areas of WA. Within the South West Land Division of WA, all former Zone Control Authorities have already been abolished, and

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discussions are continuing with various groups as to the most appropriate arrangements to replace them. RBGs will only be established within the agricultural areas at the request of the local communities.

RBGs will be flexible in their structure to allow for differences in geography, issues and stakeholder needs in each area – there will no longer be a requirement for a “one-size-fits-all” model. The RBGs will determine the priorities for expenditure of accumulated funds for biosecurity in their region. Local Governments may choose to become members of any RBGs established within their areas, and it has also been suggested that regional organisations of councils would be an appropriate size to form RBGs if they wish.

Collection of Declared Pest Rates

When the Local Government sector was consulted about the BAM Act and the so-called “Regional Model” in 2002/03, the feedback to the Department of Agriculture and Food was very strongly against any participation in collection of any new rate. Consequently, the Act was written in such a way that the Commissioner of State Revenue is currently the ONLY entity authorised to assess and collect the new Declared Pest Rate.

However, if the Act was amended, there would be the potential for Local Government to collect Declared Pest Rates and charge a fee for doing so. Currently, the way the Act is written also prohibits Local Government from receiving matching funding from State Government if the former uses their standard rating mechanisms to collect funds for the management of Declared Pests. If Local Governments are currently applying part of their normal rate revenue to address local biosecurity issues, this may have to cease should a Declared Pest Rate be imposed over the same area, to avoid charging landowners twice for the same activity.

The Association is currently investigating the sector’s willingness to participate in biosecurity management in WA and in particular to determine if we need to begin discussions with the Minister for Agriculture and Food around amendment of the BAM Act.

A fax back is attached to facilitate your comment. The closing date for feedback is Friday 16th October.

Please Note: THE APPLICATION OF THE BAM ACT IS NOT LIMITED TO THREATS TO AGRICULTURAL ACTIVITIES. It also covers biosecurity threats to the environment, to public safety and amenity and to commercial activities related to fishing, agriculture and pearing. This means that Local Government in any part of the State could participate in or form a Recognised Biosecurity Group and potentially opt to assess and/or collect the Declared Pest Rate.
A number of Local Governments have indicated an interest in being the collection agents for Declared Pest Rates under the Biosecurity and Agriculture Management Act 2007. As the Act would need amendment for this to occur, the aim of this survey is to ascertain if the Association needs to enter into dialogue with the Minister for Agriculture and Food around this issue. Please refer to the InfoPage for further information.

The closing date for feedback is Friday 16th October 2009.

Question 1:- is your Local Government interested in collecting and administering a Declared Pest Rate?

(please circle)  
Yes  No  Only if we could charge a fee for doing so

Question 2:-  
(a) If your Local Government is or will be part of a Regional Organisation of Council’s, would you be interested in your ROC collecting and administering a declared pest rate?

(please circle)  
Yes  No  Only if we could charge a fee for doing so

(b) If you answered "Yes" to the above question, would you prefer this arrangement over individual Local Government collection?

(please circle)  
Yes  No  N/A

Question 3:-  
(a) Does your Local Government understand what a Recognised Biosecurity Group is, and how one might be used to more effectively manage invasive species at a local level?

(please circle)  
Yes  No

(b) If "No", would your Local Government like to receive more particulars?

(please circle)  
Yes  No  N/A
Question 5: Would your Local Government be interested in partnering with other Local Government’s to form a Recognised Biosecurity Group?

(please circle) Yes No

We welcome your comments on this issue:

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR ASSISTANCE.
9106.2 DEVELOPMENT ASSESSMENT PANELS

APPLICANT: DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING
FILE: 0
DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST: 0
AUTHOR: STAN SCOTT – CEO ________________________
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER STAN SCOTT – CEO ________________________
REPORT DATE: 5 OCTOBER 2009
ATTACHMENTS

Executive Summary:
The State Government is proposing that some of the powers presently exercised by Local Governments will be exercised by Development Assessment Panels which have Local Government elected members as a minority of representatives.

Applicants Submission:
The proposed process would have the following implications for Perenjori:

- Applications for Planning Consent with a value of more than $1M will be considered by a Joint Development Assessment Panel. This excludes applications for single dwellings of up to 10 group dwellings.
- In Perenjori’s case the most likely developments to be captured are mining camps.
- The joint Development Assessment Panel for the Mid West would consist of 3 expert members (including the chair) and two elected members from each Local Government. Local Government Elected members would only participate for decisions within their district.
- The Shire would continue to collect planning fees, but would be required to meet the panels costs when it considers Perenjori applications.
- Expert members would be paid sitting fees but Elected Members would not.

Background:
Below is an extract from the Executive Summary of the Discussion Paper.

The Western Australian planning framework is based on achieving planning outcomes that succinctly balance economic, social and environmental issues. However, during the recent property boom, the need to improve the current framework and review the complexity of the planning system to allow for more timely decision-making became apparent.

The State Government is committed to improving the planning system in Western Australia by simplifying application processes and streamlining determination procedures while maintaining the elements that guarantee good planning outcomes. Opportunities for improvement have been identified and a number of reform initiatives are now being progressed by the Department of Planning.

In March 2009, the Department of Planning released the Building a Better Planning System consultation paper, which sets out the broader planning agenda for lasting improvement and reform of the planning system. One of the reform initiatives suggested in Building a Better
Planning System was the introduction of development assessment panels to determine significant land and housing projects, as part of the effort to simplify planning approvals. Submissions received on the consultation paper were supportive of the concept of development assessment panels and the proposal to introduce them in Western Australia for specific classes of development.

The introduction of development assessment panels is one of the fundamental principles of the national Development Assessment Forum’s (DAF) Leading Practice Model for Development Assessment. Leading Practice Model Eight (Professional Determination for Most Applications) promotes the principle of development assessments being determined by professional staff or private sector experts against known policies, objectives and rules. In addition Leading Practice Model Five (Single Point of Assessment) promotes a single point of assessment for applications using consistent policy, objectives and rules. The Leading Practice model also promotes limiting referrals to agencies with a relevant role for advice only, thus avoiding the need for separate approval processes. South Australia and New South Wales have already introduced development assessment panels into their planning system, in accordance with the DAF model.

This discussion paper sets out the development assessment panel model proposed for Western Australia (WA). The Planning and Development Act 2005 will be amended to make the relevant development assessment panel the responsible authority for determining applications of a prescribed class and value ($AUD) prescribed in new Planning and Development (Development Assessment Panels) Regulations 2010. For these prescribed classes of applications, the provision will provide that a decision of a development assessment panel is to be regarded as, and given effect as, a decision of the relevant local government and/or the Western Australian Planning Commission (WAPC) as applicable. All remaining decision-making powers will remain with the local government and WAPC respectively.

Applications of the prescribed class and value ($AUD) will continue to be assessed by the relevant local government under the local planning scheme and by the WAPC under the region planning scheme (when applicable) as prescribed in the respective scheme. The difference will be that a development assessment panel, instead of the local government or WAPC, will determine the application. A single decision-maker will be created, which is focussed solely on determining development applications under both schemes. This should assist local governments and the WAPC by allowing them to focus on the development of strategic planning instruments, rather than administering them.

Two different types of development assessment panels will be established by the Minister for Planning in WA:

1. **Local development assessment panels**
   (for metropolitan areas) - will be established to determine applications made to a single local government, where that local government is deemed to be a high-growth local government with enough development to support its own local development assessment panel.

2. **Joint development assessment panels**
   (for metropolitan and non-metropolitan areas) – will be established to determine applications made to two or more small local governments that are not high-growth local governments.

All panels will consist of independent technical experts (specialist members) and local government representatives. Specialist members will be appointed in accordance with specified criteria as prescribed in the new regulations. Members will be required to comply with a Code of Conduct and declare any potential conflict of interest. The development assessment panel will make decisions in accordance with the local and state policy frameworks.

Where the Minister for Planning believes a project is of State or regional significance the Minister will have the power to call in development applications. In such situations, the relevant
development assessment panel will prepare advice and recommendations for the Minister to take into account when determining the application.

Statutory Environment:
The comments and feedback received from this consultation paper will be used to inform the drafting of the Planning and Development (Development Assessment Panels) Regulations 2010.

Policy Implications:
The proposed process will amplify the importance of having an up to date town planning scheme and current Local Planning Policies. Council’s capacity to influence decisions will be through policy rather than decision making.

Financial Implications:
Council will continue to collect planning fees but will be responsible for the costs of the panel.

Strategic Implications:
The removal of Council’s decision making role impacts on Council’s capacity to influence the decisions of major project proponents. Assessment panels will only consider planning criteria not wider strategic and community aspirations.

Consultation:
The Department for Planning has convened a number of consultation meetings around the State. The CEO and Manager Community Services attended the Geraldton meeting.

Comment:
The wording of the discussion paper is interesting. It is titled Implementation of Development Assessment Panels in WA. By implication – the State is committed to development assessment panels, the consultation is only on the details. On that basis the CEO proposes the following feedback:

Development Applications Criteria:

**Question 2** Do you consider that additional criteria of development type (value $AUD and class) are required for the non-metropolitan joint development assessment panels? If yes, what additions would you propose and why?

The threshold for projects should be the same in non-metropolitan areas as it will be for the metropolitan area. The cost of developments in country areas is anything from 20 to 80% more expensive than in the city. In Perenjori’s case the differential is 40%. Under the draft arrangements a development that would cost only $720,000 in the metropolitan area would be captured by the panel arrangements, which is just silly.

Mining Industry Camp Developments should be excluded from panel arrangements. Consideration of these proposals is usually interlinked with a range of other discussions between Councils and proponents including access, water supplies, road crossings, resident vs FIFO workforce number, road vs rail, power supplies, buy local policies, public benefits agreements etc. By removing one of the few regulatory functions which give Councils the power to negotiate will produce far poorer outcomes for communities.
Determining Local Government Members

**Question 3. How should local governments nominate and choose council members to represent the council on its Local or Joint development assessment panel? Should this be set out in the regulations, or left to local governments to determine?**

This should be determined by Councils every two years following Local Government Elections as is currently the case for all roles representing Council.

**Question 4. Do you consider it an appropriate requirement for local government representatives appointed to a development assessment panel in Western Australia (WA) to have a certain qualification or type of experience, in addition to being an elected member of council?**

The only qualification or experience required as a prerequisite should be membership of Council. To achieve this members have already established their eligibility, the support of the community, and finally the support of Council.

**Specialist Members**

**Question 5. Should development assessment panels in Western Australia be required to have a “reasonable balance” of experience represented on the panel? Or should every panel be required to have an expert from a particular set of fields? (For example, one expert with substantial planning experience, one expert with substantial environmental experience and one expert with substantial urban design experience or three experts with reasonable experience across a number of the fields indicated in section 4.3.1).**

Reasonable balance would be the preferred approach. Firstly it would then allow panels with local experts in each region and secondly it would prevent doubling up on approval processes. Significant projects will already require expert approvals from other agencies.

**Question 6. Is it suitable for specialist members to be able to rotate within the panel according to the expertise required for that particular development assessment or should the panel be a constant set of specialists regardless of the development being assessed?**

A single set of experts would be preferred to a rotating group. The panel has the capacity to seek more information if it has not been provided or if the panel is lacking. Having a rotating panel could create the perception that the panel is stacked or manipulated.

**Question 7. Independent specialist members of development assessment panels in Western Australia will be required to have a certain level of experience in their chosen field. How many years of experience (in a relevant field) and or what level of qualification would be appropriate for the appointment of independent specialist members to a development assessment panel in Western Australia?**

The selection of panel members should be based on skills and expertise which is not necessarily determined by experience and qualifications.

**Question 8. Is it appropriate for specialist members to be permitted to sit on several development assessment panels during the same time period? Or should each specialist member only be permitted to sit on a single panel?**
There should be some limit, but not necessarily a single panel.

**Question 9. Should specialist members be required to go through a formal interview process with the State Government to be eligible for the panel?**

Yes, and the selection panel should include WALGA representatives. As panels are assuming Local Government responsibilities, Local Government should play a role in the selection of panel members.

**Question 10. The Minster will nominate a specialist member proxy from the Register of Panel Members to attend meetings of the development assessment panel on behalf of a specialist member when they are unable to attend. Should the proxy’s be assigned to a particular panel or is it more appropriate to have a pool of proxy members that any panel can call upon as needed? Is it appropriate for the relevant local government (secretariat) to be responsible for coordinating the replacement of core panel members with the nominated proxy (from the register). Are there any other process issues relating to the use of specialist proxy panel members that needs further consideration?**

There should be a nominated proxy or proxies for each panel coordinated by the secretariat. We need to avoid the perception that the makeup of the panel can be manipulated.

**Question 11. Each local government will be required to nominate a permanent local government representative proxy to replace the core local government panel members when they are unable to attend panel meetings. The nominated proxy along with the core local government members will need to be on the Register of Panel Members managed by the Department of Planning. Are there any other process issues relating to the use of local government proxy panel members that needs further consideration?**

There probably needs to be some explanation of what it means to be on the register.

**Question 12. If a panel member declares that they have a conflict of interest in relation to a particular development application, should that member be replaced for the duration of the discussion on that item or the duration of the entire meeting? Should the Minister appoint ‘alternate’ members to each panel, whose role is to replace permanent members where a conflict of interest arises?**

The difficulty with nominating alternates is that it could be either elected or expert members who have the conflict. Simply from the cost point of view, the proxy should be called in to replace the member for the entire meeting.

**Question 13. What specific issues need to be covered by the Department of Planning when producing a guidance document for development assessment panels?**

The Department needs to ensure that there is a common set of understandings between elected and expert members. The code of conduct should mirror as far as possible that which already applies in local government.

**Question 12A. Minutes of the development assessment panels are intended to be posted on both the WAPC and relevant local government website? Is this the most appropriate method of providing transparency on decision making or are their other processes also required? Is there a need for a dedicated WA development assessment panels webpage?**
They also need to be available in hard copy from the Local Government as is the case now – not everyone is web enabled.

**Code of Conduct**

**Question 13A. What should the WA Code of Conduct cover? Does the list provided in section 4.3.7 exclude any items that should be covered? If yes what additional information needs to be addressed in the Planning and Development (Development Assessment Panel) Regulations 2010 code of conduct?**

The Code of Conduct should mirror as far as possible the Local Government (Rules of Conduct) Regulations 2007. These were the subject of extensive consultation and elected members are already fully versed in their contents and they cover all the issues required to be covered.

**Question 14. Is it appropriate to incorporate the Code of Conduct into the Development Assessment Panels Guidance Manual (discussed in section 4.3.5) so that there is one holistic “manual” for running DAPs within the state or be one in a series of documents on operating a DAP?**

No particular view.

**Administrative issues**

**Question 15. How should secretariat support for a joint development assessment panel be shared by the participating councils? The current proposal is for each local government to appoint an officer to undertake the secretariat role (e.g. take minutes, organise the Agenda and provide other general administrative support) to the development assessment panel on a six monthly rotation.**

There needs to be a single secretariat function with one of the Department of Planning of a suitable local government body. In the Midwest that body would be either the City of Geraldton Greenough or the Midwest Regional Council.

**Question 16. What would be an appropriate process for development assessment panels to report on their performance? Should they provide data to the Department of Planning and the relevant local government on a monthly basis?**

Yes. That data can be compared to the data which supported the need for DAPs. Actually there is no such data to compare to.

**Question 17. The Department of Planning will be required to produce an annual report on the performance of all development assessment panels across the State? What input should be provided by each development assessment panel on its operations?**

The report should include customer satisfaction information from developers.

**Financial arrangements**

**Question 18. Given that the proposed sitting fees need to be set low enough to be reasonably paid from established application fees (as set out in the Planning and Development Regulations 2009) and high enough to attract appropriately experienced candidates, is there a need to increase the proposed sitting fees?**
The quantum of proposed sitting fees seem appropriate.

**Question 19. The current model proposes that the chair will attract a higher sitting fee rate than other specialist members given the additional responsibilities the role demands and elected members will not attract a sitting fee as their role is considered to within their elected duties. Is this the most appropriate sitting fees arrangement?**

The chair needs to be paid a higher fee than other members. Local Government Elected Members should be paid the same as expert members. The proposal that Elected Members not be paid will not fly.

**Training of panel members**

**Question 20. What does the WA training course need to cover? Is the proposed content outlined in section 4.3.9 detailed enough or do we need to cover other issues?**

The course outline appears appropriate but should also include information on the economic and social development context of the region (including the entire region).

**Question 21. Is it appropriate for all members, regardless of their experience and background, to be required to attend the same panel training session outlining planning law and procedures for DAPs in WA?**

Yes

**General Comments**

The development assessment panels are to be implemented to
- Increase transparency
- Achieve planning outcomes that succinctly balance economic, social and environmental issues.
- Improve timeliness
- Simplify application processes
- Streamline determination procedures
- Maintain the elements that guarantee good planning outcomes.

There is no compelling evidence either in the discussion paper or elsewhere that these reforms are actually required, particularly in regional areas. The single major land developer that attended the Geraldton consultation was very pleased with the service received by local government but very disenchanted by the WAPC’s performance.

The proposed reforms solve a problem that is not in evidence. Further the two jurisdictions that have implemented DAPs are hardly icons of quality planning. In NSW the system is famously corrupt, and South Australia has not had to deal with the boom conditions faced in WA. In Queensland they have a very different approach which has not even been contemplated as it would upset some of the bureaucratic fiefdoms within the State agencies.

Notwithstanding that the need for reform is not supported by the evidence the feedback provided is intended to assist the reforms to succeed.

**Voting Requirements:**

Simple majority
**Officers Recommendation:**

That Council authorises the CEO to respond in line with the responses set out above.

**Council Resolution:**

Moved: Cr West                Seconded: Cr Hirsch

That Council authorises the CEO to respond in line with the responses set out above.

Carried: 8/0

Moved: Cr West                Seconded: Cr Bensdorp

That the CEO relay the view that council is of the belief that DAP’s are not required outside of the metropolitan area

Carried: 8/0
### KOOLANOOKA BLUE HILLS MINING PROJECT

**APPLICANT:** Minister for Environment; Youth  
SinoSteel Midwest

**FILE:** 0

**DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST:** 0

**AUTHOR:** STAN SCOTT – CEO _________________

**RESPONSIBLE OFFICER** STAN SCOTT – CEO _________________

**REPORT DATE:** 5 October 2009

**ATTACHMENTS** Nil

**Executive Summary:**

The State Minister for the Environment, the Hon Donna Faragher has determined the appeals against the EPA’s recommendation in relation to the Koolanooka Blue Hills Direct Shipping Ore Project.

The COO of Sinosteel Midwest has written to Council offering an annual contribution to a Community Trust

**Applicants Submission:**

The Minister’s letter included the following summary:
APPEALS DETERMINATION

After considering the issues raised in appeals, the advice from the EPA, information provided by Sinosteel and the Appeals Convenor's Report, I have allowed the appeals to the extent that the draft conditions and schedules of the implementation statement are amended to:

- incorporate explicit requirements to make environmental and compliance reports available to the public;
- strengthen the rehabilitation requirements for the mine pits;
- further minimise the impact of feral animals on Threatened Ecological Communities and Priority Ecological Communities;
- allow for the staged implementation of the proposal as further studies are completed;
- improve the clarity and enforceability of the conditions; and
- ensure that the Key Proposal Characteristics within Schedule 1 include all major components of the proposal as originally defined by the proponent.

With regard to the proposed mining at Mungada East, I am advised by the EPA that the proposal will impact on flora of conservation significance and on the landscape values of the Mungada Ridge.

However, from the information presented during the appeals process, I note that the impacts are relatively small in scale and short in duration as the proposal for Mungada East is to expand the existing mine site by six hectares on the Mungada Ridge and to operate the mine for only two and half years. I am also aware that a large number of appellants raised social and economic concerns with regard to the EPA's recommendation that Mungada East not be mined.

Within this context, my inclination is that mining could proceed at Mungada East. However, noting the environmental values of Mungada Ridge and Government's intention to conserve part of the Ridge, I am of the view that Sinosteel's commitment in relation to conservation outcomes in this area requires further consideration through consultation with other decision-making Ministers under section 45 of the Act.

The letter from Sinosteel offers a $40,000 annual contribution to a community trust. This is intended to reflect the impact on the community and the support provided by Council for their project.

Background:

The Minister's determination related to the recommendation from the EPA in relation to the project proposed by Sinosteel Midwest (formerly Midwest Corporation). The Shire was one of 148 appellants. The basis for the Shire's appeal was that the exclusion of the Mungada East pit from the project made the project unviable. The Minister upheld that appeal at least in part and
agreed that the Mungada East pit could be included subject to safeguards. Sinosteel was particularly pleased with the strength of the Perenjori appeal.

Statutory Environment:

Local Government Act 1995 S3.1 – the general Function of Local Government is to provide for the good government of people in its district.

Policy Implications: Nil

Financial Implications:

As the project will now proceed Council can negotiate a Public Benefit Agreement with the proponent in similar terms to that between the proponent and the Shire of Morawa.

Given the relative impacts on the two communities it is reasonable to expect that the contribution to Perenjori would be somewhat less than that offered to Morawa.

Strategic Implications:

This is the second project to receive environmental approval in a matter of weeks and is in keeping with Council’s vision for the future.

Consultation:

The CEO has discussed the Minister’s decision with the proponent and Sinosteel Midwest is confident that it can meet any conditions required by the minister’s decision.

Comment:

Sinosteel has requested the opportunity to meet with Council in November 2009.

The correspondence from Sinosteel is copied below.

Voting Requirements:

Simple Majority

Officers Recommendation:

1. That Council notes the outcome of the Appeal.

2. That Council determine whether to accept the community trust offer proposed by Sinosteel.

Cr Cunningham declared an interest

Council Resolution:

Moved: Cr Hirsch    Seconded: Cr Benton
That CR Cunningham remains in meeting, but not vote

Carried: 7/0

Moved: Cr Butler    Seconded: Cr Hirsch
1. That Council notes the outcome of the Appeal.

Carried: 7/0

Moved: Cr West    Seconded: Cr Reid
That option 2 remains on the table for further discussion.

Carried: 7/0
8 October 2009

Stan Scott
CEO
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Dear Stan,

Community Trust Proposal – Perenjori

SinoSteel Midwest (SMC) would like to propose the establishment of a Community Trust in Perenjori.

SMC proposes that a community trust be established and in force for the duration of mining in Perenjori Shire. The fund would commence operation from the start of mining in the Perenjori Shire, and would be payable in advance for each year of part thereof. Our offer is to establish a fund to which SMC will contribute $40,000 per year to be used for worthwhile community purposes. This fund would operate with a board comprising community representatives and SMC to oversee the distribution of funds, and would have some guidelines.

I would ask that you take this offer to the next Council meeting on 15 October 2009 in order to have a resolution accepting our offer.

SMC gratefully acknowledges the strong submission made by you to the Office of the Appeals Convenor. We believe that all appeals contributed to the Ministers decision to allow mining at Mungada East, subject to fair conditions.

As discussed, I would welcome the opportunity to make a presentation to the November Council meeting to update all councillors on the status of the Koolanooka/Blue Hills DSO Project.

Please contact John Kelly in the first instance if you have any questions or concerns about our offer.

Yours Sincerely

Giulio Casello
Chief Operating Officer
SinoSteel Midwest Corporation Limited
Executive Summary:
A recent worker’s compensation case has highlighted some lessons for dealing with accidents.

Applicants Submission:
The Shire recently had a worker’s compensation claim that raised some issues:
The worker involved sought treatment and had an operation prior to completing an incident report and submitting a claim. While the claim was ultimately accepted by our insurer, the lack of capacity to take advice from the doctor prior to treatment meant:

- There was significant delay in assessing the claim
- The worker accumulated significant expenses that would normally have been paid directly by the insurer;
- The worker used up all paid and a significant amount of unpaid sick leave which had to be adjusted and reimbursed when the claim was accepted;
- The worker did not have access to the same level of support as would normally be provided to workers as part of a return to work plan.

Unfortunately this situation also had the potential to affect the Shire’s reputation as an employer and caused needless stress to the worker and payroll staff. All of this could be avoided if incident reports are completed immediately.

Background:
As an employer the Shire is keen to do the right thing by its staff. There is sometimes an awkward hiatus between a claim being lodged and a claim being accepted where the employer is advised not to do anything that might pre-empt the acceptance of liability.

Statutory Environment:
Local Government Act 1995 S3.1 – the general Function of Local Government is to provide for the good government of people in its district.

Policy Implications:
It is important to reiterate to all staff the importance of completing an incident report whenever there is an injury or accident no matter how minor it may appear at the time. This should prevent any delays in our insurer assessing claims.

Financial Implications: Nil
Strategic Implications:

When things do not go smoothly on matters such as workers compensation claims there is a reputation risk to the organisation.

Consultation: Nil

Comment:

Often where there is a minor incident or accident people can take the view that it is not worth the paperwork to complete and incident report, and in the vast majority of cases they will be correct. This situation however demonstrates the importance of completing these reports no matter how tedious or unnecessary it may appear at the time.

This is not intended to reflect negatively on the individual worker involved. It is likely there have been other unreported incidents with no adverse consequence. This report is intended to highlight systemic rather than individual issues.

The Shire has made a significant investment in occupational health and safety training, including training an OH&S representative for the office. Apart from applying the same prevention to the office as is applied to outside work, it creates a greater understanding of the system.

In light of this situation the CEO is proposing:

1. That he will write to each employee highlighting the importance of incident reporting and timely lodgement of claims; and
2. That our Regional Risk Coordinator will be requested to arrange training in workers compensation processes and procedures.

Council is requested to endorse this action to ensure that they are aware of the situation and the proposed response.

Voting Requirements:

Simple Majority

Officers Recommendation:

That Council endorses the proposed workers compensation awareness strategy.

Council Resolution:

Moved: Cr Hirsch  Seconded: Cr Cunningham

That Council endorses the proposed workers compensation awareness strategy.

Carried:  8/0
Executive Summary:
That Council hold a Special Meeting on Monday 19 October 2009 to elect a Shire President and Deputy Shire President and determine other matters arising out of the commencement of a new term of office for elected members.

Applicants Submission:
The Special Meeting proposed for 19 October 2009 will determine:

- Election of Shire President and Deputy Shire President;
- Membership of Council standing and occasional committees;
- Delegates and Deputy Delegates for Mid West Regional Council (meeting scheduled 4 November) and Yarra Yarra Catchment Regional Councils (meeting scheduled 10 November);
- Delegates to local government reform working group;
- Delegates for external committees and organisations.

Background:
Local Government ordinary elections are scheduled for Saturday 17th November 2009.

Nominations for vacancies for the Ordinary Election closed at 4pm on 10 September 2009. At close of nominations there were three nominations for 5 vacancies. As a result the 3 candidates nominating were declared elected unopposed

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Two vacancies remain for the Perenjori Ward, one 4 year term and one two year term. Council set an extraordinary election date for 17 November 2009. Nominations close at 4.00 pm on 12 October 2009. Results of nominations are not known at the time of writing.
Shire of Perenjori

Ordinary Meeting

MINUTES

15th OCTOBER 2009

Statutory Environment:

Local Government Act 1995:

S2.11 Alternative methods for filling office of mayor or president;
S2.15 Filling the office of deputy mayor or deputy president;
S5.10 – 11 Selection of committee members.

The Establishment Agreements for the WCRC and YYCRC require that delegates be appointed following each Ordinary Local Government Election.

Policy Implications:

Nil

Financial Implications:

Nil

Strategic Implications:

Nil

Consultation:

Special Meetings may be called by resolution of Council, at the request of 1/3 of Councillors or by the President.

Comment:

Nil

Voting Requirements:

Simple Majority

Officers Recommendation:

That Council convene a Special Meeting at 9 am on Monday 19 October 2009.

Council Resolution:

Moved: Cr Cunningham Seconded: Cr Hirsch

That Council convene a Special Meeting at 5pm on Thursday 22nd October 2009.

Carried: 8/0

Reason for amendment to Officer’s Recommendation

The meeting date was changed to coincide with another function that Councillors will be attending in Perenjori on Thursday 22nd October.

Cr Hirsch left Chambers at 2.48pm
9106.6 NOVEMBER COUNCIL MEETING DATE

APPLICANT: SHIRE OF PERENJORI
FILE: 0
DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST: 0
AUTHOR: STAN SCOTT – CEO ________________________
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER STAN SCOTT – CEO ________________________
REPORT DATE: 8 October 2009
ATTACHMENTS Correspondence on LGMA Conference

Executive Summary:
The November Ordinary Meeting of Council clashes with the LGMA Annual State Conference.

Applicants Submission:
The LGMA outlined the conference as follows.

LGMA ANNUAL STATE CONFERENCE 18 – 20 NOVEMBER 2009

I am pleased to extend an invitation to you and your staff to attend the LGMA Annual State Conference, which is to be held at the Esplanade Hotel, Fremantle from Wednesday 18 to Friday 20 November 2009.

The title of this year’s conference is “Leadership in times of Crisis” and will focus on three key areas; Structural Reform, Economic Crisis and Emergency Management & Crisis Response.

The Opening Keynote Presenter Darren Flanagan will address conference delegates on his experiences as the key explosives expert that broke out miners Todd Russell and Brant Webb from the Beaconsfield Mine Collapse. Other key Speakers include -

- Marcus Akuhata-Brown - Keynote Speaker from New Zealand
- Glenn Patterson, CEO Yarra Ranges Shire Council – Local Governments Response to “Black Saturday” Bushfires
- Mark Eady, Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) - Wollongong Inquiry
- Peter Kenyon – Professor of Economic Policy, Curtin University - Impact of the Global Financial Crisis on LG
- Colleen Egan - Respected Investigative Journalist - Her 8 Year Battle to Free Andrew Mallard

As in past years, the Conference also provides a great opportunity to network with Local Government peers and discuss new products with our sponsors.

Your support and influence in encouraging the attendance of Local Government staff would be greatly appreciated, and will have many benefits to your organisation. Please make these programs available to your directors, managers and other relevant officers that would be interested in attending. If your Local Government is a corporate member, all elected members may register at the member discounted rate.

- The November Ordinary Meeting of Council is scheduled for 19 November 2008.
- The LGMA Annual State Conference is scheduled for 18 - 20 November 2008.
• The CEO usually attends this event
• As the Shire of Perenjori is a corporate LGMA member elected members may attend at member prices.

This Clash of dates could be resolved by:
• Deferring the November Ordinary Meeting of Council to 26 November 2008. This would still mean 6 weeks between the October and November meetings, and 3 weeks between the November and December meetings.
• Proceed with the November Meeting in the absence of the CEO.
• Request the CEO to forego attendance at the LGMA Annual State Conference.

Background: Nil

Statutory Environment:
Local Government Act 1995 S3.1 – the general Function of Local Government is to provide for the good government of people in its district.

Policy Implications: Nil

Financial Implications:
Any change in the Council Meeting schedule must be advertised through a Local Public Notice (minimal cost).

Strategic Implications:
The LGMA Annual State Conference is a premier event on the Local Government Calender and will be the first significant Local Government event since the deadline of lodgement for reform submissions.

Consultation: Nil

Comment:
Attendance at the LGMA Annual State Conference is a contractual entitlement for the CEO. This notwithstanding the CEO will forego attendance if so requested by Council.

A similar clash occurred in October 2008 and Council opted to allow the CEO to attend the meeting with the Deputy CEO taking the CEO’s role for the Council meeting.

Voting Requirements:
Simple Majority

Officers Recommendation:
That Council proceed with the November meeting as scheduled with the Deputy CEO filling in for the CEO.

Council Resolution:
Moved: Cr Benton  Seconded: Cr Bensdorp
That Council proceed with the November meeting as scheduled with the Deputy CEO filling in for the CEO.

Carried: 6/1
9106.7 AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS

APPLICANT: SHIRE OF PERENJORI
FILE: 0
DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST: 0
AUTHOR: STAN SCOTT – CEO
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER: STAN SCOTT – CEO
REPORT DATE:
ATTACHMENTS

Executive Summary:
Nominations for the Premier’s Australia Day Active Citizenship Awards close on 27 November 2009.

Applicants Submission:
A part of the Australia Day family of awards, the Premier’s Australia Day Active Citizenship Awards focuses on community contribution and participation rather than personal achievement. They are run in many Councils around the state as a joint initiative of the Australia Day Council of Western Australia, the Western Australian Local Government Association (WALGA) and the Office of Premier and Cabinet.

Communities are invited to nominate an inspiring community member or group for an award to be presented at a ceremony on Australia Day - 26 January. The three awards highlight active citizenship, outstanding contribution to the local community and Australian pride and spirit. Choose the one that suits your nominee:
  • outstanding community contribution by a local citizen
  • outstanding community contribution by a local citizen under 25 years of age
  • outstanding community contribution by a local group or community event

Nominations are submitted to council by the fourth Friday in November.

Background:
Perenjori has participated in the Australia Day Awards since their inception.

Statutory Environment:
Local Government Act 1995 S3.1 – the general Function of Local Government is to provide for the good government of people in its district.

Policy Implications: Nil
Financial Implications: Nil
Strategic Implications: Nil

Consultation:
Award recipients are selected by a local panel based on nominations received.

Comment:
Councillors may wish to:
• Nominate a particular individual or group; or
• Participate on the selection panel to consider nominations.

Voting Requirements:
Simple Majority

Officers Recommendation:
That Elected members indicate if they are interested in participating on the selection panel for the Australia Day Active Citizenship Awards.

Council Resolution:
Moved: Cr Benton             Seconded: Cr Butler
That Elected Members indicate if they are interested in participating on the selection panel for the Australia Day Active Citizenship Awards.

Carried: 7/0
Executive Summary:
The Annual Seniors Dinner will be held on Wednesday 28th October 2009.

Applicants Submission:
The Senior’s Dinner has been scheduled to coincide with Seniors Week. The event will commence at 6pm and this year will be held at the sports club.

Background:
Each year Council hosts a dinner for local seniors within the Shire.

Statutory Environment:
Local Government Act 1995 S3.1 – the general Function of Local Government is to provide for the good government of people in its district.

Policy Implications: Nil

Financial Implications:
The dinner is covered by Council’s community celebrations allocation.

Strategic Implications: Nil

Consultation:
Feedback from previous events has been very positive.

Comment:
As many elected members and partners as possible are encouraged to attend. Unfortunately the CEO will not be able to attend.

Voting Requirements:
Simple Majority

Officers Recommendation:
That Council notes the details of the 2009 Seniors’ Dinner

Cr King noted his apology for the Senior Citizen’s dinner due to another engagement
9106.9 LICENSE TO OCCUPY – RAILWAY RESERVES

APPLICANT: Burgess Rawson for the Public Transport Authority
FILE: 0
DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST: 0
AUTHOR: STAN SCOTT – CEO ________________________
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER STAN SCOTT – CEO ________________________
REPORT DATE: 8 October 2009
ATTACHMENTS

Executive Summary:
The Shire leases the railway reserve on the East side of the railway line for parks and gardens. The lease has expired and a new lease is required.

Applicants Submission:
The previous arrangement for the railway reserve has expired. The new License to Occupy is for a 10 year period at an annual fee of $1.00.

Background:
The land adjacent to the railway line is a crown reserve vested in the Public Transport Authority.

Statutory Environment:
Local Government Act 1995 S3.1 – the general Function of Local Government is to provide for the good government of people in its district.

Shire of Perenjori Standing Orders Local Law 2001 requires that execution of documents via application of the common seal requires a resolution of Council.

Policy Implications: Nil

Financial Implications:
The Shire remains responsible for maintenance and outgoings.

Strategic Implications: Nil

Consultation: Nil

Comment:
A copy of the schedules to the License to occupy is attached.

Voting Requirements:
Simple Majority

Officers Recommendation:
That the CEO and President be authorised to execute the License to Occupy the area set out is site plan L206(iii).
Council Resolution:
Moved: Cr Reid  Seconded: Cr Cunningham
That the CEO and President be authorised to execute the License to Occupy the area set out is site plan L206(iii).
Carried: 7/0
SCHEDULE

1. The Licensee: Shire of Perenjori
   PO Box 22
   PERENJORI WA 6620

2. Commencement Date: 1st December 2009

3. Licence Fee: $1.00 per annum (payable on demand)

4. Outgoings payable by the Licensee

   The Licensee must pay before they become overdue or otherwise as required by
   PTAWA:

   a. all charges for services (including but not limited to electricity, gas water and
      sewerage and telephone and communication services) used by the Licensee in
      connection with the Licensed Area;

   b. any rates and taxes and similar charges and assessments levied in respect of the
      Licensed Area or the Licensee’s use or occupation of the Licensed Area; and

   c. management and administration fees recoverable in accordance with PTAWA
      Commercial Portfolio Management Agreement;

   as reasonably determined by PTAWA. In the case of any charges or assessments
   which are levied on other land as well as the Licensed Area, the Licensee must pay
   direct to the relevant supplier or Authority the proportion of such charges, rates, and
   taxes relevant to the Licensed Area.

5. Permitted Use: Community Purpose

6. Term: 10 years

7. Licensed Area: All that land coloured yellow consisting of 1.4103 HA
   approximately as detailed in the site plan L3206(ii) attached
   hereto.
8. Insurance to be Effected by Licensee:

(with PTAWA's interests as Lessor noted on policy)
Public Liability Minimum $10,000,000

9. Additional Terms:

Only the following additional terms as detailed in the Licence and listed below shall apply to this Licence.

1. Lights
2. Machinery
3. Drainage System
4. Firebreaks
5. Fences
6. Environmental Protection
7. Termination before end of Term
8. Increase in Fees on Change in Use
9. Access to Services
10. Goods and Services Tax
11. Residual Current Devices
12. Graffiti
EXECUTED as a deed.

The Common Seal of the Shire of Perenjori was hereunto affixed in the presence of:

C R King
Shire President

SA SCOTT
Chief Executive Officer

The Common Seal of the Public Transport Authority of Western Australia is affixed in the presence of:

Reece Waldock
Chief Executive Officer
Total Area 1.4193ha

Public Transport Authority
PERENJORI
Lease of Land to Shire of Perenjori

Leasing

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Executive Summary:
Council has budgeted to upgrade the Perenjori Aerodrome this financial year, but there is some difficulty getting sufficient funds to complete the job. It is now proposed that the upgrade be undertaken in two stages.

Applicants Submission:
The scope of works required to upgrade the airstrip depends on the design aircraft. The main likely users of the aerodrome, Karara Mining, will be using dash 8 aircraft. SinoSteel may also use the strip but would be using smaller aircraft.

To accommodate the design aircraft the strip would need to be extended to 1400 metres (from 1300 metres). The strip would need to be re-sheeted and the pavement condition improved together with lighting and marker improvements. Sealing would be completed in 2009/10. The proposed two stage upgrade is detailed below.

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*Does not include land acquisition costs

Background:
The Perenjori Airstrip was inspected by Kevin Thomas and Wendy Grace of AMS on the 19th of December 2008. AMS provided two reports, one detailing work required to meet airstrip maintenance guidelines, and a second report detailing the work that would be required to upgrade the airstrip to meet requirements for regular use for air charters, Regular Public Transport or registration or certification standards.
Statutory Environment:

*Local Government Act 1995 S3.1* – the general Function of Local Government is to provide for the good government of people in its district.

Policy Implications: Nil

Financial Implications:

Regional Airport Development Scheme applications close on the March of each year. RADS will generally only fund 50% of the cost of projects. Our application this year was unsuccessful. We can apply again for a contribution to the sealing works.

It may be possible to source some financial support from airport users, as illustrated below.

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Mount Gibson has agreed that it will advance funding from its Public Benefits agreement. Initial discussions with Sinosteel were quite positive. Karara Gindalbie were not keen to contribute the sort of funds the initial upgrade was projected to cost, but may well agree to this much more modest request. We could offer to waive future landing fees as part of the arrangement for the contributions.

Strategic Implications:

The airport upgrade should improve Perenjori’s attractiveness as a fly in fly out location or as a base for a residential workforce.

Consultation:

Karara has plans for a dedicated on site airstrip, but will probably be flying in to Perenjori in the short term.

Comment:

The proposed changes would significantly improve the quality of the airstrip and encourage use by mining companies ahead of sealing in 09/10. Quality air transport infrastructure will provide Perenjori with a strategic advantage.

Voting Requirements:

Simple majority

Officers Recommendation:

1. That Council endorse the two stage upgrade of the Perenjori Aerodrome
2. That The CEO seek funding contributions from users towards the cost of the airport upgrade.
Council Resolution:
Moved: Cr West  Seconded: Cr Benton

1. That Council endorse the two stage upgrade of the Perenjori Aerodrome
2. That the CEO seek funding contributions from users towards the cost of the airport upgrade.

Carried:  7/0
9106.11 REGIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL COOPERATION

APPLICANT: SHIRE OF PERENJORI
FILE: 0
DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST: 0
AUTHOR: STAN SCOTT – CEO ________________________
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER STAN SCOTT – CEO ________________________
REPORT DATE: 8 OCTOBER 2009
ATTACHMENTS Letter to Shire of Yalgoo 19 August 2009 and Response of 2 October 2009

Executive Summary:
The CEO met with his counterpart from the Shire of Yalgoo on 8 October 2009 and have agreed to convene a stakeholders meeting as soon as possible.

Applicants Submission:
Some of the potential opportunities and challenges identified include:

- Rangelands NRM covers 90% of the WA land area including the Shire of Yalgoo and the area of the Shire of Perenjori beyond the clearing line. Our part of the rangelands is both highly prospective and has high biodiversity values. Providing on ground services in this region is a significant challenge but may also provide an opportunity for our local governments.

- The Northern Agricultural Catchments Council and the Yarra Yarra Catchment Management Group both maintain offices in Perenjori. The Yarra Yarra Catchment covers the majority of our two shires. These two organisations together with the challenges identified create the opportunity for an environment centre in Perenjori.

- The Federal Department of Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts funds Indigenous rangers under the Working on Country Program. There have been no funded projects south of the Pilbara and there may be the opportunity for a position or positions in Yalgoo or Perenjori or both.

- As part of the development of the Extension Hill Iron Ore Project the proponents have agreed to fund a regional environmental association to the tune of $100,000 per year. There may be the opportunity to expand that association to include other projects and attract additional funding. The Shires of Perenjori, Yalgoo and Dalwallinu have been identified as inaugural members of the proposed association.

The Shire of Yalgoo is keen to pursue these possibilities. Initially it was agreed to convene a meeting involving key stakeholders to seek views and some commitment. Those identified as key participants in the first meeting are:

- The affected Local Governments in Perenjori, Yalgoo and Morawa;
- The affected Mining projects in Extension Hill P/L, Mount Gibson Iron, Karara Iron Ore, Sino-steel Midwest and MMG (Golden Grove);
- NRM Groups in Rangelands NRM and Yarra Yarra CMG;
- MEEDAC as an Indigenous Services Organisation delivering services within the region.
The purpose of the meeting would be to seek agreement on the value and purposes of a broadly based environmental association within the region.

It is proposed that if there is broad agreement at the first meeting that other stakeholders would be engaged at subsequent meetings. Additional stakeholders would include:

- Department of Environment and Conservation;
- Australian Bush Heritage Fund
- Australian Wildlife Conservancy
- Northern Agricultural Catchments Council
- Murchison Vermin Council
- Emerging mining projects such as FerroWest and Royal Resources

**Background:**

The context of the northern and eastern parts of the Shire of Perenjori that border on Yalgoo includes:

- The emerging iron ore industry. The Extension Hill project has been a particular example, but there are a range of other future prospects that could impact on both local government areas;
- The diminishing influence of the pastoral industry. The Shire of Perenjori only has two pastoral properties still operating and I understand from our discussions that Yalgoo has also experienced a substantial reduction.
- Conservation and environment. The Department of Environment and Conservation has acquired several former pastoral leases in each of our shires, as have private conservation organisations and Indigenous groups.

**Statutory Environment:**

*Local Government Act 1995* S3.1 – the general Function of Local Government is to provide for the good government of people in its district.

**Policy Implications:** Nil

**Financial Implications:** Nil immediate

**Strategic Implications:**

This project is part of the proposed development of a Perenjori environment centre.

**Consultation:**

The cooperative arrangement was a key goal of the former Shire President and builds on a proposal contained in the Extension Hill PER.

Cr Baxter, Cr King and the CEO visited Yalgoo as part of early local government reform considerations.

**Comment:**

It has been one of Council’s goals to maximise benefits from mining projects, and one of the potential benefits is investment in environmental projects.

One example is feral animal control. This is being addressed seriously by the Australian Wildlife Conservancy on a small scale to an entire former pastoral station. There is the opportunity to tackle this kind of issue at a regional level.
There is a huge untapped potential for eco-tourism in this region. The South West of Western Australia is the only internationally recognised biodiversity hot spot in Australia, and this region is a significant part of the reason for that recognition.

Voting Requirements:
Simple Majority

Officers Recommendation:
That Council authorise the CEO convene a meeting in Perenjori around 23 to 24 November with Stakeholders indicated above.

Council Resolution:
Moved: Cr West    Seconded: Cr Benton
That Council authorise the CEO to convene a meeting in Perenjori around 23 to 24 November with stakeholders indicated above.

Carried: 7/0
Mr Neil Mitchell
CEO
Shire of Yalgoo
PO Box 40
Yalgoo WA 6635

Dear Neil

OPPORTUNITIES FOR FUTURE COOPERATION

As part of the local government reform process all Local Governments have been examining their communities of interest with their neighbours.

The Shire of Perenjori’s considerations have included the interest we share with the Shire of Yalgoo. These interests have been examined in some detail during our visit to Yalgoo and during subsequent informal discussions at various local government forums. These common interests can be summarised as:

- The emerging iron ore industry. The Extension Hill project has been a particular example, but there are a range of other future prospects that could impact on both local government areas;
- The diminishing influence of the pastoral industry. The Shire of Perenjori only has two pastoral properties still operating and I understand from our discussions that Yalgoo has also experienced a substantial reduction.
- Conservation and environment. The Department of Environment and Conservation has acquired several former pastoral leases in each of our shires, as have private conservation organisations and Indigenous groups.

These developments lead to significant challenges and opportunities for our local governments. Clearly we wish to maximise the benefits of mining activities and the industry’s investment in local communities and infrastructure. It is however the sphere of conservation and environment probably presents the best opportunity for our two Local Governments to work together. Some of the potential opportunities include:

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• The Federal Department of Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts funds Indigenous rangers under the Working on Country Program. There have been no funded projects south of the Pilbara and there may be the opportunity for a position or positions in Yalgoo or Perenjori or both.

• As part of the development of the Extension Hill Iron Ore Project the proponents have agreed to fund a regional environmental association to the tune of $100,000 per year. There may be the opportunity to expand that association to include other projects and attract additional funding. The Shires of Perenjori, Yalgoo and Dalwallinu have been identified as inaugural members of the proposed association.

Collectively these circumstances create a significant opportunity for our two shires to work together and in particular to attract funding and ‘green’ jobs to our towns. It is possible that through local government reform some of these opportunities may be missed. My Council is keen for us to move forward on our discussions and planning so that we can advance these opportunities regardless of any changes in governance arrangements.

I would welcome your feedback on the above and the opportunity for a meeting between members of our respective Councils for further discussions. Please let me know if you consider that this would be a worthwhile exercise.

Yours faithfully

Stan Scott
Chief Executive Officer
Dear Stan,

Thank you for your letter dated 19 August 2009 (Ref: ADM0056). The Shire of Yalgoo council discussed this letter at the September council meeting and resolved the following:

That the Shire of Perenjori be advised that –
- the Shire of Yalgoo is keen to pursue the possibilities for environmental cooperation,
- with the initial discussion being between –
  o Shire of Perenjori
  o Shire of Yalgoo, and
  o Extension Hill Pty Ltd / Asia Iron
- the following organisations identified as potential early partners –
  o Gindalbie Minerals
  o MMG Australia,
  o Asia Iron, and
  o Shire of Morawa
other partners sought in time as appropriate and agreed

We look forward to your feedback on the above. Please do not hesitate to contact Niel Mitchell, Chief Executive Officer to discuss council’s resolution.

Kind Regards,

Violet Rowe
Deputy CEO
Executive Summary:
The Local Government Reform Working Group met in Carnamah on 7 October 2009 following the MWRC Meeting. One of the outcomes of the meeting is a proposed allocation of $10,000 per shire to the employment of a project officer.

Applicants Submission:
The Working Party sought to determine the actions required during the interim period between now and the final amalgamation decision by the Minister. The actions required are detailed below:

Staff Matters
The group decided that all things related to providing certainty and clarity for staff should be given priority. This includes:

- Development of a communication Plan
- Collation of industrial arrangements and employment conditions from the 4 shires;
- Demographics of staff
- Identification of skills and training needs (Perenjori and Morawa have already done some work with TAFE on this and Three Springs and Mingenew will start early in 2010).

Budget Analysis

- Review of discretionary spending – this should help identify the important community investments
- Benchmarking across the region
- Opportunity for joint training exercises

Appointment of a Project Officer
The group recognised that there is a lot of work to be done on the reform process and much of it cannot be left until the Minister’s final decision. It was agreed:

- Ian Fitzgerald will approach the Department for assistance;
- Each Shire will be requested to contribute $10,000 to a funding pool for a Project Officer in the meantime. (Stan Scott to Prepare an Agenda Item.)
Background:
The Structural Reform Working Party was formed under the Minister’s guidelines for structural reform.

Statutory Environment:
*Local Government Act 1995* S3.1 – the general Function of Local Government is to provide for the good government of people in its district.

Policy Implications: Nil

Financial Implications:
Each Council will be asked to contribute $10,000 to a pool to employ a project officer to coordinate structural reform activities.

Strategic Implications:
Now that the decision has been taken, it is important that the work is not left until too late in the process. We are likely to have some agreed rules leading into the 2010/11 budget.

Consultation:
The working party is the primary forum for working between the Shires on reform issues.
The CEO, Shire President and Cr Bensdorp attended a toolbox meeting with outside staff on 6 October 2009.

Comment:
The working party recognised that there is a lot of work to be done and that not all tasks could be commenced immediately. The tasks identified were seen to be the most urgent.

Voting Requirements:
Absolute Majority

Officers Recommendation:
1. That Council notes the progress of the Local Government Reform Working Group.
2. That Council agrees to contribute $10,000 towards the employment of a project officer and this funding be reallocated from administration salaries.

Council Resolution:
Moved: Cr Butler          Seconded: Cr Cunningham
1. That Council notes the progress of the Local Government Reform Working Group.
2. That Council agrees to contribute $10,000 towards the employment of a project officer and this funding be reallocated from administration salaries.

Carried: 7/0

*Cr Bensdorp left Chambers @ 3.10pm*  
*Cr Bensdorp returned to Chambers @ 3.11pm*
LOCAL GOVERNMENT STRUCTURAL REFORM

WORKING PARTY MEETING

Wednesday 2nd September 2009

Meeting opened at 1.05pm in Three Springs Council Chambers

Attendance: representatives from the Shires of Mingenew, Morawa, Perenjori and Three Springs

Discussion points:

a) Previous meeting notes were reviewed and agreed as representative of matters discussed
b) The report from the consultants was considered a bit light in the area of resourcing/funding to help implement the recommendations - need to ensure sufficient resources are requested in the joint submission to provide capacity to develop the project and fund implementation costs
c) Agreed the start date for the new entity would be 1st July 2011
d) Consideration would be given to any approach from other neighbouring shires who may wish to consider joining us – no coastal shires though as it was felt there was a lack of commonality of interests
e) The submission to the Minister had to ensure sufficient provision for any redundancies as a result of any amalgamation
f) Submission prepared by the consultants was generally accepted with a need for only minor tweaking – Gavin Treasure to coordinate
g) Each shire would be presented with the same agenda item recommending adoption of the submission and the resolutions requested by the Minister in his original guidelines
h) A joint signing ceremony/celebration is to be arranged for Wednesday 23rd September in Mingenew with the Minister to be invited to attend along with the media - Ian Fitzgerald to coordinate
i) There needs to be some consideration given to transitional arrangements for Councillors who sit on other agency and state department committees post 30th June 2011 until new Councillors are elected
j) Possible name for the new shire – Shire of Ballaranga/Ballaranga Hills

Next Meeting – following MWRC meeting in Carnamah - Wednesday 7th October

Closure: 1.55pm
LOCAL GOVERNMENT STRUCTURAL REFORM

WORKING PARTY MEETING

Wednesday 7th October 2009

Meeting opened at 1.30pm in Carnamah Council Chambers

Cr Annie Trelor took the chair

Attendance: Cr Annie Trelor, Cr Chris King, Cr Karen Chappell, Cr Michelle Bagley, Cr Jill Holmes, Cr Michael Pearse, Mr Stan Scott, Mr Gavin Treasure, Mr Ian Fitzgerald

Apologies: Cr Gary Turley

Discussion points:

a) Previous meeting notes were reviewed and agreed as representative of matters discussed
b) Chris King – a list of community requirements needs to be repaired – those items that are discretionary/non-core items such as Mingenew Races & Mingenew EXPO, medical expenditure
   Each Council to bring their list to the next meeting
c) Need to begin to look at the structure the new organization will take on – CEO’s to begin preparing
d) Need to prepare a staff plan that will cover such areas as employment conditions, skills audit, demographics of current staff, positions in place now and envisaged in the new structure, training required
e) New positions to be filled internally using existing staff wherever possible
f) Staff not to have to apply for their own positions
g) Conditions of employment to be maintained and brought to a common level across the 4 organizations – may be necessary to invite unions to participate
h) Need to keep councils, staff and the community informed of progress/developments – Communications Plan or Strategy to be developed – Ian Fitzgerald to try and source samples from Queensland
i) Follow up on Department’s offer of a Project Officer and also see what resources WALGA can provide – Ian Fitzgerald to follow up
j) Each council to be asked to make a budget allocation (in current year) of $10,000 to help meet the costs of a Project Officer should it be required – Stan Scott to prepare an agenda item for all to use
k) Councils to be requested to be mindful of the impending merger when considering any major plant purchases in 10/11 financial year and to investigate purchase versus lease options – Perenjori to provide some information on their current plant leases
l) Chairperson of the Working Group to be elected after the 2009 elections and Councils have advised of their delegates to the Working Party
m) Future meetings will be held separate to MWRC meetings – 2nd Wednesday of the month was put forward as the day
n) Agendas to be prepared for the meetings to give more structure to the meetings – Ian Fitzgerald to prepare agenda for the next meeting
o) Name of new shire – competition to be held within the 4 communities – CEO’s to organize including a suitable prize
p) All items of interest/relevance to the project to be passed to the relevant CEO for circulation to all parties to allow consideration before the meeting rather than waiting to raise at the meetings

Next Meeting – Wednesday 11th November 5pm – Perenjori

Closure: 2.18pm
Executive Summary:

Tim Glenister from Main Roads WA attended the meeting of the Midwest Regional Council on 7 October 2009.

Applicants Submission:

The Executive Summary of the paper reads as follows:

Main Roads recognised that under the current delivery strategy for road maintenance using the TNCs, a number of goals and objectives were not being achieved to the maximum level possible. In particular, the previous Main Roads support for regional capacity and capability had been negatively impacted.

It was also recognised that a number of the Main Roads goals and objectives were very similar, if not the same, as the goals and objectives of Local Government.

In response to this situation, Main Roads and six Local Governments from the Midwest Regional Council have developed a proposal to work together which will assist both Main Roads and Local Government to maximise the outcomes of their goals and objectives.

This proposal sets out an agreement between MRWA and the six LG’s to enter into an MOU which will allow the six LG’s to be part of the ISA process. The process will be defined in conjunction with the preferred Integrated Services Provider (ISP).

The LG’s may provide services to the ISA and / or may seek services from the ISA – all, in the spirit of “best value for network”.

The process for implementing the proposal is set out below;

1. In the Request for Proposals (RFP), MRWA will add a separate section asking respondents to address the terms of the MOU and to identify how they propose to engage with the six LG’s.

2. Responses to this section of the RFP will be jointly assessed by MRWA and the six LG’s and respondents will be rated against the objectives set out in the MOU.

3. The working details and procedures for LG involvement will then be negotiated with the preferred ISP during the Interim ISA phase.

4. Works by and for the six LG’s will then be included in the Target Annual Works Program prepared by the ISA.
The services which Local Governments may provide to the ISA are all core activities for the LG’s and dovetail entirely with LG operations. The services include:

- Road Condition Inspection
- Maintenance of Rest Areas
- Routine Road Maintenance
- Specific Maintenance
- Minor Capital Improvement Works

The services which the LG’s may seek under the ISA include

- LG Road Network Asset Management, e.g. ROMAN data inventory
- Specialist Contract Services, e.g. sealing, etc
- Engineering & Technical Support

All parties to the Agreement will operate under an agreed open-book cost-recovery arrangement. All LG activities under the proposal will be co-ordinated through MWRC – a feature which is attractive to both parties to ensure uniformity of compliance.

The proposal advances the following objectives for both parties:

(i) for Main Roads:

- The joint agreement will not impede the viability of the remainder of the ISA;
- The amount of Regionally based resources used in delivering services will be maximised;
- A potential increase in locally based technical personnel may be achievable.
- There will be an increased local knowledge applied to the delivery of services;
- Value for money will be obtained. LG’s are best-placed to deliver service with least overheads, establishment and mobilisation costs
- The proposal represents a worthwhile exercise for MRWA to gauge the potential to apply the same model statewide.

(ii) for Local Government:

- Additional workload on MRWA network will increase utilisation of LG workforce and plant.
- Higher utilisation of LG plant will result in lower plant operating costs for LG’s
- Improved training opportunities for LG staff via the arrangement with MRWA;
- Improved technical skills for LG staff, e.g. whilst an Engineering position based on LG activity alone may not be currently justified, that position becomes viable when combined with MRWA activity.
- Increased asset management skills applied to Local Government roads through knowledge transfer from MRWA;

The proposal, as described, can readily be incorporated into the current RFP document by MRWA.
Background:

Main Roads WA is replacing its existing Term Network Contracts with Integrated Service Agreements. With the agreement of member Council the MWRC has been bidding for part of that service delivery to be undertaken by Council workers. The meeting was to discuss the latest version of the business case prepared for the MWRC by Michael Keene from Greenfield Technical Services on behalf of the MWRC.

Statutory Environment:

*Local Government Act 1995* S3.1 – the general Function of Local Government is to provide for the good government of people in its district.

Main Roads legal advice suggests that any agreement would need to be with individual Councils rather than the MWRC, but the MWRC could coordinate delivery and administration.

Policy Implications: Nil

Financial Implications:

The MRWA work has the potential to provide additional funds to Local Governments and most importantly additional local people.

Strategic Implications:

If successful this project could provide an additional income stream as well as increasing the skills and capabilities of our staff.

Consultation:

There have been numerous meetings in the course of the development of the paper including:

MRWA Representatives – B Noble, R Barnsley, T Glenister and Local Government representatives Mr I Fitzgerald, Mr T Hartman, Mr M Hook, Mr M Keane, Mr S Scott, Mr G Treasure, Mrs S Ward

Comment:

The development of the Request for Proposal is being developed by Main Roads in Perth, but the Network is managed by Tim Glenister as Regional Manager. Much of the consultation was with Main Roads head office, but the regional office was not in the loop for some of the discussions.

The upshot of all this is that the Regional managers view is as follows:

- The new arrangement is an alliance rather than purchaser provider model
- Parts of the network cannot be excluded prior to the RFP. They are seeking an integrated management of the network and the new alliance partner should be involved in the decision making
- The business rules and pricing for the new arrangements are negotiated after the appointment of the provider. The appointment is based on qualitative rather than quantitative criteria.
- One of those criteria is capacity to work with and involve Local Government;
- Tim is prepared to enter into an MOU with the Mid West Regional Council and member Shires that sets out inspirational goals. The objectives listed in the Executive Summary may form the basis for that MOU.
Tim Glenister gave two undertakings at the meeting:

1. That he would obtain advice as to whether the paper prepared by the MWRC can be included in the RFP (and if it can be it will be); and
2. If the paper cannot be included provide details of what form of words and process will be used to satisfy the work with Local Government criteria.

Voting Requirements:

Simple Majority

Officers Recommendation:

That Council:

1. Notes the progress to date;
2. Endorses the attached proposal; and
3. Confirms its continued interest in working with Main Roads WA and its agents for the delivery of services on main roads in this part of the region.

Council Resolution:

Moved: Cr West   Seconded: Cr Bensdorp

1. Notes the progress to date;
2. Confirms its continued interest in working with Main Roads WA and its agents for the delivery of services on main roads in this part of the region.

Carried: 7/0

Reason for amendment to Officer’s Recommendation

Councillors were of the belief that the Proposal for service delivery required further consideration prior to adoption.
9107 OTHER BUSINESS

9107.1 INFORMATION BULLETIN – TABLED IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Training & Development 2009
Clair Correspondence Issue No.48.Aug 2009
WALGA - Local Government News Issue No.36.09
WALGA – Infopage
WALGA – Planning & Community Development Newsletter Edition 6
MWAC Information Bulletin. Issue 129 September 09
NACC – Introducing NACC Notes
Mid West Development Commission – Royalties for Regions
Letter to Hon Colin Barnett – from Morawa and Perenjori Shire re – Invitation to Participate in Mid West Community Forum
Department of Education and Training – Community learning in Focus
Liebe Group Newsletter September 2009 volume 12 Issue 6
The Mining Chronicle. Volume 14, Number 9
Disability Services Commission – disability update newsletter Issue 42

9107.2 MOTIONS OF WHICH DUE NOTICE HAVE BEEN GIVEN

9107.3 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF WHICH DUE NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

9107.4 URGENT BUSINESS APPROVED BY THE PERSON PRESIDING OR BY DECISION

9107.5 MATTERS BEHIND CLOSED DOORS

Nil

9107.6 DATE OF NEXT MEETING / MEETINGS

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held on the 19th of November at 5.30pm.

9107.7 CLOSURE

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 3.28pm
I certify that this copy of the Minutes is a true and correct record of the meeting held 15th October 2009.

Signed: ______________________
Presiding Elected Member
Date: ______________________