



# BURKE SHIRE COUNCIL

## ORDINARY MEETING MINUTES

### 24 January 2008

*Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Burke Shire Council held in the Council Chamber, Burketown Thursday 24 January 2008.*

**Present:-** Cr Annie Clarke (Mayor), Cr Ernie Camp (Deputy Mayor), Cr Ken Booth, Cr Irene Marshall, Cr Bill Olive, Cr Murradoo Yanner, Mr Craig Turnour (Chief Executive Officer)

*The meeting opened at 9:10am.*

#### **1.0 PRAYER**

*Cr Olive led Council in Prayer.*

#### **2.0 LEAVE OF ABSENCE/CONDOLENCES**

*No leave of absence/condolences were provided. It was noted that Cr Clemments was absent.*

#### **3.0 MAYOR'S REPORT**

*Cr Clarke provided a verbal report. Items raised included:- NQACC matters and recent discussions with State & Federal politicians.*

#### **4.0 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

*There were no formal Councillor reports provided.*

#### **5.0 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

##### **5.1 Ordinary Council meeting of 15 November 2007**

**Moved: Cr Marshall**

**Seconded: Cr Olive**

**That the minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting of 19 December 2007 be confirmed.**

**CARRIED 01.080124**

##### **5.2 Matters arising from the minutes**

*The Chief Executive Officer took Council through the action sheet from the 19 December 2007 meeting.*

*Cr Yanner entered the Chamber at 9:30am.*

#### **6.0 DEPUTATIONS**

*The Chief Executive Officer advised that the owners/managers of the Burketown Hotel, Jeff & Lynette Bambrick, would be in attendance around 12:00noon to address Council on the matters as outlined in their correspondence of 17 January 2008.*

#### **7.0 ITEMS DEFERRED FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

*No report provided.*

**UNCONFIRMED**

## **8.0 BUILDING REPORT**

### 8.1 Council Building Works

BUI03

Attached is a status report on Council related building work being undertaken.

*Noted by Council.*

### 8.2 Tender 07/16 – Transportable Accommodation Units

TEN01.07/16

Council at their 19 December 2007 meeting considered a report on this matter and resolved that Tender 07/16 be let to Ausco Building Systems for \$161,726.40 (incl. GST) and that the work be funded from the extra investment interest income to budget being generated in 2007/08 (resolution 09.071219). The units have subsequently been ordered and it is expected that they will be supplied within 16 weeks. This will ensure the delivery and installation is not affected by the next wet season. In the interim all the Council supplied items will be progressed as much as possible.

#### Council Policy

Resolution 09.071219 applies.

#### Financial Implications

The funding for this project will be funded from the extra investment interest income to budget being generated in 2007/08.

*Noted by Council.*

## **9.0 DEVELOPMENT REPORT**

### 9.1 Development Applications

DAP01

The attached report provides the current status of building development applications received by Council. Follow-up (letters, approvals and final certificates) is still being actioned following the visit by the contract Building Surveyor in October 2007. The firm used (GMA) is also assessing applications that are still to be assessed.

#### Council Policy

To resolve offences by explanation/assistance rather than by prosecution.

#### Legal Implications

Development work without a permit is an offence under the *Integrated Planning Act 1997*.

*Noted by Council.*

## **10.0 HEALTH REPORT**

### 10.1 Environmental Health Report

HEA02; LIC05; WAS11

⇒ Environmental relevant activities – Burketown WTP, Burketown STP, refuse tips and Workshop

The matters raised in the Environment Protection Agency's (Mount Isa) report from their visit to Burketown in October 2007 to undertake an annual inspection of these facilities as part of the annual renewal of the licences, is in the process of being addressed. As previously reported, there

were no substantial items raised or identified during the visit.

⇒ Waste Management Plan

A report on this matter will hopefully be provided in the Late Items Report. Associated with waste management matters is the attached [as attachment item 10.1 (a)] copy of the correspondence of 14 December 2007 from the LGAQ in respect of cost benefit analysis for waste management. The original of this report will be tabled at the meeting for Council's information.

⇒ 2007/08 conduct of food business licences and requirement to have a Food Safety Supervisor

There are still two food premises in the Shire that have yet to register their food premises/businesses for a licence to conduct a food business in 2007/08 (as required by the *Food Act 2006* and the *Food Regulations 2006*). Reminder letters are to be sent. As noted at the December 2007 meeting, Queensland Health had advised that all licensable food businesses in Queensland must have a Food Safety Supervisor by 22 February 2008. This information has been sent to all the licensable food businesses in the Burke Shire and whilst it is a State Government requirement it is being devolved to local government to manage. Whilst the food premises have until 22 February 2008 to comply, additional advice received from Queensland Health during the past month indicates that there will be an amnesty until 30 June 2008 for them to do so.

⇒ Clarification of roles & responsibilities of Local Government and the State under the *Environmental Protection Act 1994*

The attached [as attachment item 10.1 (b)] copy of the correspondence of 21 December 2007 from the Environmental Protection Agency details some matters that are to be devolved the responsibility of Local Government affective 1 January 2009. These matters include environmental nuisance and minor water pollution matters. It is understood that the devolutions are optional (i.e. the Local Government does not have to take on the responsibility).

***Noted by Council.***

10.2 Burketown Home and Community Care (HACC) Program Report

FAM06

Due to the Christmas/New Year break there is no HACC Coordinator's report for this meeting. Since the start of January 2008, the service has continued to be operated for a single client as the others are away.

Financial Implications

Expenditure YTD 31 December 2007 is \$14,702 of the total 2007/08 budget allocation of \$119,178, being the 2007/08 allocation of \$73,133 plus unexpended from 2006/07 of \$46,045, which is funded by a Federal/State Government grant.

It is noted that the program is funded for 15 clients (i.e. the approved funding of \$119,178 is for expenditure on 15 clients). Given the average attendance YTD has only been 3 clients, the actual expenditure on a pro-rata basis (3/15 clients) is running 23% above the approved funding (\$14,702 versus \$11,918).

***Noted by Council.***

***The Works Coordinator, Don McEvoy, entered the Chamber at 9:45am to present items 11.3, 11.6 & 18.2 of the Engineering (Works) Report and Late Items Report.***

**11.0 ENGINEERING (WORKS) REPORT**

11.1 Works Report - General

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1. Works by Council Workforce:- Works Overseer, Rural Foreman, Town Works Manager and Town Foreman

(i) Roadworks/Maintenance Crews:- Works Overseer

⇒ Flood damage Repairs, Road Maintenance and Private Works

<u>Location</u>	<u>Works Carried Out</u>
Wills Developmental Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monitor road condition.</li> <li>• Maintenance grading has been completed.</li> </ul> <p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monitor road conditions and document problem areas.</li> <li>• To continue to follow up with Main Road the status of grids that is in need of major repairs or replacement (by January 2008).</li> </ul>
Camooweal Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monitor road condition.</li> </ul> <p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monitor road conditions and document problem areas.</li> <li>• Continue to highlight to Main Roads areas requiring attention.</li> <li>• Obtain direction from Main Roads as to the status/condition and their intentions concerning the grid on the Mount Isa City Council /Burke Shire boundary (by January 2008).</li> <li>• Discuss and possibly obtain commitment as to further resheeting works on the Camooweal Road (by January 2008)</li> </ul>
Doomadgee Road East	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Road is being monitored</li> <li>• Replacement guide posts and extra signs have been installed on bitumen sections.</li> <li>• Due to the storm activity and condition of the road (including condition of the shoulders and stock pile sites are too wet to allow movement of plant off and on the road), Boral has been unable to mobilise to undertake the remedial works of the 4kms section of sealing that they are obligated to – this will most likely now occur after the current wet season.</li> </ul> <p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Further upgrade &amp; sealing re available TIDS &amp; Council funding.</li> <li>• Continue to monitor road conditions and replace missing guide posts (on going)</li> </ul>
Doomadgee Road West	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Currently monitoring road condition</li> </ul> <p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continue to monitor the condition of the road.</li> <li>•</li> </ul>
Floraville Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monitor road condition.</li> <li>• Floodway and culvert assessment has been completed</li> </ul> <p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Undertake some minor flood damage repairs to inverts by January 2008.</li> </ul>

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<u>Location</u>	<u>Works Carried Out</u>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Undertake capping of Harris Creek and Millars Creek Causeway as soon as conditions allow.</li> </ul>
Escott Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No works undertaken this month</li> </ul> <p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Undertake flood damage repairs</li> </ul>
Truganini Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Currently monitoring road condition.</li> <li>Bill of Quantities and concept estimate for the works have been completed for China Wall repairs.</li> </ul> <p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Progress permanent repair to “China Wall”</li> </ul>
Gregory - Lawn Hill Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Zinifex have been maintaining the road up to the mine access.</li> <li>Currently monitoring road condition</li> </ul> <p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Seal some unsealed sections once confirmed with Zinifex. (Refer item 11.2).</li> <li>Fit elastomeric pads to both grids at West Sandy Creek</li> </ul>
Lawn Hill National Park Access Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Currently monitoring road condition</li> </ul>
Riversleigh (Zinc Hills Deviation) Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Currently monitoring road condition</li> </ul>
Punjab Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Currently monitoring road condition</li> </ul> <p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monitor conditions and plan for further works as required.</li> </ul>
Bowthorn Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Currently monitoring road condition</li> <li>Flood damage repairs have been completed.</li> </ul>
Lawn Hill-Doomadgee Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Currently monitoring road condition</li> </ul>
Nugaburra Road	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Currently monitoring road condition</li> </ul>
Morella Rd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No further works planned for this road until after “wet”.</li> </ul>

## (ii) Roadworks, Utility Services and Town Maintenance - Works Overseer; Town Foreman

<u>Location</u>	<u>Works Carried Out</u>
Burketown Streets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continue to monitor and inspect the condition of the town streets.</li> </ul> <p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prepare a full report of the entire short to medium term roadworks requirements for Council’s endorsement.</li> <li>Undertake edge break repairs</li> </ul>
Burketown Water Supply Reticulation, Water Treatment Plant, Nicholson River Pump Station and Rising Main	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Routine monitoring and maintenance continues</li> <li>the “Burketown Water Consumption” report is provided as attachment 11.1 (a)</li> <li>Routine maintenance &amp; operations of system continue</li> </ul> <p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p>

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<u>Location</u>	<u>Works Carried Out</u>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Desludge the eastern pond</li> <li>• Completing upgrade works including:- Refurbish switchboards including integrated flow meters; ventilate NR Intake switch room; SCADA Upgrade; &amp; pond rectification- planned to have some of these items attended to at the same time as the item below .</li> <li>• Rectify the switching problem on the auto start for the back up generator. Ergon have inspected the switchboard and have indicated that there is some remedial work to be undertaken.</li> </ul>
Burketown Refuse Tip	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Routine weekly maintenance continues.</li> </ul> <p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Implement plan to improve management of the tip</li> </ul>
Truganini Wharf and Boat Ramp	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No works carried out.</li> </ul> <p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Remove old steelwork (when excavator available) and undertake jetty works for Queensland Transport</li> <li>• Bringing the current boat ramp and jetty structure “up to scratch”.</li> <li>• Queensland Transport is currently working on the upgrades to the boat ramp.</li> </ul>
Burketown Airport Access Road	<p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No specific works planned</li> </ul>
Drainage	<p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monitor this drainage system and assess road damage. Prepare report on improvements to drainage around town for Council’s consideration</li> </ul>
Burketown Airport	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Regular checks of the runway.</li> <li>• Routine maintenance.</li> </ul> <p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop the scope of works and estimate for long term mitigation of the scouring at the western end of the airfield.</li> <li>• Undertake mandatory remedial works as indicated in Airport Inspection and progress estimate of costs for works required for certification for Saab 38 and Dash * aircraft .</li> </ul>
Parks and Gardens	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• General daily/weekly maintenance and mowing to parks and Council building lawns including nature strips and approaches to town.</li> </ul> <p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Routine maintenance</li> </ul>
Sewerage System and Lagoon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Daily/weekly inspections and cleaning to sewer pump stations, Blivet BL4000 and sewer lagoon</li> </ul> <p><u>Future Intentions:-</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Complete the STP upgrading (refer item 11.4)</li> <li>• A visit is planned by the installers to check the operation of the system and carry out some minor</li> </ul>

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LocationWorks Carried Out

repairs. This visit planned for the beginning of February.

Burketown Cemetery

- General maintenance, vegetation control & fence check

(iii) Workshop – Workshop Supervisor:

Council plant has been performing well during the last month with no major servicing or repairs having to be actioned. The Komatsu Grader has been delivered to Komatsu's workshop in Mt Isa for the planned modifications cooling system. The re-routing of the exhausts on the Gregory Water Treatment Plant generators has been completed. With the Christmas break and the absence of the Workshop personnel on leave since then, there are no other major workshop activities to report on this month.

## 2. Gregory Report - Gregory Caretaker and Works Manager

Location/ItemWorks Carried Out

Tourism

- Level of tourism has decreased during the last month

Water

- The "Gregory Water Consumption" report is provided as attachment 11.1 (b)

Future Intentions

- Contractors to complete outstanding items around the shed at the treatment plant. They are now expected to complete this work in January 2008.

Animal and Stock Control

- Weaners are getting into town

Future Intention

- Erect a new southern boundary fence from the Water Treatment Plant Compound to the junction of the Racecourse and subdivision fence – orders have been placed for materials & labour

Airport

- Damage to lights occurred over the Christmas period - access was obtained by persons unknown lifting the gate off its hinges. The gate has now been adjusted to stop this occurring in the future.

Future Intentions.

- Install seats for the shelter (by end of January 2008).

Parks and Gardens

- Routine maintenance is continuing.

Future Intentions

- Installation of simple retic watering system for trees.

Rubbish Dump and Collection

- Works continue as scheduled.

### *Noted by Council.*

#### 11.2 Burke Shire Council/Zinifex Century Mine "Roads Partnership"

PAS01

The Zinifex proposed upgrade of the road has not progressed over the Christmas period, but discussions have been held with Zinifex and a meeting is being planned for later this month, either at the mine or in Burketown to progress these matters.

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**UNCONFIRMED**

Council Policy

Resolution 02.070321 applies.

Financial Implications

The 2007/08 budget incorporates \$1,150,000 (\$660,000 Council funds and \$490,000 TIDS funds) allocated to the sealing of the first sections of the road between Gregory and the Mine Access Road. This funding is to be used for the bitumen seal whilst the gravel works are to be done by Zinifex.

***Noted by Council.***

11.3 Gregory Water Supply and Tender 02/14 – Gregory Water Supply and Reticulation  
WAT30; TEN01.02/14

Some problems occurred with the valves and sensors just after the Christmas break and this has necessitated A1 Noble Water sending a technician to the plant to undertake the repairs. And at the same time undertake a service. This visit occurred on Wednesday 16 to Friday 18 January 2008.

Quotes are still being sourced from licenced plumbers re the connections to all occupied properties in Gregory. These quotes close at 12:00noon on Monday 21 January 2008

Some minor works around the building are still to be completed by the contractor - it is anticipated that these issues will be resolved in January 2008 (if not Council will undertake the works and deduct from the final payment to the contractor).

Council Policy

Resolutions 14.020718, 02.030527 and 13.050217 apply.

Legal Implications

The works are to be carried out in accordance with Contract 02/14.

Financial Implications

As previously reported.

***Noted by Council.***

*The Chief Executive Officer tabled a copy of Council's correspondence of 23 January 2008 to the contractor which outlined the list of outstanding works.*

11.4 Burketown Sewerage Treatments Plant Upgrade SEW11

During the past month there has been no progress in completing those outstanding items of this project as previously reported to Council. These include:-

- ⇒ Pond modification
- ⇒ Finalise procedures & checklists
- ⇒ Most of the onsite works will be actioned once the excavator
- ⇒ Complete outlet pipe work
- ⇒ Install new pump.

A maintenance visit by Water Recycle Group is being organised – this is scheduled for the end of this month.

Council Policy

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**UNCONFIRMED**

Resolutions 08.041216 and 05.050317 apply.

#### Financial Implications

The State Government through their SCAP scheme has approved funding of \$358,109 for this work. Council is required to meet any expenditure above this level. Actual costs incurred to date total \$377,998. The revised total cost of this project is now \$404,477.

#### *Noted by Council.*

11.5 Main Roads (MRD), RoadTek & Burke Shire “Partnership”; North West Queensland Regional Road Group (NWQRRG); & works on Wills Development Road (WDR) & Camooweal Road  
ROA96; ROA14; ROA71

No work has been undertaken by Main Roads since the last meeting. Council has completed the RMPC and NDRA funded maintenance grading between Running Creek and Gregory. The first two kilometres of the Camooweal Rd have also been graded under the RMPC contract.

#### *Noted by Council.*

11.6 & 18.2 Proposed replacement of the Albert River Bridge/Tender 07/08 – Design & Construct New Albert River Bridge  
BRI08; TEN01.07/08

To date the following decisions have recently been made in respect of Tender 07/08:-

- ⇒ Resolution 02.071115 made at the 15 November 2007 meeting:- That Tender 07/08 be let to Nelmac Pty Ltd for the option 1 design (prestressed concrete planks with reinforced concrete deck overlay) for \$3,257,530.00 (excl. GST) subject to the identification of full funding for the works and also the finalisation of all cultural heritage and environmental approvals; and
- ⇒ Resolution 02.071219 made at the 19 December 2007 meeting:- That Council endorses the recommendation for the new location of the proposed new dual lane Albert River Bridge to 13 metres west (upstream) of the existing Albert River Bridge.

The attached report [as attachment item 18.2 (a)] on the alternative design of the bridge and the resultant revised tender for the bridge is now provided for Council’s consideration.

In respect of the funding required, an estimate on the cost of the whole project (tendered works and Council works) has been done and this is attached [as attachment item 18.2 (b)] for Council’s information. This provides an estimated total cost of \$4,200,000 (excl. GST). Given we have committed funding of \$2,700,000 (the committed funding consists of \$2,000,000 in the Bridge Replacement Reserve and an allocation of \$700,000 in extra TIDS funding in 2008/09 from the NWQRRG and Main Roads), to achieve this project we need to identify a further \$1,500,000. It is recommended that this be allocated from the Roads Improvement Reserve which has a budgeted balance of \$2,170,000 as at 30 June 2008.

Also attached [as attachment item 18.2 (c)] is a copy of the correspondence of 22 December 2007 from AUSNORTH Consultants in respect of the alignment and contour of the alignment of the new bridge.

#### Council Policy

Resolutions 18.050915, 04.050721, 06.060216, 03.060817, 05.070215, 02.071115 and 02.071219 apply.

#### Financial Implications

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**UNCONFIRMED**

If the bridge is to be replaced then funding is an issue. It is noted that as at 30 June 2007 Council had \$1,000,000 in a Bridge Replacement Reserve and a further \$1,000,000 has been budgeted for this Reserve in 2007/08. In addition to this we have been allocated \$700,000 in extra TIDS funding in 2008/09 from the NWQRRG. Also as discussed in the report.

**Moved: Cr Clarke**

**Seconded: Cr Olive**

- (i) That the alternative bridge design, which incorporates the PSC “Super T” beams, be endorsed.
- (ii) That the revised tender of \$3,267,509.60 (excl. GST) be accepted.
- (iii) That a transfer of \$1,500,000 be made from the Roads Improvement Reserve to the Bridge Replacement Reserve for the purpose of funding the construction of the new dual lane Albert River Bridge and associated road infrastructure.

**CARRIED 02.080124**

*The Works Coordinator left the Chamber at 10:03am.*

#### 11.7 Barramundi Fingerling Growout Facility

FIS09

A report on this matter will be provided in the Late Items Report.

#### Council Policy

Resolution 02.060622, “*that the design of the growout facility as reported be endorsed in principle so that final preparation of the design drawings and construction, as well as the preparation of a management plan, can proceed*”, applies.

The total cost of this project is estimated at \$75,000. This is being funded through a \$50,000 grant from the Federal Government’s Recreational Fishing Community Grants Program and \$25,000 in Council funds. Expenditure to date totals \$378. The 2007/08 budget includes an allocation of \$74,622.

*Noted by Council.*

#### 1.8 Repair of “China Wall” on Truganini Road

CAU11

At the September 2007 Council meeting it was noted that the repair/rehabilitation works on the China Wall Causeway will not be undertaken until after the upcoming wet season. The Bill of Quantities and a concept estimate have been completed for this project. It is now anticipated that Council will include this project in the tender for concrete works to be called in February 2008.

#### Council Policy

Resolutions 09.060316, 03.060720 and 03.070620 apply.

#### Financial Implications

An allocation of \$225,000 has been approved in the funding provided for flood damage repairs arising from the 2006 flooding events. \$13,658 of this has been spent to date on the temporary repair undertaken in August 2006.

*Noted by Council.*

#### 11.9 2008 Construction Programme

STA23

A works program for the 2008 season is currently being put together and this will be provided at the February 2008 Council meeting.

**UNCONFIRMED**

***Noted by Council.*****11.10 Tender 07/14 - New Packaged Water Treatment Plant Burketown**

TEN01.07/14

Council at their 19 December 2007 considered a report on this matter and resolved that Tender 07/14 be let to T D Hatrick & Co for \$502,195 (excl. GST) subject to the identification of full funding for the works (resolution 03.071219).

The successful tenderer has advised that they anticipate that the treatment plant will be installed prior to or during the early phases of the erection of the tank to ensure that the hydrostatic testing of the tank is undertaken using clean water.

In respect of funding for this project, a report on this will be included in the Late Items Report.

**Council Policy**

Resolution 03.071219 applies.

**Legal Implications**

Chapter 6 Part 3 Contracts & Tendering of the Local Government Act 1993 applies.

**Financial Implications**

There is an allocation of \$400,000 in the 2007/08 budget for this project.

***Noted by Council.*****11.11 Annual Airport Inspection and Recertification of Burketown Airport for MacAir SAAB Aircraft**  
AIR02

Quotes have been received for the reduction of the height of the water tower and other mandatory remedial works indicated in the Airport Inspection report. These are current being assessed and a report on the assessment of these and other associated matters will be provided in the Late Items Report.

The attached copy of correspondence of 3 January 2008 from MacAir seeks an update to the certification process. MacAir have been informed of the current situation.

Also attached is a copy of correspondence of 7 January 2008 from AUSNORTH Consultants in respect of a scoping study for the relocation of the Burketown Airport (this was part of the project for when they looked at extending the current strip or sealing the cross strip). The report will be tabled at the meeting for Council's information.

***Noted by Council.*****11.12 Proposed repairs to Albert River boat ramp**

BUR06

The attached correspondence of 10 January 2008 from Main Roads provides details of proposed repairs to the Albert River boat ramp (this was noted in the report for item 11.14 of the December 2007 meeting). The proposed repairs will be funded by them and undertaken by contract.

The development of this proposal has been done in conjunction with Council's works personnel.

They seek Council's views on the proposal and it is recommended that the proposed repairs be endorsed.

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**UNCONFIRMED**

**Moved: Cr Camp** **Seconded: Cr Marshall**  
**That the proposed repairs to the Albert River boat ramp be endorsed.**  
**CARRIED 03.080124**

*The following Engineering (Works) general business items were raised:-*

- ⇒ *Cr Booth – status of proposed marina; and nothing has been done about drain at western end of Musgrave Street;*
- ⇒ *Cr Yanner – fill in scour/drain near western grid; cut steel spikes at Gregory River Causeway at Escott; and water testing in Burketown;*
- ⇒ *Cr Olive –white rock fill Burketown side of Little Oakey Bridge but better fill needed on Doomadgee side; and*
- ⇒ *Cr Clarke – approach Main Roads re fencing of WDR - get details and send to property owners?*

## **12.0 TOURISM, RECREATION & CULTURE REPORT**

### **12.1 Ranger's Report**

RAN01

Due to being on leave, there is no Ranger's Report for this meeting.

***Noted by Council.***

### **12.2 Burketown Aquatic Facility (including Tender 06/18)**

SPO06; TEN01.06/18

Attached is a progress report in respect of this project.

#### **Council Policy**

Resolutions 08.051117, 11.060316, 04.060622, 10.061024, 01.061214, 02.061214; 13.070118 and 03.071018 apply.

#### **Financial Implications**

As discussed in the report.

***Noted by Council.***

### **12.3 Proposed Arts & Craft Show 2008**

EVE20

A community meeting will be convened shortly to form a committee to organise the Arts & Craft Show again this year. The date set for the Show will be is 16 August 2008.

The past two events (2006 and 2007) have been very successful and given the community focus of this event and the opportunity it gives adults and children to display their arts and craft items, as well as the educational aspect, Council's support for this year's event is again requested.

Council has supported through in-kind assistance (this primarily involve administrative time, photocopying & printing and the use of the hall) and also a direct funding allocation of up to \$2,000 per event (of which only \$433 of this was utilised in 2006 and \$1,367 in 2007) to ensure the event was organised as a well as possible. As the \$2,000 allocation has been more than what has been required, it is recommended that this be reduced to \$1,000 for the 2008 event.

Additionally the past two events have seen auction proceeds of \$3,381 donated to primarily the RFDS.

As with previous years a Committee will be formed to progress the event and Council's Administration & Community Development Officer, Cheryl Portch, will facilitate this from our

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**UNCONFIRMED**

perspective and the Chief Executive Officer will stay involved to ensure Council's interests (mainly the spending of the funding) is actioned in a responsible way.

#### Financial Implications

Proposed direct funding allocation of up to \$1,000 to be included in the 2008/09 budget.

**Moved: Cr Booth** **Seconded: Cr Olive**  
**That Council supports the Arts & Graft Show to be held again in 2008, that appropriate in-kind support be provided and that an allocation of up to \$1,000 be included in the 2008/09 budget for this event.**  
**CARRIED 04.080124**

*Council noted that additional funding may be provided should the need arise.*

### **13.0 ADMINISTRATION REPORT**

#### 13.1 2008 Australia Day Awards & Function

AUS02.11

Nominations closed on 7 January 2008 for the Burke Shire 2008 Australia Day Awards in the Local Government Section for Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the Year and Junior Sports Award. The nominations received were judged on 22 January 2008 by a judging panel.

The aim is still to have the BBQ luncheon at the Shire Hall in Burketown on Australia Day and also to present the awards. Where access to Burketown is restricted for members of the community that live remotely from the town then they will have the opportunity to attend the breakfast and BBQ luncheon that we usually hold on ANZAC Day.

*Noted by Council.*

#### 13.2 Liquor licence Volunteer Marine Rescue Burketown

EME07

Seeking Council's approval (as the owner of the building in which the permit applies to) of their application to renew their restricted club liquor permit which expired on 1 November 2007.

Given the renewal date and the fact that there have been no major problems in the preceding 12 months, approval has been given to this request and Council's endorsement of this action is requested. This approval is subject to the condition of Council being indemnified for liability against any incidents that arise from the serving of alcohol in the building.

**Moved: Cr Camp** **Seconded: Cr Booth**  
**That the approval of the renewal of the restricted club liquor permit for the Volunteer Marine Rescue Burketown be endorsed.**  
**CARRIED 05.080124**

#### 13.3 Burketown Town Reserve (Reserve 20 Lot 122 PC12)

RES03

Following the discussion of this matter at Council's December 2007 meeting the following items of correspondence are attached for Council's information:-

- ⇒ Council's letter of 8 January 2008 to Mr D Booth [attachment item 13.3 (a)];
- ⇒ L A Evans facsimile of 10 January 2008 to Council re legal status [attachment item 13.3 (b)]; and
- ⇒ L A Evans facsimile of 18 January 2008 to Council re clarifying conflict of interest and also possible uses of the Reserve [attachment item 13.3 (c)].

*Noted by Council.*

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### 13.4 2008 Local Government Election

ELE10

The next quadrennial Local Government elections will be held on Saturday 15 March 2008. For the first time all the elections are being run by the Electoral Commission of Queensland so Councils have no say in the running of the elections. All queries are to be handled by the ECQ and full details are available on the ECQ's website:- [www.ecq.gov.au](http://www.ecq.gov.au)

Their website advises of the following key dates:-

- ⇒ Close of rolls:- Thursday, 31 January 2008
- ⇒ Polling day:- Saturday, 15 March 2008
- ⇒ Close of Nominations:- Tuesday, 19 February 2008, 12 noon

In respect of the election sections 441C and 441D of the Local Government Act 1993 (the Act) provides for a caretaker period during the election period [the election period is defined as starting on the day the referendum notice for the referendum is first published (this is expected to be done on Saturday 2 February 2008) and ending at 6:00pm on the referendum day for the referendum (this is Saturday 15 March 2008). During this caretaker period the Act prohibits a Council from making major policy decisions. A major policy decision is that as defined in the Act as per the attached.

#### Legal Implications

The relevant sections of the *Local Government Act 1993* apply.

#### Financial Implications

The 2007/08 budget has an allocation of \$13,000 for the 2008 election. The amount to be charged by the ECQ is not yet known.

#### ***Noted by Council.***

### 13.5 Disposal of laptop computers

ASS02

With the election coming up and given that a number of current Councillors may not run again, or be re-elected, it is timely to update the policy in respect of the disposal or otherwise of the current laptops. The current units are some four years old and therefore the technology is to an extent out of date. Accordingly it is suggested that the retiring and non re-elected Councillors be provided with the option of purchasing their unit. The same is to apply to officers, including the CEO.

Given the units have a written down value of less than \$1,000 it is recommended that they be offered in the first instance to each current Councillor (who does not run again or is not re-elected), or officer where applicable, at the written down value as at 29 February 2008. Where the relevant Councillor or officer elects not to purchase the unit, if the unit cannot be utilised in-house (at this stage it is expected that none will be) then expressions of interest from members of the public are to be called to purchase the remaining units. For those Councillors that are re-elected, they can either maintain the use of their current laptop or get a new one, and new laptops will be purchased for any new incoming Councillors.

#### Council Policy

Resolution 05.040115, incorporating a similar policy, applied for the disposal of the previously supplied laptops.

#### Legal Implications

Section 491 of the *Local Government Act 1993* requires that tenders or auctions are required for the disposal of goods with an apparent value of equal to or above the amount set by the Local Government. The amount set by Council is \$1,000 so given that the laptops would have an apparent

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value of less than \$1,000 given their age and technology, this section does not apply and Council can develop their policy/guidelines in respect of the disposal.

**Moved: Cr Booth** **Seconded: Cr Marshall**  
**That the policy in respect of the disposal of the current Council supplied laptops as included in the report be adopted.**  
**CARRIED 06.080124**

13.6 2005-2009 Corporate Plan and 2007/08 Operational Plan – Progress Assessment Report for the quarter ended 31 December 2007 COR04

In accordance with section 512 of the *Local Government Act 1993* and Council resolution 08.020124, the progress assessment report on the implementation of the 2005-2009 Corporate Plan and 2007/08 Operational Plan for the quarter (three months) ended 31 December 2007 is attached for Council's information and receipt.

Council Policy

Resolution 08.020124 applies – “*that assessment reports be provided on a quarterly (three monthly) basis.*”

Legal Implications

Section 512 of the *Local Government Act 1993* requires that “*a local government must make assessments of its progress towards implementing its corporate and operational plans*” and “*that the Chief Executive Officer must present a written report on the assessments to a meeting of the local government at regular intervals, of not more than 3 months, decided by it.*”

**Moved: Cr Camp** **Seconded: Cr Marshall**  
**That the 2005-2009 Corporate Plan and 2007/08 Operational Plan Progress Assessment Report for the quarter ended 31 December 2007 be received.**  
**CARRIED 07.080124**

13.7 Workplace Health & Safety Policy Statement STA13

So as to fulfil some of our workplace health & safety obligations, Council is requested to adopt the attached Workplace Health & Safety Policy Statement. The policy statement is a general statement of management's intent and expectation on the importance of workplace health and safety (“WH&S”) for the organisation. It is to be reviewed on an annual basis.

Following on from the adoption of this will be other formal WH&S issues being attended to. This will include the appointment of a WH&S Officer and the reformation of a WH&S Committee. Other policies and procedures will also be developed.

Legal Implications

The *Workplace Health and Safety Act 1995* and the *Workplace Health and Safety Regulation 1997* apply.

**Moved: Cr Booth** **Seconded: Cr Yanner**  
**That the WH&S Statement as provided be endorsed.**  
**CARRIED 08.080124**

*Email our induction process to all Councillors.*

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*The Finance Manager, Oliver Pring, entered the Chamber at 10:49am to provide the Finance Report.*

#### **14.0 FINANCE REPORT**

##### **14.1 Schedule of Payments – December 2007**

ACC01

The schedule of payments to be noted cover operating fund account cheques and direct debits as per the attached cheque register, totalling \$580,079.61, for the period 1 December 2007 to 31 December 2007.

<b>Moved: Cr Olive</b>	<b>Seconded: Cr Yanner</b>
<b>That the payments as listed on the cheque register for the period 1 December 2007 to 31 December 2007 be noted.</b>	
<b>CARRIED 09.080124</b>	

##### **14.2 Financial Reports to 31 December 2007**

ACC01

The following financial reports for the six months ended 31 December 2007 are attached under separate cover:-

1. Income Statement
2. Balance Sheet
3. Revenue and Expenditure Statement (Operating) - Summary
4. Revenue and Expenditure Statement (Operating) - Detail
5. Capital Expenditure – Detail
6. Significant Variances
7. Plant Operating Costs (year & life to date)
8. Summary of Cash Receipts (for the month of December 2007)

#### Legal Implications

Section 528 of Part 6, Chapter 7 of the *Local Government Act 1993* and the *Local Government Finance Standard 2005* apply.

<b>Moved: Cr Yanner</b>	<b>Seconded: Cr Booth</b>
<b>That the financial reports for the six months ended 31 December 2007 as provided be received.</b>	
<b>CARRIED 10.080124</b>	

##### **14.3 Financial Matters Report as at 31 December 2007**

ACC01

The attached report summarises some main financial matters as at 31 December 2007.

#### Financial Implications

As discussed in the report.

#### *Noted by Council.*

##### **14.4 Queensland Treasury Corporation Cash Fund Account Statement December 2007**

QTC01

Attached is a copy of the December 2007 statement of Council's QTC Cash Fund Account. The statement provides a summary of transactions for the month plus details of the interest rate earned.

As at 31 December 2007 Council had \$8,931,635 in investments with the QTC. Of this, \$4,926,558

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relates to Reserves funds for 2007/08 and future capital works, \$316,644 relates to fully funded employee entitlements and \$49,709 relates to creditors owing as at 31 December 2007.

Net interest income from the QTC Cash Fund Account for the six months ended 31 December 2007 is \$266,485, which compares favourably with the budget of \$150,000 for the same period.

#### Financial Implications

As discussed in the report.

*Noted by Council.*

*The Finance Manager left the Chamber at 11:13am.*

### **15.0 CORRESPONDENCE REPORT**

15.1 Inward Correspondence – December 2007 n/a

The attached schedule lists items of inward correspondence that have not been addressed elsewhere. Councillors are requested to review this list and note any items they wish to peruse.

Please note that under the electronic records management system the non-filed originals of the inward correspondence documents will be disposed of once the minutes of the meeting that they were advised to are confirmed.

*Noted by Council.*

15.2 Outward Correspondence – December 2007 n/a

The attached schedule lists items of outward correspondence that have not been addressed elsewhere. Councillors are requested to review this list and note any items they wish to peruse.

Please note that under the electronic records management system the non-filed originals of the outward correspondence documents will be disposed of once the minutes of the meeting that they were advised to are confirmed.

*Noted by Council.*

15.3 Liquor Licensing Queensland, 21 December 2007 – Variation of licence conditions for the Burketown Pub & Gregory Downs Hotel LIC07

Providing details of the variation in the conditions of the liquor licences for the Burketown Pub and the Gregory Downs Hotel. The variations are applicable from 21 December 2007.

<p><b>Moved: Cr Camp</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>Seconded: Cr Yanner</b></span> <b>That the inequities of the variation in the conditions of the liquor licences for the Burketown Pub and the Gregory Downs Hotel be formally address with Liquor Licensing Queensland, the Minister for Tourism, Fair Trading &amp; Wine Development and the Member for Mount Isa.</b> <b>CARRIED 11.080124</b></p>
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*Cr Olive declared a conflict of interest in item 15.4 and left the Chamber at 11:28am.*

15.4 AUSNORTH Consultants, 2 January 2008 – Application amendments to Westmoreland & Cliffdale Holdings RAT02.0400/00000

Seeking Council's consent for the proposed boundary realignment of Westmoreland and Cliffdale

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Holdings as detailed in the correspondence.

**Moved: Cr Yanner** **Seconded: Cr Camp**  
**That Council consents to the proposed boundary realignment of Westmoreland and Clifdale**  
**Holdings as detailed.**  
**CARRIED 12.080124**

*Cr Olive reentered the Chamber at 11:29am.*

15.5 Zinifex Century Mine, 14 December 2007 – Introduction of new General Manager PAS01

Providing a letter of introduction from Mr John Lamb, the new General Manager of Zinifex Century Mine.

*Noted by Council.*

*Invite to a future meeting.*

15.6 Department of Emergency Services, 3 December 2007 – Payment of 2007/08 SES subsidy EME01

Advising that they have paid their 2007/08 SES subsidies.

Council receives \$3,200 (excl. GST) which is far less than the \$10,000 budgeted to operate SES activities.

#### Financial Implications

The 2007/08 budget includes an allocation of \$10,000 for the undertaking of SES and emergency services activities. The subsidy of \$3,200 offsets this to an extent.

*Noted by Council.*

15.7 North West Queensland Primary Health Care, January 2008 – Outreach health services itinerary 2008 HEA13

Providing a copy of their itinerary for the first half of 2008.

*Noted by Council.*

15.8 Gregory Downs Jockey Club, 17 January 2008 – Sponsorship for 2008 Gregory Horse Races COO06

Requesting the financial support of Council to again sponsor a race at their annual horse racing meeting (scheduled to be held on 3 May 2008).

Council at the meeting on 17 March 2007 consider a request to sponsor the 2007 races and resolved to sponsor the Cup Race for the amount of \$5,000. In reaching this decision Council noted where possible they needed to limit direct financial contributions to such Clubs and organisations given our limited financial resources and the precedent this sets and also that this was a once only contribution so as to ensure where possible the races are a success and hopefully once again becomes an annual event. Whether or not to provide a direct financial contribution for the 2008 races is provided for Council's consideration.

#### Council Policy

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**UNCONFIRMED**

The Grants to Community Organisations policy applies.

#### Financial Implications

There is no funding for this contribution included in the 2007/08 budget. Should it be determined to approve an allocation then the source of this will need to be identified.

**Moved: Cr Yanner**

**Seconded: Cr Booth**

**That Council offers sponsorship of \$5,000 for the 2008 races.**

**CARRIED 13.080124**

15.9 Environmental Protection Agency, 11 December 2007 – New Litter Laws

WAS01

Advising of changes in Queensland's litter laws. These will come into effect from 1 February 2008. How they apply to Council's operations is being reviewed.

#### Legal Implications

The relevant sections of the *Environmental Protection Act 1994* apply.

***Noted by Council.***

15.10 Minister for Local Government, January 2008 – Local Government Remuneration Tribunal 2007 Report

COU01

Providing a copy of the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal 2007 Report which provides details about the determination and assignment of local government categories and the levels of remuneration to be paid to Mayors, Deputy Mayors and Councillors.

The original will be tabled at the meeting for Council's information.

***Noted by Council.***

15.11 Minister for Natural Resources, 17 December 2007 – State Rural Leasehold Land Strategy

SGD04.09

Advising of the release of and providing a copy of the State Rural Leasehold Land Strategy.

The original will be tabled at the meeting for Council's information.

***Noted by Council.***

15.12 Department of Primary Industries & Fisheries, January 2008 – East Coast Inshore Fin Fish Fishery

FIS05

Advising of the review of the East Coast Inshore Fin Fish Fishery and seeking views on these proposals contained in this review.

The original will be tabled at the meeting for Council's information.

***Noted by Council.***

15.13 LGAQ, 18 December 2007 – Induction program for 2008

LGA01

Providing details of their key services and support that will be available to Councils in 2008.

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***Noted by Council.***

- 15.14 Department of Natural Resources & Water, 14 December 2007 – Native Title Determination Applications QUD84/04 and QUD66/05 NAT29; NAT30

Advising that the State has completed its review of the connection material provided to them in support of these applications.

***Noted by Council.***

- 15.15 Department of Natural Resources & Water, 18 December 2007 – Native Title Determination Applications QUD84/04 and QUD66/05 NAT29; NAT30

Providing a CD ROM containing the tenure histories for areas covered by these applications. The tenure histories exclude those parcels of land as noted in the correspondence.

The original CD will be tabled at the meeting for Council's information.

***Noted by Council.***

*Copy of the CD to each Councillor.*

- 15.16 National Native Title Tribunal, 10 December 2007 – Native Title Determination Application QUD66/05 NAT30

Making reference to a mediation teleconference on 18 June 2007 and requesting details of Council's relevant interest and proposals in the claim area. This will be provided to the NNTT in due course.

***Noted by Council.***

- 15.17 State Library of Queensland, 13 December 2007 – Change to Public Library operational model LIB01

Advising of changes to the Public Library operational models due to the Local Government amalgamations. As Burke is not affected by the amalgamations there will be no impact to our Library from the changes.

***Noted by Council.***

- 15.18 Department of Natural Resources & Water, 9 January 2008 - State Rural Leasehold Land Ministerial Advisory Committee SGD04.09

Advising that under the recently released State Rural Leasehold Land Strategy, the process to establish the Ministerial Advisory Committee has commenced and formal expressions of interest for membership to the committee will be advertised shortly.

***Noted by Council.***

- 15.19 NQACC, 17 December 2007 - Update REG23

Providing an update of the NQACC.

***Noted by Council.***

- 15.20 Southern Gulf Catchments, 14 December 2007 – Activity Agreement Burketown & Gregory Dump Ezy Facilities LAN06.01

Providing the activity agreement for this project. This has been signed and returned the Southern Gulf Catchments.

#### Council Policy

Resolution 07.071219 applies – *That the application for funding to Southern Gulf Catchments for a “Dump Ezy” facility in Gregory and Burketown be endorsed.*

#### ***Noted by Council.***

15.21 Betty Kiernan MP, 8 January 2008 – Minor Tourism Infrastructure Grants program MOP01

Providing details of a funding program to improve roadside facilities and amenities in North West Queensland.

The application form and guidelines have been obtained and where applicable an application will be submitted for an appropriate project.

#### ***Noted by Council.***

*Look at applying for funding for a wash down bay.*

15.22 Department of Infrastructure & Planning, 18 December 2007 – Final minutes of the GRDP ICG  
REG07

Providing a copy of the final minutes of the last meeting of the Gulf Regional Development Plan Implementation Coordination Group which was held in Cairns on 10 December 2007.

Given the lack of formal progress of the Gulf Regional Planning Advisory Committee and the support of the GRDP by the State Government, it was decided at the meeting that in the absence of meaningful State support the ICG sees no logic in continuing to meet.

It is understood that the GRDP will be reviewed in a couple of years (once the Department addresses higher priority plans) and will end up becoming a statutory plan. Until then the management and progress of this will be mothballed.

#### ***Noted by Council.***

*The Chief Executive Officer tabled a copy of the correspondence of 11 January 2008 from the Chairperson of the Gulf Regional Planning Advisory Committee.*

15.23 Margie Ryder, 5 January 2008 – Assistance Gulf Sport Workshops & Junior TriathlonEVE01

Providing details of the proposed Gulf Sport Workshops & Junior Triathlon (which is to be incorporated in Julia Creek’s Dirt & Dust Festival) and seeking a contribution from Council of \$1,500 towards this.

Whilst the proposal has merit it is recommended that the contribution not be made however in-kind assistance for any interested local juniors be provided where applicable.

#### Council Policy

The Grants to Community Organisations policy applies.

#### Financial Implications

There is no funding for this contribution included in the 2007/08 budget. Should it be determined to

approve an allocation then the source of this will need to be identified.

**Moved: Cr Camp** **Seconded: Cr Marshall**  
**That a monetary contribution not be made to this proposal however in-kind assistance for any interested local juniors be provided where applicable.**  
**CARRIED 14.080124**

## **18.0 LATE ITEMS REPORT**

### 18.1 Councillor vacancy

COU01

Cr Clemments has not attended a Council meeting since 19 July 2007. Attempts to contact Cr Clemments have been unsuccessful.

Section 252 (1) (b) of the *Local Government Act 1993* provides that a person's office as a Local Government Councillor is vacated if the person without the Local Government's leave, is absent from 3 or more consecutive ordinary meetings of the Local Government over at least 3 months.

As Cr Clemments absence complies with Section 252 (1) (b), then he has formally vacated the office as a Burke Shire Councillor and this will be communicated to him.

In respect of a replacement Section 254 (2) provides that as the vacancy has occurred after the cut off date for a by-election, then the office is to be filled by appointing a qualified person. Section 254 (11) provides that this must be done within 2 months after the vacancy happens or else the Governor in Council may appoint a qualified person to fill the vacancy.

Given that the next quadrennial election is less than two months away (the election will be held in 7 weeks on 15 March 2008) the vacancy should be left as the election will take care of filling it.

#### Legal Implications

Relevant sections of the *Local Government Act 1993* applies. These are attached.

#### *Noted by Council.*

### 18.2 Proposed replacement of the Albert River Bridge/Tender 07/08 – Design & Construct New Albert River Bridge BRI08; TEN01.07/08

*Addressed earlier in the meeting.*

### 18.3 Tender 07/14 - New Packaged Water Treatment Plant Burketown

TEN01.07/14

Council at their 19 December 2007 considered a report on this matter and resolved that Tender 07/14 be let to T D Hatrick & Co for \$502,195 (excl. GST) subject to the identification of full funding for the works (resolution 03.071219).

In respect of the funding required the attached report is provided for Council's consideration.

#### Council Policy

Resolutions 03.041219 applies.

#### Financial Implications

As discussed in the report.

**Moved: Cr Clarke** **Seconded: Cr Olive**  
**That the funding for this project be approved as follows:- transfer of a further \$200,000 from the Water Infrastructure Reserve in 2007/08 and the remaining \$200,000 be funded as noted in the 2007/08 budget review.**  
**CARRIED 15.080124**

## 6.0 DEPUTATIONS

*Mr Jeff Bambrick of the Burketown Hotel entered the Chamber at 11:56am and addressed Council on the matters as outlined in his correspondence of 17 January 2008. After a discussion in respect of this matter, Mr Bambrick left the Chamber at 12:24pm.*

### 18.0 LATE ITEMS REPORT (continued)

#### 18.4 Barramundi Fingerling Growout Facility

FIS09

Attached is a report in respect of this matter for Council's consideration.

#### Council Policy

Resolution 02.060622, "that the design of the growout facility as reported be endorsed in principle so that final preparation of the design drawings and construction, as well as the preparation of a management plan, can proceed", applies.

#### Financial Implications

The total cost of this project is estimated at \$75,000. This is being funded through a \$50,000 grant from the Federal Government's Recreational Fishing Community Grants Program and \$25,000 in Council funds. Expenditure to date totals \$378. The 2007/08 budget includes an allocation of \$74,622.

**Moved: Cr Yanner** **Seconded: Cr Olive**  
**That the proposal as included in the report for the construction of the barramundi fingerling growout facility in Burketown be endorsed and that a donation of \$500 be made to the Tablelands Fish Restocking Group in acknowledgment of the assistance that they have (and will) provide in the development of this facility.**  
**CARRIED 16.080124**

#### 18.5 Quotation 07-17 - Steel Water Tank Stand Modification & Removal of Tank TEN01.07/17

As noted in the main Engineering (Works) Report (refer item 11.11) quotes have been received for the reduction of the height of the water tower indicated in the Airport Inspection report as being required for recertification of Burketown Airport for MacAir SAAB Aircraft. The attached report on the assessment of these quotations is provided for Council's consideration.

#### Financial Implications

Funding for this work needs to be identified. It is included in the 2007/08 budget review proposal as per item 18.6.

**Moved: Cr Marshall** **Seconded: Cr Olive**  
**That quotation 07/17 be awarded to Hills Fabrication NQ Pty Ltd at their quoted price of \$70,054.10 (incl. GST) and that the works be funded as noted in the 2007/08 budget review.**  
**CARRIED 17.080124**

18.6 2007/08 Budget Review

BUD13

*Deferred until later in the meeting.*18.7 Phillip Yanner Mougibi Memorial Oval Lease & Outstanding Rates

LEA07; RAT02.0198/11000

The attached letter of 23 January 2008 from Mougibi Housing Cooperative Society Ltd requests the surrender of the lease of “Phillip Yanner Mougibi Memorial Oval” that the organisation has with Council as well as keeping the name of the oval that of “Phillip Yanner Mougibi Memorial Oval” and any outstanding rates for the oval be waived.

The oval is a good community sport & recreation asset and could be maintained by Council’s parks & gardens crew, so it is recommended that the request to surrender the lease be approved.

In respect of outstanding rates & charges, as at 31 December 2007 this amounted to \$6,781.70, consisting of 2006/07 arrears of \$780.00, 2007/08 rates & charges of \$5,356.00 and accrued interest of \$645.70.

Finally, as requested the oval’s name should remain “Phillip Yanner Mougibi Memorial Oval”.

Financial Implications

As discussed in the report in respect of the waiving of the outstanding rates & charges.

**Moved: Cr Camp****Seconded: Cr Olive**

**That the surrender of the lease be approved, that the outstanding rates & charges be waived, and that the name of the oval remain “Phillip Yanner Mougibi Memorial Oval”.**

**CARRIED 18.080124**

*Council noted that community in-kind involvement should be encouraged in the ongoing maintenance of the oval.*

*The meeting adjourned at 12:40pm and reconvened at 1:23pm, with all those previously in attendance present.*

18.6 2007/08 Budget Review

BUD13

The attached 2007/08 budget review is provided for Council’s consideration. This incorporates, amongst other things, the provision of funding for:-

- ⇒ New Albert River Bridge
- ⇒ Steel Water Tank Stand Modification & Removal of Tank
- ⇒ New Packaged Water Treatment Plant Burketown

Financial Implications

Funding for this work needs to be identified. It is

**Moved: Cr Olive****Seconded: Cr Marshall**

**That the 2007/08 budget review as provided be endorsed.**

**CARRIED 19.080124****16.0 IN COMMITTEE MATTERS****Moved: Cr Camp****Seconded: Cr Booth****UNCONFIRMED**

**That Council move into Committee.  
CARRIED 20.080124**

*Council moved into Committee at 1:30pm to discuss item 16.1.*

**Moved: Cr Booth** **Seconded: Cr Yanner**  
**That Council move out of Committee.  
CARRIED 21.080124**

*Council moved out of Committee at 1:38pm.*

16.1 Recruitment of new Chief Executive Officer

STA11.70

*Noted by Council.*

## **17.0 GENERAL BUSINESS**

### **17.1 Cr Yanner**

- ⇒ *fencing of Aboriginal Reserve;*
- ⇒ *formal opening of the Burketown aquatic facility; and*
- ⇒ *Traditional Owners incorrect on some of the directional signs.*

### **17.2 Cr Booth**

- ⇒ *electrified fence installed at the Burketown rodeo grounds; and*
- ⇒ *tenancy of unit 3.*

### **17.3 Cr Camp**

- ⇒ *security re Gregory airport*

### **17.4 Cr Clarke**

- ⇒ *status of the handball courts.*

***The meeting finished at 1:50pm.***