



# Somerset

REGIONAL COUNCIL

## **Minutes of Ordinary Meeting Held Wednesday 8 June 2016**

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*Held in the Simeon Lord Room  
Library / Museum Building  
Redbank Street, Esk*

### **Present**

Cr G D Lehmann	(Mayor)
Cr D Hall	(Deputy Mayor)
Cr H Brieschke	(Councillor)
Cr S Choat	(Councillor)
Cr C Gaedtke	(Councillor)
Cr M Ogg	(Councillor)
Cr B Whalley	(Councillor)
Mr R Bain	(Chief Executive Officer)
Mr C Payne	(Manager Corporate and Community Services)
Mr T Jacobs	(Manager Operations)
Mr B Sully	(Manager Planning and Development)
Mr G Smith	(Manager Finance)
Mrs K Jones	(Manager HR and Customer Service)
Mrs S Pitkin	(Minute Secretary)
Ms M Maesele	(Communications Coordinator)

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**Opening of Meeting**

The Mayor, Cr Graeme Lehmann, opened the meeting at 9am.

**Leave of Absence**

Nil

**Visitor to meeting**

Ms Paige Garland attend the Council meeting and displayed some of her artwork to council, donating a piece of art called "Kookaburra". Ms Paige also gave a presentation to council regarding her concerns about and possible solutions to preventing road kill on the Brisbane Valley Highway.

**Confirmation of Minutes**

<b>Decision</b>	Moved – Cr Choat	Seconded – Cr Ogg
	“THAT the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 25 May 2016 as circulated to all Members of Council be confirmed, including Cr Gaedtke in Councillors reports at page 192”.	
		<u>Carried</u>

**Business arising out of minutes of previous meeting**

Nil

**Matters of Public Interest****Cr Gaedtke - Matters of Public Interest**

10/11 June	Lowood Show
11 June	Official opening Kilcoy Playground Fence Project
18 June	Esk Garden AND Lifestyle Fair
18 June	NAIDOC Lowood

**Cr Ogg - Matters of Public Interest**

Cr Ogg noted that there will be a Wivenhoe Sailing Marathon this weekend at Logans Inlet and he is looking forward to some good weather.

**Cr Whalley - Matters of Public Interest**

Cr Whalley noted that the Kilcoy Race meeting will take place on Saturday 18 June 2016.

**Cr Choat - Matters of Public Interest**

Cr Choat noted that the Lowood Show will take place this weekend and he encouraged everyone to come out and enjoy the show as it is the last local show in the region.

**Cr Brieschke - Matters of Public Interest**

9 June 2016 Toogoolawah State High School Musical, 'Man of Steel', 12 noon and 7pm

10 June 2016 Lowood Show

Toogoolawah State High School Musical, 7pm at Alexandra Hall

The Supper Room Artists of Moore will open their exhibition at The Condensery - 6pm.

11 June 2016 Official opening of the playground fence, Yowie Park, Kilcoy 10am

Lowood Show

Railway Markets, Toogoolawah

19 June 2016 Flying Fox Round Table Forum, Kilcoy Information Centre

Somerset Community Service are holding a matinee at the Toogoolawah Pictures for their clients and general public. Lutheran Community Care are supporting this with all tickets being \$5.

18 June 2016 Esk Garden and Lifestyle Fair, 9am - 3pm, Old St Andrews Church Complex, Esk.

It was fantastic to hear the Minister for Environment and Heritage Protection, Steven Miles announce yesterday that an additional \$12.1 million will be provided over four years in the upcoming State Budget to assist the protection of the Koala.

I hope the Somerset Region will be included in future research and conservation of the Koala. The Somerset has a significant Koala population that is under stress and needs preserving and I hope Council has the opportunity to take advantage of any assistance that is offered.

**Cr Hall - Matters of Public Interest**

Cr Hall noted that NAIDOC Day will take place on 18 June and there will be activities at Lowood.

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Mid Brisbane Catchment Action Plan</b>
<b>File Ref:</b>	<b>Environmental Management - Reports - Natural Resource Management Reports</b>
<b>Action Officer:</b>	<b>NRMO</b>

**Background/Summary**

In late 2014, the Council of Mayors - South East Queensland (CoMSEQ), the Queensland Government, and other key stakeholders commenced a partnership entitled the Resilient Rivers Initiative (RRI) (*refer attachment 1*), to improve the health and resilience of the region's waterways. The vision of this initiative is:

*"By 2045, the catchments of South East Queensland will support a resilient, productive, liveable and growing region."*

Under the guidance of the Resilient Rivers Taskforce, comprising the partners to the RRI, a

working group commenced the development of Catchment Action Plan(s) (CAP) to guide local (catchment based) actions that will contribute to achieving the aims, and ultimately the goal of the RRI. The Lockyer and Mid Brisbane Catchments were selected to be the first of the SEQ CAP's to be developed.

The Mid Brisbane Catchment Action Plan 2015 – 18 (*refer attachment 2*) is now being presented to each of the stakeholder Local Governments relevant to each CAP area for endorsement. The Lockyer CAP is anticipated for presentation to Council early in the 2016/17 financial year.

The CAPs do not bind any of the stakeholders in a particular catchment to undertake any of the entailed actions or initiatives, rather the documents should be viewed as a prospectus to help coordinate (currently) available investment, facilitate the recruitment of specific funding and effort into the future, and align with the aims and goal of the RRI.

#### Attachments

Attachment 1 – Resilient Rivers Brochure

Attachment 2 – Mid Brisbane Catchment Action Plan 2015 - 18

#### Recommendation

THAT Council endorse the Mid Brisbane Catchment Action Plan 2015 - 18 (Attachment A).

#### Decision:

Moved - Cr Choat

Seconded - Cr Ogg

“THAT Council endorse the Mid Brisbane Catchment Action Plan 2015 - 18 (Attachment A).”

Carried

**Subject:** Natural Resource Management Monthly Report - May 2016  
**File:** Governance - Reporting - Officer Reports  
**Action Officer Ref:** NRMO

#### Background/Summary

In delivering on the themes identified in Council's current Operational Plan, it is with pleasure that I provide a synopsis of my activities for the month of May 2016.

#### NATURAL SOMERSET

- Ongoing oversight of Lockyer Creek Restoration Project – Planting associated with the engineered slip/slump repairs along Mahons Road are complete and in a maintenance phase until mid 2016.
- Ongoing arrangements to progress a 2ha Koala food tree planting at Shines Road Reserve (Resolution - Wednesday 9 September 2015) to offset the development of the Fernvale Sports Precinct (currently under construction). Planting is subject to favourable weather conditions. Preparatory slashing, spray preparation and layout has been completed. Planting is anticipated in June.
- Welcomed 1 new Land for Wildlife property to the program at Villeneuve.

- Participated in a RMIT Land for Wildlife interview/survey regarding the national delivery and facilitation of the program across the nation.
- Continued participation in the “25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Landcare Grant delivery – Community engaged education workshops about flying fox habitat restoration” in association with 4 other Councils, Griffith University and Flying Fox consultancy/s. Seeking to roll out educational elements of this program in 2016 as they become available in support of community Flying Fox awareness in the Somerset Region.
- Assisted Brisbane Valley Kilcoy Landcare to develop a proposal and application for a Landcare grant to implement a Koala Corridor planting around the south of the Toogoolawah township.
- The following tasks have been undertaken in response to Flying Foxes in the Somerset region, and the implementation of longer term management approaches:
  - Regular monitoring of the Somerset flying fox Roosts at Lowood, Esk, Atkinsons Dam, Linville and Kilcoy.
  - Support for Somerset media and press releases related to flying foxes.
  - Ongoing notification to the Queensland Department of Environment and Heritage Protection to undertake “As of Right” Roost modification works.
  - Provided oversight at Kilcoy, Linville and Esk works to ensure compliance with Codes of Practice, and contracted deliverables.
  - Re-commenced the Kilcoy flying fox roost vegetation removal/s after the departure of resident flying foxes. Weedy roost vegetation will be removed along the creek from Anzac park to approximately Hope Street in this current phase of works.
  - Completion of clearing works at Linville on council managed lands. Ongoing liaison with two private residents undertaken vegetation modification per Councils letter of offer for permit assistance to undertake works in a flying fox roost.
  - Flying Foxes are currently not present in the Linville, Kilcoy, Esk and Atkinson’s Dam roost locations, and the Lowood roost numbers have reduced significantly. Bat experts believe this may be related to climatic issues, as similar trends have been experienced in Scenic Rim Council area in the same period.

## **VIBRANT SOMERSET**

- Currently compiling options for Green Army deployment/s in the Somerset region over the coming 2 to 3 years. An overview of the final application components will be presented to Council for consideration, prior to submission to the Australian Government – due 16 June 2016.

## **PROSPEROUS SOMERSET**

- Ongoing participation in the “Resilient Rivers Initiative”. Catchment Action Plans for Lockyer and Mid Brisbane Catchments are currently in final draft. The Mid Brisbane

Catchment Action Plan has been tabled for presentation to Council for endorsement, with the Lockyer Catchment Action Plan expected for presentation early in the 2016/17 financial year.

- Continuing free tree provision arrangement/s with Save Our Waterways Now (SOWN) and Arthur Gorrie Correctional Centre – investigating an ongoing arrangement, or periodic engagement to align with project opportunity. A delivery of trees will be received in late June, and an anticipated further round of trees in October.

## **WELL PLANNED SOMERSET**

- Ongoing conceptual planning for the development of a “Natural Somerset” plan, to guide Council response to Natural Resource Management issues in the region.
- Initial development of a consultancy brief investigating options regarding vegetation management in the Somerset Region, and the inclusion of Matters of Local Environmental Significance (MLES) and an associated local offset program into future planning and policy. The resultant report will present a cost benefit analysis, and implications of adoption for future Council consideration.
- Currently facilitating application to the Queensland Government for consideration of a change of reserve status associated with Council managed lands at Esk for future recreational use.
- Ongoing liaison with SEQ Water to discuss a proposal to support awareness and compliance regarding on-site Sewage Treatment Plants, to align with Draft Catchment Action Plan actions regarding water quality in the Mid Brisbane Catchment. Initial feedback has suggested other stakeholders (Brisbane and Ipswich councils) may also be interested in participating. This project is currently being considered as a possible pilot project under the Mid Brisbane Catchment Action Plan, subject to stakeholder approvals.
- Participant in the consideration of DA applications as they pertain to the Natural Resource Management Officer role and expertise.
- Obtained approval from SEQ Water to undertake a further stage of the corridor planting south of Yowie Park at Kilcoy. Please note that Brisbane Valley Kilcoy Landcare have been nominated as a finalist in the 2016 Healthy Waterways awards for their work on this corridor to date.

## **UNITED SOMERSET**

- Ongoing liaison with the Department of Environment and Heritage Protection “Walking in the Landscape” series, to produce an interactive catchment Journal and other products for the Wetland Info website, and broader reference applications. Ongoing work includes finalising the elements of the Upper Brisbane and Stanley Catchments summaries. Lockyer and Mid Brisbane Catchment Journals have received Council endorsement for release.
- Ongoing coordination with the Queensland Fire and Emergency Service (QFES) representatives to improve/streamline the approval procedures related to third party burn applications on Council managed lands. A draft procedure is to be trialled and

discussed with local wardens over the coming season.

- Attended South East Queensland Fire and Biodiversity Consortium - Fire Operations forum 23 May 2016.
- Attended the Council of Mayors- Waterways and Environment Committee meeting 27 May 2016 with Councillor Helen Brieschke.
- Accompanied Somerset Councillors to meet Koala care and advocacy representatives at Hattonvale, 11 May 2016.

#### Attachments

Nil

#### Recommendation

THAT the Natural Resource Management Monthly Report for May 2016 be received and the contents noted.

#### Decision:

Moved - Cr Hall

Seconded - Cr Choat

“THAT the Natural Resource Management Monthly Report for May 2016 be received and the contents noted.

THAT Council send a letter of congratulations to Brisbane Valley Kilcoy Landcare on their nomination as a finalist in the Health Waterways Awards.”

Carried

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Planning and Building Services Monthly Report – May 2016</b>
<b>File:</b>	<b>Governance - Reporting - Officer Reports</b>
<b>Action Officer:</b>	<b>MPAD, SP, BS, PI</b>

#### Background/Summary

In delivering on the Themes identified in Council's current Operational Plan, it is with pleasure that we submit a synopsis of the Sections' activities during the month of May 2016.

#### NATURAL SOMERSET

Nil

#### VIBRANT SOMERSET

Council's parkland and recreation strategies are progressively implemented as part of the development assessment and delivery process.

#### WELL PLANNED SOMERSET

During the month officers attended workshops to better understand the new State Planning legislation, which will be in force in 2017.

#### Planning Development Applications



During the month (15) Development Applications were received, substantially above the number of applications during the same month in the previous year. Details form part of the attachments.

### **Building Development Approvals**

A total of thirty-three (33) building approvals were issued in the region for April 2016. This is equal with the March total. The percentage of 'Council approved' building applications is 30.3% of all building approvals for the month of April 2016.

### **Plumbing Compliance Permits and Inspections**

The number of plumbing and drainage approvals for May 2016 was 25; this figure is a 92.3% increase on the figure of 13 for May 2015.

The number of treatment plants on Councils register is 1662 of which 51 or 3.06% are currently overdue for servicing. Letters have been sent to the owners of these systems to ensure compliance. Penalty infringement notices have been issued to repeat offenders.

## **UNITED SOMERSET**

Information pamphlets, development application kits and website information for most aspects of development continue to be available and updated on a regular basis.

### **Attachments**

Spreadsheets and Graphs

### **Recommendation**

THAT the report be received and the contents noted.

<b>Decision:</b>	Moved - Cr Gaedtke	Seconded - Cr Choat
	"THAT the report be received and the contents noted."	
		<i><u>Carried</u></i>

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Green Army Team Application and Deployment</b>
<b>File Ref:</b>	<b>Environmental Management - Programs - Land Management and Conservation - Green Army Program</b>
<b>Action Officer:</b>	<b>NRMO</b>

### **Background/Summary**

The Green Army program is a Federal Government initiative (Department of Environment) that supports youth aged 17-24 to gain practical, hands-on, environmental experience and training at projects located throughout Australia. Somerset Regional Council has successfully hosted 1 Green Army team in round 3 of the program, delivering successful project outcomes at Vernor and Wivenhoe Pocket.

Applications for round 5 of the Green Army program are currently open, seeking applications for a specific project, or a program of projects over a number of years. Somerset Regional Council has the opportunity to make application directly to the program, and/or participate in a collaborative bid being tendered by the Council of Mayors, South East Queensland (CoMSEQ), focussed on waterways improvement (to align with the Resilient Rivers Initiative).

Each team deployment (6 months) is nominally associated with project material funding of approximately \$10,000 per team (subject to eligibility). Project particulars are guided by a service provider appointed by the Federal Government to deliver the Green Army programs throughout Australia. Conversation Volunteers Australia (CVA) (the provider for the previous Somerset Council deployment) has been consulted to formulate this proposal.

Outlined below is a synopsis of the proposed Somerset Regional Council applications (including Council of Mayors SEQ collaborative submission), deployment locations, and project activities:

### **Somerset Regional Council application**

#### **1. Esk Deployment – 2 teams (6 month deployments) 2016-19**

*Sandy Creek, Redbank Creek, Francis Street site/s*

- Sandy Creek and Redbank Creek weed removal program, and selective revegetation (South Street to Brisbane Valley Highway);
- Rehabilitation of Creekbank on Council freehold land adjacent to Esk Flying Fox Roost (Francis Street), including picnicking opportunity, trackwork, interpretive signage, mulch, selective planting, bollards along boundary;
- Selective planting around overland flowpath/swale (through Francis Street site);
- Consider future park dedication (subject to council decision) – signage install, event.

*Mount Glenrock reserve site*

- Undertake weed control sweep through Mount Glenrock (proposed recreation sites);
- Undertake a rubbish removal sweep through Mount Glenrock site/s;
- Participate in the development of the Mount Glenrock recreation sites (subject to timing and approval/s);
- Maintain all over period of deployment.

Project funded materials requested: ~ **\$18,500**

#### **2. Toogoolawah Deployment – 2 teams (6 month deployments) 2016-19**

- Undertake Weed management and rehabilitation of vegetation across the Condensery site;
- Provide maintenance/assistance to Koala Corridor project (Brisbane Valley Landcare Project - if successful);
- Undertake select plantings as appropriate;
- Construct and install picnic facilities in strategic locations across site;
- Consider installation of access track/s through site to specific facilities and destinations;
- Construct boardwalk and minor bridges in specific location/s;
- Consider teams contribution/s to an interpretive sculpture (legacy) facilitated by appropriate person (to align with Condensery);
- Maintain all over period of deployment.

Project funded materials requested: ~ **\$22,000**

#### **3. Kilcoy Deployment – 3 teams (6 month deployments) 2016-19**

- Kilcoy Creek weed removal program, and selective revegetation (Taylor Street to Yowie Park);
- Maintenance and assist next stage of Yowie Park corridor planting/s in association with Brisbane Valley Kilcoy Landcare;
- Undertake mass planting between Seib Street and Kilcoy Creek (~3ha);
- Install fencing to control stock in planting plot (east of Seib Street);
- Apply mulch in select planting areas;
- Construct Bird Hide – to agreed spec (facilitated oversight);
- Maintain all over period of deployment.

Project funded materials requested: ~ **\$29,000**

#### **4. Jimna Deployment 2 Teams (6 month deployments) 2016-19**

- Yabba Creek weed removal program, and selective revegetation (Jimna township reach – Council Lands);
- Consider installation of picnic facilities in strategic locations across site;
- Apply Mulch to selective plantings as required;
- Construct access steps to Yabba Creek (Persimmon Park);
- Construct viewing platform (Persimmon Park);
- Construct track along Yabba Creek (Jimna township reach – Council Lands);
- Maintain all over period/s of deployment.

Project funded materials requested: ~ **\$23,500**

Summary – Somerset Application to Green Army for X teams, at 4 sites, over 3 years.

### **Council of Mayors application**

#### **1. Fernvale deployment – 3 teams (6 month deployments) 2016-19**

##### *Fielding Road Reserve Site*

- Provide maintenance to existing Koala fodder plantation;
- Install landscape plantings and native gardens through the centre of the site
- Construct and install picnic facilities in centre of site;
- Formalise access track to the river for canoe launch – install board and chain on gradient/s;
- Undertake weed management and rehabilitation of riparian vegetation;
- Maintain all over period of deployment.

##### *Shines Road Reserve Site*

- Provide maintenance to existing Koala fodder plantation and koala offset planting;
- Construct and install picnic facilities adjacent to carpark;
- Formalise access track to the river for canoe access – install retained dirt/sleeper steps, board and chain on gradients, and appropriate surface aggregate;
- Undertake weed management and rehabilitation of vegetation across the site;
- Remove old fencing;
- Maintain all over period of deployment.

Project funded materials requested: ~ **\$30,000**

### Council Commitment/s and matching

The following costs/concessions may be incurred subject to each of the applications above being funded. Certain elements, such as engaging third party contractors are not eligible for Green Army funding.

- Natural Resource Management Officer Time (~20-30%);
- Deliver (Council or Contractor) recycled mulch (from Somerset refuse facilities). Estimated 800 cubic metres over 3 years;
- Periodically facilitate removal of waste materials from work sites as required;
- Periodic slashing of sites as required. Contractor or slasher operator costs;
- Engage a machine contractor/s to undertake site preparation works as required;
- Estimated 30 hours @ \$100/Hour over 3 years - \$3,000;
- Engage a tree contractor to assist with larger vegetation treatments. Estimated 20 Days @ \$800/day over 3 years - \$16,000.

### Summary

The program of projects outlined (refer Attachment 1) entail a total of \$123,000 worth of project materials, and approximately 105,600 participant hours across 5 sites in the Somerset Region over the 3 years of deployment. Somerset Council will incur some costs to facilitate the successful deployment of the Green Army teams in our region, estimated to be approximately \$10-15,000 per annum.

### Attachments

Attachment 1 - Somerset Regional Council - Green Army Deployment Proposal 2016-19

### Recommendation

THAT Council support the submissions to the Federal Green Army Program as outlined.

<b>Decision:</b>	Moved - Cr Hall	Seconded - Cr Whalley
	"THAT Council support the submissions to the Federal Green Army Program as outlined."	
		<u>Carried</u>

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Stage 3 Planting, Yowie Park, Kilcoy</b>
<b>File Ref:</b>	<b>Environmental Management - Programs - Land Management and Conservation</b>
<b>Action Officer:</b>	<b>NRMO</b>

### Background/Summary

Over recent years, Brisbane Valley Kilcoy Landcare have been progressively facilitating/ implementing a corridor planting along the western boundary of the Yowie Park (including SEQ Water lease land) at Kilcoy. Please refer to the *Yowie Park Map*, Attachment 1, for details of the corridor location, and previous stages completed.

The plantings undertaken to date have been very successful, with great plant survival rates, excellent community and school/s involvement in the 2 stages of planting already established, and more recently, nominated as a finalist in the 2016 Healthy Waterways awards for this initiative.

This report outlines 3<sup>rd</sup> stage of planting, which would provide the final vegetative/wildlife corridor linkage to Kilcoy Creek (which runs along the southern boundary of the Council lease land). This planting would also include the associated enhancement of the lagoon and island in this location to create bird habitat. Further future enhancements, such as a bird hide, and improvements to the existing (adjacent) Kilcoy Creek bank vegetation, have been incorporated in a (proposed) Green Army Program submission, and could complement the corridor planting and habitat enhancement outlined at a later date, subject to funding.

A plan of the proposed work is outlined in the *Yowie Park – Stage 3 Planting Plan*, Attachment 2. The following table broadly outlines elements of the planting project, including preparatory works and materials

Material/task	Estimated Cost	Estimated Project Cost
Site Preparation (spraying, weed tree treatment)	\$55/hour	\$440
~ 1100 Plants	\$1.90/plant	\$1,900
Guards and Stakes (not required for reeds and rushes)	\$1.85/plant (300 plants)	\$555
Fertiliser and soil improver	\$1/plant	\$1,000
Sugar cane mulch	\$2.20/plant	\$2,200
Freight costs	\$500	\$500
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$6595</b>

As the planting would occur on land that Somerset Council leases from SEQ Water, permission is required to undertake works of this nature. Please refer to Attachment 3, *SEQ Water Letter*, outlining no objection to the planting proceeding as outlined.

It is anticipated that the majority of the planting will be undertaken by the community in a facilitated event, or series of events coordinated by Brisbane Valley Kilcoy Landcare, with support from SEQ Water, SEQ Catchments, Somerset Regional Council, and other invited stakeholders.

Brisbane Valley Kilcoy Landcare currently undertakes the maintenance of stages 1 and 2 of the corridor plantings, and it is anticipated that a similar arrangement would continue for the ongoing maintenance of the works outlined in the stage 3 proposal.

Should an application to the Green Army Program be approved by Council, and subsequently be successful in achieving grant funding, then the 3 Green Army team deployments (6 months each) anticipated for the Kilcoy region will assist with maintenance tasks within the Yowie Park Corridor, and undertake possible enhancements associated with these works over the 2016-19 period.

#### Attachments

Attachment 1 - Yowie Park Map  
Attachment 2 - Yowie Park - Stage 3 Planting Plan  
Attachment 3 - SEQ Water Letter

#### Recommendation

THAT the Yowie Park – Stage 3 Planting is supported to proceed within existing Natural Resource Management budget allocation, in respect of the collaborative arrangements outlined.

<b>Decision:</b>	Moved - Cr Whalley	Seconded - Cr Brieschke
	<p>"THAT the Yowie Park – Stage 3 Planting is supported to proceed within existing Natural Resource Management budget allocation, in respect of the collaborative arrangements outlined."</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>Carried</u></p>	

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Financial reports</b>
<b>File Ref:</b>	<b>Financial management - meetings - monthly financial statements</b>
<b>Action Officer:</b>	<b>MFIN</b>

### Background/Summary

#### Financial reports

Monthly financial reports for the period 1 July 2015 to 30 May 2016 are attached in accordance with section 204 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 including comments in respect of performance against budget.

#### Grants

Council is awaiting the outcomes of submitted applications under National Stronger Regions Fund round 3 for 49% funding towards the replacement of Pryde Creek Bridge near Fernvale (\$1.3M) and for Apple Tree Creek Bridge east of Toogoolawah (\$0.8M) and an application for 50% funding towards a \$0.8M widening of the western section of Gregors Creek Road under the Australian Government's Heavy Vehicle Safety and Productivity Programme.

Council is awaiting the outcomes of submitted expressions of interest for funding towards a \$0.4M expansion of Lowood Recreation Complex (State Get Playing Plus program) and funding towards a \$0.7M upgrade to Fielding Road Reserve (State Building Our Regions program). These are the first stages of two-stage application processes.

#### Rates

Rates are issued in six monthly cycles. Overdue rates were contained as follows:

- \$1.53 million – 30 November 2015
- \$1.88 million – 30 May 2016

Council issued 21 notices of intention to sell land for overdue rates or charges totalling \$132,740 on 23 May 2016. As at 30 May 2016, two of these actions had ceased following full payment. \$120,066 was owed in total by the remaining 19 owners.

#### Contract matters

To assist compliance with section 237 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, Council has potentially entered into purchase contracts for a value greater than \$200,000 (exclusive of GST) as indicated in the attached payments listing including as follows:

- A and M Civil Contracting Pty Ltd - \$401,500 – contract park construction services - payment 31554
- SRS Roads Pty Ltd - \$249,200 - road making material/ services - payment 31845
- A and M Civil Contracting Pty Ltd - \$231,000 - contract park construction services - payment 31829

Councillors have previously requested a full listing of payments made by Council since the previous report. This information is not provided pursuant to any legal requirement.

### Road maintenance detail

Councillors have previously requested additional information about road maintenance:

	<b>Rural (\$000's)</b>	<b>Urban (\$000's)</b>	<b>Total (\$000's)</b>
Bitumen road maintenance	544	223	767
Gravel road maintenance	1,858	146	2,004
Roadside drainage	359	110	469
Culvert maintenance	55	-	55
Vegetation maintenance	307	215	522
Traffic furniture	138	36	174
Linemarking	13	18	31
Total actual year to date	3,274	748	4,022
Expected pro-rata budget year to date	3,693	488	4,181
Variance - favourable / (unfavourable)	\$419 k	(\$260) k	\$159 k

Council's ten most costly road segments for maintenance this financial year to date are:

Esk Crows Nest (gravel) Ch 26190 - Ch 34160	\$62,617
Monsildale Rd (gravel) Ch 1630 - Ch 31270	\$55,990
Esk Crows Nest R (bitumen) Ch 5720 - Ch 15180	\$55,356
Mt Stanley Rd (bitumen) Ch 0 - Ch 7420	\$46,333
Westvale Rd (gravel) Ch 1340 - Ch 13550	\$40,387
Western Branch (gravel) Ch 14050 - Ch 27110	\$37,717
Mt Byron Rd (gravel) Ch 2020 - Ch 15370	\$35,023
Ivory Creek Rd (gravel) Ch 7400 - Ch 12300	\$33,893
Hallings Rd (gravel) Ch 0 - Ch 1410	\$33,583
Gregors Creek Rd (bitumen) Ch 0 - Ch 4750	\$31,690
Subtotal most costly ten road segments	\$432,589

### Attachments

Operating reports, statement of balances, cash flows and equity movements, capital works report, summary of largest 70 payments to payees and detailed listing of payments

### Recommendation

THAT the reports including payments presented totalling \$17,482,097.95 be received.

### Decision:

Moved - Cr Choat

Seconded - Cr Whalley

"THAT the reports including payments presented totalling \$17,482,097.95 be received."

Carried

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Investment limits - June and July 2016</b>
<b>File Ref:</b>	<b>Financial management - banking and investments</b>
<b>Action Officer:</b>	<b>MFIN</b>

**Background/Summary**

Council's investment policy effectively requires that at least 10% of available funds less \$1 million is invested through the Queensland Treasury Corporation's (QTC) Pooled Cash Management Fund.

This is a government-guaranteed high interest rate at-call facility.

QTC has advised however that due to a system upgrade, it will be unable to accept investments into or withdrawals from the pooled cash fund during the period 20 June 2016 to 4 July 2016.

Council has therefore sought alternative at-call investment facilities for this time. A temporary relaxation of the investment policy is sought to allow an alternative at-call facility to be used during the QTC outage period.

**Attachment**

Investment policy extract

**Recommendation**

THAT the investment policy requirement limiting total investments with AA (minus) or higher rated financial institutions be not applied during the period Friday 17 June 2016 to Tuesday 5 July 2016 because of a system outage flagged by Queensland Treasury Corporation around this time and that at-call investments through a National Australia Bank Professional Funds Account or similar be condoned during this time notwithstanding the investment policy.

<b>Decision:</b>	Moved - Cr Gaedtke	Seconded - Cr Brieschke
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"THAT the investment policy requirement limiting total investments with AA (minus) or higher rated financial institutions be not applied during the period Friday 17 June 2016 to Tuesday 5 July 2016 because of a system outage flagged by Queensland Treasury Corporation around this time and that at-call investments through a National Australia Bank Professional Funds Account or similar be condoned during this time notwithstanding the investment policy."

Carried

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Schedule of cost recovery fees and other charges 2016/2017</b>
<b>File Ref:</b>	<b>Financial management - fees and charges - setting cost recovery fees</b>
<b>Action Officer:</b>	<b>MFIN</b>

**Background/Summary**

A draft schedule of fees and charges proposed to apply from 1 July 2016 is attached.



The attached draft schedule contains two types of fees:

- Cost-recovery fees for issuing permits, recording a change, seizing property or for providing certain information.
- Other charges including amounts charged under a contract, such as council facility hire charges or disposal of waste at a council refuse and recycling centre.

The draft schedule presented details current charges and calculated proposed percentage changes.

No increase is proposed for standard domestic waste disposal fees at Council refuse and recycling centres.

Changes otherwise reflect expected increases in Council labour costs from July 2016 based on industrial agreements.

Unlike Council rates which can only be set at a budget meeting, cost-recovery fees and other charges can be changed by resolution at any time.

#### Attachments

Draft schedule of cost recovery fees and other charges

#### Recommendation

THAT the attached draft schedule of cost recovery fees and other charges 2016/2017 be adopted minus "for information" columns.

<b>Decision:</b>	Moved – Cr Ogg	Seconded - Cr Choat
	"THAT the attached draft schedule of cost recovery fees and other charges 2016/2017 (Attachment B) be adopted minus 'for information' columns."	
		<u>Carried</u>

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Grazing lease near Kilcoy Showground</b>
<b>File Ref:</b>	<b>Rates and government valuations - notifications - leases</b>
<b>Action Officer:</b>	<b>MFIN</b>

#### Background/Summary

Kilcoy Shire Council resolved as follows on 11 April 2006 in relation to land leased from the State that is described as lot C SP169563:

1. Council is to arrange investigation of the area of land required for the storage ponds to show if they can be located in the preferred lessee's location closer to the racetrack, and relocate them as close to the racetrack as is possible.
2. All holes are to be totally fenced, by Council.
3. All new pipelines are to be within one easement and in one trench if possible.

4. *Council will prepare an agreement which will be binding for the lessee's consideration.*
5. *The easement proposed for new pipelines and public access walkway will be partially fenced for the publicly accessible area to the mutual satisfaction of Council and the lessee.*
6. *If at all practical the above mentioned easement for new pipelines and public access will be redirected around the back of the racetrack (north side) adjoining Sheepstation Creek.*
7. *Council will supply the necessary infrastructure for a stock watering point, and supply, free of charge, water for current lessee's stock.*
8. *Council notes that the lessee has allowed the storage holes to be dug as per conditions provided Council favourably considers the lessee upon expiry of the lease, and Council will make an appropriate notation in its rates system to that effect.*
9. *Council will pay compensation to the lessee which is equivalent to the annual rates for 10 years whilst the lease is in the current ownership. This will be payable annually and reviewed at the end of 10 years."*

The expiration of ten years of rates compensation occurs on 30 June 2016. No undertaking has ever been given by Council about continuing non-charging of rates after ten years. No guidance is provided in any material surrounding this matter as to how compensation is to be reviewed at the end of ten years.

The land occupies 7.257 hectares. The leaseholder is unable to graze on an area of land used as a public walkway as shown in the attached aerial image. Council pays for the supply of treated water on this property (Queensland Urban Utilities account 10619749) in recognition of the leaseholder potentially not having access to a suitable stock watering point on the land.

#### **Attachment**

Aerial image of lease land

#### **Recommendation**

THAT the leaseholder of lot C SP169563 be advised that a review of the compensation by way of non-charging of rates and charges on the property to the leaseholder has been conducted in respect of the Kilcoy Shire Council resolution of 11 April 2006 and it is resolved that standard rates and charges will be levied in respect of the property payable by the leaseholder effective from 1 July 2016.

#### **Decision:**

Moved - Cr Hall

Seconded - Cr Whalley

"THAT the leaseholder of lot C SP169563 be advised that a review of the compensation by way of non-charging of rates and charges on the property to the leaseholder has been conducted in respect of the Kilcoy Shire Council resolution of 11 April 2006 and it is resolved that standard rates and charges will be levied in respect of the property payable by the leaseholder effective from 1 July 2016."

Carried

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Lowood library and Centrelink agency agreement expiry</b>
<b>File Ref:</b>	<b>Council properties - design and construction</b>
<b>Action Officer:</b>	<b>MFIN</b>

### Background/Summary

Lowood library is located in part of a former bank building that was purchased by Council in 2000. The building was not physically altered in order to host Lowood library.

The present Esk library building was completed and opened in 2009.

Kilcoy library was opened in 2010 after Council converted the former Kilcoy Shire chambers/offices into Council's largest library. Kilcoy and Esk libraries were designed by Graham Richardson Associates architects.

Visitor numbers at Council's libraries excluding Toogoolawah library compare to official population figures for relevant catchments as follows:

<b>Statistical area SA2/ library</b>	<b>Statistical area SA2 official population - 2015 (Qld Treasury)</b>	<b>2014/2015 annual library visits reported – per annual report</b>	<b>Annual library visits per capita</b>
Lowood	13,553	48,890	3.61
Kilcoy	5,450	54,099	9.93
Esk	5,002	36,453	7.29
Toogoolawah library	NA	6,665	NA
Somerset total	24,005	146,107	6.09

The Lowood SA2 statistical area includes Fernvale while Esk SA2 includes Toogoolawah.

Library usage as a percentage of catchment population in Kilcoy and Esk is twice that of Lowood. It is considered that the standard of library facilities on offer is a factor in this result.

The Lowood library building at 1-3 Michel Street, incorporated a takeaway tenancy which has been vacant since January 2016 and a Centrelink agent which is operated by Council.

The Centrelink agency agreement terminates at 30 June 2016.

Council first took on this obligation in 2003 when it was considered that there were no alternative operators available to the Australian Government for providing this service in Lowood.

It is now considered that there are alternative Lowood Centrelink agency providers available to the Australian Government.

There is an opportunity to expand and improve Lowood library within the existing Council building, potentially similar to the successful building conversion that created Kilcoy library.

<b>Recommendation</b>
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THAT Council:

- Commission design options and obtain cost estimates for converting the 1-3 Michel Street Lowood building into a single purpose-built library that better reflects the catchment population and authorise the Chief Executive Officer to enter into a contract with Graham Richardson Associates architects for this purpose
- Terminate the Lowood Centrelink agency arrangement at the earliest legal date while confirming that Council is willing to continue conducting this agency up until 12 August 2016 while the relevant Department makes alternative arrangements.
- Confirm that no part of the 1-3 Michel Street Lowood building is available for any permanent or temporary Centrelink, government, community, commercial or other non-Council use after 12 August 2016 except as contractually required as at the date of this resolution.

<b>Decision:</b>	Moved - Cr Whalley	Seconded - Cr Brieschke
<p>"THAT Council:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commission design options and obtain cost estimates for converting the 1-3 Michel Street Lowood building into a single purpose-built library that better reflects the catchment population and authorise the Chief Executive Officer to enter into a contract with Graham Richardson Associates architects for this purpose</li> <li>• Terminate the Lowood Centrelink agency arrangement at the earliest legal date while confirming that Council is willing to continue conducting this agency up until 12 August 2016 while the relevant Department makes alternative arrangements.</li> <li>• Confirm that no part of the 1-3 Michel Street Lowood building is available for any permanent or temporary Centrelink, government, community, commercial or other non-Council use after 12 August 2016 except as contractually required as at the date of this resolution."</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>Carried</u></p>		

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Fernvale sports park opening</b>
<b>File Ref:</b>	<b>Grants - programs - get playing plus</b>
<b>Action Officer:</b>	<b>MFIN</b>

<b>Background/Summary</b>
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Councillors indicated on 25 May 2016 that a Saturday morning official opening for Fernvale Sports Park was preferred.

Council's Communications Coordinator has been liaising with Fernvale State School about the following potential dates:

- 3 September 2016
- 10 September 2016
- 22 October 2016
- 29 October 2016

It is understood that the school principal has been seeking some additional information which will not be available until after the agenda for Council's meeting of 8 June 2016 has been published.

In addition, Council's Communications Coordinator has been sourcing quotations and options for potential permanent entry signage for the park. While no definite supplier has been identified, an additional allocation for this purpose is sought.

### Recommendation

THAT an official opening for Fernvale Sports Park be scheduled for .....

THAT an additional allocation of \$11,000 for permanent entry signage for Fernvale Sports Park be confirmed.

<b>Decision:</b>	Moved - Cr Gaedtke	Seconded - Cr Choat
	<p>"THAT an official opening for Fernvale Sports Park be scheduled for Saturday 3 September 2016.</p> <p>THAT an additional allocation of \$11,000 for permanent entry signage for Fernvale Sports Park be confirmed."</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>Carried</u></p>	

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Rate rebate application</b>
<b>File Ref:</b>	<b>Rates - categorisation</b>
<b>Action Officer:</b>	<b>MFIN</b>

### Background/Summary

The Mayor and the writer met with the owner of L 5 RP211552 on 22 February 2016 regarding a rating matter.

The owner holds the land together with a relative as trustee and is permitted in the document which established the trust to occupy the land for life. This document has been sighted.

The land was categorised as category 1 ("other") from 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016.

An objection against rating categorisation was lodged in February 2016 requesting a change in category to category 13 (urban principal place of residence). The objection was denied on the basis that the land did not meet the definition of a principal place of residence in Council's 2015/2016 revenue statement because of the trust arrangement.

The property owner has now applied for a rebate of rates for difference between the annual rates that applied and the rates that would have applied if the property had been included in category 13.

The application for a rebate of rates is supported in the circumstances.

#### Attachment

Letter from the owner of L 5 RP211552 of 31 May 2016 (with identifying details removed)

#### Recommendation

THAT a rebate of net general rates for difference between the annual rates that were charged and the rates that would have applied if the property had been included in category 13 be granted on the basis of hardship for property 00333-00000-000 L 5 RP211552 for the period 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016.

#### Decision:

Moved - Cr Hall

Seconded - Cr Brieschke

"THAT a rebate of net general rates for difference between the annual rates that were charged and the rates that would have applied if the property had been included in category 13 be granted on the basis of hardship for property 00333-00000-000 L 5 RP211552 for the period 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016."

Carried

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Youth Development Officer Report - May 2016</b>
<b>File Ref:</b>	<b>Community Services - Youth Development - Youth Services</b>
<b>Action Officer:</b>	<b>YDO</b>

#### Background/Summary

The following report contains an overview of the key projects and activities of the youth development officer (YDO) for May 2016 and outlines planned projects and proposals for future youth related projects.

#### Networks, partnerships and local connections

The youth development officer (YDO) continues to liaise with the wider community to discuss and advocate the needs of local young people in the region, and the key issues and projects relevant to the YDO role.

Networks and committees attended, and key engagements:

- Anglicare Southern Queensland
- Ipswich Community Youth Service (ICYS)
- Australian Skateboarding Community Initiative (ASCI)
- Lowood local Aboriginal Elders
- Department of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Partnerships
- Department of Education, Training and Employment
- Challenge Employment and Training
- Evocca College
- Southern Cross Advanced Driving School
- Toogoolawah State High School
- Lowood State High School
- Kilcoy State High School
- Toogoolawah State School
- Esk State School

- Toogoolawah State School
- Harlin State School
- Linville State School
- Lowood State School
- Minden State School
- Kilcoy State School
- Mt Kilcoy State School
- Lowood Police
- Ipswich District Child Protection Unit - QPS
- Queensland Police-Citizens Youth Welfare Association
- Ipswich PCYC
- Lowood Community Action Group
- Ipswich Headspace
- Mercy Family Services
- Kontraband Studios
- Character Builders
- Brisbane Valley Interagency Meeting
- Sunday Creek Environmental Education Centre
- The Change Academy
- Scripture Union Queensland (SU QLD)

### **General activities and key projects undertaken**

A listing of key events and projects with a brief outline summary, please note that there may be other events or activities not included.

- **School holiday program** planning is underway for the June – July 2016 school holiday period. The school holiday program will include a mini-Olympics day in Toogoolawah, a circus tricks day in Lowood, both facilitated by Anglicare Southern Queensland. In addition to skateboarding demonstrations at each of the five skate parks. Kilcoy and Lowood will have movie in the park nights, using an inflatable movie screen and projector borrowed from Toowoomba Regional Council, with community groups selling food and drinks. Somerset Libraries are also running several activities to compliment the school holiday program.
- The YDO put financial support behind the promotion of the **Get Set for Work program, funded by the Queensland Government Skilling Queenslanders for Work Initiative**. The Get Set For Work Program (Certificate II in Hospitality) is being delivered by TAFE South West and ICYS Ipswich Community Youth Service in Lowood. Pending the number of young people who engage and complete this, ICYS would be willing to apply for a second round of funding later in 2016 to deliver the program in Toogoolawah and Kilcoy.
- YDO was invited to be part of the **Ipswich District Child Protection Week Committee**. This involves attending monthly meetings at Yamanto Police Station to assist in preparing annual events pertaining Child Protection Week for the Ipswich District (for Somerset this includes Minden, Fernvale, Lowood, Coominya and surrounding areas). 2016 Child Protection Week will include a symposium at Fernvale State School with book donations gifted to The Pyjama Foundation. (A charity which assists young people subject to Child Protection Orders / foster care with learning and life skills. This month the Committee was presented with the Mission Australia Child Friendly Excellence Award.
- YDO met with high school students to discuss the **power pole art project** (RADF project). Students from the three Somerset high schools are creating designs to

paint on the power poles out the front of their schools, reflecting what it means to live in a rural community. These designs will be painted in their school colours. Professional artists from Kontraband Studios (also known as First Coat) will be facilitating the power pole painting sessions with each school.

- YDO assisted SRO with **Minden and Toogoolawah State Schools' Under 8's Days**, providing a Council presence at these events, engaging students and their families in activities which strengthen their connection with, and education them about, Council.

#### Attachments

N/A

#### Recommendation

THAT the report be received and the contents noted.

<b>Decision:</b>	Moved - Cr Gaedtke	Seconded - Cr Ogg
	"THAT the report be received and the contents noted."	
		<u>Carried</u>

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Kilcoy Showground Reserve Overall Management Committee Meeting - 25 February 2016</b>
<b>File Ref:</b>	<b>Community services - meetings - 2015 - 2016 - Kilcoy Showground Reserve Overall Management Committee - Doc Id. 887797</b>
<b>Action Officer:</b>	<b>MCORP</b>

#### Background/Summary

The meeting of the Committee was held on Thursday, 26 May 2016.

#### Attachments

Meeting Report for Kilcoy Showground Reserve Overall Management Committee Meeting

#### Recommendation

THAT the meeting report for the quarterly meeting of the Kilcoy Showground Reserve Overall Management Committee Meeting held on Thursday, 26 May 2016 be received and noted.

<b>Decision:</b>	Moved - Cr Gaedtke	Seconded - Cr Hall
	"THAT the meeting report for the quarterly meeting of the Kilcoy Showground Reserve Overall Management Committee Meeting held on Thursday, 26 May 2016 be received and noted."	
		<u>Carried</u>



<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Somerset Condensery Gallery Advisory Committee Meeting - 30 May 2016</b>
<b>File Ref:</b>	<b>Community services - meetings - 2015 - 2016 - Somerset Condensery Gallery Advisory Committee - Doc Id. 887816</b>
<b>Action Officer:</b>	<b>MCORP</b>

**Background/Summary**

The meeting of the Committee was held on Monday, 30 May 2016.

**Attachments**

Meeting Report for the Somerset Condensery Gallery Advisory Committee

**Recommendation**

THAT the meeting report of the Somerset Condensery Gallery Advisory Committee Meeting held on Monday, 30 May 2016 be received and the following recommendations endorsed:

- (i) Council to advise that hosting a wedding reception at the Condensery Gallery was not approved as the proposal is not in keeping with the purpose of the building, however there is no objection to photographs being taken from outside the venue.
- (ii) That a first birthday celebration be held for the Condensery Gallery and the Toogoolawah business owners be invited to attend.

<b>Decision:</b>	Moved - Cr Hall	Seconded - Cr Ogg
	"THAT this matter be deferred to the workshop meeting for further discussion."	
	<i>Carried</i>	

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Community Support Advisory Committee</b>
<b>File Ref:</b>	<b>Community services - service provision - Community Support Advisory Committee</b>
<b>Action Officer:</b>	<b>MCORP</b>

**Background/Summary**

Council, at its post-election meeting of 13 April, 2016, resolved to re-establish the Community Support Advisory Committee.

By way of background, Council established this advisory committee to satisfy the requirements of State funding agreements to have a community reference group. This role had previously been provided by the Somerset Community Support Association.

The purpose of the committee included in the terms of reference is:

- to provide advice to Council regarding the determination and monitoring of service delivery priorities to meet the needs of the Somerset community
- to act as the reference point of community engagement for:

- the Somerset Region Neighbourhood Centre service
  - the Lowood Neighbourhood Centre
  - delivery of the Youth Engagement Strategy
- to foster links with State and Federal government departments and agencies, other relevant service providers and the community.

As an advisory committee, there are no delegated powers or decision-making authority. The committee provides recommendations to the Council for decision-making purposes. The committee, to date, has provided two (2) recommendations to Council, one of which was to appoint a replacement member.

In re-establishing the advisory committee, Council needs to consider the following:

- Council will cease to be the service provider for the Lowood Neighbourhood Centre in June 2016
- the new service agreement for the Somerset Neighbourhood Centre service will not require a community reference group, preferring to rely on interagency meetings and mobile hubs for identifying service gaps
- Interagency meetings are well attended by Government departments, and agencies, as well as other service providers
- mobile hubs, youth forums / camps and the like provide direct feedback to Council officers on community needs
- relevant officers report to Council on a monthly basis, providing advice on program delivery and seeking direction on new services / programs.

#### Attachments

Nil

#### Recommendation

THAT the Community Support Advisory Committee not be re-established.

<b>Decision:</b>	Moved - Cr Brieschke	Seconded - Cr Whalley
	"THAT the Community Support Advisory Committee not be re-established."	
		<u>Carried</u>

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Operational Plan 2016 - 2017</b>
<b>File Ref:</b>	<b>Corporate management - planning - Operational Plan</b>
<b>Action Officer:</b>	<b>MCORP</b>

#### Background/Summary

At Council's Ordinary Meeting of 25 May 2011, the Long Term Community Plan, *Somerset Futures*, was adopted. A Corporate Plan for the period 2016 - 2020 has also been adopted by Council.

The budget for the 2016/17 financial year is based on this operational plan.

## Operational Plan

THAT the Somerset Regional Council Operational Plan 2016-2017 be adopted.

<b><i>Decision:</i></b>	Moved – Cr Gaedtko	Seconded - Cr Hall
	<p>“THAT the Somerset Regional Council Operational Plan 2016 - 2017 (Attachment C), be adopted.”</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Carried</i></p>	

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Tender 974 Lease of Commercial Property - Part of Coominya Transfer Station - Lot 154 CSH2118 - 137 Wills Road Coominya</b>
<b>File Ref:</b>	<b>Tender 974 - Lease of Commercial Property - Part of Coominya Transfer Station - 137 Wills Road Coominya - Doc Id. 859146, 885092, 885093, 885094</b>
<b>Action Officer:</b>	<b>MCORP</b>

Council has invited tenders for the commercial lease of part of the Coominya Transfer Station, being Lot 154 CSH2118, located at 137 Will Road, Coominya.

Tenders closed on 19 May, 2016 with the following tenders being received:

<b>Tenderer</b>	<b>Amount (GST incl.) per annum</b>	<b>Proposed Use</b>
Carmic Environmental Services Pty Ltd	Nil	Recycling facilities
Kaine Diverse Group	\$3,600.00	Lockyer Bins operations, including emptying and sorting of bins, storage of recyclables and bins.

Council does not bind itself to accept the highest or any tender.

The subject land is currently included in the Rural Zone of the Somerset Region Planning Scheme.

Both the uses proposed are consistent with the purpose of the Reserve, being refuse disposal.

<b>Attachments</b>
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Nil

<b>Recommendation</b>
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THAT the tender for a commercial lease received from Kaine Diverse Group (Lockyer Bins) in the amount of \$3,600.00 (GST incl.) per annum, for part of Lot 154 CSH2118, be accepted for a three (3) year period, with a further option of two (2) years, to coincide with the contract applicable for the operation of the transfer station, subject to:

- (i) the lease including a condition that the lessee is to pay, or reimburse, the Lessor for all taxes and other outgoings payable in respect of the said premises including rates, electricity, telephone, sewerage, water and cleansing charges during the term of the lease;
- (ii) all costs associated with any subsequent ERA approvals being borne by the Lessee;
- (iii) Kaine Diverse Group successfully receiving an ERA approval for the proposed use; and
- (iv) the Chief Executive Officer be delegated authority to negotiate the dimensions of the lease area contained within Lot 154 CSH2118.

**Decision:**

Moved - Cr Hall

Seconded - Cr Whalley

"THAT the tender for a commercial lease received from Kaine Diverse Group (Lockyer Bins) in the amount of \$3,600.00 (GST incl.) per annum, for part of Lot 154 CSH2118, be accepted for a three (3) year period, with a further option of two (2) years, to coincide with the contract applicable for the operation of the transfer station, subject to:

- (i) the lease including a condition that the lessee is to pay, or reimburse, the Lessor for all taxes and other outgoings payable in respect of the said premises including rates, electricity, telephone, sewerage, water and cleansing charges during the term of the lease;
- (ii) all costs associated with any subsequent ERA approvals being borne by the Lessee;
- (iii) Kaine Diverse Group successfully receiving an ERA approval for the proposed use; and
- (iv) the Chief Executive Officer be delegated authority to negotiate the dimensions of the lease area contained within Lot 154 CSH2118."

Carried

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Vandalism - May 2016</b>
<b>File Ref:</b>	<b>Risk management - risk assessment - Vandalism</b>
<b>Action Officer:</b>	<b>MCORP</b>

### Background/Summary

Council has previously resolved to be informed of incidences of wilful damage and destruction of Council property.

There were no incidents reported during May 2016.

The Vandalism Repair Costs until 31 May 2016 are attached. There were no Insurance Claims relating to Vandalism for the month of May 2016.

### Attachments

Table – Vandalism Repair Costs until 31 May 2016

### Recommendation

THAT the report be received and the contents noted.

<b>Decision:</b>	Moved - Cr Choat	Seconded - Cr Ogg
	"THAT the report be received and the contents noted".	
		<i><u>Carried</u></i>

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Somerset Region Neighbourhood Centre Service Report for the period 1 May - 31 May 2016</b>
<b>File Ref:</b>	<b>Community services - service provision - Community Development</b>
<b>Action Officer:</b>	<b>CDC</b>

### Background/Summary

Activities throughout the month included:

- Volunteers at the Esk Community Connection Point hosted a successful Cuppa and Chat with guest speaker from Healthy Lifestyles Australia on keeping your body healthy and flexible. Fifteen people attended, including seven new attendees from Our House and enjoyed the morning.
- Kilcoy Connects topic this month was on how adoption impacts on domestic violence (being DV prevention month) and only attracted four attendees. It was a very informative session, but quite a heavy topic.
- The CDC helped organise and attended a Family Fun Morning in Yowie Park on 14 May. The event was supported by stall holders including We Rock Child Care, Save the Children mobile playgroup van, the Queensland Police Service, Caboolture and District DV Centre, Mercy Family and Child Connect and Inspirational Connections, as well as myself representing the council. Although the CDC felt that the event was not as successful as had hoped, a number of stall holders felt that it was more successful than previous DV events in Kilcoy.

- The CDC continued to support the Toogoolawah Women's Group. The ladies attended a bee keeping talk by a local bee keeper. The CDC uses the opportunity to inform them of new events coming up in their area. They are a friendly and welcoming group and after the talk they put the finishing touches on their Biggest Morning Tea which was then held on Tuesday 24. That event was very successful and hosted a full house at the Alexandra Hall.
- The CDC attended the informal women's group at Somerset Dam and met up with the local store keeper, who is a contact for disaster management in the area. After discussions, the local Rural Fire Service will hold a bushfire awareness morning in late June and do a reconnaissance of the area in association with this.
- The Community Share Meal took place in Kilcoy again with 35 people attending. Kilcoy County Care came along again as the residents enjoyed the event last month, and they will now make it a regular event on their calendar. Once again there was a wonderful accepting and welcoming atmosphere with residents moving around the tables to mix with many others in the room. Three managerial staff from KPC attended as well as Ashleigh Stevens from Family and Child Connect and Cr Gaedtker.
- Friendly Crafters continued with 9 and 21 attending the two sessions in May. On the 19 May the DV Action Centre came out and held a Star Weaving Workshop. They provided the materials and morning tea. Some of the ladies have continued to make the stars after the event with the aim of having displays locally and contributing to the display at the Commonwealth Games.
- The CDC met with the Harvest Angels in Lowood and explained the requirements for maintaining their hamper distribution service.
- The CDC worked with Lowood resident Col Macnamara to put the finishing touches and promotional material for his Over 65's Info Expo to be held in Lowood on 8 June.
- The CDC worked with Kilcoy local David Matthew and Sue Taylor on the proposed Health Expo for Kilcoy on 24 September.
- The CDC commenced planning for the Teddy Bears Picnic to be held on 10 September in Esk.
- WRAP mental Health workshop commence in Toogoolawah (most residents were from here, so relocated from ECCP to TCCP).
- The CDC met with Snr Const Darren Green around his plan to gain community support from Council, local businesses and community groups regarding saying no to domestic violence. This is now planned on being a whole of region response, with commitment from Esk, Toogoolawah and Lowood police. He is also hoping to meet with the Kilcoy Service shortly.

**Future Planned Events:***For June*

- Esk Community Connection Point - Cuppa and Chat by Ozcare Dementia Advisor on maintaining a healthy brain

- Esk Community Connection Point - Star Weaving Workshop
- Kilcoy Community Connection Point - Kilcoy Connects talk by Graham King on Fire Safety both urban and rural
- Kilcoy Share Meal
- Toogoolawah - Talk by QCOS on energy providers - making an informed choice
- Lowood Over 65's Info Expo

#### Attachments

Nil

#### Recommendation

THAT the report be received and the contents noted.

<b>Decision:</b>	Moved - Cr Brieschke	Seconded - Cr Ogg
	"THAT the report be received and the contents noted."	
		<u>Carried</u>

#### Adjournment of Meeting

The meeting adjourned for morning tea at 10.05am, resuming at 10.30am.

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Minutes - Local Disaster Management Group (18 May 2016)</b>
<b>File Ref:</b>	<b>Governance - reporting - officer reports</b>
<b>Action Officer:</b>	<b>DMO</b>

#### Background/Summary

The Somerset Local Disaster Management Group (LDMG) meets regularly to develop strategies to respond to disasters should they occur and to mitigate the effects of disasters on the community wherever possible. The LDMG consists of the following agencies:

- CS Energy
- Department of Communities
- Energex
- Queensland Health (Esk and Kilcoy Hospitals)
- Queensland Ambulance Service
- Queensland Fire and Emergency Services
- Queensland Police
- Queensland Urban Utilities
- SEQWater
- Somerset Regional Council
- Telstra

Meetings are held quarterly, generally held on the third Wednesday of February, May, August and November each year.

Minutes from the May meeting are attached.

#### Attachments

Minutes – Local Disaster Management Group (18 May 2016)

#### Recommendation

THAT the report be received.

<b>Decision:</b>	Moved - Cr Ogg	Seconded - Cr Whalley
	“THAT the report be received.”	
		<u>Carried</u>

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Minutes - Traffic Safety Advisory Committee (18 May 2016)</b>
<b>File Ref:</b>	<b>Governance - reporting - officer reports</b>
<b>Action Officer:</b>	<b>MOPER</b>

#### Background/Summary

The Traffic Safety Advisory Committee met at Esk on 18 May 2016.

#### Attachments

Minutes - Traffic Safety Advisory Committee (18 May 2016)

#### Recommendation

THAT the report be received.

<b>Decision:</b>	Moved - Cr Brieschke	Seconded - Cr Whalley
	“THAT the report be received.”	
		<u>Carried</u>

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Renewal of Term Lease over LOT 241 on CSH1759</b>
<b>File Ref:</b>	<b>Rates and Government Valuations - Notifications - Leases (Road Licence - Permit to Occupy - Stock Grazing Permit) (884599)</b>
<b>Action Officer:</b>	<b>TO</b>

#### Background/Summary

An email has been received from the Department of Natural Resources and Mines, reference 2016/002134, seeking Council's views on renewal of the term lease of 232410 Lot B on CSH2200 for grazing purpose over LOT 241 on CSH1759 locality Braemore.

The term of the lease expires on 20 May 2018. The Department is also looking for Council's view on the following:

- Confirmation that the reserve is still required for its gazetted purpose;
- On expiry of the existing lease, would Council as Trustee be prepared to offer the



current lessee a Trustee Lease or Trustee Permit over the subject area in accordance with Section 57 of the Land Act 1994 and Policy PUX/901/210 – Leases over reserves;

- If entering into a Trustee Lease or Trustee Permit is not an option, Council's views or requirements to the granting of a new Term Lease over the subject area.

The land is presently reserved for camping and water purpose and is presently leased for grazing.

In answer to the Department's questions the following advice is offered:

- the reserve may at sometime in the future still be required for camping and water purposes;
- the Manager Corporate and Community Services would prefer that leasing of this property continue to be under a term lease arrangement direct with the State on the basis that offering a trustee lease raises potential conflict with trustee permits for grazing purposes, for which Council can only offer a three (3) year period, as opposed to the State being able to offer a term of up to 50 years.
- the area should be leased for grazing purposes and be kept free of noxious weeds.

#### Attachments

Smart Map

#### Recommendation

THAT Council advise the Department of Natural Resources and Mines in relation to their reference 2016/002134 the following -

- The reserve may be required in the future for its gazetted purpose.
- Council is not prepared to take over the administration of the leasing of the reserve.
- It has no objection to the further leasing of 241 on CSH1759 for grazing purposes provided it is kept free of noxious weeds.

<b>Decision:</b>	Moved - Cr Hall	Seconded - Cr Brieschke
	<p>"THAT Council advise the Department of Natural Resources and Mines in relation to their reference 2016/002134 the following -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The reserve may be required in the future for its gazetted purpose.</li> <li>• Council is not prepared to take over the administration of the leasing of the reserve.</li> <li>• It has no objection to the further leasing of 241 on CSH1759 for grazing purposes provided it is kept free of noxious weeds."</li> </ul>	

Carried

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Quotation - Larkhill Boundary Road Bridge Replacement</b>
<b>File Ref:</b>	<b>Corporate Management - Tendering - Quotations</b>
<b>Action Officer:</b>	<b>WM</b>

**Background/Summary**

A request for quotation was sought under Local Buy Contract BUS244-1013 – Civil Construction and Road Resurfacing, from five suppliers for the replacement of the existing timber bridge on Larkhill Boundary Bridge.

Quotations closed on Thursday 19 May 2016 with three submissions received from the five suppliers, ranging in value from \$701,878.11 to \$804,880 for the replacement of Larkhill Boundary Bridge. All figures within this report are exclusive of GST.

The quotations have come within the estimated construction cost. Larkhill Boundary Bridge is funded under the Bridge Renewal Program No 2.

**Quotation Conformance**

All Quotations were considered conforming.

**Quotation Evaluation**

Evaluation of quotations was completed by a quotation assessment team consisting of Council's Works Manager, Andrew Johnson, and technical staff from GHD Engineers, Paul Henderson and Michael Matthey. The assessment criteria was made available to suppliers with the request for quotation with the criteria consisting of price, track record and experience, methodology and project delivery, and safety and quality.

**Conforming Quotation Discussion**

The two highest ranked conforming suppliers, Ark Construction Group Pty Ltd (ACG) and CPM Group Pty Ltd (CPM), were further considered to establish the suitability of their offers.

*Ark Construction Group Pty Ltd*

ACG has the past experience, knowledge and resources to fulfill this contract and have successfully built several bridges within the Somerset Region. ACG offered the lowest quotation for the bridge being \$701,878.11

*CPM Group Pty Ltd*

CPM has the past experience, knowledge and resources to fulfill this contract and have successfully built several bridges within the Somerset Region. However, the CPM quote was \$739,754.23 which is \$37,876.12 dearer than ACG and when considering other assessment criteria, the quote offered by CPM does not offer any noticeable advantages over the ACG quotation.

All suppliers offered a discount should square driven piles be used in lieu of octagonal driven piles as specified. The values of the discounts from the two highest ranked suppliers were \$12,000 from ACG and \$30,000 from CPM. An assessment was performed of this alternative offer and GHD bridge designers have confirmed that square piles in this instance will not meet the design parameters of the bridge. Hence, this alternative offer was no longer considered.

Based on the quotation assessment, the quotation submitted by Ark Construction Group Pty Ltd is the highest ranked supplier and is considered to offer Council the best value for

money for the replacement of Larkhill Boundary Road Bridge.

#### Attachments

Nil

#### Recommendation

THAT the quotation for the replacement of Larkhill Boundary Road Bridge be awarded to Ark Construction Group Pty Ltd for the cost of \$701,878.11 (Excl GST).

<b>Decision:</b>	Moved - Cr Hall	Seconded - Cr Brieschke
	<p>"THAT the quotation for the replacement of Larkhill Boundary Road Bridge be awarded to Ark Construction Group Pty Ltd for the cost of \$701,878.11 (Excl GST)."</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>Carried</u></p>	

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>BVRT Installation of Grid / Gate combinations</b>
<b>File Ref:</b>	<b>Economic development - projects - rail trails</b>
<b>Action Officer:</b>	<b>DDE</b>

#### Background/Summary

Council has received correspondence requesting that the existing gates across the BVRT in the Fernvale Lowood section be replaced with grid/gate combinations (see attached photos).

Before the construction of the Forest Hill-Fernvale Road, on its current alignment, the blocks on the northern side of the Old Fernvale Road ran through to the Brisbane River. The creation of the new main road split these blocks in two. As part of the construction of the new road the Department of Transport and Main Roads (DTMR) created new fencing and some under road stock crossings.

There has been some change in ownership over the years and it is not clear when this occurred. However, at the time the rail corridor was developed into a trail it is understood that Lot 1 CC1655 (river block) was owned by the daughter of the original owner and her husband and the Lot 3 RP28880 (southern block) was owned by the husband's father. At that time the son was running stock on both blocks.

As part of the creation of the Fernvale-Lowood trail, Council installed the fencing in its current configuration. The ownership of the southern block has now moved to the son and he continues to run stock on both blocks. I have investigated the current use arrangements and have been advised that the stock travels between the blocks frequently as there is dry pasture and a dam on the southern block and irrigated improved pasture on the river block.

Options Council may wish to consider would be:

- Leave the current arrangement until usage of the trail increases and the effectiveness of the existing new grid/gate combinations can be assessed.
- Install 2 x Grid/Gate combinations at an estimated cost of \$5,000.
- Install a stock culvert to remove the need for the double gate, estimated cost \$10,000.
- Redesign the current gate arrangement to provide priority to trail users, estimated

cost \$5,000. It is understood this option is not supported by the current owner as it would require a change to his current stock management practice.

- Formalise the current track around the fenced area, estimate cost \$1,000 for a simple gravel surface.

The installation of the grid/gate combination is an easily installed modification, however there has been comment around their safety should they not be used as designed.

It is noted that negotiations are currently underway concerning the future operation of the BVRT. It is also noted that modifications of this sort of arrangement that restricts free access to the trail may be eligible for funding under some State or Federal programmes.

Council may consider it appropriate to take no action at this time, until the new arrangements are known and until the effectiveness of the units can be assessed in their current location.

### Attachments

Photos of Grid/Gate combinations already installed at other locations on the trail.

### Recommendation

THAT Council take no action at this time with a view to referral of the matter to the new rail trail management entity once it is established.

FURTHER THAT should a funding source be identified prior to this action being taken then Council authorises the lodgement of a funding application for the installation of a culvert type stock crossing.

### Decision:

Moved - Cr Whalley

Seconded - Cr Hall

“THAT Council install a culvert for cattle movement at this location.”

Carried

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Community Assistance Grants - Somerset Excellence Bursary - 2015 - 16 - Isaiah Armstrong - Ravula - Doc Id 887540</b>
<b>File Ref:</b>	<b>Community Relations - Sponsorships - Somerset Excellence Bursaries</b>
<b>Action Officer:</b>	<b>MHRCS</b>

### Background/Summary

Council has received an application for financial assistance from Stephen Armstrong, on behalf of his son Isaiah from Fernvale. Isaiah has been selected as a member of the 11-12 years boys Metropolitan West Rugby League team and has been invited to attend the State Championships being held in Runaway Bay, 23 June – 28 June 2016.

Isaiah was the recipient of a Regional Level grant in July 2015. He was a member of the 11 years and under Metropolitan West team and attended the Rugby League State Championships in Rockhampton.

This application is considered as part of the Community Assistance Grant Policy which provides for a payment of \$100 for Regional Level representation.

<b>Attachments</b>
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Nil

<b>Recommendation</b>
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THAT Council approve the application as summarised in this report and grant a Regional Level Sporting Excellence grant of \$100 to Stephen Armstrong, on behalf of his son Isaiah Armstrong - Ravula, who has been selected as a member of the 11-12 years boys Metropolitan West Rugby League team and has been invited to attend the State Championships being held in Runaway Bay, 23 June – 28 June 2016.

**Decision:**

Moved – Cr Hall

Seconded - Cr Choat

"THAT Council approve the application as summarised in this report and grant a Regional Level Sporting Excellence grant of \$100 to Stephen Armstrong, on behalf of his son Isaiah Armstrong - Ravula, who has been selected as a member of the 11-12 years boys Metropolitan West Rugby League team and has been invited to attend the State Championships being held in Runaway Bay, 23 June - 28 June 2016."

Carried

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Queensland Urban Utilities - Central SEQ Distributor-Retailer Participation Agreement</b>
<b>File Ref:</b>	<b>Government relations - utilities departments liaison - 2015-2016 - QUU - Queensland Urban Utilities</b>
<b>Action Officer:</b>	<b>CEO</b>

<b>Background/Summary</b>
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In accordance with the *Central SEQ Distributor-Retailer Participation Agreement (s.14.1)*, Queensland Urban Utilities is required by to prepare a five year Corporate Plan each year which is to be approved by special majority of participants.

Queensland Urban Utilities' updated Corporate Plan ("the Plan") for 2016/17 to 2020/21 is attached for approval.

The Plan has been developed using a strategic planning framework endorsed by the Australian Institute of Company Directors, which also includes consideration of shareholders' aspirations gathered from strategic plans and related documents, and ongoing engagement with Shareholders.

Queensland Urban Utilities' purpose and vision remain unchanged. The strategic pillars, which provide focus to what Queensland Urban Utilities' needs to achieve and where it needs to improve, have been adjusted as follows:

- Customers has been changed to **Customers and Communities** to reflect the relationship between them.
- Shareholders and Communities has been changed to **Shareholders and Strategic Stakeholders** to reflect the influence they will have on Queensland Urban Utilities achieving its objectives and strategies.

The Operational Excellence and People strategic pillars remain unchanged, and like all pillars, have been updated to reflect Queensland Urban Utilities' objectives and strategies for 2021.

The strategic success measures under each strategic pillar remain largely unchanged, except for:

- the inclusion of *First Call Resolution* (Customers and Communities) to reflect the importance we place on our customers' experience when they contact our Contact Centre, and
- *Greenhouse gas emissions* (Operational Excellence) replacing *Energy generated from waste* as a clearer reflection of our environmental aspirations and to align Queensland Urban Utilities' with local, national and international peers and entities.

Queensland Urban Utilities' five year financial forecasts have been updated, based on updated challenges, assumptions and statistics, and planned capital investment. They also updated in consideration of the expected outcomes of the objectives and strategies within the strategic pillars.

Finally, Queensland Urban Utilities' strategic risk, which are the risks that will prevent them from achieving our purpose and vision, have been updated consider external opportunities and threats and internal strengths and weaknesses from their SWOT analysis, as well as the objectives and strategies within the strategic pillars.

#### Attachments

Queensland Urban Utilities' updated Corporate Plan ("the Plan") for 2016/17 to 2020/21

#### Recommendation

THAT Council approve the draft 2016 - 21 Corporate Plan for Queensland Urban Utilities (Attachment D).

<b>Decision:</b>	Moved - Cr Hall	Seconded - Cr Ogg
	"THAT Council approve the draft 2016 - 21 Corporate Plan for Queensland Urban Utilities (Attachment D)."	
	<u>Carried</u>	

<b>Subject:</b>	<b>CEO Performance Evaluation Committee</b>
<b>Action Officer:</b>	<b>CEO</b>

#### Closed session

<b>Decision:</b>	Moved - Cr Hall	Seconded - Cr Whalley
	"THAT Council move into a closed session to discuss a contractual matter."	
	<u>Carried</u>	

**Decision:** Moved - Cr Hall Seconded - Cr Whalley

"THAT Council move out of the closed session and that the meeting be once again open to the public."

Carried

**Decision:** Moved – Cr Gaedtke Seconded - Cr Choat

"THAT the confidential report of the CEO's performance evaluation Committee be adopted and that the Mayor be authorised to make the appropriate changes to the CEO's contract of employment."

Carried

#### Meetings authorised by Council

##### **Pest Management Forum – Sunshine Coast**

Cr Hall requested authorisation attend the Pest Management Forum Sunshine Coast, July 2016.

**Decision:** Moved – Cr Ogg Seconded - Cr Choat

"THAT Crs Choat, Brieschke and Hall be authorised to attend the Pest Management Forum at the Sunshine Coast in July 2016"

Carried

##### **Healthy Waterways Gala Dinner – 8 July 2016**

**Decision:** Moved – Cr Ogg Seconded - Cr Whalley

"THAT the Mayor and Cr Brieschke be authorised to attend the Healthy Waterways dinner in Brisbane on 8 July 2016."

Carried

##### **Australian Local Government Women's Conference – 28 – 29 July 2016**

**Decision:** Moved – Cr Ogg Seconded - Cr Whalley

"THAT Cr Gaedtke be authorised to attend the Australian Local Government Women's Conference on 28 and 29 July 2016."

Carried

**Mayor's and Councillors' Reports****Cr Gaedtke – Councillor's Report****Meetings/Functions attended**

26 May	Kilcoy Showground Reserve Overall Management Committee Meeting
28 May	Kilcoy Hospital Auxiliary Annual Fete & Auction
28 May	Kilcoy Lions Change Over Dinner
29 May	Toogoolawah Local Ambulance Annual Charity Day (Toogoolawah Bowls Club)
30 May	Somerset Senior Citizens Celebrations Event Committee Meeting
30 May	Somerset Condensery Gallery Advisory Committee Meeting
31 May	Kilcoy Interagency Meeting
31 May	Kilcoy Shared Meal
31 May	Kilcoy Refugee Meeting
02 June	Brisbane Valley Heritage Trails Inc. Meeting
04 June	Toogoolawah Show

*Kilcoy Hospital Auxiliary Annual Fete and Auction*

After a chance meeting of a Management member of Metro North Hospital and Health Services and sharing knowledge about the health services and our community, it was suggested that a future meeting between Council and the service should be arranged to exchange ideas and information about health needs in Kilcoy and the surrounding district.

*Kilcoy Lions Change Over Dinner*

Council was well represented at the change over dinner by Cr Hall and myself and we both spent up big with the purchase of auction items. I would like to offer my congratulations to the incoming executive of the Kilcoy Lions Club. (Mr Garry Connell – President; Mrs Ilse Storrie – Secretary; and Mrs Sue Brown – Treasurer.)

*Toogoolawah Local Ambulance Annual Charity Day – Toogoolawah Bowls Club*

Both John and I shared a fun afternoon of bowls at Toogoolawah on Sunday, along with Nicky and Cr Sean Choat. Cr Choat provided a lovely raffle prize and Nicky, Sean and John were lucky (or skilled) enough to be on the teams receiving an overall place. Congratulations to the local groups who organised this fund raising event. It was reported that over \$500 was raised for the local ambulance committee.

*Brisbane Valley Heritage Trails Inc. Meeting*

The committee meeting was once again well attended and many items of business were discussed. I raised the matter of “kicking off” QR apps that could provide historical information about our region. A very renowned historical fact that is based around the ride of Billy Mateer, and the possibility of providing a suitable link to this invaluable piece of history and recent reenactments of the famous ride that took place to alert Brisbane of the severe impending flood waters. I would like to include this initiative on the agenda of the next Tourism Advisory Committee Meeting.

*Toogoolawah Show*

Although we badly need rain, Toogoolawah received a total of around 15ml Friday night, which was enough rain to cancel some events due to safety issues and to make the ground a little damp. I congratulate staff for presenting a very professional and informative stall.

**Cr Whalley – Councillor's Report**

Cr Whalley noted his attendance at -



- Kilcoy Overall Management Committee meeting
- Kilcoy race meeting very successful
- The Condensery meeting on 30 May 2016
- Neighbourhood watch meeting Glamorganvale

### **Cr Choat – Councillor's Report**

#### **Former Mayor John Brent Testimonial Dinner 27/05/2016**

Was a pleasure to attend this event with Mayor Lehmann. John gave 40 years' service to local government under both Boonah Shire and Scenic Rim Regional Councils. He is a great bloke and will be missed by many.

#### **Kilcoy Hospital Fete 28/05/2016**

Attended this great event with Cr Hall and Cr Gaedtke. Met many locals and enjoyed the event.

#### **Prenzlau Pride 28/05/2016**

Attended this event to support both the Prenzlau Rural Fire Brigade and the Prenzlau State School. It was yet another terrific event which gets better every year – proud to lend my support.

#### **Lowood RSL Opening of William Patrick Building 28/05/2016**

This project was the culmination of years of work by the dedicated members and committee of the Lowood RSL Branch. This great new facility will ensure the care of returned veterans continues in a modern and well-appointed facility which will also be made available to the community. Always pleased to support Lowood RSL.

#### **Toogoolawah Show Ball 28/05/2016**

My wife Nicky and I were pleased to attend the ball with Cr Brieschke and Mayor Lehmann. The facility was set up very well and looked amazing – was well-attended by locals. A great time was had by all.

#### **Toogoolawah Charity Bowls Day Local Ambulance Committee 29/05/2016**

Attended this great fundraising event with Nicky and our youngest along with Cr Gaedtke and Cr Brieschke. We were made to feel so very welcome and really enjoyed a great afternoon of bowls while raising much needed funds for the Local Ambulance Committee.

#### **Toogoolawah Show 4/06/2016**

Attended the Toogoolawah Show which was a great day with wonderful hospitality from the Committee who put on another great show this year, despite the rain. Manned the Council Stand with Crs Brieschke, Gaedtke and Hall and council staff who together operated a very professional display and engaged well with the crowd. Met some more terrific Somerset residents. Quality entries from the poultry to the beef cattle, produce and cooking. Enjoyed this event.

Congratulations to Ms Petrina Tuite from Council's finance department on winning Toogoolawah Miss Showgirl for 2016.

### **Cr Brieschke – Councillor's report**

26 May            Mobile Hub, Fernvale

27 May	Council of Mayors, Waterways and Environment Committee
28 May	Toogoolawah Show Ball
29 May	Annual Local Ambulance Charity Day, Toogoolawah Bowls Club
30 May	Seniors Week meeting The Condensery Advisory Committee
31 May	Bendigo Bank Business information meeting
2 June	SEQ Regional Plan forum, Shaping SEQ, South Brisbane
3 June	Toogoolawah Show
4 June	Toogoolawah Show

Council's Natural Resource Manager and I attended the COMs, Waterways and environment Committee meeting. Of note: A Pest and Weed questionnaire is being distributed to SEQ Councils to assist in the preparation of report on local pest priorities and associated action plans/eradication strategies to inform the Council of Mayors Board.

Of interest from the Waste Market Development Draft Project was the research into developing agricultural markets for processed organics waste or 'compost'. Trials need to be carried out, but there is potential for industry and councils to engage with growers/grazers from production to use. Officers of member Councils have been invited to participate in the project teams.

I attended the Shaping SEQ forum in South Brisbane last week hosted by Acting Premier, Jackie Trad, Co Design Studio and the Environmental Defenders Organisation. While a lot of the ideas put forward were centered on improving current city living, there was an emphasis on providing recreation space in new housing developments as they are built rather than waiting for them to be finished.

The Environmental Defenders organization spoke of the demise of the SEQ Koala population and announced they will be calling for the communities ideas on environmental matters and advised to watch for the consultation process on their website in the coming months.

The Toogoolawah Show went ahead with fine weather on Friday and a dismal rainy start on Saturday, thankfully this broke and attendance increased towards midday.

I would like to congratulate the Show Society on their presentation of the 2016 event.

Of the exhibits I would have to say I enjoyed the Dog Show's return to Toogoolawah and hope this continues as an annual event.

Esk Community Reference Group (Esk Hospital) group and all these groups have been disbanded and new members called for. Orientation day will be in Ipswich next Wednesday for a new reference groups, which would last about 2 – 3 years.

### **Cr Hall – Councillor's Report**

Tuesday 31 May 2016 on behalf of the Mayor attended the Toogoolawah School Under 8's day. It was a good day.

Kilcoy Country Care - the next meeting will be the last meeting, and it will then be taken over by Anglicare.

<b>Decision:</b>	Moved - Cr Gaedtke	Seconded - Cr Whalley
	"THAT the written and verbal reports of Cr Gaedtke, Cr Whalley, Cr Choat, Cr Brieschke and Cr Hall be received and the contents noted."	
		<u>Carried</u>

**Receipt of Petition**

Nil

**Consideration of notified motions**

Nil

**Reception of notices of motion for next meeting**

Nil

**Items for reports for future meetings**

Nil

**Closure of Meeting**

<b>Summary</b>	There being no further business, the Mayor, Cr Graeme Lehmann closed the meeting at 11.20am.
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## **Attachment A**

**Attachment B**

## **Attachment C**

## **Attachment D**