



Somerset

REGIONAL COUNCIL

Minutes of Ordinary Meeting Held Wednesday 12 October 2016

*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 J McClear	(Trainee Tourism / Communications)

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Opening of Meeting

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

Leave of Absence

Nil

Confirmation of Minutes

Decision	Moved – Cr Ogg	Seconded – Cr Choat
	<p>“THAT the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 28 September 2016 as circulated to all Members of Council be confirmed”.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>Carried</u></p>	

Business arising out of minutes of previous meeting

Nil

Matters of Public Interest**Cr Gaedtke – Matters of Public Interest**

Cr Gaedtke highlighted the following -

13 October	Kilcoy Historical Society Monthly Meeting
14 October	Stage III Plantings at Yowie Park, Kilcoy
15 October	Kay Avery Bowls Day, Kilcoy
15 October	Bad Moms Night, Toogoolawah
16 October	140 th Anniversary Trinity Lutheran Church Lowood
16 October	Bollywood - The colours, The music, The dance, Kilcoy RSL
25 October	Interagency Meeting, Kilcoy
25 October	Toogoolawah High School Annual Awards
26 October	Lowood High School Annual Presentation Night

Cr Whalley – Matters of Public Interest*Lowood Stags presentation day*

Cr Whalley noted his attendance at the Lowood Stags presentation day. Cr Whalley congratulated the Lowood Stags on putting on a well run day, which he thought was one of the smoothest functions they have had. Cr Whalley also congratulated all the teams won premierships from the Stags Juniors Club.

Relay for Life event - Kilcoy - 1 and 2 October 2016

Cr Whalley congratulated all the organisers of this year's Relay for Life Event held at Kilcoy over the weekend of 1 and 2 October 2016, noting that it was a wonderful function and full kudos to everyone for the money they raised.

Cr Choat – Matters of Public Interest

Cr Choat reminded everyone that snakes are very active at the moment and encouraged everyone to be aware and to be careful.

Cr Brieschke – Matters of Public Interest

15 October Ladies Night at Toogoolawah Pictures in aid of Toogoolawah Kindergarten, screening of 'Bad Mom's'. Tickets - \$25
20 October Mobile Hub at Eagle Rise Estate

Subject:	Planning and Building Services Monthly Report - September 2016
File:	Governance - Reporting - Officer Reports
Action Officer:	DPAD, SP, BS, PI

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 September 2016.

NATURAL SOMERSET

In response to community representations Council agreed at its last meeting in September 2016 to review the vegetation clearing provisions in Council's new planning scheme.

VIBRANT SOMERSET

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

WELL PLANNED SOMERSET

Preparations for the introduction of the new State Planning legislation in 2017 continued.

Planning Development Applications

During the month (11) Development Applications were received, below the number of applications during the same month in the previous year. Details form part of the attachments.

Building Development Approvals

A total of forty-three (43) building approvals were issued in the region for August 2016. This is up on the July total of thirty-two (32). The percentage of 'Council approved' building applications is 20.9% of all building approvals for the month of August 2016.

Plumbing Compliance Permits and Inspections

The number of plumbing and drainage approvals for September 2016 was 9; this figure is a 25% decrease on the figure of 12 for August 2015.

The number of treatment plants on Councils register is 1677 of which 51 or 3.04% 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 report be received and the contents noted.

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

Subject:	Natural Resource Management Monthly Report September 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 September 2016.

NATURAL SOMERSET

- Ongoing oversight of Lockyer Creek Restoration Project – Council has negotiated to extend maintenance of the work at Mahons Road to December 2016, beyond the previous contracted finish date of June 2016.
- Ongoing maintenance arrangements for the Koala fodder and offset plantings at Shines Road and Fielding Road reserves.
- Welcomed 4 new properties to the Land for Wildlife program at Mt Kilcoy, Redbank Creek, Sandy Creek, and Biarra.
- Finalisation of an audit and collation of Koala records in the Somerset Region undertaken by Dr Christine Hosking. This report and associated mapping will assist with targeted conservation measures, strategic planning refinement/s, and coordination with State Government initiative/s as they relate to the Somerset Koala populations.
- Continued work with Brisbane Valley Kilcoy Landcare to progress Stage 3 of the Yowie park planting proposal (per "Stage 3 Planting, Yowie Park, Kilcoy" report to Council's Ordinary meeting 8 June 2016). An initial planting took place on 4 August, with approximately 50% of the anticipated planting completed. A further planting with students from Stanley River Environmental Education Centre program/s will take place on 14 October 2016 to complete the works.
- Finalised the delivery of 10 wildlife awareness presentations to schools throughout the Somerset Region across August and September 2016.

- Regular monitoring of the Somerset flying fox roosts at Lowood, Esk, Atkinsons Dam, Linville and Kilcoy:
 - Lowood - Flying foxes remain at this camp as they have all year, in “usual” number – approximately 2-3000.
 - Esk – Flying Foxes have returned in the similar number to last year (excluding the little red flying foxes), and they have occupied the Roost as predicted in-line with vegetation modifications Council facilitated.
 - Kilcoy – Approx 1000 flying foxes have returned to the untreated vegetation on the eastern bank of Kilcoy Creek, adjacent to Kilcoy High School. Council was not able to secure permission to treat this vegetation in the previous program of works undertaken along Kilcoy Creek.
 - Linville – Vacant
 - Atkinsons Dam - Vacant

PROSPEROUS SOMERSET

- Continuing free tree provision arrangement/s with Save Our Waterways Now (SOWN) and Arthur Gorrie Correctional Centre.
- Facilitated the delivery of the 2016 free tree days at Kilcoy, Esk and Fernvale. A total of 5194 trees were distributed at the 3 giveaway events.

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.
- Consideration of options regarding vegetation management in the Somerset Region in respect of existing planning scheme provisions, and for possible inclusion of Matters of Local Environmental Significance (MLES) and an associated local offset program into future review.
- Review of existing planning scheme provisions and definitions relating to vegetation management, and development of draft amendments for Council consideration and discussion.
- 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 septic systems, to align with the Catchment Action Plan actions regarding water quality in the Mid Brisbane Catchment. This project is currently being considered as a possible pilot project under the Mid Brisbane Catchment Action Plan, subject to stakeholder approvals. It is anticipated that a presentation will be available for Councillor consideration later this year.
- Participant in the consideration of DA applications and pre lodgement enquiries as they pertain to the Natural Resource Management Officer role and expertise.

UNITED SOMERSET

- Ongoing liaison with the Department of Environment and Heritage Protection “Walking in the Landscape” series, to produce an interactive catchment Journal, and broader reference applications. Ongoing work includes finalising the elements of the Upper Brisbane and Stanley Catchment summaries. Lockyer and Mid Brisbane Catchment Journals are available for review on the Queensland Government “Wetland-Info” page.
- Ongoing coordination with the Queensland Fire and Emergency Service (QFES) to improve/streamline the approval procedures related to third party burn applications on Council managed lands, and current investigation regarding the use of the State fire application (online web portal) “Redi-Portal” to assess fire risk and enquiry received in the Somerset region.
- Attended the National Flying Fox Forum, 6-7 September, Griffith University.
- Attended the “Bushfire 2016” Conference facilitated by the South East Queensland Fire and Biodiversity Consortium, 28-30 September, University of Queensland.

Attachments

Nil

Recommendation

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

Decision:	Moved – Cr Brieschke	Seconded - Cr Gaedtko
	<p>“THAT the Natural Resource Management Monthly Report for September 2016 be received and the contents noted.”</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>Carried</u></p>	

Subject:	Koala record collation project
File Ref:	Environmental Management - Programs - Wildlife Conservation and Management
Action Officer:	NRMO

Background/Summary

The Somerset Region has long been recognised as an important area of habitat for the vulnerable koala. As the pressures associated with increased areas of development and habitat destruction occur in the Council areas to the east, and there is a potential contraction of the koala species range from the west associated with climatic variability, the longevity of the koala species is increasingly linked to the specific conservation response/s of local governments such as Somerset Regional Council.

As part of a program of continual improvement and refinement of local data, Council engaged University of Queensland koala academic Dr Christine Hosking to undertake a collation of all known koala records pertaining to the Somerset Region, and provide some observations on this synthesis in terms of new and ongoing conservation responses, climatic variables, population pressures, and potential areas of conservation opportunity. This work is

now complete, and the resultant report is provided for Council's review (refer Attachment 1)

The information collected in this report forms an important baseline upon which further koala work (such as new records/sightings) can be added to better inform future conservation and policy decisions. The resultant mapping entailed in the report does show a tendency for records to be more prevalent around Somerset townships, probably associated with survey effort, rather than presence or absence in the landscape. This can be exemplified by the Deongwar State Forest example referenced in the report which demonstrated the presence of a koala population in this more remote forested region, but only through specific survey effort.

As such, it is suggested that a prudent next step may be to undertake specific survey effort across the Somerset region in areas of reduced survey effort, and those areas without records, to confirm presence or absence in the existing landscape, and in due course, utilise this information to better assist targeted conservation measures. Additionally, informal Koala survey/s can be undertaken in association with other events, such as the recent free tree days held across the Somerset region, where residents were invited to fill in a koala survey sighting form. A summary of the survey forms received (with personal details removed) is presented in Attachment 2.

Whilst there is no specific review of existing Council koala conservation measures proposed based on the data entailed in the attachments, building a more comprehensive picture of the koala in the Somerset region does better position Council to consider such revisions as they align to external opportunities, such as a revision of planning scheme provisions and mapping, as required by the impending change to the States "planning" Act, or other State initiatives associated with koala conservation and recent announcements of increased investment into conservation measures.

Notably, Somerset Regional Council has recently been invited to provide a submission to the State Government appointed koala expert panel, whose mandate includes revision of the existing legislative and voluntary conservation management to *"...determine the most appropriate and realistic options to ensure the long-term persistence of koala populations in the wild within South East Queensland."*

In responding to such requests, having access to reliable baseline data is invaluable, as well as displaying a tangible interest in koala conservation manifest by the investment in further study, and data collection. The data contained in the attachments will be utilised to help inform the Somerset Regional Council submission, and possibly prove to be a catalyst for future external investment into conservation measures in the Somerset Region.

Attachments

Attachment 1 – *Koala population distribution and habitat mapping in the Somerset Region* report

Attachment 2 – 2016 Free Tree Day/s Koala survey results

Recommendation

THAT the report and associated attachments are received.

THAT Council undertake a program of targeted survey work to establish koala presence / absence in areas of the Somerset Region with few data records (per Attachment 1), within existing budgetary allocation/s.

THAT Council affirm its willingness to participate fully in the Queensland Government review of koala programs and initiatives, and to provide council officer representation as requested.

Decision:	Moved - Cr Whalley	Seconded - Cr Choat
	"THAT the report and associated attachments are received."	
		<u>Carried</u>

Subject:	Temporary Entertainment Event - Asphalt Demons
File Ref:	Environmental Management - Reports - Environmental Health Reports - Doc Id. 905314
Action Officer:	EHO-PM

Background/Summary

Council has received a temporary entertainment event application to hold a car rally event named "Asphalt Demons 6th Invitational" from Archer Falls Airfield located at 1253 Neurum Road, Mount Archer. The rally is proposed for Saturday 15 October 2016. The event proposed to be operated with gates opening at 8am and running until late, with entertainment concluding at 11pm.

Council regulates this activity through *Local Law No 1 (Administration) 2011*, and *Subordinate Local Law 1.12 (Operation of Temporary Entertainment Events) 2011*.

Assessment of Application

Under section 9 of *Local Law No 1 (Administration) 2011*, Council may grant an approval for an application for a temporary entertainment event only if it is satisfied that:

- (a) if the prescribed activity requires a separate approval under an Act, a law of the Commonwealth or the local government's planning scheme—the separate approval has been granted; and

Officers Comment:

Council's planning and development section has advised that no development approval is required for the proposed one-off event.

- (b) the proposed operation and management of the prescribed activity is adequate to protect public health, safety and amenity and prevent environmental harm; and

Officers Comment:

The applicant has provided an Event Management Plan for the event detailing provisions for public safety and environmental harm. The applicant is also in possession of public liability insurance which covers the event activities. Random breath testing will be in place to ensure no intoxicated persons operate vehicles, along with security presence.

- (c) if the prescribed activity is the commercial use of a local government controlled area or road - the grant of the approval is consistent with the objective of the local government of restriction of the commercial use of local government controlled areas and roads, where such activities are permitted, in recognition of the fact that the activities may otherwise enjoy an unfair commercial advantage over competitive activities conducted from fixed premises in the local government area for which rates and other charges are paid, and to which planning and other regulatory legislation applies;

Officers Comment: Not applicable.

- (d) the proposed operation and management of the prescribed activity would be consistent with any additional criteria prescribed for the activity under a subordinate local law for this paragraph; and

Officers Comment:

Subordinate Local Law No 1.12 (Operation of Temporary Entertainment Events) 2011 prescribes criteria for the proposed activity. An assessment against that criterion is provided below.

- (e) the grant of the approval would be consistent with the purpose of any relevant local law; and

Officers Comment:

The approval would be consistent with the purpose of *Local Law No 1 (Administration) 2011*.

- (f) if the application relates to trust land - the grant of the approval would be consistent with the terms and conditions of the trust; and

Officers Comment:

The event will be held on freehold land.

- (g) if the application relates to a prescribed activity mentioned in section 5(b) - the grant of the approval would be consistent with any requirements or criteria specified in the relevant Local Government Act in relation to the approval.

Officers Comment:

Not applicable.

Additional criteria for the granting of an approval contained in *Subordinate Local Law No 1.12 (Operation of Temporary Entertainment Events) 2011* is listed below:

1. The design and construction of the place of the temporary entertainment event must be safe and appropriate to the nature of the entertainment proposed and the number of people expected to attend the place.

Officers Comment:

The applicant has provided an Event Management Plan for the event detailing provisions for public safety. The estimated attendance to the event is 900 people, with security in place to ensure only approved vehicles and people enter the track area. A coloured armband system will be in place to manage access.

2. Entertainment provided at the place must not unreasonably detract from the amenity of the area in which the entertainment is, or is proposed to be, situated.

Officers Comment:

It is considered that the entertainment does not unreasonably detract from the amenity of the area.

3. Entertainment provided at the place must not generate significant noise, dust or light pollution or other significantly adverse effects on the surrounding neighbourhood.

Officers Comment:

Council has received three complaints regarding events held at the Archer Falls Airfield

since the inception of the Asphalt Demons Invitational in 2010 (one complaint in 2013 post event and two in 2016, one following a different event held in March – and one in September with regards to permissions to hold events at the site following advertisements for the Asphalt Demons Invitational) all received from one sensitive receptor location with regards to noise nuisance. Such receptor is located approximately 350-400m from the event location. It should be noted that there is approximately 13 sensitive receptors within the same distance from the event. Conditions are proposed to assist with the minimisation of noise complaints.

Noise

Vehicles must be street registered, and as such a condition is proposed to require all vehicles to have the required noise suppression mufflers required for street use in place at all times. Due to the track width and safety requirements, there is only one vehicle allowed on the track at any one time which will assist in limiting noise.

Other noise sources include amplified music (live bands) starting from 5pm through until 11pm. Environmental nuisance can be appropriately conditioned if the event is approved. The event will also be covered by a liquor licence; conditions are also placed on the licence regarding noise from the licensed venue and administered through the Office of Liquor and Gaming.

Dust

Water trucks are proposed to be utilised throughout the event to ensure that dust generation is minimised.

Light

A condition is proposed to not cause environmental nuisance, which includes light nuisance.

4. There must be enough toilets and sanitary conveniences provide for the event.

Officers Comment:

The operators are proposing a number of temporary amenities, and numbers to be provided will be conditioned in any approval issued.

5. Adequate provision must exist for the disposal of waste generated by the use of the place for the temporary entertainment event.

Officers Comment:

An adequate number of waste bins are proposed for the event and will be conditioned to be serviced by an appropriately licensed waste transporter.

6. Adequate provision must exist for people and (if relevant) vehicles to enter and leave the place of the temporary entertainment event.

Officers Comment (Development Design Manager):

Due to the size of the event, a traffic management plan is not required. Temporary signage associated with the event is to be placed no earlier than the day before the event and removed the day following the event (condition required).

Advanced Event Warning signs at least 500m before the entrance in either direction warning motorists of the event are required which may be corflute or other.

Officers Comment:

Applicant has proposed a number of temporary corflute signs for advanced warning of the event in both directions, placed at 10km, 5km and 1km to go, and at the event entry.

Discussion

2016 marks the 6th Asphalt Demons Invitational car rally to be held at Archer Falls Airfield, with previous years not requiring an approval due to the requirements of the superseded Subordinate Local Law No 1.12 (Operation of Temporary Entertainment Events) 2011. The event is open to car enthusiasts and offers displays of hot rods, bikes, custom vehicles and proposes entertainment from vehicle time trials and live bands.

The vehicle time trials involve one vehicle at a time, conducting a pass of a 200m track, with a drop flag start and manual timer held by a person in a tower triggered when the vehicle crosses the finish line. The purpose of the event is that only invited vehicles are eligible to participate in the time trial events, which is strictly administered by security and event officials. At no time are two vehicles engaged in a side by side race.

Asphalt Demons 6th Invitational has a bar in operation from midday, however have a strict .05 alcohol breath limit (in accordance with Queensland licensing laws) for any person in control of a motor vehicle, which is enforced through random breath checks. Music entertainment is scheduled to commence at 5pm and finishing around 11pm.

There are no formalised camping arrangements for the event however organisers have indicated that should participants be unable to drive and have no alternative means of transport that they will allow them to camp.

Attachments

Locality Plan – Lot 1 RP167517 – 1253 Neurum Road, Mount Archer
Layout Plan – Asphalt Demons

Recommendation

THAT Council approve the application subject to the conditions listed below:

No.	CONDITION
1.0	ENVIRONMENTAL/ LOCAL LAW
1.1	The approval holder must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Display the approval in the manner, and at the locations, specified by the local government; and • Produce the approval for inspection by an authorised person on demand.
1.2	The operation of the temporary entertainment event must not unreasonably detract from the amenity of the area in which the place is located.
1.3	The temporary entertainment event is limited to the operation of a car rally and musical entertainment on Lot 1 RP167517 between the hours of 8am and midnight, Saturday 15 October 2016. Musical entertainment is to be concluded no later than 11pm.
1.4	The approval holder must provide the following number of toilets and sanitary conveniences: <p>Males: 4 toilets, 8 urinals and 3 hand basins. Females: 13 toilets and 3 hand basins. Unisex: 1 disabled toilet</p>

1.5	The approval holder must provide an appropriate number of waste bins that are to be serviced by an appropriately licensed waste contractor.
1.6	The approval holder must maintain insurance that is applicable to the activity including without limitation, a public liability insurance policy which provides indemnity for each individual occurrence in an amount not less than \$10,000,000. The insurance certificate must cover the permit holder and the Somerset Regional Council against any claims whatsoever arising from the operation of the event.
1.7	<p>The permit holder must indemnify and keep indemnified, the Somerset Regional Council, their officers, employees and agents (the indemnified) against any or all losses suffered or incurred (except to the extent that any losses are caused through the negligent act or omission of the indemnified) in connection with the erection, existence or operation of the works or activities, the subject of this approval.</p> <p>“Losses” include liabilities, losses, damages, expenses and costs (including legal costs on a full indemnity basis and whether incurred or awarded) of any kind or nature, whether arising in contract or tort (including, but not limited to, negligence) or under a statute; and also include loss or profits, loss of revenue, loss of anticipated saving, loss of opportunity, pure economic loss and loss of data any other consequential special or indirect loss or damage.</p>
1.8	The temporary entertainment event must not cause an environmental nuisance as defined by the <i>Environmental Protection Act 1994</i> .
1.9	<p>Noise associated with the event must not exceed the following levels at a sensitive receptor:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) before 7am, if the use causes audible noise; or (b) from 7am to 11pm, if the use causes noise of more than 70dB(A); or (c) from 11pm to midnight, if the use causes noise of more than the lesser of the following - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 50dB(A); (ii) 10dB(A) above the background level.
1.10	All vehicles participating in activities as part of this event are to be street registered vehicles and must operate in the condition that they would ordinarily operate when driving on the street (E.g. no mufflers or exhaust components are to be removed or by-passed for the event).
1.11	The activity must not create a traffic nuisance or increase an existing traffic nuisance or detrimentally affect the efficiency of the road network in which the activity is undertaken.
1.12	The approval holder must provide appropriate lighting in all areas of the temporary entertainment to ensure the safety of the public.
1.13	<p>All buildings, structures, vehicles, facilities or equipment used in the operation of the temporary entertainment event must be maintained at all times:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In good working order. • In good state of repair.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In a clean and sanitary condition.
1.14	Ensure that a food licence issued under the <i>Food Act 2006</i> is obtained (to the extent that it is required) by any entities selling food at the event.
1.15	The approval holder must ensure that the temporary entertainment event is run generally in accordance with the event management plan submitted to Council on 31 August 2016.
1.16	All temporary signage associated with the event is to comply with the minimum requirements of <i>Local Law No 1 (Administration) 2011</i> and <i>Subordinate Local Law No 1.4 (Installation of Advertising Devices) 2011</i> and is to be placed no earlier than the day prior to the event and removed within one (1) day of the event.
1.17	The approval holder is to provide a contact number for any complaints received during the event. Such information is to be distributed via a letterbox drop prior to the event in the local area to the extent of which is to be determined by an authorised person.
1.18	<p>All complaints received by the approval holder relating to operations at the temporary entertainment event must be recorded in a register with the following details:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) nature, time and date of complaint; (ii) type of communication (telephone, letter, personal etc.); (iii) name, contact address and contact telephone number of complainant (Note: if the complainant does not wish to be identified then "Not identified" is to be recorded); (iv) response and investigation undertaken as a result of the complaint; (v) name of person responsible for investigating complaint; and (vi) action taken as a result of the complaint investigation and signature of responsible person.

Decision:

Moved - Cr Hall

Seconded - Cr Ogg

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1.2	The operation of the temporary entertainment event must not unreasonably detract from the amenity of the area in which the place is located.
1.3	The temporary entertainment event is limited to the operation of a car rally and musical entertainment on Lot 1 RP167517 between the hours of 8am and midnight, Saturday 15 October 2016. Musical entertainment is to be concluded no later than 11pm.

1.4	<p>The approval holder must provide the following number of toilets and sanitary conveniences:</p> <p>Males: 4 toilets, 8 urinals and 3 hand basins. Females: 13 toilets and 3 hand basins. Unisex: 1 disabled toilet</p>
1.5	<p>The approval holder must provide an appropriate number of waste bins that are to be serviced by an appropriately licensed waste contractor.</p>
1.6	<p>The approval holder must maintain insurance that is applicable to the activity including without limitation, a public liability insurance policy which provides indemnity for each individual occurrence in an amount not less than \$10,000,000. The insurance certificate must cover the permit holder and the Somerset Regional Council against any claims whatsoever arising from the operation of the event.</p>
1.7	<p>The permit holder must indemnify and keep indemnified, the Somerset Regional Council, their officers, employees and agents (the indemnified) against any or all losses suffered or incurred (except to the extent that any losses are caused through the negligent act or omission of the indemnified) in connection with the erection, existence or operation of the works or activities, the subject of this approval.</p> <p>“Losses” include liabilities, losses, damages, expenses and costs (including legal costs on a full indemnity basis and whether incurred or awarded) of any kind or nature, whether arising in contract or tort (including, but not limited to, negligence) or under a statute; and also include loss or profits, loss of revenue, loss of anticipated saving, loss of opportunity, pure economic loss and loss of data any other consequential special or indirect loss or damage.</p>
1.8	<p>The temporary entertainment event must not cause an environmental nuisance as defined by the <i>Environmental Protection Act 1994</i>.</p>
1.9	<p>Noise associated with the event must not exceed the following levels at a sensitive receptor:</p> <p>(a) before 7am, if the use causes audible noise; or (b) from 7am to 11pm, if the use causes noise of more than 70dB(A); or (c) from 11pm to midnight, if the use causes noise of more than the lesser of the following -</p> <p>(i) 50dB(A); (ii) 10dB(A) above the background level.</p>
1.10	<p>All vehicles participating in activities as part of this event are to be street registered vehicles and must operate in the condition that they would ordinarily operate when driving on the street (E.g. no mufflers or exhaust components are to be removed or by-passed for the event).</p>
1.11	<p>The activity must not create a traffic nuisance or increase an existing traffic nuisance or detrimentally affect the efficiency of the road network in which the activity is undertaken.</p>

1.12	The approval holder must provide appropriate lighting in all areas of the temporary entertainment to ensure the safety of the public.
1.13	All buildings, structures, vehicles, facilities or equipment used in the operation of the temporary entertainment event must be maintained at all times: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In good working order. • In good state of repair. • In a clean and sanitary condition.
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Subject:	Wild Dog Bait Meat Subsidy Program - budget allocation
File Ref:	Environmental Management - Reports - Environmental Health Reports
Action Officer:	SEHO

Background/Summary

At the ordinary meeting of Council held on 27 January 2016, Council resolved to operate a wild dog bait meat subsidy program effective from 15 February 2016; to be funded from the pest management budget. The initial program was funded under the SEQ Drought Assistance Feral Animal Management Project.

Under the program landholders are eligible for a subsidy payment of \$1 per wild dog bait, subject to the following:

- The bait meat is approved by an authorised officer of Council for impregnating with 1080 poison;
- The maximum subsidy payable to any landholder will not exceed \$100 in any month;
- All subsidy payments as part of the program will be made against a rate assessment number nominated by the landholder;
- Subsidies will be paid until the budget allocation has been exhausted.

Officers have reported positive feedback from landholders in relation to the program and participation in Council's 1080 baiting program have significantly increased since the implementation of the bait meat subsidy program in the 2015/2016 financial year (4137 baits issued in 2014/2015 and 6817 baits issued in 2015/2016).

The current budget allocation for the 2016/2017 financial year for wild dog bait meat subsidy payments is \$5,000. It is proposed to increase this budget allocation to \$7,000 for the 2016/2017 financial year.

Recommendation

THAT Council increase the current financial year budget allocation for wild dog bait meat subsidy payments to \$7,000.

Decision:

Moved - Cr Brieschke

Seconded - Cr Hall

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Carried

Subject:	Development Application No 16203 - Application for a Development Permit for a Material Change of Use for a Telecommunications Facility
File No:	DA16203
Assessment No:	04223-96660-000
Action Officer:	Senior Planner

Subject Land

Location	124 Cambridge Drive, Mount Hallen
Real Property Description	Lot 101 on SP101915
Area	4.828 hectares
Current land use	Dwelling and Shed
Easements and Encumbrances	Nil

Somerset Region Planning Scheme 2016

Zone	Rural
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SEQ Regional Plan 2009-2031

Category	Regional Landscape and Rural Production area
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Application

Level of Assessment

Applicant/s

Applicants contact details

Land Owner/s

Date properly made

CODE

Telstra C/- Aurecon Australasia

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25 August 2016

Referral Agencies

Third Party Advice Agencies

Nil

Queensland Government, Radiation Health

Attachments

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RECOMMENDED DECISION

Approve the Development Application subject to the requirements and conditions contained in the Schedules and Attachments.

1.0 APPLICATION

Pursuant to Chapter 6 Section 260(1) and (3) of the *Sustainable Planning Act 2009 (SPA)*, the applicant has made a properly made development application and is seeking approval for a Development Permit for a Material Change of Use for a Telecommunications Facility.

The application is made under the Somerset Region Planning Scheme.

An application for a Development Permit for a Material Change of Use for a Telecommunications Facility within the rural zone is Code Assessable.

The application will be assessed against the relevant matters set out in section 314 of *SPA*.

An application is required because the construction of a Telecommunications Facility within the rural zone triggers assessable development, in accordance with Part 5, Section 5.5, and Table 5.5.9 of the Planning Scheme.

2.0 PROPOSAL

Telstra Corporation Limited proposes to construct a new base station facility consisting of a 35m high monopole with a triangular headframe consisting of six (6) panel antennas (maximum length 2.8m), at a centreline elevation of 35m. Six (6) Remote Radio Units (RRUs) and three (3) Tower Mounted Amplifiers (TMAs) will also be installed as close as possible to the antennas. All electronic equipment will be housed within the proposed

Telstra equipment shelter at the base of the monopole. The proposed facility will be connected to the existing power supply within the property. Access to the proposed Telecommunications Facility will be obtained via an existing internal track, located along the eastern property boundary and connected internally to the residential driveway. Access to the site is gained via Cambridge Drive, which is constructed to a sealed standard.

A total construction period of approximately three weeks is anticipated. Construction activities will involve four basic stages:

- Stage 1 – site preparation such as field testing, delivery of materials, surface scrubbing etc
- Stage 2 – excavation and foundations
- Stage 3 – tower construction
- Stage 4 – antenna installation and testing of equipment

The proposed telecommunications facility is self contained and operates on a continuous un-staffed basis. Once operational, and integrated with the Telstra mobile network, the base station typically requires only infrequent maintenance inspections. There may be periods when maintenance operations are undertaken on a more frequent basis, such as during network optimisation. However, this would not be for a prolonged period.

3.0 SITE DETAILS

The subject site is described as Lot 101 on SP101915 and has an area of 4.828 hectares. The site contains an existing dwelling and shed at the southern portion of the property. The northern portion of the property is covered in dense vegetation. Although surrounded by dense vegetation, the proposed location of the facility is relatively cleared of vegetation. The proposed site location of the proposed Telecommunications Facility is relatively flat; however portions of the subject property are steep in nature, with a gradient of greater than 15%. The relative height of the site at the point where the facility is proposed is approximately 218m AHD. Access to the facility will be via an existing residential driveway off Cambridge Drive. An internal access track follows the eastern property boundary to the proposed facilities location at the rear of the site.

4.0 SURROUNDING LAND USES

The immediate surrounding area is well vegetated with mature bushland. The site is located within an area that is rural in nature. The closest dwellings are located approximately 175m to the south-east (106 Cambridge Drive, Mount Hallen) and 380m to the north-east (58 Argyle Court, Mount Hallen). Dwellings located within the surrounding area are separated from the location of the proposed facility by existing vegetation. Surrounding properties have been improved with single detached dwellings and associated outbuildings.

5.0 ASSESSMENT - STATE LEGISLATION

This application is made under the provisions of the *Sustainable Planning Act 2009*. As such it is subject to the requirements of the Regulatory Provisions of the South East Queensland Regional Plan 2009-2031 (SEQRP), relevant Acts and State Planning Policies. The site is located within the Regional Landscape and Rural Production Area under the SEQRP.

The proposal is for a Telecommunications Facility, and no urban or rural residential development is proposed. Therefore, the proposed facility is generally compliant with the provisions of the SEQ Regional Plan, and satisfies the regulatory intent of the Regional Landscape and Rural Production Area. As such the application did not require referral to the Department of Infrastructure Local Government and Planning (DILGP).

5.1 VEGETATION MANAGEMENT ACT 1999

The subject site is identified as containing Category B Regulated Vegetation (Least Concern Regional Ecosystems). The proposed development will require minor vegetation clearing within the area containing regulated vegetation. However, since the subject property contains an area of less than 5 hectares, no State referral is required. The site is not identified within the DEHP flor survey trigger mapping as being within a 'high risk' area. Therefore, a permit under the Nature Conservation Act is not required.

5.2 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT 1994

The site is not listed on the Contaminated Land Register or the Environmental Management Register.

5.3 STATE PLANNING POLICY

As the State Planning Policy has been reflected in the Somerset Region Planning Scheme, the proposed development does not require assessment against the SPP's 'interim development assessment provisions'.

6.0 LOCAL GOVERNMENT LEGISLATION

The Somerset Region Planning Scheme identifies relevant codes and overlays against which the development is to be assessed with proposed solutions measured against the performance outcomes proposed by the Code. In instances where alternative solutions are provided in lieu of the probable solutions they are discussed below.

Applicable Code	Performance Outcome Compliance	Is Alternative Solution Provided?
Rural zone	Yes	Not required
Telecommunications facilities	Yes	Not required
Services, works and infrastructure	Yes	Not required
Transport, access and parking	Yes	Not required
Applicable Overlay Code	Performance Outcome Compliance	Is Alternative Solution Provided?
Biodiversity overlay	Yes	Not required
Bushfire hazard overlay	Yes	Not required
Landslide hazard overlay	Yes	Not required

Officer comments

The proposed facility has been intentionally sited on a property which contains dense vegetation in order to utilise natural screening benefits. The development will require the removal of some vegetation along the existing access track, to permit access of heavier vehicles, particularly for construction. This clearing will be minor in nature and during construction stage trimming will be preferred over vegetation removal.

The proposed facility location, at the rear of the subject site, is largely cleared of vegetation and will not require any further vegetation clearing. Due to the scale of the proposed clearing, impacts of this activity on flora and fauna linkages will be minimal, no fragmentation of existing habitats are likely, given the access track is largely cleared at present. Given the negligible vegetation clearing proposed, the Region's biodiversity values and associated ecosystems will be largely unaffected by the proposed development.

Although the site is mapped as containing development constraints such as steep slopes, bushfire hazards etc; the proposed facility has been designed with consideration to these constraints. It is considered; the facility will not increase the severity of a bushfire hazard, given it does not involve hazardous materials, does not emit undue heat, sparks or open

flame. The installation of the facility would not pose a risk to property, health or safety. Rather, it is considered that in the event of a disaster or natural hazard emergency such as bushfire or flood, the facility would be valuable as it would provide necessary communication infrastructure.

Furthermore, the proposed development will not impact on the natural systems, vegetation and land stability. Geotechnical investigations have deemed the facility's location on relatively flat, levelled ground at 218m AHD as structurally appropriate.

For these reasons, the proposed development is considered to comply with the purpose and overall outcomes of the relevant codes identified in the Somerset Region Planning Scheme; and the proposed telecommunications facility will be integral to the mobile digital telephone network that Telstra is establishing throughout Queensland.

7.0 OTHER PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

Trunk Infrastructure and Services

The following items of trunk infrastructure and services applicable to the proposed development are individually addressed below.

7.1 Water Supply

The facility will be unmanned and does not require a potable water supply.

7.2 Sewerage

The facility will be unmanned and does not require onsite sewerage disposal.

7.3 Stormwater/Drainage

The stormwater produced from the facility is considered to be negligible and is not likely to cause detrimental impacts on the environment.

7.4 Roads

The compound will be accessed via the existing private access track which follows the eastern property boundary via Cambridge Drive.

7.5 Access

The proposed access arrangement requires no upgrade or works to Cambridge Drive. The proposed facility will create only a negligible amount of traffic during the construction period. Once the facility is operational, vehicles will frequent the site approximately 2-4 times per year. No additional access points are proposed.

7.6 Onsite Parking

The proposed development does not provide for on-site parking as the proposed facility will not be a large generator of traffic. Vehicle access will only be required during the installation of the equipment and maintenance periods approximately 2-4 times a year. There is sufficient parking and manoeuvring space on-site for vehicles during these periods.

7.7 Services

All infrastructure and services including the provision of underground electricity is available to the site.

7.8 Environment

The proposed development including access and traffic arrangements will not adversely impact on the environment or sensitive land uses.

7.9 Vegetation

Council's Natural Resource Management Officer has reviewed the application and has no objection to the application proceeding to approval. A condition has been included in the Schedules of Approval requiring a licensed Spotter Catcher to be engaged to survey impacted vegetation prior to the trimming activity outlined in the application. In addition, a Koala exclusion panel (smooth unclimbable plastic strip) will be included in the proposed fencing around the proposed facility, to exclude Koala's from entering the compound.

7.10 Heritage

The site neither adjoins nor contains a heritage feature listed in either the State Queensland Heritage Register or Council's Local Heritage Register.

The applicant will be advised as part of the Schedules of Approval that all due diligence and reasonable precautionary measures are to be undertaken before 'any activity' may harm Aboriginal Cultural Heritage on the site.

7.11 Infrastructure Charges

The proposed use is termed an 'essential service' in accordance with Council Infrastructure Charges. However, infrastructure charges do not apply to land located in the rural zone.

8.0 STATE AGENCY REFERRALS

In accordance with section 272 of the Sustainable Planning Act 2009 and Schedule 7 of the Sustainable Planning Regulation, there are no referral agencies triggered for this application.

8.1 THIRD PARTY ADVICE

A copy of the application was referred to the State Department of Health (Radiation Health Unit) for third party comment. The Department has assessed the summary of estimated radiofrequency electromagnetic energy (RF EME) levels around the proposed mobile telecommunications base station, contained in the Environmental EME report prepared by Telstra.

The estimated RF EME levels are below the exposure limits stated in the Radiation Protection Standard Maximum Exposure Levels to Radiofrequency Fields _ 3kHz to 300GHz (published by the Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety agency) and consequently are acceptably low. There is no reason, with respect to the estimated RF EME levels, for this application not to proceed.

9.0 VOLUNTARY PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

The applicant carried out voluntary public notification from 2 September 2016 to 26 September 2016, to allow the general public the opportunity to review the application. During the consultation period the applicant received no submissions. As such, the applicant did not receive any negative comments about the proposal from the general public.

10.0 RECOMMENDED DECISION

THAT Council approve the Development Application for a Material Change of Use for a Development Permit for a Telecommunications Facility on land described as Lot 101 on SP101915 and situated at 124 Cambridge Drive, Mount Hallen subject to the requirements and conditions contained in the Schedules and Attachments.

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	Compound Fencing Design	
1.5	A Koala exclusion panel (smooth unclimbable plastic strip) is to be incorporated into the fencing design around the Telecommunications Facility, to exclude Koala's from entering the compound. Refer - https://www.ehp.qld.gov.au/wildlife/koalas/legislation/pdf/koala-sensitive-design-guideline.pdf - Figure 12 Liaise with Council's Natural Resource Management Officer regarding EHP Koala Sensitive Design Guidelines.	Prior to commencement of the use
SCHEDULE 2 – Engineering		
<i>Assessment Manager</i>		
No	Condition	Timing
	Engineering	
2.1	All works are to be designed and constructed in accordance with the requirements of the <i>Somerset Regional Council Development Manual</i> and <i>Standard Drawings</i> .	At all times

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Biosecurity Queensland should be notified on 132523 of proposed development(s) occurring in the Fire Ant Restricted Area before earthworks commence. It should be noted that works involving movements of soil associated with earthworks may be subject to movement controls and failure to obtain necessary approvals from Biosecurity Queensland is an offence.		
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Pursuant to Division 8 Section 461 of the **Sustainable Planning Act 2009**, the Applicant has the Right of Appeal to the **Planning and Environment Court** regarding any condition of this approval; another matter stated in the development approval and the identification or inclusion of a code under section 242 of the 'Act'. *[A copy of the Right of Appeal will be enclosed with the Decision Notice].*

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It is a legal obligation to report any sighting or suspicion of fire ants within 24 hours to Biosecurity Queensland on 132523.

The Fire Ant Restricted Area as well as general information can be viewed on the DAF website www.daf.qld.gov.au/fireants

Pursuant to Division 8 Section 461 of the ***Sustainable Planning Act 2009***, the Applicant has the Right of Appeal to the ***Planning and Environment Court*** regarding any condition of this approval; another matter stated in the development approval and the identification or inclusion of a code under *section 242* of the 'Act'. *[A copy of the Right of Appeal will be enclosed with the Decision Notice]."*

Carried

Subject:	Financial reports
File Ref:	Financial management - meetings - monthly financial statements
Action Officer:	DFIN

Background/Summary

Financial reports

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

Auditors have been on site in Esk over recent weeks reviewing Council's draft 2015/2016 financial statements. An audit certificate is expected to be issued during October 2016.

Grants

Council has been offered \$400,000 funding under Australian Government's Heavy Vehicle Safety and Productivity Programme towards an \$800,000 widening of the western section of Gregors Creek Road. Council officers have sought tender exemption under the funding agreement that would allow for this project to be completed by Council day labour and are awaiting a response on this request.

Council is awaiting the outcomes under the third round of National Stronger Regions Fund about applications for the replacement of Pryde Creek Bridge (near Fernvale) (\$1.3M) and Apple Tree Creek Bridge (near Toogoolawah) (\$0.8M).

On 28 September 2016, Council submitted eight expressions of interest for 50% state funding of the following projects totalling \$1.1 million:

- Emergency preparedness - evacuation centre amenities - Somerset Dam
- Emergency preparedness - Gregors Creek regional telecommunications facility
- Flood mitigation infrastructure- Toogoolawah drainage upgrade
- Flood mitigation infrastructure - Brisbane River bridge strengthening, Fernvale
- Emergency response preparedness - Kilcoy SES access upgrade
- Recreational infrastructure – Lowood sports complex playground upgrade
- Economic development infrastructure - Lowood CBD streetscaping
- Recreational infrastructure - Fernvale Sports Park equipment storage

Endorsement is sought below for the Kilcoy SES access upgrade project to also be the subject of an application for funding under the 2017-18 SES non-recurrent subsidy program.

Rates

Rates are issued in six monthly cycles. Overdue rates prior to the issue of rate notices in August 2016 were contained as follows:

- \$1.19 million – 31 January 2016
- \$1.28 million – 1 August 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 September 2016, sixteen of these actions had ceased following payment. \$38,065 of arrears was owed in total by the remaining five owners.

Council has not incurred legal costs to date on these actions. Relevant owners have been advised over many months that any outstanding actions will be referred to solicitors for completion after 24 October 2016. Any legal and other costs of sale will be recovered from 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 - \$1,075,771 - contract road, bridge and park construction and maintenance services - payment 32771
- CPM Group Pty Ltd - \$329,968 - timber bridge replacement - payment 32901

- Local Government Workcare - \$241,065 - workcover insurance premium - payment 32802

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:

	Rural (\$000's)	Urban (\$000's)	Total (\$000's)
Bitumen road maintenance	184	22	206
Gravel road maintenance	290	45	335
Roadside drainage	70	37	107
Culvert maintenance	42	-	42
Vegetation maintenance	75	36	111
Traffic furniture	41	20	61
Linemarking	-	2	2
Total actual year to date	702	162	864
Expected pro-rata budget year to date	1,001	132	1,133
Variance - favourable / (unfavourable)	\$299 k	(\$30) k	\$269 k

Council's 20 most costly road segments for ordinary maintenance this financial year are:

Esk Crows Nest (gravel) Ch26120-Ch34090	\$41,262
Gregors Creek Rd (bitumen) Ch5530-Ch6810	\$30,466
Cedarvale Rd culvert Ch1.95	\$29,413
Rifle Range Rd (gravel) Ch2770-Ch3800	\$26,367
Diaper Rd (gravel) Ch3000-Ch6200	\$22,998
Mahons Rd (bitumen) Ch0-Ch7480	\$17,294
Banffs La (gravel) Ch0-Ch3050	\$16,745
Prenzlau Rd (bitumen) Ch1350-Ch3360	\$16,724
Diaper Rd (gravel) Ch0-Ch3000	\$16,284
Voss Rd (gravel) Ch880-Ch2690	\$14,388
Prenzlau Rd (bitumen) Ch3900-Ch5420	\$13,477
Cedarvale Rd (gravel) Ch1540-Ch4410	\$13,398
Valma La (gravel) Ch0-Ch160	\$13,007
Lehmanns Rd (gravel) Ch1920-Ch2840	\$12,832
Bischoffs Rd (gravel) Ch1800-Ch5670	\$12,265
Lowood Minden (bitumen) Ch10530-Ch10890	\$12,195
Bischoffs Rd (gravel) Ch7510-Ch8160	\$11,964
Glenhowden Rd (gravel) Ch30-Ch1580	\$11,127
Jackson Rd (gravel) Ch300-Ch430	\$11,004
Larsens Rd (gravel) Ch3870-Ch5920	<u>\$ 9,887</u>
Subtotal most costly 20 road segments	\$353,097

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 \$37,067,322.81 be received.

THAT an application for funding under the 2017-18 SES Non-Recurrent Subsidy Program be lodged for the Kilcoy SES access upgrade project.

Decision:	Moved - Cr Whalley	Seconded - Cr Hall
	<p>"THAT the reports including payments presented totalling \$37,067,322.81 be received.</p> <p>THAT an application for funding under the 2017-18 SES Non-Recurrent Subsidy Program be lodged for the Kilcoy SES access upgrade project."</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>Carried</u></p>	

Subject:	Sale of land for rate arrears actions - 31 parcels totalling \$190,919 in overdue rates
File Ref:	Rates and valuations - notification - sale of land for overdue rates
Action Officer:	DFIN

Background/Summary

Council's Revenue Policy includes a requirement that - *"Council is to receive twice each financial year recommendations for sale of lands for overdue rates actions covering all properties for which actions may legally be commenced except where the overdue rates or charges exceed the rateable valuation of the land. Where this situation applies, a recommendation to acquire the land for overdue rates will be made at the earliest possible opportunity."*

A recommendation is now presented in accordance with this policy with the following exception:

The rates owing on L 900 SP200488 at Montana Place Woolmar Qld 4515 (81230-53700-000) exceed the rateable valuation of the land. While the revenue policy requires that Council should seek to acquire this 71 square metre lot as valueless land under section 149 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, it is considered that the land is of no benefit to Council but would have a value to the two adjoining landowners as a separately surveyable title that might be able to be used to effectively create a new saleable rural property via a realignment of boundaries process if desired.

The sale of lands process allows property owners between 3 and 6 months after Council issues a legal notice in which to fully pay overdue rates and avoid a statutory sale process.

Recommendation

- THAT the revenue policy 2017 be amended to replace the sentence *"Where this situation applies, a recommendation to acquire the land for overdue rates will be made at the earliest possible opportunity"* with *"Where this situation applies, a recommendation to acquire the land for overdue rates may be made"*.
- THAT the property described as L 49 RP141742 at 73 Vineyard Road Coominya Qld 4311 be sold by way of auction for overdue rates or charges with an auction reserve and other terms of the process to be set by the Chief Executive Officer having regard to legal requirements. (00245-00000-000).

- THAT the property described as L 124 F3361 at 31 Clive Street Fernvale Qld 4306 be sold by way of auction for overdue rates or charges with an auction reserve and other terms of the process to be set by the Chief Executive Officer having regard to legal requirements. (00824-11000-000).
- THAT the property described as L 101 SP195371 at 17 Truscot Court Fernvale Qld 4306 be sold by way of auction for overdue rates or charges with an auction reserve and other terms of the process to be set by the Chief Executive Officer having regard to legal requirements. (00904-90958-000).
- THAT the property described as L 28 RP15015 at 88 George Street Linville Qld 4306 be sold by way of auction for overdue rates or charges with an auction reserve and other terms of the process to be set by the Chief Executive Officer having regard to legal requirements. (00932-00000-000).
- THAT the property described as L 63 RP32307 at 7 Pryde Street Lowood Qld 4311 be sold by way of auction for overdue rates or charges with an auction reserve and other terms of the process to be set by the Chief Executive Officer having regard to legal requirements. (01316-00000-000).
- THAT the property described as L 64 RP32307 at 9 Pryde Street Lowood Qld 4311 be sold by way of auction for overdue rates or charges with an auction reserve and other terms of the process to be set by the Chief Executive Officer having regard to legal requirements. (01316-00000-000).
- THAT the property described as L 20 RP65946 at 46 Prospect Street Lowood Qld 4311 be sold by way of auction for overdue rates or charges with an auction reserve and other terms of the process to be set by the Chief Executive Officer having regard to legal requirements. (01433-00000-000).
- THAT the property described as L 13 RP67288 at 97 Prospect Street Lowood Qld 4311 be sold by way of auction for overdue rates or charges with an auction reserve and other terms of the process to be set by the Chief Executive Officer having regard to legal requirements. (01479-50000-000).
- THAT the property described as L 50 RP14965 at 2 Paterson Road Moore Qld 4306 be sold by way of auction for overdue rates or charges with an auction reserve and other terms of the process to be set by the Chief Executive Officer having regard to legal requirements. (01602-50000-000).
- THAT the property described as L 4 RP7723 at 20 Gunyah Street Toogoolawah Qld 4313 be sold by way of auction for overdue rates or charges with an auction reserve and other terms of the process to be set by the Chief Executive Officer having regard to legal requirements. (02166-00000-000).
- THAT the property described as L 76 RP156367 at 465 Wivenhoe Pocket Road, Wivenhoe Pocket Qld 4306 be sold by way of auction for overdue rates or charges with an auction reserve and other terms of the process to be set by the Chief Executive Officer having regard to legal requirements. (02453-00000-000).
- THAT the property described as L 130 SP216824 at 6 Kingfisher Way Lowood Qld 4311 be sold by way of auction for overdue rates or charges with an auction reserve and other terms of the process to be set by the Chief Executive Officer having regard to legal requirements. (02681-19970-000).

- THAT the property described as L 2 RP32318 at 9 MolKentien Road Lowood Qld 4311 be sold by way of auction for overdue rates or charges with an auction reserve and other terms of the process to be set by the Chief Executive Officer having regard to legal requirements. (02847-00000-000).
- THAT the property described as L 158 SP181471 at 20 Hinze Road Minden Qld 4311 be sold by way of auction for overdue rates or charges with an auction reserve and other terms of the process to be set by the Chief Executive Officer having regard to legal requirements. (03105-09400-000).
- THAT the property described as L 206 RP902306 at 117 Rose Avenue Minden Qld 4311 be sold by way of auction for overdue rates or charges with an auction reserve and other terms of the process to be set by the Chief Executive Officer having regard to legal requirements. (03106-02600-000).
- THAT the property described as L 12 RP157997 at 82 Pakleppa Lane Mount Tarampa Qld 4311 be sold by way of auction for overdue rates or charges with an auction reserve and other terms of the process to be set by the Chief Executive Officer having regard to legal requirements. (03468-00000-000).
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- THAT the property described as L 1 RP140611 at 682 Old Mount Beppo Road Mount Beppo Qld 4313 be sold by way of auction for overdue rates or charges with an auction reserve and other terms of the process to be set by the Chief Executive Officer having regard to legal requirements. (04878-00000-000).
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- THAT the property described as L 18 RP903124 at 30 Ezra Drive Hazeldean Qld 4515 be sold by way of auction for overdue rates or charges with an auction reserve and other terms of the process to be set by the Chief Executive Officer having regard to legal requirements. (81324-23000-000).

Decision:

Moved - Cr Hall

Seconded - Cr Whalley

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Carried

Subject:	Class rebate - lower valuation category 101 properties
File Ref:	Financial management - budget
Action Officer:	DFIN

Background/Summary

Rating category 101 includes "*Land which is not otherwise categorised with a rateable value of \$460,000 or greater*".

Category 1 is "*Land, which is not otherwise categorised, with a rateable value of less than \$460,000*". Councillors recently discussed the valuation threshold for category 101.

Recommendation

THAT Council apply a class concession under s122 (1) (b) of the Local Government Regulation 2012 for the period 1 January 2017 to 30 June 2017 as a rebate for all properties included in rating category 101 that have a valuation of less than \$470,000 with the rebate to equal the difference between the net rates chargeable as category 101 and the net rates that would be chargeable if rating category 1 applied to all properties in this class.

Decision:	Moved - Cr Choat	Seconded - Cr Ogg
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"THAT Council apply a class concession under s122 (1) (b) of the Local Government Regulation 2012 for the period 1 January 2017 to 30 June 2017 as a rebate for all properties included in rating category 101 that have a valuation of less than \$470,000 with the rebate to equal the difference between the net rates chargeable as category 101 and the net rates that would be chargeable if rating category 1 applied to all properties in this class."

Carried

Subject:	Somerset Region Neighbourhood Centre Service Report for the period 1 September - 30 September 2016
File Ref:	Community services - service provision - Community Development
Action Officer:	CDC

Background/Summary

Activities throughout the month included:

- Teddy Bears Picnic was held on 10 September. The event kicked off with a parade lead by three pipers and two drummers from the Ipswich Thistle Pipe Band. Performances were provided by Toogoolawah High School Students, Esk Line Dancers, Lowood Gymnasts and Toogoolawah Tae Kwon Do students. There were over twenty stall holders, providing child friendly activities, information, giveaways and food. It was felt that the overcast weather, which turned into rain at around 1pm reduced the numbers who came along on the day, but despite this people said that they had enjoyed the event. Young families were especially appreciative of the free activities and said there should be more of these sorts of events.
- Volunteers at the Esk Community Connection Point hosted a successful Cuppa and Chat event though the guest speaker Sgt Karlene Trezise had to withdraw at the last minute. Residents learnt about what was happening in their area and shared stories with each other about what they had been doing over the last few months. The group was made up of all repeat residents and they all said that they had enjoyed the morning.
- The CDC organized a presentation by Carers Qld on Enduring Powers of Attorney, Advanced Health Directives etc for the Lowood Women's Group. Twelve members turned up and from the feedback it seems that they got a lot out of the talk.
- The Community Share Meal reverted back to a mid day meal this month. However, the numbers were well down due to various reasons. The Bangladeshi boys were all away on the Sunshine Coast, the KCC respite group did not come along, other residents were out of town or looking after children in the school holidays. Seven people turned up including two workers from KPC and two new residents. No-one from the Kilcoy Cultural Committee was available to join in.
- Friendly Crafters continued with 6 and 7 attending the two sessions in September. This included two new crafters. The group continues to be friendly and supportive with much laughter. The numbers were down once again with some regulars being away, ill or involved with school holidays. There was some concern that the numbers had dropped and the attendees hoped that wouldn't mean the activity would get dissolved, as they enjoyed it immensely.
- Friendly Games had 8, 8 and 5 persons attending the three mornings. There were three new residents who came along in the month. There should have only been two meetings, but the keen players didn't want to miss out, so approached the volunteer who runs the group to utilize the fifth Friday of the month for an extra morning which became a games rather than craft gathering.
- A worker from Aftercare (Ipswich) met with four of the previous WRAP group

participants, myself and the co-facilitator to help establish a Toogoolawah Peer Support Group (mental health). The group was very supportive of each other. The group will meet with the worker again in October and November to establish the structure of the group. It is hoped that the group will be self supporting from the start of 2017.

- A star weaving morning to create a Tree of Joy only attracted two participants, although two people gave their apology. A tree was created and displayed at the Teddy Bears Picnic.
- Toogoolawah Women's Group continues to be supported, but very autonomous group.
- CDC attended the West Moreton Mental Health Collaborative Forum where the difficulty of clients accessing services in Ipswich was raised by both Somerset and Scenic Rim. Issues associated with people over 65 not being eligible for mental health services was also raised as well as many other issues relevant to our region.
- CDC attended a meeting with Peta Russell Clinical Nurse with the Primary School Nurse Health Readiness Program. Lowood was identified as an area of high need, so the meeting also included Mercy at Lowood. Toogoolawah also has been identified as a possible area for future inclusion, falling just below the average on one of the areas of early child development. Contacts in the area were provided to encourage future links.
- CDC attended the North Coast Regional Transport Planning industry consultation workshop in Caboolture. The issue of access to public transport at reasonable times for disadvantaged persons was raised.
- CDC attended the local Transport Group where the petition to state parliament re additional Lowood bus services was discussed.
- CDC addressed the Fernvale Social Group and interacted with a lot of the members. Many still suffer financially and emotionally from the after affects of the floods. The lack of future planning for any aged care facilities in the area was raised by a concerned resident.
- CDC attended the opening of the Community Workshop in Kilcoy.
- CDC assisted the Sports and Recreation Officer with one day of the school holiday program due to the YDO vacancy.
- The Kilcoy Community Connection Point transitioned to a mobile booth during the month. It attracted one resident with multiple enquiries. The database and support flyers were also provided to Anglicare Community Services (formerly KCC) to assist residents.

Future Planned Events/Activities for October

- Family Fun Day at Lowood – extraordinary mobile hub at Eagle Rise 20 October
- CPR Awareness Training Esk
- Somerset Region Neighbourhood Centre Service usage
- Events

<i>Group/event name</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Topic</i>	<i>Number attendees</i>	<i>Number new attendees</i>
Cuppa and Chat	2 Sept	Esk	General discussion	7	0
Community Share Meal	27 Sept	Kilcoy	Harmony Day – engaging the multicultural community	7	2
Friendly Crafters	1 Sept 15 Sept	Toogoolawah	General craft	6 7	2 3
Toogoolawah Women's Group	14 Sept 28Sept	Toogoolawah		18 20 approx	1 0 0
Mobile Hub	29 Sept 30 Sept	Coominya Fernvale Toogoolawah Moore Linville Kilcoy	2 services 2 services 1 service 1 service 1 service 1 service	6 residents 3 residents 2 residents 0 residents 3 resident 1 residents	15 residents 8 agencies
Friendly Games	8 Sept 22 Sept 29 Sept	Toogoolawah	Various board and card games	8 8 5	0 1 2
Lowood Women's Grp	20 Sept	Lowood	EPOA Advanced health directives etc	12	0
Teddy Bears Picnic	10 Sept	Esk	Child Friendly Event	200+	unknown

- Information and referrals

<i>Referring centre/role</i>	<i>Total number of people assisted</i>	<i>Any trends (including topic and location)</i>	<i>How enquirers heard about the service</i>
Esk Community Connection Point	10	Homelessness (1) Emergency relief(3) Support for aged (2) Follow up after house fire – liaise with groups(1) Social support (1) General assistance (2)	Referred by police (1) Referred by agency (1) Saw sign (3) Co-location (2) Knew of centre for long time (2) Referred for follow up from CDC(1)
Kilcoy Community Connection Point mobile	1	Aged care/carer support/cancer support (1)	Saw sign and visible on footpath
Toogoolawah Community	Not open for info/referral		

Connection Point			
CDC	6	Social Support/Isolation/mental health (1) Family Support (1) Transport (1) Emergency Accommodation (1) Emergency relief (1) Connection to support groups after fire (1)	Referred by customer service/tourism officer/councillor (3) Interagency member (1) Police (1) Direct (1)

Comment - A noticeable increase in persons seeking help for complex problems including homelessness, financial distress and aged care support services over the last two months. Enquiries were mainly from the middle of the region. This has also been the experience of Care and Concern in Esk, also assisting clients outside of those referred by CDC or ECCP.

Attachments

Nil.

Recommendation

THAT the contents of this report be noted.

Decision: Moved - Cr Gaedtke Seconded - Cr Ogg

"THAT the contents of this report be noted."

Carried

Subject: Free Tree Day Program 2017
File Ref: Environmental Management - Programs - Free Trees
Action Officer: WM

Background/Summary

The Free Tree Program for 2016 has now been successfully completed and the following plants were distributed under this program to schools, residents, Land for Wildlife (LFW) participants and residents with landholdings over 20 acres:

National School Tree Day (24 trees)	878
Residents (two trees)	2,574
LFW and 20 acres (10 trees)	2,620
Total –	6,072

Note: Additional free trees supplied to Council at no cost by SOWN and the Arthur Gorrie Correctional Centre were distributed to LFW participants are not included in the above free tree distribution numbers.

Due to the success of this year's program, it is recommended that Council utilises the same delivery model again in 2017 for the distribution of free trees under the program:

- *National School Tree Day*
 - Offer each school within the region 24 native species and cultivars including koala

trees to schools participating in School Tree Day (National Tree Day) events in July 2017.

- **Residential Free Trees**
 - All residents to be entitled to redeem two (2) free trees for residential properties.
 - Information regarding the program to be included in the Council Newsletter (Spring Edition) with a voucher to redeem two free trees and including details for the location and dates for distribution events to be held again in Fernvale, Esk and Kilcoy in September/October 2017.
 - Limit plants available to residents at these events to ten (10) native species and cultivars including Council's floral emblem species (Weeping Bottlebrush and Native Frangipani).
 - Plants selected to be suitable for residential properties with a focus on flowering, bird and butterfly attracting species.
- **Land for Wildlife and Land over 20 acres**
 - Offer an additional eight (8) native trees endemic to the region with a focus on wildlife food trees and habitat, including koala trees, to residents participating in the Land for Wildlife program and residents with landholdings over 20 acres.

It is anticipated that the 2017 Free Tree Program can be delivered within the \$40,000 budget allocated for this program.

Attachments

Decision of the Ordinary Meeting – Wednesday 9 December 2015

Decision of the Ordinary Meeting – Wednesday 24 August 2016

Recommendation

THAT Council endorse the same delivery model arrangements for the Free Tree Program in 2017.

Decision:	Moved – Cr Gaedtke	Seconded - Cr Brieschke
	<p>“THAT Council endorse the same delivery model arrangements for the Free Tree Program in 2017.”</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>Carried</u></p>	

Subject:	BVRT Toogoolawah to Moore Update
File Ref:	Economic development - projects - rail trails
Action Officer:	WM

Closed Session

Decision:	Moved – Cr Whalley	Seconded - Cr Brieschke
	<p>“THAT Council move into a closed session at 9.32am to discuss this agenda item, as it involves contractual matters.”</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>Carried</u></p>	

Background/Summary

Reference is made to the workshop report discussed on the 14 September and subsequent interactions and inspections conducted by Councillors, Council officers and Transport and Main Roads (TMR) officers.

Based on these interactions and inspections, the estimate for works on the Brisbane Valley Rail Trail (BVRT) has been revisited with two estimates now prepared. The first estimate (refer attachment A) is similar to the original estimate, but slightly reduced to reflect some changes in the 'scope of works' that may be considered acceptable (eg 2.5m wide vs. 3.0m wide causeways). However, the section including Jimmy's Gully was reworked with three options estimated.

Referring to comments made by Councillors, it is considered that this estimate is considered the minimum standard acceptable and with options 4B and 5C selected, the revised estimate is \$2,903,719 plus GST. This estimate should deliver the following 'scope of works':

- Grading the entire length of the trail and adding gravel to low lying (or degraded) areas as required.
- At all creek and gully crossing (ie Ivory, Emu, Wallaby, Stradbroke Creeks and other gullies) providing a concrete causeway founded at bed level on sheet piling plus essential earthworks and protective treatments (eg Rock Gabions) to enable the safe passage of users.
- At Jimmy's Gully refurbishing the existing timber bridge to a pedestrian bridge at a reduced height and length.
- Road crossing treatments.
- Other ancillary works, such as fencing, grids, interpretive signs and waypoints.

Council should note that the estimate to provide suitable crossings at creeks and gullies alone is \$1,886,034 plus GST (refer to the summary at bottom of attachment A).

The second estimate (refer attachment B) is prepared, based on a reduced 'scope of works' associated with less grading on the existing trail (that is leaving it untouched) and swapping out concrete crossing for gravel crossings in stormwater gullies. With this reduced 'scope of works' with options 4B and 5C selected, the revised estimate is \$2,714,697 plus GST. This estimate still remains much greater than the targeted \$1,800,000 presently announced for the trail. This estimate has been sent to TMR at their request, however, qualified to advise that this is not Council's formal position.

As indicated above, should Council accept the \$1,800,000 it is expected that only the creek and gully crossings can be funded at this time, leaving the remainder of the trail untouched and not inviting to potential trail users.

Council officers now seek Councillors advice and direction on how you wish to progress with this matter.

Attachments

Revised Estimates A and B

Recommendation

THAT Council advise the Department of Main Roads that when agreeing in principle to be involved in the future management of the Brisbane Valley Rail Trail, Council did so with an expectation that the work to complete the trail would be undertaken to the same standard that had applied to work already undertaken. Council therefore expects that the work to complete the Toogoolawah to Moore section of the Brisbane Valley Rail Trail will be undertaken as detailed in attachment A with an estimated cost of \$2,903,719.20.

Decision: Moved – Cr Whalley Seconded - Cr Ogg

“THAT Council move out of the closed session at 10.20am and that the meeting be once again open to the public.”

Carried

Decision: Moved - Cr Whalley Seconded - Cr Ogg

“THAT Council advise the Department of Main Roads that when agreeing in principle to be involved in the future management of the Brisbane Valley Rail Trail, Council did so with an expectation that the work to complete the trail would be undertaken to the same standard that had applied to work already undertaken. Council therefore expects that the work to complete the Toogoolawah to Moore section of the Brisbane Valley Rail Trail will be undertaken as detailed in attachment A with an estimated cost of \$2,903,719.20.”

Carried

Subject:	Lowood Beautification Project
File Ref:	Community relations - liaison - community groups
Action Officer:	DDM

Conflict of Interest

Cr Ogg declared a conflict of interest in the following matter due to his directorship of the Bendigo Bank at Lowood, and left the meeting at 10.20 am.

Background/Summary

Reference is made to the attached proposal received to Council from the Lowood and Fernvale Community Bendigo Bank.

The community bank has been in discussions with Council officers over several months and proposes a beautification project along the Brisbane Valley Rail Trail (from James Street to Main Street). The project continues on with native plantings that have previously been approved along the rail trail from Daniel Street to James Street by the proprietor of Pete's Hobby Nursery (Decision 11 November 2015).

Officers have been liaising with the community group to achieve plantings that keep the openness of the trail for security concerns, use appropriate native plantings for the corridor size, and reduce maintenance issues.

Attached is a plan of the proposed works of the area. As part of the project, it is proposed that Council provide:

- Two (2) new "Rail Trail" type seats that is proposed to be paid for by the community bank with council making and installing at an estimated cost of \$4,000. An example is contained within the proposal.
- Install protective hand rail at the culvert adjacent to the IGA. Estimated cost \$2,000.
- Provide a stormwater pipe extension and slope stabilization where erosion of the side of the drain has occurred. Estimated cost \$14,500.
- Provision of mulch. This has been previously provided as in-kind contribution from Council as trucks are available to cart from green waste material. In kind contribution.

It is estimated that total cost of the works are \$16,500 for Council, \$5,000 for the community bank, \$3,000 for SEQ Catchments, and \$14,230 of in-kind contributions from various groups.

Council previously allocated \$20,000 for Lowood Streetscape activities in the 2016-17 budget as projects are identified. Council has already allocated \$3,500 for the installation of seating in Lowood. It is proposed that Council allocate the remaining funds from the Lowood Streetscape budget item for the Lowood Beautification Project in conjunction with the Lowood & Fernvale Community Bendigo Bank.

Attachments

Map of Proposed Beautification Works
Lowood Beautification Proposal – Brisbane Valley Rail Trail Enhancement
Tree species for rail trail

Recommendation

THAT Council endorses proposed Lowood Beautification Project.

THAT Council endorses allocating funds for the Lowood Beautification Project for installing hand rail and stormwater works.

THAT Council make available mulch free of charge as it is requested and available in support of the Lowood Beautification Project.

THAT Council endorse provision and installation of seating for the Lowood Beautification Project and any remaining funds are to go towards seating.

Decision:	Moved - Cr Hall	Seconded - Cr Whalley
	"THAT Council endorses proposed Lowood Beautification Project.	
	THAT Council endorses allocating funds for the Lowood Beautification Project for installing hand rail and stormwater works.	
	THAT Council make available mulch free of charge as it is requested and available in support of the Lowood Beautification Project.	
	THAT Council endorse provision and installation of seating for the Lowood Beautification Project and any remaining funds are to go towards seating."	
		<u>Carried</u>

Cr Ogg returned to the meeting at 10.22am

Adjournment of Meeting

The meeting adjourned at 10.23am for morning tea, resuming at 10.53am.

Subject:	Rail Trail Partnership Project at Lowood
File Ref:	Community relations - liaison - community groups
Action Officer:	DDM

Background/Summary

Reference is made to the attached proposal received from the West Moreton Landcare Group Inc.

West Moreton Landcare is seeking Council approval to utilise an offer from the Federally funded work program coordinator, Mission Providence, to have unemployed persons from around the Lowood area undertake work on a section of the Brisbane Valley Rail Trail. Activities include weeding, planting, mowing, whipper-snipping, pruning, mulching, gardening, general maintenance of the rail trail, and the like.

The works are proposed along the Brisbane Valley Rail Trail from Main to Daniel Street. The area has had previous Council approval by the proprietor of Pete's Hobby Nursery (Decision 11 November 2015) and is the subject of a separate Council report for The Lowood Beautification Project.

By serving as the host organisation, West Moreton Landcare accepts responsibility for providing and maintaining public liability insurance cover, the allocation and supervision of duties for the program's participants, and Workcover insurance for the on-site supervisor and assistant supervisor.

Attachments

West Moreton Landcare Group Inc proposal

Recommendation

THAT Council has no objection to West Moreton Landcare Inc utilising work program from Mission Providence along the Brisbane Valley Rail Trail from Main Street to Daniel Street on works approved by Council.

Decision:	Moved - Cr Gaedtke	Seconded - Cr Choat
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"THAT Council has no objection to West Moreton Landcare Inc utilising work program from Mission Providence along the Brisbane Valley Rail Trail from Main Street to Daniel Street on works approved by Council."

Carried

Subject:	Brisbane Valley Highway Shared Path - Structure Options
File Ref:	Grants and Subsidies - Programs - Local Government Grants and Subsidies Program - July 2016 to June 2017
Action Officer:	CD

Background/Summary

Council officers are currently developing a detailed design for a shared pedestrian/cycle path between Brouff Road and Clive Street in the northbound footpath of the Brisbane Valley Highway in Fernvale.

As part of these works a crossing of Ferny Gully is to be constructed to allow for the pedestrian/cyclist movements. In developing this design Council officers have considered three (3) options for the construction of this crossing.

Option 1 is the construction of a 3m x 25m single span truss bridge similar to others being constructed by Ipswich City Council on section of their rail trail/cycle network. The approximate cost to construct this bridge would be \$200,000.

The pros to option 1 are:

- The alignment of the shared cycle/pedestrian crossing could remain on a continuous grade;
- Ferny Gully crossing would remain at similar height to existing Brisbane Valley Highway reducing the hydraulic impact through Ferny Gully in comparison to the existing culverts under the Brisbane Valley Highway;
- minimum impact to Telstra's fiber optic network, located adjacent;
- bridge constructed off site, with relatively quick and easy installation; and
- a well presented structure would enhance the look of Ferny Gully

The cons to option 1 are:

- The cost to construct a bridge compared to reinforced box culverts would be an additional \$50,000 approximately.

Option 2 is the construction of a 6 x 2.1m x 2.1m reinforced box culverts matching the size of existing culverts already in place under the Brisbane Valley Highway. The approximate cost to construct these culverts would be \$150,000, which includes construction, delivery and installation of culverts.

The pros to option 2 are:

- The cost to construct culverts compared to a bridge would be approximately \$50,000 less;
- no structural design would be required for abutments, TMR standard detail would be used for the culverts.

The cons to option 2 are:

- The vertical alignment of the shared cycle/pedestrian crossing would have sag through Ferny Gully at 10% grade to meet the level of the culverts;
- Given that a section of cutting would be required to get down into Ferny Gully, there would be impact to Telstra's fiber optic network which runs adjacent;
- the time to construct the six (6) culverts would be longer than to install the bridge and may require a longer lane closure on Brisbane Valley Highway for this installation purpose; and
- The cycle/pedestrian path would be partially obscured from view to and from the road users.

Option 3 is the construction of a 4 x 3.6m x 3.6m reinforced box culverts to bring it up to approximately the same height as the Brisbane Valley Highway, adjacent. The approximate cost to construct these culverts would be \$240,000, which includes construction, delivery and installation of culverts.

The pros to option 3 are:

- No structural design would be required for abutments, TMR standard detail would be used for the culverts

The cons to option 3 are:

- The time to construct the four (4) culverts would be longer than to install the bridge and may require a longer lane closure on Brisbane Valley Highway for this installation purpose; and
- the cost to construct four (4) culverts compared to a bridge would be more expensive at approximately \$240,000.

Attachments

Picture – ICC Single Span Truss Bridge

General Arrangement – ICC Single Span Truss Bridge at Brassall

Recommendation

THAT Council accept option 2 as the preferred option.

Decision:	Moved - Cr Whalley	Seconded - Cr Brieschke
	"THAT Council accept Option 1 as the preferred option."	
		<i><u>Carried</u></i>

Subject:	Fernvale Bus Shelter Options
File Ref:	Roads - design and construction - bus route
Action Officer:	DDM

Background/Summary

Council officers are currently finalising the design for new bus shelters to be installed near the Futures Complex in Fernvale.

As part of these works two (2) new bus shelters are to be constructed on either side of the highway. The plan of the locations is attached. Officers are seeking Council's advice as to the type of bus shelter to install. Most types come with either a curved, flat or peaked roof. Council officers will need to seek multi quotations and will select a structure in the general configuration that Council selects.

Attached are different styles that are proposed. All will have a seat installed as part of the installation.

Attachments

Bus Shelter plan
Bus Shelter Options

Recommendation

THAT Council endorse Options 1 the "Parkland" and Option 4 the "Steel" general configuration for the preferred bus shelters.

Decision:	Moved - Cr Gaedtke	Seconded - Cr Ogg
	"THAT Council endorse Option 4 the "Steel" general configuration for the preferred bus shelters."	
	<u>Carried</u>	

Subject:	Community Assistance Grants 2016 - 17 - Esk Jockey Club Inc
File Ref:	Community Relations - Sponsorships - Donations - Doc Id.
	906952
Action Officer:	DHRCS

Background/Summary

Grant to assist with the costs of purchasing a ride on mower:

Amount requested:	\$3,699
Total cost of project:	\$3,699
Amount granted:	\$1,850

Assessor's Summary

The Esk Jockey Club are seeking a community assistant grant to purchase a ride on mower to maintain the general grounds area where community events are staged. The applicant states the mower currently used for this purpose is approximately 30 years old and is no longer able to be repaired. The Esk Jockey Club grounds are cared for and maintained by volunteers.

The club were successful in securing a \$5,000 grant in the 2012-2013 financial year to assist with the costs of purchasing a large zero turn mower at cost of approximately \$8,000. This mower is used to maintain the race track only.

Attachments

Nil

Recommendation

THAT the application as summarised in this report be approved for funding and \$1,850 be

approved through the Community Assistance Grants budget allocation; plus GST if applicable, to assist with the costs of purchasing a ride on mower.

Decision:	Moved - Cr Hall	Seconded - Cr Whalley
<p>"THAT the application as summarised in this report be approved for funding and \$1,850 be approved through the Community Assistance Grants budget allocation; plus GST if applicable, to assist with the costs of purchasing a ride on mower."</p>		
<u>Carried</u>		

Subject:	The Condensery - First Birthday Celebration
File Ref:	Customer Liaison - The Condensery
Action Officer:	TPO

Background/Summary

Council previously discussed the initial plans for the first birthday celebration for the Somerset Regional Art Gallery - The Condensery.

The celebration proposed includes a cocktail style event on the evening of Friday, 9 December 2016. This event is intended to strengthen ties between the Toogoolawah township businesses (in particular) and the Somerset Regional Art Gallery – The Condensery as well as Somerset tourism operators and the broader Somerset business community.

This will be an invitation only event. The evening will focus on the achievements of the space across the first 12 months. The new edition of the Somerset Tourism regional visitor guide will also be launched at this event.

It is anticipated that a budget of \$5,000 will be required to hold this event. The budget will cover food, beverages, entertainment, and promotion of the evening (invitations). The budget is calculated on an attendance list of about 200 people.

Attachments

Nil

Recommendations

THAT Council support the contents of this report and allocate \$5000 for the Somerset Regional Art Gallery – The Condensery first birthday celebration and launch of the 2017 regional visitor guide.

Decision:	Moved - Cr Ogg	Seconded - Cr Brieschke
<p>"THAT Council support the contents of this report and allocate \$5000 for the Somerset Regional Art Gallery – The Condensery first birthday celebration and launch of the 2017 regional visitor guide."</p>		
<u>Carried</u>		

Subject:	Advertising Proposal - APN
File Ref:	Officers Reports
Action Officer:	CMM

Background/Summary

The Gatton, Lockyer and Brisbane Valley Star (APN News and Media) has recently made representations to Council seeking Council support for its publication by way of regular advertisements.

The advertising proposal consists of the following:

- A full-page advertisement (Council to design and set content) in its Brisbane Valley Views segment of The Star.
- The ad will appear fortnightly (in the second and fourth weeks of each month) in the section of the paper dedicated to news occurring in Somerset.

Council would request the following:

- That the Brisbane Valley Views section of the newspaper be rebranded to Somerset News or similar to assist with Council branding of the region as Somerset, not Brisbane Valley.

In the past year, after ongoing discussions with Council, APN have increased their circulation in Somerset. The Star is now home delivered to Fernvale, Lowood, Esk and Toogoolawah. The newspaper is also bulk dropped at Coominya. The paper has an audited readership of 33,000 (as at March 2016) and its circulation is more than 20,000 across the Lockyer Valley and Somerset.

Council officers are of the mind to undertake a trial of the advertising proposal.

A six month trial would entail a full-page ad appearing in The Star on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month (to coincide with the Brisbane Valley Views section) at a total cost (based on 13 ads) of \$14,274 (ex gst).

Council will use the ad space to promote Council program and events, contact details and other information to its residents that are not circulated in media releases but require publicity. Council is hoping to boost the profile of Council to its residents by making a regular appearance in a publication and enhancing Council's brand recognition within the Somerset and surrounding communities.

It is further proposed that Council commit to undertaking the trial of a full-page ad fortnightly from January 2017 for a period of six months.

Attachments

Nil

Recommendation

THAT Council allocate \$14,300 (ex gst) towards the printing of a full page advertisement in The Gatton, Lockyer and Brisbane Valley Star fortnightly for a period of six months starting in January 2017.

Decision:	Moved - Cr Choat	Seconded - Cr Whalley
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"THAT Council allocate \$14,300 (ex gst) towards the printing of a full

page advertisement in The Gatton, Lockyer and Brisbane Valley Star fortnightly for a period of six months starting in January 2017."

Carried

Subject: Tourism Monthly Report - August 2016
File Ref: TOURISM - Promotions
Action Officer: Tourism Promotions Officer (TPO)

Background/Summary

The following is the end of monthly summary of activities relating to promotions, tourism and the visitor information centres in September 2016.

VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRES

Sale of permits

The three visitor information centres manage the sales of boating permits (on behalf of Seqwater) and fishing permits (on behalf of DAFF).

Below is a breakdown of all Seqwater boating permits sold across the three VIC's throughout the month of September 2016.

Seqwater Boating Permits	No Permits Sold	Gross Sales
Esk Visitor Information Centre	2	\$30
Fernvale Futures Complex	15	\$711
Kilcoy Information Centre	10	\$198

The Queensland Department of Agriculture and Fisheries has digitising its Stocked Impoundment Permit Scheme (fishing permits) application process from 1 July 2016.

Somerset VIC's have received iPad's that are specifically set up to enable customers to complete the application form and process their payment online. Currently, this online process does not allow Council to track the number of permits sold or the dollar value of the sales each month.

Sale of Council merchandise:

Below is a breakdown of all Council merchandise sold across the three VIC's throughout the month of August 2016.

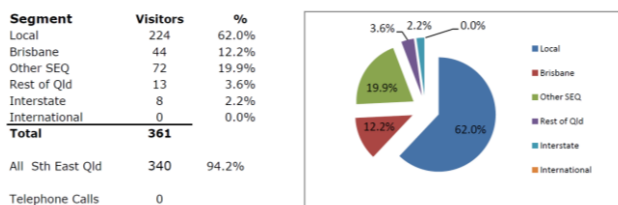
	Postcards	Magnets	Flood Books	Water Bottles	Gross sales
Esk VIC	13				\$13
Fernvale VIC	6		1		\$31
Kilcoy VIC	12			2	\$28

Visitor Statistics

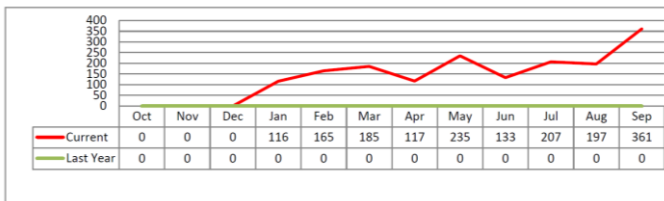
	Total visitors	Local to Somerset	From the greater Brisbane area	All SEQ locations
Esk VIC	742	97	179	450
Kilcoy VIC	821	132	240	539
Fernvale VIC	650	200	207	530
Somerset Regional Art Gallery - The Condensery	361	224	44	340

Full breakdown of visitor statistics for each centre below.

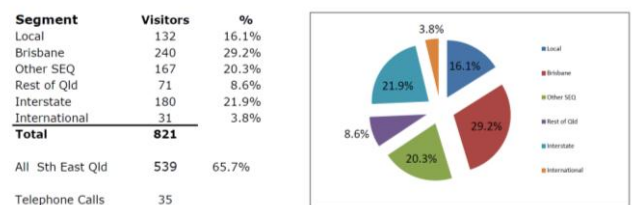
Visitor Statistics
Somerset Regional Art Gallery
Month Ending Sep 2016



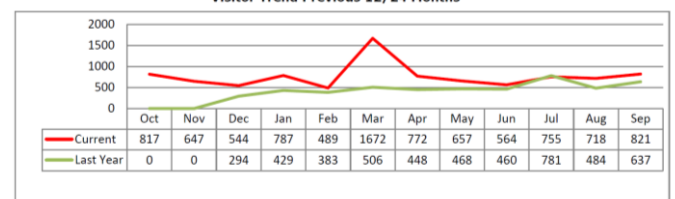
Visitor Trend Previous 12/24 Months



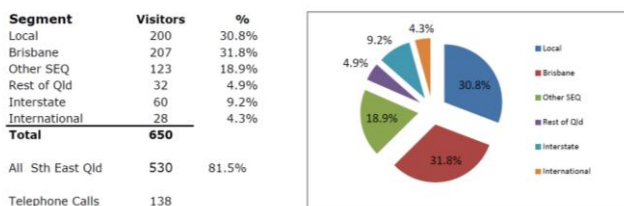
Visitor Statistics
Kilcoy Information Centre
Month Ending Sep 2016



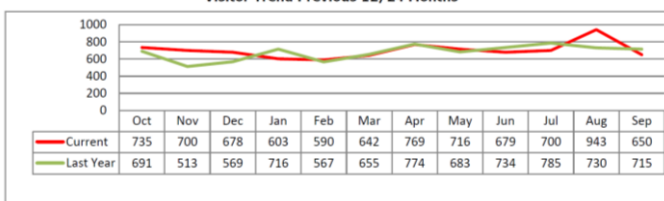
Visitor Trend Previous 12/24 Months



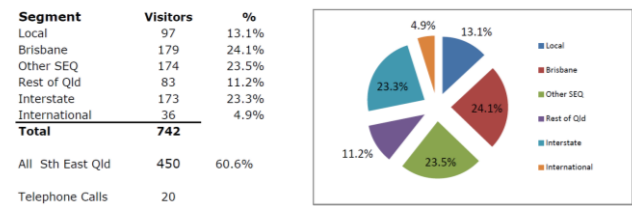
Visitor Statistics
Fernvale Futures Complex
Month Ending Sep 2016



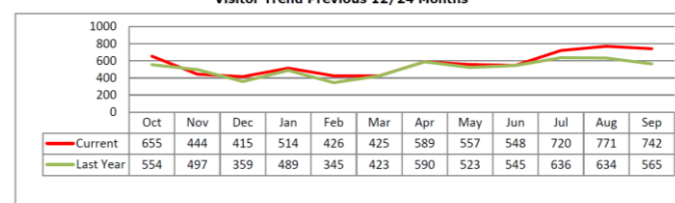
Visitor Trend Previous 12/24 Months



Visitor Statistics
Esk Visitor Information Centre
Month Ending Sep 2016



Visitor Trend Previous 12/24 Months



Volunteers

- As at 4 October, there are 55 active volunteers across the four centres.
- The last volunteer training familiarisation was held on Thursday, 22 September and

- focussed on Somerset Dam and accommodation providers throughout Hazeldean.
- The next volunteer famil will be hosted in December 2016.

Esk Visitor Information Centre

- There are currently 15 active volunteers. The next volunteer meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, 25 October 2016.
- 2016 VIC audit completed in September. This was an online audit, waiting on feedback from Visit Queensland about the outcome of this.
- The Glenrock Gallery displayed an exhibition by Phil Lister. This is a photographic exhibition about the things and places and most importantly the people and family that are part of his life and memories. Gallery changeover was completed on Thursday, 29 September 2016. The new exhibition features Tom Mason. Mr Mason's art is watercolour and acrylic painting work of France depicting French country, villages and rural scenes. This exhibition will be displayed until Wednesday, 26 September 2016.
- Bookings for the Glen Rock Gallery for the month of September -
 - Brisbane Valley Interagency
 - Esk Hospital Auxiliary AGM

Kilcoy Information Centre

- There are currently 13 active volunteers. One volunteer resigned during September. The previous volunteer meeting was held on Wednesday, 31 August. Three new volunteers are scheduled to commence in October (based on the advertisement has been placed in the newspapers for 1 September to encourage new volunteers).
- 2016 VIC audit completed in September. This was an online audit, waiting on feedback from Visit Queensland about the outcome of this.
- VISO is obtaining quotes for a new brochure display system for the VIC.
- The Kilcoy Historical Society video is now on display on an LCD screen in the meeting room- volunteers are encouraging visitors to watch it.
- Casual bookings at the Kilcoy Information Centre in September include –
 - BVK Landcare
 - Essentially Somerset Photographic Competition selection panel meeting
 - Suncare
 - SEQ Catchments
 - Community Share Meal
 - Brisbane Marketing 'Welcome to Somerset' workshop

Fernvale Visitor Information Centre

- There are currently 20 active volunteers. Next team meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, 19 October 2016.
- 2016 VIC audit completed in September. This was an online audit, waiting on feedback from Visit Queensland about the outcome of this.
- All standard hirers at Fernvale Futures including one new hire for 2017 – Legacy Taekwondo.

The Condensery

- There are currently 13 active volunteers at The Condensery. Two applications have been received for new volunteers; both have commenced in September. Two volunteers have moved to inactive due to not being on the roster for health reasons.
- The exhibition by Somerset Art Society Inc. (SASi) closed on Sunday, 2 October 2016. The exhibition titled 'To each their own' explored what motivates SASi artists. Each artist was asked to submit up to four pieces and identify the common link between the works – what was the artists interest in the theme, the colours, the media.
- The gallery will be closed from 3 – 7 October for the Sandgate Art Society (SAS) exhibition to be installed. This SAS official opening will be held on Saturday, 8 October from 5pm. This exhibition will be on display until Sunday, 4 December.
- Based on the success of the sales during the SASi exhibition, it has been agreed that the same arrangement will be in place for the Sandgate Art Society exhibition. SAS will provide a float of \$100 and a receipt book. Volunteers will manage sales to the value of \$200 – any sales above this amount, the purchaser will be given contact details for the artist and the sale will be managed directly.

Tourism Team

- A tourism team meeting was held at the Fernvale Futures Complex on Wednesday, 7 September 2016.
- The team attended the Welcome to Somerset workshops alongside volunteers and operators. The second round of workshops were held across 14 / 15 September.

REGIONAL VISITOR GUIDE

Work towards the 2017 Somerset Regional Visitor Guide commenced in July with the advertising prospectus being distributed to the database of local tourism operators. This will be officially launched on Friday, 9 December 2016.

The Somerset. Real Country. Real Adventure regional visitor guides are distributed through Somerset VIC's, local tourism businesses and visitor information centres across Queensland with a number distributed across northern NSW.

TRADE SHOWS

There were no trade shows attended during September 2016. Planning has commenced for the 2017 trade shows including the purchasing of tote bags etc.

EVENTS

- **Fernvale Sports Park Opening**

Two staff from the tourism team assisted at the Fernvale Sports Park opening on Saturday, 3 September. This includes coordinating the catering for the invited guests (morning tea) and liaising with the Fernvale Lions Club to have a community barbecue available to the public.

- **International Volunteers Day**

Planning has commenced towards the IVD event to be held on Saturday, 3 December

2016.

PROMOTIONS

▪ **Town Maps**

New town maps have been created for the 13 townships across the region. These will be printed professionally and made available through the VIC's and Council customer service centres.

▪ **Tourism Video**

The tourism team have been supporting Council's communications coordinator with the filming for the tourism video. The first draft of the video was shown to Council for feedback on 28 September 2016 with suggested amendments to be made.

▪ **Brisbane Marketing**

Planning towards the 2016/17 Brisbane Marketing campaign has commenced. The push from TPO to Brisbane Marketing and the regions is to develop a program that has more focus on increasing the capacity of our local operators as opposed to the campaigns being run in recent years. A meeting will be held with the Brisbane Marketing team to develop the strategy.

▪ **Welcome to Somerset Ambassador Program**

The Welcome to Somerset workshops were developed as part of the 2015/16 Brisbane Marketing campaign. The funds allocated to this program have been rolled into the 2016/17 budget and this project commenced in August 2016.

Somerset Tourism and Brisbane Marketing hosted a local ambassador program, designed to build on our growing reputation as one of the friendliest destinations in the world by making a world of difference to our visitors.

The *Welcome to Somerset* program, which has been rolled-out in Brisbane and other regions in the Greater Brisbane area, provides our visitors with memorable experiences through a personal connection to our destination, our culture and our events that will have them wanting to come back for more.

Destinations that consistently extend a warm welcome reap social and economic benefits long after tourists have visited or events have been staged... *Tourism is everybody's business.*

A total of 63 attendees registered to attend the two workshops. The Somerset workshops are the largest groups that Brisbane Marketing have hosted from across all of the Welcome to... programs.

▪ **Town Maps**

Work is continuing on this project to update the town maps. Veronica Eagle is liaising with cartographer, Mark Roberts to develop the new map designs.

▪ **Photographic Competition**

A total of 592 entries were received into the Essentially Somerset photographic competition. There are two sponsors for the category prizes being Heritage City Photos and Ted's Camera House. All other category prizes were provided by Council.

A full report regarding this project was submitted to Council in September.

▪ **RV Friendly Towns**

An application has been submitted for Toogoolawah to be registered as an RV Friendly town. There are several issues to consider for this application to be accepted –

- 1) *Long Term Parking (for self-contained vehicles)*
Toogoolawah Showgrounds needs a planning approval under the Somerset Region Planning Scheme for a tourist park (caravan park), which they currently do not have, in order to lawfully provide short-term accommodation to the travelling public. An alternate option for long-term parking needs to be identified.
- 2) *Dump Point*
The dump point must be available free of charge (or at a minimum, free to CMCA members). The dump point is within the showgrounds and is only available for a fee.

An application for Fernvale has been drafted, but not yet submitted due to waiting on further details re overnight stays.

Social Media: Facebook

Somerset Tourism continues to interact with operators via liking and sharing posts or event pages from their Facebook pages. Current page likes as at 4 October – **1,592**

Date	Page Visits	Page likes	Total Reach	People Engaged	Total Page Likes
4-11 September	48	5	3710	252	1564
11-18 September	31	7	2760	266	1572
18-25 Sept	52	16	5820	967	1588
25 September- 2 October	91	4	2834	372	1592

Social Media: Instagram

Current followers as at 28 July: **355**

MEETINGS / ADVOCACY

Council's tourism, promotion and event functions continue to be represented by the tourism and promotions officer and visitor information services officers at the following groups and organisations:

- Brisbane Marketing
- Tourism Events Queensland
- Queensland Information Centre Association
- Brisbane Valley Heritage Trails
- Somerset Art Society Inc.

The tourism and promotions officer continues to maintain relationships within the region and with counterparts in nearby regions.

Attachments

Nil.

Recommendations

THAT the report be received and the contents noted.

Decision: Moved - Cr Gaedtke Seconded - Cr Ogg
 "THAT the report be received and the contents noted."
Carried

Closed Session

Decision: Moved - Cr Hall Seconded - Cr Whalley
 "THAT the meeting move into a closed session at 11.06am to discuss legal and contractual matters."
Carried

Decision: Moved – Cr Gaedtke Seconded - Cr Hall
 "THAT the meeting move out of the closed session at 11.37am and be once again open to the public."
Carried

Subject:	Proposed amendment to Somerset Region Planning Scheme - Operational works - vegetation clearing
File Ref:	Land use and planning - planning - Somerset Region Planning Scheme
Action Officer:	PO-MJ and NRMO

Background/Summary

As Councillors would be aware following comments received regarding the vegetation clearing provisions contained within the Somerset Region Planning Scheme, Council officers have been working on amendments to the scheme which would allow certain clearing activities to occur without the prior approval of Council. The proposed amendments include new administrative definitions and some alterations to existing administrative definitions.

The proposed amendments are currently in a draft form and can be found at Attachment 1 and Attachment 2 and are indicative of the direction proposed.

Officers are now seeking a resolution from Council that the proposed direction is acceptable. If the direction is acceptable, the intention is to provide the proposed amendments to AgForce to obtain initial comments from rural industry representatives.

Once the amendments are finalised a formal resolution will be sought from Council in accordance with the requirements of Statutory Guideline 01/16 - Making and amending local planning instruments.

Attachments

Attachment 1 – Proposed amended minor operational works definition
 Attachment 2 – Proposed amended and proposed administrative definitions

Decision:	Moved - Cr Brieschke	Seconded - Cr Whalley
	<p>“THAT Council endorse the proposed direction in relation to amending the vegetation clearing provisions in the Somerset Region Planning Scheme.</p> <p>THAT Council endorse preliminary consultation on the proposed direction with AgForce to obtain initial rural industry comments.”</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>Carried</u></p>	

Subject:	Phipps Pastoral - Enforcement Proceedings
File Ref:	DA12745
Action Officer:	CEO

Decision:	Moved - Cr Hall	Seconded - Cr Ogg
	<p>“THAT enforcement proceedings be commenced by the filing of an originating application in the Planning and Environment Court seeking declarations that the abovementioned breaches of conditions have occurred and constitute development offences for the purposes of s580(1) of the <i>Sustainable Planning Act (Qld)</i>.</p> <p>THAT council seek an enforcement order compelling the respondent to comply with the conditions of the development approval within an appropriate timeframe.”</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>Carried</u></p>	

Meetings authorised by Council

Cr Whalley – Fact finding trip to Otago, New Zealand

Decision:	Moved - Cr Hall	Seconded - Cr Gaedtke
	<p>“THAT the expenses incurred by Cr Whalley during his Otago New Zealand study trip of the Otago Trail be funded by council.”</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>Carried</u></p>	

Mayor's and Councillors' Reports

Cr Gaedtke – Councillor's report

Cr Gaedtke provided a written report as follows -

1/2 October	Somerset Relay for Life, Kilcoy
5 October	Brisbane Valley Heritage Trail Monthly Meeting, Wyvill's Museum, Yarraman
5 October	Meeting with Kilcoy Golf Club executive
5 October	On-site meeting Kilcoy Sports Centre
8 October	Mt Kilcoy State School P and C Spring Fair

- 8 October Skydive Ramblers Drop Zone official opening of 2016 Equinox Boogie International Skydiving and Music Festival
- 10 October Brisbane Valley Kilcoy Landcare Group Monthly Meeting
- 10 October On Site Meeting Staghurst Road, Gregors Creek
- 12 October Kilcoy State High School Council Meeting

Somerset Relay for Life

Congratulations and sincere heartfelt thanks to all who supported this very worthy fundraising event. Mayor Lehmann, Crs Hall, Choat, Whalley and myself offered support to the Somerset Relay for Life event and to our team known as the "Council Crusaders". Our team was successful with taking out the award for The Best Dressed Team, wearing our purple tutus and yellow footy socks. I would like to thank Brenda Fagan and her team of very helpful council staff who finalised all the needs to bring our team to life. The 2016 event was supported by eleven teams and at the time of writing this report, a total of \$23,511 has been raised, with a final goal of raising \$30,000. The 2015 event was supported by sixteen teams and raised over \$35,000 in support of Cancer Council Queensland. The amount of fund raising has been a staggering achievement for the small community of Kilcoy, however it is unreasonable to expect the community to support the event three years in succession. Therefore, I strongly encourage the southern part of our region to seriously consider hosting the 2017 Somerset Relay for Life. In the past five years, Relayers in Australia have raised over \$108,000,000 for Cancer Council.

Mt Kilcoy State School P and C Spring Fair

I was very pleased to witness the achievement of lots of people and a State Government grant to secure the Kelly Blunt Oval at the Mt Kilcoy State School, which was officially opened at the fair. There were lots of stalls, interesting games and entertainment provided by this tight knit schooling community. It was a very special experience and provided me with an opportunity to acknowledge and reflect on the effort made by a wise group of people who formed a committee in February 1908 to establish a provisional school at Mt Kilcoy. My Great Grandfather, George Adsett was also a member of the committee. The small school building measuring 24ft by 16ft with two verandahs each 7ft wide was opened on 18 January 1909. Four generations of my family have attended this highly regarded state school.

Skydive Ramblers Drop Zone official opening of 2016 Equinox Boogie International Skydiving and Music Festival

I wish to personally thank the Ramblers for their kind invitation to attend the official opening of Equinox Boogie. I enjoyed chatting with members and hearing many stories about the passion they share for this extreme sport. Somerset is fortunate to have this dynamic group located

Cr Choat – Councillor's report

Cr Choat presented a written report as follows -

Lowood Community Action Group - 28/09/2016

Attended the Lowood Community Action Group meeting which was well attended. Am providing in-kind support to the group through printing the documentation they will use to provide loans under the No Interest Loans Scheme (NILS). NILS will provide local people who need finance to purchase necessities.

Linville Community Visit - 1/10/2016

Paid a visit to Linville to talk to residents about their concerns and ideas for their local area. I am very impressed and hope to assist them in their endeavours.

Relay for Life 01/10/2016 - 2/10/2016

Was pleased to participate in the Somerset Relay for Life team "Council Crusaders" where we raised \$2,330.50 for the Cancer Council with the Somerset region raising over \$23,511. It was great to be part of the team. Thanks to Deb Frecklington MP, Mayor Graeme Lehmann and Councillor Dan Hall for coming along to cheer the Crusaders on and for actually doing a few circuits with us.

We had a lot of fun and my tutu didn't frighten too many but my fluoro yellow hair certainly did attract some attention. The Crusaders Team was: Captain Brenda Fagan, Chloe Briant-Kemp, Cr Sean Choat, Alexandra Cova, Hannah Frementle, Cr Cheryl Gaedtke, Brooke Grieve, Dusty Main, Jaxon Main, Kara Main, Mike Main, Sarah Riggs, Cassandra Ware and Cr Bob Whalley. Congratulations to them and to all Somerset residents, groups and businesses who got involved.

It was a long freezing night and I think I actually dozed off for about an hour well worth it.

Ramblers Skydiving 2016 Equinox Boogie - 08/10/2016

Attended the Ramblers Toogoolawah event with Nicky and the family and we were very impressed by the skill of the divers and pilots. Was great to be joined by Mayor Lehmann and Councillor Gaedtke. We were made to feel most welcome.

This is an event which has potential to draw visitors from Australia and internationally.

Kilcoy Brisbane Valley Landcare Meeting - 10/10/2016

Attended the October meeting, where the group showed their new signs for Yowie Park and outlined their plans to improve the area and hold various workshops and activities for local residents and landholders. I am pleased to be providing printed colour copies of the Group's new book listing all of the plants endemic to the area with beautiful photographs of them all.

Valley of the Lakes Garden Club General Meeting - 11/10/2016

Once again I really enjoyed the monthly meeting where I am getting to know the members who's efforts really impress me. They are really looking forward to their 2017 Festival which will really showcase their talents and will be a fantastic community event for the Somerset region. I am pleased Council is supporting the club with their endeavours.

October saw the group hold their first meeting in their new venue at the Esk Civic Centre. They filled every seat and will no doubt continue to grow.

Cr Brieschke – Councillor's report

Cr Brieschke presented a written report as follows -

Esk Cultural Festival Association Meeting

I attended the Inaugural meeting of the proposed Esk Cultural Festival Association last week, where a committee was officially voted in and motions set for the group to become a registered association. This committee intend on reviving the Multi-Cultural Festival in Esk. The next meeting will be held 9 November, CWA Hall, Esk and it is hoped that research following last week's meetings will inform the committee of available dates and other information to progress planning for the festival.

Council of Mayors SEQ Waterways and Environment Committee Meeting

At the ComSEQ Waterways and Environment Committee meeting last week discussion progressed on the establishment of Regional Pest Management Sub-Committees which will involve Councils identifying regional boundaries to define sub-committee areas.

This concept has been driven by LGAQ as part of the implementation of the Biosecurity Capability Review findings.

It has been proposed to conduct an SEQ workshop on 21 November, 11am - 3pm and is open to Senior Managers, Councillors, members of the Rural Communities Special Interest Group and Waterways and Environment Committee.

Somerset Council's Senior Environmental Health officer has already contributed to the Pest and Weed questionnaire circulated in which nine other Councils participated and the information has been collated identifying similar pest management problems across regions. Council's obligation at this stage is to provide representation of a senior officer in pest management to attend the workshop, the CEO has approved in principle and I seek Council's support for this important issue.

Decision:	Moved - Cr Choat	Seconded - Cr Brieschke
	"THAT the verbal and written reports of Crs Gaedtke, Choat and Brieschke 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

Leave of Absence

Decision:	Moved – Cr Gaedtke	Seconded - Cr Ogg
	"THAT Cr Whalley be granted a leave of absence from attending the next council meeting to be held on 26 October 2016."	
		<u>Carried</u>

Closure of Meeting

Summary	There being no further business, the Mayor, Cr Graeme Lehmann closed the meeting at 11.55am.
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