



BUSINESS PAPER

Ordinary Council Meeting Thursday, 16 February 2023

I hereby give notice that the Ordinary Council Meeting will be held on:

Date: Thursday, 16 February 2023

Time: 8:00am

Location: Winton Shire Council Board Room

**Dirk Dowling
Chief Executive Officer**

Mayor

Cr Gavin Baskett

Deputy Mayor

Cr Tina Elliott

Councillors

Cr Shane Mann

Cr Frank Standfast

Cr Cathy White

Cr Anne Seymour

Management Team

Dirk Dowling LLB (Chief Executive Officer)

Shannon Van Bael (Acting Director of
Community and Economic Development)

Charles Dyer (Acting Director of Works)

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DATE	TYPE	PARTIES	PURPOSE
20/01/2023	Meeting	Workshop - All Councillors	Monthly Workshop
25/01/2023	Road Tour	Old Kynuna Road - CEO	General Road tour
26/01/2023	Event	Australia Day	Ceremony/ Awards
30/01/2023	Meeting	Bureau of Meteorology	General Meeting / Update
1/02/2023	Filming Media	DSDILGP Showcase	Liveable Communities
7/02/2023	Meeting	ADT Aust Dino Trail	General Meeting
8/02/2023	Meeting	Sh*tbox Rally	General Meeting
	Meeting	Opera Queensland	General Meeting
		Griffith University	General Meeting
9/02/2023	Meeting	NQSF Advisory Forum	General Meeting
10/02/2023	Meeting	Workshop - All Councillors	Monthly Workshop
14/02/2023	Meeting	RAPAD Policy Exec	General Meeting
	Meeting	QUT - Dr Shannon Satherley	General Meeting
15/02/2023	Meeting	WQAC - Western QLD Alliance of Councils	Planning Meeting

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Nil
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RISK ASSEMENT MATRIX

	Consequence				
Likelihood	Insignificant 1	Minor 2	Moderate 3	Major 4	Catastrophic 5
Almost Certain 5 Is expected to occur at most times	Medium M - 5	High H - 10	High H - 15	Extreme E - 20	Extreme E - 25
Likely 4 Will probably occur at most times	Medium M - 4	Medium M - 8	High H - 12	High H - 16	Extreme E - 20
Possible 3 Might occur at some time	Low L - 3	Medium M - 6	Medium M - 9	High H - 12	High H - 15
Unlikely 2 Could occur at some time	Low L - 2	Low L - 4	Medium M - 6	Medium M - 8	High H - 10
Rare 1 May occur in rare circumstances	Low L - 1	Low L - 2	Medium M - 3	Medium M - 4	Medium M - 5

13 DECISIONAL REPORTS**13.1 WSC ARTS AND CULTURAL STRATEGY - PROGRESS UPDATE****File Number:** 153530**Author:** Madeleine Lawler, Director of Community and Economic Development**Authoriser:****Attachments:** 1. 13289 - WSC Cultural Strategy v1 (1).pdf_FINAL.pdf
2. 23.02 WSC ARTS AND CULT STRATEGY UPDATE 9 FEB 2023.pdf**Meeting Date:** 16 February 2023**Corporate and Operational Plan Consideration**

Strategy	Corporate Plan Reference	Organisational Responsibility	Performance Measure
Thriving Together	Work on an art and culture identity for Winton. Acknowledge our community's diversity and broad range of art, music sculpture and writing	Director of Community and Economic Development	Increase the number of cultural experiences available in the Shire from 2021 baseline.

Budget Reference: Nil**Asset Management Reference:** Nil**SUMMARY**

At its Ordinary Meeting of February 2022, Winton Shire Council adopted its Arts and Cultural Strategy 2021-2026. This report provides a progress update against the actions committed to in the Strategy.

RECOMMENDATION

1. THAT the report be received.
2. THAT the progress against the WSC Arts and Cultural Strategy 2021-2026 be noted.

REPORT

The team in Tourism and Economic Development have been steadily working to achieve the objectives set forward in the Arts and Cultural Strategy for 2021-2026. The attached table outlines progress against the specific actions.

The future for the Winton Shire arts and cultural sectors look bright, with fresh collaborations and partnerships growing. The scene is set with an exciting and professional exhibition series in the Outback Regional Gallery, and the Shire's partnerships with the Southeast Queensland cultural industry look set to grow in the coming years.

RISK MANAGEMENT

The risk associated with this update is assessed as Rare (likelihood) and Insignificant (consequence) rating it as **L-1**.

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WINTON

SHIRE

COUNCIL

ARTS & CULTURAL STRATEGY



WINTON SHIRE COUNCIL ACKNOWLEDGE
THE KOA PEOPLE, THE TRADITIONAL
OWNERS OF THE LAND THE TOWN IS
BUILT UPON AND THEIR NEIGHBOURS,
MAIAWALI, KARUWALI, YIRANDALI,
ININGAI, PITTA PITTA AND WANAMARA
NATIONS, AND PAY OUR RESPECTS TO
THEIR ELDERS PAST, PRESENT AND
EMERGING. WE EXTEND THAT RESPECT
TO ALL ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT
ISLANDER PEOPLE IN OUR COMMUNITY.

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FUNDING AND
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FOREWARD

Winton has quickly gained a reputation as an arts and cultural hotspot and to ensure arts and culture continues to flourish in our region, Winton Shire Council endorses this Strategy 2022-2026 and action plan that will contribute to our long-term vision and cultural profile.

Winton, originally a pioneering settlement, evolved from the dominant industry of pastoral to invention, tourism and most recently an appetite for the arts. Our festivals, events, opal and paleontological discovery which are intrinsically branded with Winton's unique character are celebrated locally and recognised internationally. Winton's capacity for innovation is firmly rooted in arts and culture, Winton is the birthplace of our national airline Q.A.N.T.A.S and Australia's unofficial anthem 'Waltzing Matilda' first penned by A.B. Paterson on Dagworth Station, 1895.

THE ARTS AND CULTURAL STRATEGY 2022-2026
ENABLES COUNCIL AND OUR COMMUNITY TO
IDENTIFY OUR STRENGTHS AND GAPS. STRATEGIC
PLANNING FOR THE ARTS IS VITAL TO DISCOVER
WHERE NEW GROWTH CAN OCCUR FOR BROAD
IMPACT AND STIMULATION OF ECONOMY.

Council's investment in our cultural life through programmes, services and facilities focuses on the future of arts and cultural growth while retaining our heritage and history.

Through rigorous consulting, feedback was received from our community over a period of nine months to identify what is unique about Winton and identify how arts and culture could potentially evolve to become more inclusive and accessible to support Indigenous arts practice, preserve heritage and encourage storytelling, new partnerships, the reactivation of spaces and arts programmes, youth and creative practice.

On behalf of the Winton Shire Council I am pleased to endorse the implementation of the newly created *Arts and Cultural Strategy 2022-2026*.

Cr Gavin Baskett
Mayor of Winton







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OUR CULTURAL LANDSCAPE

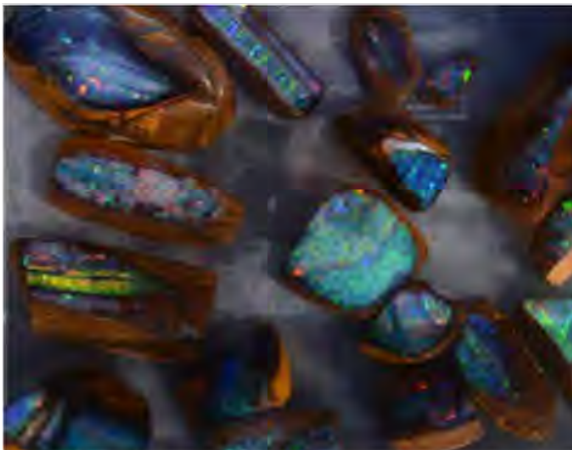
Winton Shire is a region fertile with its stories and character; enriched by a vibrant outback landscape and brilliant sunsets. These cultural assets inspire residents and draw in visitors and artists who want to capture the essence of this welcoming town. Winton is an eclectic mix of world class museums nestled beside historic treasure troves. Contemporary architecture alongside heritage buildings and main street facades which all share unique stories about people and place. The natural assets such as birdlife, landscape and opals also make Winton Shire unique.

Winton's heart, the retail precinct is well designed to promote and create a strong sense of place, inviting locals and visitors to connect through social interaction and discovery. Elderslie Street offers an active open space with restaurants and cafes, appealing architecture, window displays, public art and local history where tourism can naturally flow.

WINTON, IS A SMALL BUT AMBITIOUS TOWN KNOWN FOR ACHIEVING HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL EVENTS THAT CAPITALISE ON THE REGION'S LOCATION AS WELL AS ITS NATURAL AND HISTORICAL ASSETS TO GENERATE HIGH ECONOMIC VALUE TO THE REGION.

The biennial *Winton Outback Festival* that commenced in 1972 to increase social wellbeing and to alleviate the effects of ongoing drought, is a highly anticipated event on the Queensland tourism calendar for its quirky interactive events that attract international attention. The annual *Vision Splendid Film Festival* commencing in 2014, launched Winton as 'Hollywood in the Outback' with several major film productions showcasing Winton to the world. The event occurs annually and is held at the Royal Theatre, one of two surviving open-air picture theatres in Australia.

Boulder Opal is unique to Winton and annually the *Winton Opal Festival and Trade Fair* showcases some of the finest specimens of opal along the main tourist strip as well as the International Queen of Gems Jewellery Award. 'Waltzing Matilda', our unofficial anthem was penned by A. B. Paterson in 1895 on Dagworth Station when literature was in its infancy in Australia. Music, poetry and literature are still important for local arts and culture with the *Winton Writers Festival*, *Bronze Swagman Poetry Award* and more recently the *Way Out West Festival* an ambitious music festival attracting local and international entertainers to Winton. With a rich and layered cultural history, Winton also joins the iconic annual *Outback Queensland Camel Festival Trail* with professional camel racing.



Winton boasts several diverse arts and cultural facilities that are Council operated, not for profit organisations, museums and local creative business that drive arts and culture and boost tourism.

- The Waltzing Matilda Centre
- Outback Regional Gallery
- Qantilda Museum
- Winton's Diamantina Heritage Truck and Machinery Museum
- Corfield and Fitzmaurice & Combo Crafts
- Winton Creative Arts
- The Royal Theatre
- Willie Mar Heritage Site (Fruit and Vegetable Market Garden)
- The Australian Age of Dinosaurs Museum of Natural History
- Lark Quarry Dinosaur Trackways
- Opalton



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PURPOSE OF THE STRATEGY

The Winton Shire Council Arts and Cultural Strategy aims to provide a prioritised direction of resourcing for the development of the arts and creative opportunities in Winton Shire.

IT LAYS THE FOUNDATIONS FOR GROWING
A RANGE OF ARTS-LED OPPORTUNITIES TO
STRENGTHEN THE REGION CULTURALLY,
SOCIALY AND ECONOMICALLY.

In late 2020, six members of the community were charged with the task of being "cultural cartographers", mapping out the arts and cultural needs of the region by meeting with different sectors within Winton Shire. These ideas fed into workshops held in Winton in April 2021, including conversations with the broader community, young leaders at our schools and Council. Further conversations were held with our First Nations community and with potential partners.

The results of these conversations formed the basis of a Discussion Paper that was published on the Council's website alongside an online survey in July 2021. The findings reinforced the key themes and priorities proposed in the discussion paper which are now the basis of this strategy document.

SECTOR TRENDS AND ISSUES

At the time of publishing this strategy, the arts sector in Queensland and Australia is struggling through the impacts of COVID-19. The sector response has been to innovate, diversify and embrace new ways of delivering performances, events, exhibitions and projects. This is a great time to learn from the new models that have emerged.

The Queensland Government focus has been on the delivery of their *'Creative Together 2020-2030' Strategy* that has a vision for *'A State renewed and transformed by arts, culture and creativity.'*¹ There are five priority areas:

- Elevate First Nations arts
- Activate Queensland's local places and global digital spaces
- Drive social change across the state
- Strengthen Queensland communities
- Share our stories and celebrate our storytellers.

There has also been a recent re-investment by the Queensland Government in the Regional Arts Services Network to continue arts service delivery through regionally based providers. The current provider for Winton Shire is Red Ridge (Interior Queensland) Ltd which is a partnership worth fostering.

We do not have a national arts policy at the time of publication. The focus of the Australia Council for the Arts, the Australian Government's arts funding body, has a focus on:

- Building industry capacity and networks
- Increased use of digital modes of delivery
- Broadening markets and audiences for the arts
- Advocating for the social, cultural and economic value of arts and creativity²

They have very firm policies around diversity, access and protocols for working with First Nations communities and young people.

Why do we need to keep these things in mind?

These priorities for state and national government arts funding bodies are representative of broad arts sector consultation and voice the direction of resourcing and funding.

IF WINTON SHIRE WISHES TO
LEVERAGE THESE RESOURCES, THERE
NEEDS TO BE A STRONG ALIGNMENT
WITH THESE PRIORITIES.

The community consultation conducted for this strategy demonstrated that Winton's priorities were following similar pathways to the state and national conversation.

The *Winton Shire Economic Development Strategy & Action Plan*³ notes some key strengths and opportunities relevant to the Arts and Cultural Strategy including:

- Major events including the Film Festival and Outback Festival, both of which are founded in arts and cultural activities
- History and storytelling
- Film industry and expansion of film making
- Arts related retreats
- Arts festival

A specific theme in the Economic Development Strategy is around capitalising on the assets of Winton to expand film industry opportunities. Offering career development opportunities in museum curating was also highlighted in Action 6.2, building on the strong heritage of Winton Shire.

The *Winton Shire Council Arts and Cultural Policy*⁴ endorses creative communities and recognises the contribution that arts, culture and heritage make towards enriching our community.

There is no doubt that arts and culture have a clearly defined role in taking the Winton Shire forward.



¹ Arts Queensland, *About the Roadmap and action plans*, <https://www.arts.qld.gov.au/creative-together/about-the-roadmap-and-action-plans>

² Australia Council for the Arts, <https://australiacouncil.gov.au/about-us>

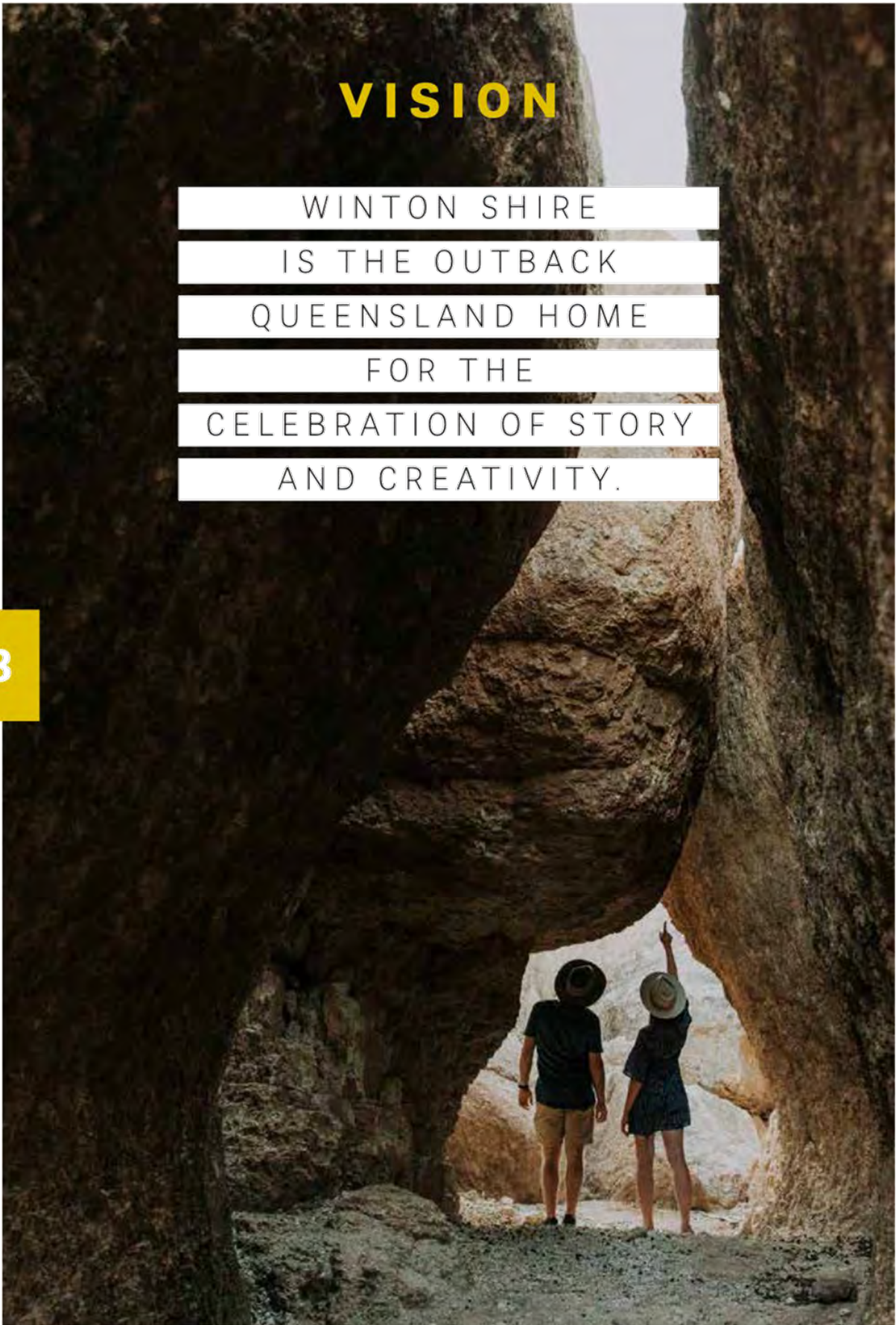
³ Winton Shire Council, *Winton Shire Economic Development Strategy & Action Plan, 2018-2023*

⁴ Winton Shire Council, *Arts and Cultural Policy, 2021*

VISION

WINTON SHIRE
IS THE OUTBACK
QUEENSLAND HOME
FOR THE
CELEBRATION OF STORY
AND CREATIVITY.

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VALUES AND PRINCIPLES

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ACKNOWLEDGING AND RESPECTING THE CULTURE
OF OUR FIRST NATIONS COMMUNITY

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PRESERVING AND SHARING OUR HERITAGE INCLUDING
PLACES OF SIGNIFICANCE, OUR CHARACTER AND OUR STORIES

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PROVIDING PLATFORMS FOR ARTISTS
TO GROW AND PROSPER

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CONNECTING THE COMMUNITY
TO CREATIVE OPPORTUNITIES

PRIORITIES

The following priority areas were developed through extensive community consultation and endorsed through community feedback. They establish key priorities for the next five years to lay important foundations for the growth of a sustainable arts and cultural sector in Winton Shire.

7.1 WINTON SHIRE COUNCIL IS COMMITTED TO SUPPORTING FIRST NATIONS-LED ARTS AND CULTURAL INITIATIVES.

STRATEGIES:

- 7.1.1 Provide opportunity for First Nations representatives, for key arts and cultural projects and programs including participation and ensure customs, culture and sites are respected and acknowledged.
- 7.1.2 Support First Nations-led creative business development to showcase their talent and culture to the community and its visitors including product development, exhibitions, public art and Indigenous Cultural Tourism.
- 7.1.3 Work with local Elders to define appropriate arts and cultural interpretations and acknowledgement of the Koa people their neighbours, Maiawali, Karuwali, Yirandali, Iningai, Pitta Pitta and Wanamara nations.

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7.2 PRESERVING AND INTERPRETING OUR STORIES, HISTORIC BUILDINGS, NATURAL ASSETS AND SITES OF SIGNIFICANCE THROUGH ARTS-LED PROJECTS THAT CAPTURE THE CHARACTER OF WINTON.

STRATEGIES:

- 7.2.1 Supporting partnerships and the development of infrastructure to offer an Artist in Residence program that offers the opportunity for the creation of new work based on our stories whilst sharing the skills of those visiting artists with creatives in our region.
- 7.2.2 Create opportunities for "live tourism" including street theatre and use of technology.
- 7.2.3 Supporting projects that preserve the buildings, objects and stories of significance to the Winton region that are so important in reflecting our character as a community.

7.3 RESOURCE THE ARTS SECTOR TO BUILD ARTS AND HERITAGE-LED CULTURAL, SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES.

STRATEGIES:

- 7.3.1 Continue to support the Winton Shire Council's existing arts and cultural facilities and programming.
- 7.3.2 Invest in arts and culture through the Regional Arts Development Fund, supporting strategic priorities for the Shire outlined in the Strategy. Ensure the procedures of RADF align with industry best practice with clear and transparent procedures and decision-making processes.
- 7.3.3 Facilitate better sector communication through promotional means such as a website, e-newsletter and social media presence.
- 7.3.4 Support the growth of local privately and community owned arts and cultural assets by connecting them to appropriate opportunities and resources.



7.4 ENCOURAGE TARGETED SKILLS DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES TO GROW THE SUSTAINABILITY OF THE ARTS AND HERITAGE SECTOR.

STRATEGIES:

- 7.4.1 Build skills capacity of the community to foster leadership in arts and culture and the potential for locally independently produced arts projects and programs.
- 7.4.2 Develop opportunities for intergenerational skills exchange.

7.5 ENGAGE YOUNG PEOPLE IN DEVELOPING ARTS AND CULTURAL PROGRAMS THEY WANT TO LEAD OR PARTICIPATE IN.

STRATEGIES:

- 7.5.1 Engage young people in programming at Council's cultural facilities and in the region's key events.
- 7.5.2 Skill development opportunities for young people in areas they have indicated such as fiction writing, film making, music videos, multimedia and gaming development.



7.6 CREATE OR ENHANCE PLACES TO ALLOW FOR MORE ARTS PROGRAMMING ON A REGULAR BASIS.

STRATEGIES:

- 7.6.1 Investigate existing infrastructure that could be utilised as public space for performances, public art, studio space etc.
- 7.6.2 Activate publicly accessible places through pop up performances, exhibitions or installations.

7.7 BUILD PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE SUSTAINABILITY AND VITALITY OF THE ARTS AND CULTURAL SECTOR IN WINTON SHIRE.

STRATEGIES:

- 7.7.1 Build arts sector partnerships with neighbouring shires, the Regional Arts Services Network provider for the region, funding bodies and peak organisations.



ACTION PLAN

PRIORITY AREA	STRATEGY	ACTION	TIMEFRAME*	MEASURE OF SUCCESS
7.1	7.1.1	Consult with Traditional Owners to gauge the appropriate processes and protocols for First Nations arts and culture	Ongoing	Traditional Owners have endorsed processes and protocols for arts and cultural engagement of First Nations people
	7.1.2	Encourage First Nations artists in the region to develop project concepts to drive forward arts and culture	2022	First Nations programs and projects developing in our region
	7.1.3	Work with local Elders to define appropriate arts and cultural interpretations and acknowledgement of the Koa people their neighbours, Maiawali, Karuwal, Yirandali, Iningai, Pitta Pitta and Wanamara nations	Ongoing	Traditional Owners have endorsed appropriate interpretations and acknowledgments for arts and cultural engagement of First Nations people
7.2	7.2.1	Host Artist in Residence projects that will have benefits for growing the arts in Winton Shire	2022	Opportunities mapped
		Develop partnerships with host venues and accommodation partners to make a strong offering for Artists in Residence	Ongoing	Partnerships mapped
		Rehabilitate Winton Creative Arts Building to become a thriving arts and cultural hub	2022	Opportunities mapped
	7.2.2	Seek opportunities within the performing arts sector to find out who has the capacity to deliver on live theatre and other initiatives to reinvigorate 'The Winton Players'	2022	Opportunities mapped
		Provide opportunity to build the capacity of the sector to devise "live tourism" activities including street theatre and use of technology	Ongoing	Support and work with key stakeholders to deliver
	7.2.3	Encourage the community to pitch heritage preservation projects including community storytelling to the Regional Arts Development Fund	Ongoing	Increased heritage and community storytelling applications of quality to RADF

* To be completed by the end of year

PRIORITY AREA	STRATEGY	ACTION	TIMEFRAME	MEASURE OF SUCCESS
7.3	7.3.1	Business and growth plans developed for Council's existing arts and cultural facilities to meet future needs of the community and its visitors	2022	Mapped and potential resourcing opportunities identified
	7.3.2	Revisit the processes of assessment for the Regional Arts Development Fund, including the revision of the Arts and Cultural Development Policy to align with this strategy	2022	RADF Program and Arts and Cultural Policy redeveloped with priorities and processes aligning with this plan
		Provide committee and community training to increase the quality and quantity of RADF applications and assessment	Ongoing	Training program devised and delivered annually
	7.3.3	Review existing arts and cultural communication including e-newsletters, social media and website and develop opportunities for branded communication tools that encourage sharing of information about arts and cultural opportunities under that brand	2022	A Winton Shire Arts and Cultural brand developed to communicate opportunities through various channels
	7.3.4	Review reach of arts and cultural media and communication to make sure it is reaching targeted groups	Ongoing	Promote opportunities to local community and external stakeholders
7.4	7.4.1	Connect with peak organisations to deliver arts leadership training and opportunities for professional development in Winton Shire	Ongoing	Training opportunity identified and delivered
	7.4.2	Develop targeted opportunities through arts and cultural programming, projects and events	Ongoing	Programmes and opportunities promoted within the community

PRIORITY AREA	STRATEGY	ACTION	TIMEFRAME*	MEASURE OF SUCCESS
7.5	7.5.1	Ensure the voice of young people is represented through Arts and Culture	Ongoing	Youth and young people involved in Arts and Cultural projects and programmes
		Host gatherings to allow young people to have a say on upcoming arts and cultural projects and opportunities	Ongoing	Young people are driving the content of the skills development programs
	7.5.2	Work with young people to develop an ongoing subsidised skill development program to build capacity and participation in the arts	Ongoing	Skills developed and level of engagement increased in the arts
7.6	7.6.1	Encourage projects and events that reactivate and enhance community spaces on a regular basis	2022	Mapped and potential resourcing opportunities identified
	7.6.2	Promote our resources widely to the community and external stakeholders	Ongoing	Interest in public spaces to be reactivated with events and arts and cultural projects
7.7	7.7.1	Investigate opportunities to strengthen collaborations with the Regional Arts Services Network and neighbouring Councils	Ongoing	Ongoing communications about collaboration established
		Develop relationships with arts sector peak organisations and funding bodies and subscribe to their communications to find out about opportunities relevant to Winton Shire	2022 and ongoing	Opportunities identified for partnerships and resourcing
		Have Council representation attend state and national arts forums and conference to keep on top of trends and opportunities in the sector	Ongoing	Staff attendance and reports on opportunities and ideas

REVIEW PROCESS

The success of this strategy lies in the resourcing of its delivery. An annual review should be conducted against the Action Plan, highlighting achievements and where strategies have not been achieved and why. This allows for planning of program delivery for the following year in line with budgetary considerations.

FUNDING AND RESOURCING

There are a range of traditional arts funding source available to local government to assist in the delivery of programs. Each of the different avenues suggested below need to be regularly checked in on for opportunities. There are sometimes one-off or short-term industry responsive initiatives that could be very relevant to Winton Shire.

REGIONAL ARTS DEVELOPMENT FUND arts.qld.gov.au/regional-arts-development-fund

Winton Shire Council already participates in a partnership with the Queensland Government through Arts Queensland for the delivering of a local Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF). Local priorities can be established under the guidelines for RADF based on Council documentation such as this strategy.

ARTS QUEENSLAND arts.qld.gov.au/aq-funding

Arts Queensland has a range of funding programs and initiatives that change regularly. It is highly recommended that key staff subscribe to the email notifications of Arts Queensland to stay up to date.

Current funding programs relevant to Winton Shire Council include:

- *Queensland Arts Showcase Program (QASP)* – project funding for up to \$30,000 or \$60,000 with co-funding. Categories for funding to change so check with the website.
- *Touring Queensland Fund* – grants to support the touring of high-quality performing arts or exhibitions. It also supports Artist in Residence programs in schools.

REGIONAL ARTS FUND flyingarts.org.au/raf

The Regional Arts Fund (RAF) is managed by Regional Arts Australia on behalf of the Australian Government. RAF administered in Queensland is through Flying Arts Alliance. This funding focuses on projects that deliver on social, economic and cultural outcomes for communities, develop partnerships and collaborations, broaden audiences and increase employment for the arts sector. Funding of up to \$30,000 is available for projects through 2 open rounds annually.

AUSTRALIA COUNCIL FOR THE ARTS australiacouncil.gov.au/investment-and-development/#search-posts-block_60ad74d383a32

The Australia Council for the Arts is the arts funding and advisory body of the Australian Government. The main grant appropriate for local government is the Arts Projects – Organisations category for projects and programs deliver benefits to the arts sector and community including national and international audiences. Project funding ranges from \$20,000 to \$100,000.

OTHER SOURCES

Queensland Government: grants.services.qld.gov.au/#
Australian Government: grants.gov.au

There are also a range of Queensland and Federal Government funding options that are non-arts specific that Council may be able to access to fund projects contained within this strategy including links to youth, multiculturalism, community development, sister cities and infrastructure.



ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Winton Shire Council would like to thank all members of the community who have participated in focus groups, consultations or responded to the Discussion Paper and Draft Strategy online survey. Your insights, ideas and knowledge have proven to be invaluable to form this document for Winton and its successful delivery can only be possible through productive collaboration between Council and our community. We look forward to working alongside the community as we implement the *Arts and Cultural Strategy 2022-2026*.

This Arts and Cultural Strategy has been prepared by The Ideas Distillery and Winton Shire Council.



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1. ACTION PLAN REVIEW 9 February 2023

PRIORITY AREA	STRATEGY	ACTION	TIMEFRAME (to be completed by the end of year)	MEASURE OF SUCCESS
7.1	7.1.1	Consult with Traditional Owners to gauge the appropriate processes and protocols for First Nations arts and culture	Ongoing	Traditional Owners have endorsed processes and protocols for arts and cultural engagement of First Nations people <i>Consulted with KOA Elder Michael Mace for appropriate wording for opening addresses for Before Hand: The Private Life of a Portrait</i> <i>Outback Regional Gallery included Aboriginal Way Maps and the AIATSIS Map of indigenous Australia for display to increase visibility of people and place in Channel Country</i> <i>Met with ArtsLaw and the Koa People to understand the steps that need to be taken to ensure Indigenous cultural protections. A preliminary discussion which will lead to training and framework development.</i>

	7.1.2 Encourage First Nations artists in the region to develop project concepts to drive forward arts and culture	2022	First Nations programs and projects developing in our region <i>Kirrenderri: Heart of Channel Country (UQ Anthropology Museum) exhibition and programmes, regional launch of exhibition for 2022 NAIDOC @ Outback Regional Gallery (July 2022) inclusion of local Koa Elder for Welcome to Country with programming.</i> <i>Jibaja Unga Wee contacted to exhibit first nation arts and culture by local Aboriginal artists @ Outback Regional Gallery and seeking opportunity to collaborate with local projects (postponed)</i> <i>The John Villiers Outback Art Prize EOI project that includes youth and First Nations culture with visual arts. Indigenous artists in finalist exhibition acknowledged on artist statements.</i> <i>QAGOMA Art as Exchange (Oct 11-13, 2022) Koa Elders and Artists interested in exhibition and</i>
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				<i>development of arts and culture for an exhibition in 2015 in Winton.</i>
	7.1.3	Work with local Elders to define appropriate arts and cultural interpretations and acknowledgement of the Koa people their neighbours, Maiawali, <i>Karuwali</i> , Yirandali, Iningai, Pitta Pitta and Wanamara nations	Ongoing	Traditional Owners have endorsed appropriate interpretations and acknowledgments for arts and cultural engagement of First Nations people <i>Assisting Jibija Ung Wee with research and key contacts for signage project</i> <i>Work with the Koa People has commenced to understand the way they hope to progress cultural work and presence on their lands.</i>
7.2	7.2.1	Host Artist in Residence projects that will have benefits for growing the arts in Winton Shire	2022	Opportunities mapped <i>Personal Winton Arts Residency/ Workshop with support from RADF (Karen Stephens) (September 2022)</i> <i>QAGOMA Artist in Residence Sebastian Moody was in the Shire in November 2021.</i>
		Develop partnerships with host venues and accommodation partners to make a strong offering for Artists in Residence	Ongoing	Partnerships mapped

7.2.2	Seek opportunities within the performing arts sector to find out who has the capacity to deliver on live theatre and other initiatives to reinvigorate 'The Winton Players'	2022	Opportunities mapped
	Provide opportunity to build the capacity of the sector to devise "live tourism" activities including street theatre and use of technology	Ongoing	Support and work with key stakeholders to deliver <i>There is potential for the 10 year celebrations of the VSOFF to contain live performance and arts based initiatives in 2023.</i>
7.2.3	Encourage the community to pitch heritage preservation projects including community storytelling to the Regional Arts Development Fund	Ongoing	Increased heritage and community storytelling applications of quality to RADF <i>Heritage preservation activities have commenced with Willie Mar Conservation Management Plan being developed and signed off as a pre-cursor to heritage listing.</i> <i>Griffith Film School are considering a documentary series on the town and its stories by Prof. Peter Hegedus.</i> <i>Winton's 150 year celebrations have begun to catalogue Winton's history and will have film and digital media presence.</i>

7.3	7.3.1	Business and growth plans developed for Council's existing arts and cultural facilities to meet future needs of the community and its visitors	2022	Mapped and potential resourcing opportunities identified <i>Council is considering supporting these small business efforts through the Small Business Friendly Council program.</i>
	7.3.2	Revisit the processes of assessment for the Regional Arts Development Fund, including the revision of the Arts and Cultural Development Policy to align with this strategy	2022	RADF Program and Arts and Cultural Policy redeveloped with priorities and processes aligning with this plan <i>The assessment processes were updated in 2021 and a revised set of updated materials provided to the RADF assessment team. Priorities of the Arts and Cultural Strategy are considered as part of the Grant Assessment.</i>
		Provide committee and community training to increase the quality and quantity of RADF applications and assessment	Ongoing	Training program devised and delivered annually <i>Training was provided in early 2022 on the revised grant assessment processes. The grant assessment</i>

			<i>system has been thoroughly overhauled.</i>
7.3.3	Review existing arts and cultural communication including e-newsletters, social media and website and develop opportunities for branded communication tools that encourage sharing of information about arts and cultural opportunities under that brand	2022	A Winton Shire Arts and Cultural brand developed to communicate opportunities through various channels <i>Council has undertaken a collaborative re-brand and has a new Shire Destination brand to deliver.</i> <i>There are possibilities to produce a cultural newsletter and this can be further explored.</i> Outback Regional Gallery launched monthly e-newsletter in January 2023 'Whats On Guide' (email)
7.3.4	Review reach of arts and cultural media and communication to make sure it is reaching targeted groups	Ongoing	Promote opportunities to local community and external stakeholders <i>Outback Regional Gallery Exhibitions and Programs promoted to target strategic groups (e.g. youth, community, First Nations, creatives)</i>

				<i>A community exhibition EOI released in November 2022 seeking interest for local artists to exhibit at the Outback Regional Gallery</i> <i>An increased presence on social media has been achieved by the Outback Regional Gallery.</i>
7.4	7.4.1	Connect with peak organisations to deliver arts leadership training and opportunities for professional development in Winton Shire	Ongoing	Training opportunity identified and delivered <i>Outback Regional Gallery hosted Queensland Gallery & Museum 3 Day Workshop in Winton for community (June 2022)</i> <i>Regional Arts Fund workshop (e.g. grant writing) facilitated by Flying Arts Alliance (mid 2021)</i> <i>Professional arts skilling workshops provided through Outback Regional Gallery</i> <i>Outback Regional Gallery delivered work experience for Winton State School for youth interested in a career in the arts (2021/ 2022)</i> <i>Art workshops have also been used to delivery community wellbeing</i>

				<i>programs with the community undertaking floral arranging classes and the plasma cutting (metal art) workshops which have been very well subscribed to.</i>
	7.4.2	Develop targeted opportunities through arts and cultural programming, projects and events	Ongoing	Programmes and opportunities promoted within the community <i>Outback Regional Gallery exhibition schedule and program</i> <i>Opera Queensland schedule and program</i> <i>Queensland Ballet schedule and program</i> <i>The Vision Splendid Outback Film Festival schedule and program</i> <i>Branches Performing Arts classes and in person workshops have enabled young people to participate in the performing arts.</i>
7.5	7.5.1	Ensure the voice of young people is represented through Arts and Culture	Ongoing	Youth and young people involved in Arts and Cultural projects and programmes

				<i>Outback Regional Gallery Programs and exhibitions including: POP UP exhibition for Winton State School (DEC/ JAN 2021/2022), The John Villiers Outback Art Prize Emerging Youth Category, Youth Workshops exclusively for youth and included in all workshops, provided work experience and professional development opportunity for school aged youth.</i>
		Host gatherings to allow young people to have a say on upcoming arts and cultural projects and opportunities	Ongoing	Young people are driving the content of the skills development programs Outback Regional Gallery met with local youth to discuss planning for an exclusive exhibition for youth (Feb 2023) <i>Youth Sport and Recreation Strategy consulted with young people and there was clear evidence of a desire for more creative engagement avenues.</i>
	7.5.2	Work with young people to develop an ongoing subsidised skill development program to build capacity and participation in the arts	Ongoing	Skills developed and level of engagement increased in the arts

				The Outback Regional Gallery submitted an EOI and application for funding to our long-term partner since 2012 The John Villiers Trust (Feb 2023) for a new project for 2024-2026 in conjunction with the annual John Villiers Outback Art Prize, 'Children's Art Project and Digital Exhibitions which will include 7 RAPAD Shires. The John Villiers Trust have committed funding to support upcoming workshops for youth in early 2023 (April & May). The Outback Regional Gallery is securing a three-day animation workshop and weekend drawing workshop.
7.6	7.6.1	Encourage projects and events that reactivate and enhance community spaces on a regular basis	2022	Mapped and potential resourcing opportunities identified <i>The Outback Regional Gallery collaborated with The Royal & Winton Outback Festival to deliver programming with strategic outcomes (held outside the gallery space).</i>

			<i>The Festival of Outback Opera activated the main street and Cobb Lane, please the North Gregory for arts and cultural celebrations. The Australian Age of the Dinosaurs Jump Up is was also activated.</i> <i>The Vision Splendid Outback Festival activates the town, with film production being a part of the landscape with the students present.</i> <i>Queensland Boulder Opal Association activated Elderslie Street with markets (July) and collaborated with the Waltzing Matilda Centre for the Queen of Gem Awards.</i> <i>Winton Outback Festival 50th Anniversary collaborated with local business and organisations to activate Elderslie Street and other spaces surrounding Winton with entertainment and arts (September). (Main Street, Airport, Football Ground, Royal Theatre)</i>
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				<i>Outback Regional Gallery will host the QBOA Queen of Gem Awards from 2023 onwards (instead of the foyer)</i>
	7.6.2	Promote our resources widely to the community and external stakeholders	Ongoing	Interest in public spaces to be reactivated with events and arts and cultural projects <i>The Outback Regional Gallery promoted widely to local exhibitors and external exhibitors.</i>
7.7	7.7.1	Investigate opportunities to strengthen collaborations with the Regional Arts Services Network and neighbouring Councils	Ongoing	Ongoing communications about collaboration established <i>New contact appointed 2022 CQEDU RASN</i>
		Develop relationships with arts sector peak organisations and funding bodies and subscribe to their communications to find out about opportunities relevant to Winton Shire	2022 and ongoing	Opportunities identified for partnerships and resourcing <i>The John Villiers Trust, Flying Arts Alliance, Opera Queensland, Queensland Ballet, VSOFF, Queensland Museums, Griffith University College of the Arts.</i>
		Have Council representation attend state and national arts forums and conference to keep on top of trends and opportunities in the sector	Ongoing	Staff attendance and reports on opportunities and ideas <i>Public Galleries Queensland applied for bursary and secured to</i>

			<i>undertake online training professional development (6 weeks online October 2022) Digital Strategies for Creative Industries (University of Technology Sydney)</i> <i>Next Museums and Galleries Queensland 4-year state conference and professional development will be in 2024</i> <i>A Gordon Darling Travel Grant has been Awarded to Outback Regional Gallery for 2-week internship (June 2023) at National Portrait Gallery for skill development and partnership building</i> <i>Outback Regional Gallery is applying for a bursary with Public Galleries Queensland to assist in attending Managing Climate Management Strategies Workshop 'Sustainable Collection Environments & Monitoring Object Response' August 7-10 (Melbourne) Co-Organised with the National Gallery of Australia & Getty Conservation Institute. The workshop will address obstacles in</i>
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			<i>developing and implementing more adaptive environmental management strategies in Museums and Galleries to manage collections.</i>
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13.2 YOUTH, SPORT AND RECREATION STRATEGY 2023 - 2028**File Number:** 157149**Author:** Shannon Van Bael, Welfare Manager**Authoriser:** Madeleine Lawler, Director of Community and Economic Development**Attachments:**
1. FINAL Youth Sport and Recreation Strategy.pdf
2. 23.02 Youth Sport and Recreation Consultation Responses.pdf**Meeting Date:** 16 February 2023**Corporate and Operational Plan Consideration**

Stream	Sub Stream	Organisational Responsibility	Strategy/Planning Area
4 - Thriving Together	Community Services	Director of Community and Economic Development	Youth Sport and Recreation Strategy

Budget Reference: N/A**SUMMARY**

In August 2022, a Report went to Council for the Draft Winton Shire Council Youth, Sports and Recreation Strategy 2022 – 2028 to be released for public consultation. This report documents comments made from the Community, the Community Welfare Team and Stakeholders.

RECOMMENDATION

1. THAT the Report be received.
2. THAT the Youth, Sports and Recreation Strategy 2023 – 2028 be adopted.

REPORT**Background**

In July 2022, Council released the Winton Shire Council Corporate Plan 2022 -2027. One of the strategic achievement measures was to adopt a Youth, Sport and Recreation Strategy. After undertaking consultation with the community and key stakeholders the Youth, Sport and Recreation Strategy (YSRS) was developed. In August 2022 Council agreed to release the Draft Youth, Sport & Recreation Strategy for public consultation.

Consultation methods

Various consultation methods were undertaken to understand the needs of the local community. Council's goal was to involve the community by working directly with them throughout the process

to ensure that public concerns and aspirations were considered and understood. Council conducted the following:

- Youth, Sport & Recreation Officer held discussions with local school students. Students answered a one-page questionnaire.
- Winton Sport & Wellbeing Survey was released on social media and the Winton Shire Council website. 75 responses received.
- Youth consultations conducted.
- Attendance at local and regional community events to obtain public feedback and hold discussions on sport and recreation activities in the community.
- Consultation with the Winton Health Action Team.
- Consultation with the 60 & Better members and the Winton Sport & Wellbeing Survey completed.

In August 2022 the DRAFT Youth, Sport and Recreation Strategy was released to the public for feedback. Key stakeholders were contacted.

Summary of key feedback elements

The majority of responses from the public feedback was that the Strategy is well supported and works toward the development, education, interested and personal well-being of the community. The feedback combines the voices of organisations, community members and youth to identify priorities for youth, sport and recreation programs in the Shire.

Changes made to the Strategy post-consultation

Originally the Youth, Sport and Recreation Strategy was from 2022 – 2027. Due to the longer than anticipated public consultation the Strategy has extended to 2028. The Strategy was overall well supported and it is recommended that it is adopted.

Next steps

Once the Strategy is adopted, Council will initiate the target outcomes of the Youth, Sport and Recreation Action Plan.

RISK MANAGEMENT

The risk associated with this update is assessed as Unlikely (2) likelihood and Minor (2) consequence rating it as **L-4**.



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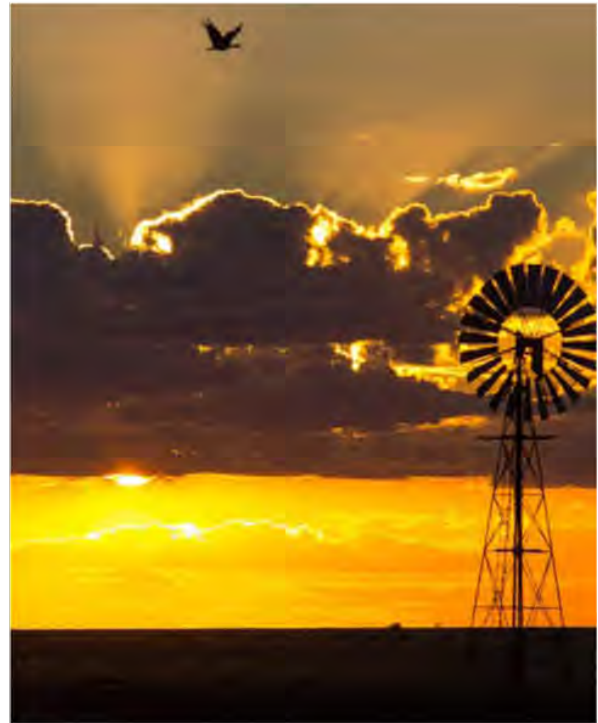
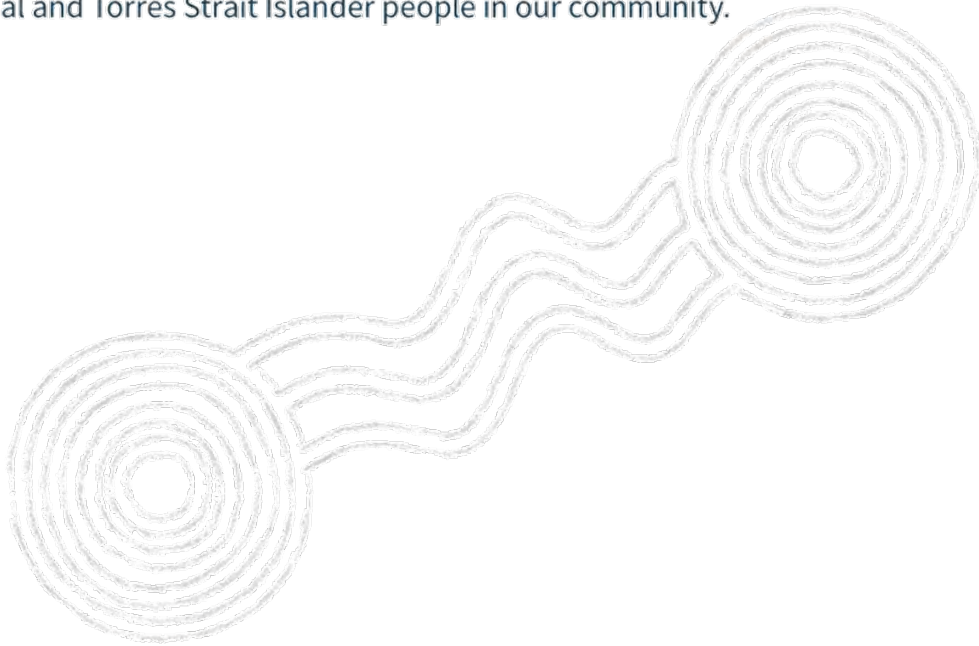
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"I like all the dino stuff in town."

*Quotes used throughout this document were gathered through the Youth consultation for the purpose of this strategy.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Winton Shire Council is a Shire of Seven Nations. Council acknowledge the Koa People, the traditional owners of the land that the town is built upon and their neighbours, Maiawali, Karuwali, Yirandali, Iningai, Pitta Pitta and Wanamara Nations. We pay our respects to their elders, past, present and emerging. We extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in our community.



FOREWORD FROM THE MAYOR



Cr Gavin Baskett - Mayor

On Behalf of the Winton Shire Council, I am pleased to introduce our inaugural Youth, Sport and Recreation Strategy for the years 2023–2028. This Strategy shall deliver a sustainable approach towards building a brighter future for the young people in Winton over the next 5 years and beyond. It shall also deliver improved avenues of participation in sport and recreational activities for the entire community in a bid to improve the physical health and wellbeing of our community members.

Our Youth Strategy is the product of comprehensive inputs from our young people, the people working closely with the youth and other stakeholders within the region. The resulting strategy is a clear commitment to support 'Our leaders of tomorrow' to experience a connected, inspired and meaningful livelihood in Winton. Meanwhile, our Sport and Recreation Strategy will lay foundations to create a long-term commitment to the betterment of physical wellbeing of the residents and improved access to sporting facilities and opportunities.

Our young people are the key to our future, and so it is imperative that council tap into their optimism, creativity, innovation and energy. Involving young people in our decision-making processes shall ensure that our outcomes are ultimately motivated by the aspirations of young people.

We extend our gratitude to all who have been involved now, and into the future as we bring the Strategy to life!



FOREWORD FROM A YOUTH



Camden Mitchell
Cadet Engineer at the Winton Shire Council

As a young person of the Winton community and a member of the Winton Shire Council, I have strived to enrich the lives of our young people by working towards providing accessible youth spaces, such as the Youth and Recovery Centre. These spaces are essential for the development and engagement of young people as it encourages them to get out and interact with one another, develop their soft skills, and increase their engagement with the community. In providing these types of events and spaces, I wish to broaden the horizon for our young people's futures. I wish to showcase what's available to them and potentially bring the knowledge they learn elsewhere, back to our small community.

Our Youth, Sport and Recreation Strategy is based around our youth's sports and recreational needs and will benefit our small community. It will allow young people to participate in a variety of sports and expand their interests and hobbies. The opportunities brought forth by this Strategy shall enable our community to grow and flourish.

I hope to contribute towards the betterment of our community for our youth and future generations!



OVERVIEW



"Young people like me do not have a place to hang out after school! We would like to be able to spend time with our friends in a youth friendly environment."

The Winton Youth, Sport and Recreation Strategy 2023 – 2028 is Council's plan to enhance the growth, engagement and learning opportunities for young people living in the region. The Strategy also outlines the Council's priorities and actions in the sport and recreation sector that are to be addressed over the next five financial years. The document has been developed by Council's Youth, Sport and Recreation Officer in consultation with various groups and community members across the region.

For the purposes of this report a 'youth' or a 'young person(s)' shall refer to an individual between the ages of 9 and 25, despite the traditional categorisation of youth as being a person aged 12-24. This reflects the operational realities for the Youth, Sport and Recreation function in Council and the service users' demographics.

BENEFITS & IMPORTANCE

BENEFITS OF THE YOUTH STRATEGY

The Youth strategy will:

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1

Provide a platform for young people to voice their opinions.
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2

Identify the major issues and problems faced by youth.
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3

Advocate for the needs of young people.
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4

Provide a plan to create new opportunities for young people.
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5

Provide an action plan for Council to report against.

BENEFITS OF THE SPORT & RECREATION STRATEGY

The Sport & Recreation Strategy will:

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1

Identify the level of engagement in sport and physical activities among community members.
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2

Identify and plan to address the barriers and facilitators for participation in sport, recreation and physical activities.
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3

Advocate for new opportunities in sport and recreational activities.
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4

Provide a platform for feedback on Council's sport and physical activity facilities.
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5

Provide an action plan for the Council to report against.

WHERE DOES THE STRATEGY FIT IN?

LOCAL LEVEL

The Winton Shire Council has a number of policies and strategic documents in place that outline commitments and the use of resources in the coming years. The Youth, Sport and Recreation Strategy is a method for delivering on Council's Corporate Plan 2022-2027. The Youth Sport and Recreation function of Council is a part of the Community Welfare Service which is provided out of the Winton Neighbourhood Centre. The high-level aspirations of the Corporate Plan 2022-2027 are brought to life with targeted strategies such as the Youth, Sport and Recreation strategy which are delivered by each yearly Operational Plan.



STATE & NATIONAL LEVEL

The Youth, Sport and Recreation Strategy has been developed specifically for the Winton Local Government Area, however the plan aligns with local, state and federal priorities and outcomes. The following documents have informed the development of the Youth, Sport and Recreation Strategy.

1. Queensland Youth Strategy
2. Activate! Queensland action plan 2019-2023
3. SportAus - Sport 2030
4. Australian Government's National Youth Policy Framework
5. The Nest - National Plan for Child & Youth Wellbeing



"I love how small our town is, I can walk everywhere."

CONTEXT ANALYSIS

SPORT & RECREATION

The aim of this strategy is to foster an environment where a young person feels supported, valued and connected to their community. Being able to engage with others and participate in sporting or recreational activities helps them develop a sense of pride in their community and self (*Strandbu, Bakken and Stefansen, 2019*).

Sport and physical activities have the ability to bring communities together and contribute positively towards community identity, sense of place; promote social interaction and inclusion and play an important role in providing opportunities for physical activities and improved health outcomes (*Blood, 2021*). Sport has often been cited as a positive vehicle for community and cultural connectedness, as well as improving individual education, health, social and emotional wellbeing and life skills. Emerging evidence can also be seen for positive impact in increasing school/training/work attendance and reducing crime (*Blood, 2021*).

The efficacy of sport and physical activities in serving the community is also acknowledged by the federal government. The Australian Government has allocated \$25 million to the Community Sponsorship Fund to serve as an alternative to alcohol sponsorship for community sporting and cultural organisations (*van Gemert et al., 2011*).

The national binge drinking strategy is another example of a nationwide strategy run by Good Sports (funded by the Alcohol and Drugs Foundation). Sporting clubs that sign up to the Good Sports program work through three levels of accreditation, must provide smoke free environments and develop transport strategies to get people home safely (*VicHealth, 2018*).

Sport participation provides cultural connection and positive association with mental and physical health. Indigenous people are 3.5 times more likely to report good general health when participating in sport and are 1.6 times more likely to have no probable serious mental illness than those who didn't participate in sport (*May et al., 2020*). Participation in sport positively influenced motivation for education, school engagement, planning and decision making, interpersonal skills and development of a more positive and empowered identity (*May et al., 2020*).

Another great program currently being run in South Australia, is Getting SA Moving, this program aims to adapt and evolve sport and recreation programs, services and

approaches, placing additional focus on active recreation that provides everyone an opportunity to participate. Similarly, 'Move it NQ' (2022) is aimed at supporting healthier and active lifestyles throughout the Northern Queensland region. Members of over 20 Local Government Areas, including the Winton Shire Council participate in the programs delivered by Move it NQ via the support of the local councils and the Western Queensland Primary Health Network.

While sport is beneficial for individuals and the community as a whole, it is also worth noting that creative arts and cultural engagement make a valuable contribution to social impacts in education, belonging, identity and the wellbeing of the community (*Meyrick, Barnett and Phiddian, 2019*). Mackay, Klaebe, Hancox and Gattenhof (2021) point out the importance of localised understandings and values of arts and culture, and their impact in terms of how they make people feel, the ways they empower people and interact with place to foster legacy. Locally collected evidence suggests that there is a prevailing demand and interest for creative arts and cultural activities such as, painting, storytelling, dance.



YOUTH

The NEST or the National Plan for Child and Youth Wellbeing aims to align efforts to improve the wellbeing of children and youth aged 0-24 years. The Nest has 6 aims or outcomes.

- Being loved and safe
- Having material basics
- Being healthy
- Learning
- Participating
- Positive sense of culture and identity.

Some steps that the plan aims to take towards its six aims and outcomes are:

- Improving early childhood learning and development
- Improving the educational performance of young Australians
- Improving the physical health of young Australians
- Improving the social and emotional wellbeing of young Australians
- Promoting the participation of young Australians
- Reducing disadvantage arising from income disparity.

(Source: *The Nest action agenda*)

Young people are key agents for social change, economic growth and technological Innovation (Kwon, 2018). Young people's security and prosperity relies on them having the skills and knowledge to lead our communities and drive our economy.

The Queensland Government is proactively responding to the voices of young people and the wider community

- Advancing Education: an action plan for education in Queensland
- Moving Ahead, a whole-of-government strategy for increasing the participation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in Queensland's economy.
- Skilling Queenslanders for Work
- Queensland Women's Strategy 2016-21
- "Our Story, Our Future" - The Multicultural Policy and Action Plan

Research shows that involving young people in policy development results in better outcomes for young people and the community. A number of new actions have been developed for the Queensland Youth Strategy to demonstrate the Queensland Government's commitment to engaging with young people. These actions include:

- Youth Reference Group
- Digital engagement
- Youth Parliament: Queensland democracy in action

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(Source: *Queensland Youth Strategy*)

Strategies and plans of some regional councils that are successfully engaging with youth were also referred to. Common themes emerging from these plans were: -

- Youth advisory board or reference group:
 - ▶ The Logan Youth Action Group (LYAG),
 - ▶ Youth INC at Emerald,
 - ▶ Youth Group at Somerset,
 - ▶ Youth Council at Tweed Shire Council,
 - ▶ Youth Focused task force at Charters Towers Council
- Involving youth in planning events and programs.
- Creating youth friendly hubs and spaces.
- Delivering more youth specific activities and events to increase engagement.
- Improved access to mental health support services.
- Increase awareness about mental health programs.
- Youth friendly concepts adopted in existing community spaces.
- Increasing youth engagement by delivering social sport programs and competitions.
- Raise awareness about physical and mental health help avenues.



COMMUNITY RESEARCH & ENGAGEMENT

This Youth, Sport and Recreation Strategy has been developed from the feedback gathered from a number of engagement activities and initiatives. This research sought to identify key issues among youth and the major barriers and facilitators for sport, recreation and physical activities. These engagement initiatives involved over 110 respondents across all the consultation sessions and surveys.

For the collection of data from young persons aged 10 – 18, specific youth consultations were organised by the Youth, Sport & Recreation Officer with the students of the Winton State School and St. Patrick's School. Here, the students participated in a group consultation and anonymously answered a one-page questionnaire regarding their life in the Winton region.

For the rest of the community, a link to an online survey was posted on the Council's Facebook page. For the collection of data among people aged 60 and above, assistance was provided at the 60s & Better program in answering and filling out the online survey. Apart from quantitative questions, the respondents were asked for feedback and suggestions regarding existing Council facilities. They were also given the opportunity to suggest new facilities or programs that could realistically be developed in the region.

Other engagements included Council feedback sessions, youth consultations, local and regional community events, morning tea with the Mayor and interactions with the other social and sport groups in the region. These initiatives ensured that a range of face-to-face conversations, public forums and online engagement were available for young people, community members and other stakeholders to participate in.



"There should be more opportunities for young people to engage in arts and learn about various Indigenous cultures across the region."

"It would be great to have more sporting opportunities for girls in the region."



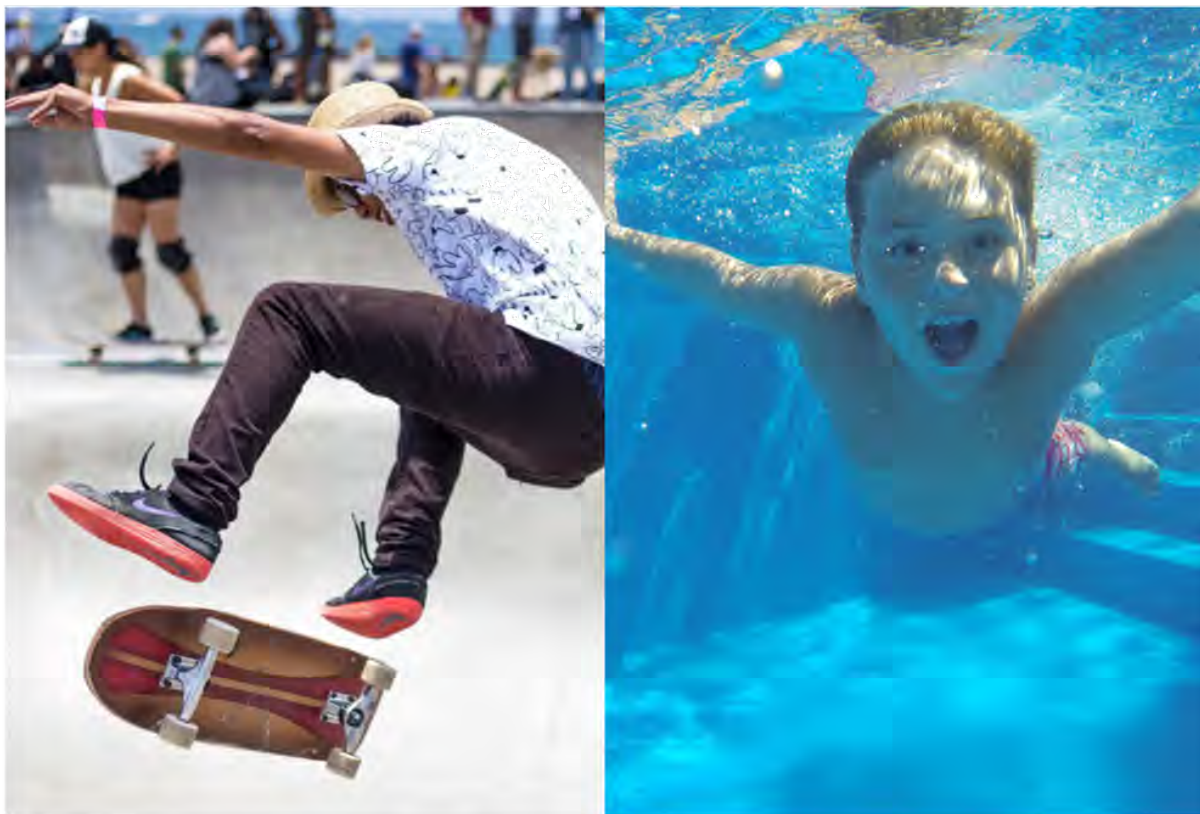
DISCUSSION – WINTON'S YOUTH, SPORT & RECREATION STATUS

The data presented below is taken primarily from two sources:

- Queensland Government Statistician's Office, Queensland Treasury, Queensland Regional Profiles: Resident Profile for Winton (S) Local Government Area
- Youth Survey and Consultations conducted by the Winton Shire Council. A total of 41 responses were recorded and the age of the participants was from 9 to 24 years across all the youth consultations and surveys.

AGE DEMOGRAPHICS

The youth population in Winton (15-24) is 7% which is considerably lower than the state average of 12.5%. While the proportion of residents aged 65 or over is 20.9% which is significantly higher than the state average of 16.6%. This demonstrates the issues of an ageing population in Winton and the urgent need to retain young people within the region.



"I feel safe in Winton, there is no crime and the community members are very caring."

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The region boasts an unemployment rate of **only 3.1%** which is less than half of the state unemployment rate, according to the Queensland's Regional Profiles report published in November 2021. The young people in the region acknowledge the ease of accessibility in employment opportunities and those interested in engaging in employment do so.

However, despite the availability of job opportunities and a low unemployment rate, **over 75%** of the population ranks in the bottom two quintiles of the socio-economic disadvantage index.

EDUCATIONAL

Studies in Australia have identified location and isolation as key dimensions of additional need in the provision and delivery of education (Lamb, Glover & Walstab, 2014). Only **44.1%** of people living in Winton have attended year 11 or 12 at the school, and only **53.8%** have a non-school qualification. Both statistics are significantly lower than the state average of **63.6%** and **62.5%** respectively.

Table 23 Highest level of schooling completed, Winton (S) LGA and Queensland, 2016

LGA/State	did not go to school, or Year 8 or below		Year 9 or 10 or equivalent		Year 11 or 12 or equivalent		Total ^(*)
	number	%	number	%	number	%	number
Winton (S)	73	8.0	289	31.6	404	44.1	916
Queensland	178,101	4.4	989,350	24.6	2,554,330	63.6	4,017,211

Furthermore, **34.8%** of children fall under one or more domains of the Developmental Vulnerability Index, compared to the state average of **25.9%**. This means that a higher proportion of children and young persons living in the region are at risk of developing vulnerability in one of the domains of: physical health and wellbeing, social competence, emotional maturity, language and cognitive development and communication skills and general knowledge. Vulnerability in these domains is an indicator of prolonged disadvantage in educational and employment opportunities in a young person's future. As Sullivan, McConney and Perry (2018) note in their study; regional and rural education disadvantage negatively impacts the educational outcomes of students.

Table 22 Developmentally vulnerable children by domain, Winton (S) LGA and Queensland, 2018

LGA/State	Domain					Summary		Children assessed
	Physical health and wellbeing	Social competence	Emotional maturity	Language and cognitive	Communication skills and general knowledge	One or more domains	Two or more domains	
	— per cent —					— per cent —		number
Winton (S)	26.1	13.0	13.0	8.7	8.7	34.8	21.7	23
Queensland	12.3	11.9	10.5	8.0	10.1	25.9	13.9	61,781

The remoteness of the region presents a challenge in accessing post-secondary qualifications within Winton. Youths who wish to pursue tertiary qualifications often move away to pursue their ambition of higher studies, resulting in a decline in youth population. The importance of higher education in an increasingly knowledge-based society cannot be underestimated (Frunzaru, Vătămănescu, Gazzola and Bolisani, 2018) hence, ensuring access to high quality tertiary education is a key aspect of retaining and developing young people.

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A SNAPSHOT OF THE YOUTH IN OUR REGION


78.04%

of young people are involved in either sport, art or other extracurricular activities outside of school or work.



No young person in the region is unemployed or out of school, which suggests a **0%** rate in youth disengagement (noting that those accessible to Council research is not a full sample of young people in the Shire).


34.14%

see themselves living in the region in the next 5 to 10 years.


80.48%

of young people are happy to live in Winton.


24.39%

are concerned about their own mental health or the mental health of someone they know.


75.61%

are not aware about any accessible mental health support services in the region.


100%

of those concerned about their mental health believe there is no help available


67.4%

have internet access outside of their school or workplace.

They use the internet to:

- ▶ Socialize
- ▶ Play games
- ▶ Learn skills
- ▶ Watch movies

"Let's normalise seeking help for mental health issues and raise awareness for places people can go to seek mental health help."



POSITIVES

TOP THINGS THAT OUR YOUTHS LOVE ABOUT THE REGION

- **NO CRIME** – A lot of the youths expressed their content over the sense of safety that they experience in the region. Being able to travel, live and participate in the community without the fear of being subject to crime has enhanced the quality of life for many Youths in the region.
- **ENVIRONMENT** – 60% of Young people in the region enjoy the vastness and diversity of the area. The region is famous for its clear night skies, dinosaur trails and opal mines.
- **COMMUNITY** – The Youths in the Region value the sense of community that is prevailing among the community members of the region. They believe that it is very easy to participate in community events and get recognized for achievements.
- **OPPORTUNITIES** – The Winton region has plenty of opportunities for its Youth. Especially in employment and developmental opportunities. The Young people in the region recognise this and highly value the amount of opportunities available to them compared to other places that they have either lived at or heard of.
- **TOWN FACILITIES** – A lot of the young people like the pool, library, bakery and the Waltzing Matilda Centre in the town. They believe that these are the places they can visit to learn, have fun and grab a hot pie.
- **REMOTENESS** – Surprisingly, around 30 percent of young people living in Winton enjoy the small size of the town and its remoteness. It is their opinion that the small size of the town/region has a lot of benefits like no traffic, everything being close and 'not a lot of noise'.



AREAS OF IMPROVEMENT

TOP ISSUES AFFECTING THE YOUTH IN THE REGION WHERE THEY BELIEVE IMPROVEMENTS CAN BE MADE.

- MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS** – Almost 25% of the young people living in the region are concerned about either their mental health or the mental health of their immediate peer or family member. 100% of those people believe that there aren't adequate sources of help available to them within the Winton region.
- LOCAL OPPORTUNITIES OR EVENTS FOR YOUTHS** – The young people in the region would like to see more events and activities conducted on a regular basis. They believe that the existing events are focused for tourists and/or do not offer a variety of options for everyone in the community.
- HANGOUT SPACES** – There is a deficiency in the number of options available for kids and young adults to hang out after school or work, especially for those under the age of 18. Many of the respondents in the survey recommended creating a temporary hangout space for the youths while the Youth and Recovery Centre is being built. The pump track was the second most popular recommendation among the youths.
- RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES** – According to the respondents of the surveys and consultations, there is a gap in the delivery of recreational or sporting activities for ages 14 – 24. The availability of only sport specific activities throughout the year is believed to be a barrier among the youths to engage in recreational and physical activities all year round.
- ROADS, FOOTPATHS AND STREET LIGHTING** – Another noticeable concern among the youths was the state of footpaths, walkways, roads and street lightings. They believe that some areas aren't well lit and do not have good walkways.

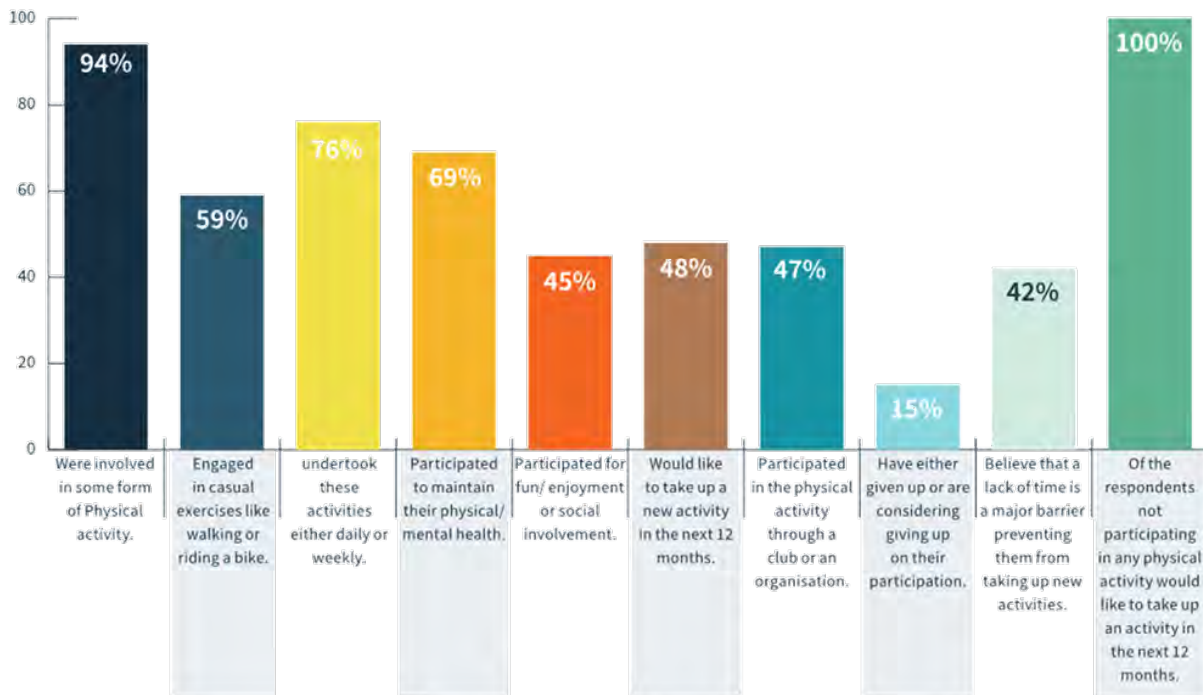


"It is important to provide for inclusive youth groups outside of sports and physical activities."

SPORT & PHYSICAL WELLBEING DATA

The 'Winton Sport & Wellbeing Survey' was available to the community members from the 29th of March 2023 until the 28th of April 2023. This community survey received a total of **75 responses** over the course of a month. Some important data points from this survey are as follows:

KEY DATA POINTS



The survey allowed the respondents to submit feedback and suggestions on improvement of services and facilities. **42%** of the respondents had no feedback for the council and a further **11%** provided positive feedback regarding the Council's facilities and services. Other major findings from the survey were as follows:

SWIMMING POOL



11% of respondents believe that the swimming pool should be open during the winter season. For some community members it is the only activity that they participate in and not having access to the swimming pool for the winter season hampers their ability to engage in physical activities. The respondents have suggested to keep the pool open for limited number of hours during the winter season and have pointed out that tourists could also avail this facility during this time.



**CRICKET CLUB**

8% of respondents would like to be able to play cricket as a social sport. Currently the town does not have a functioning cricket pitch that can facilitate this demand. A few community members travelled regularly to Longreach over the course of the last season to play in their cricket competition, and the respondents believe that the community would benefit from a cricket pitch in town.

**SOCIAL SPORTS**

6% of respondents would like to see more social sports and recreational competitions in the town. Suggestions included a social touch footy competition, a squash competition and social tennis days. The respondents believe that this would improve community engagement and participation in physical activities.

**WALK TRACK & STRAY DOGS**

6% of respondents had issues with the state of the current walk track and would like to see it maintained/upgraded. Among respondents who participate in walking as their physical activities also raised concerns about the issue of dogs escaping their yards and attacking the walkers or their dogs. Some have suggested harsher penalties and/or stricter rules related to keeping dogs on their property.

**GYM IMPROVEMENTS**

6% of respondents suggested the gym should have training sessions or classes for the community. Suggestions included Pilates classes, group training sessions, cross fit training. Some respondents among this group also suggested that additional equipment such as ropes and other machines related to weight training should be included in the gym area.

**OTHER SUGGESTIONS**

Approximately **10%** of responses were specific / unique and / or could not be grouped under any of the above categories.



THE PLAN

Council's youth program is funded to deliver culturally responsive events and services to young people. The program is to have a particular emphasis on ensuring Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander perspectives are included in program design and delivery. It is also specified that Council undertake respectful engagement with local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities in our approach to programming. With this direction in mind, Council undertook the research and engagement with the community.

The engagement with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait community will be continued in Council's Closing the Gap Strategy.

1 YOUTH ENGAGEMENT

Encourage and facilitate youth participation in decision making and hosting events/activities that support the growth and success of young people.

1.1 Establishing a Youth Council or Body

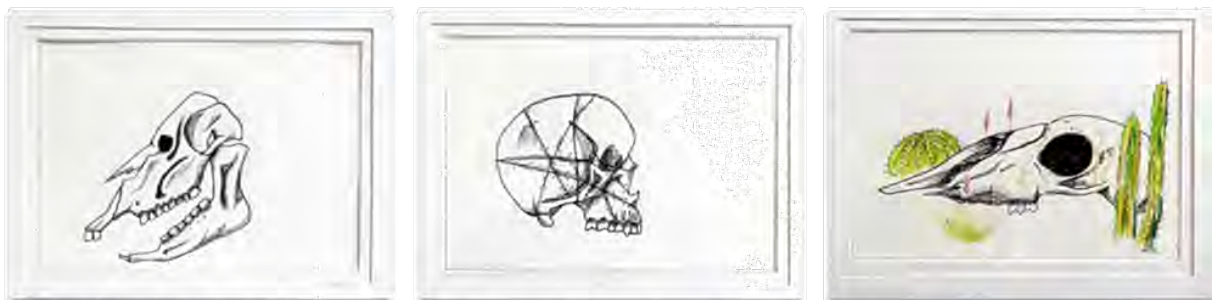
- 1.1.1 Co-develop the structure of the Youth Council or Body.
- 1.1.2 Pilot the structure.
- 1.1.3 Monitor and review the structure and provide outcome reporting to the Council.

1.2 Encourage participation in local events and volunteering opportunities

- 1.2.1 Outline events for the calendar year in the region.
- 1.2.2 Work with event organising committees to provide opportunities for young persons via either volunteer or paid work.
- 1.2.3 Engage with young people to identify the enablers and barriers in participation.
- 1.2.4 Promote youth-led initiatives for organising events that interest young people.
- 1.2.5 Promote these opportunities among the young people and provide a platform for recognition.

1.3 Explore opportunities to increase engagement with creative arts & other recreational activities.

- 1.3.1 Organise continuing consultations with young people to identify their areas of interest in recreational and art-related activities.
- 1.3.2 Explore using the John Villiers Trust Art Prize at the Outback Regional Gallery as an avenue for youth engagement for wellbeing and expression regionally
- 1.3.2 Build and strengthen collaboration between Council and service providers.
- 1.3.3 Explore opportunities to host regular workshops to engage the youth.



'Skull Triptych' 2021, John Clarke, charcoal, ink and pencil on paper. Finalist, 2023 John Villiers Outback Art Prize Emerging Youth Category.

2 YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

Improve young people's access to services, opportunities and experiences that enhance their physical, emotional and social wellbeing and build personal capacity.

2.1 Connect young people with existing and future employment opportunities

- 2.1.1 Strengthen relationships with the local businesses to provide employment opportunities for young persons.
- 2.1.2 Seek out opportunities to partner with organisations across the Central West region to provide traineeship or internship opportunities within industries that are not accessible in the Winton region.
- 2.1.3 Create partnerships with Universities and Colleges to create new employment or learning opportunities for the young people.

2.2 Promote and enable young people's access to necessary technology for further training.

- 2.2.1 Identify and create opportunities for young persons to upskill through online training resources.
- 2.2.2 Partner with service providers, social organisations, tertiary education organisations and other stakeholders to provide opportunities for online learning.

2.3 Involve young people in planning and decision-making processes for the region.

- 2.3.1 Involve a young person from the Youth Council in important committees across the community.
- 2.3.2 Conduct specific youth consultations for important projects and regions in the events.
- 2.3.3 Through the Youth council, provide a platform for young people to voice their opinions and take up leadership opportunities for personal development.

3 YOUTH WELLBEING

Council's program provides support to young people in the community, particularly those who are at-risk. The program is to support young people who are at risk of disconnection, disengagement, harm, homelessness or becoming involved with the justice system. Council ensures staff are equipped to provide support services. The plan seeks to ensure that young people are aware of the mental and physical health support services available to them and encourage them to participate in and lead wellbeing initiatives.

3.1 Promote positive mental and physical wellbeing initiatives to support and inform young people and normalise participation.

- 3.1.1 Create awareness about mental health support services available in the region.
- 3.1.2 Provide avenues for the youth to seek mental health assistance anonymously.
- 3.1.3 Encourage youth-led mental health initiatives, workshops or events.

3.2 Connect with service providers, charity organisations and other stakeholders to improve accessibility to mental health support systems.

- 3.2.1 Partner up with the Schools, social organisations and health service providers to deliver one mental health awareness event during school hours each term.
- 3.2.2 Set-up continual support programs with partner organisations to cater for a range of mental health issues.
- 3.2.3 Organise local 'speak-up' events in conjunction with other stakeholders to destigmatize mental health issues.

3.3 Support and promote youth led initiatives for sport and physical wellbeing activities.

- 3.3.1 Encourage young people to plan small-scale recreational events for the community.
- 3.3.2 Provide support and guidance in delivering recreational and physical wellbeing programs or events led by the Youth Council or young persons.

4 SPORT DEVELOPMENT

Develop the capabilities of the local sport clubs in delivering sport to the community.

4.1 Support local sport clubs with accessing public and private grant funding.

- 4.1.1 Create and publish a quarterly grants calendar.
- 4.1.2 Assist committees with accessing and acquitting state, federal and private grants.
- 4.1.3 Provide guidance in overseeing projects that are taken up under grant funding.
- 4.1.4 Provide opportunities and funding for young persons and individuals to participate in regional, state and national competitions.

4.2 Assist local sport clubs in enhancing their administrative capabilities.

- 4.2.1 Partner up with an existing local sport or social club and set up an umbrella organisation to oversee the running of smaller sport clubs.
- 4.2.2 Set-up a permanent position for the YSRO on the committee of this umbrella organisation.
- 4.2.3 Aid with governance and operational plans for the sport clubs to function sustainably.

4.3 Create new opportunities and support for existing sporting events/facilities in the region.

- 4.3.1 Identify opportunities to partner up with regional, state and national sporting bodies to deliver sport program for the community members.
- 4.3.2 Create opportunities with service providers in the region to deliver sport programs, especially for kids aged 5-14.



"I used to train in Women's footy every day and do motocross with other women. That is something that I miss out here!"

5 SPORT & RECREATION ENGAGEMENT

Facilitate and Increase the community engagement in social sport, physical wellbeing and recreational activities.

5.1 Plan and deliver sustainable community programs to increase engagement in physical/recreational activities and sport.

- 5.1.1 Conduct regular surveys to track demand and trends for various social sports within the community.
- 5.1.2 Deliver time-bound sport, recreation and physical activity programs with an aim to eventually transfer the responsibility of running these programs to community champions.
- 5.1.3 Organise mixed social sport competitions in partnership with local sport clubs for all level of players/participants.
- 5.1.4 Partner with service providers to deliver a variety of health and recreational programs across all demographics.

5.2 Explore avenues to build new facilities, upgrade current facilities and enhance operational plans for efficient utilization of existing facilities.

- 5.2.1 Seek grant funding opportunities to build and create new facilities sport facilities in line with the Sport and Recreation Grounds Masterplan.
- 5.2.2 Seek grant funding opportunities to build and create new sport facilities.
- 5.2.3 Seek grant funding to maintain or upgrade current sport facilities.
- 5.2.4 Investigate existing facilities that are underutilized and map out plans for efficient utilization of those facilities.

5.3 Create opportunities for gender and demographic specific activities.

- 5.3.1 Provide regular recreational activities and events for teenage youths aged 14-19.
- 5.3.2 Provide more activities for people suffering with a disability or mobility issues.
- 5.3.3 Partner up with regional service providers to deliver recreational and developmental programs for girls aged 10 years and above.
- 5.3.4 Curate demographic specific social sport activities in liaison with the local sport clubs and service providers.

5.4 Deliver Creative Arts and Cultural activities in line with the Winton Shire Council 2023- 2026 Arts and Cultural Strategy.

- 5.4.1 Engage young people in creative arts and cultural activities.
- 5.4.2 Identify skill development opportunities for young people in their areas of interest.
- 5.4.3 Investigate opportunities to strengthen collaborations with the service providers, social/charity organisations and neighbouring Councils.

6 PLACE ACTIVATION

Create and maintain safe space for youths where they can interact and engage in activities that enhance their social and personal skills.

6.1 Provide young people with community spaces to hangout after school or work.

- 6.1.1 Youth and Recovery Centre.
- 6.1.2 Provide for a temporary hangout space while the youth centre is being built.
- 6.1.3 Identify and promote existing youth-friendly spaces.
- 5.1.4 Partner with service providers to deliver a variety of health and recreational programs across all demographics.

6.2 Find opportunities to collaborate with existing facilities or businesses to create youth friendly spaces.

- 6.2.1 Collaborate with local pubs and restaurants to have youth friendly hours.
- 6.2.2 Use Barty's Place or squash courts as temporary youth space.
- 6.2.3 Deliver youth-centric sessions at the gym.

THE ACTION PLAN

Goal	Activity	Responsibility	Performance measure	Target	'23	'24	'25	'26	'27	'28
1.1	Establish a Youth Council	Council	• Establishment of a Youth Council.	• 2023						
			• Growth of the youth council	• 2025						
			• Bi-annual youth consultations	• 2024-28						
1.2	Encourage Participation in Local events	Schools, Council, Local sport and social club committees	• Increased participation in local events.	• 2023-24						
			• Annual Youth Event participation report	• 2024-28						
1.3	Explore opportunities to increase engagement with creative arts and recreation.	Service providers, council, schools	• Increased number of art and recreational workshops and programs	• 2024-28						
2.1	Connecting young people to employment opportunities.	Council, Schools, Social Organisations, Local Businesses.	• Enhanced partnership with local, regional and state organisations and businesses.	• 2024-25						
2.2	Promote and enable Young People's access to technology for further training.	Council	• Regular opportunities for online training.	• 2024-25						
2.3	Involve young people in planning and decision-making processes for the region	Council, Youth Council, Social committees	• Growth in the number of youth consultations for various projects in the region.	• 2024						
3.1	Promote, and normalize mental health wellbeing initiatives	Stakeholders, Schools, Council, Social organisations.	• Number of mental health initiatives	• 2025-28						
			• Total engagement in mental health related workshops	• 2026						
			• Implement annual survey to track youth health and wellbeing within communities.	• 2023-28						
3.2	Connect with stakeholders to improve accessibility to mental health services	Service providers, social organisations, council	• % of Mental support services participating in Council's youth service initiatives.	• 2025						
			• Number of youths attending these events.	• 2024-28						
3.3	Promote youth led initiatives for sport and PA	Council, School, Youth Council	• Totally number of programs, events and workshops led by the Youth	• 2024-28						
4.1	Support local sport clubs with grant funding	YSRO, local sport clubs	• Number of meetings with YSRO.	• 2023-28						
			• Quarterly Grant Calendar	• 2023-28						
			• Amount of money accessed through grant funding opportunities.	• 2023-28						
4.2	Assist sport clubs with administration	YSRO, local sport clubs	• Growth in the number of sport club with active committees.	• 2024						



Goal	Activity	Responsibility	Performance measure	Target	'23	'24	'25	'26	'27	'28
4.3	Create new opportunities for existing events and sporting facilities.	Council, Local Clubs, YSRO	• Number of partnerships with state and national associations.	• 2024-25						
			• Number of events in collaboration with regional service providers.	• 2024-25						
5.1	Deliver sustainable community programs	Council, WHAT, YSRO, Other social/sport clubs	• Growth in the number of community programs run regularly over a 3-month period.	• 2023-28						
			• Quarterly social sport survey to track the efficacy of social sport programs.	• 2023-28						
5.2	Explore avenues to build new/maintain current facilities for efficient utilization	Council, Youth Council, YSRO	• Facilities Audit Report.	• 2024-25						
			• Total number of grant applications for maintenance of current facilities.	• 2025						
5.3	Create opportunities for gender and demographic specific activities	Local sport clubs, WHAT, Council, Youth Council, YSRO	• Number programs that directly target identified demographics.	• 2023-28						
			• Number of community consultations / surveys to track the progress of these programs.	• 2023-28						
5.4	Deliver Creative Arts and Cultural activities in line with the Winton Shire Council 2023- 2026 Arts and Cultural Strategy.	Waltzing Matilda Centre, Service providers, Council, Youth Council, Arts & cultural committees.	• Number of youth-led creative arts and cultural initiatives.	• 2023-28						
			• Number of partnerships with social organisations and neighbouring councils.	• 2023-28						
6.1	Provide young people with community spaces to hangout after school or work.	Council, School	• Availability of a functioning temporary Youth space.	• 2023						
6.2	Find opportunities to collaborate with existing facilities or businesses to create youth friendly spaces.	Council, Youth Council, Local Businesses, Schools	• Partnerships with local business to accommodate young people.	• 2023-24						
			• Annual consultation with the business and youths to track the effectiveness of these partnerships.	• 2024-28						



IMPLEMENTATION, MONITORING & EVALUATION

The actions within this document will be delivered over the five financial years effective 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2028. The Youth, Sport and Recreation officer will provide annual reporting to council on the progress and outcomes of actions and provide ongoing avenues for young people to give feedback and enhance the delivery of this strategy.

To support implementation of this strategic plan, action plans will be developed on an annual basis in consultation with key stakeholders. These action plans will detail priority areas for action, responsible parties, timeframes for completion and performance indicators for each financial year of the plan. To support flexibility and the delivery of meaningful and achievable outcomes, these annual action plans will be developed for each new financial year using the Operational Plan.



THOUGHTS OF A YOUNG PERSON



Lacey Remfrey-Cluff
Business Manager at the Winton State School

As a young person raised in Winton, I am aware of the issues and struggles faced by the young persons in this region. Winton Shire Council has prepared this strategy with the aim of working towards creating a better community environment and creating opportunities for the youths of Winton.

This Youth, Sport and Recreation Strategy is very important to young people like me because it guides our council, social organisations and other service providers to support our wellbeing and development. The strategy proposes actions to support our engagement in local and community events and gives us the opportunity to have a say and be involved in making decisions that will affect our future.

This strategy will guide us to grow our community so that we can positively impact the lives of Winton's young people and make a place and future for them here. I am excited to play my part in the implementation and delivery of this strategy.



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*"There are a lot more opportunities out here, compared to the city.
The school and the council organise courses that give us an
opportunity to develop professionally!"*





Winton Shire Council

YOUTH, SPORT & RECREATION STRATEGY

2023-2028

ORGANISATION RESPONSES FROM YOUTH, SPORTS AND RECREATION STRATEGY**Organisation 1 –**

4.2.1 Partner up with an existing local sport or social club and set up an umbrella organisation to oversee the running of smaller sport clubs.

Response:

- The WHAT an incorporated organisation established.

6.2.2 Use Barty's Place or squash courts as temporary youth space.

Response:

- The Library could be utilised in the evenings as a hang out space – using back door entry – it's a lovely space with couches and amenities already set up.

Organisation 2 –

Suggestions:

- Walking track around town needs upgrading
- The Strategic Plan does not have any content relating to seniors or the disabled
- The elderly and mums and dads with babies cannot utilise the current one walking track as it only goes partially around town
- Age-appropriate sports physio
- The elderly feels unsafe to walk around town due to the amount of roaming dogs
- Would like to see water aerobics
- Accessibility to pool, a railing going into the pool could be beneficial
- Heating of the pool
- Engaging older people to participate in sport and recreation
- Would like to see a succession plan for age-appropriate exercises run through the 60 & Better Program which is currently run Tuesday and Fridays

Organisation 3 –

It comprehensively outlines the approach we are taking to Youth Sport and Rec in Winton.

Organisation 4 –

- Mental Health for our kids: This is something we need more of. Just watching and seeing what kids and adults see every day. So much is based on what they see on snapchat, tiktok and others that it is easy for them to think that this is real life. Maybe more awareness around social media and how to manage this.
- Supporting Clubs: Through the Show Society, when we do the talking tent there is a heap of Committees that are light on numbers, but I don't think Winton Shire Council Sport and Recreation Officer should manage all this. Maybe a Council led advertisement to call for clubs that are needing committees and helpers. It seems to be the same people doing things and they cannot do anymore.
- Is there any courses or online training that is based around how to manage or how a committee operates? A lot of people are scared about taking on roles because they

don't how to do the physical side of it. This may help with people taking the step to help more.

- The idea of the Youth Council is a good idea, maybe the school leaders. (State School, St Patricks School and Distance Education) could be involved in this. Keep it light, maybe a once-a-year camp for not only Winton but surrounding towns young leaders. To look at things our area and how we can open this up to our younger ages.
- Grant Writing: Definitely more help around this, It can be daunting to input this for a club.
- Maybe some workshops during school holidays around kids' photography, maybe cooking classes. Aimed at the older end of the kids 12 to 15.

Organisation 5 – Happy with content.

Organisation 6 -

This Strategy is a well presented and really helpful document highlighting the strengths, concerns and opportunities for the young people of Winton. Well done on all the effort put in to produce this excellent guiding document!

Perhaps we can home in on Part 3 of the plan as we think about how Outback Futures can walk alongside Winton community this year.

Organisation 7 -

Looks ok. I have no comments at this stage.

Organisation 8 -

In the Action Plan could have Culturally Responsive Service – Meet needs of Traditional Owners and local Aboriginal & TI Community.

Organisation 9 –

The Strategy looks too light on and not grounded in enough evidence. It should be done with more research and a deeper engagement.

13.3 WINTON HEALTH ACTION TEAM REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FOR CRICKET PITCH

File Number: 157244
Author: Shannon Van Bael, Welfare Manager
Authoriser: Madeleine Lawler, Director of Community and Economic Development
Attachments: 1. 23.02 WHAT Cricket Pitch Support Request.pdf
Meeting Date: 16 February 2023

Corporate and Operational Plan Consideration

Stream	Sub Stream	Organisational Responsibility	Strategy/Planning Area
4 - Thriving Together	Community Services	Director of Community and Economic Development	Develop the Winton Cricket Pitch by 2023

Budget Reference: Nil

SUMMARY

In 2022, Council conducted surveys to develop a Youth, Sport & Recreation Strategy, this feedback showed that often members of the community enjoy cricket, however must travel long distances to join a cricket club. Winton does not currently have a functioning cricket pitch that can facilitate its own Cricket Club.

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the Report be received.
2. That Council approve the request from the Winton Health Action Team to commence and complete the Project;
3. That Council provide copies of all relevant leases, licenses or other documents (Tenure Documents) relating to the Beneficiaries' occupation of the land on which the Project is to be carried out and written consent of the relevant parties under the Tenure Documents for all works contemplated by the Project; and
4. That Council develop the cricket field around the cricket pitch.

REPORT

The Winton Health Action Team (WHAT) of which the Youth, Sport & Recreation Officer from the Winton Shire Council was an executive member, applied for a grant through RACQ Foundation under the Community Grant Program. In August 2022, the grant was approved for the amount up to \$50,000 to build a drop-in pitch at the Recreation Grounds.

The WHAT Committee have submitted a letter to Council asking for support to satisfy the conditions needed to receive the grant.

The DRAFT Recreation Grounds Master Plan, which is due to be finalised once decisions are made on the Youth / Recovery Centre, incorporates a proposed athletics area, hammer throw/discus net, cricket pitch and practice nets. The development of the Winton Cricket Pitch is also a Strategic Achievement in the current Operational Plan. This grant from RACQ will assist in the development of this area.



RISK MANAGEMENT

The risk associated with providing support to the Winton Health Action Team has been assessed as a Minor (2) Consequence and a Unlikely (2) Likelihood giving an overall assessment as Low L-4

There is minimal risk to Council should it support the project as it does not commit the Council to projects and expenditure. The Project will assist Council for the future development of the Recreation Grounds.

3 February 2023

Winton Health Action Team (WHAT)
PO Box 146
WINTON QLD 4735

Dear Sir

RACQ COMMUNITY GRANT

The Winton Health Action Team (WHAT) has been approved for a grant through RACQ Foundation under the Community Grant Program for the amount of \$50,000 to build a drop-in pitch at the Winton Recreation Grounds.

In order to receive the funds to complete the drop-in pitch the WHAT Committee must provide the following:

1. Copies of all approvals including local government and/or regulatory licences or approvals to commence and complete the Project;
2. Copies of all relevant leases, licenses or other documents (Tenure Documents) relating to the Beneficiaries' occupation of the land on which the Project is to be carried out and written consent of the relevant parties under the Tenure Documents for all works contemplated by the Project; and
3. Evidence that the works represent value for money by providing 2 quotes for each component not completed at the date of this Agreement (in accordance with clause 1.3) and written confirmation that the service provider is independent from the Beneficiary and that there is no actual or perceived conflict of interest.

The WHAT Committee would like to ask for Council to agreeing to the above-mentioned approvals and documents and thanks them for their support.

Kind regards



Rachael Lenton
Secretary

13.4 NATIONAL SHED DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME (NSDP) - MEN'S SHED**File Number:** 157247**Author:** Shannon Van Bael, Welfare Manager**Authoriser:** Madeleine Lawler, Director of Community and Economic Development**Attachments:**
1. 23.02 Winton Shire Council Letter of Offer NSDP R24.pdf
2. Mens Shed Request.pdf**Meeting Date:** 16 February 2023**Corporate and Operational Plan Consideration**

Stream	Sub Stream	Organisational Responsibility	Strategy/Planning Area
4 - Thriving Together	Community Services	Director of Community and Economic Development	Identify far and logical ways to assist the community with grants to achieve best VFM

Budget Reference: 5950-2801-000**SUMMARY**

The National Shed Development Program (NSDP) is a competitive men's shed grants program that started in 2010. It allows men's sheds and the organisations that support them to apply for funds.

The Winton Men's Shed is not a legal entity and is auspiced by the Winton Shire Council. The committee have been successful in the NSDP for the amount of \$9119.00.

RECOMMENDATION

1. THAT the Report be received.
2. THAT Council delegate the Chief Executive Officer to sign the Letter of Offer and provide an Invoice and Insurance Certificate of Currently.
3. THAT Council investigate the health and safety risks at the old depot building currently being used as the Men's Shed.

REPORT

The Winton Men's Shed is a community-based organisation that has been using the old Winton Shire Council Depot for a number of years.

In 2022, some of the sealing at the Depot collapsed causing damage to the electrical system. HBB Electrical disconnected some of the wiring at the facility. The Committee has applied for repair of the wiring as well as an additional 3 power points, so extension leads are not being used. A quote has been received for electrical system inspection and upgrades. This electrical work will be done by HBB Electrical.

They have also applied for training for Test and tagging their own equipment.

The Committee has now been approved for a grant from the NSDP and would like to request approval to complete upgrades to the building.

Category	Requested	Funding Offer
One	Test and tag training, Test and Tag equipment, PPE	2030
Two	Upgrades of existing electrical systems, power points, Robatherm Urn D/Skin 20Lt Fixed Thermostat	4260
Three	n/a	n/a
Four	Calendar of Health & Wellness workshops-catering, promotion	2000
Total		\$8290

RISK MANAGEMENT

The risk associated with providing support to the Winton Men's Shed has been assessed as a **Medium 9.**

This is due to the possible health & safety risks associated with the building.



Australian Men's Shed Association

Letter of Offer

Australian Government Department of Health National Shed Development Programme

Administered by the Australian Men's Shed Association (AMSA)

Round 24

Applicant Legal Name:	Winton Shire Council
ABN	46 299 386 399
GST Registered	Yes
Applicant Postal Address	PO Box 288 Winton Qld 4735
Applicant Contact Details	
Name:	Ricki Bruhn
Position/ Title:	CEO
Email address:	ceo@winton.qld.gov.au thejuddsathome@gmail.com
Men's Shed Details	
Men's Shed Name:	Winton Men's Shed
Physical Address of Shed:	45 Ramsey Street Winton Qld 4735

I am pleased to advise that funding is being offered on behalf of **Winton Men's Shed** for the following requested items/services:

Category	Requested	Funding Offer
One	Test and tag training, Test and Tag equipment, PPE	2030
Two	Upgrades of existing electrical systems, power points, Robatherm Urn D/Skin 20Lt Fixed Thermostat	4260
Three	n/a	n/a
Four	Calendar of Health & Wellness workshops-catering, promotion	2000
Total		\$8290

Important:

To initiate payment of the grant, successful applicant organisations are required to enclose:

1. A Tax Invoice from their organisation to AMSA including details of:

- NSDP Round, category/categories and grant amount
- Sub total
- GST (**if GST registered**)
- Total of invoice

- Applicant banking details:

- Bank
- BSB
- Account Name
- Account Number

2. A copy of your Insurance Certificate of Currency if you are not with the AMSA Group Insurance Scheme.

Failure to submit both documents will delay payment of the grant.

Please Note: Do not send a copy of the supplier's invoice – funds are deposited direct to the Applicant to enable the purchase of items/services

- The Funding is to be used for the activities/purchases described
- All grant recipients will be required to participate in an Evaluation of the activities/purchases. AMSA will provide a Grant Evaluation Report (Acquittal) template at a later date to enable recipients of Category Two (Building) sufficient time in which to complete their work
- If you wish to accept this offer of funding, please sign and date the relevant section below.

Submit the signed Letter of Offer, Invoice and Insurance Certificate of Currency (if applicable):

1. **Via email** to amsa@mensshed.net
or
2. **Mail** to PO Box 793 The Junction NSW 2291



Liz MacDonald
Shed Development Manager
Australian Men's Shed Association
December 2022

Applicant:

Signed on behalf of Winton Shire Council

..... on

Print name **[insert date]**

.....
Signature

in the presence of:

.....
Print name of witness **Witness signature**

Winton Men's Shed
Cork Street
WINTON QLD 4735

9 February 2023

Dear Sir/Madam

The Winton Men's Shed Inc. would like to thank Council for the use of the old Depot, we have received a grant from the NSDP, for numerous projects and programs to be completed at the Winton Men's Shed, one of which is upgrades of existing electrical systems and power points.

This being a Council facility, the Committee would like to request approval for this work to be conducted.

Kind regards

Len Coyte
President

13.5 COMMUNITY GRANTS REQUESTS**File Number:** 157249**Author:** Shannon Van Bael, Welfare Manager**Authoriser:** Madeleine Lawler, Director of Community and Economic Development**Attachments:**
1. 23.02 Community Grants Request Form - Scooterville.pdf
2. 23.02 Community Grant Request Form - Winton Talking Tent.pdf
3. 23.02 Community Grant Request Form - DRCA.pdf**Meeting Date:** 16 February 2023**Corporate and Operational Plan Consideration**

Stream	Sub Stream	Organisational Responsibility	Strategy/Planning Area
4 - Thriving Together	Arts & Culture	Director of Community and Economic Development	Delivery of the Community Grants

Budget Reference: 2000-2170-000**SUMMARY**

Council is committed to supporting not-for-profit incorporated community organisations that support the needs and liveability of the Winton community. This report is a reflection of the expenses during the 2022-2023 financial year thus far and three Community Grant's Requests that have been received.

RECOMMENDATION

1. THAT the Report be received.
2. THAT Council accept the request from Scooterville and donate the hire fee's of the Winton Showgrounds for one (1) day to the amount of \$115.00
3. THAT Council accept the request from the Winton Pastoral and Agricultural Show Society to monetary donation to the amount of \$4000 for the Winton Talking Tent.
4. THAT Council accept the request from the Diamantina Rodeo and Campdraft Association for the amount of \$1545.00 for the 2023 Winton Campdraft.

REPORT

For the 2022-2023 financial year Council budgeted \$292,500.00 towards community donations. This includes monetary donations, rate reimbursements, plant/equipment, in-kind assistance and rebates.

The current expenditure sits at 60% with \$201,604.60 The transaction summary is as follows:

Not-for-profit Organisation	Prime	On-Cost	Amt
A. B. PATTERSON COLLEGE FOUNDA	\$ 5,000.00	\$25.00	\$5,025.00
AUSTRALIAN AGE OF DINOSAURS	\$ 45,454.55	\$227.27	\$45,681.82
BALAMARA BAKERY	\$ 136.36	\$0.68	\$137.04
CANTEEN - NATIONAL BANDANNA DA	\$ 160.00	\$0.80	\$160.80
NORTH QLD SPORTS FOUNDATION	\$ 309.38	\$1.55	\$310.93
OUTBACK FESTIVAL INC	\$ 26,552.00	\$132.76	\$26,684.76
QCWA DIVISION CENTRAL WESTERN	\$ 5,454.54	\$27.27	\$5,481.81
QUEENSLAND BOULDER OPAL	\$ 10,000.00	\$50.00	\$10,050.00
ST. PATRICKS SCHOOL	\$ 50.00	\$0.25	\$50.25
VISION SPLENDID OUTBACK FILM F	\$ 75,000.00	\$375.00	\$75,375.00
WINTON COMMUNITY BALL INC	\$ 2,421.00	\$12.11	\$2,433.11
WINTON GOLF CLUB	\$ 650.00	\$3.25	\$653.25
WINTON SHIRE COUNCIL	\$ 16,003.32	\$80.02	\$16,083.34
WINTON SHIRE COUNCIL SALARIES	\$ 1,899.00	\$529.09	\$2,428.09
WINTON SHIRE COUNCIL PLANT	\$ 2,559.54	\$281.57	\$2,841.11
	\$ 191,649.69	\$ 1,746.62	\$ 193,396.31

Council has received three (3) submissions for Community Grants Requests.

Community Grants Request				
Event Date	Event	Community Organisation	In-kind Amount	Monetry Amount
28-30 April 2023	Winton Campdraft	Diamantina Rodeo & Campdraft Assn		
		Hire of Showgrounds	\$345	
		Dry water truck	\$ 1,100.00	
		Speakers	\$100	
		White Marquee	\$ -	
		TOTAL	\$ 1,545.00	
1 Sept. 2023	Scooterville	Radschool		
		Hire of Showgrounds	\$ 115.00	
10 - 13 June 2023	Winton Talking Tent	Winton Pastoral and Ag Show Society		\$ 4,000.00

Winton Diamantina Rodeo and Campdraft Association

The Winton Diamantina Rodeo and Campdraft Association holds an annual Campdraft held at the Winton Showgrounds. The committee has asked Council to donate the hire of the Showgrounds for the duration of the event, the use of the Council water truck, the community screens and white marquee and the speakers.

The community screens and white marquee are not currently in Council's Fees and Charges and have been used in the past by local community groups.

The Council water truck was donated as dry plant in 2022 by the committee.

Scooterville

Scooterville is a charity ride supporting Legacy. It involves men and women who take turns riding a small 50cc motor scooter from Ipswich to the Air Force Base in Townsville, a journey of just over 2000 kilometres.

Scooterville have requested in-kind support from Council to waive the hire fees for one night's stay at the Showgrounds during travels through Winton.

The Winton Pastoral and Agricultural Show

The Winton Pastoral and Agricultural Show Society holds the Annual Winton Show at the Winton Showgrounds. The Talking Tent is one of the sites held at the Show it showcases local organisations, committees and community services including all the services available at the Winton Neighbourhood Centre.

The Winton Pastoral and Agricultural Show Society have requested a monetary donation of \$4000 for the Talking Tent.

RISK MANAGEMENT

The risk associated with the community grants has been assessed as **L – 4** considering that the budget is currently sitting at 60%.

COMMUNITY GRANTS REQUEST FORM

Winton Shire Council

This form is to be used by non-profit community organisations to seek funding for events and services that benefit the needs and priorities of the Winton community (including schools, welfare, sporting and cultural groups).

CONTACT DETAILS

Organisation Name	Scooterville
Organisation Contact No.	0473 849 164
Organisation Address	24 Whittaker St, Chernside West Qld Town Postcode 4032
Contact Name	Trevor Benneworth
Contact Email	trev@radschool.org.au

TYPE OF ORGANISATION

Organisation Type	Is the group a non-profit organisation? (Must be a non-profit organisation to apply) ☒ Yes ☐ No
ABN or Incorporation No.	

EVENT DETAILS

Date of event	Overnight Stay	1 Sept. 2023	(must allow 8 weeks prior to event)
Address of event	Winton Showgrounds		
	Town		Postcode 4735
Purpose of event	Raise money for veteran Affairs and promote the community.		



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Fax - 07 4657 1342
Email - info@winton.qld.gov.au
Address - PO Box 288
Winton, QLD, 4735

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Community Grants Request Form – September 2018

COMMUNITY GRANTS REQUEST FORM

Winton Shire Council

LEVEL OF SUPPORT REQUESTED

Please advise the type of support requested

☐ Monetary donation☒ Rate reimbursement☐ Plant/equipment☒ In-kind assistance☐ Rebates

Amount of support

\$ 115.00

Previous History

Has your organisation received any grants, financial assistance or in-kind support from Winton Shire Council in the previous 12 months?

☒ No☐ Yes (if yes please provide details below)The Winton Shire Council waived the hire fees to the
Winton Showgrounds in September 2022.

Promotional Material

Please list any promotional material that will be produced that will include the Winton Shire Council logo (Council requires sighting of final artwork prior to printing).

CONFIRMATION OF APPLICATION

I/we certify that all details supplied in this application and in any attached documents are true and correct to the best of my/our knowledge, and that the application has been submitted with the full knowledge and agreement of the applicant group/organisation.

I/we also confirm that the organisation applying does not have any outstanding debts with Winton Shire Council.

I/we understand that all promotional donation is subject to the discretion of Winton Shire Council. I/we will accept the decision made by Winton Shire Council and abide by the guidelines of this policy and that I/we can only receive one donation from Council per event per financial year.

Name Tereah Bonneworth

Signature



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 Address - PO Box 288
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COMMUNITY GRANTS REQUEST FORM

Winton Shire Council

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CONTACT DETAILS	
Organisation Name	Winton Talking Tent
Organisation Contact No.	0427 877 696
Organisation Address	Winton Pastoral and Agricultural Show Society Town <u>Winton</u> Postcode _____
Contact Name	Leia Mitchell
Contact Email	leia_mitchell@live.com.au

TYPE OF ORGANISATION	
Organisation Type	Is the group a non-profit organisation? (Must be a non-profit organisation to apply) ☒ Yes ☐ No
ABN or Incorporation No.	

EVENT DETAILS	
Date of event	10-13 June 2023 (must allow 8 weeks prior to event)
Address of event	Winton Showgrounds Town <u>Winton</u> Postcode _____
Purpose of event	Promote and protect the general interest of the community. To increase community wellbeing _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____



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Winton Shire Council

LEVEL OF SUPPORT REQUESTED	
Please advise the type of support requested	☒ Monetary donation ☐ Rate reimbursement ☐ Plant/equipment ☐ In-kind assistance ☐ Rebates
Amount of support	\$4000
Previous History	Has your organisation received any grants, financial assistance or in-kind support from Winton Shire Council in the previous 12 months? ☒ No ☐ Yes (if yes please provide details below)
Promotional Material	Please list any promotional material that will be produced that will include the Winton Shire Council logo (Council requires sighting of final artwork prior to printing). Winton Talking Tent will support the Winton Neighbourhood Centre and incentives they advocate for such as mental health, family support etc.

CONFIRMATION OF APPLICATION	
I/we certify that all details supplied in this application and in any attached documents are true and correct to the best of my/our knowledge, and that the application has been submitted with the full knowledge and agreement of the applicant group/organisation. I/we also confirm that the organisation applying does not have any outstanding debts with Winton Shire Council. I/we understand that all promotional donation is subject to the discretion of Winton Shire Council. I/we will accept the decision made by Winton Shire Council and abide by the guidelines of this policy and that I/we can only receive one donation from Council per event per financial year.	
Name	Signature



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COMMUNITY GRANTS REQUEST FORM

Winton Shire Council

This form is to be used by non-profit community organisations to seek funding for events and services that benefit the needs and priorities of the Winton community (including schools, welfare, sporting and cultural groups).

CONTACT DETAILS

Organisation Name Diamantina Rodeo & Campdraft Assn Inc.

Organisation Contact No. 0427573965

Organisation Address P.O.Box 77

Town Winton Postcode 4735

Contact Name Patrice Elliott

Contact Email wintoncampdraft@outlook.com

TYPE OF ORGANISATION

Organisation Type Is the group a non-profit organisation? (Must be a non-profit organisation to apply)

☒ Yes

☐ No

ABN or Incorporation No. 45614360948

EVENT DETAILS

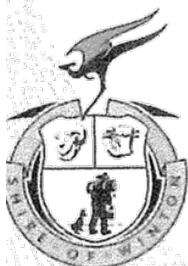
Date of event 28th-30th April 2023 (must allow 8 weeks prior to event)

Address of event Winton Showgrounds

Town Winton Postcode 4735

Purpose of event

To host a family friendly sporting event for locals and to attract competitors and their families to town.



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COMMUNITY GRANTS REQUEST FORM

Winton Shire Council

LEVEL OF SUPPORT REQUESTED

Please advise the type of support requested

☐ Monetary donation☐ Rate reimbursement ☒ Plant/equipment☒ In-kind assistance☐ Rebates

Amount of support

\$1545

Has your organisation received any grants, financial assistance or in-kind support from Winton Shire Council in the previous 12 months?

Previous History

☐ No☒ Yes (if yes please provide details below)

Funding support towards our Bulls and Bikes event

Hire fee for showgrounds waived.

Loan of grader and water truck.

Promotional Material

Please list any promotional material that will be produced that will include the Winton Shire Council logo (Council requires sighting of final artwork prior to printing).

Social Media pages, signage at showgrounds, PA System, Official program Winton Herald, various magazines.

CONFIRMATION OF APPLICATION

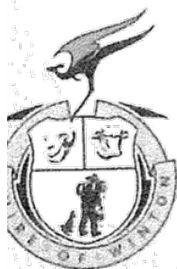
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Name Patrice Elliott (Secretary)

Signature

P Elliott

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 Winton, QLD, 4735

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Community Grants Request Form – September 2018

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13.6 AIRPORT OPERATIONS - PAVEMENT CONCESSIONS**File Number:** 157339**Attachments:** Nil**Meeting Date:** 16 February 2023[Type here](#)**RECOMMENDATION**

THAT the report be received.

REPORT**Airport Manager**

Airport managers oversee the daily activities at airports, assuring regulations are followed, safety is maintained and jobs are completed on time. They are the primary point of contact for other airport administrators, airline officials as well as the public. These managers also act as the director of airport security. The airport manager works to ensure that all passengers, pilots, regulatory agencies and staff are safe by supervising terminal activities.

Historically the Director of Works or the CEO are considered the Airport Manager.

Airport Reporting Officer

The Airport Reporting Officer is responsible for monitoring and checking the airport, runways, fence, lighting systems – all critical areas of the airfield to ensure runways, taxiways and aircraft movement areas are safe.

Airport Technical Officer

Technical support and advice is provided by JASKO Airport Services who provide a wide range of specialist airport and aviation services to aerodrome owners and operators and government agencies.

What is Pavement Concession

Pavement concession is giving an airline / company permission to land an aircraft heavier than the registered weight limit and/or tyre pressure.

Over the years concessions have been made for Alliance Airlines, Pionair Charters, RAAF, Life Flight, & Qantas.

These approvals are granted by the Airport Reporting Officer (WSC staff) using the following process for **NEW** planes



For EXISTING planes, the Consultant Technical Officer is not consulted and the WSC Airport Reporting Officer signs the concession.

What is our Runway?

Our Runway has is PCN 16 /F /B /900 (131 PSI rating) /T sealed. Pavement Classification 16. F is a for flexible pavement (as opposed to R, ridged which is concrete). B is the strength of the subgrade (on a A to D rating with A being highest). Strength of subgrade is based on the California Bearing Ratio – CBR. Our rating of B is for CBR 8% to 13%. 900 (131) is the tyre pressure permitted.

Lastly the T indicates a technical evaluation for how the numbers were obtained (as opposed to U for a physical test).

Normally a pilot would check their aircraft classification number (a function of weight, load distribution, tyres, fuel) and if it is LESS than the runway PCN they are cleared to land.

If ACN is GREATER than PCN then they can't land – without a concession.

Council might issue a few pavement concessions a year to various companies and organisations. While these might have a 12 month period historically Council have had little more than 10 planes a year actually landing under a pavement concession.

14 ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS

Nil

15 CORRESPONDENCE**15.1 CORRESPONDENCE****File Number: 157369**

- Attachments:**
1. Corresspondence - Australian Local Goverment Association 19 12 2022.pdf
 2. Corresspondence - Blackall - Tamboo Council 12 01 2023.pdf
 3. Corresspondence - BMM Group PTY LTD 10 2 2023.pdf
 4. Corresspondence - Concept Planning and Development Consultants 9 2 2023.pdf
 5. Corresspondence - Department of State Development 24 01 2023.pdf
 6. Corresspondence - Department of State Development 3 2 2023.pdf
 7. Corresspondence - Downer Telstra 23 01 2023.pdf
 8. Corresspondence - Email - The Winton Show 4 2 2022.pdf
 9. Corresspondence - Queensland and Reconstructions Authority 23 01 2023.pdf
 10. Corresspondence - Queensland Reconstructions Authority 27 1 2023.pdf
 11. Corresspondence - Queensland Reconstructions Authority 6 2 2023.pdf
 12. Corresspondence - Queensland Reconstructions Authority 7 2 2023.pdf
 13. Corresspondence - Queensland Health 17 1 2023.pdf
 14. Corresspondence - The Hon Catherine King MP 23 1 2023.pdf
 15. Corresspondence - Winton Diamantina Heritage Truck Museum 30 1 2023.pdf
 16. Corresspondence - Letter to CEO 19 01 2023.pdf
 17. Correspondence - WGC Letter of Support WSC Minor Infrastructure Funding.pdf
 18. Correspondence - Outback Festival letter 10 02 2023
 19. Correspondence - Outback Festival letter 27 01 2023

Meeting Date: 16 February 2023**RECOMMENDATION**

1. THAT the report be received.
2. THAT the correspondence be received and noted.

REPORT

Correspondences attached



19 December 2022

Cr Gavin Baskett
Winton Shire Council
PO Box 288 WINTON QLD 4735
info@winton.qld.gov.au

RECEIVED
05 JAN 2023

To the Mayor, Councillors and CEO (please distribute accordingly).

2023 National General Assembly Call for Motions

We're excited to let you know that in preparation for our 2023 National General Assembly of Local Government (NGA), your Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) is now calling for councils to submit motions.

The theme of our 2023 NGA will be "Our Communities, Our Future", and it will be held at the National Convention Centre in Canberra next June. We are seeking your motions to guide ALGA's Board, in particular, where they identify opportunities for reforming and creating new Federal Government programs and policies that will support councils to build stronger communities into the future.

We heard and responded to your feedback and, as a result, the ALGA Board has ensured we will allocate additional time for debate on motions in 2023 and made improvements to the criteria to support more focused discussion.

We have also heard from some of you that you prefer presentations and panels to debate on motions, so we will be running concurrent sessions as another option for non-voting delegates during these sessions. The attached discussion paper will help you prepare your council's motions, which can be submitted online at www.alga.com.au until **Friday 24 March**.

Next year's NGA is shaping up to be even bigger than 2022, and we are working with the Prime Minister and Federal Government towards incorporating the return of the Australian Council of Local Government (ACLG).

The ACLG was originally established by the Federal Government in 2007 as an opportunity for councils to engage directly with the Government and key Ministers. We are thrilled that the Albanese Government has committed to re-establishing this forum, and we look forward to working with them to make it a success, and a key part of our NGA.

We are currently finalising the dates for the 2023 NGA and ACLG and will confirm these dates prior to the opening of registrations early next year.

We look forward to receiving your 2023 NGA motions and welcoming you to Canberra next June.

Thank you all for your dedication to your council and community! I wish you all the best for a wonderful holiday season and a happy and healthy 2023.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Linda Scott".

Cr Linda Scott
ALGA President



Blackall-Tambo Regional Council

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ABN: 42 062 968 922

DAH:ajs

Enquiries: A Saunders

12 January 2023

Dear CEO's

RE: TOURISM OFFICERS

The tourism industry is essential to our outback region and it is important that our councils continue to support each other by encouraging visitors to spend more time in our areas.

I would like to propose an opportunity for Tourism Officers from each council area to gain an insight into tourism experiences each shire offers by inviting your Tourism Officers to spend a day in our council area. Tourism Officers would spend time with our officers learning about each other's region and visiting some of the attractions available in our council area. Each council would be encouraged to make a presentation at the meeting. Experiencing and understanding what each area has to offer would enable staff to relay factual information to travellers.

Blackall-Tambo Regional Council would host the Tourism Officers for lunch and dinner, with the cost of travel and accommodation being supplied by each individual council.

To work collaboratively Blackall-Tambo Regional Council tourism officers would, when suitable, like to visit your council area so they can also gain an understanding of what you have to offer. Together we may be able to encourage visitors to stay for more than another day.

To capitalize on this opportunity it would be best if the visits could be conducted before the start of the tourism season; with a possible date being set for the end of February.

Please indicate your interest in this matter by emailing the Governance Coordinator, Andrea Saunders at pa@btrc.qld.gov.au.

Yours faithfully

DA Howard
Chief Executive Officer

Queensland Reconstruction Authority

For reply please quote: QRA/Ops - QRATF/22/187

11 January 2023

Mr Dirk Dowling
Chief Executive Officer
Winton Shire Council
dirkd@winton.qld.gov.au
ceo@winton.qld.gov.au

Dear Mr Dowling

I refer to Council's submission for Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) grant assistance for Emergency Works following the Northern and Central Western Queensland Rainfall and Flooding event, 21 April - 12 May 2022 event.

This submission has been assessed by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA) in terms of eligibility under the joint Commonwealth and Queensland Government DRFA program.

The outcome of QRA's assessment is detailed in the attached Project Funding Schedule. To accept this approval please sign and return the Project Funding Schedule via email to submissions@qra.qld.gov.au. By signing the Project Funding Schedule, a Project Funding Agreement will be formed in accordance with clause 2.3 of the Head Agreement.

QRA has authorised a payment of \$418,763.85 (excluding GST) as a Recipient Created Tax Invoice (RCTI). Until the Project Funding Schedule is signed, this payment will be considered an advance in accordance with clause 4.1 of the Head Agreement.

If you require further information please contact Anna Herwig, Director - Assessments, Operations on (07) 3008 7220 or via email to anna.herwig@qra.qld.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



Jimmy Scott
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Project Funding Schedule				
1. QRA Program	Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA), Emergency Works			
2. Project/Event Identifier	WSC.0039.2122J.EWK			
3. Recipient Name	Winton Shire Council			
4. Project Description	The project(s) described in the Approval Payment Certificate to this Project Funding Schedule			
5. Project Funding (ex GST)	\$418,763.85			
6. Recipient's Contribution (ex GST)	\$17,693.00			
7. Type of Project Funding	Capped Funding			
8. Program Guidelines	Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) 2018 and Queensland Disaster Funding Guidelines (QDFG) - June 2021			
9. Approved Project Plan	N/A			
10. QRA Contact	Acting Chief Executive Officer			
11. Recipient Contact	Chief Executive Officer			
12. Key Dates	Project Funding Agreement Commencement Date		The date the last party signs this Project Funding Schedule	
	Project Completion Date		30 June 2022	
	Project Funding Agreement End Date		30 June 2023	
13. Milestone Schedule	No.	Milestone Date	Milestone Requirements	Milestone Amount
	1	The Project Funding Agreement Commencement Date	(a) Provision of this Project Funding Agreement to the Recipient	100% of the Project Funding
	2	Various (the Recipient may submit multiple Payment Claims in respect of Milestone 2)	N/A	N/A
	3	Within three months of the Project Completion Date	N/A	N/A
14. Payment Claim Requirements	N/A			
15. Eligible Project Costs	Eligible Project Costs means the costs described as "Eligible Costs" in the Program Guidelines.			
16. Ineligible Project Costs	Ineligible Project Costs means the costs described as "Ineligible Costs" in the Program Guidelines.			
17. Reporting	Report Type	Report Contents and Form		Lodgement Timing
	Progress Report	N/A		N/A
	Final Report and Acquittal Report	N/A		N/A
18. Project Specific Bank Account Details (if applicable)	Account Name	N/A		
	BSB	N/A		
	Account Number	N/A		
	Branch	N/A		
	Email for Remittance	N/A		

19. Acknowledgement Requirements	In line with the 'Public acknowledgement of State and Commonwealth assistance' requirements in the Program Guidelines, Recipients must seek prior agreement and ensure public advice and media releases refer to the assistance as being "jointly funded by the Commonwealth and Queensland under the DRFA".	
20. Special Conditions	N/A	
By signing below, a Project Funding Agreement will be formed in accordance with the Head Agreement entered into between QRA and the Recipient on 3 August 2018 in respect of the Project.		
Signed for and on behalf of the State of Queensland acting through the Queensland Reconstruction Authority ABN 13 640 918 183 by a duly authorised officer in the presence of		Signed for and on behalf of the Recipient by a duly authorised officer in the presence of
Signature of witness		Signature of witness
Name of witness		Name of witness
Signature of Authorised Person		Signature of Authorised Person
Name of Authorised Person		Name of Authorised Person
Date		Date

Queensland Reconstruction Authority

Approval Payment Certificate

Recipient

Winton Shire Council

Date

20/12/2022

Event Year

2021-2022

QRA submission number	Description	Requested project funding	Ineligible project costs	Under investigation amount	Eligible project costs	Trigger point deduction	Project funding amount	Payment for milestone 1		
								Drawdown on grant advance	RCTI payment	Total payment amount
WSC 0039.2122J.EWK	Emergency Works - Northern and Central Western Queensland Raintail and Flooding event, 21 April 12 May 2022 - 2022 April Emergency Works	\$436,456.85	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$436,456.85	\$17,693.00	\$418,763.85	\$0.00	\$418,763.85	\$418,763.85
TOTAL	Revised Submission Values	\$436,456.85	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$436,456.85	\$17,693.00	\$418,763.85	\$0.00	\$418,763.85	\$418,763.85

NOTES

1. All amounts in the body of the above table are GST exclusive.
2. Payments will be grossed up for GST.



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Recipient Created Tax Invoice

Number

BN-05099

Date

10/01/2023

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Payment

Submission number	Currency	Amount Excl. GST	GST	Amount Incl. GST
WSC.0039.2122J.EWK	AUD	418,763.85	41,876.39	460,640.24

Total AUD Excl. GST	418,763.85
GST amount	41,876.39
Total AUD Incl. GST	460,640.24

The recipient and the supplier declare that this agreement applies to supplies to which this tax invoice relates. The recipient can issue tax invoices in respect of these supplies. The supplier will not issue tax invoices in respect of these supplies.

The supplier acknowledges that it is registered for GST and that it will notify the recipient if it ceases to be registered.

The recipient acknowledges that it is registered for GST and that it will notify the supplier if it ceases to be registered for GST. Acceptance of this RCTI constitutes acceptance of the terms of this written agreement.

Both parties to this supply agree that they are parties to an RCTI agreement. The supplier agrees to notify the recipient if the supplier does not wish to accept the proposed agreement within 21 days of receiving this document.



BMM Group Pty Ltd
Level 3, 223 Liverpool Street,
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10 February 2023

Attention: Planning Department
Winton Shire Council
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Winton QLD 4735

Email: info@winton.qld.gov.au

Dear Sir/Madam,

Proposal to upgrade the existing 104m (Steel Guyed Mast) mobile phone base station at Kennedy Developmental Road, Corfield QLD 4733 (Telstra Site ID: 57204).

I am writing on behalf of Telstra to inform you of a proposal to upgrade the existing mobile phone base station at the above-mentioned address. This proposal does not require Development Approval and consultation is being undertaken in accordance with the requirements of Section 7 of the *Mobile Phone Base Station Deployment Code 2020*.

Site Context



Telstra are currently upgrading existing mobile network facilities for the introduction of 5G to Telstra's network. As part of this network upgrade, Telstra proposes the installation of the following:

- Swap the existing headframe for a new headframe
- Installation of four (4) new Omni antennas
- Installation of associated ancillary equipment

The proposed installation will utilise NR850 and LTE700 (5G) technology to improve the capacity and quality of wireless mobile connections in the Corfield service area.

We invite you to provide us with your feedback about this proposal. You can do this by contacting us by letter, email or by calling the contact number outlined below. We will accept comments on the proposal until 24 February 2023.

We trust that you will find the information about this proposal informative. We are happy to provide you with more details upon request.

Yours sincerely,



William McQuade – Town Planner
BMM Group Pty Ltd
(on behalf of Telstra)

Attachments:

- ARPANSA Environmental EMR Report
- AMTA 5G Fact Sheet

Frequently Asked Questions

Where is it being installed?	Kennedy Developmental Road, Corfield QLD 4733 Telstra Site ID: 57204
What is being installed and how big will it be?	The proposal is for the upgrade of an existing mobile phone base station facility, this will comprise of: • Swap the existing headframe for a new headframe • Installation of four (4) new Omni antennas • Installation of associated ancillary equipment
Does it require Council approval?	This installation is exempt from Local & State Government approval in accordance with the requirements of the following sections of the Telecommunications (Low-Impact Facilities) Determination 2018 : • Part 3, Section 3.1 (4) (a) – Ancillary • Schedule, Part 1, Item 4 – Radio facilities Community notification is being undertaken in accordance with the requirements of Section 7 of Mobile Phone Base Station Deployment Code C564:2020 . • A public notice advertisement has been placed in the Longreach Leader on the 10th February 2023 to provide further details to the community of the proposed upgrade and provide an opportunity for comment.
Does it comply with Australian Standards for Electromagnetic Energy (EME)?	The facility will comply with ACMA EME regulatory arrangements in relation to emission of electromagnetic energy (EME), this specifically being Australian Standard for Limiting Exposure to Radiofrequency Fields – 100kHz to 300 GHz, RPS S-1 (Rev. 1), published by the Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency (ARPANSA) in 2021. Further information is available at www.rfnsa.com.au
How can I find out where the base stations are in my area?	A database of all existing and proposed mobile phone base stations in Australia is available to the public at www.rfnsa.com.au Site specific information can be found at: www.rfnsa.com.au/4735003
Where can I find out more information?	Support information about mobile phone base stations, the <i>Mobile Base Station Deployment Code (C564:2020)</i> , your rights, health, and low impact facilities, is available from this website: https://www.commsalliance.com.au/popular-links/mobile-phone-tower-information
How can I provide feedback on the proposal or find out more information?	Name: William McQuade Address: BMM Group Pty Ltd PO Box 430, Toowong QLD 4066 Email: submissions@bmmgroup.com.au Phone: 1300 260 834 Comments Closing date: 24 February 2023

Information about this proposal is available in other languages. Available on request from contact details provided.



Environmental EME Report

Location KENNEDY DEVELOPMENTAL RD, CORFIELD QLD 4733

Date 24/01/2023 **RFNSA No.** 4735003

How does this report work?

This report provides a summary of levels of radiofrequency (RF) electromagnetic energy (EME) around the wireless base station at KENNEDY DEVELOPMENTAL RD, CORFIELD QLD 4733. These levels have been calculated by Ericsson using methodology developed by the Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency (ARPANSA).

A document describing how to interpret this report is available at ARPANSA's website:

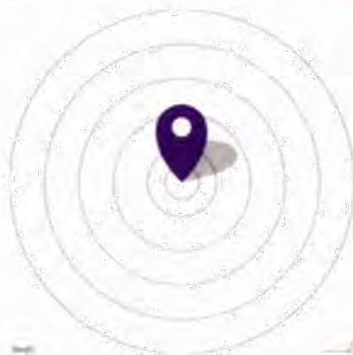
[A Guide to the Environmental Report.](#)

A snapshot of calculated EME levels at this site

The maximum EME level calculated for the **existing** systems at this site is

Less than 0.01%

out of 100% of the public exposure limit, 335 m from the location.



The maximum EME level calculated for the **proposed** changes at this site is

0.01%

out of 100% of the public exposure limit, 53 m from the location.

EME levels with the proposed changes

Distance from the site	Percentage of the public exposure limit
0-50 m	0.01%
50-100 m	0.01%
100-200 m	Less than 0.01%
200-300 m	Less than 0.01%
300-400 m	Less than 0.01%
400-500 m	Less than 0.01%

For additional information please refer to the EME ARPANSA Report annexure for this site which can be found at

<http://www.rfnsa.com.au/4735003>.

Radio systems at the site

This base station currently has equipment for transmitting the services listed under the existing configuration.

The proposal would modify the base station to include all the services listed under the proposed configuration.

Carrier	Existing		Proposed	
	Systems	Configuration	Systems	Configuration
Telstra	3G	WCDMA850	3G, 4G, 5G	LTE700 (proposed), NR850 (proposed), WCDMA850

Issued by: Ericsson, NAD (v1.0.178836.54591)
Environmental EME report (v12.4 Feb 2021)

Produced with RF-Map 2.1 (Build 3.2)

An in-depth look at calculated EME levels at this site

This table provides calculations of RF EME at different distances from the base station for emissions from existing equipment alone and for emissions from existing equipment and proposed equipment combined. All EME levels are relative to 1.5 m above ground and all distances from the site are in 360° circular bands.

Distance from the site	Existing configuration			Proposed configuration		
	Electric field (V/m)	Power density (mW/m ²)	Percentage of the public exposure limit	Electric field (V/m)	Power density (mW/m ²)	Percentage of the public exposure limit
0-50m	0.03	Less than 0.01	Less than 0.01%	0.42	0.47	0.01%
50-100m	0.09	0.02	Less than 0.01%	0.44	0.51	0.01%
100-200m	0.11	0.03	Less than 0.01%	0.25	0.17	Less than 0.01%
200-300m	0.09	0.02	Less than 0.01%	0.13	0.05	Less than 0.01%
300-400m	0.11	0.03	Less than 0.01%	0.11	0.03	Less than 0.01%
400-500m	0.09	0.02	Less than 0.01%	0.08	0.02	Less than 0.01%

Calculated EME levels at other areas of interest

This table contains calculations of the maximum EME levels at selected areas of interest, identified through consultation requirements of the [Communications Alliance Ltd Deployment Code C564-2020](#) or other means. Calculations are performed over the indicated height range and include all existing and any proposed radio systems for this site.

Maximum cumulative EME level for the proposed configuration

Location	Height range	Electric field (V/m)	Power density (mW/m ²)	Percentage of the public exposure limit
No locations identified.				

What is 5G?

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5G is the 5th generation of mobile networks, a significant evolution of today's 4G networks.

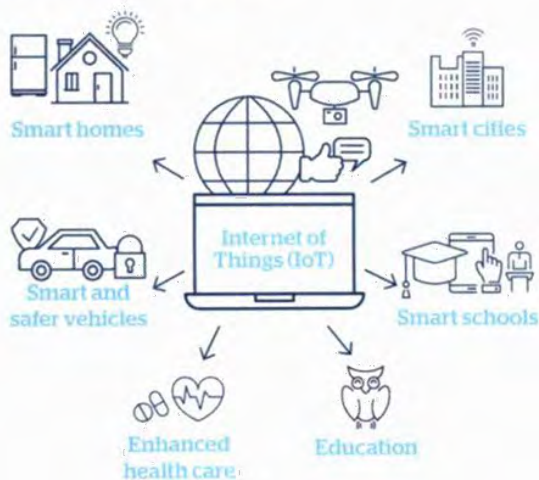
5G is designed to meet the very large growth in data and connectivity of today's modern society, the internet of things with billions of connected devices, and tomorrow's innovations.

5G will initially operate in conjunction with existing 4G networks before evolving to fully standalone networks. The rollout of 5G will help meet Australians' growing demand for more data, with the Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA) reporting that the volume of data downloaded on mobiles has increased by 41% from June 2017 to June 2018, and this is set to continue.

What will 5G enable?

5G will enable enhanced mobile broadband, instantaneous connectivity to billions of devices, the Internet of Things (IoT) and a truly connected world:

For communities, 5G will enable real-time connection of billions of devices to provide a safer and more efficient place to live by enabling things like:



For businesses and industry, 5G and IoT will provide a wealth of data allowing them to gain insights into their operations like never before.

Business will increasingly operate and make key decisions driven by data (e.g. parcel tracking), and innovate in different application areas including agriculture, smart farms and manufacturing. All of these will pave the way for cost savings, better customer experience and long-term growth.


**5G enabled
mobile technology**
IS SET TO DELIVER A
**\$65 billion bigger
Australian economy**
BY 2023

Mobile Nation 2019 - the 5G Future report by Deloitte Access Economics and AMTA

What is 5G?

What will be the first applications for 5G?

5G-enabled products such as wireless broadband, mobile devices and IoT will be the first applications using 5G.



What will 5G devices offer?

The prime benefits of 5G devices will be significantly faster speeds in data access, downloading and streaming content.

In addition, 5G devices will have increased computing power and make use of faster connectivity, meaning that the devices will enjoy virtually instantaneous connections to the network, as well as greater connectivity when on the move. 5G will enable applications such as remote monitoring, automation of production, medical monitoring and even remote surgery.



How does 5G work?

5G will deliver faster speeds, better response times and greater capacity. 5G networks are designed to work in conjunction with 4G networks using a range of macro cells, small cells and dedicated in-building systems.

Small cells will be a feature of 5G networks and will evolve to include the use of millimetre wave (mmWave) frequencies.

Small cells are mini base stations designed for very localised coverage typically from 10 metres to a few hundred metres providing in-fill for the larger macro network. Small cells will be essential for the 5G networks.

5G devices will have increased computing power and make use of faster connectivity, meaning that the devices will enjoy virtually instantaneous connections to the network, as well as greater connectivity when on the move.



5G and EME Safety

Are there safety limits for 5G?

Yes. Comprehensive international guidelines exist governing exposure to radio waves including the frequencies proposed for 5G. The limits have been established by independent scientific organisations, such as the International Commission on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection (ICNIRP), and include substantial margins of safety to protect all people including children and the elderly at all times.

These guidelines have been widely adopted in standards around the world, including in Australia by the Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency (ARPANSA) and are endorsed by the World Health Organization (WHO).

WHAT DO THE EXPERTS SAY ABOUT 5G AND HEALTH?

In relation to radio frequency exposures and wireless technology and health, including frequencies used for 5G, the World Health Organization (WHO) states:

"Despite extensive research, to date there is no evidence to conclude that exposure to low level electromagnetic fields is harmful to human health."

In relation to 5G frequencies, Dr Sarah Loughran, Director of the Australian Centre for Electromagnetic Bioeffects Research at the University of Wollongong states:

"The higher frequencies [of 5G] actually means that the energy doesn't penetrate as deeply into the body than previous fourth generation and other generation technologies have."

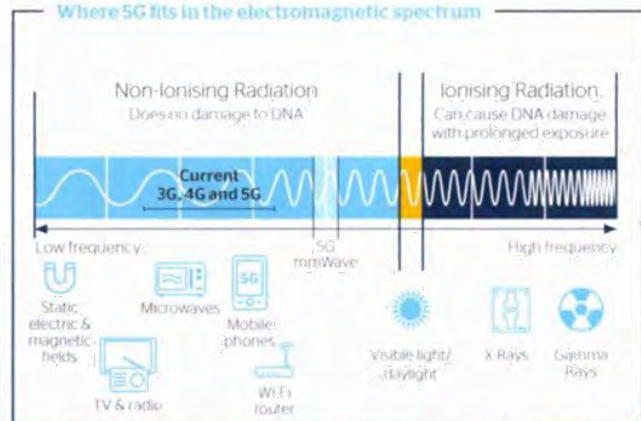
In relation to 5G and health, ARPANSA states:

"There are no established health effects from the radio waves that the 5G network uses."

What research into health effects has been done on 5G?

The electromagnetic frequencies used for 5G are part of the radio frequency spectrum which has been extensively researched in terms of health impacts for decades.

Where 5G fits in the electromagnetic spectrum



5G operates at a higher frequency than previous 4G networks so it can carry more data but can't travel as far. This means it will have less impact on the human body than any previous network.



Over 50 years of scientific research has already been conducted into the possible health effects of the radio signals used for mobile phones, base stations and other wireless services including frequencies planned for 5G and mmWave exposures.

ARPANSA states:

"This network currently runs on radio waves similar to those used in the current 4G network, and in the future will use radio waves with higher frequencies. It is important to note that higher frequencies does not mean higher or more intense exposure. Higher frequency radio waves are already used in security screening units at airports, police radar guns to check speed, remote sensors and in medicine and these uses have been thoroughly tested and found to have no negative impacts on human health."

5G and EME Safety

Testing on Australian 5G networks with commercial devices in real-world settings shows levels similar to 3G, 4G and Wi-Fi, and in many cases around 1,000 times below the safety limits.



Does 5G mean higher power and higher exposure levels?

No - 5G networks are designed to be more efficient and will use less power than current networks for similar services.

The Australian Centre for Electromagnetic Bioeffects Research (ACEBR) states:

“In addition, while more antennas may be required to service areas where demand for the new service is high, users are closer to the mobile phone base station and therefore their devices can operate at a reduced power, reducing their exposure from their personal device.”

Dr Sarah Loughran, Director of the Australian Centre for Electromagnetic Bioeffects Research at the University of Wollongong, states:

“Based on the improvements in technology, the level of exposure is expected to be lower [with 5G] than what it has been in previous technologies.”

How will 5G be regulated?

All base stations including 5G equipment, and devices, must comply with standards set by ARPANSA.



Where can I get more information on 5G?

Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA)

1300 850 115

<https://www.acma.gov.au/theACMA/a-guide-to-small-cells>

Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency (ARPANSA)

(03) 9433 2211

www.arpansa.gov.au

EMF Explained web site

www.emfexplained.info

Mobile Nation 2019 - the 5G future report

<https://amta.org.au/new-mobile-nation-report-the-5g-future/>

Mobile Carriers Forum

<http://amta.org.au/mcf>



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9th February 2023

Council Ref: WSC22-09

Winton Shire Council
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Notice of intention to commence Public Notification of Development Application - Proposed Material Change of Use - Tourist Park (Impact Assessable) at 43 Werna Street & Springvale Branch Railway, Winton, QLD 4735, legally described as Lot662 on SP104915 & Lots 1-3 on RP718436

Good Day,

On behalf of the applicant, Kevin Fawcett & Joanne Soar, Concept Planning and Development Consultants has been engaged to undertake the public notification requirements for the above development application currently under assessment by Winton Shire Council.

In accordance with s.17.2 of the Development Assessment Rules, I intend to commence the public notification required under s.17.1 on **24th February 2023**.

At this time, I can advise that I intend to:

- Publish a notice in the Central West Leader print classifieds on **24th February 2023**; and
- Place a notice on the premises in the way prescribed by the Development Assessment Rules on **23rd February 2023**; and
- Notify the owners of all lots adjoining the premises, the subject of the application, on **20th February 2023**;

If you have any questions regarding the details above, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Nadine Kirley', written over a horizontal line.

Nadine Kirley MPiA
Principal Consultant

Concept Planning and Development Consultants ABN 99 789 542 467

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Department of
**State Development, Infrastructure,
Local Government and Planning**

Our ref: DGBN22/660

24 January 2023

Mr Dirk Dowling
Chief Executive Officer
Winton Shire Council
ceo@winton.qld.gov.au

Dear Mr Dowling

I am writing to provide you with an update on a number of matters related to the *Statutory Bodies Financial Arrangements Act 1982* (the Act) and the *Statutory Bodies Financial Arrangements Regulation 2019* (the SBFA Regulation).

Carbon offset financial products

Queensland Treasury (QT) is currently progressing a number of matters related to managing financial risks associated with carbon reduction frameworks, sustainability reporting, and key environmental, social and governance policy initiatives.

As part of this process, during 2023, QT will be undertaking a review of financial risk management frameworks to ensure carbon offset products and their financial risks are appropriately managed. This includes consideration of arrangements for councils and statutory bodies seeking to transact in carbon offset products.

While this review is underway, it is requested that all councils seek specific approval for dealings with carbon offset financial products from QT, including for example, transactions for Australian Carbon Credit Units in domestic or international carbon markets.

If you would like to seek approval, please contact the Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning (the department) by email at LGBorrowings@dsdilgp.qld.gov.au.

Investment transaction powers under the SBFA Regulation

The Act and the SBFA Regulation govern the powers of councils to enter into financial arrangements. Both the Act and the SBFA Regulation are administered by QT.

QT is currently considering changes to the SBFA Regulation for all statutory bodies, including councils. These changes will potentially allow councils to participate in a derivative transaction (Category 1, 2 or 3). Consideration is also being given to changes to investment transaction categories for councils.

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Potential changes will only be considered following a financial risk assessment and where a council can demonstrate appropriate governance and risk management arrangements exist (including appropriate investment policies).

While it is anticipated that only limited changes will be made, if your council would like to discuss this opportunity further, please contact the department before 15 February 2023 by email at LGBorrowings@dsdilgp.qld.gov.au.

If you require any further information, please contact Ms Deanne Stewart, Director, Financial Analysis, Assurance, and Systems, Local Government Division in the department on telephone (07) 3452 7875 or by email at Deanne.Stewart@dsdilgp.qld.gov.au, who will be pleased to assist.

Yours sincerely



Michael McKee
Acting Director-General



FINAL REPORT

Strengthening Remote Neighbourhood Centres in Drought Affected Queensland

Key insights and recommendations from NCQ conversations in Far Western Queensland.

September 2022

Acknowledgement

NCQ acknowledges the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the traditional custodians of Country; we pay our respects to their elders, ancestors, land and seas.

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Abstract

NCQ undertook Appreciative Inquiry interviews with Neighbourhood Centre Staff and key stakeholders in Far Western Queensland. Strengths and Challenges were identified to enhance organisational capability and capacity. Recommendations for development are proposed to enable community resilience in drought affected localities.

This report should be cited as

Mundy, C., and Ellis, H. (2022) *Strengthening Remote Neighbourhood Centres in Drought Affected Queensland*. Neighbourhood Centres Queensland.

Front cover photograph

Windmill and watertank in Australia outback. Photograph by: Totajla.

Version 1. Last updated: 26.09.2022

Key Recommendations

a. Develop a network between remote Neighbourhood and Community Centres, where practitioners have the ability to support and learn from one another.

Each centre that participated was enthusiastic to develop a network that included sharing best practice for community resilience. Community resilience improvement included building social capital, responding to the current housing crisis and worker shortage as well as working in First Nations Communities.

b. Highlight a local place-based approach to drought and recovery work.

A local place-based approach, rather than a state-wide approach, was of major importance when responding to drought and community recovery. Neighbourhood Centres have specialised knowledge about their local communities including key community leaders, communications mechanisms, services, public and private infrastructure that can be activated in times of drought and other natural disasters.

c. Provide Face to Face Community Development, Disaster Resilience and Community Leadership training for staff and volunteers.

Neighbourhood Centres identified that there was not a budget for professional development and that they had often come into the role with little skills and knowledge. However, centre roles required knowledge about community development, community leadership, disaster management, trauma, policy development and much more.

d. Develop a shared Resource Library of organisational documents

Neighbourhood Centres suggested the establishment of a resource library that included master versions of organisational policies and resources that could be shared between organisations. This includes disaster plans, human resources, succession planning, Reconciliation Action Plans & Board inductions.

e. Increase digital capacity for sector networking and communications

Many Neighbourhood Centres in remote drought affected areas identified challenges in accessing basic telecommunications in their local communities. Many centres found it difficult to develop basic communication tools such as websites, social media platforms, digital advertising, brochures and information systems for their centres.

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About Neighbourhood Centres Queensland

Neighbourhood Centres Queensland (NCQ) is the peak body for over 143 Neighbourhood and Community Centres (NCCs) around the state, 127 of which receive base funding from the Queensland Government. Currently 95% of Neighbourhood Centres who receive state funding are members of the peak body.

Queensland's Neighbourhood and Community Centres (NCCs) are key social infrastructure supporting communities affected by natural disasters. Their welcoming and inclusive nature means they are especially effective in supporting vulnerable and marginalised groups and responding to emerging issues. Their local knowledge and relationships mean they are well suited to prepare for, and respond to disaster affected communities, whether it be an acute event like a cyclone or flood, or a chronic event such as a drought or pandemic. Their location in disaster affected communities has meant that they are often the first to respond with Emergency Relief for Queenslanders who have been severely impacted or lost everything.

Key features of NCQ's approach in working with the Neighbourhood Centre sector includes:

- Collaboration – NCQ is collaborative, inclusive and relational.
- Community-led – NCQ values place-based leadership, local level funding and community-led change. This emphasises adopting a community development approach and direct funding of communities.
- Amplify member voice – NCQ seeks to amplify the voice and expertise of its members and their communities

In 2020, NCQ completed the *Queensland Neighbourhood Centres Strategy for Drought Resilience*. This strategy was co-designed with Neighbourhood Centres in Drought affected South-West and Far-Western Queensland. It highlighted the vital role Neighbourhood Centres play in communities affected by drought and the need to adequately resource this work.

An outcome of the strategy was the ongoing support provided by NCQ to build the capacity of Neighbourhood Centres' organisational infrastructure, forward their community activities and promote their work in the wider human services and disaster recovery space. This far western drought project on which this report is based, recognised that there are some Neighbourhood Centres operating in extremely remote areas of Queensland. Their geographical distance from major cities and from one another mean extra challenges in terms of interagency and Neighbourhood Centre networks, volunteers and staffing, access to services and infrastructure and professional development opportunities. Equally, their specialised knowledge of their localities and responses to drought and other natural disasters aren't shared with stakeholders as much as they could be.

The aim of this project was for NCQ to focus on the most remote and isolated Neighbourhood Centres in Queensland to understand their challenges and strengths and identify ways their work may be enhanced, particularly when affected by drought and other natural disasters.

1.0 Introduction

Australians are familiar with drought and natural disasters. The concept of drought considers a period of time with exceptionally low rainfall, exceptionally high temperatures, and low soil moisture for an extended duration to be considered insufficient for the population (CSIRO & Bureau of Meteorology, 2015). Natural disasters cost the Australian Government \$38 billion per year on average (Deloitte, 2021). Without action, the forecast annual cost in real terms of natural disasters (across government, business and communities) in Australia is expected to reach \$73 billion by 2060 (Deloitte, 2021). These climatic events not only impact on property and infrastructure but also come with a heavy toll to the health and wellbeing of Australians, particularly those living in rural and remote areas.

Queensland has been the most disaster-prone state in Australia for the past decade, with the total economic cost averaging \$11 billion per year (Deloitte, 2011). It is estimated that the total economic cost of drought alone in NSW and QLD between 2017 and 2019 to the overall national welfare loss due to decreased agriculture production, farm capacity and exporting was \$53 billion (Wittwer & Waschik, 2021).

As drought is essentially unpredictable in terms of severity and duration, it has thus far been near impossible to arrange preventative actions. Drought has been referred to as a 'creeping natural disaster' due to its difficulty to be managed as there is no clear start, middle or end.

The longevity of drought ensures that 'natural disaster' 'recovery' efforts are also not applicable and even when the rain returns the effects of drought are still felt for some time afterwards.

The Drought Exceptional Circumstances Policy acknowledges that there are times rural communities need assistance, such as when the drought lasts more than 12 months or there has been at least three consecutive failed seasons.

Resilience can be defined as a trait that allows a person or community to move through a challenge, adapt to that challenge if necessary and then return to a relatively healthy state of being (Arbon, 2014). To protect rural communities from the impacts of drought more focus should be placed on communities building resilience to assist in buffering against natural disasters. Building community resilience requires a number of factors. These factors include trust, social cohesion, supporting attitudes and values, leadership, a sense of community, good communication and information, collective efficacy, community involvement, resource dependency, social capital, existing norms and engagement with government (Emergency Management Australia, 2011). Communities that lead their recovery and support reestablishment as a community have a greater support network and can develop preparedness for drought to improve mental wellbeing in rural and remote locations (Emergency Management Australia, 2013).

Using appreciative inquiry techniques, this project focused on understanding the challenges and strengths of Neighbourhood Centres in remote Western Queensland involved in the ongoing work of drought resilience. Knowing that Neighbourhood Centres in western Queensland play a key role as service providers and community development hubs where other social infrastructure is lacking, NCQ visited 6 Neighbourhood Centres and conducted further conversations with other stakeholders to identify opportunities for networks and organisational capacity building to enhance the drought resilience strategies currently employed by these organisations.

2.0 Method

The type of questions and interviewing used in collecting the data was through a semi-structured approach using Appreciative Inquiry (AI). AI is a reconfiguration of action research that has found particular traction within organisational settings. Rather than focusing on what isn't working, Appreciative Inquiry practitioners ask affirming questions and encourage participants to focus on what works (Cram, 2010).

As a result of utilising AI within the interviews, storytelling often occurs. This approach is closely linked with methods and tools such as Most Significant Change, Case Studies and PhotoVoice. Stories gathered through this process can often offer surprising perspectives and reveal hidden knowledge, not captured through other interviewing techniques.

While this project focused on the 6 Neighbourhood Centres visited by NCQ, further conversations occurred with other community stakeholders in the regions visited to understand the existing networks and work of community organisations in outback towns. As no Neighbourhood Centres exist in Longreach and Barcaldine, discussions with stakeholders also took place in these towns about existing community infrastructure and possible Neighbourhood Centre development in order to build the township's capacity to respond to drought and other disasters.

Altogether across the eight different shires and councils in Western and Far Western Queensland, 15 internal stakeholders and 13 external stakeholders were interviewed.

These included:

- Neighbourhood Centre staff – Backend and frontline.
- Neighbourhood Centre board members
- Office for Rural & Regional Qld (ORRQ)
- QFES, Longreach District
- Longreach Regional Council & Regional Forum Members
- Disaster Management Coordinator
- Rural Financial Counsellor (CW&NW QLD)
- Node Manager – LRE
- Southern Qld & Northern NSW Innovation Hub
- Local Councillor representatives
- Business owners
- Isisford Community Leaders
- Desert Channels QLD
- Outback Independent Living
- Politicians
- Community health nurse

It was determined that in-person meetings would be more effective for this project as local knowledge indicated a growing dissatisfaction with online meetings, especially during the COVID19 pandemic. Face to face meetings in these locations enabled NCQ staff to understand the physical context of remote Neighbourhood Centres and build relationships between the centres and their peak body.

Organisations visited were:

Boulia Community Support Services, Boulia. This centre is managed by North West Indigenous Catholic Social Services and is located a small distance from the main street to respect the confidentiality of community members. The centre features strong community leadership by the coordinator and volunteers. The centre has limited physical infrastructure, however is heavily involved in creating community connections and resilience through regular whole-town activities. It also offers individual support and referrals as well as school liaison. The town has a high First Nations population.

Brilla Brilla Community Centre, Mt Isa. Brilla Brilla is also managed by North West Indigenous Catholic Social Services and offers intensive support to an Aboriginal housing community on the outskirts of Mount Isa. The centre is complemented by a range of social services offered by NWICSS, including training and employment pathways. The local community are comprised of First Nations people and the organisation has two First Nations staff members involved in the Neighbourhood Centre.

Mount Isa Neighbourhood Centre, Mt Isa. Mount Isa Neighbourhood Centre is a local community based association overseen by a management committee. It is located in a purpose-built facility and offers a range of community activities, emergency relief and NDIS craft groups to a wide range of people. The centre is funded to deliver Federal Emergency Relief.

Cloncurry Neighbourhood Centre, Cloncurry. The centre is managed by Centacare in Mount Isa and complemented by these services. Their community garden which was overflowing with produce is harvested by the local social enterprise partners Red Door Cafe. The centre offers both community activities and individual support from a shop front. At the time of visiting the centre it was experiencing staffing back-fill challenges due to maternity leave.

Blackall-Tambo Neighbourhood Centre, Blackall. This Neighbourhood Centre program is managed by the Blackall-Tambo Regional Council. The program is run from the council's main office and conducts community activities. This program was also experienced staffing challenges due to maternity leave and a phone interview was conducted with the coordinator whilst she was on leave. A meeting also occurred with the local social enterprise Red Ridge.

Winton Neighbourhood Centre, Winton. The centre is governed by Winton Shire Council and benefits greatly from the close alignment between the council's disaster management processes and the Neighbourhood Centre's operations. A wide range of community activities and support services are run from the centre which is centrally located in the town centre. Whole-town events and support is strongly featured.

State Government Engagement, Longreach. No Neighbourhood Centre exists in Longreach. The Engagement Officer for the Department of Premier and Cabinet organised a meeting with local stakeholders in human services and disaster management to discuss the role of Neighbourhood and Community Centres in rural and regional communities. A meeting with the local State MP office also occurred to discuss Neighbourhood Centres and understand the role of the Western Queensland Drought Appeal.

Social Enterprises, Barcaldine. No Neighbourhood Centre exists in Barcaldine. NCQ explored social support infrastructure operating in the town. The Shop of Opportunity is a social enterprise for community groups to provide emergency relief and Artesian Originals Community Hub is an arts based market place, giving locals the opportunity to sell craft whilst generating funding for Aged Care support.

4.0 Key Themes

After all interviews were conducted and recorded, key information was themed by NCQ staff to identify areas of strengths and opportunities to increase the capacity of Neighbourhood Centres to strengthen community resilience in remote Queensland communities. The following themes were observed in interviews.

Networking and Professional Development

The centres greatly appreciated NCQ personally visiting them in their communities. The workers noted that both geographical distance and impact of COVID19 meant that connections with peak bodies have reverted to predominately online. Similarly, the centre described that professional development opportunities available to their staff were only available in an online format.

As the result of this Centres were interested in forming a remote Queensland network but emphasised a strong preference for face to face meetings. There was the understanding that the formation of a network would lead to sharing knowledge and improving practice so that all Neighbourhood Centres can better respond to local communities.

It was suggested that these network meetings could feature professional development components. There was an acknowledgement that while online training was useful to a certain extent, the demands of local communities required more in-person training. Several in-person professional development initiatives had been extremely beneficial for staff in the past including "Building Rural leaders" and "Leading the Central West".

Organisational capacity building

Centres in remote communities noted challenges with staff recruitment in remote communities. Some staff had moved to the remote towns to make their home there while other staff seem to stay in the towns short term and then move on to larger organisations in metropolitan areas. This staffing shortage seemed most apparent in centres with staff who were on maternity leave, where no backfill was available for long periods of time.

Options for student placements at centres were investigated, however it was noted that the current housing crisis experienced by most remote communities meant that while student placements were welcome in organisations, no housing could be provided to accommodate them. Student placements play an important role in developing workforce pipelines and when disrupted, have flow on effects for attracting new staff into remote organisations.

Centres that were not attached with a local council noted some challenges with accessing policies and procedures relevant for their organisation. It was identified by NCQ that many of these policies and procedures were common across organisations and could be shared.

It was also noted that most of the centres operating in remote areas of Queensland lacked digital communications, with very few having Neighbourhood Centre websites and had limited social media capabilities. An element of this challenge exists in accessibility of telecommunications infrastructure in remote communities. In some circumstances data reception is non-existent outside of town centres.

Digital communications play an important role in not only building social capital but keeping community members informed during natural disasters. Providing organisational information on websites is also essential for increasing resources for these organisations. Funding bodies and philanthropic organisations regularly visit applicant websites during the course of applications to gain insight into an organisation's activities and capacity.

It was also noted that physical infrastructure played an important role in supporting the organisation's activities. NCQ's discussions with Longreach stakeholders highlighted that while various services operated in the town, there was no clear central location for community members to visit to know where to go to during times they needed support. There was no "Neighbourhood Centre" that provided a one stop shop to provide service navigation. It was also observed that other Neighbourhood Centre programs operating in general council office buildings were equally problematic and created challenges for community members seeking personal support and assistance. Neighbourhood Centres by their very nature are warm, welcoming locations and co-locating their activities in officious environments reduces accessibility.

Purpose built Neighbourhood Centres and designated Neighbourhood Centre buildings like those featured in Mount Isa, Cloncurry and Winton were well used central community hubs that provided rooms for both individual support and general community group activities. They were physically open spaces that provided welcome and warm hospitality.

Local Government

Community infrastructure is often lacking in remote Queensland Communities and in some circumstances, Local Councils are funded to operate Neighbourhood and Community Centres by the Queensland Government. These Neighbourhood Centres benefit from financial and human resources support provided by council as well as the close alignment with Local Disaster Management Groups when responding to natural disasters. However, challenges experienced by Council-run Neighbourhood Centres is that their governance structure is not community-led and without a local community reference group, the centre can become detached from local community vision and ownership. Challenges may also exist where there is less alignment between LGA disaster management groups and Neighbourhood Centre operations or where there is less flexibility to deliver Neighbourhood Centre activities in a manner suitable for vulnerable groups.

Two Neighbourhood Centres that NCQ visited were operated by Local Councils, with Winton Neighbourhood Centre having an extremely close working relationship with other levels of council. Winton recalled that during the last flood event in 2019, every resident of Winton both in and outside of town received a personal phone call to check on their wellbeing.

Other Community based organisations expressed challenges with their local council. Some indicated a limited relationship with Local Disaster Management Group and being excluded from local disaster planning. It was also mentioned that drought funding was channelled away from the community sector to local councils.

First Nations

Centres located at Boulia, Mount Isa and Cloncurry noted high local populations of First Nations People and the need to have better methods of engagement with this demographic. Winton also noted that after community consultation they realised they needed to improve how they work with First Nations people and hired a First Nations person to work with the school and community.

Reconciliation Action Plans were discussed with all Neighbourhood Centres visited. North West Indigenous Catholic Social services had begun work on developing a Reconciliation Action Plan for Boulia and Brilla Brilla sites and Winton Regional Council had also begun work on a council RAP incorporating the Neighbourhood Centre.

Centres who worked with communities with high indigenous populations noted the need for high levels of parental support and that problematic welfare approaches existed in those communities. It was noted that taking a non-welfare approach to First Nations people required a significant change in approach from both Government and the Human Services sector. Place-based Indigenous-led community development approaches present as opportunities within the sector.

Place based approach to disaster

A place-based approach was clearly preferred by all people interviewed. State MP's in Longreach noted that when drought occurs all people in the town are affected leading to less economic spending at local businesses. The MP recalled the disastrous effects of welfare convoys from southern states delivering hay and produce to local farmers during this time, affecting local business owners. Due to these issues, they established the Western Queensland Drought Appeal – an appeal that channelled funds towards local spending. Cloncurry Neighbourhood Centre ran a similar program called "Curry Money" in which drought support could only be spent locally. This local place-based response to drought resulted in increased economic and social resilience in these remote towns.

Winton Neighbourhood Centre's local knowledge of their community resulted in phone calls being made to every resident of Winton during the 2019 floods. These community partnerships that are leveraged during times of natural disaster are built through Winton's whole-town approach to community events and festivals. Regular events incorporating both inner town and outer rural residents results in tighter community cohesion and connections that are activated during disaster events.

Another feature that was clear in our visits to remote Neighbourhood Centres was the importance of place-based community leaders. Each Neighbourhood centre had excellent staff that had strong relationships with local communities. However, a point of difference with 3 Neighbourhood Centre coordinators was not only their relationships with community but in putting themselves in strategic

positions in local council and community advisory groups. This meant they were able to use their local knowledge to influence systems change and address broader structural issues in their community.

5.0 Recommendations

In the light of these themes gathered from appreciative inquiry interviews, the following recommendations are proposed by NCQ in progressing the Neighbourhood Centre sector capacity in drought affected Western Queensland.

a) Develop a network between remote Neighbourhood and Community Centres, where practitioners have the ability to support and learn from one another.

Each centre that participated was enthusiastic to develop a network that included sharing best practice for community resilience. Community resilience improvement includes building social capital, responding to the current housing crisis and worker shortage as well as working in First Nations Communities.

"In my previous role with Red Ridge the arts community had a regional arts network, we would have a round table connections, you could bounce around of ideas and how to support each other's. Once a quarter we would meet in Brisbane and it was really valuable."

"I feel that sometimes you get so busy that you need someone to pull us all together to a central point and then great things can come about."

b) Highlight a local place-based approach to drought and recovery work.

A local place-based approach, rather than a state-wide approach, was of major importance when responding to drought and community recovery. Neighbourhood Centres have specialised knowledge about their local communities including key community leaders, communications mechanisms, services, public and private infrastructure that can be activated in times of drought and other natural disasters.

Because of their local specialised knowledge, Neighbourhood Centres are able to take a leadership role when local people are in crisis in a much more effective manner than services outside of their local area.

"Managing a neighbourhood centre is a pivotal and challenging role, but 2019 was an especially challenging time, with the floods on the back of long drought. The neighbourhood centre what is a crucial part of the flood recovery. The whole town was blocked off, there was heaps of people stuck in town, it was an absolute disaster. The whole of the neighbourhood centre was involved in organising the rest of the town. We had to meet the needs of the people"

"When we would put out opportunities for people to access financial hardship, we had a low up-take. People struggle with the paperwork or the head space to think about it, but they came to the sausage sizzle at the saleyards or the race day."

"State government have funding when people are not in the head space to access it but now when people have capacity to be thinking of ways to drought proof and future planning it would be helpful to have funds available. Eg all the NGO's had money and everyone was trying to do something at the time was too much. There was a lot of cross over, we need a coordinated approach"

c) Provide Face to Face Community Development, Disaster Resilience and Community Leadership training for staff and volunteers.

Neighbourhood Centres identified that there was not a budget for professional development and that they had often come into the role with little skills and knowledge. However, centres roles required knowledge about community development, community leadership, disaster management, trauma, policy development and much more.

"22 years ago, I came into this role blind, doing courses like Building Rural Leaders (2008). Leading in the Central West (2016)- it really gave me the skills about working with community and reinforce what I knew. It gave me secret little tricks to work with people. It gave me the confidence to deal with people. It gave me skills. I know they cost a lot of money but it's so important. Young people coming through need to develop their skills and even when you've been in the work you need to remember what you know. The biggest thing that I found the most helpful was understanding my personality type it really helped me workout what I needed but also how I best work with others. It also gave me permission that that was OK to work in this way. (When they said I was going to be a leader or nearly died of fright I never thought I had capacity or saw myself as a leader and if my work had not sent me I would never of went)"

d) Develop a shared Resource Library of organisational documents

Neighbourhood Centres suggested the establishment of a resource library that included master versions of organisational policies and resources that could be shared between organisations. This includes disaster plans, human resources, succession planning, Reconciliation Action Plans & Board inductions.

"There have been times when I wish we had someone to connect with in terms of designing a position description in job role in policy for employing a cleaner."

e) Increase digital capacity for sector networking and communications.

Many Neighbourhood Centres in remote drought affected areas identified challenges in accessing basic telecommunications in their local communities. Many centres found it

difficult to develop basic communication tools such as websites, social media platforms, digital advertising, brochures and information systems for their centres.

Communication channels, especially online channels, are essential during disaster preparedness, response and recovery. Local communities need access to communications for building social capital in the preparation phase, but also during the response and recovery phases to have access support and to key information.

6.0 Conclusion

The purpose of this project was to visit Neighbourhood Centres in the remote areas of Far Western Queensland, interviewing key stakeholders with the intention of establishing recommendations for NCQ to assist Neighbourhood Centres in Drought Resilience. Research participants share their lived experiences from working and being a part of communities affected by drought and natural disaster and their need for further networking and professional development.

The research follows and explores several thematic areas: Staff recruitment and Education; Policies & Reconciliation Action Plans & Board Inductions; Networking Sub-Groups; Learnings & Insights; Funding; Drought Resilience; Place based Community Issues. This report highlighted five key recommendations for NCQ to facilitate, with the implementation of the first two well and truly underway in the organisations and the remainder incorporated into further strategic planning.

NCQ also had the opportunity to connect with two regions that currently do not have neighbourhood centres. While not a specific recommendation for this region at this time, the establishment of new Neighbourhood Centres in towns lacking this infrastructure is an item for further research and exploration by NCQ in cooperation with Local and Queensland Governments. An important aspect to consider in these deliberations is the community-led nature of Neighbourhood Centres and the need for community readiness and leadership in those contexts.

NCQ will continue to support the implementation of the *Queensland Neighbourhood Centres Strategy for Drought Resilience* in order to build the capacity and effectiveness of the Neighbourhood Centre sector in Western Queensland.

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Appendix



Above: Brilla Brilla Community Centre



Above: Conversations with the team at Brilla Brilla Community Centre



Above: Boulia Community Support Service



Above: Cloncurry Neighbourhood Centre



Above: Winton Neighbourhood Centre

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Dear Mr Dowling

As you would be aware, the *Queensland Waste Strategy 2014 – 2024* provides a high-level direction for waste management and resource recovery in Queensland. The vision is for Queensland to become a national leader in avoiding unnecessary consumption and waste generation.

The Queensland Government is committed to working with the resource recovery industry to harness the potential value of resources traditionally discarded and improve sustainability. The development of precincts was identified in the 2019 Resource Recovery Industries 10-year Roadmap and Action Plan to increase economic opportunities, help facilitate industrial land growth and create greater certainty for participants in the industry.

To support this, the Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning (the department) engaged E3 Advisory to assist in the development of precinct planning documents. Jointly, we have engaged with industry, local governments and peak bodies, including eight regional forums across the State, to ensure contribution to the result.

The attached Recycling Enterprise Precinct Guideline (the Guideline) is a 'how to' guide that industry, and local and state governments can use when developing a precinct. The Guideline is not a traditional 'planning guideline', nor is it statutory. Instead, it contains a series of overarching guiding principles to highlight the potential role of precincts in enabling circular economy and remanufacturing outcomes. The Guideline also outlines location objectives to support investigations into potential places, and development objectives to assist place-based planning and development while providing investment attraction and implementation guidance.

The attached Location Strategy identifies opportunities that may suit a network of precincts across Queensland – a hub and spoke model. It has been informed by a high-level assessment of waste and economic profiles of regions, existing waste infrastructure, as well as the opportunities and challenges identified during consultation and regional forums.

Precincts have been described as either preparatory or transformative, which recognises the broader role that all regions play in a hub and spoke model. The potential precinct opportunities are indicative only and not intended to be exhaustive.

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These strategies reflect a broad state-wide view and aim to be complementary to the Regional Waste Management Plans (RWMP) currently under development by Regional Organisations of Councils, which will take a deeper dive into regions at a scale below the Statistical Area 4 level. The department anticipates further potential precinct opportunities will be identified by the RWMPs. Entities seeking to establish a precinct can use the RWMP and precinct planning work as a toolkit to accelerate their transition towards a circular economy.

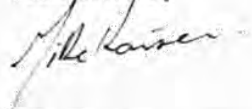
During consultation, the department was pleased to receive a wide range of feedback – from support that acknowledged the benefit of the documents, to concern regarding regional or local issues, and the degree of alignment with RWMPs. Feedback also included ways to enhance the documents and this has been considered and incorporated where possible.

The department is engaged with the RWMPs and, as lead for Regional Infrastructure Plans and Regional Plans, will facilitate alignment between these plans.

Having taken this first step, there is further work needed and the department looks forward to continuing to work with local governments and industry on this important initiative.

If you require any further information, please contact me or Mr Mark Tierney, Executive Director, Industry Development, in the department, by telephone on (07) 3452 7275 or by email at mark.tierney@dsgilgp.qld.gov.au, who will be pleased to assist.

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Recycling Enterprise Precincts A “How To” Guideline



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In the spirit of reconciliation, E3 Advisory acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of country throughout Queensland and their connection to land, sea and sky. We pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people today.

1 Purpose of Recycling Enterprise Precinct Guideline

This *Recycling Enterprise Precinct Guideline* ('the Guideline') has been prepared by E3 Advisory for the Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning. It is intended to assist any entity seeking to establish a Recycling Enterprise Precinct ("a precinct") by providing guidance on the key actions, activities and matters to consider when locating and developing a precinct. It is not intended to be a traditional planning guideline. It has been written to provide contextual, informative, and strategic guidance on how to establish an innovative precinct that enables the transformation of recovered materials into new products with a commercial value and maximises the potential of the circular economy.

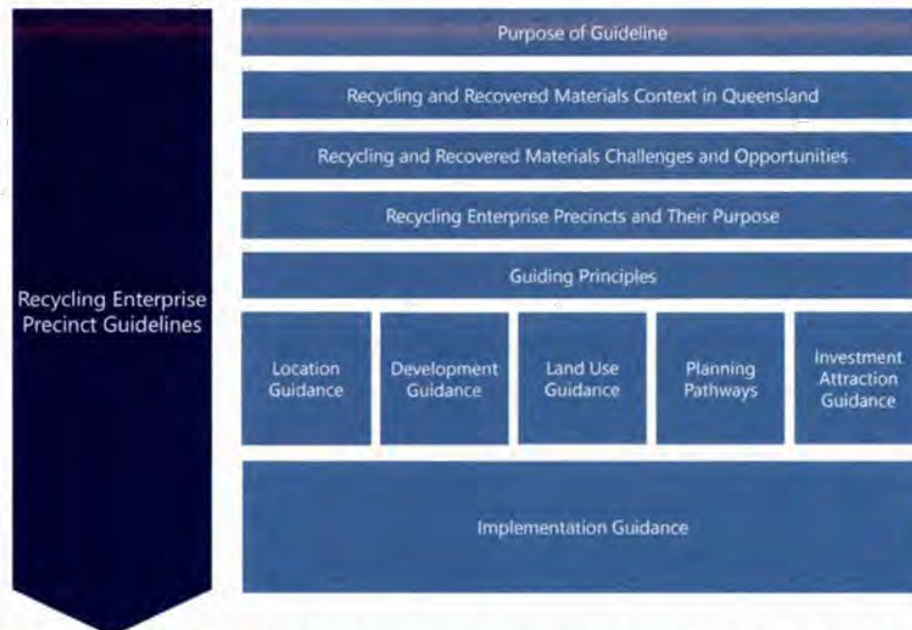
Using the guideline is expected to help to deliver the following benefits:

- Contribution to the creation of new advanced manufacturing opportunities for Queensland
- Creation of new industries and new jobs built on recycling enterprises and recovered materials
- Creation of new technologies and processes that help support Queensland's transition to a low carbon future
- Enhanced sustainability outcomes, including making a contribution to the achievement of the Government's zero net emissions by 2050 target¹, and minimising carbon wastage
- Greater social acceptance of value adding manufacturing practices that make better use of recovered materials minimising the negative health and environmental impacts of outdated practices
- Better use and re-use of recovered materials resulting in reductions in landfill.

This guideline should be read as a "how to" tool to help improve decision making and facilitate development of successful recycling enterprise focussed precincts. It can be used by any entity seeking to establish a precinct including industry, local government and state government entities alike. Users will need to decide for themselves if every element is suitable for their purposes.

¹ <https://www.des.qld.gov.au/climateaction/emissions-targets>

The broad structure of the guideline is shown below.



The guideline is set up in key parts to help aid user comprehension. In summary the flow is as follows:

- **Recycling and Recovered Materials Context** – this provides an overview of waste and recovered materials in Queensland and the surrounding policy and strategy environment.
- **Recycling and Recovered Materials Challenges and Opportunities** – this provides a high level snapshot of the key issues facing recycling and recovered materials, as well as available opportunities.
- **Recycling Enterprise Precincts and Their Purpose** – this provides an overview of what a recycling enterprise precinct is and how it will help to further the development of recycling enterprises.
- **Guiding Principles** – these encapsulate **what** should be achieved through the development of precincts.
- **Location Guidance** – this sets out what to consider when seeking to identify likely candidate places for a precinct and is central to understanding **where** a precinct can be developed.
- **Development Guidance** – this sets out what to consider when seeking to plan and build a precinct and is central to understanding **how** a precinct can be developed.
- **Land Use Guidance** – this sets out a suggested approach for how to establish land use and planning arrangements for a precinct, including the role of sub-precincts.
- **Planning Pathways** – this sets out available planning pathways that exist in Queensland to establish a precinct.
- **Investment Attraction Guidance** – this sets out the matters that should be considered in seeking to attract investors that reinforce the central recycling enterprise role of the precinct.
- **Implementation Guidance** – this sets out a range of matters that will help ensure the successful implementation of the precinct and covers precinct activation, operations and maintenance, evaluation, site remediation, risk and governance.

2 Recycling and Recovered Materials in Queensland

2.1 Recovered Materials Context and Policy Drivers in Queensland

2.1.1 Recovered Materials and Waste Streams in Queensland

Resource recovery from waste is aimed at recovering valuable materials from waste streams and reusing those materials for new purposes. In the context of this guideline a 'material' is any substance that things can be made from. Those materials that are recovered and then value added to through various processes are referred to as 'recovered materials'. Doing this is an important part of a transition towards a sustainable circular economy and a low carbon future.

Waste is made up of multiple materials as received from residents, businesses, and governments. It is important to categorise waste and better understand the treatments and processes used to recover materials from each of the waste streams.

Currently, the Queensland Government reports waste characteristics and statistics across three broad waste streams:

- Municipal Solid Waste
- Commercial and Industrial Waste
- Construction and Demolition Waste.

Table 2.1 below provides a breakdown of the waste streams, presenting the typical composition of recovered material types and their sub-types.

'Resource recovery' refers to use of waste as an input to create valuable products as new outputs and it includes reuse, reprocessing, and recycling of resources, as well as energy recovery.

'Recovered material' means those materials which can be feasibly used, reused, or recycled, and which have been diverted or removed from the waste stream for sale, use, reuse, or recycling, whether or not requiring subsequent separation and processing.

Table 2.1: Waste Streams and Their Recovered Material Sub-Components

Waste streams	Recovered material types	Recovered material sub-types
Municipal Solid Waste	Organic	Green, food
	Glass	Bottles
	Paper	Cardboard
	Plastics	Containers, bottles
	E-Waste	Batteries, appliances
Commercial and Industrial Waste	Glass	Glass windows, solar panels
	Organic	Food, animal
	Paper	Cardboard, newspapers
	Plastics	Excess material
	Textiles	Excess material

	E-Waste	Solar panels, batteries, appliances
Construction and Demolition Waste	Solid Materials	Concrete, timber, bricks, pavers, asphalt
	Loose Materials	Soil
	Hazardous Materials	Asbestos

In 2019-20, Queensland produced nearly 9 million tonnes of waste.² This was a 20% reduction on the amount produced in 2018-19³. In 2020-21, the total tonnage increased slightly to 9.3 million tonnes.⁴

In the ten years to 2017-18, the total amount of waste generated in Queensland outstripped population growth in the state by 19%⁵, indicating increased levels of domestic waste generation, but also influenced by the processing of waste generated interstate in Queensland. Queensland's waste disposal levy, which commenced on 1 July 2019, imposed a levy on various waste types. This has seen a significant reduction in unprocessed waste entering Queensland.

In recent years there have been increased rates of material recovery in Queensland. In 2020-21,

- 56% of the total amount of waste was recovered, an increase of 9.7% compared to 2019-20
- 28% of municipal solid waste was recovered
- 55% of commercial and industrial waste was recovered
- 80% of construction and demolition waste was recovered.⁶

A summary of the key material types and their recovery rates in Queensland for 2020-21 is provided in Table 2.2⁷.

Table 2.2 Summary of Material Types and Recovery Rates 2020-21

Material	Total managed (t)	Total landfilled (t)	Recovery rate (%)
Food organics	880,000	820,000	7%
Garden organics	1,600,000	590,000	63%
Paper and cardboard	1,100,000	570,000	47%
Plastics	330,000	290,000	13%
Glass	190,000	89,000	54%
Ferrous metals	1,100,000	140,000	86%
Non-ferrous metals	140,000	22,000	84%
Timber	820,000	640,000	22%
Textiles	220,000	215,000	2%
Masonry, aggregates, soils	2,600,000	330,000	87%

Note - the information contained in this table is based on data received from the Queensland Government. Some rounding and aggregation has been applied to ensure that total data aligns with Statewide level data. Tyres and solar panels have not been included as there is insufficient public sector data.

² Based on reporting by waste handling entities.

³ *Recycling and Waste in Queensland 2020*, State of Queensland 2021

⁴ Data sourced from <https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/management/waste/recovery/data-reports/recycling-waste>

⁵ *Waste Management and Resource Recovery Strategy*, State of Queensland 2019

⁶ Data sourced from <https://www.qld.gov.au/environment/management/waste/recovery/data-reports/recycling-waste> and E3 Advisory analysis

⁷ E3 Advisory analysis of data sourced from Queensland Government Recycling and Waste data and *Queensland Waste and Resource recovery Infrastructure Report*, Arcadis, 2019

2.1.2 Waste Management and Resource Recovery Strategy

Considering population growth, the waste people generate, and the need to continue to reduce landfill rates, the Queensland Government released the *Queensland Waste Management and Resource Recovery Strategy* (the 'Strategy') in 2019. This outlines the policy drivers and strategy response for waste management and resource recovery activities in Queensland. It includes strategic priorities designed to shift the way waste is managed and support the transition to a zero-waste society. These are:

- Reducing the impact of waste on the environment and communities
- Transitioning to a circular economy for waste
- Building economic opportunity.⁸

The vision for waste management and material recovery in Queensland is well articulated in the strategy:

*"Queensland will become a zero-waste society, where waste is avoided, reused, and recycled to the greatest extent possible. Strategic investment in diverse and innovative resource recovery technologies and markets will produce high-value projects and generate economic benefits for the state."*⁹

"Resource recovery from waste is a transition stage toward a sustainable circular economy."

Lag-Brotons, Velenturf, Crane, Head, Purnell and Semple 2020

Waste reduction and recycling targets out to 2050 are set out in the Strategy.

These reflect the Queensland Government's objectives and intent to become a recovered materials and waste management leader in Australia. The targets are summarised in Table 2.3 below.

Table 2.3 Waste Reduction Targets to 2050¹⁰

Target	Waste Stream	Baseline (2018)	2025	2030	2040	2050
Waste reduction (total generation per capita)	MSW	0.54 tonnes per capita	10% reduction	15% reduction	20% reduction	25% reduction
Recycling (as a percentage of total waste generated)	MSW	31.1%	50%	60%	65%	70%
	C&I	46.5%	55%	60%	65%	>65%
	C&D	50.9%	75%	80%	>80%	>80%
	Overall	44.9%	60%	65%	70%	75%
Landfill diversion (recovery rate as a percentage of total waste generated)	MSW	32.4%	55%	70%	90%	95%
	C&I	47.3%	65%	80%	90%	95%
	C&D	50.9%	75%	85%	85%	85%
	Overall	45.4%	65%	80%	85%	90%

⁸ *Waste Management and Resource Recovery Strategy*, State of Queensland 2019

⁹ *Waste Management and Resource Recovery Strategy*, State of Queensland 2019

¹⁰ Data sourced from *Queensland Waste Management and Resource Recovery Strategy* 2019

The Queensland Government envisages through strategic infrastructure and industrial development, these targets can be met. Coordinated infrastructure, planning and investment attraction has a key role in allowing operations for materials recovery activities and industry development to occur at scale.

The current waste management hierarchy framework establishes a relationship between preference and relevant waste management actions. The action to avoid and reduce waste is the most critical and most preferred, whereas the disposal of waste to landfill sites is the least preferred action to undertake. Figure 1 depicts this hierarchy.¹¹

Figure 1: Waste and Resource Management Hierarchy



The Strategy also reinforces the importance of the concept of a circular economy as being fundamental to reducing waste, improving sustainability outcomes and working towards processes that see recovered materials from waste being transformed into new products and energy sources.

The Strategy highlights key potential economic and social benefits due to the new proposed strategies in managing waste and extracting valuable materials from waste. This includes job creation, regional investment, lower levels of resource extraction, innovation, revenue opportunities and the efficient use of materials.

'Circular Economy' is reflective of a resource supply chain map, creating a closed loop of resource flow between manufacturing/re-manufacturing, and consumption of resources. The key activities which enable a circular economy are; recycling, refurbishing, reusing and maintenance. These processes currently allow the efficient use of resources which would otherwise be disposed of in landfill.

2.1.3 Resource Recovery Roadmap and Action Plan

Building on the direction set out in the Strategy, the Queensland Government released the *Queensland Resource Recovery Industries 10-year Roadmap and Action Plan* (the 'Roadmap') in 2019. This Roadmap

¹¹ Diagram sourced from Queensland Waste Management and Resource Recovery Strategy 2019

highlights Queensland Government strategies and actions targeted at supporting industry to drive diversion of waste from landfill to resource recovery, to meet the 2050 targets. A Resource Recovery Industry Development Program was further introduced by the State funded through the Waste Levy, to develop high-value resource recovery industries.

The Roadmap highlights four key strategies in overcoming the challenges whilst on the Roadmap towards 90% recycling waste by the year 2050. These strategies are:

1. Accelerating the project pipeline
2. Market and supply chain development
3. Responsive policy and legislative framework
4. Advancing new technologies.

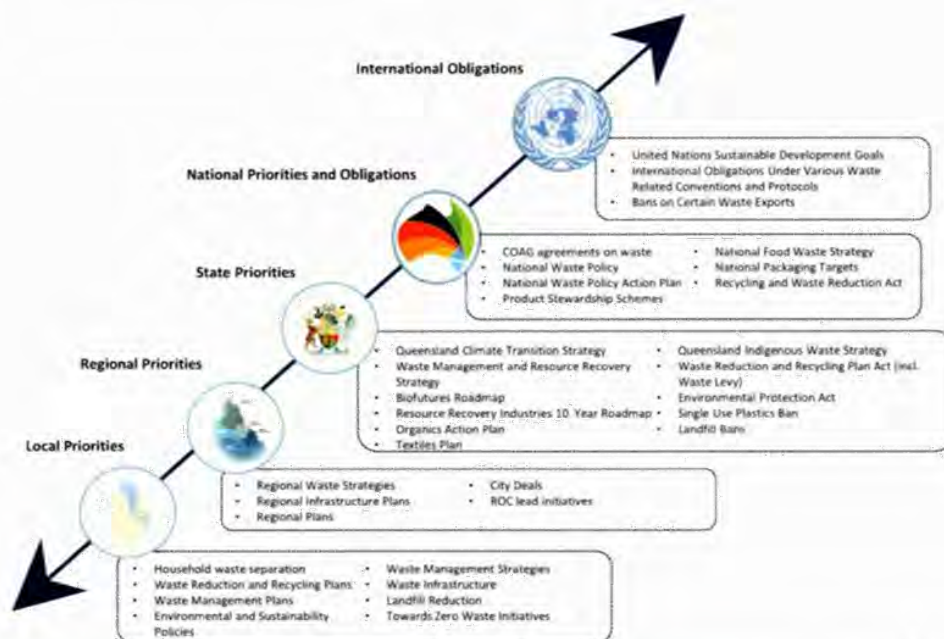
These strategies present a staged approach towards advancing development of industries and businesses that use resource recovery and recovered materials. As a result of these initiatives, the Queensland Government has decided to progress precinct development, due to the complementary industrial activities and infrastructure developments that are required for resource recovery and recycling enterprises.

2.1.4 The Broader System of Priorities and Obligations

Resource recovery and waste management policy does not occur in isolation. It occurs as part of a complex and interrelated system. For this reason, it is important to recognise that the actions and priorities at a State level impact on and are interdependent with the obligations and priorities for different levels of government and as part of the national obligations that Australia has in the global community.

A selection of these policies and obligations is shown in Figure 2. This highlights the various policies, priorities and initiatives which exist from the local government level through to the international community. What Queensland does to manage its waste and how it recovers resources needs to be considered within this broader strategic policy landscape.

Figure 2: Waste and Recovered Materials Strategic Policy Line of Sight



3 Recycling and Material Recovery Challenges and Opportunities

Developing new industries and places based around materials recovered from waste that will help establish Queensland as a leader in recycling, advanced manufacturing and innovation associated with recovered materials will be a challenging endeavour at the outset.

To successfully transition recycling and recovered materials related activities into a future focused, sustainable industry that is socially accepted with recognised positive economic and environmental benefits will require addressing some challenges.

Developing new industries focused on recycling and recovered materials will mean that existing challenges need to be addressed. Table 3.1 outlines some of the challenges, and presents complementary opportunities for each. It highlights how recycling enterprise precincts can assist in addressing these challenges.

Table 3.1 Summary of Opportunities for Resource Recovery Activities

Challenge	Opportunity and role of precincts in addressing challenges
Decentralised population. Queensland's decentralised population means that waste is produced in large volumes in the South East where 70% of the population reside but also in significant volumes by the series of major provincial centres along the coast, and the myriad of smaller inland communities.	Recovering materials from waste should generally occur relatively close to the production source of that waste. This is particularly the case for low value, high volume material like organics and aggregates. Having a series of large population centres means that there is an opportunity to establish centres of excellence that recover materials not just in South East Queensland but also in larger centres close to the sources of waste. Having a decentralised state also provides the opportunity to develop industries that can manage regional scale materials recovery activities. Precincts present an opportunity to provide places that can manage recycling and materials recovery activities at variable scales, but with enough input materials to make materials recovery from some, if not all, waste streams viable in various locations around the state. This will see the added benefit of local jobs and higher skilled jobs being located across the State.
Industry is evolving. The range of activities associated with recycling and materials recovery is broad and there is no single "industry" that represents both waste and materials recovery focussed businesses. Because of this, there are challenges for industry to overcome when considering a joined-up approach to position the industry as part of the manufacturing sector where it is likely to gain greater community acceptance.	There is a significant opportunity to develop and grow the recycling and recovered materials industry and position it as part of the manufacturing sector. There are significant opportunities for job creation. Opportunities exist for industry participants to partner with other participants and with research and development organisations to develop new technologies to recover materials from waste and to scale up or commercialise intellectual property, and develop new supply chains. Areas like the recovery of rare earth minerals, and the processing of batteries and e-waste are examples where new supply chains can be created that significantly value add to products and supplement other minerals processes in the state. Industry can work with government efficiently to identify and address regulatory, investment, and industry development barriers and develop the jobs and market potential of the industry. This will help develop confidence, improve social licence, and help the industry to grow to scale. This will help generate new quality jobs and skills and support local economic development.



January 23rd 2023

Statutory Planning Department
Winton Shire Council
PO Box 288
Winton QLD 4735

Via email: info@winton.qld.gov.au

Dear Sir/Madam,

We're notifying you that we're improving Telstra mobile coverage and investing in a better network with a proposed new Telstra Small Cell facility located at Opalton Road OPALTON QLD 4735, Lot 1093 SP136875. (Lat/Long GDA94: 23.25010°, 142.77452°).

We're investing in a better network and rolling out improved Telstra mobile coverage in your area using an innovative Telstra Small Cell which is designed for this area. Telstra Small Cells use the latest technology to deliver fast 4G speeds and improve mobile coverage.

As we see more growth on our mobile network, Telstra Small Cells are an important way we're ensuring we can meet this demand while also planning for the future. Because they're small, we can connect Telstra Small Cells on existing infrastructure like a power or telegraph pole or on an existing building where there's already power and where it will better blend into the surrounding streetscape.

Telstra Small Cells use the same safe and well-tested 4G technologies as Telstra's other mobile sites but they're much smaller and require less energy.

This site is in an extremely rural location and very distant from neighbouring properties or any sensitive sites. Correspondence was received from the Council Planning Representative on 4/8/2021 agreeing that Development Approval was not required.

For the purposes of this notification, it is agreed that the proposal will be considered as a small cell installation. Therefore, this notification has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of Section 5.2 of the Mobile Phone Base Station Deployment Code C564:2020. This Telstra Small Cell installation is considered to be a facility that is exempt from local Council planning schemes as it complies with the *Telecommunications (Low-impact Facilities) Determination 2018*.

You can provide us with your feedback about this proposal by letter, email or by calling the contact number outlined below. We'll accept comments on the proposal until **Tuesday 7th February 2023**.

We're investing in a better network and we'll soon get on with improving Telstra mobile coverage in this area with this proposed Telstra Small Cell. In the meantime, if you've got any questions, we can answer them. You can get in touch with us either via phone 0429 235 501 or email steven.bishop@downergroup.com.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Bishop'.

Steven Bishop
Senior Town Planner - Wireless
Downer



Telstra Limited ACN 051 775 556
Downer EDI Limited ABN 97 003 872 848



Attachments:

1. ARPANSA EME Report

Frequently Asked Questions

What is a Small Cell?	A Small Cell is a low-powered, mini base station designed to provide mobile phone and data coverage to an area of 100-400m. The equipment is of a much smaller scale than a regular base station. This Telstra Small Cell facility will deliver fast 4G speeds, and enhanced capacity and connectivity.
Where is it being installed?	Location is at Opalton Road OPALTON QLD 4735, Lot 1093 SP136875. (Lat/Long GDA94: 23.25010°, 142.77452°). 
What equipment is being installed and how big will it be?	• Install 1 x new 20.4 metre monopole (overall height including antenna to be approximately 21.6m). • Install 1 x new L700 small cell antenna measuring approx. 1m in length on top of monopole. • Install 1 x new equipment cabinet • Install 1 x 1800mm satellite dish antenna on new 2.8m pole on the ground. • Install 15 x solar panels inclined at a 38 degree angle. • Install other associated ancillary equipment.
What technology will be on the Telstra Small Cell?	Telstra Small Cells use the same safe and well-tested 4G technology as Telstra's other mobile sites. This Telstra Small Cell will provide 4G.
What is the applicable regulatory framework to install a Small Cell facility?	Telstra proposes to install a Small Cell facility in accordance with the requirements of Section 5 of the Mobile Phone Base Station Deployment Code C564:2020. This notification is provided under section 5.2 of the Deployment Code.
Does it require Council approval?	As agreed with Council's planning department, this facility is exempt from Local & State Government approval in accordance with Telecommunications (Low-impact Facilities) Determination 2018, Part 1 - Radio Facilities, Item 8 and Item 9 and community notification is being undertaken in accordance with Section 5.2 of Mobile Phone Base Station Deployment Code C564:2020 .

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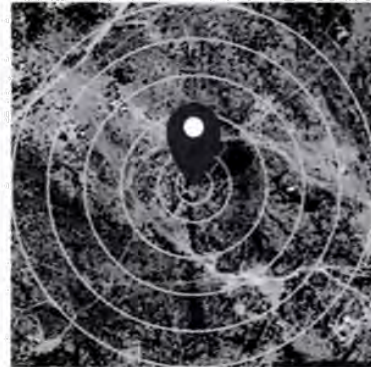
Does it comply with Australian Standards for Electromagnetic Energy (EME)?	Yes. The facility will comply with Australian government regulations in relation to emission of electromagnetic energy (EME), this specifically being Australian Standard Radiation Protection Series S-1 Standard for Limiting Exposure to Radiofrequency Fields – 100 kHz to 300 GHz published by the Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency (ARPANSA) in 2021. The proposed infrastructure will be in compliance with the ACMA EME regulatory arrangements. A copy of the ARPANSA EME Report is attached.
How can I find out where the base stations are in my area?	A database of all existing and proposed mobile phone base stations in Australia is available to the public at www.rfnsa.com.au
Where can I find out more information?	Support information about mobile phone base stations, the Mobile Base Station Deployment Code (C564:2020), your rights, health, and low impact facilities, is available from this website: https://www.commsalliance.com.au/popular-links/mobile-phone-tower-information Site specific information can be found at: www.rfnsa.com.au/4735023
How can I provide feedback on the proposal or find out more information?	Name: Steven Bishop Address: Level 10, 567 Collins Street, Melbourne, VIC 3000
	Email: community.consult@downergroup.com Phone: 0429 235 501
	Comments Closing date: Tuesday 7th February 2023

Environmental EME Report for Small Cells

Location Opalton Road,
OPALTON QLD 4735
(see photo)

Date 09/08/2021

RFNSA No. 4735023



How does this report work?

This report provides a summary of levels of radiofrequency (RF) electromagnetic energy (EME) around the small cell base station at Opalton Road, OPALTON QLD 4735. These levels have been calculated by Downer Group using methodology developed by the Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency (ARPANSA).

A document describing how to interpret this report is available at ARPANSA's website:

[A Guide to the Environmental Report.](#)

A snapshot of calculated EME at street level

There are currently no existing radio systems for this site.

The maximum EME level calculated for the **proposed** changes at 1.5m above ground is

0.02%

out of 100% of the public exposure limit, 23 m from the location.

Radio systems at the site

Existing transmitting equipment is listed under the existing configuration.

Proposed includes the final configuration after modifications are complete.

Carrier	Existing		Proposed	
	Systems	Configuration	Systems	Configuration
Telstra			4G	LTE700 (proposed)

Calculated EME levels at other areas of interest

This table contains calculations of the maximum EME levels at selected areas of interest, identified with regard to the consultation requirements of the [Communications Alliance Ltd Deployment Code CS64.2020](#) or other means. Calculations are performed over the indicated height range and include the proposed radio systems for this site.

Maximum cumulative EME level for the proposed configuration

Location	Height range	Percentage of the public exposure limit
No locations identified		

(CM)

From: Carly Cox <president@wintonshow.com.au>
Sent: Saturday, February 4, 2023 3:35:00 PM
To: Madeleine Lawler <MadeleineL@winton.qld.gov.au>
Subject: Winton Show Questions

Hi Madeleine,

The Winton Show are looking for approval or proceed on the following Grants, and also approval for improvements to the Pavilion.

Firstly, the pavilion. I am sure we have asked for this at a previous User Meeting. I thought I would just confirm.

1. We are looking to replace the carpet that is on the walls for the photography section. We will purchase the carpet to be replaced.
2. We are wanting to be allowed to install in the garden section, some new shelving and place some corrugated iron along the existing walls to make this section look more appealing.

Both these items will be sourced through our club, We will approach the Worc Camp for assistance with this project.

Secondly, There is a few grant application that are open that we are wanting to apply for.

1. Purchase of a Container to be installed at the showgrounds to help store our equipment, records and event materials so they can be out of the weather and off the ground. I think this was mentioned at a previous user meeting. We are just wanting to confirm before we complete the application. This round of funding closes in Late Feb
2. We are hoping to apply for funding to replace up to 4 of the existing Rodeo Chutes, This will need to be brought to the committee and council for approval for us to start the application and to discuss the area we are looking at. As previously noted, the current Shute's are no longer up to correct regulations. This will obviously need to be discussed within the User Group and Council.

Thank you

Carly

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**Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements event:
Northern and Central Queensland Monsoon and Flooding,
20 December 2022 – January 2023 (V3)**



The Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) is a jointly funded program between the Australian Government and state and territory (state) governments, through which the Australian Government provides financial assistance to support state governments with disaster recovery costs.

In response to the disaster, assistance has been activated for the area formally defined as:
"Communities within Northern and Central Queensland affected by recent monsoon activity including heavy rainfall and flash flooding 20 December 2022 – January 2023".

DRFA assistance measures (activated by the Queensland Government)

- Counter Disaster Operations
- Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets

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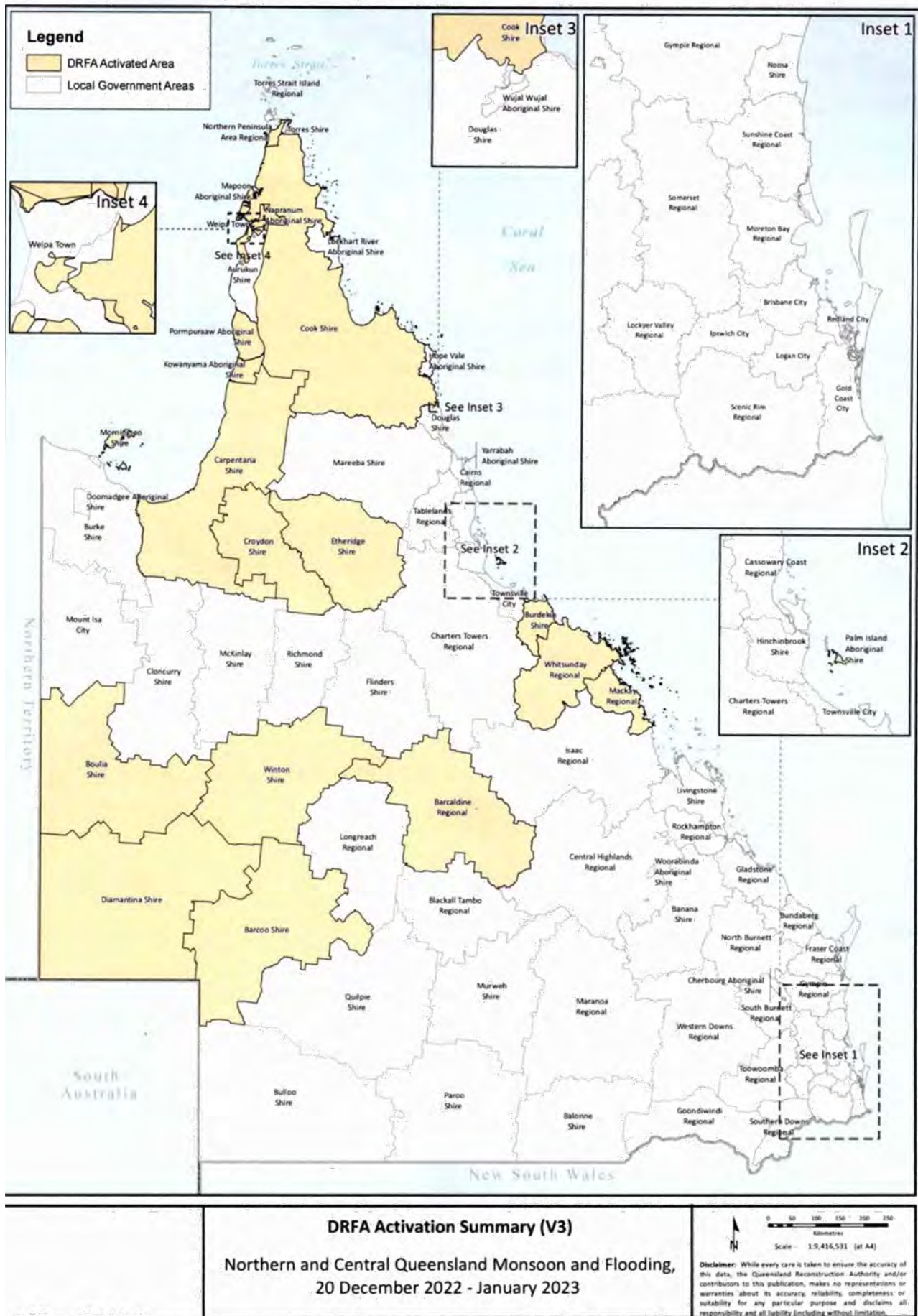


Australian Government

Local Government Area	Counter Disaster Operations	Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets
Barcaldine Regional Council	16/01/23	16/01/23
Barcoo Shire Council	-	19/01/23
Boulia Shire Council	06/01/23	06/01/23
Burdekin Shire Council	19/01/23	19/01/23
Carpentaria Shire Council	06/01/23	06/01/23
Cook Shire Council	06/01/23	06/01/23
Croydon Shire Council	06/01/23	06/01/23
Diamantina Shire Council	16/01/23	16/01/23
Etheridge Shire Council	06/01/23	06/01/23
Kowanyama Aboriginal Shire Council	06/01/23	06/01/23
Mackay Regional Council	19/01/23	19/01/23
Mapoon Aboriginal Shire Council	16/01/23	16/01/23
Mornington Shire Council	06/01/23	06/01/23
Napranum Aboriginal Shire Council	-	16/01/23
Northern Peninsula Area Regional Council	06/01/23	06/01/23
Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council	16/01/23	16/01/23
Pormpuraaw Aboriginal Shire Council	06/01/23	06/01/23
Whitsunday Regional Council	19/01/23	19/01/23
Winton Shire Council	-	19/01/23

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DRFA ASSISTANCE MEASURES ACTIVATED

Assistance for state and local governments:

Counter Disaster Operations

To assist local governments and state agencies to undertake activities that alleviate personal hardship and distress, address the immediate needs of individuals and protect the general public, immediately prior to, during or immediately after an eligible disaster.

Contact Queensland Reconstruction Authority on 1800 110 841 or www.qra.qld.gov.au

Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets (including Emergency Works and Immediate Reconstruction Works)

- **Emergency Works**

To assist local and state governments to undertake urgent activities necessary following an eligible disaster to temporarily restore an eligible essential public asset to enable it to operate/be operated at an acceptable level of efficiency to support the immediate recovery of a community.

- **Immediate Reconstruction Works**

To assist local and state governments to immediately and permanently reconstruct damaged essential public assets to pre-disaster function immediately after the eligible disaster.

- **Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets:**

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For reply please quote: QRA/Ops/TA – QRATF/22/7181

27 January 2023

Mr Dirk Dowling
Chief Executive Officer
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Dear Mr Dowling

I refer to Winton Shire Council's application submitted under the Queensland Resilience and Risk Reduction Fund (QRRRF) 2021-22 and re-considered for funding from the QRRRF 2022-23.

The application has been assessed by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA) according to the criteria set out in the QRRRF 2021-22 Guidelines, which align with the *Queensland Strategy for Disaster Resilience* and the *National Disaster Risk Reduction Framework*.

I am pleased to confirm that the following project has been successful in obtaining funds from the Queensland and Commonwealth Governments:

Project Name	Funding Source	Eligible Project Cost	
		QRRRF Funding	Applicant Contribution
Portable Light Towers	QRRRF 2022-23	\$48,640.00	\$2,560.00

To accept this funding please sign and return the attached Project Funding Schedule via email to submissions@qra.qld.gov.au. By signing the Project Funding Schedule, a Project Funding Agreement will be formed in accordance with clause 2.3 of the Head Agreement.

QRA has authorised a payment of \$14,592.00 (excluding GST) as a Recipient Created Tax Invoice (RCTI). Until the Project Funding Schedule is signed, this payment will be considered an advance in accordance with clause 4.1 of the Head Agreement.

If you require any further information please contact your Regional Liaison Officer, Gavin Williams, on 0438 389 373 or gavin.williams@qra.qld.gov.au.

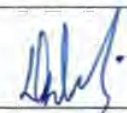
Yours sincerely



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Project Funding Schedule				
1. QRA Program	Queensland Resilience and Risk Reduction Fund (QRRRF)			
2. Project Title, Event Identifier	WSC.0040.2223F.RFI - Portable Light Towers, Queensland Resilience and Risk Reduction Fund 2022-23			
3. Recipient Name	Winton Shire Council			
4. Project Description	Queensland and Commonwealth Government funding for the project identified by the Recipient in the detailed submission.			
5. Project Funding (ex GST)	\$48,640.00			
6. Recipient Contribution (ex GST)	\$2,560.00			
7. Type of Project Funding	Capped Funding			
8. Program Guidelines	Resilience and Risk Reduction Funding Guidelines 2021-22			
9. Approved Project Plan	The approved project scope assessed and approved by QRA in accordance with the Program Guidelines			
10. QRA Contact	Acting Chief Executive Officer			
11. Recipient Contact	Chief Executive Officer			
12. Key Dates	Project Funding Agreement Commencement Date		The date the last party signs this Project Funding Schedule	
	Project Completion Date		30 June 2025	
	Project Funding Agreement End Date		30 June 2026	
13. Milestone Schedule	No.	Milestone Date	Milestone Requirements	Milestone Amount
	1	The Project Funding Agreement Commencement Date	Provision of this Project Funding Agreement to the Recipient	30% of the Project Funding
	2	Various (the Recipient may submit multiple Payment Claims in respect of Milestone 2)	Provision of a Payment Claim	Up to 60% of the Project Funding
	3	Within three months of the Project Completion Date	Evidence that the Recipient has completed the Project Provision of a Payment Claim	Up to the total amount of any unpaid Eligible Project Costs
14. Payment Claim Requirements	Provision of a payment claim and supporting materials in accordance with the payment claim requirements set out in the Program Guidelines			
15. Eligible Project Costs	Eligible Project Costs means the costs described as "Eligible Costs" in the Program Guidelines up to the capped Project Funding value.			
16. Ineligible Project Costs	Ineligible Project Costs means the costs described as "Ineligible Costs" in the Program Guidelines and any costs in excess of the capped Project Funding value.			
17. Reporting	Report Type	Report Contents and Form		Lodgement Timing
	Progress Report	In the Progress Report, and containing all information identified in the Program Guidelines and MARS Portal		Monthly progress reports
	Final Report and Acquittal Report	In the Progress Report, and containing all information identified in the Program Guidelines and MARS Portal		Within three months of the Project Completion Date

18. Project Specific Bank Account Details (if applicable)	Account Name	N/A
	BSB	N/A
	Account Number	N/A
	Branch	N/A
	Email for Remittance	N/A
19. Acknowledgement Requirements	Recipients must seek prior agreement and ensure public advice and media releases refer to the Queensland and Commonwealth Governments in published references to this funding. Please contact QRA's media team to coordinate approval for materials, by emailing media@qra.qld.gov.au .	
20. Special Conditions	Works should be procured using creative commons licensing.	
By signing below, a Project Funding Agreement will be formed in accordance with the Head Agreement entered into between QRA and the Recipient on 3 August 2018 in respect of the Project.		
Signed for and on behalf of the State of Queensland acting through the Queensland Reconstruction Authority ABN 13 640 918 183 by a duly authorised officer in the presence of		Signed for and on behalf of the Recipient by a duly authorised officer in the presence of
Signature of witness		Signature of witness 
Name of witness		Name of witness C. DYER.
Signature of Authorised Person		Signature of Authorised Person 
Name of Authorised Person		Name of Authorised Person DIANE POWELL
Date		Date 8/2/23

Queensland Reconstruction Authority

QRRRF Payment Certificate

Recipient Winton Shire Council
Date 11/01/2023
Event Year 2022-2023

QRA submission number	Description	Requested project funding	Ineligible project costs	Under investigation amount	Eligible project costs	Recipient contribution	Project funding amount	Payment for milestone 1		
								Drawdown on grant advance	RCTI payment	Total payment amount
WSC.0040.2223F.RFI	Queensland Resilience and Risk Reduction Fund Infrastructure - Queensland Resilience and Risk Reduction Fund 2022-23 - Portable Light Towers	\$48,640.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$48,640.00	\$2,560.00	\$48,640.00	\$0.00	\$14,592.00	\$14,592.00
TOTAL		\$48,640.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$48,640.00	\$2,560.00	\$48,640.00	\$0.00	\$14,592.00	\$14,592.00

NOTES

1. All amounts in the body of the above table are GST exclusive
2. Payments will be grossed up for GST

Queensland Reconstruction Authority

For reply please quote: QRA/Ops – QRATF/22/2684

6 February 2023

Dirk Dowling
Chief Executive Officer
Winton Shire Council
dirkd@winton.qld.gov.au
ceo@winton.qld.gov.au

Dear Mr Dowling

I refer to Council's submission WSC.0020.1819E.FWI for Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) Category D funding for Flood Warning Infrastructure Network Program, following the North and Far North Queensland Monsoon Trough, 25 January - 14 February 2019 event.

Following receipt of Council's final progress report, the Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA) completed the final assessment of this submission.

Council's final claim identified total expenditure of \$77,728.08 for this submission. Based on the supporting information provided to QRA, expenditure of \$76,555.60 (excluding GST) was assessed as eligible and \$1,172.48 was assessed as ineligible under the DRFA. This ineligible expenditure relates to scope reductions or insufficient evidence.

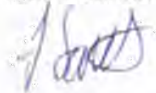
QRA has authorised a final payment of \$12,055.60 (excluding GST) and issued a Recipient Created Tax Invoice (RCTI). The use of RCTIs ensures compliance with GST legislation and is in line with previous payment processes.

Council is reminded that DRFA Category D funding is provided by both the Commonwealth (50 per cent) and Queensland (50 per cent) Governments. Accordingly, it is requested that Council refers to and acknowledges both funding sources in published references to its DRFA Category D funded programs.

All acquitted submissions may be subject to further review by the Commonwealth for compliance and value for money, which may result in an adjustment to eligible costs in accordance with the DRFA requirements.

QRA recognises the dedicated work Council has undertaken in finalising this submission. If you require further information regarding this assessment, please contact Anna Herwig, Director - Assessments, Operations on (07) 3008 7220 or via email to anna.herwig@qra.qld.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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Queensland Reconstruction Authority

Payment Certificate - Completion Review

Recipient	Winton Shire Council
Date	21/12/2022
Event Year	2018-2019

QRA submission number	Description	Project funding amount	Final cost	Expenditure recommended	Expenditure not recommended	Total payment to date	Recipient contribution	Drawdown on grant advance	RCTI payment	Total payment amount
WISC.0020.1819E.FWI	Flood Warning Infrastructure - North and Far North Queensland Monsoon Trough, 25 January - 14 February 2019 - - FWI - Cat D	\$215,000.00	\$77,728.08	\$76,555.60	\$1,172.48	\$64,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$12,055.60	\$12,055.60
TOTAL		\$215,000.00	\$77,728.08	\$76,555.60	\$1,172.48	\$64,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$12,055.60	\$12,055.60

NOTES

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Queensland Reconstruction Authority

For reply please quote: QRATF/23/520

7 February 2023

Mr Dirk Dowling
Chief Executive Officer
Winton Shire Council
dirkd@winton.qld.gov.au
ceo@winton.qld.gov.au

Dear Mr Dowling

I refer to Council's progress report dated 2 February 2023 for Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) grant assistance under Council's 2021 Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets program works.

This progress report advised a total expenditure to date of \$1,696,553.95 (excluding GST). As a result of Council's expenditure and the payments made to date, the Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA) has authorised a payment of \$499,713.28 (excluding GST) as a recipient created tax invoice (RCTI) inclusive of an RCTI agreement. The use of RCTIs ensures compliance with GST legislation.

Please refer to the attached progress payment certificate for a detailed breakdown of this progress payment in relation to Council's approved submissions.

All DRFA payments are subject to ongoing compliance and value for money reviews in accordance with the Queensland Disaster Relief and Recovery Guidelines. Payments may also be subject to sampling and further assessment by QRA or the Commonwealth.

If you require further information about this progress payment please contact Kieran Dobb, Acting General Manager, Operations on telephone (07) 3008 7200 or via email at kieran.dobb@qra.qld.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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Progress Payment Certificate

Recipient: Winton Shire Council
 Date: 02/02/2023
 Event Year: 2020-2021

GMA submission number	Description	Project funding amount from budget period	Estimated final cost	Maximum progress amount period	Total payments to date	Trigger point	Total expenditure to date	Total expenditure recommended to date	Expenditure not recommended	Overrun on grant amount	NOTI payment	Total payment amount
QRC 0018 0017P REC	Reconstruction of Winton Public Assets - Winton Community Foundation, 27/30 December 2020 - 2020 Allocation Queensland Reconstruction Authority	\$3,747,206.14	\$3,803,716.96	\$3,747,206.14	\$1,119,898.34	\$17,348.00	\$1,086,503.96	\$1,018,671.42	\$68,534.32		\$400,713.28	\$400,713.28
TOTAL		\$3,747,206.14	\$3,803,716.96	\$3,747,206.14	\$1,119,898.34	\$17,348.00	\$1,086,503.96	\$1,018,671.42	\$68,534.32		\$400,713.28	\$400,713.28

NOTES

1. All amounts in the body of the above table are GST exclusive
2. Payments will be granted up to GST
3. \$68,534.32 was unexpended by recipients and is expenditure not recommended.



Queensland Health

Enquiries to: Naomi Hooper
A/Advanced Environmental Health Officer
Food Safety Standards and Regulation Unit
Telephone: 3328 9332
File Ref: C-ECTF-23/400

Mr Dirk Dowling
Chief Executive Officer
Winton Shire Council
PO Box 288
WINTON QLD 4735

Email: ceo@winton.qld.gov.au

Dear Mr Dowling

In response to feedback from the Queensland Audit Office and from local governments regarding the currency of the Mobile Food Business Register, Food Safety Standards and Regulation have created a new Mobile Food Business Register (the Register), which is designed to provide up-to-date information relating to mobile food businesses and vending machines across Queensland.

To ensure the most up-to-date information is accessible to all local governments, it is important that current local government mobile food business licence details are regularly updated on the Register, which will be periodically published on the Queensland Health website, [the Food Pantry](#). Instructions are attached on how to access, update, and search the Register.

Access to the Register will be provided by direct email. Please contact Food Safety Standards and Regulation at foodsafety@health.qld.gov.au to nominate preferred email address/s for officer/s responsible for managing mobile food vehicle and vending machine data for your local government. Note that access is only provided for the direct recipient of the email (forwarding the links within your local government will not allow access).

Please provide preferred email address/s by 27 January 2023. If you require any further information in relation to this matter, please contact Naomi Hooper, Acting Advanced Environmental Health Officer, Food Safety Standards and Regulation Unit, Department of Health, on telephone 3328 9332 or via email at foodsafety@health.qld.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

John Piispanen
Executive Director
Health Protection Branch
17 / 01 / 2023

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Queensland Health

Mobile Food Business Register Instructions

Food Act 2006

Purpose

This document provides instructions for local government on how to use the Mobile Food Business Register (the Register). It includes instructions on how to access the system, how to enter local mobile food vehicle or vending machine data into the Register and how to search for mobile businesses statewide.

Accessing the Register

Your local government will need to provide contact email details. The owner/s of the email account will receive two email invitations providing the links for access to the Register. One invitation is the link to the 'read only' Register. The second invitation is a link to your individual local government file where mobile food vehicle and vending machine data from your local government area can be uploaded. The uploaded data will be refreshed periodically by Queensland Health and your data will be reflected in the Register.

Please note that the links will only work for the direct recipient of the email. Contact the Department of Health, Food Safety standards and Regulation Unit at foodsafety@health.qld.gov.au, to nominate any additional contacts responsible for entering mobile food vehicle and vending machine data for your local government.

Viewing the Register

When you receive the link to the Register in your email, click "open". For your data to be recorded onto the Register, you need to ensure that your data has been updated on the individual local government file, access for which is separate to the Register.

Entering Data

Enter/update data on your individual local government file. You must ensure you enter your local government name and that dates are entered in the correct format and mandatory fields are completed. For any information that is copied/pasted, please select "paste values only" and ensure dates are formatted correctly and mandatory fields are completed. It is important that the data is placed into the correct columns. Any data placed within your local government file may be reflected in the Register. Once data has been appropriately updated/added, feel free to exit the local government Excel file. Data is automatically saved.

Notes:

- **Do not try to enter data into the Register. It is a "read only" file.**
- **Data added to your local government file may not immediately show up in the Register. The Register will be refreshed on a regular basis for publication on the Queensland Health [Mobile Food Businesses website](#).**

Methods to undertake a search

Click on the Register link to open. On row 7, beside each column name is a dropdown button.

Local government		Licensee
LGA Name	* Name/s	* Trading n
Banana Shire Council	Arthur Edward & Raylene Jean Collins	Street Treat
Banana Shire Council	Tony Buckton	Brewed Aw
Banana Shire Council	Jon Becker	Moura Hire
Banana Shire Council	Tony Buckton	

Click on the button to open the filter choices. The data can be sorted in alphabetical order. If you are looking for a particular detail in a column, click on the filter for that column, type in the detail that you are looking for into the search field as shown in the figure below, then click apply.

Licensee	
* Trading name	
Street Treats	
Brewed Awakening Coffee Van	
Moura Hire Services	
T & C Excavations (Qld) Pty Ltd	
Biloela Bobcats	
Amcor Excavations Pty Ltd	
Davison Valley Tilt Tray Services	
Davison Valley Tilt Tray Services	
Dennis Earthmoving Pty Ltd	
Theodore Engineering	
Gladstone Water Cartage & Plant Hire Pty Ltd	
Gladstone Water Cartage & Plant Hire Pty Ltd	
Gladstone Water Cartage & Plant Hire Pty Ltd	
Gladstone Water Cartage & Plant Hire Pty Ltd	
Neverbire Earthmoving	
Darlene's Espresso Martini	
Dylan John Jones	
Callide Plumbing Services	
Mad Cow Catering	
Simmons Bakery Van	
Simmons Bakery Van	
Biloela Plumbing Works Pty Ltd	
Biloela Plumbing Works Pty Ltd	
Rachelle Schubert	
B&T takeaway	
Travelling Beans	
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Sort A to Z

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35 Street Turkish Street Food

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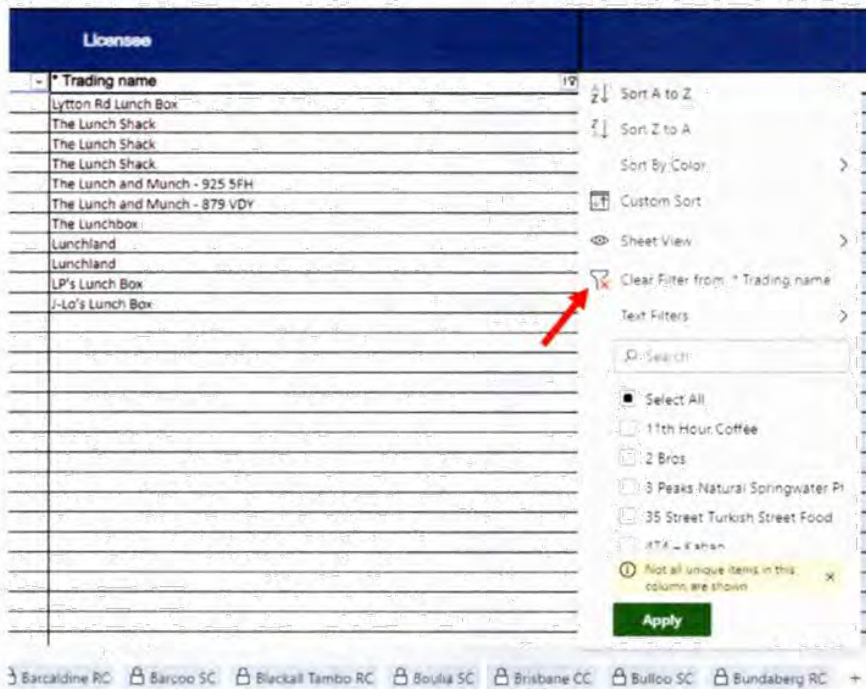
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You will notice that the button then changes, showing that a filter has been applied.

Licensee	
* Trading name	* Ph
Lytton Rd Lunch Box	07 33
The Lunch Shack	
The Lunch Shack	
The Lunch Shack	
The Lunch and Munch - 925 5FH	0427
The Lunch and Munch - 879 VDY	0427

Please remove the filter when you have completed your search so that when other people open the Register, it is able to be viewed as normal. To remove a filter, click on the button to open the filter options. Select Clear Filter, as shown in the figure below. This will restore the Register so that all data can be viewed.



The Register will be periodically published at <https://www.qld.gov.au/health/staying-healthy/food-pantry/starting-a-food-business/specific-requirements/mobile-food-businesses>.

Further information

For further information or assistance, please contact the Department of Health Food Safety Standards and Regulation via email at foodsafety@health.qld.gov.au.



The Hon Catherine King MP

Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government
Member for Ballarat

Ref: MC22-009696

Mr Gavin Baskett
Mayor
Winton Shire Council
PO Box 288
WINTON QLD 4735

via: kirbyr@winton.qld.gov.au

Dear Mayor *Gavin*

Thank you for your letter of 18 October 2022 regarding the Outback Way. I apologise for the delay in responding.

The Australian Government is committed to seeing Australia's regions thrive and the Budget delivers investment in regional Australia that helps build a better future. This includes the Australian Government maintaining a total investment of \$1 billion to upgrade the Outback Way in Western Australia, the Northern Territory and Queensland. Over \$219 million of this commitment will seal the Donohue Highway and upgrade the Kennedy Developmental Road in Queensland.

Works on the Outback Way include progressive sealing and widening upgrades, delivering Indigenous employment opportunities throughout their construction. These upgrades will significantly improve the usability of the Outback Way, improving safety, accessibility, travel time, reliability and freight productivity. Improved connectivity along the Outback Way will better link people with jobs and services and goods with markets, open economic opportunities for industries and reduce the cost of living for regional communities.

The Australian Government will continue to work with states, the Northern Territory and local governments on the Outback Way to ensure that this important commitment can deliver the best outcomes for regional communities and the Australian people now and into the future.

Thank you for taking the time to write to me on this matter.

Yours sincerely

Catherine King MP

23 / 1 / 2023

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PO Box 471
WINTON Q 4735

Attention: Dirk Dowling
CEO
Winton Shire Council
WINTON Q 4735

30th January 2023

Dear Dirk,

Re: Proposed New Roof Cover Construction

I refer to the above matter, and wish to advise Winton's Diamantina Heritage Truck & Machinery Museum are proposing to construct a roof cover over the existing Ablution/Shower Block which also incorporates a separate disabled facility. The proposed building dimensions are; 12000mm wide x 12000 long x 6000mm eave. Please see attached copy of the proposed plan of the roof construction.

Over time, the existing Ablution Facility has received damage during wet weather. The new construction will protect the existing building from weather events and extreme sunlight and will provide a shade advantage for the ongoing protection of the existing building as well as for the many visiting tourists to the Museum.

As the Winton Truck Museum has lease tenure of this land owned by the Winton Shire Council, I request if Council would consider approval for this construction on the land, and if Council could supply our Committee with an approval letter would be appreciated.

If any further information is required, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully


Robyn Stephens OAM
Secretary
Mobile 0429 806 140



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The CEO
Winton Shire Council
PO Box 288
Winton. Q. 4735

19/01/23

Dear Dirk

I wish to draw to your attention an issue that appears to have been overlooked by Council staff for some time. I refer to the unruly growth of vegetation and littering of rubbish in some town back yards. As a result of the unusually wet year, we have experienced a high mosquito presence in the town.

In addition to the mosquito issue, backyards with a high burden of old rubbish and long grass can harbour snakes and other vermin. The uncontrolled grass will dry off once the wet season has passed and become a fire hazard. I note that some country residents are reporting the sighting of native bush rats which often follow wet years like we have just had and can reach plague proportions, becoming a major nuisance.

Some back yards are dumping spots for old tyres and receptacles of various sorts that are capable of holding rain water following storms. Mosquitos can be active vectors for the spread of a number of illnesses including Dengue fever and Japanese encephalitis, both notifiable diseases and quite serious to human health.

Some residents go to great lengths to maintain tidy yards whilst others do little and I think it only reasonable that a certain standard of tidiness be sought by Council. A reduction in mosquito breeding sites could be cost effectively achieved by doing a photographic drone survey to identify high risk properties which require a ground inspection.

I would be surprised if Council did not have local laws that allows it to address these issues.

In the green waste section of the town tip, stagnant water often lies for extended periods. I believe that this could be easily overcome by replacing the soil that is unavoidably removed when pushing up the waste material into a controlled heap, necessary for management.

As a matter of courtesy, I am forwarding a copy of this correspondence to the Mayor.

Yours sincerely



PO Box 278
WINTON Q 4735
Secretary Mobile: 0429 806 140

ABN 84 042 450 202

Attention: Dirk Dowling
CEO
Winton Shire Council
WINTON Q 4735

8th January 2023

Dear Dirk,

Re: Letter of Support – Infrastructure Funding Project

I wish to advise the Winton Golf Club is applying to the Queensland Government's Recreation and Sports Minor Infrastructure Program funding to enhance community sport and active and recreation participation opportunities for upgrading of the Club's ageing ablution amenities

The objective of the program is to enhance community sport and active recreation participation and opportunities through the provision of spaces that enable quality, accessible, inclusive, safe and more efficient activity

On behalf of the Winton Golf Club Committee, I request Council's support for this major infrastructure project with a Letter of Support. The Club requires confirmation of either a Development Application or exemption for the project will be needed or, would the Golf Club be exempt on this occasion

A Letter of Support and consent is being prepared by the owner of the land, namely being the Department of Natural Resources Mining and Energy for their approval of this project.

The planned up-grade of the ablution facility will also incorporate a disabled multi-sex toilet and shower as an extra addition to the upgrade to meet with standards required for community level participation and health and safety risk

The Winton Golf Club is an active community sports complex conducting weekly competitions, major golf championships attracting in excess of seventy visiting golfers, yearly community golf fundraising days eg: Mental Health and Cancer, as well as providing professional coaching clinics for adults and juniors to foster the sport of golf in Winton. Winton Golf Club has on two occasions hosted the Outback Qld. Golf Masters "Million Dollar Hole in One" event during 2019 and 2022 hosting some 200 amateur golfers from all over Australia with the Masters being hosted by Golf Australia and Strategic Partner Tourism & Events Queensland.

This upgrade is considered necessary and timely, and I look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

If any further information is required, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

Robyn Stephens OAM
Secretary
E: wintongolfclub@outlook.com



Mr Dirk Dowling
Chief Executive Officer
Winton Shire Council
75 Vindex Street
Winton Qld 4735

10th February 2023

Dear Mr Dowling,

Re: Clarification of Council Costs – Winton Outback Festival

The Winton Outback Festival Committee is seeking an opportunity to meet with Winton Shire Council to discuss ongoing support and assistance through both in-kind and grant opportunities on a biennial basis to the Winton Outback Festival.

The Outback Festival is Winton's longest running home grown festival and totally organised by a volunteer led team. The Festival generates a large economic injection for our community, and the 2021 festival brought direct and incremental expenditure of \$1,218,029 being attributable to the Winton Shire economy. These figures were provided by Tourism Events Queensland through their survey contractors IER.

Outback Festival Committee values Council's support as a Platinum Sponsor and ongoing support over the past fifty years. In 2018, Winton Shire Council advised the Outback Festival Committee they were ceasing in-kind support to local not-for-profit organisations and would be offering a cash component only. Outback Festival was granted cash funding of \$25,000 for the 50th Year Anniversary Celebrations in 2022.

Outback Festival Committee is questioning the following:

1. Labour and Vehicle Hire Expenses from Winton Shire Council received for the 50th Anniversary celebrations of the Sunset Gala Dinner held at the Winton Airport – Invoice No. 47480 Labour & Plant Hire (\$7,116.79)
2. The all up costs charged by Winton Shire Council for the 50th Anniversary Celebrations 23rd & 24th September were (\$9,056.76) this being for a **two day** event in comparison to the previous 2021 Festival (\$9,773.08) as a **five-day event**. On reviewing the invoices, it is apparent that costs associated in relation to labour, plant hire and mileage appear to be the most significant increases compared to previous years.
3. Winton Shire Council staffing at the Gala Dinner event was inclusive of security and labour, equated for approximately \$4,487.95. Outback Festival employed 3 x Security Guards for the duration of event (approx. 6 hours). Our committee cannot compare Council's costs to previous years as Winton Shire Council refused to supply our Committee with a detailed breakup of the event invoice costs.



4. Additionally, Outback Festival Committee is questioning the costs of two of Council's vehicle assets, claiming mileage of 80klms (Plant 120) at a cost of \$427.42 and (Plant 124) for 8 ½ hours at a cost of \$298.20.

From a meeting with yourself and Madeleine Lawler, Director of Community and Economic Development (27/1/23) our committee would like to understand in more detail how the costs were calculated by Winton Shire Council.

To support our budgeting process for the 2023 Outback Festival (19th to 23rd September), it would be appreciated if we could discuss Council's fee structures to enable us to ensure that we both can budget the event accordingly and be prepared for estimated costs of such support

Our Committee's main objective to Council is around consistency and transparency, as these community events not only provide an economic benefit, but they also build a sense of pride, foster confidence and strengthen the entire community.

Your response is appreciated.

Kind Regards

Robyn Stephens OAM
Event Coordinator
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E: info@outbackfestival.com.au

Sandy Gillies
Festival President
M: 0417148720

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Attention: Dirk Dowling
CEO
Winton Shire Council
WINTON Q 4735

27th January 2023

Dear Dirk,

Re: Tenancy Agreement- Winton Shire Council & Outback Festival Inc.

I refer to our recent meeting 27th January in relation to the above subject, and wish to advise the Outback Festival ten year Tenancy Agreement renewed in June 2012 has come available for renewal as at June 2022.

The Outback Festival Office plus two storage containers are sited on Council property situated as part of 57 Dagworth Street on Lot 1 on Plan RP 722183 and Lot 2 on Plan RP 707444 for the purpose of office space for the Outback Festival.

On behalf of the Committee, I request if Council being the owner of the land would be interested in renewing this Agreement for a further term of ten years.

Outback Festival fully appreciates the long tenure to date, and we look forward to an ongoing agreement between the Outback Festival and Winton Shire Council.

I look forward to hearing from you and thank you for your time.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Robyn Stephens'.

Robyn Stephens OAM
Event Coordinator

16 LATE CORRESPONDENCE

17 OFFICERS REPORTS TO COUNCIL

17.1 DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

File Number: 157202

Attachments: Nil

Meeting Date: 16 February 2023

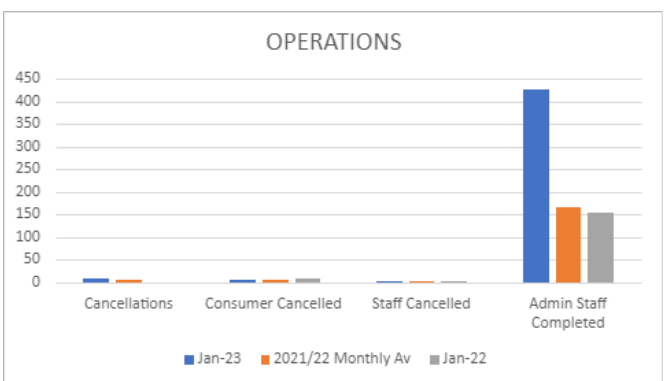
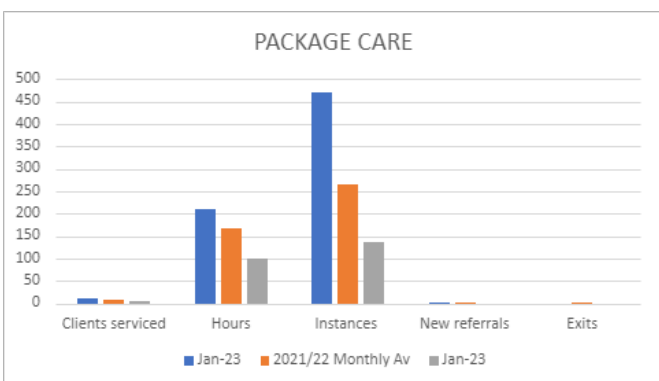
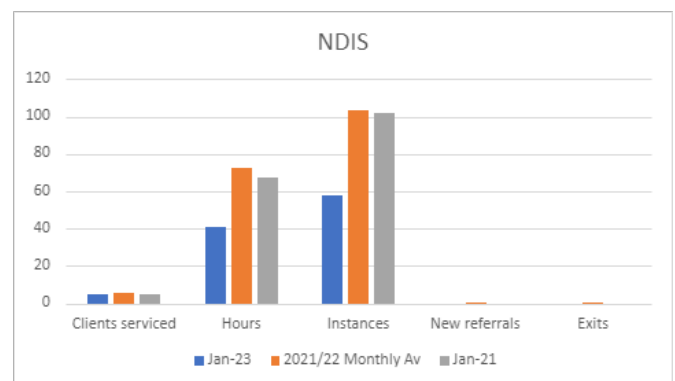
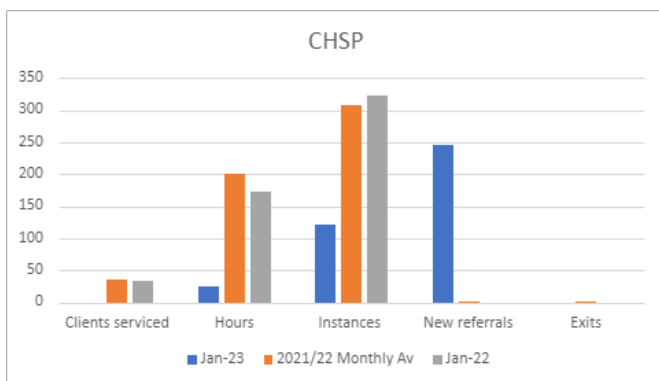
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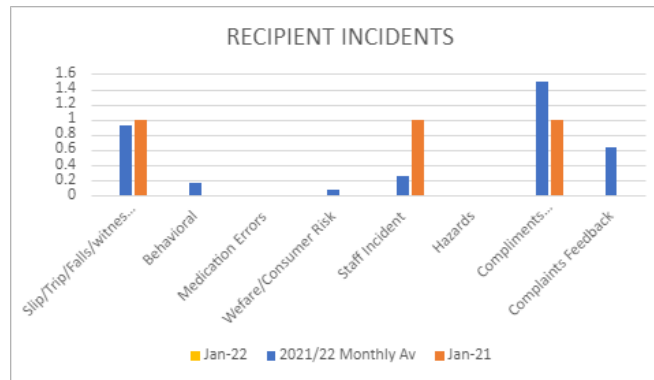
That the Director of Community and Economic Development report be received.

DIRECTORS REPORT

COMMUNITY CARE SERVICES

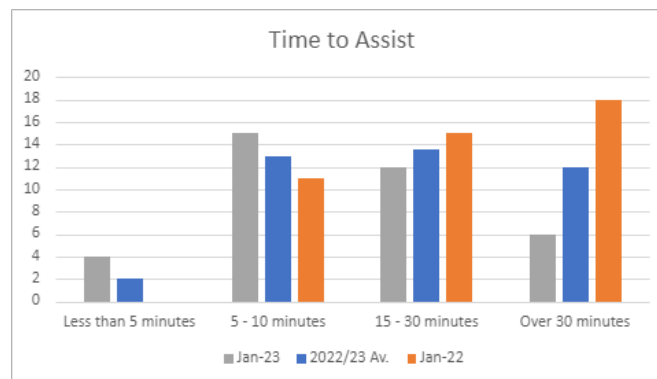
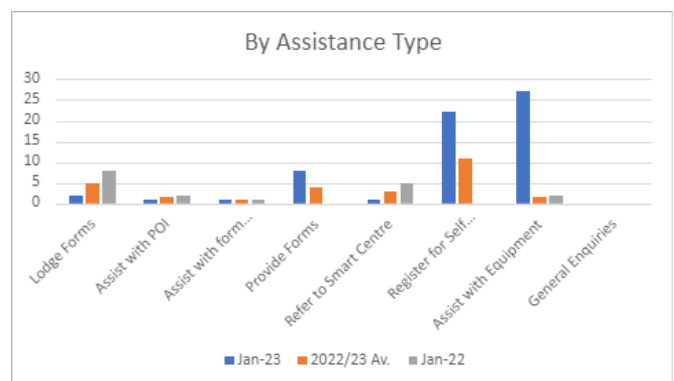
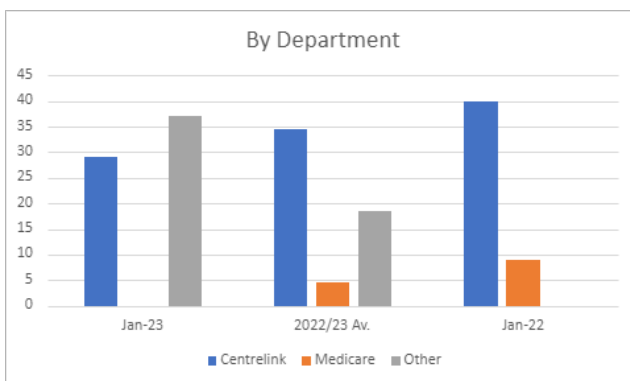
- 3 staff members have completed the theory component of Medication Training, practical sections will be booked in next month depending on trainer's availability.
- Successful recruitment for a personal care attendant, they are to start mid February.





COMMUNITY WELFARE SERVICES

Centrelink Agent



Community and Individual Support

Neighbourhood and Community Centre (NCC) Committee

The NCC Strategic Repositioning Committee is working together with Department of Communities, Housing and Digital Economy to co-design a contemporary NCC strategic framework that supports the work of all NCCs in Queensland. This committee meets monthly and has developed two draft elements of the NCC Strategic Framework:

1. Draft NCC Investment Principles and Approach
2. Draft NCC Performance and Reporting Principles and Approach

It has been a great opportunity for the Winton Neighbourhood Centre to be involved in these discussions and work with the sector to identify a common vision for the future of the NCC system. It is also a platform for Winton to advocate for local issues and gain ideas on how to build community resilience and respond to disasters and other community challenges.

Upcoming Dates:

10 February	Garden Club
24 February	Community Meet & Greet
4 March	Clean Up Australia Day
5 March	Resin Workshop
10 March	International Women's Day

Youth Sport and Recreation

School Holiday Program

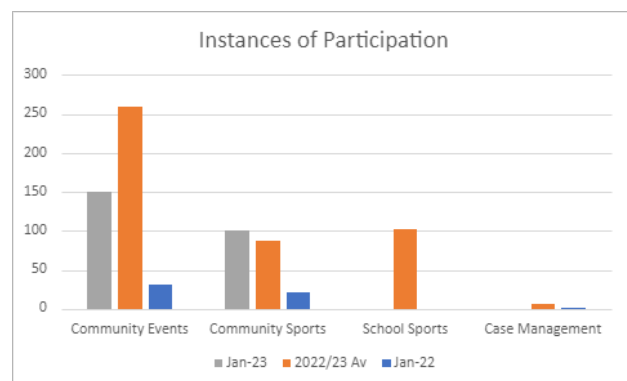
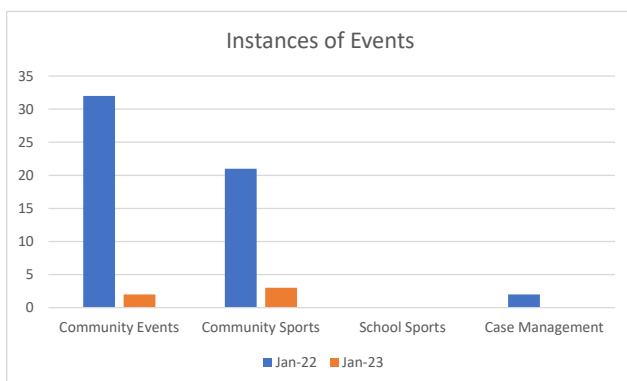
During the school break, the vacation program for childcare was run for the children. Children participated in great numbers for the session, which ran for five days and was conducted in Winton Neighborhood Center Training Room. Michael Llyod (tennis and cricket coach) conducted one day program with sports activities for the kids. The other days were at the Shire Hall with games, arts, and crafts, hide and seek, and a variety of activities and the program ended at the Swimming Pool.

Community Event Triathlon

On the 26th of January 2023, Winton witnessed its first mega sporting event of the year, with more than 15 participants witnessed by over 50 local community people. The event was successfully accomplished as all the participants completed the triathlon with a sense of achievement.

Medal Presentation Australia Day

The community members gathered at the Winton Shire Hall to experience the events and felicitations of the local members for their exemplary contributions in different fields. All award winners of the Triathlon were given medal presentations by Ambassador Gerrard Gosens. The total engagement was around 100 members from all age groups.



Family Support

Child Health Nurse

Liaising with the Child Health Nurse to hold regular visits to Playgroup. Parent to be Bags and Newborn Bags were given to the program to pass on to parents.

Vacation Program

The program held vacation care to help the parents for those who have to work.

Australia Day

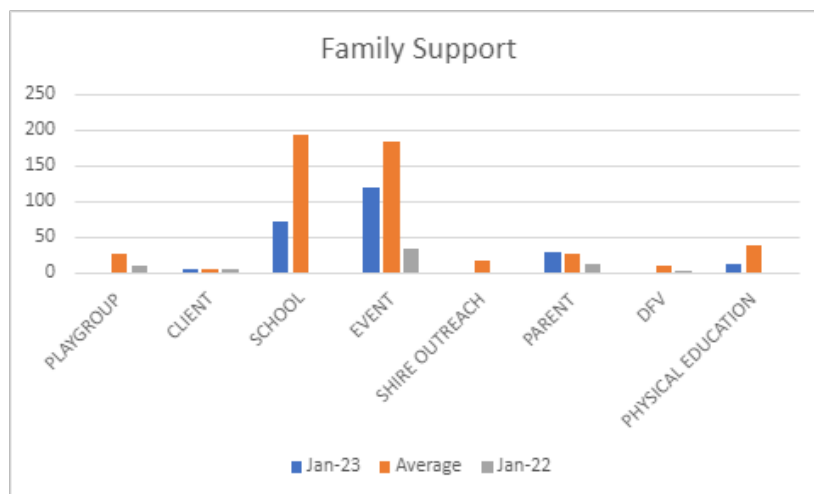
The program coordinated and delivered breakfast as well as Great Australia Bites.

Playgroup

Will be starting the first week of February.

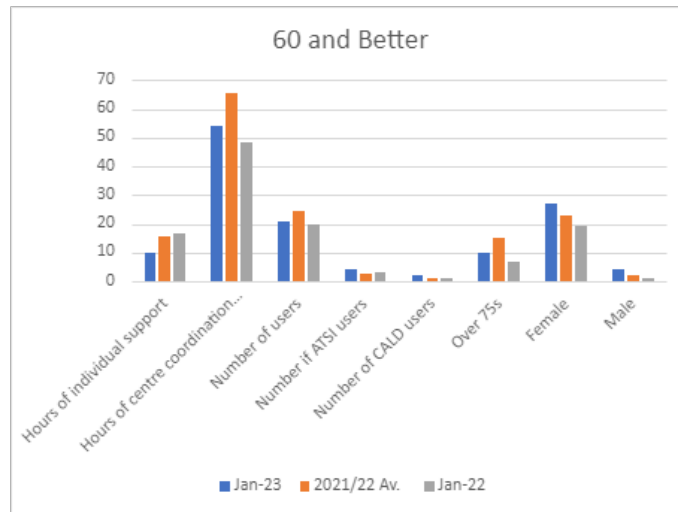
Dance

Dance has started and has been well received with more enrolments and different genres of danced offered.



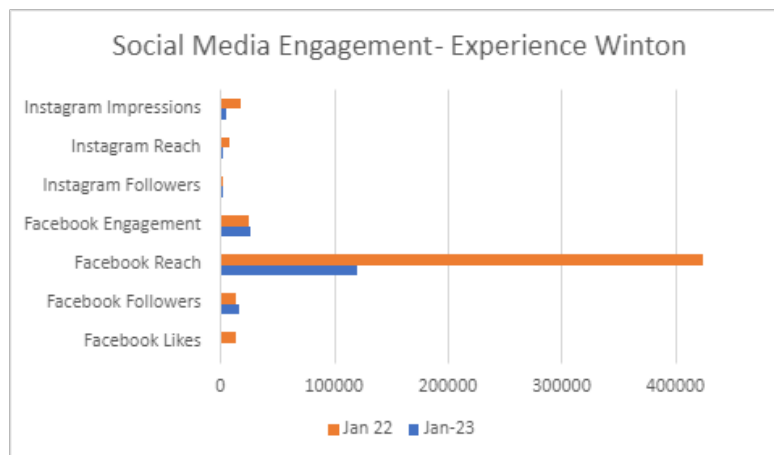
60 and Better

- February will be the first 60 & Better meetings on the 14th lunches will resume in March following the meeting.
- Winton 60 & Better farewelled Adrienne from Outback futures.
- Planning for a remember who remember when morning during Outback Festival in September.
- Winton 60 & Better Newsletter will now be combined with the Neighbourhood Centre newsletter as directive from Community Welfare Manger. The 60 & Better coordinator will submit the Friday after Winton 60 & Better meetings for the neighbourhood centre staff to cut together, print, and distribute.



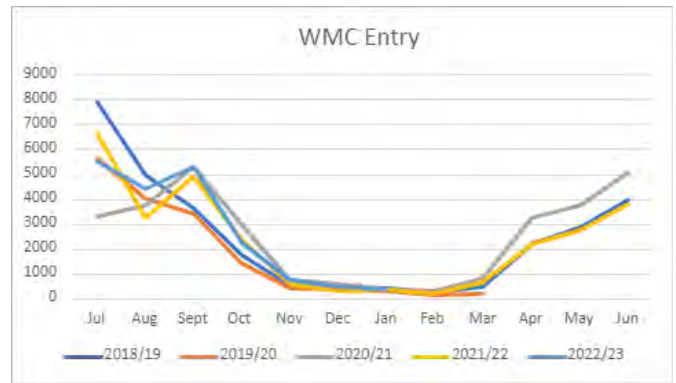
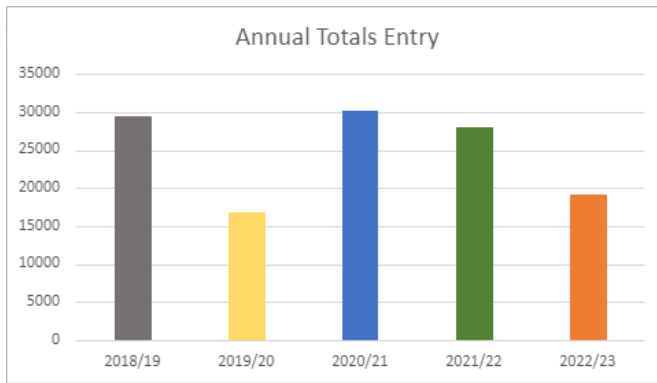
TOURISM, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND THE ARTS

- Coordinated Interviews for Thru A Lens Media.
- Media for Australia day of Triathlon, Australia Day Ceremony and Great Australian Bites.
- Beginning stages of creating a mini marketing series for community gift cards
 - Each participating store will get a promo



Waltzing Matilda Centre

- Visitors to Centre down by 60 compared to this time last year. Rain events throughout the month affected roads closures which may have contributed.
- Receiving a high number of emails and phone enquiries from people intending to travel this year requesting information about our Region.

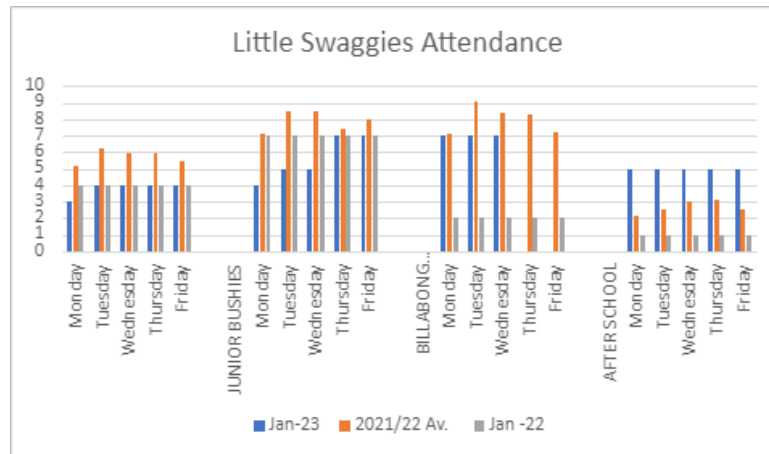


Outback Regional Gallery

- Judges selected 43 entries for the 2023 John Villiers Outback Art Prize finalist exhibition at the Outback Regional Gallery. This year our prize attracted a record number of entries – 256 from 176 entrants, with 14 entries from Emerging Youth. To increase visibility of all artists a 'Salon de Refusés' exhibition will be displayed via a digital online gallery for artists not selected in the main exhibition. The secondary online exhibition will also offer prize money for First Place and Runner Up places.
- Statistics from Matilda Centre social media (Facebook) broadened our audiences. The post releasing finalist names on 24/1/23 attracting:
 Reach: 4374+
 Engagements: 909+
 Likes: 55+
 Share: 21+
 Comments: 24+
- A grant application will be submitted to The John Villiers Trust by early February with a new arts project being pitched to create transformational impact for children living in remote regions of Queensland between 2024-2026. The potential partnership will focus on collaboration across of RAPAD shires and reach across community, arts, culture, education, social welfare, and health.

LITTLE SWAGGIES EARLY LEARNING CENTRE

- Numbers are increasing due to parents returning from maternity leave.
- Assessment and rating will be conducted in March.
- Started a container for change for our sustainability practises, parents and the community have been placing their cans and bottles in our two new red recycling bins.
- We have started to collect wastepaper to also increase our sustainability practises to make our own paper for the children to use for arts and craft.
- Improvement of our gardens. We are collecting hedging, rocks, wood to improve our gardens by making garden beds to start to plant our vegetables and fruits. Donations have been coming in from members of the public and families. Will do a working bee in the coming month to bring all this together.
- Huge thank you to Shoprite and HBB who kindly donated fruit and vegetables and a fan for Helen in the kitchen to make it more comfortable for her when she prepares our meal for the children.



COMMUNITY FACILITIES

Winton Library

- Winton Library reopened 9 January 2023; it was a short month.
- IT support and First 5 Forever programs have been advertised and will commence in February.
- Seventeen cartons of books have been processed and returned to Public Library Service as part of our quarterly exchange, another fifteen cartons will be processed for return in the coming weeks. Specific reservations and latest releases for borrowers are continually processed daily, incoming and outgoing.
- An invitation has been sent to local schools re Winton Library, Bournemouth UK. We have received a response from one school, a meeting has been organized with principal.
- Subscriptions to some of the newspapers for public, e.g. Courier Mail, The Australian, and Townsville Bulletin. Library staff are investigating digital access and paper delivery and costs involved.
- Floor coverings will be renewed in the library in March, closure for a period will be expected.
- Winton library placed 17th in the Summer Reading Club, State Library of Queensland reading challenge, just behind Goondiwindi Library which was a pleasing result.
- The article below is very concerning as Trove, National Library of Australia, a free online resource is an important tool used in the Winton library for history research.

Excerpt from one of the many newspaper reports:

The Conversation:

The National Library is threatening to pull the plug on Trove, its free online service that provides public access to collections from Australian libraries, universities, museums, galleries and archives.

In its recent Trove Strategy, the library has indicated that without additional government support, it will shut the service down by July next year:

The future of Trove beyond July 2023 will be dependent upon available funds. In a limited funding environment, Trove may reduce to a service focused on the National Library of Australia's collections. Without any additional funds, the library will need to cease offering the Trove service entirely.

Showgrounds**Stock Movement**

Date	Horse / Cattle	From	To	Number
26.1.22	Horse	Egg Nest	Winton	14
27.1.22	Horse	Katherine	Victoria	2
10.1.22	Horse	Mt Isa	Winton	1
17.1.22	Horse	Mt Isa	Darwin	1
TOTAL				18

Overflow Camping	
Powered	0
Non-power	0
TOTAL	0

Maintenance / upgrades

Renovations on toilets commenced.

Events

4 March	Outback Challenge Clinic	Winton Pony Club
25/26 March	Campdraft Clinic	Diamantina Rodeo & Campdraft Association
31 March	WWOWF Camping	Winton Shire Council
22 – 23 April	Show Jumping Clinic	Winton Pony Club
28/30 April	Winton Campdraft	Diamantina Rodeo & Campdraft Association
4/5 July	Winton Show	Winton Agricultural Show
29 July	Camel Races	Winton Camel Races
16 Sept	Races	North Gregory Turf Club
19 Sept	Outback Festival	Outback Festival Committee
1 Sept	Scooterville	Radschool Association Inc.

Winton Memorial Swimming Pool

January 2023			
Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4
171	119	237	236
			763

17.2 DIRECTOR OF WORKS REPORT**File Number:** 157333**Attachments:** 1. Council Monthly Report 2021 FD Program 23.02.02 (ID 447164).pdf**Meeting Date:** 16 February 2023**RECOMMENDATION**

That the Director of Works report be received.

REPORT**Director of Works Report****Meetings and Interactions**

12/01/2023	Jamie White	Introductions and expression of interest in completing Council upcoming concrete work.
17/01/2023	GBA	Scrubby Creek Gravel Pit Native Title works.
24/01/2023	GBA	Works Schedule update
24/01/2023	Department of Environment and Science	STP Upgrade discussions
31/01/2023	Depot Staff	Upcoming safety audit
31/01/2023	GBA	Upcoming Infrastructure Cliff strategic planning (RAPADWSA)
1/2/2023	RAPADWSA	Monthly RAPADWSA meeting
1/2/2023	ORRG	Monthly ORRG meeting
2/2/2023	CEO	Road Run with the CEO - Old Landsborough Highway
3/2/2023	Depot Staff	Workshop for extensive works program. Strategy meeting
8/2/2023	Water and Carbon	Preplanning meeting for STP masterplanning

Works Department Operational Change

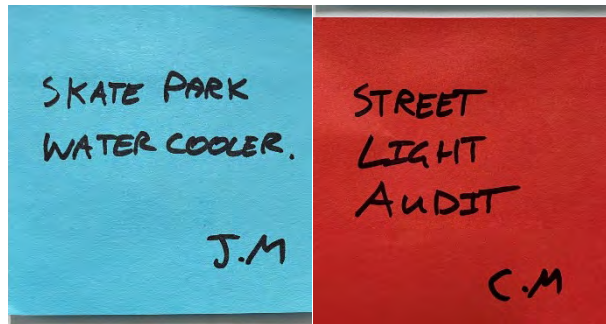
To achieve better efficiency and more responsibility the department has switched over to a process called flexible leadership. Under this model each Supervisor or Officer is responsible for a quantum of work (a task or project) and its delivery. While this might include third parties such as consultants it is still that Supervisor or Officers project and responsibility.

Flexible leadership is a two-by-two matrix:

↑ ATTN	FL3	FL2
	High Attention Low Instruction	High Instruction High Attention

Example – Low Attention Low Instruction

These are jobs or tasks that can be delivered with little to no input from the Director. The tasks should be basic enough that the Supervisor or Officer can go and complete the project. They don't constitute a politically charged project, nor a high degree of risk.



Example – High Attention High Instruction

Just because a project isn't expensive doesn't mean it can't be high attention. Many tasks are of concern to Councillors which can be placed in the high attention quadrants for more urgent attention.



Supervisors and Council Officers have a copy of the post-it notes in their diaries and are discussed in weekly one-on-one meetings. The entire process is based on principles of Functional Leadership Theory. That tackling the task of delivering the Works department programs (capital, operational and strategic) is a team project and requires contribution and buy-in from all team members.

That we have definitive tasks with 'boundaries' and a single Council Supervisor or Officer ultimately responsible for any given task.

That we focus on the individual – their part in the team, their part being responsible for the task and also them as an individual. What are their roadblocks? Successes? What additional skills are needed for the task or the team?



ASSETS / ROADS

Category	Activity
Hughenden Winton Road (203.36-210.96km)	- Subgrade Complete - Pavement 85% placed - Drainage 78% complete, 9/11 culverts have been installed. delays due to wet weather have hampered program. - 3km programmed to be sealed 25th February
WSC 2020 Flood Damage Program	- 100% complete - QRA are finalising Acquittal.
WSC 2021 Flood Damage Program	- Expenditure \$1,816,825.07 - Project Funding Amount \$3,747,209.14 - Physical Complete 55% (as at 02/02/2023)
WSC 2022 Flood Damage Program	- Large value submission is finalised and will be submitted by GBA in the coming days.
WSC 2023 Flood Damage Program	- Activated for "Northern and Central Queensland Monsoon and flooding 20 Dec – January" - Commenced Damage Pickup
Richmond – Winton Road Pave & Seal (119.04-125km)	- Second Seal completed November 2022
Richmond – Winton Road Pave & Seal (125.08-127.78km)	- Tender Submitted to TMR November 2022 - Expect to undertake works Mid 2023
RMPC	- \$133,755.04 claimed to date in Schedule 1 activities. - 5km of Gravel Re sheet (Chainage 125-130km) Richmond Road to begin prior to pave and seal works scheduled. - Gravel Supply Contract awarded to Q Crush
Winton Industrial Estate	- Hydrology/Hydraulic Impact Assessment complete for DA - Design complete - Traffic Impact Assessment Complete - Lodging response to State Assessment and Referral Agency in coming days
Winton Jundah Pave and Seal	- Mount Isa to Rockhampton Corridor Upgrade - Winton-Jundah Road Progressive Sealing project (IMS ID: 117890-21QLD-RSN) is in the QLD Schedule - PPR was received by the Federal Government and is currently being assessed - Cultural Heritage has been completed (September 2022) for stages 1 & 2. - Gravel Crushing contract awarded to Champion Contracting. - GBA are preparing PPR reports for future stages
Cork Mail Concrete Floodway's	- Works Complete in November 2022
Winton Youth Centre	- Pad Construction is designed by GBA. Construction to begin late Late February, - C P Architects are currently handling the detailed design for a construct only contract. - Site classification planned to be undertaken by GBA on completion of earthworks PAD construction and passed onto tenderers.

Diamantina Garden Electrical Upgrade	- Electrical Design has been completed by Property Technologies Pty Ltd. After a site inspection in December 2022 - Quotes have been requested to undertake works
Winton Jundah Road Bridge Inspection	- Structural Inspection undertaken early December by Pitt & Sherry. - Recommendation report has been drafted with recommendations. - Initial indications are that the bridge should be programmed in for planned replacement by Council. - It has also recommended quarterly inspections until the structure is replaced. - If replacement of culvert is not likely within 2-5 years, there a number of recommended repairs which has estimated costs provided in the report.
Winton Musical Fence Carpark	- Drafted concept drawing provided by GBA to Council for Comment
Winton Showgrounds Fencing & Parking	- Drafted concept drawing provided by GBA to Council for Comment
Winton Property Location Signage	- Scope of Works has been prepared by GBA - Procurement to begin first quarter 2023
Elevated Walkway at Saleyard	- No Progress to date. - Measurements of existing structure at Longreach to be surveyed by GBA and passed on to structural engineer for consideration.
Opalton Rd Safety Upgrade	- 2 curves have been identified to be realigned on Opalton Rd. - GBA currently preparing set out drawings to undertake works.
Cork Street Rehabilitation	- Planned to tie in with existing first seal of Hughenden Road.
Winton Reseals	- GBA currently preparing Tender documents aiming for award in March Meeting.
Plant Replacement	- 8/13 quotes have been put out to market including: - o Woodchipper - o Water tank Stout Truck - o Water tank Mack Truck - o Poison/Chemical Tank - o Cleaners Ute - o Plumber Truck - o CAT Multi Roller - o Site Caravans - No submissions have been received for cleaners Ute or poison/chemical tank. - Council is currently reviewing quote documents (have not yet gone to market) for: - o Generator Trailer - o Fuel Pod - o Stock Route Ute - o Pump with Trailer

PARKS AND GARDENS

Public Parks.

During the month of January the Parks & Facilities team continued to maintain all parks and garden areas on a weekly basis. Beautiful rain fell that slowed things up but we are ready to go and attack all the fast growing lushes green grass and plants.

Show Grounds.

The Showgrounds lawns and gardens have been maintained on a weekly basis.

Recreational Grounds.

The Recreational Grounds precinct was mowed and whipper snipped weekly. The main oval was mowed weekly.

Swimming Pool

The swimming pool have its Main shade sail reinstalled and the gardens got a much needed overhaul.

Street sweeping.

Street sweeping has been operating when able to do so as the sweeper has had some mechanical issues.

Vegetation and Vermin Control.

Weed control continued against unwanted vegetation on footpaths and other open areas. These areas are continuously being poisoned and mowed.

Winton Aerodrome.

Normal twice weekly inspections were carried out. The dirt Runway 05/23 was closed on times due to the rain making it unsafe for aircraft to land on.

Undertaking and Cemetery

No Funerals held in January

Animal Control

No roaming reported or impounded this month.

Refuse Collection

There was a few mechanical issues with the rubbish truck through the month all issues are continuing to be monitored with the Town garbage collection continuing on schedule.

STOCK ROUTES

Saleyards Data and statistics			
	Spelling	Weighing	Total
Current Month	644	6	650
Current Year (2023)	644	6	650

EU current month	0	0	0
EU Current Year (2023)	0	0	0
Total normal + EU			650

WATER AND SEWERAGE

Sewer Pump Station

- Nothing to report, still waiting for upgrade.

Water Pump Stations

- All good. Nothing to report

Water Mains and Service

- Water Meters were read, no broken mains. Over the years, a small majority of meters have been incorrectly read, due to bad positioning, over grown bushes, trees etc. Water Tech Officer has been researching Smart Meters, to possibly be installed over this year, to be more beneficial and lower maintenance and more economical for the future.

Sewerage, Sewer Ponds and Mains

- Sprayed poison around pump stations and cleaned up around the surrounding grounds of the water pump station.

Other Works

Installed a new grease trap at the Shire Hall, Fenced off the new Airconditioning units. Started renovating Toilet Blocks at the Showgrounds. It looks really good, and shouldn't have any issues in the future. Currently the floors are getting laid this week, and hopefully be finished by Tuesday if weather permitting.

PLANT

PLANT #	Description of Plant	Description of Work	HOURS/KMS
117	HINO Crew Cab	Swap wiring harness for new engine, remove bearings, fix gearbox	
417	JCB Loader	Service, change tires and grease lines, repair light bracket cover	
379	Dingo	Service, repaired fuel gauge	
332	Slasher	Repair slasher covers, replaced blades	
341	John Deere Mower	Change fuel filter, spark plugs and ignition coils	
534	CAT Grader	Replacement of back window	
416	JCB Backhoe	Service, repaired grease lines, bucket pin, swapped and rotated tyres, refit hydraulic	3521hrs

		hoses, refill hydraulic tank with oil.	
48	P&G Hilux	New battery installed	
118	HINO Crew Cab	Clean intercooler, reset codes, replaced passenger seat base, replace radiator, repaired flashing lights, filled coolant replaced rear marker stickers	
53	P&G Hilux	Repairing damage to door	
218	Street Sweeper	Repairing A/C	
777	Dingo Trailer	Repair handbrake cable	
738	Fuel tank	Repair fuel tank pump	
388	Airport Generator	Replaced batteries	
125		Tightened tow ball and filled hydraulic oil	
217	MACK truck	Axel/hub assembly, replaced seal	
210	TAG-A-LONG trailer	Repairing bartlen ball	
92	Ford Ranger	Replaced fan belt	
215	MACK truck	Service	200,000kms
647	Honda Generator	Repaired	
121	Rubbish Truck	Electrical fault in joystick	
391	Water snorter	Setting sprayer, replace battery and check electrics	
530	Multi Roller	Repairs to aircon system	

January saw many services and routine maintenance of both large and small plant to maintain operation. The workshop also repaired defect notices and major operational repairs including the Mack truck that is still out of operation. The rubbish truck has been back through the workshop regarding electrical faults in the joystick.

This year we aim to converse together and create an organised and communicative workspace between the workshop and all other departments within the council. We aim to repair everybody's vehicle/machine as timely as possible with the use of defect notices, phones and emails.

Regards,
Louis Ludwick

Workshop Supervisor

Winton Shire Council DRFA Financial/Construction Progress Queensland Monsoonal Flooding, 21 - 30 December 2020 (2021 Flood Damage Program)

Submission	Recommended Value
Western Queensland Thunderstorms, 21-30 December 2020	\$3.7 M

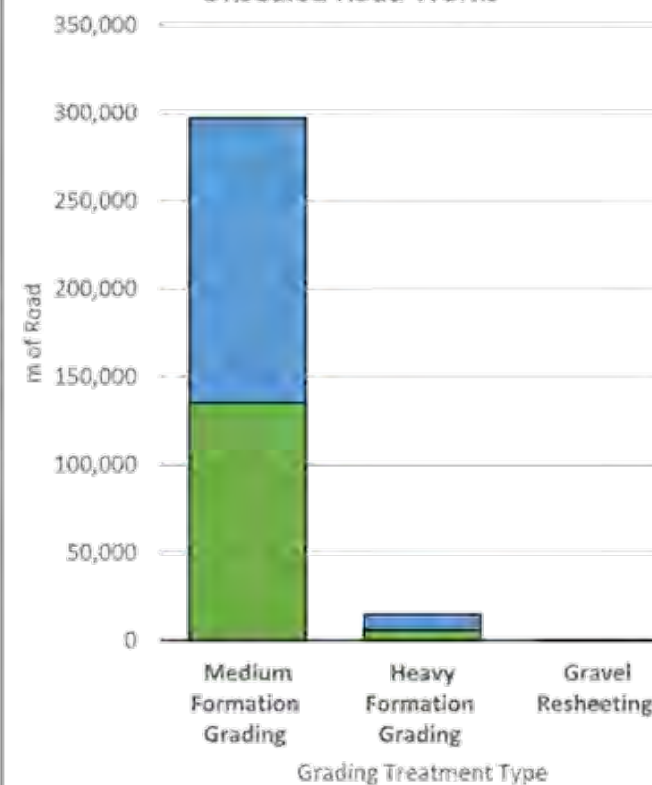
Works Complete: Road Name	Cost to Date
Bernborough Downs Access	\$ 13,744.93
Cork Mail Road	\$ 192,480.33
Fermoy Access	\$ 82,459.77
Jundah Cork Road	\$ 5,455.41
Opalton-Mayneside	\$ 38,748.82
Wirribi Jundah Road	\$ 12,194.87
Beaully Access	\$ 11,690.03
Blairmore Access	\$ 5,656.08
Corfield Muttaborra Road	\$ 8,818.52
Corfield Richmond Road	\$ 243,355.41
Diamantina River Road (Old Cork to Boundary)	\$ 24,354.12
Mayneside Road	\$ 174,967.00
Mentone Access	\$ 32,302.93
Old Cork Road (Red Hill Road)	\$ 91,579.04
Olio-Fairview Road	\$ 6,721.23
Wokingham Stock Route (Brooklyn-Anrod)	\$ 395,860.85
Woolfield Access	\$ 177,655.64

Unsealed Grading Road Works

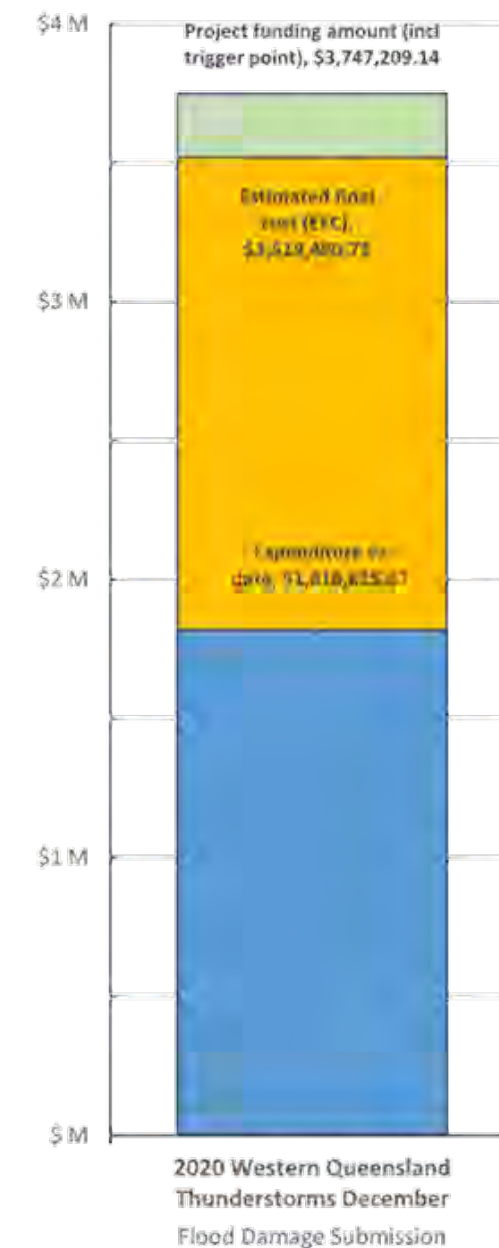


■ Works Complete ■ Works Remaining

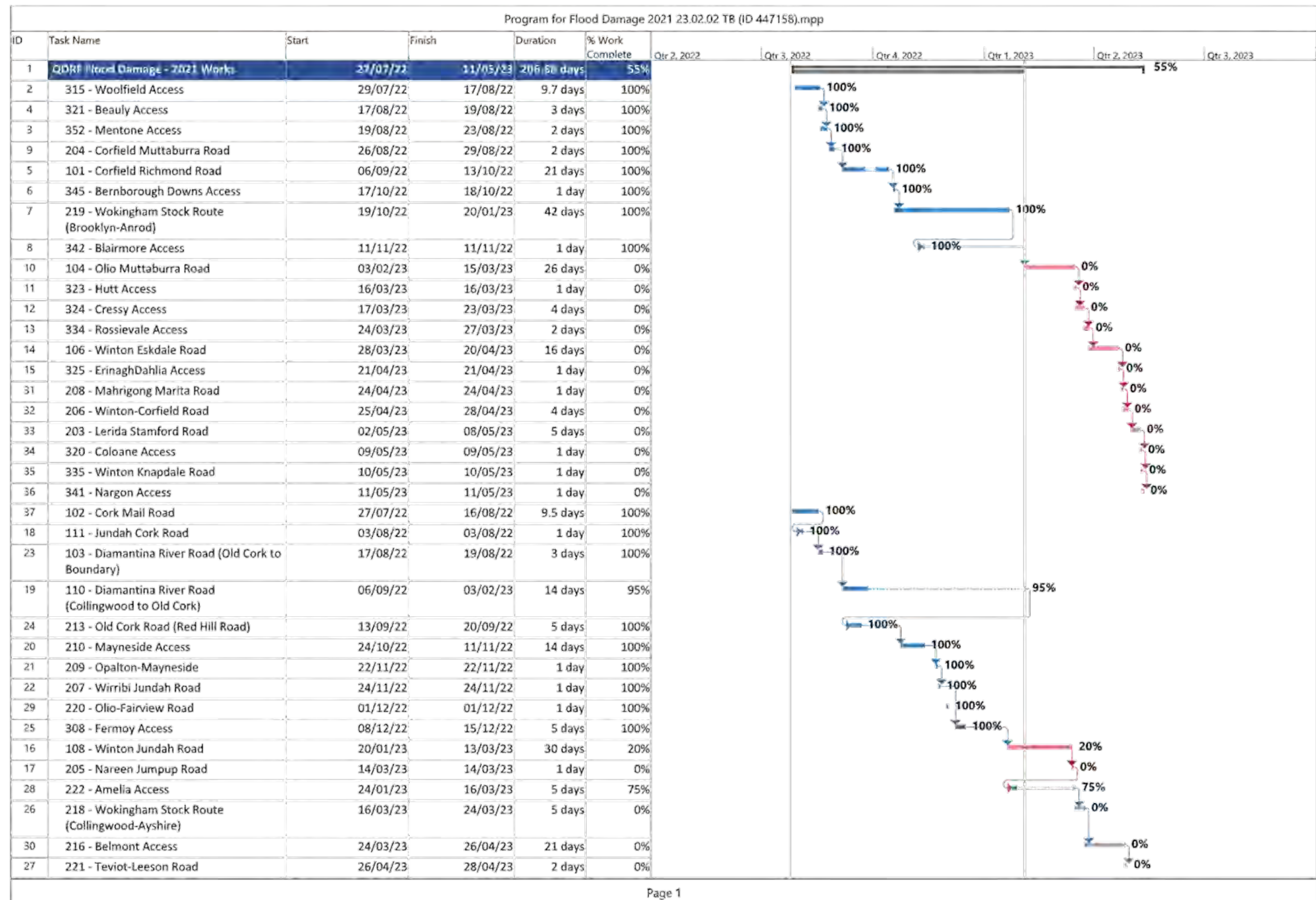
Unsealed Road Works

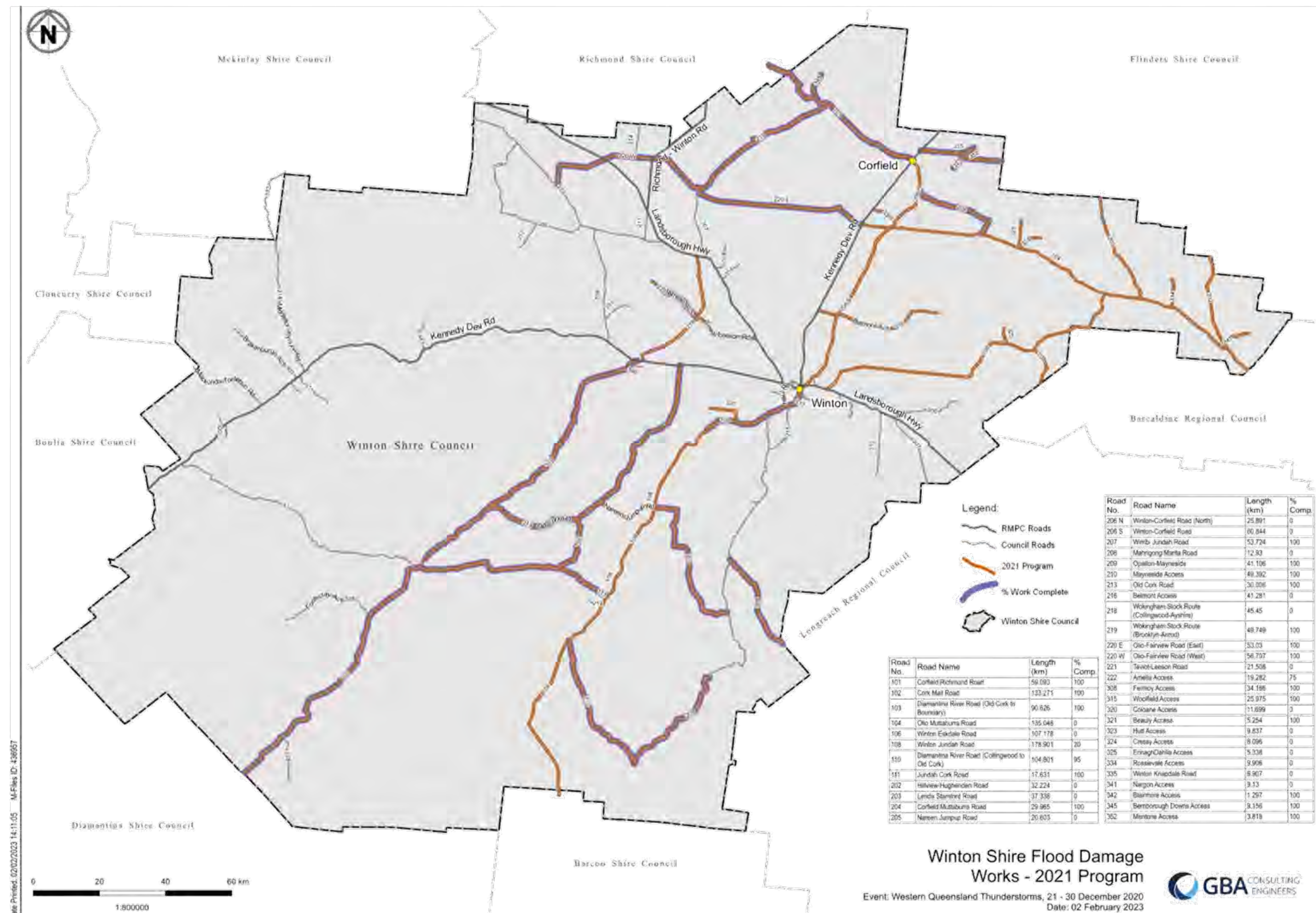


Expenditure to Date



■ Project funding amount (incl trigger point)
■ Estimated final cost (EFC)
■ Expenditure to date





17.3 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**File Number:** 157377**Attachments:** Nil**Meeting Date:** 16 February 2023**RECOMMENDATION**

That the Chief Executive Officers information report be received.

That the Financial Report be received.

REPORT

CEO REPROT 19 January - 16 February 2023		
DATE	TYPE	PARTIES
20/01/2023	Meeting	Workshop - All Councillors
23/01/2023	Meeting	Senior Leadership Meeting
	Inspection	Showgrounds Toilet Block
	Meeting	Governance Meeting
24/01/2023	Meeting	Small Business Friendly Council
	Meeting	LDMG - Craig Neuendorf
	Meeting	Proposed Winton Shire Council STP Upgrade
	Meeting	Indigenous Committee Proposal & Others
25/01/2023	Meeting	Operational Meeting CEO + DOCED
	Road Tour	Old Kynuna Road - CEO
26/01/2023	Event	Australia Day
27/01/2023	Meeting	CEO - Outback Festival + DOCED
	Meeting	CEO + WHAT and NHC Incorporated Committees
30/01/2023	Meeting	Senior Leadership Meeting
	Meeting	Council Meeting Reports - DOCED
31/01/2023	Meeting	CEO + DOW + HR - Meeting Project Management
	Meeting	CEO + DOW + GBA
1/02/2023	Meeting	Council and Community Events in Facilities
	Meeting	SES Services

2/02/2023	Meeting	Council Corporate / Staffing Structure/s Review
6/02/2023	Meeting	Senior Leadership Meeting
	Meeting	Chair of Audit Committee and CEO
	Meeting	Extending the Outdoor Gallery, Outback Way
7/02/2023	Meeting	CEO + DOW - Council Van purchase
	Meeting	Governance Matters - DELEGATION DOC
	Meeting	RAPADWSA contract
	Meeting	CEO OF THE WEST
8/02/2023	Meeting	CEO + Mayor + Sh*tbox Rally
	Meeting	CEO + Acting DOCED + HR Ecotourism Australia
	Meeting	Safety Committee Meeting
	Meeting	CEO + Acting DOCED - Creative Masterclass
9/02/2023	Meeting	CEO + Finance Manager - Peter Gogsch
10/02/2023	Meeting	Workshop - All Councillors
13/02/2023	Meeting	Senior Leadership Meeting
	Meeting	Nex Gen Procurement Systems
	Meeting	CEO + Finance Manager -Pacifica
14/02/2023	Meeting	CEO + HR - Fortnightly Catch up
	Meeting	QUT - Dr Shannon Satherley
	Meeting	WQAC - Western QLD Alliance of Councils

Human Resources Council Report

1. Recruitment Update

Position	Section	Status
Director of Works	Works	Closes 20 th February
Group Manager Operations	Works	Closes 20 th February
Parks and Facilities Officer	Works	Closes 12 th February
Civil Construction (Roads and Maintenance Trainees (2)	Works and Utilities	Closed 29 th January applicants being assessed.

Finance Support Officer	Corporate Services	Closed 29 th January. Interviewing 1 applicant
Group leader/ECT – Childcare (2 positions)	Community and Economic Development	Open until filled
Personal Care Attendants	Community & Economic Development	Open until filled.

Resignations: 0 Consultations 0

Training Update

Commenced/Enrolled:

- Apprentice Plumber
- Apprentice Mechanic
- School Based Children's Services Worker Trainee
- Business Trainee
- 4 staff members are enrolled into a Diploma of Local Government, commencing March 2023

Workplace Health and Safety Officers Report

1. Safety Performance Matrix

	Current Month	2022/23 YTD
Vehicle/Plant Accidents	3	9
Near Misses	0	8
Number of All Injuries	0	4
Number of LTI's (Lost Time Injuries)	0	2
Number of MTI's (Medical Treatment Injuries)	0	0
Number of FAI's (First Aid Injuries)	0	0
Number of Days Lost	0	8

Safety Performance Summary

Incident Description

Date	Description
6/12/22	Member of public has reserved out of a driveway and has hit the parked Council vehicle
7/12/22	Member of public while riding their e scooter has hit crack/rise in footpath and fell off injuring themselves

Date	Description
16/12/22	Employee has pulled up behind truck at intersection and truck has rolled back and hit the front of vehicle
22/12/22	Member of public has collapsed at library due to a medical issue
10/1/23	Employee has suffered an allergic reaction when they walked into an uncleaned building
24/1/23	Truck was reversing through saleyards yards and has hit post
26/1/23	Employee has parked between the kerbing and yellow post in Elderslie Street and has hit the post on exiting the park

Hazard/Risk Description

Date	Description
24/1/23	Wire cable holding shade sail in place at swimming pool is deteriorating and requires replacing

Rehabilitation Case Management Activity

New Cases	Closed Cases	Total Active Cases	Cases >5 Days	Cases >40 Days
0	5	0	3	4

Safety Improvement Notices (Internal)

Date	Department	Details of Non-Conformance
NIL		

Prohibition, Improvement or Electrical Notices (issued by WHSQ or ESQ)

Date	Type	Description
NIL		

Notifiable Events (Incidents reported to WHSQ)

Date	Description of Notifiable Event
NIL	

2. WH&S Training

Course	Date	No of Attendees
COVID Safe Workplace	Online	1
Stress Less at Work	Online	3
Privacy and the Workplace	Online	3

Course	Date	No of Attendees
COVID-19 Coronavirus Prevention	Online	1
Mental Health in the Workplace	Online	1
Cold and Flu Prevention	Online	1
Healthy Heart Fundamentals	Online	2
Physical Activity and Your Heart	Online	4
Dealing with Workplace Conflict	Online	4
Driver Safety	Online	3
Healthy Eating and Your Heart	Online	4
Healthy Weight and Your Heart	Online	4
Risk Management for Employees	Online	2
Slips and Trips Hazard Guide	Online	8
Alcohol and Other Drugs	Online	8
Bullying and Harassment for Employees	Online	11
Fire Awareness and Extinguisher	Online	10
Work Health and Safety Fundamentals	Online	8
Working Safely with Hazardous Chemicals	Online	6
Hear Hear – Understanding and Supporting Customers with Hearing Loss	Online	3
Shopping for Your Heart	Online	11
Healthy Blood Pressure	Online	10
Diabetes and Your Heart	Online	12
Due Diligence for Officers	Online	3
Basic Life Support	Online	1
Hand Hygiene for Health Care Workers	Online	1
Health Services Induction	Online	1
Dogging	12-16/12/11/22	1

WH&S training planned and booked * (note * not booked):

Course	Date	No of potential Attendees
Health and Safety Representative	22-26/5/23	1
Chainsaw*	TBA	10
First Aid*	TBA	20
Vehicle 4WD*	TBA	9
Electrical Spotters*	TBA	40
Operating EWP Over 11m*	TBA	3

3. Safety Inductions

The following safety inductions were carried out during December and January

Area	Number
Matilda Cafe	1
Youth & Rec	1

The following refresher safety inductions were carried out during December and January

Area	Number
NIL	

4. Consultants

There were no consultants engaged during the December and January.

5. Safety Management System

The following documents were updated in the safety management system during December and January

- Take 5 – First Aid Management
- Take 5 – WHS Obligations

6. Contractors

There was no review of contractor's safety documentation during December or January.

7. Workplace Health and Safety Committee

The last workplace health and safety committee meeting was held on the 10 August 2022 with the next meeting scheduled for the 9 November 2022. Due to insufficient committee members the meeting was cancelled and has been rescheduled for the 7 December. The rescheduled meeting of December was cancelled due to insufficient numbers and has been rescheduled for the 8 February 2023

8. Drug and Alcohol Testing

There were no drug and alcohol tests carried out during December and January and this was due to be on leave which was planned and unplanned leave.

9. Infringement Notices

There were no infringement notices issued for breaches of the national heavy vehicle laws during November.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY ADMINISTRATOR (ITA)

Server Upgrade

Winton Shire Council, working with CyberCX is on schedule to deploy new server and network infrastructure in March of this year. This deployment will include many quality of life changes and remove unnecessary legacy solutions.

The new infrastructure will have multiple redundant features installed to allow the highest level of uptime possible in many different scenarios. Councils data will be backed up to several different locations for full disaster recovery functionality and protection.

During the upgrade process we will be altering a number of systems to allow for easier remote

working with laptops logging in as if they on the network locally. This update will smooth the transition to a laptop only fleet with docking stations in the office for ease of use.

Managed Services report

During the month of January all services managed by CyberCX remained stable and no major or minor outages were detected.

Patch compliance is sitting at 94.19%

During the month of January, SSL was the most detected Application with 213.2GB of data processed by the Firewalls, followed by cisco spark base with 183.0 GB.

Applications in the Winton environment continue to match known business applications with no suspicious applications to be raised.

Across the month of December, the Firewalls detected a decrease in youtube-base sessions when compared to previous months. Combined, Social Media attributed to 9.6 GB of traffic across the month.

Online Booking Portal

Winton Shire Council is undergoing user training currently for our online booking platform. This platform will allow the public to book facilities directly through the web, make enquiries, and check availability of the majority of Council operated venues.

Once user training and testing is complete announcements will be made via social media and any other sources available. This booking tool will seek to prevent complications with bookings by streamlining the process, preventing duplicate bookings from being created and notifying staff of their requirements when venues are booked.

Invoicing of facilities will be automatic with payment options being available through the portal.

Customers will be able to access their hiring history and any previous invoices through their personal customer login.

Governance and Risk Officer Report

RISK MANAGEMENT

18 CONFIDENTIAL SECTION

Nil

19 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Ordinary Meeting 16 March 2023