



Western Australia

Agenda for the Ordinary Meeting of the Murchison Shire Council,
To be held in the Council Chambers, Carnarvon Mullewa Road, Murchison,
On Thursday **24th May 2018**, commencing at 12 Noon.

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1. DECLARATION OF OPENING/ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

2. RECORD OF ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

3. RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

Nil.

4. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

4.1 Standing Orders

Council Decision:		
Moved: Councillor	Seconded: Councillor	
That the following Local Law-Standing Orders 2001 be stood down:		
8.2 Limitation on the number of speeches		
8.3 Duration of speeches		
Carried	For:	Against:

5. NEXT MEETING

28 June 2018

6. APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

7. NOTICE OF ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED BEHIND CLOSED DOORS

Discuss two items pursuant to LGA s. 5.23 (2) (c) and (e) – 1. Road Agreement – SKA Route and 2. CEO Appraisal.

8. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

8.1 Ordinary Council Meeting – 26 April 2018

Background:

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council have previously been circulated to all Councillors.

Recommendation:

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 26 April 2018 be confirmed as an accurate record of proceedings

Voting Requirements:

Simple majority

Council Decision:		
Moved: Councillor	Seconded: Councillor	
That the Minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting of 26 April 2018 be confirmed as an accurate record of proceedings.		
Carried/Lost	For:	Against:

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY PRESIDING PERSON WITHOUT DISCUSSION

10. PETITIONS/DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS/SUBMISSIONS

11. ACTION LIST

No	Item	Action	Status
1	Community Project Officer	Still sitting on the table. Meeting held 11 th March 2016 and recommendations presented to Council at the April OCM – the item was left to lay on the table while Council explored other options.	Working Group have identified potential projects and some of the issues relating to the appointment of a Project Officer.
2	Cemetery and Remembrance Walk	Completion of the cemetery and names for the remembrance walk. Community to be contacted to suggest names for inclusion. Community Advisory Group to advise Council on these projects. Invitation sent to CAG to meet on Friday 3 June. A surveyor will be at the Murchison Settlement shortly to survey the tip, so will plan to have the Cemetery done as well.	Following the discussions at the Budget Workshop further work on this project is to be undertaken in 2018/19.
3	Review of Road Network	Council to conduct a whole of shire road review. Establish roads to be closed/position of roads etc. and work with Landgate and surrounding shires. The status (ie a road defined by description; a dedicated road; a gazetted road; a closed road) of roads no longer maintained needs to be identified before the Shire can progress with this.	Updated map of roads of interest has been supplied to Landgate.

Recommendation:

That the Action List be accepted.

Voting Requirements:

Simple majority

Council Decision:		
Moved: Councillor	Seconded: Councillor	
That the Action List be accepted.		
Carried/Lost	For:	Against:

12. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

13. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

13.1 Monthly Plant Report – Works Supervisor

April 2018		Hours						YTD	
* No Meter ** New Meter				Start	End	Total		Operating Costs	
Plant Item	Year	Rego	1 July '17	Hrs/kms	Hrs/km	Month	YTD	Plant	Fuel
P.01 JD Grader	2011	MU1063	9242	10236	10322	86	1080	16,319.03	19,092.35
P.02 Cat Grader 12H	2005	MU 141	15732	16021	16021	Traded	16021	6,047.65	5,530.80
P15003 JD 6WD Grader	2012	MU121	1829	2894	2987	93	1158	9,119.17	25,262.97
P081 JD Grader	2017	MU105	0	802	910	108	108	5,406.98	16,502.38
P.04 New/H Ford Tractor	2006	MU 380	2167	2410	2418	8	251	523.01	577.42
P.05 Dolly 1-Red **	2001	MU 2003	0	8671	10273	1602	10273	3,799.67	n/a
P.07 Nissan UD	2009	000 MU	217729	222784	228802	6018	11073	4,703.12	9,210.92
P.08 Dolly 2-Black	2000	MU 2009	17885	24689	25570	881	7685	5,857.83	n/a
P.09 Iveco P/Mover	2003	MU1065	333380	344086	345438	1352	12058	7,461.12	12,629.19
P.10 Iveco W/Truck (hrs) *	2004	MU 00	11403	11927	11927	0	524	2,628.48	6,127.50
P.11 Komatsu Dozer	1997		2300	3203	3281	78	981	16,404.10	20,363.09
P.13 Tri-Axle L/L Float	2008	MU 663	28490	32457	38605	6148	10115	5,799.41	n/a
P.14 No. 2 Float	2001	MU 2004	10505	11427	11427	0	922	953.29	n/a
P.17 Side Tipper	2001	MU 662	25124	34821	36401	1580	11277	4,915.19	n/a
P.18 Side Tipper	2001	MU2010	10314	20654	22243	1589	11929	6,875.90	n/a
P.24 30K W/Tanker Trailer	2005	MU 2024	7658	21145	22493	1348	23841	8,039.12	n/a
P.27 Volvo Loader	2006	MU 65	8787	9507	9587	80	9667	3,782.52	12,577.92
P.28 Isuzu Dmax	2009	MU 300	225000	234890	235611	721	10611	1,811.35	1,534.89
P.32 Construction Gen			25281	27945	28412	467	3131	352.97	2,391.17
P.33 Maintenance Gen			11798	14166	14508	342	2710	1,158.17	3,679.10
P.34 Generator Perkins *		Mechanic	1744	4545	4545	0	2801	972.67	1,729.43
P.35 Generator 1-110kva	2011		26523	27377	27402	25	879	7,544.38	111,456.70
P. 17035 New Generator	2016		2446	8291	8938	647	6492		
P.37 Forklift			12634	12719	12730	11	96	2,700.87	339.60
P.40A Toyota Hilux	2014	01MU	104000	117927	117927	Traded	13927	1,433.33	2,743.79
P.41 Cat 938G Loader	2004	MU 193	5850	6139	6216	77	366	1,619.23	5,429.47
P.43 Bomag Roller	2012	MU1027	3537	3755	3768	13	231	4,996.61	3,520.87
P.48 Dog Fuel Trailer *	1979	MU 2026	0	0	0	0	0	93.46	n/a
P.49 Dog Fuel Trailer *	1972	MU 2005	0	0	0	0	0	239.56	n/a
P.54 Isuzu T/Top	2005	MU 1002	181148	182491	182491	Traded	1343	499.24	467.09

P.55 Toyota Prado	2012	MU1011	100507	125650	128410	2760	27903	767.29	3,940.38
P.57 Great Wall	2012	MU 167	63922	73960	74366	406	10444	4,190.45	1,627.73
P.59 45ft Flat Top *	1978	MU2044	0	0	0	0	0	2,270.87	n/a
P.60 Mercedes PTV	2004	MU 1009	103624	104434	104482	48	858	2,884.20	104.36
P.61 Kenworth P/Mover	2004	MU 000	104665	117155	118751	1596	14086	9,588.21	18,825.84
P.64 Isuzu Construction	2013	MU 140	136312	155491	159199	3708	22887	7,773.52	7,265.71
P.65 Generator 9KVA *	2013	H/ Maint	6391	9038	9038	0	2647	1,999.17	7,896.21
P.67 Roadwest S/Tipper	2013	MU2042	83079	94644	96253	1609	13174	2,752.49	n/a
P.68 Bomag Padfoot	2013	MU1071	2055	2495	2523	28	468	3,503.83	7,232.82
P.72 Isuzu Fire Truck	2013	MU1068	2149	2381	3026	645	877	5,703.08	14.26
P.73 Toyota Fast Attack	2014	MU1069	8900	8900	8900	0	0	1,256.39	n/a
P.80 Fuso Canter	2017	MU120	0	8589	10352	1763	10352	4,553.73	2,063.30
P.82 Isuzu/Dmax W/S Ute	2017	01 MU	0	20767	24925	4158	24925	7,890.70	3,719.18
Caravans				n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	5,634.35	n/a
P11076 JD Ride on mower			937	1062	1062	0	125	462.78	n/a
P15006 Isuzu Maint	2015	MU1018	48269	73146	75422	2276	27153	4,541.26	7,340.62
P16063 Toyota Prado	2016	MU 0	29327	54803	57719	2916	28392	7,874.36	4,272.00
P16075 Kuboto Mower	2016		175	337	356	19	181	506.20	575.50

13.2 Works Report – Works Supervisor

Construction Crew

The Construction Crew are moving along well with the works in the Byro area on the Carnarvon-Mullewa Road between SLK 47 - 52.

As at the start of this week (14th of May) crew have commenced work on the drains and bunds.

Further sheeting is required on some sections as the road is still low and water may pool after heavy rains. Two floodway's have had concrete walls put in place by Yuin Station contractor. 1 x 133m long wall just north of the Tathire River and a 30m long wall approx. 3km north of Byro turn off on the Carnarvon-Mullewa Road.

As mentioned in last month's report some small jobs are being completed while crew are in the area.

- Blasting of the sharp crest on the Beringarra-Byro Road.
- Placing in an extra 2.4m length of culvert onto an existing culvert.
- Within the next 2-3 weeks crew will remove two 12ft grids on the Beringarra-Byro Road and two on the Byro-Woodleigh Road.
- Boxing out of the Tathire crossing and replacing with cement stabilised gravel.
- There is a bad wash-out section on the Beringarra-Byro Road (under Flood Damage Repairs) and as crew had approx. 15cm of cement stabilised gravel left over they will put this in the wash-out before leaving the area.

Maintenance Crew

The Maintenance Crew are progressing well with grading in the eastern section of the Shire.

At this stage they have stopped grading on the Beringarra-Pindar road finishing approx. 15km north of Boolardy. They are currently 40km along the Boolardy-Kalli road and with the completion of Boolardy-Kalli crew will then move back and continue grading north on Beringarra-Pindar.

Bunding of Old Roads

Expressions of Interest for the bunding of old main roads within the shire has been called and was awarded to Squires Resources.

Roads for bunding this year:

- Old Erong road (from the Innouendy turn-off to northern boundary) approx. - 18 bunds required.
- Old main road on Byro Station east of the woolshed - 12 bunds required
- Small section just north of Byro - approx. 6 bunds required.
- Approx. 12km south of Byro an old road that had some bunds on now requires more bunding as in the last heavy rain (January 2018) some of the sections washed out and this has a big impact on the Carnarvon-Mullewa road.

Concrete Walls

Concrete Walls have been included in this year’s works program.

These walls are approx. 250mm wide x 500mm deep and to the length required at each wash-out.

The purpose of the walls is to prevent the road from washing away on the down side at small creek crossings and floodway’s.

Flood Damage Contract Crew

Robbro and THEM Earthmoving have now completed the 2017 Flood Damage repairs.

I have inspected both sections and the road works was of top quality. Well done to both crew.

Works Supervisor - General

22nd April - Final inspection of Robbro flood damage road repairs north of Boolardy.

Inspection of blow-out and erecting warning signs on the Carnarvon-Mullewa road.

24th April - Inspection of construction works.

1st 2nd May - With Construction Crew plus prestart meeting for Bunding of Old Roads with Paul Squires.

7th May - 8hrs with Construction Crew.

14th May - 10hrs with Construction Crew.

As this is my last report for council (William will now be taking over) I would like to thank council for all their support and help over the last 8 years.

ROADS GRADED APRIL - MAY

Name	Length of Road		SLK’s Graded this month	Heavy Maintenance	Comments
Beringarra-Pindar	319.80km		75km		13km south of Murgoo to 15km north of Boolardy
Boolardy-Kalli	57.30km		40km		
Mt Wittenoom	37.55km		37km		Full length

Total roads graded this month 152km shire crew

Recommendation:

That the Work’s Supervisor’s report be accepted.

Voting Requirements:

Simple majority

Council Decision:		
Moved: Councillor		Seconded: Councillor
That the Work’s Supervisor’s report be accepted.		
Carried/Lost	For:	Against:

14. ANNOUNCEMENTS CONCERNING MEETINGS ATTENDED

14.1 Shire President

14.2 Councillors

Cr A Whitmarsh has submitted the following report:

SKA Stakeholders Meeting – 1/5/2018

SKA partnership convention (international) was confirmed on the 10/4/18, with Australia to still to sign off with a deadline of September. Looking like Portugal is now keen to get on board. Once all partners have signed then funding negotiations will start.

Procurement is planned to start in 2020 and construction in 2021. Design review is underway, with early production arrays delayed to November to make decision when to start.

Still a funding gap so far and risk of getting bigger with inflation and what not, but technology will get cheaper.

Roads pushing for 40% aboriginal involvement. Maintenance program not finalised with Main Roads still waiting on SKA on traffic loads.

I mentioned some issues that Murchison shire and community still have issues with and David Luchetti requested a meeting set up to discuss and solve.

MWA underway 256 antennae have been operating since November and appearing to be more robust than expected. No upgrades planned due to no funding available. Gco Electrical based in Geraldton have maintenance contract. Will be obsolete by the time SKA Lo will be commissioned.

MWDC Gavin (very brief as we ran out of time due to discussion about Murch shire issues)

- *Murchison Interpretative Centre/WA Museum Geraldton SKA Digital Production*
- *Full single lane bitumen seal between Mullewa and Murchison Settlement*
- *Establishing dedicated NBN fibre link between SKA and Murchison Settlement & Pia Wajarri*
- *Establishment of R&D capacity (i.e. 3 qualified researchers) within MW Region, through CSIRO, located in Geraldton*
- *National Space Centre to be located in the Mid West*
- *A Mid West SKA Economic/Free Trade Zone linked with SKA providing incentive opportunities for international organisations to locate in the Mid West*
- *Pollinators led Mid West Education & Community Support Initiative linked with SKA learnings for potential establishment of new businesses, etc*
- *Mid West Procurement Consortium Initiative (partnership/JV between key regional businesses & Wajarri community), positioning/maximising MW business opportunities to secure work both for the construction and operational phases of SKA*

Rob Jefferies is the new EO for MWAC

15. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

16. FINANCE

16.1 Financial Activity Statements April 2018

File:	
Author:	Rose Jones – Deputy Chief Executive Officer Peter Dittrich – Chief Executive Officer
Interest Declared:	No interest to disclose
Date:	17 May 2018
Attachments:	Financial Activity Statements to 30 April 2018 Statement of Financial Position Operating Statement by Program Operating Statement by Nature & Type Accounts Activity General Ledger Trial Balance

Matter for Consideration:

Council is to consider adopting the Monthly Financial Statements for April 2018.

Background:

The Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996. Regulation 34 requires that local government report on a monthly basis and prescribes what is required to be reported.

Comment:

The Current Position at 30 April 2018 is a surplus of \$3,090,663

	Budgeted closing surplus YTD	3,206,064
Plus	Variance to Operating Surplus	0
Less	Operating revenue down	-814,992
Less	Operating Expenditure up	-394,318
Less	Operating activity excluded	-103,393
Plus	Investing activities down	2,819,213
Plus	New Debentures up	2,453,610
Less	Transfers from reserve down	-3,155,637
Less	Repayment of Debentures	-1,917,482
Plus	Transfers to reserves down	421,510
	Total Variances	-642,738
	Actual Surplus as at 30 April 2018	3,090,660

The following Term Deposits are currently held as at 30 April 2018:

Beringarra Cue Road Reserve Term Deposit	\$3,499,963	@ 2.82% Maturity 18/07/2018
Crosslands MCF Term Deposit	\$ 376,037	@ 2.23% Maturity 25/05/2018

Statutory Environment:

Local Government Act 1995

Section 6.4–Specifies that a local government is to prepare “such other financial reports” as is prescribed.

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996

Regulation 34 states:

(1) A local government is to prepare each month a statement of financial activity reporting on the sources and applications of funds, as set out in the annual budget under regulation 22(1)(d) for that month in the following detail:

- (a) Annual budget estimates, taking into account any expenditure incurred for an additional purpose under section 6.8(1) (b) or (c);
- (b) Budget estimates to the end of month to which the statement relates;
- (c) Actual amounts of expenditure, revenue and income to the end of the month to which the statement relates;
- (d) Material variances between the comparable amounts referred to in paragraphs (b) and
- (e) The net current assets at the end of the month to which the statement relates.

Strategic Implications:

Nil.

Policy Implications:

Nil.

Budget/Financial Implications:

Reports showing year to date financial performance allow monitoring of actual expenditure, revenue and overall results against budget targets.

Sustainability Implications:

- **Environmental:**
There are no known significant environmental considerations
- **Economic:**
There are no known significant economic considerations
- **Social:**
There are no known significant considerations

Consultation:

Moore Stephens

Recommendation:

That Council adopt the financial statements for the period ending 30 April 2018 as attached.

Voting Requirements:

Simple majority.

Council Decision:			
Moved: Councillor		Seconded:	
Carried/Lost		For:	Against:

16.2 Accounts Paid since the last list was endorsed by Council

File:	4.37.1
Author:	Sharon Wundenberg – Administration/Finance Officer Peter Dittrich – Chief Executive Officer
Interest Declared:	No interest to disclose
Date:	18 May 2018
Attachments:	EFT & Cheque Details for April 2018

Matter for Consideration:

Endorsement of accounts paid during the month of April 2018.

Background:

If the local government has delegated to the CEO the exercise of its power to make payments from the municipal fund or the trust fund, then the CEO is to prepare a list of accounts paid by the CEO during the month to present to Council.

Comment:

A list of payments made during the month of April 2018 is attached.

Statutory Environment:

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996

Regulation 13 states:

- (1) If the local government has delegated to the CEO the exercise of its power to make payments from the municipal fund or the trust fund, a list of accounts paid by the CEO is to be prepared each month showing for each account paid since the last such list was prepared —
 - (a) the payee’s name; and
 - (b) the amount of the payment; and
 - (c) the date of the payment; and
 - (d) sufficient information to identify the transaction.
- (2) A list of accounts for approval to be paid is to be prepared each month showing —
 - (a) for each account which requires council authorisation in that month —
 - (i) the payee’s name; and
 - (ii) the amount of the payment; and
 - (iii) sufficient information to identify the transaction; and
 - (b) the date of the meeting of the council to which the list is to be presented
- (3) A list prepared under sub regulation (1) or (2) is to be —

- (a) presented to the council at the next ordinary meeting of the council after the list is prepared; and
- (b) recorded in the minutes of that meeting.

Strategic Implications:

None

Policy Implications:

None

Budget/Financial Implications:

Payment from the Municipal, Trust and Reserve Bank Accounts.

Sustainability Implications:

- **Environmental:**
There are no known significant environmental considerations
- **Economic:**
There are no known significant economic considerations
- **Social:**
There are no known significant considerations

Consultation:

Moore Stephens

Recommendation:

That the accounts for the Month of April 2018, as per the attached Schedule presented to this meeting totalling \$4,829,766.61 which includes \$2,132,844.92 of intra account transfers and one payment to WA Treasury in respect of the Short Term advance totalling \$754,547.40, be endorsed by Council.

Voting Requirements:

Simple majority

Council Decision:		
Moved: Councillor	Seconded: Councillor	
Carried/Lost	For:	Against:

16.3 Budget Review Revision

File:	2.4
Authors:	Rose Jones – Deputy Chief Executive Officer Peter Dittrich – Chief Executive Officer
Interest Declared:	No interest to disclose
Date:	10 May 2018
Attachments:	2017-18 Budget Review

Matter for Consideration:

A further review of the 2017-18 Budget based on financial performance between 1 July 2017 and 28 February 2018 following identification of anomalies in the Review presented to Council in March 2018.

Background:

As required by the Local Government Act 1995, Council adopted a budget for the 2017-18 financial year based on forward plans and best estimates at the time. According to the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996, each year, between 1 January and 31 March, a local government is to carry out a review of its annual budget for that year, considering its financial performance for at least the first six months of the year, its position at the date of review and its forecast position to the end of the financial year.

Comment:

The Budget review for 2017-18, as adopted, has been forwarded to the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries and noted by Alan Carmichael as satisfactory. After the amendments were processed in the Synergy accounting system the resulting deficit result was reported to the April Ordinary Meeting of Council. A subsequent review of the variances has been conducted and includes patching works to be carried out on Carnarvon Mullewa Road in 2017-18. These amendments are detailed in the amended Statutory Budget Review attached.

Opening Carried Forward figure:

The opening carried forward figure was increased from \$4,870,024 to \$4,913,068 due to end of year final adjustments. This is an increase in the carried forward surplus of \$43,044

Operating Income:

1. There have been no material changes to the expected operating income.

Operating Expenditure:

1. The removal of housing from the Asset Register and the associated depreciation has reduced the overheads to be allocated to works and administration.
2. The additional work associated with the correction of the asset register impacted on the audit fees and remote accounting service fees.
3. Anticipated expenditure to 30th June 2018 is in aggregate lower than budgeted resulting in a surplus at end of 2017-18.

Infrastructure Roads:

1. Opening up work following the January 18 flood has been funded by transfer from reserve.
2. The maintenance budget has been reviewed and adjusted with funds being allocated to grid work, loan interest payable (WANDRRA), Fuel and Oil, and maintenance in the recreation area.

Building & Improvements:

1. The budgeted capital expenditure on staff housing will not take place this financial year and therefore the transfer from reserve has been adjusted accordingly.

Detailed amendments are shown at Note 5 in the Statutory Budget review.

General Ledger Structure

The current structure of the Chart of Accounts does not provide clarity for users to determine the nature of the revenue or expense items. It is proposed that separate GL accounts are created to identify transactions such as depreciation, overhead allocations and individual transfers to and from Reserve Accounts to assist with 2018-19 budget.

Statutory Environment:

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996

33A Review of Budget

- (1) Between 1 January and 31 March in each year a local government is to carry out a review of its annual budget for that year.
- (2) The review of an annual budget for a financial year must –
 - (a) Consider the local government's financial performance in the period beginning on 1 July and ending no earlier than 31 December in that financial year; and
 - (b) Consider the local government's financial position as at the date of review; and
 - (c) Review the outcomes for the end of that financial year that are forecast in the budget.
- (3) Within 30 days after a review of the annual budget of a local government is carried out it is to be submitted to council.
- (4) A council is to consider a review submitted to it and is to determine* whether or not to adopt the review, any parts of the review or any recommendation made in the review.
*Absolute majority required.
- (5) Within 30 days after a council has made a determination, a copy of the review and determination is to be provided to the Department.

Strategic Implications:

The budget has been developed based on existing strategic planning documents adopted by council.

Sustainability Implications

- **Environmental**
There are no known significant environmental implications
- **Economic**
There are no known significant economic implications
- **Social**
There are no known significant social considerations.

Policy Implications:

The budget is based on the principles contained in the Strategic Community Plan, Corporate Business Plan and informing strategies.

Financial Implications:

The changes suggested in the budget review are based on the local government’s financial performance for the financial year up to 28 February 2018. Adjustments have been made to better reflect actual performance for the period and to give a more accurate projection of a small surplus at 30 June 2018.

Consultation:

CEO
Works Supervisor;
Gardener
Alan Carmichael, Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries

Recommendation:

That Council adopt the amended Review of the 2017/18 Budget as presented in the attachment 2017/18 Budget Review.

Voting Requirements:

Absolute Majority.

Council Decision:		
Moved: Councillor	Seconded: Councillor	
Carried/lost:	For:	Against:

16.4 Finance Facility

File:	4.37.1
Author:	Peter Dittrich – Chief Executive Officer
Interest Declared:	No interest to disclose
Date:	18 May 2018
Attachments:	Nil

Matter for Consideration:

Council to consider accepting the offer from the WA Treasury Corporation of an \$8,000,000 finance facility to be applied to the works required under WANDRRA AGRN 781.

Background:

Following ex Tropical Cyclone Joyce the damage to the Shire’s roads was assessed by Greenfield Technical Services. The approved estimate of the works is \$15,336,954.32.

Comment:

As required, Council has advertised its intention to borrow funds. No submissions were received by the close of the advertising period. Council may now resolve to apply for the short term credit facility.

Statutory Environment:

Local Government Act 1995

6.20. Power to borrow

- (1) Subject to this Act, a local government may —
- (a) borrow or re-borrow money; or
 - (b) obtain credit; or
 - (c) arrange for financial accommodation to be extended to the local government in ways additional to or other than borrowing money or obtaining credit,
- to enable the local government to perform the functions and exercise the powers conferred on it under this Act or any other written law.
- (2) Where, in any financial year, a local government proposes to exercise a power under subsection (1) (power to borrow) and details of that proposal have not been included in the annual budget for that financial year —
- (a) unless the proposal is of a prescribed kind, the local government must give one month's local public notice of the proposal; and
 - (b) the resolution to exercise that power is to be by absolute majority.

Strategic Implications:

None

Policy Implications:

None

Budget/Financial Implications:

A short term credit facility is required to finance the cash flows associated with WANDRRA AGRN 781.

Sustainability Implications:

- **Environmental:**
There are no known significant environmental considerations
- **Economic:**
There are no known significant economic considerations
- **Social:**
There are no known significant considerations

Consultation:

Moore Stephens

Recommendation:

That Council resolves to enter into a new WA Treasury Corporation short term facility of \$8,000,000 for a period of 2 years to fund the cash flows required to undertake the repairs identified under WANDRRA AGRN 781.

Voting Requirements:

Simple majority

Council Decision:		
Moved: Councillor	Seconded: Councillor	
Carried/Lost	For:	Against:

17. DEVELOPMENT

18. ADMINISTRATION

18.1 Local Government Week

File:	4.6
Author:	Peter Dittrich - Chief Executive Officer
Interest Declared:	No interest to disclose
Date:	16 th May 2018
Attachments:	Convention Program, Convention Registration, and WALGA Accommodation List

Matter for Consideration:

Confirmation of attendance at the 2018 Local Government Convention.

Background:

The Local Government Convention and Trade Exhibition is being held on the 2nd and 3rd of August this year, with the WALGA AGM and Opening Welcome Reception being held on Wednesday the 1st August. Under Shire of Murchison Policy it is necessary to discuss attending conference, seminar or training courses prior to attending the event to obtain council approval.

Comment:

Full details of which individual sessions have previously been circulated to all Councillors. Councillors are requested to nominate their attendance and identify the sessions they wish to attend. Some sessions have a limited number of place available and Councillors will be requested to indicate a second preference when registering for those sessions.

WALGA has a supply of multi entry parking vouchers for the PCEC for purchase at \$39 per day. WALGA has negotiated room rates at various hotels as per the attached. In the past Councillors have been accommodated at the Parmelia Hilton due to its proximity to the PCEC.

Statutory Environment:

Nil

Sustainability Implications:

- **Environmental**
There are no known significant environmental implications associated with this decision
- **Economic**
There are no known significant economic implications associated with this decision
- **Social**
There are no known significant social considerations associated with this decision

Strategic Implications:

- **Civic Leadership**
Regional Collaboration
The attendance at the WA Local Government Conference affords the attendees the opportunity to develop and enhance their relationship with neighbouring shires and State Government departments enhancing the ability to work collaboratively. In addition, it affords the opportunity to discuss Local Government best practice and future developments that impact on the Shire of Murchison.

Policy Implications:

Nil

Financial Implications:

The Local Government Convention is an annual event and a relevant budget provision will need to be included in the 2018/19 budget.

Consultation:

Nil

Recommendation:

- 1) That the following Councillors will be attending the Local Government Convention for 2018:
Crs TBA
- 2) That Councillors and the CEO be accommodated at Parmelia Hilton for the duration of their attendance.

- 3) That the Councillors and the CEO will nominate their attendance for the sessions as per the attached Local Government Week 2018 Registration Forms.
- 4) That the total cost of the attendance at the Local Government Week 2018 Convention be provided for in the 2018-19 Budget.

Voting Requirements:

Simple Majority

Council Decision:		
Moved:	Seconded: Councillor	
Carried:	For:	Against:

18.2 Policy Manual Review

File:	4.16
Author:	Peter Dittrich - Chief Executive Officer
Interest Declared:	No interest to disclose
Date:	18 May 2018
Attachments:	Councillors Expenses Policy Donations and Grants Policy

Matter for Consideration:

Council to consider adopting the following policies:

- Councillors Expenses Policy (Amended)
- Donations and Grants Policy (Amended)

Background:

The Shire Policy Manual is currently undergoing a review. As policies are reviewed they will be presented to Council for consideration.

Comment:

The Councillors Expenses Policy has been amended to reflect the current practice of paying allowances quarterly instead of every six months. The policy has further been amended to clarify the attendance of the President and Councillors at WALGA Local Government Week and the payment of meal and accommodation expenses.

The Donations Policy has been amended to clarify that donations authorised in the budget are able to be paid without first referring them to Council. The amended policy lays out the procedure relating to applications for donations not otherwise included in the annual budget.

Statutory Environment:

Nil

Strategic Implications:

Nil

Policy Implications:

The Policy Manual may be amended to reflect the above changes.

Budget/ Financial Implications:

Nil

Sustainability Implications:

- **Environmental**
There are no known significant environmental implications associated with this decision
- **Economic**
There are no known significant economic implications associated with this decision

- **Social**
There are no known significant social considerations associated with this decision

Consultation:

Review of policies of other shires.

Recommendation:

That Council adopt the Councillors Expenses Policy and Donations and Grants Policy as presented and attached.

Voting Requirements:

Simple Majority

Council Decision:		
Moved:	Seconded:	
Carried/Lost	For:	Against:

18.3 Community Recognition

File:	4.6
Author:	Peter Dittrich - Chief Executive Officer
Interest Declared:	No interest to disclose
Date:	17 th May 2018
Attachments:	Biographical Details – Donald Alexander McTaggart

Matter for Consideration:

Council to consider holding a dinner to recognise the contribution that Sandy and Carol McTaggart have made to the Shire of Murchison Community.

Background:

Following the 2018 ANZAC Day celebrations Cr P Squires suggested that Sandy and Carol McTaggart be recognised for their contribution to the community.

Cr P Squires provided the following information in support of this recognition:

Sandy:

- Always willing to put up his hand to help locally
- Ready to accept Chairmanship responsibilities
- Very quick to offer help especially with emergencies and with assistance required by neighbours (Fire, Flood, mustering, local events)
- Chaired both Local and State PGA groups
- Local Fire Response group
- Local Dogging and whole area
- Keen participant in the community events

Carol:

- Is the quiet achiever
- Always there to help out, whether in a physical way or with helping to sort out “difficulties” within the community or about the community.
- She assists others to overcome the problems and difficulties that they may be facing.
- Is a passionate volunteer.
- Always involved with anything to do with the Murchison Museum. She has held positions both as secretary and Chairperson.
- The Mt Narryer home is always open to many visitors. These include both the most important of official parties and the travelling public. Carol makes certain their stay is memorable and welcoming.

Comment:

Council does not have a specific policy relating to the recognition of Community Members for their contribution to the Shire of Murchison other than that of Freeman of Shire. The award of Freeman is the highest honour that the Local Community, through its Council can confer on one of its citizens.

Council needs to consider level of Community Service over a significant period of time and in a diversity of activities within the Shire of Murchison

Statutory Environment:

Nil

Sustainability Implications:

- **Environmental**
There are no known significant environmental implications associated with this decision
- **Economic**
There are no known significant economic implications associated with this decision
- **Social**
There are no known significant social considerations associated with this decision

Strategic Implications:

Nil

Policy Implications:

Nil

Financial Implications:

Council has made provision for Civic Functions in its 2017-18 Budget.

Consultation:

Cr P Squires

Recommendation:

That Council hold a Civic Reception (Dinner) to acknowledge the contribution of Sandy and Carol McTaggart to the community of the Shire of Murchison.

Voting Requirements:

Simple Majority

Council Decision:		
Moved:	Seconded: Councillor	
Carried:	For:	Against:

19. NOTICE OF MOTION

20. CEO ACTIVITY REPORT

Date	Activity
23.04.2018	Discussion with Talis regarding reseal works
24.04.2018	WALGA Zone Meeting
30.04.2018	Discuss workers compensation claim with LGIS
03.05.2018	Arrange asset valuations
03.05.2018	Work with DCEO on budget
04.05.2018	Discussions GHD re supply of services
07.05.2018	Arrange heritage survey

22.1 Road Agreement – SKA Route

<i>Council Decision:</i>		
Moved: Councillor	Seconded: Councillor	
Carried/Lost:	For:	Against:

22.2 CEO Appraisal

<i>Council Decision:</i>		
Moved: Councillor	Seconded: Councillor	
Carried/Lost:	For:	Against:

23. MEETING CLOSURE