

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT.

Council Chambers
COROWA 2646
14 October 2010

Mayor and Councillors
Corowa Shire Council.

Councillors,

I submit for your information and instructions where necessary the following report for the period ending 19 October 2010.

1. PECUNIARY INTEREST RETURNS AND REGISTER

In accordance with the Local Government Act 1993 Section 449 and 450(A) Pecuniary Interests Returns received for the period of 30 June 2009 for Councillors and Designated Staff will be tabled at this meeting.

It is noted that there are a number of returns still outstanding which are urgently required to comply with this section of the Act.

For Council's information.

2. CITIZENS OF THE YEAR

Nominations are due to be called for Citizen of the Year to be presented on Australia Day 2011.

Council would be aware in previous years it has invited nominations for Citizen of the Year in Mulwala, Corowa and Howlong and Australia Day functions have been held in each centre to present these awards. A Young Citizen of the Year award is also presented in Howlong each year. A copy of the nomination form is included for Council's information.

To enable nominations for Citizen of the Year to be called Council at this meeting should give consideration to confirming the current format for Citizen of the Year and Australia Day functions in the Shire.

For Council's consideration.

3. FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2010 AND RESERVE TRANSFERS

The following is a summary of Council's financial position as at 30 June 2010. Quarterly financial reports have been made to Council over the 12 month period of the Management Plan.

The financial summary and the reserve movements allow Council to prepare its annual financial statements. On the audit being completed a full financial statement will be presented to Council in November.

| | Original Forecast | Actual 30.06.10 |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Water and Sewerage Operations | \$ 2,959.00 Surplus | \$ 2,064.00 Surplus |
| Howlong Town | \$ 874.00 Surplus | \$ 56.00 Surplus |

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| Improvement | | | |
| Domestic Waste Management | | \$ 3,379.00 Surplus | \$ 247.00 Surplus |
| General Operations | | \$ 20,036.00 Surplus | \$ 24,095.00 Surplus |
| Total | | \$ 27,248.00 Surplus | \$ 26,462.00 Surplus |

As can be seen from the summary there has been a slight decrease in the original projected surplus.

The improved position on the 31 March 2010 forecast can be attributed to an increase of \$170,934.00 interest on investments.

The original forecast for interest on investments was conservative due to the experiences over the last couple of years however with improving interest rates this improved situation has been able to be achieved.

The cash financial position at the 30 June 2010 also takes into account income and expenditure adjustments, carryover expenditure of \$111,869.00, unspent Federal infrastructure grant \$86,000.00 and Library grant \$200,000.00; FAGs grant advanced payment of \$978,614.00 and the reserve movements listed below to arrive at the consolidated cash surplus of \$26,462.00.

Reserve Movements

| <u>General Fund</u> | To | From | <u>Total Reserve 30/06/10 \$</u> |
|-------------------------------|-----------|-------------|---|
| Employee Leave Entitlements | 100,000 | | 703,324 |
| Plant | 400,000 | 380,667 | 585,037 |
| Office Equipment | | 701,602 | 552,195 |
| Gravel Pits | 51,907 | | 275,221 |
| Industrial | | 518,538 | 0 |
| Aerodrome | 30,000 | | 132,000 |
| Waste Management | 25,000 | | 160,625 |
| Balldale Water | | | 25,326 |
| Cemetery | | 170,552 | 30,552 |
| Corowa Swimming Pool | 100000 | | 1,050,000 |
| Melbourne St Mulwala | | | 100,000 |
| John Foord Oval | 2,330 | | 41,188 |
| Economic | | | 94,227 |
| Saleyards | | 102,775 | 0 |
| Howlong Town Improvement Fund | | 30,100 | 500,211 |
| Howlong Health Centre | | 102,574 | 34,899 |
| Infrastructure Grants | 86,000 | 379,422 | 86,000 |
| Mulwala Cemetery Toilet | | 17,500 | 0 |
| Library Grant | | | 200,000 |

Detailed below is a summary of the reserves held by Council as at the 30 June 2010 taking into account the movements provided in the above table. Information on the purpose of the Reserves is also included.

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| Employees' Leave Entitlements | \$703,324.00 |
| Purpose: To fund leave entitlements of employees. | |
| Plant Reserve | \$585,037.00 |
| Purpose: To fund plant replacements. Details allocated from the Reserve for 2009/2010 are shown in the Management Plan. | |
| Office Reserve | \$552,195.00 |
| Purpose: The purpose of this reserve is to provide office equipment, furniture, refurbishment and extensions to Council offices. | |
| Gravel Pit Reserve | \$275,221.00 |
| Purpose: Gravel pit restoration EIS and purchase. | |
| Aerodrome Reserve | \$132,000.00 |
| Purpose: Aerodrome reseals and improvements. | |
| Waste Management Reserve | \$160,625.00 |
| Purpose: Waste management activities. (Note: Council funded the Karinya purchase from these funds and are to be repaid through the lease of this facility.) | |
| Balldale Improvements | \$25,326.00 |
| Purpose: Unspent monies accumulated from the Balldale water charge reserved for improvements in Balldale. | |
| Cemetery Reserve | \$30,552.00 |
| Purpose: Extensions to Shire Cemeteries | |
| Corowa Swimming Pool | \$1,050,000.00 |
| Purpose: Refurbish Corowa Swimming Pool. | |
| Melbourne Street Mulwala | \$100,000.00 |
| Purpose: Improvements in Melbourne Street Mulwala. | |
| John Foord Oval | \$41,188.00 |
| Purpose: Funds held for capital improvements at John Foord Oval. | |
| BCHM | \$94,227.00 |
| Purpose: Funds contributed to the operations of BCMH for economic development. | |
| Howlong Town Improvements | \$500,211.00 |
| Purpose: Funds for town improvements in Howlong. Roads, drainage, infrastructure. | |
| Howlong Health Centre | \$34,899.00 |
| Purpose: Extensions to the Health Centre. | |
| Water Operations | \$3,114,926.00 |
| Purpose: Water filtration, reticulation and maintenance. | |
| Sewerage Operations | \$2,432,170.00 |
| Purpose: Sewerage reticulation and maintenance. | |

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RECOMMENDED that Council adopt the Cash Financial Report to 30 June 2010 and the Reserve Transfers for 2009/10.

4. OOLONG AGE CARE FACILITY

This report relates to the information provided to Council at its Policy and Resource Committee meeting on 5 October last. As the report provided to accompany the agenda has been prepared Commercial in Confidence, Council if it wishes to under Section 10A(1) (a and d) can resolve to discuss the report in Closed Committee.

For Council's consideration.

5. ALBURY WODONGA REGIONAL CANCER CENTRE

The General Manager of Albury City, Mr Les Tomich seeks the support of RAMROC and individual Councils, in representations being again made to the Federal and State Governments for the establishment of a Cancer Centre in Albury Wodonga.

This is a new round of funding totalling some \$1.8B, but requires the initial application to be formally re-submitted.

It has been determined it is crucial the support of all Councils within the Albury Wodonga region be obtained to support the resubmission of the application.

RECOMMENDED that Council resolve to provide letters of support for the establishment of a Regional Cancer Centre at Albury Wodonga.

6. MEETING DAY

10.15 am An Australian Citizenship Ceremony will be conducted for Mr Innes Baird.

12 noon Corowa Hockey Club presentation to update Council on the Hockey Club and the project they are working towards.

7. RAFFLES.

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|--------------------------|---|
| Corowa Show Society | 21.09.10, 22.09.10, 4.10.10, 5.10.10, 6.10.10, 7.10.10, 9.10.10. |
| Corowa Quilters | 23.09.10, 25.09.10. |
| Corowa View Club | 24.09.10, 8.10.10. |
| Karinya Ladies Auxiliary | 27.09.10, 28.09.10, 29.09.10, 30.09.10, 1.10.10, 2.10.10. |
| Anglican St John's Comm. | 11.10.10, 12.10.10, 13.10.10, 14.10.10, 15.10.10. |
| RSL Women's Aux. | 16.10.10, 17.10.10, 18.10.10, 19.10.10, 20.10.10, 21.10.10, 22.10.10, 23.10.10. |

8. STREET STALLS.

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| Howlong Garden Club | 25.09.10. |
| Howlong Guides | 02.10.10. |
| Howlong Flower Assoc. | 09.10.10. |
| Burrumbuttock Preschool | 16.10.10. |

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GENERAL MANAGER

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CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT.

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14 October 2010

General Manager
Corowa Shire Council

Dear Sir

I submit for your information and instructions where necessary the following report for the period ending 19 October 2010.

1. END OF YEAR FINANCIAL REPORTING

Council's Auditors WHK Albury attended the offices during the period 27 to 29 September 2010 in order to audit Council's end of year accounts.

A representative of WHK will be present at the November meeting to present the report.

In accordance with the appropriate legislation and accounting standards Council is required to sign a declaration stating the following and to pass a resolution confirming the same. The signatories to this declaration are the General Manager, Council's Accountant, the Mayor and one other Councillor (suggest the Deputy Mayor).

Forwarded as a separate PDF document is an extract from the statements including the declaration.

RECOMMENDED that Council authorise the signing of the declaration that :-

The General Purpose Financial Report has been prepared in accordance with:

- The Local Government Act 1993 (as amended) and the Regulations made thereunder,
- The Australian Accounting Standards and professional pronouncements, and
- The Local Government Code of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting.

To the best of our knowledge and belief, this Report:

- presents fairly the Council's operating result and financial position for the year, and
- accords with Council's accounting and other records.

The Special Purpose Financial Reports have been prepared in accordance with:

- The NSW Government Policy Statement "Application of National Competition Policy to Local Government"
- The Department of Local Government Guidelines "Pricing & Costing for Council Businesses - A Guide to Competitive Neutrality"
- The Local Government Code of Accounting Practice and Financial Reporting.
- The Department of Water and Energy Best-Practice Management of Water and Sewerage Guidelines.

To the best of our knowledge and belief, these Reports:

- present fairly the Operating Result and Financial Position for each of Council's declared business Activities for the year, and
- accord with Council's accounting and other records.

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2. DRAFT COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT STRATEGY

Provided for Councillors information and comment is a draft Community Engagement Strategy.

As a first step in adopting this strategy it would be appreciated if Councillors would read and review the strategy and provide comments with respect to it.

It is intended that any Councillor feedback and comments be considered for inclusion/changes to the draft prior to adoption and placing it on public exhibition following the November meeting. With this in mind it would be appreciated if Councillors would email any comments to me by Friday 5 November 2010.

For Council's consideration.

3. RECONCILIATION AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2010

Balance as per Bank Statement :

| | | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|
| General Account | 0000 0022 | \$ 526,315.01 |
| Business Online Saver Account | 1042522 | \$ 2,189,535.60 |
| Cash Deposit Account (CDA) | | |
| Investments | | \$ 10,031,824.66 |
| | Sub Total | \$ 12,747,675.27 |
| Plus Deposits not yet lodged | | |
| Corowa 30-Sept-2010 | \$ 8,905.84 | |
| Mulwala 28-Sept-2010 | \$ 2,800.27 | |
| | \$ 11,706.11 | |
| | Sub Total | \$ 12,759,381.38 |
| Less Unpresented Cheques | | \$ 3,913.98 |
| Balance as per General Ledger | | \$ 12,755,467.40 |

4. INVESTMENTS HELD 30 SEPTEMBER 2010

The attached list of investment securities is held as at 30 September 2010. Investment of funds on behalf of Council has been undertaken in accordance with the Local Government Act and Regulations.

ID RICH
DIRECTOR CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

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ENGINEERING SERVICES REPORT.

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14 October 2010

The General Manager
Corowa Shire Council

Dear Sir

I submit for your information and instructions where necessary the following report for the period ending 19 October 2010.

1. MATTERS REFERRED FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

- (a) Two new dual cab trucks have been ordered.
- (b) A letter has been received from RTA advising that all school crossings in NSW are appraised for flashing warning light using specific criteria. This appraisal has been utilized on the crossings nominated by Council. No indication has been given as to the ranking of crossing in Corowa Shire.

Other matters raised at the September meeting have been attended to or are in progress.

For Council's information.

2. WORKS IN PROGRESS

- (a) Council Depot Workshop – Corowa.
Focus Engineering have finished the steel fabrication required for this extension to the workshop. On-site installation has now commenced.
- (b) Bayly and Lucan Street Intersection – Mulwala.
Work will resume next week on construction of the turning lanes in Bayly Street, to improve traffic flow and safety at this intersection.
- (c) Melbourne and Bayly Street Roundabout – Mulwala.
Installation of the lighting and landscaping has completed this project. Traffic movement through the intersection appears to be smooth with waiting time to leave Bayly Street significantly reduced.
- (d) Hume Street Watermain – Mulwala.
Work is now complete on this watermain replacement.
- (e) Gray and Parliament Street Watermain – Corowa.
Work is also now complete on this watermain replacement.
- (f) Waste Disposal – Howlong.
Contractors, A.P. Delaney & Co P/L have completed the earthworks on extensions to the waste disposal area at the Howlong tip. Installation of piped drainage will continue as the weather permits.
- (g) Mulwala Tocumwal Road – Mulwala.
Work is complete on the widening and reconstruction of this road from Savernake Road to the Old Barooga Road. Linemarking will be done in the next few days.
- (h) Cemetery Road Trunk Sewer – Corowa.
Work is programmed to commence in the coming weeks on this project. A recent call from the NSW Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water alerted us to an area adjacent to Nixon Street being identified as a habitat for a vulnerable species, the Sloane's Froglet. To address all relevant issues, an environmental consultant has been engaged, to do an assessment of the area, and provide recommendations to allow the works to continue.

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- (i) Rivalea Water Supply.
The water supply agreement with Rivalea has been signed and Rivalea is now finalising design and proceeding to construct the pipeline and install new pumps at the Corowa water treatment plant.
- (j) Saleyards Wastewater Treatment.
Work is progressing and should have reached practical completion by the end of October.
- (k) Whisky and Chocolate Factory Water Supply.
Council is doing a small water main extension to enable a hydrant to be installed inside the property.
- (l) (RR 550) Tocumwal Road – Construct and seal.
- (m) Carpark Mulwala – Resheet and shape.
- (n) Maintenance Grade Mulwala unsealed streets.
- (o) Humden Road resheet 300m section (Bus Route).
- (p) Fergusons Road – Maintenance grade and resheet patches.
- (q) Larcombes Road – Maintenance grade.
- (r) Settlers Road – Maintenance grade and small patching (Gravel).
- (s) Savernake – Unsealed town streets – Maintenance grade.
- (t) Shiloh Road – Maintenance grade.
- (u) Dwyers Road – Maintenance grade.
- (v) Cemetery/Bullecourt Road - Washout grade and repair gravel resheet.
- (w) Corowa unsealed town streets – Maintenance grade.
- (x) Cotton Street – resheet in front of racecourse.
- (y) Skehans Lane – Maintenance grade.
- (z) Waverly Road – Resheet 8 loads – Maintenance grade.
- (aa) Filliponis Road – 2 loads gravel – Maintenance grade.
- (bb) Glenhope – Gravel patches – Maintenance grade.
- (cc) Narrow Plains – Resheet damaged areas – Maintenance grade.

For Council's information.

3. RURAL ADDRESSING

Following the objection to some of the road names proposed by Council, a review of the decision by the Land and Property Management Authority has been requested for all except two of the roads, namely LEES ROAD and MARTINS ROAD.

- LEES ROAD is objected to due to its similarity in pronunciation to LEIGH STREET. Both of these roads/streets are within the Mulwala locality and as such confusion could occur in an emergency service call.

IT IS RECOMMENDED that Council consider re-naming LEES ROAD (consider BRYMAY ROAD).

MARTINS ROAD is objected to due to the similarity to MARTIN STREET in Mulwala and Balldale. (There is also a Martin Street in both Howlong and Corowa).

- MARTINS ROAD is within the Coreen locality and as such confusion could occur in an emergency service call.

IT IS RECOMMENDED that Council consider re-naming MARTINS ROAD (consider ALPIN PARK ROAD).

There are three other little used roads where a change of name is not likely to cause great concern but would mitigate the concerns of the GNG, namely:

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- NIXONS ROAD (v. NIXON STREET, Corowa). Suggest GLENDALE ROAD, an adjoining property name.
- ROBINSONS ROAD (v. ROBINSON STREET, Daysdale). Suggest WHEATLANDS ROAD, as it is near to the old Wheatlands School site.
- RIVER ROAD, Howlong (v. RIVER STREET, Corowa – two streets). Suggest extending STURT STREET to the Victorian Border, and this road will then become Sturt Street.

IT IS RECOMMENDED that Council reconsider the above road names.

4. TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

The Traffic Committee Meeting on 11 August 2010 recommended that Council investigate the extension of the 50 kmph zone on Bayly Street to ensure that there is sufficient distance from the 50 speed limit sign to the new cycleway crossing point near the access to Thales Munitions factory.

The distance between the cycleway crossing and the present sign is approximately 90m. It is a requirement that motorists are not exceeding 50kmph when they enter the "50" zone – not to be decelerating after they pass the "50" sign.

I consider that the signs are in the appropriate positions at present and no extension of the 50 zone is warranted.

For Council's information.

5. HOWLONG LIBRARY

A letter has been received from the Mobile Library Co-ordinator advising concerns about access to the Mobile Library at Howlong. These concerns are:

- Lack of disabled access to the vehicle (at the moment patrons on motorized chairs are accessing the vehicle via the main road creating a safety issue).
- Concerns from some patrons that there is no immediate access to where the bus stops.

I concur that there is no direct disabled access to the Mobile Library. To provide such access would require relocation of the stopping point to a site where disabled patrons could access the library directly from the kerb – provided the vehicle has a disabled ramp that extends from the library to the kerb line. The nearest parallel parking street for this would be Pell Street. Whilst it is true that patrons in motorized chairs do access the library using the main road, they do so behind the fog line (where cyclists usually travel safely).

I again concur that there is no immediate access to where the bus stops. This access will be improved with the new landscaping work where a narrow footway some 600mm wide is provided immediately behind the kerb. Access from the high level footpath directly to the library vehicle is difficult and has been so since the stopping point was provided.

To economically provide what is requested then it would be necessary to relocate the stopping point to a street where there is a flat naturestrip and a sealed shoulder and to ensure that there is a concrete path to the site including a crossing from the footpath to the kerb.

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6. EASTERN RIVERINA WEEDS ADVISORY COUNCIL (ERNWAG)

A letter has been received from the Chairman ERNWAG expressing concern at the recent attendances of Weeds Officers and Council Delegates at ERNWAG meetings to the point where at the last meeting 5 Councils and Hume LHPA were not represented. The chairman states that if attendance does not improve there will be no alternative but to revert back to single group meetings being held.

Corowa Shire is regularly represented by staff at ERNWAG meetings but Councillor representation has been lacking obviously due to other commitments by individual Councillors.

The Chairman seeks Council support to improve attendance at the meetings and so avoid the need to have the organisation wound up. The matter of attendances was to be discussed at the Annual General Meeting on 11 October 2010.

I have written on behalf of Council advising that Corowa Shire Council is a strong supporter of ERNWAG and will be discussing its future at the October Council Meeting.

Councillor Shields and Mr Minogue attended the ERNWAG meeting on 11 October 2010 and Councillor Shields may report to Council on any decision made with regard to this matter.

For Council's information.

7. PLANT PURCHASE – RIDE-ON MOWER

Quotations were received for the purchase of a Kubota out-front mower with catcher.

IT IS RECOMMENDED that Council purchase one Kubota out-front mower as per the specification from Bomen Agricultural Machinery.

8. VEGETATION REMOVAL IN TOWN AREAS

In past years Council has relied on the provisions of Section 66 of the Rural Fires Act as its authority to issue notices to landowners to remove excessive vegetation growth from land within the town boundaries. Council cannot rely on the Rural Fires Act as the basis for vegetation removal.

It is considered necessary to develop a Council Policy (or By-Law) to give authority to issue a notice to remove vegetation. A DRAFT Policy has been prepared for Council consideration. This Draft is based on the one adopted by Greater Hume Shire Council. The Draft will be presented to the next Policy and Resource Committee Meeting for consideration.

This does not assist Council in its endeavours for the coming summer months. To manage the vegetation for this year IT IS RECOMMENDED that notices similar to those used by Greater Hume Shire Council be issued to landowners, under the provisions of "Corowa Shire Council's Draft Vegetation Policy".

9. RURAL ROAD NAMES

Council has almost completed the process of naming and re-naming of roads within the Shire. The proper process of advertising and advice to the public of any name changes have at all times been adhered to.

Recently I had a call from a landholder advising that an agreed road name (agreed some years ago) has not been adopted. The road in question is what is known as DWYERS ROAD,

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was agreed to be called LUCELLE ROAD, which is the name of the adjacent property. I recall the discussions about the naming of this road (it was known locally by Council staff as "NIXONS GRAVEL PIT ROAD") but not any details regarding gazettal. It is obvious that the "LUCELLE ROAD" name was not gazetted.

Research into the name of this road reveals that it has been shown on old road name maps since the late 1960's and on Council's Road Inventory 1971/72 as DWYERS ROAD. I am informed that a family of "O'Dwyers" did reside in this area many years ago, but no "Dwyer" family however I cannot confirm this advice. Because there was no proposed changes to this road name there was no necessity to advertise a "new" name.

IT IS RECOMMENDED that Council consider re-naming Dwyers Road as LUCELLE ROAD.

10. ROAD CLOSURE

In October 2008 Council considered a road closure application for the Crown public road south of Lot 254 DP752290. The report from the Director Engineering Services stated:

"The road is fenced on one side and is heavily treed with mature grey box. The retention of this road in public ownership as a means of protection of these trees, and to continue the wildlife corridor is important. The road at this time does not provide for any vehicular access between Bull Plain Road and Little Bull Plain Road but could possibly be used as a fire trail in future years."

Since making this report to Council the attitude towards the retention of such roads has varied to some extent as was evident in the inspection and recommendations made during the roads tour. The protection of trees is also possible via the current Native Vegetation Act.

Following an approach by the former applicants, Council is requested to reconsider its opposition to the closure of the above road. A copy of the applicant's letter is attached for information.

IT IS RECOMMENDED that Council re-consider its opposition to the closure and sale of the Crown public road south of Lot 254 DP752290.

11. ROAD CLOSURES (Lands Department)

In April Council considered applications for closure of a large number of Crown Public Roads and resolved to appoint a sunset committee to consider all of the requested closures. Some of the requests have been determined but a number of roads were to be considered following site inspections. The sunset committee consisted of Councillors Longmire, Bott, Schirmer and Wales.

Inspections of several roads, considered to be typical samples of requested closures were made during the rural roads inspection tour. Based on the results of these inspections (or my interpretation of these results) I have now prepared recommendations on the applications for the remainder of the roads that the Lands Department seeks to close and sell.

IT IS RECOMMENDED that the sunset committee meet in the near future to consider recommendations and advise the Lands Department of Council's decision on all proposals.

12. STAFF RESIGNATIONS

Resignations have been received from three works staff members. Details of service are as follows:

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- Ray Stuart – Operator. Period of service 12 January 2009 to 4 October 2010.
- Chris Richey – Operator. Period of service 12 January 2009 to 24 September 2010.
- Matt Goodsall – Assistant Overseer. Period of service 12 February 2006 to 28 October 2010.

Each of these men was a valuable staff member and has resigned to pursue careers elsewhere. Replacement staff will be recruited as soon as practicable.

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13. COROWA AERODROME DRAG RACING

The inaugural Corowa Drag Racing meeting was held on Sunday 26 September 2010 and was quite successful. The main runway was kept open throughout the weekend. No major issues arose with the aerodrome re damage or from an operational point of view. Nevertheless improvements to the conduct of the event will be made before the next meeting. Frequency of meetings and coordination of Autofest, gliding and parachuting activities will need to be properly managed to avoid conflict between users and prevent compromising aviation safety.

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14. MULWALA SEWERAGE TREATMENT PLANT.

The biofilter treating raw sewage odour at the inlet works has been refurbished and should now be functioning as per design. The swale drain has been hydro mulched and provided weather conditions are amenable then the erosion in this highly erodible soil will be controlled. Rehabilitation of the old sludge lagoons is awaiting advice from the EPA as to requirements. This work should be done over the summer. There are still easement issues being negotiated with the adjacent landowner by the State Property Authority office on behalf of Council. The main impediments to an official opening of the plant may now be in hand.

For Council's information.

JJ BABBS
DIRECTOR ENGINEERING SERVICES

ATTACHMENT

Peter Thomas Pastoral,

"Pantowora",

Mulwala,

NSW 2647

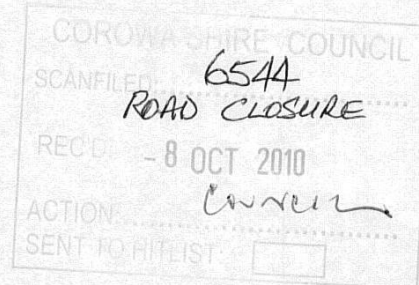
General Manager,

Corowa Shire,

PO Box 77,

Corowa,

NSW 2647.



Dear Sir,

We wish to bring to your attention again our application for the purchase of the Crown Public Road south of Lot 254 DP 752290, back in October 2008.

We have read the report sent to council stating :

"The road is fenced on one side only and is heavily treed with mature grey box. The retention of this road in public ownership as a means of protection for these trees, and to continue the wildlife corridor is important. The road at this time does not provide for any vehicular access between Bull Plain Road and Little Bull Plain Road but could possibly be used as a fire trail in future years"

Peter has been the President/Secretary of the Redlands Mulwala Catchment Landcare Group for the past ten years. So we both agree on the importance of maintaining this wildlife corridor. In no way do we intend to remove this environment or cultivate the land.

Our aim is to maintain this existing corridor and to add vegetation in the future, if council is favourable for us to purchase this land. The corridor will be fenced both sides to reduce stock access while revegetating with under storey and ground cover.

This vegetation corridor will add to the tree plantation that already exists approximately 700 meters north of the site mentioned, where Peter and his father have planted a vegetation corridor in the last seven years.

We hope that the Corowa Shire Council will reconsider, so we can reapply to the NSW lands Department to purchase the land.

We look forward to future correspondence.

Yours faithfully

Penny and Peter Thomas

Phone 04 28 575724

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ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT.

Council Chambers
COROWA 2646
14 October 2010

The General Manager
Corowa Shire Council.

Dear Sir

I submit for your information and instructions where necessary the following report for the period ending 19 October 2010.

1. BUILDINGS.

The following construction certificates are listed for Council perusal.

| | | |
|----------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 2010/118 | Redlands Road, Corowa | Demolition & Storage Shed |
| 2010/133 | 105 Lucan Street, Mulwala | Dwelling |
| 2010/153 | 122-124 Melbourne Street, Mulwala | Boundary Fences |
| 2010/158 | 37 Steel Street, Corowa | Dwelling Restump |
| 2010/159 | 13 Albert Street, Corowa | Garage |
| 2010/160 | 125 Bank Street, Howlong | Shed |
| 2010/165 | Morris Road, Mulwala | Shed |
| 2010/166 | 211 River Street, Corowa | Dwelling Demolition |
| 2010/168 | 7 Wing Crescent, Mulwala | Shed |
| 2010/170 | 233 Orford Street, Corowa | Swimming Pool |
| 2010/171 | 37 Walker Street, Corowa | Shed |
| 2010/175 | 17 Talbot Crescent, Corowa | Verandah |
| 2010/176 | 85 Read Street, Howlong | Dwelling |
| 2010/178 | 58 Pearce Street, Howlong | Carpport |
| 2010/180 | 168 Jude Street, Howlong | Dwelling Additions |
| 2010/182 | 57 Hay Street, South Corowa | Solar Panels |
| 2010/184 | 17 Airlie Street, Corowa | Carpport |
| 2010/185 | 3 Hoac Court, Mulwala | Pergola |
| 2010/186 | 1015 Kenya Road, Howlong | Dwelling Restump |
| 2010/188 | 7-15 McCarthy Street, Mulwala | Office |
| 2010/190 | 70 Jude Street, Howlong | Verandah |
| 2010/191 | 8-9 Fairway Close, Howlong | Carpport |
| 2010/192 | 81 Beams Street, Mulwala | Dwelling |
| 2010/194 | 513 Burnewang Road, Corowa | Solar Panels |
| 2010/196 | 13/103 Pearce Street, Howlong | Verandah |
| 2010/197 | 6 Cameron Court, Mulwala | Swimming Pool |
| 2010/198 | 30 Vera Street, Corowa | Carpport |
| 2010/200 | 89 Lucan Street, Mulwala | Verandah |
| 2010/201 | 77-85 Savage Street, Mulwala | Swimming Pool |
| 2010/203 | 15 Wing Crescent, Mulwala | Dwelling |
| 2010/205 | 42 Hume Street, Mulwala | Patio |
| 2010/209 | 35 Wanstead Street, Corowa | Pergola |
| 2010/210 | 15 O'Brien Court, Corowa | Carpport |

TOTAL \$1,484,195.00

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2. PUBLIC HEALTH (SWIMMING POOL & SPA POOL) REGULATION 2000

The Public Health (Swimming Pool & Spa Pool) Regulation 2000 controls the public health risk associated with public swimming pools and spa pools.

The Regulation applies to swimming pools and spa pools to which the public is admitted, whether free of charge, on payment of a fee or otherwise, including swimming pools and spa pools:

- a) to which the public is admitted as an entitlement of membership of a club, or
- b) provided at a workplace for the use of employees, or
- c) provided at a hotel, motel or guest house or at holiday units, or similar facility, for the use of guests, or
- d) provided at a school or hospital.

The occupier of a swimming pool or spa pool must not allow the pool to be used unless the water is disinfected to the required level; and the pool surrounds, including toilets and change rooms, are maintained in a clean condition.

It is the responsibility of the Council to monitor the health standards of public swimming pools and spa pools and environmental health officers may carry out inspections and field tests as well as take water samples to ensure disinfection of the water is being maintained.

The Environmental Health Officer may order a pool to be closed if satisfied that the pool is a risk to public health.

The owners and operators of premises which have pools to which the regulation applies have been notified that a monitoring program is to be implemented.

For Council's information.

3. COROWA SWIMMING POOL ENTRANCE FEES 2010/2011

The Managers of the Corowa Swimming Pool, Andrew and Sonia Palmer have advised that it is proposed to maintain the entrances fees at the same level as last season.

Council's lease for the pool states: "Admission charges, charges for season tickets and charges for family tickets are to be set by the Lessee and ratified by the Lessor and then advertised in the press by the lessee prior to the commencement of each season."

The proposed charges for the Corowa Swimming Pool for the 2010/2011 season are as follows:

Entry Fees

| <u>Classification</u> | <u>Fee - \$</u> |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| Family Season ticket | 205 |
| Adult Season ticket | 99 |
| Child Season ticket | 80 |
| Adult | 3.50 |
| Supervising Adult – non swimmer | 2.00 |
| Child | 2.50 |
| School Session | 2.00 |

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Opening Hours

| | | |
|----------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| November | | 12:00 noon to 6:00 pm |
| December | Monday - Friday | 11:00 am to 6:30 pm |
| | Saturday - Sunday | 10:00 am to 6:30 pm |
| January | | 10:00 am to 6:30 pm |
| February | Monday - Friday | 11:00 am to 6:30 pm |
| | Saturday - Sunday | 10:00 am to 6:30 pm |
| March | | 12:00 noon to 6:00 pm |

It is proposed that all closing times may be extended by the Pool Managers discretion depending on attendance numbers and temperatures.

The pool season will commence on Saturday 13 November 2010.

RECOMMENDED that Council ratify the proposed entrance charges and opening hours for the Corowa Swimming Pool for the 2010/2011 season.

4. HOWLONG SWIMMING POOL FEES AND OPENING HOURS FOR 2010/2011 SEASON

It is proposed to make changes to both the entrance fees and opening hours for the Howlong Pool for the coming swimming season.

Over the next two years it is proposed to bring the Howlong pool into parity with the Corowa pool. Entry fees at the pool have not been increased since Howlong became part of Corowa Shire i.e. 2004.

Entry Fees

| <u>Classification</u> | <u>Fee - \$</u> | <u>Increase - \$</u> |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|
| Family Season ticket | 200 | 20 |
| Adult Season ticket | 100 | 5 |
| Child Season ticket | 75 | 10 |
| Adult | 3.50 | 0.50 |
| Supervising Adult - non-swimmer | 2 | 0.50 |
| Child | 2.50 | 0.30 |
| School Session | 2.00 | new |

During the year Council has been approached by Howlong playgroup mothers asking that the pool be open during mid-morning to allow non-school age children access to the pool before the heat of the day. Presently the pool opens on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 6:00 am to 8:00 am for early morning swimmers. Attendance records for this session over several years suggest that this session is difficult to justify.

It is therefore proposed that Mondays and Fridays early morning session be moved to mid-morning and that Wednesday session be retained and further that the times be reviewed at season's end.

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Opening Hours

| | |
|-----------|--|
| Monday | 10:00 am to 6:00 pm |
| Tuesday | 12:00 noon to 6:00 pm |
| Wednesday | 6:00 am to 8:00 am & 12:00 noon to 6:00 pm |
| Thursday | 12:00 noon to 6:00 pm |
| Friday | 10:00 am to 7:00 pm |
| Saturday | 11:00 am to 7:00 pm |
| Sunday | 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm |

It is proposed that all closing times may be extended by the Pool manager's discretion depending on attendance numbers and temperatures.

The pool season will commence on Saturday 13 November 2010.

RECOMMENDED that Council adopt the proposed entrance fees and opening hours for the Howlong Swimming Pool for the 2010/2011 season.

5. DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS.

Since the last Council meeting the following development applications have been determined under delegated authority by the granting of consent subject to conditions.

DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION REGISTERED NO. 2010/128 ZAMAC PTY LTD

Application for 6 Lot Subdivision on rural land being Lot 109; DP 752290; Little Bull Plain Road, Mulwala.

DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION REGISTERED NO. 2010/136 COROWA SHIRE COUNCIL

Application for fishing platform on open space land being Lot 33; DP 753734; Bridge Road Corowa.

DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION REGISTERED NO. 2010/142 D PURTON

Application for Home Business – Chocolate Making on residential land being Lot 21; DP 712102; 28 Carson Drive, Corowa.

DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION REGISTERED NO. 2010/167 COROWA CENTRAL PTY LTD

Application for external signage and painting on commercial land being Lot 100; DP 855407; 131-135 Sanger Street, Corowa.

DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION REGISTERED NO. 2010/181 TW McCARTHY

Application for dwelling demolition on residential land being Lot 1; DP 922284; 350-352 Honour Avenue, Corowa.

DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION REGISTERED NO. 2010/187 M & J HOMES

Application for wood heater installation on residential land being Lot 7; DP 253420; 42-64 Binda Road, Mulwala.

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DIRECTOR ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

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NOXIOUS WEEDS AND ANIMAL INSPECTORS REPORT.

Council Chambers
COROWA 2646
14 October 2010

The General Manager
Corowa Shire Council

Dear Sir

I submit for your information and instructions where necessary the following report for the period ending 19 October 2010.

As I was on sick leave for the month of September, I was unable to submit a Noxious Weeds Officer's report.

A procedure has been implemented in Corowa Shire to manage future locust hatchings. The procedure will assist to ensure that any hatchings are reported and where necessary treated. Council staff have been nominated as contact points who will be liaising with Peter O'Shannassy, Livestock Health and Pest Authority and contractors appointed to chemically treat hatchings. If you require any additional information, please refer to the attached procedure.

Due to continuing rain, it is highly expected that the growth of a number of Noxious Weeds will occur during Spring and Summer. These weeds include Chilean Needle Grass, St John's Wort, Spiny Burr Grass, St Barnaby's Thistle, Coolatai Grass, Silverleaf Nightshade, Blackberry, Sweet Briar, Bathurst Burr. Contractors will be used to assist with the control and treatment of certain noxious weeds, also another staff member will be used for the treatment of noxious weeds.

Noxious Weed inspections of road sides and private property has continued in Corowa Shire.

Water, waste and sewer treatment plants located in Corowa, Mulwala and Howlong are regularly inspected for noxious weeds. The Corowa Aerodrome is also inspected regularly. Once weeds are identified in these locations they are treated appropriately.

Howlong and Corowa Commons, Redlands Hill Reserve and other reserves, NSW National Parks (Pine and Redgum) are continuously inspected for noxious weeds in the Corowa Shire. Updates are provided to NSW state authorities regarding Noxious Weeds identified in National Parks.

PATRICK MINOGUE
SHIRE COUNCIL NOXIOUS WEEDS INSPECTOR

NOXIOUS WEEDS REPORT AS SUBMITTED TO AN ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COROWA SHIRE COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, COROWA ON 19 OCTOBER 2010.

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**PROCEDURE - REPORTING AND CONTROL OF LOCUST HATCHINGS 2010/2011**

All enquiries received at the Corowa, Howlong and Mulwala offices from either the public, Council staff, or from other sources must follow procedures set out below.

1. Are the locusts flying?

If yes, then it is too late to treat the insects. No Action.
If no, go to 2.

2. What is the location of the hatchling locusts?

Council Land
Urban Areas (e.g. street, parkland, water treatment plant, sewer treatment works, etc)
Rural Areas (e.g. road, roadside, rural reserve, aero, etc)
Private Property
Other (e.g. LHPA reserve, Nat/Regional Park, State Forrest etc)

3. Enter location and caller details on spreadsheet and notify Environmental Girls via email as "SUBJECT: New Locust Notification" – (no details needed).**4. Notify Riverina LHPA (Council Area West of Carroll Lane) on 02 6033 1196 OR Hume LHPA (Council Area East of Carroll Lane) on 02 6040 4210****5. Place location marker on Shire map in Engineering Department.****6. Contact Council staff if hatchlings are on Council Land to inspect location in conjunction with LHPA and determine if spraying of insects is required.**

Pat Minogue 0427 929 597
Shane King 0419 485 546
Trevor Maclean 0429 338 955
Ian Singleton 0429 328 231

CHEMICAL TREATMENT OF HATCHLING LOCUST

Council staff is to engage contractor to treat insects with chemical supplied by LHPA.

Subject to:

- a) Risk assessment of location completed by staff and LHPA in relation to proximity to public schools, aquaculture, beehives, bio-control, endangered species, organic production, etc.
- b) Contractor registered with the Department of Industry & Investment.
- c) Contractor has supplied Council with all relevant documentation as per Contractor guidelines.
- d) Public have been notified as per Pesticide Notification Plan.

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- e) Relevant signage is in place prior to application as per Pesticide Notification Plan.

If contractors are not available LHPA may have trailer spray units which Council staff could borrow to treat the insects.

(All works associated with the locust reporting and control will be costed to 11705-602.)

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MINUTES AND REPORT OF A MEETING OF THE POLICY AND RESOURCE COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, COROWA ON TUESDAY, 5 OCTOBER 2010 AT 4.00 P.M.

PRESENT

The Mayor, Councillor FT Longmire (Chairperson), Councillors WB Bott AM, DJ Davey, JE Doyle, GJ Poidevin, FM Schirmer, MS Shields and NW Wales APM.

ALSO PRESENT

Mr BJ Corcoran (General Manager), Mr B Parr (Director Environmental Services), Mr JJ Babbs (Director Engineering Services), Mr ID Rich (Director Corporate and Community Services) and Mr G Lewis, Senior Engineer – Water and Sewer.

APOLOGY

RECOMMENDED that the apology received from Councillor GJ Law be accepted and leave of absence granted.

COUNCILLORS DAVEY AND SCHIRMER

1. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

(i) OOLONG AGED CARE FACILITY.

Information was provided to Council on the progress with the Oolong Aged Care facility.

4.12 p.m. Councillor Shields arrived at the meeting.

2. DIRECTOR ENGINEERING SERVICES

(i) COROWA SEWERAGE SCHEME TREATMENT AND EFFLUENT MANAGEMENT STRATEGY STUDY.

A preliminary report was provided on the Corowa Sewerage Scheme Treatment and Effluent Management Strategy.

3. DIRECTOR CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

(i) MEDICAL STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS.

RECOMMENDED that Council not establish a scholarship but alternatively work with local Health/Medical Professionals to establish a support program designed to improve retention of Health/Medical Professionals.

COUNCILLORS POIDEVIN AND SCHIRMER

(ii) RTA AGENCY MATTERS.

A report was made on proposed changes to the staffing of the RTA Agency service.

(iii) TOURISM MATTERS.

RECOMMENDED that Council agree to join the Murray Regional Tourism Board and pay the annual fee of \$10,660.

POLICY AND RESOURCE COMMITTEE REPORT AS SUBMITTED TO AN ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COROWA SHIRE COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, COROWA ON 19 OCTOBER 2010.

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COUNCILLORS DAVEY AND SHIELDS

RECOMMENDED that the Director Corporate and Community Services review the current position descriptions of all staff with a view to establishing better efficiencies and engagement of more volunteer hours AND THAT Council write-off the 30 June 2010 debt of \$53,011.68.

COUNCILLORS DAVEY AND SCHIRMER

RECOMMENDED that Councillor Doyle be appointed as Council's delegate and Councillor Davey be appointed as the alternate delegate to Yarrawonga Mulwala Tourism Inc.

COUNCILLORS POIDEVIN AND SCHIRMER

RECOMMENDED that Council advise Sun Country on the Murray Regional Tourism Board of its decision not to participate on their Board.

COUNCILLORS SCHIRMER AND DOYLE

4. DIRECTOR ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT

- (i) REVIEW OF DETERMINATION.
DA 2010/110 - 2 LOT BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT AND 2 LOT STRATA SUBDIVISION
122-124 MELBOURNE STREET, MULWALA.

RECOMMENDED that as a consequence of its Review of Determination Council resolves that conditions 11 and 13 of Development Consent 2010/110 remain AND FURTHER that an additional condition requiring the sewer main to be filled and capped be added to the consent.

COUNCILLORS DAVEY AND POIDEVIN

5. MAYOR'S MOTOR VEHICLE

RECOMMENDED that Council dispose of the Mayor's car as it is not required by the current Mayor.

COUNCILLORS POIDEVIN AND WALES

There being no further business the meeting terminated at 6.30 p.m.

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MINUTES OF THE COROWA SHIRE AND RUTHERGLEN DISTRICT HEALTH SOCIAL AND COMMUNITY SUPPORT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE COROWA SOCIAL ENTERPRISE CENTRE ON THURSDAY, 7 OCTOBER 2010 AT 7.32 PM.

PRESENT

| | |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Mr Peter Wortmann | Corowa Ambulance (Chairperson) |
| Mrs Barbara Robinson | Kalianna Community Transport |
| Mrs May Houlihan | MOW, Corowa Community Transport |
| Ms Nicole Moloney | HSM Corowa Hospital |
| Mr Keith Barber | Local Health Advisory Committee |
| Ms Margaret McDonald | Home Care Service |
| Mrs Marianne Vogel | Corowa Hospital Auxiliary |
| Councillor Fred Longmire | Corowa Shire Council |
| Mrs Margaret Houlihan | Corowa Shire Council |
| Mrs Gwynneth Handberg | Southern Cross Karinya Apartments |

APOLOGIES

RECOMMENDED that the apologies received from Bruce Corcoran and Wendy Thompson be accepted.

CR LONGMIRE AND B ROBINSON

MINUTES

RECOMMENDED that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 2 September 2010 be adopted.

M HOULIHAN AND N MOLONEY

PRESENTATIONS BY LOCAL HEALTH SERVICE PROVIDERS.

Gwynneth Handberg arrived at the meeting.

Council

Councillor Longmire advised the Swimming Pool Committee held their first meeting today and Council is still committed to financing requirements. There were 3 needs indentified being kids to learn to swim, hydrotherapy pool and a 50 metre pool opportunity. Discussion was held on the option of using a privately owned 22 metre pool for learn to swim requirements depending on zoning, parking issues, etc. Nicole was to investigate the need for a hydrotherapy pool depending on numbers requiring this service.

Oolong aged care facility Expressions of Interest still to be decided. Council has been advised the Howlong Ambulance Station will not happen at this time.

Corowa Hospital

Nicole Moloney advised the nursing home beds were with NSW Health and refurbishment was commencing. Health One tenders closed on 23 September 2010, no announcement to be made until late October/early November. The Local Health Networks have been announced and become effective from 1 January 2011, Corowa comes under the Murrumbidgee Local Health Network with the head office in Wagga. The nursing occupancy is 26 which is down by 5 and down overall. Currently actively recruiting with RN and EN interviews next week. 2 Overseas male nurses have arrived and started work. There are

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currently 4 Agency nurses out of 6 and by the end of November there will be only 3 left with improvement by Christmas. 2 nurses will be retiring in late October.

Southern Cross Karinya Apartments

Gwynneth Handberg advised Janet Fazackerly had been appointed to the Acting Care Manager position. The Fete Open Day was being prepared for.

Hospital Auxiliary

Marianne Vogel advised 32 to 33 people on average attended Bingo every Tuesday and if numbers are too low Bingo may stop.

Home Care

Marg McDonald advised they have not moved into the Enterprise Centre yet and are looking at other alternatives.

Kalianna / Community Transport

Barb Robinson advised 4 Piggan Cottages were full. Albury Pathology would be starting next week in the Enterprise Centre.

Ambulance

Peter Wortmann advised the ambulance service would be aligned with the Health Networks. Still having problems with lack of Victorian ambulances in the Albury Wodonga area. Two female doctors are leaving before the end of the year. Need to work at attracting doctors to Corowa i.e. promoting the lifestyle advantages, providing New Residents Kits, etc.

Community Drug Action Teams (CDAT)

Margaret Houlihan advised there would be a CDAT meeting on Monday 11 October 2010 to discuss the wording of the letter to the Local Member and NSW Health concerning the proposed new arrangement for support to the Community Drug Action Teams.

GENERAL BUSINESS

The Chairperson on behalf of the committee extended congratulations to Councillor Longmire on his appointment as Mayor of Corowa Shire Council.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Committee is to be held on Thursday, 4 November 2010 at 7.30 pm. It will be preceded by the Annual General Meeting which will commence at 7.00 pm.

There being no further business the meeting terminated at 8.30 pm.

PRECIS OF CORRESPONDENCE REQUIRING COUNCIL ACTION AND FOR INFORMATION

1. MURRAY RIVER COUNCILS & GREATER SHEPPARTON CITY COUNCIL

Sharing their concerns regarding the Murray Darling Basin Plan and proposing a joint meeting of Murray Darling Basin Councils to present a united voice to the Federal Government. A copy of this letter is included with the agenda.

2. MURRAY DARLING ASSOCIATION

A media release advising of the launch of the Murray Darling Basin Plan Guide. A copy of this media release is included with the agenda.

3. RFS SOUTHERN BORDER TEAM ACTIVITY REPORT

- (i) Forwarding the Activity report for 1 June 2010 to 31 August 2010.
- (ii) Forwarding minutes of the Liaison Committee meeting held on 1 September 2010.

A copy of these items of correspondence have been included with the agenda.

4. REROC

Forwarding a copy of the minutes of the meeting held on 25 August 2010. A copy of these minutes is included with the agenda.

5. MULWALA PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

Forwarding a copy of the minutes of their meeting held on 6 September 2010. A copy of these minutes are included with the agenda.

CORRESPONDENCE PROVIDED FOR COUNCIL'S ACTION AND INFORMATION AS SUBMITTED TO AN ORDINARY MEETING OF THE COROWA SHIRE COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, COROWA ON 19 OCTOBER 2010.

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