

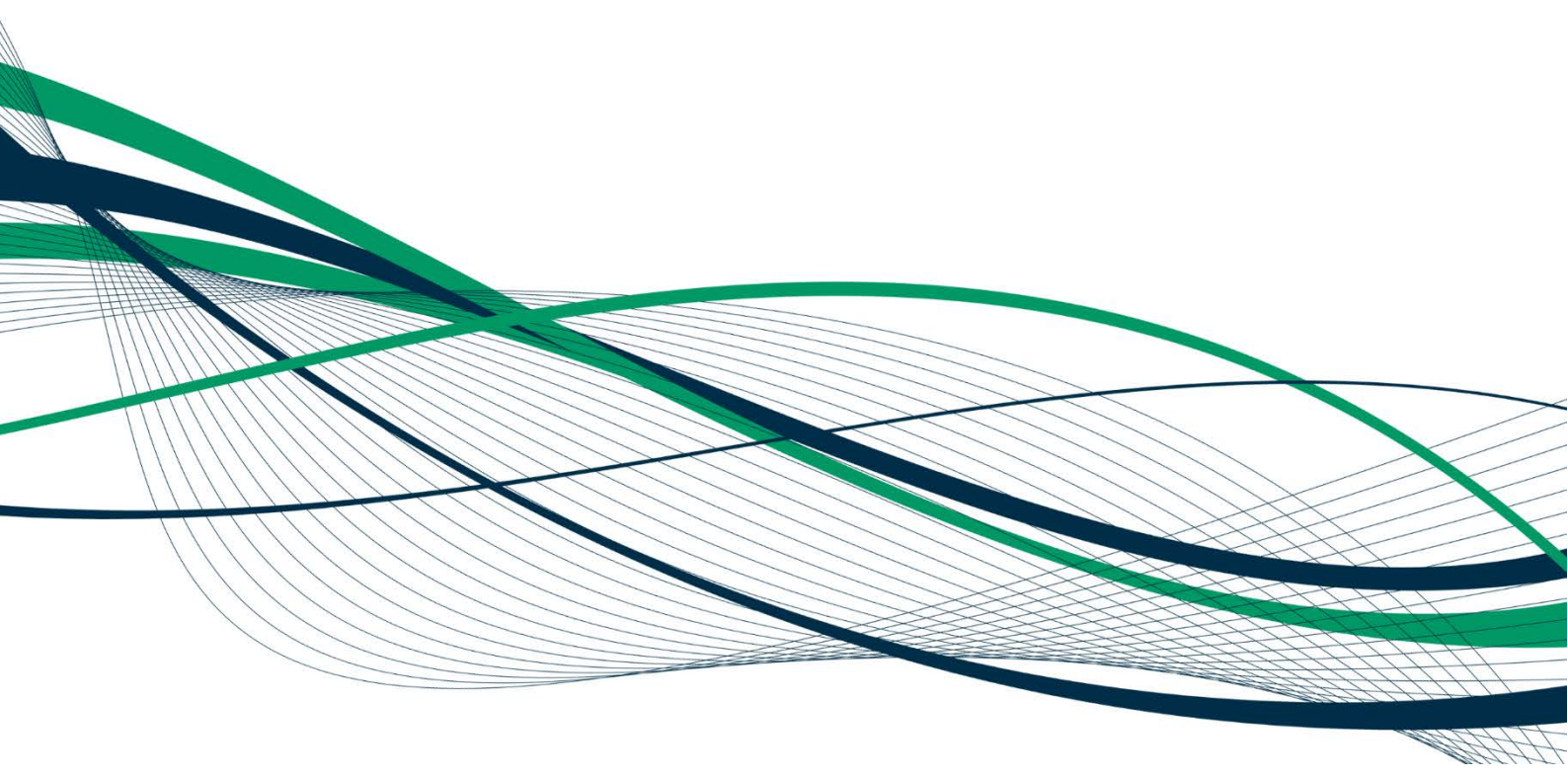


Ordinary Council Meeting Agenda

Tuesday 15 September 2020

Commencing at 2pm

Via Zoom link



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Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land on which we are meeting and pay our respects to their Elders, past, present and emerging, and the Elders from other communities who may be here today.

Recording of Council Meetings

Please note that today's meeting is being audio recorded. This recording will be uploaded to Council's website and will be accessible by the general public. By participating in and addressing those present at the meeting, you consent to any information you disclose (including any personal information or sensitive information) being recorded and uploaded to the website.

Prayer

Almighty God, we humbly beseech your blessing on the Council, direct and prosper its deliberations for the welfare of the people of the Moyne Shire. AMEN

Apologies

Motion (if required)

An apology was received from

Declarations of Interest

Local Government Act 1989 Section 79 (2): A Councillor or member of a special committee who has a conflict of interest and is attending the meeting of the Council or special committee must make a full disclosure of that interest:

- (a) by either:
 - (i) Advising the Council or special committee at the meeting of the details required under paragraph (b) and (c) immediately before the matter is considered at the meeting; or
 - (ii) Advising the Chief Executive Officer in writing of the details required under paragraphs (b) and (c) before the meeting; and
- (b) Classifying the type of interest that has given rise to the conflict as either:
 - (i) A direct interest: or
 - (ii) An indirect interest and specifying the particular kind of indirect interest under Section 78, 78A, 78B, 78C, 78D or 78E; and
- (c) Describing the nature of the interest; and
- (d) If the Councillor or member advised the Chief Executive Officer of the details under paragraph (a) (ii), the Councillor or member must make a disclosure of the class of interest only to the meeting immediately before the matter is considered at the meeting.

Members of Staff

Under Section 80C of the Local Government Act 1989, officers of people engaged under contract to the Council providing a report or advice to Council must disclose any conflicts of interests in the matter, including the type of interest.

Confirmation of Minutes

Attachment

Attach - Unconfirmed Minutes of Ordinary Council Meeting 25 August 2020.

Recommendation

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 25 August 2020 be confirmed.

Public Participation

Members of the public attending the monthly Council Ordinary Meeting may address the meeting in respect of either:

- a) any item listed in the business paper; or
- b) any other matter relevant to the activities and projects of the Council.

Any person wishing to address the Council must submit details in writing of the nature of the issue / question they wish to raise by 12 noon on the Monday prior to the meeting day.

The public participation segment for each Council meeting will be held at 2pm.

Any matters raised at a public participation session will be considered by the Council at the subsequent Council meeting.

The matters will be considered after the confirmation of minutes of previous meetings and be considered in the order they were raised at the public participation session.

Meeting Procedure Local Law – 61(11) and 61(12)

Summary: If the Chief Executive Officer is unable to provide an answer to a question from a member of the public (during the public participation section of the meeting), the Chief Officer must provide and circulate to all Councillors a written answer to the member of the public at his or her nominated address as soon as is practicable. The response must be tabled at the next Ordinary Meeting and a summary of the text of the question and the response be included in the Minutes of the meeting.

Public participation attendees

Mr Hamish Cumming provided an email dated 30 August to be read during the meeting.

Mr Mick Daly – Report 11, Daly's Supermarket Koroit Contribution to Car Park

1. Monthly Financial Performance Report

Council Meeting 15 September 2020

Presenter: Director Community & Corporate Services

Author: Manager Finance & IT

Attachment(s)

Attach - Monthly Financial Performance Report – August 2020

Officer's Recommendation

- 1 That Council receive the Monthly Financial Performance Report for August 2020.**
 - 2 That Council approves the variations as listed in Attachment 4 to this report.**
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2. Annual Financial Report and Performance Statement 2019-2020

Council Meeting 15 September 2020

Presenter: Director Community & Corporate Services

Author: Manager Finance & IT

Attachment(s)

Attach 01 - Annual Financial Report for the year ended 30 June 2020

Attach 02 - Performance Statement for the year ended 30 June 2020

Officer's Recommendation

- 1. That Council, pursuant to Section 132 (2) of the Local Government Act 1989 approve in principle the Annual Financial Report and Performance Statement for the year ending 30 June 2020.**
 - 2. That Councillor Daniel Meade and Councillor Mick Wolfe be authorised to certify the Annual Financial Report and Performance Statement for the year ending 30 June 2020 in their final form, pursuant to Section 132(5) of the Local Government Act 1989.**
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Synopsis

The Annual Financial Report and Performance Statement for the year ended 30 June 2020 have been prepared and audited.

Both reports have been presented to Council's Audit & Risk Management Committee who recommend that the Annual Financial Report 2019-20 and Performance Statement 2019-20 be approved in principle subject to receiving full audit clearance from VAGO.

It is now appropriate for Council to consider and approve the Annual Financial Report and Performance Statement for the 2019-20 financial year.

Background

Council is required to prepare a Financial Report and a Performance Statement each financial year.

These reports have been prepared for the year ended 30 June 2020 in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act, the Local Government Planning and Reporting Regulations 2014, and Accounting Standards.

The Annual Financial Report is prepared in accordance with the Local Government Model Financial Report as developed by the industry and mandated in the Regulations.

The Victorian Auditor General's Office, via their appointed agents Crowe Horwath, have conducted both interim (April 2020) and final year end audits (August 2020) for the 2019-2020 financial year.

Council's Audit & Risk Management Committee have reviewed the Annual Financial Report 2019-20 and Performance Statement 2019-20 and recommend that they be approved in principle by Council.

Strategic Link

The Local Government Act 1989.

Local Government (Planning and Reporting) Regulations 2014.

Discussion

The following commentary is provided on major items contained in the Annual Financial Report and the Performance Statement.

Financial Report

- The Comprehensive Surplus for the 2019-20 year is \$2.95m.
- Council's Capital Works spend totalled \$20.06m, including \$15.1m in asset renewal.
- Council remains in a solid financial position with Cash and Investments at balance date of \$22.96m and zero loan debt at June 30 2020.
- All financial indicators remain sound.

Performance Statement

- Results against the prescribed service performance outcome, financial performance and sustainable capacity indicators and measures are tabled.
- The Regulations require that Council provide an explanation of any material variations in the results between the current year and other years disclosed, to enable readers to understand the reason for the variation.

Consultation

The Annual Financial Report must be prepared in accordance with the Local Government Model Financial Report, which has been developed to provide uniformity and comparability of financial reports across the sector, and prescribes disclosure requirements.

The Performance Statement has been prepared in accordance with the Local Government Better Practise Guide 2019-20 Performance Statement.

Financial Implications

The external audit contract fee is included in Council's budget.

Risk

The external audit methodology is risk based targeting those areas that pose a higher risk of material misstatement to the financial report.

Conclusion

The Annual Financial Report and Performance Report for 2019-20 have been prepared in accordance with mandated requirements and have been subjected to audit.

It is now appropriate that the 2019-20 Annual Financial Report and Performance Statement be referred to Council for adoption in principle.

3. Woorndoo Heritage Assessment Report

Council Meeting 15 September 2020

Presenter: Director Community & Corporate Services

Author: Manager Culture and Community Development

Attachment(s)

Attach– Woorndoo Heritage Assessment Report

Officer's Recommendation

That Council endorse the findings and recommendations contained in the Woorndoo Heritage Assessment Report noting the local significance of the Woorndoo Avenue of Honour, the Memorial Gates at the Woorndoo Recreation Reserve, the Honour Boards at the Woorndoo State School and Woorndoo Uniting Church, the Woorndoo Public cemetery and the Woorndoo Soldiers' Memorial Hall and that the resourcing of these matters be referred to council budget.

Synopsis

The Woorndoo Heritage Assessment Report was undertaken by independent heritage specialists to assess the heritage and war memorial status of three places in the township:

- The avenue of Monterey Cypress trees on Ararat Road;
- The Woorndoo Community Hall;
- Woorndoo Recreation Reserve.

This report has found that the avenue of Monterey Cypress on Ararat Road, Woorndoo, was planted as an Avenue of Honour in c.1919, and that the Woorndoo Public Hall was built as a Soldiers' Memorial Hall in 1926-27.

The report recommends heritage overlays be applied to the three (3) specific sites listed above when a planning scheme amendment occurs, and heritage citations also prepared for these three sites. This body of work will be included on Council's current list of proposed strategic planning projects and referred to the budget process for consideration of future funding.

The report also recommends that Council nominate specific sites / assets as war-related heritage (non-statutory listings) namely:

- Woorndoo State School Honour Board located at the former Woorndoo State School;
- Woorndoo Uniting Church Honour Board located at the Woorndoo Uniting Church;
- Woorndoo Soldiers' Memorial Hall;
- Woorndoo Avenue of Honour.

Revised heritage citations are also prepared for the following heritage places in Woorndoo in order to apply the Heritage Overlay as part of a future planning scheme amendment:

- Former Woorndoo State School State School;
- Woorndoo Uniting Church;
- Woorndoo Cemetery.

That the River Red Gum in Ararat Road, Woorndoo also be added to the list of Council's future strategic projects to be considered for further investigation of its potential Aboriginal heritage and ecological significance.

Background

The report was commissioned following a **Council resolution** at the August 2019 Council meeting to undertake heritage and status investigation of the Avenue.

The researchers undertook desk-top, on-site and targeted local consultation to inform the report and recommendations.

Strategic Link

The Report was developed following the adoption of the Woorndoo Township and Streetscape Plan 2019 which aligns to the Moyne Shire Council Plan 2017-2021 objective:

“Engaging with communities and facilitating the development of local community plans”.

Discussion

The Report has listed the heritage assets of Woorndoo as being of local significance, and therefore are not required to be listed on the State Register. The land manager is responsible for the protection of the heritage places identified. When the Heritage Overlay is applied, Council will be responsible for considering any planning permit applications required for the use and development of the heritage place under the Planning and Environment Act 1987. Council is currently undertaking many strategic planning projects. Development of a Heritage Overlay for Woorndoo will be included on the list of proposed strategic projects. Delivery will require funding through Council's budget process. No actions regarding the Heritage study will occur until a Planning Scheme amendment is adopted.

In the meantime, should any works be proposed on any of these assets, the recommendations of the study shall be taken into consideration.

The First World War honour boards located at the former Woorndoo State School and the Woorndoo Uniting Church are recommended to be retained in those buildings while those buildings remain in community/church use; but that they are safe-guarded by Moyne Shire in the event of these buildings being sold and/or no longer used for community/church use.

Safety and other relevant considerations will still take precedent for the management of the Avenue of Honour trees regardless of whether or not a heritage overlay is in place.

The report states that the name 'Woorndoo' is believed to derive from an Aboriginal word that means 'sound'.

Consultation

Targeted consultation was undertaken with council officers and some local community members and followed on from the wider consultation undertaken as part of the Woorndoo Township and Streetscape Plan 2019.

Financial Implications

The implementation of a future planning scheme amendment would require financial resourcing. The project will be referred to Council's annual budget process for consideration.

Risk

There are no risks to Council identified.

Conclusion

The Report has been developed through extensive research within the limitations imposed by COVID-19 restrictions and provides sufficient detailed evidence to support the recommendations.

4. Moyne Shire Open Space Strategy 2020-2035

Council Meeting 15 September 2020

Presenter: Director Community & Corporate Services

Author: Manager Culture and Community Development

Attachment(s)

Attach 01 – Moyne Shire Open Space Strategy

Attach 02 – Moyne Shire Open Space Strategy Action Plan

Attach 03 – Moyne Shire Open Space Strategy Executive Summary

Officer's Recommendation

That Council adopt the Moyne Shire Open Space Strategy 2020-2035.

Synopsis

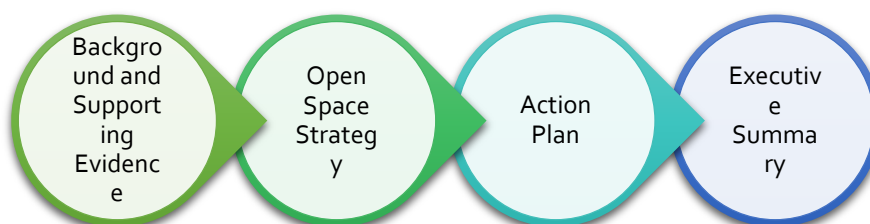
The Moyne Shire Open Space Strategy 2020-2035 (Strategy) is a key strategic planning document for Council, Council partners and stakeholders involved in the planning, management and investment in open space across the Shire. It will inform future planning and directions for open space in Moyne Shire over a 15-year period.

It sets the following vision for our open space:

To continue to deliver high quality, connected and sustainable open spaces that meet community need and provide benefits to the environment, economy and community.

Moyne will be known for its natural features and its many strong communities.

The Strategy has been developed from background research, community consultation, policy assessments, benchmarking and audits of our open space. The Strategy is divided into four (4) primary documents:



The Strategy will be supported by an internal Operational Plan and implementation, monitoring and review will occur under an Open Space Governance Group.

Background

At the July Ordinary Meeting, Council endorsed the release of the draft Open Space Strategy 2020-2035 for a 28-day period of public comment. The public comment period concluded 25 August. Two public submissions were received via the Have Your Say portal on the Moyne Shire Website.

Strategic Link

The Strategy aligns to the following key themes in the Moyne Shire Council Plan 2017-2021:

- Partnering with community to improve buildings and other infrastructure;
- Providing infrastructure that suits community needs;
- Delivering infrastructure that helps the community come together and share experiences;
- Providing accessible and sustainable facilities;
- Providing activities for people of all ages and abilities;
- Developing and implementing an Open Space Strategy;
- Providing pathway networks to encourage families to walk and cycle together.

Discussion

Submission one was received from Meredith Adams regarding the Wangoom Hall and the need to upgrade the outdoor area and playground. This comment is recognised in Action VH6:

- Action VH6 - support the community to create a community open space associated with the Wangoom Hall upgrades.

Submission two was received from Katy McKenzie concerning maintenance of assets located in open space parcels such as the Winslow recreation reserve and the need for paths and trail connections throughout Winslow. Working with community committees and management groups, together with practical management guidelines, will assist to address this concern and are recognised in actions: SG2, KP1 and KP2:

- Action SG2 - Develop design guidelines for typical infrastructure items such as public signage, street furniture, play equipment, lighting etc., to be used in the life-cycle replacement or upgrade of assets.
- KP1 – Ensure licence and lease agreements with Committees of Management / user groups are maintained and up-to-date and that terms and conditions are relevant to each organisation and asset, including maintenance requirements.
- KP2 – Continue to implement a rolling program of footpath, cycling paths, trails and sealed road connections with an initial focus on localities where this is identified as a key gap in open space accessibility.

Consultation

The consultation for the development of the Open Space Strategy was extensive including a program of workshops across the Shire complemented by an online community survey, and interviews with primary land and assets owners and managers. Council officers were also consulted and included in the development and review of the Strategy.

Notice of the draft strategy and calling for public comment was announced with a media release on 29 July 2020. Other notices included social media posts, Moyne Shire news update in the Warrnambool Standard newspaper and the Have Your Say page on the Moyne website.

Financial Implications

The Strategy will need to attract a range of funding to support its implementation. These include Council budget allocations, fees and charges and allocations to committees of management, community contributions, government and corporate funding and partnerships with other open space land and assets owners / managers.

A number of projects are included in existing master plans and other strategies where costs have either been developed / estimated or which recommend further project development for future priority projects.

Risk

There is little risk in adopting the Moyne Open Space Strategy. It is a project that was approved in Council's 2017/18 Budget and Council Plan process.

Conclusion

The Strategy presents a 15-year vision that provides a framework for action, advocacy and investment.

The Action Plan addresses all public comments or concerns presented to Council during the period of public comment and will continue to guide the implementation of the Strategy for the first five years providing an integrated framework to inform our planning, management and investment in open space.

5. Morton's Lane Wind Farm – Bird and Bat Monitoring 2015 – 2019 report

Council Meeting 15 September 2020

Presenter: Executive Manager Major Projects

Author: Major Projects Liaison Officer

Attachment(s)

Attach01 - Morton's Lane Wind Farm Bird and Bat Monitoring 2015 – 2019 report (Biosis)

Attach02 - Morton's Lane Wind Farm Bat and Avifauna Management Plan 2011 (SKM)

Attach03 - DELWP review table August 2018

Attach04 - Letter from Council to CGN December 2018

Attach05 - Letter from Council to CGN January 2020

Officer's Recommendation

That Council endorse the *Morton's Lane Wind Farm – Bird and Bat Monitoring 2015 – 2019* report.

Synopsis

The Morton's Lane Wind Farm comprises 13 turbines, 6 of which are in Moyne Shire and 7 in Southern Grampians Shire. The site is located in the north-west corner of Moyne, bounded by the Hamilton-Chatsworth Road to its north.

The operator of the windfarm is CGN Energy (CGN). The wind farm commenced operation in January 2013.

Condition 34 of the permit required the permit holder to prepare a Bat and Avifauna Management Plan (BAMP) in consultation with the (then) Department of Sustainability and Environment, and to document the findings of the Brolga and bird monitoring program within agreed timeframes.

The *Morton's Lane Wind Farm – Bird and Bat Monitoring 2015 – 2019* report (the report) assesses permit compliance in relation to meeting the requirements of the endorsed BAMP.

Background

Moyne Shire Council and Southern Grampians Shire Council granted approval for the Morton's Lane Wind Farm on 8 June 2007. The relevant Moyne Shire Council Planning Permit is PL06/303. The permit has 48 conditions, some of which require the submission of reports within specified time frames following the commencement of the operation of the wind farm.

Condition 34 relates to the BAMP.

The report is being concurrently reviewed by Southern Grampians Shire Council.

Availability of documents to the public

Plans and reports submitted to meet conditions of planning permits are not routinely made available to third parties until such time as they are approved or endorsed as part of the permit. This has been confirmed by legal advice which stated that VCAT has previously advised that providing public notice where there is no review right is not only unnecessary, but can also be unhelpful because it creates an expectation of further rights (akin to those associated with permit applications).

Once approved, any endorsed document then forms part of the permit and is available for inspection.

In addition, the Permit holder may make copies of endorsed reports available on its project website, and/or on request.

Strategic Link

Moyne Planning Scheme

Planning and Environment Act 1987

Discussion

Council is the responsible authority for the Permit in regard to the 6 turbines that are located in Moyne Shire.

BAMP Reporting and Assessment Process

The permit requires the BAMP to be prepared in consultation with DELWP (formerly DSE), to the satisfaction of the responsible authorities. As a result, Condition 34 was one required by DEWLP in its role as a referral authority.

Because DELWP was consulted by the permit holder during the preparation of the BAMP and holds the technical expertise in relation to bats and avifauna, Council has sought its expert advice to assess the *Morton's Lane Wind Farm – Bird and Bat Monitoring 2015 – 2019 (Biosis)* report that has been submitted to Council by CGN.

The BAMP monitoring, reporting, referral and assessment process has been ongoing since the wind farm commenced operation in 2013, and included:

- Monitoring of Brolga utilisation of the wind farm during seasonal surveys in 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2019. During point count surveys all bird species observed were recorded.
- Surveys of a zone within 2 km of the wind farm for Brolga breeding or flocking.
- Monitoring of micro-bat activity using ultrasonic bat-call detectors.
- Monitoring and documenting birds and bats found dead as a result of collisions with turbines.
- Trials to determine rates at which searchers detected collision carcasses and of the persistence times of carcasses.
- Analysis of data collected to estimate total mortalities of bird and bat species at the wind farm.

Previous annual reports have been submitted, however a review by DELWP in late 2018 noted that some aspects of work had not been completed for a full three years. Consequently, as recommended by DELWP and agreed by Moyne and Southern Grampians Shire Councils, additional investigations were undertaken in 2019 to fulfill a total of 36 months of collision carcass monitoring, add an autumn survey for Brolga utilisation and complete a total of three summer and three autumn surveys for bats. The final report collates all of the investigations regarding birds and bats at Morton's Lane Wind Farm that have been undertaken over the period from 2013 to 2019.

Summary of DELWP's recommendations regarding the first draft of the report (Attachment 003)

- Make administrative corrections including grammar and spelling errors.
- Insert a missing Appendix.
- Remind CGN that once endorsed, the report must be uploaded onto the project website.

DELWP noted that the proponent has completed the work directed by the Councils and DELWP to meet the minimum requirements relating to survey duration and frequency set out in the BAM Plan, including an additional three months of carcass searches (April-June 2019) and additional Brolga and bat survey events (April 2019).

DELWP's recommendation regarding the final report

In July 2020, DELWP advised Council in writing that it had reviewed the final report, and that all the matters raised in its previous review had been addressed.

Conclusions of the *Morton's Lane Wind Farm Bird and Bat Monitoring 2015 – 2019 report (Biosis)*

Brolga:

Observations of Brolgas since the wind farm has been operational are of single birds at or adjacent to the wind farm in spring of most years. Two Brolgas were observed in and close to the site prior to construction of the wind farm during one seasonal monitoring session. It does not appear that the wind farm site is of particular importance to the species and overall it cannot be said that its use of the area has substantially altered. To date there is no evidence of any detrimental effect from the Morton's Lane Wind Farm on Brolgas.

Bats:

At least nine bat species were recorded during the bat call survey, which included the five species recorded as collision fatalities during the carcass searches.

The two most commonly recorded species in the carcass searches (Gould's Wattled Bat and White-Striped Freetail Bat) are abundant high-flying bats which inhabit open areas, so their presence in both the ultrasonic recordings and carcass searches is to be expected.

As described in section 3.3 of the report, equipment failure and ultrasonic interference limited the utility of the ultrasonic bat data particularly from detectors mounted on turbine nacelles. Results for sessions in which detectors mounted on turbine nacelles did record bat calls (2013, 2014 and 2019) showed substantially fewer calls were recorded from those detectors than from detectors close to the ground.

Significant impacts:

The report concluded that no significant impacts were detected by monthly dog search monitoring of all turbines for collisions.

The following definition of a 'significant impact' is contained in the BAMP and was determined in consultation with DSE:

- Any death of bird or bat species listed under the EPBC Act, FFG Act or on the Advisory List, identified within 130m radius of a wind turbine once the operation of the wind farm has commenced;
- In any two successive monthly carcass searches, two or more carcasses are found at the same or adjacent turbines (i.e. a total of four or more carcasses of an individual species in two consecutive searches). This criterion applies to common (non-listed) species.

Fauna collision with turbines:

No species listed as threatened or migratory under Commonwealth or Victorian legislation were found to have collided with turbines, and all the species detected are considered to have secure populations in agricultural environments of Victoria.

At least twelve species of birds and five species of bats were found to have collided with turbines. On the basis of the numbers of carcasses detected, searcher efficiency rates and relevant carcass persistence rates, it is estimated that over the entire 36 month period of the study, 238 birds and 677 bats collided with turbines, with none of those species being listed as threatened or migratory.

Consultation

In considering the reports and permit compliance, Council sought the advice of the Department of Environment, Land Water and Planning (DELWP) – Land and Built Environment - Barwon South West.

As the wind farm crosses municipal boundaries, all reviews and consideration of reports have been submitted and reviewed concurrently with Southern Grampians Shire Council.

Financial Implications

There are no direct financial impacts on Council in relation to the assessment of permit compliance for the BAM Plan.

Risk

As one of the responsible authorities for the Morton's Lane Wind Farm, Council is required to ensure permit compliance.

Council has sought expert advice from DELWP to assess and review the BAMP reports to ensure permit compliance and to minimise the risk to Council.

Conclusion

The Morton's Lane Wind Farm has been operating since 2013. A final consolidated report in relation to Condition 34 of the permit and the BAMP has been submitted, reviewed and assessed. DELWP has advised Council that the report addresses all its comments. Council endorsement of the report is now appropriate.

6. Event Policy

Council Meeting 15 September 2020

Presenter: Manager Tourism and Customer Experience

Author: Manager Tourism and Customer Experience

Attachment(s)

Attach01 – Gov-T-4, Farmers / Growers Market

Attach02 – Gov-T-5, Festivals and Major Events

Attach03 – Gov-T-6, Marquee & Public Address System

Attach04 – EDP-01, Events Policy

Attach05 – Event Planning Guide

Attach06 – Event Training and Networking Calendar

Officer's Recommendation

That Council:

- 1. Rescind Policy's Gov-T-4, Gov-T-5 and Gov-T-6;**
 - 2. Adopt EDP-00 Events Policy as presented at Attachment 04; and**
 - 3. Note and receive information of new event support initiatives.**
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Synopsis

This report outlines Council support of local events including the provision of a policy position and associated tools to aid the continued development of a diverse, inclusive and accessible event calendar.

Background

Council currently support and or fund a range of local community events that contributes to the economic, environmental, and social wellbeing of the community.

Moyne Shire typically hosts over 120 events annually, including but not limited to festivals, markets, shows, concerts and outdoor entertainment programs.

Council's current policy support for events is documented in the following:

- Gov-T-5, Festivals and Major Events (Attach 01)
 - Gov-T-4, Farmers / Growers Market (Attach 02)
 - Gov-T-6, Marquee & Public Address System (Attach 03)
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These policies largely provide guidance concerning process, access to no longer available Council equipment and are not clear of the role of Council and its support.

In supporting continuous improvement, officers have developed a revised policy and drafted a range of new tools for organisers to successfully plan and deliver events.

Strategic Link

Council's support of events aligns to the Liveability Objective detailed in Moyne Shire Council Plan 2017-2021:

“We will work to ensure our communities remain as some of the most liveable small communities in the world by supporting events, festivals and the arts”.

Discussion

Our community is comprised of highly engaged and skilled event committees delivering a diversity of events, with Council providing a support role in their success.

In reviewing existing policy, it is recommended that Council rescind 3 policies (Gov-T-5, Gov-T-6 and Gov-T-7) and replace them with a new Event Policy (Attach 04) that provides greater guidance on Council's support to event organisers in Moyne.

The draft Event Policy provides for continued Council support to event organisers to achieve the following objectives:

- Increase community benefit and build local capacity;
- Increase cultural and entertainment experiences;
- Enhance community safety; and
- Maximise visitation and positive economic impact.

Further, the policy recognises the various roles of Council in the assistance of event organisers. The Policy describes these functions in detail, and is summarised as:

Role	Purpose
1. Advisor	To provide technical advice and general support to ensure efficient and effective events.
2. Attractor	To encourage, facilitate and attract events that enhance diverse entertainment offerings with consideration of seasonal and geographic dispersal.
3. Capacity Builder	To build the skills and capacity of event organisers in the delivery of successful and sustainable events.

4. Connector	To identify potential partnerships and opportunities that support a vibrant festival and events program.
5. Enabler	To support communities to deliver inclusive, well managed and safe events.
6. Partner	To assist events to be financially viable, environmentally sustainable and evolve successfully.
7. Producer	Coordinate local events that provide civic recognition to local projects, commemorations and launches.
8. Promoter	To support opportunity for publicity and marketing, ensuring audience reach and promotion of Moyne's event calendar.
9. Regulator	To ensure a vibrant and successful event program meets community needs and safety.
10. Supporter	To provide resources, material and equipment that supports event delivery.

In support of events, the following tools have been developed to assist event organisers:

Event Planning Guide:

A Guide has been developed (Attachment 05) as a tool that provides information to assist community event organisers to meet requirements for hosting an event on Council managed land as well as general requirements for hosting an event.

This guide is to be used as a reference which aims to provide support when completing Council application forms.

Event Training and Networking Program:

Following an engagement program with local event organisers, a training and networking program has been developed for the coming 12 months. Feedback from community has showed a need for early support in managing COVID-19 safe events and providing a future mix of face to face and virtual workshops.

Sessions will be facilitated by a mix of council staff, industry experts and local event providers. Attachment 06 provides a copy of the program, that may be required to be fluid based on industry changes and community need.

A relationship has been formed between the Moyne tourism industry and event organisers, to collaboratively plan and deliver a networking program. Networking events provides an opportunity for event managers to learn from each other, identify opportunities to share resources and promote good practise approaches. The structure of events and tourism coordinating this collaboratively with council

facilitation, will bridge some identified gaps and build better understanding of the interdependent relationship between the event and the business community.

Council website and Online Event Application forms:

Council has renewed the event page of Council website as an accessible portal for community event organisers to access (www.moyne.vic.gov.au/events). It provides a consolidated location for event support, guides and resources to improve the customer experience.

The site now provides guidance on the type of approvals required for events, with the development of online 'smart logic' application forms that alter the level of submission requirements depending on the scope and scale of an event.

Consultation

The development of the Events Policy and event community support tools have been created through a collaborative process of staff across Council.

The project has seen engagement with our community through the following:

- Testing and feedback of the new website online forms by a sample of current event providers;
- An event coordinators survey (resulting in a total of 25 respondents);
- Workshops and draft document reviews by the Port Fairy Tourism Inc. Event Reference Group. This reference group consists of local business owners and event organiser representatives across Moyne including Port Fairy Jazz Festival, Moyneyana Festival, Port Fairy Folk Festival, Music in the Vines, Mortlake Music Festival Koroit Irish Festival.

This group provided value discussion and feedback on the following:

- Event Planning Guide; and
- Event Training and Networking Calendar.

Financial Implications

Initiatives detailed in this report are accommodated in Council's 2020/21 Events and Tourism budget.

Risk

The provision of a clear policy and access to improved event support tools reduces and or mitigates risks associated with Council support of event delivery.

Specific guidance provided in the Event Planning Guide, including provision of templates for emergency management, traffic management and risk assessment provide a good practise approach for event organisers in addressing event specific risks.

Conclusion

Council is committed to ensuring events hosted within the municipality are of the highest possible standard in relation to quality, safety and visitor experience.

The Event Policy and supporting tools have been designed to assist and support event managers and community organisations in the running of public events. They have been designed to help guide community members through required processes and to encourage good practice and increased knowledge of event management.

7. Economic Development Strategy and Action Plan: Year 1 Report

Council Meeting 15 September 2020

Presenter: Director Economic Development and Planning

Author: Economic Development Officer

Attachment

Attach - Economic Development Strategy and Action Plan Year 1 Report

Officer's Recommendation

That Council receive the Economic Development Strategy and Action Plan Year 1 report.

Synopsis

This report provides an overview on progress on the Action Plan embedded within the Economic Development Strategy (EDS) for the first 12 months.

Implementation of the High Priority Year 1 Actions to addresses each of the Strategic Directions commenced after Council adopted the Strategy on 24th September 2019.

Significant progress has been made on the Year 1 Actions. The Strategy and Action Plan has been embraced across many functional areas of Council, to provide an integrated approach to its implementation.

Background

The EDS provides a 10-year direction and vision with an Action Plan committing a 5-year framework to implement the Strategy based on the following 6 key economic directions:

Economic Direction 1:	People and Place
Economic Direction 2:	Attracting Investment
Economic Direction 3:	Major Local Industries
Economic Direction 4:	Role of Moyne Shire
Economic Direction 5:	Sustainability
Economic Direction 6:	Together as a region

Strategic Link

Development of the Economic Development Strategy 2019-2029, supports the Economy Objective detailed in the Moyne Shire Council Plan 2017 – 2021: *“Developing and implementing an economic development strategy.”*

Discussion

This report elaborates on the overall status of the Year 1 Actions, reports on Council’s performance and highlights challenges, which will require continued focus to ensure the succeeding years of the Strategy are optimised.

Delivery of the Year 1 actions intended to achieve the following outcomes:

- (i) Open for Business;
- (ii) A culture of economic development;
- (iii) Improved economic advocacy; and
- (iv) Promotion of tourism and events.

Within the Year 1 Action Plan, the key economic directions are to be achieved through the successful delivery of 12 objectives 24 priority actions and 60 tasks.

Progress has been charted by the Economic Development Team. Attachment 1 provides a detailed overview. Significant progress has been made with respect to each of the key economic directions, however, with the outbreak of the of the COVID -19 pandemic and its associated health, economic and social impacts, some of the actions have had to pivot to provide business support and recovery in a manner that was not anticipated.

Figure 1 and 2 below depicts the performance tracking of the year 1 Actions for each economic direction and overall.

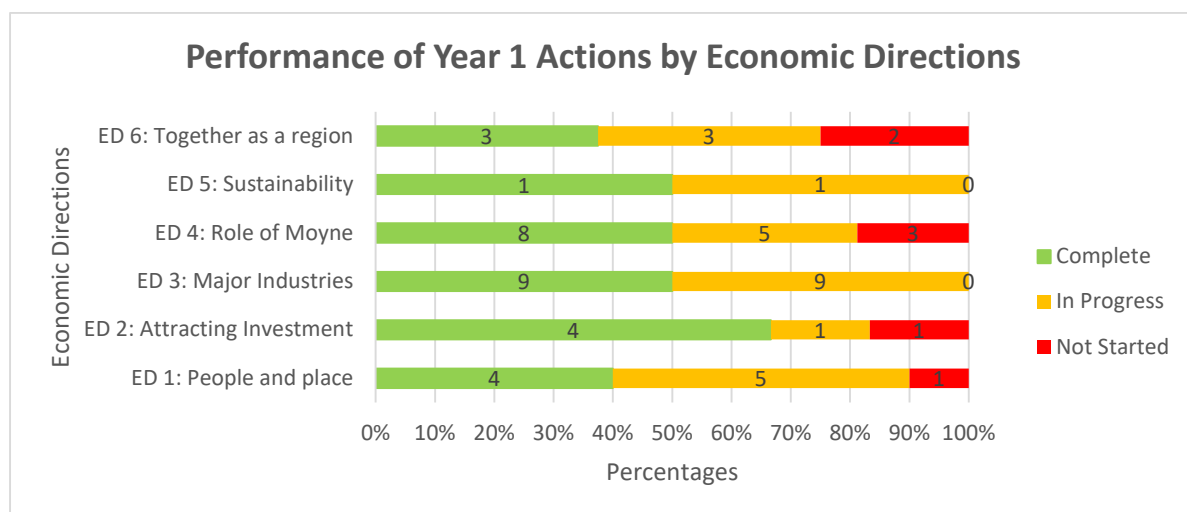
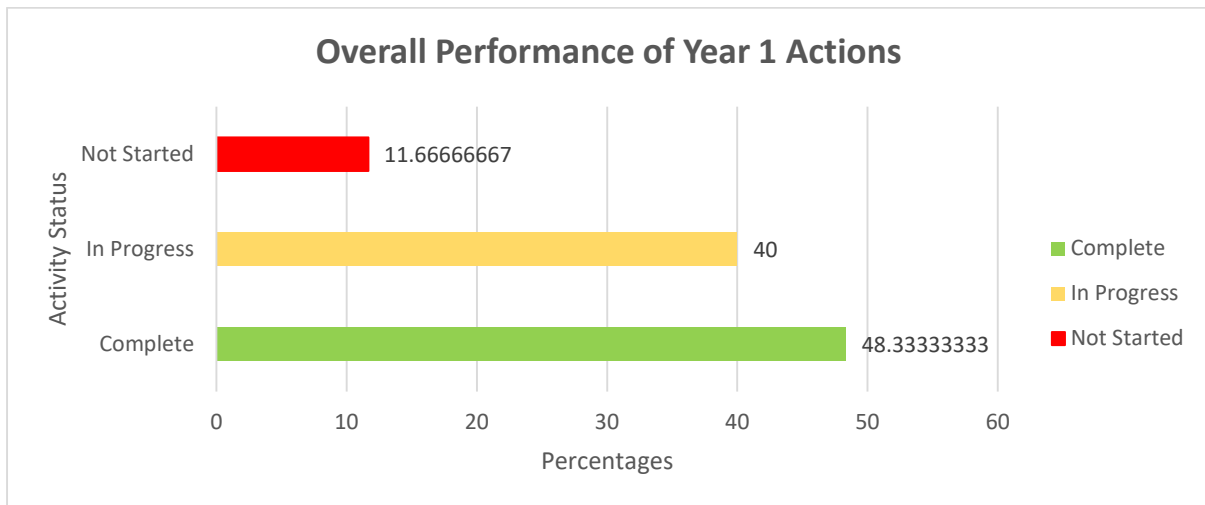


Figure 1: Performance of Year 1 Actions by Economic Directions



Consultation

Progress update and performance tracking are reported on a quarterly basis to Council's Economic Development Advisory Committee.

Financial Implications

Total budget allocation for the year 1 actions is \$150,000 with a running total of expenditure of \$133,100 as at August 2020.

Risk

Achieving economic benefits by having a clearly defined action plan as part of an adopted Strategy of Council has minimised the risk to Council.

Some of the actions have not been implemented, which may cause some delays in implementing Year 2 actions, but the process has been shown to be flexible.

Tailoring actions to meet competing demands, such as business support and recovery during the COVID-19 pandemic has shown that the overall directions in the Strategy are sound.

Conclusion

The EDS action plan year one report is presented to Council as a progress report. Council will continue to pursue and complete Year 1 Actions and develop a work plan to guide the implementation of the Year 2 actions.

8. Koroit Structure Plan Submissions and Adoption of Plan

Council Meeting 15 September 2020

Presenter: Director Economic Development and Planning

Author: Strategic Planner

Attachment(s)

Attach 01 – Koroit Structure Plan

Attach 02 – Summary of Submissions

Attach 03 – Submissions

Officers' Recommendation

That Council resolves to:

- 1. Receive the submissions in response to the Draft Koroit Structure Plan.**
 - 2. Complete additional work regarding an industrial land assessment for Koroit.**
 - 3. Amend the Koroit Structure Plan in response to the submissions as outlined in this report and the recommendations of the industrial land assessment.**
 - 4. Prepare a future urban structure to guide any future Development Plan Overlay for the area designated "Future Residential Growth" including the possible expansion of Victoria Park.**
 - 5. Adopt the Final Koroit Structure Plan subject to the completion of work and proposed changes set out in Items 2 to 4.**
 - 6. Subject to the completion of items 2 to 5, request authorisation from the Minister for Planning to prepare and exhibit an Amendment to implement the recommendations of the Final Koroit Structure Plan and include it as a Background Document in the Moyne Planning Scheme, pursuant to Section 8A(2) of the Planning and Environment Act 1987.. Following receipt of Ministerial authorisation, exhibit the amendment in accordance with the requirements of the Planning and Environment Act 1987.**
 - 7. Pursue a State led process, following consultation with the community, stakeholders and relevant agencies, to urgently rezone additional land for inclusion in the Koroit Industrial precinct, including land owned by Bega Cheese Limited, to ensure ongoing employment and investment in the Shire.**
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Synopsis

The Koroit Structure Plan will provide a long-term future land use and development framework for the town for the next 15 years. Initial community consultation was undertaken and the Background Report was prepared to inform the development of the Draft Structure Plan.

Council consulted with the community and stakeholders on a Draft Koroit Structure Plan between 25 January 2020 and 6 March 2020.

During the six-week community consultation period, approximately 50 people attended a Drop-In Session, 22 written submissions were received and 20 on-line forms were completed.

Overall, the submissions support the draft Plan, and raise concerns or make suggestions in relation to specific elements. The growth of the town, settlement boundary and planning controls in relation to the Bega Cheese Limited plant are the most contentious issues.

Council has heard directly from submitters via a videoconference introduced to meet COVID-19 restrictions. In addition, representatives of Bega Cheese Limited met with Council and have given an outline of their future intentions for operations, which is reflected in the land shown for future industrial expansion on the Plan.

The Structure Plan should be adopted subject to changes in response to submissions outlined in this report, the additional industrial analysis, and preparation of a future urban structure for the area shown as “future residential growth.

Following adoption of the Plan, the next phase of the process will include the preparation of a planning scheme amendment to provide the statutory framework to deliver the recommendations of the Plan, and include the Koroit Structure Plan as a Background Document.

Submitters, community members and key stakeholders will have a further opportunity to make comment on the proposed planning scheme changes as part of the exhibition period when authorisation is granted to proceed with a planning scheme amendment.

Background

Council prepared a Draft Structure Plan and Background Report for Koroit, which was identified as a ‘district town’ suitable for growth in the Great South Coast Regional Growth Plan 2014. The Regional Growth Plan forms part of the State Planning Policy Framework.

A structure plan is a long term land-use planning document, which sets out a vision for the town, and provides a framework for its future growth and development.

The purpose of the Background Report and Structure Plan is to:

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- Identify the key strategic planning issues facing the town, including community aspirations and needs.
 - Articulate the preferred future planning directions for the town, including the location of a settlement boundary.
 - Ensure that a 15-year land supply is available for the future growth of the town.
 - Determine appropriate planning controls, which will protect and enhance any distinctive elements of the town, biodiversity, heritage and landscape features identified in strategic planning studies.
 - Identify means to encourage population growth and enhance the vitality of the town.

It will be used by Council, landowners, the community, government agencies, and other stakeholders to guide future growth and development in the town over the next 15 years.

To give effect to the Koroit Structure Plan once adopted, a planning scheme amendment will be prepared to modify the Planning Policy Framework (PPF) to reflect the recommendations of the Structure Plan, and introduce the Plan as a Background Document in the Scheme. However, this approach may change dependent on the translation of the LPPF to the Planning Policy Framework (PPF), and the recommendations of the industrial work Council is now undertaking.

It is not anticipated that an amendment to implement the recommendations of the Structure Plan would include the re-zoning of any greenfield land (growth areas). This work will be undertaken in the subsequent stages of the planning process, which would include detailed site-specific assessments and further community consultation. It is now proposed to undertake work prior to exhibition of the Amendment to outline a future urban structure for land shown as “future residential growth”, to provide additional certainty should private amendments be introduced.

Council received 43 submissions in response to the Draft Structure Plan, as follows:

- 20 via the online/hardcopy form.
- 23 via email or letter (11 from community members and landowners, one each from Bega Cheese Limited, Koroit and District Primary School Council and the Koroit and District Progress Association, and nine from government agencies/authorities – Country Fire Authority (CFA), Department of Education and Training/Victorian School Building Authority, Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP), Department of Transport, Environment Protection Authority Victoria, Glenelg Hopkins Catchment Management Authority (GHCMA), Earth Resources Regulation/Department of Jobs Precincts and Regions, Powercor, and Wannon Water.

Discussion

Project Background

The Koroit Structure Plan will provide a long-term future land use and development framework for the town for the next 15 years.

Approach and Current Stage

The project is currently at Stage six of seven stages, as follows:

Stage	Project	Status
1	Project Management and Process Design	Complete
2	Background and Literature Review	Complete
2A	Residential Land Use Survey	Complete
3	Initial Community Consultation	Complete
4	Draft Structure Plan and Background Report	Complete
5	Draft Structure Plan Community Consultation	Complete
6	Adopt Draft Structure Plan and next steps	Council September 2020
	Industrial review and peer review refinements	October 2020
7	Planning Scheme Amendment preparation and exhibition	Early 2021

Summary of Feedback

Of the 43 submissions received:

- two unconditionally support the Structure Plan.
- 19 support the Structure Plan subject to changes, including one seeking site specific changes to the designated future land use of areas/properties.
- 12 requested changes to the plan, including eight seeking site specific changes to the designated future land use of areas/properties.
- five object to the Structure Plan.
- one offered no comment.

Key themes arising from the submissions are:

- Structure Plan
- There were some submissions supporting the Structure Plan, and others which opposed it due to the identification of the southern growth area.

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- There were requests that further investigations into matters, such as, industrial land, land contamination and stormwater drainage, be completed prior to proposing directions in the Plan.
 - There were suggestions that the study area boundary is artificially constrained and it should be extended to include additional growth areas and give more consideration to the agriculture-urban edge.
- Consultation
- Some submitters were pleased with the opportunity to engage with the proposed Plan, but some felt there was a lack of consultation during the draft Plan's preparation.
 - Residential growth/Southern Growth Area
 - Submitters were both supportive and opposed to growth and future rezoning of land.
 - Some submissions suggested additional growth fronts are needed to prevent land banking and increase competition, e.g., north of the Rail Trail and east of Lake Street.
 - Concerns were raised that growth would change the character of the town and cause loss of farmland, i.e., in the southern growth area.
 - Submitters suggested that the road network may lack the capacity to accommodate the likely increase in vehicle movements.
 - Some submitters wanted more detail regarding road layout, green space and housing density in the growth area.
 - It was submitted that larger lot sizes should be required in new residential areas.
- Industrial land
- Submitters were both supportive and opposed to providing additional industrial land.
 - Some submitters were opposed to rezoning land from the Industrial 1 Zone to the proposed Industrial 3 Zone, because of the expectations of its effects on their land and its surrounds.
 - The Koroit and District Primary School requested that the vacant industrial land in proximity to the Primary School rezoned to the Farming Zone.
 - Bega Cheese Limited requests that the Plan be amended to reflect the proposed Master Plan for its landholdings, and consequential zonings and overlays.
 - Some submitters were opposed to applying the Environmental Significance Overlay (ESO) to land within the 300 metre buffer required for the Bega plant. Conversely, Bega requests that the ESO be applied to the area within a 300 metres radius of its landholding (subject to the proposed master plan), not only the plant site.

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- McVicar Street/Mill Street Land – Opposition to the proposed Rural Living rezoning. The submissions from affected landowners suggest that further subdivision and development of the land should be allowed.
 - Recreation and open space – some submissions suggest there is a need for additional facilities and open space in the town, in particular, an expansion of Victoria Park.
 - Several submissions considered that the Town Centre is in poor condition and its appearance needs to be improved.
 - Heavy vehicle traffic and car parking issues on Commercial Road were raised in some submissions.
 - Stormwater management – Concerns were raised regarding the exacerbation of existing drainage and flooding effects on downstream properties.
 - Footpaths and pedestrian connections – some submissions suggested that upgraded and additional paths are required in the town.
 - Council Depot – the Koroit and District Primary School raised concerns regarding the Depot’s location adjoining the School and the storage of hazardous materials. The School and the Koroit and District Progress Association suggest that future community use of the site should be investigated.
 - The Koroit and District Primary School requests that Zoning and Heritage Overlay mapping anomalies affecting the school site should be rectified. It should be noted that the draft Structure Plan included actions to rectify these matters.

Agency/Authority Comments

The CFA recommends that the documents include additional wording regarding the fire risk associated with the Tower Hill escarpment.

The Department of Education and Training/Victorian School Building Authority (VSBA) advised that the projected population growth is unlikely to have any specific implications, on school demand in Koroit. It does not object to the rezoning of land abutting the Primary School to the Industrial 3 Zone.

The Department of Transport supported the desire to create safe and strong active transport links in the town. However, it is not planning to signalise the intersection of High Street and Commercial Road, and does not support the diversion of heavy vehicle traffic from Commercial Road.

EPA Victoria supported the overall intent of the Structure Plan, including formal recognition of the Bega plant buffer, the Industrial 3 rezonings, and addressing potentially contaminated land issues as part of future rezonings.

The Earth Resources Regulation Branch recommended that Clause 14.03-1S – Resource exploration and extraction of the Victorian Planning Provisions be considered, and policy reference be made to existing available resources.

The GHCMA supported the proposed development (growth) areas as these areas are located on higher land and away from waterways and low-lying areas.

Powercor advised that it had no issues or comments regarding the draft Structure Plan.

Wannon Water did not object to the draft Structure Plan, subject to the provision of appropriate infrastructure to service the growth area and strengthening of the directions in relation to Water Sensitive Urban Design and Integrated Water Management.

DELWP supported the Structure Plan's directions to protect the environmental, landscape and heritage values of Koroit and Tower Hill, and protect the low scale character of Koroit.

Changes to the Plan

In response to the submissions received, it is recommended that the Structure Plan be updated as follows:

Vision

Review the vision for the town, considering elements suggested in Submission No.18.

Urban Growth

Revise the directions and include actions to:

- Strengthen the development principles for the growth area to ensure that new development is based on ESD principles and respects the town character, in response to Submission No.18.
- Specify that the density of development in the growth area should be a minimum of 10 dwellings per hectare, rather than nominating specific lot sizes, in response to Submission No.33.
- Widen the scope of the traffic and transport impact assessment to be undertaken prior to the rezoning of the growth area to include assessments of the impacts on Commercial Place and King Street, capacity of key intersections and necessary mitigation/treatment measures, in response to Submission No.s.8, 30, and 33.
- Consider provision of a connection between the Rail Trail, Commercial Road and Tower Hill, via a shared pathway within a linear park through the proposed residential growth area, in response to Submission No.42.

- Apply the Development Plan Overlay to land in the proposed growth area as part of the planning scheme amendment to implement the Structure Plan, to preserve its integrity for long term growth, in response to concerns regarding the fragmentation of land in the growth area.

Settlement and Housing

Include actions to:

- Review the extent of the Heritage Overlay mapping in relation to HO150 Koroit Church Precinct and HO170 the former George Thomson Farmhouse at 134 High Street prior to the exhibition of a planning scheme amendment, in response to Submission No.s.22 and 43.
- Investigate the preparation of a Heritage Interpretation Strategy to share the knowledge of Koroit's history and culture with the community and visitors as a medium term action, in response to Submission No.s.5 and 11.
- Liaise with DEWLP and land owners, where necessary, to finalise the identification of zoning anomalies and ensure that the title particulars of land affected by anomalies are correctly identified in response to Submission No.s.40 and 43.

Rural Areas

Review the objectives and strategies to:

- Ensure that Clause 14.03-1S – Resource exploration and extraction of the Victorian Planning Provisions is appropriately considered, and policy reference is made to existing available resources, in response to Submission No.35.

Natural Environment

Include actions to:

- Advocate to Parks Victoria to undertake measures to protect wildlife at Tower Hill, including the installation of new exclusion fencing along Lake View Road, to protect wildlife and reduce road kill incidents, in response to Submission No.31.
- Maintain the Avenue of Honour in accordance with Council's adopted Management Plan, in response to Submission No.29.

Economic Development and Employment

Revise the directions and include actions to:

- Undertake an industrial land study for Koroit as an immediate action, in response to Submission No.s.18 and 38.
- Facilitate the proposed Bega Cheese Limited expansion, including extending the Settlement Boundary to include the land within the proposed Bega Cheese Limited Master Plan, in response to Submission No.32.

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- Facilitate approval of a master plan for the Bega landholdings, subject to appropriate consultation with the community and EPA, in response to Submission No.s.32 and 36.
 - Enable a proponent led amendment to be undertaken to facilitate the implementation of the master plan for the Bega Cheese Limited landholding, seeking to rezone the land to the Special Use Zone and apply a Parking Overlay, in response to Submission No.32.
 - Liaise with DELWP and the EPA in relation to the proposed buffer approach for the Bega plant, in response to Submission No.43.
 - Include a noise assessment as part of establishing a site-specific buffer for the Bega plant, in response to Submission No.36.
 - Consult with Bega regarding the feasibility of providing opportunities for light industry/small business as part of their master plan, in response to Submission No.18.
 - Increase the extent of the Industrial 3 rezoning adjacent to the Commercial Road and High Street intersection rather than retaining it in the Industrial 1 Zone, in response to Submission No.22.

Transport and Movement

Include actions to:

- Identify priority pedestrian/cycling connections to be provided within the town, in response to Submission No.s.5, 9, 17, 18, and 30.
- Advocate for funding to upgrade the Rail Trail to be suitable for higher speed cyclists, to attract non recreational journeys, and connect commuters to Port Fairy and Warrnambool, in response to Submission No.42.

Infrastructure

Revise the actions and include and action to:

- Include Water Sensitive Urban Design (WSUD) and Integrated Water Management (IWM) actions in the final Concept Drainage Strategy for Koroit, and consultation with DELWP and Parks Victoria, in response to Submission No.s.39 and 43.
- Allow for the expansion of Victoria Park to the west, if required, in response to Submission No.s.13, 18, 21 and 30.

Timing of Actions

Nominate the following as a short term action:

- Investigate the establishment of a Town Restoration Fund or loans scheme to be used to improve the appearance of existing buildings, in response to Submission No.s.18 and 29.

Nominate the following as an ongoing action:

- Advocate to PTV for an increased frequency of bus services to, and from, Koroit and better connections with rail services in Warrnambool, and upgraded bus stop infrastructure, in response to Submission No.s.18 and 30.

Document changes

It is recommended that the Structure Plan be updated to include:

- A greater emphasis on the lifestyle and heritage attraction of the town, in response to Submission No.11.
- Acknowledgement in the Statistical Snapshot that the facilities in the town service a catchment, which extends beyond the settlement boundary, in response to Submission No.18.
- Additional content in relation to the application of the Neighbourhood Residential Zone (NRZ) and its consistency with Planning Practice Notes 90 and 91, in response to Submission No.43.
- Additional content in the Background Report regarding the fire risk associated with the Tower Hill escarpment, in response to Submission No.34.
- The deletion of part of Crown Allotment 2003 (Bourke Avenue/North Street) from the 'Residential Development Opportunities' Table in the Background Report and revision of the mapping, in response to Submission No.43.
- The correction of any administrative matters, including duplications, inconsistencies and typographical errors, in response to Submission No.30.

Bega Cheese Limited

In its submission, Bega Cheese Limited provided a draft master plan outlining its future expansion plans. The company acquired Murray Goulburn's significant landholding, which had been aggregated to protect the dairy plant's existing operations and accommodate its future expansion.

Bega proposes the application of the Special Use Zone to the area subject to the draft Master Plan to establish a long term framework for land use planning and development on the site.

Support should be provided to enable Bega to proceed with a planning scheme amendment, if the need arises, ahead of the final processes for the Koroit Structure Plan, as their land holdings reflect the proposed industrial expansion area to the east of the town.

Concerns have been raised in some submissions in relation to the operations and expansion of the dairy plant and the provision of a formal buffer around its site. However, State Planning Policy recognises the need to provide an adequate supply of industrial land in appropriate locations, including large sites for strategic investment. In addition, State Planning Policy requires industrial activity to be

protected from the encroachment of commercial, residential and other sensitive uses, which would adversely affect industry viability.

It is the responsibility of EPA Victoria to regulate the operations of the Bega plant and monitor any effects it may have on existing residents and the primary school.

Social and Economic Considerations

The Structure Plan, in conjunction with other strategic work undertaken by Council, including the Economic Development Strategy, will deliver significant long-term economic and social benefits to residents.

Actions, such as, improvements to public open space and recreation areas, the provision of improved pedestrian access, and consolidation and enhancement of the Town Centre will strengthen Koroit as a thriving and vibrant town.

Economic outcomes are anticipated to be provided by several sources, including construction and infrastructure investment, potential expansion of the Bega Cheese Limited plant, and increased activity in the Town Centre.

The Structure Plan, once implemented, will enable additional development to occur in the town, which will provide employment and investment opportunities for residents.

Benefits of this development will include investment in the local economy and the creation of employment during the construction phase, and increased support for local shops and businesses by the occupants of the future development.

Environmental Implications

The Structure Plan considers the environmental assets, constraints and values of the area, such as, the Tower Hill State Game Reserve, and includes objectives and strategies in relation to these matters.

A settlement boundary is nominated in the Structure Plan to minimise urban sprawl, and protect significant environmental or landscape features and the surrounding rural environment.

In addition, the Structure Plan encourages development, which meets contemporary landscaping and stormwater management principles.

Tower Hill master plan

At the time of writing this report, the State Government through Parks Victoria released a Tower Hill Master Plan for comment, Council will make a submission to this, ensuring connectivity to the Koroit Structure occurs.

Land supply

A number of submissions sought to have their land rezoned or have the ability to subdivide outside the proposed settlement boundary. These submissions are not supported. It is important to note that the estimated existing zoned (infill) land supply is approximately 246 lots, including the King Street subdivision.

The average building approvals between 2005 and 2018 was 14 dwellings per annum. At that building rate, there is approximately 17.6 years land supply.

The Structure Plan contemplates within the settlement boundary future growth area has of 69 hectares. Assuming a slightly higher growth rate of 25 dwellings per annum, the quantum of land available is well in excess of the minimum 15 years required by the planning scheme. There is no strategic or justifiable case for further land to be included.

Council is awaiting the finalisation of an industrial land supply update (due late September) and officers will apply any changes as a result of this work. These changes would ultimately be reflected in a version of the Structure Plan that would be publicly exhibited prior to any amendment process.

Consultation

The recent consultation on the Draft Plan was the second opportunity the community has had to provide feedback on development of the Plan.

The first opportunity was during the initial consultation process conducted in July 2018, with a 'drop in' session, workshops involving affected landowners and residents and an online survey. In addition, meetings were held with key stakeholders, including Bega Cheese Limited, Parks Victoria, Transport for Victoria, and Wannon Water.

The responses received from the initial consultation including the online survey, and community and stakeholder comments, provided valuable information, which influenced the form and content of the Draft Structure Plan.

Consultation on the Draft Structure Plan commenced on 25 January 2020 and ended on 6 March 2020, and included:

- A letter mailed out to all land owners and property occupiers in Koroit containing information about the project, details of consultation and an invitation to be involved;
- A webpage uploaded to Council's website containing information about the project, details of consultation, an online submission form, and links to the draft Plan and background documents.
- Copies of the documents were available at the Port Fairy and Mortlake Customer Service centres and the Koroit Library.

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- Media Notices placed in the Moyne Gazette and the Saturday edition of The Warrnambool Standard.
 - One drop-in-session held on Wednesday 12 February 2020 between 4pm and 7pm. The session was held at the Blackwood Centre and two separate presentations were given during the session. Council officers were available at the session to discuss the project.
 - An information session with the committee members of the Koroit and District Progress Association held on Thursday 6 February 2020.
 - An email providing information about the project, details of consultation and an invitation to be involved; was sent to 19 agencies and authorities.

Financial Implications

There are no immediate financial implications associated with the consideration of this report. The costs of completing the preparation of the Structure Plan will be met within Council's 2020/21 Budget.

The Structure Plan, once adopted, may have financial implications for Council in relation to infrastructure provision and upgrades, and any land acquisitions being considered for the purposes of providing or augmenting infrastructure.

A number of recommendations within the Draft Structure Plan are not costed or funded. Where the implementation of specific recommendations requires a new capital allocation from Council, these will be presented and considered as part of the annual budget process.

There is pressure on Council's capacity to fund desired facilities, infrastructure, and services due to rate capping, and implementation of some of the recommendations of the Structure Plan may be dependent on the availability of external funding.

However, the inclusion of these recommendations in the Structure Plan is likely to improve the opportunities to gain co-contributions from external funding sources.

Several of the proposed changes will require a planning scheme amendment to incorporate them into the Moyne Planning Scheme. A planning scheme amendment has associated costs, which have been identified in the 2020/21 budget.

Risk

There are no immediate risks associated with the consideration of this report. Consolidating and clarifying issues at a local level, via the preparation of the Structure Plan, will increase the understanding of the planning and strategic direction for Koroit.

However, the project may raise aspirations in relation to planning outcomes, and provision of infrastructure and services, which cannot be met.

In addition, some recommendations of the Structure Plan will need to be assessed against other Council priorities or may be subject to the availability of external funding. There is a risk that Council or relevant agencies will not receive the financial support required to implement some of the recommendations of the Structure Plan.

Conclusion

The Koroit Structure Plan presents Council with an opportunity to develop a consolidated and coordinated vision and plan for a significant town in the Shire.

Consultation on the Draft Koroit Structure Plan has achieved engagement with a range of stakeholders and the local community.

The submissions received in response to the Draft Koroit Structure Plan have informed the preparation of the final Structure Plan, including the revision of the objectives, strategies and actions, where appropriate.

It is recommended that Council should resolve to adopt the Koroit Structure Plan and seek authorisation from the Minister for Planning to prepare and exhibit an Amendment to the Moyne Planning Scheme to implement the Plan.

Following adoption of the Structure Plan, there will be further opportunities for the community and key stakeholders to provide comment on the proposed planning scheme changes when the subsequent Planning Scheme Amendment is exhibited.

9. Economic Migration Project Trial

Council Meeting 15 September 2020

Presenter: Director Sustainable Development

Author: Major Projects Liaison and Economic Development Officer

Attachments

Attach01 - GSC Economic Migration Project Fast Facts

Attach02 - GSC Economic Migration Project Eco Migration EDAC briefing

Officer's Recommendation

That Council agree in principal to participate in an Economic Migration trial during 2021 and refer the project to the 2021/22 budget.

Synopsis

The Great South Coast Economic Migration Project (GSEMP) pilot that was implemented in Southern Grampians and Glenelg Shires during 2018-19 has been completed and evaluated. Council has discussed Moyne Shire's role in 'Stage 2' with the GSEMP team (the project team), which will commence in 2021.

A transferable model is currently being developed by the GSEMP team based on evaluation and learnings from the pilot stage. In addition, a new program partner, Jesuit Social Services has been recruited to train and prepare Melbourne based migrants for regional living.

For Council to successfully implement an Economic Migration trial, it will need to secure additional resources to research Moyne's labour market and housing availability, coordinate the identification of and consultation with Moyne communities that would be best suited to this program, and implement the Economic Migration trial.

Background

At the 26 June 2018 Council meeting, the following Notice of Motion was carried:

1. *That Council adopt the Leadership Great South Coast Economic Migration Project model to be implemented in the Moyne Shire.*
2. *That Council officers progress this project in collaboration with the project coordinators and other potential interested parties.*

The GSCEMP team briefed Council in August 2018 with an update on the progress of Stage 1 (Pilot).

The GSC Economic Migration Pilot ran between 2017 and 2019 and was instigated by Leadership Great South Coast in partnership with iGen Foundation and the Great Lakes Agency for Peace and Development.

The Pilot aimed to support a small number of families, originally from Africa, to relocate to the Great South Coast. These families aspired to move to regional areas to gain employment, particularly in agricultural industries, to create a new life for themselves and contribute back to our communities.

These families are Australian Citizens who, after living in metropolitan regions for approximately 10 years, wished to move to rural areas similar to where they had come from and where their agriculture skill-sets are best placed and utilised.

During the Pilot, 10 families were relocated to Southern Grampians and Glenelg Shires. 5 of those families have chosen to stay in the region, and a further 2 from the original 10 have indicated they would like to return when the timing is more suitable for them.

Council officers met several times to receive updates from the Economic Migration project team during and after the Pilot.

Council's Economic Development Strategy incorporates actions to grow Moyne's population, including participating in an economic migration program.

In early 2020 Council contributed \$3,000 towards the development of the transferable model.

The project team made a presentation to Council's Economic Development Advisory Committee in August 2020.

Strategic Link

Moyne Economic Development Strategy Action Plan 2019-2024,
Economic Direction 1: People and Place

'Support initiatives that provide incentives for population migration to the Shire and the region';

Action 2: *'When suitable, roll out a Great South Coast Economic Migration Program in Moyne'.*

Moyne Shire Municipal Public Health and Wellbeing Plan 2017-21:

The Moyne community is inclusive and residents are socially connected and engaged;

Increased community acceptance of diverse cultures; increased multiculturalism; increased acceptance of multiculturalism.

Discussion

Growing Moyne's population is recognised as a key deliverable in its Economic Development Strategy. Council recognises that key to attracting residents to the Shire is the availability of housing and employment opportunities. The GSCEMP is a model that Council could invest in to attract new residents.

Evaluation of the Pilot undertaken by Melbourne University during 2018-19 has provided the project team with detailed and quantifiable information to use in developing a transferable economic migration model.

The transferable model will take 6 months to finalise.

The project team has suggested that a trial to place two families in Moyne in 2021 be implemented.

A summary of some of the key findings from the Stage 1 evaluation are:

For Council:

- A full time position will be required to implement the program.
- Facilitate additional partners to ensure that social and other support services are available to assist with migrant resettlement.
- The project team recommends that Council develop an Interculturalism Policy.

Migrants:

- Require 6 months of support and preparation before they are ready to move to the region.
- Require ongoing support once they have resettled.

Communities:

- Demonstrate their understanding of interculturalism.
- Need to take ownership of the program with the support of Council and other project partners.
- Have a 'whole-of-community' mindset when supporting migrants through their resettlement process and into the future.

Employment:

- Workforce context and skills gaps in Moyne will need to be identified with quantitative data, not just anecdotal information.
- Jobs need to be secured and ready before a family relocates.
- Employers need training and support to prepare for hosting a migrant worker.
- Employers will need ongoing support and mentoring throughout the trial.

Accommodation:

- Research into the amount, types and affordability of housing available in Moyne, and potentially Warrnambool.
- Housing needs to be secured and ready before a family arrives.

Consultation

The Great South Coast Economic Migration project team has been consulted for this report.

Financial Implications

There is no budget allocation for this initiative in the current budget.

The project trial will require the appointment of one full-time position at a cost of \$91,335 which includes salary and on-costs.

Risk

To be successful in implementing this project there is a considerable financial and resource investment. The aim to attract only a small number of new residents may be considered to be a large investment for minimal population growth.

Conclusion

In 2018 Council made a commitment to progress an Economic Migration project in Moyne Shire.

Evaluation of the Great South Coast Economic Migration Project pilot in Southern Grampians and Glenelg Shires has now been completed and provides a set of well-informed recommendations for Council to follow.

With the securement of additional resources and the transferable project model that is currently being developed, Council will be able to implement an Economic Migration trial to commence in 2021.

10. National Wind Farm Commissioner 2019 Annual Report

Council Meeting 15 September 2020

Presenter: Director Economic Development and Planning

Author: Senior Engagement Officer, Major Projects

Attachment

Attach - National Wind Farm Commissioner Observations and Recommendations 2019

Officers' Recommendation

For information

Synopsis

The National Wind Farm Commissioner (Andrew Dyer), is appointed by the federal government and has tendered to the Government an Annual Report for 2019. The report details construction activity across the wind farm sector in 2019 and encompasses new responsibilities assigned to the Commissioner after the role was reviewed, that now includes large scale solar farm and battery storage developments.

The Annual Report details the activities of the Wind Farm Commissioner across the sector including visits to wind and solar farms, communities and complaint handling processes. The report contains recommendations, largely the recommendations require co-operation of state governments and wind farm companies to enact any change sought.

Background

Council has had a continuing relationship with the National Wind Farm Commissioner with the Commissioner having visited Moyne during 2018 attending community forums.

Council at its meeting of 27 November, 2018 referred to recommendations from the 2017 Annual Report to establish a position on wind farms in Moyne Shire as follows:

“That Council, due to the proliferation, unabated and uncontrolled development of Wind Farms in the Moyne Shire makes the following recommendation to the State Minister for Planning:

1. *That State Government immediately implements recommendations 8.2.1 to 8.2.7 contained in the 2017 Office of National Wind Farm Commissioner’s Report to Parliament and until this recommendation is implemented Moyne Shire Council shall oppose any further Wind Farm development in the Moyne Shire*

and

2. *That Council write to the Hon. Jaala Pulford and Hon. Gayle Tierney requesting an urgent meeting with the Minister for Planning in Mortlake or Hawkesdale to meet a representative group of citizens concerned with the cumulative impact of proposed windfarms and transmission lines in the Moyne Shire.”*

Council at its meeting of 24 September 2019 referred to recommendations from the 2018 Annual Report and resolved that Council:

“Write to the Minister for Planning asking consideration in amending Clause 52.32 that supports the Office of the National Wind Farm Commissioner recommendation on setback distances as detailed at 5.2.8 of the 2018 Annual Report, summarised as:

- a) *A minimum setback distance of 1.5km between a residence and the nearest turbine to support a consistent noise limit;*
- b) *Turbines with a tip height of 200 metres or greater, a 2km setback distance to reduce visual amenity impacts; and*
- c) *A setback of 5km between a wind farm and a township or city boundary to preserve amenity and provide flexibility for planning growth of the township.”*

and

“Write to the Minister for Planning asking consideration in amending the setback points to a wind turbine and the host property’s boundary.”

Strategic Link

Council Plan 2017- 2021: *“We will protect and conserve our environment by:*

- *Supporting and encouraging renewable energy.*
- *Target Projects*
- *Work with windfarm companies and affected communities to achieve windfarm projects with minimal community impact.”*

Economic Development Strategy 2019 – 2029: Leverage Moyne Shire’s position as a centre of renewable energy production. Wind farm related actions include:

- *Continue to lobby State Government to implement recommendations 8.2.1 to 8.2.7 from the 2017 Annual Report of the National Wind Farm Commissioner*
- *Increasing information provision and communication about wind and other projects in the Shire*
- Maximise local employment and business opportunities in renewable energy projects
- Capitalise on wind farm projects while they are in-region
- Share and build knowledge of wind farm issues and opportunities with other LGA’s

Discussion

The Annual Report cover topics and provides recommendations in relation to:

- Host Landowner Negotiations
- Neighbour Consultation and Agreements
- Community Engagement
- Planning Permits – Time Limits and Scope Changes
- Governance and Compliance of standards and permit conditions
- Use and selection of experts
- Complaint Handling and emergency procedures
- Site Selection
- Health Matters.

Complaints

From the period of 1 January 2019 to 31 December 2019, the NWFC received a total of 75 complaints nationwide. The breakdown of the complaints received are as follows:

- 5 matters were received relating to 5 operating wind farms
- 44 matters were received relating to 23 proposed wind farms
- 3 matters were received relating to 3 proposed solar farms
- 23 matters did not specify a particular project or development, and
- no complaints were received in relation to energy storage developments.

The majority of complaints come from Victoria

AEMO Integrated System Plan and South West Victoria Priority Renewable Energy Zone

The Australian Energy Market Operator (AEMO) released the Draft 2020 Integrated Systems Plan (ISP) in December 2019. The plan is a road map to guide Australia's energy transition. It sets out the optimal development path for an affordable, secure and reliable energy future and the sign posts at which that path may need to change and the options available. Significant to Council is the nomination of the South West Renewable Energy Zone (REZ), formerly known as Moyne REZ, for Phase 1 development due its existing network capacity of 750 MW, high wind resources and low population density with a predominant rural land use. It is expected that the South West REZ will contribute 1000 MW of additional electricity by 2040.

The NWFC's 2019 report highlights the importance of the ISP, in unlocking new opportunities for renewable energy projects and to ensure renewable energy facilities can be developed in the most optimal locations.

Overlapping Noise regulations

The Annual report notes that proposed reforms to noise regulation under the new Environment Protection Act (EP Act) may result in further duplication of processes and the prospect of vexatious complaints and litigation, and recommends that overlapping legislation be revisited (7.2.12)

The proposed reforms will result in 2 new pathways for wind farm noise complaints to be managed, in addition to the existing pathways under the Planning and Environment Act 1987 (P&E Act) and the Public Health and Wellbeing Act 2008 (PH&W Act)

Proposed changes to the EP Act under the General Environment Duty will enable complaints to be made to the Environment Protection Agency (EPA) about environmental pollution which could include wind farm noise. Under Section 166 of the amended EP Act complaints to the EPA about “unreasonable” wind farm noise will also be possible.

In previous submission on the proposed changes to the Environment Protection Regulations and Environmental Reference Standards, Council has stressed the need for new regulations that ensure EPA is the designated authority for noise monitoring and compliance of wind farms in accordance with the New Zealand Standard. The proposed reforms do not resolve the tension Council is experiencing between the issued planning permits prescribed noise standards under the P&E Act and the nuisance provisions of the PH&W Act, and will result in greater tensions as complaints could be lodged under 3 different Acts and 4 pathways.

The proposed changes will not assist Council to investigate highly complex wind farm noise complaints that may be lodged by the community under the P&E Act and the PH&W Act. Council does not currently possess the technical or specialist skills to assess and monitor noise complaints. The need to outsource the work to ensure compliance will continue to be a costly burden on Council.

Prospecting

The NWFC has softened its stance on licencing prospectors in the 2019 report – see recommendation 1.2.9 below:

1.2.9 – To ensure that professional conduct and standards are consistently adhered to by project prospectors and developers, state governments should develop mechanisms to promote and motivate best practice behaviour by prospectors – both in terms of preferred site selection for prospecting and the engagement with landowners and community. Some examples include the NSW Government’s ‘Renewable Energy Zone’ (REZ) designations, the Victorian Government’s ‘VRET’ program, ACT’s ‘Reverse Auction’ program and Queensland’s ‘RE400’ program. A further approach would be the accreditation of developers (or adherence to an appropriate code of conduct) this is overseen by an appropriate industry or regulatory body.

But then 8.2.3 (which refers to 1.2.9) is a bit stronger –

8.2.3. Prospecting for new wind and solar farm development sites could be subject to an ‘approval to prospect’ requirement issued by the responsible authority before formal prospecting commences. The approval to prospect a specified potential site would be granted on a range of criteria, including the suitability of the proposed site, alignment with the State’s renewable zone strategy, transmission capacity as well as the credentials of the developer and key personnel. See also Recommendation 1.2.9.

Other relevant recommendations in the Annual Report include resourcing compliance (5.2.1 and 5.2.2), wind turbine setbacks (5.2.8) and power poles on road reserves (5.2.11).

Emerging issues that warrant investigation include the processes for decommissioning assets once a wind farm has ceased operation and continued oversight of research into health impact studies that are being undertaken.

Consultation

The National Wind Farm Commissioner sent his report to Council.

Financial Implications

There are no financial implications in considering this report.

Risk

Council being kept up to date with the activities of the National Wind Farm Commissioner allows it to be abreast of current trends and challenges and ensures Moyne continues to advocate for its community to State Government.

Conclusion

The National Wind Farm Commissioner's Annual Report provides a snapshot of wind farm development and issues across Australia. It allows Council to keep abreast of industry changes, and how wind farm development in Moyne compares.

11. Daly's Supermarket Koroit Contribution to Car Park

Council Meeting 15 September 2020

Presenter: Director Infrastructure and Environment

Author: Director Infrastructure and Environment

Attachment

Attach - Koroit IGA Supermarket site plan

Officer's Recommendation

That Council agree to contribute 50% of the Daly's IGA Koroit Supermarket car park construction costs up to a maximum of \$166,750 in recognition of the community benefit that the car park will provide.

Synopsis

This report considers a request from Daly's IGA Koroit Supermarket for a contribution to the car park as part of the new supermarket development.

The car park will be unmetered and unrestricted and will provide community benefit through the availability of off street parking.

The report recommends a Council contribution of 50% of the actual car park construction costs.

Background

Daly's supermarket in Koroit is about to commence a significant development in the construction of a new supermarket adjacent to the existing supermarket.

Representatives have presented details of the project including;

- Creation of approximately 60 additional jobs.
- Environmental considerations such as solar power, LED lighting and waste recycling.
- Public toilets.
- Free in store Wi-Fi.
- ATM facilities.

- Development of a car park featuring 66 car spaces, 2 disabled parks, concrete surface, drainage, kerb and channel, solar lighting and landscaping.

Representatives detailed that the project design required the installation of stormwater retention tanks to ensure the existing stormwater infrastructure could cope with additional run off as well as upgrading the capacity for fire fighting services. These additional items added significant cost to the project.

As part of the presentation to Council, IGA representatives requested a contribution of 50% of the car park construction costs.

Total cost of constructing the car park is estimated to be \$333,500.

Discussion

The request from Daly's IGA Supermarket is premised on the fact that the car park will be unmetered and unrestricted. As such it will provide community benefit with people able to park their cars there when shopping at other stores, eating at local cafes and restaurants or attending events at the nearby Koroit Theatre. The development of the car park will also lead to less cars having to park along Commercial Road.

The availability of public toilets in this area of Koroit is also recognised as a community benefit.

Such a request is uncommon for Moyne Shire as very few developments of this scale occur often. It is however common in metropolitan areas for Council's to contribute to such developments in recognition of the community benefit they provide.

It is also acknowledged that the supermarket will provide significant benefit to the Koroit District community, particularly in relation to employment. This is particularly significant as the draft Koroit Structure plan indicates strong population growth for Koroit in the future as evidenced by the current residential development in King St.

In considering the request for a 50% contribution, Council Officers referred to the policy for the construction and sealing of unsealed roads. This policy provides for a Council contribution of up to 50% depending on the assessment of community benefit.

The supermarket car park will undeniably provide benefit to the community through the provision of off street parking and provision for public toilets. On this basis, officers are recommending a contribution of 50% of the actual cost of constructing the car park.

Consultation

The report follows a request made at a presentation from Daly's Koroit IGA to Council.

Supermarket representatives will be asked to provide a letter acknowledging Council's contribution and committing to maintain unrestricted public access to the car park regardless of future ownership.

Financial Implications

Costs are estimated at \$333,500 so a 50% contribution will be approximately \$166,750.

Risk

There is a risk of creating a precedent in relation to Council contributing to a private development. Projects of this scale and benefit to the community are rare and unlikely to lead to many similar requests in the future.

Conclusion

The Koroit Supermarket will be a significant development for the township and will provide many benefits including job creation.

The car park will provide community benefit through the availability of unmetered and unrestricted car parks.

In recognition of the community benefit of the car park, it is recommended that Council contribute 50% of the actual car park construction costs.

12. Assemblies of Councillors

Council Meeting 15 September 2020

Presenter: Chief Executive Officer

Author: Executive Assistant

Attachment

Attach - Assembly of Councillors' forms

Officers' Recommendation

That Council receives and notes the records of the listed assemblies of Councillors covering the period from 16 August and 4 September 2020

Synopsis

This report details assemblies of Councillors that have taken place since the matter was last reported to Council in August 2020.

Background

In accordance with section 80A(2) of the *Local Government Act 1989* Council is required to report as soon as practicable to an Ordinary Meeting of Council a record of any assemblies of Councillors held.

Strategic Link

Moyne Shire Council Plan 2017-2021 Key Result Area 1 Governance: 'Improve our processes and operating systems'

Discussion

Amendments to the Local Government Act 1989 (the Act) require records of assemblies of Councillors to be reported to an Ordinary Meeting of Council and recorded in the Minutes of that meeting.

An Assembly of Councillors is defined in section 76AA of the Act. It is a meeting at which matters are considered that are intended or likely to be the subject of a Council decision or the exercise of delegated authority and which is either of the following:

A planned or scheduled meeting that includes at least half the Councillors and at least one Council Officer. These assemblies do not include meeting of Councillors and Council staff that are not planned or scheduled.

A meeting of an advisory committee where at least one Councillor is present. An advisory committee is any committee established by the Council, other than a special committee, that provides advice to the Council or to a special committee or to a member of Council staff who has been delegated a power or duty or function of the Council.

A record must be kept of an assembly of Councillors and include the names of all Councillors and Council staff attending, the matters considered, disclosures of conflict of interest and whether a Councillor left the meeting after making a disclosure. In accordance with section 80A(2) of the Act, Council is required to report as soon as practicable to an Ordinary Meeting of Council a record of any assemblies of Councillors held.

The recommendation contains details of assemblies of Councillors that have taken place since the matter was last reported to Council in August 2020.

Consultation

None required, statutory compliance.

Financial Implications

This is a routine reporting item.

Risk

If not compliant will be in breach of the Local Government Act 1989 section 80A. Reporting on Assemblies of Councillors provides a level of public transparency about meetings held by the Council and ensures that the records are retained.

Conclusion

It is recommended that Council receive and note the records of recent assemblies of Councillors as contained in this report

13. Mayor and Councillors' Reports

The report provides information to Council in regard to the Mayor's and Councillors' meeting schedule, 16 August and 4 September 2020.

2020	Location	Function
Mayor		
25 August	Via computer link	Council Meeting
28 August	Via computer link	Great South Coast Board Meeting
1 September	Via computer link	Councillor Workshop
2 September	Via computer link	Mt Fyans Wind Farm Community Engagement Committee (CEC) Meeting
4 September	Via computer link	Great South Coast Mayors' catch-up meeting
Councillors		
17 August	Via computer link	Dundonnell Wind Farm CEC Meeting
18 August	Via computer link	Salt Creek Wind Farm CEC Meeting
21 August	Via computer link	Local Government Act 2020 - Implementation Matters Webinar
24 August	Via computer link	Mount Shadwell Quarry Advisory Committee Meeting
25 August	Via computer link	Council Meeting
26 August	Via computer link	Mortlake South Wind Farm CEC Meeting
26 August	Koroit	Koroit and District Progress Association Meeting
1 September	Via computer link	Councillor Workshop
2 September	Via computer link	Mt Fyans Wind Farm CEC Meeting
2 September	Via computer link	Hawkesdale Community Plan Meeting

14 Councillor Notice of Motion

None.

15. General Matters

None detailed at time of printing.

16. Urgent Business

None detailed at time of printing.

17. CEO Meeting Schedule and Activities Report

Attachment

Attach - CEO Activities Report September 2020

Meeting Schedule

The below details provide information to Council in regard to the CEO's' meeting schedules, 16 August and 4 September 2020. (All meetings held via computer link)

2020	Function
17 August	Great South Coast Economic Futures Meeting 3
19 August	Great South Coast Economic Futures Meeting 4
19 August	DHHS/MAV/LGV - Regional/Rural COVID19 Community Engagement Meeting
19 August	MAV Stand for Council on-line Session
20 August	Great Ocean Road Regional Tourism Board Meeting
21 August	Local Government Act 2020 - Implementation Matters Webinar
26 August	DHHS/MAV/LGV - Regional/Rural COVID19 Community Engagement Meeting
26 August	LGPro CEO Forum
28 August	Great South Coast Bard Meeting
28 August	DHHS - Regional Rapid Response Briefing - Barwon South West Meeting
2 September	DHHS/MAV/LGV - Regional/Rural COVID19 Community Engagement Meeting



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Vision

Moyne Shire will be a vibrant, liveable, and prosperous community. People are diverse, resilient and feel happy and safe.

Purpose

To work responsibly with the community to provide opportunities, respond to issues, look after assets, encourage investment and empower communities to help themselves.

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