



**Date:** Wednesday, 17 March 2021  
**Time:** 9:00am  
**Location:** Council Chamber  
Mission Road  
Gununa

# **BUSINESS PAPER**

## **Late Reports**

### **Ordinary Council Meeting**

#### **17 March 2021**

**Graham King**  
**Acting Chief Executive Officer**

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**14 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORTS****14.12 UPDATE ON MAJOR PROJECTS THAT WILL FEATURE IN THE 2021/22 BUDGET PREPARATION****Author:** Acting Chief Executive Officer**Attachments:** Nil**PURPOSE (EXECUTIVE SUMMARY)**

The purpose of the Report is to provide a summary of the major projects underway or planning for in the 2021/22 Budget

**BACKGROUND & PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION**

The following information has been provided by the Special Projects Officer

**Civic Centre – Administration Centre**Project Funding

The project is funded under the Local Government Grants and Subsidies Program together with a Council contribution:

- LGGSP: \$5,317,692 (Local Government Grants and Subsidy Program – State Gov)
- Council: \$ 590,855
- total Budget: \$5,908,547

Project Program

The original funding program was based on a traditional design and construct delivery model. As previously proposed and approved by Council the model has changed to a modular design and construct delivery model to help meet the funder's deadlines whilst providing more control of the design outcomes and allowing for an appropriate community consultation phase. This has meant that some elements were brought forward in the program. The delays experienced due to lack of provision of timely approvals to proceed is predicting a 2-month delay in the delivery of the project.

Milestones

Milestone	Funding Approval Dates	Expected Dates	Percentage Complete	Funders Required Dates
Project Commencement	07/08/2020		100%	Require Funding Agreement to confirm
Milestone 1 Project Governance	07/08/2020		50%	
Milestone 2 Community Consultation	21/08/2020	13/10/2020	100%	
Milestone 2 Schematic Design	21/01/2021	12/03/21	90%	
Milestone 2a Development Approval		30/07/2021	5%	
Milestone 3 Procure D&C Contractor	16/11/2021	30/5/21	0%	
Milestone 4 D&C Design	01/04/2021	30/07/2021	0%	
Project Completion	24/12/2021	15/02/2022	0%	31/12/2021

Project Schematic Design

The schematic design is included in the attachments. The schematics were required to be reduced in size to meet the budget. In development of the first draft of schematics the Architect had aimed high to try and reach as many targets as possible from their initial investigations and the floor area grew significantly as a result.

The revised current schematic design floor areas are now more in keeping with the concept designed approved by the funding body.

#### Floor Areas

Internal	473.5m <sup>2</sup>
External	63.0m <sup>2</sup>
Total	536.5m <sup>2</sup>

The current schematic design has retained the majority of elements and functionality of the original schematic these are the changes:

1. Areas have generally been ratified and reduced whilst maintaining functionality.
2. Deleted spare office utilised by HR Manager – this user will be able to utilise the meeting room for confidential meetings or the phone booth for confidential phone calls.
3. Deleted outdoor meeting area – this was a nice to have space but unlikely to have a high daily use particularly during hotter times of the year. The new design supports the reintroduction of an outdoor deck in the future.

The Mayor and CEO offices are 3.1m x 3.3m and the Councillor's workspace and breakout space have remained the same. Executive officers are 3.1m x 3m

#### IT Provisions

The following provisions have been allowed for:

- 2 x server racks
- UPS below the threshold requiring fire rating
- DATA to workspaces, meeting rooms, chambers, photocopiers, retail, information kiosk etc (I would expect CAT 6 or current variant of cabling)
- WIFI throughout the building for staff (not sure about guest WIFI)
- I am not sure how the internet connection is established? (Satellite or fibre)
- Security requirements will need to be identified (cameras/ recording)
- Low tech mechanical pin locks were proposed for secure doors

#### Budget

The project cost plan is currently being reassessed based on the new schematic and is expected to come in within budget.

#### **Splash Park**

An application is underway for submission under the Building Better Regions Fund. A design and concept plan are included in the attachments.

#### Location

The splash park location has been maintained at the previously approved site adjacent the sports oval as the funding application must demonstrate that Council has control over the site to commence the project. Other proposed sites can be considered, but negotiations and approvals must commence immediately to ensure the project can commence once successful funding is announced.

#### Design

The current design is for a 280m<sup>2</sup> splashpad area supporting 70 users with tall waterspouts, ground level spouts, water dumper bucket, water blasters, and numerous interactive water features designed to accommodate a range of ages.

It should be noted that water slides have not been included as they always require the facility to be manned.

The design attached is generic and whilst an 'L' shaped facility wrapping around the existing playground would be preferable for this location the generic layout has been kept in case the facility is moved to another location.

This facility addresses the concerns raised in relation to seasonal stormwater inundation.

#### Budget

The proposed budget for the project was \$1.5mil based on the cost of splash parks in similar Budget the proposed budget for the project was \$1.5mil based on the cost of splash parks in similar communities. However, the remoteness of Mornington Island has pushed the budget up to \$1.8mil. The budget allows for the existing toilet block to be remodelled and for a shade structure over parts of the splash park.

#### Funding Application

The application was due for lodgement last Friday 05/03/2021, advice was received on 04/03/2021 of one weeks extension which now sees the application due for lodgement on Friday 12/03/2021. Due to the late approval of consultants purchase orders by Managers the application was very rushed, this extension has meant a more thorough and considered application can be submitted.

#### **FINANCIAL & RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

In regards to the Civic Centre – Administration Centre the only current commitments are with the Architect for \$54,785 to complete the tender documentation and with Local Buy to complete the procurement of a Design and Contract Contractor.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That Council;

1. Receive and note this report; and
2. When the design is at a suitable stage, invite the Architect to attend Council to ensure Council is able to input into the final draft design.

**14.13 NORTH WEST QUEENSLAND REGIONAL ROADS AND TRANSPORT GROUP**

**Author:** Acting Chief Executive Officer

**Attachments:** 1 NWQRRTG Invitation

**PURPOSE (EXECUTIVE SUMMARY)**

To advise Council of an invitation from Cr John Wharton AM Chair, North West Queensland Regional Roads and Transport Group (NWQRRTG) inviting Council to join the NWQRRTG.

**BACKGROUND & PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION**

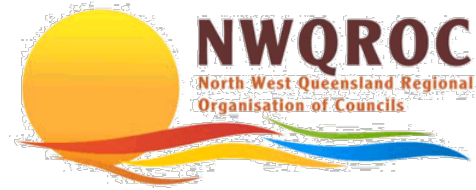
Attached is a copy of a letter from the North West Queensland Regional Roads and Transport Group for Council's consideration.

**FINANCIAL & RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

Travel and accommodation costs.

**RECOMMENDATION**

For Council's direction.



### ***North West Queensland Regional Roads and Transport Group***

*Burke • Carpentaria • Cloncurry • Doomadgee • Flinders • Kowanyama • McKinlay • Mount Isa • Richmond • TMR*

*Cr John Wharton AM, Chair  
Mr Peter Bennett, Secretary*

*Mr Michael Wanrooy, Chair Technical Committee  
Mr Gerard Read, Technical Coordinator*

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8 March 2021

Ref: NWQRRTG-162

Mayor Kyle Yanner  
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Dear Mayor Yanner

#### **MORNINGTON SHIRE COUNCIL INVITATION TO JOIN NWQRRTG**

At its meeting held Thursday 4 March 2021 in Julia Creek, North Queensland Regional Roads & Transport Group (NWQRRTG) representatives discussed the potential for Mornington Shire Council to join NWQRRTG, which was raised by Mayor Ernie Camp of Burke Shire Council. We certainly encourage and welcome Council to consider joining. As you may be aware, current members of NWQRRTG are:

Burke Shire Council	Kowanyama Aboriginal Shire Council
Carpentaria Shire Council	McKinlay Shire Council
Cloncurry Shire Council	Mount Isa City Council
Doomadgee Aboriginal Shire Council	Richmond Shire Council
Flinders Shire Council	Transport & Main Roads, North West District

In the interim we invite Mornington Shire Council representatives to attend our next round of meetings as observers, either face-to-face or via video/teleconference, which are confirmed as follows:

#### Technical Committee Meeting

Date *Friday 14 May 2021*  
Venue *Karumba Civic Centre*  
Time *8.30am*

The Technical Committee meeting is generally attended by senior engineering/works staff from each Council and TMR.

#### RRTG Meeting

Date *Thursday 8 July 2021*  
Venue *Karumba*  
Time *12.30pm*

The RRTG meeting is generally attended by the Mayors/Councillor and CEOs (and senior engineering/works staff in some instances) from each Council and the District and Regional Director from TMR.

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A copy of the Roads & Transport Alliance standard "Transitional Arrangements" for Aboriginal Shire Councils who join a Regional Roads & Transport Group are attached for your information and perusal. It highlights the following benefits for ASCs:

- Mornington Shire Council would receive a dedicated annual allocation of ATSI TIDS funding for which Council would have sole decision-making authority over its allocation to projects.
- Increased support from other Councils in the RRTG (eg. support networks for many aspects of Council operations).
- Council's road and transport issues are considered in the context of regional transport planning and priorities.
- Potential for capability/capacity building (eg. training for staff) in Council can be met through the RRTG.

Should you wish to discuss further please do not hesitate to contact me or any of the following:

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We certainly hope you give this invitation serious consideration and look forward to your response.

Yours faithfully



**Cr John Wharton AM**  
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**14.14 INDIGENOUS LEADERS FORUM**

**Author:** Acting Chief Executive Officer

**Attachments:** 1 LGAQ Email - Suggested Dates for Indigenous Leaders Forum

**PURPOSE (EXECUTIVE SUMMARY)**

To advise the Council on the proposed dates for the Indigenous Leaders Forum to be held in Cairns.

**BACKGROUND & PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION**

Attached is an email from the Local Government Association of Queensland regarding the holding of the Indigenous Leaders Forum.

**FINANCIAL & RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

Council has funding allocated in its Budget for attending Conferences. Included in the Six-Month Review is \$7,000 remaining for travel expenses and \$9,000 for attending conferences fees.

**RECOMMENDATION**

For Council direction.

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**From:** Gabrielle Dorward <[Gabrielle\\_Dorward@lgaq.asn.au](mailto:Gabrielle_Dorward@lgaq.asn.au)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 10 March 2021 9:12 AM  
**Subject:** Suggested Dates for next Indigenous Leaders Forum

Good morning CEOs,

Tony Goode and I have been looking at possible dates for the next Indigenous Leaders Forum (ILF) and have two options to suggest to you.

As much as possible we have tried to avoid Federal and State Government Sitting Dates, School Holidays, other conferences, TCICA meetings, and council meeting dates.

I have also looked at flight schedules to make sure that most of you will be able to fly in and out without the need to stay in Cairns over a weekend.

There are the only two possible dates available between now and mid-July so we would like to lock one in ASAP.

Please talk to your mayors and let me know ASAP which of the two options below suit you best.

**Option 1:** Tuesday April 27 (Half Day) & Wednesday April 28 (Full day) - linked to the Police Summit on Thursday April 29

**Option 2:** Thursday May 27 (Full day) & Friday May 28 (Half Day)

Regards Gabrielle



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**14.15 WORKS FOR QUEENSLAND 2021-2024**

**Author:** Acting Chief Executive Officer

**Attachments:** 1 2021-24 Works for Queensland (2021-24 W4Q) funding program letter

**PURPOSE (EXECUTIVE SUMMARY)**

To advise that the Deputy Premier Minister for State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning has written to the Mayor to advise of Council's funding of \$1,410,000 under the 2021-2024 W4Q program

**BACKGROUND & PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION**

Attached is a copy of the letter from the Deputy Premier.

The Deputy Premier advises that Council is required to provide details of nominated projects to the Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning for assessment and approval by 9 April 2021. Once approved, the Council will have until 30 June 2024 to deliver the projects.

Council will need to determine what projects it wants to put forward for consideration by the Department.

A report on the current status of other funding rounds and grant proposals will be prepared to allow Council time to make its final determination.

**FINANCIAL & RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

The Works For Queensland funding does not require a co-contribution.

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council;

1. Receive and note the report; and
2. Authorise the Acting Chief Executive Officer to advise the Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning of Council's final 2021-24 Works For Queensland Funding Program by the 9 April, 2021, and confirmed at Council's 21 April, 2021 Meeting.



Hon Steven Miles MP  
Deputy Premier  
Minister for State Development, Infrastructure,  
Local Government and Planning

Our ref: MBN21/140

11 March 2021

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Dear Councillor Yanner

I am writing to you about the recently announced \$200 million 2021-24 Works for Queensland (W4Q) program.

In the period since W4Q was established in 2016, the Palaszczuk Government has delivered or committed \$1 billion to this important program. W4Q is a great example of two levels of government working together to deliver outcomes for local communities and I look forward to seeing the positive impacts the 2021-24 funding round will deliver.

I am pleased to advise an amount of \$1,410,000 has been made available to the Mornington Shire Council (the council) under the 2021-24 W4Q program.

These funds are to be used to support the delivery of job creating new infrastructure, maintenance or minor works projects, maintenance or capital works that are focused on essential services, economic development and community wellbeing outcomes.

The council is required to provide details of nominated projects to the Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning (the department) for assessment and approval by 9 April 2021. Once approved, the council will have until 30 June 2024 to deliver the projects.

Mr Damien Walker, Director-General of the department will write separately to the council's Chief Executive Officer providing additional information in relation to the administrative arrangements for the program.

I look forward to the department working closely with the council to deliver projects that support Queensland's local communities.

If you require any further information regarding this matter, please contact Ms Danielle Cohen, Chief of Staff in my office, by email at [danielle.cohen@ministerial.qld.gov.au](mailto:danielle.cohen@ministerial.qld.gov.au) or by telephone on (07) 3719 7100.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'SM', written over a light blue grid background.

**STEVEN MILES MP**  
**DEPUTY PREMIER**  
Minister for State Development, Infrastructure,  
Local Government and Planning

**20 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS****RECOMMENDATION**

That Council considers the confidential report(s) listed below in a meeting closed to the public in accordance with Section 254 of the Local Government Regulation 2012.

**20.2 Security Contract - Bilby Security Pty Ltd**

This matter is considered to be confidential under section 254J(3)(e) under Local Government Regulation 2012, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain a financial advantage.

**20.3 Complaint - Workplace Investigation, Mornington Shire Council**

This matter is considered to be confidential under section 254J(3)(b) under Local Government Regulation 2012, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with industrial matters affecting employees.

**20.4 MAYOR'S REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2021**

This matter is considered to be confidential under section 254J(3)(a) under Local Government Regulation 2012, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with the appointment, discipline or dismissal of the chief executive officer