

AGENDA

General Committee Meeting

Date: Monday, 8 November 2021

Time: 5pm

Location: Cowra Council Chambers 116 Kendal Street, Cowra

> Paul Devery General Manager

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In accordance with the Local Government Act (1993), Cowra Council is livestreaming and recording General Committee and Council meetings. By speaking at these meetings, you agree to being livestreamed and recorded. Please ensure that when you speak at Council meetings that you ensure you are respectful to others and use appropriate language at all times. Cowra Council accepts no liability for any defamatory or offensive remarks or gestures made during the course of this meeting.

I.2 Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we gather, the Wiradjuri people, and pay our respects to elders both past and present.

1.3 Apologies and Applications for Leave of Absence by Councillors

List of apologies for the meeting.

I.4 Disclosures of Interest

Councillors and staff please indicate in relation to any interests you need to declare:

- a. What report/item you are declaring an interest in?
- b. Whether the interest is pecuniary or non-pecuniary?
- c. What is the nature of the interest?

I.5 Public Forum

I invite any member of the public wishing to speak on an item in the agenda to please come to the lectern, introduce yourself, state the item you wish to speak on and allow time for any councillor or member of staff if they have declared an interest in the item to manage that conflict which may include them leaving the chamber during your presentation.

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting held on 11 October 2021



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MINUTES OF COWRA COUNCIL GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT THE COWRA COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 116 KENDAL STREET, COWRA ON MONDAY, 11 OCTOBER 2021 AT 5PM

VIRTUAL PRESENCE:	Cr Bill West (Mayor), Cr Judi Smith (Deputy Mayor), Cr Ruth Fagan, Cr Michael Nobes, Cr Bruce Miller, Cr Ray Walsh, Cr Peter Wright							
VIRTUAL ATTENDANCE:	Paul Devery (General Manager), Michael Jones (Director - Corporate Services), Dirk Wymer (Director - Infrastructure							
	& Operations), Larissa Hackett (Acting Director-							
	Environmental Services)							

I INTRODUCTION

I.I Recording

The Mayor advised that the meeting was being recorded.

I.2 Acknowledgement of Country

Cr Bill West delivered the Acknowledgment of Country.

1.3 Apologies and Applications for Leave of Absence by Councillors

Apology

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Ruth Fagan Seconded: Cr Peter Wright

That apology from Cr Kevin Wright be received and accepted.

CARRIED

1.4 Disclosures of Interest

Nil

I.5 Public Forum

Nil in attendance

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Judi Smith Seconded: Cr Michael Nobes

That the minutes of General Committee Meeting held on 13 September 2021 be confirmed.

CARRIED

3 DIRECTOR-CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

3.1 Investments

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Ray Walsh Seconded: Cr Michael Nobes

That Council note the Investments and Financial Report for September 2021. CARRIED

3.2 Donation Request - Cowra Breakout Association

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Ruth Fagan Seconded: Cr Judi Smith

That Council provides financial assistance to the Cowra Breakout Association up to the value of \$1,320 for the 12 month rental of a storage shed.

CARRIED

3.3 Draft Guidelines for Risk Management and Internal Audit for Local Councils in NSW

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Judi Smith Seconded: Cr Bruce Miller

That the report from the Director – Corporate Services be put to the October 2021 Ordinary Council meeting with further discussion at next week's Information Meeting.

CARRIED

3.4 Section 355 Committee Draft Minutes - Cowra Youth Council

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Judi Smith Seconded: Cr Peter Wright

That the Minutes of the Cowra Youth Council ordinary meeting held on 13 September 2021 be noted.

CARRIED

4 DIRECTOR-INFRASTRUCTURE & OPERATIONS REPORT

4.1 Native Title Manager Notification to the Minister

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Bruce Miller Seconded: Cr Ruth Fagan

I. That Council nominates the following Council officers as its Native Title Managers:

Mr Dean Steward

Mrs Jenny Gardoll

2. That Council gives notice to the Minister for Water, Property and Housing of the name and contact details of Council's employed Native Title Managers, as required under Section 8.8 of the Crown Land Management Act 2016 (NSW).

CARRIED

4.2 Fixing Local Roads Round 3 Grant Funding

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Bruce Miller Seconded: Cr Peter Wright

That the Director – Infrastructure & Operation's report on the Fixing Local Roads Round 3 Grant Funding be received and noted.

CARRIED

5 ACTING DIRECTOR-ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT

5.1 Development Application No. 100/2021, Lot 16 Sec 19 DP 758300, 118a Kendal Street Cowra, alterations to office premises & change of use to community facility, lodged by Marathon Health

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Judi Smith Seconded: Cr Ray Walsh

- 1. That Council notes that the reason for the decision is that the proposal largely complies with Section 4.15 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. The application was publicly notified and no submissions were received; and
- 2. That Development Application No. 100/2021, for alterations to office premises & change of use to community facility on Lot 16 Sec 19 DP 758300,

118A Kendal Street Cowra be subject to the following conditions:

GENERAL CONDITIONS

I. Development is to be in accordance with approved plans.

The development is to be implemented in accordance with the plans and supporting documents stamped and approved and set out in the following table except where modified by any conditions of this consent.

Plan No./	Prepared by/Reference	Cowra Shire Council
Supporting Document	Details	Reference
Site Plan	Vision Town Planning	Received
Sheet No. I	Consultants	10 September 2021
Job No. 95/21	16 July 2021	Stamped No. 100/2021
Existing Ground Floor Plan	Vision Town Planning	Received
Sheet No. 2	Consultants	10 September 2021
Job No. 95/21	16 July 2021	Stamped No. 100/2021
Existing & Proposed South Elevation Sheet No. 3 Job No. 95/21	Vision Town Planning Consultants 16 July 2021	Received 10 September 2021 Stamped No. 100/2021
Existing Sections a-a & b-b	Vision Town Planning	Received
Sheet No. 4	Consultants	10 September 2021
Job No. 95/21	16 July 2021	Stamped No. 100/2021
Proposed Ground Floor Plan	Vision Town Planning	Received
Sheet No. 5	Consultants	10 September 2021
Job No. 95/21	16 July 2021	Stamped No. 100/2021
Proposed Sections a-a & b-b	Vision Town Planning	Received
Sheet No. 6	Consultants	10 September 2021
Job No. 95/21	16 July 2021	Stamped No. 100/2021
Existing Section c-c	Vision Town Planning	Received
Sheet No. 7	Consultants	10 September 2021
Job No. 95/21	16 July 2021	Stamped No. 100/2021
Statement of Environmental	Vision Town Planning	Received
Effects	Consultants	10 September 2021
Version 2	27 August 2021	Stamped No. 100/2021

In the event of any inconsistency between conditions of this development consent and the plans/supporting documents referred to above, the conditions of this development consent prevail.

- 2. The applicant shall comply with all relevant prescribed conditions of development consent under Part 6, Division 8A of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000 (see attached Advisory Note).
- 3. The development is required to comply with the requirements of the Disability (Access to Premises Buildings) Standards 2010 and Section D of the Building Code of Australia Disabled Access.
- 4. All signage approved under this consent is not to flash, move, be objectionably glaring or luminous, replicate any air traffic guide/warning or regulatory sign or be prejudice to the travelling aircrafts/public. Any additional sign and/or structure other than that which is permissible without consent is subject to obtain development consent issued by Council.

CONDITIONS TO BE COMPLIED WITH PRIOR TO THE ISSUE OF A CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATE

5. Pursuant to Section 7.12 (formerly Section 94A) of the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979, the monetary contribution set out in the following table is to be paid to Council prior to the issue of a Subdivision Certificate or Construction Certificate. The contribution is current as at the date of this consent and is levied in accordance with the Cowra Section 94A Contributions Plan 2016 adopted on 26 April 2016. The contribution payable will be calculated in accordance with the contributions plan current at the time of payment, and will be adjusted at the time of payment in accordance with the Consumer Price Index (CPI) (All Groups Index for Sydney) published by the Australian Bureau of Statistic (ABS). Contribution amounts will be adjusted by Council each financial year.

Contribution Type	Proposed Cost of Development ¹	Levy Percentage	Total Contribution	Contribution Rate Remains Current Until		
Section 94A Contribution ²	\$135,073.75	\$675.36	30 June 2022			
		Notes				
	shown on the Develo Application/Complyi					
² Council's Section 94A Contributions Plan 2016 may be viewed during office hours at Council's Customer Service Centre, 116 Kendal Street Cowra, or on Council's website www.cowracouncil.com.au						

- 6. Prior to the issue of a Construction Certificate, a detailed on-street car parking plan including ramps (2) in accordance with the provisions of AS 2890.5–1993 and AS1428.1-2009 is required to be submitted and approved by the Principal Certifier.
- 7. Prior to the issue of a Construction Certificate, the Applicant must obtain consent from the roads authority pursuant to Section 138 of the Roads Act 1993 for the carrying out of works in a road reserve.

CONDITIONS TO BE COMPLIED WITH PRIOR TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF WORKS

8. The Applicant is to obtain a Construction Certificate from either Council or an Accredited Certifier, certifying that the proposed works are in accordance with the Building Code of Australia and applicable Cowra Shire Council Engineering Standards prior to any building and or subdivision works commencing. No building, engineering or excavation work is to be carried out in relation to this development until the necessary construction certificates have been obtained. It is the responsibility of the Applicant to ensure that the development complies with the Building Code of Australia and applicable engineering standards in the case of building work and the applicable Council Engineering Standards in the case of subdivision works. This may entail alterations to the proposal so that it complies with these standards.

- 9. The Applicant is to submit to Cowra Shire Council, at least two days prior to the commencement of any works, a 'Notice of Commencement of Building Works' and 'Appointment of Principal Certifier'.
- 10. All building rubbish and debris, including that which can be windblown, shall be contained on site in a suitable container for disposal at an approved Waste Landfill Depot. The container shall be erected on the building site prior to work commencing and shall be maintained for the term of the construction to the completion of the project. No building rubbish or debris shall be placed or permitted to be placed on any adjoining public reserve, footway or road. The waste container shall be regularly cleaned to ensure proper containment of the building waste generated on the construction site.

CONDITIONS TO BE COMPLIED WITH DURING CONSTRUCTION

- 11. In accordance with Clause 162A of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000, where Council is nominated as the Certifier, the works must be inspected by Council at the times specified below:
 - (a) After excavation for, and prior to the placement of, any footings;
 - (b) Prior to pouring any in-situ reinforced concrete building element;
 - (c) Prior to covering of the framework for any floor, wall, roof or other building element;
 - (d) Prior to covering waterproofing in any wet areas;
 - (e) Prior to covering any stormwater drainage connections; and
 - (f) After the building work has been completed and prior to any Occupation Certificate being issued in relation to the building.

Failure to obtain an inspection of the works at the times specified above may prevent an Occupation Certificate being issued for the development. Where Cowra Council is required to carry out inspections the principal contractor for the building site, or the owner-builder, must notify Council at least 48 hours before each required inspection needs to be carried out.

- 12. All construction work shall be carried out within the confines of the property unless separate written permission is obtained from the relevant landowner and/or authority in control of the land. A copy of any written notices authorising off-site construction operations shall be submitted to Council prior to any operation commencing on the affected land.
- 13. Any damage caused to footpaths, roadways, utility installations and the like by reason of construction operations shall be made good and repaired to a standard equivalent to that existing prior to commencement of construction. The full cost of restoration/repairs of property or services damaged during the works shall be met by the Applicant.
- 14. All storage of goods and building materials and the carrying out of building operations related to the development proposal shall be carried out within the confines of the property. All vehicles must be parked legally and no

vehicles are permitted to be parked over the public footpath. The unloading of building materials over any part of a public road by means of a lift, hoist or tackle projecting over the footway will require separate approval under Section 68 of the Local Government Act 1993.

- 15. Building activities and excavation work involving the use of electric or pneumatic tools or other noisy operations shall be carried out only between 7.00 am and 6.00 pm on weekdays and 8.00 am and 1.00 pm on Saturdays. No work on Sundays or Public Holidays is permitted.
- 16. Parking for disabled persons is to be provided and signposted in accordance with the approved plans and the requirements of Australian Standard 2890.6. The access linking such parking areas to their associated developments shall generally not have gradients steeper than 1:14.

CONDITIONS TO BE COMPLIED WITH PRIOR TO OCCUPATION OR COMMENCEMENT OF USE

- 17. The Applicant must not commence occupation or use of the premises until a Whole or Partial Occupation Certificate has been issued from the Principal Certifier appointed for the subject development.
- 18. Prior to the issue of the Whole Occupation Certificate the applicant must construct the ramps facilitating the proposed on-street disabled car park in accordance with the approved plan required under condition 6. All costs associated with the construction of the ramps shall be borne by the Applicant.
- 19. A Fire Safety Certificate completed by a competent fire safety practitioner shall be furnished to the Principle Certifier for all the Essential Fire Safety Measures specified in the current fire safety schedule for the building, prior to the issue of any Occupation Certificate. The Fire Safety Certificate must be issued using the standard template form published by the NSW Government. A copy of the Fire Safety Certificate must be predominately displayed in the building and a copy submitted to Council by the Principle Certifier with the Occupation Certificate. An electronic copy of the Final Fire Safety Certificate (together with a copy of the current Fire Safety Schedule) shall also be forwarded to the Fire Commissioner via the following dedicated email address: afss@fire.nsw.gov.au
- 20. An Annual Fire Safety Statement completed by a competent fire safety practitioner for all the Essential Fire Safety Measures applicable to the building must be given to Council and a copy forwarded to the Fire Commissioner via the dedicated email address <u>afss@fire.nsw.gov.au</u>:
 - (i) within 12 months after the date on which an annual fire safety statement was previously given, or
 - (ii) if a fire safety certificate has been issued within the previous 12 months, within 12 months after the fire safety certificate was issued, whichever is the later.

An Annual Fire Safety Statement must be issued using the standard template form published by the NSW Government. A copy of the Annual Fire Safety Statement (together with a copy of the current fire safety schedule) must also be prominently displayed in the building.

ADVICE

If, during work, an Aboriginal object is uncovered then WORK IS TO CEASE IMMEDIATELY and the Office of Environment & Heritage is to be contacted urgently on (02) 6883 5300. Under the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974 it is an offence to harm an Aboriginal object or place without an 'Aboriginal heritage impact permit' (AHIP). Before making an application for an AHIP, the applicant must undertake Aboriginal community consultation in accordance with clause 80C of the NPW Regulation.

CARRIED

<u>In Favour:</u> Crs Bill West, Judi Smith, Ruth Fagan, Michael Nobes, Bruce Miller, Ray Walsh and Peter Wright

<u>Against:</u> Nil

6 LATE REPORTS

Nil

7 NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Nil

8 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Ray Walsh Seconded: Cr Michael Nobes

That Council considers the confidential report(s) listed below in a meeting closed to the public in accordance with Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act 1993:

8.1 Replacement of George Campbell Bridge – Contract 2/2021

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2) d(i) of the Local Government Act, 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 commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

CARRIED

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3 DIRECTOR-CORPORATE SERVICES REPORT

3.1	Investments					
File Number:	D21/172					
Author:	Michael Jones, Director - Corporate Services					

RECOMMENDATION

That Council note the Investments and Financial Report for October 2021.

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this report is to provide Councillors with useful and timely information on Council's investments, rate collections, loans and estimated financial position.

BACKGROUND

The Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 (Part 9, Division 5, Clause 212), effective from I September 2005, requires the Responsible Accounting Officer of a Council to provide a written report setting out details of all monies that have been invested under Section 625 (2) of the Local Government Act 1993, as per the Minister's Order published in the Government Gazette of 12 January 2011. The Responsible Officer must also include in the report a certificate as to whether the investment has been made in accordance with the Act, the Regulations and the Council's Investment Policies. This certificate appears below the table of investments.

BUDGETARY IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

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Investments

I. Investments Portfolio as at | November 2021

I hereby certify that all of the above investments have been placed in accordance with the Act, the regulations and Council's investment policy.

	S&P RATING	Date Lodged	Term (Days)	%	Date Due	Principal \$
BANK OF QUEENSLAND(Wyangala Sewer Handover)	A-2	19/10/2021	182	0.38%	19/04/2022	1,686,000.00
BENDIGO & ADELAIDE BANK LTD	A-2	12/10/2021	273	0.30%	12/07/2022	1,000,000.00
COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA	A-1+	17/11/2020	365	0.54%	17/11/2021	1,000,000.00
COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA	A-1+	8/12/2020	365	0.48%	8/12/2021	1,000,000.00
COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA	A-1+	19/01/2021	365	0.43%	19/01/2022	500,000.00
COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA	A-1+	4/05/2021	365	0.41%	4/05/2022	500,000.00
COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA	A-1+	18/05/2021	365	0.38%	18/05/2022	500,000.00
COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA	A-1+	31/05/2021	365	0.40%	31/05/2022	500,000.00
COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA	A-1+	1/06/2021	365	0.39%	1/06/2022	500,000.00
COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA	A-1+	16/09/2021	270	0.30%	13/06/2022	500,000.00
IMB LTD	A-2	24/06/2021	229	0.22%	8/02/2022	500,000.00
IMB LTD	A-2	8/07/2021	271	0.24%	5/04/2022	600,000.00
ING BANK	A-2	3/12/2020	365	0.25%	3/12/2021	1,000,000.00
ING BANK	A-2	23/02/2021	365	0.50%	23/02/2022	500,000.00
ING BANK	A-2	4/03/2021	365	0.50%	4/03/2022	500,000.00
ING (Wyangala Sewer Handover)	A-2	19/04/2021	365	0.50%	19/04/2022	234,914.23
ING BANK	A-2	12/04/2021	365	0.50%	12/04/2022	1,000,000.00
ING BANK	A-2	12/04/2021	274	0.45%	11/01/2022	500,000.00
ING BANK	A-2	14/04/2021	365	0.50%	14/04/2022	1,000,000.00
NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK LTD	A-1+	23/03/2021	272	0.30%	20/12/2021	1,000,000.00
NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK LTD	A-1+	27/04/2021	210	0.32%	23/11/2021	500,000.00
NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK LTD	A-1+	25/05/2021	240	0.31%	20/01/2022	1,000,000.00
NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK LTD	A-2	25/05/2021	273	0.31%	22/02/2022	500,000.00
NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK LTD	A-2	31/05/2021	365	0.35%	31/05/2022	500,000.00
NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK LTD	A-1+	1/06/2021	365	0.35%	1/06/2022	1,000,000.00
NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK LTD	A-1+	6/10/2021	335	0.34%	6/09/2022	500,000.00
ST GEORGE BANK	A-1+	6/05/2021	320	0.27%	22/03/2022	500,000.00
ST GEORGE BANK	A-1+	6/05/2021	320	0.27%	22/03/2022	500,000.00
ST GEORGE BANK	A-1+	18/05/2021	308	0.27%	22/03/2022	500,000.00
ST GEORGE BANK	A-1+	25/06/2021	242	0.32%	22/02/2022	500,000.00
ST GEORGE BANK	A-1+	24/06/2021	257	0.32%	8/03/2022	500,000.00
ST GEORGE BANK	A-1+	25/06/2021	270	0.32%	22/03/2022	500,000.00
ST GEORGE BANK	A-1+	8/07/2021	306	0.37%	10/05/2022	500,000.00
ST GEORGE BANK	A-1+	24/06/2021	145	0.23%	16/11/2021	500,000.00
SUNCORP-METWAY LTD	A-1	12/08/2021	271	0.23%	10/05/2022	500,000.00
SUNCORP-METWAY LTD	A-1	23/09/2021	152	0.30%	22/02/2022	500,000.00
SUNCORP-METWAY LTD	A-1	24/09/2021	193	0.30%	5/04/2022	500,000.00
SUNCORP-METWAY LTD	A-1	25/09/2021	213	0.32%	26/04/2022	500,000.00
SUNCORP-METWAY LTD	A-1	26/09/2021	303	0.33%	26/07/2022	500,000.00
SUNCORP-METWAY LTD (BARP)	A-1	4/05/2021	274	0.33%	2/02/2022	2,000,000.00
						27,020,914.23

I hereby certify that all of the above investments have been placed in accordance with the Act, the Regulations and Council's Investment Policy.

Scott Ellison Manager – Finance I/II/2I

2. Interest Rate

The average interest rate for Council's investments held is 0.35 %. At the time of preparing this report, average (market rates) interest rates were as follows as at 31 October 2021:-

30	60	90	120	150	180	270	I YR
Days							
0.08%	0.11%	0.19%	0.20%	0.21%	0.24%	0.29%	0.35%

3. General Fund Balance

As at 31 October 2021 the balance of the Cowra Shire Council's General Fund bank account was \$820,085.43 credit and the On-Call account balance was \$1,500,000.00. The General Fund bank account is monitored on a daily basis to ensure investments are maximised and that sufficient funds are available for day to day operations.

4. Council's Investments – Mix of Investment Ratings

Council's investments are made in accordance with its investment policy and in particular are subject to Section 6 of that policy as follows:

"6. Approved Investments

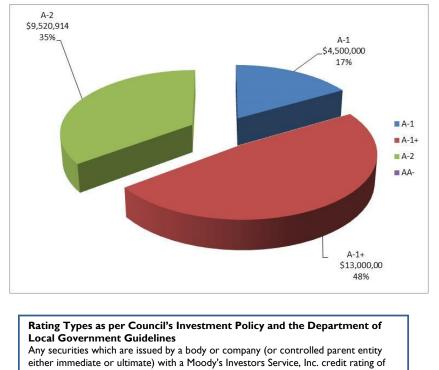
Investments are limited to those allowed by the most current Ministerial Investment Order that has been issued by the NSW Minister for Local Government.

All investments must be denominated in Australian Dollars. Authorised new investments as from 12 January 2011 are limited to the following, as per the attached Ministerial Investment Order.

- *a.* Any public funds or securities issued by or guaranteed by, the Commonwealth, any State of the Commonwealth or a Territory.
- b. Any debentures or securities issued by a Council (within the meaning of the Local Government Act 1993 (NSW).
- c. Interest bearing deposits with, or any debentures or bonds issued by, an authorised deposit taking institution (as defined in the Banking Act 1959(Cwth)), but excluding subordinated debt obligations.
- d. Any bill of exchange which has a maturity date of not more than 200 days; and if purchased for value confers on the holder in due course a right of recourse against a bank which has been designated as an authorised deposit-taking institution by the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority.
- e. A deposit with the New South Wales Treasury Corporation or investments in an Hour Glass Investment Facility of the New South Wales Treasury Corporation.

It should be noted that 100% of Council's investments are as per (c) above.

The following pie-chart shows Council's mix of investments for the period detailing the various classes of investments as per the Moody's and Standard and Poor's classifications.



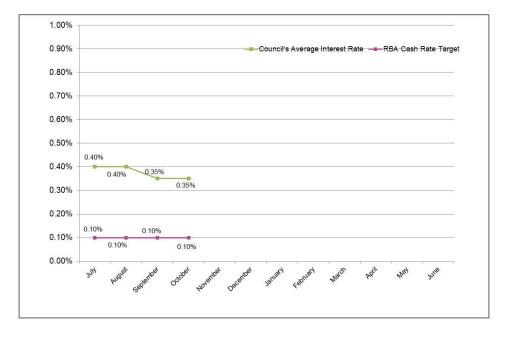
``Aaa", ``AaI", ``Aa2", ``Aa3", "AI" or "A2" or a Standard &Poor's Investors Service, Inc credit rating of ``AAA", ``AA+", ``AA", ``AA-"; "A+"; or "A" Any securities which are given a Moody's Investors Service Inc credit rating of ``Aaa", ``Aa1", ``Aa2", ``Aa3", '`A1"; ''A2" or ``Prime-I" or a Standard and Poor's Investors Service. Inc credit rating of ``AAA". ``AA+". ``AA". ``AA-". ''A'": ''A': AI+" or ``AI"

5. Interest on Investment Income

Interest on investments income of \$261,517 has been included in the 2021/2022 Budget. Performance of investments is monitored monthly.

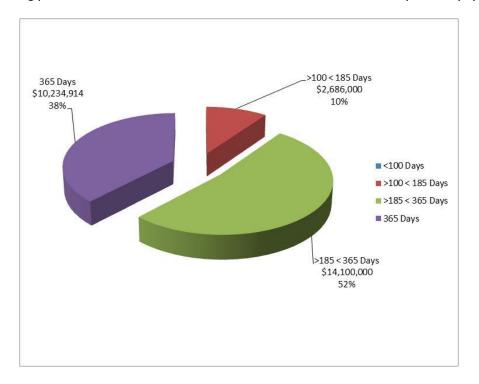
6. Term Deposit Average Monthly Interest Rate Compared to the RBA Cash Rate Target

The following graph compares the average monthly interest rate secured by Council to the RBA Cash Rate Target. Monetary policy decisions by the RBA are expressed in terms of a target for the cash rate, which is the overnight money market interest rate.



7. Maturity Profile of Council's Investments

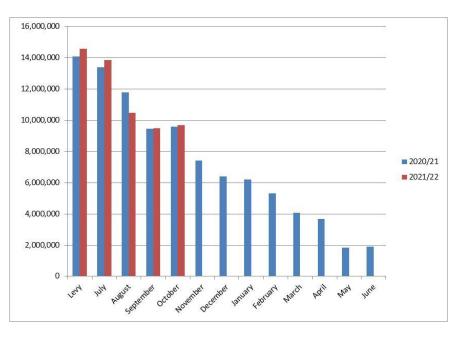
The following pie-chart shows the mix of Council investments for the month by maturity type.



Rates

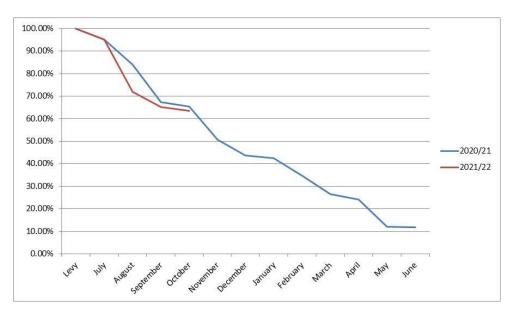
8. Comparison of Rate Collection Progress for 2020/21 and 2021/22

The following graph shows the total rate levy and arrears carried forward at the time of the rate levy in July 2021. Council's debt collection policy has the objective of having no more than 10% of rates outstanding by the end of each financial year.



9. Council Rate Levy - % Comparison

As the levy varies each year, the following graph shows the total percentage of rates and arrears outstanding each month based on 100% being total levy plus total arrears in each year.



10. Council Rate Levy – Arrears and Recovery Action

At the 30 June each year, the total rate arrears figure consists of the unpaid rates from the year just ended together with outstanding balances from previous years.

ARREARS AT 30 JUNE 2021		\$ I,889,893
Collected – Year to Date (as per last month's report)	\$ 619,432	
Collected in October 2021	\$ 100,430	\$ 719,862
Balance as at 1 November 2021		\$ 1,170,031
Current Legals	\$ 85,430	
Sale of Land	\$ -	
Arrangements (Repayment Schedules)	\$ 1,084,601	
	\$ 1,170,031	

II. Indicative Position of General Fund for the Current Year to 30 June 2022

The following table shows Council's budget result based on the budget set as per Council's Operational Plan for 2020/2021. No changes have occurred since last month's report.

		OPERATIN		BEFORE CAR	PITAL GRAM	NTS &					
			CONT	TRIBUTIONS							
Resolution		Consolidated	General	Water	Sewer	Waste	Consolidated	General	Water	Sewer	Waste
		'000	'000'	'000	·000	'000	·000	'000	'000	'000	·00
	Adopted Budget	590	1,180	(925)	87	248	26,142	10,522	5,610	8,336	1,67
197/21	Cowra Youth Council 10th	-3	-3								
	Anniversary										
228/21	2021 Cowra Christmas Festival	-15	-15								
212/21	Cowra Low Lift Pump Station Upgrade						-105		-105		
	End of 1st Quarter - Prior to Review	572	1,162	(925)	87	248	26,037	10,522	5,505	8,336	1,67
	1st Quarter Budget Review	471	1,112	(948)	74	233	27,057	11,296	5,563	8,558	1,64
		471	1,112	(948)	74	233	27,057	11,296	5,563	8,558	1,64

Loans

12. Interest Rate

The average interest rate for Council's current loans is 5.65%. Weighted Average Interest Rate (based on principal outstanding) is 6.29 %.

13. Loan Summary

Summary of Current Loans and Purpose as at 1 November 2021:

Loan no	Lender	Date Obtained	Due Date	Principal \$	Interest Rate %	Principal \$ o/s 1/11/2021	Ledger No
	GENERAL						
233	NATIONAL AUST. BANK (SALEYARDS)	29/05/2003	29/11/2022	220,000	6.20	24,921	22829
234	NATIONAL AUST. BANK (POOL KIOSK)	13/06/2003	13/06/2023	1,600,000	5.81	252,191	22835
236	COMMONWEALTH (RIVER PK AMEN/VAUX DRAINAGE)	28/01/2005	1/02/2025	433,500	6.31	118,809	22842
241B	COMMONWEALTH BANK (VAUX ST DRAINAGE WEST)	18/12/2006	18/12/2036	166,000	6.35	121,684	22847
242B	COMMONWEALTH BANK (MULYAN OVAL AMENITIES)	22/08/2007	24/08/2037	95,000	6.80	72,282	22849
249	NATIONAL AUST. BANK (CIVIC CENTRE REFURBISHMENT)	22/12/2008	22/12/2033	1,395,390	8.15	1,006,275	22851
245	NATIONAL AUST. BANK (CIVIC CENTRE REFURBISHMENT)	29/06/2009	29/06/2029	234,000	8.33	138,580	22852
246	NATIONAL AUST. BANK (SALEYARDS EFFLUENT SCREENS)	16/04/2010	16/04/2025	225,000	8.01	78,454	22853
250	NATIONAL AUST. BANK (DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS)	28/06/2013	28/06/2028	250,000	6.36	141,743	22857
253A	DEPOT REDEVELOPMENT - STAGE 1	27/06/2016	27/06/2026	400,000	2.63	203,114	22861
253B	AIRPORT SUBDIVISION	27/06/2016	27/06/2026	1,478,993	2.63	751,069	22862
253C	CEMETERY EXPANSION	27/06/2016	27/06/2026	250,000	2.63	126,985	22863
254A	DEPOT REDEVELOPMENT - STAGE 2	11/05/2020	11/05/2040	512,120	2.41	486,817	22864
254B	CBD FOOTPATH REFURBISHMENT	11/05/2020	11/05/2040	1,437,788	2.41	1,366,730	22865
254C	LOW LEVEL BRIDGE REPAIRS	11/05/2020	11/05/2040	500,000	2.41	475,289	22866
						5,364,943	
	WASTE						
247	NATIONAL AUST. BANK (RECYCLING PLANT)	16/04/2010	16/04/2025	538,500	8.01	187,768	22859
						187,768	
	WATER						
238	COMMONWEALTH (CBD MAINS REPLACEMENT)	22/02/2006	23/02/2031	1,000,000	6.03	557,627	22844
241A	COMMONWEALTH BANK (WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT)	18/12/2006	18/12/2036	1,256,000	6.35	920,576	22846
242A	COMMONWEALTH BANK (1C1 ZONE)	22/08/2007	24/08/2037	1,286,500	6.80	979,008	22848
251	WESTPAC (EMERGENCY WATER SUPPLY CONSTRUCTION)	28/06/2013	27/06/2033	1,186,124	6.566	871,107	22858
252	NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK (WATER TREATMENT PLANT AUTOMATION)	18/06/2014	18/06/2024	3,875,000	5.050	1,266,527	22860
						4,594,846	
	SEWERAGE						
244	NATIONAL AUST. BANK (SEWER TREATMENT PLANT)	6/05/2010	04/05/2040	7,213,230	8.13	6,210,025	22855
						6,210,025	
	GRAND TOTAL					16,357,581	

3.2 Section 355 Committee Draft Minutes - Cowra Regional Art Gallery Advisory Committee

File Number: D21/217

Author: Michael Jones, Director - Corporate Services

RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes of the Advisory Committee of Cowra Regional Art Gallery ordinary meetings held on 14 July, 11 August and 13 October 2021 be noted.

INTRODUCTION

Attached for the information of Councillors are the draft Minutes from the recent Section 355 Committee meeting.

BUDGETARY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Draft Minutes from the Advisory Committee of Cowra Regional Art Gallery meeting held on 14 July 2021 J
- 2. Draft Minutes from the Advisory Committee of Cowra Regional Art Gallery meeting held on 11 August 2021 J
- 3. Draft Minutes from the Advisory Committee of Cowra Regional Art Gallery meeting held on 13 October 2021 J

Council Delegate: Committee Present: In Attendance:		: Cr M. I	Cr M. Nobes D. Henley (Chairperson), C. Bennett, L. Chant, L. Murray, L. Foster B Langer (Gallery Director)					
		ent: D. Hen						
		B Lange						
<u>I.</u>	APOLOGI	ES:						
J. Fagan, J. Mallon, J.		allon, J. Ware,	Vare,					
2.	CONFIRM	ATION OF TH	OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES:					
2.1	Motion							
	Moved:	L. Murray	Seconded:	C. Bennett				
	That the minutes of the Gallery Advisory Committee meeting held on 16 June 2021 be accepted and confirmed.							
	Carried							
3.	BUSINESS	ARISING FRC	M LAST MEETIN	IG:				
	Nil							
4.	BUSINESS	ARISING FRC	M CORRESPON	DENCE:				
	Art Group Letter (see attached) Included support for further development of the Gallery's exhibition capacity.							
	Tabled							
5.	FRIENDS A		NANCIAL REPOR	<u>ت</u>				
5.1	The balance of the Friends of the Gallery Account as at 14/7/21 is \$4,145.58							
5.2	Motion							
	Moved:	D. Henley	Secor	nded: M. Nobes				

That the Financial Report for the Friends of the Gallery Account be accepted.

Carried

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6. GALLERY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- 6.1 Main Activities
 - i) The Lachlan Valley Biennial Art Awards (LVBAA) closed on Saturday 12 June 2021. The exhibition was well received by visitors based on their comments (written and verbal). Total visitors to the exhibition were 758 during 21 days. The exhibition opening included the announcement of the two award winners and highly commended artists. There is a short video recording of the opening and a video walk through of the exhibition now available on the Gallery website.
 - ii) The exhibition of HSC student works ARTEXPRESS opened on Saturday 19 June 2021. A video of the opening event and walk through of the exhibition are available on the Gallery website.
 - iii) The exhibition Operation Art commenced on Wednesday 23 June in the Library. The Gallery has organised the special handover of six works from the Operation Art Collection in Sydney at the Westmead Children's Hospital to the Cowra Hospital on Thursday 24 June at 2pm.
 - iv) New listings and advertising promoting the Gallery program during August/September were prepared for a range of selected art magazines, journals and regional tourism/lifestyle magazines. Regular exhibition notices also appeared in the Guardian.
 - v) Exhibition updates were regularly posted on social media such as mailchimp/facebook. The Civic Centre is also promoting the Gallery exhibitions in the foyer and pre-screening in the cinema.
 - vi) The Gallery has received the donation of three significant donations from Mandurama based Artist Mandy Martin.

6.2 Upcoming July/August

- Calleen Art Award 2021 Call for Entries close Monday 19 July 2021
- Marketing/Website and social media updates continue.
- De-installation of Operation Art 25/26 August
- New exhibition Weapons for the Soldier Protecting Country, Culture & Family - exhibition dates – 10 August to 26 Sept (set up assistance required I – 7 August).

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6.1 Motion

Moved: D. Henley

Seconded: L. Murray

That the Gallery Director's Report be accepted.

Carried

7. GENERAL BUSINESS

- 7.1 Current COVID-19 restrictions regarding social distancing and the ongoing lockdowns in greater Sydney have caused difficulties with the presentation of the Gallery's program of public events. As a result the Gallery Director proposed to present the screening of a short film and Q&A with refreshments at the Cowra Civic Centre cinema as a Friends of the Gallery event. The film is titled *Dust Cloud* by local film maker Trudi Huston Refshauge. *Dust Cloud* is an award winning short film made in the Cowra region during the last drought. The proposed date is Thursday 29 July 202. It will be an Eventbrite ticketed event in collaboration with the Cowra Civic Centre.
- 7.2 The planned opening with guest speakers for the next exhibition Weapons for the Soldier: Protecting Country, Culture and Family has been cancelled due to COVID-19 travel restrictions caused by the Lockdown in Greater Sydney. An Eventbrite ticketed launch of the exhibition on Sunday 8 August from 2pm – 4pm is proposed as a substitute event. The exhibition dates are 10 August to 26 September 2021.
- 7.3 Gallery upgrade two perspective drawings of the new Gallery floorplan (prepared by the Architect) were distributed for Committee Members to view (attached).

8. BUSINESS ARISING WITHOUT NOTICE

8.1 Nil

9. WEEKEND FRONT OF HOUSE SUNDAY ROSTER

9.1 Weekend front-of-house roster for July/August 2021 was circulated.

10. EXHIBITION CHANGE OVER/INSTALLATION

- 10.1 Operation Art Saturday 24 July or Sunday 25 July 2-4pm – de-install - assistance required (date TBC)
- 10.2 ARTEXPRESS Sunday I August 4-6pm to Tuesday 3 August – de-install – assistance required

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10.3 Weapons for the Soldier Tuesday 3 August to Saturday 7 August 10am-4pm – unpacking/installation – assistance required

11. NEXT MEETING DATE:

11.1 The next meeting of the Gallery Advisory Committee is Wednesday 11 August at 5:00 pm in the Cowra Regional Art Gallery.

12. MEETING CLOSED:

6.00pm

Chairperson D Henley

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The Cowra Art & Craft Group (CAG Inc) P O Box 236 COWRA NSW 2794

29th June 2021

The General Manager Cowra Shire Council, Private Bag 342 Cowra NSW 2794

Good morning

Please find herewith the Completion and Acquittal Report, Round 2, 2020/21 Community Grants Program.

Thanks to the combined effort of our committee, community and the Cowra Council grants program 2021 the Cowra Art Group Inc. were able to present our 11th biennial art exhibition at the Cowra Regional Art Gallery. A fresh new approach to the event, we believe resulted in a very successful event which was well received and well attended by our community, artists and their communities within 100 kms of Cowra.

We, the Cowra Art & Craft Group Inc have a membership of 65 persons. Only 18 of our group are artists, 3 men and 15 women, from that number a very small committee volunteer their time and service to organise and present this biennial event. While this small committee invites artists and sponsors to join us in bringing this exhibition to Cowra, the committee is supported by The Regional Gallery Art Gallery Director, Mr Brian Langer, whose partnership in this event ensures the highest quality of presentation and organisation from start to close of the exhibition. We are grateful to Brian for the skill set he brings to his position and his mentoring during the lead up to the event.

We were delighted to receive feedback of more artists wishing to participate in our next biennial 2023 although sadly our local regional art gallery hanging capacity was probably at its peak in this current event. 100 pieces of work highlighted the wonderful talent from our region.

This year we received publicity in the press, radio and TV. For the TV coverage we are indebted to Bill West for his encouraging support on his weekly "What's Happening in Cowra" segment Broadcast on Orange Radio. Might we say, Bill West spoke beautifully at our opening and closing of our event and his encouragement to artists to join in this event was very much appreciated. Bill spoke of the rich contribution artists in our area make his assessment is gathered upon seeing the work and his previous involvement with our group. Bill West is a great Ambassador for Cowra, and we are very grateful for his time and continued support. It is important to note, how we measured the success of this event

How success was measured:

- 100 pieces of art exhibited at The Cowra Regional Art Gallery from artists residing within 100 kilometres of Cowra
- 12 (3 men & 9 women) of 18 local artists from Cowra Art Group Inc. members exhibited work
- 61 artists participated in total
- 26 of the 61 artists were first time exhibitors to the Lachlan Valley Biennial art award
- 10% of pieces were sold
- 285 votes were collected for the People's Choice
- Great publicity received from the Guardian Newspaper, Prime 7 and Bathurst Community Radio

- One artist reported to have received a handful of commissions as a result of her inaugural showing
- 3 artists sold more than one piece of work
- 2 artists shared first prize
- neither of the winners had exhibited previously in the Lachlan Valley Biennial Exhibition
- 1 winner was 91 years of age and a very active artist, still drives and operates a studio
- showed a financial return to the club and more importantly
- more local businesses supported the event financially than ever before
- None of the above milestones have been achieved in previous years, all during 20 exhibit days

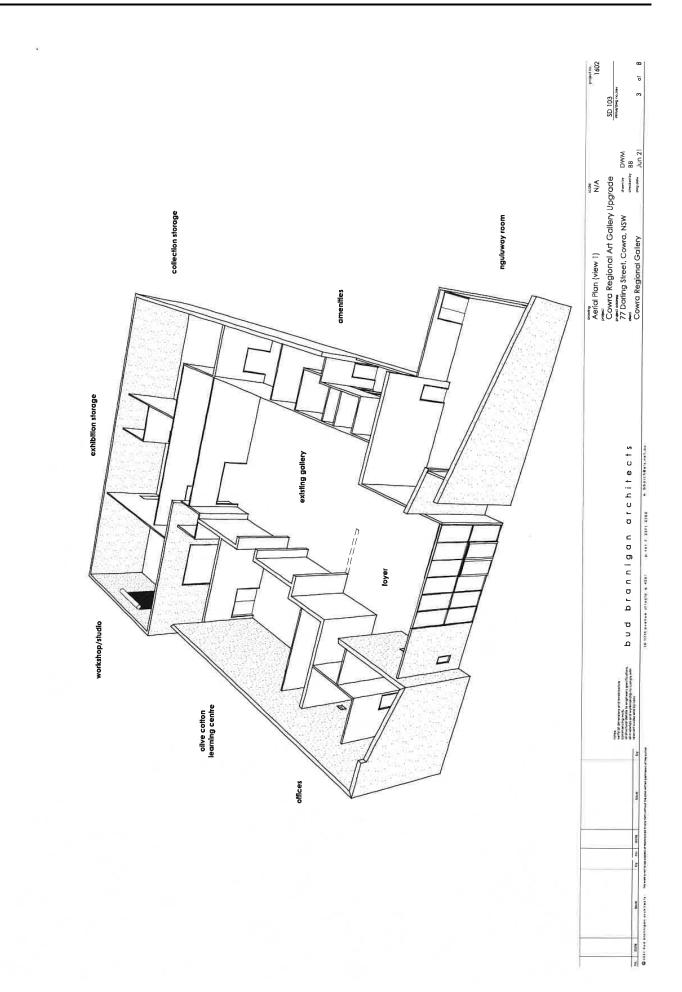
Again, thank you for making the grant available to us and giving us the opportunity to express the importance of art and artist in our region. We look forward to calling on your support again.

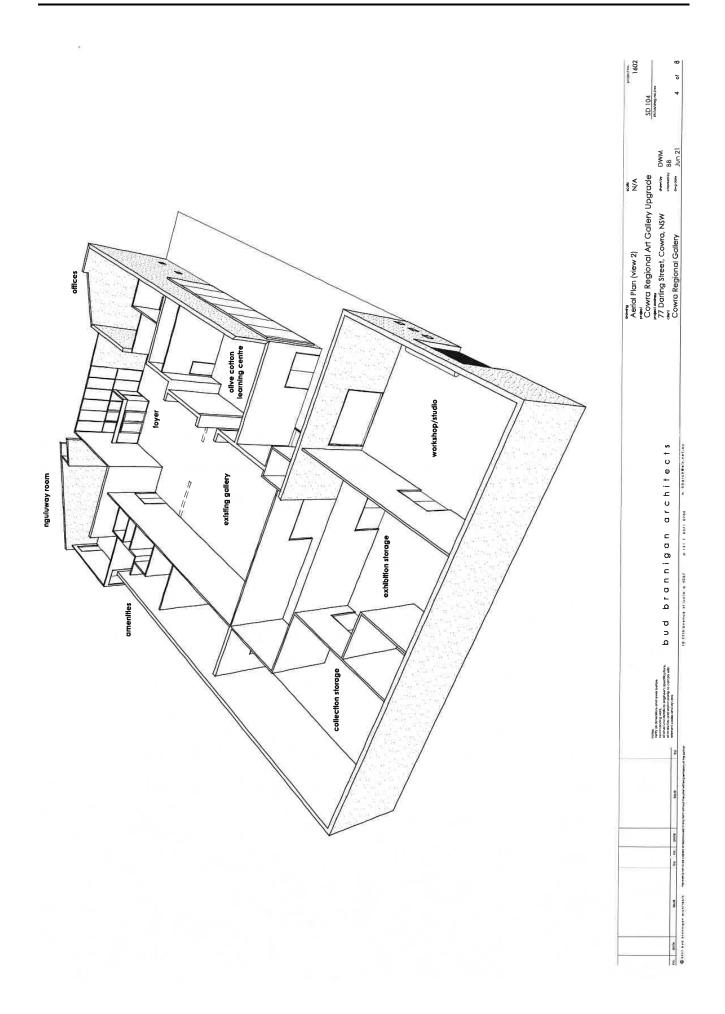


Martina Lindsay 0498249580 Acting Secretary Cowra Art Group Inc

Cc Mr Lawrence Ryan, Mr Brian Langer, Mr .Bill West

All supporting documents attached to LiRyan's copy





Council Delegate:	Cr M. Nobes D. Henley (Chairperson), C. Bennett, L. Chant, L. Murray, L. Foster B Langer (Gallery Director)				
Committee Present:					
In Attendance:					
I. APOLOGIES:					
J. Fagan, J. Mallon, Cr	M. Nobes, J. Ware				

2. CONFIRMATION OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES:

2.1 Motion

Moved: L. Chant Seconded: L. Murray

That the minutes of the Gallery Advisory Committee meeting held on 14 July 2021 be accepted and confirmed.

Carried

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM LAST MEETING:

3.1 Gallery event for members of the Friends of the Gallery – short film screening and Q&A with refreshments. The event was well attended by the Friends members.

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE:

4.1 Nil

5. FRIENDS ACCOUNT FINANCIAL REPORT

- 5.1 Production of new FOG 2021/2022 membership brochure expenses paid from the Friends of the Gallery trust fund
- 5.2 The balance of the Friends of the Gallery Account as at 11/8/21 is \$3,968.31
- 5.3 Motion

Moved: D. Henley Seconded: L. Murray

That the Financial Report for the Friends of the Gallery Account be accepted.

Carried

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6. GALLERY DIRECTOR'S REPORT 14 July - 11 August 2021

6.1 Main Activities

- i) The exhibition Operation Art closed in the Library on Saturday 24 July.
- ii) The exhibition ARTEXPRESS closed on Sunday I August. A video of the opening event and walk through of the exhibition is now available on the Gallery website. (De-installation was from I – 3 August)
- iii) Friends of the Gallery event The special screening and Q&A event of the Film Dust Cloud on Thursday 29 from 11am – 12pm was very successful with all available 40 tickets booked within hours of the release of the information on social media. This was a collaborative project with the Civic Centre.
- iv) New exhibition Weapons for the Soldier Protecting Country, Culture & Family commenced on 10 August. There was a preview (ticketed) of the exhibition on Sunday 8 August. A video walk through of the exhibition will be available on the Gallery website. Note: due to the lack of storage at the Gallery 15 of the 19 crates received have been stored off-site with Cowra Freight in a large container.
- v) The preparation of listings and advertising in selected art journals and local media & tourism magazines and regional publications for August/September/ October.
- vi) Website and social media mailchimp/facebook updates were ongoing during the period. The Civic Centre is also promoting the Gallery exhibitions in the foyer and cinema before screenings.
- vii) New Friends membership brochure for 2021/2022 renewals have been printed and ready for distribution.

6.2 Upcoming August 2021

- i) Calleen Art Award 2021 pre-selection judging set for 23 August
- ii) Marketing/Website and social media updates continue.
- iii) Spring Workshops for Children (TBC)
- iv) Contact with schools re Current exhibition and upstART 2021.

6.3 Motion

Moved: L. Chant

Seconded:

D. Henley

That the Gallery Director's Report be accepted.

Carried

7. GENERAL BUSINESS

7.1 Nil

<u>8.</u> BUSINESS ARISING WITHOUT NOTICE

8.1 Nil

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9. WEEKEND FRONT OF HOUSE SUNDAY ROSTER

9.1 Weekend front-of-house roster for August/September 2021 was circulated.

10. EXHIBITION CHANGE OVER/INSTALLATION

 10.1 Weapons for the Soldier Tuesday 3 August to Saturday 7 August 10am-4pm Sunday 26 September 4-6pm to Tuesday 28 September (time TBC) – de-install

11. NEXT MEETING DATE:

11.1 The next meeting of the Gallery Advisory Committee is Wednesday 8 September at 5:00 pm in the Cowra Regional Art Gallery.

12. MEETING CLOSED:

5.35pm

Chairperson D Henley

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Council Delegate:	Cr M. Nobes
Committee Present:	D. Henley (Chairperson), C. Bennett, L. Murray, L. Foster
In Attendance:	B Langer (Gallery Director)

I. APOLOGIES:

J. Fagan, J. Mallon, Cr M. Nobes, J. Ware,

2. CONFIRMATION OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES:

2.1 Motion

Moved: D. Henley Seconded: L. Murray

That the minutes of the Gallery Advisory Committee meeting held on 11 August 2021 be accepted and confirmed. Note: there was no September meeting due to COVID - 19 restrictions.

Carried

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM LAST MEETING:

3.1 Program has had to revise a number of dates with cancellation of some exhibitions or changed dates [see printed program schedule]

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE:

4.1 Letter was received from D. Steward Land-use Planner Cowra Council dated 13 October 2021 informing the Gallery Advisory Committee that the draft Civic Square Redevelopment Plan 2021 will go on public exhibition from Friday 15 October to Thursday 25 November. The plan will be on public display for comments inviting the Committee via the Gallery Director to respond.

It was noted that the draft Civic Square Redevelopment Plan does <u>not</u> take into account the Gallery *Upgrade Plan* that has been developed over some years and was presented to the Councillor's in Dec 2020 by the Director of Corporate Services. It was decided a letter requesting a meeting to discuss both plans be forwarded to Council before the 15 November.

4.2 Motion

Moved: L. Murray

Seconded: D. Henley

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The Gallery Advisory Committee write to Council strongly urging the inclusion of the Gallery Upgrade plans (including the Olive Cotton Learning Space) be included as part of future design concepts of the Civic Square Redevelopment Plan and a meeting take place with Mr D. Steward Land-use Planner and representatives of the Cowra Regional Art Gallery Advisory Committee and the Gallery Director to discuss the Civic Square Redevelopment Plan in relation to the ongoing development of the Cowra Regional Art Gallery upgrade.

Carried

5. FRIENDS ACCOUNT FINANCIAL REPORT

- 5.1 The balance of the Friends of the Gallery Account as at 11/08//21 is \$4,159.22
- 5.2 Motion

Moved: D. Henley Seconded: C. Bennett

That the Financial Report for the Friends of the Gallery Account be accepted.

Carried

5.3 Motion

Moved: D. Henley Seconded: C. Bennett

That \$1, 000 is to be deducted from the balance of the Friends of the Gallery Trust Account for the Calleen Art Award 2021 People's Choice Award

Carried

6. GALLERY DIRECTOR'S REPORT || August to 7 September

6.1 **Previous Activities**

- i) The exhibition Weapons for the Soldier Protecting Country, Culture & Family was launched as a ticketed preview on Sunday 8 August 2pm – 4pm. The exhibition commenced on 10 August Unfortunately the Gallery had to closed from Monday 16 August to Monday 13 September due to a COVID-19 regional lockdown.
- ii) Calleen Art Award 2021 pre-selection judging was deferred due to Sydney lockdown and then Central West lockdown.
- iii) *upstART 2021* was cancelled as a result of program changes caused by COVID-19 lockdown and NSW travel restrictions affecting the Calleen Art Award.
- iv) Ongoing listings and advertising in selected art journals and local media & tourism magazines and regional publications for October has continued.
- v) New Friends membership brochure for 2021/2022 sent to Members of the Friends with annual memberships

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vi) Calleen pre-selection finally took place on Monday 23 August online. Co - judges were Sarah Gurich, Director Bathurst Gallery and Kent Buchanan, Exhibition and Curator Officer, Western Plains Cultural Centre,

6.2 Updates

- i) A new website initiative called AT HOME has commenced visitors can now access what's on at the Gallery online including video walk throughs of the current exhibition events and interviews with the exhibition artists and curators.
- ii) Calleen Art Award 2021 final selection is 46 finalists a full list of the finalist's and images of the works are available on website.
- iii) Award Judge Wayne Tunnicliffe, Head Curator Australian Art Art Gallery NSW has confirmed he is available.

6.3 Motion

Moved: L. Murry Seconded: D. Henley

That the Gallery Director's Report be accepted.

Carried

7. GALLERY DIRECTOR'S REPORT 7 September to 13 October 2021

7.1 Main Activities

- iv) The Gallery re-opened on Tuesday 14 September however was closed again on Sunday 19 September and reopened on Tuesday 12 October due to Cowra lockdown caused by COVID-19 regulations.
- i) The exhibition dates for Weapons for the Soldier Protecting Country, Culture & Family were extended to 20 October
- Calleen Art Award Judging and opening dates deferred to Friday 29 October and 30 October respectively due to Sydney lockdown and the Central West lockdown caused by COVID - 19.
- iii) Calleen Art Award exhibition dates are now 31 October to 5 December 2021
- iv) Finalists were notified regarding new exhibition dates.
- v) Ongoing listings and advertising in selected art journals, tourism magazines plus local media have been prepared for November and December.
- vi) Staff plans have commenced regarding the presentation of the Young Archies exhibition with schools in Cowra and surrounding districts.
- vii) The Gallery closure/re-opening dates and revised exhibition dates for Oct/Nov/Dec/Jan continue to the updated on the Gallery website and social media
- viii)Ongoing development of the Calleen Art Award included finalising the design and preparation for printing of the exhibition catalogue, children's art trail and exhibition promotional material.

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ix) Award Judge - Wayne Tunnicliffe, Head Curator Australian Art - Art Gallery NSW will arrive on Friday 29 October

D. Henley

7.2 Motion

Moved: L. Foster Seconded:

That the Gallery Director's Report be accepted.

Carried

7. GENERAL BUSINESS

7.1 Nil

8. BUSINESS ARISING WITHOUT NOTICE

8.1 Nil

9. WEEKEND FRONT OF HOUSE SUNDAY ROSTER

9.1 Weekend front-of-house roster for October/November 2021 was circulated.

10. EXHIBITION CHANGE OVER/INSTALLATION

10.1 Main Activities

- i) Weapons for the Soldier pack up Thursday 21 October to Saturday 23 October (assistance required)
- ii) Calleen Art Award unpack IAS truck Monday 25 October plus pack Weapons for the Soldier crates onto IAS truck (assistance required)
- iii) Calleen Art Award set-up Monday 25 October to Thursday 28 October (assistance required)

11. NEXT MEETING DATE:

11.1 The next meeting of the Gallery Advisory Committee is Wednesday 10 November 2021 at 5:00 pm in the Cowra Regional Art Gallery.

12. MEETING CLOSED:

6.30pm

Chairperson D Henley

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4 DIRECTOR-ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT

4.1	Cowra Natural Resource Management Advisory Committee - Minutes 20 October 2021
File Number:	D21/234
Author:	Larissa Hackett, Acting Director - Environmental Services

RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the Cowra Natural Resource Management Advisory Committee held 20 October 2021 be noted.

INTRODUCTION

Council's Natural Resource Management Advisory Committee held a meeting on 20 October 2021. A copy of the minutes is included in Attachment '1'.

ATTACHMENTS

I. Minutes of the NRM Committee meeting held 20 October 2021 J

MINUTES OF THE NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD AT COWRA COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION CENTRE ON WEDNESDAY 20 OCTOBER 2021.

- **Present:** Cr Ray Walsh, Ashley Mead, Tracee Burke, Dylan Gower, Rob Davidson, Joanne Lenehan, Casey Proctor,
- Apologies: Ian Packer, Ian McColl, John Rankin, Mayor Bill West, Phillipa Childs

Council staff: Cass Gailey, Larissa Hackett

Meeting commenced 1.10pm.

I. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

RESOLVED That the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 4 August 2021 be accepted.

Moved: Ray Walsh Seconded: Casey Proctor

CARRIED

2. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- 2.1 Science in the Pub -
 - Farmers for Climate Actions no update at this stage
 - NRM Committee to look at new topics to restart events in Feb 2022

2.2 Wyangala Dam –

- Government funding stream for hydro-electricity projects and feasibility investigations into upgrading the current Wyangala hydro-scheme for town or urban water supply independent of Wyangala Dam Wall Raising Project (GM and Council staff aware).
- Committee reconfirmed limiting discussions RE Wyangala until Business Case completed and EIS on public exhibition.
- Any questions are to be forwarded to Bill or Water NSW.

2.3 Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy Plan -

- Pros & Cons on EVs discussed
- Consultant for CLEAN microgrid project utilises an EV for travel to Regional projects. May be able to provide input to discuss range and recharging implications.
- CLEAN is working with consultants for DPIE Net Zero project, to provide a broader community perspective for Net zero opportunities for the whole of Cowra Region. This looks at beyond Council infrastructure, including Industry and Agricultural.
- Cities Power Partnership may have some data available on EVs as several regional council are involved in a pilot for EVs

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- The Net Zero Emissions Project is currently on public exhibition and open for comment till 25/11/21, go to - <u>http://cowracouncil.com.au/index.php/2013-02-</u> 21-04-28-01
- 2.4 Small Environmental Projects -
 - All applicants were advised late August of the outcome of their applications. Due to Covid lockdowns and unfavourable weather they may not have had an opportunity to commence.
 - Bila Galari have been doing some weed spraying of Box Thorn in the Billy Goat Hill area.
- 2.5 Bird Week / Archibird -
 - Archibird commenced early October and closes 12 November over 80 entries received so far.
 - Weekly prize winner was selected by committee.

Actions:

- I. Tracee to forward Aussie Backyard Bird Count link to committee.
- 2.6 National Tree Day (NTD) -
 - As Cowra was unable to do NTD due to Covid lockdowns, Pip suggested that a tree giveaway is conducted one Friday afternoon. The committee would prefer that it is left till Autumn as it is now too close to summer and getting too hot.
- 2.7 Moxey Tour -
 - Leave till 2022

3. <u>GENERAL BUSINESS</u>

3.1 <u>LLS</u>

- Cowra LALC been in discussions with LLS about doing a burn
- Soil Carbon project 2 flux towers being used to measure atmospheric carbon

https://www.lls.nsw.gov.au/regions/central-tablelands/key-projects

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3.2 <u>AGM</u>

- AGM to be conducted in March 2022

4. NEXT WORKSHOP

Wednesday TBA.

5. NEXT MEETING

The next NRM Committee meeting is to be held on Wednesday 17 November.

6. MEETING CLOSED

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 2.30pm.

Jo Lenehan **Chair** 21 October 2021

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5 LATE REPORTS

6 NOTICES OF MOTIONS

Nil