

Summary of decisions

April 2022

Council Meeting



- Council noted the Mayoral Minute regarding the Central NSW Joint Organisation Board Report February 2022.

 - Council adopted the Code of Meeting Practice Policy.

 - Council noted the Investments and Financial Report for March 2022.
 - Release of Closed Council Decisions from March: 77/22 – Tender for road grading wet plant hire – tender 1/2022, and 79/22 – Sale of Lot 16 Cowra Airport – Change of Name.
- IPARTs Additional Special Variation Process
- Council resolved to apply for the special variation under section 508(2) of the Local Government Act 1993 (the Act).
 - Council resolve to apply to IPART for a “permanent” Additional Special Variation (ASV) before the due date of the 29th April 2022.
 - The ASV will be for an additional 1.7%, thus taking Council’s total rate peg for FY2023 to 2.4% and will result in additional income of approximately \$124,230.
 - Council considered the impact on ratepayers and the community in 2022-23 as part of this decision.

 - Council noted the minutes of the February and March meetings of the Tidy Towns Committee. Council will allocate the following funds for first and second prize for the Clean Up Australia Day Competition: Woodstock Progress Association - \$200 and Darby’s Falls Progress Association - \$50.
 - Council will investigate the feasibility and potential costs of creating and erecting a large community Christmas tree made from recycled materials in a suitable public space, such as Squire Park, with a view to erecting the tree in December 2022.
- Council will consider a practical memorial for Garry Starr in line with his service to the community. Such a memorial could be a disability swing in a suitable playground that would be accompanied by a plaque noting his contributions.
 - Ranken Street Stormwater Drainage Study - Council will include the proposed Ranken Street stormwater drainage improvements (\$245,000) in future capital works programs in the long-term financial plan subject to budgetary constraints.
 - Gower Hardy Stormwater Drainage Study - Council will include the proposed Gower Hardy Circuit stormwater drainage improvements; Stage 1 (\$499,000) and Stage 2 (\$701,000) in future capital works programs in the long-term financial plan, subject to budgetary constraints.
 - West Cowra Stormwater Drainage Study - Council adopted the following West Cowra stormwater strategy:
 - Short term works to reduce the time and level of inundation in the Lyall Street to Grenfell Road area: the low flow stormwater pipeline.
 - Short or medium term works to improve stormwater quality discharging from the West Cowra urban catchment: the constructed wetland between Waratah Street and Lyall Street.
 - Longer term works to allow Council to manage the stormwater from the fully developed West Cowra catchment: construct the detention basin between Waratah Street and Lyall Street integrated with the constructed wetland.
 - Council received and noted the progress report on the integrated design of the strategy.

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