

**MINUTES**  
**ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING**  
Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> September 2013

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Yilgarn Shire Council held in the Council Chambers, Antares Street Southern Cross, Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2013

**PRESENT**

Cr P R Patroni, Shire President

Crs O Truran, W A Della Bosca, G Guerini, J Della Bosca, D Auld, D J Pasini

Council Officers:     V Piccoli, Chief Executive Officer  
                          M N Dohnt, Deputy Chief Executive Officer  
                          W J Dallywater, Manager Environmental Health & Building  
                          R J Bosenberg, Manager of Works  
                          J F Guerini, Finance Manager

**INFORMATION SESSION**

**Wheatbelt Ag Care** - Leana Musulin (Counsellor) and Kerry Dayman (Finance Officer)

Leana gave a brief history of how she became a counsellor for Wheatbelt Ag Care. She also explained how the Wheatbelt Ag Care Counsellors are able to support people across the Wheatbelt who are experiencing difficulties, they can provide this service over the phone or in person, the Counsellors are willing to go anywhere in the Wheatbelt.

The meeting was declared open for business at **2.00pm**

**PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

Nil

**APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Nil

**DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

Nil

**CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MINUTES**

**183/2013**

*Moved Cr W Della Bosca Seconded Cr Guerini. That the Minutes of the previous Meeting of Council held on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> August 2013, be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.*

**CARRIED (7/0)**

**184/2013**

*Moved Cr Auld Seconded Cr Truran. That the minutes from the WEROC Executive Meeting held on Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> August 2013, be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.*

**CARRIED (7/0)**

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**185/2013**

*Moved Cr Auld Seconded Cr Guerini. That the minutes from the Great Eastern Country Zone Meeting held on Thursday, 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2013, be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.*

**CARRIED (7/0)**

**186/2013**

*Moved Cr J Della Bosca Seconded Cr Guerini. That the minutes from the Tourism Advisory Committee Meeting held on Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> September 2013, be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.*

**CARRIED (7/0)**

**187/2013**

*Moved Cr W Della Bosca Seconded Cr Truran. That the minutes from the Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade meeting held on Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> September 2013, be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting*

**CARRIED (7/0)**

**Recommendation**

Moved Adrian Wesley, Seconded Peter Goodhill that the Committee recommends to Council that the 2012/2013 Financial Statement for the Shire of Yilgarn Bush Fire Brigade be endorsed.

**188/2013**

*Moved Cr W Della Bosca Seconded Cr Truran. That the 2012/2013 Financial Statement for the Shire of Yilgarn Bush Fire Brigade be endorsed.*

**CARRIED (7/0)**

**Recommendation**

Moved Mark Brennand, Seconded Ron Burro that the committee recommends to Council that they write to the Department of Agriculture and Food (DAFWA) and express that the conditions of the tender contract for the clearing for the State Barrier Fence are too onerous for contractors and they should consider an alternative option of pushing up green waste generated from the clearing into the bush and then have it burned off during the winter months, as this option will minimise the risk of Bushfires in the dryer months due to the burning off process phase of this project.

**189/2013**

*Moved Cr W Della Bosca Seconded Cr Truran. That Council write to the Department of Agriculture and Food (DAFWA) and express concerns on the burning off process which will be used on the State Barrier Fence project.*

**CARRIED (7/0)**

**190/2013**

*Moved Cr Truran Seconded Cr Guerini. That the minutes from the Central East Aged Care Alliance (CEACA) Meeting held on Tuesday, 27<sup>th</sup> August 2013, be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.*

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**CARRIED (7/0)**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PRESIDING MEMBER AND COUNCILLORS:**

The Shire President advised the following:-

- That he and the CEO visited St Josephs Primary School where they were joined by a visiting High School Principal and a Primary School Principal, the meeting was to evaluate the viability of the school and how the area was progressing and if local student numbers will increase in the future.
- That he was asked to address around 150 international students and interpreters on the effects of drought on the Community, Local Government, Families and Health in WA.
- That he and the CEO met with Peter Metcalf and Renae Manning from DAFWA where he tried to explain the importance of stock in the district to diversifying their farming to make it viable, closing comment from the Mr Metcalf were that there is nothing he can do to change ministerial policy in agriculture.
- That he and the CEO attended the Mt Walton Integrated Waste Disposal Facility Committee meeting in Coolgardie.
- That he and the CEO had a meeting with James Hesford from Polaris Metals who is the Manager of Environment at Carina Mine and were given an update on their productions and their extensions to the west. They claim the mine has a 20 year life span at the moment. A representative from Polaris Metals were invited to attend the Shires next LEMC meeting on the 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2013, and also to advise Council of their Emergency Plan so that we are aware of available resources in the event of a fire at the mine or in the immediate vicinity.
- That he will be attending a Sub Regional Road Group meeting with the Manager of Works on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September, to seek approval for the 2014/15 programme.
- That he had attended the Agriculture show and believe the day went really well and he was informed that numbers were up from last year. Council was presented with a framed photo which will be going up at the surgery for the community to enjoy.
- That he attended the Cliffs Reference Group Meeting at Koolyanobbing, and was disappointed that no other councillors attended especially since it is in our shire. The day was interesting and they toured around the Koolyanobbing Ranges.

Cr Pasini left Meeting – 3.00pm

**THE GOOSE DINNER**

The President spoke about the dinner on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September that was catered for by The Goose Café Restaurant in Busselton and that it was a very successful and enjoyable evening.

**191/2013**

*Moved Cr Patroni Seconded Cr Truran. That the CEO writes to The Goose and thank them for all that they did on the night.*

**CARRIED (6/0)**

Cr Pasini returned to meeting – 3.05pm

Cr Truran reported that she had attended a meeting with Kylie Whitehead from the Wheatbelt Development Commission to discuss tourism. The Goodhill Families have had great value

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from Kylie Whitehead, the WDC funding that was used to employ Kylie runs out in March. During the month Cr Truran had also attended a CEACA Meeting and a DHACC meeting, where she was advised that the new HSM Sandra Light will be starting at Southern Cross Hospital by the end of the Month.

Cr Auld advised that he attended the Bodallin Catchment Group Field Day where they had 2 buses full of people, they discussed different drought tolerant wheat as well as chemicals. CBH Sponsored Lunch and Dinner was sponsored by One Life.

Cr J Della Bosca advised Council that she attended her first Wheatbelt Ag Care meeting. She advised that it is a valuable Free service where counsellors can meet with people one on one basis or discuss matters over the phone, whatever is preferable.

Cr W Della Bosca advised Council that the Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade held a training course in which they had 14 members attend.

Council Adjourned 3.50pm  
Re Adjourned 4.00pm

<b>Submission for:</b>	Ordinary Meeting of Council – 20 <sup>th</sup> September 2013
<b>Reference:</b>	7.1
<b>Subject:</b>	<b>LGMA State Conference</b>
<b>File Reference:</b>	1.6.13.2
<b>Author:</b>	Vivienne Piccoli - Chief Executive Officer
<b>Date of Report:</b>	12th September 2013

**Background**

The Local Government Managers' State Conference is to be held in Fremantle from the 30<sup>th</sup> October to the 1<sup>st</sup> November and this report seeks endorsement of CEO and DCEO attendance and nominations of any interested Councillors who may wish to attend.

**Comment**

The theme this year is “Up Periscope - scan the horizon.” The conference program is exciting, inspiring and engaging and includes presentations from popular speakers such as our opening keynote Norman Chorn whose topic (strategic leadership in times of uncertainty and change) is particularly relevant to Local Government.

Other program sessions include “Seven organisational habits that drive high performance teams” by Darren Harris, ‘Influence and persuasion’ by Steve Wells and the closing keynote “Flawless execution” by Afterburner – a team of elite Australian fighter pilots sharing how they execute every mission Plan- Brief-Execute-Debrief in a dynamic, often dangerous, and constantly changing environment

This conference whilst primarily directed to the management teams of Local Government, is increasingly popular with elected members due to the quality and content of speakers and presentations.

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Councillors should indicate their interest in attending.

**Statutory Environment**

Local Government Act and Council policy concerning travel expenses.

**Policy Implications**

Nil

**Financial Implications**

There is an annual allocation for conference and seminar expenses.

**Recommendation**

That Council endorse the attendance of the CEO and DCEO and interested Councillors to the LGMA State Conference in Fremantle from 30<sup>th</sup> October to 1<sup>st</sup> November 2013.

**Voting Requirements**

Simple Majority

**192/2013**

*Moved Cr Truran Seconded Cr Auld .That Council endorses the attendance of the CEO and DCEO and interested Councillors to the LGMA State Conference in Fremantle from 30th October to 1st November 2013.*

**CARRIED (7/0)**

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<b>Submission for:</b>	Ordinary Meeting of Council – 20 <sup>th</sup> September 2013
<b>Reference:</b>	7.2
<b>Subject:</b>	<b>RV Friendly Town</b>
<b>File Reference:</b>	1.3.10.1
<b>Author:</b>	Vivienne Piccoli - Chief Executive Officer
<b>Date of Report:</b>	12th September 2013

**Background**

The Tourism Committee and Council have been discussing the option of Southern Cross becoming an RV Friendly Town and encouraging more tourists to our district which would also boost our local economy; it has been made more prevalent to Council in recent times with the continuous poor seasons to diversify our economy into Tourism.

It was resolved at the Ordinary Meeting of Council on the 17th February 2012 that:  
**25/2012**

*Moved Cr W Della Bosca Seconded Cr Truran that the minutes of the Tourism Advisory Committee held on the 13th February 2012 be received, and below recommendations endorsed by Council.*

**Recommendations**

Moved Cr Patroni seconded Mr G Kenward that the MEHD be asked to include plans for the provision of a black water dump site in the 2012-2013 budget consideration  
CARRIED (6/0)

The budget allocation of \$12,000 has been carried forward from 2012-13 to 2013-14 to go towards a blackwater dump point in Southern Cross, it is now necessary for us to identify the best position for the service to be located and have the project commence.

**Comment**

We have received information from “Campervan and Motorhome Club of Australia” in relation to the criteria for RV Friendly Towns.

**RV Friendly Town Criteria**

**1. Essential**

- 1.1 Provision of appropriate parking within the town centre with access to a general shopping area with groceries & fresh produce. – **SX Yes**
- 1.2 Provision of short term (24/48hour) parking for self-contained vehicles no more than 5kms from the Post Office or Post Office Agency. – **SX No**
- 1.3 Access to a free Dump Point, within the town precinct. – **SX No**
- 1.4 Council to provide one person as contact. – **SX Yes**
- 1.5 Access to potable water. – **SX No**

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**2. Desirable**

- 2.1 Provision of long term parking for self-contained vehicles. – **SX Yes (Karalee)**
- 2.2 Access to medical facilities or an applicable emergency service. – **SX Yes**
- 2.3 Access to a pharmacy or a procedure to obtain pharmaceutical products. – **SX Yes**
- 2.4 Visitor Information Centre (VIC) with appropriate parking facilities. – **SX Not yet**
- 2.5 VIC to provide a town map showing essential facilities such as short and long term parking areas, dump point and potable water. – **SX Not yet**
- 2.6 RV Friendly Town signs to be erected within the town precinct. – **SX Not yet**

They also look at the general attitude of the council and the business people. After all, it is called the RV ‘Friendly’ Town Scheme! These schemes offer town business owners the opportunity to be innovative in meeting the needs of these mobile travellers, while at the same time growing their businesses.

***Proposal***

***1.1 Provision of appropriate parking within the town centre with access to a general shopping area with groceries & fresh produce.***

There is currently suitable parking in the CBD for caravaners to park up and use the local facilities and services in town.

***1.2 Provision of short term (24/48hour) parking for self-contained vehicles no more than 5kms from the Post Office or Post Office Agency.***

A location has been identified on the corner of Great Eastern Highway and Three Boys Road (Old information Bay) which can be cleaned up and re-sheeted to accommodate caravans on a short term basis (24/48hours) the location is within 5kms from town.

***1.3 Access to a free Dump Point, within the town precinct.***

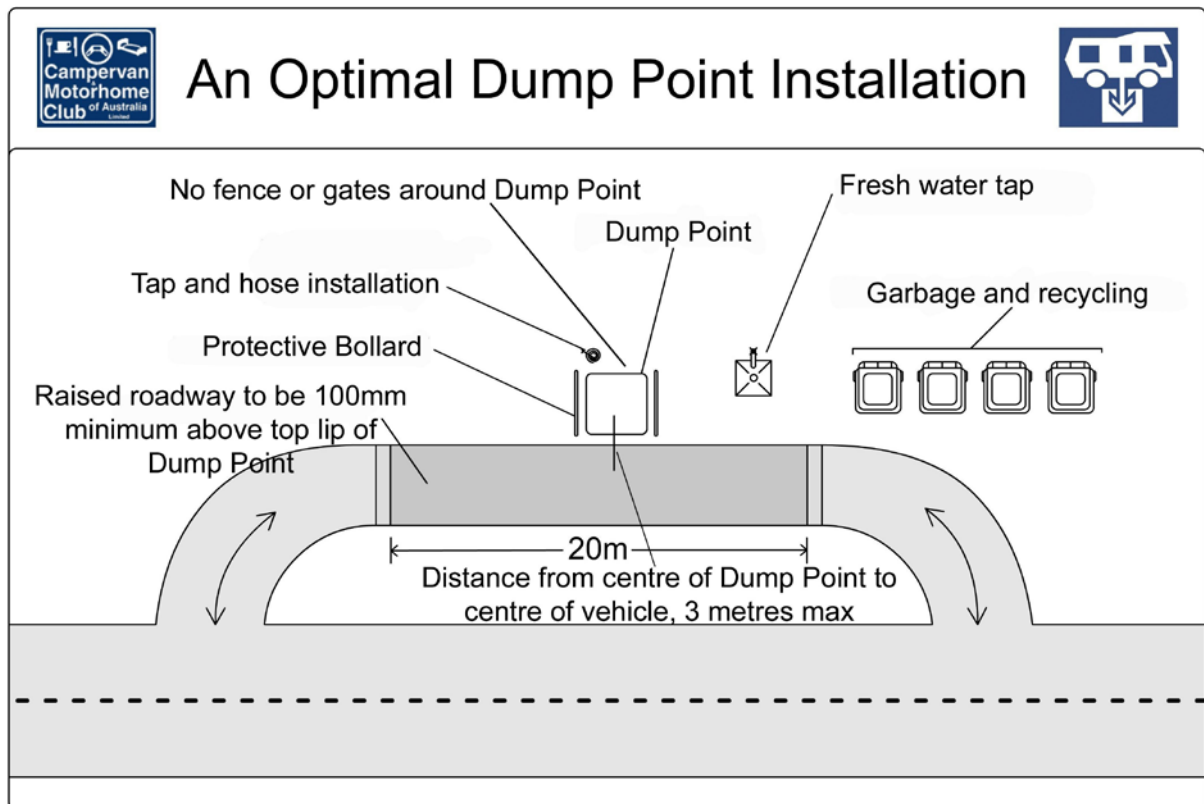
The location of the Blackwater Dump point has been discussed extensively in the past and a location has been identified near the “Old Depot” on Achernar Street as it ticks all the boxes.

When considering the best site for a dump point the following needs to be considered:

- The site and orientation of the dump point is crucial for its ease of use. The installation must be in an area accessible to all RV’s. This includes large rigs up to 19.5 metres in length
- The best possible solution is a ‘drive through’ dump point where the vehicle drives into the service area, completes the dumping procedure and then drives away without having to turn around.
- The level of the unit must be lower than that of the vehicle carrying out the dumping function to allow for gravitational feed.

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- The raised roadway should be at least 100mm above the top lip of the unit and as close as possible to the front of the unit with the water relief drain no more than 200mm width.
- There must be a tap and hose installation at the site to flush the dump point out after use, and a sign erected stating 'This water is not safe for drinking.'
- Have a separate tap within the immediate area that can be used to replenish fresh water supplies, and a sign at the dump point indicating the location of this tap.
- Have a rubbish collection point nearby to receive the rubbish waste of self-contained tourists.



Estimated Cost:

\$3,000 Dump point installation

\$ 500 connection of water hose

\$FREE Dump Head Unit – worth \$1,500

Cost of site preparation to be costed to Maintenance account.



**1.4 Council to provide one person as contact.**

Initially the Shires Receptionist will be the main point of contact for enquiries until the Visitor Centre (VC) is established and then the main point of contact will be the VC.



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***1.5 Access to potable water.***

A fresh water tap with potable water will be located near the Dump point (refer to below map) and a meter system will be used to charge for water used.

**High Security (industry standard)**

The high security 1000 series water dispenser is much more refined unit and can house larger plumbing. As such it has become the industry standard for water delivery. Some advantages for you include:

- Stainless steel, vandal and weather proof housing.
- Cast fascia enclosing operation instructions.
- Multi denominational coin controller
- 10 point locking system

Estimated Cost:

\$ 6,216 Supply of unit (plus freight)

\$ 500 connection to water system.



***What are the benefits?***

There are many economic benefits to the local businesses due to increased dwell time, as the RV community spends an average of \$500 per week whilst travelling. There is an increased patronage of the tourist attractions in and around the town. Once mobile travellers enter an RV Friendly Town they know they are going to be welcome. They will be able to park adjacent to the shopping precinct while they top up with supplies. They can do their banking in comfort, post their mail, and check out the restaurants and clubs for food and entertainment. They will find a dump point in the town. They may be able to have mechanical work done on their vehicle as well as fill up with fuel and gas.

The Visitor Information Centre should have a map showing them all local attractions, the location of emergency services and their contact numbers, attractions that are RV suitable and where internet services are available. Then they will be able to park in a comfortable layover area while they sit back and decide which tourist attractions they would like to see during their visit. There may be toilet and shower facilities at or near the layover area which will encourage dwell times. They can visit those attractions marked on their map with the RV sign.

At the end of their visit, they will be leaving only because they need to – not because they want to.

**Statutory Environment**

Nil

**Policy Implications**

Nil

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**Financial Implications**

There is a budget allocation for the installation of a blackwater dump point in Southern Cross of \$12,000 (E13250) and a further \$13,000 (E13220) under Area Promotion of the district if needed.

**Recommendation**

That Council endorses becoming an RV Friendly town and supports the proposal presented to Council in relation to the location of the RV services next to the Old Depot and the 24/48 hour Camping area to be at the Old Information Bay on Three Boys Road.

**Voting Requirements**

Simple Majority

**193/2013**

*Moved Cr J Della Bosca Seconded Cr Truran. That Council endorses becoming an RV Friendly town and supports the proposal presented to Council in relation to the location of the RV services next to the Old Depot and the 24/48 hour Camping area to be at the Old Information Bay on Three Boys Road.*

**CARRIED (7/0)**

<b>Submission for:</b>	Ordinary Meeting of Council – 20 <sup>th</sup> September 2013
<b>Reference:</b>	7.3
<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Yilgarn Visitor Information Centre / CRC / Library</b>
<b>File Reference:</b>	1.3.10.6
<b>Author:</b>	Vivienne Piccoli - Chief Executive Officer
<b>Date of Report:</b>	12th September 2013

**Background**

Council has indicated in the past that they want to promote our district more on a local level and the development of a Visitor Centre in Southern Cross has been included in the 2013/2014 budget to work towards this project. An allocation of \$346,699 (E13253) and a further \$250,000 in the Tourism Reserve has been earmarked for this project.

**Comment**

Council has enlisted Horizon Designs to prepare designs of floor plans for the two options;

Option 1 – Based on refurbishment of the existing building

Option 2 – Based on a new building with a replica of the façade on Antares Street

Please see attached floor plans

1473 = existing building floor plans

SK1309-1473 = Option 1

SK1309-1473b = Option 2

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Council will need to determine which Option they would like to proceed with i.e. refurbishment or new, and provide feedback on the designs for the preferred option.

Once the preferred option has been decided upon, the CEO will forward the designs to Executive Managers, Councillors and the Visitor Centre working group (VCWG) so that they can provide written feedback on the design and floor plan to ensure that the end project will be suitable for the variety of activities that this centre will provide.

The VCWG which is a sub-committee of the Tourism Committee will also assist with:

- ✓ Ideas on building design and fit out.
- ✓ Ideas on activities that can be incorporate into the VC/CRC/Library.
- ✓ Ideas and sourcing Funding to contribute to the project.
- ✓ Sourcing merchandising – selling local produce.
- ✓ Ideas on communication strategy with the community.
- ✓ Developing a Volunteer register of interested community members, once Centre is open.
- ✓ Investigating Tourism Servicing training opportunities to bring to business owners in the district.

**Statutory Environment**

Nil

**Policy Implications**

Nil

**Financial Implications**

Budgeted allocation for Stage one of the project (up to \$600,000)

**Recommendation**

That Council endorses Option 1 – refurbishment of existing building /or Option 2 – a new building to proceed with for the Southern Cross Visitor Information Centre / CRC / Library and will review and provide the CEO with any feedback on the current floor plans.

**194/2013**

*Moved Cr Guerini Seconded Cr W Della Bosca. That Council endorses Option 2 - a new building to proceed with for the Southern Cross Visitor Information Centre / CRC / Library and will review and provide the CEO with any feedback on the current floor plans.*

**CARRIED (7/0)**

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<b>Submission to:</b>	Ordinary Meeting of Council – Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> September 2013
<b>Agenda Reference:</b>	8.1
<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Financial Reports</b>
<b>File Reference:</b>	8.2.3.2
<b>Author:</b>	Mia Dohnt – Deputy Chief Executive Officer
<b>Disclosure of Interest:</b>	Not applicable
<b>Date of Report:</b>	13 <sup>th</sup> September 2013

**Background**

Enclosed for Council's information are various financial reports that illustrate the progressive position of Council financially on a month-by-month basis.

The following reports are enclosed and have been prepared as at the 31<sup>st</sup> August 2013:

- Rates Receipt Statement (prepared to 12<sup>th</sup> September 2013)
- Statement of Investments,
- Monthly Statement of Financial Activity (to be tabled at meeting)

Councillors will be aware that it is normal practice for all financial reports to be indicative of Council's current Financial Position as at the end of each month.

**Statutory Environment**

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 Regulation 34(i)(a) and Regulation 17.

**Policy Implications**

None

**Financial Implications**

None

**Strategic Implications**

None

**Recommendation**

That the Various Financial Reports for the period ending 31<sup>st</sup> August 2013 as presented be received.

**Voting Requirements**

Simple majority required

**195/2013**

*Moved Cr Guerini Seconded Cr Pasini. That the Various Financial Reports for the period ending 31st August 2013 as presented be received.*

**CARRIED (7/0)**

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<b>Submission to:</b>	Ordinary Meeting of Council – Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> September 2013
<b>Agenda Reference:</b>	8.2
<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Accounts for Payment</b>
<b>File Reference:</b>	8.2.1.2
<b>Author:</b>	Mia Dohnt – Deputy Chief Executive Officer
<b>Disclosure of Interest:</b>	Not applicable
<b>Date of Report:</b>	10 <sup>th</sup> September 2013

**Background**

Municipal Fund – Cheque Numbers 38723 to 38791 totalling \$356,640.01, Municipal Fund EFT numbers 1623 to 1736 totalling \$585,135.15, Municipal Fund – Cheque Numbers 1111 to 1115 totalling \$151,986.65, Trust Fund – 402028 to 402030 totalling \$2,108.95 and Trust Fund – Cheque Numbers 5858 to 5862 (DPI Licensing), totalling \$53,972.50 are presented for endorsement as per the submitted list.

**Statutory Environment**

Sections 5.42 and 5.44 of the Local Government Act 1995 and Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996, Regulation No 12 and 13.

**Policy Implications / Delegation Register**

Council has provided delegation to the Chief Executive Officer, Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Manager of Environmental Health and Building Services and/or Manager for Works to make payments from the Shire of Yilgarn Municipal, Trust or other Fund.

**Financial Implications**

Reduction to Bank Accounts balances.

**Strategic Implications**

Nil

**Recommendation**

Municipal Fund – Cheque Numbers 38723 to 38791 totalling \$356,640.01, Municipal Fund EFT numbers 1623 to 1736 totalling \$585,135.15, Municipal Fund – Cheque Numbers 1111 to 1115 totalling \$151,986.65, Trust Fund – 402028 to 402030 totalling \$2,108.95 and Trust Fund – Cheque Numbers 5858 to 5862 (DPI Licensing), totalling \$53,972.50 are presented for endorsement as per the submitted list.

**Voting Requirements**

Simple Majority

**196/2013**

*Moved Cr Truran Seconded Cr Pasini. That Municipal Fund – Cheque Numbers 38723 to 38791 totalling \$356,640.01, Municipal Fund EFT numbers 1623 to 1736 totalling \$585,135.15, Municipal Fund – Cheque Numbers 1111 to 1115 totalling \$151,986.65, Trust Fund – 402028 to 402030 totalling \$2,108.95 and Trust Fund – Cheque Numbers 5858 to 5862 (DPI Licensing), totalling \$53,972.50 are presented for endorsement as per the submitted list.*

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<b>Submission to:</b>	Ordinary Meeting of Council – Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> September 2013
<b>Agenda Reference:</b>	8.3
<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Community Resource Centre Coordinators Report</b>
<b>File Reference:</b>	1.3.4.1
<b>Author:</b>	Mia Dohnt – Deputy Chief Executive Officer
<b>Disclosure of Interest:</b>	Not applicable
<b>Date of Report:</b>	13 <sup>th</sup> September 2013

**Purpose of Report**

For Council information on what activities, planning and training the Community Resource Centre has under taken in the previous month.

**Background**

To advise what activities, planning and training the Community Resource Centre has under taken in the previous month.

**Discussion**



**COORDINATOR'S REPORT**

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Prepared by: Ronice Blair  
01.07.2013 – 31.07.2013

Southern Cross Community Resource Centre

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**Monthly Statistics**

Southern Cross Singers	32
Junior Singers	8
Gym Circuit	37
Seniors Exercises	43
Seniors Carpet Bowls/lunch	34
Video Conference	3
Max Employment	40
Library	42
Centrelink	20
General Enquiries	26

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Internet	\$138.00
Print/scan	\$560.00
Send/receive fax	\$10.00
Advertising	\$2,039.00
Crosswords sales	\$503.90
Activities	\$441.90
Secretarial	\$129.90
Production Items	\$10.00
Room Hire	\$140.00
Exam supervision	\$60.00

The first week of August was relatively quiet this year, despite H&R Block hiring the conference room from Thursday afternoon for their annual visit to Southern Cross.

#### The Goose Comes to Town

Coordinator Ronice Blair attended the Shire's Crisis Breakfast meeting held Monday 5 August and started promoting the Goose event to those attending. Initial take up of the offer was slow to start. The event was opened to the general public a month later, 2 September, after invites had been posted to members of the farming and business communities. A full report on the event will be included in September's report.

A group of around 25, including representative of St Johns, attended the Seniors Centre 6 August for the presentation, and demonstration, of a defibrillator, which was donated by CBH Group. A representative of CHB also attended from Merredin. Those present all attended the presentation, and felt they left the event knowing more than they had before they arrived. The presentation was followed by a light lunch.

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> August saw a booking for our Video Conferencing facilities. It was disheartening to have 6 people book for the presentation, "Motherhood, coping with change" and only three attend.

Rural in Reach provide a vast range of these presentations, and it is a shame the community is so slow to take advantage of this very worthwhile service. One on one counselling is also available through the Rural in Reach program.

Support Officer, Monica Fairless, and Business Administration Trainee, Jenna Carlson, attended the Wheatbelt Women, BIG BANG event in Bruce Rock Tuesday 13 August with a view to determining if such an event would be well received here in Southern Cross. Notes and comments on their observations are attached.

Wednesday 14 August the DCEO, Coordinator and Support Officer attended a CRC Strategic Plan writing workshop in Kellerberrin. It is expected the CRC will complete their strategic plan and new mission statement prior to the end of 2013 ready for 2014's business plan.

Coordinator, Ronice Blair and Volunteer Seniors Exercises Leader, Marg Pasini, attended a Tai Chi workshop in Perth with a view to offering Tai Chi to community members. This workshop was funded by a Stay On Your Feet grant. Tai Chi will be

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launched during SOYF week and an outline of responses to the launches will be included in September's report.

The CRC entered two floats into this year Street Parade, one promoting the Seniors Games Team and the other promoting the Library. Strong winds made both floats difficult. We are looking at hiring a box trailer for next year's float.

Seniors Exercises and carpet bowls days were held during the month, apart from when Marg and Ronice were in Perth for the Tai Chi workshop, as was the Singing Groups.

Numbers attending the CRC's twice weekly circuit are slowly increasing, and a decision has been made to carry the sessions through to October.

Coordinator attended HAY, Tourism Committee and Yilgarn Historical Committee meetings during August, representing the CRC.

Ronice Blair  
13 September 2013

**WHEATBELT WOMEN'S BIG BANG LADIES DAY**

On Tuesday 13 August 2013, Jenna Carlson and Monica Fairless went to the Wheatbelt Women's "Big Bang" Ladies Day – the last of nearly a decade long run of events celebrating the women of the Wheatbelt. As the CRC is looking to recreate a women's day for the Yilgarn and surrounding areas it was decided that taking part in Bruce Rock's Wheatbelt Women's event would be the perfect place to start to collect ideas and gauge the target audience for an event of our own.

The day started at 9 am with registration and picking of your seat. Seating was arranged with 10 tables within the Bruce Rock Shire Hall, with 16 to 20 seats per long table and stalls along one side of the hall, as well as a few in the little room off the side along with a table of tea/coffee and nibblies to start the morning.

Official proceedings began at around 10 am with an introduction and welcome by MC Rose Crane, who has MC'd for the past 3 years, and an official opening by Kelly Piper from CBH Group who were one of the major sponsors of the event.

We were unfortunately unable to stay for all three guest speakers due to time constraints in getting back to Southern Cross, but the two speakers that we did hear from were very interesting and had a great story to tell. The first was Patria Jaffries who was the founder of Dome, and is now the CEO of CelebrateWA and provided us with her story of how she came up with Dome – a Californian girl who moved to WA in the 80's and worked with a WA brewing company and came up with such labels as Redback beer, who was sick of drinking instant coffee and would ask her sister back in the US to get her some coffee beans. From then she came up with a business plan while on maternity leave to approach a bank for a loan of over \$200,000 to build the first Dome in Cottesloe, WA. Challenge bank were up for the challenge as she said, and now the brand has expanded internationally. Since selling the business in 2003, Patria has been working on other projects and most recently has become the CEO of CelebrateWA. She is enthusiastic and hopeful that CelebrateWA can do something for more rural areas, such as the Wheatbelt.

Our second speaker was Allison Flanigan, a girl of humble beginnings from Bruce Rock who lived on a farm with her family and had a dream from a young age to



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become an actor. While she ensured she knew how to do all the important farming jobs, she also had a passion to give acting her all – unfortunately obstacles got in the way of what she thought would happen, and that sometimes the things we think in our head are a lot harder to achieve! After attending school in Perth and discovering that she was a small fish in a large pond amongst all the other hopeful actors in her drama class, her direction in education changed after a talk with a nurse on a career advisor day. This began a journey for Alli to become a registered nurse and work both within WA and over the UK. However, the acting bug was still within her and soon Alli decided to give it another go. She applied for both the NSW & WA acting schools but it was only after a video audition that she got in after unsuccessfully getting in after auditioning at one of the days they visited Perth. She moved to Sydney, continued to work as a nurse, while meeting her husband, working on productions of her own and landing small parts in episode of shows such as All Saints and Crownies. Of course these little paragraphs don't do these two ladies justice for what they've achieved, especially with Alli performing her own songs to us!

The layout of the hall was lovely, if not a little bit squishy to fit in as many tables, but as it's a very popular event it would be incredibly hard to reduce the table numbers any more. Ages ranged from 20's and upwards, with the stalls ranging in all different tastes from shoes and clothing to wines and olive oils – all WA local stores or produce.

Succulent Foods in Kellerberrin did the catering, with the Mens Hockey Team from Bruce Rock clearing the tables and serving the tables food. The food was delicious, but very filling and if we were to hold an event in Southern Cross such as this, we may make it a 2 course meal. We also feel that perhaps our ideas originally were aiming a little high, and realise that something simple such as a sit down event with stalls, a good meal and excellent and fascinating speakers are the perfect ingredient for such an event to be a success like the Bruce Rock Wheatbelt Women's Day has been for the last 8 years.

We had a very enjoyable day and look forward to developing something equally fascinating and rewarding as this event has been for the both of us.

**Statutory Environment**

Nil

**Financial Implications**

Expenses are allowed for in the 2013-2014 Budget

**Voting Requirements**

Simple majority required.

**Recommendation**

For Council information only.

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***Moved Cr W Della Bosca Seconded Cr J Della Bosca. That the CRC Co-ordinator's report be received.***

***CARRIED (7/0)***

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<b>Submission to:</b>	Ordinary Meeting of Council – Friday 20th September 2013
<b>Agenda Reference:</b>	9.1
<b>Subject:</b>	Replacement Manager for Works Vehicle
<b>File Reference:</b>	6.4.1.5
<b>Author:</b>	Robert Bosenberg
<b>Disclosure of Interest:</b>	Not Applicable
<b>Date of Report:</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> September 2013

**Background**

In Councils Plant Replacement Program, a monetary allocation of \$18,000 has been allowed for in the 2013/2014 Financial Year Budget for the change over of councils Manager for Works current Toyota GXL Prado.

In accordance to Councils Policy 7.12 it is proposed to replace this vehicle at intervals 30,000 – 40,000 km's. The current Toyota Prado was purchased in 2011 and at the time of this report has a speedometer reading of 49,000km.

**Comment**

Quotations were sought to replace this vehicle with a similar type vehicle from Merredin Toyota and Goldfields Toyota

The vehicles quoted on as follows (*GST inclusive*):

Merredin Toyota

2013 Toyota Prado GXL ( <i>automatic</i> ), 3 litre turbo diesel	\$61,740.00
less trade	<u>\$45,440.00</u>
change over	<u>\$16,300.00</u>

Goldfields Toyota

2013 Toyota Prado GXL ( <i>automatic</i> ), 3 litre turbo diesel	\$63,447.14
less trade	<u>\$45,500.00</u>
change over	<u>\$17,947.14</u>

A budget estimate of \$18,000 (*GST Inclusive*) has been allowed for in the 2013/2014 Financial Budget for this vehicle.

**Policy Implications:** *Councils Finance Policy 3.5 Purchasing-Quotes and Tenders and Policy 7.12 Executive Motor Vehicle Replacement*

**Financial Implications:** *Monetary allocation of \$18,000 (GST inclusive) has been allowed for in Councils 2013/2014 Financial Year Budget*

**Strategic Implications:** *Plant Replacement Program*

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**Recommendation**

That Council accepts the quotation from Merredin Toyota to purchase the 2013 Toyota Prado GXL for the purchase cost of \$61,740 (*GST inclusive*) and trade Councils existing 2011 Toyota Prado for the quoted trade price of \$45,440 (*GST inclusive*) resulting in a changeover cost of \$16,300 (*GST inclusive*)

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*Moved Cr Pasini Seconded Cr Truran. That Council accepts the quotation from Merredin Toyota to purchase the 2013 Toyota Prado GXL for the purchase cost of \$61,740 (GST inclusive) and trade Councils existing 2011 Toyota Prado for the quoted trade price of \$45,440 (GST inclusive) resulting in a changeover cost of \$16,300 (GST inclusive)*

**CARRIED (7/0)**

<b>Submission to</b>	Ordinary Meeting of Council – Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> September 2013
<b>Agenda Reference</b>	9:2
<b>Subject</b>	Ten Year Plant Replacement Program – 4x2 Utility Building Maintenance
<b>Location/Address</b>	N/A
<b>Name of Applicant</b>	N/A
<b>File reference</b>	6.4.1.5
<b>Author</b>	Robert Bosenberg - Manager of Works
<b>Disclosure of Interest</b>	N/A
<b>Date of Report</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> September 2013

**Background**

In accordance to Councils 2013/2014 Plant Replacement Program, quotations were invited to supply and deliver one only 4x2 Utility and to trade Councils current 4x2 Mazda BT - 50 Utility (YL-636). The BT-50 Mazda Utility (YL-363) offered for trade is currently being utilised by Councils Building Maintenance personnel to service council owned buildings located within the Shire of Yilgarn.

**Comment**

Quotations were sought from Merredin Toyota and Golden City Motors for the trade and replacement of this vehicle. The following quotations were received (*GST inclusive*)

1	Merredin Toyota 2013 4x2 Toyota Hilux Utility 3Litre Diesel Less trade	\$31,582.50 <u>\$12,867.50</u> Net changeover <u>\$18,715.00</u>
2	Merredin Toyota 2013 4x2 Isuzu D MAX Utility 3Litre Diesel Less trade	\$29,762.50 <u>\$12,762.50</u> Net changeover <u>\$17,000.00</u>

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3	Golden City Motors	
	2013 Mazda BT50 4x2 Utility 3Litre Diesel	\$31,477.00
	Less trade	<u>\$15,500.00</u>
	Net changeover	<u>\$15,977.00</u>

The quotation submitted by Golden City Motors for the 2013 Mazda BT50 4x2 Utility 3Litre Diesel for a net change over cost of \$15,977 (GST inclusive) is the lowest.

**Policy Implications:** *Councils Finance Policy 3.5 Purchasing-Quotes and Tender.*

**Financial Implications** *A monetary allocation of \$25,000 (GST inclusive) has been allowed for in Councils 2013/2014 Financial Year Plant Replacement Program*

**Strategic Implications:** *Ten Year Plant Replacement Program*

***Recommendation***

That Council purchase the Mazda BT50 Utility from Golden City Motors for the quoted purchase price of \$31,477 (*GST inclusive*) and trade Councils existing Mazda BT50 Utility for the quoted trade price of \$15,500 (*GST inclusive*) resulting in a changeover cost of \$15,977 (*GST inclusive*)

**Voting Requirements**  
Simple Majority

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***Moved Cr Truran Seconded Cr Pasini. That Council purchases the Mazda BT50 Utility from Golden City Motors for the quoted purchase price of \$31,477 (GST inclusive) and trade Councils existing Mazda BT50 Utility for the quoted trade price of \$15,500 (GST inclusive) resulting in a changeover cost of \$15,977 (GST inclusive)***

**CARRIED (7/0)**

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<b>Submission to</b>	Ordinary Meeting of Council – Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> September 2013
<b>Agenda Reference</b>	9:3
<b>Subject</b>	10 Year Plant Replacement - 4x2 Light Flat Deck Truck
<b>Location/Address</b>	N/A
<b>Name of Applicant</b>	N/A
<b>File reference</b>	6.6.7.1
<b>Author</b>	Robert Bosenberg - Manager of Works
<b>Disclosure of Interest</b>	N/A
<b>Date of Report</b>	6 <sup>th</sup> September 2013

### **Background**

In accordance to Councils 2013/2014 Plant Replacement Program, quotations were invited for the outright purchase, for the supply and delivery one only 4x2 light flat deck truck.

This vehicle will be utilised as a maintenance vehicle replacing advisory signage and white post on council's road network, traffic control at accident sites, transporting of equipment to and from worksites. The type of vehicle that is required for this work is a flat deck truck with a GVM of 10,000kg and a GCM of 16,000kg (*payload of approximately 6,000kg*), equipped with a cab mounted arrow message board and an electric over hydraulic lifting jib.

### **Comments**

Quotations were sort through WALGA's Preferred Contract Suppliers from Daimler Trucks (*Fuso, Mercedes and Freightliners*) and Major Motors (*Isuzu*)

#### **1) Daimler Trucks**

2103 Fuso 1024 FK61FH1RFAG	\$104,016.00
Engine	Fuso Mitsubishi 6M60-9AT1 Turbo Diesel
Cylinders	6 cylinder diesel
Capacity	7.5 litres
Net power output	177kw
GCM	16,000kg
GVM	10,400kg
Warranty – 36 months or 150,000km	

#### **2) Major Motors**

2013 Isuzu FH FRR 600	\$136,177.00
Engine	SiTEC Series III 235
Cylinders	6 cylinder diesel
Capacity	7.8 litres
Net power output	176kw
GCM	16,000kg
GVM	11,000kg
Warranty – 36 months or 150,000km	

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The Fuso has 7.5 litre motor with a net output rating of 177kw @ 2500 rpm's. The Isuzu has 7.8 litre motor with a net power rating of 176kw @ 2400rpm's. The standard warranties on both vehicles are similar (36 months or 150,000km).

The tender submitted by Daimler Trucks for the purchase cost of \$104,016 (GST inclusive) is the lowest. An allocation of \$120,000 has been allowed for in Council's 2013/2014 Financial Year Plant Replacement Budget for the purchase of this vehicle.

**Policy Implications:** In accordance to Councils Policy 3.5 Purchasing – Quotes and Tenders

**Financial Implications:** Monetary allocation \$120,000 has been allowed for in Councils 2013/2014 Financial Year Plant Replacement Program

**Strategic Implications:** Ten Year Plant Replacement Program

**Recommendation**

That Council purchase 4x2 Fuso Tip Truck from Daimler Trucks, for the quoted purchase price of \$104,016 (GST inclusive)

**Voting Requirements**

Simple Majority

**200/2013**

*Moved Cr Guerini Seconded Cr W Della Bosca. That Council purchases the 4x2 Fuso Tip Truck from Daimler Trucks, for the quoted purchase price of \$104,016 (GST inclusive)*

**CARRIED (7/0)**

As there was no further business to discuss, the Shire President declared the meeting closed at 4.40pm.

I, Peter Romolo Patroni confirm the above Minutes of the Meeting held on Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> September 2013, are confirmed on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2013 as a true and correct record of the August Ordinary Meeting of Council.

Cr Romolo Patroni  
SHIRE PRESIDENT