

EAST PILBARA SHIRE COUNCIL

AGENDA

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an ORDINARY Meeting of the Council will be held, in Council Chambers, Newman, 10.00 AM, FRIDAY, 8 DECEMBER, 2017.

> Allen Cooper CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



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of the outcome of the application and any conditions attaching to the decision made by the Shire of East Pilbara in respect of the application.

Signed: _____ Allen Cooper Chief Executive Officer

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1 DECLARATION OF OPENING/ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCES/APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

2.1 ATTENDANCES

<u>Councillors</u>

Cr Lynne Craigie Cr Michael Kitchin Cr Anthony Middleton Cr Carol Williams Cr Lang Coppin OAM Cr Anita Grace Cr Biddy Schill Cr Craig Hoyer Cr Gerry Parsons Cr Dean Hatwell

Officers

Mr Allen Cooper Ms Sian Appleton Mr Rick Miller Shire President Councillor Councillor Councillor Councillor Councillor Councillor Councillor Councillor Councillor

Chief Executive Officer Deputy Chief Executive Officer Director Technical and Development Services Executive Services Administration Officer

Mrs Sheryl Pobrica

Public Gallery

2.2 APOLOGIES

Councillor Apologies Cr Jeton Ahmedi Officer Apologies

Deputy Shire President

2.3 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

3 **RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE**

4 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

5 PETITIONS/DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

5.1 MARTU LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

The Martu Leadership Program will be presented to Council by Kanyirninpa Jukurrpa (KJ), Mr Tim Schneider, Manager Leadership Program supported by Martu members of the Leadership Group.

5.2 LOCAL BUSINESS SUPPLIERS

Mr Tony Noonan, is managing the business support program for BHP and will be providing Council with the information for local businesses in the Pilbara, how to become a supplier for goods and services with BHP.

5.3 MAINROADS WA – COONGAN GORGE PROJECT

Mr Chris Raykos, Project Director and Ms Rebecca Greenaway, Project Manager, Mainroads Western Australian, Pilbara Regional Office will be providing a presentation on the Coongan Gorge Realignment Project.

5.4 KURRA VILLAGE CLOSE

BHP representative will be providing an update on the Kurra Village Closure Project and related Kalgan's Rest/Whaleback Village Works.

6 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

7 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING

7.1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES 27 OCTOBER 2017

Minutes October 27 2017 Council.DOCX

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 27 October 2017, be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

7.2 PRC MINUTES 31 OCTOBER 2017

Minutes PRC October 31 2017 Council

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT the minutes of the Pilbara Regional Council (PRC) Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 31 October 2017, be received.

8 MEMBERS REPORT

- 8.1 ITEMS FOR RECOMMENDATION
- 8.2 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

9 OFFICER'S REPORTS

9.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

9.1.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER STATUS OF COUNCIL DECISIONS -OCTOBER 2017

File Ref:	CLR-4-5
Responsible Officer:	Mr Allen Cooper Chief Executive Officer
Author:	Mrs Sheryl Pobrica Executive Services Administration Officer
Proposed Meeting Date:	08 December 2017
Location/Address:	N/A
Name of Applicant:	N/A
Author Disclosure of Interest:	Nil

REPORT PURPOSE

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BACKGROUND

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POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STRATEGIC COMMUNITY PLAN

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RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

In order to remain transparent and to facilitate timely and appropriate decisionmaking it is necessary that actions items be reviewed at each Council meeting.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Chief Executive Officer "Status of Council Decisions" Report for the month of October 2017 be received.

SHIRE OF EAST PILBARA ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

COUNCIL MEETING DATE	ITEM NO	COUNCIL RESOLUTION	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	ACTION TAKEN/ STATUS	ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE
25 August 2017	12.1.2	AVIAIR PILBARA-RPT AIR SERVICE MOU	CEO		On Going
22 September 2017	13.5	DESERT ROAD TRAIL SITES Cr Lang Coppin asked if a letter could be written to the mining companies in the Shire of East Pilbara region for sponsoring the Desert Road Trail whether it is to donate towards signage on the Trail especially Newcrest, Nifty, Woodie Woodie where the trail is close to their mining site. Mr Allen Cooper, Chief Executive Officer to follow up.	CEO	Letter sent awaiting on response	Dec 2017
22 September 2017	13.6	SPONSORSHIP FOR COMMUNITY AREAS Cr Lang Coppin asked if a letter could be written to the mining companies within the Shire of East Pilbara for sponsorship e.g. Rio Tinto, Millennium, FMG, Roy Hill, e.g. Marble Bar Skate Park, Marble Bar Golf Course, shade over community facilities, Nullagine. Mr Allen Cooper, Chief Executive Officer to follow up.	CEO	Letter sent awaiting on response	Dec 2017
22 September 2017	13.7	MARBLE BAR ROAD Cr Shane Carter asked if a letter could be written again to the Minister for Transport regarding the sealing program for the Marble Bar Road. Mr Allen Cooper, Chief Executive Officer to follow up.	CEO	Letter sent awaiting on response	Dec 2017

9.1.2 AFFIXING COMMON SEAL TO EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT - MANAGER COMMUNITY WELLBEING

File Ref:	ADM-1-1
Responsible Officer:	Mr Allen Cooper Chief Executive Officer
Author:	Mr David Kular Manager Human Resources
Proposed Meeting Date:	08 December 2017
Location/Address:	N/A
Name of Applicant:	N/A
Author Disclosure of Interest:	Nil

REPORT PURPOSE

To note the approval to affix the common seal of the Shire of East Pilbara to the employment contract of the Manager Community Wellbeing.

BACKGROUND

The employment contract of Mr Philip (Pip) Parsonson, Manager Community Wellbeing has been extended by a two (2) years term; from 2^{nd} February 2018 – 1^{st} February 2020.

COMMENTS/OPTIONS/DISCUSSIONS

Nil

STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS/REQUIREMENTS

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Policy:

Council's Policy Manual 2017-2018 4.5 Execution of Documents

EXECUTION OF DOCUMENTS

Minute No: Item 9.2.4 Date 9th December 2016

Objective

To allow for the proper execution of documents.

Policy

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STRATEGIC COMMUNITY PLAN

Nil

RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Resource requirements are in accordance with existing budgetary allocation.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT the common seal of the Shire of East Pilbara be affixed to the employment contract between the Shire of East Pilbara and Mr Philip (Pip) Parsonson for a further two (2) year term, from 2nd February 2018 to 1st February 2020.

9.1.3 AFFIXING OF COMMON SEAL TO EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT -MANAGER TECHNICAL SERVICES - NEWMAN

File Ref:	ADM-1-1
Responsible Officer:	Mr Allen Cooper Chief Executive Officer
Author:	Mr David Kular Manager Human Resources
Proposed Meeting Date:	08 December 2017
Location/Address:	N/A
Name of Applicant:	N/A
Author Disclosure of Interest:	Nil

REPORT PURPOSE

To note the approval to affix the common seal of the Shire of East Pilbara to the employment contract of the Manager Technical Services – Newman.

BACKGROUND

The employment contract of Mr Bhavesh Modi, Manager Technical Services - Newman has been extended by a two (2) year term; from 11^{th} November 2017 – 10 November 2019.

COMMENTS/OPTIONS/DISCUSSIONS

Nil

STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS/REQUIREMENTS

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Policy:

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STRATEGIC COMMUNITY PLAN

Nil

RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Resource requirements are in accordance with existing budgetary allocation.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT the common seal of the Shire of East Pilbara be affixed to the employment contract between the Shire of East Pilbara and Mr Bhavesh Modi, Manager Technical Services – Newman for a further two (2) year term, from 11 November 2017 – 10^{th} November 2019.

9.1.4 ALTERNATIVE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY 2018

File Ref:	CSV-14-7
Responsible Officer:	Mr Allen Cooper Chief Executive Officer
Author:	Mrs Sheryl Pobrica Executive Services Administration Officer
Proposed Meeting Date:	08 December 2017
Location/Address:	N/A
Name of Applicant:	N/A
Author Disclosure of Interest:	Nil

REPORT PURPOSE

To confirm the alternative dates for the Queen's Birthday holiday in 2018 as a day of local significance.

BACKGROUND

The Governor has declared that the Celebration day for the Anniversary of the Birthday of the Reigning Sovereign (Queen's Birthday Public Holiday) will be observed in 2018 on **Monday 24 September**.

Local Governments may request that the public holiday be celebrated on an alternative date of significance within their districts, in lieu of the date proclaimed as the public holiday for the rest of the state.

Local governments interested in having an alternative date declared for the Queen's Birthday public holiday in 2018 should provide a written request which:

- a) the boundaries of the area that will be affected by the change (if it is other than the local government's boundary); and
- b) the reason/s for the alternative date and the consultation proves undertaken.

The written requests should be submitted no later than Friday 1 December 2017 to:

Ms Christina Eftos Private Sector Directorate, Labour Relations Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety Locked Bag 14 CLOISTERS SQUARE WA 6850 Email Christina.eftos@dmirs.wa.gov.au

COMMENTS/OPTIONS/DISCUSSIONS

Annual Marble Bar Race weekend for Marble Bar and Nullagine, and the Monday of the Fortescue Festival weekend in Newman.

The dates for the events in 2018 have been set as;

- Monday 7th July 2018 for the area comprising of the town of Marble Bar and the area of the Shire comprising 150km radius from the town, including the town of Nullagine, for the annual Marble Bar Cup Race Day.
- Monday 20th August 2018 for the area comprising the town of Newman and the portion of the Shire from the southern boundary to a point 150km radius northwards, east and west for the annual Fortescue Festival.

These dates need to be forwarded to the Private Sector Directorate, Labour Relations Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety for gazettal.

The basis of this resolution is as follows;

Traditionally the Queen's Birthday holiday has been set on the Monday of the annual Marble Bar Race weekend for Marble Bar and Nullagine, and the Monday of the Fortescue Festival weekend that includes a race day for Newman.

The Marble Bar Race Club Inc and the Newman Lions Club have requested these dates remain as a long weekend with a public holiday on the Monday.

Council *Policy* supports/recognises Events of Community interest which includes;

<u>Newman</u>

Lions Fortescue Festival 3rd Sunday in August. Lions Fortescue Festival Ball

<u>Marble Bar</u> Marble Bar Race Day 1st Saturday in July Marble Bar Fun Day Monday after Marble Bar Race Day

STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS/REQUIREMENTS

Public and Bank Holidays Act 1972 (WA).

8. Power of Governor to alter day appointed for a public holiday or bank holiday

(1) The Governor may, from time to time, by proclamation declare that, instead of a day referred to in section 5, some other day shall be a public holiday or bank holiday, or both, in any year either throughout the State or within such district or locality as is specified in the proclamation, and in that case such other day shall accordingly be a public holiday or bank holiday, or both, as the case may be, instead of the day so referred to in that section.

- (2) A proclamation made under subsection (1) shall be published in the Government Gazette at least 3 weeks before the first day to be affected thereby.
- (3) Where a proclamation is made under subsection (1), the Governor may, from time to time, vary or cancel it by subsequent proclamation published in the <u>Government Gazette</u> at least 3 weeks before the first day to be affected thereby.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Shire of East Pilbara Events Strategy 2015

STRATEGIC COMMUNITY PLAN

Goal 2 – Social – Planned Actions

The Shire of East Pilbara seeks to foster harmonious communities that acknowledge a shared heritage; develop strong community connections, and have access to relevant and affordable community services and well-managed community infrastructure.

2.4 Diverse and inclusive communities

RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Resource requirements are in accordance with existing budgetary allocation. Advertising for the 2018 Alternative Queens Birthday dates to be advertised in the local newspaper under GL#41146 after approval by the Governor and gazetted.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Private Sector Directorate, Labour Relations Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety be advised of the following alternative dates for the Queen's Birthday holiday 2018.

- 1. Monday 9th July 2018 for the area comprising of the town of Marble Bar and the area of the Shire comprising 150km radius from the town, including the town of Nullagine, for the annual Marble Bar Cup Race Day.
- 2. Monday 20th August 2018 for the area comprising the town of Newman and the portion of the Shire from the southern boundary to a point 150km radius northwards, east and west for the annual Fortescue Festival.

9.1.5 LOCAL GOVERNEMENT ACT 1995 REVIEW: PHASE 1

File Ref:	LEG-1-1
Attachments:	LG-Act-Review-Consultation-Paper_Phase 1.pdf LGA_Electronic_Availability_of_Information_Fact Sheet.pdf LGA_Gift_Disclosure_Fact Sheet.pdf LGA_Improving_Behaviour_and_Relationships_Fa ct_Sheet.pdf LGA_Reducing_Red_Tape_Fact_Sheet.pdf LGA_Regional_Subsidiaries_Fact_Sheet.pdf LGPA-Bigger-Impact_Better- Outcomes_Feb2017.pdf PRC - WALGA_Submission - LG Act_and Regulations_Review - Final.pdf WALGA_Review of Local Government Act_1995 Discussion_Paper_Pdf
Responsible Officer:	Mr Allen Cooper Chief Executive Officer
Author:	Mr Grant Watson Coordinator Executive Services
Proposed Meeting Date:	08 December 2017
Location/Address:	N/A
Name of Applicant:	N/A
Author Disclosure of Interest:	Nil

REPORT PURPOSE

The Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries has released its consultation paper for the first phase of the review of the Local Government Act. This report seeks to put in place a process for providing a response.

BACKGROUND

In the lead up to the 2017 State Election, the now State Government announced its intention to undertake a full review of the *Local Government Act 1995*. Following the election, the Minister set in place a process to formally undertake the review.

Prior to the state election, Local Government Professionals Australia WA released a document titled 'Bigger Impact. Better Outcomes' that outlined a number of recommendations on legislative and regulatory change including a review of the Act. A copy of the document is **attached**.

The WA Local Government Association (WALGA) has undertaken its own consultation process to better inform the positions to be held on behalf of the sector. WALGA distributed a discussion paper in July 2017 (*attached*) with the aim of obtaining the sector's feedback. The final collated feedback from this review has

been prepared as a State Council Agenda Item for Zone consideration during the November/December 2017 round of Zone meetings.

The Pilbara Regional Council (PRC) also collected the views from its Member Local Governments and summarised these in a submission to WALGA. A copy of the submission is *attached*.

The State (through the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries) released its own consultation paper on Phase 1 of the Local Government Act review on 8 November 2017. The consultation paper and summary fact sheets are *attached*.

Local governments are encouraged to provide support by providing feedback to the Department and by promoting the review to their residents and relevant stakeholders.

COMMENTS/OPTIONS/DISCUSSIONS

The Department has allowed three months for responses to be provided to its consultation paper with the deadline being 9 February 2018. This means there is only one further Council meeting between this meeting and the deadline, scheduled for 2 February 2018.

The consultation paper is lengthy. The general focus of Phase 1 is modernising local government and includes the following topics:

- Electronic availability of information
- Meeting public expectations for accountability, including gift disclosures
- Meeting community expectations of standards, ethics and performance
- Building capacity through reducing red tape
- Regional subsidiaries

The Department is proposing to receive comments on the paper from a variety of sources including, but not limited to, Councils. Any member of the public, any individual elected member or individual officer may make their own submission.

The recommendation below is for Council to submit one combined submission.

STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS/REQUIREMENTS

The Local Government Act 1995 and its associated Regulations control most aspects of local government operations – including the need to have and the requirements our strategic planning documents. It is likely that any change to the Act could have significant strategic implications for the Shire.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STRATEGIC COMMUNITY PLAN

Goal 1 – Civic Leadership – Planned Actions

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- 1.1 Efficient and effective local government
- 1.1.1 Ethical, accountable and transparent decision making Responsible officer: DCEO Timing: As appropriate
- 1.1.3 Effective business management Responsible officer: DCEO Timing: 1-3 years

RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT Councillors

- 1. Submit any feedback on the *Local Government Act 1995* Review Phase 1 Consultation Paper by Friday 12 January 2018, for a responsible officer to consolidate and formulate a submission to be reviewed at the Council Meeting on 2 February 2018.
- 2. Support the advertising of the review and the consultation period to encourage input from the public and key stakeholders.

LEG-2-1 File Ref: Street Trees and Vegetation Existing Policies pdf Attachments: **Responsible Officer:** Mr Allen Cooper **Chief Executive Officer** Author: Mr Grant Watson **Coordinator Executive Services Proposed Meeting Date: 08 December 2017** N/A Location/Address: Name of Applicant: N/A Author Disclosure of Interest: Nil

9.1.6 URBAN TREE RETENTION AND DEVELOPMENT POLICY

REPORT PURPOSE

For Council to consider the possible development of a policy relating to urban tree retention and planting requirements for developers within the Shire of East Pilbara.

BACKGROUND

Cr Kitchen has requested that Council investigate and consider adopting a policy regarding urban tree retention and approved planting requirements for new developments.

Local governments are increasingly recognising the value of trees in an urban context particularly in capital city areas. The loss of urban trees, particularly verge trees and those on private land, is seen as a significant environmental and social issue for many communities across the State.

Trees assist in providing numerous environmental, health, amenity and social benefits.

Most metropolitan Local Governments have some form of street tree and/or tree retention policy; although there is no consistent approach across the Local Government sector. These policies and management plans are important because they set out a Local Governments goals, aims, principles and values in relation to trees. Although policies are not law, where a policy exists, Local Governments are required to have regard to the policy in the decision making process.

A number of metropolitan Local Governments choose to have a high level strategy, such as an urban forest strategy, to outline their overall strategic values. These high level strategies are linked to the Council's Strategic Plan and Vision. This high level document is then supplemented with an implementation plan to outline how the objectives will be achieved.

A lower level approach is for Local Governments to outline how they will achieve and maintain their tree-related goals simply through operational / implementation plans.

These operational street tree policies usually include issues such as planting of new trees, maintenance of existing trees and circumstances which may warrant tree removal.

Some Local Governments have gone one step further and have adopted tree preservation policies in regards to private property. The inclusion of these types of provisions within the Local Planning Scheme and/or the adoption of a Local Planning Policy clearly identifies Local Governments' intention when dealing with subdivision and development applications on private land.

There are a number of existing polices and guidelines on a local and State level relating to street trees and urban tree retention. A brief summary of these policies and guidelines is *attached*.

COMMENTS/OPTIONS/DISCUSSIONS

All of the Local Governments that have adopted a high level strategy are metropolitan ones. Generally these have been developed because they are facing development and growth problems related to increased density and urban infill targets; and have been forced to adopt strategies that mitigate the significant depletion of existing trees.

The Shire of East Pilbara's urban centres are not facing these same issues. There are no major large scale developments (residential or commercial) or multi storey developments. During the development of East Newman and the Newman Town Centre (2008-2016), new Local Planning Policies were adopted specifically for those developments.

The nature of the major industries within the Shire would appear to defeat the reasoning of investigating such a policy for the town sites. Especially when the State Government cannot give a clear indication of the total area impacted by clearing permits issued to industry within the Shire.

There are already sufficient policies and plans in place to implement tree retention and planting requirements for any major developments that may arise. Therefore it is the recommendation of this report that no further action be taken on the investigation or development of such a policy.

STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS/REQUIREMENTS

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

As stated above, there are a number of existing polices and guidelines relating to trees, see attached. Any newly developed position or policy would need to work in conjunction with these policies.

STRATEGIC COMMUNITY PLAN

Goal 4 – Environment – Planned Actions

The Shire of East Pilbara seeks to effectively manage and maintain its iconic Pilbara environmental assets by reducing ecological footprints and developing clean, green towns.

- 4.2 Promote a sustainable environment
- 4.2.1 Cultivate clean green towns Responsible officer: MCW Timing: 1 years
- 4.2.2 Promote improved water management Responsible officer: DTDS Timing: 1-3 years

RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

No financial resource impact.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council does not take any further action in regard to the investigation and/or development of an urban tree retention or urban tree canopy policy due to the number of existing policies and guidelines.

9.2 DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFCER

9.2.1 DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER STATUS OF COUNCIL DECISIONS - OCTOBER 2017

File Ref:	CLR-4-5
Responsible Officer:	Ms Sian Appleton Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Author:	Mrs Sheryl Pobrica Executive Services Administration Officer
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BACKGROUND

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COMMENTS/OPTIONS/DISCUSSIONS

The status list of Council decisions is included as an attachment to the agenda.

STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS/REQUIREMENTS

Local Government Act 1995 Part 2 Constitution of local government Division 2 Local governments and councils of local governments Section 2.7

- (1) The council
 - (a) governs the local government's affairs; and
 - (b) is responsible for the performance of the local government's functions.
- (2) Without limiting subsection (1), the council is to -
 - (a) oversee the allocation of the local government's finances and resources; and
 - (b) determine the local government's policies.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STRATEGIC COMMUNITY PLAN

Goal 1 – Civic Leadership – Planned Actions

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- 1.1 Efficient and effective local government
- 1.1.1 Ethical, accountable and transparent decision-making

RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

In order to remain transparent and to facilitate timely and appropriate decisionmaking it is necessary that actions items be reviewed at each Council meeting.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Chief Executive Officer "Status of Council Decisions" Report for the month of August 2017 be received.

SHIRE OF EAST PILBARA ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

8 DECEMBER, 2017

COUNCIL MEETING DATE	ITEM NO	COUNCIL RESOLUTION	DIRECTORATE	ACTION TAKEN/ STATUS	ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE
28 July 2017	13.2	NULLAGINE CARAVAN PARK Cr Biddy Schill said the toilet block at the Nullagine Caravan Park requires an urgent upgrade as they are unacceptable for use; especially it is now tourist season. Cr Biddy Schill would like this brought back to Council regarding the condition of the toilet block. Ms Sian Appleton, Deputy Chief Executive Officer to follow up.	DCEO	Report being provided re-future of Nullagine Caravan Park	December 2017
27 October 2017	11.2.4	PROPOSAL TO DEVELOP A RECONCILATION ACTION PLAN	MCW	Reconciliation Action Plan Underway	
27 October 2017	15.7	SHADE SAIL NULLAGINE Cr Biddy Schill said the sail shade between the Gallop Hall and Community Resource Centre-Nullagine has a tear and requires repairing if a work order can be created. Ms Sian Appleton, Deputy Chief Executive Officer to follow up.	DCEO	Work Order created	Completed
27 October 2017	15.8	GALLOP HALL TOILET BLOCK Cr Biddy Schill said the toilets next to Gallop Hall have been refurbished but when people are using the hall they can only use one toilet, as the other one is used for the CRC staff, and asking why they are locked and should be used for public using the Gallop Hall. Ms Sian Appleton, Deputy Chief Executive Officer to follow up	DCEO	To be considered at Budget Review	
27 October 2017	15.9	BHP LOCAL BUSINESS ADVISORY PROGRAM Cr Hoyer asked if the Shire could invite BHP Local Business Advisory Program to the next meeting to speak with Council regarding the program that will provide local business support to grow and develop. Ms Sian Appleton, Deputy Chief Executive Officer to follow up	DCEO	Sent Email asking for a presentation 02/11/2017 No reply	
27 October 2017	14.1.1	CONFIDENTIAL CONSIDERATION OF THE CEO SHORTLIST	DCEO		Completed

9.2.2 AFFIXING COMMON SEAL UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY

Responsible Officer:	Ms Sian Appleton Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Author:	Ms Dawn Brown Contract and Procurement Officer
Proposed Meeting Date:	08 December 2017
Location/Address:	N/A
Name of Applicant:	N/A
Author Disclosure of Interest:	Nil

REPORT PURPOSE

This report is to advise Council of the documents that have had the Shire of East Pilbara's Common Seal affixed under delegated authority since the Council Meeting held 27th October, 2017.

BACKGROUND

The two documents that have had the Shire's Common Seal affixed under delegated authority are in relation to:

- Contract awarded to Research Solutions for the Strategic Community Plan and Community Satisfaction Surveys (RFT 02-2017/18 – awarded under delegated authority).
- Contract awarded to Dowsing Group Pty Ltd for drainage works Newman (RFT 04-2017/18 – awarded under delegated authority).

COMMENTS/OPTIONS/DISCUSSIONS

There are two documents that have had the Shire's Common Seal affixed under delegated authority since the last Council meeting as per:-

Document	Details	Parties	Synergy TC No.
Contract	Strategic Community Plan & Surveys (RFT 02-2017/18)	Research Solutions	TC2017534
Contract	Drainage Works - Newman (RFT 04-2017/18)	Dowsing Group Pty Ltd	TC2017543

Statutory Implications/Requirements

Local Government Act 1995, Part 9, Division 3, s.9.49A Execution of Documents.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

4.5 EXECUTION OF DOCUMENTS Minute No: Item 9.2.4 Date: 9th December 2016

Objective

To allow for the proper execution of documents.

Policy

All documents validly executed will have the common seal affixed and any two of the following: the Shire President, Chief Executive Officer or Deputy Chief Executive Officer's attestations affixing the seal. Use of the common seal is to be recorded in the common seal register and must have the Council resolution number included and the date that the seal was applied.

Delegation From:	Council
Delegation To:	Chief Executive Officer
Council File Reference:	ADM-14-9
Legislative Authority for Delegation:	S5.42 Local Government Act 1995

And Delegated Authority as per:

Power/Duty/Authorisation Delegated:

Authority to prepare the necessary documentation to execute documents taking into account any specific or policy requirements of council where:

The Council has authorised entering into a formal contract or a formal contract is considered necessary by the Chief Executive Officer as part of the day to day operation of the Council or a formal contract is authorised under a delegated authority from the Council.

Authority for exercise of Power/Duty/Authorisation

Conditions attached to Delegation

Also refer to Council's Standing Orders Local Law Date of Delegation _____ Delegator (Shire President) _____

STRATEGIC COMMUNITY PLAN

Goal 1 – Civic Leadership – Planned Actions

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- 1.1 Efficient and effective local government
- 1.1.1 Ethical, accountable and transparent decision-making Responsible officer: DCEO Timing: As appropriate

RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

Should Council not be informed of the documents that have had the Common Seal affixed under delegated authority, the Shire will fail to abide by their Execution of Documents Policy which clearly states that "Use of the common seal is to be recorded in the common seal register and must have the <u>Council resolution number</u> included and the date that the seal was applied".

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

No financial resource impact.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council

- 1. Have been advised that the Common Seal has been affixed under delegated authority to the Contract between the Shire of East Pilbara and Research Solutions for the Strategic Community Plan and Community Satisfaction Surveys (RFT 02-2017/18).
- 2. Have been advised that the Common Seal has been affixed under delegated authority to the Contract between the Shire of East Pilbara and Dowsing Group Pty Ltd for Drainage Works –Newman (RFT 04-2017/18).

9.2.3 REVIEW OF POLICY 4.3 CONFERENCES-STUDY TOURS

File Ref:	ADM-1-6
Attachments:	Existing Conference Policy pdf <u>1 18 Councillor Conferences pdf</u> <u>Staff Conferences pdf</u>
Responsible Officer:	Ms Sian Appleton Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Author:	Mrs Batsi Masaka Coordinator Governance
Proposed Meeting Date:	08 December 2017
Location/Address:	N/A
Name of Applicant:	N/A
Author Disclosure of Interest:	Nil

REPORT PURPOSE

For Council to approve significant changes to Policy 4.3 Conferences-Study-Tours.

BACKGROUND

Policy 4.3 Conferences-Study Tours was applicable to both Councillors and staff. However, a review has been conducted resulting in a proposal to delete policy 4.3 and replace it with 2 separate policies as follows:

Policy 1.18 Councillor Conferences-Study Tours to be in the Policy Manual and Staff Conferences- Study Tours –to be in the Staff Procedures Manual

COMMENTS/OPTIONS/DISCUSSIONS

A copy of the existing Policy 4.3 Conferences-Study Tours has been attached A copy of Policy 1.18 has been attached and reflects the following amendments:

Exclusion of the following paragraph from the existing policy

Every year, the Shire President and the Chief executive Officer are to attend the Annual Australian Local Government Association Annual Conference. This is to enable the Shire President and Chief Executive Officer to network with Federal Ministers, Members of Parliament and /or senior Departmental Officers on issues affecting the council and the district.

Under the heading policy inserted will consider in the 2nd sentence of the first paragraph

Last paragraph: inserted Note: all applications must be made using the approved form.

A copy of the Staff Conferences policy has been attached and reflects the following amendments:

Exclusion of the following paragraph from the existing policy. Every year, the Shire President and the Chief executive Officer are to attend the Annual Australian Local Government Association Annual Conference. This is to enable the Shire President and Chief Executive Officer to network with Federal Ministers, Members of Parliament and /or senior Departmental Officers on issues affecting the council and the district.

Under the subheading Other Conferences, the last sentence of the 1st paragraph amended as follows:

Deleted delegated authority and inserted authorised, and in accordance with budget provisions.

Last paragraph: inserted Note: all applications must be made using the approved form.

STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS/REQUIREMENTS

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

4.3 CONFERENCES – STUDY TOURS

STRATEGIC COMMUNITY PLAN

Goal 1 – Civic Leadership – Planned Actions

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- 1.1 Efficient and effective local government
- 1.1.1 Ethical, accountable and transparent decision-making Responsible officer: DECO Timing: As appropriate

RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

The risks include but are not limited to financial and compliance with providing the required reports after attending conferences.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

No financial resource impact.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council

- 1. Approves the deletion of Policy 4.3 Conferences-Study Tours
- 2. Adopts the proposed policies :

Policy 1.18 Councillor Conferences-Study Tours to be in the Policy Manual.

9.2.4 PROPOSED NEW POLICY 6.12 - ANNUAL THANK A VOLUNTEER AND THE AUSTRALIA DAY WA, COMMUNITY CITIZEN OF THE YEAR (COTY) AWARDS

Attachments:	SoEP Thank a Volunteer and Australia Day Citizen of the Year Policy.docx
Responsible Officer:	Ms Sian Appleton Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Author:	Mr Pip Parsonson Manager Community Wellbeing
Proposed Meeting Date:	8 December 2017
Location/Address:	N/A
Name of Applicant:	N/A
Author Disclosure of Interest:	Nil

REPORT PURPOSE

For Council to adopt the new policy 6.12 - Annual Thank a Volunteer and the Australia Day WA, Community Citizen of the Year (COTY) Awards. The policy was presented to Council at the Corporate Discussion meeting on 27th October 2017.

BACKGROUND

The Shire has recognised Thank a Volunteer and the COTY award programs since at least 2003.

In 1985, the United Nations designated 5 December each year as the International Volunteer Day, also known as Thank a Volunteer Day in WA. In recent years, the Shire of East Pilbara has, in keeping with International Volunteer Day, celebrated Thank a Volunteer Day on 5 December. Two awards have been provided, one to the Volunteer of the Year and one to the Junior Volunteer of the Year.

The COTY awards are presented by Local Government within local communities across Western Australia on Australia Day.

The Awards reward and recognise individuals and organisations making a notable contribution during the current year, and/or to those who have given outstanding service over a number of years.

Outstanding contribution and community service includes areas such as; education, health, fund-raising, charitable and voluntary services, business, sport, arts, the environment, social inclusion or any other area that contributes to the advancement and wellbeing of a community. There are four categories to these awards, Citizen of the Year; Senior Citizen of the Year; Youth Citizen of the Year and Active Citizenship (Group or Event)

Only seven weeks separate Thank a Volunteer Day and Australia Day and due to this short gap and the period around Christmas/New Year, it is a challenge to elicit nominations for each award program. In recent years the number of nominations has been very small. To streamline the nomination process and reduce 'nomination fatigue' in the community, it is recommended that the Shire utilise the nomination process used for the COTY Awards (found at www.citizenshipawards.com.au/nominate) to elicit nominations for both programs. The information gained from the COTY nomination form is sufficient to also judge the Thank a Volunteer awards.

COMMENTS/OPTIONS/DISCUSSIONS

To date the Shire has not had a policy that specifies an appropriate and transparent process relating to the Thank a Volunteer and COTY awards. The attached policy specifies the process by which nominations will be solicited and assessed. It proposes that the Managers and staff of the Shire's Community Wellbeing and Recreation and Events sections actively solicit nominations for both awards and that an internal staff committee (not including Community Wellbeing and Recreation and Events Staff) is formed to select the Thank a Volunteer awardees and Shire Councillors select the COTY awardees at their December meeting.

STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS/REQUIREMENTS

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STRATEGIC COMMUNITY PLAN

Goal 1 – Civic Leadership – Planned Actions

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- 1.3 Engaged community
- 1.3.1 Increase community awareness Responsible officer: MCW Timing: 1 year
- 1.3.3 Implement civic engagement projects Responsible officer: MCW Timing: 1-3 years

Goal 2 – Social – Planned Actions

The Shire of East Pilbara seeks to foster harmonious communities that acknowledge a shared heritage; develop strong community connections, and have access to relevant and affordable community services and well-managed community infrastructure.

- 2.4 Diverse and inclusive communities
- 2.4.1 Promote diverse, harmonious and caring communities Partnering With: Federal Government, State Government, Industry and NGO's Responsible officer: MCW Timing: 1-3 years
- 2.4.2 Build strong community groups, networks and governance Partnering With: Federal Government, State Government, Industry and NGO's

Responsible officer: MCW Timing: 1-5 years

RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

There is a reputational risk to the Shire if it is not seen to have open and transparent processes associated with the selection of awardees for programs under its stewardship.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

No financial resource impact.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council adopts the new policy 6.12 - Annual Thank a Volunteer and the Australia Day WA, Community Citizen of the Year (COTY) Awards as presented.

9.2.5 AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT

Attachments:	Annual Statements 1617.pdf Management Letter pdf Audit Committee Minutes 30/11/17
Responsible Officer:	Ms Sian Appleton Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Author:	Ms Sian Appleton Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Proposed Meeting Date:	08 December 2017
Location/Address:	N/A
Name of Applicant:	N/A
Author Disclosure of Interest:	Nil

REPORT PURPOSE

For Council to consider the recommendations of the Audit Committee.

BACKGROUND

The Audit Committee met on 30th November 2017 and the minutes of that meeting are attached.

COMMENTS/OPTIONS/DISCUSSIONS

Role of the Audit Committee:

As a requirement of the Local Government Act 1995, the Audit Committee was formed "to provide independent oversight of the financial systems of the local government on behalf of the Council. As such, the committee will operate to assist Council to fulfil its corporate governance, stewardship, leadership and control responsibilities in relation to the local government's financial reporting and audit responsibilities."

STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS/REQUIREMENTS

Refer to attached Audit Committee minutes.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

STRATEGIC COMMUNITY PLAN

Goal 1 – Civic Leadership – Planned Actions

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1.1 Efficient and effective local government

1.1.2 Continued strong financial management Responsible officer: DCEO Timing: 1 year

RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

Refer to attached Audit Committee minutes.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

No financial resource impact.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Absolute.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council consider the following recommendations as presented by the Audit Committee.

AUDIT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION 1

THAT Council review the Audit Management Report as presented and receive the Management Report for the Year Ended 30 June 2017.

AUDIT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION 2

THAT Council accept the Audited Annual Financial Statements for the year ending 30 June 2017 as presented.

AUDIT COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION 3

THAT Council adopt the dates for the 2017 audit committee meetings over the next twelve months as listed below and advertise in accordance with the Local Government (Administration) Regulations.

MEETING DATE	WEEK	COMMENCEMENT TIME	VENUE
22 nd February 2018	4 th Thursday	8:00am	Newman
14 th June 2018	2 nd Thursday	8:00am	Newman
6 th September 2018	1 st Thursday	8:00am	Newman
22 nd November 2018	4 th Thursday	8:00am	Newman

9.2.6 MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT - SEPTEMBER 2017

Attachments:	September 2017.pdf September 2017 Variance Report.pdf
Responsible Officer:	Ms Sian Appleton Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Author:	Mrs Noelene Holmes Coordinator Financial Services
Proposed Meeting Date:	08 December 2017
Location/Address:	N/A
Name of Applicant:	N/A
Author Disclosure of Interest:	Nil

REPORT PURPOSE

To provide Councillors with a monthly financial statement on the operations of Council.

BACKGROUND

The attached 11-page report details the financial activities of the Council for the period 1st July 2017 to 30th September 2017 of the 2017/2018 financial year –

There are 4 sections of the monthly report:

- 1. An operating statement comparing income and expenditure to the adopted budget for each function of Council.
- 2. A more detailed schedule which breaks the operating statement down into the various operational sections and departments of Council.
- 3. A schedule detailing all expenditure for the year to date for individual capital items.
- 4. A statement of cash flows.

COMMENTS/OPTIONS/DISCUSSIONS

The Deputy Chief Executive Officer will provide and overview and explanation as required of how to interpret the financial statement at the meeting.

Reportable variations in accordance with accounting policies are as follows:

STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS/REQUIREMENTS

Local Government Act 1995 Part 6 Financial Management Division 4 General financial provisions Section 6.4(2) "The financial report is to –

- (a) be prepared and presented in the manner and form prescribed; and
- (b) contain the prescribed information."

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 Part 4 Financial reports Reg 34(1) -

"A Local Government is to prepare each month a statement of financial activity reporting on the revenue and expenditure, as set out in the annual budget under regulation 22 (1)(d), for that month in the following detail –

- (a) annual budget estimates ...
- (b) budget estimates to the end of the month to which the statement relates;
- (c) actual amounts of expenditure, revenue and income to the end of the month to which the statement relates;
- (d) material variances between the comparable amounts referred to in paragraphs (b) and (c); and
- (e) the net current assets at the end of the month to which the statement relates."

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

3.1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

STRATEGIC COMMUNITY PLAN

Nil

Goal 1 – Civic Leadership – Planned Actions

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- 1.1 Efficient and effective local government
- 1.1.1 Ethical, accountable and transparent decision-making Responsible officer: DCEO Timing: As appropriate
- 1.1.2 Continued strong financial management Responsible officer: DCEO Timing: 1 year
- 1.1.3 Effective business management Responsible officer: DCEO Timing: 1-3 years

RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

This report is part of ensuring that risk matters are reviewed periodically

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

This report discloses financial activities for the period under review.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT the monthly financial statements for the period 1st July 2017 to 30th September 2017 of the 2017/2018 financial year as presented be received.

9.2.7 CREDITORS FOR PAYMENT.

File Ref:	FIN10-2
Attachments:	Schedule of Accounts_Chq 1.pdf Schedule of Accounts_Direct Debits.pdf Schedule of Accounts_EFT 1.pdf
Responsible Officer:	Ms Sian Appleton Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Author:	Ms Teresa Southwell Expenditure Finance Officer
Proposed Meeting Date:	08 December 2017
Location/Address:	N/A
Name of Applicant:	N/A
Author Disclosure of Interest:	Nil

REPORT PURPOSE

Council endorsement of payment to creditors.

BACKGROUND

As per the attachment list, outlines payments made to creditors since the Council meeting on the 27 October 2017.

COMMENTS/OPTIONS/DISCUSSIONS

FUND	VOUCHER	AMOUNT	
EFT Payments	Total	3615467.45 \$3,615,467.45	
Cheque Payments Direct Debits		28980.48 106138.83	
Manual Cheques		0.00	
	Total	\$135,119.31	
	GRAND TOTAL	\$3,750,586.76	

Please note the computer system allows for only a limited field for the description of goods/services purchased, therefore the description shown on the attached Schedule of Accounts may not show the entire description entered for the goods/services purchased.

CANCELLED AND UNUSED CHEQUES:

UNUSED CHEQUES

<u>CANCELLED CHEQUES & EFTS</u> EFT 40853; 40895; 40921; 40962; 41000; 41001; 41089; 41215; 41216; 41233;

Cheques 24390; 24391; 24392; 24393; 24395; 24409

STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS/REQUIREMENTS

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 Part 2 – General financial management Reg 11

- (1) A local government is to develop procedures for the authorisation of, and the payment of, accounts to ensure that there is effective security for, and properly authorised use of
 - (a) cheques, credit cards, computer encryption devices and passwords, purchasing cards and any other devices or methods by which goods, services, money or other benefits may be obtained; and
 - (b) petty cash systems.

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 Part 2 – General financial management Reg 12

- (1) A payment may only be made from the municipal fund or the trust fund
 - (a) if the local government has delegated to the CEO the exercise of its power to make payments from those funds by the CEO; or
 - (b) otherwise, if the payment is authorised in advance by a resolution of the council.
- (2) The council must not authorise a payment from those funds until a list prepared under regulation 13(2) containing details of the accounts to be paid has been presented to the council.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STRATEGIC COMMUNITY PLAN

Nil.

RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Total expenses of \$3750586.76

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council endorse the payments:

FUND	VOUCHER	AMOUNT	
EFT Payments	Total	3615467.45 \$3,615,467.45	
Cheque Payments Direct Debits Manual Cheques	Total	28980.48 106138.83 0.00 \$135,119.31	
	GRAND TOTAL	\$3,750,586.76	

9.3 DIRECTOR TECHNICAL AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

9.3.1 DIRECTOR TECHNICAL AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES STATUS OF COUNCIL DECISIONS - OCTOBER 2017

File Ref:	CLR-4-5
Responsible Officer:	Mr Rick Miller Director Technical and Development Services
Author:	Mrs Sheryl Pobrica Executive Services Administration Officer
Proposed Meeting Date:	08 December 2017
Location/Address:	N/A
Name of Applicant:	N/A
Author Disclosure of Interest:	Nil

REPORT PURPOSE

To inform of the action taken in relation to Council decisions.

BACKGROUND

Council requested to be informed of the progress and completion of previous decisions.

COMMENTS/OPTIONS/DISCUSSIONS

The status list of Council decisions is included as an attachment to the agenda.

STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS/REQUIREMENTS

Local Government Act 1995 Part 2 Constitution of local government Division 2 Local governments and councils of local governments Section 2.7

- (1) The council
 - (a) governs the local government's affairs; and
 - (b) is responsible for the performance of the local government's functions.
- (2) Without limiting subsection (1), the council is to -
 - (a) oversee the allocation of the local government's finances and resources; and
 - (b) determine the local government's policies.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STRATEGIC COMMUNITY PLAN

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RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

In order to remain transparent and to facilitate timely and appropriate decisionmaking it is necessary that actions items be reviewed at each Council meeting.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Director Technical and Development Services "Status of Council Decisions" Report for the month of December 2017 be received.

COUNCIL MEETING DATE	ITEM NO	COUNCIL RESOLUTION	DIRECTORATE	ACTION TAKEN/ STATUS	ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE
28 Jul 2017	11.2.1	DESERT ROAD MASTER PLAN Project Implementation - Cr Lang Coppin	MDS-P	Refer to Information Bulletin Letters seeking support funding has been sent to various mining companies and awaiting responses.	Ongoing
28 September 2012	13.4	NEW ROAD LINKED TO LIGHT INDUSTRIAL AREA (LIA) – NEWMAN - Cr Shane Carter	MDS-P	Refer to Information Bulletin Funding in budget to prepare RFQ to carry out detailed design and costings	Jun 2018
28 th October 2016	13.7	GARDEN BED NEWMAN DRIVE Cr Lynne Craigie said the garden beds on Newman Drive, next to the Chicken Treat Van needs attention.	DTDS WSPG	Design and costings have been prepared and are to be reviewed then partnership discussions with BHP to share costs will be followed up. This item has been deferred due to other project priorities but will be reactivated early in new year.	Feb 2018
9 December 2016	13.5	SIGNAGE REGARDING NEWMAN TOWN Cr Lynne Craigie asked if it is possible for signs to be erected on Great Northern Highway to advise of what services are available in Newman.	MDSP	Communication has been had with NCCI regarding this matter. We are waiting on feedback from the NCCI on next steps. To be followed up by Manager Development Services – Planning to confirm with NCCI the details and priority of proposal.	Feb 2018

SHIRE OF EAST PILBARA ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

8 DECEMBER, 2017

COUNCIL MEETING DATE	ITEM NO	COUNCIL RESOLUTION	DIRECTORATE	ACTION TAKEN/ STATUS	ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE
28 July 2017	13.3	SIGNAGE NULLAGINE Cr Biddy Schill asked regarding the signage policy as there is a sign at the front entrance of the triangle park and is very distracting, does it require permission by the Shire?	MDSP	To be investigated by Planning Manager as to the sign locations and approvals. Site investigations have been undertaken and discussion held with hotel owner about 2 unauthorised Hotel signs, one on the Hotel's property and one in our road reserve (not UCL 248). The applicant will be advised to submit a Development Application for the two subject signs so they can be formally assessed by shire officers.	Feb 2018
27 October 2017	15.1	MARBLE BAR PIONEER CEMETERY Cr Michael Kitchin asked if the Marble Bar Pioneer Cemetery could be whipper snipped as it is over grown in the NE & SE area. Mr Rick Miller, Director Technical & Development Services to follow up.	MTSR	A general tidy up has been scheduled. Worth noting that for individual plots it is usually the responsibility of the family to maintain. Perhaps may be worth investigating a Friends of the Cemetery group to be established if enough interest ?	Complete
27 October 2017	15.2	ROAD SIGNAGE Cr Dean Hatwell said road signage has disappeared, heading to Nullagine on the intersection 8km of Limestone Road and Hillside Road floodway level indicator is missing.	MTSR	MRWA have been advised of missing 8km and will be installed once received. Expected to be either just before Xmas or early in New Year.	Complete
27 October 2017	15.3	NEWMAN SQUARE Cr Anita Grace said the T section next to the old ANZ is it possible to put a give way sign as this is dangerous because people do not give way. Mr Rick Miller, Director Technical and Development Services said this requires approval by Main Roads WA as it is not a Shire road and will follow this up.	DTDS CAM	Shire officers will investigate options to encourage road users drive more appropriately in this area. Signage and physical infrastructure will be investigated	Feb 2018
27 October 2017	15.4	WINDAMARRA CRES STREET LIGHTING Cr Gerry Parsons said she has completed lighting forms and spoken with BHP Electrical regarding the street lighting on Windamarra Cres as it is very dark. Mr Rick Miller Director Technical and Development Services to follow up.	DTDS	Lighting inspected and working – last checked 23 November 2017.	Complete
27 October 2017	15.6	POT HOLES, PARDOO STREET Cr Gerry Parsons spoke about the pot holes on Pardoo Street as this is very dangerous and requires urgent repairs.	MTSN	Repaired	Complete

9.3.2 APPOINTMENT OF BUSHFIRE CONTROL OFFICER - MR COLIN BRAND

File Ref:	RNG-5-8
Attachments:	FCO Certificate.pdf
Responsible Officer:	Mr Rick Miller Director Technical and Development Services
Author:	Mr Brent Stein Coordinator Ranger & Emergency Services
Proposed Meeting Date:	08 December 2017
Location/Address:	N/A
Name of Applicant:	Mr Colin Brand - Rio Tinto - Yandicoogina
Author Disclosure of Interest:	Nil

REPORT PURPOSE

To appoint Mr Colin Brand of Rio Tinto Yandicoogina as a Bush Fire Control Officer for the Shire of East Pilbara under the Bush Fires Act 1954, Section 38.

BACKGROUND

A local authority may from time to time appoint such persons as it thinks necessary to be its bush fire control officers under and for the purpose of the Act

COMMENTS/OPTIONS/DISCUSSIONS

The Bush Fire Control Officer's main duties relate to fire prevention. They are the officers through whom Local Government works to control the use of fire and certain machinery operations, at such times of the year as could lead to bush fires.

The Fire Control Officer can impose limitations, conditions and restrictions on activities that are in breach of the Bush Fires Act, and Local Laws. Fire control Officers can take actions to control or extinguish fires burning within the district and impose penalties for non-compliance.

There are currently no Fire Control Officer's from Rio Tinto or in the area of the Yandicoogina and the appointment will assist with administering the Shire of East Pilbara's Responsibilities under the act in this and surrounding areas.

This appointment within the Bush Fires Act allows greater flexibility to service delivery within the Shire to our corporate community given that Shire FCO can't be everywhere across the width and breath of the region. Having appointments made at strategically placed areas within the Shire, reduces impacts on Shire FCO hours and the potential for fatigue related issues. Having identified a need, actions have been undertaken to reduce risk and ensure obligations under the Bush Fires Act are being met within the Local Government area and responsibility.

These appointments are a common occurrence in Shires. Shire of East Pilbara has a number of non-employees appointed as FCO's. The appointment of a FCO at Rio

Tinto Yandicoogina with the Shire of East Pilbara, will be managed by the CBFCO as required for the Shire and therefore like any other FCO will take direction as required under this control as per the Bush Fire Act.

STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS/REQUIREMENTS

Section 38 (2) (a) of the Bush Fires Act 1954 states that "The Local Government shall cause notice of an appointment made under the provision of subsection (1) to be published at least once in a newspaper circulating in its district.

Section 38 (2) (e) of the Bush Fires Act 1954 also needs to be issued with a certificate of appointment.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

No Policy Implications

STRATEGIC COMMUNITY PLAN

Goal 1 – Civic Leadership – Planned Actions

The Shire of East Pilbara seeks to deliver high quality corporate governance and demonstrate accountability to its constituents. All decisions are informed by community engagement – leading to the effective allocation of the Shire's resources – that deliver optimum benefits to the community.

RISK MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

All incidents managed by the Shire will remain with the Shire and the FCO appointed will take direction in his/her capacity from the Shire's CBFCO in the event they are called upon to manage a fire on site or in surrounding areas. This will reduce the risk to the Shire and give us greater coverage.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

No financial resource impact.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council

- 1. Appoint Mr Colin Brand, as a Bushfire Control Officer for the Shire of East Pilbara under Section 38 of the Bush Fires Act 1954.
- 2. Publish the appointment in a newspaper circulating in the district.

- 10 MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN
- 11 NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE INTRODUCED BY A DECISION OF COUNCIL
- 12 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS BEHIND CLOSED DOORS
- 13 GENERAL BUSINESS
- 14 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

2 February 2018, Newman

15 CLOSURE