



## **MINUTES**

*of the*

## **WORKS & SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING**

**CHAIRMAN:** *Cr Larry Friske*

**held in the Boardroom  
Old Bank Building,  
Cnr Nash & Channon Streets  
Gympie Qld 4570**

**on Tuesday 5 May 2009**

*to be confirmed at the General Meeting  
to be held on 13 May 2009*

## Gympie Regional Council      **WORKS & SERVICES MEETING**

*Cr L Friske (Chairman),  
Cr R Dyne (Mayor), Crs G Engeman, R.A. Gâté, DR  
Neilson, AJ Perrett, IT Petersen, J Walker & J Watt*

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The meeting commenced at 9.00am.

**PRESENT:** Crs L.J. Friske (*Committee Chairman*), R. Dyne (*Mayor*), R.A. Gâté, D.R. Neilson, A.J. Perrett, I.T. Petersen, J. Watt, Mr K.A. Mason (Chief Executive Officer), Mr R.A. Fredman (Director of Engineering Services) and Mrs L. Birt (Minutes Secretary).

Cr Watt and Cr Petersen were not present when the meeting commenced.

### LEAVE OF ABSENCE / APOLOGIES

G13/02/09 has resolved: *That Cr Julie Walker be granted Leave of Absence from all Council Meetings for the duration of her rehabilitation.*

**W01/05/09 Moved: Cr A.J. Perrett**

**Seconded: Cr R. Dyne**

**That Cr G Engeman be granted Leave of Absence from today's Works & Services Committee Meeting.**

**Carried**

### CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

**W02/05/09 Moved: Cr D.R. Neilson**

**Seconded: Cr A.J. Perrett**

**That the Minutes of the Works & Services Committee Meeting held on the 7 April 2009 be taken as read and confirmed.**

**Carried**

## SECTION 1: DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING SERVICES

1/1 Congratulations

Re: **W03/05/09** Congratulations  
From: Cheryl Kirk, 10 Fairway Drive, Gympie Qld 4570  
File: 3/2/07/0001 Doc ID:  
Date: 23 February 2009

*“On behalf of myself, Cheryl Kirk, Area Coordinator Corella Road Neighbourhood Watch and the residents (especially the children) of Fairview Park.*

*We take this opportunity to sincerely thank Council and the dedicated (Ed French and his band of workers) in the construction and completion of the wonderful playground.*

*We have to mention that over the Christmas holidays (Christmas Day and Boxing Day and New Years Day) there was real proof of professional dedication of job performance (Ed).*

*It really is wonderful to see the families making good use of this wonderful park.*

*It’s heart warming to hear the laughter of the children and parents, making the most of their precious quality time in a very rushed world.*

*Again, sincerely a big ‘THANK YOU’.”*

**Report: (Director of Engineering Services – R.A. Fredman)**

This letter has been passed to the staff concerned.

**W03/05/09 Moved: Cr A.J. Perrett**

**Seconded: Cr R.A. Gâté**

**Recommend that the information be received.**

**Carried**

<b>1/2 Bus Shelter – Cnr Nielsen &amp; Upper Kandanga Road</b>
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Re: **W04/05/09** Bus Shelter – Cnr Nielsen & Upper Kandanga Road  
From: Lizette Phillips, 351 Sterling Road, Kandanga Creek Qld 4570 (Doc # 1034473)  
Mrs CM Tapper, Sterling Road, Kandanga Creek Qld 4570 (Doc # 1034463)  
JE & A McMurphy 1 Sterling Road, Kandanga Qld 4570 (Doc #1034472)  
File: 4/8/7/5-2  
Date: 27 March 2009

*As a parent of two children who catch a bus to school, I respectfully request that the Council provide a bus shelter for the children who use the bus stop at the corner of Nielsen and Upper Kandanga Road. It is on the S66 bus run.*

*There are 6 children who are currently using this bus stop. I feel that it is required for safety as there is no area off the road for the children to wait. Also in wet weather my children wait in the car and then have to run across the road (with supervision of course) to catch it. Other children there do not have that option and have to wait in the rain.*

*I attended a bus committee meeting where we discussed this and it was agreed that this is an area of need. The bus committee are preparing a submission on this and support our request.*

*I eagerly await your response.”*

**Report: (Director of Engineering Services – R.A. Fredman)**

There is no doubt that rural school bus shelters sound desirable, however

1. They achieve limited use ie some wet days of a morning;
2. families move on periodically and this impacts on utilisation;
3. shelters are relatively expensive compared with road grading (for example);
4. Some shelters are targets for vandalism.

**W04/05/09 Moved: Cr R.A. Gâté**

**Seconded: Cr R. Dyne**

**Recommend that Council advise the writers that Council does not have a rural bus shelter program. However Council will clear and/or level a site if local groups supply and erect a shelter of an approved design.**

**Carried**

1/3

**Bus Shelter – Intersection of Eel Creek Road and Daniel Drive**

Re: **W05/05/09** Bus Shelter at Intersection of Eel Creek Road and Daniel Drive  
 From: Len Franz, 46 Alfred Street, Gympie Qld 4570  
 File: 4/8/7/5-02 Doc # 1029761  
 Date: 1 April 2009

*“I request that consideration be given to move the bus shelter at the intersection of Eel Creek Road and Daniel Drive to the Coolabah Court intersection.*

*At a meeting of the Route P1832 School Bus Transport committee a request was made to have support for the construction of a bus shelter at the intersection of Eel Creek Road and Coolabah Court at Pie Creek.*

*At the present time there are two families with six students who use this intersection for a pick up point for transport on our School Bus Route P1832.*



*“We are writing to you to advise you of the very poor condition of Marroo Road and Coonoongibber Creek Road.*

*Marroo Road is in shocking condition, with deep gutters washed in it, making it difficult for those with sedan cars to drive on. Because of the present state of the road, it requires major reconstruction work being done on it urgently. We suggest that this would be the appropriate time to also widen the road surface so that when 2 vehicles meet they can pass each other comfortably, for the 9 years we have been using it one vehicle has had to virtually stop and let the other one go.*

*Coonoongibber Creek Road is in better condition, however the surface is very rough with stones on it. There are bad pot holes around the bridge which need work done on them also urgently. While writing about this road, we are interested to know at what stage your plans are to finish the bitumising of this road, as when the last stage of bitumising was done we were assured that the plans were to complete that road in the near future.*

*Trusting you will be able to attend to these roads very soon.*

**Report: (Director of Engineering Services – R.A. Fredman)**

Marroo and Coonoongibber Creek Roads have been referred to Works East for maintenance. There has not been any past resolution of Council, nor any verbal undertaking to my knowledge, committing Council to further bitumen upgrading of Coonoongibber Creek Road.

**W06/05/09 Moved: Cr R.A. Gâté**

**Seconded: Cr D.R. Neilson**

**Recommend that the writers be advised that maintenance will be attended to in due course.**

**Further that this Council has no current plans to extend bitumen on Coonoongibber Creek Road.**

**Carried**

1/5

Robinson Road, Calico Creek

Re: **W07/05/09** Robinson Road, Calico Creek

From: Michael & Bronwyn Brown, 162 Robinson Road, Calico Creek, Gympie Qld 4570

File: Doc ID:1032406

Date: Received 20 April 2009



*“We wish to make formal request for proper forming and sealing of Robinson Road, Calico Creek. At present there is an unsealed section of Robinson Road of approx one kilometre. This section of road services about 9 properties.*

*Until last week the road was in very poor condition with sections affected by deep ruts, excessive raised centre of road due to erosion in wheel tracks, areas with soft slippery clay surface, pot holes, corrugations, loose gravel and excessively long grass. There was one section on a blind corner where approx 40% of the road width to about 150mm has been torn away.*

*On Thursday the 9<sup>th</sup>, a grader and work crew repaired the worst sections of the road but gave no or little attention to blocked drains and non existent gutters. With heavy rains over the weekend, the road surface on the blind corner is again being stripped, ruts and washouts are again forming on the road, and within the first 200m on the dirt, the clay surface is slippery and sinking.*

*The rapid deterioration of the road clearly shows that leaving the road unsealed with occasional and untimely grading to be grossly inadequate!*

*This road is typically used by cars, light to medium trucks, cattle trucks, horse floats, large ‘goose neck, 5<sup>th</sup> wheel type horse floats’, pedestrians, riders on horseback. All are presented with unacceptable dangers due to the lack of appropriate maintenance of the road.*

*Due to the hilly terrain and natural water causes in this area, anything less than proper forming, sealing and draining can never be suitable and is simply a waste of ratepayers money and resources. After the road is graded the longevity is fully dependant upon heavy showers of rain which leave water to run across the road, down the road and on the road damaging the road surface to conditions which would be unacceptable for a sealed road, but somehow seem the norm for unsealed roads. It can then be many months to a year or more before the road receives any more attention.*

*The grass along the edges of the road is not often enough slashed. The one tractor width slashed often grows beyond 60 centimetres and further in, towering to about 2 metres. This presents hazard due to unknown objects or conditions off the road when vehicles move off the road to let other pass, very poor visibility around 90 degree corners on the road.*

*As traffic volume increases on roads, so does the risk of damage to property and injury or death to road users. There are often skid marks left on the road from both hoon type driving and vehicles losing control, braking and skidding. On one recent occasion a vehicle has failed to negotiate the corner at our driveway and left the road needing to be towed out.*

*A likely scenario is for a vehicle driving onto riders on horseback with insufficient vision to slow and poor road surface which does not allow reasonable braking resulting in a collision.*

*Surely this road with potential dangers should take precedent over new footpaths (Brisbane Road) and upgrading of old footpaths (Lawrence Street) and many other projects currently underway.*

*Please formally advise of immediate plans to reduce the dangers on this road and to when we could expect forming and sealing of the road. Should there be no immediate plans to form and seal the road, what circumstances need to arise before the road will be sealed, and how often the edges will be slashed and the frequency of grading.*

*In addition to this the signage and conditions on the newly and unfinished bridge is inadequate. Some of the existing signs are nearly invisible due to long grass. The 40kph sign closest to Calico Creek Road seems to have fallen from the star picket where it had previously been secured by thin wire which allowed it to be blown around to the extent that it was difficult to read. It now seems to be leaning on the picket resting on the ground after apparently falling. The road surface on the corner is very slippery and we are expecting to find a set of skid marks leading to an overturned vehicle in the creek.*

*I would prefer that ratepayers money be well spent on upgrading unsafe roads than being wasted on liability for damage to property, injury or even death resulting from neglecting to adequately maintain a road. Should there be an incident/accident resulting from road conditions, we will have no hesitation in contacting concerned parties and providing them with details of our concerns.*

*Recent photographs of the road prior to the recent attention are visible on the web as <http://www.users.on.net/~mikebronbrownz/roughroad.htm>. Some of these photos do not do the road justice.”*

**Report: (Director of Engineering Services – R.A. Fredman)**

There is not likely to be any funding available for the extension of bitumen on Robinson Road in the next budget. Robinson Road is a low trafficked dead end rural road.

Any bitumen extension funding that is available will be directed to the arterial road network. Robinson Road recently had a significant bridge upgrade.

**W07/05/09 Moved: Cr A.J. Perrett**

**Seconded: Cr R.A. Gâté**

**Recommend that**

- (1) Council advise the writer that it has no funding available for the extension of bitumen on non-arterial roads such as Robinson Road;**
- (2) the maintenance issues will be attended to by field staff as resources and funding permit. In the interim, if vehicles on Robinson Road are not**

being driven safely and to the prevailing road conditions, the Gympie Police would appreciate being contacted.

- (3) This matter be referred to the Works Department for assessment of the various requests.

Carried

1/6

A Gentle Plea

Re: **W08/05/09** A Gentle Plea for Kerb and Channelling  
 From: Barb Fevre, 2 Fairview Road, Monkland, Gympie Qld 4570  
 File:  
 Date: 24/04/09

*Kerb and channel would be great  
 I have to hope I'm not too late  
 To ask the Councillors 'do we rate?'*

*Some time before the budget yet'  
 We hope that we may possibly get –  
 a gutter.....  
 The others in the street have one,  
 Only three of us have none.*

*We'd like to mow and grow our front,  
 With grass so green that we'd be proud,  
 So here I am to ask out loud –  
 'Some concrete please, are we allowed?'*

*Oh dear Councillors, we hope you see,  
 That we ask a bit, we know it's not free.  
 We know that funds are very tight  
 But we hope you'll not turn out the light –  
 On our kerb!*

**Report: (Director of Engineering Services – R.A. Fredman)**

There are several blocks adjacent to Fairview Road/Noosa Road corner that do not have kerb and channel. This is not the only such area in Gympie either. They are all worthwhile upgrading projects, funds permitting.

W08/05/09 Moved: Cr D.R. Neilson

Seconded: Cr J. Watt

**Recommend that the writer be advised that Council has no current plans for kerb and channel in their area, however Council will consider this request when compiling future works programs.**

**Carried**

1/7

### Successful Blackspot Nominations

Re: **W09/05/09** Successful Blackspot Nominations  
 From: Department of Transport and Main Roads, Bundaberg via email  
 File: Doc ID:1032796  
 Date: 17 April 2009

*“Advice has been received from the Main Roads Blackspot Program manager confirming approval of the following projects:-*

<i>Project No:</i>	<i>232/LGSJ/001</i>
<i>Location:</i>	<i>Intersection of Mt Pleasant Road, Johns Street and Hilton Road</i>
<i>Work Description</i>	<i>Install traffic signals</i>
<i>Allocation</i>	<i>\$276,000</i>
<i>Funding Source:</i>	<i>Federal National Building 2 Package (2009/10)</i>
<i>Commence:</i>	<i>01/07/09</i>
<i>Complete</i>	<i>01/06/10</i>
<i>Project No:</i>	<i>232/LGSJ/002</i>
<i>Location</i>	<i>Intersection of Ada/Power &amp; Berrie Streets</i>
<i>Work Description</i>	<i>Install Traffic Calming</i>
<i>Allocation</i>	<i>\$40,000</i>
<i>Funding Source:</i>	<i>Federal National Building 2 Package (2208/09)</i>
<i>Commence:</i>	<i>01/07/09</i>
<i>Complete</i>	<i>01/12/09</i>

*The full list of approved projects is shown on  
<http://www.nationbuildingprogram.gov.au/funding/blackspots/index.aspx>.*

*Please take this advice to start delivering the projects.”*

**Report: (Director of Engineering Services – R.A. Fredman)**

This is official confirmation of the Federal Government Blackspot offer. Work on the final design has commenced.

W09/05/09 Moved: Cr J. Watt

Seconded: Cr I.T. Petersen

**Recommend that Council accept the Blackspot Funding offer for Mt Pleasant Road/John Street/Hilton Road and Ada/Power/Berrie Street intersections.**

**Carried**

1/8	Commonwealth Funding Available for Stormwater Harvesting and Reuse Projects
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Re: **W10/05/09** Commonwealth Funding Available for Stormwater Harvesting and Reuse Projects  
From: Local Government Association of Qld Inc, PO Box 2230, Fortitude Valley BC Qld 4006  
File: 1/4/2/1 Doc ID:1029762  
Date: 02 April 2009

*“The Australian Government has allocated \$1 billion for desalination, water recycling and stormwater harvesting projects.*

*As part of the Water for the Future framework, the National Urban Water and Desalination Plan will provide investment of \$1 billion for desalination, water recycling and stormwater harvesting projects to assist major towns and cities in securing their long term water supply. State, territory and local government, public water utilities and private companies are eligible to apply.*

#### *Objectives*

*The objective of the program is to support stormwater harvesting and reuse projects in both large and small cities and towns that contribute to:*

- *Improving the security of water supplies in Australia, without adding to greenhouse gas emissions.*
- *Reducing the demand on potable water supplies*
- *Helping to reduce the impact of urban runoff on water quality in receiving waters*

#### *Funding*

*The National Urban Water and Desalination Plan will provide a minimum of \$200 million for stormwater harvesting and reuse projects. Project funding is available for 50 per cent of eligible capital costs. The minimum project size is \$4 million (eligible for funding of \$2 million). While there is no maximum project size, funding is capped at \$20 million (GST exclusive) per project. Funding is available for project work to be completed by 30 June 2013.*

*Applications for Round 1 are due 30 June 2009 (5pm Canberra time) and Round 2 on 11 December 2009 (Canberra time). The Implementation & Funding Guidelines have been designed to assist applicants prepare their project proposal prior to submission to the Department of the Environment, Water, Heritage and The Arts.*

*Projects are not eligible under this special call include:*

- *Stormwater management that does not include a significant reuse component (eg projects primarily for flood mitigation or water quality purposes);*
- *Rainwater reuse from residential buildings using domestic rainwater tanks;*
- *Combined effluent and stormwater reuse schemes.*
- *Harvesting stormwater from predominantly non-urban catchments (eg rural or forested)*
- *Irrigation scheme using aquifers, streams or river water from largely non-urban catchments; and*
- *Projects that are being implemented to meet local, state, territory or Australian Government requirements. For example, stormwater infrastructure required to meet development conditions such as local government development controls or BASIX (in New South Wales)*

*If you require further information please contact Rob Fearon, Executive Director, Queensland Directorate on 3252 4701 email [Rfearon@qldwater.com.au](mailto:Rfearon@qldwater.com.au) or Mark Piorkowski, Manager Roads, Transport and Infrastructure on 3000 1115 email: [mark\\_piorkowski@lgaq.asn.au](mailto:mark_piorkowski@lgaq.asn.au).”*

**Report: (Director of Engineering Services – R.A. Fredman)**

Council controls 16 water or sewerage schemes. Because of progressive programs over recent years, none of these would currently benefit from desalination, water recycling or stormwater harvesting schemes, for a variety of reasons. It is recognised that in the future some schemes may be able to benefit, but it would be a relatively expensive mistake to build this infrastructure too early or without enough technology and planning.

**W10/05/09 Moved: Cr A.J. Perrett**

**Seconded: Cr R.A. Gâté**

**Recommend that the information be received.**

**Carried**

1/9	Condition of Old Goomboorian Road
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Re: **W11/05/09** Condition of Old Goomboorian Road  
From: Anna Kassulke, 532 Old Goomboorian Road, Veteran Qld 4570  
File: Doc # 1034302  
Date: email received 23 April 2009

*“I am writing to complain about the section of dirt road on Old Goomboorian Road. It is time this was sealed and even widened. We bought Lot 3, No 532 last year and since then have noticed higher volumes of traffic and even logging trucks travelling up and down the road during the day – it is a handy shortcut from one part of Tin Can Bay Road to the other. The bends on the road are dangerous, there has been a fatality and I would not be surprised if there were more to come. Since the recent rains too, much of the dirt has washed away and created deep gullies which are ruinous for cars. There seems no logical reason why this middle section of the road has been ignored. Residents are not happy and it seems to that more land has been sold so more people will be moving to the area.*

*I would welcome your thoughts.”\*

**Report: (Director of Engineering Services – R.A. Fredman)**

It is suggested that Council should avoid any upgrading to arterial standard of Old Goomboorian Road that would facilitate it being a handy shortcut for Tin Can Bay Road. The terrain is not suitable and the need is not there.

**W11/05/09 Moved: Cr I.T. Petersen**

**Seconded: Cr R. Dyne**

**Recommend that the writer be advised that Council has no plans to extend the bitumen on Old Goomboorian Road at this time, as it is not intended to be an arterial road carrying through-traffic in any volume.**

**Further that the flood sign on Old Goomboorian Road be removed.**

**Carried**

1/10	Emissions Trading Scheme
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Re: **W12/05/09** Emissions Trading Scheme  
From: Director of Engineering Services RA Fredman  
File:  
Date: 29 April 2009

**Report: (Director of Engineering Services – R.A. Fredman)**

The Federal Government's Carbon Pollution Reduction Scheme will commence in July next year and will impact directly (landfill operations and sewage treatment plants) and indirectly (electricity and fuel costs).

It is unfortunate that this is being introduced at a time of financial stress however it is another of the many challenges facing local government.

The impact of the scheme will come clearer later this year, noting that some cost relief may apply. More information will be provided to Council in due course.

**W12/05/09 Moved: Cr R.A. Gâté**

**Seconded: Cr D.R. Neilson**

**Recommend that the information be received.**

**Carried**

<b>SECTION 2: DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING SERVICES - GENERAL BUSINESS</b>
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Design Services General Manager – Mr R Chapman entered the meeting at 9.20am.

<b>SECTION 3: DESIGN SERVICES DIVISION</b>
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<b>3/1 Widening of Eel Creek Road and Greentrees Road Intersection</b>
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Re: **W13/05/09** Widening of Eel Creek and Greentrees Road Intersection  
From: Len Franz, 46 Alfred Street, Gympie Qld 4570  
File: 4/8/7/7-13 Doc ID # 1029760  
Date: Received 02 April 2009

*“Re our request to have the intersection of Eel Creek and Greentrees Roads widened.*

*We await some action regarding our request to make this intersection safer for all who use the road adjacent to this corner.*

*As I outlined in my original request the road width on Greentrees Road is insufficient to allow two vehicles to pass should they meet on this corner and there is not enough*



road width for a heavy vehicle travelling east on Eel Creek Road towards Gympie to turn left into Greentrees Road without crossing the centre white lines on Eel Creek Road to negotiate the curve.

Can this intersection be listed on work to be undertaken in the near future?"

**Report: (Director of Engineering Services – R.A. Fredman)**

As can be seen from previous correspondence, this request has been raised several times before although it is known that the intersection is of a lesser standard than today's standards. There is one reported accident at this intersection from the Webcrash data being a traffic violation U-Turn collision by an inexperienced driver in December 2008. Widening of narrow sealed roads has a higher priority for funds distributed from developer's contributions.

**W13/05/09 Moved: Cr D.R. Neilson**

**Seconded: Cr J. Watt**

**Recommend that the writer be advised that limited funds have been directed to higher priority needs in the area such as widening Eel Creek Road.**

**Carried**

3/2	<b>Regulatory Signage Report</b>
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Re: **W14/05/09** Regulatory Signage Report  
 From: Design Services General Manager – R Chapman  
 File: 4/8/07/0008-04  
 Date: 29 April 2009

**Report: (General Manager Design Services Division - R. Chapman)**

This report is presented for Council's consideration and adoption.

LOCATION	REQUEST / BY	RECOMMENDATION / BY
Nash Street	* No Stopping Signs and Line marking on southern side of Nash Street from existing loading zone adjacent to the RSL entry, west towards Channon Street  * <i>D. O'Brien</i>	* Install No Stopping Signs and Line marking as requested.  * <i>R.Chapman</i>

**W14/05/09 Moved: Cr I.T. Petersen**

**Seconded: Cr D.R. Neilson**

**Recommend that the above recommendation be approved by Council.**

**Carried**

3/3	Traffic Advisory Committee Meeting 2 March 2009
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Re: **W15/05/09** Traffic Advisory Committee Meeting 2 March 2009

From: General Manager Design Services

File: 4/8/13/0001

Date: 28 April 2009

**Report: (General Manager Design Services Division - R. Chapman)**

The Record of the meeting has been distributed and is attached to this Agenda.

There are no matters requiring a Council decision from the Record.

**W15/05/09 Moved: Cr A.J. Perrett**

**Seconded: Cr R.A. Gâté**

**Recommend that the report be received.**

**Carried**

3/4	Suggested Road Names for New Roads
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Re: **W16/05/09** Suggested Road Names for New Roads

From: Mary Childs & Michael Nayler, 46 Bearing Drive, Karana Downs Qld 4306

File: 4/8/07/0007-16 Doc ID:1032322

Date: 15 April 2009

*“I would like to suggest that if you are naming new roads in the Gympie region that you consider naming one after my father Patrick Nayler OAM and one after a distant relative Elijah Carey. Both these men were born in Gympie.*

*Patrick Nayler OAM received this award for his tireless service to the navy over 38 years. He continues to work for the Rainbow Beach RSL and has taken on a major role in the care and development of the Rainbow Beach cenotaph and ANZAC Day services. His address is 20 Bombala Crs, Rainbow Beach. Ph 54863575.*

*You can find information on Elijah Carey who was involved in the formation of the Labor Party both here in Australia and in New Zealand at [http://www.dnz.govt.nz/DNZB/alt\\_essayBody.asp?essayID=3C4](http://www.dnz.govt.nz/DNZB/alt_essayBody.asp?essayID=3C4). He died serving New Zealand in WW1.*

*Both the Carey and Naylor families were early residents of Gympie and feature in its early history.*

*I am happy to provide any other details that you may require.”*

**Report: (General Manager Design Services Division - R. Chapman)**

The former Cooloola Shire Council used to keep a list of possible road names for use within the shire. However, over time it was dispensed with as developer's preferred names were approved.

The Road Naming Policy includes Appendix 1 as a list of names to be used that includes only one such name supported by Minute SG02/02/06.

This letter requests the future use of two road names as follows:

Carey	already in use in Gympie
Naylor	Naylor Road is an unmaintained road reserve in the Veteran area of Sandy Creek Road.

In this situation the writer will be advised that both names are in use.

The question arises, does Council wish to be involved in adding future road names to the Policy as it does with actual road names.

**W16/05/09 Moved: Cr D.R. Neilson**

**Seconded: Cr R. Dyne**

**Recommend that Council have the authority to add road names to the Appendix 1 of the Road Naming Policy as per the standard format authorised in the Policy.**

**Further that the writer be advised that these or similar road names are already utilised in the Gympie region.**

**Carried**

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## Bridge over Greens Creek

Re: **W17/05/09** Bridge over Greens Creek  
From: JJ & KA Barton, 148 Old Goomboorian Road, Gympie Qld 4570  
File: 4/8/7/8 Doc ID:1032592  
Date: 9 April 2009

*“After a recent telephone conversation with Cr Larry Friske I am writing this letter to voice my concerns about the bridge over Greens Creek on the Cedar Pocket Rd between Tin Can Bay Road and Gympie East School.*

*We operate 3 school bus runs into Gympie East School and Polleys operate one service into there. The problem is that traffic coming from Tin Can Bay Road end having no vision of the bridge until they are almost at the bridge and in a lot of cases are travelling too fast to slow down enough if there is another vehicle on the bridge.*

*Over the years that we have operated buses in this area, I can recall that we have had countless close shaves including at least 2 broken rear vision mirrors and another cracked. This far too close for comfort. The worst of the lot was on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March (afternoon) one of the buses was travelling from the School with approx 40 students on board coming across the bridge when a tip truck came over the knob, from the Tin Can Bay Road end travelling far too fast with his wheels on the double white lines. The truck driver jumped on the brakes and the rear end of the truck started to come sideways towards the side of the bus. Through some miracle they missed each other.*

*There are still skid marks from just over the knob to nearly the end of the bridge to prove what I am saying. I don't know what the solution is, but somehow the traffic has to be slowed down from both ends of the bridge. As we know speed signs only work if people read them. The ultimate fix would be to widen the bridge but I realise this is probably a fair way off. May be some sort of traffic calming device, perhaps a give way sign on the Tin Can Bay Road end or cut the top of the knob down to improve vision.*

*I don't know what the answer is but I am happy to be involved in any discussions on this matter. I don't normally write letters unless there is a genuine problem so I wait to hear from your Council on this issue.”*

**Report: (General Manager Design Services Division - R. Chapman)**

Both the horizontal and vertical alignments through this section of ex Department of Main Roads Secondary Road are of relatively low standard. There is an advisory curve/intersection sign (for Goldhill Road) with 60kmh speed plate on both approaches that also includes the bridge.

The bridge should also be signposted with an advisory narrow bridge sign with 60kmh plates and refitted with larger size width markers to replace the old small size one currently in place.

Under the MUTCD guidelines a Give Way sign is not appropriate.

**W17/05/09 Moved: Cr A.J. Perrett Seconded: Cr R.A. Gâté**

**Recommend that additional advisory signage be placed on the bridge approaches with a “Narrow Bridge – 60” sign and that the bridge width marker signs be upgraded.**

**Further that the writer to be advised accordingly.**

**Carried**

**SECTION 4: DESIGN SERVICES DIVISION –  
GENERAL BUSINESS**

**Policy PRD04 - Road & Street Naming Policy**

**W18/05/09 Moved: Cr D.R. Neilson Seconded: Cr I.T. Petersen**

**Recommend that the PRD04 – Road and Street Naming Policy be referred to Council for review.**

**Carried**

**Gympie Liquor Industry Action Group – Location of Taxi Rank in Monkland Street**

Discussion ensued relative to the relocation of the taxi rank in Monkland Street.

**W19/05/09 Moved: Cr R.A. Gâté Seconded: Cr R. Dyne**

**Recommend that the Mayor convene a meeting for all affected landowners and shopkeepers in the area of Monkland Street/Mary Street, Gympie, GLIAG and the Gympie Police with a view to the potential relocation of the taxi rank currently situated in Monkland Street.**

**Carried**

Mr Chapman left the meeting at 9.52am.

General Manager Works Eastern Division – Mr G Ingham entered the meeting at 9.52am.

Cr Petersen left the meeting at 9.53am.

**ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

The Meeting adjourned for morning tea at 9.53am.

**RESUMPTION OF MEETING**

The Meeting resumed at 10.08am.

Cr Petersen was not present when the meeting resumed.

**SECTION 5: WORKS - EASTERN DIVISION**

**5/1 Monthly Rural Maintenance Report**

Re: **W20/05/09** Monthly Rural Maintenance Report  
From: General Manager Works – Eastern Division - GC Ingham  
File: FF94/00018  
Date: 20 April 2009

**Report: (General Manager Works - Eastern Division – GC Ingham)**

**Overview**

Last months weather pattern has had a significant affect on Councils programmed maintenance achievements. The weather event of the 3 and 4 of April was confined to the old CSC Areas.

The weather event over the 13 to the 15 of April was more widespread than the earlier event effecting large areas of councils unsealed road network and extensively damaging sealed pavements and drainage structures.

**Works Summary**

**Road Maintenance** - completed in late March and early April sustained considerable damages due to weather events over the 3 and 4 of April. Emergent clean up started immediately and was further impeded between 13 and 15 of April with another serious weather event. Emergent works are presently underway with the cleanup costs expected to exceed \$1.5 million.

**Programmed Maintenance Grading**

- Maintenance grading will be confined to emergent works only.

**Drainage Repairs.**

- Drainage works have been confined to emergent removal of silt and debris.

**Tractor Slashing** carried out in the following areas.

- Anderleigh Area
- Gunalda Area
- Glastonbury Area
- Eel Creek Road Area
- Mooloo Area

**Bridge Works carried out**

- Emergent removal of silt and debris

**Sealed Road Pavement Repairs** carried out on the following roads:

- Power Road - Emergent scoured pavements.

The above mentioned sealed road repairs were mechanical majors.

**W20/05/09 Moved: Cr D.R. Neilson**

**Seconded: Cr J. Watt**

**Recommend that the Construction Programme, as presented, be received.**

**Carried**

<b>5/2</b>	<b>Job Construction Report</b>
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Re: **W21/05/09** Job Construction Report  
From: General Manager Works – Eastern Division - GC Ingham  
File: FF94/00018  
Date: 29 April 2009

**Report: (General Manager Works - Eastern Division – GC Ingham)**

Construction jobs have slowed due to current wet weather and construction crews working on NDRA.

### **BONNICK ROAD WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITY**

The works involve upgrading of stormwater drainage diversion. The works include earthworks, laying of RCP 2100mm dia pipe.

Earthworks has commenced.

### **MOY POCKET ROAD – WIDENING AND OVERLAY**

The works involve preparing the existing formation for in-situ stabilisation. Post stabilisation, the existing roadway is to be overlain and widened to an 8.0m formation with full width 2 coat bitumen seal.

Pavement construction underway.

Job been delayed due to post flood works elsewhere.

### **ANDERLEIGH ROAD – BITUMEN SEAL**

The works involve shaping existing gravel road and placing 250mm gravel pavement, bitumen seal, installing reinforced box culverts, erecting warning signage and installing road edge guide posts.

Clearing and earthworks has been completed. Pavement construction underway.

Job been delayed due to post flood works elsewhere.

### **EAST DEEP CREEK ROAD – BRIDGE REPLACEMENT**

The works involve reconstructing the full width of formation placing gravel, bitumen seal, removing existing single lane timber bridge, reinforced concrete box culvert and associated base slab and headwall, reconstructing Hyland Road intersection and installing signage and guide posts.

Bridge has been removed; box culverts have been laid and open to traffic.

Earthworks of widening of East Deep Creek Road will commence after post flood works elsewhere.

### **RESEALS – VARIOUS LOCATIONS GYMPIE REGION**

The works involve reseal work on various roads in the Gympie Region.

Bitumen spraying has commenced.

### **ROBINSON ROAD BRIDGE REPLACEMENT**

The works involve extending the existing concrete bridge abutments downstream, replacing existing bridge super structure with reinforced concrete deck, sealing, and



widening the bridge approaches, installing steel beam guardrail and the end terminals, signs, line marking, and relocating any existing services, fencing.

Works still include sealing and installing guardrail, job been delayed due to waiting on guardrail.

**W21/05/09 Moved: Cr A.J. Perrett**

**Seconded: Cr R. Dyne**

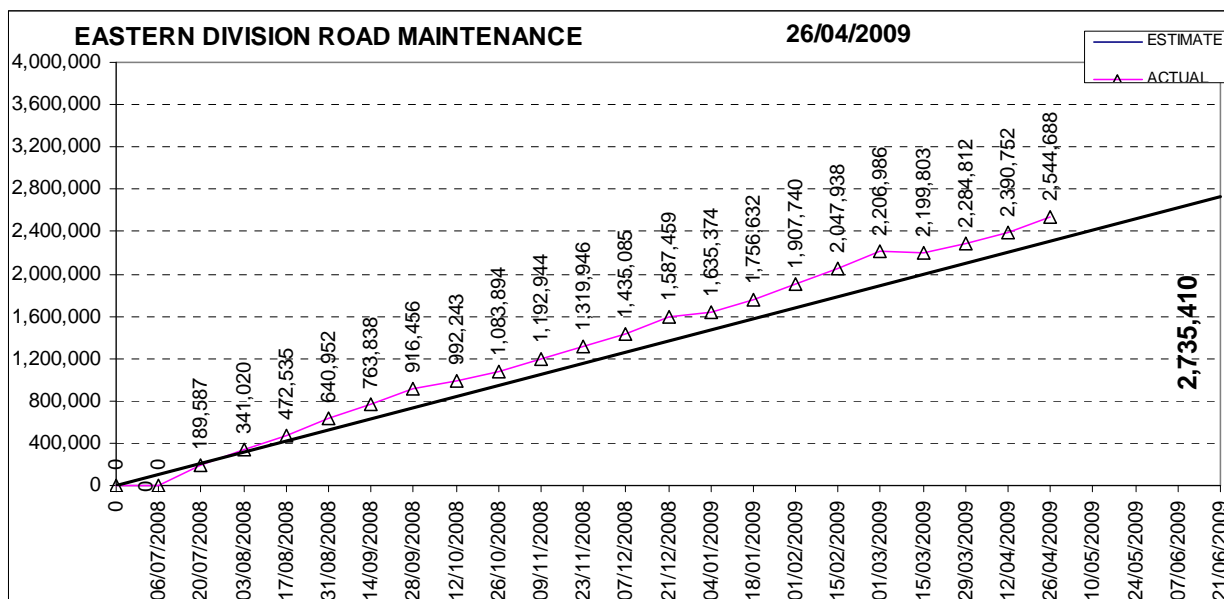
**Recommend that the Job Construction Report, as presented, be received.**

**Carried**

**5/3 Works Department Maintenance Reports**

Re: **W22/05/09** Works Department Maintenance Reports  
 From: General Manager Works – Eastern Division - GC Ingham  
 File: WR94/00018  
 Date: 29 April 2009

**Report: (General Manager Works - Eastern Division – GC Ingham)**



**W22/05/09 Moved: Cr R.A. Gâté**

**Seconded: Cr D.R. Neilson**

**Recommend that the Works Department Maintenance Reports – Eastern Division, as presented, be received.**

**Carried**

5/4	Works Cost Statement – Eastern Divisions
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**WORKS COST STATEMENT****W23/05/09 Moved: Cr R.A. Gâté****Seconded: Cr A.J. Perrett**

**Recommend that the Road Maintenance, Road Construction and Road Contribution sections of the Works Cost Statement, as presented, be received.**

**Carried**

5/5	Petition re Hansen Road upgrading
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**Re: W24/05/09** Petition re Hansen Road upgrading

From: Mrs G Harvey, 158 Hansen Road, Dagon Qld 4570 plus 20 other signatories

File: 4/8/7/7 Doc ID:1030948

Date: Received 6 April 2009

*“We the undersigned residents/landholders of Hansen Road request the Gympie Regional Council to upgrade the condition of the gravel section of Hansen Road Dagon. Currently this section of Hansen Road is poorly maintained and unsafe for all users, motorists, bike riders and pedestrians.”*

**Report: (General Manager Works - Eastern Division – GC Ingham)**

**Minute G02/04/09 reads:**

“That the Petition be received and referred to a future Works and Services Committee Meeting.”

Maintenance grading and some gravel resheeting was carried out on 3 April 2009.

Hansen Road is a low traffic volume, no through road, 1.84km in length. A 620m portion of the road is sealed with the balance unsealed. Any upgrade works of a capital nature would need to be considered against other Gympie Regional Council possible projects. The road is inspected regularly and maintenance work is programmed accordingly. It was last inspected on 23 April and rated in an acceptable condition.

**W24/05/09 Moved: Cr J. Watt****Seconded: Cr R.A. Gâté**

**Recommend that the residents be advised as per the report.**

**Carried**

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**Contract No 2008/09-T29 –Airport Mowing**

Re: **W25/05/09** Contract No 2008/09-T29 Airport Mowing  
From: General Manager Works Eastern Division – GC Ingham  
File:  
Date: 30 April 2009

**Report: (Capacity Development Manager – S. Thorn)****Background**

Historical growing season has stretched Council's available mowing resources with the result that the grassed areas of the Gympie Airport have not been able to be consistently maintained to the desired standard.

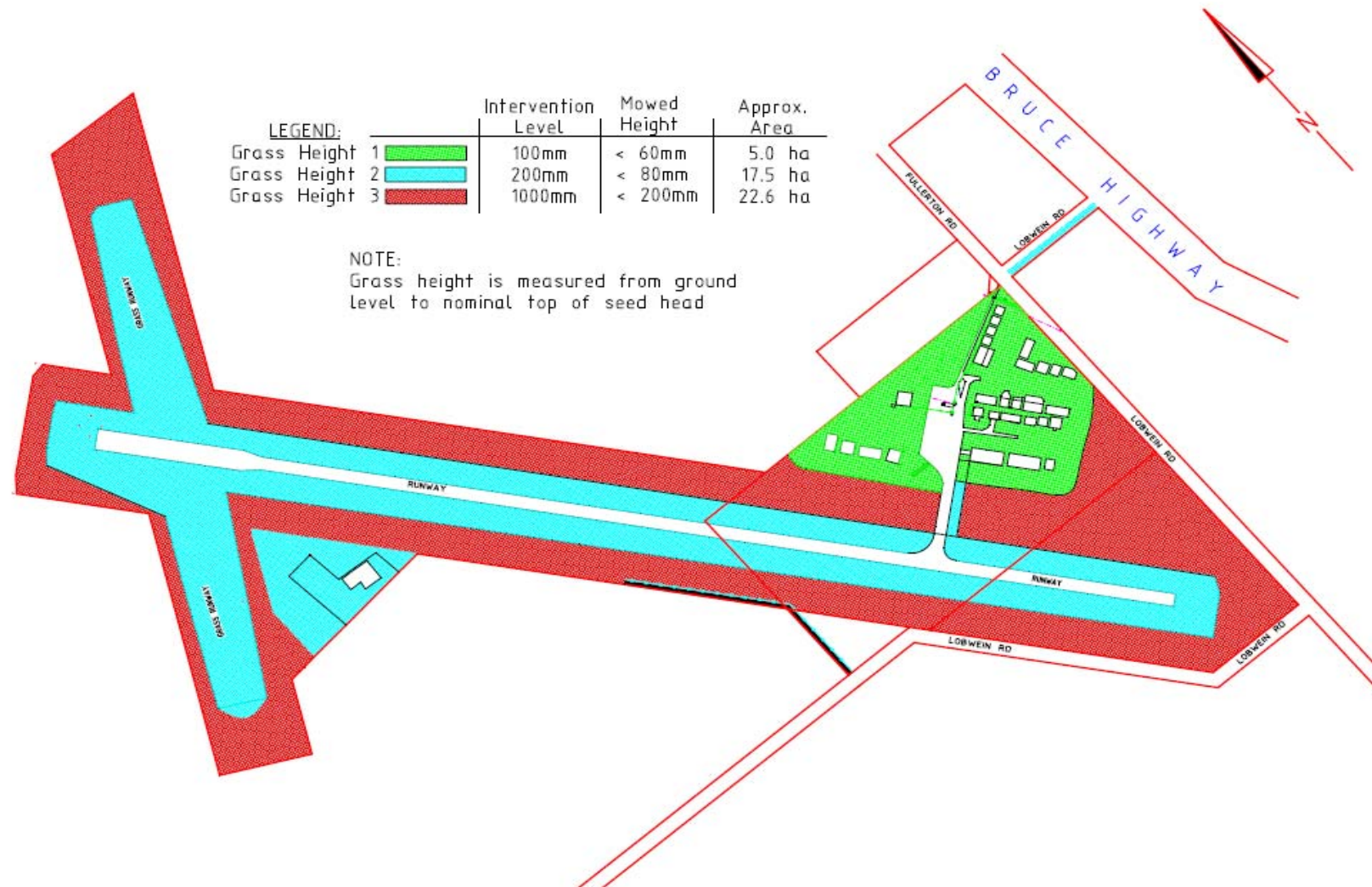
A contract to maintain the 45ha of grassed areas at the Gympie Airport was advertised in the Gympie Times in March 2009. Council received 13 tenders ranging in price from \$39,600 to \$134,420 inc GST. The contract period is for 12 months with the possibility of a further 12 month extension at Council's discretion. The contract commencement date is 1 June 2009. Council's Parks Manager is the Principal to the Contract and will be monitoring the contractors performance.

A meeting was held on site with prospective tenderers in early March to meet with Council staff and discuss Council requirements.

The 45 ha of grassed area has been divided into three levels of service as per the attached plan. The green will be maintained the lowest for entry appearance, the blue to a safe standard for light aircraft landing on the grass cross strip or beside the sealed runway and the brown to be a lesser level that will not become a fire hazard or unsightly. There is also a requirement for the Contractor to keep runway markers and windsocks clear of vegetation.

The contract does not specify the frequency of mowing/slashing that needs to be undertaken, rather that a level of service is maintained.

Following the evaluation of the tenders it is recommended that AA & MJ Wilson be awarded the Contract No. 2008/09-T29. The Wilson tender meets the contract specification and is the lowest tendered price.



The following tenders were received:-

<b>Tenderer</b>	<b>Price</b>
1. M & A Wilson	\$39,600.00
2. N. Flood / L. Pagett	\$50,245.00
3. CRS Enterprises Pty Ltd	\$55,000.00
4. D. Gracey	\$56,400.00
5. N. & B. Cameron	\$62,462.00
6. Ausaf Trading Pty Ltd	\$62,700.00
7. W & R Fallon	\$64,340.00
8. S. Plant	\$85,000.00
9. Centrogen Pty Ltd	\$87,376.30
10. The Maintenance Company Pty Ltd	\$94,116.00
11. Lewis Group (Aust) Pty Ltd	\$129,800.00
12. Lake Maintenance Pty Ltd	\$130,521.60
13 Teeling Landscaping	\$134,420.00

**W25/05/09 Moved: Cr J. Watt**

**Seconded: Cr D.R. Neilson**

**Recommend that Council award Contract No. 2008/09-T29 for a period of 12 months to the partnership of AA & MJ Wilson for the amount of \$39,600 inc GST with the option to extend for a further 12 months.**

**Further that Council budget \$39,600 inc GST in the 2009/10 financial year.**

**Carried**

<b>5/7</b>	<b>Intelligent Traffic Systems – Permitted Attached Private Lines (PAPL) Replacement</b>
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Re: **W26/05/09** Intelligent Traffic Systems – Permitted Attached Private Lines (PAPL) Replacement

From: General Manager – Works Eastern Division – GC Ingham

File:

Date: 30 April 2009

**Report: (General Manager Works - Eastern Division – GC Ingham)**

Council currently has agreement with Department of Main Roads Traffic Management Centre Mooloolaba for monitoring of Council Traffic Signals for faults. The two (2) Traffic Signals sets being monitored are at intersections Mary/Monkland/Nash St, & Mt Pleasant/River Rd/Graham St/Hughes Tce). This monitoring is achieved by connection of the onsite Traffic Signal controllers via Telstra Line to Main Roads Traffic Management Centre Mooloolaba. Telstra has advised Dept Main Roads that the current Telstra service for monitoring Traffic Signals is being terminated on 31/12/09.

Department of Main Roads are trialling a replacement system which will be made available to LGA for existing and future Traffic Signals connections. These changes will incur additional costs.

For budget forecast preliminary estimate change-over cost \$8,200 per cabinet (Traffic Signals set), with further Annual Operating cost \$1,500 per cabinet

**W26/05/09 Moved: Cr D.R. Neilson**

**Seconded: Cr R.A. Gâté**

**Recommend that the report be received.**

**Further that Council budget \$16,400 in 2009/10 for the initial changeover (Roads Capital item) and \$3,000 annually for ongoing operating costs (roads maintenance item).**

**Carried**

<b>SECTION 6: WORKS EASTERN DIVISION – GENERAL BUSINESS</b>
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Mr Ingham left the meeting at 10.31am.

Parks Manager Mr Ed French entered the meeting at 10.31am.

<b>SECTION 7: WORKS - PARKS</b>
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7/1	Parks Monthly Report
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Re: **W27/05/09** Parks Monthly Report

From: Parks Manager - Ed French

File: EP94/00008

Date: 28 April 2009

**Report: (Parks Manager – Ed French)**

**Maintenance Works**

Continued good growing conditions have maintained pressure on resources and budgets. Priorities for the past month have been maintaining those areas utilised by residents and the travelling public for school and public holidays, and Anzac Day services.

As noted at the March Works Committee Meeting, priority will continue to be given to those areas or activities according to Council's resources and abilities.

**Environmental Weeds**

Parks staff have commenced spraying/treatment of identified environmental weed species in a number of coastal and Gympie parks and reserves.

Staff are targeting Broad-leaf Pepperina, Umbrella Tree, Asparagus, Singapore Daisy, Slash Pine, Duranta, Lantana, Portuguese Elm, and garden waste dumps in reserves of importance, where recent revegetation/improvement works have been undertaken or where best suits strategies for ongoing control or reduction of environmental weeds.

Dumping of garden waste in reserves in the coastal areas is increasing. These actions not only reduce the environmental values of the reserves but also increase Council's costs to maintain these reserves and fire risks associated with the reserves.

**Coastal Erosion**

Areas of council's parks & reserves were adversely affected during the April weather events. Coastal erosion has continued at Rainbow Beach and Tin Can Bay. Design are investigating solutions for mitigating the erosion. Significant costs have been or will be required at Rainbow Beach for removal of debris, reformation of pedestrian access ramps, replacement of pedestrian exclusion fencing and replanting of eroded foredunes. Historically the annual allocation of funds for Rainbow Beach Foreshore is exceeded each year and is supplemented by the Parks and Roads budgets.

**Training**

The Parks Technical Officer and the Parks Manager have been undertaking a Diploma in Project Management course for the past 5 months. It is anticipated that the course will be successfully completed in May of this year. The additional knowledge gained will improve the delivery of Capital works projects as well as the Parks maintenance operations.

The Design Manager, Glenn Alexander, and the Parks Manager have recently completed two workshops held in Hervey Bay. The Burnett Mary Regional Group in part financed these workshops. The two courses, Water Sensitive Urban Design, and Wetlands Construction, were very informative and will be of assistance with Council Officers looking at improving the design and condition of a number of constructed lakes and assessment and management of storm water bio-retention systems throughout the region.

A number of Parks staff will be undertaking courses in May that will train and permit them to operate Polesaws and Quickcut saws.

### **Cooloola Cove and Rainbow Shores Fire Management Plans**

Planning and Parks staff have been assisting a Fire Management consultant in undertaking on ground assessments of the vegetation and topography of parks & reserves in Cooloola Cove and Rainbow Shores. It is anticipated that a draft Fire Management Plan for the two locations will be completed prior to a fire management plan workshop to be held in June.

There are a number of concerns in these locations that affect the management of fire. Some residents have fenced off or constructed shelters or garden beds in the reserves or dumped/stockpiled building materials or garden waste. These actions have the effect of restricting or preventing access by Council or emergency service personnel, and increasing fuel loads.

Council will need to address these matters as part of the Fire Management Plan, to improve the implementation of such Plan and reduce any possible liability that inaction may offer.

### **Parks Capital Improvement Works**

#### **Fairway Park**

Due to wet weather and other workloads, this project has not been completed as planned with some shrub planting and mulching yet to be done. These works will now be completed in May.

#### **Laurie Hanson Park Shelter**

Works have been completed on the construction of a shelter in Laurie Hanson Park adjacent to the RSL Cenotaph. Cooloola City Farm assisted with the planting, supplying a total of 53 volunteer hours. City Farm was contracted to supply plants and supervision of planting.

The new section of footpath that presently ends past the shelter will be completed as part of the Federal Government funded Phil Rogers Pathways project.

#### **Crab Creek Shelter – Replacement Seating**



The project is almost complete with seating to be installed adjacent to the playground.

### **Beresford Crescent Park – Playground improvements**

This small project has been completed.

### **Memorial Park – Rotunda Major Repairs**

Awaiting advice regarding success or otherwise of application for matching State funding. Works will start as soon as possible with use of contractor, should the application be successful.

### **Cod Street Shelter Replacement – Tin Can Bay Performance shelter**

Consultation completed. Seeking quotes for demolition of Cod Street and minor adjustments to Shelter design prior to placement of order. Expected demolition to be undertaken in May with installation of shelter in June.

### **Rainbow Beach Shower**

With funding from the Rainbow Beach Lions Club, (purchase of majority of materials), Council staff have started the construction of a second double shower platform in Lions Park. The second shower is being located immediately behind the Lifesavers Tower with the intention of removing the existing southern most single shower facility when these works are completed.

### **Australian Government Funded Parks-Managed Projects**

#### **Nelson Reserve Recreation & Skate Park project – Skate Park component.**

Consultation and investigations will be undertaken in April/May to remove a portion of the Wall adjacent to the “Funbox” and installation of improvements as per outcome of consultation and resources. Planned completion July.

#### **Senior Citizens Exercise Park**

Consultation with the Senior Citizens will be completed in May. A Physiotherapist from Qld Health is assisting in the selection of appropriate equipment to maximise the health outcomes for the users. Equipment supplier to be determined in May/June with installation planned for August, if not earlier if equipment supply permits.

#### **Calton Gardens Restoration & Rotunda**

Consultation and shelter/seating selection under way. Irrigation design/supply started. Anticipate works to start June with early September completion.

### **Entry Statements - Tin Can Bay & Rainbow Beach**

Consultation to start May.

### **One Mile Ovals – Irrigation, drainage and other improvements**

Expected completion mid-September.

### **Gunalda Playground Safety Fencing**

Installation of fencing similar to that recently installed in Fairway Park project to improve safety of children within the park. Expected completion June.

### **Tin Can Bay Fitness Equipment Wes Mitchell Park**

Will be undertaken with the Senior Citizens Exercise Park project, with same supplier, installation arrangements and equipment selection guided by Qld Health staff. Consultation with local community yet to start.

### **Rainbow Beach – Phil Rogers Park upgrade.**

On-site investigations to be undertaken last week of April with construction of paths expected to start early May with completion in June. Focus will be on the provision of pedestrian paths connecting the public toilets (includes a disabled facility) at Laurie Hanson Park to the playground, disabled parking bays and northern shelter at Phil Rogers Park.

### **Mullins Creek Heritage Site – vehicle exclusion bollards**

Consultation, location and bollard selection to be undertaken in May with completion of project in June.

### **Amamoor Playground**

Safety fencing to be undertaken with Gunalda project. Play space improvements to be carried out as per funds and with the objective that items from the existing Lake Alford highway side playground may be relocated to this park in the future. Fencing portion of project completed in June, with other works by July.

### **Norman Point**

Provision of pedestrian paths to connect existing shelters, barbecues and public toilets. Will include vehicle exclusion bollards to increase safety of park users and reduce vehicle damage to grassed areas and tree roots. Anticipated start to works in June with completion in August.

### **Imbil Park Upgrade**

This project will include improvements to the provision of shade, seating and irrigation. A short time frame and existing mixed use of the park with a large number of issues to be considered are challenges presented by this project. Completion not expected prior to mid-September.

Consultation has commenced.

**W27/05/09 Moved: Cr R. Dyne Seconded: Cr R.A. Gâté**

**Recommend that the Parks Monthly Report, as presented, be received.**

**Further that Council's Building Inspectors be requested to provide a report to Council on the Memorial Park Rotunda.**

**Carried**

7/2	Works Cost Statement – Parks
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### **WORKS COST STATEMENT**

**W28/05/09 Moved: Cr A.J. Perrett Seconded: Cr J. Watt**

**Recommend that the Parks sections of the Works Cost Statement – Eastern Divisions, as presented, be received.**

**Carried**

7/3	Gympie Regional All Abilities Play Space Final Concept
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Re: **W29/05/09** Gympie Regional All Abilities Play Space Final Concept  
From: Parks Manager – Ed French  
File:  
Date: 31 March 2009

#### **Report (Parks Manager – E. French)**

The final concept for the Gympie Region All Abilities Play Space has been completed and is presented for Council's approval prior to releasing to the public. Copies of the concept have been made available at this Works Meeting.

There have been minimal changes from that presented to Council previously. The changes include reducing three separate junior & toddler play areas into two. This

should improve the supervision of children and reduces supply and construction costs. Barbecue facilities have been located in one area rather than two shown previously. This will improve the provision of services as well as further reduce costs.

To reduce possible confusion, the Concept does not show the location of possible future works such as a child's bicycle and wheelchair circuit, and a nature based adventure area. Should funding become available in the future, these items can then be undertaken.

Preliminary cost estimates, supplied from the Play Space designer for completion of the project as of December 2008, were approximately \$870,000. An estimate for the supply and installation of the public toilets from one supplier was \$140,000. If the project were to be fully completed as per the final concept and without use of volunteers and business sponsorships, the estimated cost would be \$1,058,833.65.

As existing and budgeted funds of \$733,000 fall well short of this amount, the following measures will be considered.

- Council has applied for funding from the State Government for \$107,200 under the Rural Living Infrastructure Program 2008-09.
- Staging to defer the purchase and installation of equipment, and soft fall for the senior play area with a cost reduction of approximately \$70,000.
- Community involvement through the Service clubs and other community groups will reduce the labour and installation costs and provides some possible reduction in costs such as provision of shelters.
- Sponsorship from the corporate sector has not been identified or sought to date. This will be undertaken in the near future with any agreements to be in place following Council's adoption of policy to formalise funding arrangements within Council from outside sources.

## Gympie All Abilities Playspace Indicative Costings as of 14/12/2008

<b>COST BY AREA</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
Sand / Water & Toddlers Play Area	\$67,857.00
Junior Play Area	\$68,981.00
Senior Active Play Area	\$69,043.00
Adventure Climbing Area	\$66,131.00
Swing Area	\$15,572.00
Flying Fox	\$37,680.00
<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>	<b>\$325,264.00</b>
<b>Less Discount</b>	<b>-\$8,351.00</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$316,913.00</b>

Design Fees	\$40,000.00
Installation Of Play Equipment	\$20,000.00
Signange, Public Art, Theming etc	\$15,000.00
Concrete Edging	\$4,200.00
Concrete paths/Paving	\$42,000.00
Shelters, BBQ, Furniture	\$82,800.00
Installation Of Shelters, BBQ, Furniture	\$20,000.00
Landscaping	\$75,000.00
Fencing	\$37,500.00
Lighting and Electrical Work	\$15,000.00
Toilet	\$140,000.00
Site Prep, Earthworks, Car Parking	\$200,000.00
<b>Estimated Total Cost</b>	<b>\$1,008,413.00</b>

Contingency @ 5%	\$50,420.65
<b>TOTAL INCLUDING CONTINGENCY (Not including GST)</b>	<b>\$1,058,833.65</b>

- Design staff will also investigate possible cost savings in the site preparation, car park & associated road construction stage.
- Parks staff will obtain quotes and estimates from other contactors and suppliers to determine where savings can be made and to check the competitiveness of the Play space designer's quotes.

The Australian Government has called for applications from Council and other non profit organisations for funding under the Jobs Fund. Applications need to be ready to proceed in July 2009. The All Abilities Play Space Project is a suitable project as the documentation, design and cost estimates are completed sufficiently for the application to be completed and submitted within the short time frame, by the 22 May 2009.

Successful funding from the Jobs Fund will enable the project to be completed without further financial contribution beyond that presently committed and that budgeted for in the 2009-10 financial year from Council. Should the RLIP funding be successful, surplus funds can be allocated to the afore-mentioned additional works within the play space or provision of additional related services/improvements within the proximity of the All Abilities Play Space that will meet funding agreements.

The RLIP funding outcomes are not expected to be announced until June at the earliest.

It is recommended that Council apply for \$323,833.00 from the Jobs Fund to achieve a single staged completion of the Gympie All Abilities Play Space to the final concept submitted.

Council Parks and Design staff are currently concentrating on a number of projects including delivery of the Australian Government funded projects that need to be completed by September 2009. It is anticipated that some resources will be re-focused on to the All Abilities Project in June.

**W29/05/09 Moved: Cr A.J. Perrett**

**Seconded: Cr R.A. Gâté**

**Recommend that Council approve the Gympie All Abilities Play space concept as shown at this meeting.**

**Further that the Chief Executive Officer make application for funding of \$323,833.00 from the Australian Government Jobs Fund.**

**Further, that Council note that the Chief Executive Officer has been authorised to send this advice from today's meeting and it is recommended that the Committee's action in this matter be endorsed.**

**Carried**

**SECTION 8: WORKS – PARKS – GENERAL BUSINESS**

Mr French left the meeting at 11.06am.

General Manager Works Western Division – Mr G Curry entered the meeting at 11.06am.

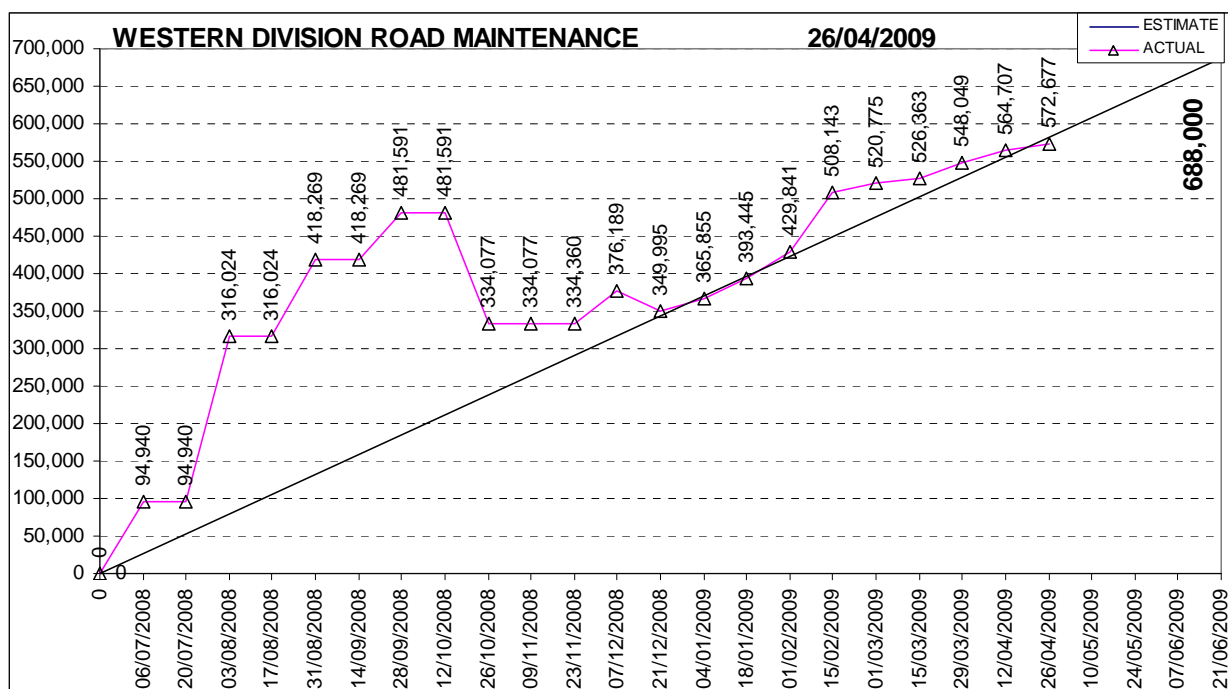
Cr Watt left the meeting at 11.06am.

**SECTION 9: WORKS – WESTERN DIVISION**

**9/1 Works Department Maintenance Reports**

Re: **W30/05/09** Works Department Maintenance Reports – Western Division  
 From: General Manager Works – Western Division – GG Curry  
 File: WR94/00018  
 Date: 29 April 2009

**Report: (General Manager Works – Western Division – GG Curry)**



**W30/05/09 Moved: Cr A.J. Perrett**

**Seconded: Cr D.R. Neilson**

**Recommend that the Works Department Maintenance Reports – Western Division, as presented, be received.**

**Carried**

9/2	Works Cost Statement – Western Divisions
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### WORKS COST STATEMENT

**W31/05/09** Moved: Cr D.R. Neilson

Seconded: Cr A.J. Perrett

**Recommend that the Road Maintenance, Road Construction and Road Contribution – Western Division sections of the Works Cost Statement, as presented, be received.**

**Carried**

9/3	Job Construction Report
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Re: **W32/05/09** Job Construction Report  
From: General Manager Works – Western Division – GG Curry  
File:  
Date: 29 April 2009

**Report: (General Manager Works – Western Division – G.G. Curry)**

#### **Abel Road**

Widening of section of Abel Road between Philips Road and Wide Bay Highway. Excavation and preparation of subgrade commenced. Works have been delayed by inclement weather and other projects. Work has now re-commenced on site.

#### **Main Roads Network**

Slashing has been undertaken on Wide Bay Highway, Burnett Highway, Bunya Highway, Kilkivan – Tansey and Kilcoy – Murgon Roads.

Gravel re-sheeting a section of Kilcoy Murgon Road has been completed.

Drainage and shoulder works have been undertaken on Wide Bay Highway.

**W32/05/09** Moved: Cr R. Dyne

Seconded: Cr A.J. Perrett

**Recommend that the Job Construction Report, as presented, be received.**

**Carried**



9/4 Road Maintenance Report

Re: **W33/05/09** Road Maintenance Report  
From: General Manager Works – Western Division – G.G. Curry  
File:  
Date: 18 May 2009

**Report:** (General Manager Works – Western Division – G.G. Curry)

**Road Maintenance**

Mt Victor Road – Patch gravel and grading undertaken  
Muna – Miva Road – Sections graded  
Rossmore Road – Gravel pothole patching undertaken

**W33/05/09 Moved: Cr R.A. Gâté Seconded: Cr D.R. Neilson**

**Recommend that the Road Maintenance Report be received.**

**Carried**

9/5 Waste Projects Report

Re: **W34/05/09** Report on Waste Projects  
From: General Manager Works – Western Division – G.G. Curry  
File:  
Date: 18 May 2009

**Report:** (General Manager Works – Western Division – GG Curry)

**Bonnick Road**

Stripping of surface material for the pipeline route is underway with excavation expected to commence in the near future.

The drawings for the transfer station building and earthworks have been received and are being reviewed.

**Cooloola Coast Transfer Station**

Representatives of the Department of Environment and Resource Management have advised that a decision regarding the application over the Bayside Road Pit is imminent.

Preparation of documentation for a consultancy to design the Coastal Transfer Stations is in progress.

**W34/05/09 Moved: Cr R.A. Gâté**

**Seconded: Cr A.J. Perrett**

**Recommend that the Report be received.**

**Carried**

## **SECTION 10: WORKS WESTERN DIVISION – GENERAL BUSINESS**

## **SECTION 11: WORKS - LAND PROTECTION**

**11/1 Land Protection Monthly Report**

Re: **W35/05/09** Land Protection Monthly Report  
From: General Manager Works – Western Division – GG Curry  
File:  
Date: 28 April 2009

**Report: (General Manager Works – Western Division – GG Curry)**

### **HERBICIDE SPRAYING:**

Control of Giant Rats Tail Grass on Council Roads throughout the Council area. Guide post spraying on Council roads and Main roads and spraying of roads to be resealed continues.

### **DECLARED WEEDS:**

Control of Giant Rats Tail Grass remains a priority and seasonal conditions have ensured a vigorous growth of this pest in all parts of the region.

Reinspection of known parthenium infestations will commence in the near future.

Inspections to ensure compliance with respect to Groundsel have commenced with a good result to date.

**COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:**

Land Protection staff manned a display at the Kilkivan Great Horse Ride. Many of the queries were in relation to any developments in the chemical treatment of weeds.

**W35/05/09 Moved: Cr D.R. Neilson**

**Seconded: Cr R.A. Gâté**

**Recommend that the Lands Protection Monthly Report, as presented, be received.**

**Carried**

**SECTION 12: WORKS - LAND PROTECTION - GENERAL BUSINESS**

Mr Curry left the meeting at 11.15am.

General Manager – Water & Sewerage Mr Ian Schiefelbein entered the meeting at 11.15am.

**SECTION 13: WATER & SEWERAGE DIVISION**

**13/1 Works Cost Statement – Water & Sewerage**

**WORKS COST STATEMENT**

**W36/05/09 Moved: Cr R.A. Gâté**

**Seconded: Cr A.J. Perrett**

**Recommend that Water & Sewerage sections of the Works Cost Statement, as presented, be received.**

**Carried**

13/2	Queensland's Regional Fluoridation Project
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Re: **W37/05/09** Queensland's Regional Fluoridation Project  
From: Mark Girard, Chief Executive, Local Government Infrastructure Services,  
GPO Box 1163, Brisbane Qld 4001  
File: 4/1/7/2 Doc ID:1032029  
Date: 9 April 2009

*"As you may be aware, last year the State Government enacted the Water Fluoridation Act 2008 and Water Fluoridation Regulation 2008, to provide 95% of the State's population with access to fluoridated drinking water by 2012.*

*To meet the State's target, most councils will be required to plan, design, implement and operate fluoridation plant. To support Councils in delivering fluoridated water supplies, through the Fluoridation Consortium, Local Government Infrastructure Services (LGIS) has joined forces with SunWater and Hunter Water Australia to offer a range of technical, advisory and project support services to assist councils to implement and operate fluoridation plant efficiently and effectively.*

*As a member of the State Government's Infrastructure Project Management Group (IPMG) Professional Services Panel, councils can appoint the Fluoridation Consortium directly under the panel. The consortium has operational capacity in all areas of the State, and as outline in the enclosed brochure, can assist Councils with one, some or all aspects of a fluoridation project, including cost planning, engineering and design support.*

*In 2008, LGIS and SunWater were also involved in Queensland Health's Water Treatment Plant Audit. As part of this program, LGIS and SunWater worked with council officers to assess each plant's suitability for fluoridation. For each plant, we have an understanding of the optimal fluoridation agent and dosing system that could be used.*

*If you would like to schedule an appointment for senior executives of LGIS and SunWater to discuss your fluoridation needs and our services, or if you have any questions or comments about the services offered, please contact Maryanne King (LGIS) on 07 3842 4827 or Garry Grant (SunWater) on 07 3120 0163. At your direction, we can also discuss your needs in respect of Queensland Health's audit findings relating specifically to your region's water treatment facilities.*

*We look forward to the opportunity to discuss how we can help to meet your region's needs effectively and efficiently, within the required timeframe and in accordance with a value for money framework."*

**Report: (General Manager Water & Sewerage – I Schiefelbein)**

Similar offers have been made by two other consultants namely SKM & Cardno. It should be noted that Gympie Regional Council is not required to complete the Fluoridation Project until December 2010.

**W37/05/09 Moved: Cr R. Dyne****Seconded: Cr A.J. Perrett**

**Recommend that Council acknowledge the letter and advise the writer that Council is taking no further action until late in 2009.**

**Carried**

Cr R.A. Gâté left the meeting at 11.18am.  
Cr Watt returned to the meeting at 11.18am.

<b>13/3</b>	<b>Projects in Progress</b>
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Re: **W38/05/09** Projects in Progress  
From: General Manager Water & Sewerage – I Schiefelbein  
File:  
Date: 29 April 2009

**Report: (Water & Sewerage Manager – I Schiefelbein)****SEWERAGE****1. Tin Can Bay / Cooloola Cove & Rainbow Beach Sewage Treatment Plant Upgrading**

Work on construction of the three new plants is well advanced. The project is approximately 95% complete. Commissioning of the plants has commenced and is expected to be completed during March, April and May. Sewage was introduced into the Cooloola Cove Sewage Treatment Plant on Thursday 26 March 2009. Sewage is anticipated to be connected to Tin Can Bay and Rainbow Beach plants early in May 2009.

Design of the effluent storages are being carried out by Council officers in the Engineering Services Directorate based on advice received from the geotechnical consultants. Design is substantially complete.

Design of the irrigated areas has also commenced.

## **2 Gympie Sewage Treatment Plant Design**

An MCU for the treatment plant upgrade has been forwarded to the DERM who are the Assessment Manager. A response to request has been forwarded to the DERM. DERM have extended the review period. A response is anticipated prior to the 1 May 2009. Tenders have closed for construction of the Sewage Treatment Plant. (Refer separate sheet).

## **3. CCTV Inspection Program**

Work on the CCTV Investigation program Gympie PS2 Catchment is complete. The work on Smoke Testing and Survey has been commenced. Tenders have been called for Cleaning and CCTV Inspection of additional areas of the sewer system. (Refer separate sheet).

## **4 Rainbow Beach Sewage Rising Main and Pump Station Upgrade**

Work on the rising main is complete. Work on the pump station upgrade is well advanced.

## **5 Old Imbil Road Pump Station**

Work by Council on the sewage pump station upgrade in Old Imbil Road has commenced. Design work on the rising main to John Street has commenced.

## **WATER**

## **6 Jones Hill Water Treatment Plant Upgrade**

Bulk excavation for Chemical Building Upgrade is completed

Raw Water Pump Station Upgrade is complete and operational. Design work for the Treatment Plant Upgrade in progress.

## **7 Highway Diversions**

Work on Stage 3 is complete.

Design work on Stage 4 – Cross Street to Pine Street has commenced. Work is planned to commence in May 2009.

## **8. Tin Can Bay Reticulation Improvements**

Work on pressure reduction in Tin Can Bay to improve the water reticulation network has commenced. The initial pipework modifications have been completed. System modifications are planned for April-May 2009. Pressure reduction is substantially complete. Zone modifications have commenced.

## 9 Teewah Creek Trunk Main

DERM are drafting an agreement to allow construction through the National Park (adjacent the existing pipeline), design work will commence once the agreement is finalised. An EMP for this work has been completed and forwarded to the EPA. Tenders have closed for pipes and fittings. (Refer separate sheet).

Construction is planned to commence in May using Council's Works Department.

## 10. Kilkivan Water Supply Upgrade

Construction of the new Treatment Plant in Kilkivan has commenced. (Refer separate report).

Cr R.A. Gâté returned to the meeting at 11.20am.

**W38/05/09 Moved: Cr A.J. Perrett**

**Seconded: Cr D.R. Neilson**

**Recommend that the information be received.**

**Carried**

13/4	<b>Progress Report – Cooloola Coast Sewage Treatment Plants</b>
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Re: **W39/05/09** Progress Report – Cooloola Coast Sewage Treatment Plants  
 From: General Manager Water & Sewerage Division – I Schiefelbein  
 File:  
 Date: 29 April 2009

**Report: (General Manager Water & Sewerage – I Schiefelbein)**

### **Cooloola Cove**

Practical Completion awarded, plant operating  
 Commissioning well advanced for nitrogen and phosphorous removal

### **Tin Can Bay**

Practical Completion expected early in May.  
 Commissioning commencing early in May.

**Rainbow Beach**

Practical Completion expected early in May.  
Commissioning commencing.

**Variation Approvals**

Var64	Replace unsuitable road material- Tin Can Bay	\$18,139.50
	Variations approved in January/ February	\$18,139.50
	Adjusted contract value	\$17,569,859.67
	Value of work completed to date	\$17,391,584.21
	Date due for completion of contract	4th June 2009

Variation 64 covers additional excavation under roadways at the Tin Can Bay. Sewage Treatment Plant to replace unacceptable materials.

**W39/05/09 Moved: Cr J. Watt** **Seconded: Cr D.R. Neilson**

**Recommend that the information be received.**

**Carried**

Cr J Watt left the meeting at 11.24am.

13/5	<b>Progress Report – Kilkivan Water Supply Upgrade</b>
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Re: **W40/05/09** Progress Report – Kilkivan Water Supply Upgrade  
From: General Manager Water & Sewerage Division – I Schiefelbein  
File:  
Date: 29 April 2009

**Report: (General Manager Water & Sewerage – I Schiefelbein)**

Work is proceeding steadily with the upgrade of the Kilkivan Water Supply.

**Works Progress**

Whittaker Road Bore and Pipeline	Substantially complete
Pipeline Upgrades	Complete
600kL Reservoir	Complete
Control Building	Commenced
Treatment Plant Equipment	Delivery expected early in May



Clear Water Storage	Complete
Treatment Plant Site Works	Commenced
Upgrading of Switchboards	Quotations being obtained
New Bore Pump & Switchboard Control System	Investigations commenced
Upgrade of Wide Bay Creek Pump	Options being investigated
Pipework at Treatment Plant	Complete
Pipeline to Reservoir	Commenced
Bore Investigations	Being programmed
	Commenced

**W40/05/09 Moved: Cr A.J. Perrett**

**Seconded: Cr R. Dyne**

**Recommend that the information be received.**

**Carried**

13/6	Stage 3 CCTV Inspection of Sewers in Gympie – Contract No 2008-09-T28
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Re: **W41/05/09** Stage 3 – CCTV Inspection of Sewers in Gympie –Contract No 2008-09-T28  
 From: General Manager Water & Sewerage – I Schiefelbein  
 File:  
 Date: 29 April 2009

**Report: (General Manager Water & Sewerage Division– I Schiefelbein)**

Council is required to undertake regular inspections of its sewerage network to

- meet its statutory obligation and obtain funding assistance from the state and federal governments;
- meet its environmental obligations under the licences Council holds to operate sewage treatment plants;
- facilitate good management and planning when dealing with “hidden” assets.

To achieve these objectives Council has called tenders for cleaning and CCTV Inspection of Sewers in Gympie and the Cooloola Coast. Seven submissions for Tender 2008/09-T28, in two parts, have been received and evaluated as follows:

		Schedule A	Schedule B
Waste Trans		\$253,832.80	\$338,062.40
RAIN		\$221,651.14	\$294,704.12
Coast	&	\$222,531.60	\$294,052.40

Country		
Veolia Water	\$319,189.25	\$468,059.88
Barry Bros	\$434,932.74	\$579,256.92
Eire Contractors	\$497,000.00	\$660,000.00
Transpacific	\$416,065.07	\$543,500.31

Two tenders stood out as most suitable based on:

- Their offers were considerably lower in cost.
- Use of smaller, lighter equipment. Restricted access to backyards in Gympie and Cooloola Cove's often wet blocks with unstable soils would hamper work and lead to unnecessary inconvenience to rate payers living in affected areas if larger vehicles were to be utilised.

Of the two, R.A.I.N. has the advantage of being local to the Sunshine Coast area and has successfully carried out the last round of inspections for Council.

Council has budgeted \$250,000 in 2009/2010 and has \$137,000 remaining in the 2008/09 budget for mains assessment works. On this basis Council will be unable to complete both schedules at this time. Schedule A is for Gympie and Schedule B is for Cooloola Coast. A large part of the Gympie and Southside sewer area has recently been surveyed. Work at Cooloola Cove is considered more urgent. Consequently it is recommended that Council proceed with Schedule B only.

Cr Watt returned to the meeting at 11.30am.

**W41/05/09 Moved: Cr A.J. Perrett**

**Seconded: Cr R.A. Gâté**

**Recommend that Council accept the tender of R.A.I.N. for Schedule B for the sum of \$294,704.12 ex. GST.**

**Carried**

13/7	Cooloola Coast Water Supply – Teewah Creek Pipeline Upgrade
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Re: **W42/05/09** Cooloola Coast Water Supply – Teewah Creek Pipeline Upgrade

From: General Manager – Water & Sewerage – I Schiefelbein

File:

Date: 29 April 2009

**Report: (General Manager Water & Sewerage– I Schiefelbein)**

Tenders have been called for supply of pipes and fittings for the Teewah Creek Pipeline and closed on Tuesday 17 March 2009.

This pipeline upgrade will increase the capacity of the supply main to the Tin Can Bay/Cooloola Cove Treatment Plant to provide for future growth in that area. The pipeline has limited the capacity of the water treatment plant. Consequently the work will also increase the capacity of the water treatment plant. This project has been delayed for several years by the need to obtain approval from the EPA to construct the pipeline adjacent the existing main. It is anticipated that this approval will be obtained within the next month. It is proposed to construct the pipeline by Council Works Division day labour.

Tenders were reviewed as follows:

Mattel Foundry	\$1,473,186.00
Reece Pty Ltd	\$1,704,044.74
Vinidex Pty Ltd	\$ 955,394.97
Iplex Pipelines:	
Alternative Offer 1 (GRP,PN32)	\$1,432,431.84
Alternative Offer 2 (GRP,PN25)	\$1,397,137.50
Alternative Offer 3 (GRP,PN25)	\$1,301,861.40
Tyco Water DICL Pipe	\$ 991,125.30
Alternative Offer 1 Sintakote MSCL	\$1,857,260.90
Alternative Offer 2 MPVC PN 20	\$ 857,365.30

All tenders include GST.

The documents specified Ductile Iron Cement Lined pipe (DICL). The MPVC pipe offered by Tyco Water has approximately 60% of the pressure capacity of the DICL pipe. It has improved corrosion resistance but considerably reduced capacity for cyclic loading often associated with pumped pipelines.

The GRP pipeline offered by Iplex and the Sintakote pipes offered by Tyco are expensive and do not offer any significant advantages over the specified pipe type. They would be different to Councils existing pipes and require special pipe repair systems.

The lowest tender for DICL pipe from Vinidex is for DICL pipe manufactured overseas to an international standard (not Australian Standard). Vinidex has subsequently offered pipe manufactured in Australia to an Australian standard at no additional cost. However delivery would be sixteen (16) weeks. This sixteen (16) week delivery would delay project commencement. It is considered that the pipes should be manufactured to an Australian Standard, and preferably in Australia to known quality standards.

The difference in price between the DICL pipes offered by Tyco and the DICL pipes offered by Vinidex is \$35,730.00 (or about 4% of the cost of the materials). Tyco pipes are Australian made and are immediate delivery.

The tenderers are in line with project estimates. An allowance of \$2,100,000 is included in the 2008/2009 budget for this project.

**W42/05/09 Moved: Cr R. Dyne**

**Seconded: Cr D.R. Neilson**

**Recommend that, subject to EPA approval of the Environment Management Plant, Council accept the tender of Tyco Water for supply of DICL pipes for the Teewah Creek Pipeline Upgrade for \$991,125.30 (GST inclusive).**

**Carried**

13/8	Gympie Sewage Treatment Plant Upgrade
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Re: **W43/05/09** Gympie Sewage Treatment Plant Upgrade  
Report on Tenders for Contract 2008-09-T9 Construction of Sewage Treatment Plant

From: General Manager – Water & Sewerage – I Schiefelbein

File:

Date: 29 April 2009

**Report: (General Manager Water & Sewerage– I Schiefelbein)**

Tenders have been called for Construction of a new Biological Nutrient Removal (BNR) Sewage Treatment Plant for Gympie. The plant will improve effluent quality and significantly reduce nutrient input to the Mary River. The plant will also provide 50% increase in capacity for growth in the connected population.

It is expected that the EPA will provide a Material Change of Use (MCU) approval for the plant prior to 1 May 2009 subject to a number of conditions.

It is also expected that a 40% State Government Subsidy will be provided for the project.

Estimated total costs based on the lowest price comparative tender is as follows:

(a) Lowest comparative Tender Price (ex GST)	\$19,172,983.00
(b) Design and preliminary works	\$ 750,000.00
(c) Refurbishment of Digesters for Effluent Storage, Upgrade of Chlorinator Facilities etc	\$ 300,000.00

(d) Allowance for Contingences	\$1,077,017.00
(e) Administration and Contract Administration	\$ 500,000.00
<b>Total Estimated Price</b>	<b>\$21,800,00.00</b>

This compares to a budget allocation of \$22,000,000 (\$12,000,000 in 2008/2009 and \$10,000,000 in 2009/2010). A substantial proportion of the Design and Preliminary works has been expended in previous years.

Tenders were received as follows:  
A total of nine (9) tenders were received.

Tenderer	Tender Price*	Timing
QCGC Pty Ltd	\$19,012,800.00	80 weeks
Abergeldie Constructions Pty Ltd	\$19,993,135.00	78 weeks
VDM Construction Bellerio	\$20,391,804.00	56 weeks
EIRE Contractors Pty Ltd	\$20,708,750.00	61 weeks
Monadelphous Engineering Pty Ltd	\$21,293,727.00	77 weeks
BMD	\$22,827,318.00	72 weeks
Bauldestone	\$24,033,019.00	80 weeks
Fulton Hogan	\$24,810,173.00	75 weeks
Doval Constructions Pty Ltd	\$25,085,187.00	68 weeks

\* prices are GST exclusive

Consultants Worley Parsons have been commissioned to prepare a report on the Tenders (**Refer Attachment 1 for Tender Report Summary**), and have recommended the QCGC tender.

The two lowest tenderers have offered substantial local sub-contractor involvement. While Abergeldie has offered more Gympie involvement, QCGC are based in Nambour while Abergeldie is based interstate.

QCGC comes with good references. Abergeldie has recently completed a similar size contract at the Cooloola Coast hence Council is aware of their performance. Both contractors are believed to be capable of completing the job.

Staff and the independent tender consultant Worley Parsons can not justify going beyond the lowest tender. There appears to be no advantage in the \$820K extra cost to take the second lowest.

The Consultant has recommended that Council consider a grit classifier and automated scum harvester subject to assessment of the quality of the equipment being offered. It is considered by staff that the equipment offered is of sufficient quality.

The full Tender Report by the independent consultant will also be available at the meeting.

W43/05/09 Moved: Cr R. Dyne

Seconded: Cr A.J. Perrett

**Recommend that Council accept the tender of QCGC for Contract 2008/2009-T9 – Construction of the Gympie Sewage Treatment Plant Upgrade, with a grit classifier and automated scum harvester for a total price of \$19,189,400 ex GST.**

**Further that the Superintendent of Works be authorised to approve variations as required during the progress of the works.**

**Carried**

## **SECTION 14: WATER & SEWERAGE DIVISION – GENERAL BUSINESS**

## **SECTION 15: ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 1 – Refer Item 13/8 - Worley Parsons Tender Report Summary  
Attachment 2 – Refer Item 7/3 - All Abilities Play Space Concept Plan

## **SECTION 16: IN COMMITTEE MATTERS**

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 11.46am.

CONFIRMED THIS THIRTEENTH DAY OF MAY 2009.

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*Cr L.J. Friske*  
*Chairman*

## **RECORD**

### **TRAFFIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

**2 MARCH 2009**

#### **1.0 ATTENDANCE**

Cr Ian Petersen – Gympie Regional Council  
Cr Donna Neilson – Gympie Regional Council  
Cr Larry Friske – Gympie Regional Council  
A/ Snr Sgt Scott Poole – Queensland Police Service  
Sgt Peter Webster - Queensland Police Service  
Mark Polley - Bus Operators Association  
John Garrad - Department of Main Roads  
Rowdy Goudens - Department of Main Roads  
Pamela Goodchild – Queensland Transport  
Ross Chapman – Gympie Regional Council  
Stuart McLeod – Gympie Regional Council

#### **2.0 APOLOGIES**

Apologies were tabled for Snr Sgt Phil Edwards of Queensland Police Service.

#### **3.0 RECORD OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

Record of meeting held on 8 December 2008 as distributed agreed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

#### **4.0 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS RECORD**

- .01 Gympie Intersection Crash Data – Snr Sgt P. Edwards & R. Chapman
- (i) Monkland Street / Nash Street  
- Review turning movements if signals upgrade is justified (GRC)
  - (ii) Hughes Terrace / Graham Street / Mt Pleasant Road  
- Review turning movements if signals upgrade is justified (GRC)

- (iii) Lady Mary Terrace / Mellor Street
  - Traffic count required to assess need for this intersection (GRC or reconfiguration)
- (iv) Horseshoe Bend Intersections at Power Street / Garrick Street / Ray Street / Tucker Street / Bath Terrace / Stewart Terrace
  - Signage required at several intersections for consistency. Gympie Regional Council to discuss with Department of Main Roads.

.02 Intersection Wide Bay Highway and Burnett Highway in Goomeri – Cr L Friske

There is confusion at this intersection with some larger vehicles unable to make turns within the law. Hence, many vehicles use Council “slip” lanes instead. Luke Kidd to arrange for traffic count and then review the entire intersection.

Department of Main Roads advised further reviews required.

Roundabout at Mt Pleasant Road/Red Hill Road – G. Alder

- (i) Entry speed from Mt Pleasant Road is too high with left turn into Red Hill Road. Gympie Regional Council advised Hotel owner to be asked to remove offending landscaping.
- (ii) No Standing Zone at 32 Red Hill Road should be extended across driveway. Inspection showed that this is already the case.

.04 Subway on Station Road – G. Alder

Pavement repairs required. Repairs have been carried out.

.05 Jones Hill School Bus Stop on McIntosh Creek Road – M. Polley

Suggestion made to remove the bus turnaround area and relocate school crossing 100 metres towards Mary Valley Road. R. Chapman and S. McLeod to investigate.

.06 Victory Store Linemarking

Agreed it is significantly better but still some issues.

## 5.0 GENERAL BUSINESS

.01 Road Safety Survey through LGAQ - R. Chapman

Noted that the results from survey should Council’s require assistance in a variety of road safety matters.

Bruce Highway (Cooroy – Curra) – R. Chapman

Feedback on introduction of 90k zone noted that:

- very high compliance most likely due to school holiday period.



- It was noted that there was an increasing number now exceeding speed limits particularly at ends of slow vehicle lanes.
- Greater police presence no doubt contributed to high compliance.
- Generally better behaviour noted by police.

.03 Rifle Range Road Advisory Sign – M. Polley

Sign is too close to road and needs shifting. Referred to Gympie Regional Council staff.

.04 Old Maryborough Road – M. Polley

Needs widening. Ross Chapman advised further works have been programmed for mid year.

.05 Bells Bridge Approaches – M. Polley

Concrete pavement is rough and needs repair. Referred to Department of Main Roads to check.

.06 Signs at Monkland School – Cr. D. Neilson

Outage of signals of a Sunday for 6 hours caused significant delays to Highway traffic. Department of Main Roads advised that it was difficult at times to get staff from coast to attend problems remote from their depot.

.07 Wide Bay Highway Intersection – P. Webster

Tourist sign still obstructing vision. Department of Main Roads advised works order issued to relocate sign.

## **6.0 SPEED MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

.01 Double Lines on 90k Zone on Bruce Highway – Gympie Regional Council

Letter requesting double lines for full length referred to meeting for discussion. Such a proposal did not gain any support from those present at the meeting.

.02 Monkland School Zone on Tin Can Bay Road – Cr. L. Friske

Concerns expressed that 40km zone is not being complied with with request for increased signage or flashing lights.

Department of Main Roads reported that the school zone is longer than needed and this could contribute to the problem. Use of flashing lights not supported because of excellent visibility.

Queensland Transport to make enquiries from traffic controllers and Department of Main Roads to consider reducing speed zone or installing repeater signs is an option.

Queensland Police Service suggested duplicating signs on both sides of road.

.03 Rocks Road Signage – Sgt. P. Webster

From Lymburner Road onwards school bus operator believes 100k zone is far too high and there is some confusion over regulatory and advisory speed signage. Gympie Regional Council to inspect and get back to Sgt Webster.

## **7.0 CLOSE – NEXT MEETING**

The next Traffic Advisory Committee Meeting is proposed for **1:00 pm Monday 1 June 2009.**

