

ITEM NO:	8.7-1	LATE ITEM
REPORT FROM:	Corporate and Community Services	
KEY DIRECTION:	Trusted & Effective Government	
SUBJECT:	ADDITIONAL 2016-2017 BUDGET SUBMISSION ITEMS	

Submitted to Council's Ordinary Meeting held on: 21 June 2016

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this report is to present an additional five budget submissions for the consideration of Council. The five submissions were received after the finalisation of the main report to Council; Item No: 8.7 of the Agenda.

BACKGROUND:

Council is required in accordance with Section 405 of the Local Government Act, 1993 to prepare an operational plan which must be adopted prior to the commencement of the new financial year detailing the activities to be engaged in by the Council as part of the delivery program. The operational plan must incorporate details of Council's own revenue sources for the new financial year.

The following report has been prepared based on the exhibited documents policy and addresses all submissions received during the exhibition period.

RELEVANCE TO COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN AND OTHER STRATEGIES / MASTERPLANS / STUDIES:

This report aligns with the Narrandera Shire Community Strategic Plan:-

<u>Key Direction</u>	5.2 -	A strong relationship between government and community
<u>Objective</u>	5.2.1 -	Open, transparent and informed decision making
<u>Action</u>	3 -	Seek to ensure that all appropriate information is presented as part of decision making processes.

ISSUES AND IMPLICATIONS:

- **Policy**
Community Engagement Policy
- **Financial**
The four year delivery program and the one year operational plan have been developed to respond to the priorities and challenges identified in the Community Strategic Plan. These documents outline Council's response to strategies and are used to drive resources, budget and work plan decisions. The budget documents that are being considered at this meeting are consistent with the four year delivery program and the one year operational plan.
- **Legal/Statutory**
Local Government Act, 1993
Local Government (General) Regulation, 2005
Integrated Planning and Reporting Guidelines published March 2013

- **Community Engagement / Communication**
Twenty eight day exhibition period commencing 19 May 2016 until 4.00pm 15 June 2016
- **Human Resources / Industrial Relations (if applicable)**
Some areas of operation may potentially be at risk due to budgetary constraints
- **Risks**
Council is unable to meet all of the expectations of the community

OPTIONS:

As part of the process of informed decision making, below are summaries of the submissions received with copies enclosed as Attachments 1 to 5.

P & P Wilson

- **Pigeon infestation at Barellan**
Request for Council to fund the eradication of pigeon infestations within the village area.

Response

Council has been liaising with GrainCorp about this issue with GrainCorp actioning a plan of management to deal with the issue. GrainCorp is committed to working with Council and will provide regular updates on the progress of their actions to significantly reduce the pigeon population.

Budget Impact

Nil

Action

Council to monitor the progress of the GrainCorp plan of management.

Grong Grong Progress Association

- **Cowabbie Creek crossing across Pamandi Road, Grong Grong**
Request for Council to install a concrete road surface above the Cowabbie Creek culvert on Pamandi Road. Concrete being the preferred option as the alternate use of geo-fabric and Otta Seal compound has not been tested in flooding conditions at this location.

Response

An amount of \$15,000 has been included within the proposed budget framework, with further investigations to be undertaken to ascertain which road surfacing option will provide the better solution.

Budget Impact

An amount of \$15,000 has been allowed for within the proposed 2016-2017 budget framework.

Action

The Works Manager to ascertain which of the alternative road surface treatments is the most appropriate solution to this issue.

R Manning

- **Cypress Road, Narrandera**

Request for Council to bitumen seal the 90 degree bend on Cypress Road and use the Otta Seal compound for the remainder of the roadway.

Response

An amount of \$52,500 has been included within the proposed budget framework to seal 1.5 Kilometres with Otta Seal compound from the intersection with Pine Hill Road to the intersection with Old School Road.

Budget Impact

An amount of \$52,500 has been allowed for within the proposed 2016-2017 budget framework.

Action

The Works Manager is confident that Otta Seal will be suitable at this location with the integrity of the road surface to be monitored over a number of years with remedial works to be undertaken at a later date if required.

Narrandera's John O'Brien Festival

- **Letter of support for construction of a community stage**

Providing a letter of support for the submission made by Anthony & Karl French for the construction of a community stage at the rear of the Narrandera Visitor Information Centre.

Response

As detailed in the main report, further research on this submission will need to be undertaken as this proposal is not consistent with the Masterplan for the park precinct and a report will need to be submitted to Council in due course.

Barellan Aged Care Support Group

- **Seeking dollar for dollar funding to build two self-contained aged friendly units at Barellan**

Financial support from the proceeds of sale of Teloca House would assist to construct and service two aged friendly units in Barellan. The group have raised over \$200,000 for this cause so far, matching funding from Council would mean that an amount of \$400,000 should provide for the servicing of and construction of two aged friendly units at Barellan.

Response

The submission refers to the Positive Ageing Strategy considered early under Item 7.1. The outcomes of the Positive Ageing Strategy will determine how Council will allocate funding from the 30% of the proceeds of sale of Teloca House.

Budget Impact

Dependent upon the resolution of Council as per Item 7.1 of the main agenda.

Action

Dependent upon the resolution of Council as per Item 7.1 of the main agenda.

CONCLUSION:

It will be recommended that Council consider the attached submissions as part of the decision making process to formalise the 2016-2017 budget.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Submission received from P & P Wilson – pigeon issues at Barellan
2. Submission received from Grong Grong Progress Association – Pamandi Road, Grong Grong
3. Submission received from R Manning – Cypress Road, Narrandera
4. Submission received from Narrandera's John O'Brien Festival – supporting the submission from Anthony & Karl French – Narrandera Community Stage
5. Submission received from the Barellan Aged Care Support Group – seeking dollar for dollar funding to build two self-contained aged friendly units at Barellan

RECOMMENDED:

That Council consider the attached submissions as part of the decision making process to formalise the 2016-2017 budget.

JC/vkm – CM/16-6 & 10/5/145-07

15/6/16

SUBMISSION

Requesting something to be done about the terrible pigeon problem in our town of Barellan.

As a business owner & resident of Barellan, I feel something needs to be done to rid our town of these pests. I am sick of clearing up their mess out the front & side of our Post Office. We have put up netting to keep them out under the eaves of our building, but that doesn't stop them.

Please find some money in your budget to do something about these pests. They are not only in the main street, the churches, club & Hotel also have a problem with them.

People have rang the council & written letters over time about this matter with no reply.

Yours Sincerely
Trish Wilson & Phil Wilson
per P.A. Wilson

ATTACHMENT 2 - Submission received from Grong Grong Progress Association – Pamandi Road

General Manager and Council

Reference Management Plan for 2016-2017 - Council Budget papers.as per draft copy replies by 15/6/2016

SUBMISSION

1 - The Pamandi Road Cowabbie Creek crossing is flooded over approximately every 11 years. When washed out & eroded it inhibits farm business traffic and is a continuous cost on Council Maintenance costs. It is essential please that this be a concrete ford as listed as the alternate option I believe has not been tested under duress conditions.

Submitted on behalf of Grong Grong Progress Association.

ATTACHMENT 3 - Submission received from R Manning – Cypress Road, Narrandera

General Manager and Council

Reference Management Plan for 2016-2017 - Council Budget papers.as per draft copy replies by 15/6/2016

SUBMISSION

2 - Note has previously been made about the 90 degree corner on Cypress Rd with a letter signed by nearby residents having been forwarded last year. It is imperative please that the corner itself be made as a normal tar seal for evident safety concerns. It is quite adequate for the remainder of the road to be made as Eco seal but the corner is a danger and with the inexperienced drivers using it one does not want it to become noted by the Coroner. A normal seal has a better traction on a corner.

Submitted on behalf of nearby residents

Bob Manning
Narrandera NSW 2700

15/6/2016

16 JUN 2016

BY:

14 June 2016



17 - 19 March 2017

Narrandera's John O'Brien Festival

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Narrandera NSW 2700

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“The years have turned the rusted key and time is on the jog.

Yet spend another night with us around the boree log”

Judy Charlton
CEO
Narrandera Shire Council
141 East Street
NARRANDERA NSW 2700

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Dear Judy,

The John O'Brien Committee has been approached by interested Shire residents seeking support for the construction of a public stage in Marie Bashir Park.

Members of the current committee agree that a public stage would be most beneficial to organisations holding events.

Without a permanent stage it is necessary to hire or borrow a stage or a truck and while there are many generous people in Narrandera and district willing to help out it is never easy for those involved.

The inclusion of funds to enable this project to progress will be appreciated by all people involved in running events in Narrandera.

Yours sincerely,

David Marwood
John O'Brien Festival Organising Committee Chairman

ATTACHMENT 5 - Submission received from Barellan Aged Care Support Group – seeking dollar for dollar funding to build two self-contained aged friendly units at Barellan

BARELLAN AGED CARE SUPPORT GROUP

PO Box 3

Barellan NSW 2665

15th June 2016

Submission for 2016/2017 Narrandera Shire Council Budget

To General Manager

Mrs Judy Charlton

Barellan Aged Care Support Group was formed in 2009, with a small but resolute committee. Fund raising commenced with catering functions and other things such as clearing sales, street stalls, market stalls and donations. Slowly the bank balance increased and by 2012 we had raised \$100,000.00.

In 2010 we commenced holding “Swap Meet” events at the showgrounds as another fund raising event and these have been a great success.

After much letter writing, phone calls etc. the block of land designated for the Aged in Barellan and was finally purchase by the committee in 2015. The block has space for 6 X 2-bedroom age friendly units.

We now have over \$200,000.00 raised towards this project. If we were able to receive funds from Council to match our total - \$1 for \$1, this would enable us to erect 2 units plus water, power etc.

We understand that there could be funds available from the recent sale of Teloca House in Narrandera and that these funds to be used for projects relating to the aged in our community.

We respectfully ask that Council give serious consideration to this request as we feel it fits in with the “Positive Ageing” strategies that council are striving to achieve.

There is also a real need for this type of accommodation particularly in Barellan.

Your sincerely

Sandra Vicary

Secretary

Barellan Aged Care Support Group