



MOREE PLAINS SHIRE COUNCIL

11 MAY 2017

**STRATEGIC ASSET AND WORKS
COMMITTEE MEETING**

PUBLIC BUSINESS PAPER

Monday, 8 May 2017

TO:

- Councillors
- General Manager
- Director – Corporate Services
- Director – Planning and Community Development
- Director – Engineering Services
- Manager – Water and Waste
- Manager – Executive Projects

Notice is hereby given that the **Works Committee Meeting** will be held in the Council Chamber, the Max Centre, 30 Heber Street, Moree, on **Thursday, 11 May 2017** commencing at **3pm**.

Please note that all Council meetings are recorded.

Yours Sincerely,



Ian Dinham
DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING SERVICES

Agenda

1. Open Meeting
2. Apologies
3. Confirmation of Minutes
4. Declarations of Interest
5. Reports
 - a. Village Floodplain Risk Management Planning
 - b. NHVL Implications to Local Government
6. Standing agenda item: Questions on Notice
7. Standing agenda item: Strategic Planning Proposals and Current Project Updates
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REPORT TITLE:	1. VILLAGE FLOODPLAIN RISK MANAGEMENT PLANNING
REPORT FROM:	DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING SERVICES
FILE NUMBER:	FILE 15/703

SUMMARY:

The purpose of this report is to inform Council of the various Floodplain Risk Management Plans that have recently been adopted for Mungindi, Boggabilla and Pallamallawa and the subsequent recommendations of those plans.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the report and presentation be received for information.

REPORT

BACKGROUND:

Three villages in the Shire have recently had their Floodplain Risk Management Plans adopted. These plans were preceded by the completion of the village flood studies. The Floodplain Risk Management Plans each have a unique set of recommendations endorsed by the community and Council. These recommendations will be outlined in this presentation, as will the current development constraints that these recommendations impose.

COMMUNITY IMPLICATIONS:

The Floodplain Risk Management Plans for Mungindi, Boggabilla and Pallamallawa will have a positive impact on the following Community Strategic Plan and Delivery Program/Operational Plan outcome(s):

S1. Our community is a safe place

Council's proactive approach to flood mitigation will ensure that communities can withstand the ravages of a flood event. Through securing the grant funding the community is not being financially burdened.

ECONOMIC IMPLICATIONS:

The Floodplain Risk Management Plans for Mungindi, Boggabilla and Pallamallawa will have a positive impact on the following Community Strategic Plan and Delivery Program/Operational Plan outcome(s):

Ec1. Our Shire is a place that attracts and retains new businesses and residents

Ec2. Our Shire has the infrastructure we need to support our economy

Ec3. Our Shire supports existing businesses

Ec4. We have the skills and knowledge required to undertake the work available

By having a proactive approach to flood mitigation, Council will be ensuring that communities can withstand the ravages of a flood event. Through securing grant funding the community is not being financially burdened.

ENVIRONMENT IMPLICATIONS:

The Floodplain Risk Management recommendations will have a positive impact on the following Community Strategic Plan and Delivery Program/Operational Plan outcome(s):

E3. Our built environment – our town and villages – are desirable places to be

The related Development Controls ensure that residents are no longer building houses that are at risk every time a flood event occurs.

LEADERSHIP/LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

The Floodplain Risk Management recommendations will have a positive impact on the following Community Strategic Plan and Delivery Program/Operational Plan outcome(s):

L3. We are engaged and well informed

L4. We collaborate to achieve outcomes

L5. We manage our finances, assets and services effectively

L6. We demonstrate leadership in the face of natural disaster

Council needs to lead this project and follow through with the actions as they are vital to the longevity of rural communities.

FINANCIAL/OPERATIONAL PLAN IMPLICATIONS:

Moree Plains Shire Council is eligible for a 6:1 funding ratio for grant funded projects.

Council has applied for two grants for next year's works program, being the Northern Levee at Pallamallawa and the Mungindi Levee Investigation and Design.

For Pallamallawa, this means that to construct the northern levee at an estimated maximum cost of \$1.5million Council's contribution would be \$216,464.

For the Mungindi investigation and design project, estimated at \$59,000, Council's contribution would be \$8,500.

If Council is successful with the grant applications, the projects will take two financial years to complete.

REPORT TITLE:	2. NHVL IMPLICATIONS TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT
REPORT FROM:	DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING SERVICES
FILE NUMBER:	FILE12/2407, FILE13-764

SUMMARY:

This purpose of this report is to inform Council of the National Heavy Vehicle Law and Regulations, the National Heavy Vehicle Regulator and the Restricted Access Vehicle (RAV) permit system.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the report and presentation be received for information.

REPORT

BACKGROUND:

The National Heavy Vehicle Law (NHVL) and regulations commenced on 10 February 2017 with the introduction of the National Heavy Vehicle Regulator (NHVR) Australia's first national, independent regulator for all vehicles over 4.5 tonnes gross vehicle mass.

The first 12 months of the NHVR's existence was fairly chaotic as the extent of the legislation and the workload was not clearly estimated. However processes have been streamlined, online submissions have been introduced and industry education has been increased.

Moree Plains Shire Council has been at the forefront of these changes as it was essential for us to have a good system for permit submission and assessment due to the large number of permit applications being received prior to the completion of the Newell Highway heavy vehicle bypass on 3 August 2015 and the industry push for larger combinations of restricted access vehicles through the shire.

Moree Plains Shire Council has been involved in various NHVR industry workshops, both presenting and participating and have been widely acknowledged as a leader amongst Councils. The work to open up key freight routes was undertaken by the Asset Manager, and her team with an innovative approach to heavy vehicle access analysis.

There are various issues that staff are currently working on including; pre-approved routes, targeting maintenance upgrades to allow HML access, coordination with the recent Transport for NSW Notice for agricultural vehicles from the NSW Farmers request for a streamlined Traffic Management Plan for very large machinery and newly imposed heavy vehicle restrictions on some roads where they intersect with the RMS controlled roads.

COMMUNITY IMPLICATIONS:

This process will have a positive impact on the following Community Strategic Plan and Delivery Program/Operational Plan outcome(s):

S1. Our community is a safe place

S2. Our community is inclusive, connected and collaborative

This process allows Council to continue to improve on our existing practices including ensuring it aligns better to the State Government requirements. This process allows Council to better consider all aspects of allowing restricted access vehicles on our roads including road safety, asset management and productivity.

ECONOMIC IMPLICATIONS:

This process will have a positive impact on the following Community Strategic Plan and Delivery Program/Operational Plan outcome(s):

Ec1. Our Shire is a place that attracts and retains new businesses and residents

Ec2. Our Shire has the infrastructure we need to support our economy

Ec3. Our Shire supports existing businesses

This process allows Council to continue to improve on our existing practices including ensuring it aligns better to the State Government requirements. This process allows Council to better consider all aspects of allowing restricted access vehicles on our roads including road safety, asset management and productivity.

ENVIRONMENT IMPLICATIONS:

This process will have a positive impact on the following Community Strategic Plan and Delivery Program/Operational Plan outcome(s):

E2. We live sustainably and use our resources responsibly

E3. Our built environment – our town and villages – are desirable places to be

This process allows Council to continue to improve on our existing practices including ensuring it aligns better to the State Government requirements. This process allows Council to better consider all aspects of allowing restricted access vehicles on our roads including road safety, asset management and productivity.

LEADERSHIP/LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

This process will have a positive impact on the following Community Strategic Plan and Delivery Program/Operational Plan outcome(s):

L3. We are engaged and well informed

L4. We collaborate to achieve outcomes

L5. We manage our finances, assets and services effectively

This process allows Council to continue to improve on our existing practices including ensuring it aligns better to the State Government requirements. This process allows Council to better consider all aspects of allowing restricted access vehicles on our roads including road safety, asset management and productivity.

FINANCIAL/OPERATIONAL PLAN IMPLICATIONS:

There are financial implications that will impact on Council. The extent of the monetary implications and resources allocation is going to be case dependant, with Council actively

seeking Grant Funding, investigating self-help implications and management. Council staff are investing resources and staff allocation with the end goal of having procedures in place and pre approvals endorsed that will reduce our workload.

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