



MOREE PLAINS SHIRE COUNCIL

17 AUGUST 2017

**FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE
COMMITTEE MEETING**

PUBLIC BUSINESS PAPER

Monday, 14 August 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 **Finance and Governance Committee Meeting** will be held in the Council Chamber, the Max Centre, 30 Heber Street, Moree, on **Thursday, 17 August 2017** commencing at **2pm**.

Please note that all Council meetings are recorded.

Yours sincerely



Mitchell Johnson
DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES

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1. Open Meeting
2. Apologies
3. Confirmation of Minutes
4. Leave of Absence requests
5. Declarations of Interest
6. Reports
 - a) Operational Plan and Budget 2016-2017 – Report on Progress – Quarter 4 – 1 April 2017 to 30 June 2017
 - b) Carry over Projects and Activities from the Operational Plan and Budget 2016-2017
 - c) Questions on Notice responses
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8. Standing agenda item: Strategic Planning Proposals and Current Project Updates
9. Standing agenda item: Overseas Trade and Investment
10. Responses to Previous Questions on Notice
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Report Title	1. Operational Plan and Budget 2016-2017 – Report on Progress – Quarter 4– 1 April 2017 to 30 June 2017
Report by	Executive
Contact	Lester Rodgers, General Manager Libby Carter, Integrated Planning and Reporting Manager Bianca Senior, Budgetary Control Accountant
Attachments	One (1) attachment; refer to Attachments section
File	FILE 12/876

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That the fourth quarter report on progress in implementing Moree Plains Shire Council’s Delivery Program 2014-2017 and Operational Plan 2016-2017 be received for information.

REPORT

ALIGNMENT WITH MOREE PLAINS 2027 – YOUR SHIRE. THE PLAN. OUR FUTURE

An Inclusive, Caring Community

Not applicable

Sustainable Spaces and Places

Not applicable

A Vibrant Regional Economy

Not applicable

A Leading Organisation

L2.4 Plan what we do and do what we plan – Council acts in a coordinated manner to implement this Plan, its Delivery Program, Annual Operational Plans and Budgets and report upon it in a timely manner

BACKGROUND AND KEY ISSUES

Until 1 July 2017, the Community Strategic Plan which applied to Council’s activities and projects was Moree Plains 2035 Community Strategic Plan (adopted in June 2013). References to the Community Strategic Plan in this report relate to that document.

Moree Plains Shire Council is committed to reporting on a quarterly basis in relation to its progress in delivering its Operational Plan and Budget. This aligns with the quarterly budget review process.

This report provides background information in relation to Council’s performance for Quarter 4 of the 2016-2017 financial year.

Full details of performance are set out in the accompanying Q4 Report comprising:

1. An explanatory overview of the Quarterly Progress Report.
2. A detailed status report across the 19 Functional Areas contained in the Operational Plan 2016-2017 for Quarter 4.
4. A Project Snapshot for Quarter 4.

Through reporting, the Council is able to continually monitor its performance and make necessary adjustments on a regular basis to ensure that targets are being met, and reviewed if required. Regular monitoring also provides another method of risk management and provides points of reference when carrying out tasks, activities and projects.

FINANCIAL IMPACT TO COUNCIL

The Operational Plan and Budget 2016-2017 was adopted on 23 June 2016. This set out the activities and projects which were projected to be completed by 30 June 2017.

The Q4 Report crystallises the work which was achieved by the Council for the full 2016-2017 financial year. To the extent that any activities and/or projects were not completed in full by 30 June 2017, there are both operational and financial implications for Council. Where these activities and/or projects were so identified prior to 30 June 2017, these are (for the most part) included in the Operational Plan and Budget 2017-2018.

STATUTORY AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS

This report is provided pursuant to Section 404 of the *Local Government Act 1993* (NSW).

No quarterly budget review is undertaken for the fourth quarter of a financial year pursuant to section 203 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 which states:

- (1) Not later than 2 months after the end of each quarter (**except the June quarter**), the responsible accounting officer of a council must prepare and submit to the council a budget review statement that shows, by reference to the estimate of income and expenditure set out in the statement of the council's revenue policy included in the operational plan for the relevant year, a revised estimate of the income and expenditure for that year.*

RISK IMPLICATIONS

Every financial year, there are some activities and/or projects which are not completed within the year as scheduled. This is due to matters both within and outside of Council staff's control.

This carries a number of risks, which Council must consider on balance:

- The Operational Plan and Budget are a statement of Council's commitment to the community in relation to the services it will provide and the works it will undertake.
- Projects and activities for which work has been undertaken in a financial year but not completed nor included in the successive financial year's Operational Plan and Budget require carrying-over into the next financial year to realise Council's investment.
- Unanticipated carry-over projects and activities place further burdens on Council staff to deliver the planned schedule of works and activities in the next year.

- Grant funded projects are governed by funding deeds and agreements which prescribe, among other matters, the timeframes for delivery. With the introduction of the Audit Office in NSW, there is the potential for these matters to be subject to greater scrutiny than in the past. If the project is not delivered within agreed timeframes, there is a risk that the funding body may impose consequences on Council (including return of funding) for failure to discharge its obligations under the funding arrangements.

ASSET MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

Quarterly reporting of itself does not have asset management implications, however, the activities and projects of Council carry specific and numerous asset management implications.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL DECISIONS

Quarterly updates on the 2014-2017 Delivery Program and the 2016-2017 Operational Plan have been provided to Council on the following occasions:

- Q1 Report – 1 July 2016 to 30 September 2016 – presented to the Finance and Governance Committee on 17 November 2016.
- Q2 Report – 1 October 2016 to 31 December 2016 – presented to the Finance and Governance Committee on 16 February 2017 and to Council on 23 February 2017.
- Q3 Report – 1 January 2017 to 31 March 2017 – presented to the Finance and Governance Committee on 18 May 2017 and to Council on 25 May 2017.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 Q4 Report

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Report 1	Operational Plan 2016-2017 – Report on Progress – Quarter 4 – 1 April 2017 to 30 June 2017
Attachment 1	Q4 Report

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Report Title	2. Carry over Projects and Activities from the Operational Plan and Budget 2016-2017
Report by	Corporate Services
Contact	Mitchell Johnson
Attachments	No attachment
File	FILE 13/1160

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That the carry-over of unspent budget allocations from the 2016/2017 financial year for incomplete projects and activities as tabled in the report be a matter for the Finance and Governance Committee's consideration.

REPORT

ALIGNMENT WITH MOREE PLAINS 2027 – YOUR SHIRE. THE PLAN. OUR FUTURE

An Inclusive, Caring Community

Not applicable

Sustainable Spaces and Places

Not applicable

A Vibrant Regional Economy

Not applicable

A Leading Organisation

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BACKGROUND AND KEY ISSUES

At 30 June 2017, the projects and activities listed in Table 1 – Carry over Projects and Activities were incomplete, resulting in unspent budget allocations from the Operational Plan and Budget 2016-2017.

These items were expected to be completed by the end of the 2016/2017 financial year.

Accordingly, as part of the budgeting process for the 2017/2018 financial year, these items were not included in the Operational Plan and Budget 2017-2018. A variation to the 2017/18 budget is requested to include these items.

Table 1 – Carry over Projects and Activities

#	Section	Expenditure type	Project Commenced	Project	Amount (approx.)	Reason for carry over	Source of funds
GENERAL FUND							
1	Moree Shire Pools	Capital	Yes	Water Conditioning Unit Bore Head	15,000	Unit has been installed. Awaiting commissioning	Revenue
2	Moree Shire Pools	Capital	Yes	Bore No 1 Pump	16,000	Delays sourcing an appropriate pump for the bore	Revenue
3	Design	Capital	Yes	CCTV Upgrade	29,000	Delay from contractors. Highly specialised work	Revenue
4	Design	Capital	Yes	Town Entrance Improvements	44,000	Delays with approval of designs through Traffic Committee	Revenue
5	Design	Capital	No	Netball Fence	19,707	Change of priorities for Netball Committee has delayed progress	Revenue
6	Design	Capital	Yes	Mosquito Creek Road intersection widening	128,838	Delays with electrical designs and moving of power poles and stays	Grant (FCR)
7	Design	Capital	Yes	Tapscott Road freight route upgrade	185,694	ARTC permission for access delayed by 2 months	Grant (FCR)
8	Design	Capital	Yes	Gosport Street	44,499	Power line to be raised. Stay on power pole at Jones Avenue to be moved. Awaiting availability of Essential Energy	Grant (FCR)
9	Works	Capital	Yes	SR101 – Terrie Hie Hie reconstruction	62,271	Underground springs encountered during project delaying completion of project	Grant (R2R)
10	Works	Capital	Yes	SR111 – Melburra Road reconstruction	113,352	Wet weather in late June prevented completion of project during FY16/17	Grant (R2R)
11	Noxious Weeds	Non-capital	Yes	Green Cestrum – Kemps Creek	1,378	Ongoing project	Grant
12	Noxious Weeds	Non-capital	Yes	Water Hyacinth	36,852	Ongoing project	Grant (NWLLS)
13	Public Health	Non-capital	Yes	Demolition of Burnt Out	87,000	Delay from contractor	Revenue

#	Section	Expenditure type	Project Commenced	Dwellings Project	Amount	Reason for carry over	Source of funds
14	Economic Development	Non-capital	Yes	Economic Development Strategy	10,000	Delay in appointment of consultant to complete Strategy	Reserves (TED)
15	Economic Development	Non-capital	No	Moree Showground Management Plan	10,000	Delay in coordinating with Crownlands. Should agreement not be achieved the funds will be returned to TED	Reserves (TED)
16	Economic Development	Non-capital	Yes	Gateway Sales support	11,700	Funds not utilised in FY16/17	Revenue
17	Economic Development	Non-capital	Yes	Moree Safety Committee	11,000	Funds not utilised in FY16/17. Funds to be utilised in FY17/18 to provide additional resources for crime prevention	Revenue
18	Planning & Assessment	Capital	No	Open Space Facilities – Spilsbury Park	10,000	Delay with ordering of materials	S94A
19	Planning & Assessment	Capital	Yes	Open Space Facilities – Jellicoe Park	20,400	Delay with installation due to requirement to redesign footings	S94A
20	Planning & Assessment	Capital	No	Open Space Facilities – Jacaranda Park	40,000	Order cancelled due to issues with footing design	S94A
21	Planning & Assessment	Capital	No	Mehi River Corridor restoration	60,000	Resources unavailable to carry out work in FY16/17. Designs are complete with work to commence Quarter 1 FY16/17	S94A
22	Waste Management	Capital	Yes	Waste Management Facility (WMF) road widening	243,000	Delays with design and issues with Telstra locating line into WMF. Telstra line must now be relocated	Revenue
23	Waste Management	Capital	No	Upgrade CCTV system at WMF	50,000	Due to delays with the completion of the Community Recycling Centre (CRC) the contractor was unable to complete work during the FY16/17	Revenue
GENERAL FUND TOTAL					1,249,691		

WATER FUND							
#	Section	Expenditure type	Project Commenced	Project	Amount	Reason for carry over	Source of funds
24	Water	Capital	Yes	Replacement Bore at Pallamallawa	60,000	Delays encountered with obtaining licence to drill bore	Revenue
25	Water	Capital	Yes	Sunnyside Road Water Main Upgrade	72,500	Resources unavailable to complete work within financial year	Revenue
26	Water	Capital	Yes	Pallamallawa Clear Water Tank Roof Replacement	30,000	Delays encountered due to contractor availability	Revenue
27	Water	Non-capital	Yes	Revaluation of water infrastructure	14,000	Delays with consultant providing information	Revenue
TOTAL WATER FUND					176,500		
SEWER FUND							
28	Sewer	Capital	Yes	Sewer Mains Relining	188,000	Contracts to carry out various components of project awarded Quarter 4 of FY16/17 FY. All work to commence in Quarter 1 of FY17/18 FY and be completed by Quarter 3.	Revenue
29	Sewer	Capital	Yes	Sewer Manhole Relining	154,000	Contractors have completed 50% of work and are due to complete balance early in Quarter 2 of FY17/18 FY	Revenue
30	Sewer	Capital	No	Moree Mobile Emergency Backup Generator	110,000	Reviewing tender documents	Revenue
31	Sewer	Capital	Yes	Electrical Switch Gear and Telemetry Renewal	148,000	Delays encountered due to contractor availability	Revenue
32	Sewer	Capital	No	Moree Automatic Effluent Meter Reading	10,000	To be added to FY17/18 program	Revenue
33	Sewer	Non-capital	Yes	Revaluation of sewer infrastructure	19,500	Delays with consultant providing information	Revenue
TOTAL SEWER FUND					629,500		

TOTAL ALL FUNDS 2,055,391

Key to grant funding:

R2R = Roads to Recovery, FCR = Fixing Country Roads, NWLLS = North West Local Land Services, TED = Tourism and Economic Development Reserve, s94A = s94A Reserve

FINANCIAL IMPACT TO COUNCIL

Carry over of the projects and activities listed in Table 1 results in an overall reduction to the operating surplus and an increase to the capital budget in all funds. This is detailed in Table 2 below.

Table 2 - Impact to 2017/18 Budget

	Consolidated			General Fund			Water			Sewer		
	Original Budget '000	Proposed Variations '000	Revised Budget '000	Original Budget '000	Proposed Variations '000	Revised Budget '000	Original Budget '000	Proposed Variations '000	Revised Budget '000	Original Budget '000	Proposed Variations '000	Revised Budget '000
Operating Income	54,996	38	55,034	45,542	38	45,580	5,542		5,542	3,949		3,949
Operating Expenditure	54,520	202	54,722	45,231	168	45,399	5,410	14	5,424	3,867	20	3,887
Operating Result before Capital Grants	476		312	310		181	132		118	81		62
Capital Grants	24,505	534	25,039	11,135	534	11,669	13,370		13,370	0		0
Operating Result	24,981		25,351	11,446		11,850	13,502		13,488	81		62

	Consolidated			General Fund			Water			Sewer		
Capital Expenditure	52,863	1,855	54,718	27,699	1,082	28,781	20,786	163	20,949	4,377	610	4,987

The impact to cash is timing only. Council will see a higher cash balance at the end of the 2016/17 financial year as a result of the projects and activities listed not being undertaken.

STATUTORY AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Section 211 of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2005 addresses authorisation of expenditure:

211 Authorisation of expenditure

- 1) A council, or a person purporting to act on behalf of a council, must not incur a liability for the expenditure of money unless the council at the annual meeting held in accordance with subclause (2) or at a later meeting:
 - a. has approved the expenditure, and
 - b. has voted the money necessary to meet the expenditure.
- 2) A council must each year hold a meeting for the purpose of approving expenditure and voting money.
- 3) All such approvals and votes lapse at the end of a council's financial year. However, this subclause does not apply to approvals and votes relating to:
 - a. work carried out or started, or contracted to be carried out, for the council, or
 - b. any service provided, or contracted to be provided, for the council, or
 - c. goods or materials provided, or contracted to be provided, for the council, or
 - d. facilities provided or started, or contracted to be provided, for the council, before the end of the year concerned, or to the payment of remuneration to members of the council's staff.

Part 3 of Section 211 particularly relates to the carry-over of budget allocations from one year to the next. Only those projects or activities not started, or contracted to be carried out/provided require Council approval, however all projects and activities regardless of progress have been included in this report for Council's information to ensure Councillors are across changes since the budget workshops.

RISK IMPLICATIONS

Carry-over of projects or activities not completed within a scheduled financial year carries a number of risks, which Council must consider on balance:

- Projects and activities for which work has been undertaken in a financial year but not completed nor included in the successive financial year's Operational Plan and Budget require carrying-over into the next financial year to realise Council's investment.
- Unanticipated carry-over projects and activities place further burdens on Council staff to deliver the planned schedule of works and activities in the next year.
- Grant funded projects are governed by funding deeds and agreements which prescribe, among other matters, the timeframes for delivery. With the Audit Office now overseeing Local Government audits in NSW, there is the potential for these matters to be subject to stricter application of agreement terms than in the past. If the project is not delivered within agreed timeframes, there is a risk that the funding body may impose consequences on Council (including return of funding) for failure to discharge its obligations under the funding arrangements.

ASSET MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

Capital works listed in Table 1 will be completed in accordance with the respective asset management plans.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL DECISIONS

This is the first time this matter has come before Council.

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments.

Report Title	3. Questions on Notice
Report by	Executive
Contact	Lester Rodgers
Attachments	One (1) attachment; refer to Attachments section
File	FILE 15/185

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That the Finance and Governance Committee receive the Questions on Notice responses for information.

REPORT

ALIGNMENT WITH MOREE PLAINS 2027 – YOUR SHIRE. THE PLAN. OUR FUTURE

- An Inclusive, Caring Community**
Not applicable
- Sustainable Spaces and Places**
Not applicable
- A Vibrant Regional Economy**
Not applicable
- A Leading Organisation**
L1.7 Be accountable and transparent in our affairs, operate with integrity, improve our responsiveness and pursue innovative solutions for organisational improvement

BACKGROUND AND KEY ISSUES

Questions on Notice (**QON**) provide an opportunity for Councillors to ask questions of the General Manager which are then recorded within the meeting minutes and the Council's Customer Request Management (**CRM**) system. A response to this question is either provided verbally at the meeting or taken on notice if the response requires further research.

In response to requests from Councillors, a QON response system has been implemented where all responses are made available to the public through a Standing Committee Meeting business paper (as per this report). This will ensure that the answers not provided at the meeting are publically available for review by members of the public and Council's transparency is enhanced.

FINANCIAL IMPACT TO COUNCIL

Review of the QON's has no significant financial implications.

STATUTORY AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Council's Code of Meeting Practice (2016) includes the provision for QON's as part of the Committee Meeting Standing Order of Business. The Code of Meeting Practice is consistent with the *Local Government Act 1993 (NSW)*, the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 and the Model Code.

RISK IMPLICATIONS

There are no identified risk implications associated with QON responses.

ASSET MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

No asset management implications have been identified.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL DECISIONS

QON responses are provided as part of a Standing Committee Meeting business paper on a regular basis to ensure all responses are made available to the public.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 Question on Notice responses

CRM 3850/2017

Question on Notice –Executive – Councillor Cassells

I just want to ask in the Strategic Planning Proposals and Current Projects Updates, from the meeting of 22 June 2017, it says in the minutes that General Manager, Lester Rodgers, advised that a working group has been established and the first meeting will be held next Friday, 30 June 2017, that's regarding the new Lifestyle Academy. Is there any updates on that? A further response is required.

(Committee Development and Services Committee Meeting 27 July 2017).

Response:

A Working Group has been regarding the Moree Sports Academy which includes Councillor Montgomery, the General Manager, the Executive Projects Manager and the Director of Corporate Services. Regular meetings have already been held to date. A media release regarding the Sports Academy was also released 1 August 2017 providing an update on the project.

The General Manager will be providing a detailed report regarding the Moree Sports Academy update at a future Committee Meeting.

CRM 3852/2017

Question on Notice –Executive – Councillor Tramby

I put in a notice of motion in regarding our water supplies. But I have actually come across a document that was put together in 1999-2000, which shows we were pumping close to 20ML a day, 18ML a day back in 1991 for a population of 10,000 and I have been told now that capacity is only 15ML a day, but here it says we were pumping 18-20ML a day, 20 years ago. I am just wondering what our real capacity is at the moment, with our current pumping capacity and bear in mind our population has gone down by 1000 in Moree, that's not the shire, this is Moree gone down 1000 from 81 so why do we need more pumping capacity when we had quite efficient to handle 10,500 people. So do we really need to spend \$6.5million? A further response required

(Community Development and Services Committee Meeting 27 July 2017)

Response:

The information mentioned is correct. The town consumed the totals outlined for a similar population before present water wise practices were adopted. Consumption on average has reduced per household as ratepayers took steps to reduce their water bills. Steps included reduced lawn areas, letting lawns brown off or complete removal with gardens getting similar treatment. Water wise toilet flush systems and shower roses has all contributed on average to water savings in households.

Pumping capacity can be a combination of type of bore and pumps, water quality, water level depth and maintenance program. Recent work (last year) on bores in Moree produced:

- *MAAC artesian bore with a mechanical and chemical clean improved flow from 18.5l/s to 21l/s.*
- *At Pallamallawa No 3 bore after a clean reduced iron and manganese content to a level acceptable*

without other treatment required.

- *Confirmed the abandoned Pallamallawa No 1 was non- productive and was capped off.*
- *Discovered Pallamallawa No 2 was condition 5 rated and due to collapse after liner casing had a hole 2/3rds around the diameter, recommended less than 1 years life left. Still producing 18l/s flow with good recovery after 24 hour pump test only problem gravel could ruin pump.*

Industry standards recommend inspection and cleaning of ground water bores every 5 years to maintain quality and quantity of water. As found in above examples calcium and iron precipitates build up on the screens over time reducing flow and reduces quality for drinking purposes.

Pumping capacity achieved was 20ML's in 1991 and presently we indicate 15.8ML's with our town bores. After an inspection and clean program instigated during the current 4 year operational plan we may find a return to closer to the 1991 extraction rate. All water meters at the bore sites have just been replaced as part of the telemetry upgrade and a revised supply flow will soon be available.

CRM 3920/2017

Question on Notice –Engineering – Councillor Tramby

In the recent Councillor Correspondence, there was a letter to Council with concerns about maintenance issues with a road in the north of our Shire following a solar farm development. Where are we up to with this?

General Manager, Lester Rodgers: I believe you are referring to Kentucky Lane Councillor Tramby.

Acting Director of Engineering Services, Lila Fisher: A report is being prepared and will be presented at the next Committee Meeting regarding this matter. A representative from our Planning and Community Development team went and met with the residents of Kentucky Lane yesterday and we are waiting to hear what his deliberations are from that meeting.

Councillor Tramby: Just clarifying that it is not a public road?

Acting Director of Engineering Services, Lila Fisher: It is a Crown Public Road which means that Council doesn't have authorisation to do maintenance or works on it. The Crown is not a roads maintenance authority and as such they can't carry out any work either. Further information will be supplied in a report back to Council.

Councillor Tramby: So, it is not an easement or a right of way, it is a Crown Public Road?

Acting Director of Engineering Services, Lila Fisher: Yes, it is a Crown Public Road.

A further response is required.

(Strategic Asset and Works Committee Meeting 13 July 2017)

Response:

Kentucky Lane is a Crown Public Road, which means that Council does not have authorisation to do maintenance or works on it. The Crown is not a roads maintenance authority and as such they can't carry out any work either.

A report was presented at the Ordinary Council Meeting of 10 August 2017 and the following resolution was made;

17/08/07 RESOLVED (SMITH/TRAMBY):

That Council investigate the feasibility of right of carriageway or other options and that a further report be brought back to Council with the aim to restore the road to a suitable condition.

CRM 3921/2017

Question on Notice –Engineering – Councillor Smith

A week before on that same issue, a resident off Vitonga Road on Talloom Road was wondering if it was ever going to be graded, and Mr Dinham advised me that it is part of a stock route. Yet off Talloom Road there is a subdivision that has been approved which runs parallel to Vitonga Road, and access to this subdivision is off Talloom Road and there is a section of bitumen there that is maintained and Mr Dinham said that we don't have any obligation to maintain it further down the road. I am just wondering how that one got through or what the situation is there? Why are we maintaining a patch of bitumen that we don't own?

Acting Director of Engineering Services, Lila Fisher: As a way of background, there was extensive work done with the previous Council regarding these issues. There is approximately 25km of roads that are maintained that are not Council roads, and there is the equivalent of roads that are Council roads that should be maintained and they aren't. We are developing a road policy that identifies all of these roads and we are trying to work through them on a case by case basis to determine what we are going to do with these roads. Self help is one of the tools that will help with this matter. In some instances, we have approached those affected and Council have closed the road so that they could carry out their own maintenance.

A further response is required.

(Strategic Asset and Works Committee Meeting 13 July 2017)

Response:

Council's Road Closure Policy will be presented to Council at the Ordinary Meeting of 24 August 2017. Once this policy has been adopted by Council, staff will be in a position to work through roads on a case by case basis to determine the best outcome for Council and the road users.

CRM 4062/2017

Question on Notice –Water and Waste – Councillor Tramby

I had a complaint from a ratepayer who did a civic duty and fenced his paddock. He removed two stock ramps at his expense. He got a quote from Council for the disposal of the concrete. When he got the invoice it was double the quote because the concrete was reinforced. He's trying to do the right thing and at his expense, can this please be looked at?

(Strategic Asset and Works Committee Meeting 10 August 2017)

Response:

A confidential memorandum has been provided to Councillors Monday, 14 August 2017 regarding this matter. The details of this matter are not for public distribution.