
Report Title	A. Notice of Motion – Cashless Welfare Card
Report by	Councillor John Tramby
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Attachments	One (1) attachment; refer to Attachments section
File	16/801

RECOMMENDATION

1. That Moree Plains Shire Council request the Federal Member for the Electorate of Parkes, the Hon. Mark Coulton, nominate the Moree Plains Shire Council as a NSW trial site, for a period not exceeding two (2) years, for the introduction of the “Cashless Welfare Card”.
2. That this is on the understanding that the age pension and Department of Veteran Affairs (DVA) pensions are exempt from the program.
3. That Council, with the support of the appropriate welfare organisations, request additional funding and support, in conjunction with the trial, for areas including but not limited to mental health issues, drug and alcohol support, the establishment of Headspace facilities within the Shire, the introduction of the program known as “Backtrack” or a similar such support.
4. That the Bureau of Statistics or such organisation establish parameters to ascertain the benefits achieved in a before and after the trial assessment. This to include the such areas as domestic violence, break and enter, school attendance, drug addiction and other areas of concern within the Shire.

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

- An Inclusive, Caring Community**
C1.5 Understand the services and programs which are being delivered locally to build capacity in our families and, where necessary, support the coordination of these efforts
- Sustainable Spaces and Places**
Not applicable
- A Vibrant Regional Economy**

Not applicable

A Leading Organisation

Not applicable

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NOTICE OF MOTION.

To The General Manager,
Moree Plains Shire Council
Moree NSW 2400.

From Clr. J.Tramby.
Gurley NSW 2398.

That the Moree Plains Shire Council request the Federal Member for the Electorate of Parkes The Hon. Mark Coulton nominate the Moree Plains Shire Council as a N.S.W. trial site, for a period not exceeding two (2) years, for the introduction of the “Cashless Welfare Card”.

That this is on the understanding that the age pension and Department of Veterans Affairs (DVA) pensions are exempt from the program.

That the Council with the support of appropriate welfare organizations, request additional funding and support, in conjunction with the limited trial, for areas including but not limited to mental health issues, drug and alcohol support, the establishment of Headspace facilities within the Shire, the introduction of the program known as “Backtrack” or a similar such support.

That the Bureau of Statics or such organization establish parameters to ascertain the benefits achieved in a before and after the trial assessment. This to include the such areas as domestic violence, break and enter, school attendance, drug addiction and other areas of concern within Shire.

Clr. John Tramby
7/09/17