

**LODDON SHIRE COUNCIL - MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING  
HELD IN THE COUNCIL OFFICES, WEDDERBURN – TUESDAY 11 OCTOBER 2016**

The meeting commenced at 3.00pm with the Prayer.

**Present**

Cr Neil Beattie (Mayor)  
Cr Colleen Condliffe  
Cr Geoff Curnow  
Cr Gavan Holt  
Cr Cheryl McKinnon

**In attendance**

Mr Phil Pinyon, Chief Executive Officer  
Mr Ian McLauchlan, Director Operations  
Mrs Wendy Gladman, Director Community Wellbeing  
Ms Sharon Morrison, Director Corporate Services  
Ms Lynne Habner, A/Manager Executive and Commercial Services

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**1. APOLOGIES**

Nil

**2. PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**2.1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**SUMMARY**

Seeking approval of the unconfirmed minutes of the previous Council Forum and Meetings.

Author: Phil Pinyon, Chief Executive Officer

Council Plan ref: Core business 8: Compliance

File No: 02/01/001

Attachment: Nil

**RECOMMENDATION**

*That Council confirm:*

1. *the minutes of the Council Briefing of 13 September 2016*
2. *the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting of 13 September 2016*
3. *The minutes of the Council Forum of 27 September 2016*

**MOTION**

**Moved: Cr Holt**

**Seconded: Cr Condliffe**

That Council confirm:

1. the minutes of the Council Briefing of 13 September 2016
2. the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting of 13 September 2016
3. The minutes of the Council Forum of 27 September 2016

**Carried**

## 2.2 REVIEW OF ACTION SHEET

### SUMMARY

Notation of Action Sheet.

Author: Phil Pinyon, Chief Executive Officer

Council Plan ref: Core business 8: Compliance

File No: 02/01/001

Attachment: 2.2 Action Sheet

### RECOMMENDATION

*That Council receive and note the Action Sheet.*

### MOTION

**Moved: Cr Curnow**

**Seconded: Cr McKinnon**

That Council receive and note the Action Sheet.

**Carried**

**3. COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

**3.1 MAYORAL REPORT**

<b>SUMMARY</b>	
Approval of the Mayoral Report.	
Author:	Phil Pinyon, Chief Executive Officer
Council Plan ref:	Core business 1: Leadership
File No:	02/01/001
Attachment:	Nil

**RECOMMENDATION**

*That Council receive and note the Mayoral Report.*

**Cr Beattie**

<b>Murray Darling Association</b>	
<b>Rail Freight Alliance</b>	
<b>Section 86 Committees:</b> Boort Aerodrome Committee of Management, Boort Development Committee Inc., Boort Memorial Hall Committee of Management, Boort Resource Information Centre Committee Inc., Boort Tourism Committee Inc., Korong Vale Mechanics Hall Committee of Management, Korong Vale Sports Centre Committee of Management, Little Lake Boort Management Committee Inc., Yando Public Hall Committee of Management	
<b>Recreation Strategy Implementation Steering Committee</b>	
<b>Other Council activities</b>	
<b>DATE</b>	<b>Activity</b>
22/9/16	Attended Boort Park AGM and remain Chair
26/9/16	Attended the last supper at Inglewood for the current Council
27/9/16	Attended Council Forum at Wedderburn

3/10/16	Attended Loddon Campaspe Rural Councils meeting at Kyneton
5/10/16	Attended gathering at Dingee – Jacinta Allan announced funding form the railway station update to house the library
6/10/16	Attended signing of MOU at Korong Vale reservoir with Lisa Neville and GWM Water and Dja Dja Wurrung
7/10/16	Opened Laanecoorie Gold Bash
	Attended Liberal Party Dinner, Wedderburn
8/10/16	Attended Boort Show
11/10/16	Council meeting, Wedderburn

**MOTION**

**Moved: Cr Curnow**

**Seconded: Cr Holt**

That Council receive and note the Mayoral Report.

**Carried**

**3.2 COUNCILLORS' REPORT**

<b>SUMMARY</b>	
Approval of Councillors' Reports.	
Author:	Phil Pinyon, Chief Executive Officer
Council Plan ref:	Core business 1: Leadership
File No:	02/01/001
Attachment:	Nil

**RECOMMENDATION**

*That Council receive and note the Councillors' Report.*

**Cr Condliffe**

<b>Calder Highway Improvement Committee</b>	
<b>Section 86 Committees:</b> Bridgewater Memorial Hall Committee of Management, Bridgewater on Loddon Development Committee of Management, Campbells Forest Hall Committee of Management, Inglewood Community Sports Centre Committee of Management, Inglewood Riding Club, Inglewood Lions Community Elderly Persons Units Committee of Management, Inglewood Town Hall Committee of Management, Inglewood Reservoir Committee of Management	
21/9/16: BOLD meeting	
22/9/16: Campbells Forest Hall AGM	
<b>Australia Day Committee</b>	
<b>Loddon Youth Committee</b>	
<b>Healthy Minds Network</b>	
<b>Other Council activities</b>	
<b>DATE</b>	<b>Activity</b>
13/9/16	Inglewood Resource Centre meeting
14/9/16	Speaking to the Loddon Murray Community Leadership held in Inglewood

15/9/16	Womens Health Loddon Mallee meeting Bendigo
19/9/16	Inglewood Hub meeting
20/9/16	Newbridge CWA celebrated 80 years
20/9/16	Dingee Bush Nursing Board meeting
22/9/16	Kooyoora Womens Network AGM held in Inglewood
24/9/16	Bridgewater Bowling Club district official start-up of a new season
25/9/16	Loddon Shire councillor, CEO and Directors and partners end of term wind up dinner at the Eucy Museum Inglewood
27/9/16	Council Forum Wedderburn
27/9/16	Inglewood and District Community Bank Board meeting
28/9/16	CWA meeting Dingee
29/9/16	Campbells Forest District Community AGM
1/10/16	Tarnagulla Out n About. I attended the high tea and presented a gift to the "Queen Victoria" – excellent day and well attended
3/10/16	Central Victoria Rural Womens Network meeting held in Bendigo
3/10/16	Flood meeting Bridgewater Hall
5/10/16	Minister Allan announced the Goldfields Library will be housed in Dingee railway station and run by the CWA. The railway station will be fully upgraded
5/10/16	Lions meeting in Charlton
7/10/16	Meeting with Damian Drum at Wedderburn Community House
9/10/16	Family day held in Rochester for the dairy farmers
11/10/16	Presentation to East Loddon P12 school for participating in colouring competition for Healthy Minds Network
11/10/16	Council meeting, Wedderburn

**Cr Curnow**

**Loddon Mallee Waste Resource Recovery Group**

Re-appointed to the Board through until April 2017 for continuity of governance.

**Section 86 Committees:** Eddington Community Centre Committee of Management, Kingower

Development and Tourism Committee Inc.	
<b>Municipal Emergency Management Plan Committee and Municipal Fire Prevention Committee</b>	
<b>Other Council activities</b>	
<b>DATE</b>	<b>Activity</b>
29/8/16	Attended LMWRRG Forum meeting at Bendigo
26/9/16	Attended Loddon Shire dinner held at Inglewood Eucalyptus museum
27/9/16	Attended Loddon Shire Council Forum at Wedderburn
21/9/16	Chaired AGM of Southern Loddon Tourism at Newbridge
1/10/16	Attended the Tarnagulla Vintage Fair
2/10/16	Attended Tarnagulla Vintage Fair to present prizes to winners of Central Victoria Veteran Cycling Event, and launch David Gordon's fourth book on Tarnagulla history
5/10/16	Attended LMWRRG Board Meeting, a waste management Expo and the Renewable Energy Expo at the Exhibition and Convention Centre in Melbourne
11/10/16	Attended Loddon Shire Council meeting at Wedderburn
3/10/16	Attended public meeting at Bridgewater re flood update and emergency management

**Cr Holt**

<b>Municipal Association of Victoria</b>
<b>Section 86 Committees:</b> Donaldson Park Committee of Management, Wedderburn Community Centre Committee of Management, Wedderburn Engine Park Committee of Management, Wedderburn Mechanics Institute Hall Committee of Management, Wedderburn Tourism Inc.
<b>Audit Committee</b>



<b>Other Council activities</b>	
<b>DATE</b>	<b>Activity</b>
	This is my 162 <sup>nd</sup> and possibly last councillor report to a meeting of Loddon Shire Council. It should be the 163 <sup>rd</sup> but in the last 13 years and 7 months I have missed one Council meeting while visiting the historic town of Timbuktu
17/9/16	I attended the NCFL grand final where Charlton won the senior football grand final after being runner up on the three previous occasions
19/9/16	I was to have attended the AGM of the Donaldson Park committee of management but this was the day my mother passed away, but in my absence I was elected Chairman
26/9/16	Attended a dinner at the Blue Eucy Museum in Inglewood for councillors, senior staff and partners to mark the end of the current Council
27/9/16	Attended Council Forum at Wedderburn
28/9/16	Attended meeting of Wedderburn Development Association
3/10/16	Attended meeting of Loddon Campaspe Group of Councils meeting at Macedon Ranges Shire in Kyneton in my role as a delegate to Rural Councils Victoria
3/10/16	Attended a meeting of the MAV Rural North Central Region in my role as Council's delegate to the MAV again at Kyneton
6/10/16	Attended the signing at Korong Vale of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Dja Dja Wurrung Aboriginal Corporation and Grampians Wimmera Mallee Water for construction of the South West Loddon Pipeline
6/10/16	Attended meeting of the South West Loddon Pipeline Steering Committee
7/10/16	Final day of the 2 week Wedderburn Shearing School with certificates presented to graduates
7/10/16	Attended as an invited guest a meeting of the Wedderburn Branch of the Liberal Party with special guest Damian Drum MP

**Cr McKinnon**

**North Central Goldfields Regional Library**

26/8/16: Strategic planning workshop and Board meeting.

**Section 86 Committees:** Dingee Progress Association, East Loddon Community Centre Committee of Management, Mitiamo Municipal Recreation Reserve Committee of Management, Pyramid Hill Memorial Hall Committee of Management, Pyramid Hill Swimming Pool Committee of Management, Serpentine Bowls and Tennis Pavilion and Reserve Committee of Management

<b>Nature Tourism Advisory Team</b>	
<b>Other Council activities</b>	
<b>DATE</b>	<b>Activity</b>
19/9/16	Community flood meeting in Bridgewater
21/9/16	Progress Association meeting in Pyramid Hill with Phil Pinyon as guest speaker
26/9/16	Attended Loddon Valley Water Services Committee meeting in Pyramid Hill and met the new GMW Chair.
	Council end of term dinner at the Eucy Museum in Inglewood
27/9/16	Council Forum in Wedderburn
30/9/16	Attended 'Friends of Terrick Terrick open weekend' opening evening at the park
3/10/16	Community flood update meeting IN Bridgewater
5/10/16	Attended Minister Allan's funding announcement at Dingee station for refurbishment into a library facility, along with Crs Beattie and Condliffe. This event was well attended by the Dingee community, along with Victrack staff and Goldfiels Library staff.
10/10/16	Fiesta meeting – with only 11 days to go, plans are falling into place. New pathways are planned for Kelly Park this week so we will be hoping for dry weather to allow works to finish before the event.
11/10/16	Council meeting in Wedderburn, and this evening I will be attending the Pyramid Hill hall committee meeting.

**MOTION**

**Moved: Cr Curnow**

**Seconded: Cr Condliffe**

That Council receive and note the Councillors' Report.

**Carried**

**4. DECISION REPORTS**

**4.1 FINANCE REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 31 AUGUST 2016**

**SUMMARY**

This report provides Council with financial information for the period ending 31 August 2016.

Author	Deanne Caserta, Manager Financial Services
Council Plan ref:	Strategic enabler: Sound financial management protocols
File no:	08/06/001
Attachment:	Finance Report for Period Ending 31 August 2016

**RECOMMENDATION**

*That Council:*

1. *receives and notes the 'Finance report for the period ending 31 August 2016'*
2. *approves budget revisions included in the report for internal reporting purposes only*
3. *approves the supplementary valuations of rateable and non-rateable properties in respect of the 2016/17 financial year, as returned by the Shire Valuer, LG Valuations Pty Ltd, and endorses them being incorporated into the Register of Rateable and Non Rateable Properties and Rate Book for 2016/17.*

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

Are there any conflicts of interest for any council staff involved in writing this report, or involved in the subject matter of the report?

No

If yes, the following details identify the conflict of interest.

<b>Officer name</b>	<b>Nature of interest</b>	<b>Reason for conflict</b>
Click here to enter text.	Choose an item. If indirect, the type of indirect interest is: Choose an item.	[Explain the specific circumstances of this person's conflict of interest.]

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL DISCUSSION**

Council is provided with Finance Reports on a monthly basis with the exception of when changes to the Council meeting timetable resulted in the Council meeting occurring before the completion of the end of month finance procedures.

**BACKGROUND**

The Finance Report for the period ended 31 August 2016 includes standard monthly information about budget variations, cash, investments, interest, debtors and creditors, and provides a comparison of year-to-date actual results to year-to-date budget (by dollars and percentage) and total revised budget (by percentage).

The information is in the format provided in the 2016/17 Budget, and includes operating results, capital expenditure and funding sources.

This Finance Report also includes supplementary valuations. Each year Council makes a number of additions, subtractions and alterations to the valuations contained in the annual rate book.

These changes arise from various sources including:

- splitting of parcels into new rateable assessments
- development of vacant or unproductive land (urban and rural)
- consolidation of separate rateable assessments into one assessment
- re-assessment of property valuations arising from objections to the initial valuation
- additions and cancellations of licences (grazing and water frontages)
- change of use
- covenant on Title
- area amendment
- change of Australian Valuation Property Classification Code (AVPCC)
- supplementary valuation corrections.

### **ISSUES/DISCUSSION**

Budgeted Surplus - Council's budgeted cash surplus has increased by \$70K from \$412,254 to \$482,225. This can be largely attributed to an increase in operating revenue of \$68K as a result of increased funding from the Victoria Grants Commission, which has now been confirmed.

Income Statement (Revenue) - Council's year to date (YTD) operating revenue is at 99% compared to YTD budget. Just over \$12M was raised in August. HACC user fees are behind budget due to decreased demand. Health licence fees are ahead of budget. Reimbursements are behind budget. Interest income is ahead of budget.

Income Statement (Expenditure) - Council's operating expenditure is at 92% compared to YTD budget. Labour currently has \$151K in savings. Materials, services and contractors are behind budget due to timing of vehicle related purchases and major road maintenance. Utilities are behind budget due to varying bill cycles. Payments for this month totalled just over \$1.8M.

Capital Works - The revised budget for capital works is \$19.66M. Expenditure is at 65% or \$434K behind YTD budget and is 4% completed in financial terms. Council is currently working towards measuring % practical completion. Asset types with major variations (10% or \$10K) include roadworks which are behind budget and recreation, leisure and community facilities which are ahead of budget.

Balance Sheet - Council has a \$16.9M cash total with \$2M in general accounts. Debtors are nearly \$12M due to rates notices being issued of almost \$11M which includes 2016/17 fire services property levy charges. Sundry debtors total \$660K with outstanding for 60 or more days including community wellbeing debtors and local community groups totalling over \$70K.

Rates – There were 39 supplementary valuations resulting in a \$5M increase to the total Capital Improved Value (CIV).

### **COSTS/BENEFITS**

The benefit to Council and the community is that accurate and regular financial reporting is being disclosed, along with an accurate representation of property valuations being reflected in Council's rating system and the distribution of rate notices for the year 2016/17.

Provision of financial reports on at least a quarterly basis is a requirement of the Local Government Act.

### **RISK ANALYSIS**

The provision of regular and accurate finance reports to Council minimises the risk of Council not delivering projects within the approved budget. Council's risk exposure is also increased if the rating system does not reflect the valuation changes associated with supplementary valuations as Council will not be aware of the changes, which can alter the rate revenue in the current year and in future rating years.

### **CONSULTATION AND ENGAGEMENT**

There has been considerable consultation internally with respective managers in understanding their budget responsibilities and keeping within budgetary constraints.

Consultation with ratepayers and authorities that act on behalf of ratepayers occurs when a change to a property is required or occurs by virtue of a sale.

External engagement with the community was undertaken during the submission period of the budget, and regular reporting provides a mechanism of monitoring the financial outcomes of Council against that expectation.

**MOTION**

**Moved: Cr Condliffe**

**Seconded: Cr McKinnon**

That Council:

1. receives and notes the 'Finance report for the period ending 31 August 2016'
2. approves budget revisions included in the report for internal reporting purposes only
3. approves the supplementary valuations of rateable and non-rateable properties in respect of the 2016/17 financial year, as returned by the Shire Valuer, LG Valuations Pty Ltd, and endorses them being incorporated into the Register of Rateable and Non Rateable Properties and Rate Book for 2016/17.

**Carried**

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**4.2 ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2016**

**SUMMARY**

This report seeks Council's approval of the Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2016

Author	Sharon Morrison, Director Corporate Services
Council Plan ref:	Core business 8: Compliance
File no:	06/01/001
Attachment:	Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2016

**RECOMMENDATION**

*That Council:*

1. *approves the Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2016*
2. *circulate copies of the Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2016 to adjoining municipalities and other appropriate bodies*

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

Are there any conflicts of interest for any council staff involved in writing this report, or involved in the subject matter of the report?

Choose an item.

If yes, the following details identify the conflict of interest.

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**PREVIOUS COUNCIL DISCUSSION**

Nil

**BACKGROUND**

In accordance with Section 131 of the Local Government Act 1989 (Act), Council must prepare an Annual Report each financial year that includes a report of its operations, an audited Performance Statement, audited Financial Statements, a copy of the auditor's report on the performance statement, prepared under Section 132, a copy of the auditor's report on the financial statements under Part 3 of the Audit Act 1994, and any other matter required by the regulations.

Under Section 134 of the Act Council must consider the Annual Report at a meeting of the Council, as soon as practicable after the Annual Report has been sent to the Minister.

The Minister was provided with a copy of the Annual Report on 22 September 2016, in accordance with Section 133(1)(a) of the Act, which states that the Annual Report must be submitted to the Minister within 3 months of the end of each financial year.

**ISSUES/DISCUSSION**

Nil

**COSTS/BENEFITS**

Although it is a legislative requirement, preparation of the Annual Report provides Council with an opportunity to formally document the achievements of the financial year at an organisation level and by individual staff.

**RISK ANALYSIS**

Timely preparation and approval of the Annual Report ensures that Council complies with legislative requirements outlined in the Act.

**CONSULTATION AND ENGAGEMENT**

In accordance with Section 133(2) of the Act, public notice in the Loddon Times and Bendigo Advertiser has been given that the Annual Report has been prepared and is available for inspection at Council's offices in Wedderburn and Serpentine, and on Council's website.

**MOTION**

**Moved: Cr McKinnon**

**Seconded: Cr Holt**

That Council:

1. approves the Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2016
2. circulate copies of the Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2016 to adjoining municipalities and other appropriate bodies

**Carried**

**4.3 SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL**

**SUMMARY**

Report seeking approval of scheduling a special meeting of Council.

Author	Lynne Habner, A/Manager Executive and Commercial Services
Council Plan ref:	Core business 1: Leadership
File no:	02/01/002
Attachment:	Nil

**RECOMMENDATION**

*That Council schedule a special meeting on 11 November 2016 at 7pm for the purposes of councillors taking the Oath of Office, making a written declaration to abide by the Councillor Code of Conduct, electing the Mayor and election of councillors to committees.*

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

Are there any conflicts of interest for any council staff involved in writing this report, or involved in the subject matter of the report?

No
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If yes, the following details identify the conflict of interest.

Officer name	Nature of interest	Reason for conflict
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*[Refer to the Staff and Contractors Code of Conduct for definitions of conflict of interest.]*

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL DISCUSSION**

Council discussed the date for a special meeting at its September 2016 Council Forum.

**BACKGROUND**

Each year, there is a special meeting of Council held to elect the Mayor and decide on election of councillors to committees. In this general election year, the special meeting will also incorporate all councillors taking the Oath of Office and making a written declaration to abide by the Councillor Code of Conduct.

**ISSUES/DISCUSSION**

Recent changes to the Local Government Act mean that a special meeting must be scheduled either in advance by a resolution of Council prior to the election date, or by the Chief Executive Officer within 14 days of the declaration of the results of the election.

As the processes to be conducted at the special meeting must take place before elected councillors are capable of acting as councillors in accordance with the Local Government Act, it is important that the meeting take place as soon as possible, allowing for arrangements to be made, such as advertising the meeting, deciding its location, and event organisation.

Friday 11 November was considered to be a suitable date for the special meeting to be held for the purposes of councillors taking the Oath of Office, making a written declaration to abide by the Councillor Code of Conduct, electing the Mayor and election of councillors to committees.



**COSTS/BENEFITS**

There are costs associated with this recommendation related to venue hire and catering which can be accommodated within existing budget allocations.

**RISK ANALYSIS**

There are no significant risks identified with this recommendation.

**CONSULTATION AND ENGAGEMENT**

This matter was discussed by councillors and senior staff.

**MOTION**

**Moved: Cr Curnow**

**Seconded: Cr McKinnon**

That Council schedule a special meeting on 11 November 2016 at 7pm for the purposes of councillors taking the Oath of Office, making a written declaration to abide by the Councillor Code of Conduct, electing the Mayor and election of councillors to committees.

**Carried**

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**5. INFORMATION REPORTS**

**5.1 INWARDS CORRESPONDENCE**

**SUMMARY**

Relevant correspondence received by Council since previous meeting.

Author:	Phil Pinyon, Chief Executive Officer
Council Plan ref:	Strategic enabler: Transparent communication
File No:	various
Attachment:	Copies of inwards correspondence

**RECOMMENDATION**

*That Council receives and notes the Inwards Correspondence.*

<b>Date</b>	<b>From</b>	<b>Subject</b>
22/8/16	Municipal Association of Victoria	Fireplug Advocacy
24/8/16	Hon Lisa Neville MP Minister for Water Victoria State Government	Reticulated water and sewerage supply to Newbridge

**MOTION**

**Moved: Cr Curnow**

**Seconded: Cr Holt**

That Council receives and notes the Inwards Correspondence.

**Carried**

6. COMPLIANCE REPORTS

Nil

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## **7. GENERAL BUSINESS**

### **7.1 SOUTH WEST LODDON PIPELINE PROJECT**

Cr Holt raised the matter of the South West Loddon Pipeline Project and noted that issues will need to be addressed relating to the pricing structure for water to sports facilities and other grounds such as cemeteries, including delivery, service and usage fees.

He commented that Council may need to negotiate pricing for such facilities with GWM Water.

### **7.2 FLOOD INFRASTRUCTURE**

Cr Beattie noted that since 2011, it was identified that towns including Pyramid Hill, Boort and Serpentine required improved flood infrastructure, and the need for flood wardens was highlighted, which has not been implemented.

He commented that these actions need to be implemented as a matter of urgency to avoid inundation in the event of major floods.

Mr McLauchlan indicated that there was significant resistance to the implementation of flood wardens, and recommendations for flood observers were made instead. The SES has now agreed to establish observers within local communities.

The recently adopted Bridgewater flood study was invaluable for management of the September 2016 flood event within that community. Designs have been completed for flood levees in the townships of Boort (estimated \$1 million cost), Pyramid Hill (\$500,000), and Serpentine (\$400,000). Planning applications will now be lodged, and funding would then be sought. A natural disaster funding application will be made to secure funding for the construction of levees within those townships. Mr McLauchlan confirmed that Council will be required to contribute one third of the funding under this arrangement.

A formal report addressing this project will be presented to Council in December.

### **7.3 SUPPORT FOR FLOOD DAMAGE**

Cr McKinnon referred to discussions with community members from Durham Ox who have suffered severe crop damage, and are asking for support.

Wendy Gladman reported that regional teleconferences are being held to discuss damage resulting from floods, and a flood recovery action plan will be determined. Mrs Gladman confirmed that concerns for farmers suffering losses have been raised as a significant issue. Farmers will be contacted by the state government to assess the extent of losses, and further information will be provided once the damage has been estimated.

### **7.4 ROAD FUNDING**

Cr Curnow suggested that some of the proceeds from the sale of Port Melbourne should be allocated to road infrastructure, and that Council should try to do something for our communities and their roads. The CEO referred to Regional Partnerships Victoria and the discussions held by CEOs in the region who are advocating for health related infrastructure as a priority.

**8. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

Closing of Meeting to the Public

**RECOMMENDATION**

*That the meeting be closed to the public.*

**MOTION**

**Moved: Cr Curnow**

**Seconded: Cr Condliffe**

That the meeting be closed to the public at 4.31pm

**Carried**

**8.1 REVIEW OF ACTION SHEET**

**MOTION**

**Moved: Cr Condliffe**

**Seconded: Cr Curnow**

That Council receive and note the Action Sheet.

**Carried**

**MOTION**

**Moved: Cr Condliffe**

**Seconded: Cr Holt**

That the meeting be re-opened to the public at 4.33pm.

**Carried**

**NEXT MEETING**

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held on 22 November at Serpentine commencing at 3pm.

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 4.46pm.

Confirmed this.....day of..... 2016

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