

Minutes of the Shire of Tammin Ordinary Council meeting held at Council Chambers, 1 Donnan Street, Tammin, on Thursday, 19 June 2008.

1. DECLARATION OF OPENING/ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

Cr R Stokes declared the meeting open at 2.00pm following Cr B Stokes taking the Councillors oath before JM Packham JP.

2. RECORD OF ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES / LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Present

Cr R.J. Stokes	President (Presiding Person)
Cr K.L. Caffell	Deputy President
Cr M.D. Greenwood	Member
Cr S.J. Jefferies JP	Member
Cr B.F. Stokes	Member
Cr M.K. Wheeldon	Member

Mr M.G. Oliver	Chief Executive Officer
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Apologies

Nil

Leave of Absence

Nil

3. RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

Nil

4. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Nil

5. APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

6. DECLARATION OF MEMBER'S INTERESTS IN AGENDA ITEMS

6.1 Cr Caffell declared an interest in Item 11.1.

7. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

7.1 Ordinary Council Meeting Minutes – 15 May 2008

STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

Section 5.22(2) of the Local Government Act provides that minutes of all meeting to be kept and submitted to the next full Council meeting for confirmation.

MIN XXX/08 MOTION – Moved Cr Jefferies 2nd Cr Greenwood

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 15 May 2008 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED 6/0

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY PRESIDING PERSON WITHOUT DISCUSSION

Nil

9. PETITIONS/DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS/SUBMISSIONS

Nil

10. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES/COUNCILLORS

10.1 Granite Way Committee (ORG-16)

Meeting hosted by the Shire of Tammin on 14 May 2008 and attended by Cr Caffell (Chair) and the CEO.

The Committee has produced a list of granite sites in the four local government areas and has confirmed that Kokerbin Nature Reserve, Mt Stirling and Mt Caroline are to be developed and promoted. Working groups are underway to identify management and cultural issues.

The next meeting is in Quairading on 13 August 2008 which will be followed by a visit to the 3 sites. The CEO will not be available for the meeting.

10.2 Grants Expo 2008 (ORG-16)

Expo held in Merredin on 20 May 2008 and attended by Cr Caffell.

10.3 TALEC Committee (EDU-04)

Meeting held at TALEC on 26 May 2008. A copy of the minutes from the meeting have been provided to Councillors.

The Committee resolved that TALEC seek to utilise the programmed \$15,000 from Alcoa to celebrate it's past achievements and thank it's past supporters to mark its closure and has recommended that:

- expressions of interest be sought Nation wide for the future use options of the TALEC facility.
- a letter be sent to past clients of TALEC detailing the planned closure and that the letter include the details of the expressions of interest advertisement.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the TALEC Committee meeting held on 26 May 2008 be received and that the recommendations be adopted.

Simple Majority Required

MIN 94/08 MOTION – Moved Cr Greenwood 2nd Cr Caffell

That the minutes of the TALEC Committee meeting held on 26 May 2008 be received and that:

- *expressions of interest be sought Nation wide via a commercial business broker for the future use options of the TALEC facility; and*
- *a letter be sent to past clients of TALEC detailing the planned closure and that the letter include the details of the expressions of interest advertisement.*

CARRIED 6/0

10.4 Great Eastern Country Zone WALGA (ORG-02)

Teleconference meeting held on 29 May 2008 with Crs Caffell and Wheeldon together with the CEO participating.

Comment

Whilst there wasn't any direct interest items, input was given to a proposal to encourage the amalgamation of small holdings, library stock takes and water efficiency plans.

The next meeting is a joint zone meeting on 1 August 2008 (during the Local Government Convention) with the next Ordinary meeting on 25 September 2008 (Traying).

10.5 Properties Inspection

Held on 4 June 2008. Notes from the Inspection are attached.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

That provision be included in the draft 2008/09 Budget to:

- 1.1 Develop a BMX track on the old tennis courts area north of existing courts. (ASS-1065) and that support be sought from Rod Thornton regarding the design.
- 3.5 Repaint the outside of the Shire Office building (ASS-1063).
- 4.6 Explore options for the foyer/entrance floor and repair in the Town Hall (ASS-1063).
- 4.6 Paint out the ladies toilet, gents toilet in the Town Hall (ASS-1063).
- 4.6 Fix major floor board warping in the Town Hall (ASS-1063).
- 4.6 Install painted wall panels on lower section of the Town Hall walls (ASS-1063).
- 4.6 Fix brickwork at back corner of stage (squirt in liquid non-shrinking cement and monitor) in the Town Hall (ASS-1063).
- 4.6 Repair/replace exterior doors in the Town Hall (ASS-1063).
- 4.6 Repaint the Lesser Hall walls above dado (after removal of TALEC material) (ASS-1063).
- 4.7 Convert Seniors Room into Archive in the Town Hall (ASS-1063).
- 4.8 Organise South Tammin Catchment Group/TALCE room
- 4.9 Lesser Hall –clean carpets
- 5.2 Replace cyclone fencing mesh across front of Memorial Park (ASS-1063).
- 5.8 Provide playground equipment options for smaller children.
- 6.1 Relocate southern fence in Kadjininy Kep (ASS-1063).
- 6.2 Construct loading ramp in Kadjininy Kep (ASS-1063).
- 6.3 Complete pathways in Kadjininy Kep (ASS-1063).
- 6.4 Complete lawn area (western side) in Kadjininy Kep (ASS-1063).
- 6.5 Curb lawn areas in Kadjininy Kep (ASS-1063).
- 6.6 Hard pan areas (western side) in Kadjininy Kep (ASS-1063).
- 6.7 Garden bed west of entrance path in Kadjininy Kep (ASS-1063).
- 6.8 Excise land from FESA in Kadjininy Kep (ASS-1063).
- 6.9 Construct changerooms – design required in Kadjininy Kep (ASS-1063).
- 6.11 Repaint steelwork on internal fencing in Kadjininy Kep (ASS-1063).
- 7.1 Install carpark lighting in the railway reserve (RES-29291).
- 7.2 Replace signage (district and town) on Tourist Information Bay, preserving ceramic tiles in the railway reserve (RES-29291).
- 7.3 Repaint Tourist Information Bay structure in the railway reserve (RES-29291).
- 9.1 Repaint front exterior of the Coinda Centre (ASS-1061).
- 12.1 Repaint interior of 4 Russell St (ASS-1078).
- 12.2 Install window locks 4 Russell St (ASS-1078)
- 12.3 Replace bathroom shower screen, bath, hand basin, bathroom door 4 Russell St (ASS-1078).
- 20.1 Tile ablutions and shower cubicle in the Depot (ASS-1073).
- 20.2 Extend water connection in the Depot (ASS-1073).
- 20.3 Install air connection in the Depot (ASS-1073).
- 22.1 Increase radius of roads within Tamma Village to allow truck movement (ASS-1093).
- 23.1 Upgrade kitchen power board at Donnan Park (ASS-1076).
- 23.5 Replace carpets in kitchen at Donnan Park (ASS-1076) – seek support from the Tammin Football Club funds.
- 23.7 Erect new covered area between Donnan Park kitchen and grandstand including hard sealed floor, wind protection and built in BBQ (ASS-1076).
- 23.12 Upgrade Donnan Park Pavilion airconditioner – seek support from the Tammin Football Club funds (ASS-1076).
- 25.2 Enclose yard (fill in underneath house) at 45 Draper St (ASS-1050)
- 34.3 Install second culvert section in drain to dam under Donnan Park west gate.
- 34.8 Upgrade intersection to remove puddle and failing road corner of Walston St and McLaren St.

Simple Majority Required

MIN 95/08 MOTION – Moved Cr Wheeldon 2nd Cr Caffell

That the Staff Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED 6/0

That a plaque be erected on Bernice Repton's tree in Memorial Park (ASS-1063) with the wording *Planted by Mrs Bernice Repton in July 2006 on her 100th birthday and made Freeman of the Shire of Tammin.*

Absolute Majority Required

MIN 96/08 MOTION – Moved Cr Greenwood 2nd Cr Jefferies

That the Staff Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 6/0

10.6 Tammin Primary School – Student Visit (EDU-00)

On 5 June 2008 17 students from the Tammin Primary School with teacher Jason Grosser visited the Council Chamber to learn about local government. Crs R Stokes, Caffell, Jefferies and Wheeldon together with the CEO provided guidance. Using the proposal of the skateboard track / BMX track a student Council meeting was held with the outcome that the BMX track was recommended but not the skateboard track.

Cr R Stokes presented the children on behalf of the Tammin Primary School with a copy of the Shire's history book – *Wheat Wool and Wodjil.*

MIN 97/08 MOTION – Moved Cr Wheeldon 2nd Cr Caffell

That Cr R Stokes's actions in presenting the Tammin Primary School with the book be endorsed.

CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 6/0

10.7 Planning Success Strategic Business and Project Planning Workshop (ADM-44)

Held in Cunderdin by the ACC on 6 June 2008 and attended by Crs Caffell, Wheeldon and Jefferies.

Comment

Some consideration needs to be given to the Shire of Tammin's strategic direction.

The Shire of Tammin's 5 Year Strategic Plan expired in 2006.

10.8 WE-ROC Executive Meeting (ORG-15)

Held in Bruce Rock on 10 June 2008 and attended by the CEO.

A presentation by Graham Lantzke on the WAAMI program was made. Issues discussed relevant to Tammin were:

- WAMMI/asset management
- WE-ROC is for operational issues or projects whilst WALGA Great Eastern Zone is for political issues.
- WEB sites
- Messages on hold service
- Regional partnership style funding

The Shire of Tammin's motion to debate the future ramifications should the SSS report get up, resulted in a resolution that member Councils would prefer to continue independently as the first choice, to work with immediate neighbours as the second choice and to work with a regional council based on WE-ROC as the third choice.

11. AGENDA ITEMS

Cr Caffell declared an interest in Item 11.1 and left the Chamber at 2.55pm.

11.1 Cr Caffell – Travel Claim

Author – MG Oliver, CEO, 21 May 2008 Interest – Nil

BACKGROUND

In the absence of the CDO, Cr Caffell attended the Grants Expo 2008 Roadshow in Merredin on 20 May 2008.

COMMENT

Registration costs have been reimbursed.

It is considered appropriate that Cr Caffell be paid the travel allowance to attend.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Provision was included in the 2007/08 Budget – Account E131085 for CDO travel.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FUTURE PLAN IMPLICATIONS

Nil

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

Nil

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That Cr Caffell be paid the travel allowance to attend the Roadshow in Merredin on 20 May 2008.

Simple Majority Required

MIN 98/08 MOTION – Moved Cr Wheeldon seconded Cr B Stokes

That the Staff Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED 5/0

Cr Caffell entered the Chamber at 2.57pm.

11.2 Telstra – Information Bay Payphone – (ORG-19)

Author – MG Oliver, CEO, 26 May 2008 Interest – Nil

PREVIOUS REFERENCE

Item 11.9 – 20 September 2007 refers.

BACKGROUND

Telstra has advised that following the feedback to the removal of the Payphone it has completed a review of that decision. The outcome of the review has validated the earlier study.

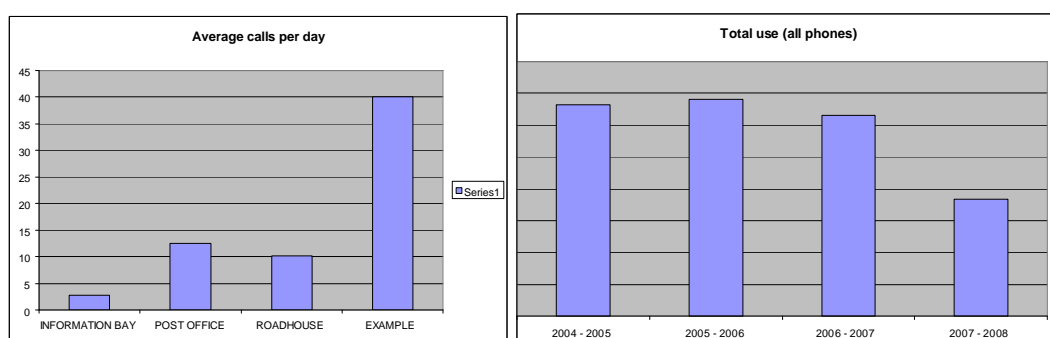
To assist the Shire of Tammin to understand the factors that have led to this position it has provided some call statistics to demonstrate the reduction in overall call volumes. This reduction is in part due to the high penetration of mobile technologies. The call data supplied includes all types of calls, charged and free. A well patronised service would normally be used to make 40 or more calls per day on average, over the past 6 months the

combined average has been approximately 25 calls per day. The overall performance of the phones over the past 4 years shows a sudden decline in traffic during the past 12 months.

Recent experience has shown that the majority of areas have seen declines of about 10% per year and therefore corresponding reductions have been made to reflect this, however in the case of Tammin the seems to have held off until the last 12 months.

The service that remains at the Post Office has been identified to cover the USO (universal service obligation), the other service at the roadhouse is provided purely on a commercial basis and as such is subject to a commercial arrangement between Telstra and the owner/operator of that site.

In the event that Council remains concerned that the removal of this payphone facility will result in Telstra not meeting its Universal Service Obligation, Council may refer the matter to the industry regulator - the Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA).



COMMENT

In September 2007 Council was advised of a proposal to remove the Payphone located at the Information Bay in Donnan Street. Council resolved to object to Telstra’s proposed removal of the Information Bay Payphone.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FUTURE PLAN IMPLICATIONS

Nil

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

Nil

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That Telstra’s advice be received.

Simple Majority Required

MIN 99/08 MOTION – Moved Cr Greenwood 2nd Cr Wheeldon

That the Staff Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED 6/0

11.3 Town Planning Scheme Interpretation (TPLAN-03)

Author – MG Oliver, CEO, 27 May 2008 Interest – Nil

BACKGROUND

Concern has been raised by a Councillor regarding a rumoured proposal to construct multiple dwellings on a rural location.

COMMENT

Many town Planning Schemes have clauses similar to *that no more than one dwelling shall be granted planning consent on any Lot in the "Rural" Zone*. No such clause exists in the Shire of Tammin Town Planning Scheme No 1.

Under the Scheme, a *Single House* development is a permitted use in the *Rural* zone whilst a *Grouped Dwelling* is a SA use (use is not permitted unless the Council has granted planning approval after giving notice).

There are already examples of multiple dwellings on a single lot / location in the Shire of Tammin.

If Council wishes to pursue this issue, professional advice should be sought on the interpretation of the Scheme.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Unknown. No provision was included in the 2007/08 Budget for town planning advice (Account E102105).

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FUTURE PLAN IMPLICATIONS

Nil

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

Nil

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That Council provide direction.

Simple Majority Required

MIN 100/08 MOTION – Moved Cr Jefferies 2nd Cr B Stokes

That the information be received.

CARRIED 6/0

11.4 Lots 12 & 19 Donnan St - Sale (ASS-1062)

Author – MG Oliver, CEO, 27 May 2008 Interest – Nil

PREVIOUS REFERENCES

Items 11.14 – 21 February 2008 & 11.8 – 17 April 2008 refer.

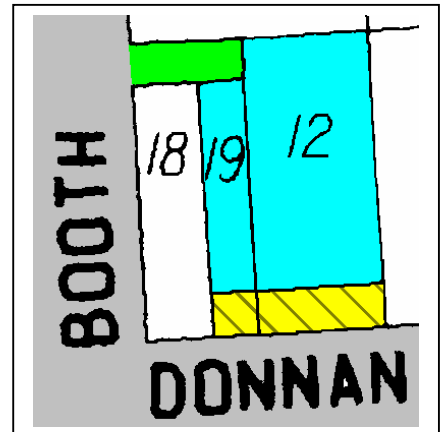
BACKGROUND

In February 2008 in responding to an offer to purchase lots 12 & 19 Donnan Street, Council resolved that:

1. a market valuation be obtained; and

2. the land be offered for private sale at the market valuation price subject to:
 - the purchaser being responsible for payment of the costs involved in the legal protection of Frearson Park (solicitor preparation and lodging);
 - the purchaser being responsible for the maintenance of the fence at the rear of Frearson Park;
 - the water supply (meter) to Frearson Park be restricted to Frearson Park and that the service be paid for by the Shire of Tammin; and
 - the necessary statutory requirements being complied with.

A market value of \$11,020 (inc GST) was obtained at a cost of \$550 (plus GST).



Subsequently, Council resolved in April 2008 that the proposal for the sale of lots 12 & 19 proceed on the basis of the market valuation (\$11,020) subject to:

- the purchaser being responsible for payment of the costs involved in the legal protection of Frearson Park (solicitor preparation and lodging) with Cr Greenwood to source advice on behalf of the Shire of Tammin;
- the purchaser being responsible for the maintenance of the fence at the rear of Frearson Park;
- the water supply (meter) to Frearson Park be restricted to Frearson Park and that the service be paid for by the Shire of Tammin;
- the necessary statutory requirements being complied with; and
- the purchaser being responsible for the statutory advertising of the sale;

provided no submissions are received from the public advertising and that the CEO be instructed take the necessary administrative action required.

Cr Greenwood has advised that the vehicle to protect Council's interest as recommended by 3 different settlement agents, was a *Caveat* and *Notification on Title*.

COMMENT

The word caveat means beware, and the lodging of a caveat over a property is a way telling anyone who wants to deal with the property to be aware of the fact that someone else's interest already has priority. In other words, a caveat is a written warning to anyone who checks the Certificate of Title of the property that the person who lodged the caveat (known as the "caveator") has an interest in it. The Registrar of Titles cannot deal with the property without first notifying the caveator.

The *Transfer of Land Act* provides the mechanism for a *Notification on the Title*.

It would seem from reading the details of these two devices that there is a process missing – a lease would seem to be required which sets out the terms of the Shire of Tammin's interest.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

Section 70A of the *Transfer of Land Act 1893* (Record on title of factors affecting use and enjoyment of land) provides:

- (1) Where, in relation to land under the operation of this Act —
 - (a) the local government of the district in which the land is situated; or
 - (b) a public authority,

considers it desirable that proprietors or prospective proprietors of the land be made aware of a factor affecting the use or enjoyment of the land or part of the land, the local government or the public authority may, on payment of the prescribed fee, cause a notification of the factor to be prepared in an approved form and lodged with the Registrar.

- (2) Where —
 - (a) a notification is lodged under subsection (1); and
 - (b) the written consent of the proprietor of the land accompanies the notification,
 - (c) the Registrar shall endorse the certificate of title for the land to that effect.
- (3) The local government or the public authority which lodged the notification under subsection (1) and the proprietor of the land for the time being may, at any time after the notification has been lodged, on payment of the prescribed fee and in an approved form, request the Registrar to remove the notification from the certificate of title for the land or modify the notification.
- (4) Without limiting subsection (2), the Registrar shall endorse certificates of title with such information about notifications and their modification or removal, and in such manner, as the Registrar thinks fit.

FUTURE PLAN IMPLICATIONS

Nil

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

Nil

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That Council confirm it is satisfied with the legal protection provided by a caveat and notification on the title.

Simple Majority Required

MIN 101/08 MOTION – Moved Cr Jefferies 2nd Cr Stokes

That Mr Frith be advised that Council is not prepared to sell the land due to the concern regarding the protection of Frearson Park however is keen to negotiate a lease of the land.

CARRIED 5/1

11.5 Postcards

Author – MG Oliver, CEO, 27 May 2008 Interest – Nil

BACKGROUND

Council resolved in May 2008 that 500 postcards be purchased and that they be offered for resale to the Tammin Post Office and the Tammin Roadhouse.

COMMENT

Two alternative designs have been provided.

Which ever is selected, the wording should say *Tammin WA* and there should be wording on the rear to describe the location of the photos.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

Nil



FUTURE PLAN IMPLICATIONS

Nil

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

Nil

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That Council provide direction on the design.

Simple Majority Required

MIN 102/08 MOTION – Moved Cr Wheeldon 2nd Cr Greenwood

That:

- *the first design (1 picture only) be accepted;*
- *the words "Tammin WA" be over printed on the front;*
- *the watermark on the reverse be the Silos;*
- *details of the two photos be given on the reverse.*

CARRIED 6/0

11.6 Committees & Representatives

Author – MG Oliver, CEO, 4 June 2008 Interest – Nil

PREVIOUS REFERENCE

Items 12.1 – 15 November 2007 and 11.6 – 17 April 2008 refers.

BACKGROUND

Cr Bernard Stokes was declared elected on 3 June 2008. With a full compliment of Councillors back, Council may wish to again consider delegates and representatives.

The following delegates and representatives were appointed in November 2007 for the two years until the next ordinary election and adjusted (following Cr Leslie's resignation) in April 2008.

Council Committees

- TALEC Crs R Stokes & Caffell, General Deputy Cr Jefferies
- Audit Committee Crs R Stokes, Greenwood & Jefferies

Community Committees

- Kellerberrin Regional Road Sub Group Cr R Stokes, General Deputy Cr Greenwood
- Central Wheatbelt Enterprise Centre Cr Stephen Jefferies
- WALGA Great Eastern Zone Crs Caffell & Wheeldon, General Deputy Cr R Stokes
- Senior Citizens Management Committee Cr Wheeldon
- Tammin Landcare Committee Cr Greenwood
- Golden Pipeline Planning Advisory Group Cr Jefferies, General Deputy Cr Wheeldon
- Tidy Towns Committee Crs Wheeldon & Jefferies
- Town Beautification Committee Crs Wheeldon & Jefferies
- WE-ROC Council Crs Caffell & R Stokes, General Deputy Cr Jefferies
- Be-Active Committee Cr R Stokes & C Crane
- Wheatbelt Sports Council Cr R Stokes
- Granite Way Committee Cr Wheeldon

COMMENT

It is also appropriate that Mrs Crane be replaced on the Be-Active Committee.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

No provision in the 2007/08 Budget for the cost of advertising and, if necessary, Poll.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

Section 5.8 of the Local Government Act provides that a local government may establish (by absolute majority) committees of 3 or more persons to assist the Council and to exercise the powers and discharge the duties of the local government that can be delegated to committees.

Section 5.9 provides that:

- (1) In this section —
“other person” means a person who is not a council member or an employee.
- (2) A committee is to comprise —
 - (a) council members only;
 - (b) council members and employees;
 - (c) council members, employees and other persons;
 - (d) council members and other persons;
 - (e) employees and other persons; or
 - (f) other persons only.

Section 5.10 provides that:

- (1) A committee is to have as its members —
 - (a) persons appointed (by absolute majority) by the local government to be members of the committee (other than those referred to in paragraph (b)); and
 - (b) persons who are appointed to be members of the committee under subsection (4) or (5).
- (2) At any given time each council member is entitled to be a member of at least one committee referred to in section 5.9(2)(a) or (b) and if a council member nominates himself or herself to be a member of such a committee or committees, the local government is to include that council member in the persons appointed under subsection (1)(a) to at least one of those committees as the local government decides.
- (3) Section 52 of the Interpretation Act 1984 applies to appointments of committee members other than those appointed under subsection (4) or (5) but any power exercised under section 52(1) of that Act can only be exercised on the decision of an absolute majority of the local government.
- (4) If at a meeting of the council a local government is to make an appointment to a committee that has or could have a council member as a member and the President informs the local government of his or her wish to be a member of the committee, the local government is to appoint the President to be a member of the committee.
- (5) If at a meeting of the council a local government is to make an appointment to a committee that has or will have an employee as a member and the CEO informs the local government of his or her wish —
 - (a) to be a member of the committee; or
 - (b) that a representative of the CEO be a member of the committee,the local government is to appoint the CEO or the CEO’s representative, as the case may be, to be a member of the committee.

Section 5.11 provides that:

- (1) Where a person is appointed as a member of a committee under section 5.10(4) or (5), the person’s membership of the committee continues until —
 - (a) the person no longer holds the office by virtue of which the person became a member, or is no longer the CEO, or the CEO’s representative, as the case may be;
 - (b) the person resigns from membership of the committee;
 - (c) the committee is disbanded; or
 - (d) the next ordinary elections day,whichever happens first.

- (2) Where a person is appointed as a member of a committee other than under section 5.10(4) or (5), the person's membership of the committee continues until —
- the term of the person's appointment as a committee member expires;
 - the local government removes the person from the office of committee member or the office of committee member otherwise becomes vacant;
 - the committee is disbanded; or
 - the next ordinary elections day, whichever happens first.

FUTURE PLAN IMPLICATIONS

Nil

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

Nil

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That Council consider it's delegates and representatives.

Simple Majority Required

MIN 103 /08 MOTION – Moved Cr Jefferies 2nd Cr Caffell

That:

- *Crs B Stokes and deputy R Stokes be the delegates to the Wheatbelt Sports Council;*
- *Crs M Wheeldon and deputy B Stokes be the delegates to the Granite Way Committee;*
and
- *Cr R Stokes and Mrs J Oliver be the delegates to the Be-Active Committee.*

CARRIED 6/0

11.7 Building Control (ADM-52 & BUILD-03)

Author – MG Oliver, CEO, 9 June 2008 Interest – Nil

PREVIOUS REFERENCE

Item 11.5 – 17 April 2008 refers.

BACKGROUND

As part of the consideration of the Policy on sea containers, Council resolved in April 2008 to request the Department of Local Government and Regional Development (DLGRG) to gazette building control for Class 1 buildings for the whole of the Shire of Tammin.

COMMENT

Currently, building control for Class 1-10 and Part 10 swimming pools exists in the Tammin townsite only (Section 4 and Schedule 1 of the *Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1960* Part XV (Exclusion) Order 2002 – *Government Gazette* 5 April 2002 and *Building Regulations 1989* Schedule 2).

DLGRG has advised that the building control function has been transferred to the Department of Housing and Works, Building Codes and Regulation Branch.

The Department of Housing and Works has indicated that, due to the structure of the *Building Regulations 1989*, to extend control for Class 1 buildings to the whole of the Shire of Tammin, Classes 2-9 will also need to be included. Class 10 buildings and Part 10 (swimming pools) can be excluded.

Whilst Classes 2-9 were not part of the original decision, it is considered that these should also be under building control for the whole of the Shire of Tammin.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

The *Building Code of Australia* Volume 1 Part A3 (A3.2) provides the classification of buildings and structures as follows:

Class 1 – one or more buildings which in association constitute—

(a) **Class 1a** — a single dwelling being—

(i) a detached house; or

(ii) one of a group of two or more attached dwellings, each being a building, separated by a *fire-resisting* wall, including a row house, terrace house, town house or villa unit; or

(b) **Class 1b** — a boarding house, guest house, hostel or the like-

(i) with a total area of all floors not exceeding 300 m² measured over the enclosing walls of the Class 1b; and

(ii) in which not more than 12 persons would ordinarily be resident,

which is not located above or below another dwelling or another Class of building other than a *private garage*.

Class 2 — a building containing 2 or more *sole-occupancy units* each being a separate dwelling.

Class 3 — a residential building, other than a building of Class 1 or 2, which is a common place of long term or transient living for a number of unrelated persons, including—

(a) a boarding-house, guest house, hostel, lodging-house or backpackers accommodation; or

or

(b) a residential part of a hotel or motel; or

(c) a residential part of a *school*; or

(d) accommodation for the aged, children or people with disabilities; or

(e) a residential part of a *health-care building* which accommodates members of staff; or

(f) a residential part of a *detention centre*.

Class 4 — a dwelling in a building that is Class 5, 6, 7, 8 or 9 if it is the only dwelling in the building.

Class 5 — an office building used for professional or commercial purposes, excluding buildings of Class 6, 7, 8 or 9.

Class 6 — a shop or other building for the sale of goods by retail or the supply of services direct to the public, including—

(a) an eating room, cafe, restaurant, milk or soft-drink bar; or

(b) a dining room, bar, shop or kiosk part of a hotel or motel; or

(c) a hairdresser's or barber's shop, public laundry, or undertaker's establishment; or

(d) market or sale room, showroom, or service station.

Class 7 — a building which is—

(a) **Class 7a** — a *carpark*; or

(b) **Class 7b** — for storage, or display of goods or produce for sale by wholesale.

Class 8 — a laboratory, or a building in which a handicraft or process for the production, assembling, altering, repairing, packing, finishing, or cleaning of goods or produce is carried on for trade, sale, or gain.

Class 9 — a building of a public nature—

- (a) **Class 9a** — a *health-care building*, including those parts of the building set aside as a laboratory; or
- (b) **Class 9b** — an *assembly building*, including a trade workshop, laboratory or the like in a primary or secondary *school*, but excluding any other parts of the building that are of another Class; or
- (c) **Class 9c** — an *aged care building*.

Class 10 — a non-habitable building or structure—

- (a) **Class 10a** — a non-habitable building being a *private garage*, carport, shed, or the like; or
- (b) **Class 10b** — a structure being a fence, mast, antenna, retaining or free-standing wall, *swimming pool*, or the like.

Part 10 of the *Building Regulations 1989* provides specific requirements for swimming pools relating to such items as enclosures, doors and gates, inspection fees and infringements.

FUTURE PLAN IMPLICATIONS

Nil

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

Nil

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Department of Housing and Works be requested to extend building control for Class 1-9 buildings (excluding Class 10 buildings and Part 10 swimming pools) to the whole of the Shire of Tammin.

Simple Majority Required

MIN 104 /08 MOTION – Moved Cr Jefferies 2nd Cr Caffell

That the Staff Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED 6/0

11.8 Tammin Primary School Year 4-7 Students (ADM-11)

Author – MG Oliver, CEO, 11 June 2008 Interest – Nil

BACKGROUND

Correspondence seeking the cost of the hire of the Tammin Town Hall (and youth centre equipment) to be used as a fund raising event for the school camp in Geraldton, to be donated.

At the planned games night, it is planned to sell cool drinks and chips. Parental supervision will be involved.

COMMENT

The Hall hire charge (local people/organisations without liquor) is \$100 together with a \$300 refundable bond.

There does not appear to be a Policy or a precedent for this request.

Rather than donate the Hall hire costs (and it's associated precedent) it may be more appropriate to donate an equivalent or similar amount (in a similar fashion to the donation towards the junior cricket team to Country week).

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There is no provision for the request in the 2007/08 Budget – provision for Council's decision to be included in the draft 2008/09 Budget.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FUTURE PLAN IMPLICATIONS

Nil

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

Nil

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Tammin Primary School Year 4 – 7 be advised that whilst the request to donate the Hall hire costs are declined, a donation of \$100 will be made to assist and encourage the students in their school camp trip and that provision be included in the draft 2008/09 Budget.

Simple Majority Required

MIN 105 /08 MOTION – Moved Cr Caffell 2nd Cr B Stokes

That the Staff Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED 6/0

11.9 Financial Report (FIN-05)

Author – JS Oliver, CEO, 9 June 2008 Interest – Nil

BACKGROUND

The Financial Report for 2007/08 to 31 May 2008 is attached.

COMMENT

The Financial Report has been prepared in the format requested by Council however for the first time, includes a *Statement of Financial Activity* (page 20).

The effect of the Council's Policy decision on reporting variances is shown in the far right column – being the calculated variance between the Actual Column and the YTD Budget column figures.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

No significant implications.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Council resolved (Item 11.8 – 23 August 2007) that in accordance with section 34(5) of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 a variance percentage of 10% or \$5,000 be adopted for reporting material variances.

STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

Regulation 34 of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations* requires a Statement of Financial Activity to be prepared each month which is to contain the following details:

- (a) annual budget estimates;
- (b) budget estimates to the end of the month;
- (c) actual amount of expenditure and revenue;
- (d) material variances between comparable amounts in (b) and (c) above; and
- (e) the net current assets at the end of the month to which the statement relates (i.e. surplus / (deficit) position).

The Statement is to be accompanied by:

- (a) explanation of the composition of net current assets, less committed assets and restricted assets;
- (b) explanation of the material variances; and
- (c) such other information considered relevant by the local government.

FUTURE PLAN IMPLICATIONS

Nil

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

Nil

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the Financial Report for May 2008 be received.

Simple Majority Required

MIN 106 /08 MOTION – Moved Cr Caffell 2nd Cr Wheeldon

That the Staff Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED 6/0

11.10 List Of Accounts Paid (FIN-05)

Author – Laurise Winterswyk, Administration Officer, 11 June 2008 Interest – Nil

BACKGROUND

Accounts paid and for payment for May 2008 are listed totalling:

Municipal Fund	numbers 1690 – 1766	\$147,699.35
Trust Fund	numbers 884 – 886	\$8,891.78

COMMENT

No abnormal expenditure has occurred.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

Regulation 13 of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations* provides that:

- (1) If the local government has delegated to the CEO the exercise of its power to make payments from the municipal fund or the trust fund, a list of accounts paid by the CEO is to be prepared each month showing for each account paid since the last such list was prepared —
 - (a) the payee's name;
 - (b) the amount of the payment;
 - (c) the date of the payment; and
 - (d) sufficient information to identify the transaction.
- (2) A list of accounts for approval to be paid is to be prepared each month showing —
 - (a) for each account which requires council authorisation in that month —
 - (i) the payee's name;
 - (ii) the amount of the payment; and
 - (iii) sufficient information to identify the transaction;and
 - (b) the date of the meeting of the Council to which the list is to be presented.
- (3) A list prepared under subregulation (1) or (2) is to be —
 - (a) presented to the Council at the next ordinary meeting of the council after the list is prepared; and

(b) recorded in the minutes of that meeting.

FUTURE PLAN IMPLICATIONS

Nil

COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

Nil

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

That the list of accounts for May 2008 be endorsed.

Simple Majority Required

MIN 107 /08 MOTION – Moved Cr Caffell 2nd Cr B Stokes

That the Staff Recommendation be adopted.

CARRIED 6/0

12. ELECTED MEMBERS MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

13. NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE INTRODUCED BY DECISION OF MEETING

14. CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting 4.15 pm.

Tabled before the Ordinary Council meeting on 16 July 2008.

Cr R.J. Stokes, Chairman

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IB 1 Status Report

The following is an update on items considered relevant to Council either in progress or completed. Those items marked with an asterisk (*) are new for this month.

	Council Resolution	Officer	Action
	Consolidated Emergency Services Building Item 11.2.2 – 7 December 2005 That the Shire of Tammin proceed to acquire 15m of the rear of the lot for the Consolidated Emergency Services building lot for amalgamation into the Hydrology Model land for the purposes of change rooms and infrastructure for the model.	CEO	FM Surveys Northam quoted \$6,150 (November 2005) and have been requested to prepare the necessary documentation for the acquisition. Application has been made to DLI.
	Storage & Catchment Dams Item 11.6 – 20 April 2006 That the gravel bund at the corner of Shields Street and Station Road be replaced with a concrete wall with an emergency removable section.	CEO	
	Kadjininy Kep Item 11.14 – 20 April 2006 That a non-return valve be sourced and fitted to the stage area water trough.	CEO	
	Properties Inspection Item 11.18 – 20 April 2006 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Locate memorabilia or small cardboard buildings for historic photo cabinet. Seek advice from Ron York regarding displaying the existing photos.• Prepare septic and storm water drainage plans for the Office and Hall.• Repair broken window on north east corner of Hall stage.• Prepare electrical diagram, including WIN re-broadcast equipment.• That RCD protection be installed on the Town Hall kitchen and Lesser Hall sub-boards.	CEO	Office septic plan completed, Hall system has not been researched. Job issued to Warner Hutchinson to fix window frame before new glass fitted. Electrical diagram has been put on hold pending the replacement of the Hall power board. Order for the RCD protection has been issued to Peter Mitchell.
	Roads Inspection Item – 20 April 2006 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• that improvements be made to the fencing to seal the dam spillways, noting the issue of debris blocking any serious water movements• that pedestrian ramps (concrete slab) over curb be provided at the intersection of Ridley & Redmond Streets (south west corner).		Barry Leslie requested.

	<p>Municipal Inventory, Statements & Plans Item 11.13 – 21 June 2006 That the CEO research and complete/update draft plans when time permits for Council's consideration.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Municipal Inventory • Equal Employment Management Plan • Health & Safety Plan • Severance & Redundancy Plan • Gratuity Plan • Future Plan • Strategic Plan • Review of Wards & Representation 	CEO	
	<p>Tammin Town Hall Item 11.25 – 15 February 2007 That two ventilation shafts be installed on the southern end of the main hall area to extract under floor air.</p>	CEO	Keith Johnson requested to install the ventilation shafts.
	<p>Roads Inspection Item 10.7.6 – 19 April 2007 That the hole in the culvert on Yorkrakine Rd be filled with concrete and that the section of road be lifted using fill from the windrows immediately to the south of the culvert.</p> <p>Item 10.7.13 – 19 April 2007 That Staff patch the joints in the widening on Goldfields Rd and also the surface damage.</p> <p>Item 10.7.14 – 19 April 2007 That the overgrowth on Harris Rd be cleared when time permits.</p> <p>Item 10.7.17 – 19 April 2007 That Staff clear the existing prunings and carry out further clearing to allow Mr Ralston to replace the section of fence. Note to keep the culvert clear and avoid the water pipe running through the culvert.</p> <p>Item 10.7.22 – 19 April 2007 That a crossover be installed into the School vehicle gate off Booth Street and a footpath crossover in Ridley St across Redmond St (both sides) to allow gopher on the footpath.</p>	<p>Works Supervisor</p> <p>Works Supervisor</p> <p>Works Supervisor</p> <p>Works Supervisor</p> <p>Works Supervisor</p>	Barry Leslie requested.

	<p>Properties Inspection Item 10.3 – 17 May 2007</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Re-nail timber slat in lesser hall ceiling and also in kitchen. • Replace missing tiles in Donnan Park umpires room. • Replace broken floodlight (250W/500W) in Donnan Park carpark (protect with mesh). • Track down wording for Heritage Park plaque never installed (Joan Button). • Install saddles on reticulation wiring in TALEC west accommodation wing. 	CEO	<p>Job issued to Warner Hutchinson.</p> <p>Job issued to Peter Mitchell.</p> <p>Wording of other plaques has been provided by Joan Button.</p>
	<p>House Inspections Item 10.3 – 17 May 2007</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 Old Yorkrakine Rd - Timber skirting fallen off eaves. • 11 Nottage Way - Smoke alarm required. • 9 Nottage Way - Smoke alarm required. • 22 Ridley Street - Paving of path to clothes to be installed. • 45 Draper Street – complete fencing/gates. 	CEO	<p>Order issued, work partially completed.</p>
	<p>Equipment Hire Item 11.9 – 18 July 2007</p> <p>That Staff provide details of items of equipment that should not be available for hire together with items of equipment that are available for hire but are currently not on the fees and charges list for further consideration by Council.</p>	CEO	
	<p>Outstanding Projects Item 12.1.3 – 21 December 2007</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kadjininy Kep completion. • Dam completion – plan to stabilise inlet to catchment dam and plan to transfer of water to storage dam are required. Headwall (with relief gate) to be installed across the creek on the corner of Station Rd and Shields Street. Northern section of the drain (between the Donnan Park gate and the dam) requires widening. Consideration of the width of the drain at the crossover into Donnan Park has been mentioned. Provision of a security flap across the drain in the fence still to be completed. 		<p>The outstanding realignment of the southern fence (between Memorial Park and Kadjininy Kep is preventing the commencement of the pathways, hard pan area, additional lawns and kerbing and new garden beds (see July 2006 design) <i>With Landgate.</i></p>

*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Donnan Street off street parking – power supply to be resolved. • Building maintenance program – program to consider heavy maintenance and improvements to the Shire’s buildings. • Rubbish collection contract – the contract with Avon Waste expired in June 2007. It is proposed to call tenders in conjunction with the Shires of Kellerberrin and Cunderdin. • 4 Old Yorkrakine Rd – bathroom refit. • Tamma Village – Unit 1 bathroom. • Painting – 4 Old Yorkrakine Rd interior 	<p>Job issued to Peter Mitchell.</p> <p>Currently out to tender.</p> <p>Tiler to be sourced.</p> <p>Tiler to be sourced.</p>
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IB 2 Insurance (ADM-34)

On 9 May 2008 a review of the Shire of Tammin’s insurance was carried out with Local Government Insurance Services for the 2008/09 year.

Class of Insurance	Currently Held	Details
Airport Owners & Operators Liability	No	For licensed airports
Bushfire Personal Injury	No	For bush fire brigades
Casual Hirers Liability	No	For individual hirers of Shire premises (other than Clubs)
Contract Works	No	For construction works over \$500,000
Councillors & Officers Liability	Yes	Indemnifies Shire of Tammin for Councillor and staff acts and omissions.
Councillors and Officers - Employment Practices Liability Extension	Yes	
Employee Income Protection	No	Provides 24 cover for Staff for loss of income if unable to work.
Fidelity Guarantee	Yes	Indemnifies Shire of Tammin against embezzlement.
Journey Injury	Yes	Provides accident cover for non-union Staff travelling to and from work.
Local Government Business Practices Protection	No	Indemnifies Shire of Tammin against actions by agencies such as Worksafe, DEC and Heritage Council
Local Government Pollution Legal Liability	No	Relates to hazardous waste
Marine Hull / Pleasurecraft	No	For boats
Motor Vehicle	Yes	Covers vehicles for market value.
Personal Accident & Travel	Yes	Councillors and staff whilst engaged in council activities. Quote to upgrade sought.
Salary Continuance	Yes	Provides payment of salary for external replacement for CEO if unable to work due to illness.
Transit	Yes	Covers goods in transit.
Municipal Property Scheme	Yes	Covers buildings, electronic equipment and multiple risks for replacement value.
Municipal Liability Scheme	Yes	Provides public liability and professional indemnity cover.

IB 3 WALGA – Issues Update No 18.08 (OLGOV-11)

Correspondence providing an update on issues including:

- State Budget Ignores Infrastructure Backlog
- WALGA AGM 2008 – Submissions of Motions and Voting Registration
- State Black Spot Program Review
- Improved Parking for People with Disabilities
- Local Government Road Safety Awards
- Pandemic Planning Workshops
- Understanding Local Government and Natural Resource Management
- Training Update

IB 4 WALGA – State Speed Compliance Survey (OLGOV-06)

Correspondence forwarding the results of the speed survey by Main Roads WA at 200 sites and of 2 million vehicles.

IB 5 DEC – Dust Guidelines (ENVH-52)

Correspondence forwarding details of a draft dust management document and inviting comment by 30 June 2008.

IB 6 WALGA – Issues Update No 19.08 (OLGOV-11)

Correspondence providing an update on issues including:

- Federal Budget Summary – Significant Outcomes for Sector
- Your Advantage Brochure
- Telecommunications Contract
- Software Licensing
- Energy Procurement
- ATSB Safety Bulletin – Level Crossings
- Asset and Expenditure Report 2006/07
- WALGA AGM 2008 – Submissions of Motions and Voting Registration
- Training Update
- Pandemic Planning Workshops

IB 6 WALGA – Membership (OLGOV-03)

Correspondence providing a forecast subscription (ex-GST) amount for 2008/09 as follows:

	2008/09	2007/08
• Association membership	\$4,545	\$4,300
• Tax service	\$990	\$880
• Workplace solutions	\$1,371	\$1,200
• Information & Communications (WEB site & on-line services)	\$6,110	\$3,600
• ROMAN license fees	\$740	\$700

IB 7 Greening Australia – native Seed Collection (AGR-13)

Correspondence seeking permission to collect native seed from reserves vested in the Shire of Tammin.

Comment

Using delegated authority, the CEO has granted permission for 12 months to 30 June 2009 subject to:

- all persons collecting native seed are Greening Australia WA Staff members who are licensed according to the Wildlife Conservation Act and abide by the license conditions.
- the consent is for a 12 month period to 30 June 2009.
- appropriate hygiene measures will be followed at all times to prevent the spread of plant disease and weeds.
- all care will be taken to minimise the disturbance of fauna habitat and soil degradation.

IB 8 WALGA – Heavy Vehicle License Fees (ENG-17)

Correspondence providing details of the Heavy Vehicle Charging Determinations endorsed by State Transport Ministers in February 2008 and their implications for Local Government.

The National Transport Commission (NTC) was established to assist Australian governments improve transport productivity, efficiency, safety and environmental performance and regulatory efficiency in a uniform or nationally consistent manner. The NTC was directed by the Australian Transport Council (ATC) to update heavy vehicle charges after the Productivity Commission's Road & Rail Freight Infrastructure Pricing Inquiry (2007) concluded that: "*Substantial increases in road investment in the past couple of years make it likely that heavy vehicle charges would have to rise to maintain cost recovery.*"

In April 2007, the Council of Australia Governments' (COAG) endorsed the new heavy vehicle charges review as the first 'building block' of broader road pricing reform to improve the link between road use and funding.

The National Transport Commission (NTC) determined that, heavy vehicles, particularly bigger trucks, like B-doubles, underpay their cost of using the roads. The NTC estimated that the marginal cost of road use by B-doubles is under-recovered by \$16,000 pa based on the current fuel charge. These bigger trucks are currently cross-subsidized by smaller trucks. The number of B-doubles has increased nationally by 267% since 2000, and they have greater access to the road network. B-doubles have benefited from higher road spending.

For cost recovery, big trucks face registration fee increases phased-in over three years. Registration charges for smaller vehicles will decrease. The fuel (road user) charge will increase by 1.367 cents per Litre. The NTC argue that Governments have little incentive to further extend the B-double network if they don't pay their way, hence the need for change. The new heavy vehicle charges will impact Local Government via higher local road revenue through increased vehicle licensing fees – 27% of these funds flow to Local Government through the State Road Funds to Local Government Agreement.

Table One illustrates the changes in registration charges for WA, across different heavy vehicle classes. The NTC have estimated that the recommended registration charges will lead to increases in the total revenue for WA generated by registration charges for specific vehicle classes. The NTC predicted that when fully implemented in 2009/10, WA will receive a 9.2% increase in revenue compared with 2007/08. DPI anticipates that the new fee structure will be presented to State Government Executive and published in the Government Gazette on or about 23 May. These will be introduced by DPI as of 1 July 2008. At this stage WALGA does not have individual registration fees for each vehicle class.

Table 1. WA Revenue from Registration Charges (\$000)

Vehicle Class	Current 2007/08 Revenue	Proposed revenue after full implementation 2009/10	Change in revenue 2009/10 compared to 2007/08
Rigid Trucks	27,765	26,422	-4.8
Articulated Trucks	25,435	25,564	0.5%
B-Doubles	5,231	10,257	96.1%
Road Trains	23,818	28,256	18.6%
Special Purpose Trucks	1,605	1,681	4.7%
Buses	2,315	1,933	-16.5%
Total	86,169	94,113	9.2%

WA has a number of concessions for heavy vehicles registered by non-primary producers as shown in Table 2 and for primary producers as shown in Table 3.

Table 2. Non Primary Producer Registration Concessions

Concession type	General rate of concession
Interchangeable trailers - A rebate for goods carrying semi trailers where the number	75%
Trailers used outside the Southwest Land Division	50%
A 50% concession may be granted to a vehicle which is used during the currency of the licence SOLELY for the carriage of stock.	50%

Table 3. Primary producer heavy vehicle registration concessions

General rate of concession	Heavy vehicles which do not qualify for a concession
50% of all heavy vehicles plus up to one trailer.	All multiple trailer combinations after the first trailer

Other key issue for Local Government in relation to road charging, apart from knowing who is using the road network at what cost are:

- Low usage on some roads – revenue collected by Local Governments may not cover the costs on roads with low usage;
- Charging – ability of Local Government to charge by not having information on road usage;
- Revenue to road – how to direct revenue back to specific roads; and
- Addressing and funding public amenity around roads.

Solutions to these issues may include:

- Re-engineering accounting and engineering systems to determine road use type;
- Better support from Federal and State Governments;
- Re-examination of the grant system to ensure that Local Governments equitably share in revenue collected by other spheres of government;
- Pricing of and compensation for externality damage such as community and environmental impacts; and
- Development of Community Service Obligations funded by State and Federal Governments to enable local governments to maintain and renew roads with low usage, to ensure continued road access for properties and communities.

Main Roads WA is in the process of seeking amendments to the Main Roads Act which will provide them with the ability to consider road user charging.

A number of Local Governments, in particular those facing increased use of the local road network by heavy vehicles, have negotiated agreements with companies to compensate for this additional damage to their network. This is a form of road pricing. WALGA is currently undertaking a project to look at what legal instruments are being used by Local Government to obtain additional funds to compensate for road damage by different vehicle classes and will work to ensure that as road pricing reform develops that the regulatory instruments are in place to enable Local Government to charge.

The NTC believe that the broader road pricing reform aims to give price signals so that the true cost of using the road network is reflected in the taxes and charges by user groups. They believe that better pricing signals will encourage use of the right truck on the right road at the right price; and investment on the right roads in the right place at the right time. It is expected that higher charges fund the growing road building program, leading to less congestion, quicker trip times, improved road safety and reduced wear and tear on trucks. More efficient freight movements will put downward pressure on freight costs.

IB 9 WALGA – Library Stock Takes (ADM-40)

Correspondence advising of an agreed framework to account for missing stock which is shown in the Library Management System as being located in the local government libraries but can not be found. Essentially, the State Government will cover 80-85% of the cost with the local government covering the balance (around \$15 per item). The Agreement will extend to 30 June 2009.

Comment

The physical stock take of Tammin's books is scheduled to be completed in July 2008.

IB 10 DPI – Development Contributions (TPLAN-02)

Correspondence providing details of a draft State Planning Policy 3.6 Development Contributions for Infrastructure released for public comment. The policy addresses the need to develop a standardised system for applying development contributions for community infrastructure.

The draft policy sets out the principles and considerations that apply to development contributions for the provision of infrastructure in new and established urban areas, and the form, content and process to be followed.

Comments on the draft policy are invited by 16 July 2008.

IB 11 WALGA – Issues Update No 20.08 (OLGOV-11)

Correspondence providing an update on issues including:

- Working Group – Review of Legislation and Administration of Clearing of Native Vegetation
- VMware VDI Presentation
- Training Update
- Asset and Expenditure Report – Final Call
- WALGA Eco-News
- Towed Agricultural Implements Booklet
- Special Culture Grants for Regional Local Government
- National Local Roads and Transport Congress

IB 12 Archives Storage (ADM-50)

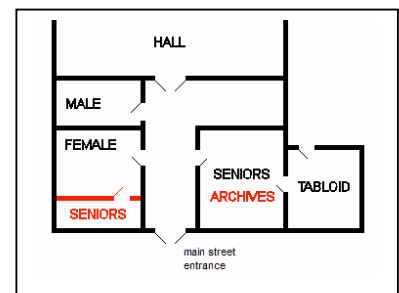
Item 11.3 – 20 March 2008 refers.

The Seniors Group has agreed to the proposal to relocate their costumes and props. A quote has been provided by Malcolm Alcock as follows:

- Replace and repaint ceiling in the current Seniors room (new Archives room) \$2,620
- Install new lined stud wall with door and paint \$2750

Comment

Provision will be included in the draft 2008/09 Budget.



IB 13 WALGA – Standing Down Provisions (ADM-41)

Correspondence providing details of proposals for standing down provisions to augment the Local Government (Rules of Conduct) Regulations by the Department of Local Government and Regional Development and inviting comment by 11 July 2008.

IB 14 WALGA – Bushfire Road Closures (ENG-18)

Correspondence providing details of road closure during bush fire guidelines (developed following the Boorabin fires) and inviting comment prior to 25 July 2008.

IB 15 WALGA – Issues Update No 21.08 (OLGOV-11)

Correspondence providing an update on issues including:

- WALGA AGM 2008 – Submissions of Motions and Voting Registration
- Local Government Priority/Problematic Waste Survey
- Inquiry into a New Regional Development Funding Program
- Energy Procurement
- WALGA Tax Service
- State Corridor Strategies Final Draft
- National Aviation Policy Statement
- \$1 Million in Heritage Grants Program

IB 16 Extra Ordinary Election (ELE-03)

At the close of nominations on 3 June 2008 (4pm) there was only 1 nomination to fill the extra ordinary vacancy. Accordingly, Bernard Francis Stokes was declared elected for the balance of the 4 year term concluding in 2011.

Comment

The election was conducted as an in-person election by the Shire of Tammin with the CEO acting as the Returning Officer.

IB 17 Staff

The CEO moved house on 5 June 2008 from 20 Ridley Street to 14 Russell Street.

On 9 June 2008 Elena Wong moved into 20 Ridley Street and commenced service on 11 June 2008 as Community Services Officer.

Myra Hand undertook Department of Planning and Infrastructure training for on-line licensing in Perth for the week commencing 9 June 2008.

IB 18 WALGA – Issues Update No 22.08 (OLGOV-11)

Correspondence providing an update on issues including:

- Roads and Transport Forum 2008 Speakers' Presentations
- Successful Crime Prevention Partnerships Seminar
- State Strategy Renewal – Office of Crime Prevention
- Workshop – improving outcomes of the Local Government /PATF Relationship
- Sport and Recreation Career Development Program
- Landgate's intent to combine interactive and document fees

IB 19 Works Supervisor's Report

Activities undertaken during the last month included:

Road Construction

- Waltham Road resheeting
- Turon Road – west of Bungulla North Rd) resheeting
- Yorkrakine Road floodway (at Lowles Rd intersection) resheeting

Road Maintenance Grading

- Golf Links Road
- Lowles Road
- Hocking Road
- Youering Road

Spraying

- Roadside verges
- Station Rd drain

Projects

- Commenced upgrade and replacing road signs
- Clearing of Station St drain
- Kadjininy Kep stage water lights rectified

Other

- Relocation and placement of school bus signs

Current Works

- Donnan Oval rehabilitation
- Russell St footpath