# **Shire of Tammin**

# **ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING**

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## **NOTICE OF MEETING**

Dear Elected Member

The next ordinary meeting of the Shire of Tammin will be held on *Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2025* at the Yorkrakine Hall in Yorkrakine, commencing at *6:00pm*.

Andrew Malone

**Chief Executive Officer** 

18<sup>th</sup> March 2025

## MISSION STATEMENT

"Together with the people of Tammin we will provide leadership, vision and progress to achieve sustainability and growth"

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## **AGENDA**

## 1. DECLARATION OF OPENING/ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

The Shire President will declare the meeting open at \_\_\_\_ pm.

## 2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO COUNTRY

We begin today by acknowledging the Ballardong Noongar People as traditional custodians of the land and skies on which we gather, and we pay our respects to their Elders, past, present and emerging.

## 3. PRESENT / IN ATTENDANCE / LEAVE OF ABSENCE PREVIOUSLY GRANTED / APOLOGIES

**Present:** President Charmaine Thomson

Deputy President Nicholls Cr Courtney Thomson

Cr Caffell Cr Leslie Cr Rogers

In Attendance: CEO Andrew Malone

Manager of Finance & Corporate Services Racheal King

Manager of Works and Services Bevan Klein

## Leave of Absence previously granted:

**Apologies:** 

# 4. RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

## 5. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

# 6. APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

#### 7. DECLARATION OF MEMBER'S INTERESTS IN AGENDA ITEMS

In accordance with section 5.65 of the Local Government Act 1995, the following disclosures of **financial** interest were made at the Council meeting.

Date Name		Item No	Reason

In accordance with section 5.65 of the Local Government Act 1995, the following disclosures of **Closely Associated Person and Impartiality** interest were made at the Council meeting.

Date	Date Name		Reason

In accordance with sections 5.60B and 5.65 of the Local Government Act 1995, the following disclosures of **Proximity** interest were made at the Council meeting.

Date	Name	Item No	Reason

## 8. DECLARATION OF RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURE IN AGENDA ITEMS

#### 9. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

## 9.1 Ordinary Council Meeting Minutes – 26 February 2025

## **Officers Recommendation**

That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 26 February 2025 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

Moved: Cr Seconded: Cr

Vote: Simple Majority Carried/Lost:

## 9.2 Audit & Risk Committee Meeting Minutes – 18 March 2025

# **Officers Recommendation**

That the minutes of the Audit & Risk Committee Meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> March 2025 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

Moved: Cr Seconded: Cr

Vote: Simple Majority Carried/Lost:

- 10. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY PRESIDING PERSON WITHOUT DISCUSSION
- 11. PETITIONS/DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS/SUBMISSIONS

## 12. MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION – FINANCE

## 12.1 List of Payments for February 2025

Location:Shire of TamminApplicant:Finance OfficerDate:28/02/2025Author:Kelsey Pryer

**Item Approved by:** Chief Executive Officer

**Disclosure of Interest:**File Reference:
FIN05

Attachment/s: Attachment Item 12.1 – Payment Listing

Attachment Item 12.1 - Credit Card Statement and

Summary

Attachment Item 12.1 – Fuel allocation costs

## **Purpose of Report**

For Council to ratify the accounts paid under delegated authority.

## **Background**

The attached List of Accounts paid during the month of February 2025 totaling \$245,804.80 by way of:

Cheque numbers	01/02/2025- 28/02/2025	Nil
Direct debit payments	01/02/2025- 28/02/2025	\$10,877.39
Licensing transfers	01/02/2025- 28/02/2025	\$6,278.45
Bank fees	01/02/2025- 28/02/2025	\$120.05
VISA payments	01/02/2025- 28/02/2025	\$3,738.30
EFT payments	EFT7500- EFT7546	\$166,144.52
Salaries and wages	01/02/2025- 28/02/2025	\$58,646.09
Total payments	01/02/2025- 28/02/2025	\$245,804.80

# The Shire of Tammin made the following significant expenditure during the month of December 2024:

Creditor	Description	Amount
Allwest Plant Hire Australia Pty Ltd	Hire of Padfoot Roller from 13/01/2025 to 31/01/2025	\$5,590.20
Youlie and Son Spreading Services	Contractor services: Hire of semi gravel truck, semi water cart & grader with operators for RRG Tammin York Rd project SLK 9.00- SLK10.24	\$51,532.26
D&A Plumbing and Gas	Plumbing contractor: Fixtures ordered, fit off vanity and waterline for basins, install pipe work for urinals and install shower waste, install toilets, wall hung vanity, shower head in toilet block and hook up water inlet, repair sewer that was broken, install mixers and floor waste at Donnan Park men's toilet refurbishment. Supply fixtures for Yorkrakine Hall toilets refurbishment.	\$24,199.75
Dun Direct - Dunnings	Bulk fuel for depot fuel tank, 4350 litres @ 1.82490	\$7,938.32
Luke Stephen Stewart	Supply and lay floor and wall tiles at Donnan Park men's toilets	\$10,879.00
Youlie and Son Spreading Services	Gravel resheet on Yorkrakine Rock Rd, hire of semi water tanker from 03/02/25- 08/02/25, hire of Mack PM02 and side tipper on 03/02/25- 07/02/25 for RRG Tammin York Rd and Goldfields Rd project.	\$24,502.50

# **Comment**

Nil

# **Financial Implications**

All liabilities have been settled in accordance with the Shire of Tammin 2024/2025 Operating Budget.

# <u>Risks</u>

Risk	Risk	Risk Impact /	Risk Rating	Principal Risk	Risk Action Plan
	Likelihood	Consequence	(Prior to	Theme	(Controls or
	(based on		Treatment or		Treatment
	history & with		Control)		proposed)
	existing				
	controls)				
Payments are	Unlikely (2)	Moderate (3)	Moderate (5-9)	COMPLIANCE	Manage by
made without				Minor regulatory	internal controls,
appropriate				or statutory	policies and
budget				impact	procedures
authority					
Accounting	Unlikely (2)	Extreme (5)	Moderate (5-9)	FINANCIAL	Manage by
Fraud				IMPACT \$50,000	internal controls,
				- \$250,000	

					policies and
					procedures
Delayed	Possible (3)	Moderate (3)	Moderate (5-9)	REPUTATIONAL	Manage by
Payments				Unsubstantiated,	internal policies
Leading to				low impact, low	and procedures
Penalties or				profile or 'now	
Loss of				news' item	
Supplier					
Relationships					

## **Risk Matrix**

Consequence		Insignificant	Minor	Moderate	Major	Extreme
Likelihood		1	2	3	4	5
Almost Certain	5	Moderate (5)	High (10)	High (15)	Extreme (20)	Extreme (25)
Likely	4	Low (4)	Moderate (8)	High (12)	High (16)	Extreme (20)
Possible	3	Low (3)	Moderate (6)	Moderate (9)	High (12)	High (15)
Unlikely	2	Low (2)	Low (4)	Moderate (6)	Moderate (8)	High (10)
Rare	1	Low (1)	Low (2)	Low (3)	Low (4)	Moderate (5)

A risk is often specified in terms of an event or circumstance and the consequences that may flow from it. An effect may be positive, negative or a deviation from the expected and may be related to the following objectives: occupational health and safety, financial, service interruption, compliance, reputation and environment. A risk matrix has been prepared and a risk rating is provided below. Any items with a risk rating over 16 will be added to the Risk Register, and any item with a risk rating over 16 will require a specific risk treatment plan to be developed.

## Risk Rating

Risk Rating	7
Does this item need to be added to the Town's Risk Register	No
Is a Risk Treatment Plan Required	No

## **Policy Implications**

Nil

## **Statutory Implications**

## Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996

## 11. Payment of accounts

(1) A local government is to develop procedures for the authorisation of, and the payment of, accounts to ensure that there is effective security for, and properly authorised use of —

- a) cheques, credit cards, computer encryption devices and passwords, purchasing cards and any other devices or methods by which goods, services, money or other benefits may be obtained; and
- b) Petty cash systems.
- (1) A local government is to develop procedures for the approval of accounts to ensure that before payment of an account a determination is made that the relevant debt was incurred by a person who was properly authorised to do so.
- (2) Payments made by a local government
  - a) Subject to sub-regulation (4), are not to be made in cash; and
  - b) Are to be made in a manner which allows identification of
    - (i) The method of payment;
    - (ii) The authority for the payment; and
    - (iii) The identity of the person who authorised the payment.
- (3) Nothing in sub-regulation (3) (a) prevents a local government from making payments in cash from a petty cash system.

[Regulation 11 amended in Gazette 31 Mar 2005 p. 1048.]

## 12. Payments from municipal fund or trust fund

- (1) A payment may only be made from the municipal fund or the trust fund
  - a) If the local government has delegated to the CEO the exercise of its power to make payments from those funds by the CEO; or
  - b) Otherwise, if the payment is authorised in advance by a resolution of the council.
- (2) The council must not authorise a payment from those funds until a list prepared under regulation 13(2) containing details of the accounts to be paid has been presented to the council.

[Regulation 12 inserted in Gazette 20 Jun 1997 p. 2838.]

## 13. Lists of accounts

- (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 sub-regulation (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.

## **Strategic Plan & Corporate Business Plan Implications**

#### <u>Civic Leadership Strategies</u>

Our Councillors and community leaders have vision, are accessible, act with transparency and integrity, and act in good faith on behalf of their constituents.

The following outcomes and strategies have been identified to achieve this vision.

Outcome 6.1 Strong governance and leadership, demonstrating fair and equitable community values

- 6.1.1 Deliver sustainable governance through transparent and robust policy and processes
- 6.1.2 Undertake the civic duties of Council with the highest degree of ethics

## Outcome 6.2 An efficient and effective organisation

- 6.2.1 Ensure sound long-term financial management and deliver value for money
- 6.2.2 Provide community leadership and lobby Federal and State Government to strengthen service provision within the Shire. Explore diverse income streams including grants

#### **Officers Recommendation**

That Council, pursuant to Regulation 13(1) of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations* 1996 receives the report from the Chief Executive Officer on the exercise of delegated authority in relation to payments made from municipal funds for the period 1 February 2025 to 28 February 2025 totaling \$245,804.80 as contained in attachments 12.1.

Municipal Fund payments totaling \$245,804.80 detailed:

Total payments	01/02/2025- 28/02/2025	\$245,804.80
Salaries and wages	01/02/2025- 28/02/2025	\$58,646.09
EFT payments	EFT7500- EFT7546	\$166,144.52
VISA payments	01/02/2025- 28/02/2025	\$3,738.30
Bank fees	01/02/2025- 28/02/2025	\$120.05
Licensing transfers	01/02/2025- 28/02/2025	\$6,278.45
Direct debit payments	01/02/2025- 28/02/2025	\$10,877.39
Cheque numbers	01/02/2025- 28/02/2025	Nil

Moved: Cr Seconded: Cr

Vote: Simple Majority Carried/Lost:

## 12.2 Financial Management Report for the month of February 2025

**Location:** Shire of Tammin

**Applicant:** Manager of Finance and Corporate Services

Date: 18 February 2025
Author: Racheal King

Item Approved by: Chief Executive Officer

Disclosure of Interest:

File Reference:

Nil

Attachment/s: Attachment Item 12.2 February 2025 Monthly

**Financial Report** 

#### **Purpose of Report**

For Council to receive the Monthly Financial Statement.

## **Background**

Enclosed is the Monthly Financial Report for the month of February 2025 inclusive of the Statement of Financial Activity, Current Ratios and Capital Expenditure Report.

#### Comment

Rates were issued on 20<sup>th</sup> August 2024 with payments due in full by 28 October 2024. As of 28 February 2025, 84.7% of rates have been received, with a number of rate payers selecting the installment option. Payment arrangements will be made for those requiring it.

# **Financial Implications**

There are currently no financial implications as income and expenditure is in accordance with Budget. Amendments will be made at Budget review in terms of Grant Income and Expenditure.

## <u>Risks</u>

Risk	Risk	Risk Impact /	Risk Rating	Principal Risk	Risk Action Plan
	Likelihood	Consequence	(Prior to	Theme	(Controls or
	(based on		Treatment or		Treatment
	history & with		Control)		proposed)
	existing				
	controls)				
Errors or	Possible (3)	Moderate (3)	Moderate (5-9)	COMPLIANCE	Manage by
inaccuracies in				Minor	following internal
financial				regulatory or	policies and
reports				statutory impact	procedures
Non-	Unlikely (2)	Major (4)	Moderate (5-9)	COMPLIANCE	Manage by
compliance				Some temporary	following internal
with financial				non-	policies and
reporting				compliances	procedures
standards					
System failure	Possible (3)	Moderate (3)	Moderate (5-9)	COMPLIANCE	Manage by
delaying				Some temporary	following internal
financial				non-	policies and
reporting				compliances	procedures
External audit	Unlikely (2)	Moderate (3)	Moderate (5-9)	COMPLIANCE	Manage by
findings				Some temporary	following internal
impacting				non-	policies and
future				compliances	procedures
reporting					

## Risk Matrix

Consequen	ice	Insignificant	Minor	Moderate	Major	Extreme	
Likelihood		1	2	3	4	5	
Almost Certain	5	Moderate (5)	High (10)	High (15)	Extreme (20)	Extreme (25)	
Likely	4	Low (4)	Moderate (8)	High (12)	High (16)	Extreme (20)	
Possible	3	Low (3)	Moderate (6)	Moderate (9)	High (12)	High (15)	
Unlikely	2	Low (2)	Low (4)	Moderate (6)	Moderate (8)	High (10)	
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### **Risk Rating**

Risk Rating	7
Does this item need to be added to the Town's Risk Register	No
Is a Risk Treatment Plan Required	No

#### **Statutory Implications**

#### Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996

## 34. Financial activity statement report — s. 6.4

(1A) In this regulation — **committed assets** means revenue unspent but set aside under the annual budget for a specific purpose.

- (1) A local government is to prepare each month a statement of financial activity reporting on the revenue and expenditure, as set out in the annual budget under regulation 22(1)(d), for that month in the following detail
  - a) annual budget estimates, taking into account any expenditure incurred for an additional purpose under section 6.8(1)(b) or (c);
  - b) budget estimates to the end of the month to which the statement relates;
  - c) actual amounts of expenditure, revenue and income to the end of the month to which the statement relates;
  - d) material variances between the comparable amounts referred to in paragraphs (b) and (c); and
  - e) the net current assets at the end of the month to which the statement relates.
- (2) Each statement of financial activity is to be accompanied by documents containing
  - a) an explanation of the composition of the net current assets of the month to which the statement relates, less committed assets and restricted assets;
  - b) an explanation of each of the material variances referred to in sub regulation (1)(d); and
  - c) such other supporting information as is considered relevant by the local government.
  - (3) The information in a statement of financial activity December be shown
    - a) according to nature and type classification; or
    - b) by program; or
    - c) by business unit.
  - (4) A statement of financial activity, and the accompanying documents referred to in sub regulation (2), are to be
    - a) presented at an ordinary meeting of the council within 2 months after the end of the month to which the statement relates; and
    - b) recorded in the minutes of the meeting at which it is presented.

Each financial year, a local government is to adopt a percentage or value, calculated in accordance with the AAS, to be used in statements of financial activity for reporting material variances.

## **Policy Implications**

Council resolved that in accordance with Regulation 34(5) of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996* a variance percentage of 10% or \$10,000, whichever is greater, be adopted for reporting material variances.

## **Strategic Plan & Corporate Business Plan Implications**

## **Civic Leadership Strategies**

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## **Officers Recommendation**

That Council, pursuant to the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996* adopt the Monthly Financial Report as contained in attachment 12.3 for the period ending 28 February 2025 comprising;

- a) Statement of Financial Activity
- b) Note 1 to Note 12

Moved: Cr Seconded: Cr

Vote: Simple Majority Carried/Lost:

#### 12.3 Mid-Year Budget Review 2024/25 Financial Year

**Location:** Shire of Tammin

**Applicant:** Manager of Finance and Corporate Services

Date: 18 March 2025
Author: Racheal King

**Item Approved by:** Chief Executive Officer

Disclosure of Interest:

File Reference:

Nil

Attachment/s: Attachment Item 12.3 – FY 2024-25 Mid-Year

**Budget Review** 

## **Proposal/ Summary**

The purpose of this report is for the Shire of Tammin to consider and adopt the Budget Review Report, as at 28 February 2025 with any amendments, for the financial Year 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025.

## **Background**

The Local Government Act provides for local governments, including regional local governments, to prepare an annual budget.

The Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 require local governments to undertake a review of the Annual Budget and forward a copy of the review and determination to the Department of Local Government, Sports and Culture.

A detailed analysis at account level incorporating year to date actual results and budget projections to 30 June 2025, as at 28 February 2025, is presented for consideration. Statements of Financial Activity at 28 February 2025 have been prepared to provide a summary of the budget review results, as well as a Statement of Closing Funds detailing a projected surplus as at 30 June 2025 of \$0.

#### **Comment**

The budget review has been prepared to include the information required by the *Local Government Act* 1995, the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations* 1996, and the Australian Accounting Standards. Council adopted a 10% minimum or \$10,000 for the reporting of material variances to be used in the statements of financial activity and the annual budget review.

The adopted budget contained an opening surplus of \$0, with a forecast closing position at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024 of \$0. Following completion of the annual financial audit of FY23/24 results, the actual opening surplus has been revised to \$2,247,901, an increase of \$2,247,901 in funds available.

Following review and taking into account all proposed budget amendments as detailed in the attached report, a closing balance of \$0 is predicted.

Review of capital expenditure requirements for the remainder of the 2024/25 Financial Year, carried out as part of the budget review process, has identified a requirement for the following proposed significant amendments to the capital expenditure budget:

# Note 5 CAPITAL ACQUISITIONS

Account Job	Account Description	Adopted Original Budget	Updated Budget Estimates	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	(Under)/Over	
	Land & Buildings						
113401 DPB14	Donnan Park - Mens Public Toilets (Plumbing and retiling)	50,000	50,000	33,328	36,762	(13,238)	
84402 TV001	Tamma Village - Outdoor Lighting Upgrade	30,100	30,100	30,100	17,061	(13,039)	
91403 14RU2	14 Russell St - Painting & Carpets Upgrade	25,000	25,000	25,000	21,788	(3,212)	
84402 TV002	Tamma Village - Fencing Upgrade	16,242	16,242	16,242	9,500	(6,742)	
	Potential property purchases	0	465,000	0	0	(465,000)	Funded by Reserves
		121,342	586,342	104,670	85,111	(501,231)	
	Furniture & Equipment						
0 MC1903	Recording Equipment for Council Meetings		0	0	1474.77	1,475	Journal to operational account
		0	0	0	1,475	1,475	
	Plant & Equipment						
1454010 ADVEH2	Purchase of CEO Vehicle 1TN	65,600	76,600	76,600	76,191	(409)	
1454000 ADVEH1	Purchase of TN2 Administration Vehicle	43,330	43,330	43,330	42,742	(588)	
1123400 PT015	Purchase of MWS Vehicle TN 1	59,850	59,850	59,850	53,301	(6,549)	
1123400 PT016	Tractor 'Loader Purchase TN 848	110,000	95,000	95,000	89,000	(6,000)	
1123400 PT017	Purchase of Heavy Duty Slasher	20,000	20,000	20,000	6,017	(13,983)	
1123400 PT018	urchase of Water Guerney	10,450	11,950	11,950	11,988	38	
1123400 PT019	Outdoor Pump	6,600	8,000	8,000	7,988	(12)	
123400 PT020	Fuel Tank & Installation	-	15,000	15,000	11,934	(3,066)	
		315,830	329,730	329,730	299,161	(30,569)	)
	Roads						
121401 RRG085	Southern Link Project		-		700	700	Journal to operational account
121401 RRG086	RRG Tammin York Rd SLK 9.00 - SLK10.24	390,501	447,501	298,336	275,920	(171,581)	
121401 RRG087	RRG Bungulla North Road - Final Seal	151,899	151,899	101,264	157,618	5,719	
121401 C0095	Quatermaine Road - Floodway	54,640	64,140	64,140	63,951	(189)	
121401 C0096	Yorkrakine East Road - Floodway	48,000	52,000	52,000	51,907	(93)	
121403 R2R	Road to Recovery TBA	186,770	186,770	-	-	(186,770)	Possibly Resheet Tammin South Rd
121411 LRI047	LRCI - Urban Reseals	123,468	123,468	123,468	118,939	(4,529)	
121411 LRI048	LRCI - Rural Reseals	181,100	256,600	256,600	256,374	(226)	Overspend
121411 LRI049	LRCI - Chappell Wheeldon Road - Floodway Extension	32,352	32,352	32,352	24,523	(7,829)	
0 LRI050	LRCI Chappell Wheeldon Road - Culvert & End Structures	22,425	22,425	14,944	19,708	(2,717)	
		1,191,155	1,337,155	943,104	969,640	(367,515)	
	Footpaths						
121407 FOOT04	Footpath renewal 24/25	22,855	26,355	26,355	26,076	(279)	
121407 FOOT	Foothpath Construction - General		-	-	145		Journal to operational account
		22,855	26,355	26,355	26,221	(134)	
	Other Infrastructure						townstan or one
PUMPT	Pump Track		-	-	(563)	,	Journal to operational account
132153 01004	Digital Scoreboard at Pavilion	15,000	15,000	-	-	(15,000)	
113401 DPB15	Donnan Park - Lighting Upgrade	80,000	80,000	-	-	(80,000)	
TVI01	Tamma Village Garden Reticulation	-	-	-	851		Journal to operational account
	Refurbish Existing Dam	0	150,000	0	0		\$100k funded DEWR
	Upgrade Electrical boards	0	85,000	0	0		Fully funded DEWR
	New Southern Dam	0	40,000	0	0	( , )	Fully funded DEWR
		95,000	370,000	0	288	(369,712)	
				0			

Further description of the budget adjustments proposed for the Shire's budgeted capital projects are as outlined in Note 5 of the Budget Review Report.

The 2024/25 Annual Budget Review, for the period 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025, is based on current trends, actual expenditures as at 28 February 2024 and anticipated additional revenue and expenditure.

#### Consultation

Chief Executive Officer
Manager of Works & Services
Megan Shirt – Local Government Financial Consultants (Accwest)

## **Policy Implications**

Nil

#### **Statutory Environment**

Local Government Act 1995

s6.2. Local government to prepare annual budget

(1) During the period from 1<sup>st</sup> June in a financial year to 31<sup>st</sup> August in the next financial year, or such extended time as the Minister allows, each local government is to prepare and adopt\*, in the form and manner prescribed, a budget for its municipal fund for the financial year ending on the 30<sup>th</sup> June next following that 31<sup>st</sup> August.

\*Absolute majority required.

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996, Regulation 33A

#### 33A. Review of Budget

- (1) Between 1<sup>st</sup> January and 31<sup>st</sup> March in each financial year a local government is to carry out a review of its annual budget for that year.
- (2A) The review of an annual budget for a financial year must
  - (a) consider the local government's financial performance in the period beginning on  $1^{st}$  July and ending no earlier than  $31^{st}$  December in that financial year; and
  - (b) consider the local government's financial position as at the date of the review; and
  - (c) review the outcomes for the end of that financial year that are forecast in the budget.
- (2) Within 30 days after a review of the annual budget of a local government is carried out it is to be submitted to the council.
- (3) A council is to consider a review submitted to it and is to determine\* whether or not to adopt the review, any parts of the review or any recommendations made in the review.
  - \*Absolute majority required
- (4) Within 30 days after a council has made a determination, a copy of the review and determination is to be provided to the Department.

## **Risk Implications**

Financial controls required to ensure sustainability of Shire operations and services to the community

## **Strategic Implications**

#### Infrastructure & Transport Strategies

Our local town, amenities and facilities will be maintained and enhanced, ensuring that our town is one that community loves to be in and is proud of.

The following outcomes and strategies have been identified to achieve this vision.

Outcome 5.1 A well-connected and serviced community accessible to all

5.1.1 Advocate for the needs of our residents for improved levels of health, water, energy, communications and transport infrastructure to be provided by State Government, to meet increasing demand and to support our growth as a community

#### Civic Leadership Strategies

Our Councillors and community leaders have vision, are accessible, act with transparency and integrity, and act in good faith on behalf of their constituents.

The following outcomes and strategies have been identified to achieve this vision.

Outcome 6.1 Strong governance and leadership, demonstrating fair and equitable community values

- 6.1.1 Deliver sustainable governance through transparent and robust policy and processes
- 6.1.2 Undertake the civic duties of Council with the highest degree of ethics

Outcome 6.2 An efficient and effective organisation

6.2.1 Ensure sound long-term financial management and deliver value for money

Officers Recommendation			
That Council:			
1. Adopt the 2024/25 Annual Budget Review, as presented in Attachment Item $12.3 - FY\ 2024/25$ Budget Review and notes that the estimated closing funds are based on current revenue and expenditure trends.			
2. Authorise the budget amendments as per the attachment to item 12.3 and as detailed in the agenda item report.			
3. Determine any changes it wishes to be made.			
Moved: Cr	Seconded: Cr		
Vote: Absolute Majority	Carried/Lost:/		

#### 13 MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION – ADMINISTRATION

#### 13.1 Compliance Audit Return - 2024

**Location:** Shire of Tammin

**Applicant:** Chief Executive Officer

Date: 19 March 2025 Author: Racheal King

**Item Approved by:** Chief Executive Officer

Disclosure of Interest: Nil
File Reference: Nil

Attachments: Attachment Item 13.1 - Compliance Audit Return 2024

## **Proposal/ Summary**

For The Council to review the 2024 Compliance Audit Return and recognise its adoption by the Audit & Risk Committee.

## **Background**

Each local government is to carry out a compliance audit (following the end of each calendar year) against the requirements included in the Department of Local Government, Sports & Cultural Industries Compliance Audit Return (CAR).

The Report is first to be presented to the Audit Committee for its consideration and direction to address any issues it may have.

In cases of non-compliance, additional information is required, explaining or qualifying the issues, together with explanation of what remedial action has been taken or proposed, with such information to be included in the Agenda item. Each Committee Member is to be provided the opportunity to review the completed Return and make comment.

The adoption of the Return is to be recorded in the minutes of the subsequent Council meeting.

The completed Return is to be submitted to the Department of Local Government by 31 March 2025.

### Comment

The Compliance Audit Return has been completed and is now presented to the Shire's Audit Committee in accordance with Regulations. No areas of non-compliance were identified in the 2024 return.

## Consultation

Chief Executive Officer

## **Policy Implications**

Nil

#### **Statutory Environment**

## Local Government Act -

s7.13(1)(i) provides that: Regulations may make provision –

- (i) Requiring local governments to carry out, in the prescribed manner and in a form approved by the Minister, an audit of compliance with such statutory requirements as are prescribed whether those requirements are
  - (i) Of a financial nature or not; or
  - (ii) Under this Act or another written law

## Local Government (Audit) Regulation 1996

Clause 14 provides that:

- (1) A local government is to carry out a compliance audit for the period 1 January to 31 December in each year.
- (2) After carrying out a compliance audit the local government is to prepare a compliance audit return in a form approved by the Minster.
- (3A) The local government's audit committee is to review the compliance audit return and is to report to the council the results of that review.
- (3) A compliance audit return is to be
  - (a) presented to the council at a meeting of the council;
  - (b) adopted by the council; and
  - (c) recorded in the minutes of the meeting at which it is adopted.

## **Strategic Implications**

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## **OFFICER RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Council, pursuant to Regulation 14 of the Local Government (Audit) Regulations 1996, accepts the Audit and Risk Committee's following recommendation:

- 1. Adopt the attached Compliance Audit Return 2024;
- 2. Authorise the Shire President and Chief Executive Officer to certify the Return; and,
- 3. Instruct the Chief Executive Officer to lodge the CAR 2024 with the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries.

Moved:	Seconded:
Vote: Absolute Majority	Carried/Lost:

14. MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION – BUILDING & HEALTH

Nil

15. MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION – TOWN PLANNING

Nil

16. ELECTED MEMBERS MOTIONS OF WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil

- 17. MATTERS FOR WHICH THE MEETING MAY BE CLOSED (S`5.23)
- 18. CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no further business the Shire President declared the meeting closed at \_\_\_\_pm