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LEAVE OF ABSENCE/APOLOGIES

Cr Piper has requested a leave of absence for this meeting.

ATTENDANCE OF COUNCILLORS BY AUDIO-VISUAL LINK

Councils Code of Meeting Practice permits Councillors to attend and participate in meetings of the council with the approval of the council or relevant committee.

Clauses 5.19 - 5.30 of the Code of Meeting Practice provides the parameters for eligibility and requirements for remote attendance.

WEBCASTING OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

Attendees of this meeting are reminded that:

- a) The meeting is being recorded and made publicly available on Council's website, and
- b) Persons attending the meeting should refrain from making any defamatory statements.

STATEMENT OF ETHICAL OBLIGATIONS

Councillors are reminded of the oath or affirmation of office they have taken under section 233A of the Act.

The governing body of a county council is responsible for managing the affairs of the county council. Each Councillor as a member of the governing body has a responsibility to make considered and well-informed decisions to ensure that the exercise of the functions of Goldenfields Water are performed to benefit the whole of the area of operations of Goldenfields Water.

In addition Councillors are reminded of their obligations under council's code of conduct to disclose and appropriately manage conflicts of interest.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

I would like to acknowledge the Wiradjuri people who are the Traditional Custodians of the Land. I would also like to pay respect to their people both past and present and extend that respect to other Aboriginal Australians who are present.

PRESENTATIONS

No presentations are scheduled for this meeting.

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Declaration of Interest

Councillors and senior staff are reminded of their obligation to declare their pecuniary interest in any matters listed before them.

Councillors may declare an interest at the commencement of the meeting, or alternatively at any time during the meeting should any issue progress or arise that would warrant a declaration.

Councillors must state their reasons in declaring any type of interest.

DECLARATION OF NON PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Declaration of non Pecuniary Interest

Councillors and senior staff are reminded of their obligation to declare their interest in any matters listed before them.

In considering your interest you are reminded to include non-pecuniary and conflicts of interest as well as any other interest you perceive or may be perceived of you.

Councillors may declare an interest at the commencement of the meeting, or alternatively at any time during the meeting should any issue progress or arise that would warrant a declaration.

Councillors must state their reasons in declaring any type of interest.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

It is recommended that the minutes of the meetings held 14 December 2023, 19 December 2023 and 22 January 2024 having been circulated to members be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

At the time of preparation of the business paper no business was arising from minutes.

CORRESPONDENCE

At the time of preparation of the business paper no relevant correspondence had been received for inclusion.

MATTERS OF URGENCY

In accordance with clause 9.3 of Councils Code of Meeting Practice, business may be transacted at a meeting without due notice only if:

- a) A motion is passed to have the business transacted at the meeting, and
- b) The business to be considered is ruled by the chairperson to be of great urgency on the grounds that it requires a decision by the council before the next scheduled ordinary meeting of the council.

NOTICES OF MOTION/RESCISSION MOTIONS

At the time of preparation of the Business Paper no Notices of Motion or Rescission Motions have been received.

CHAIRPERSONS MINUTE

At the time of preparation of the Business Paper the Chairperson had not issued a report for publication.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

In accordance with the Local Government Act 1993 and the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021, in the opinion of the General Manager the following business is of a kind as referred to in section 10A(2) of the Act and should be dealt with in part of the meeting closed to the media and public.

It is recommended that Council move into CONFIDENTIAL SESSION.

OURA RESERVOIRS AND AERATOR DESIGN & CONSTRUCT PROJECT UPDATE

*This report is **CONFIDENTIAL** in accordance with Section 10A(2)(d)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following:*

- a) Commercial information of a confidential matter that would, if disclosed: prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it*

NIMBY ROAD COMPULSORY ACQUISITION OF EASEMENT

*This report is **CONFIDENTIAL** in accordance with Section 10A(2)(c) of the Local Government Act 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following:*

Information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business

EXITING CONFIDENTIAL

There being no further confidential items it is recommended that Council revert back to Open Session and that the resolutions made in Confidential Session be made public.

The General Manager is to read out any resolutions made in Confidential Session.

GOLDENFIELDS WATER COUNTY COUNCIL – FEBRUARY 2024

COUNCIL CASH AND INVESTMENTS

Report prepared by Corporate Services Manager

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the report detailing Council Cash and Investments as at 31 December 2023 be received and noted.

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

09 Financially Sustainable

BACKGROUND

A report on Council's Investments is required to be presented for Council's consideration in accordance with Clause 212 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005.

REPORT

Council's cash and investment portfolio decreased by \$1,760,572.17 from \$32,834,434.78 as at 30 November 2023 to \$31,073,862.61 as at 31 December 2023.

Cash and Investment Portfolio

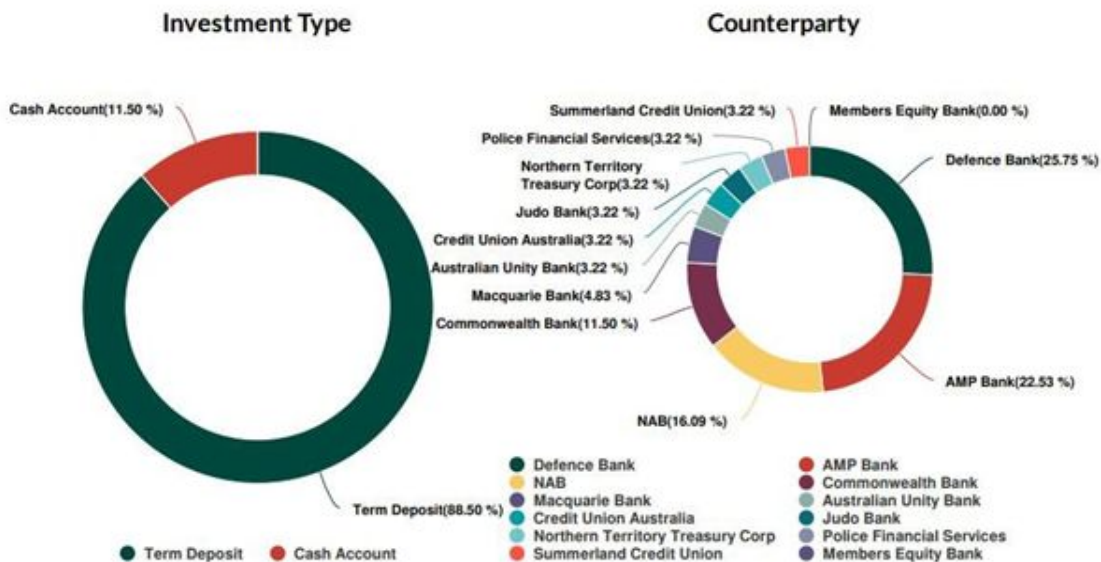
Type	LT Rating	ST Rating	Issuer	Frequency	Purchase	Maturity	Days	Rate	Bmark	Principal
TD	BBB	A-2	Defence Bank	At maturity	16/02/2023	16/02/2024	365	5.00%	4.36%	\$3,000,000
TD	AA-	A-1+	NAB	Annually	24/02/2023	26/02/2024	367	4.98%	4.36%	\$1,000,000
TD	A+	A-1	Macquarie Bank	At maturity	5/04/2023	3/04/2024	364	4.55%	4.36%	\$1,500,000
TD	BBB	A-2	Credit Union Australia	Annually	31/01/2023	17/04/2024	442	4.67%	4.36%	\$1,000,000
TD	BBB+	A-2	Australian Unity Bank	Annually	9/02/2023	9/05/2024	455	4.80%	4.36%	\$1,000,000
TD	AA-	A-1+	NAB	At maturity	26/06/2023	25/06/2024	365	5.48%	4.36%	\$1,000,000
TD	BBB-	A-3	Judo Bank	Annually	24/01/2023	25/07/2024	548	4.45%	4.36%	\$1,000,000
TD	AA-	A-1+	NAB	Annually	24/02/2023	16/08/2024	539	4.95%	4.36%	\$2,000,000
TD	BBB	A-2	AMP Bank	Annually	2/08/2023	4/09/2024	399	5.45%	4.36%	\$2,000,000
TD	BBB	A-2	AMP Bank	Annually	15/03/2023	19/09/2024	554	4.80%	4.36%	\$1,000,000
TD	BBB	A-2	Defence Bank	Annually	1/12/2023	29/11/2024	364	5.50%	4.36%	\$4,000,000
TD	NR	NR	NT Treasury Corp	Annually	28/09/2020	15/12/2024	1539	1.10%	4.36%	\$1,000,000
TD	BBB	A-2	AMP Bank	Annually	12/01/2023	13/01/2025	732	4.55%	4.36%	\$2,000,000
TD	AA-	A-1+	NAB	Annually	24/02/2023	24/02/2025	731	4.93%	4.36%	\$1,000,000
TD	BBB	A-2	AMP Bank	Annually	1/09/2023	4/03/2025	550	5.05%	4.36%	\$2,000,000
TD	BBB	A-2	Police Financial Svcs	Annually	1/03/2023	13/03/2025	743	5.15%	4.36%	\$1,000,000
TD	BBB	A-2	Defence Bank Summerland	Annually	8/03/2023	27/03/2025	750	4.90%	4.36%	\$1,000,000
TD	NR	NR	CU	Annually	22/03/2023	8/05/2025	778	4.80%	4.36%	\$1,000,000
CASH	AA-	A-1+	Commonwealth Bank	At Call Account		1/01/2024	1	4.35%	4.35%	\$2,262,823.22
CASH	AA-	A-1+	Commonwealth Bank	Cash Account		1/01/2024	1	1.00%	1.00%	\$1,311,039.39
TOTAL:										\$31,073,863

Reports to the Goldenfields Water Council meeting to be held on 22 February 2024

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Cash and Investment Portfolio

The graphs indicate Council’s Investment Type - cash percentages compared to term deposits, and investments and Counterparty investment percentages for each financial institution.



Portfolio Performance

Goldenfields Water County Council’s investment portfolio weighted average interest for December 2023 was 4.65%. Performance indicators for comparison are:

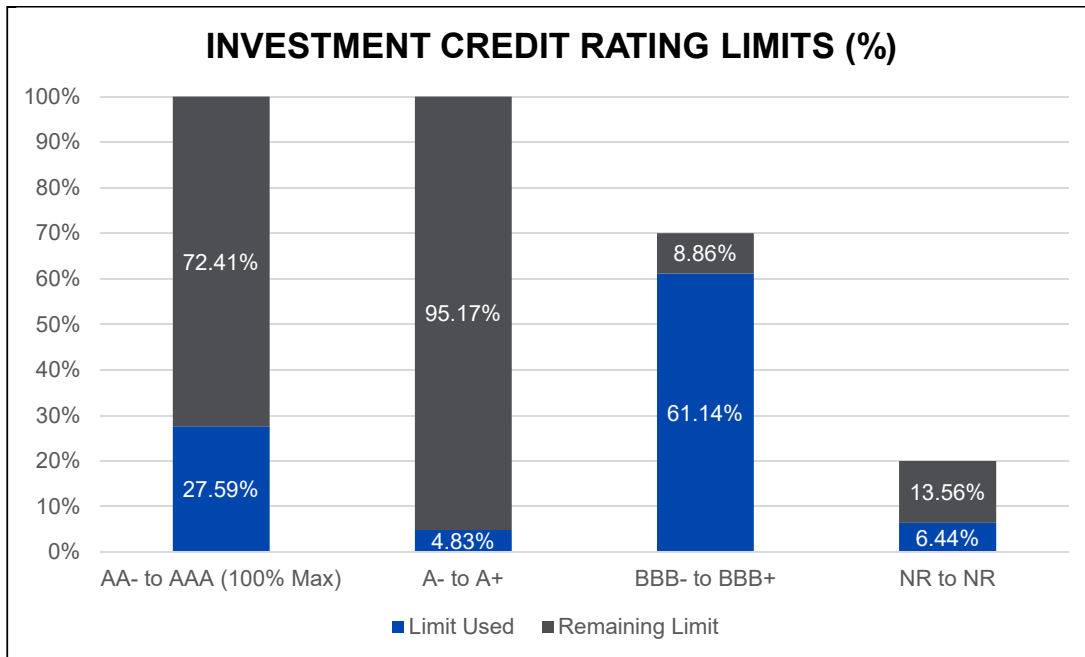
- BBSW 4.3575% RBA Cash Rate 4.35% AusBond Bank Bill 4.335%

Total Cost	Yearly Interest Received	Weighted Average Term
\$31,073,862.61	\$175,024.66	234 Days
Total Portfolio Value	Monthly Interest Received	Weighted Average Yield
\$31,926,028.48	\$31,000	4.65%

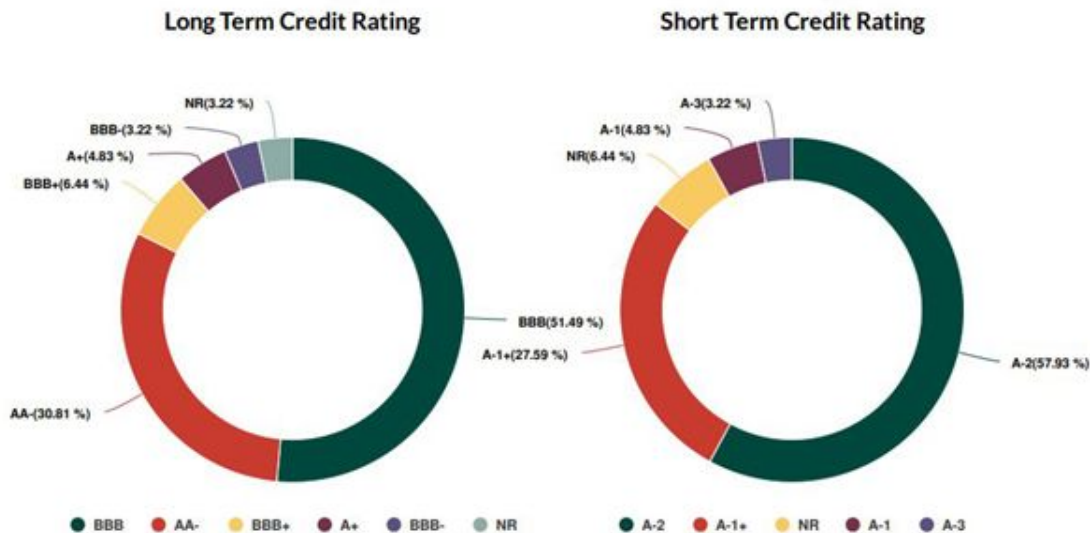
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Credit Quality Compliance

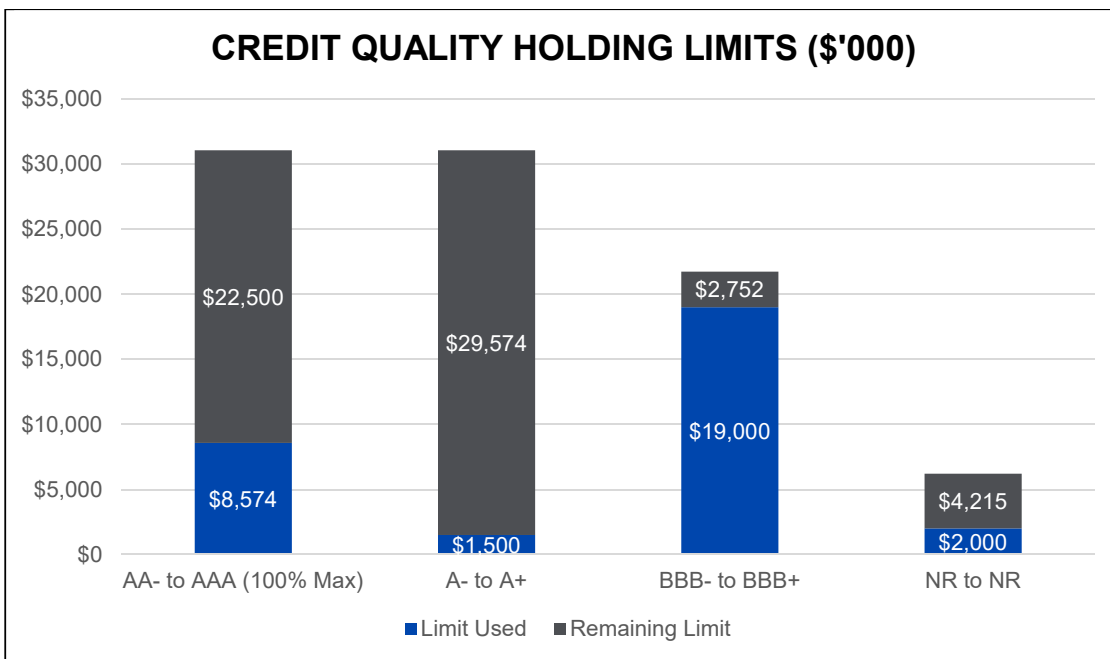
Council’s investment portfolio was compliant with policy in terms of S&P long term rating credit quality limits, as displayed below.



The following graphs indicate the percentages of investments held based on Long Term and Short Term investments and the credit ratings of those financial institutions. Note that Long Term Investments are greater than 12 months.



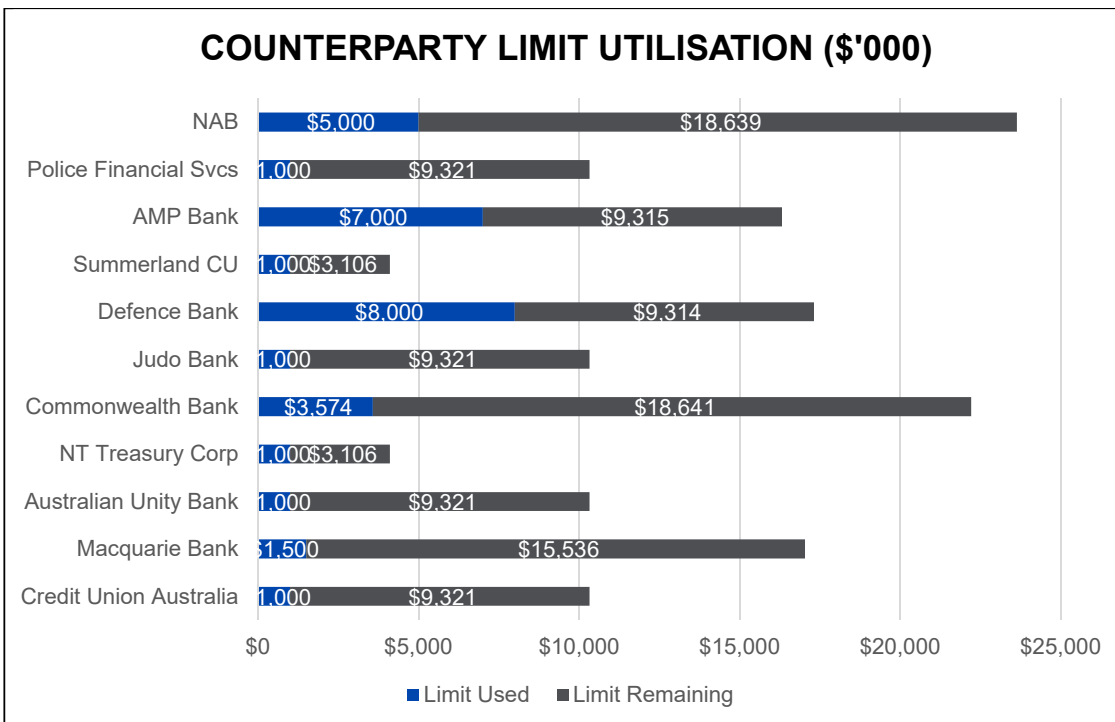
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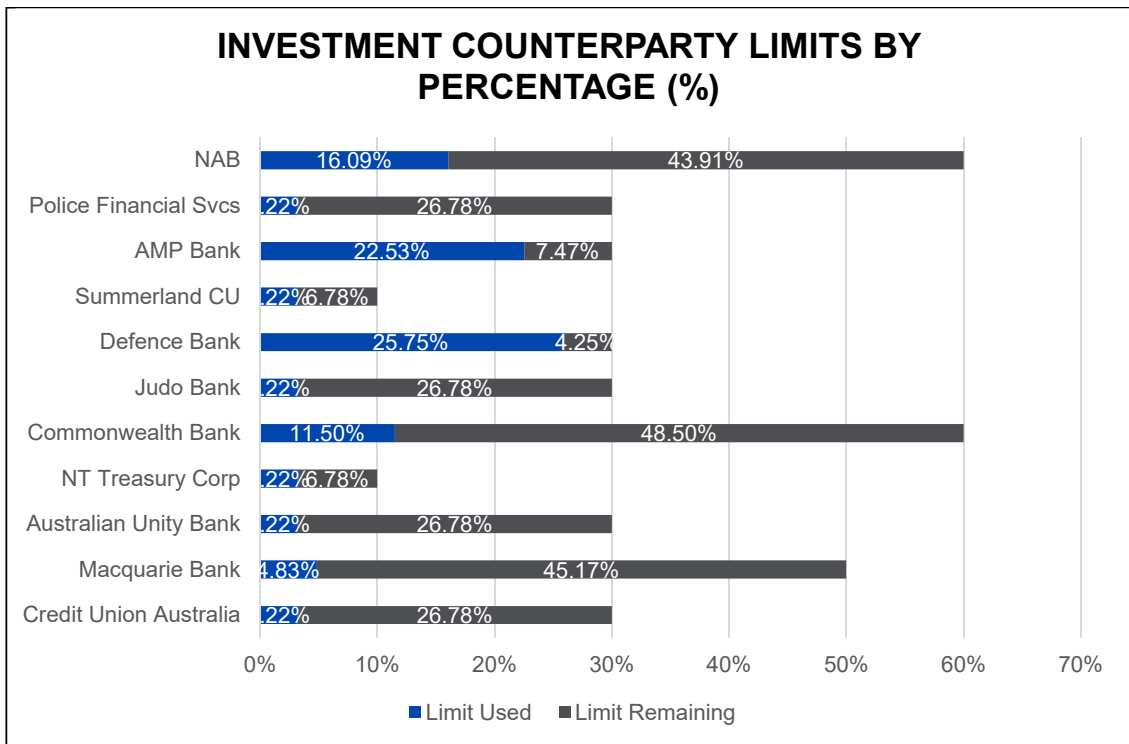
Counter Party Compliance

As at the end of December, Council was compliant with policy in terms of individual financial institution capacity limits. It is worth noting that capacity limits are affected by changes in the on-call account balance compared to the total portfolio balance.

Overall, the portfolio is diversified across a variety of credit ratings, including some exposure to unrated ADIs.

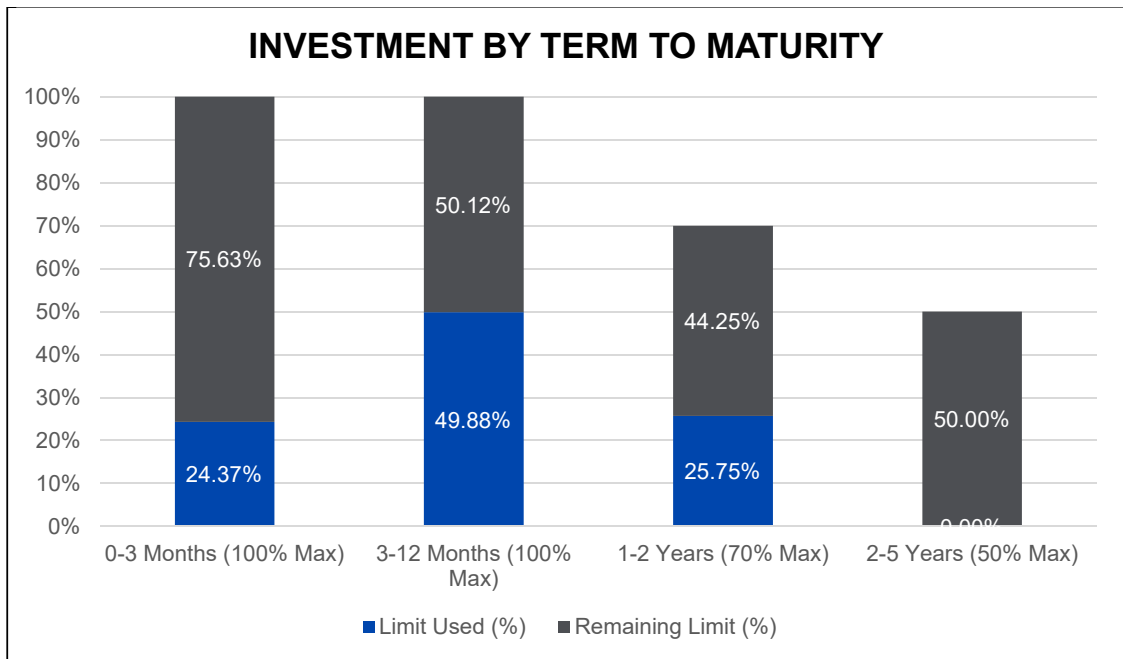


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Term to Maturity

Council’s investment portfolio maturities shown graphically below were also compliant with policy requirements.



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Application of Investment Funds

The table below details the allocation of cash balances in terms of restricted funds, noting restrictions are all internal rather than external.


Restricted Funds:	
Employee Leave Entitlements	\$2,551,897
Plant & Vehicle Replacement	\$1,462,793
Infrastructure Replacement	\$1,349,640
Section 64 Developer Contribution Reserve	\$5,000,000
Unrestricted Funds	\$20,709,533
TOTAL	\$31,073,863

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Declaration

I hereby certify that investments listed in the report have been made in accordance with Section 625 of the Local Government Act 1993, Clause 212 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 and Council's Investment Policy PP004.

Signed



Corporate Services Manager

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Council's cash and investment portfolio decreased by \$1,760,572.17 from \$32,834,434.78 as at 30 November 2023 to \$31,073,862.61 as at 31 December 2023.

ATTACHMENTS: Nil

TABLED ITEMS: Nil.

GOLDENFIELDS WATER COUNTY COUNCIL – FEBRUARY 2024

PROGRESS REPORT – CAPITAL WORKS EXPENDITURE

Report prepared by Acting Corporate Services Manager

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the Capital Works Progress Report as at 31 January 2024 be received and noted.

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

09 Financially Sustainable

BACKGROUND

Capital Works represents an important part of Council’s activities and expenditure. This report details expenditure and progress for the year to date on programmed and emergent capital works.

REPORT

The Capital Works financial report provides a “snapshot” of Council’s Capital Works Program on 31 January 2024. Capital Works expenditure is reviewed on a weekly basis and discussed with relevant managers and by the Management team.

The Capital Works Report **Attachment A** includes the proposed budget variations listed in Attachment B in the column “Proposed QBR Dec 2023” and are included in the Quarterly Budget Review December Report submitted for your approval.

A detailed report on Council’s Major Projects over multiple years is included in this report as **Attachment B** for your information. This report includes the Projects expected completion dates and progress commentary on the individual capital works.

A commentary report on Council’s Major Projects for the current financial year is included in **Attachment C** for your information.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation does not impact on Council’s financial position.

ATTACHMENTS:

ATTACHMENT A: Capital Works Progress Report as at January 2024.

ATTACHMENT B: Commentary on Major Capital Works on projects over multiple years as at 31 January 2024

ATTACHMENT C: Commentary on Major Capital Works commentary – current year

TABLED ITEMS: Nil.

ATTACHMENT A										
Goldenfields Water County Council CAPITAL WORKS PROGRESS										
AS AT 31 January 2024	Original Budget	2022-23 Carryovers	QBR Sep 2023	Proposed QBR Dec 2023	Revised Budget 2023/24	Actual YTD 31 Jan 2024	Committed YTD	Actual & Committed YTD	Variance YTD Act + Comm v Rev Budget	% Actual to Rev Budget
CAPITAL INCOME										
Asset Sales	(616,500)	0	0	187,000	(429,500)	(342,934)	0	(342,934)	(86,566)	80%
Capital Contributions	(1,090,800)	0	0	(7,350,000)	(8,440,800)	(8,561,096)	0	(8,561,096)	(120,296)	
TOTAL CAPITAL INCOME	(1,707,300)	0	0	(7,163,000)	(8,870,300)	(8,904,030)	0	(8,904,030)	(206,861)	100%
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE										
Plant & Equipment	1,838,000	359,050	0	(1,003,050)	1,194,000	975,719	238,854	1,214,573	218,281	82%
Land & Buildings	1,550,000	49,780	0	(1,259,780)	340,000	125,857	70,688	196,545	214,143	37%
Information Technology	80,000	0	0	0	80,000	22,005	0	22,005	57,995	28%
Comms Network	0	868,210	0	0	868,210	101,318	260,381	361,699	766,892	12%
Mains - Reticulation	1,000,000	0	0	0	1,000,000	363,475	5,312	368,787	636,525	36%
Mains - Trunk	1,400,000	463,000	0	(1,363,000)	500,000	116,979	92,630	209,608	383,021	23%
Mains - Rural	400,000	0	0	(350,000)	50,000	21,698	0	21,698	28,302	43%
Water Network - Wyalong Pipelines	1,500,000	10,000	0	20,000	1,530,000	1,356,729	423,735	1,780,464	173,271	89%
Water Network - Thanowring Road	2,000,000	0	0	0	2,000,000	976,984	161,726	1,138,709	1,023,016	49%
Mains - Developer Paid	40,000	0	0	0	40,000	8,638	0	8,638	31,362	22%
Water Network - Connections Renewal	1,000,000	0	0	(500,000)	500,000	58,735	1,800	60,535	441,265	12%
Water Network - Pipeline PVR Renewals	50,000	0	0	0	50,000	3,773	13,373	17,146	46,227	8%
Water Network - Pipeline Valve Renewals	0	0	0	0	0	719	0	719	(719)	0
Pump Stations & Bores - Mechanical	800,000	90,250	0	(500,000)	390,250	26,316	288,241	314,558	363,934	7%
Pump Stations & Bores - Electrical	200,000	146,770	0	0	346,770	91,949	4,423	96,372	254,821	27%
Pump Stations & Bores - Engineering	650,000	0	0	0	650,000	126,595	114,123	240,718	523,406	19%
Pump Stations & Bores - West Wyalong PS	400,000	78,620	0	0	478,620	428,795	29,920	458,715	49,825	90%
Pump Stations & Bores - Oura PS Renewal	1,500,000	0	1,700,000	(1,200,000)	2,000,000	241,863	1,580,596	1,822,459	1,758,137	12%
Pump Stations & Bores - Jugiong CWPS1 HV	1,500,000	0	500,000	0	2,000,000	129,265	3,309,344	3,438,609	1,870,735	6%
Pump Stations & Bores - Oura PS HV	0	0	0	130,000	130,000	100,858	28,214	129,073	29,142	78%
Pump Stations & Bores - Pump Stations Valve Renewals	0	0	0	0	0	7,370	0	7,370	(7,370)	0%
Pump Stations & Bores - Gantry Crane Renewals	75,000	0	0	0	75,000	41,577	0	41,577	33,423	0%
Reservoirs	6,380,000	617,220	0	(2,080,000)	4,917,220	3,906,302	8,456,341	12,362,643	1,010,918	79%
Treatment Plants	80,000	137,450	0	0	217,450	35,195	0	35,195	182,255	16%
Emergency Works	200,000	0	0	0	200,000	0	0	0	200,000	0%
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE	22,643,000	2,820,350	2,200,000	-\$8,105,830	19,557,520	9,268,714	15,079,700	24,348,414	10,288,806	47%

Goldenfields Water County Council Capital Expenditure Report													
ATTACHMENT A													
Work Order/Resource Description	W.O./GL	Original Budget 23-24	2022-23 Carryovers	QBR Sep 2023	Proposed QBR Dec 2023	QBR summary	Proposed Revised Budget 2023/24	Actual YTD 30-1-24	Committed YTD	Actual & Committed YTD	Variance - Rev Budget vs Actual	% Variance Revised Bud v Actual	% Variance Original Bud v Actual
CAPITAL INCOME													
Asset Sales													
Sale of Plant	3100	-\$616,500			\$187,000	\$187,000	-\$429,500	-\$342,934	\$0	-\$342,934	-\$86,566		
Asset Sales		-\$616,500	\$0	\$0	\$187,000	\$187,000	-\$429,500	-\$342,934	\$0	-\$342,934	-\$86,566	80%	56%
Capital Contributions													
Developer Contributions - Augmentation	3200.200.153						\$0	-\$104,467	\$0	-\$104,467	-\$104,467		
West Wyalong Capital Grant					-\$2,250,000	-\$2,250,000	-\$2,250,000	-\$2,250,000		-\$2,250,000	\$0		
Developer Contributions - S64	1100.200.280				-\$5,100,000	-\$5,100,000	-\$5,100,000	-\$5,261,799		-\$5,261,799	-\$161,799		
Developer Contributions - S64	3200.200.280	-\$1,090,800					-\$1,090,800	-\$944,830	\$0	-\$944,830	\$145,970		
Capital Contributions	Total	-\$1,090,800	\$0	\$0	-\$7,350,000	-\$7,350,000	-\$8,440,800	-\$8,561,096	\$0	-\$8,561,096	-\$120,296	101%	785%
TOTAL CAPITAL INCOME		-\$1,707,300	\$0	\$0	-\$7,163,000	-\$7,163,000	-\$8,870,300	-\$8,904,030	\$0	-\$8,904,030	-\$206,861	100%	522%
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE													
Plant & Equipment													
Water Quality Instrumentation Renewal	1720	-					-	47,497	14,195	61,692	-\$47,497		
Plant & Equipment Purchases	3101	\$1,838,000	\$359,050		-\$1,003,050	-\$1,003,050	\$1,194,000	\$928,222	\$224,659	\$1,152,880	\$265,778		
Plant & Equipment	Total	\$1,838,000	\$359,050	\$0	-\$1,003,050	-\$1,003,050	\$1,194,000	\$975,719	\$238,854	\$1,214,573	\$218,281	82%	53%
Land & Buildings													
Capital - Administration Building	1717	\$50,000				\$0	\$50,000	\$0	\$5,100	\$5,100	\$50,000		
New Temora Depot Building	3176	\$1,500,000	\$49,780		-\$1,439,780	-\$1,439,780	\$110,000	\$108,054	\$65,588	\$173,642	\$1,946		
Mech Workshop Lean-to storage area					\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000				\$50,000		
Concrete Storage Pad Temora Depot	3262				\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	12,350		12,350	\$37,650		
Rosehill Pipeline - Easements	1234				\$80,000	\$80,000	\$80,000	\$5,453	\$0	\$5,453	\$74,547		
Land & Buildings	Total	\$1,550,000	\$49,780	\$0	-\$1,259,780	-\$1,259,780	\$340,000	\$125,857	\$70,688	\$196,545	\$214,143	37%	8%
Information Technology													
Capital - IT Equipment	3112	\$80,000				\$0	\$80,000	\$22,005	\$0	\$22,005	\$57,995		
Information Technology	Total	\$80,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$80,000	\$22,005	\$0	\$22,005	\$57,995	28%	28%
Comms Network													
Communications Network - Huts	3136					\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	-\$0		
Microwave link sites for Scada	3109		\$868,210			\$0	\$868,210	\$101,318	\$260,381	\$361,699	\$766,893		
Comms Network	Total	\$0	\$868,210	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$868,210	\$101,318	\$260,381	\$361,699	\$766,892	12%	0%

Work Order/Resource Description	W.O./GL	Original Budget 23-24	2022-23 Carryovers	QBR Sep 2023	Proposed QBR Dec 2023	QBR summary	Proposed Revised Budget 2023/24	Actual YTD 30-1-24	Committed YTD	Actual & Committed YTD	Variance - Rev Budget vs Actual	% Variance Revised Bud v Actual	% Variance Original Bud v Actual
Water Network - Reticulation Renewals													
Reticulation Renewals - GWCC Wide - Budget	3123	\$500,000			-\$150,000	-\$150,000	\$350,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$350,000		
Marrar Urban Renewal - Replacement of old sections of pipeline within Marrar township and trunk main downstream of PRV	3259				\$120,000	\$120,000	\$120,000	\$70,315	\$2,273	\$72,587	\$49,685		
Stinson Street Coolamon Replacement	3269				\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$24,316	\$0	\$24,316	\$5,684		
Coolamon town Retic - Replacement of old pipeline	3272	\$500,000				\$0	\$500,000	\$264,509	\$2,800	\$267,309	\$235,491		
Bland Historical Society Mains Extension	3279					\$0	\$0	\$4,137	\$239	\$4,376	-\$4,137		
Barellan Retic Renewals	3282					\$0	\$0	\$198	\$0	\$198	-\$198		
Barellan Retic Renewals	3283					\$0	\$0	\$0	\$255	\$255	\$0		
Water Network - Reticulation Renewals	Total	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,000,000	\$363,475	\$5,312	\$368,787	\$636,525	36%	36%
Water Network - Trunk Renewals													
Trunk Renewals (GWCC Wide) - Budget	3115	\$300,000			-\$300,000	-\$300,000	\$0	\$1,129	\$0	\$1,129	-\$1,129		
Kingsvale to Young Pipeline Upgrade	3242	\$200,000					\$200,000	\$110,261	\$92,630	\$202,891	\$89,739		
Bulk/Production Meter Renewals - GWCC Wide	3178						\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
Stockinbingal and Springdale PRV Replacement & Decommissioning of Bauroola PRV	1726					\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
Oura to Junee Connection Upgrades	3267	\$100,000				\$0	\$100,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$100,000		
Rosehill to Harden Bypass	3277	\$800,000	\$463,000		-\$1,063,000	-\$1,063,000	\$200,000	\$268	\$0	\$268	\$199,735		
Oura New Connections from Riv Water (50% Contribution)	3202					\$0	\$0	\$4,196	\$0	\$4,196	-\$4,196		
Cooney's Creek Replacement - Replace approx 60m of exposed pipeline through Cooney's creek and rock armour section of erosion	3263					\$0	\$0	\$1,127	\$0	\$1,127	-\$1,127		
Water Network - Trunk Renewals	Total	\$1,400,000	\$463,000	\$0	-\$1,363,000	-\$1,363,000	\$500,000	\$116,979	\$92,630	\$209,609	\$383,021	23%	8%
Water Network - Rural Renewals													
Bygoo Road Replacement - Ardlethan	3239					\$0	\$0	\$21,698	\$0	\$21,698	-\$21,698		
Rural Renewals (GWCC Wide)	3181	\$400,000			-\$350,000	-\$350,000	\$50,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$50,000		
Water Network - Rural Renewals	Total	\$400,000	\$0	\$0	-\$350,000	-\$350,000	\$50,000	\$21,698	\$0	\$21,698	\$28,302	43%	5%
Water Network - Wyalong Pipelines													
Wyalong Reliability Project Investigation & Design	1703		\$10,000		\$20,000	\$20,000	\$30,000	\$41,083	\$4,870	\$45,953	-\$11,083		
Wyalong Pipelines	3241	\$1,500,000					\$1,500,000	\$1,315,645	\$418,866	\$1,734,511	\$184,355		
Water Network - Wyalong Pipelines	Total	\$1,500,000	\$10,000	\$0	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$1,530,000	\$1,356,728	\$423,736	\$1,780,464	\$173,271	89%	90%

Work Order/Resource Description	W.O./GL	Original Budget 23-24	2022-23 Carryovers	QBR Sep 2023	Proposed QBR Dec 2023	QBR summary	Proposed Revised Budget 2023/24	Actual YTD 30-1-24	Committed YTD	Actual & Committed YTD	Variance - Rev Budget vs Actual	% Variance Revised Bud v Actual	% Variance Original Bud v Actual
Water Network - Thanowring Rd													
Thanowring Road Pipeline	1232	\$2,000,000				\$0	\$2,000,000	\$976,984	\$161,726	\$1,138,709	\$1,023,016		
Water Network - Thanowring Rd		\$2,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,000,000	\$976,984	\$161,726	\$1,138,709	\$1,023,016	49%	49%
Water Network - Developer Paid													
Mains - Developer Paid - GWCC Wide - Budget	3103	\$40,000				\$0	\$40,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$40,000		
New Water Service Connections - Oura	1211	\$0				\$0	\$0	\$6,091	\$0	\$6,091	-\$6,091		
New Water Service Connections - Mr Arthur	1213	\$0				\$0	\$0	\$2,546	\$0	\$2,546	-\$2,546		
Water Network - Developer Paid		\$40,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$40,000	\$8,638	\$0	\$8,638	\$31,362	22%	22%
Water Network - Connection Renewals													
Water Service Renewals - Oura	1216					\$0	\$0	\$1,058	\$0	\$1,058	-\$1,058		
Water Service Renewals - Jugiong	3212					\$0	\$0	\$1,495	\$0	\$1,495	-\$1,495		
Urban Meter & Taggle Replacement Program	3213	\$500,000				-\$250,000	\$250,000	\$14,454	\$1,800	\$16,254	\$235,546		
Rural Meter and Taggle Replacement Program	Total	\$500,000				-\$250,000	\$250,000	\$41,728	\$0	\$41,728	\$208,272		
Water Network - Connection Renewals		\$1,000,000	\$0	\$0	-\$500,000	-\$500,000	\$500,000	\$58,735	\$1,800	\$60,535	\$441,265	12%	6%
Water Network - Pipeline PRV Renewals													
PRV Replacement - Jugiong	1288					\$0	\$0	\$202	\$5,340	\$5,542	-\$202		
PRV Replacement - Oura	3116					\$0	\$0	\$3,094	\$8,033	\$11,126	-\$3,094		
PRV Renewals - Budget	Total	\$50,000				\$0	\$50,000	\$478	\$0	\$478	\$49,522		
Water Network - Pipeline PRV Renewals		\$50,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$50,000	\$3,773	\$13,373	\$17,146	\$46,227	8%	8%
Water Network - Pipeline Valve Renewals													
Mains Valve Renewals - Oura	3118					\$0	\$0	\$520	\$0	\$520	-\$520		
Mains Valve Renewals - Jugiong	3119					\$0	\$0	\$199	\$0	\$199	-\$199		
Water Network - Pipeline Valve Renewals	Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$719	\$0	\$719	-\$719	0%	0%
TOTAL WATER NETWORK		\$7,390,000	\$473,000	\$0	-\$2,193,000	-\$2,193,000	\$5,670,000	\$2,907,728	\$698,575	\$3,606,303	\$2,762,272	51%	39%

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Pump Stations and Bores - PS & Bores - Mech													
Jugiong Raw water well Renewal	3219					\$0	\$0	\$12,435	\$0	\$12,435	-\$12,435		
Carrathool/Ballyrogan Bore - 2022	3257	-					-	-\$25,801	88,686	62,885	\$25,801		
Oura Bore 3 - 2022	3255	-					-	872	1,480	2,352	-\$872		
Jugiong CWPS1 P1 and P2 Inlet Manifold 2022	3246	\$500,000	\$68,890		-\$500,000	-\$500,000	\$68,890	\$2,834	\$0	\$2,834	\$66,056		
Matong Pump Station - 2022	3252		\$12,930			\$0	\$12,930	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$12,930		
Jugiong CWPS1 Pump 1 - 2022	3238					\$0	\$0	\$299	\$0	\$299	-\$299		
Pump Station - Mech (pump renewals/rebuilds)	3223	\$300,000				\$0	\$300,000	\$905	\$905	\$1,810	\$299,095		
Marinna Pump 2 - 2022	3245		\$8,430			\$0	\$8,430	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$8,430		
Jugiong Raw Water Pumps replacements - Replac	3280					\$0	\$0	\$0	\$197,171	\$197,171	\$0		
Demondrille Pump 2 - 2022	3278					\$0	\$0	\$23,035	\$0	\$23,035	-\$23,035		
Temora Transfer Pump 2 2023	3270					\$0	\$0	\$1,553	\$0	\$1,553	-\$1,553		
Marina Pump 1 2023	3271					\$0	\$0	\$9,871	\$0	\$9,871	-\$9,871		
June Silos Pump 2023	3266					\$0	\$0	\$312	\$0	\$312	-\$312		
Pump Stations and Bores - PS & Bores - Mech		\$800,000	\$90,250	\$0	-\$500,000	-\$500,000	\$390,250	\$26,316	\$288,241	\$314,558	\$363,934	7%	3%
Pump Stations and Bores - PS & Bores - Elec													
Budget	3126	\$50,000				\$0	\$50,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$50,000		
site to minimum standards	3256					\$0	\$0	\$9,005	\$4,142	\$13,147	-\$9,005		
Lonsdale Control Panel	3247		\$14,470			\$0	\$14,470	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$14,470		
Ganmain Pump Station Switchboard Renewal	3229					\$0	\$0	\$5,607	\$281	\$5,888	-\$5,607		
Matong Bore 2 Switchboard Renewal	3228					\$0	\$0	\$77,337	\$0	\$77,337	-\$77,337		
Pump Station - Elec (Electrical Items, SBs, etc)	3224	\$150,000	\$132,300			\$0	\$282,300	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$282,300		
Pump Stations and Bores - PS & Bores - Elec	Total	\$200,000	\$146,770	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$346,770	\$91,949	\$4,423	\$96,372	\$254,821	27%	46%
Pump Station and Bores PS & Bores - Eng													
Marinna Pump Station - Investigation, design and	3273	\$250,000				\$0	\$250,000	\$1,678	\$0	\$1,678	\$248,322		
Oura Bore 3 - Renewal	3274	\$400,000				\$0	\$400,000	\$124,917	\$114,123	\$239,040	\$275,083		
Pump Station and Bores PS & Bores - Eng	Total	\$650,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$650,000	\$126,595	\$114,123	\$240,718	\$523,406	19%	19%
Pump Station and Bores West Wyalong Pump Station													
West Wyalong Transfer Pump Station	3225	\$400,000	\$78,620			\$0	\$478,620	\$428,795	\$29,920	\$458,715	\$49,825		
Pump Station and Bores West Wyalong Pump S	Total	\$400,000	\$78,620	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$478,620	\$428,795	\$29,920	\$458,715	\$49,825	90%	107%
Pump Station and Bores Oura Pump Station Renewal													
Oura Pump Station Renewal	3218	\$1,500,000		\$1,700,000	-\$1,200,000	\$500,000	\$2,000,000	\$241,863	\$1,580,596	\$1,822,459	\$1,758,137		
Pump Station and Bores Oura Pump Station Re	Total	\$1,500,000	\$0	\$1,700,000	-\$1,200,000	\$500,000	\$2,000,000	\$241,863	\$1,580,596	\$1,822,459	\$1,758,137	12%	16%

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Pump Station and Bores Jugiong CWPS1 HV Jugiong High Voltage	3137	\$1,500,000		\$500,000		\$500,000	\$2,000,000	\$129,265	\$3,309,344	\$3,438,609	\$1,870,735		
Pump Station and Bores Jugiong CWPS1 HV	Total	\$1,500,000	\$0	\$500,000	\$0	\$500,000	\$2,000,000	\$129,265	\$3,309,344	\$3,438,609	\$1,870,735	6%	9%
Pump Station and Bores Oura PS HV Oura High Voltage	1660				\$130,000	\$130,000	\$130,000	\$100,858	\$28,214	\$129,073	\$29,142		
Pump Station and Bores Oura PS HV	Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$130,000	\$130,000	\$130,000	\$100,858	\$28,214	\$129,073	\$29,142	78%	0%
Pump Station and Bores Pump Station Valve Renewals													
Pump Station Valve Renewals - Oura	3128					\$0	\$0	\$562	\$0	\$562	-\$562		
Pump Station Valve Renewals - Jugiong	3129					\$0	\$0	\$4,416	\$0	\$4,416	-\$4,416		
Pump Station Valve Renewals - Mt Arthur	3131					\$0	\$0	\$2,393	\$0	\$2,393	-\$2,393		
Pump Station and Bores Pump Station Valve R	Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$7,370	\$0	\$7,370	-\$7,370	0%	0%
Pump Station and Bores Gantry Crane Renewals													
Gantry Crane	1738	\$75,000				\$0	\$75,000	\$41,577	\$0	\$41,577	\$33,423		
Pump Station and Bores Gantry Crane Renewa	Total	\$75,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$75,000	\$41,577	\$0	\$41,577	\$33,423	55%	55%
Total Pump Stations		\$5,125,000	\$315,640	\$2,200,000	-\$1,570,000	\$630,000	\$6,070,640	\$1,194,589	\$5,354,862	\$6,549,451	\$4,876,051	20%	23%

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Reservoirs Reservoirs Elec													
Switchboard Renewals	3220		\$14,140			\$0	\$14,140	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$14,140		
Grong Grong Reservoir Switchboard Renewal	3221					\$0	\$0	\$0	\$592	\$592	\$0		
Reservoirs Reservoirs Elec	Total	\$0	\$14,140	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$14,140	\$0	\$592	\$592	\$14,140	0%	0%
Reservoirs Res External Adhoc Renewals													
Reservoir External Adhoc Renewals - GWCC Wid	3210	\$100,000			-\$50,000	-\$50,000	\$50,000	\$368	\$0	\$368	\$49,632		
Reservoirs Res External Adhoc Renewals	Total	\$100,000	\$0	\$0	-\$50,000	-\$50,000	\$50,000	\$368	\$0	\$368	\$49,632	1%	0%
Reservoirs Res Internal Adhoc Renewals													
Internal Adhoc Renewals	3134				\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$35,731	\$0	\$35,731	\$14,269		
Reservoirs Res Internal Adhoc Renewals	Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$35,731	\$0	\$35,731	\$14,269	0%	0%
Reservoirs Wombat BT Renewal													
Wombat BT Renewal	3203	\$2,100,000			-\$2,080,000	-\$2,080,000	\$20,000	\$4,548	\$1,120	\$5,668	\$15,452		
Reservoirs Wombat BT Renewal	Total	\$2,100,000	\$0	\$0	-\$2,080,000	-\$2,080,000	\$20,000	\$4,548	\$1,120	\$5,668	\$15,452	0%	0%
Reservoirs Oura Reservoir & Aerator													
Oura Reservoirs and Aerator	3183	\$3,300,000	\$499,240			\$0	\$3,799,240	\$3,490,911	\$8,110,449	\$11,601,360	\$308,329		
Reservoirs Oura Reservoir & Aerator	Total	\$3,300,000	\$499,240	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,799,240	\$3,490,911	\$8,110,449	\$11,601,360	\$308,329	92%	106%
Reservoirs W. Wyalong Res													
Wyalong Standpipe Res	3226	\$680,000	\$103,840			\$0	\$783,840	\$374,477	\$344,180	\$718,657	\$409,363		
Reservoirs W. Wyalong Res	Total	\$680,000	\$103,840	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$783,840	\$374,477	\$344,180	\$718,657	\$409,363	48%	55%
Reservoirs Reservoir Full Renewals													
Reservoir Full Renewals - GWCC Wide	3182					\$0	\$0	\$267	\$0	\$267	-\$267		
Reservoirs Reservoir Full Renewals	Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$267	\$0	\$267	-\$267	0%	0%
Reservoirs Site Fencing													
Site Fencing	3276	\$200,000				\$0	\$200,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$200,000		
Reservoirs Site Fencing	Total	\$200,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$200,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$200,000	0%	0%
Total Reservoirs		\$6,380,000	\$617,220	\$0	-\$2,080,000	-\$2,080,000	\$4,917,220	\$3,906,302	\$8,456,341	\$12,362,643	\$1,010,918	79%	61%

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Treatment Mt Arthur Aeration													
Mt Arthur Aeration Tower	3275	\$50,000				\$0	\$50,000	\$829	\$0	\$829	\$49,171		
Treatment Mt Arthur Aeration	Total	\$50,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$50,000	\$829	\$0	\$829	\$49,171	2%	2%
Treatment Adhoc Renewals													
Jugiong WTP - Valve & Pneumatic Upgrade	3186		\$68,550			\$0	\$68,550	\$1,332	\$0	\$1,332	\$67,218		
Treatment Plant - Site Mechanical Renewals	3139	\$30,000				\$0	\$30,000	\$317	\$0	\$317	\$29,683		
Jugiong Compressor	1728		\$68,900			\$0	\$68,900	\$32,717	\$0	\$32,717	\$36,183		
Treatment Adhoc Renewals	Total	\$30,000	\$137,450	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$167,450	\$34,366	\$0	\$34,366	\$133,085	21%	115%
Total Treatment Plant		\$80,000	\$137,450	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$217,450	\$35,195	\$0	\$35,195	\$182,256	16%	44%
Other Emergency Works													
Emergency Works - GWCC Wide - Budget	3140	\$200,000				\$0	\$200,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$200,000		
Other Emergency Works	Total	\$200,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$200,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$200,000	0%	0%
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE	Total	\$22,643,000	\$2,820,350	\$2,200,000	-\$8,105,830	-\$5,905,830	\$19,557,520	\$9,268,714	\$15,079,700	\$24,348,414	\$10,288,806	47%	41%

ATTACHMENT B
MAJOR CAPITAL WORKS

Expenditure to 31 January 2024

WO No.	DESCRIPTION	YEAR	ACTUAL	TOTAL BUDGET	VARIANCE	% Variance
1232	Thanowring Road Pipeline Construction of 40km of trunk pipeline	18/19	\$16,928.26			
		19/20	\$50,611.01			
		20/21	\$236,738.94			
		21/22	\$990,386.89			
		22/23	\$548,046.67			
		23/24	\$976,983.69			
		Total	\$2,819,695.46			
3137	Jugiong High Voltage Detailed designs for works, new HV building, purchase of HV equipment and electrical equipment install	20/21	\$61,185.63			
		21/22	\$1,664,286.64			
		22/23	\$3,426,271.48			
		23/24	\$129,265.42			
		Total	\$5,281,009.17			
3183	Oura Reservoirs and Aerator Construction of 2 x 4ML reservoirs and aeration tower at Oura WTP plus ancillary pipework and electricals	21/22	\$130,686.84			
		22/23	\$500,756.99			
		23/24	\$3,490,911.15			
		Total	\$4,122,354.98			

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MAJOR CAPITAL WORKS

Expenditure to 31 January 2024

WO No.	DESCRIPTION	YEAR	ACTUAL	TOTAL BUDGET	VARIANCE	% Variance
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3226	Wyalong Standpipe Res	22/23	\$3,716,901.55			
	Construction of 24m high 2.4ML concrete Reservoir	23/24	\$374,476.67			
		Total	\$4,091,378.22	\$4,420,728	\$329,349.78	93%
3241	Wyalong Reliability Project Pipeline	22/23	\$5,132,906.64			
	Construction of 8km DN300 bypass trunk main and 7km DN200 retic main	23/24	\$1,315,645.44			
		Total	\$6,448,552.08	\$7,357,394	\$908,841.92	88%
3225	Wyalong Pump Station	22/23	\$461,380.14			
	Construction of pump station at Wyalong terminal reservoir site to supply new standpipe reservoir	23/24	\$428,794.95			
		Total	\$890,175.09	\$800,000	-\$90,175.09	111%
3218	Oura pump station and dosing rooms	22/23	\$31,455.76			
	Constructuion of new pump station including 3 high voltage pumps and additional dosing systems	23/24	\$241,862.74			
		Total	\$273,318.50	\$7,605,943	\$7,332,624.50	4%
3242	Kingsvale to Young pipeline	22/23	\$109,228.12			
	Upgrade of approx. 12km of pipeline	23/24	\$110,261.44			
		Total	\$219,489.56	\$8,300,000	\$8,080,510.44	3%

ATTACHMENT C

Goldenfields Water County Council
Major Project Commentary
31/01/2024

Project Ref	Project and description	Total project budget/ Start date	Total spent to Date/ Completion date	Progress Comments
1232	Thanowring Road Pipeline Construction of 40km of trunk pipeline	\$7,000,000 Jan-22	\$2,819,695 Jun-24	All underbores have been completed. Currently installed 26km of DN250 main. Project is currently tracking on time and expected to be constructed well under budget.
3137	Jugiong High Voltage Detailed designs for works, new HV building, purchase of HV equipment and electrical equipment install	\$7,000,000 Jan-21	\$5,281,009 Jun-24	All civil works have been completed with practical completion provided Nov 2022. Electrical designs complete as of April 2023. JRC awarded elec install tender. Report has been provided to Council regarding project budget
3183	Oura Reservoirs and aerator Construction of 2 x 4ML reservoirs and aeration tower at Oura WTP plus ancillary pipework and electricals	\$12,643,703 May-23	\$4,122,354 Dec-24	Project delays were incurred due to design concerns raised by project manager and Concrete specialist. These have been rectified. Wall panel concrete pours have commenced and the base slab pours occurred on the 1 st Feb. Project completion still anticipated prior to Dec 2024.
3226	Wyalong Standpipe Res Construction of 24m high 2.4ML concrete reservoir	\$4,420,728 Jun-22	\$4,091,378 Aug-23	Wyalong Standpipe reservoir has been completed. This project has come in under the adopted project budget
3241	Wyalong Reliability Project Pipeline Construction Construction of 8km DN300 bypass trunk main and 7km DN200 retic main	\$7,357,394 Jun-22	\$6,448,552 Aug-23	Both pipelines have been completed. Final invoice is still outstanding. The project is tracking under the adopted project budget

ATTACHMENT C

Project Ref	Project and description	Total project budget/ Start date	Total spent to Date/ Completion date	Progress Comments
3225	Wyalong Pump Station Construction of pump station at Wyalong terminal reservoir site to supply new standpipe reservoir	\$800,000 Jun-22	\$890,175 Aug-23	Project was completed by in GWCC staff and subcontractors. The project is complete and represents approximately \$300,000 cost savings in comparison to contractor's quotes
3218	Oura pump station and dosing rooms Construction of new pump station including 3 high voltage pumps and additional dosing systems	\$7,605,943 Oct-23	\$273,318 Oct-24	Pumps are currently being manufactured. Tender specifications are being developed for the pump station building and dosing building. The advertising of this tender has been delayed, to allow for detailed preparation and resourcing of the project and in response to reservoir project delays. Current anticipation of contract to be awarded at June 2024 Council Meeting
3242	Kingsvale to Young pipeline Upgrade of approx. 12km of pipeline	\$8,300,000 Dec-22	\$219,490 Aug-26	Detailed design is currently underway and tracking well

GOLDENFIELDS WATER COUNTY COUNCIL – FEBRUARY 2024

QUARTERLY BUDGET REVIEW 31 DECEMBER 2023

Report prepared by Acting Corporate Services Manager

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the Board receives and adopts the Quarterly Budget Review for the period ended 31 December 2023.

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Priority 2 Customer Service Focus

BACKGROUND

The Quarterly Budget Review Statement is presented to Council in accordance with Clause 203(2) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2021, for the purpose of periodically reviewing and revising estimates of income and expenditure.

REPORT

The Quarterly Review of Council's Budget for the period ended 31 December 2023 is submitted for examination and adoption by Council.

The revised operating result for 2023/24 anticipates an overall reduction in the adopted budget deficit from \$1,482,000 to \$1,079,000 excluding Capital Income.

Capital Works expenditure is not included in the Operating Result and is an additional outlay. Further detail regarding capital works can be found in the Capital Budget Review Statement in the Quarterly Budget Review attachment.

Proposed December 2023 quarterly review adjustments:

Operational Additional Income

- Nil

Operational Additional Expenditure

	\$'000
• Work Health & Safety – additional funds required for contractors and consultants – originally underbudgeted.	32
• IT – Salaries and wages – reduction due to vacant positions.	(65)
• IT – Contractors and Consultants – work deferred.	(44)
• IT – Contractors and Consultants – Aqualis development deferred.	(320)
• HR – Advertising -originally underbudgeted.	14
• HR - Legal – reduction in budget - not required.	(20)

Total Operational Expenditure budget variations required - (403)

Capital Revenue

• Developer Contributions – additional S64 contributions.	5,100
• West Wyalong Reliability Project – contribution from NSW connections Funding Pathway Milestone 3 – not originally budgeted.	2,250

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• Sale of Plant Income – reduction from original budget.	(187)
Total Capital Revenue variations required	7,163
Capital Expenditure	
• Plant Purchases – reduction – overbudgeted in original budget.	(1,003)
• Temora Depot building – reduction – project on hold.	(1,440)
• Depot Workshop lean to storage area.	50
• Temora Depot storage pad.	50
• Rosehill Pipeline – Easements.	80
• Water Network – Trunk Renewals reduction.	(300)
• Water Network – Trunk Renewals Rosehill to Harden Bypass – project delayed.	(1,063)
• Water Network – rural renewals GWCC – reduction.	(350)
• Wyalong Reliability Project Investigation & Design increased costs.	20
• Water Network urban and rural taggle replacement program.	(500)
• Pump Stations & Bores – Jugiong CWPS1 P1 & P2 Inlet Manifold reduction.	(500)
• Pump Stations & Bores – Oura Pump Station renewals.	(1,070)
• Reservoirs – Wombat BT Renewal – deferred.	(2,080)
• Reservoirs External Adhoc Renewals.	(50)
• Reservoirs Internal Adhoc Renewals.	50
Total Capital Works Expenditure reduction	(8,106)

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation has increased capital revenue by \$7,163,000 and a decrease in capital expenditure \$8,106,000. The operating budget has been decreased \$403,000.

ATTACHMENTS: Quarterly Budget Review 31 December 2023

TABLED ITEMS: Nil

Attachment A

Goldenfields Water County Council

Quarterly Budget Review Statement for the period October to December 2023

Goldenfields Water County Council

Quarterly Budget Review Statement

for the period 01/10/23 to 31/12/23

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Quarterly Budget Review Statement
for the period 01/10/23 to 31/12/23

Report by Responsible Accounting Officer

The following statement is made in accordance with Clause 203(2) of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2005:

It is my opinion that the Quarterly Budget Review Statement for Goldenfields Water County Council for the quarter ended 31/12/23 indicates that Council's projected financial position at 30/6/24 will be Satisfactory at year end, having regard to the projected estimates of income and expenditure and the original budgeted income and expenditure.

Signed: 

Date: 8/02/2024

Terri Bilske
Corporate Services Manager

Goldenfields Water County Council

Quarterly Budget Review Statement

for the period 01/10/23 to 31/12/23

Income & Expenses Budget Review Statement

Budget review for the quarter ended 31 December 2023

Income & Expenses

(\$000's)	Original Budget	Approved Changes			Revised Budget	Variations for this	Notes	Projected Year End	Actual YTD
	2023/24	Carry Forwards	by QBRS	Sep QBR	Dec QBR	2023/24		Dec Qtr	Result
Income									
Water Annual Charges	6,129	-	-	-	-	6,129	-	6,129	3,190
User Charges and Fees	17,163	-	-	-	-	17,163	-	17,163	6,854
Interest and Investment Revenues	928	-	-	-	-	928	-	928	298
Other Revenues	243	-	-	-	-	243	-	243	1
Grants & Contributions - Operating	80	-	-	-	-	80	-	80	-
Grants & Contributions - Capital	1,592	-	-	-	7,350	8,942	7,350	8,942	8,599
Total Income from Continuing Operations	26,135	-	-	-	7,350	33,485	7,350	33,485	18,942
Expenses									
Employee Costs	8,404	-	-	-	(65)	8,339	(65)	8,339	5,573
Materials & Contracts	5,719	-	-	-	(338)	5,381	(338)	5,381	2,687
Depreciation	8,480	-	-	-	-	8,480	-	8,480	4,240
Other Expenses	3,422	-	-	-	-	3,422	-	3,422	2,952
Total Expenses from Continuing Operations	26,025	-	-	-	(403)	25,622	(403)	25,622	15,452
Net Operating Result from Continuing Operations	110	-	-	-	7,753	7,863	7,753	7,863	3,490
Net Operating Result from All Operations	110	-	-	-	7,753	7,863	7,753	7,863	3,490
Net Operating Result before Capital Items	(1,482)	-	-	-	403	(1,079)	403	(1,079)	(5,109)

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Quarterly Budget Review Statement
for the period 01/10/23 to 31/12/23

Income & Expenses Budget Review Statement
Recommended changes to revised budget

Budget Variations being recommended include the following material items:

Notes	Details	\$000
2.1	Work, Health and Safety Contractors and Consultants (Expense) increase - under budgeted in original budget	32
2.2	IT Salaries & Wages - (Expense) reduction Vacant positions resulted in variation to original budget	(65)
2.3	IT Consultants and Contractors - (Expense) reduction It works deferred	(44)
2.3	IT Consultants and Contractors - (expense) reduction It works deferred - Aqualis app development	(320)
2.4	HR Advertising - (Expense) increase - advertising was incorrectly budgeted at 1.3k - required 15.3k	14
2.5	HR Legal - (Expense) reduction - originally budgeted at 50k - require 30k	(20)

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Quarterly Budget Review Statement
for the period 01/10/23 to 31/12/23

Capital Budget Review Statement

Budget review for the quarter ended 31 December 2023

Capital Budget

(\$000's)	Original Budget 2023/24	Approved Changes				Revised Budget 2023/24	Variations for this Dec Qtr	Notes	Projected Year End Result	Actual YTD figures
		Carry Forwards	by QBRs	Sep QBR	Dec QBR					
Capital Expenditure										
New Assets										
- Land & Buildings	1,500	513		(1,260)	753	(1,260)		753	165	
- Water Supply Infrastructure	3,820	1,051		-	4,871	-		4,871	1,663	
Renewal Assets (Replacement)										
- IT Equipment	80	-		-	80	-		80	22	
- Office Equipment	-	-		-	-	-		-	-	
- Plant & Equipment	1,838	359		(1,003)	1,194	(1,003)		1,194	868	
- Land & Buildings	50	-		-	50	-		50	-	
- Water Supply Infrastructure	15,355	897		2,200	(5,843)	(5,843)	3.1	12,609	6,124	
Total Capital Expenditure	22,643	2,820	-	2,200	(8,106)	19,557		19,557	8,842	
Capital Funding										
Fees, Charges & Other Untied Funding	-	-		-	-	-		-	-	
Capital Grants & Contributions	1,592	-		7,350	8,942	7,350		8,942	182	
Proceeds from Sale - IPP&E	617	-		(187)	430	(187)		430	195	
Internal Restrictions/Reserves	-	-		-	-	-		-	-	
Total Capital Funding	2,209	-	-	-	7,163	9,372		9,372	377	
Net Capital Funding - Surplus/(Deficit)	(20,434)	(2,820)	-	(2,200)	15,269	(10,185)		(10,185)	(8,465)	

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Quarterly Budget Review Statement

for the period 01/10/23 to 31/12/23

**Capital Budget Review Statement
Recommended changes to revised budget**

Budget Variations being recommended include the following material items:

Notes	Details	\$000
	Refer to Capital Works Progress report for more detail on Capital Projects	
3.3	Sale of Plant (Income) - reduction in expected income from Sale of Plant	187
3.4	Developer Contributions (Income) - additional Sec 64 Developer Contributions	(5,100)
3.5	Plant Purchases (Expense) reduction	(1,003)
3.6	Temora Depot Building (Expense) reduction - project has been put on hold to prioritise critical water infrastructure projects	(1,480)
3.7	Depot Workshop Lean-to Storage Area (Expense)	50
3.8	Temora Depot Storage Pad (Expense)	50
3.9	Rosehill Pipeline - Easements (Expense) - Easements along Rosehill pipelines are now being registered and compensation to landholders is payable	80
4	Water Network - Trunk Renewals (Expense) reduction - Urban and Rural construction crews are dedicated to other projects until the completion of the financial year and budget is not required	(300)
4.1	Water Network Trunk Renewals Rosehill to Harden Bypass (Expense) reduction - Project has been delayed until completion of Thanowring pipeline. The intention is to construct the works by GW staff as trial to investigate potential cost savings in undertaking larger diameter pipeline renewals in house	(1,063)
4.2	Water Network - rural renewals GWCC wide (Expense) reduction GWCC's urban and rural construction crews are dedicated to other projects until the completion of the financial year and this budget is not anticipated to be required	(350)
4.3	Wyalong Reliability Project Investigation & Design (Expense) increase - budget increased to cover project costs that are outside of the specific pump station, reservoir and pipeline contracts. The Wyalong projcte as a whole is tracking under budget.	20

4.4	Water Network Urban Meter & Taggle Replacement Program (Expense) reduction - Project has been delayed while GWCC implements technology improvements that will significantly reduce the administrative labour required to complete the meter replacement program works	(250)
4.5	Water Network Rural Meter & Taggle Replacement Program (Expense) reduction - Project has been delayed while GWCC implements technology improvements that will significantly reduce the administrative labour required to complete the meter replacement program works	(250)
4.6	Pump Stations & Bores - Jugiong CWPSI P1 & P2 Inlet Manifold 2022 (Expense) reduction - \$500k was against incorrect work order intended for Jugiong 2 HV renewal project which has been put on hold until Jugiong 1 works are completed	(500)
4.7	Pump Station & Bores - Oura Pump Station Renewal (Expense) reductio - Project has been delayed whilst further investigation is undertaken to de-risk the project and improve tender documentation. The full budget not anticipated to be spent this financial year	(1,070)
4.8	Reservoirs - Wombat BT Renewal (Expense) reduction - tender submissiions for this project were higher than anticipated due to current market conditions and contract was cancelled andput on hold for approx. 3 years. Minor works will occur to improve the site and reduce overall future contract costs	(2,080)
4.9	Temora Works Depot (Expense) increase - budget variation required for costs associated with project costs and construciton certificate costs	40
5	West Wyalong Reliability Project Contribution - (Revenue) increase Dept. Planning & Environment - NSW Connections Funding Pathway Milestone 3 - not budgeted previously.	(2,250)
5.1	Reservoirs External Adhoc Renewals - (Expense) reduction To be transferred to Internal Adhoc Renewals	(50)
5.2	Reservoirs Internal Adhoc Renewals - (Expense) reduction Transferred from External Adhoc Renewals	50

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Cash & Investments Budget Review Statement

Budget review for the quarter ended 31 December 2023

Cash & Investments

(\$000's)

	Original Budget	Variations for this	Notes	Projected Year End	Actual YTD
	2023/24	Dec Qtr		Result	figures
Externally Restricted ⁽¹⁾					
Developer Contributions	-	5,000		5,000	5,000
Total Externally Restricted	-	5,000		5,000	5,000
<small>(1) Funds that must be spent for a specific purpose</small>					
Internally Restricted ⁽²⁾					
Plant & Vehicle Replacement	3,463	(2,000)		1,463	306
Infrastructure Replacement	20,459	(18,041)		2,418	4,282
Employees Leave Entitlement	2,552	-		2,552	2,552
Deposits, Retentions & Bonds	-	-		-	-
Sales Fluctuation Reserve	-	-		-	-
Property Reserve	-	-		-	-
Total Internally Restricted	26,474	(20,041)		6,433	7,140
<small>(2) Funds that Council has earmarked for a specific purpose</small>					
Unrestricted (ie. available after the above Restrictions)	6,524	20,041	4.1	9,574	18,934
Total Cash & Investments	32,998	(15,041)		21,007	31,074

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Cash & Investments Budget Review Statement

Investments

Investments have been invested in accordance with Council's Investment Policy.

Cash

This Cash at Bank amount has been reconciled to Council's physical Bank Statements.
The date of completion of this bank reconciliation is 31/12/23

The YTD Cash & Investment figure reconciles to the actual balances held as follows:

\$ 000's

Cash at Bank (as per bank statements)		3,574
Investments on Hand		27,500
less: Unpresented Cheques	(Timing Difference)	-
add: Undeposited Funds	(Timing Difference)	13
Less: receipts not yet updated	(Timing Difference)	(13)
Reconciled Cash at Bank & Investments		<u>31,074</u>
Balance as per Review Statement:		<u>31,074</u>
Difference:		-

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Key Performance Indicators Budget Review Statement - Industry KPI's (OLG)

Budget review for the quarter ended 31 December 2023

(\$000's)	Current Projection		Original Budget 23/24	Actuals Prior Periods	
	Amounts 23/24	Indicator 23/24		22/23	21/22

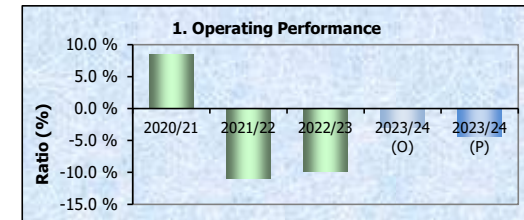
NSW Local Government Industry Key Performance Indicators (OLG):

1. Operating Performance

Operating Revenue (excl Capital) - Operating Expenses	-1,079	-4.4 %	-2.9 %	-9.8 %	-11.0 %
Operating Revenue (excl Capital Grants & Contributions)	24,543				

This ratio measures Council's achievement of containing operating expenditure within operating revenue. A positive result indicates a surplus. Operating deficits cannot be sustained in the long term.

Benchmark >0%

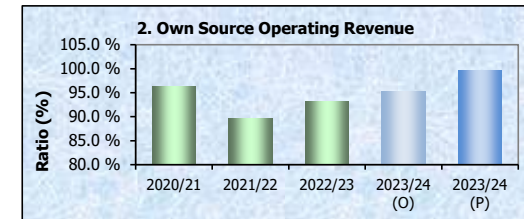


2. Own Source Operating Revenue

Operating Revenue (excl all Grants & Contributions)	24,463	99.7 %	95.3 %	93.1 %	89.7 %
Total Continuing Operating Revenue	24,543				

This ratio measures Council's dependence on external funding sources such as operating grants & contributions.

Benchmark >60%

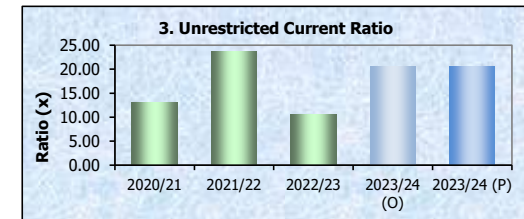


3. Unrestricted Current Ratio

Current Assets less all External Restrictions	38,856	20.47	20.47	10.58	23.68
Current Liabilities less Specific Purpose Liabilities	1,898				

This measures Council's ability to pay existing liabilities in the next 12 months from unrestricted activities of Council.

Benchmark >1.5x



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Key Performance Indicators Budget Review Statement - Industry KPI's (OLG)

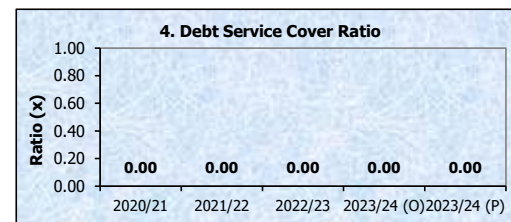
Budget review for the quarter ended 31 December 2023

(\$000's)	Current Projection		Original Budget 23/24	Actuals Prior Periods	
	Amounts 23/24	Indicator 23/24		22/23	21/22

4. Debt Service Cover Ratio

Operating Result before Capital (excl Interest & Depn)	7,401	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Principal Repayments + Borrowing Interest Costs	0				

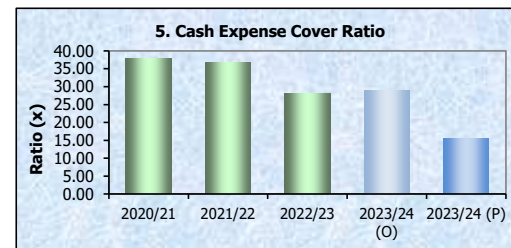
This ratio measures Council's ability to service debt, including interest and principal payments.
Benchmark >2x



5. Cash Expense Cover Ratio

Current Year's Cash & Cash Equivalents (incl. Term Deposits)	21,007				
Monthly payments from cash flow of operating and financing activities	1,344	15.63	28.91	28.23	36.90
		mths	mths	mths	mths

This liquidity ratio indicates the number of months a Council can continue paying for its immediate expenses without additional cash inflow.
Benchmark >3mths



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Contracts Budget Review Statement

Budget review for the quarter ended 31 December 2023

Part A - Contracts Listing - contracts entered into during the quarter

Contractor	Contract detail & purpose	Contract Value	Start Date	Duration of Contract	Budgeted (Y/N)	Notes
Quay Civil Pty Ltd	Oura Water Treatment Plant	\$10,536,419	01/06/23	12 months	Y	
Fitt Resources	Delivery of three water pumps & motors	\$1,721,573	07/03/23	12 months	Y	
DGP Water	Investigate and detailed design of Trunk Main Upgrade between Kingsvale and Young	\$279,180	09/01/23	12 months	Y	

Notes:

1. Minimum reporting level is 1% of estimated income from continuing operations of Council or \$50,000 - whatever is the lesser.
2. Contracts listed are those entered into in previous quarters with current completion dates being reported and exclude contractors on Council's Preferred Supplier list.
3. Contracts for employment are not required to be included.

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Consultancy & Legal Expenses Budget Review Statement

Consultancy & Legal Expenses Overview

Expense	YTD Expenditure (Actual Dollars)	Budgeted (Y/N)
Consultancies	1,216,791	Y
Legal Expenses	79,817	Y

Definition of a consultant:

A consultant is a person or organisation engaged under contract on a temporary basis to provide recommendations or high level specialist or professional advice to assist decision making by management. Generally it is the advisory nature of the work that differentiates a consultant from other contractors.

Comments

Expenditure included in the above YTD figure but not budgeted includes:

Details

N/A

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PLANT PURCHASING

Report prepared by Operations Manager

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the Board approve \$250,000 for plant purchases for the 2024/2025 Financial Year.

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Priority 1 High Quality, Secure & Efficient Water Supplies

REPORT

Permission is sought from the Board to commit \$250,000 now for plant purchases (commercial vehicles) for the 2024/2025 Financial Year, so that orders can be placed in the system.

In the current environment Council is still experiencing difficulties in delivery of commercial vehicles due to disruptions within the overseas supply chain. Dealers state that the on-going instability in the middle eastern countries is also causing a domino effect with supply.

Supply through to delivery of commercial vehicles is still lagging between 6 – 8 months, not including port disruptions.

As such it is recommended to place orders in the system now due to lengthy delays in the supply chain.

FINANCIAL IMPAST STATEMENT

The recommendation will commit \$250,000 capital expenditure to the 2024/2025 budget.

ATTACHMENTS: Nil

TABLES ITEMS: Nil

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WATER PRODUCTION REPORT

Report prepared by Production and Services Manager

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the Water Production Report be received and noted.

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Priority 3 A Healthy Natural Environment

BACKGROUND

Goldenfields Water provides the essential water requirements of about 40,000 people spread over an area in excess of 20,000 square kilometres between the Lachlan & Murrumbidgee Rivers in the South West of NSW.

Goldenfields Waters' supply system consists of five separate water schemes, Jugiong, Oura, Mt Arthur, Mt Daylight and Hylands Bridge. Goldenfields Water carries out water supply functions within the Local Government areas of Bland, Coolamon, Cootamundra, Hilltops, Junee, Temora, and parts of Narrandera and Wagga Wagga.

Hilltops Shire Council, Cootamundra Gundagai Shire Council and Riverina Water County Council are retailers, who purchase bulk water from Goldenfields and supply the water to retail customers in their respective local government areas.

REPORT

Jugiong drinking Water Scheme

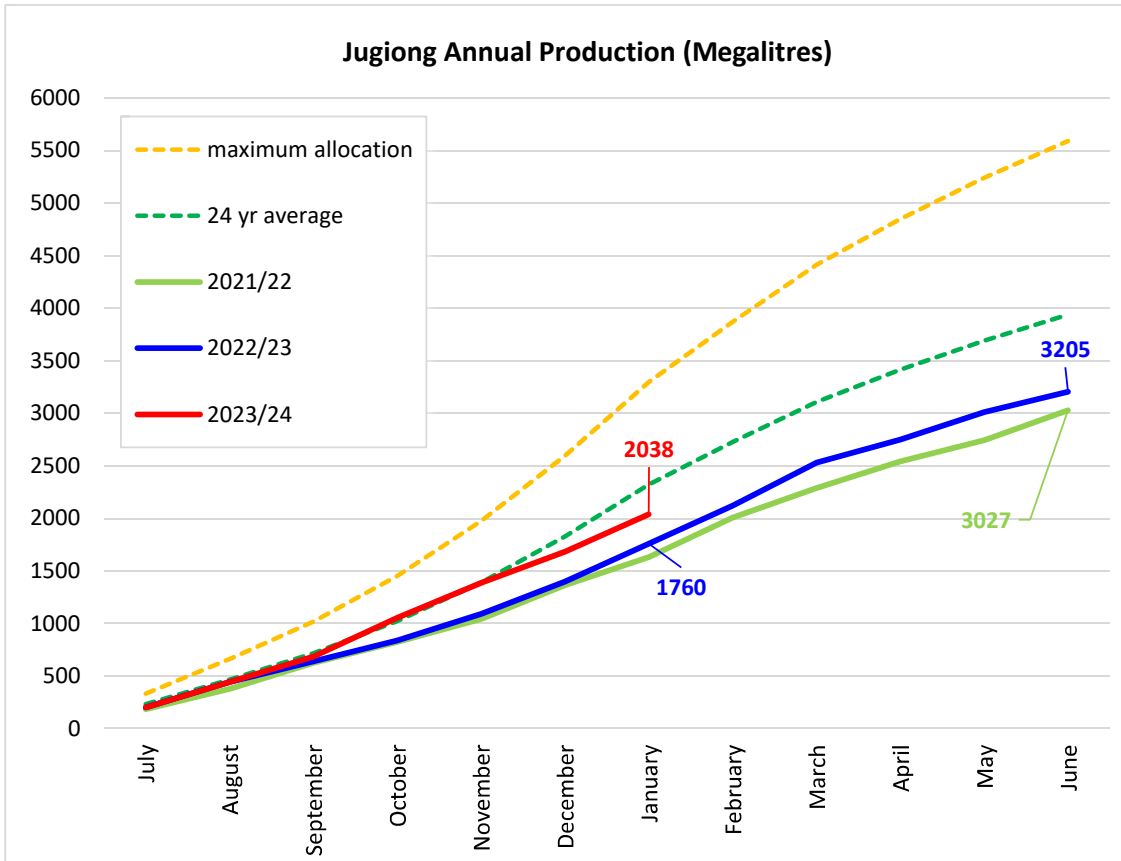
The Jugiong drinking water scheme sources water from the Murrumbidgee River and has an extraction licence entitlement of 5590ML per annum. Water from the Murrumbidgee River is treated through a 40ML/day, conventional Water Treatment Plant that consists of: Coagulation, Flocculation, Clarification, Filtration, Disinfection and Fluoridation.

The Jugiong Scheme has 14 sets of reservoirs and 8 pumping stations. The Jugiong Scheme supplies bulk water to the Hilltops and Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Councils for supply to the townships of Cootamundra, Harden and Young with a population of approximately 6800, 2200 and 8000 respectively.

Goldenfields Water also provides additional retail supply to approximately 600 customers in the villages of Stockinbingal, Wallendbeen and Springdale.

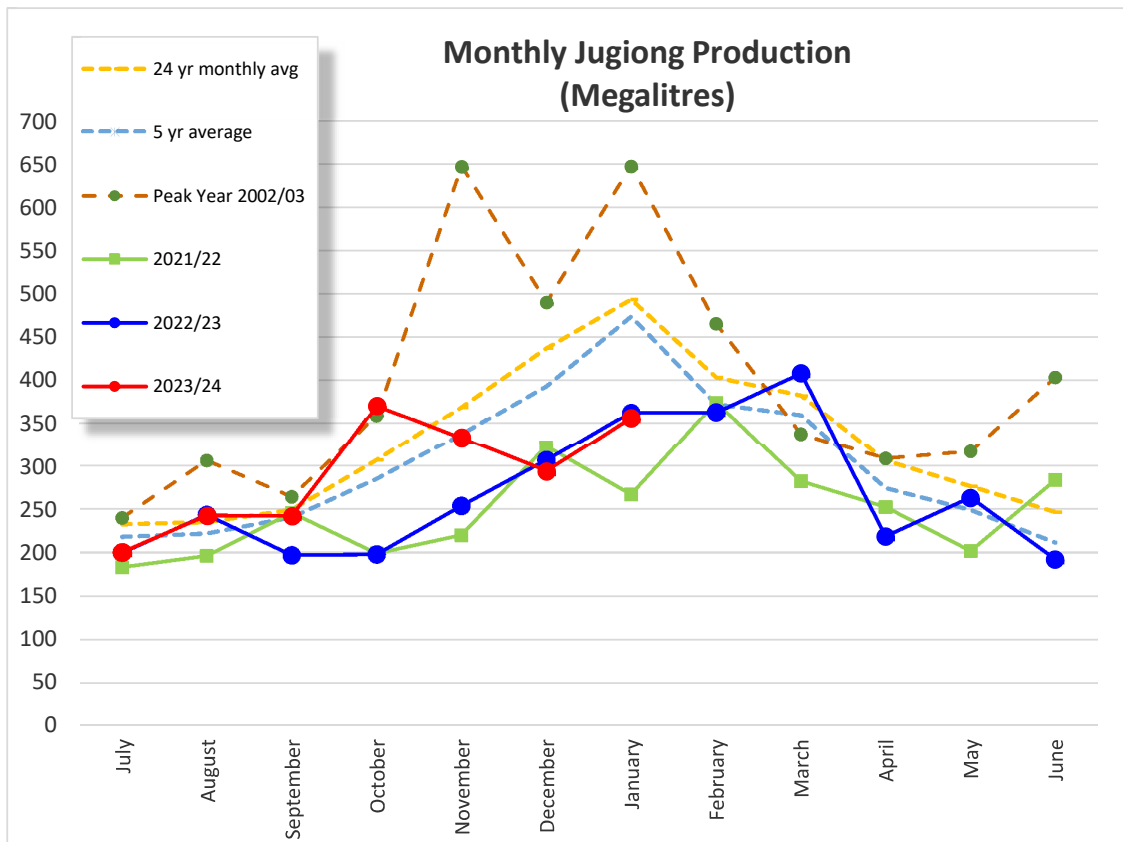
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For the first 7 months of the 2023/24 financial year, 2038ML of water had been extracted from the Murrumbidgee River and processed at the Jugiong Water Treatment plant. This is slightly higher than for the 2022/23 FY where 1760ML was extracted. An increase of 278ML. This is illustrated in the graph below.



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Jugiong monthly production started slightly higher in July with 200ML extracted and treated for the month. August saw a further increase in production with 242ML similar to the September period. Some warm dry weather increased production to 370ML in October, before some stormy wet periods provided a decrease for the months of November, December, and January with 333ML, 294ML and 356ML respectively.



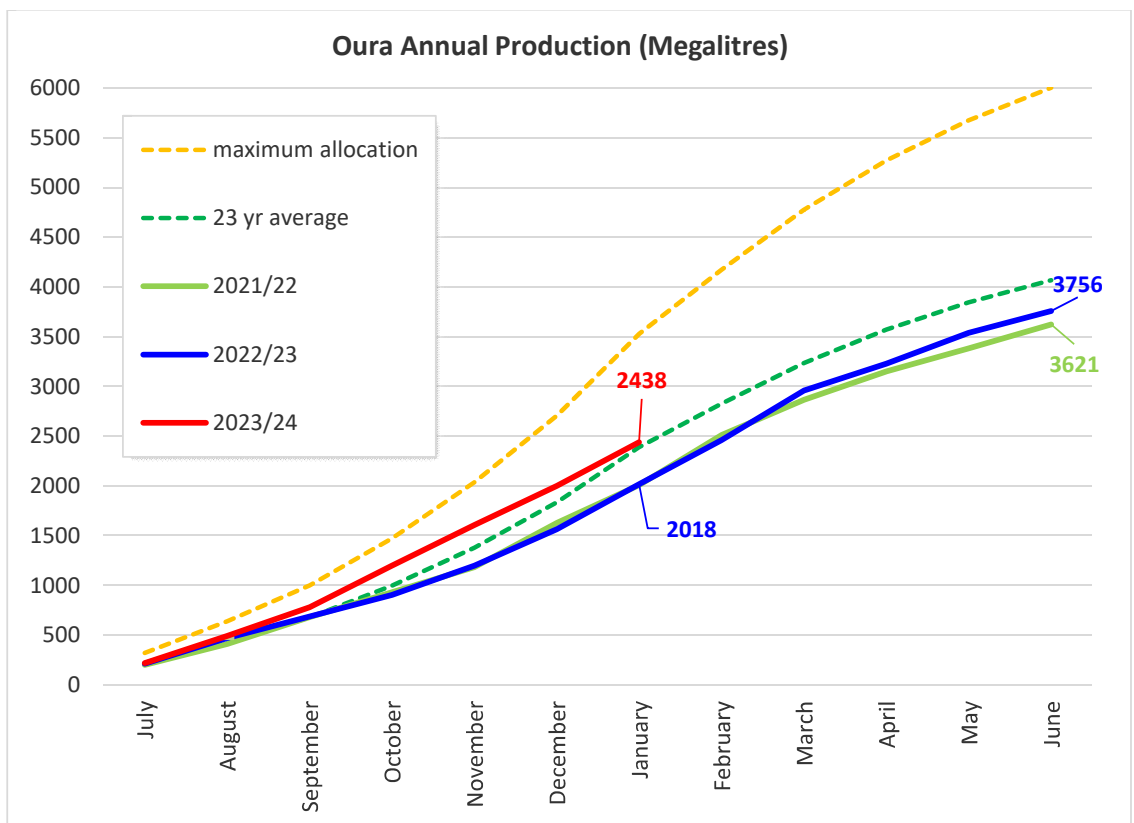
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Oura Drinking Water Scheme

The water source at Oura is the Murrumbidgee inland alluvial aquifer, this water is extracted from 4 bores namely: Bores 2, 3, 4 and 6. The raw water then goes through a treatment process at the Oura Water Treatment Plant that includes Aeration, Disinfection and Fluoridation.

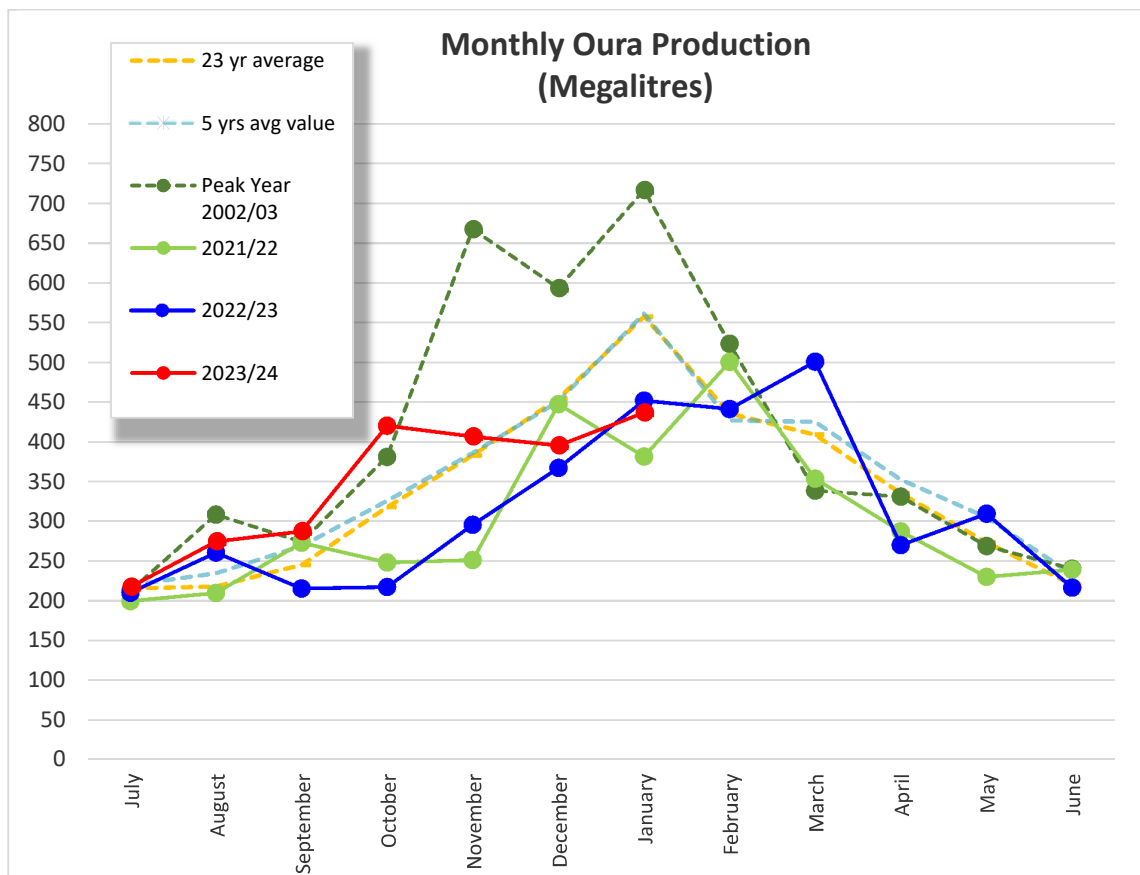
The Oura scheme has 33 sets of reservoirs, and 19 pumping stations, produces drinking water for approximately 14,600 people in the Bland, Coolamon, Junee, Narrandera and Temora Shires. The Oura scheme can also supply water to the Northern side of the rural area of Wagga Wagga City when required.

For the first 7 months of the 2023/24 financial year, 2438ML of water has been extracted from the Oura Borefield and processed at the Oura Water Treatment Plant. This is a 17% increase in production compared to 2022/23 FY where 2018ML of water was extracted for the same period. An increase in production of 420ML. This is depicted in the graph below.



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Oura monthly water production has started slightly higher in July where 217ML was extracted from the Oura bores. August saw an increase in production where 274ML was extracted, with a further increase in production for September provided a 287ML extraction. As with the Jugiong scheme, a warm dry period saw a further increase in production for October with 420ML extracted, before some stormy wet periods in November and December saw a slight decrease in production with 406ML and 395ML respectively. January provided our largest production period thus far with a total of 437ML for the month.

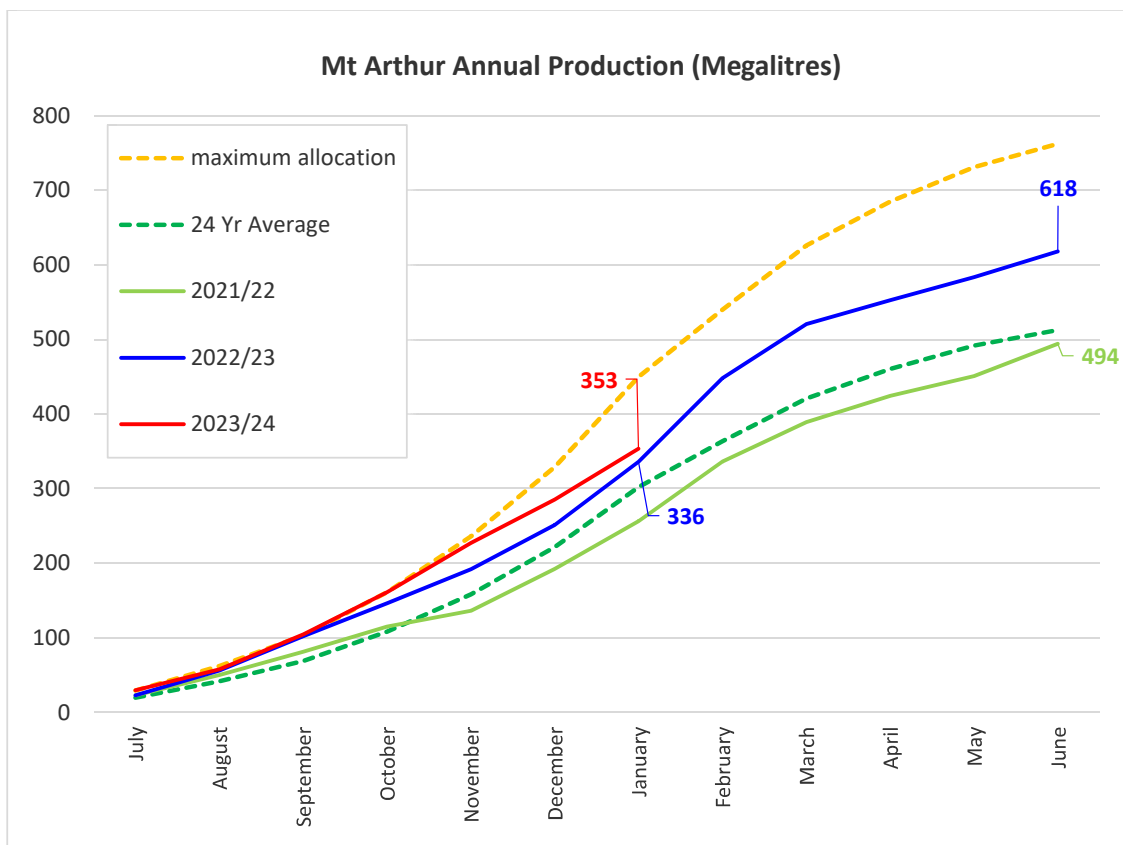


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Mount Arthur Drinking Water Scheme

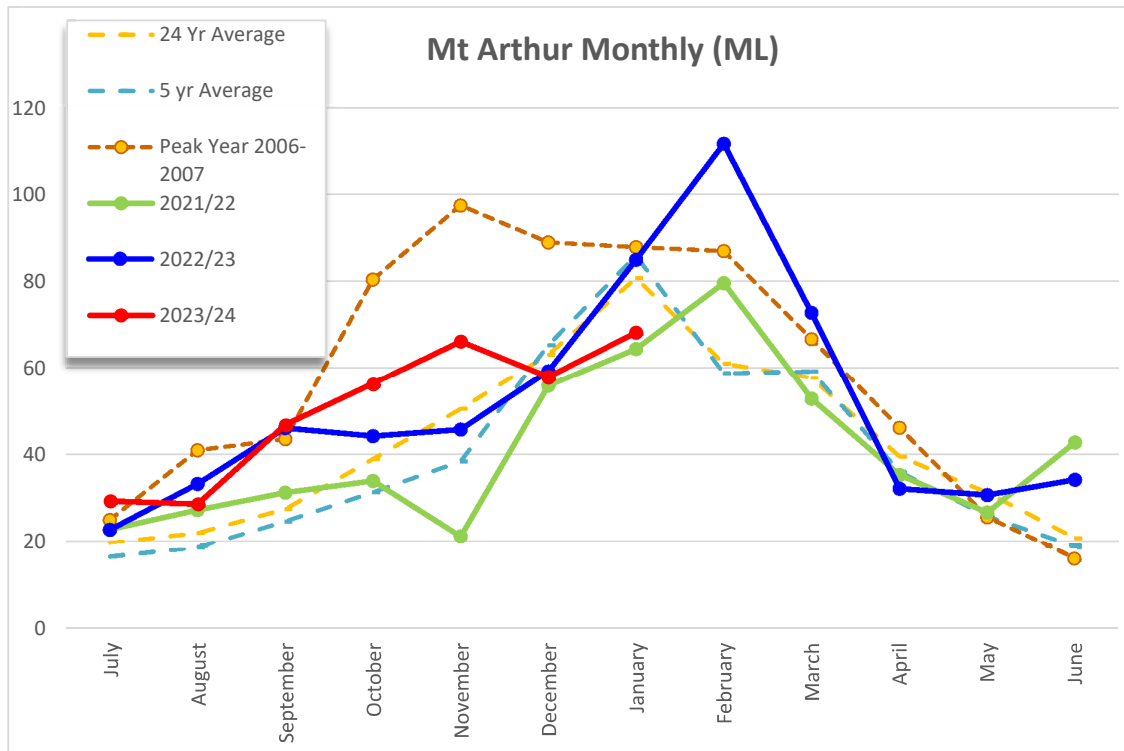
The Mount Arthur Water Source is from the Lachlan Fold belt Aquifer System. The water is extracted via two bores, being bores 1 and 2 located in the Wagga Wagga City Council area South of Matong. The water is disinfected before distribution through 9 sets of reservoirs supplying approximately 2400 people with water in the Coolamon shire.

For the first 7 months of the 2023/24 financial year, 353ML of water has been extracted from the Mt Arthur Borefield. This is an increase compared to the 2022/23 FY where 336ML was extracted from the Mt Arthur bores for the same period with an increase of 18ML. As can be seen in the graph below, production is trending slightly higher to previous years.



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Mt Arthur monthly water production started slightly higher to previous years with 29ML of water extracted from the bores in July. August saw a slight decrease to 28ML extracted and September a further increase to 47ML extracted. Production for the period of September through to January has been steadily increasing every month.

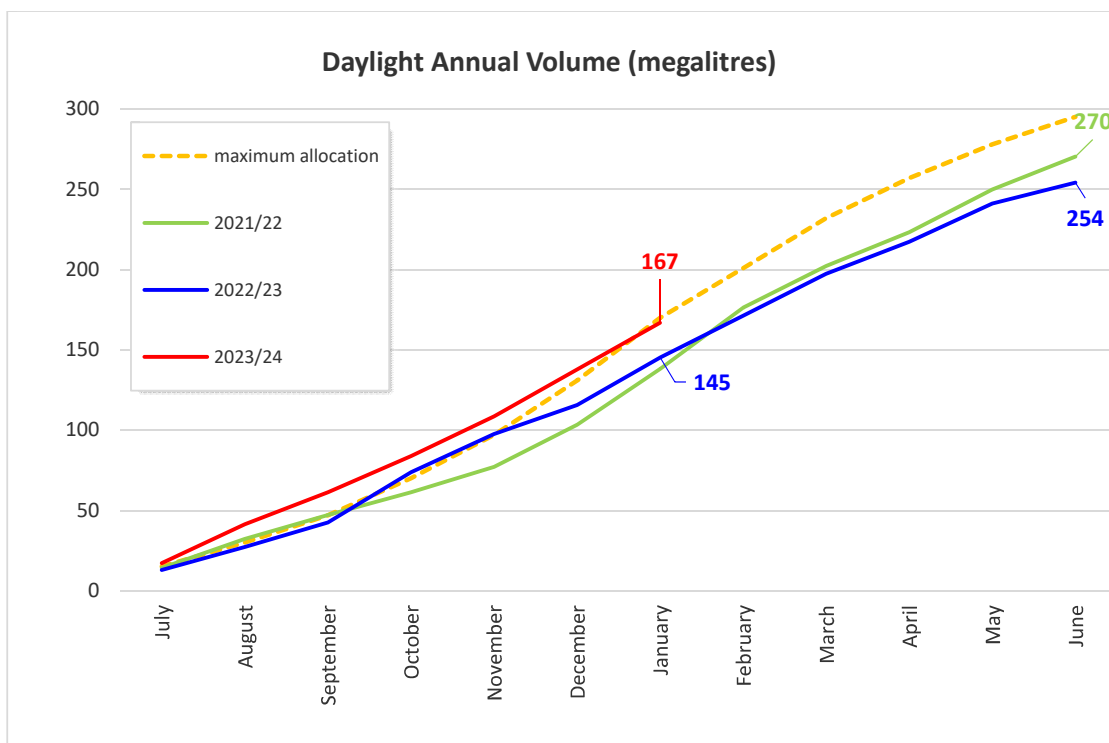


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Mount Daylight Drinking Water Scheme

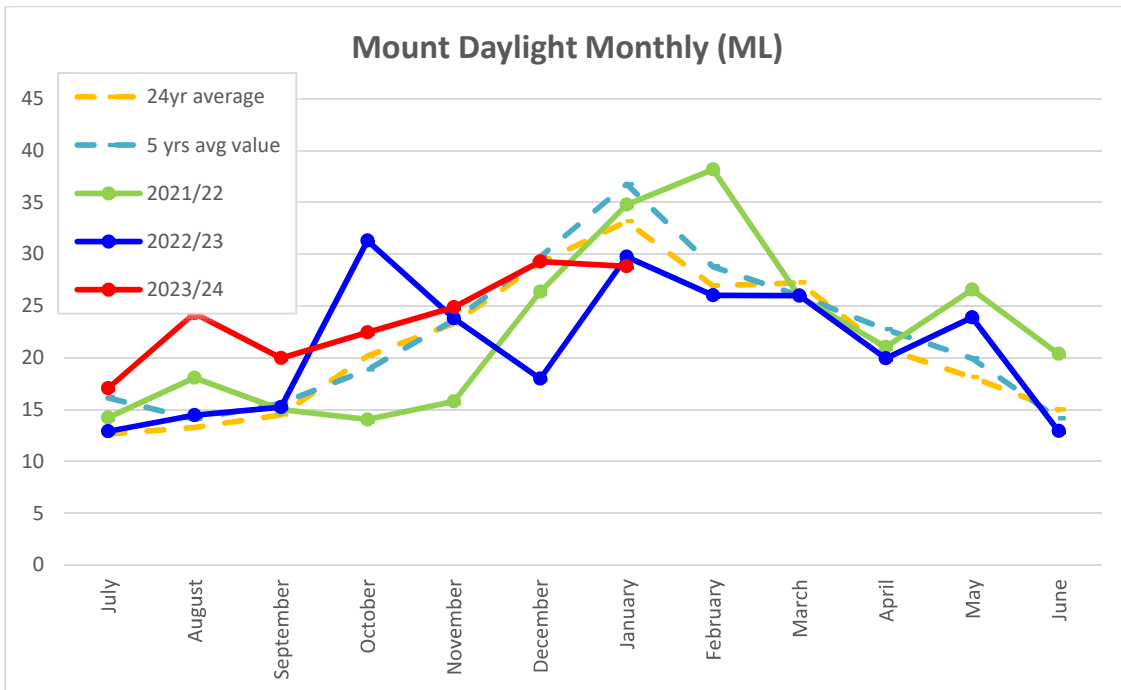
The Mount Daylight water source is from the Lower Lachlan alluvium aquifer. The Mount Daylight bores are jointly operated with Carathool Shire Council. Carathool Shire Council is responsible for bore management. There are 7 sets of reservoirs in the Mt Daylight scheme. Mt Daylight supplies water to approximately 125 people in the villages of Naradhan, Weethalle and Tallimba which is located within the Bland Shire.

For the first 7 months of the 2023/24 financial year 167ML of water has been extracted from the Mt Daylight Borefield. This is an increase in volume of 22ML compared to the 2022/23 FY where 145ML was produced over the same period.



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The monthly extraction totals for the Mt Daylight bores started very consistently with July seeing 17ML extracted with slight increases in August 24ML, September was slightly lower in production with 20ML extracted, the period September through to November seen consistent increases in production every month with September 20ML, October 22ML and November 25ML extracted from the Mt Daylight Bores. December saw production to 29ML, January was similar with just under 29ML extracted for the month.

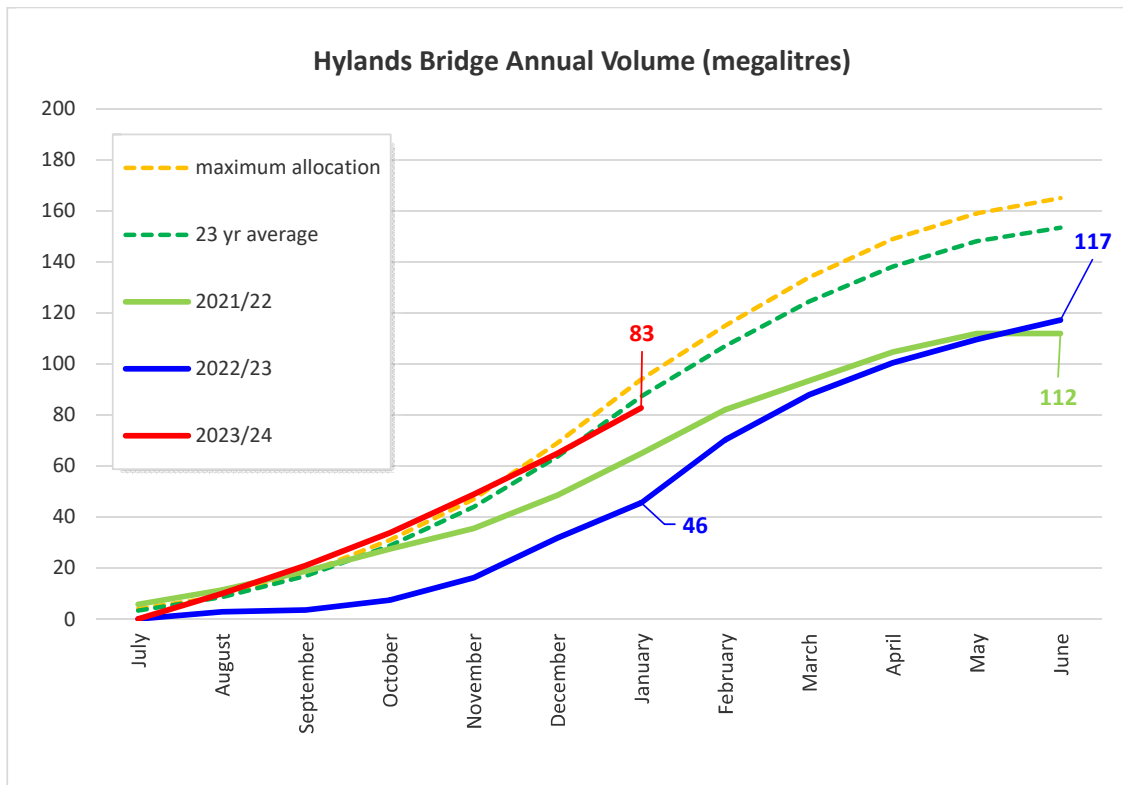


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Hylands Bridge - Non-Potable

Hylands Bridge supplies Non-Potable water to Barellan and Binya. The water is sourced through the Murrumbidgee Irrigation Area where Goldenfields Water holds 165ML shareholding for water entitlement.

For the first 7 months of the 2023/24 financial year 83ML of water has been extracted from the Hylands Bridge Raw Water Scheme. This is a large increase compared to the same period last year where only 46ML had been extracted.



FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation does not impact on Council’s financial position.

LOCAL PREFERENCE

N/A

ATTACHMENTS: Nil

TABLED ITEMS: Nil

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JUGIONG HIGH VOLTAGE PROJECT UPDATE

Report prepared by Production & Services Manager

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

- a. That the report be received and noted
- b. Approve the required budgetary adjustment as detailed within the report.

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Priority 1 High Quality, Secure and Efficient Water Supplies

BACKGROUND

The Board at its October 2023 meeting resolved:

That the Board;

- a) note the information detailed within the report
- b) approve to award the contract (Tender 04/2023) for the Jugiong WTP HV LV Electrical Installation Project to JRC Pty Ltd for \$2,249,543.09 (exc GST).
- c) Approve a budgetary provision of \$500k in the 2023/24 financial year, for the purchase of new electrical motors and their installation at the Jugiong WTP clear water pump station site.
- d) Pursuant to s55(3)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993, the Board considers that a satisfactory result would not be achieved by inviting tenders before entering into a contract for the purchase of new motors for Jugiong Number 1 and 2 pump stations, due to extenuating circumstances, being:
 - 1. currently there is a significant risk in long lead times for assets and their associated spares. This is exacerbated when manufactured overseas and custom built.
 - 2. Council previously tendered contract 05/2022 which provided the selection of new pumps and motors for the Oura HV site.
 - 3. flexibility in purchasing the same motors as per the previous tender 05/2022 reduces councils' risk of any failures across our HV sites by providing commonality and enabling the swapping out of any equipment across all three sites without any down time.
 - 4. Significant savings are made when equipment purchased has commonality and spares to be carried are minimalised.
 - 5. The training of staff with common assets provides greater service and reduces risk of downtime when incidents occur.
- e) authorise the General Manager or their delegate the delegation to negotiate the purchase of new 900kw motors from Toshiba International Corporation PTY LTD and enter into any such Agreements as necessary.

REPORT

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Commencement of works onsite occurred in December 2023. Thus far the installation of all cable tray has been undertaken and the ordering of all hardware and materials has occurred. The request for three new Toshiba motors has also been completed with the delivery date expected to be in around May 2024 as they are made overseas.

As per the previous board report the following table was provided in regards to the overall Jugiong HV Project budget.

BUDGET ESTIMATE		
No.	Item	Estimate
1	GWCC Personnel and Internal Costs	\$350,000
2	Electrical Design (inc. ASP3 Essential Energy PoC)	\$450,000
3	Design and Construct – Switchroom and Associated Civil Works	\$2,550,000
4	Supply and Installation of HV Equipment	\$2,255,000
5	Electrical Installation Works (HV and LV)	\$2,500,000
6	SAFEgroup PLC / SCADA Works	\$150,000
7	Contingency	\$500,000
8	TOTAL	\$6,255,000

As you will note with all of the individual line items detailed, the total budget required for the project was estimated at \$8,755,000 including contingency. The above table detailed a total of \$6,255,000 which was incorrect.

The budgetary total detailed above has been used across our budgetary system and has shown a clear shortfall in allocation.

This report is to request a correction in the budgetary allocation of the Jugiong HV project.

The total project budget allocation required is \$8,755,000 plus the additional \$500,000 allocation for the new Toshiba motors detailed with the previous October resolution.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation impacts Councils financial status via an additional budget allocation of \$3m. This \$3m will see that \$2m is brought forward into the 2023/24 financial year with a budget provision of \$1m being allocated into the 2024/25 financial year to align with the delivery timeframe for completion of the project which is expected around September 2024.

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In order to provide this additional allocation, staff will seek to defer the Jugiong Pump Station 2 HV Upgrade project to future years, which was set commence in the new financial year 2024/25.

It should also be noted that there are likely savings to be made from the current Oura Reservoir & Aerator project. A budget allocation of \$12.6m has been made; however, the current status of the project and approved variations in the delivery of the contract has seen significant savings made. It is estimated that Council should retrieve an additional \$1m back into the reserves following the successful delivery of this project.

ATTACHMENTS: Nil

TABLED ITEMS: Nil if none apply, items tabled in meeting.

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BARELLAN SEWER PROJECT INCREASED CONTRIBUTION REQUEST

Report prepared by Engineering Manager

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the Board:

- a) Agree to a funding contribution to Narrandera Shire Council of \$332,008 towards the Barellan Sewer Project specifically for water main replacements
- b) Donate 10ML of water to Narrandera Shire Council for the Barellan Sewer Project, utilising water from the Hylands Bridge scheme where practical

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Priority 1 High Quality, Secure and Efficient Water Supplies

BACKGROUND

In 2019 Narrandera Shire Council secured \$4.87m in grant funding under the Safe and Secure Water Program. At the time the total cost of the project was estimated to be \$6.29m and was to include the provision of sewerage pipelines, pump stations and a treatment plant for the township of Barellan, NSW.

In March 2022 Narrandera Shire Council approached Goldenfields Water in regard to the water infrastructure that may be disturbed as a result of the project. The sewerage infrastructure was to be located primarily in the back laneways which is where Goldenfields Water has their potable water network (noting that Goldenfields Water also has a non-potable water network in Barellan that is located primarily in the main streets). In some locations the potable water infrastructure was inconveniently located in the middle of the laneways and would be required to be relocated to enable the construction of the sewerage assets to proceed.

Goldenfields Water staff met with Narrandera Shire Council staff in May 2022 where NSC advised that the grant funding would cover 75% of the costs of replacing water infrastructure that is disturbed as part of the project. The "Current Value" of the impacted pipelines was approximately 20% of the gross replacement cost so this presented a good outcome for both Councils. Narrandera Shire Council have advised they originally planned for \$750,000 of water infrastructure works which would equate to a \$187,500 contribution.

Goldenfields Water also took the opportunity to include the installation of hydrants on the potable water mains in preparation for one day decommissioning the non-potable water network. Goldenfields Water will cover 100% of the costs related to the installation of the hydrants.

REPORT

Due to the industry wide price increases experienced over the past few years the project costs have exceeded initial estimates and grant funding contributions. Narrandera Shire Council made the decision to proceed with the project and the project construction contract was awarded in September 2023.

The Contractor engaged is responsible for identifying which water mains would need to be replaced. Goldenfields Water have been working with the contractors where required to assist delivery and ensure our standards are met.

Narrandera Shire Council have written to Goldenfields Water to request an increased contribution towards the project. NSC have requested Goldenfields Water consider a 50% contribution to the cost of the water infrastructure works which equates to \$541,923.

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When taking this request into consideration Goldenfields Water should consider the impact this may have on our financial asset management. The project costs for the water infrastructure is quite high and exceeds both the NSW reference rates and Goldenfields Water's adopted unit rates, furthermore there are existing assets with remaining useful lives that will be disposed of.

Goldenfields Water value the replacement pipeline works as \$430,350 as per our asset register's current unit rate values for urban pipework which are based on the actual costs of works completed in recent years.

The pipelines being replaced had a Current Value of \$98,342. Some of these pipelines were old 50mm pipelines which have been replaced with our current standard DN100 PVC pipe.

Value of Works	\$
Value of works as per contract costs	\$1,083,846
Requested contribution amount (50%)	\$541,923
Value of works as per GWCC's adopted unit rates	\$430,350
Value of assets disposed	\$98,342
GWCC Net Value = GWCC unit rate value of works minus value of assets disposed	\$332,008

The Board may wish to consider a contribution of the full request, GWCC's unit rate value of the works, net value of the works, original anticipated contribution amount, original contribution percentage or as otherwise determined by the Board.

Note: the figures above do not include the \$49,000 cost of the hydrants installation which Goldenfields Water are 100% responsible for as this was a requested addition to the project.

As part of the project Narrandera Shire Council will also need to purchase 10ML of water to fill the ponds at the treatment works. This will be achieved by using hydrants to discharge water into the newly constructed sewerage pump stations in town and then use the sewerage infrastructure to pump the water out to the treatment plant location. Usually, this water would be charged at the Temporary Water Supply rate being \$4.20 per kl which is higher than the normal Non-Residential Charge of \$2.27.

Depending on the Hylands Bridge scheme licensing entitlement and yearly scheme demand the 10ML may be provided fully from the Hylands Bridge non-potable system, fully from the Oura supply scheme or from a combination of both. The Hylands Bridge scheme is the non-potable scheme which supplies raw water from an irrigation channel and has reduced production costs to Council due to not needing to treat the water.

Should the Board wish to consider further assistance to Narrandera Shire Council it could consider a discounted water supply charge or a donation of the water required.

10ML at the temporary water supply charge = \$42,000

10ML at the Non-Residential supply charge = \$22,700

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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In comparison to the original anticipated funding contribution of \$187,500, the recommendation comprises an increased funding contribution of \$144,508 and a loss of potential water sales income of \$42,000 representing a total increase of \$186,508.

ATTACHMENTS: Nil

TABLED ITEMS: Letter of request from Narrandera Shire Council

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DELIVERY PROGRAM PROGRESS REPORT – JULY TO DECEMBER 2023

Report prepared by General Manager

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That Council's July to December 2023 Delivery Program Progress Report be received and noted.

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Priority 1 High Quality, Secure and Efficient Water Supplies

BACKGROUND

Section 404 of the Local Government Act 1993 - *Delivery Program*, stipulates that regular progress reports (at least 6 monthly) be provided to Council to report on progress toward the principal activities detailed in the Delivery Program.

REPORT

Council's July to December 2023 Delivery Program Progress Report has been created, measuring the organisations progress toward the Delivery Program. The report is attached for Council's information.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation does not impact on Council's financial position.

ATTACHMENTS: Delivery Program Progress Report July to December 2023

TABLED ITEMS: Nil



July to December 2023

DELIVERY PROGRAM Progress Report





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Progress Report Explained

As a NSW county council, Goldenfields Water is required as part of the Integrated Planning and Reporting framework for NSW local government to implement a suite of interrelated strategic planning documents.

The documents include a long-term Business Activity Strategic Plan, four-year Delivery Program and annual Operational Plan. These documents are supported by the Resourcing Strategy, which comprises a Long Term Financial Plan, Workforce Management Plan and Asset Management Plan.

At least every six months, a progress report must be produced that provides information to the community about Goldenfields

Water's progress towards achieving the objectives set out in its four-year Delivery Program.

This current progress report is for the period from July through to December 2023, which covers the first six months of Goldenfields 2023/2024 Operational Plan, derived from Goldenfields Delivery Program for 2022-2026.

The detailed progress report in Section 2 uses the icons below to show the status of each project, program or action. A comment is also provided about the specific progress made so far in completing each project, program or action.



Green - Completed



Blue - Progressing



Red – Not yet started



Profile

Goldenfields Water is a single-purpose county council that has been responsible for providing water supply services to many communities in the South West Slopes and Riverina regions of NSW since 1997.

Goldenfields Water's supply system covers 22,500 square kilometres between the Lachlan and Murrumbidgee rivers. It services over 46,000 people and includes more than 2,400 kilometres of water mains (the longest in NSW).

Water is sourced from protected natural catchments at Jugiong, Oura, Mt Arthur, Mt Daylight and Hylands Bridge before undergoing a world-class treatment process at either of Goldenfields Water's two water treatment plants.

As a county council, Goldenfields Water is a unique organisation given it is made up of seven constituent councils that each depend on it to deliver essential drinking water for their communities.

Goldenfields Water's seven constituent councils are:

- Bland Shire Council
- Coolamon Shire Council
- Junee Shire Council
- Temora Shire Council
- Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Council
- Narrandera Shire Council
- Hilltops Council

Currently, Goldenfields Water supplies all drinking water directly to the almost 11,600 rural, residential, commercial and other properties in the local government areas of Bland, Coolamon, Junee, Temora, and parts of Cootamundra-Gundagai and Narrandera.

Goldenfields Water supplies water in bulk to Cootamundra-Gundagai and Hilltops councils, which then distribute water directly to their residents (except those already supplied directly by Goldenfields Water in parts of Cootamundra-Gundagai).

It also provides water in bulk to Riverina Water County Council as well as non-potable water (untreated water for non-drinking purposes) directly to 250 properties.



Mission, Vision and Values

Mission

To provide regional economic opportunity and lifestyle choices through provision of a quality water supply by innovative leadership showing environmental responsibility in cooperation with the community, constituent councils and governments.

Vision

To be innovative leaders in the supply and distribution of water through regional efficiency, technical excellence and customer service

Values

Integrity

All staff act in the best interest of the communities that we serve, demonstrating and promoting moral and ethical principles in all that we do.

Trust

Built on from the value of Integrity, mutual trust is established between teams and staff at all levels. Open communication lines and transparency in our operations reflects and further builds on trust.

Respect

All staff treat others with courtesy, politeness and kindness. Differences in viewpoints and beliefs are recognised and considered, with all people being treated fairly and equally.

Teamwork

All staff work together collaboratively and support one another in achieving the operational objectives of GWCC. Our staff understand the importance of working with each other to achieve our objectives

Continuous Improvement

Staff feel confident and comfortable to offer ideas and suggestions to ensure that GWCC is continually working to better deliver services to our community and finding more efficient ways of undertaking business.



Strategic Priorities

This progress report is categorised in line with the three strategic priorities established by Goldenfields Water's Business Activity Strategic Plan and the strategic objectives and strategies outlined in its 2022-2026 Delivery Program to achieve those objectives.

Priority 1 High Quality, Secure & Efficient Water Supplies

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| 1.1 | Potable Water Supplies Meet Australian Drinking Water Guidelines and Public Health requirements |
| 1.2 | Future Growth is planned for and managed |
| 1.3 | Water Supply is reliable and efficient |
| 1.4 | Our Assets are managed & renewed in accordance with Council's Asset management systems |

Priority 2 Customer Service Focus

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| 2.1 | Well trained highly motivated workforce |
| 2.2 | Safe healthy and risk managed working environment exists for staff and the community |
| 2.3 | Community satisfaction is built and maintained through provision of services and information |
| 2.4 | Financial Management |
| 2.5 | Improving Performance and Managing Risk |
| 2.6 | Regional collaboration |

Priority 3 A Healthy Natural Environment

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| 3.1 | Energy costs and usage are monitored and reduced through utilisation of alternative technologies and system innovations |
| 3.2 | Environmentally adverse consequences are minimised from operations including water extraction, capital works and day to day operations |
| 3.3 | Potential effect of climate change on water supply is identified, planned, and managed |
| 3.4 | Water is used wisely with system losses minimised and accounted for |



Delivery Program Progress Report – July to December 2023

The following is Goldenfields Water’s detailed report on its progress towards achieving the strategic objectives and implementing the strategies in its Delivery Program during the period July to December 2023. Progress is reported under Goldenfields Water’s three strategic priorities.



1: High Quality, Secure & Efficient Water Supplies

1.1: Potable water supplies meet Australian Drinking Water Guidelines and Public Health requirements

1.1.1: Drinking Water Management System is implemented

Code	Operational Plan Desired Outcome	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Traffic Lights	Progress	Comments
1.1.1.1	Drinking Water Management System annual reporting	Annual report developed and submitted to council by December prior to submission to NSW health	Production & Services Manager		100%	Annual reporting for Councils Drinking Water Management system is finalised in October to December. The Annual report is a comprehensive analysis of Councils performance in accordance with the Australian Drinking Water Guidelines. The report includes a list of actions and implementation requirements for continual improvement. The report is submitted for review to NSW Health and adopted by the Board.

1.1.2: Backflow prevention is in place for high risk connections

Code	Operational Plan Desired Outcome	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Traffic Lights	Progress	Comments
1.1.2.1	Reduced Pressure Zone Device (backflow prevention device) testing and audit is completed.	All RPZD's have been tested and audit is complete	Engineering Manager		10%	Audit has commenced



1.1.3: Goldenfields adheres to NSW Government Best Practice Management

Code	Operational Plan Desired Outcome	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Traffic Lights	Progress	Comments
1.1.3.1	Goldenfields Water adheres to best practice guidance for water and wastewater operations.	Goldenfields will develop and adopt a new IWCM strategy	Engineering Manager		60%	GWCC currently developing documentation in accordance with best practice guidelines

1.2: Future growth is planned for and managed

1.2.1: Growth opportunities are considered through business planning

Code	Operational Plan Desired Outcome	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Traffic Lights	Progress	Comments
1.2.1.1	GWCC progresses with Rosehill to Young strategy asset upgrades	Offtake to Rosehill pump station upgrade compete. Wombat reservoir 75% constructed.	Engineering Manager		15%	Offtake pipeline is ready to commence once landholder agreement is achieved Wombat reservoir project put on hold to prioritise critical infrastructure renewals
1.2.1.1	West Wyalong Water Reliability Project Complete	Bypass trunk main, reticulated main, reservoir and pump station complete and operational.	Engineering Manager		100%	Completed and operational



1.3: Water supply is reliable and efficient

1.3.1: Disruptions to supply are planned for and managed

Code	Operational Plan Desired Outcome	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Traffic Lights	Progress	Comments
1.3.1.1	Disruptions to supply are planned for and managed	Report on number of planned and unplanned disruptions for quarter	Operations Manager		50%	All planned outages and disruptions to supply are dealt with via Council's social media department. After hours emergency works and/or unplanned outages are dealt with via the on call Duty Officer

1.4: Our assets are managed and renewed in accordance with Council's Asset management systems

1.4.1: Strategic asset management documents and systems are adopted and updated to maintain validity and relevance

Code	Operational Plan Desired Outcome	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Traffic Lights	Progress	Comments
1.4.1.1	Comprehensive revaluation of water infrastructure assets is completed.	Comprehensive revaluation of water infrastructure assets is completed.	Engineering Manager		20%	Progressing



1.4.2: Assets are renewed in accordance with the requirements of the Asset Management Plans

Code	Operational Plan Desired Outcome	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Traffic Lights	Progress	Comments
1.4.2.1	Assets are renewed in accordance with the requirements of the asset management plans	Capital works program is generated from the asset management system	Engineering Manager	●	20%	Council is currently developing the asset management plans. Assets are being targeted based on condition and criticality
1.4.2.2	Council's backlog of works is reduced	Council's backlog of works is reduced.	Engineering Manager	●	50%	Council's 2023/24 capital works projects are underway to renew existing infrastructure
1.4.2.2	Minimum 10km of urban reticulation renewals completed	Km undertaken	Operations Manager	●	60%	Operations work closely with Engineering and all works are identified and planned in accordance with Council's asset management system. We are currently on target with all planned works with approx. 6km complete.
1.4.2.2	Minimum 5km of rural renewals completed	Km undertaken Progress	Operations Manager	●	70%	Engineering department, via Council's asset management system, identify pipeline/valve infrastructure that requires replacement and/or maintenance. This information is relayed to Operations who plan and deliver the required works
1.4.2.2	Minimum 5km trunk renewals completed (excluding Thanowring Road)	Progress report	Operations Manager	●	10%	500m of trunk renewals achieved to date. The weather was the dominant factor in the hold up of those works.



Code	Operational Plan Desired Outcome	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Traffic Lights	Progress	Comments
1.4.2.2	Thanowring Road pipeline upgrade minimum 10km constructed	Progress report	Operations Manager	●	80%	Thanowring rd pipeline construction is on track and under budget. We are currently at the 27 klm mark out of 40 k's. 24 kl's has been commissioned and consumers transferred onto the new pipeline with the existing pipeline decommissioned. Anticipated completion July/August 2024
1.4.2.3	Oura reservoir and aerator progresses	Oura reservoirs and aerators 80% complete	Engineering Manager	●	20%	Contractor is engaged and works pare progressing on site. Earthworks completed with first concrete panel poured onsite.
1.4.2.3	Renewal of Jugiong WTP High Voltage Assets	Completion of new High Voltage building, transformers, switchgear and Variable Speed Drives.	Production & Services Manager	●	50%	All design, civil works including new building and purchase of High Voltage assets have been completed. Engagement of the electrical installation contract has been completed with works commencing onsite in December 2023. Estimated project completion date is September 2024 for commissioning of new assets.

1.4.3: Maintenance programs are developed and implemented

Code	Operational Plan Desired Outcome	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Traffic Lights	Progress	Comments
1.4.3.1	Routine Mains Maintenance Program	Minimum 30km of mains flushing undertaken	Operations Manager	●	70%	Councils annual maintenance program is on-going and revolves around water mains flushing, valve and hydrant maintenance and reservoir inspections which are conducted monthly and quarterly



2: Customer Service Focus

2.1: Well trained and highly motivated workforce

2.1.2: Staff professional development opportunities

Code	Operational Plan Desired Outcome	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Traffic Lights	Progress	Comments
2.1.2.1	Staff professional development opportunities	Staff Development Plan process incorporates employee development through informal and formal professional development and training opportunities	HR Coordinator		20%	All employees, Supervisors and Managers notified of Staff Development Plans to be undertaken in March.

2.1.3: Build a diverse workforce

Code	Operational Plan Desired Outcome	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Traffic Lights	Progress	Comments
2.1.3.1	Build a diverse workforce	Action items from Goldenfields Water's EEO Management 2021-2025 implemented.	HR Coordinator		60%	EEO Management Plan Focus Area 1: Communication & Awareness - all Action Items complete. Focus Area 2: Policies, Practices & Reporting - all Action Items complete, except ongoing for 2.3. Focus Area 3: Recruitment & Training Processes - outstanding items, 3.4, to 3.11 training needs to be conducted



2.1.4: Measure and improve employee engagement

Code	Operational Plan Desired Outcome	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Traffic Lights	Progress	Comments
2.1.4.1	Measure and improve employee engagement	Develop, implement and monitor organisation-wide training plan to ensure available funds for required training focusing on skills gaps and leadership	HR Coordinator		30%	Audit of current skills gap being undertaken, for completion by 30 March 2024.

2.2: Safe, healthy, and risk managed working environment exists for staff and the community

2.2.1: Integrated approach to safety risk management in the workplace

Code	Operational Plan Desired Outcome	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Traffic Lights	Progress	Comments
2.2.1.1	Integrated approach to risk management in the workplace	MANEX team informed of WHS performance and accountable for continual improvement in workplace safety	WHS Coordinator		50%	Reporting to MANEX continues on a monthly basis. Development and ongoing review of safety procedures driven by audit actions and ongoing review cycle.
		Review of safe working practices and procedures				



2.2.2: Implement WHS Program

Code	Operational Plan Desired Outcome	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Traffic Lights	Progress	Comments
2.2.2.1	Implement WHS Program	Action items from Council's Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2023-2027	HR Coordinator		60%	Action items still outstanding: - Health & Wellbeing Week: Scheduled 2-6 Sep 2024 - Promote Council's Alcohol & Other Drugs Policy through employee inductions & trainings - Flu Vaccinations: Booked for 1 May 2024 - Provide Mental Health Awareness Training

2.3: Community satisfaction is built and maintained through provision of services and information

2.3.1: Inform our customers about projects, programs, issues etc

Code	Operational Plan Desired Outcome	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Traffic Lights	Progress	Comments
2.3.1.1	Social Media and traditional uses of media utilised for promotion of projects, outages and upcoming works.	Social media statistics, visitors to website, strong presence on all Council social media pages, media articles featured in print media.	Community Engagement Officer		50%	Social media, Councils website and media releases are ongoing and have been used when required to inform and engage with our customers and stakeholders about relevant upcoming works, major projects, education programs etc.



2.3.2: Undertake Customer Survey

Code	Operational Plan Desired Outcome	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Traffic Lights	Progress	Comments
2.3.2.1	Customer survey undertaken	Conduct an online community survey (via Survey Monkey) and collate responses for the October 2023 Council Meeting.	Community Engagement Officer		100%	The Customer Survey was undertaken during the months of September and October 2023. A total of 117 customers completed the survey. Report provided to December Board Meeting.

2.4: Financial Management

2.4.1: Long term financial plan reviewed and updated regularly

Code	Operational Plan Desired Outcome	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Traffic Lights	Progress	Comments
2.4.1.1	Review and update Long Term Financial Plan	Review and update Long Term Financial Plan	Corporate Services Manager		60%	Long Term Financial Plan is under review.

2.4.2: Review and determine fees and charges consistent with the Long Term Financial Plan

Code	Operational Plan Desired Outcome	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Traffic Lights	Progress	Comments
2.4.2.1	Develop a long term pricing path. Review and determine fees and charges annually	Review and determine fees and charges annually	Corporate Services Manager		60%	Fees & Charges are under review.



2.4.3: Plant replacement program maintained to ensure safe and fit for purpose fleet

Code	Operational Plan Desired Outcome	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Traffic Lights	Progress	Comments
2.4.3.1	Plant replacement program maintained to ensure safe and fit for purpose fleet	Prepare annual plant replacement program	Corporate Services Manager		60%	Completed for inclusion in the 2023-2024 budget. Will be reviewed for 2024-2025 budget.

2.5: Improving performance and managing risk

2.5.2: Audit Risk and Improvement Committee function complies with Framework, regular meetings are held and internal audits undertaken

Code	Operational Plan Desired Outcome	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Traffic Lights	Progress	Comments
2.5.2.1	Audit Risk & Improvement Committee function complies with Framework, regular meetings are held and internal audits undertaken	Review framework requirements at least annually Hold meetings at least quarterly Undertake internal audits in accordance with Strategic Internal Audit Plan	Corporate Services Manager		50%	2 Internal Audits are scheduled for 2024.



2.5.3: Prepare statutory financial reports within required timeframes

Code	Operational Plan Desired Outcome	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Traffic Lights	Progress	Comments
2.5.3.1	Prepare statutory financial reports within required timeframes	Prepare Annual Financial Statements	Corporate Services Manager		100%	2022/23 Financial Statements completed and lodged within statutory timeframe.
2.5.3.2	Prepare quarterly budget reviews	Prepare quarterly budget reviews	Corporate Services Manager		50%	September 2023 and December 2023 Quarterly Budget Reviews were completed within statutory timeframes.

2.5.4: Maintain an up to date ICT infrastructure to ensure organisational efficiency

Code	Operational Plan Desired Outcome	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Traffic Lights	Progress	Comments
2.5.4.1	Maintain an up to date ICT infrastructure to ensure organisational efficiency	Develop annual ICT project plan	Corporate Services Manager		30%	2023/24 plan to be developed in 2024 in conjunction with the ICT Coordinator.



2.6: Regional Collaboration

2.6.1: Membership Joint Organisation

Code	Operational Plan Desired Outcome	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Traffic Lights	Progress	Comments
2.6.1.1	Membership RivJo and REROC	Goldenfields actively participates in REROC and projects with a joint interest.	General Manager		50%	Goldenfields are attending RivJo and REROC meetings regularly with consideration of any projects that may have a joint interest.

2.6.2: Work with Constituent Councils

Code	Operational Plan Desired Outcome	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Traffic Lights	Progress	Comments
2.6.2.1	Regular meetings with Constituent Councils	Goldenfields liaises with Constituent Councils to collaborate as required.	General Manager		50%	Meetings with Constituent Council General Managers are held as required.
2.6.2.2	Update SLA with Bulk Councils	New SLA developed and signed off between each Bulk Council and GWCC	General Manager		50%	Service Level Agreement draft documents are complete. Negotiations with bulk Councils are ongoing and awaiting further feedback.



3: A Healthy Natural Environment

3.1: Energy costs and usage are monitored and reduced through utilisation of alternative technologies and system innovations

3.1.1: Energy efficiency considered in infrastructure design and benefit cost assessments

Code	Operational Plan Desired Outcome	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Traffic Lights	Progress	Comments
3.1.1.1	Energy usage records kept and monitored	Energy trends monitored for inclusion in future upgrades of facilities	Production & Services Manager		50%	staff look to conserve energy usage where possible utilising automated control systems such as SCADA. The development of tariff inhibits have now been implemented across the schemes to align with Councils new energy contractual conditions to reduce costs. Limitations of council's energy management occurs during summer months where demands require extensive pump run times and SCADA controls cannot limit pumping requirements failing loss of pressure and flow for customers.



3.1.2: Council Maintains an energy management system

Code	Operational Plan Desired Outcome	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Traffic Lights	Progress	Comments
3.1.2.1	Council maintains an energy management system	Staff review annual consumption data to inform future upgrades and replacement requirements	Production & Services Manager		100%	Council currently operates two systems for energy management. Azility is a platform that is currently utilised to process energy invoices and incorporates payment processes through the Authority system. E21, is a management system that staff utilise to trend usage and report operational data to make informed decisions upon. These systems have been in place and utilised since 2018.

3.2: Environmentally adverse consequences are minimised from operations including water extraction, capital works and day to day operations

3.2.1: All construction and maintenance work undertaken to minimise impact to the natural environment

Code	Operational Plan Desired Outcome	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Traffic Lights	Progress	Comments
3.2.1.1	All construction and maintenance work undertaken to minimise impact to the natural environment	Environmental impacts considered for each capital project through production of Review Environmental Factors	Operations Manager		50%	All construction activities are undertaken and adhere to all environmental factors. Major construction activities that are undertaken adhere to specific Construction Environmental Management Plans



3.3: Potential effect of climate change on water supply is identified, planned and managed

3.3.1: IWCM strategy to consider climate change affects in modelling

Code	Operational Plan Desired Outcome	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Traffic Lights	Progress	Comments
3.3.1.1	IWCM Strategy to consider climate change affects	Climate change considered in demand and supply figures	Production & Services Manager	●	40%	Hydraulic model has now been completed with the current draft for options assessment being completed. Outstanding items are the Total Asset Management Plan, Financial assessment and price path, Drought & Demand Management Plan and a new Developer Servicing Plan. The completed strategy is now expected to be finalised in December 2024.

3.4: Water is used wisely with systems losses minimised and accounted for

3.4.1: Non-revenue water is minimised and accounted for

Code	Operational Plan Desired Outcome	Performance Measure	Responsible Officer Position	Traffic Lights	Progress	Comments
3.4.1.1	Non-revenue water is minimised and accounted for	Production data and demand data is utilised to monitor Non-Revenue water	Production & Services Manager	●	50%	All Non-Revenue water is monitored and reported as part of the NSW Benchmark reporting. Council provides a target of <10% per scheme for Non-Revenue water within the distribution and reticulated systems.

GOLDENFIELDS WATER COUNTY COUNCIL – FEBRUARY 2024

APPOINTMENT OF AN ACTING GENERAL MANAGER

Report prepared by General Manager

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

Council appoints Geoff Veneris, Production & Services Manager, as Acting General Manager during the period 15 April 2024 to 19 July 2024, inclusive.

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Priority 1 High Quality, Secure and Efficient Water Supplies

BACKGROUND

Under section 334 of the Local Government Act, council must appoint the general manager.

REPORT

I will be on approved leave from 15 April 2024 until 19 July 2024. The appointment of an Acting General Manager is required to ensure efficient operations and the functions of the General Manager are maintained during this period.

It is my recommendation that Geoff Veneris, Production & Services Manager, is appointed to this position for the period between 15 April 2024 and 19 July 2024, inclusive.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The annual operating budget includes funding for acting allowances, therefore there is not an impact on Councils Financial Position.

ATTACHMENTS: Nil

TABLED ITEMS: Nil

NEXT MEETING

The next ordinary meeting of Council is scheduled to be held on Thursday 11 April 2024 at 10.00am

CLOSE OF BUSINESS

There being no further business requiring the attention of Council the meeting may be declared closed.

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TEMORA OFFICE on 14 December 2023**

The meeting commenced at 4:34pm

PRESENT

Cr A McAlister, Cr L McGlynn, Cr J Piper, Cr G Sinclair, Cr M Stadtmiller, Cr A White, Cr R Callow.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Mr G Veneris (Production and Services Manager), Mr T Goodyer (Operations Manager), Ms T Bilske (Corporate Services Manager), Miss S Jung (Engineering Manager), Miss A Burnett (Executive Assistant), Mr Jason Gilbert (Crowe) (Via Zoom).

1. LEAVE OF ABSENCE/APOLOGIES

BOARD RESOLUTION

23/076 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Stadtmiller and McGlynn that a leave of absence be granted for Cr K Morris and Mr A Drenovski.

2. ATTENDANCE OF COUNCILLORS BY AUDIO VISUAL LINK

Nil

3. WEBCASTING OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

Attendees of this meeting are reminded that:

- a) The meeting is being recorded and made publicly available on Council's website, and
- b) Persons attending the meeting should refrain from making any defamatory statements.

4. STATEMENT OF ETHICAL OBLIGATIONS

Councillors are reminded of the oath or affirmation of office they have taken under section 233A of the Act.

The governing body of a county council is responsible for managing the affairs of the county council. Each Councillor as a member of the governing body has a responsibility to make considered and well-informed decisions to ensure that the exercise of the functions of Goldenfields Water are performed to benefit the whole of the area of operations of Goldenfields Water.

In addition Councillors are reminded of their obligations under council's code of conduct to disclose and appropriately manage conflicts of interest.

5. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

I would like to acknowledge the Wiradjuri people who are the Traditional Custodians of the Land. I would also like to pay respect to their people both past and present and extend that respect to other Aboriginal Australians who are present.

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6. PRESENTATIONS

Nil

7. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Nil

8. DECLARATION OF NON PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Nil

9. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MEETINGS HELD ON 26 OCTOBER 2023,

BOARD RESOLUTION

23/077 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Piper and Sinclair that the minutes of the meetings held on the 26 October 2023, having been circulated and read by members be confirmed.

10. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Nil

11. CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

12. MATTERS OF URGENCY

Nil

13. NOTICES OF MOTION / RESCISSION MOTIONS

Nil

14. CHAIRPERSON'S MINUTE

Nil

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15. MATTERS TO BE SUBMITTED TO OPEN COUNCIL

15.1. MATTERS SUBMITTED BY CORPORATE SERVICES MANAGER

15.1.1. COUNCIL CASH AND INVESTMENTS

BOARD RESOLUTION

23/078 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs White and McAlister that the report detailing Council Cash and Investments as at 30th November 2023 be received and noted.

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the report detailing Council Cash and Investments as at 30 November 2023 be received and noted.

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

09 Financially Sustainable

BACKGROUND

A report on Council's Investments is required to be presented for Council's consideration in accordance with Clause 212 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005.

REPORT

Council's cash and investment portfolio increased by \$2,298,915.05 from \$30,535,519.73 as at 30th September 2023 to \$32,834,434.78 as at 30 November 2023.

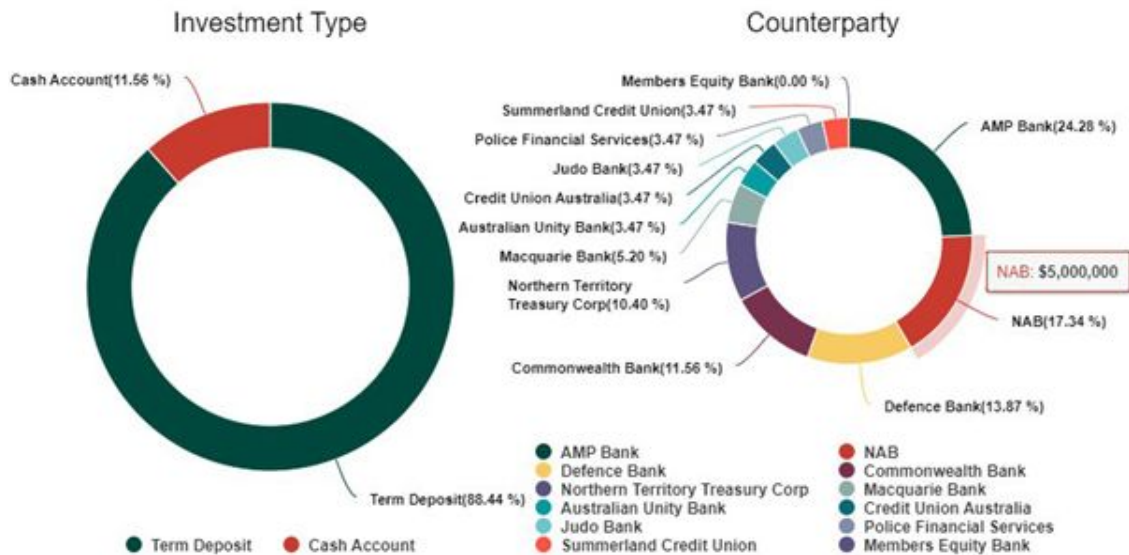
Cash and Investment Portfolio

Type	LT Rating	ST Rating	Issuer	Frequency	Purchase	Maturity	Days	Rate	Bmark	Principal
TD	NR	NR	NT Treasury Corp	Annually	10/09/2020	15/12/2023	1,191	1.00%	4.37	\$2,000,000
TD	BBB	A-2	Defence Bank	At maturity	16/02/2023	16/02/2024	365	5.00%	4.37	\$3,000,000
TD	AA-	A-1+	NAB	Annually	24/02/2023	26/02/2024	367	4.98%	4.37	\$1,000,000
TD	A+	A-1	Macquarie Bank Credit Union Australia	At maturity	5/04/2023	3/04/2024	364	4.55%	4.37	\$1,500,000
TD	BBB	A-2	Australian Unity Bank	Annually	31/01/2023	17/04/2024	442	4.67%	4.37	\$1,000,000
TD	BBB+	A-2	Australian Unity Bank	Annually	9/02/2023	9/05/2024	455	4.80%	4.37	\$1,000,000
TD	AA-	A-1+	NAB	At maturity	26/06/2023	25/06/2024	365	5.48%	4.37	\$1,000,000
TD	BBB-	A-3	Judo Bank	Annually	24/01/2023	25/07/2024	548	4.45%	4.37	\$1,000,000
TD	AA-	A-1+	NAB	Annually	24/02/2023	16/08/2024	539	4.95%	4.37	\$2,000,000
TD	BBB	A-2	AMP Bank	Annually	2/08/2023	4/09/2024	399	5.45%	4.37	\$2,000,000
TD	BBB	A-2	AMP Bank	Annually	15/03/2023	19/09/2024	554	4.80%	4.37	\$1,000,000
TD	NR	NR	NT Treasury Corp	Annually	28/09/2020	15/12/2024	1,539	1.10%	4.37	\$1,000,000
TD	BBB	A-2	AMP Bank	Annually	12/01/2023	13/01/2025	732	4.55%	4.37	\$2,000,000
TD	AA-	A-1+	NAB	Annually	24/02/2023	24/02/2025	731	4.93%	4.37	\$1,000,000
TD	BBB	A-2	AMP Bank	Annually	1/09/2023	4/03/2025	550	5.05%	4.37	\$2,000,000
TD	BBB	A-2	Police Financial Svcs	Annually	1/03/2023	13/03/2025	743	5.15%	4.37	\$1,000,000
TD	BBB	A-2	Defence Bank	Annually	8/03/2023	27/03/2025	750	4.90%	4.37	\$1,000,000

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TD	NR	NR	Summerland CU	Annually	22/03/2023	8/05/2025	778	4.80%	4.37	\$1,000,000
CASH	AA-	A-1+	Commonwealth Bank	At Call Account		2/12/2023	1	4.10%	4.10	\$2,262,823.22
CASH	AA-	A-1+	Commonwealth Bank	Cash Account		2/12/2023	1	0.20%	0.20	\$5,071,611.56
TOTAL:										\$32,834,435

The graphs indicate Council’s Investment Type - cash percentages compared to term deposits, and investments and Counterparty investment percentages for each financial institution.



Portfolio Performance

Goldenfields Water County Council’s investment portfolio weighted average interest for November 2023 was 4.43%. Performance indicators for comparison are

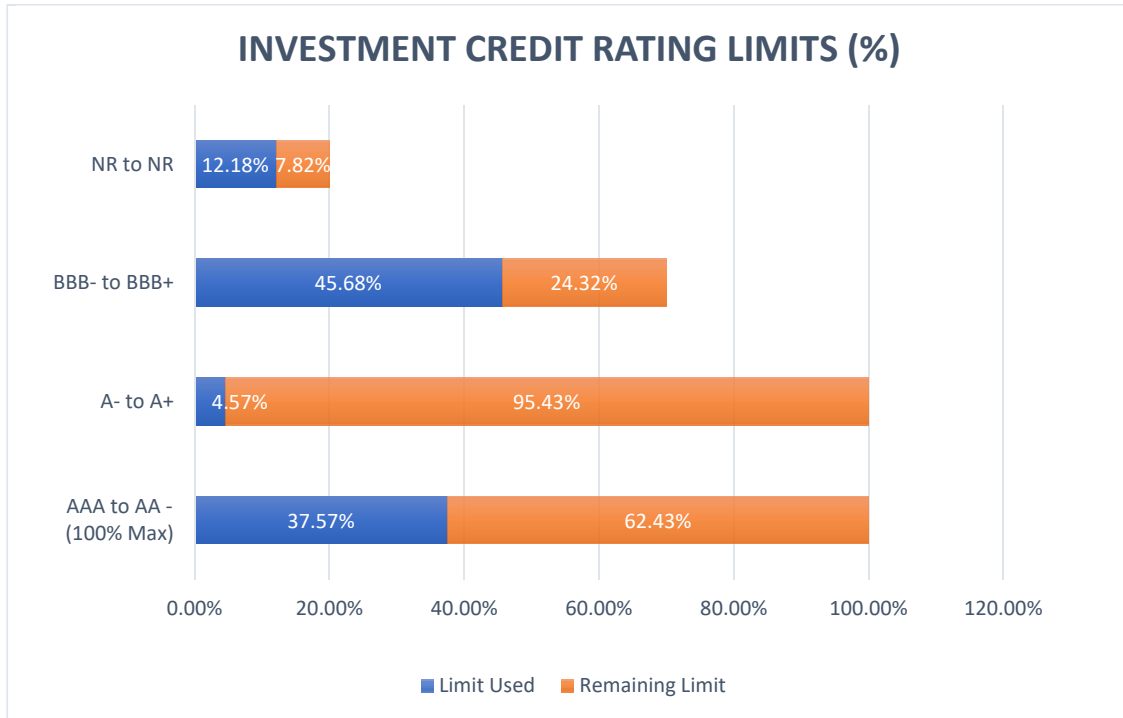
- BBSW 4.43674% RBA Cash Rate 4.35% AusBond Bank Bill 4.33%

Total Cost	Yearly Interest Received	Weighted Average Term
\$32,834,434.78	\$144,024.66	204 Days
Total Portfolio Value	Monthly Interest Received	Weighted Average Yield
\$33,603,404.97	26,926.03	4.43%

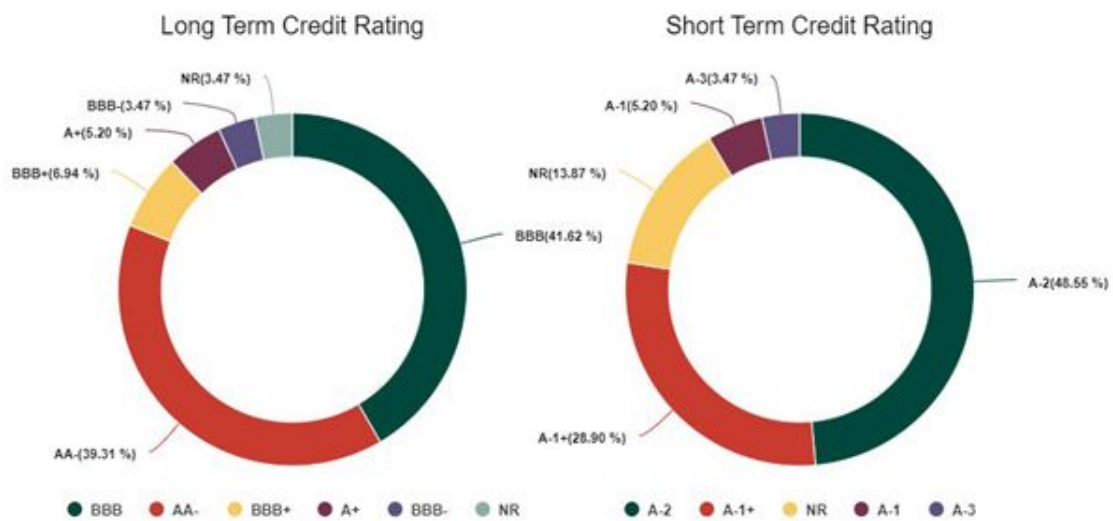
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Credit Quality Compliance

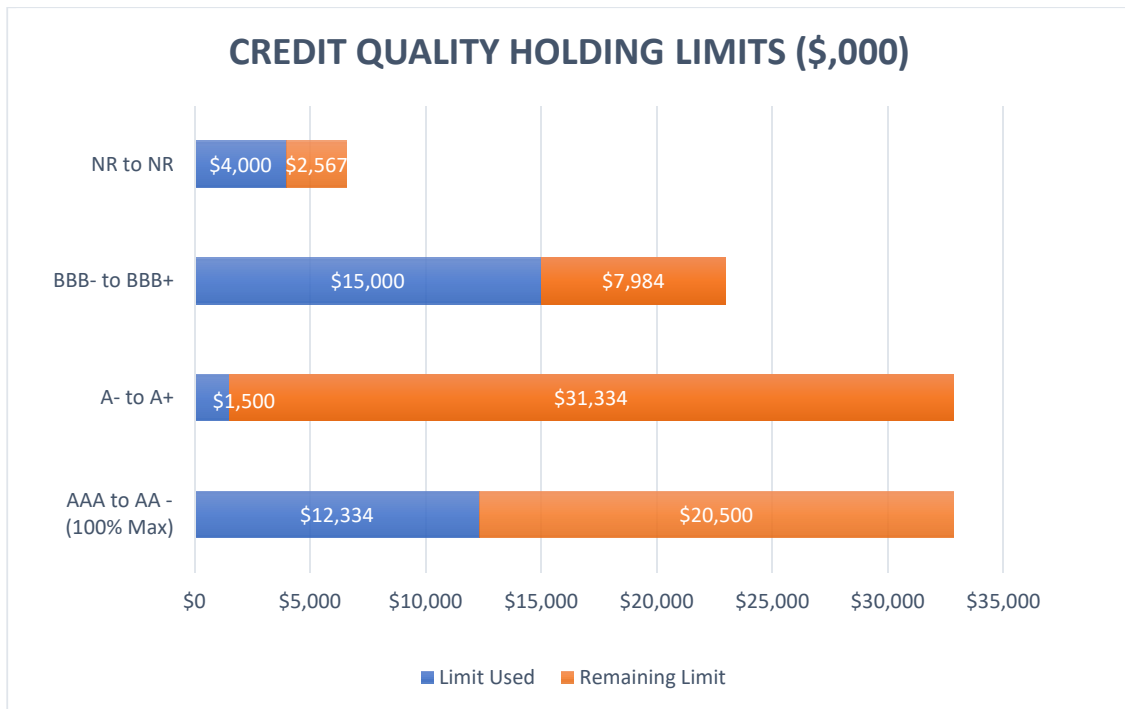
Council’s investment portfolio was compliant with policy in terms of S&P long term rating credit quality limits, as displayed below.



The following graphs indicate the percentages of investments held based on Long Term and Short Term investments and the credit ratings of those financial institutions. Note that Long Term Investments are greater than 12 months.



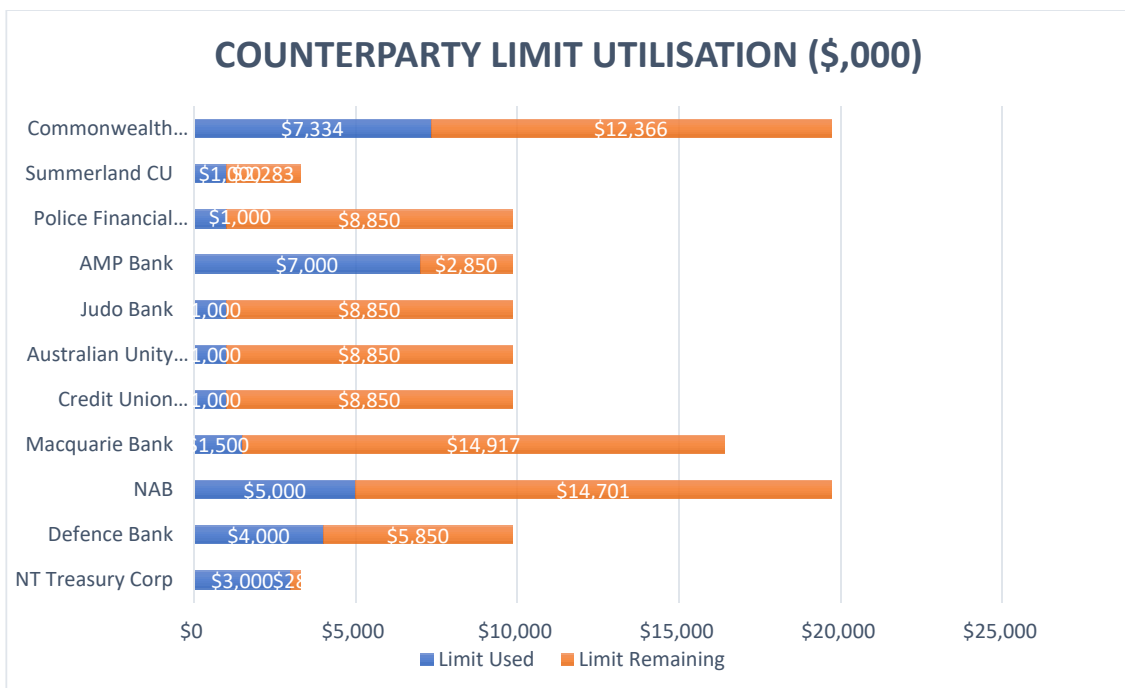
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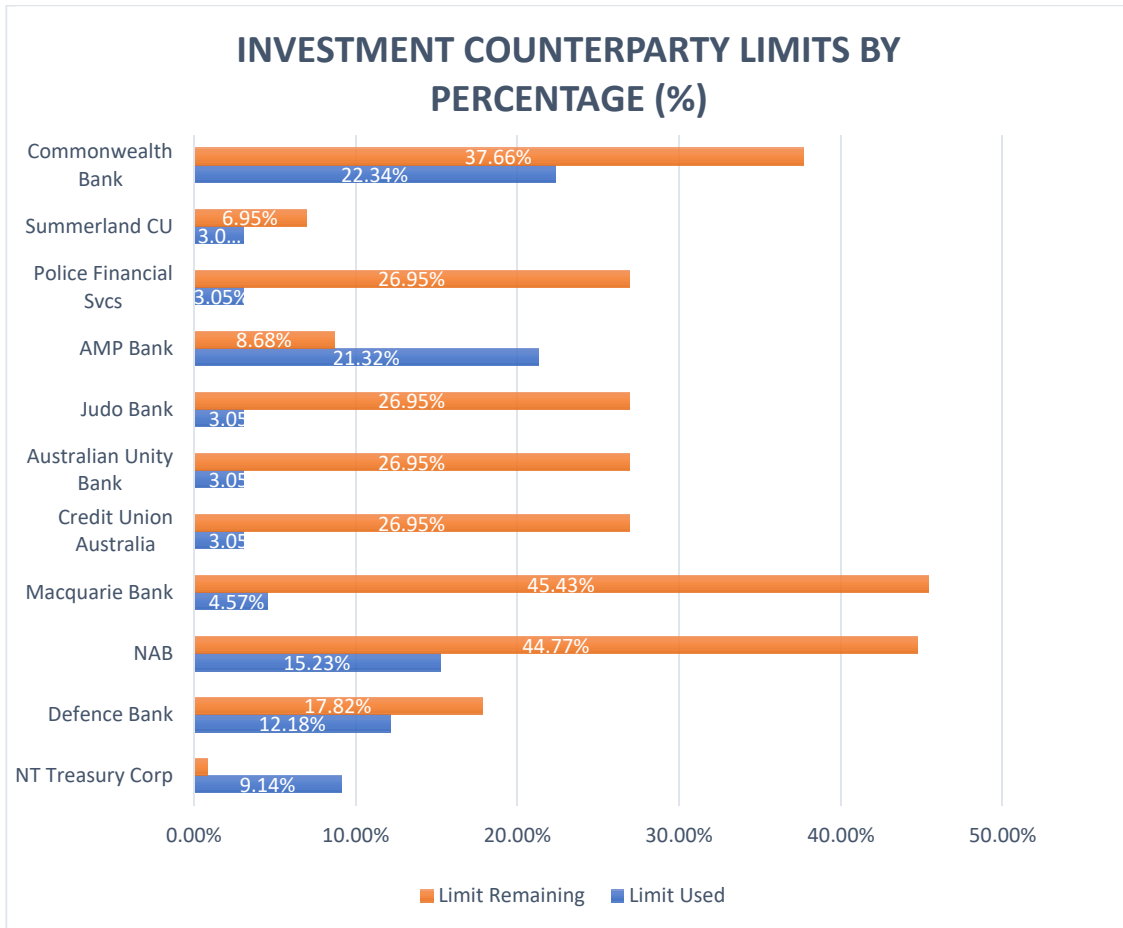
Counter Party Compliance

As at the end of November, Council was compliant with policy in terms of individual financial institution capacity limits. It is worth noting that capacity limits are affected by changes in the on-call account balance compared to the total portfolio balance.

Overall, the portfolio is diversified across a variety of credit ratings, including some exposure to unrated ADIs.



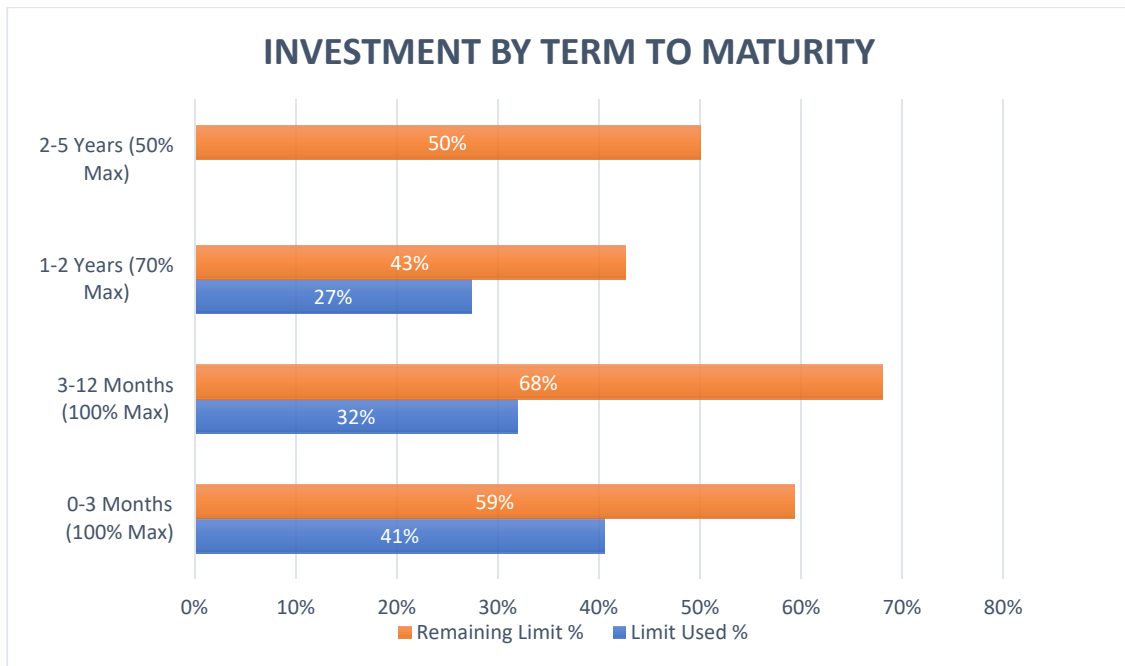
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Term to Maturity

Council's investment portfolio maturities shown graphically below were also compliant with policy requirements.

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Application of Investment Funds

The table below details the allocation of cash balances in terms of restricted funds, noting restrictions are all internal rather than external.

Restricted Funds:	
Employee Leave Entitlements	\$2,551,897
Plant & Vehicle Replacement	\$3,462,793
Infrastructure Replacement	\$20,459,340
Unrestricted Funds	\$6,360,405
TOTAL	\$32,834,435

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Declaration

I hereby certify that investments listed in the report have been made in accordance with Section 625 of the Local Government Act 1993, Clause 212 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 and Council's Investment Policy PP004.

Signed



Terri Bilske
Corporate Services Manager

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Council's cash and investment portfolio increased by \$2,298,915 from \$30,535,520 as at 30 September 2023 to \$32,834,435 as at 30 November 2023.

ATTACHMENTS: Nil.

TABLED ITEMS: Nil.

15.1.2. PROGRESS REPORT - CAPITAL WORKS EXPENDITURE

BOARD RESOLUTION

23/079 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Sinclair and Piper that the Capital Works Progress Report as at 30 November 2023 be received and noted.

Report prepared by Corporate Services Manager

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the Capital Works Progress Report as at 30th November 2023 be received and noted.

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

09 Financially Sustainable

BACKGROUND

Capital Works represents an important part of Councils activities and expenditure. This report details expenditure and progress for the year to date on programmed and emergent capital works.

REPORT

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The Capital Works financial report provides a “snapshot” of Council’s Capital Works Program on 30 November 2023. Capital Works expenditure is reviewed on a monthly basis and discussed with relevant managers and by the Management team.

A comprehensive recent review of Capital Works has identified that several variations to the original budget are necessary as per **Attachment A** including commentary, which, if approved by Council, will result in a reduction to Capital Works expenditure of \$8,145,830. The proposed variations will be included in the December Quarterly Budget review for Council approval.

A detailed report on Council’s Major Projects is also included in this report as **Attachment B** for your information. This report includes the Projects expected completion dates and progress commentary on the individual capital works.

The Capital Works Report (**Attachment C**) includes the proposed budget variations listed in Attachment A in the column “Proposed QBR Dec 2023” and the Proposed Revised Budget 2023/24 if the budget variations are approved by Council.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation does not impact on Council’s financial position.

ATTACHMENT A: Commentary on Proposed Budget Variations

ATTACHMENT B: Major Capital Works Commentary

ATTACHMENT C: Capital Works Progress Report as at 30 November 2023.

TABLED ITEMS: Nil.

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Ref	Project Description	Approved Budget	Budget Variation Required	Proposed Revised Budget	Actual Expenditure to 30 Nov 23	Comments
3101	Plant & Equipment Purchases	\$2,197,050	(\$1,003,050)	\$1,194,000	\$808,265	Original budget included a truck that will not be purchased this financial year and carryover from 22/23 not required.
3176	New Temora Depot Building	\$1,549,780	(\$1,479,780)	\$70,000	\$65,588	This project has been put on hold to prioritise critical water infrastructure projects.
	Men's Workshop Lean-to Storage Area	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$0	Requirement for Storage area at Men's Workshop.
3262	Temora Depot Storage Pad	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$12,500	Storage Pad not yet completed.
1234	Rosehill Pipeline - Easements	\$0	\$80,000	\$80,000	\$40,156	The easements along the Rosehill pipelines are now being registered and compensation to landholders is payable.
3115	Water Network –	\$300,000	(\$300,000)	\$0	\$0	GWCCs urban and rural construction crews are dedicated to other projects until the completion of the financial year and this budget is not anticipated to be required.

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Ref	Project Description	Approved Budget	Budget Variation Required	Proposed Revised Budget	Actual Expenditure to 30 Nov 23	Comments
3277	Trunk Renewals Water Network – Trunk Renewals – Rosehill to Harden Bypass	\$1,263,000	(\$1,063,000)	\$200,000	\$259	This project has been delayed until the completion of the Thanowring pipeline. The intention is to construct the works by Goldenfields Water staff as a trial to investigate potential cost savings in undertaking larger diameter pipeline renewals in house.
3181	Water Network – Rural Renewals GWCC Wide	\$400,000	(\$350,000)	\$50,000	\$0	GWCCs urban and rural construction crews are dedicated to other projects until the completion of the financial year and this budget is not anticipated to be required.
1703		\$10,000	\$20,000	\$30,000	\$27,573	This budget has been increased to cover project costs that are outside of the specific pump station, reservoir and pipeline contracts. They Wyalong project as a whole is tracking under budget.
3212	Water Network Urban Meter & Taggle	\$500,000	(\$250,000)	\$250,000	\$14,097	Project has been delayed while GWCC implements technology improvements that will significantly reduce the administrative labour required to complete the meter replacements program works.

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	Replacement Program					
3213	Water Network Rural Meter & Taggle Replacement Program	\$500,000	(\$250,000)	\$250,000	\$39,564	Project has been delayed while GWCC implements technology improvements that will significantly reduce the administrative labour required to complete the meter replacement program works.
3246	Pump Station – Jugiong CWPS1 P1 & P2 Inlet Manifold 2022	\$568,890	(\$500,000)	\$68,890	\$2,911	\$500k was against incorrect work order – was intended for the Jugiong 2 HV renewal project which has been put on hold until Jugiong 1 works are completed.
Ref	Project Description	Approved Budget	Budget Variation Required	Proposed Revised Budget	Actual Expenditure to 30 Nov 23	Comments
3218	Pump Stations & Bores – Oura Pump Station Renewal	\$3,200,000	(\$1,200,000)	\$2,000,000	\$68,830	The project has been delayed whilst further investigation is undertaken to de-risk the project and improve tender documentation. The full budget not anticipated to be spent this financial year.

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166 0	Pump Station & Bores – Oura High Voltage	\$0	\$130,000	\$130,000	\$93,820	Budget provided for minor works remaining.
320 3	Reservoirs – Wombat BT Renewal	\$2,100,000	(\$2,080,000)	\$20,000	\$4,321	The tender submissions for this project were higher than anticipated likely due to the market at the time. The contract was cancelled, and the project will be put on hold for approx. 3 years. In the meantime, minor works will occur to improve the site and reduce overall future contract costs.

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**Goldenfields Water County Council
Major Project Commentary
30/11/2023**

Project Ref	Project and description	Total project budget/ Start date	Total spent to Date/ Completion date	Progress Comments
1232	Thanowring Road Pipeline Construction of 40km of trunk pipeline	\$7,000,000 Jan-22	\$2,525,418 Jun-24	Currently installed 23km of DN250 main. Remaining underbores are scheduled to be constructed in December. Project is currently tracking on time and expected to be constructed well under budget.
3137	Jugiong High Voltage Detailed designs for works, new HV building, purchase of HV equipment and electrical equipment install	\$7,000,000 Jan-21	\$5,241,317 Jun-23	All civil works have been completed with practical completion provided Nov 2022. Electrical designs complete as of April 2023. At October Council Meeting, JRC was awarded electrical installation tender. Expected completion date June 2024
3183	Oura Reservoirs and aerator Construction of 2 x 4ML reservoirs and aeration tower at Oura WTP plus ancillary pipework and electricals	\$12,643,703 May-23	\$2,635,314 Dec-24	Excavation for reservoirs has been completed with foundations ready for construction. Testing of concrete has delayed the program however pipe is progressively being delivered with installation imminent. The project is tracking on budget and despite delays to concrete, not anticipated to delay the overall project.
3226	Wyalong Standpipe Res Construction of 24m high 2.4ML concrete reservoir	\$4,420,728 Jun-22	\$4,144,104 Aug-23	Wyalong Standpipe reservoir has been completed. This project has come in under the adopted project budget
3241	Wyalong Reliability Project Pipeline Construction of 8km DN300 bypass trunk main and 7km DN200 retic main	\$7,357,394 Jun-22	\$6,308,004 Aug-23	The bypass Pipeline has been completed and commissioned. Final cut overs are currently occurring for the reticulation main. The project is tracking under the adopted project budget

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Project Ref	Project and description	Total project budget/ Start date	Total spent to Date/ Completion date	Progress Comments
3225	Wyalong Pump Station Construction of pump station at Wyalong terminal reservoir site to supply new standpipe reservoir	\$800,000 Jun-22	\$917,538 Aug-23	Project was completed by in GWCC staff and subcontractors. The project is complete and represents approximately \$300,000 cost savings in comparison to contractor's quotes
3218	Oura pump station and dosing rooms Construction of new pump station including 3 high voltage pumps and additional dosing systems	\$7,605,943 Oct-23	\$100,285 Oct-24	Pumps are currently being manufactured. Tender specifications are being developed for the pump station building and dosing building. The advertising of this tender has been delayed, to allow for detailed preparation and resourcing of the project
3242	Kingsvale to Young pipeline Upgrade of approx. 12km of pipeline	\$8,300,000 Dec-22	\$217,427 Aug-26	Detailed design is currently underway and tracking well

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ATTACHMENT C										
Goldenfields Water County Council										
CAPITAL WORKS PROGRESS										
AS AT 30 November 2023	Original Budget	2022-23 Carryovers	QBR Sep 2023	Proposed QBR Dec 2023	Revised Budget 2023/24	Actual YTD Nov 2023	Committed YTD	Actual & Committed YTD	Variance YTD Act + Comm v Rev Budget	% Actual to Rev Budget
CAPITAL INCOME										
Asset Sales	(616,500)	0	0	93,500	(429,500)	(283,710)	0	(283,710)	(145,790)	66%
Capital Contributions	(1,090,800)	0	0	(5,100,000)	(6,190,800)	(6,065,769)	0	(6,065,769)	(125,031)	
TOTAL CAPITAL INCOME	(1,707,300)	0	0	(5,006,500)	(6,620,300)	(6,349,480)	0	(6,349,480)	(270,820)	96%
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE										
Plant & Equipment	1,838,000	359,050	0	(1,003,050)	1,194,000	808,265	216,195	1,024,460	385,735	68%
Land & Buildings	1,550,000	49,780	0	(1,299,780)	250,000	52,506	70,888	123,194	197,494	21%
Information Technology	80,000	0	0	0	80,000	22,005	0	22,005	57,995	28%
Comms Network	0	868,210	0	0	868,210	100,867	257,511	358,379	787,343	12%
Mains - Reticulation	1,000,000	0	0	0	1,000,000	315,358	3,494	318,852	684,642	32%
Mains - Trunk	1,400,000	463,000	0	(1,263,000)	500,000	130,850	92,530	223,480	369,150	26%
Mains - Rural	400,000	0	0	(350,000)	50,000	21,395	0	21,395	28,605	43%
Water Network - Wyalong Pipelines	1,500,000	10,000	0	20,000	1,530,000	1,277,750	460,444	1,738,194	252,250	84%
Water Network - Thanowring Road	2,000,000	0	0	0	2,000,000	711,726	162,344	874,368	1,288,275	36%
Mains - Developer Paid	40,000	0	0	0	40,000	6,354	2,332	8,386	33,646	16%
Water Network - Connections Renewal	1,000,000	0	0	(500,000)	500,000	55,288	1,495	56,783	444,712	11%
Water Network - Pipeline PVR Renewals	50,000	0	0	0	50,000	3,896	22	3,918	46,104	8%
Pump Stations & Bores - Mechanical	800,000	90,250	0	(500,000)	390,250	22,528	200,351	223,379	367,722	6%
Pump Stations & Bores - Electrical	200,000	146,770	0	0	346,770	91,851	4,423	96,274	254,919	26%
Pump Stations & Bores - Engineering	650,000	0	0	0	650,000	21,872	0	21,872	628,128	3%
Pump Stations & Bores - West Wyalong PS	400,000	78,620	0	0	478,620	458,427	30,910	489,337	20,193	96%
Pump Stations & Bores - Oura PS Renewal	1,500,000	0	1,700,000	(1,200,000)	2,000,000	68,830	1,752,754	1,821,583	1,931,170	3%
Pump Stations & Bores - Jugiong CWPS1 HV	1,500,000	0	500,000	0	2,000,000	99,013	667,701	766,715	1,900,987	5%
Pump Stations & Bores - Oura PS HV	0	0	0	130,000	130,000	93,820	33,232	127,053	36,180	72%
Pump Stations & Bores - Pump Stations Valve Renewals	0	0	0	0	0	4,978	0	4,978	(4,978)	0%
Pump Stations & Bores - Gantry Crane Renewals	75,000	0	0	0	75,000	39,464	0	39,464	35,536	0%
Reservoirs	6,380,000	617,220	0	(2,080,000)	4,917,220	2,473,457	10,291,986	12,765,443	2,443,763	50%
Treatment Plants	90,000	137,450	0	0	217,450	38,495	0	38,495	178,955	18%
Emergency Works	200,000	0	0	0	200,000	0	0	0	200,000	0%
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE	22,643,000	2,820,350	2,200,000	-58,145,830	19,467,520	6,918,995	14,249,011	21,168,006	12,548,525	36%

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Goldenfields Water County Council Capital Expenditure Report													
ATTACHMENT C													
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CAPITAL INCOME													
Asset Sales													
Sale of Plant	3100	-\$616,500			\$93,500	\$93,500	-\$429,500	-\$283,710	\$0	-\$283,710	-\$145,790		
Asset Sales		-\$616,500	\$0	\$0	\$93,500	\$93,500	-\$429,500	-\$283,710	\$0	-\$283,710	-\$145,790	66%	46%
Capital Contributions													
Developer Contributions - Augmentation	3200.200.153						\$0	-\$58,571	\$0	-\$58,571	\$58,571		
Developer Contributions - S64	3200.200.284	-\$1,090,800			-\$5,100,000		-\$6,190,800	-\$6,007,198	\$0	-\$6,007,198	-\$183,602		
Capital Contributions	Total	-\$1,090,800	\$0	\$0	-\$5,100,000	\$0	-\$6,190,800	-\$6,065,769	\$0	-\$6,065,769	-\$125,031	98%	556%
TOTAL CAPITAL INCOME		-\$1,707,300	\$0	\$0	-\$5,006,500	\$93,500	-\$6,620,300	-\$6,349,480	\$0	-\$6,349,480	-\$270,820	96%	372%
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE													
Plant & Equipment													
Water Quality Instrumentation Renewal	1720	-					-	47,465	-	47,465	-\$47,465		
Plant & Equipment Purchases	3101	\$1,838,000	\$359,050		-\$1,003,050	-\$1,003,050	\$1,194,000	\$760,800	\$216,195	\$976,995	\$433,200		
Plant & Equipment	Total	\$1,838,000	\$359,050	\$0	-\$1,003,050	-\$1,003,050	\$1,194,000	\$808,265	\$216,195	\$1,024,460	\$385,735	68%	44%
Land & Buildings													
Capital - Administration Building	1717	\$50,000				\$0	\$50,000	\$0	\$5,100	\$5,100	\$50,000		
New Temora Depot Building	3176	\$1,500,000	\$49,780		-\$1,479,780	-\$1,479,780	\$70,000	\$0	\$65,588	\$65,588	\$70,000		
Mech Workshop Lean-to storage area					\$50,000								
Concrete Storage Pad Temora Depot	3262	-			\$0,000	\$50,000	\$50,000	12,350	-	12,350	\$37,650		
Rosehill Pipeline - Easements	1234				\$80,000	\$80,000	\$80,000	\$40,150	\$0	\$40,150	\$39,844		
Land & Buildings	Total	\$1,550,000	\$49,780	\$0	-\$1,299,780	-\$1,349,780	\$250,000	\$52,506	\$70,688	\$123,194	\$197,494	21%	3%
Information Technology													
Capital - IT Equipment	3112	\$80,000				\$0	\$80,000	\$22,005	\$0	\$22,005	\$57,995		
Information Technology	Total	\$80,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$80,000	\$22,005	\$0	\$22,005	\$57,995	28%	28%
Comms Network													
Communications Network - Huts	3136					\$0	\$0	\$168	\$0	\$168	-\$168		
Microwave link sites for Scada	3109		\$868,210			\$0	\$668,210	\$100,701	\$257,511	\$358,212	\$767,509		
Comms Network	Total	\$0	\$868,210	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$668,210	\$100,867	\$257,511	\$358,379	\$767,343	12%	0%

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Water Network - Reticulation Renewals													
Reticulation Renewals - GWCC Wide - Budget	3123	\$500,000			-\$150,000	-\$150,000	\$350,000	\$5,268	\$0	\$5,268	\$344,732		
Marrar Urban Renewal - Replacement of old sections of pipeline within Marrar township and trunk main downstream of PRV	3259				\$120,000	\$120,000	\$120,000	\$68,658	-\$455	\$69,112	\$51,343		
Stinson Street Coolamon Replacement	3209				\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$25,806	\$0	\$25,806	-\$4,194		
Coolamon town Retic - Replacement of old pipeline	3272	\$500,000				\$0	\$500,000	\$211,528	\$2,800	\$214,328	\$288,472		
Bland Historical Society Mains Extension	3279					\$0	\$0	\$4,001	\$239	\$4,240	-\$4,001		
Barellan Retic Renewals	3282					\$0	\$0	\$98	\$0	\$98	-\$98		
Water Network - Reticulation Renewals	Total	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,000,000	\$315,358	\$3,494	\$318,852	\$684,642	32%	32%
Water Network - Trunk Renewals													
Trunk Renewals (GWCC Wide) - Budget	3115	\$300,000			-\$300,000	-\$300,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
Kingsvale to Young Pipeline Upgrade	3242	\$200,000					\$200,000	\$110,200	\$92,630	\$202,829	\$89,800		
Bulk/Production Meter Renewals - GWCC Wide	3178						\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
Stockinbingal and Springdale PRV Replacement & Decommissioning of Bauroola PRV	1726					\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
Dura to Junee Connection Upgrades	3267	\$100,000				\$0	\$100,000	\$12,037	\$0	\$12,037	\$87,963		
Rosehill to Harden Bypass	3277	\$800,000	\$463,000		-\$1,063,000	-\$1,063,000	\$200,000	\$259	\$0	\$259	\$109,741		
Dura New Connections from Riv Water (50% Contribution)	3202					\$0	\$0	\$4,716	\$0	\$4,716	-\$4,716		
Cooney's Creek Replacement - Replace approx 60m of exposed pipeline through Cooney's creek and rock armour section of erosion	3263					\$0	\$0	\$3,638	\$0	\$3,638	-\$3,638		
Water Network - Trunk Renewals	Total	\$1,400,000	\$463,000	\$0	-\$1,363,000	-\$1,363,000	\$500,000	\$130,850	\$92,630	\$223,480	\$369,150	26%	9%
Water Network - Rural Renewals													
Bygoo Road Replacement - Ardlethan	3239					\$0	\$0	\$21,395	\$0	\$21,395	-\$21,395		
Rural Renewals (GWCC Wide)	3181	\$400,000			-\$350,000	-\$350,000	\$50,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$50,000		
Water Network - Rural Renewals	Total	\$400,000	\$0	\$0	-\$350,000	-\$350,000	\$50,000	\$21,395	\$0	\$21,395	\$28,605	43%	5%
Water Network - Wyalong Pipelines													
Wyalong Reliability Project Investigation & Design	1703		\$10,000		\$20,000	\$20,000	\$30,000	\$27,573	\$0	\$27,573	\$2,427		
Wyalong Pipelines	3241	\$1,500,000					\$1,500,000	\$1,250,177	\$460,444	\$1,710,620	\$249,623		
Water Network - Wyalong Pipelines	Total	\$1,500,000	\$10,000	\$0	\$20,000	\$20,000	\$1,530,000	\$1,277,750	\$460,444	\$1,738,194	\$252,250	84%	85%

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Water Network - Thanowring Rd													
Thanowring Road Pipeline	1232	\$2,000,000				\$0	\$2,000,000	\$711,725	\$162,644	\$874,368	\$1,288,275		
Water Network - Thanowring Rd		\$2,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,000,000	\$711,725	\$162,644	\$874,368	\$1,288,275	36%	36%
Water Network - Developer Paid													
Mains - Developer Paid - GWCC Wide - Budget	3103	\$40,000				\$0	\$40,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$40,000		
New Water Service Connections - Oura	1211	\$0				\$0	\$0	\$4,697	\$2,032	\$6,728	-\$4,697		
New Water Service Connections - Mr Arthur	1213	\$0				\$0	\$0	\$1,657	\$0	\$1,657	-\$1,657		
Water Network - Developer Paid		\$40,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$40,000	\$6,354	\$2,032	\$8,386	\$33,646	16%	16%
Water Network - Connection Renewals													
Water Service Renewals - Oura	1216					\$0	\$0	\$1,627	\$0	\$1,627	-\$1,627		
Water Service Renewals - Juglong	1217					\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,495	\$1,495	\$0		
Urban Meter & Taggle Replacement Program	3212	\$500,000			-\$250,000	-\$250,000	\$250,000	\$14,097	\$0	\$14,097	\$235,903		
Rural Meter and Taggle Replacement Program	3213	\$500,000			-\$250,000	-\$250,000	\$250,000	\$39,564	\$0	\$39,564	\$210,436		
Water Network - Connection Renewals	Total	\$1,000,000	\$0	\$0	-\$500,000	-\$500,000	\$500,000	\$55,288	\$1,495	\$56,783	\$444,712	11%	6%
Water Network - Pipeline PRV Renewals													
PRV Replacement - Juglong	1288					\$0	\$0	\$103	\$0	\$103	-\$103		
PRV Replacement - Oura	1290					\$0	\$0	\$3,256	\$22	\$3,278	-\$3,256		
PRV Renewals - Budget	3116	\$50,000				\$0	\$50,000	\$478	\$0	\$478	\$49,522		
Water Network - Pipeline PRV Renewals	Total	\$50,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$50,000	\$3,896	\$22	\$3,918	\$46,104	8%	8%
Water Network - Pipeline Valve Renewals													
Mains Valve Renewals - Oura	3118					\$0	\$0	\$520	\$0	\$520	-\$520		
Mains Valve Renewals - Juglong	3119					\$0	\$0	\$191	\$0	\$191	-\$191		
Water Network - Pipeline Valve Renewals	Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$711	\$0	\$711	-\$711	0%	0%
TOTAL WATER NETWORK		\$7,390,000	\$473,000	\$0	-\$2,193,000	-\$2,193,000	\$5,670,000	\$2,523,327	\$722,759	\$3,246,087	\$3,146,673	45%	34%

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Pump Stations and Bores - PS & Bores - Mech													
Jugiong Raw water well Renewal	3219					\$0	\$0	\$13,053	\$0	\$13,053	-\$13,053		
Carrathool/Ballyrogan Bore - 2022	3257	-					-	-\$25,801	-	(\$25,801)	\$25,801		
Oura Bore 3 - 2022	3255	-						848	1,480	2,328	-\$848		
Jugiong CWPS1 P1 and P2 Inlet Manifold 2022	3246	\$500,000	\$68,890		-\$500,000	-\$500,000	\$68,890	\$2,911	\$0	\$2,911	\$65,979		
Matong Pump Station - 2022	3252		\$12,930			\$0	\$12,930	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$12,930		
Jugiong CWPS1 Pump 1 - 2022	3238					\$0	\$0	\$290	\$0	\$290	-\$290		
Pump Station - Mech (pump renewals/rebuilts)	3223	\$300,000				\$0	\$300,000	\$905	\$905	\$1,810	\$290,095		
Marinna Pump 2 - 2022	3245		\$8,430			\$0	\$8,430	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$8,430		
Jugiong Raw Water Pumps replacements - Replac	3280					\$0	\$0	\$0	\$197,171	\$197,171	\$0		
Demondrille Pump 2 - 2022	3278					\$0	\$0	\$16,955	\$1,295	\$18,250	-\$16,955		
Temora Transfer Pump 2 2023	3270					\$0	\$0	\$2,115	\$0	\$2,115	-\$2,115		
Marina Pump 1 2023	3271					\$0	\$0	\$10,296	\$0	\$10,296	-\$10,296		
Junee Silos Pump 2023	3286					\$0	\$0	\$957	\$0	\$957	-\$957		
Pump Stations and Bores - PS & Bores - Mech		\$800,000	\$90,250	\$0	-\$500,000	-\$500,000	\$390,250	\$22,528	\$200,851	\$223,379	\$367,722	6%	3%
Pump Stations and Bores - PS & Bores - Elec													
Budget	3126	\$50,000				\$0	\$50,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$50,000		
site to minimum standards	3256					\$0	\$0	\$9,005	\$4,142	\$13,147	-\$9,005		
Lonsdale Control Panel	3247		\$14,470			\$0	\$14,470	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$14,470		
Genmain Pump Station Switchboard Renewal	3229					\$0	\$0	\$5,607	\$281	\$5,888	-\$5,607		
Matong Bore 2 Switchboard Renewal	3228					\$0	\$0	\$77,239	\$0	\$77,239	-\$77,239		
Pump Station - Elec (Electrical items, SBs, etc)	3224	\$150,000	\$132,300			\$0	\$282,300	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$282,300		
Pump Stations and Bores - PS & Bores - Elec	Total	\$200,000	\$146,770	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$346,770	\$91,851	\$4,423	\$96,274	\$254,919	26%	46%
Pump Station and Bores PS & Bores - Eng													
Marinna Pump 1 2023	3273	\$250,000				\$0	\$250,000	\$1,605	\$0	\$1,605	\$248,395		
Oura Bore 3 - Renewal	3274	\$400,000				\$0	\$400,000	\$20,266	\$0	\$20,266	\$379,734		
Pump Station and Bores PS & Bores - Eng	Total	\$650,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$650,000	\$21,872	\$0	\$21,872	\$628,128	3%	3%
Pump Station and Bores West Wyalong Pump Station													
West Wyalong Transfer Pump Station	3225	\$400,000	\$78,620			\$0	\$478,620	\$458,427	\$30,910	\$489,337	\$20,193		
Pump Station and Bores West Wyalong Pump S	Total	\$400,000	\$78,620	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$478,620	\$458,427	\$30,910	\$489,337	\$20,193	96%	115%

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Pump Station and Bores Oura Pump Station Renewal													
Oura Pump Station Renewal	3218	\$1,500,000		\$1,700,000	-\$1,200,000	\$500,000	\$2,000,000	\$68,830	\$1,752,754	\$1,821,583	\$1,931,170		
Total		\$1,500,000	\$0	\$1,700,000	-\$1,200,000	\$500,000	\$2,000,000	\$68,830	\$1,752,754	\$1,821,583	\$1,931,170	3%	5%
Pump Station and Bores Jugiong CWPS1 HV													
Jugiong High Voltage	3137	\$1,500,000		\$500,000		\$500,000	\$2,000,000	\$99,013	\$667,701	\$766,715	\$1,900,987		
Total		\$1,500,000	\$0	\$500,000	\$0	\$500,000	\$2,000,000	\$99,013	\$667,701	\$766,715	\$1,900,987	5%	7%
Pump Station and Bores Oura PS HV													
Oura High Voltage	1660				\$130,000	\$130,000	\$130,000	\$93,820	\$33,232	\$127,053	\$36,180		
Total		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$130,000	\$130,000	\$130,000	\$93,820	\$33,232	\$127,053	\$36,180	72%	0%
Pump Station and Bores Pump Station Valve Renewals													
Pump Station Valve Renewals - Oura	3128					\$0	\$0	\$562	\$0	\$562	-\$562		
Pump Station Valve Renewals - Jugiong	3129					\$0	\$0	\$4,416	\$0	\$4,416	-\$4,416		
Total		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$4,978	\$0	\$4,978	-\$4,978	0%	0%
Pump Station and Bores Gantry Crane Renewals													
Gantry Crane	1738	\$75,000				\$0	\$75,000	\$39,464	\$0	\$39,464	\$35,536		
Total		\$75,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$75,000	\$39,464	\$0	\$39,464	\$35,536	53%	53%
Total Pump Stations		\$5,125,000	\$315,640	\$2,200,000	-\$1,570,000	\$630,000	\$6,070,640	\$900,783	\$2,689,872	\$3,590,655	\$5,169,857	15%	18%

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Reservoirs Reservoirs Elec													
Switchboard Renewals	3220		\$14,140			\$0	\$14,140	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$14,140		
Grong Grong Reservoir Switchboard Renewal	3221					\$0	\$0	\$0	\$592	\$592	\$0		
Reservoirs Reservoirs Elec	Total	\$0	\$14,140	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$14,140	\$0	\$592	\$592	\$14,140	0%	0%
Reservoirs Res External Adhoc Renewals													
Reservoir External Adhoc Renewals - GWCC Wide	3210	\$100,000				\$0	\$100,000	\$750	\$0	\$750	\$99,250		
Reservoirs Res External Adhoc Renewals	Total	\$100,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$100,000	\$750	\$0	\$750	\$99,250	1%	1%
Reservoirs Res Internal Adhoc Renewals													
Internal Adhoc Renewals	3134					\$0	\$0	\$31,799	\$0	\$31,799	-\$31,799		
Reservoirs Res Internal Adhoc Renewals	Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$31,799	\$0	\$31,799	-\$31,799	0%	0%
Reservoirs Wombat BT Renewal													
Wombat BT Renewal	3203	\$2,100,000			-\$2,080,000	-\$2,080,000	\$20,000	\$4,321	\$1,120	\$5,441	\$15,679		
Reservoirs Wombat BT Renewal	Total	\$2,100,000	\$0	\$0	-\$2,080,000	-\$2,080,000	\$20,000	\$4,321	\$1,120	\$5,441	\$15,679	0%	0%
Reservoirs Oura Reservoir & Aerator													
Oura Reservoirs and Aerator	3183	\$3,300,000	\$499,240			\$0	\$3,799,240	\$2,007,500	\$9,575,537	\$11,583,037	\$1,791,740		
Reservoirs Oura Reservoir & Aerator	Total	\$3,300,000	\$499,240	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,799,240	\$2,007,500	\$9,575,537	\$11,583,037	\$1,791,740	53%	61%
Reservoirs W. Wyalong Res													
Wyalong Standpipe Res	3226	\$680,000	\$103,840			\$0	\$783,840	\$428,831	\$714,737	\$1,143,568	\$355,009		
Reservoirs W. Wyalong Res	Total	\$680,000	\$103,840	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$783,840	\$428,831	\$714,737	\$1,143,568	\$355,009	55%	63%
Reservoirs Reservoir Full Renewals													
Reservoir Full Renewals - GWCC Wide	3182					\$0	\$0	\$256	\$0	\$256	-\$256		
Reservoirs Reservoir Full Renewals	Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$256	\$0	\$256	-\$256	0%	0%
Reservoirs Site Fencing													
Site Fencing	3276	\$200,000				\$0	\$200,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$200,000		
Reservoirs Site Fencing	Total	\$200,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$200,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$200,000	0%	0%
Total Reservoirs		\$6,380,000	\$617,220	\$0	-\$2,080,000	-\$2,080,000	\$4,917,220	\$2,473,457	\$10,291,986	\$12,765,443	\$2,443,763	50%	39%

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Work Order/Resource Description	W.O./JGL	Original Budget 23-24	2022-23 Carryovers	QBR Sep 2023	Proposed QBR Dec 2023	QBR summary	Proposed Revised Budget 2023/24	Actual YTD	Committed YTD	Actual & Committed YTD	Variance - Rev Budget vs Actual	% Variance Revised Bud v Actual	% Variance Original Bud v Actual
Treatment Mt Arthur Aeration													
Mt Arthur Aeration Tower	3275	\$50,000				\$0	\$50,000	\$794	\$0	\$794	\$49,206		
Treatment Mt Arthur Aeration	Total	\$50,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$50,000	\$794	\$0	\$794	\$49,206	2%	2%
Treatment Adhoc Renewals													
Juglong WTP - Valve & Pneumatic Upgrade	3186		\$68,550			\$0	\$68,550	\$4,668	\$0	\$4,668	\$63,882		
Treatment Plant - Site Mechanical Renewals	3139	\$30,000				\$0	\$30,000	\$317	\$0	\$317	\$29,683		
Juglong Compressor	1728		\$68,900			\$0	\$68,900	\$32,717	\$0	\$32,717	\$36,183		
Treatment Adhoc Renewals	Total	\$30,000	\$137,450	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$167,450	\$37,701	\$0	\$37,701	\$129,749	23%	126%
Total Treatment Plant		\$80,000	\$137,450	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$217,450	\$38,495	\$0	\$38,495	\$178,955	18%	48%
Other Emergency Works													
Emergency Works - GWCC Wide - Budget	3140	\$200,000				\$0	\$200,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$200,000		
Other Emergency Works	Total	\$200,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$200,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$200,000	0%	0%
TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE	Total	\$22,643,000	\$2,820,350	\$2,200,000	-\$8,145,830	-\$5,995,830	\$19,467,520	\$6,919,706	\$14,249,011	\$21,168,717	\$12,547,814	36%	31%

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15.1.3. AUDIT RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

BOARD RESOLUTION

23/080 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs McAlister and White that the Board receives and notes the minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee meeting held on 19 October 2023.

Report prepared by Corporate Services Manager

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the Board receives and notes the minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee meeting held on 19 October 2023.

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Priority 2 Customer Service Focus

BACKGROUND

Goldenfields Water County Council Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee is an advisory committee in accordance with section 355 of the Local Government Act 1993, and the Local Government Regulations 2012.

The Committee was established by Council Res 17/008 on 23 February 2017. In accordance with the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Charter, the Committee will report regularly to Council.

REPORT

The Goldenfields Water County Council Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee met on 19 October 2023. Minutes of the meeting are attached for the information of the Board.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation does not impact on Council's financial position.

ATTACHMENTS: Minutes of ARIC Meeting 19 October 2023.

TABLED ITEMS: Nil

15.1.4. RESTRICTED ASSETS

BOARD RESOLUTION

23/081 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Sinclair and McAlister that the Board resolve to establish an Externally Restricted Reserve for Section 64 – Developer Contributions, release funds from the Plant and Vehicle Replacement Reserve, and to release funds from the Infrastructure Replacement Reserve as follows:-

- Externally Restricted Reserve - \$5,000,000 Section 64 Developer Contributions Reserve
- Internally Restricted Reserve – reduce Plant and Vehicle Replacement Reserve by \$2,000,000

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- **Internally Restricted Reserve – reduce Infrastructure Replacement Reserve by \$19,109,700.**

Report prepared by Corporate Services Manager

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the Board resolve to establish an Externally Restricted Reserve for Section 64 – Developer Contributions, release funds from the Plant and Vehicle Replacement Reserve, and to release funds from the Infrastructure Replacement Reserve as follows:-

1. Externally Restricted Reserve - \$5,000,000 Section 64 Developer Contributions Reserve
2. Internally Restricted Reserve – reduce Plant and Vehicle Replacement Reserve by \$2,000,000
3. Internally Restricted Reserve – reduce Infrastructure Replacement Reserve by \$19,109,700.

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Priority 2 Customer Service Focus

BACKGROUND

Council has significant cash, cash equivalents and investments. Restrictions are established to set aside funds for Council to meet legislative requirements, to allocate funds against future projects and activities and to ensure sufficient funding is available to meet current and long term financial obligations. Restrictions are cash backed and are established for specific purposes.

External Restrictions over cash, cash equivalents and investments are those where there is a legislative obligation to use the funds for the purpose for which they were paid to Council.

Under section 409(3) of the Local Government Act 1993 they are of three categories

- I. Money received as a result of levying a special rate of charge for a particular purpose
- II. Money that is required by legislation to be set aside of a specific purpose (e.g. developer contributions)
- III. Money received from Federal or State Government for a specific purpose (e.g. specific purpose grant funding)

Internal Restrictions over cash, cash equivalents and investments are those funds restricted only by a resolution of the Council. Internal restrictions are adopted by Council to cover commitments included in Council's Long Term Financial Plan and where it is prudent for Council to hold cash restrictions to meet those future commitments.

Unrestricted Cash are funds available to cover operational needs and unexpected or emergency costs within Council.

REPORT

Council has provided internally restricted funds for the following purposes as follows:

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	2021/22	2021/22	2022/23
	\$,000	\$,000	\$,000
Employee Leave Entitlements	\$2,248	\$2,492	\$2,552
Plant and Vehicle Replacement	\$1,761	\$2,148	\$3,463
Infrastructure Replacement	\$24,482	\$15,971	\$20,459

A review has been carried out on Council's Internal Reserves to ensure financial sustainability and adjust balances as necessary.

Employee Leave Entitlements internally restricted funds have been calculated and audited in conjunction with end of year processes for Council's Annual Financial Statements for the 2022/23 Financial Year and will cover Council's leave liability for all current staff.

Council's net Plant replacement program is approximately \$800,000 per annum and is budgeted on an annual basis from operational funds. This fund has grown significantly over a number of years and it is considered unnecessary to restrict the current level of funds. It is recommended that Council release \$2,000,000 from these funds and resolve to make the funds available as unrestricted cash.

Council's Capital Works program has increased significantly in 2022/23 and this financial year with funds from the Infrastructure Reserve to be utilised to fund these projects.

Council's Infrastructure Replacement internally restricted funds were restricted to meet future commitments such as renewal of assets and need to be adjusted by \$19,109,700 for renewal of infrastructure in 2022/23 and 2023/24 listed as follows:-

- Pump Stations – GWCC Wide 2022/23 \$986,300
- Pump Stations – Valve Renewals 2022/23 \$15,800
- Pump Stations – Electrical 2022/23 \$236,300
- Oura Reservoir 2022/23 \$212,400
- Reservoirs – GWCC Wide 2022/23 \$470,900
- Treatment Plant – Oura High Voltage 2022/23 \$1,012,500
- Treatment Plant – Jugiong High Voltage 2022/23 \$3,075,300
- Treatment Plant – Valve & Pneumatic Upgrade 2022/23 \$68,100
- Mains Trunk GWCC Wide 2022/23 \$634,700

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• Mains Valve Renewals 2022/23	\$94,600
• Mains Rural 2022/23	\$415,800
• West Wyalong Pipeline 2022/23	\$2,684,800
• Reticulation Renewals GWCC Wide 2022/23	\$683,900
• Mains Reticulation 2023/24	\$750,000
• Wyalong Pipelines 2023/24	\$745,000
• Thanowring Road pipeline 2023/24	\$1,573,300
• Pump Stations – GWCC Wide 2023/24	\$350,000
• Pump Stations Electrical 2023/24	\$100,000
• Jugiong High Voltage 2023/24	\$1,000,000
• Oura Reservoir & Aerator 2023/24	\$4,000,000
Total Infrastructure Renewals	\$19,109,700

It is necessary to establish an Externally Restricted Reserve to restrict \$5,000,000 received for Section 64 Developer Contributions. These funds will be used for new infrastructure assets and released when compliant capital works are carried out.

The variations to Council's Internally Restricted Reserves will increase the level of working funds available to manage liquidity requirements and to manage cash flow and unforeseen budget variations. Adopting this approach to reallocate committed funds currently held in reserve as restricted funds will not impact on current services or projects in Council's budget.

It can also be considered a key component of the organisation to strengthen Council's financial position by establishing a strong unrestricted cash position and continuing down the path of financial sustainability with greater controls on cash management.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation will result in increasing Council's Unrestricted Cash by \$16,109,700.

ATTACHMENTS: Nil

TABLED ITEMS: Nil

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15.2. MATTERS SUBMITTED BY PRODUCTION AND SERVICES MANAGER

15.2.1. WATER PRODUCTION REPORT

BOARD RESOLUTION

23/082 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs White and McGlynn that the Water Production Report be received and noted.

Report prepared by Production and Services Manager

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the Water Production Report be received and noted.

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Priority 3 A Healthy Natural Environment

BACKGROUND

Goldenfields Water provides the essential water requirements of about 40,000 people spread over an area in excess of 20,000 square kilometres between the Lachlan & Murrumbidgee Rivers in the South West of NSW.

Goldenfields Waters' supply system consists of five separate water schemes, Jugiong, Oura, Mt Arthur, Mt Daylight and Hylands Bridge. Goldenfields Water carries out water supply functions within the Local Government areas of Bland, Coolamon, Cootamundra, Hilltops, Junee, Temora, and parts of Narrandera and Wagga Wagga.

Hilltops Shire Council, Cootamundra Gundagai Shire Council and Riverina Water County Council are retailers, who purchase bulk water from Goldenfields and supply the water to retail customers in their respective local government areas.

REPORT

Jugiong drinking Water Scheme

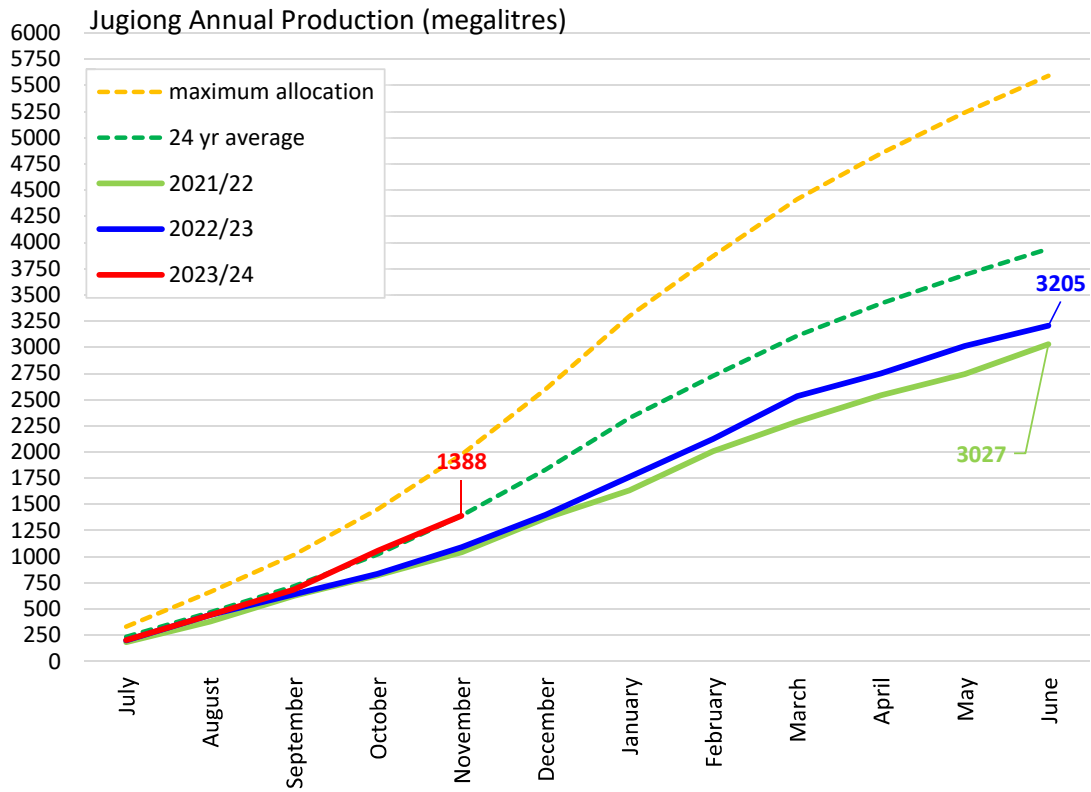
The Jugiong drinking water scheme sources water from the Murrumbidgee River and has an extraction licence entitlement of 5590ML per annum. Water from the Murrumbidgee River is treated through a 40ML/day, conventional Water Treatment Plant that consists of: Coagulation, Flocculation, Clarification, Filtration, Disinfection and Fluoridation.

The Jugiong Scheme has 14 sets of reservoirs and 8 pumping stations. The Jugiong Scheme supplies bulk water to the Hilltops and Cootamundra-Gundagai Regional Councils for supply to the townships of Cootamundra, Harden and Young with a population of approximately 6800, 2200 and 8000 respectively.

Goldenfields Water also provides additional retail supply to approximately 600 customers in the villages of Stockinbingal, Wallendbeen and Springdale.

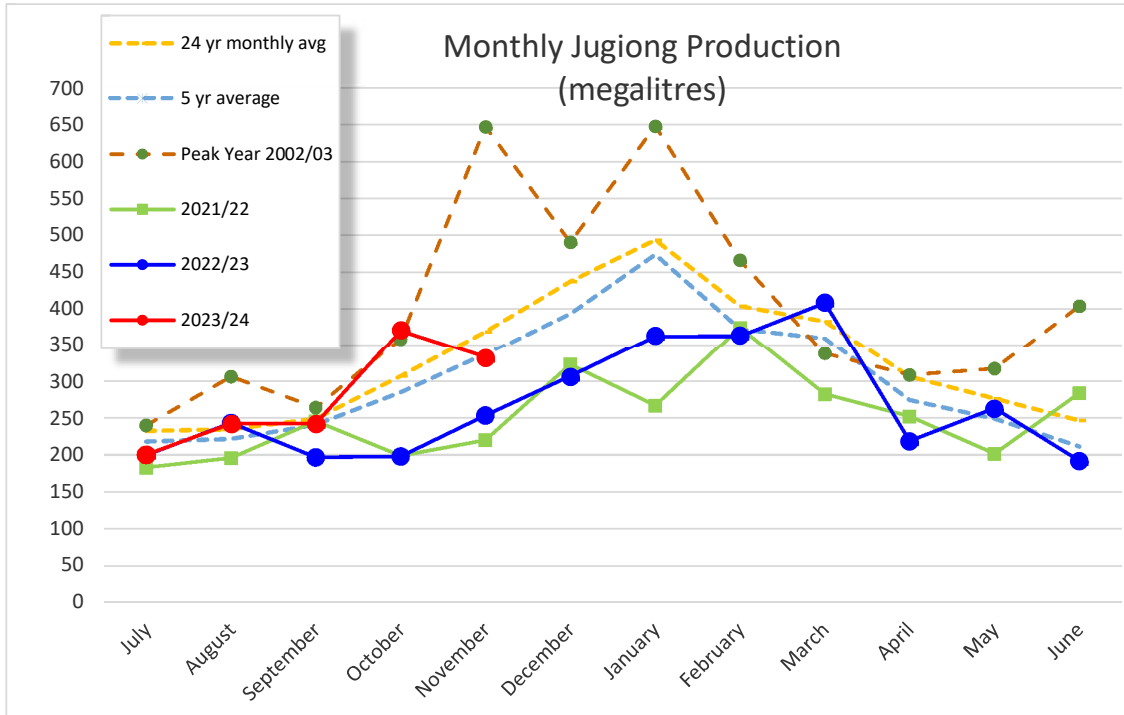
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For the first 5 months of the 2023/24 financial year, 1388ML of water had been extracted from the Murrumbidgee River and processed at the Jugiong Water Treatment plant. This is slightly higher than for the 2022/23 FY where 1091ML was extracted. An increase of 297ML. This is illustrated in the graph below.



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Jugiong monthly production started slightly higher in July with 200ML extracted and treated for the month. August saw a further increase in production with 242ML extracted and treated and September was like August with 242ML extracted and treated. Some warm dry weather saw 370ML extracted in October before some stormy wet periods saw a decrease for the month of November with 333ML extracted and treated.



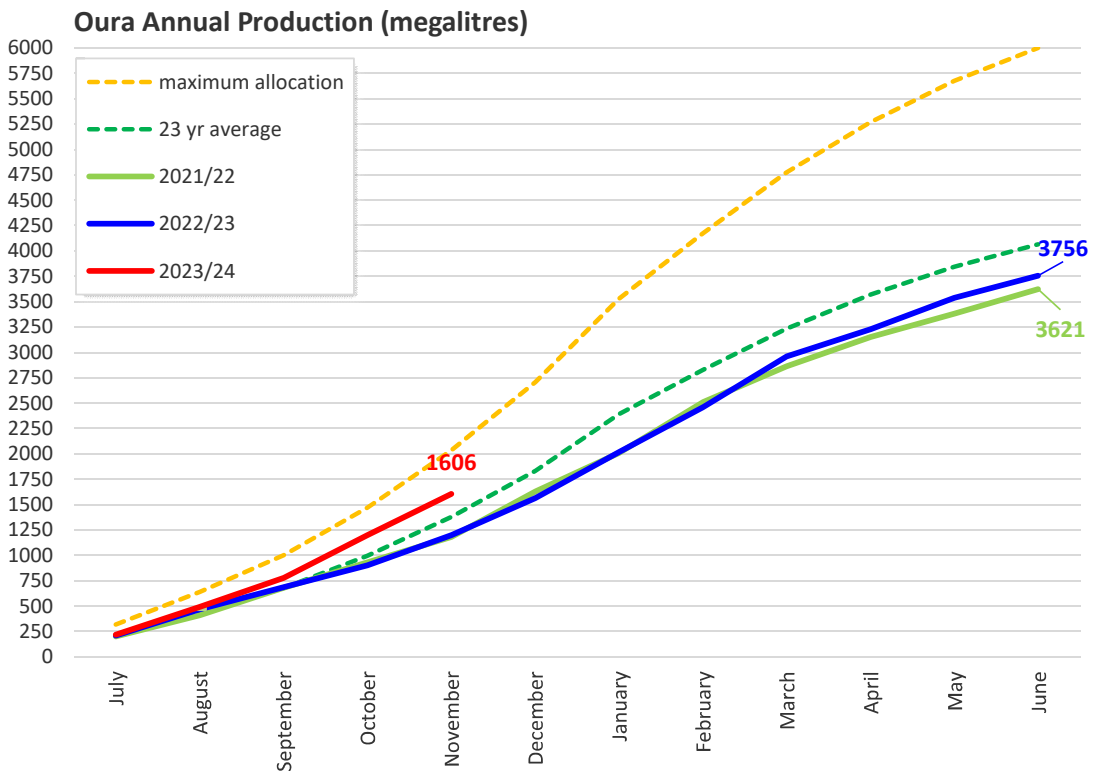
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Oura Drinking Water Scheme

The water source at Oura is the Murrumbidgee inland alluvial aquifer, this water is extracted from 4 bores namely: Bores 2, 3, 4 and 6. The raw water then goes through a treatment process at the Oura Water Treatment Plant that includes Aeration, Disinfection and Fluoridation.

The Oura scheme has 33 sets of reservoirs, and 19 pumping stations, produces drinking water for approximately 14,600 people in the Bland, Coolamon, Junee, Narrandera and Temora Shires. The Oura scheme can also supply water to the Northern side of the rural area of Wagga Wagga City when required.

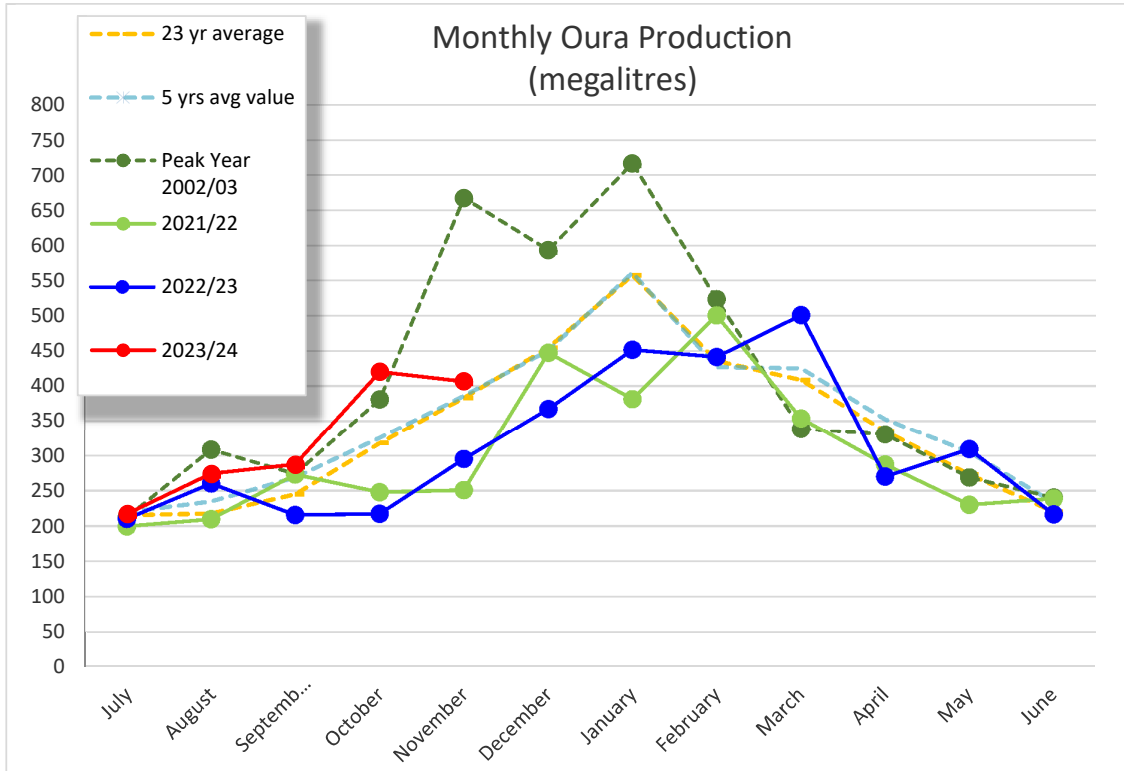
For the first 5 months of the 2023/24 financial year, 1606ML of water has been extracted from the Oura Borefield and processed at the Oura Water Treatment Plant. This is a slight increase in production compared to 2022/23 FY where 1199ML of water was extracted for the same period. An increase in production of 407ML. This is depicted in the graph below.



Oura monthly water production has started slightly higher in July where 217ML was extracted from the Oura bores. August saw an increase in production where 274ML was extracted, a further increase in production for September saw 287ML extracted. As with Jugiong a warm dry

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period saw a further increase in production for October 420ML before some stormy wet periods in November saw a slight decrease in production for the month with 406ML extracted in November.

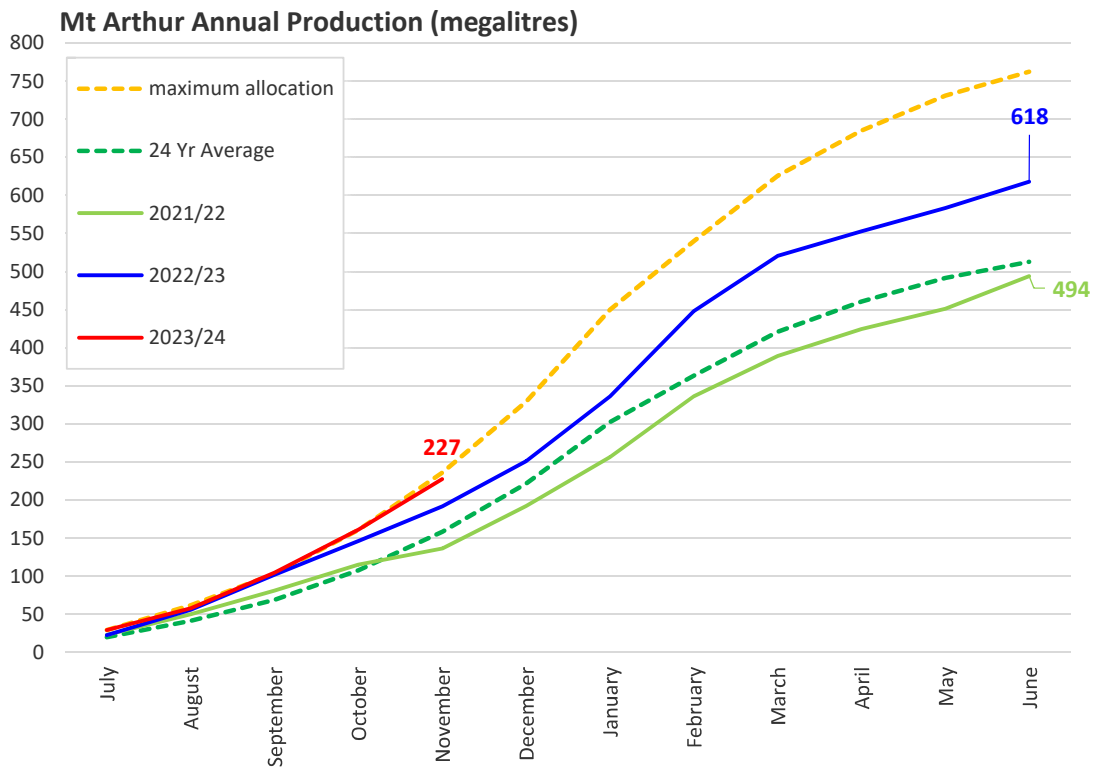


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Mount Arthur Drinking Water Scheme

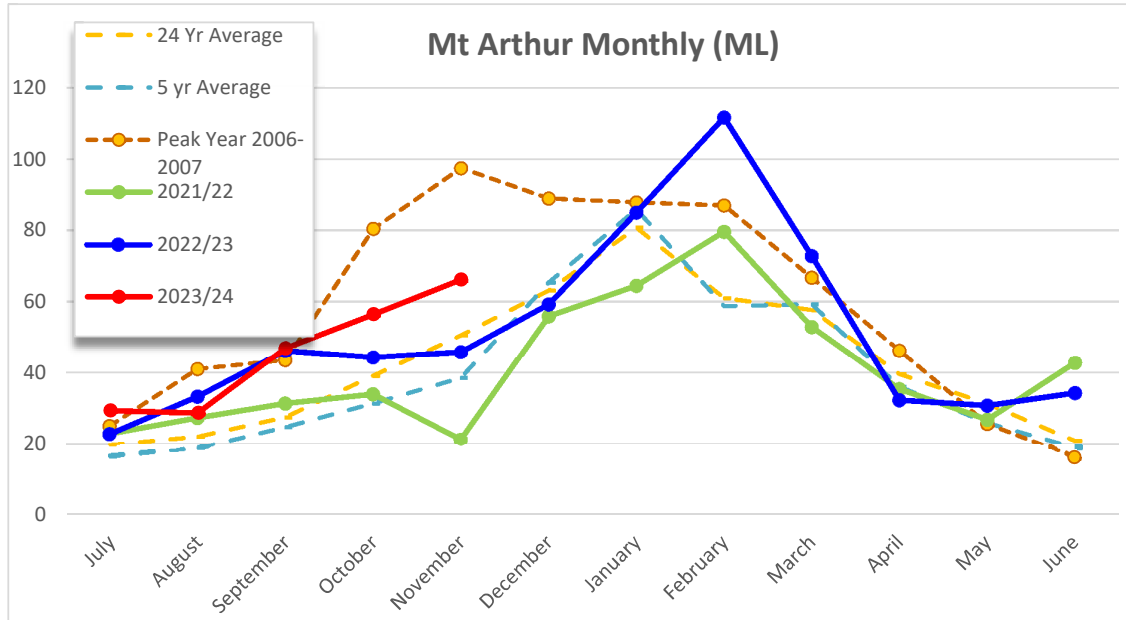
The Mount Arthur Water Source is from the Lachlan Fold belt Aquifer System. The water is extracted via two bores, bores 1 and 2 located in the Wagga Wagga City Council area South of Matong. The water is disinfected before distribution through 9 sets of reservoirs supplying approximately 2400 people with water in the Coolamon shire.

For the first 5 months of the 2023/24 financial year, 227ML of water has been extracted from the Mt Arthur Borefield. This is an increase compared to the 2022/23 FY where 192ML was extracted from the Mt Arthur bores for the same period. An increase of 35ML. As can be seen in the graph below, production is trending slightly higher to previous years.



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Mt Arthur monthly water production started slightly higher to previous years with 29ML of water extracted from the bores in July. August saw a slight decrease to 28ML extracted and September a further increase to 47ML extracted. Production for the period of September through to November has been steadily increasing every month with September 47ML, October 56ML and November 66ML extracted.



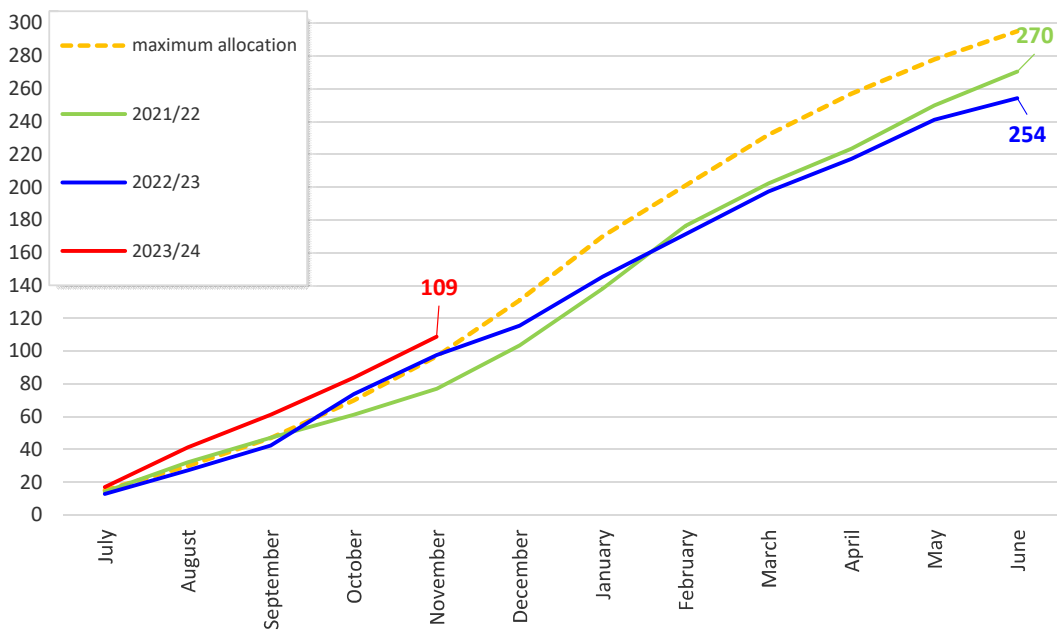
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Mount Daylight Drinking Water Scheme

The Mount Daylight water source is from the Lower Lachlan alluvium aquifer. The Mount Daylight bores are jointly operated with Carathool Shire Council. Carathool Shire Council is responsible for bore management. There are 7 sets of reservoirs in the Mt Daylight scheme. Mt Daylight supplies water to approximately 125 people in the villages of Naradhan, Weethalle and Tallimba which is located within the Bland Shire.

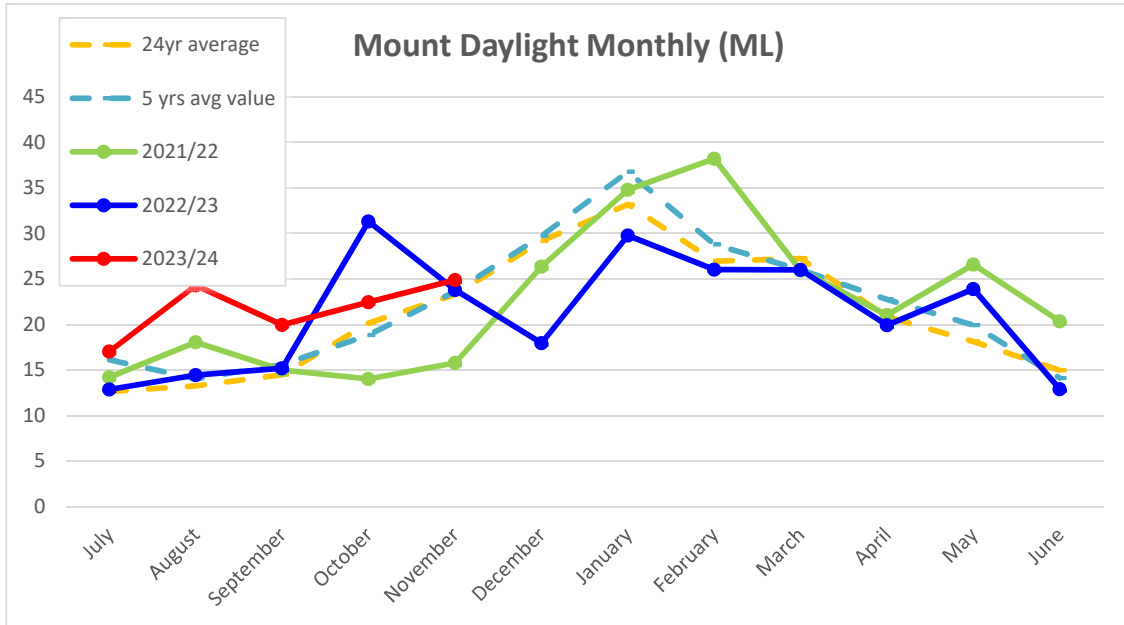
For the first 5 months of the 2023/24 financial year 109ML of water has been extracted from the Mt Daylight Borefield. This is an increase in volume of 11ML compared to the 2022/23 FY where 98ML was produced over the same period.

Daylight Annual Volume (megalitres)



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The monthly extraction totals for the Mt Daylight bores started very consistently with July seeing 17ML extracted with slight increases in August 24ML, September was slightly lower in production with 20ML extracted, the period September through to November seen consistent increases in production every month with September 20ML, October 22ML and November 25ML extracted from the Mt Daylight Bores.

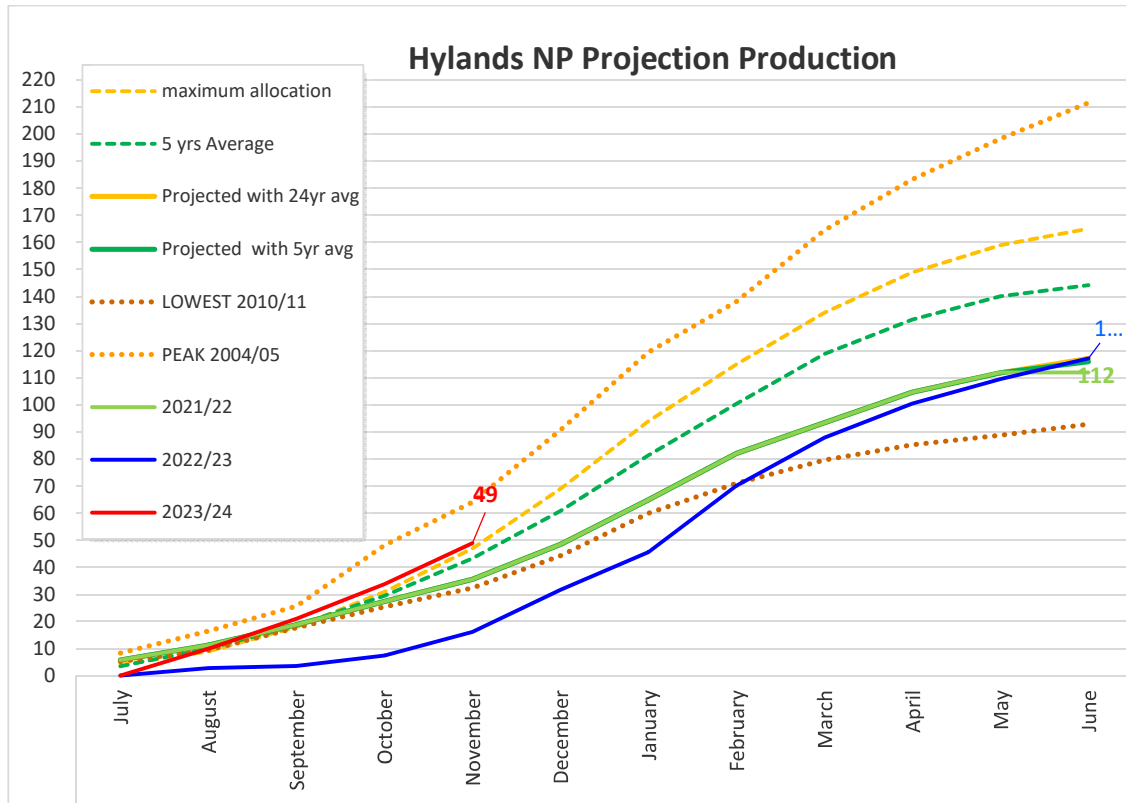


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Hylands Bridge - Non-Potable

Hylands Bridge supplies Non-Potable water to Barellan and Binya. The water is sourced through the Murrumbidgee Irrigation Area where Goldenfields Water holds 165ML shareholding for water entitlement.

For the first 5 months of the 2023/24 financial year 49ML of water has been extracted from the Hylands Bridge Raw Water scheme This is a large increase compared to the same period last year where only 16ML had been extracted.



FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation does not impact on Council's financial position.

LOCAL PREFERENCE

N/A

ATTACHMENTS: Nil

TABLED ITEMS: Nil

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15.2.2. ANNUAL DRINKING WATER MANAGEMENT SYSTEM REVIEW

BOARD RESOLUTION

23/083 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs McAlister and Sinclair that the Drinking Water Management System Annual Review Report be received and noted.

Report prepared by Production and Services Manager

BOARD RESOLUTION

23/084 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Stadmiller and Sinclair that Council move into CONFIDENTIAL SESSION at 5:00pm.

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the Board review and accept the Drinking Water Management System Annual Review.

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

01 Excellence in Service Provision

BACKGROUND

Goldenfields Water developed and adopted a Drinking Water Management System (DWMS) and associated Policy in February 2018. The purpose of the DWMS Annual Report is to inform and update New South Wales Department of Health (NSW Health) and The Department of Planning, Industry and Environment (DPIE) of Goldenfields Water County Councils (GWCC) implementation and ongoing assessment of its Drinking Water Management System. It also demonstrates that GWCC is compliant with requirements s25 Public Health Act 2010 to develop a Quality Assurance Program (QAP) in line with the framework for Drinking Water Quality Management in the Australian Drinking Water Guidelines.

REPORT

The 2022/2023 DWMS Annual Report is the fifth annual review completed under the current adopted DWMS that has been undertaken by Goldenfields Water staff. This Annual Report has utilised the entire 2022/23 data for the Jugiong, Oura, Mt Arthur and Mt Daylight potable water supply systems. A majority of this data was made available from the implementation of WaterOutlook and ClearSCADA. Data is also utilised from NSW Health's Drinking Water Database and ASAM reservoir asset condition database where required.

Throughout the reporting period GWCC have undertaken numerous water samples for both operational and verification monitoring. These samples are tested at the GWCC laboratory and/or an external NATA accredited laboratory for operational monitoring or NSW Health's FASS lab for verification or compliance purposes. GWCC also conducted a number of onsite tests for operational purposes which are presented below.

Water samples are tested for Physical, Chemical and Microbial properties in the water. Throughout the 2022/23 reporting period, Goldenfields Staff have conducted a total of 912

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microbial water samples, 177 comprehensive chemical samples, 16 pesticide samples, and 3619 in-situ testing samples undertaken and reported on.

A total of 2 microbial samples were identified as non-compliant throughout the reporting period taken from a remote reservoir location, with all chemical results indicating compliance within Australian Drinking Water Guideline (ADWG) requirements.

The non-compliant microbial samples were presented to NSW Health department and staff concluded a reservoir cleaning action. Staff drained the water, inspected the reservoir and disinfected it, prior to filling it back up and retesting to ensure compliance. These non-compliances can be common in rural remote reservoirs where chlorine levels are low and temperature of water is elevated. Whilst a non-compliance may be presented to the reservoir, it does not mean that the microbial issue has migrated offsite, which Councils testing confirmed.

GWCC also undertake pesticide sampling of the drinking water across the entire scheme. These samples are tested by a NATA accredited laboratory for the 2022/23 financial year. A total of 16 samples were tested for the presence of pesticides. All sample results were compliant with parameters set in the Australian Drinking Water Guidelines (ADWG).

It is also a requirement for GWCC to test for Radiological characteristics in the ground water supplies every 2 years, for the 2022/23 reporting year, samples were taken and tested by Australian Nuclear Science and Technology Organisation (ANSTO). Results were compliant with no concerns identified.

Another initiative undertaken by GWCC is the monitoring of chlorine residuals within the distribution and reticulation systems by internal staff. These tests are conducted routinely to ensure that each water supply system's integrity has not been breached, or if a low residual is identified then, staff can be proactive in managing such an event.

A total of 3619 chlorine test were conducted onsite throughout the year with hardcopy and softcopy results kept on file. These tests include both Total and Free chlorine, Temperature, pH and Turbidity. Historically, A running spreadsheet of results was constantly updated by office staff once data is received from outdoor staff requiring double handling of data.

With the implementation of WaterOutlook, the outdoor staff now directly upload the results of the chlorine tests via mobile platforms in order to eliminate double handling of data and direct registration within our water quality database.

The main obligations of Goldenfields Water managing their DWMS is to ensure that no breaches of Critical Control Points (CCP's) occur or if they do occur, that they are reported, reviewed and corrected as part of a continual improvement process.

The following tables provide the total number of CCP exceedances registered throughout the 2022/23 financial year with the corresponding CCP number. The below table provides the CCP Number that correlates with the specific definition and critical limits that staff seek to manage.

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CCP Number	Monitoring Parameter	Target Criterion	Adjustment Limit	Critical Limit
1 - Jugiong	Turbidity (Continuous online) Raw Water	Dependant on raw Water Quality		20% variation above or below set point for > 20minutes
2 - Jugiong	Turbidity (Continuous online) Filter Outlet	≤ 0.2 NTU	≥ 0.5 NTU	≥ 1.0 NTU
3 - Jugiong	Free Chlorine residual (Continuous online & alarmed) Finished Water	1.8mg/L	≤ 1.2mg/L or ≥ 2.0mg/L	Summer: ≤ 0.8mg/L for > 30min or ≥ 5.0mg/L Winter: ≤ 0.5mg/L for > 30min or ≥ 5.0mg/L
4 - Jugiong	Fluoride (Daily) Finished Water	1.0mg/L	< 0.95mg/L or > 1.05mg/L	< 0.9mg/L for > 72hrs or > 1.5mg/L
5 - Jugiong	System Integrity (monthly) Reservoir inspection	Secure, evidence of break in vermin	no of or breach or vermin access to reservoir	Visual identification of vermin or containment in reservoir
6 - Jugiong	Free chlorine residual (continuous online & alarmed) Prunevale and Cootamundra	0.8mg/L	≤ 0.5mg/L or ≥ 2.0mg/L	≤ 0.2mg/L or ≥ 5.0mg/L
1 - Ora	Free Chlorine residual (Daily) Treated Water	0.5mg/L	≤ 0.3mg/L or ≥ 1.0mg/L	≤ 0.2mg/L or ≥ 5.0mg/L
2 - Ora	Fluoride (Daily) Treated Water	1.0mg/L	< 0.9mg/L or > 1.2mg/L	< 0.9mg/L for > 72hrs or ≥ 1.5mg/L
3 - Ora	System Integrity (monthly) Reservoir inspection	Secure, evidence of break in vermin	no of or breach or vermin access to reservoir	Visual identification of vermin or containment in reservoir
4 - Ora	Chlorine Residual (weekly) Wyalong and Thanowring Rd	0.5mg/L	≤ 0.35mg/L	≤ 0.25mg/L
1 - Mt Arthur	Free Chlorine residual (3 x weekly) Tank 4 Outlet	0.8mg/L	≤ 0.5mg/L or ≥ 2.0mg/L	≤ 0.3mg/L or ≥ 5.0mg/L

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2 Arthur	-	Mt	System (monthly) inspection	Integrity Reservoir	Secure, evidence break in vermin	no or	Visual identification of breach or vermin access to reservoir	Visual identification of containment reservoir	or	Visual identification of vermin or containment in
1 Daylight	-	Mt	Free Chlorine Residual (continuous Naradhan Reservoir)	Online)	0.8mg/L		≤ 0.5mg/L or ≥ 2.0mg/L	or	≤ 0.3mg/L or ≥ 5.0mg/L	or
2 Daylight	-	Mt	System (monthly) Inspection	Integrity Reservoir	Secure, evidence break in vermin	no or	Visual identification of breach or vermin access to reservoir	Visual identification of containment reservoir	or	Visual identification of vermin or containment in

A breakdown of what each CCP represents can be seen in Table above. Note that OCP1 relates to pH which is an operational control point with associated critical limits (<7 and >8) and is not a critical control point.

Jugiong

Date	CCP 1	CCP 2	CCP 3	CCP 4	CCP 5	CCP 6	OCP 1	Reason	Immediate Correction	Preventive Action
04/07/2022				0.30				Fluoride hung up in hopper	Clear blockage	Monitor directly after filling hopper
08/09/2022				0.36				Hopper blockage	Hopper emptied and unblocked, scales re-calibrated	Completely empty hopper at regular intervals
08/09/2022							8.00	Repeated filter backwashing (3 washed)	Monitor	Monitor
09/10/2022				0.86				Drop in raw water fluoride from flood conditions	Increased dose	Monitor
24/11/2022				0.83				Blockage in soda ash outlet as clear water pH was low which stopped plant		
06/02/2023				0.87				Increased discharge to river	Monitor and check tomorrow's result	

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Date	CCP 1	CCP 2	CCP 3	CCP 4	CCP 5	CCP 6	OCP 1	Reason	Immediate Correction	Preventive Action
13/02/2023				0.68				Fluoride hopper blockage	Located issue, tap on hopper	Monitor
19/02/2023			0.67					Plant hasn't run since approx. 3pm 18/2/23 due to power outage		
29/03/2023			0.75					No pumping from raw water or high level pumps for an extended period of hours. Works being carried out in raw water well	When plant restarted free chlorine residual increase to target level	Be aware and monitor chlorine decay when plant is not running
14/04/2023				0.45				Fluoride trapped in hopper, possible scale issue	Fluoride hopper emptied for cleaning	Monitor scales at lower levels
01/05/2023				0.80				Plant not operating due to valve replacement, possible moisture issue with hopper	Investigate any possible cause and follow up on heater replacement	Monitor and act
02/05/2023				0.60						
29/06/2023				0.88				Dose decreased due to higher reading previous days	Monitor and possibly increase dose	Monitor and react to water changes

Oura

Date	CCP1	CCP2	CCP3	CCP4	Reason	Immediate Correction	Preventative Action
14/07/2022		0.81			Fluoride solution flow fault, possibly due to cold temperature	System reset	Monitor
16/07/2022	0.18				Plant not running for extended time	Retest came back within CCPs, monitor analyser and calibrate	Monitor and dose if necessary
17/07/2022	0.14				Possibly due to bore selection	Changed bore selection, dosed reservoirs up with liquid chlorine	Monitor chlorine and bore selection

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Date	CCP1	CCP2	CCP3	CCP4	Reason	Immediate Correction	Preventative Action
25/07/2022				0.18			
09/09/2022		0.28			Pump not working	Swapped to backup pump	
20/09/2022		0.25			No power to fluoride plant		
21/09/2022		0.26			Power switch room changeover, no power		
22/09/2022		0.26			Electrical switch and SCADA communication connection error	Electricians investigated and rectified	
12/10/2022	0.00				Reservoir undergoing cleaning and swabbing		
13/10/2022	0.00				Reservoir undergoing cleaning and swabbing		
22/10/2022	0.06				Analyser issues	Bench tested at 0.31 mg/L	
31/10/2022	0.14				Analyser issues	Bench tested at 0.58 mg/L	
01/11/2022	0.01				Analyser issues	Bench tested at 0.27 mg/L	
03/11/2022	0.02				Number 4 bore	Grab sample taken	
04/11/2022	0.00				Number 4 bore	Grab sample taken	
09/11/2022	0.00				Analyser issues	Grab sample taken	
11/11/2022	0.05				Analyser issues	Grab sample taken	
16/11/2022		0.34			Hopper emptied for recalibration due to modifications	Hopper recalibrated	Monitor
10/12/2022	0.10				Analyser issues	Grab sample taken	
20/12/2022	0.18				Analyser issues	Grab sample taken	
22/12/2022	0.15				Analyser issues	Grab sample taken	
03/01/2023	0.16				Analyser issues	Bench tested at 0.34 mg/L	
12/01/2023	0.09				Analyser issues	Bench tested at 0.53 mg/L	
09/02/2023	0.18				Analyser issues	Bench tested at 0.52 mg/L	

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17/02/2023	0.03				Analyser issues	Bench tested at 0.52 mg/L	
18/02/2023	0.08				Analyser issues	Bench tested at 0.52 mg/L	
19/02/2023	0.07				Analyser issues	Bench tested at 0.43 mg/L	
20/02/2023	0.09				Analyser issues	Bench tested at 0.40 mg/L	
21/02/2023	0.03				Analyser issues	Immediately downstream tested chlorine of 0.41 (Harefield Offtake), 0.37 (June BT) and 0.20 (June silos)	
22/02/2023	0.14				Analyser issues	Immediately downstream tested chlorine of 0.46 (Harefield Offtake), 0.38 (June BT) and 0.33 (June silos)	
28/02/2023	0.12				Analyser issues	Bench tested at 0.74 mg/L	
01/03/2023	0.15				Analyser issues	Bench tested at 0.82 mg/L	
02/03/2023	0.15				Analyser issues	Bench tested at 0.30 mg/L	
06/03/2023	0.17				Analyser issues	Grab sample taken	
01/04/2023	0.17				Bore 2	Removed bore 2 from duty	
06/04/2023	0.11				Bore 2	Removed bore 2 from duty	
08/04/2023	0.12				Analyser issues	Grab sample taken	
15/04/2023	0.18				Analyser issues	Bench tested at 0.36 mg/L	
19/06/2023	0.03				Bore 2	Removed bore 2 from duty	

Mt Arthur

No exceedances were measured for Mt Arthur during the 2022/23 year.

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Mt Daylight

Date	CCP1	CCP2	Reason	Immediate Correction	Preventative Action
15/11/2022	0.13		Bore flooding event	Managed distribution system levels where required	
16/11/2022	0.07		Bore flooding event	Managed distribution system levels where required	
22/11/2022	0.04		Bore flooding event	Managed distribution system levels where required	
23/11/2022	0.04		Bore flooding event	Managed distribution system levels where required	
24/11/2022	0.22		Bore flooding event	Managed distribution system levels where required	
01/12/2022	0.04		Bore flooding event	Managed distribution system levels where required	
03/12/2022	0.24		Bore flooding event	Managed distribution system levels where required	
04/12/2022	0.26		Bore flooding event	Managed distribution system levels where required	
05/12/2022	0.08		Bore flooding event	Managed distribution system levels where required	
06/12/2022	0.05		Bore flooding event	Managed distribution system levels where required	
07/12/2022	0.01		Bore flooding event	Managed distribution system levels where required	
08/12/2022	0.29		Bore flooding event	Managed distribution system levels where required	

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Date	CCP1	CCP2	Reason	Immediate Correction	Preventative Action
09/12/2022	0.25		Bore flooding event	Managed distribution system levels where required	
10/12/2022	0.15		Bore flooding event	Managed distribution system levels where required	
14/12/2022	0.12		Bore flooding event	Managed distribution system levels where required	
15/12/2022	0.05		Bore flooding event	Managed distribution system levels where required	
21/12/2022	0.14		Bore flooding event	Managed distribution system levels where required	
22/12/2022	0.09		Bore flooding event	Managed distribution system levels where required	

All exceedances identified for the Mt Daylight system was due to the recent flooding that occurred during late 2022. During this event, Council lost electrical supply to the bores and was unable to extract water from the bores. As a result, water was carted from the Oura scheme during this time and the analyser was not being utilised as the transfer pumps were not employed. For this reason, the below tabled exceedances were due to chlorine decay and do not reflect concerns of the systems integrity and field samples were collected regularly to ensure customers were provided with safe water. Any low residuals detected within the system are corrected via manually dosing of hypo when detected.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation does not impact on Council's financial position.

ATTACHMENTS: Nil.

TABLED ITEMS: DWMS Annual Report 2022/23

BOARD RESOLUTION

23/085 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Stadmiller and McGlynn that the Board revert back to Open Session at 5:10pm.

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15.3. MATTERS SUBMITTED BY ENGINEERING MANAGER

15.3.1. MANDAMAH ADDITIONAL CONNECTIONS

BOARD RESOLUTION

23/086 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs McGlynn and McAlister that the Board resolves to:

- 1. Note the information provided within the report**
- 2. Open the scheme to additional connections**
- 3. Approve a reduced augmentation cost for new connections as detailed within the report**

Report prepared by Engineering Manager

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the Board:

1. Note the information provided within the report
2. Open the scheme to additional connections
3. Approve a reduced augmentation cost for new connections as detailed within the report.

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Priority 1 High Quality, Secure and Efficient Water Supplies

BACKGROUND

The Mandamah Scheme was a recent scheme extension to the rural area north of Aria Park and north-west of Temora. The scheme was instigated by a community group looking to secure water supply in the area and was committed to by Council in 2005.

The scheme consisted of four stages with stages 1-3 being supplied from the Temora to Ungarie trunk main and stage 4 being supplied from the Temora to Aria Park trunk main. Stages 1-3 have been constructed and are in operation. Stage 4 has been constructed but is awaiting the finalisation of the Temora to Aria Park trunk main upgrade (the Thanowring Road project).

The scheme was originally designed to service 77 connections of 1ML entitlements. This entitlement could be split over 2 x 0.5ML connections. Council provided the following price path for customers who signed up to the scheme at the start.

For each customer 1ML entitlement, the customer was required to pay:

- \$5,000 deposit to secure their place in the scheme
- \$45,000 to be paid at the time of connection
- \$500 annual special developer charge for 10 years
- \$2.45/kl usage charge for 10 years (being the higher residential usage charge rather than the normal rural usage charge)

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- Plus Tapping, Service and Meter charges and Backflow Prevention charges as per GWCC's fees and charges

If a customer used their full 1ML allocation for the 10 years, they would pay a total of \$62,600 towards the scheme.

Customers who did not sign up for the scheme at the commencement were not guaranteed an opportunity for a connection at a later date. Furthermore, In December 2017 a report to the Board noted that failure of customers to accept the \$50,000 offer with \$5,000 non-refundable deposit would result in any future requests for connection to pay an "actual cost" which was at the time estimated to be around \$100,000 to \$150,000.

REPORT

Since construction, Goldenfields Water have been approached by some customers requesting to join the scheme, however the scheme was intended to remain closed until GWCC could assess the scheme's capacity for additional connections.

During the construction of the scheme some customers withdrew. Currently there are 56 customer accounts (56ML) over a total of 71 connections (41 x 1ML connections and 30 x 0.5ML connections). Furthermore due to recent wet years consumption has been low in general and some customers have still not paid their remaining final connection fees and as such have not been provided access to water through their meter.

As such Goldenfields staff haven't been able to observe the scheme operation in action at full capacity to determine any potential low pressure or flow issues. Whilst customers have pulled out of the scheme, therefore providing spare capacity overall, any additional connections will be dependent upon the connection locations. GWCC is currently undertaking modelling to assess areas of connection availability.

The total cost of constructing the scheme was approximately \$7,900,000. Over 77 customer entitlements this would equate to \$102,597 per connection for augmentation costs. If new customers were required to pay full costs to connect then they would be required to pay:

- \$102,597 in Augmentation costs
- \$31,200 in Developer Infrastructure Charges for a 1ML connection
- Plus Tapping, Service and Meter charges and Backflow Prevention charges as per GWCC's fees and charges
- Total \$136,872 per 1ML connection

Note: These connections would not have additional 10 year charges.

From a cost benefit perspective, the more customers connected to the scheme, the better benefit the scheme provides to Goldenfields Water in the long term through recovery of access and usage charges as well as recouping some of the augmentation costs. The above cost of \$136,872 is highly likely to dissuade new customers from joining the scheme.

Therefore to entice customers to join the scheme, it is recommended a reduced charge be considered for new entrants whilst also giving consideration to the customers who committed to the scheme up front.

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It is recommended that new customers to the scheme be charged the following:

- \$50,000 Augmentation Charge
- Developer Infrastructure Charges relevant to their requested volume with a recommended minimum 0.5ML connection. Current Developer infrastructure charges are \$7,800 per ET (250kl/annum)
- Tapping, Service and Meter charges and Backflow prevention as per the GWCC fees and charges
- For a 0.5ML single connection this would equate to \$68,675 or \$84,275 for a 1ML connection

Note: These connections would not have additional 10 year charges

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

If approved the above enables additional customers to connect to Goldenfields Water's Mandamah Scheme. New connections will assist in recovering costs of construction and provide additional ongoing customers charges.

ATTACHMENTS: Nil

TABLED ITEMS: Nil

15.4. MATTERS SUBMITTED BY THE GENERAL MANAGER

15.4.1. 2023 CUSTOMER SURVEY RESULTS

BOARD RESOLUTION

23/087 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs McGlynn and McAlister that the 2023 Customer Survey Results be received and noted.

Report prepared by Community Education and Engagement Officer

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the 2023 Customer Survey Results be received and noted.

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Priority 2 Customer Service Focus

BACKGROUND

We recognise our customers and community play a vital role in shaping our future, and only through engaging in meaningful conversations can we understand and achieve our mutual goals.

REPORT

GWCC undertake annual customer surveys aimed at:

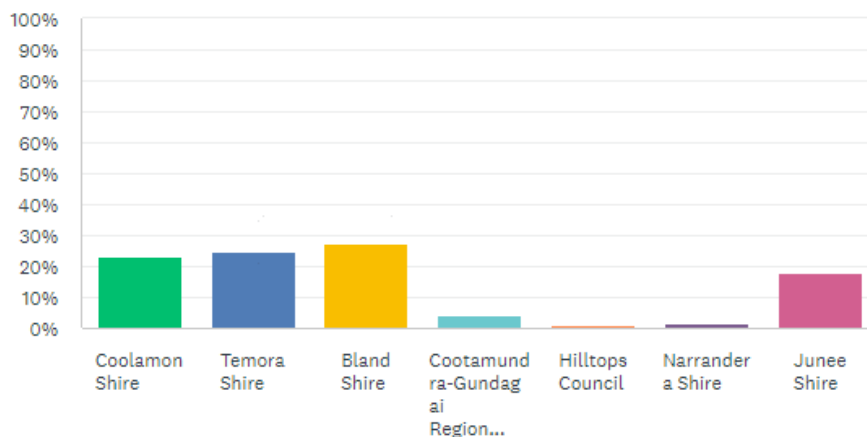
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- Establishing a baseline for customer satisfaction with water quality and service delivery
- Analysing and understanding our customer's experience when contacting GWCC
- Identifying future priorities and improvement areas
- Measuring the ideal price point for potential future upgrades

This survey was undertaken in house via survey monkey. The survey was opened for four weeks during September and October 2023, a total of 117 customers completed the survey online. The survey questions were based around customer service, the use of the Goldenfields Water App, water quality and service delivery.

The survey was open to all GWCC customers, with the highest number of respondents coming from the Bland, Temora and Coolamon Shires. One response was received from Hilltops Council and 2 from the Narrandera Shire.



The main age group to complete the survey was 35 - 49 years, followed by 50 – 64 years.

Of the 117 respondents, 73% either *agreed* or *strongly agreed* that Goldenfields Water has a good reputation in the community. 15% *neither agreed nor disagreed* whilst 12% either *disagreed* or *strongly disagreed* with this statement. These results highlight the positive interaction that our customers have had with us in the last 12 months and is further supported by the 62% of customers who were either *very satisfied* or *extremely satisfied* with the friendliness, timeliness and ability to resolve or meet their needs on first contact.

Overall, the quality of water supplied was rated as satisfactory. The attributes to make up the water quality comprised of taste, smell and clarity. 45% of customers were *satisfied*, 27% were *very satisfied*, 15% were *extremely satisfied*, 10% *very dissatisfied* and 3% *extremely*

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dissatisfied. These results have slightly improved compared to the 2022 results. Discoloured water and water pressure remain the two leading concerns listed by customers.

Overall, the quality of service delivery was rated as satisfactory. The attributes to make up the service delivery comprised of water pressure, reliability of accessing water and ease of making payments. 41% of customers were *satisfied*, 35% were *very satisfied*, 19% were *extremely satisfied* and 4% *very dissatisfied*.

When asked about the cost of their water service (including connection and usage charges) 65% of customers thought our costs are reasonable and 31% think the costs aren't reasonable.

Customers were asked to rate the importance of tracking water consumption in their household. 74% of customers said it is a high priority whilst 26% said it wasn't. When asked if customers were aware that Goldenfields Water had an app that allows you to track your water consumption, 44% of customer were unaware and this survey was the first time they had heard about the app. Meanwhile 38% of customers regularly use the app to assist with their water consumption.

GWCC listed four potential capital works projects and asked customers a series of questions to understand their propensity to pay for these upgrades. These potential projects included:

- Upgraded water treatment plant for the Oura Scheme to improve water discolouration
- A new water treatment plant for the Mt Arthur scheme to improve water discolouration
- A new mobile pipe cleaning technology system to help minimise discoloured water events and/or severity. New technology will also significantly reduce water loss from manually flushing the pipes
- Additional infrastructure for improving water pressure within Junee township

Customers were asked "*if Council were to proceed with any of the above projects, an increase between \$25 pa to \$150 pa would be required. An increase of \$25 pa would allow some projects to be delivered over a longer timeframe whereas \$150 pa would allow projects to be delivered in a shorter timeframe.*" The average figure for what the respondents thought would be a good value was \$55 pa. The average price for what would be considered too expensive was \$101 and the average price for what would be considered inexpensive and suggest doubts of quality was \$38.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation does not impact on Council's financial position.

ATTACHMENTS: Nil

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TABLED ITEMS: Nil

15.4.2. 2022/2023 ANNUAL REPORT

BOARD RESOLUTION

23/088 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Sinclair and White that the 2022/2023 Annual Report be received and noted.

Report prepared by General Manager

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That Council's 2022/23 Annual Report be received and noted.

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Priority 1 High Quality, Secure and Efficient Water Supplies

BACKGROUND

Section 428 of the Local Government Act 1993, requires Council to prepare an Annual Report. The report details Goldenfields' achievements in implementing the Delivery Program and the effectiveness of the principles undertaken in achieving the objectives at which those principal activities are directed.

REPORT

Goldenfields Waters' 2022/23 Annual Report is the first Annual report within the five year reporting period for the 2022 – 2026 Delivery Program.

The results and outcomes are a reflection of the efforts of all staff within the organisation, undertaking a variety of roles from the front office in Temora to the remote areas within our 22,500 square kilometre footprint.

The Annual Report has been prepared in accordance with the guidelines stipulated under section 217 of the Local Government Regulations

The completed annual report has been posted on Council's website and provided to the Minister for Local Government as per requirements.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation does not impact on Council's financial position.

ATTACHMENTS: 2022/23 Annual Report

TABLED ITEMS: Nil

15.4.3. JANUARY EXTRA ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

BOARD RESOLUTION

23/089 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs McAlister and White that the Board hold an Extra Ordinary Council Meeting on 22 January 2024 at 10:00am.

Report prepared by General Manager

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Cr Matt Stadtmiller declared a Pecuniary Interest due to the report discussing the Chairperson Elections.

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the Board consider holding an Extra Ordinary Council Meeting on 25 January 2024.

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

07 Efficient Operations

BACKGROUND

Goldenfields Water County Council meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of every second month at the Temora Office, commencing at 10.00am. The next ordinary Council Meeting has been resolved to be held 22 February 2024.

With the Election of the Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson due in January it is suggested an Extra Ordinary Council Meeting be held in January to facilitate these elections.

REPORT

Goldenfields' Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson Elections are due in January 2024.

Goldenfields next ordinary Council Meeting is due to be held on 22 February 2024.

In order for the Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson elections to take place, it is Council officers' recommendation that the Board consider holding an Extra Ordinary Council Meeting on the 25 January 2024 or alternatively bring the February Ordinary Council Meeting forward.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation does not impact on Council's financial position.

ATTACHMENTS: Nil

TABLED ITEMS: Nil

15.4.4. COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS UPDATE REPORT

BOARD RESOLUTION

23/090 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Sinclair and White that the Board note the Council Resolution Update Report.

Report prepared by General Manager

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That Council note the Council Resolutions Update Report.

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

Priority 1 High Quality, Secure and Efficient Water Supplies

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BACKGROUND

The General Manager is responsible for ensuring that Council's resolutions are implemented efficiently and in a timely manner.

REPORT

After a Council meeting is held, actions required from the resolutions made are listed and distributed to the Management Team for their attention. This list is included on the fortnightly Management meeting agenda to ensure timely completion of tasks.

The resolutions update table attached is provided to the Board to deliver an overview of the tasks completed since the previous meeting and to identify any outstanding tasks that still require action. This allows greater transparency for the Board into the actioning of the resolutions made and a timely reminder for Management to progress these actions.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation does not impact on Council's financial position.

ATTACHMENTS: Council Meeting Resolution Action Table

TABLED ITEMS: Nil

16. NEXT MEETING

The next ordinary meeting of Council is scheduled to be held on Thursday 22 February 2024 at 10.00am.

BOARD RESOLUTION

23/091 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs McGlynn and White that Council move into CONFIDENTIAL SESSION at 5:40pm.

All GWCC Staff left the meeting at 5:40pm

BOARD RESOLUTION

23/092 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Sinclair and McGlynn that the Board revert back to Open Session at 5:58pm.

All GWCC Staff returned to the meeting at 5:58pm

17. CLOSE OF BUSINESS

There being no further business requiring the attention of Council the meeting was declared closed at 5:59pm.

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The meeting commenced at 10.10am

PRESENT

Cr B Callow, Cr A McAlister, Cr L McGlynn, Cr K Morris, Cr G Sinclair, Cr A White, Cr J Piper.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Mr A Drenovski (General Manager), Mr G Veneris (Production and Services Manager), Mr T Goodyer (Operations Manager), Miss S Jung (Engineering Manager), Miss A Burnett (Executive Assistant).

1. ATTENDANCE OF COUNCILLORS BY AUDIO VISUAL LINK

BOARD RESOLUTION

23/092 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Morris and Callow that the Board permit the following Councillors to attend this Extraordinary meeting by Audio-Visual Link: Cr K Morris and Cr B Callow.

2. LEAVE OF ABSENCE/APOLOGIES

BOARD RESOLUTION

23/093 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Sinclair and Morris that a leave of absence be granted to Crs Matthew Stadtmiller.

3. WEBCASTING OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

Attendees of this meeting are reminded that;

- a) The meeting is being recorded and made publicly available on Council's website, and
- b) Persons attending the meeting should refrain from making any defamatory statements.

4. STATEMENT OF ETHICAL OBLIGATIONS

Councillors are reminded of the oath or affirmation of office they have taken under section 233A of the Act.

The governing body of a county council is responsible for managing the affairs of the county council. Each councillor as a member of the governing body has a responsibility to make considered and well-informed decisions to ensure that the exercise of the functions of Goldenfields Water are performed to benefit the whole of the area of operations of Goldenfields Water.

In addition, Councillors are reminded of their obligations under council's code of conduct to disclose and appropriately manage conflicts of interest.

5. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

I would like to acknowledge the Wiradjuri people who are the Traditional Custodians of the Land. I would also like to pay respect to their people both past and present and extend that respect to other Aboriginal Australians who are present.

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6. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Aaron Drenovski declared a Pecuniary Interest due to the report involving his contract as General Manager.

7. DECLARATION OF NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Nil

8. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

In accordance with the Local Government Act 1993 and the Local Government (General) Regulations 2005, in the opinion of the General Manager the following business is of a kind as referred to in section 10A (2) of the Act and should be dealt with in part of the meeting closed to the media and the public.

BOARD RESOLUTION

23/094 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs McGlynn and Piper that Council move into CONFIDENTIAL SESSION.

Staff left the meeting at 10:35am

9. MATTERS TO BE SUBMITTED TO CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

9.1. MATTERS SUBMITTED BY CHAIRPERSON

9.1.1. GENERAL MANAGERS PERFORMANCE REVIEW

This report is CONFIDENTIAL in accordance with Section 10A(2)(a) of the Local Government Act 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following:

- a) *Personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors)*

BOARD RESOLUTION

23/095 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs McAlister and Sinclair that the Board resolves:

- 1. That the Board note and endorse this Chairperson's Minute which included the General Managers Performance Review Panel's position following the Annual Review for 2022/23**
- 2. The Panel in accordance with clause 8.3 of the General Manager's Contract of Employment has noted the Better than Satisfactory (a term referred to in the General Manager's Contract of Employment) performance and is recommending a 2% increase in the Total Remuneration Package Payment (excluding the SOORT increase)**
- 3. That Council delegate to the General Manager's Performance Review Panel authority to determine future adjustments to and components of the TRP**
- 4. That the Board adopt the 2023/24 Performance Agreement.**

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9.1.2. GENERAL MANAGERS CONTRACT RENEWAL

This report is CONFIDENTIAL in accordance with Section 10A(2)(d)(i) of the Local Government Act 1993, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following:

- d) Commercial information of a confidential matter that would, if disclosed:
 - (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it, or

BOARD RESOLUTION

23/096 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs McAlister and Sinclair that the Board resolves:

- 1. That the Board receive and note the letter from General Manager, Mr Aaron Drenovski dated 22 June 2023 seeking renewal of his contract**
- 2. Endorse renewing the contract of employment with Mr Aaron Drenovski for a further five years commencing 22 March 2024**
- 3. Schedule C (Remuneration) referred to in Section 8 of the contract remain unchanged; and**
- 4. Delegate authority to the Performance Review Board Panel Members to finalise the contract of employment in accordance with the standard contract required by the Office of Local Government under Council's Common Seal.**
- 5. Endorse a period of Annual Leave for the General Manager from and including Monday 15 April 2024 to Friday 19 July 2024.**

Staff returned to the meeting at 11:58am

23/097 BOARD RESOLUTION

RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Morris and Callow that that there being no further confidential items that the Board revert back to Open Session at 11:58am.

10. NEXT MEETING

The next ordinary meeting of Council is scheduled to be held Thursday 22 February 2023 at 10.00am.

11. CLOSE OF BUSINESS

There being no further business requiring the attention of council the meeting was declared closed at 12:00pm.

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The meeting commenced at 10.01am

PRESENT

Cr Stadtmiller, Cr B Callow, Cr A McAlister, Cr L McGlynn, Cr G Sinclair, Cr A White, Cr J Piper.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

Mr A Drenovski (General Manager), Mr G Veneris (Production and Services Manager), Mr T Goodyer (Operations Manager), Miss S Jung (Engineering Manager), Mrs M Carr (Corporate Services Manager), Miss A Burnett (Executive Assistant).

1. LEAVE OF ABSENCE/APOLOGIES

BOARD RESOLUTION

24/001 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Callow and White that a leave of absence be granted to Crs Kevin Morris.

2. ATTENDANCE OF COUNCILLORS BY AUDIO VISUAL LINK

BOARD RESOLUTION

24/002 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs White and Piper that the Board permit the following Councillors to attend this Extraordinary meeting by Audio-Visual Link: Cr A McAlister.

3. WEBCASTING OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

Attendees of this meeting are reminded that;

- a) The meeting is being recorded and made publicly available on Council's website, and
- b) Persons attending the meeting should refrain from making any defamatory statements.

4. STATEMENT OF ETHICAL OBLIGATIONS

Councillors are reminded of the oath or affirmation of office they have taken under section 233A of the Act.

The governing body of a county council is responsible for managing the affairs of the county council. Each councillor as a member of the governing body has a responsibility to make considered and well-informed decisions to ensure that the exercise of the functions of Goldenfields Water are performed to benefit the whole of the area of operations of Goldenfields Water.

In addition, Councillors are reminded of their obligations under council's code of conduct to disclose and appropriately manage conflicts of interest.

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5. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

I would like to acknowledge the Wiradjuri people who are the Traditional Custodians of the Land. I would also like to pay respect to their people both past and present and extend that respect to other Aboriginal Australians who are present.

6. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Nil.

7. DECLARATION OF NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Nil

8. MATTERS TO BE SUBMITTED TO OPEN COUNCIL

8.1. MATTERS TO BE SUBMITTED BY THE GENERAL MANAGER

8.1.1. Election of Chairperson

BOARD RESOLUTION

24/003 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Sinclair and White that:

Nominations for the position of Chairperson is called and that if necessary, voting be by ordinary ballot.

The elected Chairperson shall hold office from this date until September 2024 when the polling day of the ordinary election of their member council is held.

The General Manager conducted the election.

Signed nomination form was received for Cr Matthew Stadtmiller.

Cr Matthew Stadtmiller was declared Chairperson until September 2024.

Report prepared by General Manager

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That nominations for the position of Chairperson is called and that if necessary, voting be by ordinary ballot.

The elected Chairperson shall hold office from this date until September 2024 when the polling day of the ordinary election of their member council is held.

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

07 Efficient Operations

BACKGROUND

In accordance with section 391 of the Local Government Act (1993) the position of Chairperson becomes vacant the polling day of the ordinary election of councillors of which

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the person is a councillor. An election for chairperson of the council must be held at the first meeting after the term of the chairperson has ended. The Chairperson holds office for 2 years, subject to the Act.

As per advice from the Office of Local Government provided to the April 2022 Board Meeting, the Chairperson elected at the meeting today will serve until September 2024 when their civic office expires on the polling day of the ordinary election of their member council.

REPORT

The Local Government (General) Regulations 2005 clause 395, Schedule 8 provides the following:

- The general manager of the county council in respect of which an election is being held (or a person appointed by the general manager) is the returning officer.
- A Member of a county council may be nominated without notice for election as Chairperson of the county council
- The nomination is to be made in writing by two or more Members of the county council (one of whom may be the nominee). The nomination is not valid unless the nominee has indicated consent to the nomination in writing.
- The nomination is to be delivered or sent to the Returning Officer
- The Returning Officer is to announce the names of the nominees at the county council meeting at which the election is to be held
- If only one member of the county council is nominated, that Member is elected
- If more than one Member is nominated, the county council is to resolve whether the election is to proceed by preferential ballot, by ordinary or by open voting
- The election is to be held at the county council meeting at which the county council resolves on the method of voting.

Appropriate nomination forms have been circulated to all Councillors.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation does not impact on Council's financial position.

ATTACHMENTS: Nil

TABLED ITEMS: Nil

8.1.2. Election of Deputy Chairperson

BOARD RESOLUTION

24/004 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs Stadtmiller and Piper that:

Nominations for the position of Deputy Chairperson is called and that if necessary, voting be by ordinary ballot.

The elected Chairperson shall hold office from this date until September 2024 when the polling day of the ordinary election of their member council is held.

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The General Manager conducted the election.

Signed nomination form was received for Cr Bob Callow.

Cr Bob Callow was declared Deputy Chairperson until September 2024.

Report prepared by General Manager

COUNCIL OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That nominations for the position of Deputy Chairperson are called and that if necessary, voting be by ordinary ballot.

ALIGNMENT WITH BUSINESS ACTIVITY STRATEGIC PLAN

07 Efficient Operations

BACKGROUND

There are no provisions within the Local Government Act or Regulations formalising the role of Deputy Chairperson. Council has traditionally elected a Deputy Chairperson from amongst its members to this role.

REPORT

The position of Deputy Chairperson is an optional position. If the Chairperson is prevented from exercising their functions by illness, absence or otherwise, the Deputy Chairperson will be called upon in the first instance to assist.

The election for Deputy Chairperson has traditionally occurred utilising the same process as that of the Chairperson election.

The tenure of this role will align with the two-yearly time frame of the Chairperson, subject to the Act.

Appropriate nomination forms have been circulated to all Councillors with their Business Papers.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommendation does not impact on Council's financial position.

ATTACHMENTS: Nil.

TABLED ITEMS: Nil.

10:05am - Cr Stadtmiller took the Chairpersons Chair.

9. NEXT MEETING

The next ordinary meeting of Council is scheduled to be held Thursday 22 February 2023 at 10.00am.

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10. CLOSE OF BUSINESS

There being no further business requiring the attention of council the meeting was declared closed at 10:06am.