Mackay REGIONAL COUNCIL
Development Services
Highlights and Significant Issues Report
For the Month of December 2012
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Executive Summary

Business Support

Due to the Christmas closure of Council services, December had an anticipated decrease in our touch points (248) with the public and the development industry. We responded to land development enquiries through the provision of planning advice 80 times. The greater proportion of this has been via online and phone. December saw the closure of an important initiative – Data Integrity-Pathway Refresher project which has resulted in a full suite of system procedures for each program. Sign off of system requirements for the Donated Asset Management project was also a proud moment that would not have been possible without the support of our Information Services program. Our focus for the first quarter of 2013 will be the Reporting Review project, ADAC implementation and preparation for the New Planning Scheme implementation.

Development Assessment

The number of planning applications received decreased this month but still is a continuation of the above the average long term trend. IDAS timeframes were met for acknowledgement notices and information requests. Reconfiguration of Lots, Material Change of Use (Code and Impact) and Concurrency Agency Applications were processed in IDAS timeframes. It should be noted that with the recent changes to SPA legislation and proposed legislation to have only one referral agency next year, it has been observed that the total period from lodgement to decision has decreased because the number of referral agencies have been reduced and improved turn-around times from the referral agencies themselves. In the case of the reconfiguration approvals for December, this was not the case as the applicant chose to negotiate with the referral agency for up to 3 months as allowed under the Act which has distorted the overall time to approve compared to the overall trend line prior to December 2012.

Development Engineering

The high level of development for 2012 resulted in significant increases in Operational Works, Plan Sealing and Minor Works applications over the previous year. The number of Operational Works applications increased by 10% to 182, Plan Sealing by 22% to 190 and Minor Works by 40% to 1258. The decrease in the percentage of the plans sealed achieved, within in the target time of 15 days, has been caused by the increasing number of incomplete applications, especially in relation to compliance with conditions of approval for the DAs & OWs. This increased workload has been a challenge for the Program, especially with a number of long term vacancies, but has been handled without significant increases in timeframes by the employment of some temporary administrative staff and a number of contract technical staff. The long term vacant positions were advertised in December 2012 with a closing date of 1 January 2013. If the current trends continue we will need to review the level of resourcing in that area.

Health and Regulatory Services

- The number of requests received in December was below average across all request types, reflecting a drop in the total number of requests received in December. The reason for this decrease was the beginning of the holiday period for most people and Council shutting down its operations on 21 December 2012 for the Christmas period, therefore effectively only having 3 operational weeks.
- Increased numbers of requests related to noise have been received by Environmental Health and Environmental Protection Officers this month. This is attributed to people conducting building work outside of regulated hours.
- Pest Management Officers assisted landholders in the Rocky Dam Catchment area, south of Sarina, in the coordination of an aerial control program for the removal of wild pigs and dogs. This was a follow up program using the same techniques as last year with more landowners coming on board with the program. A total number of 232 wild pigs and 9 wild dogs were removed over 4 days. The success of the program was attributed to favourable weather conditions and tides.
- With the drier weather for most of December, Vector Control Officers were able to treat 3,470 hectares, which was more than expected. This allowed the total land area treated for 2012 to increase to 20,925 hectares compared with 19,163 hectares in 2011. Since recent rain, mosquito numbers have increased but at much lower levels than at the same time in previous years.

Strategic Planning

The 1st State Interest Review on the Draft Mackay Region Planning Scheme is nearing completion, and council awaits approval from the Minister to proceed with public consultation. Consultation of the new planning scheme is expected to commence within the first quarter of 2013.

Council adopted the flood study reports for the Gooseponds Creek and Pioneer River. Council adjusted the minimum floor levels for development in the Mackay Region due to the suspension of the Queensland Council Plan and interim results of the stormtide study.

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* All calculations of average values have been rounded to the nearest whole. Where an average has been calculated, it must not be added or subtracted against other values. **Figures marked with an asterisk (*) are not a total.**

1. INDUSTRY CONSULTATION AND PUBLIC CONTACT

1.1 Views of PD Online Web Page

Description	Current Month	Average Hits - Previous 3 Months	Monthly Average Since January 2011
Page Views	551	867	697

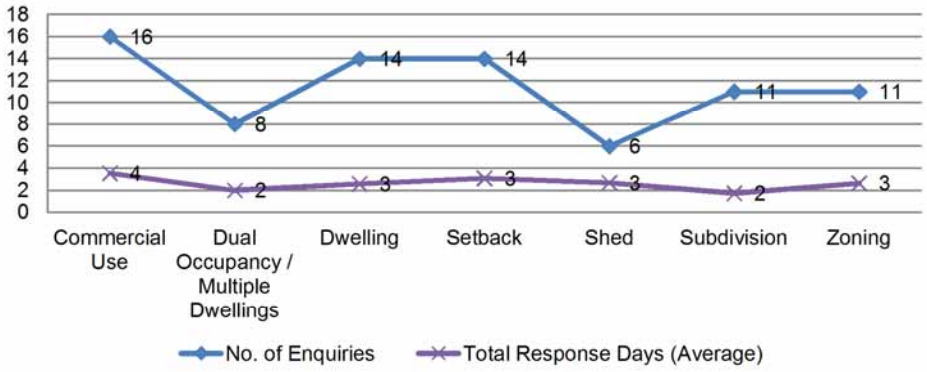
1.2 Industry Contact/Meetings

Description	Current Month
Pre-Lodgement Meetings	4
Engineering Meetings	15
Environmental Services	1
Development Compliance	1
Environmental Health	4
Developer Meetings	4
Local Laws	2
Total	**31**

1.3.1 Duty Planner

Contact Type	October
Online	31
Email	5
Phone	38
Counter Enquiry	6
All Enquiries	**80**

1.3.2 Town Planning Advice/Advisory Service - Enquiries and Response Times (KPI – 10 Days to Respond)



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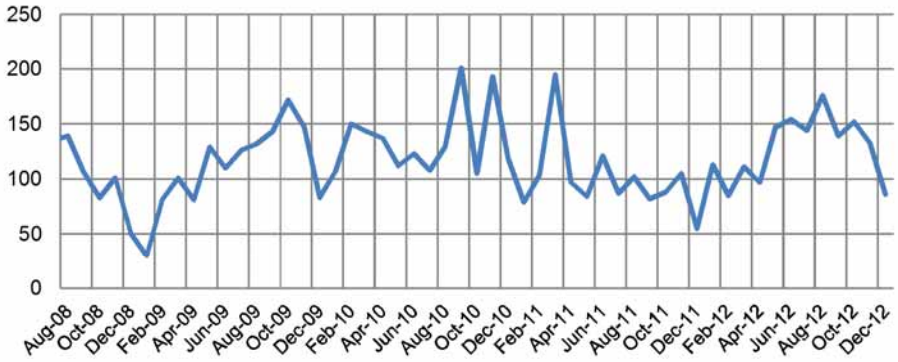


1.4.1 Development Services Business Centre Customer Contact

Description	Current Month	Previous 3 Months Average	Average Since March 2011
Enquiries	58	143	98
Meeting	51	103	67
Deliveries	35	39	18
Application Lodgements	104	120	92
All Contact Types	**248**	**405***	**275***

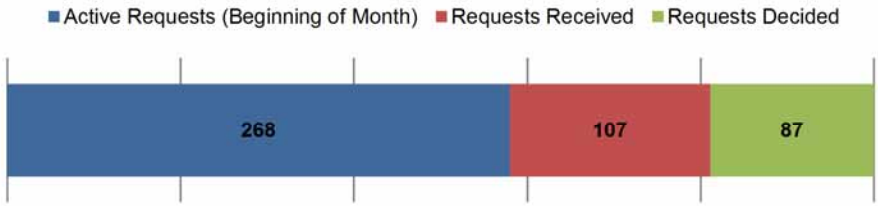
1.4.2 Application Lodgement by Business Type

Description	Current Month	Previous 3 Months Average	Average Since March 2011
Development Engineering	7	23	15
Development Assessment	53	42	28
Water & Waste	42	51	45
Health & Regulatory Services	2	4	5
All Applications Received	**104**	**120***	**92***

1.4.3 Number of Enquiries Received since March 2011

2. ALL SPA/IPA APPLICATIONS RECEIVED

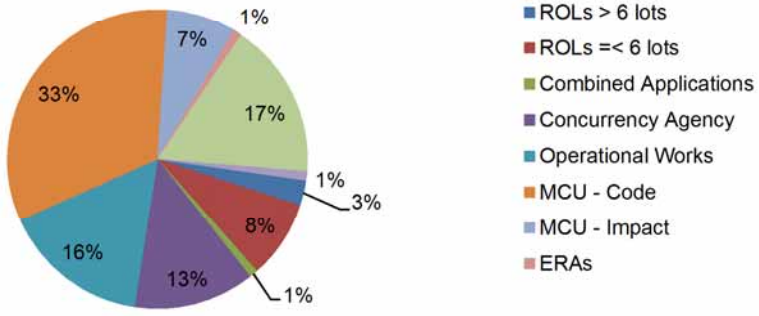
2.1.1 Assessment of All Applications



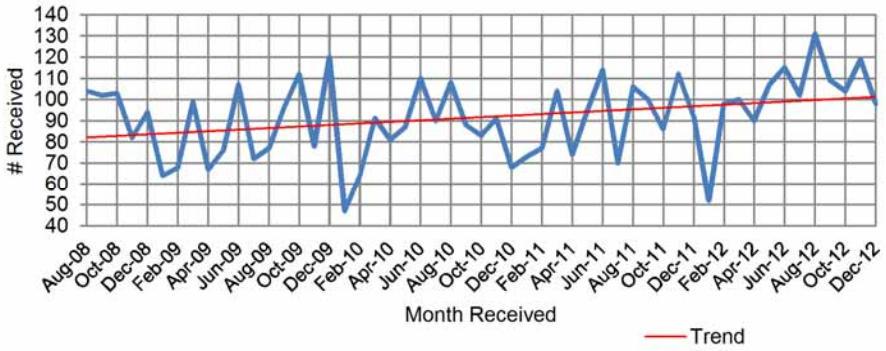
2.1.2 Applications Table

Application Type	New Application Received	Amendments Received	Total All Received	Previous 3 Months Average	Average Since July 2008
ROLs > 6 lots	1	2	3	1	1
ROLs =< 6 lots	9	0	9	8	9
Combined Applications	1	0	1	3	3
Concurrency Agency	14	0	14	24	16
Operational Works	17	0	17	19	13
MCU - Code	29	6	35	34	24
MCU - Impact	7	1	8	8	5
ERAs	1	0	1	2	2
Plans Sealed	18	0	18	14	15
PTW	1	0	1	0	0
	98	**9**	**107**	**113***	**88***

2.1.3 IPA/SPA APPLICATIONS RECEIVED



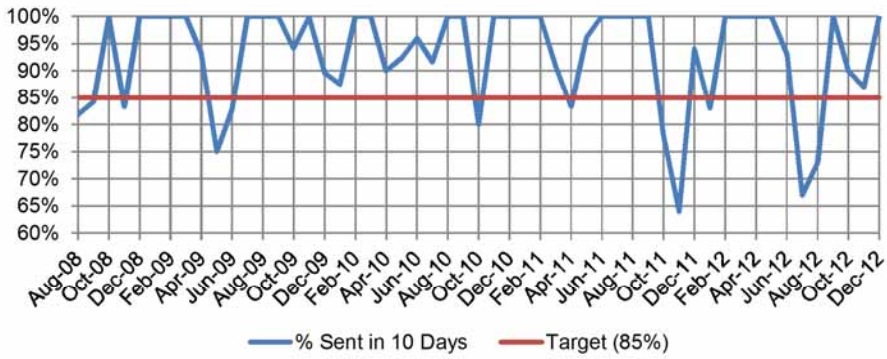
2.1.4 New Applications Received



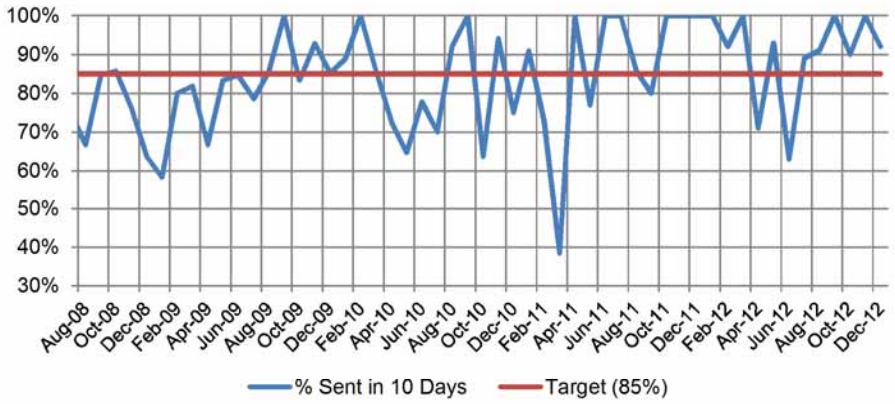
2.1.5 Acknowledgement Notice & Information Request

Description	Current Month	Previous 3 Months Average	Average Since July 2008	Target
Number of Acknowledgement Notices Sent	5	18	15	
Average Days to Send Acknowledgement Notice	6	7	7	85 % in 10 Days
Number of Information Requests Sent	13	22	15	
Average Days to Send Information Requests	7	8	8	85 % in 10 Days

2.1.6 % of Acknowledgement Notices Sent Within 10 Days (KPI-85% in 10 Days)



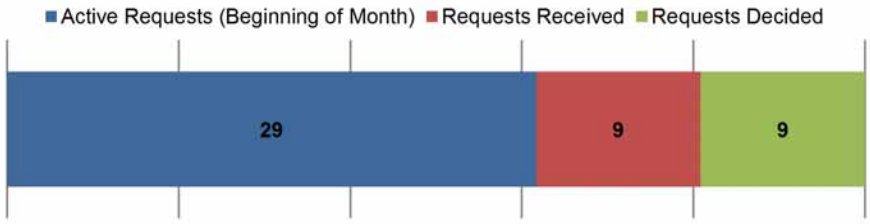
2.1.7 % of Information Requests Sent Within 10 Days (KPI-85% in 10 Days)



2.1.8 Number of Appeals Received

Description	Current Month	Previous 3 Months Average	Average Since July 2008
Notices of Appeal Received	1	2	1

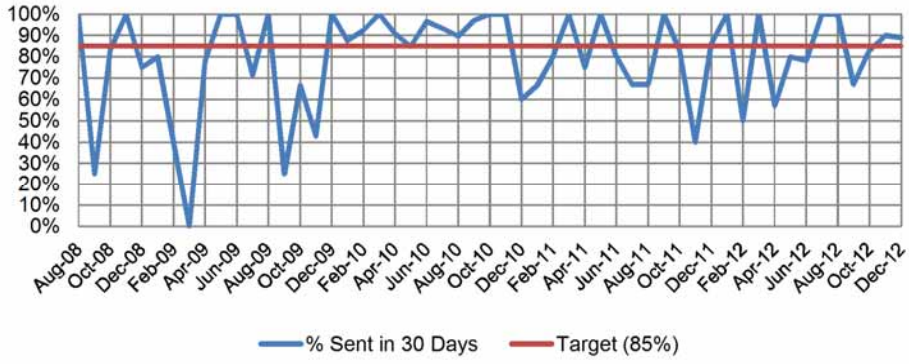
2.1.9 Assessment of Amended Applications



2.1.10 Change of Approval, Change of Conditions & Extension of Currency Period

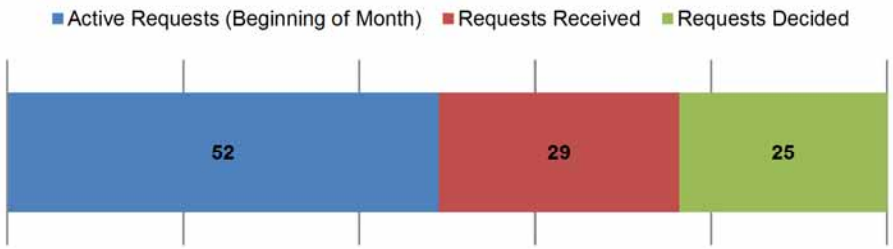
Description	Current Month	Previous 3 Months Average	Average Since July 2008	Target
Requests Received	9	10	8	
Requests Decided	9	7	9	
Days to Decide	23	35	25	85% in 30 Days

2.1.11 % of Amended Applications Decided in 30 Days (KPI-85% in 30 Days)



2.2 Applications – MCU – Code

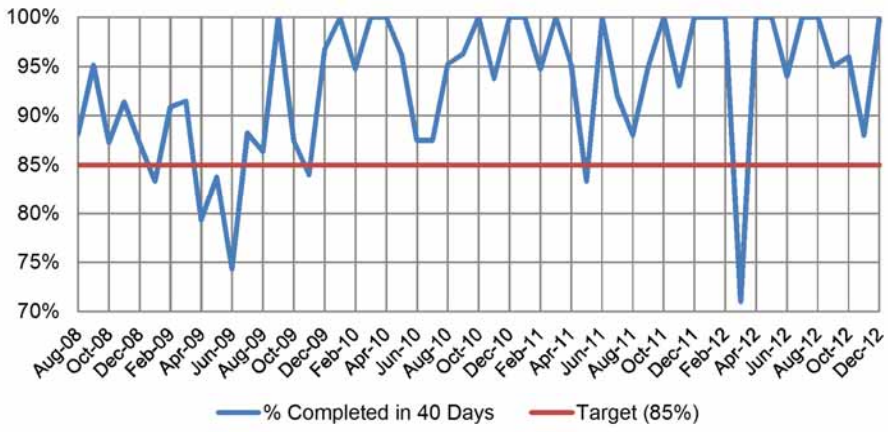
2.2.1 Assessment of MCU-Code Applications



2.2.2 MCU - Code Table

Description	Current Month	Previous 3 Months Average	Average Since July 2008	Target
New Applications Received	29	28	21	
Number of Applications Decided	25	24	24	
Average Days in Decision Making Period	22	27	20	85% in 40 Days
Average Days to Decide	46	45	47	85% in 80 Days

2.2.3 % Days in Decision Making Period under 40 Days (KPI-85% in 40 Days)



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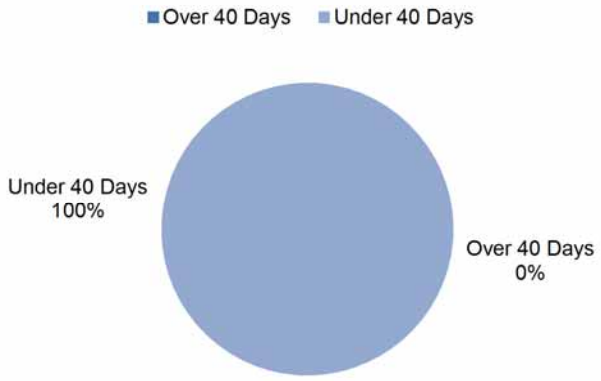
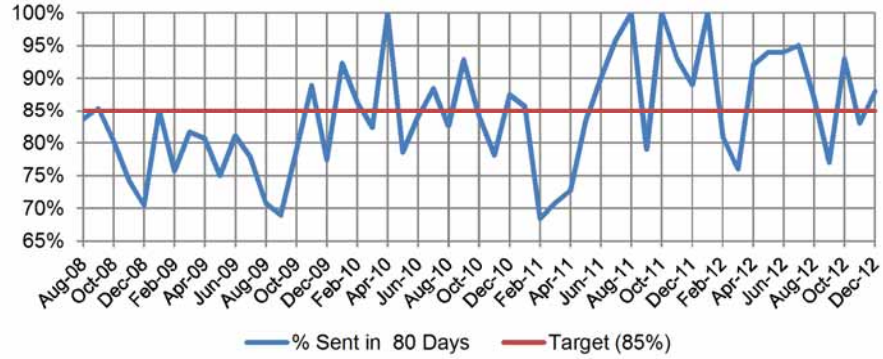
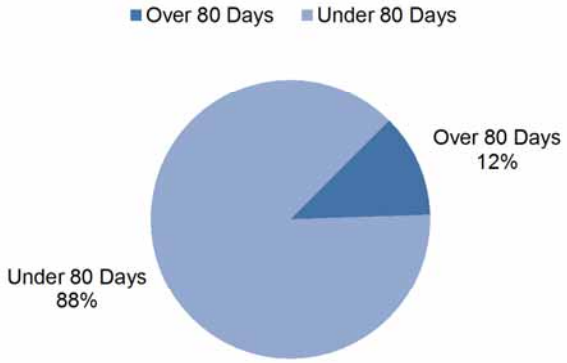


2.2.5 % Days to Process an Application - under 80 Days (KPI-85% in 80 Days)

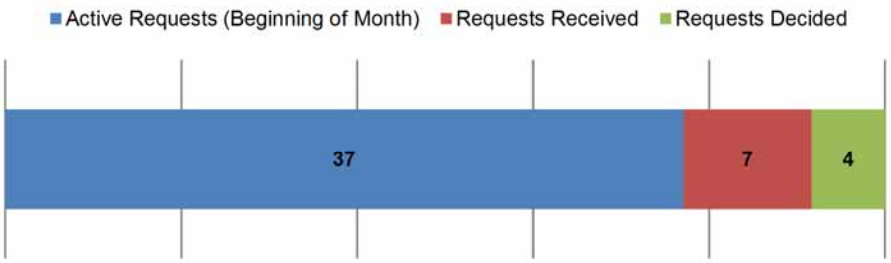


2.2.6 Application Decided less than 80 Days



2.3 Applications – MCU – Impact

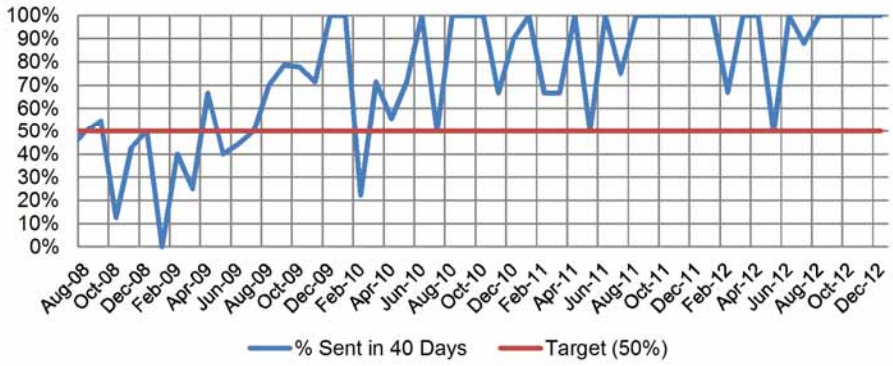
2.3.1 Assessment of MCU-Impact Applications



2.3.2 MCU – Impact Table

Description	Current Month	Previous 3 Months Average	Average Since July 2008	Target
New Applications Received	7	8	5	
Number of Applications Decided	4	4	5	
Average Days in Decision Making Period	26	23	37	50% in 40 Days
Average Days (Lodgement to Decision)	87	133	147	85% in 230 Days

2.3.3 % Days in Decision Making Period under 40 Days (KPI-50% in 40 Days)



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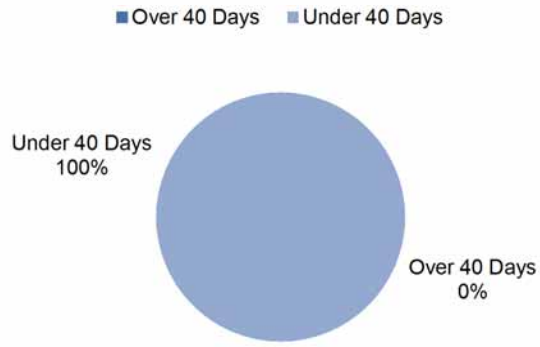
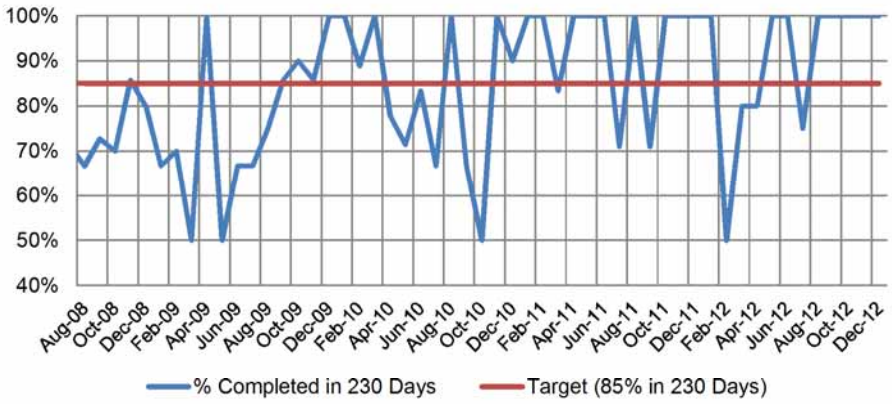
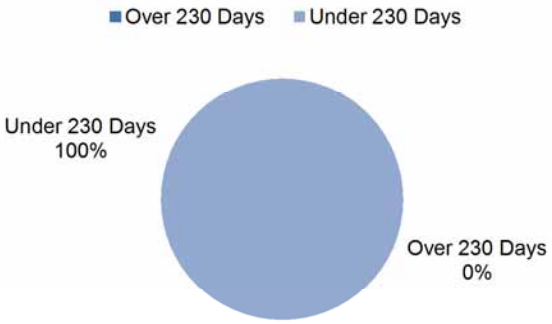


2.3.5 % Days to Decide an Application - under 230 Days (KPI-85% in 230 Days)



2.3.6 Applications Decided – Less Than 230 Days (KPI)

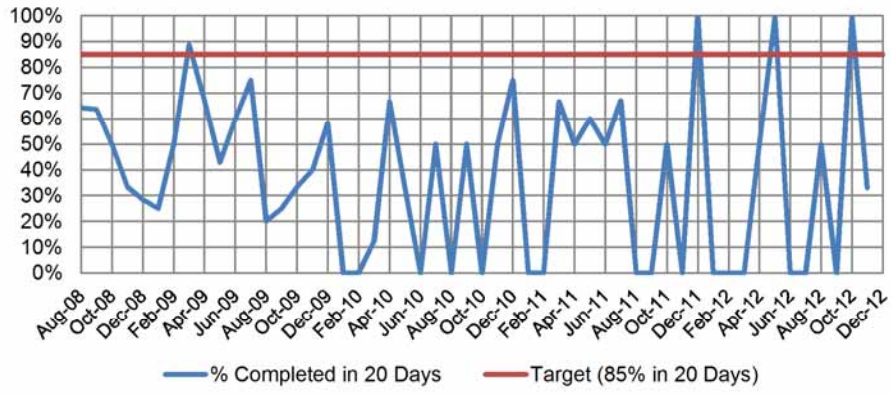


2.4 Negotiated Decision Notices

2.4.1 Negotiated Decision Notice Table

Description	Current Month	Previous 3 Months Average	Average Since July 2008	Target
Applications Received	3	5	5	No More than 20 %
Applications Decided	0	3	5	
Average Days to Decide Application	-	88	37	85% in 20 Days

2.4.2 % Days in Decision Making Period under 20 Days 85% (KPI-85% in 20 Days)



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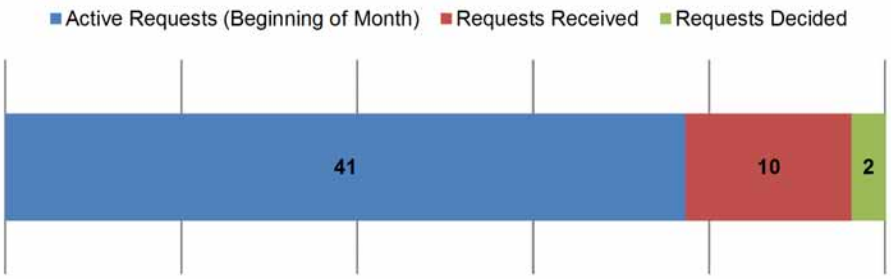
2.5 Reconfiguration of Lot Applications

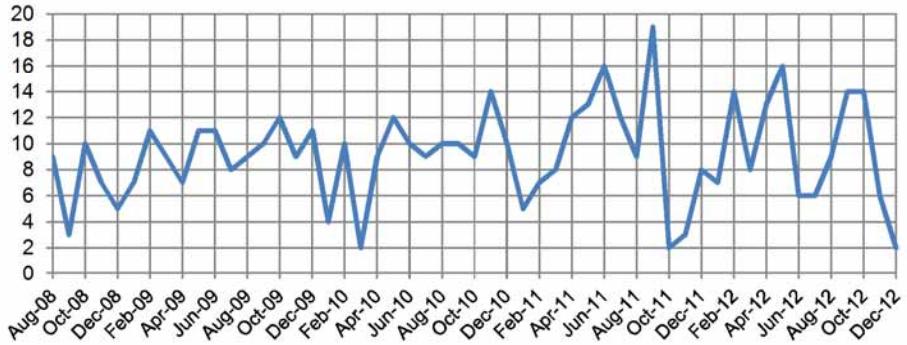
2.5.1 Assessment of ROL Applications



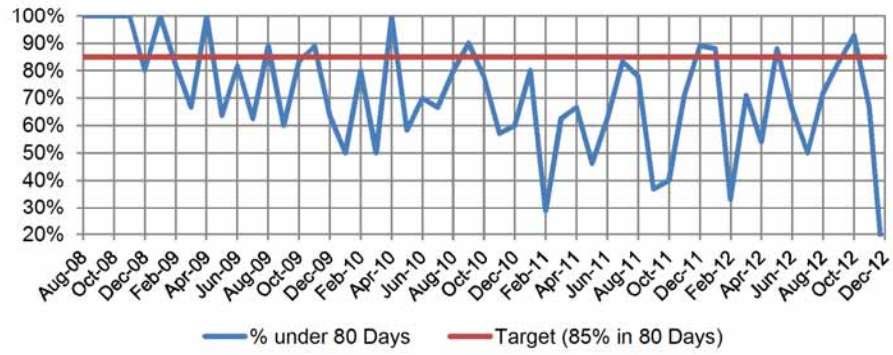
2.5.1 Reconfiguration of Lot Table

Description	Current Month	Previous 3 Months Average	Average Since July 2008	Target
New Applications Received	10	8	9	
Number of Applications Decided	2	12	8	
Average Days from Lodgement to Decision	186	60	68	85% in 80 Days
Average Days in Decision Making Period	32	21	23	85% in 40 Days
Number of Lots Approved	51	133	58	

2.5.2 Number of Applications Decided by Month



2.5.3 % of Applications Decided Less Than 80 Days (Target 85% in 80 Days)



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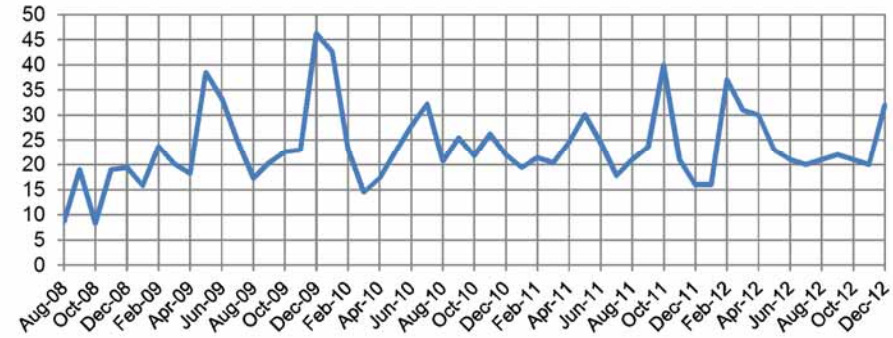
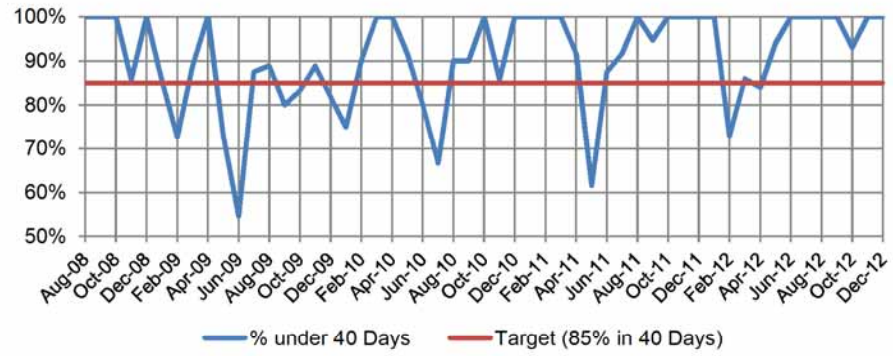
2.5.4 Average Days in Decision Making Period



2.5.5 % Days in Decision Making Period under 40 Days 85% (KPI-85% in 40 Days)



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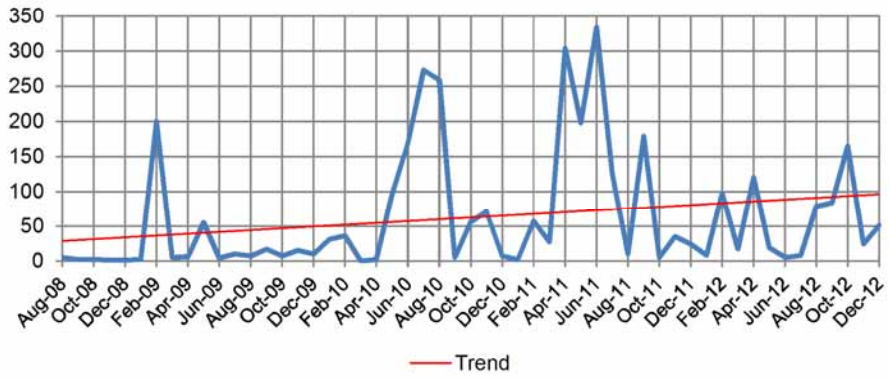
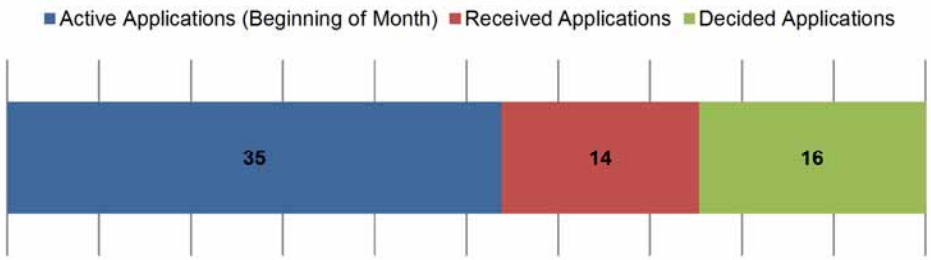


2.6 Concurrence Agency Applications

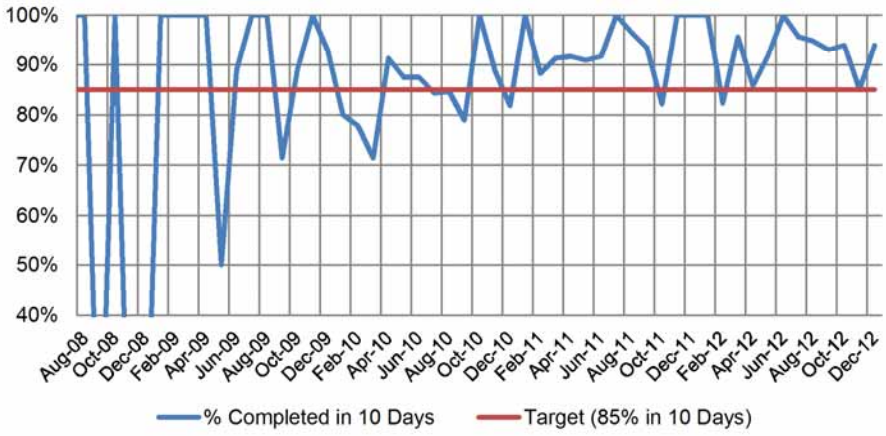
2.6.1 Assessment of Concurrence Agency Applications



2.6.2 Concurrence Agency Applications Table

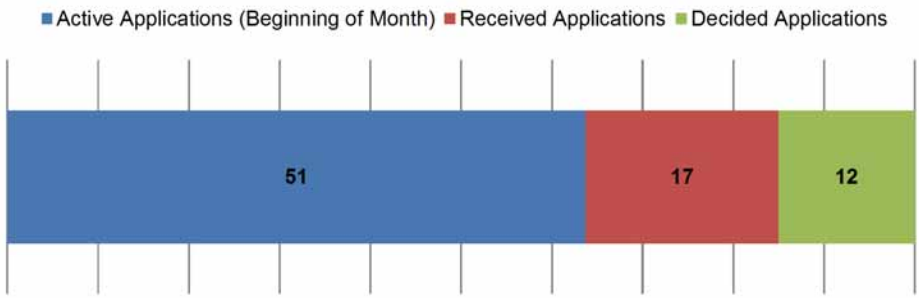
Description	Current Month	Previous 3 Months	Average Since July 2008	Target
New Applications Received	14	24	17	
Applications Decided	16	22	16	
Average Days to Decide	8	8	6	85% in 15 Days

2.6.3 % Days to Decide an Application - under 10 Days (KPI-85% in 10 Days)



2.7 Operational Works

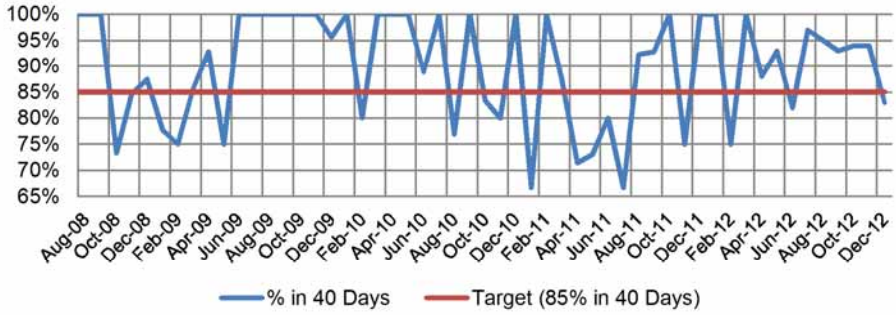
2.7.1 Assessment of Operational Works Request



2.7.2 Operational Works Table

Description	Current Month	Previous 3 Months	Average Since July 2008	Target
New Request Received	17	18	12	
Applications Requiring Information Request	3	3	4	No More than 50 %
Average Information Request Days	10	17	8	85% in 40 Days
Average Days in Decision Making Period	8	13	18	85 % in 40 Days
Average Days to Decide a Request	16	46	73	85% in 80 Days

2.7.3 % Days in Decision Making Period under 40 Days 85% (KPI-85% in 40 Days)



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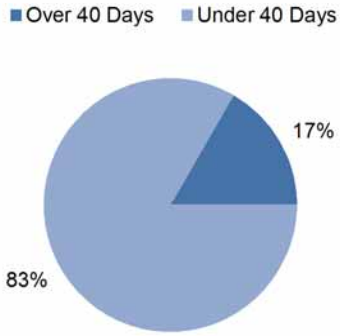

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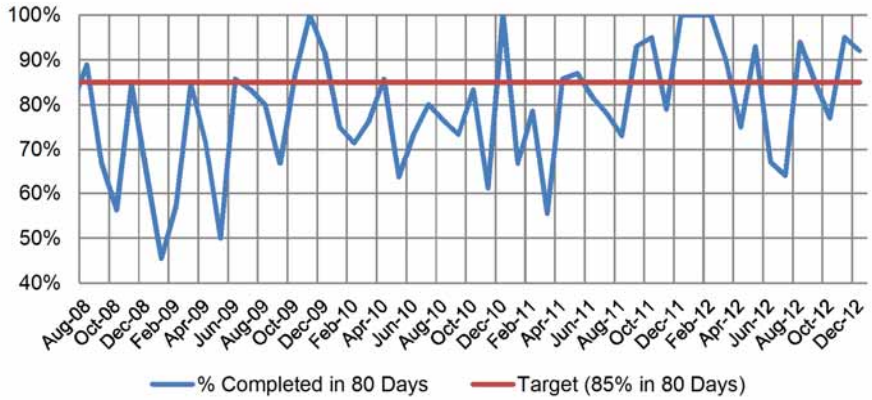
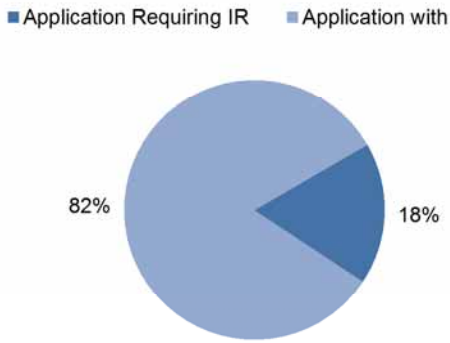
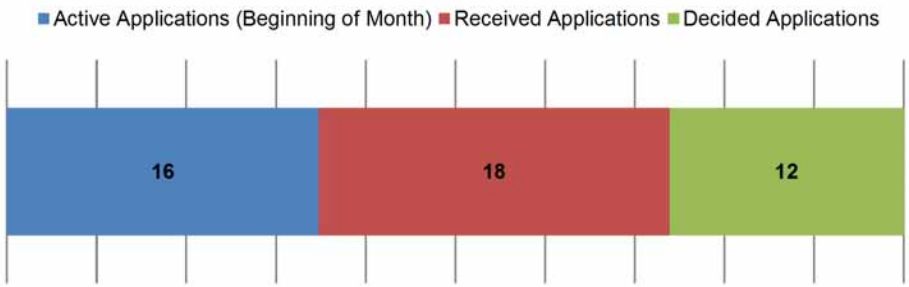


2.7.6 Applications with Information Request (KPI Less Than 50%)



2.8 Plan Sealing

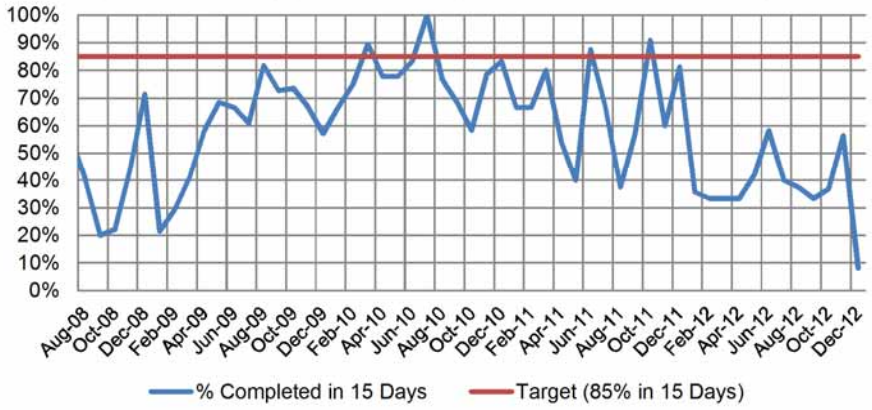
2.8.1 Assessment of Plan Sealing Applications



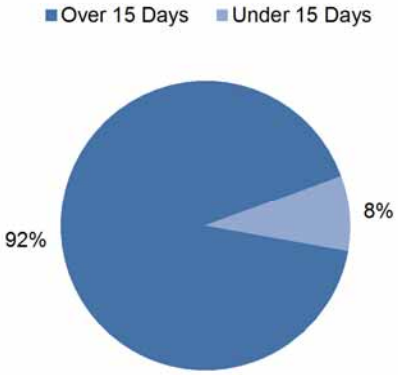
2.8.2 Plan Sealing Table

Description	Current Month	Previous 3 Months Average	Average Since July 2008	Target
Applications Received	18	18	15	
Plans Sealed	12	19	14	
Average Days to Decide	25	35	29	85% in 15 Days
Number of Lots Approved	178	228	106	

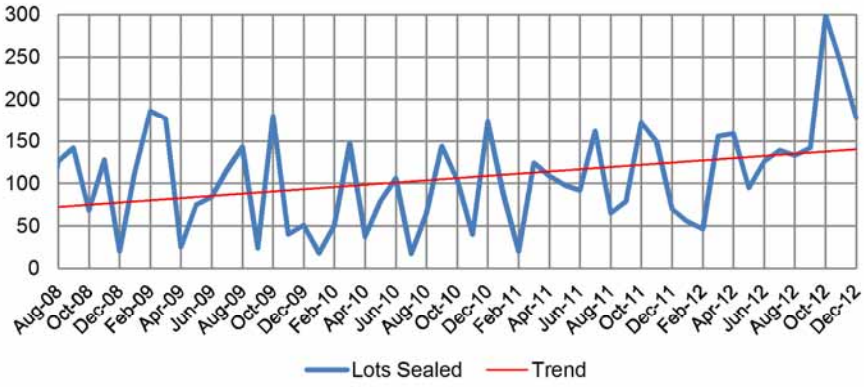
2.8.3 Days to Decide an Application –15 Days or Less (KPI-85% in 15 Days)



2.8.4 Time to Decide an Application 15 Days or Less (KPI)

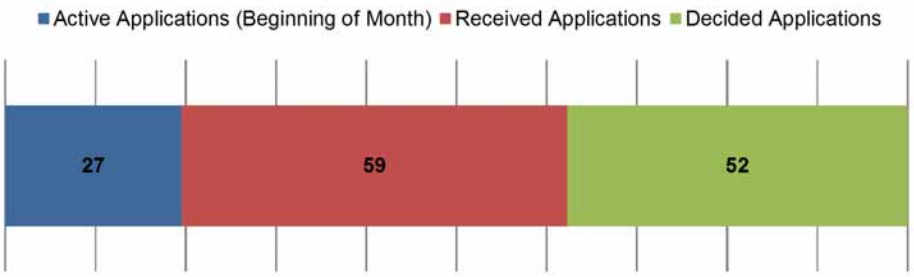


2.8.5 Number of Lots Sealed

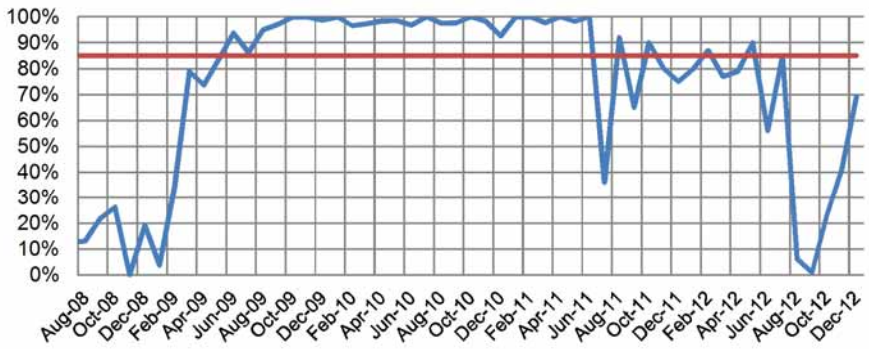


2.9 Minor Works Applications

2.9.1 Assessment of Minor Works Applications

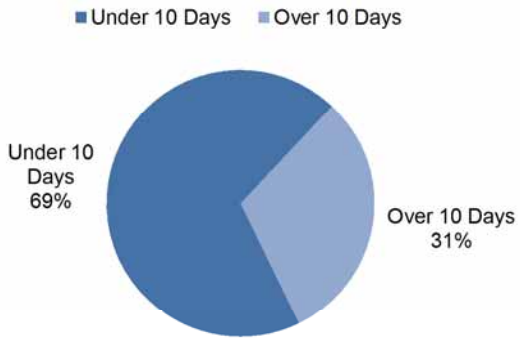


2.9.2 % of Applications Assessed 10 Days or Less (KPI-85% 10 Days)



NB. Average Days to Decided is 12 Days

2.9.3 Applications Decided 10 Days or Less (KPI)

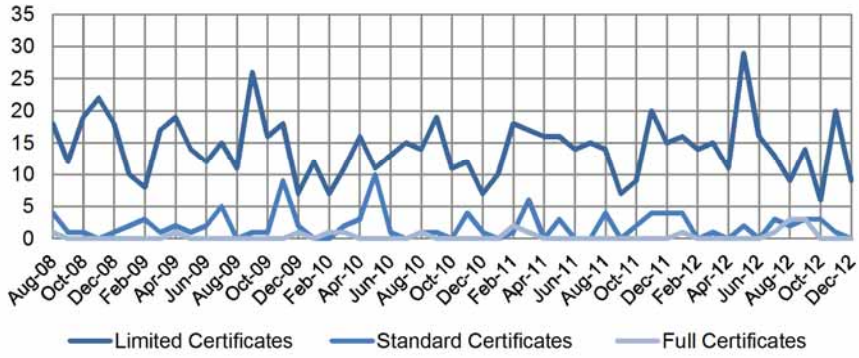


2.10 Planning Certificates

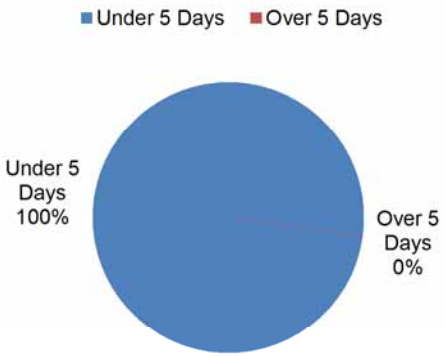
2.10.1 Planning Certificates Issued

Description	Current Month	Previous 3 Months Average	Average Since July 2008	Target
Limited Planning Certificate	9	15	14	85% in 5 Days
Standard Planning Certificate	0	2	2	85% in 10 Days
Full Planning Certificate	0	2	1	85% in 30 Days

2.10.2 Planning Certificates Requests Received



2.10.3 Limited Certificates Issued - 5 Days or Less (KPI)

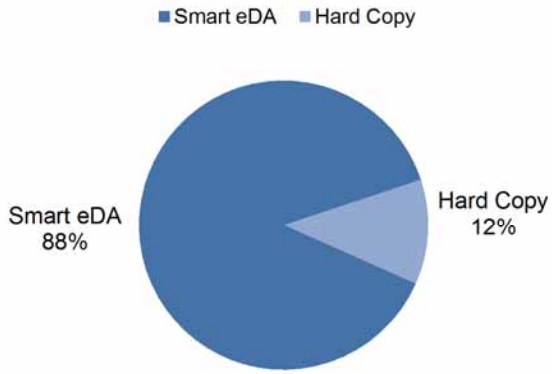


3. ePLANNING

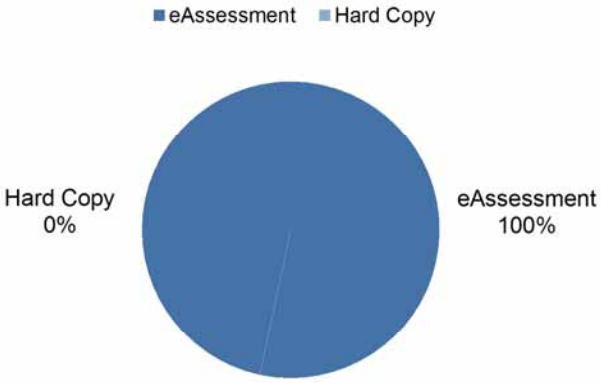
3.1 ePlanning Table

Description	Current Month	Monthly Average - last 3 months	Monthly Average since Feb 2011
Applications lodged through Smart eDA (MCU,ROL, CA & OW)	60	58	40
Applications assessed electronically	40	52	36

3.2 Applications Lodged via Smart eDA (More than 75% KPI)



3.3 Applications Assessed Electronically (More Than 90% KPI) - % of all Applications Received



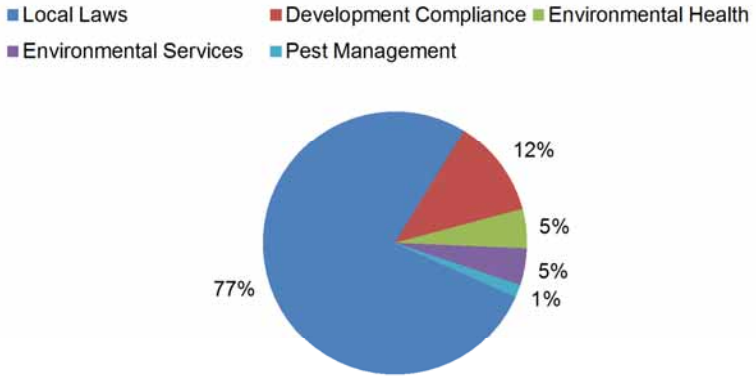
4. HEALTH AND REGULATORY SERVICES

4.1.1 Customer Requests

4.1.2 Requests Received

Request Type	Total	Previous 3 Months Average	Average Since July 2008
Local Laws	256	333	272
Development Compliance	40	62	59
Environmental Health	16	25	27
Environmental Services	15	18	9
Pest Management	5	9	10

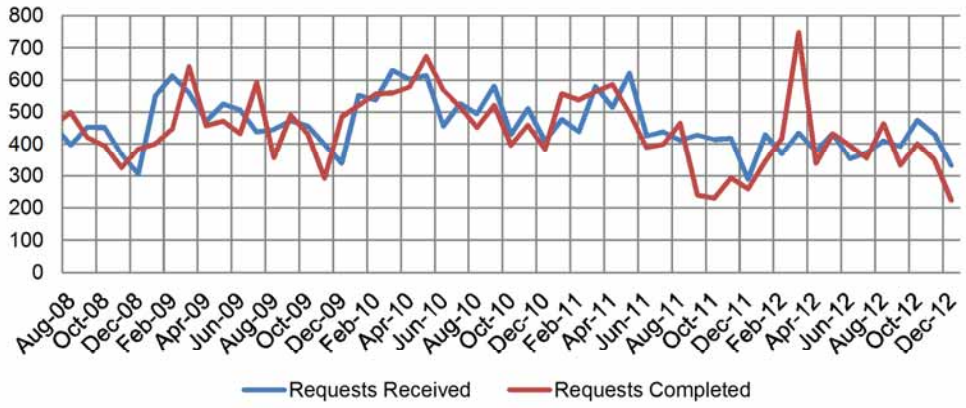
4.1.3 Percentage of Requests Received by Area



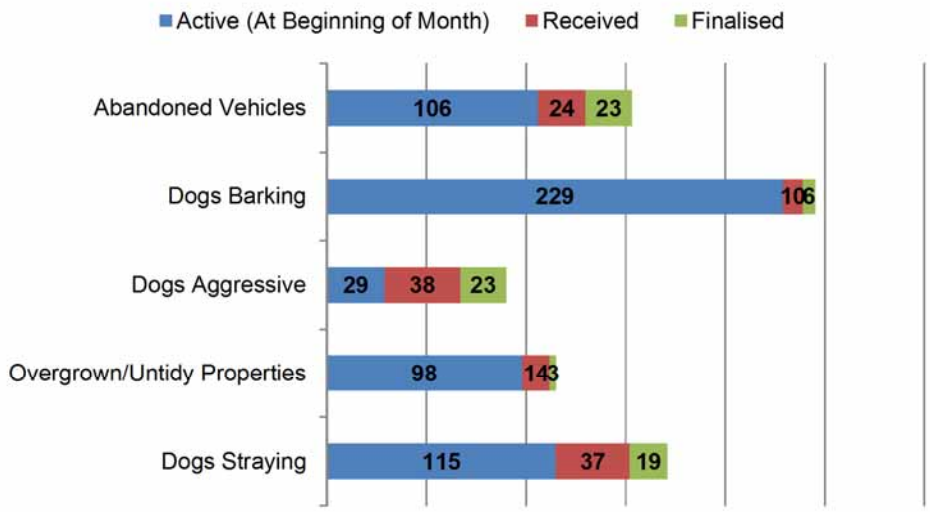
4.1.4 Requests Completed

Request Type	Total	Average Days to Complete	Monthly Average Since July 2008	Average Days to Complete Since July 2008
Local Laws	136	16	307	23
Development Compliance	52	55	50	30
Environmental Health	16	4	27	5
Environmental Services	15	5	9	10
Pest Management	5	3	10	11

4.1.5 Number of Requests Received versus Completed



4.2.1 Local Laws Customer Requests



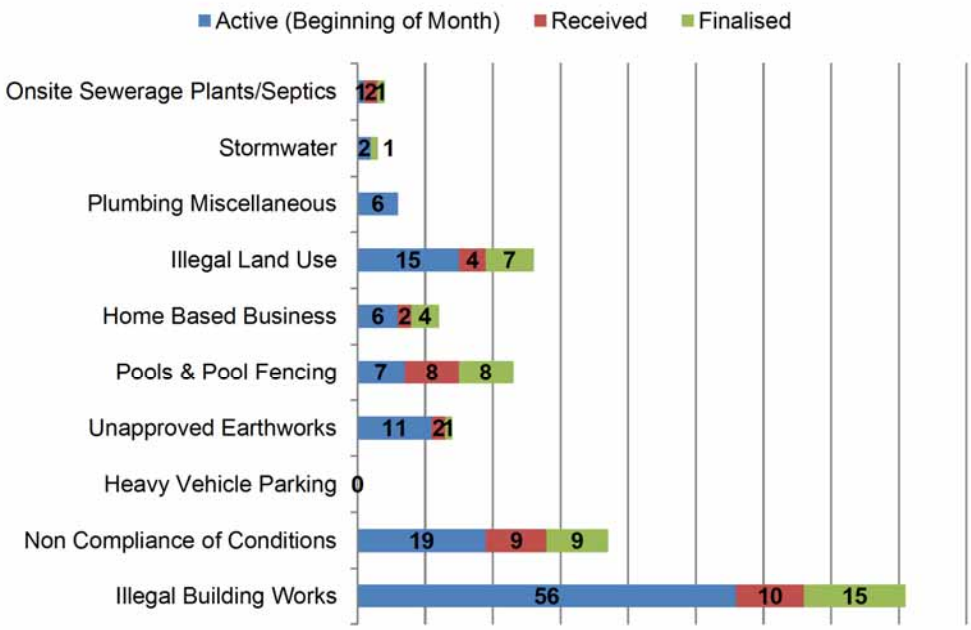
4.2.2 Local Laws Requests

Request Type	Active (Beginning of Month)	Received	Total (Active + Received)	Finalised	% Finalised
Dogs Straying	115	37	152	19	13%
Overgrown/Untidy Properties	98	14	112	3	3%
Dogs Aggressive	29	38	67	23	34%
Dogs Barking	229	10	239	6	3%
Abandoned Vehicles	106	24	130	23	18%

4.2.3 Number of Dogs and Cats Registered / Impounded

Animal Type	New Registrations December 2012	New Registrations December 2011	Total Registrations YTD	Impounded-December
Dogs	74	123	14,239	42
Cats	3	6	3,466	23

4.3.1 Development Compliance Requests



4.3.2 Development Compliance Requests

Category	Active (Beginning of Month)	Received	Total (Active + Received)	Finalised	% Finalised
Illegal Building Works	56	10	66	15	23%
Non Compliance of Conditions	19	9	28	9	32%
Heavy Vehicle Parking	0	0	0	0	0%
Unapproved Earthworks	11	2	13	1	8%
Pools & Pool Fencing	7	8	15	8	53%
Home Based Business	6	2	8	4	50%
Illegal land Use	15	4	19	7	37%
Plumbing Miscellaneous	6	0	6	0	0%
Stormwater	2	0	2	1	50%
Onsite Sewerage Plants/Septics	1	2	3	1	33%

4.3.3 Development Compliance - Proactive Audits

Lapsed Applications

Material Change of Use Audit

4.3.4 Unlawful Activities

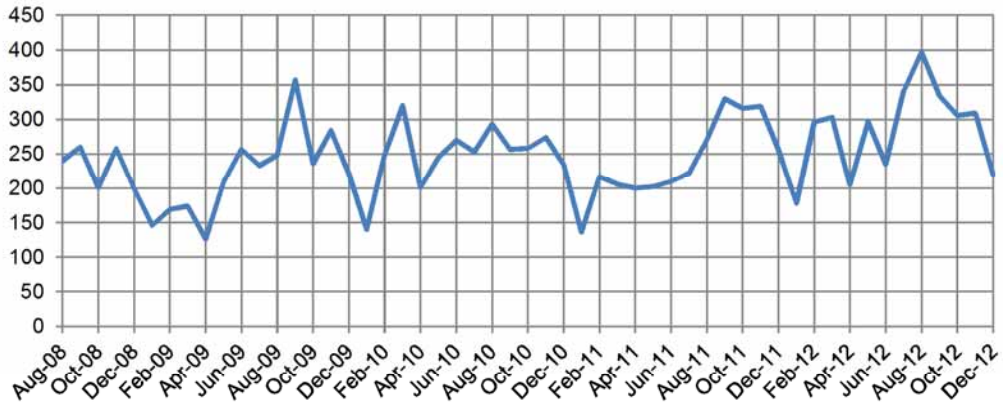
Category	Total Request	Initial Contact Made	Under Investigation	Investigation Report	Legal Process	Show Cause Notice Issued	Enforcement Notice Issued	Solicitor Referral	Infringement
Illegal Building Works	10	7	6	4	1	0	0	0	0
Non Complaince of Conditions	9	3	3	2	1	1	0	0	0
Unapproved Earthworks	2	2	2	2	0	1	0	0	0
Pools & Pool Fencing	8	8	8	7	0	0	0	0	0
Home Based Business	2	2	2	1	1	1	0	0	0
Illegal Land Use	4	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	1
Plumbing Miscellaneous	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stormwater	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Onsite Sewerage Plants/Septics	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sediment Erosion Control	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lapsed Applications	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	37	25	24	18	3	3	0	0	0

4.4 Domestic Building Works

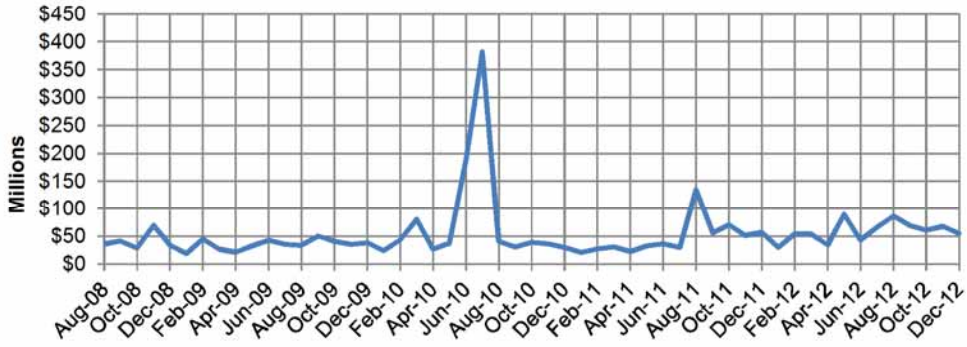
4.4.1 Domestic Building Works Table

	Current Month	Value of Works	Previous 3 Months Average	3 Month Average Value of Works	Average since July 2008	Average Value Since July 2008
Applications - All	220	$54,778,759	316	$66,073,855	250	$54,424,251
Applications - Residential	119	$35,134,410	132	$42,654,487	85	$26,735,909
Average Dwelling Size	204 m^2	$295,274	225 m^2	$322,326	208 m^2	$313,788
# of Detached Dwellings	113	$31,988,485	129	$40,548,872	83	$24,399,648
Average Value of Detached Dwelling $	-	$283,084	-	$313,522	-	$294,103
# of Attached Dwellings	14	$3,145,295	8	$2,105,615	10	$2,336,261
Average Cost of Attached Dwellings $	-	$224,709	-	$274,645	-	$240,760
Additions and Alterations	11	$792,269	15	$1,453,155	24	$1,353,594

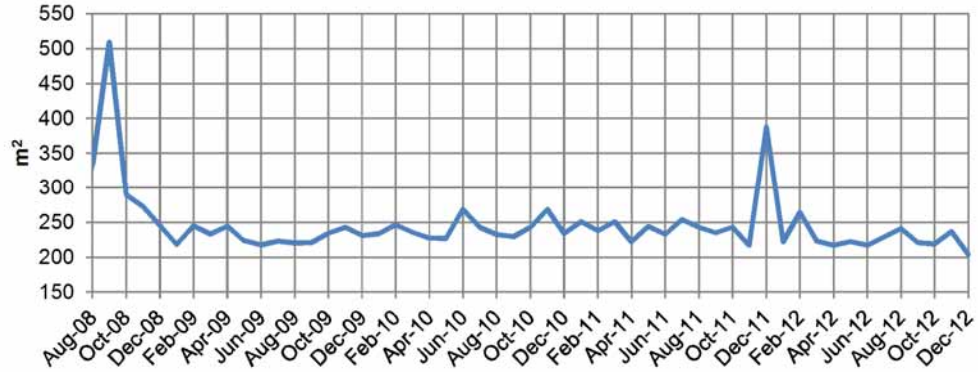
4.4.2 Building Applications Received



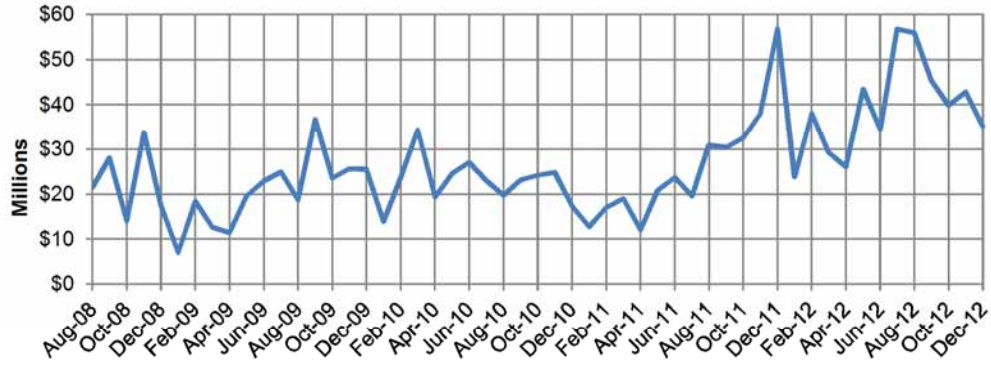
4.4.3 Value of All Building Applications



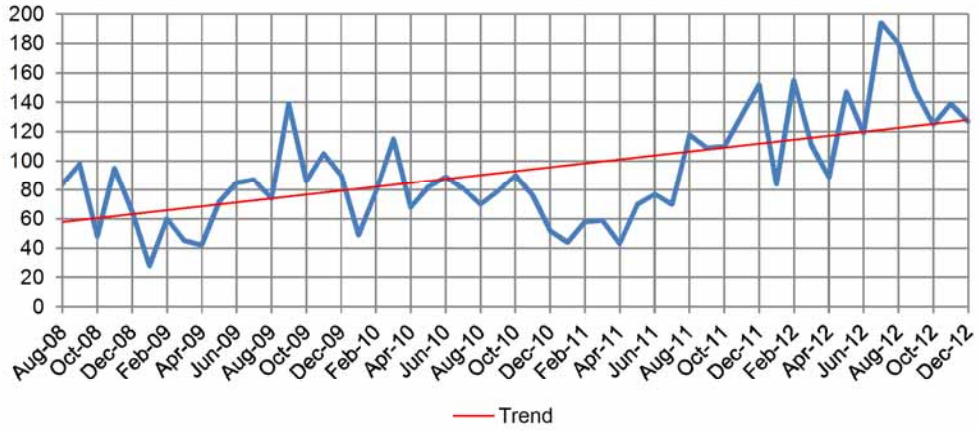
4.4.4 Average Floor Area of Residential Building Applications



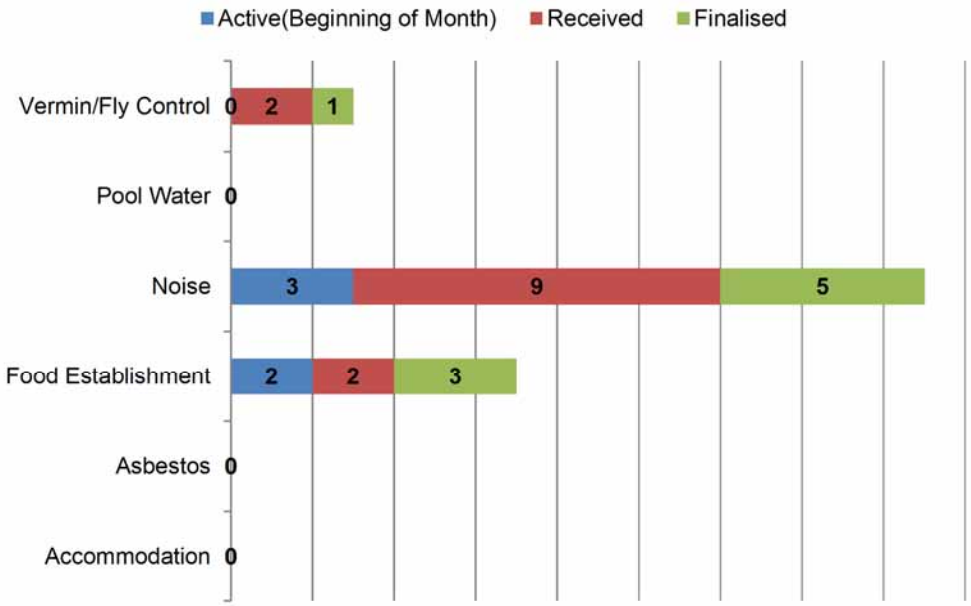
4.4.5 Value of Residential Building Applications



4.4.6 Total Dwellings (Attached + Detached)



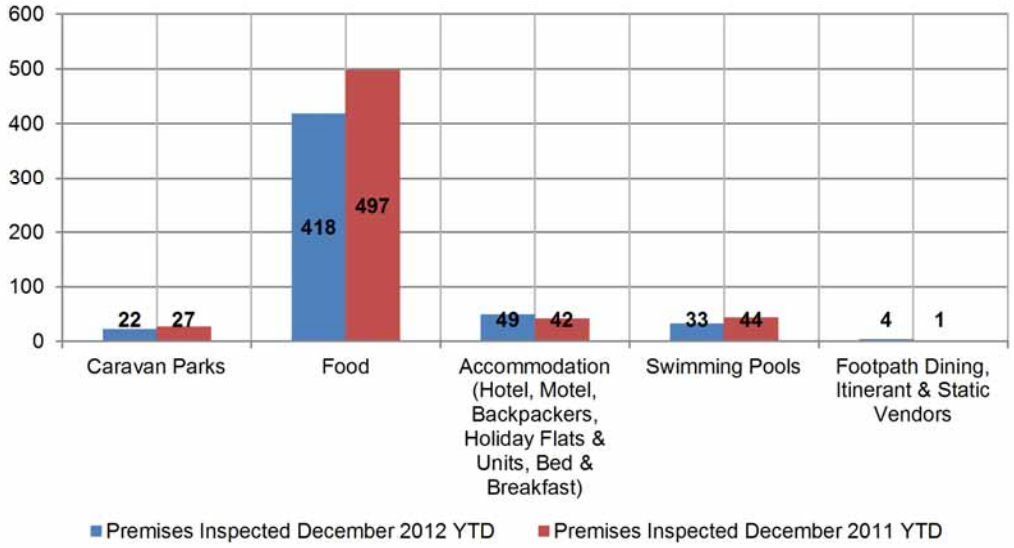
4.5.1 Environmental Health Requests



4.5.2 Environmental Health Requests

Request Type	Active (Beginning of Month)	Received	Total (Active + Received)	Finalised	% Finalised
Accommodation	0	0	0	0	0%
Asbestos	0	0	0	0	0%
Food Establishment	2	2	4	3	75%
Noise	3	9	12	5	42%
Pool Water	0	0	0	0	0%
Vermin/Fly Control	0	2	2	1	50%

4.5.3 Inspections – Licensed Premises

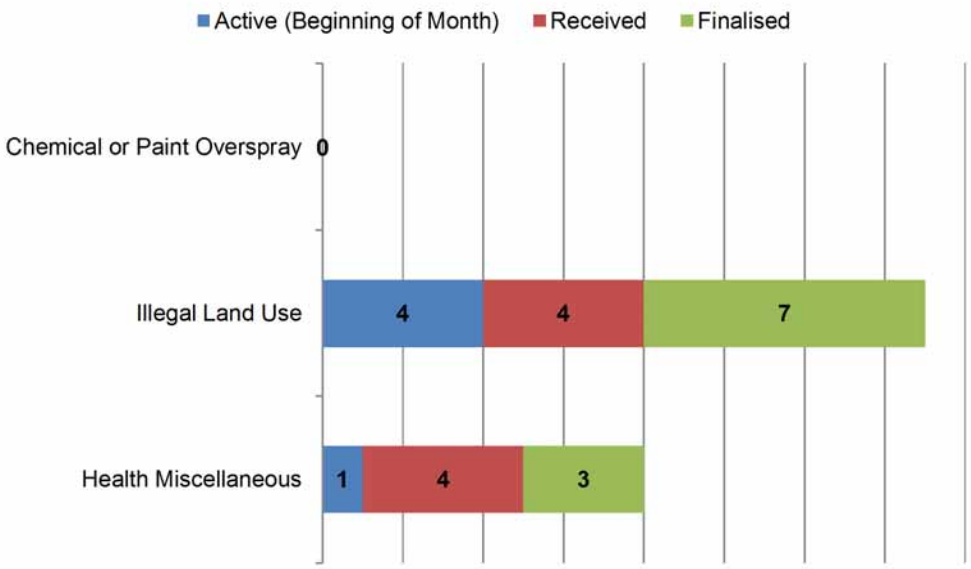


4.5.4 Inspections - Licensed Premises

Premises	Premises Inspected YTD December 2012	Premises Inspected YTD December 2011	Total No. of Licensed Premises	Target Measure - % Inspected Premises YTD
Caravan Parks	22	27	19	115% #
Food	418	497	558	75%
Accommodation (Hotel, Motel, Backpackers, Holiday Flats & Units, Bed & Breakfast)	49	42	60	82%
Swimming Pools	33	44	51	65%
Footpath Dining, Itinerant & Static Vendors	4	1	16	25%

 # N.B. Some Caravan Parks are inspected more than once, depending on compliance levels, complaints or changes in ownership

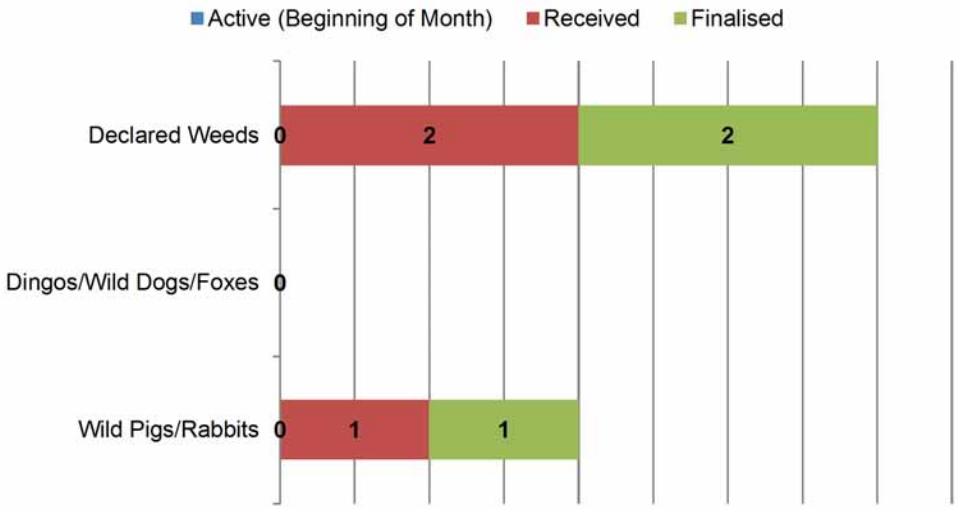
4.6.1 Environmental Services Customer Requests



4.6.2 Environmental Services Requests

Request Type	Active (Beginning of Month)	Received	Total (Active + Received)	Finalised	% Finalised
Health Miscellaneous	1	4	5	3	60%
Illegal Land Use	4	4	8	7	88%
Chemical or Paint Overspray	0	0	0	0	0%

4.7.1 Pest Management Customer Requests



4.7.2 Pest Management Requests

Request Type	Active (Beginning of Month)	Received	Total (Active + Received)	Finalised	% Finalised
Wild Pigs/Rabbits	0	1	1	1	100%
Dingos/Wild Dogs/Foxes	0	0	0	0	0%
Declared Weeds	0	2	2	2	100%

4.7.2 Vector Control

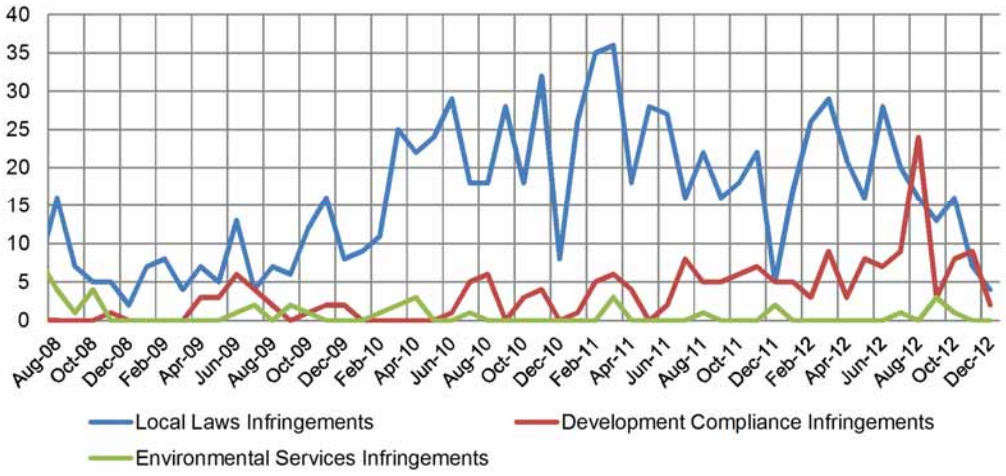
Sites Inspected	Sites Treated	Hectares Treated	Hectares Treated (2012)	Hectares Treated (2011)
103	58	3,470	20,925	19,163

5. Infringements

5.1.1 Infringements Issued

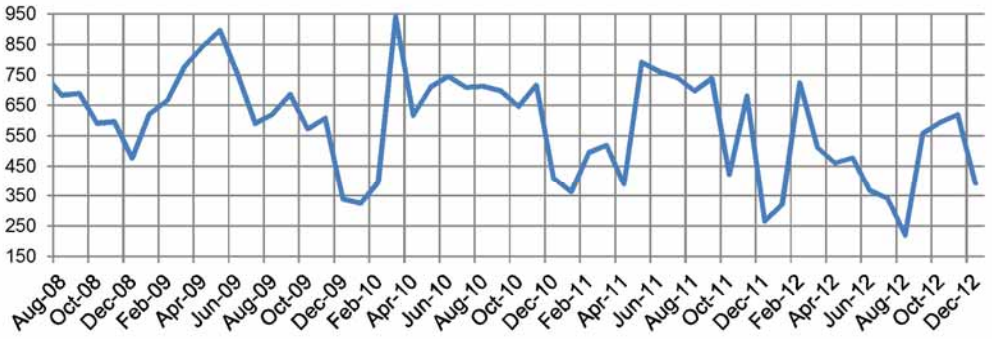
Request Type	Total	3 Monthly Average	Average since July 2008
Regulated Parking	392	612	607
Local Laws	4	17	17
Development Compliance	2	7	5
Environmental Services	0	2	2
Environmental Health	0	0	0

5.1.2 Local Laws, Development Compliance, Environmental Health and Environmental Services Infringements Issued

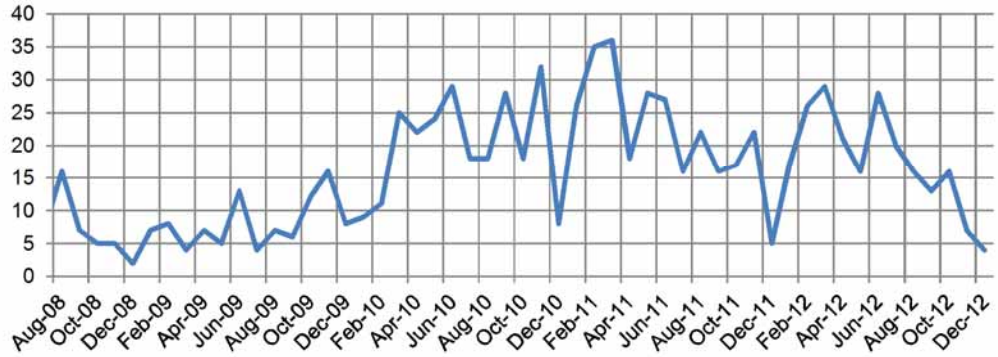


N.B. Numbers of infringements, particularly parking infringements dropped in December because of a mixture of, improved community compliance, Officers on Annual Leave and Council shutting down its operations on 21 December 2012 for the Christmas period, therefore effectively only having 3 operational weeks. This is consistent with previous years since 2008.

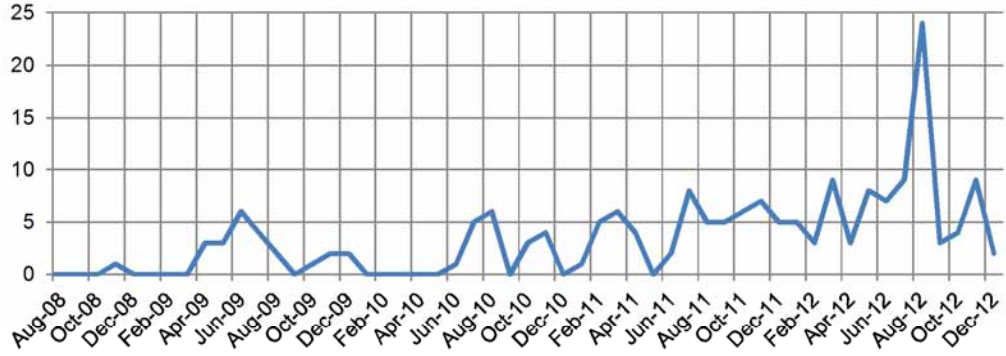
5.2 Regulated Parking Infringements Issued



5.3 Local Laws Infringements Issued



5.4 Development Compliance Infringements Issued



6. Business Support - Business Improvement

Project Timeline

Current Stage (% completed)	Milestones	Timeframe	Comment
Donated Assessment Management (DAM)			
Execution, Monitoring and Reporting	▪ Project Deliverable No.4(System Requirements)	Oct 2012	Endorsed
	▪ Project Deliverable No. 5(Change Management)	Oct 2012	Submitted to Business Owner for review December 2012.
	▪ Tasks additional to project (requested by stakeholders): ▪ Development of Early Release Guideline	Dec 2012	Being reviewed by stakeholders
	▪ Facilitation of internal verse external resource consideration for action items in Project Deliverable No. 3(Business Improvement Opportunities)	Sep 2012	Requires input from business.
	▪ Consultation with industry plan		
Data Integrity – Pathway Refresher Training			
Closing	▪ Development Assessment – user guides	Nov/2012	Completed
	▪ Development Engineering – user guides	Dec/2012	Completed
	▪ Strategic Planning – user guides	Aug/2012	Completed
	▪ Business Support – user guides	Oct/2012	Completed
	▪ Development Compliance/Building Governance – user guides	July/2012	Completed
	▪ Environmental Services – user guides	May/2012	Completed
	▪ Local Laws – user guides	July/2012	Completed
	▪ Health Services – user guides	June2012	Completed

Management of Infrastructure Agreements			
Execution	▪ IA Trigger, Delegated Authority for Negotiations & IA Execution	Oct 2012	Draft Deliverable Issued Dec-12 Finalizing feedback for endorsement.
	▪ Draft IA Template/Checklist, Solicitor Engagement	Oct 2012	Draft Deliverable Issued Dec-12 Finalizing feedback for endorsement.
	▪ Internal & External Negotiations, Acceptance & Amendment of IA Terms	Nov 2012	In Progress
	▪ Payment Reminders/Monitoring, Contract Cost Blowout, Managing Payments, Enforcement & Finalisation of IA Obligations	Nov-Dec 2012	Due to commence March 2013.
Planning Scheme Community Engagement			
Planning	▪ Submissions Proposal Plan & Register	Nov 2012	In progress
	▪ Enquiries Proposal Plan & Register	Nov 2012	In Progress
	▪ Public Launch Event (Media & Dev Industry)	ON HOLD	
	▪ Promotional Bags	Oct 2012	In Progress
	▪ Community Information Sessions	ON HOLD	
	▪ Promotional Office & Library Displays	Oct 2012	In progress
	▪ Finalisation off all promotional materials (inc, factsheets (SP), polo shirts, entry units, maps and plans)	Oct 2012	In progress
Reporting Review			
Planning	▪ Draft PMP	11/01/2013	In progress
	▪ Coordinator / owner review draft PMP	18/01/2013	Awaiting
	▪ Sponsor reviews draft PMP	01/02/2012	Awaiting
	▪ Stakeholders review draft PMP	22/02/2013	Awaiting
	▪ Stakeholders sign-off PMP	15/03/2013	Awaiting

7. The New Mackay Planning Scheme

Mackay Region
PLANNING SCHEME
Shaping our future

Summary

- The Mackay Region Planning Scheme is currently on Stage 2 of 5, corresponding to 1st State Interest Review.
- The objective of this stage is to ensure that the contents of the draft planning scheme align with state interests reflected in existing State Planning Policies. Once this stage is completed, the draft planning scheme can be made available for public consultation.
- Council submitted an amended draft to the Department of State Development, Infrastructure and Planning (DSDIP) on 10 September 2012. During late September and early October, Council negotiated suitable outcomes with DSDIP in relation to 10 outstanding issues. Council is awaiting a response and authorisation from the Minister to commence public consultation.
- It is anticipated that the Draft Mackay Region Planning Scheme will be available for public comment in the first quarter of 2013.
- Details of the milestones and timeframes corresponding to Stage 2 are presented in Table 1, below.

Diagram 1. Overall progress towards adoption of New Mackay Region Planning Scheme

Table 1. Stage 2, Milestones and Timeframes, Mackay Region Planning Scheme

Milestones	Timeframe	Comment
▪ Council submits draft Planning Scheme for State government review	Apr /12	Completed
▪ State government provides comment on draft	May /12	Completed
▪ Council addresses comments and submits a response	Sep /12	Completed
▪ Council negotiates outcomes on outstanding issues	Oct /12	Completed
▪ Minister reviews response and decides whether advance to consultation	Jan / 13	In Progress

8. Strategic Planning: Ongoing Projects

Project title: Housing Affordability Fund – Capital Works and Planning Reform

Objective: Provide infrastructure funded through the HAF program to achieve more affordable housing and stimulate planning reform by encouraging the development in the Northern Beaches to align with Smart Growth principles (i.e. pedestrian-orientated developments that provide a variety of uses and diverse and affordable housing types anchored by a central public space and civic activity).

Indicative progress: 80%

Milestones for Current Stage – Implementation	Timeframe	Comment
▪ Amendment 1 of 2010 which simplifies streamlines and standardises the planning scheme provisions regarding small residential lots, densities, dual occupancies and dwelling houses.	Dec/ 2011	Completed
▪ Receive HAF funding payment for Performance Report 1	Feb/ 2011	Completed
▪ Receive HAF funding payment for Performance Report 2	Jun/ 2012	Completed
▪ Complete construction of HAF Rosewood Drive extension	Oct/ 2012	Completed
▪ Complete a variation to the HAF funding agreement	Dec/ 2012	In progress
▪ Receive HAF funding payment for Performance Report 3	Jan/ 2013	In progress
▪ Receive HAF funding payment for Performance Report 4	Mar/ 2013	Awaiting

Project title: Open Space Strategic Plan
Objective: Enable Council to provide, develop and maintain accessible and useable open space areas and associated facilities for the Mackay region community and its visitors.
Indicative progress: 20%

Milestones for Current Stage – Planning	Timeframe	Comment
▪ Review of current open space plan and policy	Dec/ 2011	Completed
▪ Preparation of Open Space Issues and Opportunities Report	Aug/ 2012	Completed
▪ Literature Review	Dec/ 2012	Completed
▪ Open Space Strategic Plan preliminary workshop	Nov/ 2012	Completed
▪ Preparation of Discussion Paper including Spatial Analysis	Feb/ 2013	In progress
▪ Open Space Strategic Plan Finding and Recommendations Workshop	Mar/ 2013	Awaiting
▪ Prepare Draft Open Space Strategic Plan	Mar/ 2013	Awaiting
▪ Public and Agency Consultation	Apr/2013	Awaiting
▪ Endorsement for Implementation	May/2013	Awaiting

Project title: Bucasia/ Shoal Point Initiative

Objective: Apply the principles of smart growth beyond the Northern Beaches Smart Growth Plan study area north to the Bucasia and Shoal Point locality, particularly focussing on Council's landholding in Bucasia as a stimulus for development in the area.

Indicative progress: 20%

Milestones for Current Stage – Concept	Timeframe	Comment
▪ Concept plan for the Bucasia/ Shoal Point area	Nov/ 2011	Completed
▪ Concept plan for Council's landholding in Bucasia	Nov/ 2011	Completed
▪ Look into feasibility of a Joint Venture	Nov/ 2012	Completed
▪ Develop a way forward for the project to proceed	Jan/ 2013	In progress

Project title: Northbank Activation Strategy

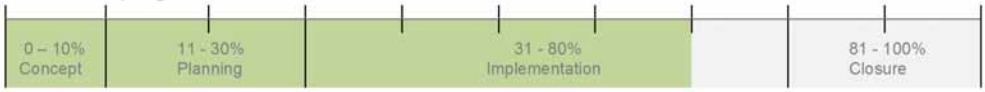
Objective: Investigate the activation of the northern bank of the Pioneer River from Cremorne through to Foulden, where the activation of Mackay's Northbank seeks to enliven the space and contribute to the life and activity of Mackay.

Indicative progress: 80%

Milestones for Current Stage – Planning	Timeframe	Comment
▪ Desktop research, spatial analysis and site visit of the study area	Jan/ 2012	Completed
▪ Internal workshop facilitated by consultant to discuss ideas and concerns	Jan/ 2012	Completed
▪ Preparation of draft Structure Plan maps	Jan/ 2012	Completed
▪ Review and revision of draft Structure Plan maps	Mar/ 2012	Completed
▪ Preparation of draft Northbank Activation Strategy document	Apr/ 2012	Completed
▪ Review and revision of draft Northbank Activation Strategy document	Jun/ 2012	Completed
▪ Preparation of Northbank Environmental Study	Jul/ 2012	Completed
▪ Review and revision of Northbank Environmental Study	Oct/ 2012	Completed
▪ Develop a way forward for the project	Nov/ 2012	Completed

Project title: Dudgeon Point Coal Terminal Project – Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)

Objective: Provide relevant feedback throughout the EIS process concerning potential impacts of the project on the Mackay region and how these impacts could be avoided, mitigated or managed.
Indicative progress: 70%



Milestones for Current Stage – Implementation	Timeframe	Comment
▪ Submit comments on the draft Terms of Reference released by the Queensland Government	May/ 2012	Completed
▪ Submit comments on the draft Guidelines for EIS released by the Commonwealth Government	May/ 2012	Completed
▪ Participate in consultation with North Queensland Bulk Ports and their consultant to develop an accurate social baseline study and to address potential impacts of the project	Jan /2013	In progress
▪ Comment on the EIS when it is released for public consultation	Feb/ 2013	Awaiting

Project title: Landscape Guidelines

Objective: Assist Council in its planning /design management of private spaces by creating a coordinated approach across the Council area, paying particular attention to appropriate landscape treatments for various elements within the private realm with a matching species list for the identified land uses and development scenarios.

Indicative progress: 60%

Milestones for Current Stage – Planning	Timeframe	Comment
▪ Review of current standard drawings/designs	Jan/ 2012	Completed
▪ Internal workshop facilitated by consultant to discuss ideas and concerns	Aug/ 2012	Completed
▪ Preparation of draft Guiding Landscape Principles	Oct/ 2012	Completed
▪ Review of Guiding Landscape Principles	Nov / 2012	In Progress
▪ Preparation of draft Landscape Drawings	Sep/ 2012	Completed
▪ Review of Landscape Drawings	Nov/ 2012	Completed
▪ Preparation of additional draft Landscape Guidelines document	Nov/ 2012	Completed
▪ Internal workshop facilitated by consultant	Dec/ 2012	Completed
▪ Review of Landscape Guidelines document	Jan/ 2013	In progress
▪ Endorsement of the Landscape Guidelines for Implementation	Feb/2013	Awaiting

Project title: **Mackay City Centre Strategy and Urban Design Principles (Mackay City Centre Local Plan)**

Objective: The City Centre Strategy document outlines a number of planning strategies for the development and progression of the Mackay City Centre for the next 20 years. This document builds on the outcomes of the Enquiry by Design workshop and sets out fundamental principles, strategies and planning tools for the development of a vibrant, prosperous and liveable modern regional city centre in Australia. It fosters the mixed use nature of the city centre with a greater focus on built form outcomes.

Progress: 85% (approx.)

Milestones for Current Stage – Closure	Timeframe	Comment
▪ Draft City Centre Strategy document finalised	Aug 2012	Completed
▪ Public release and consultation period for City Centre Strategy document	Feb 2013	Awaiting

Project title: **Ooralea Infrastructure Strategy**

Objective: To undertake a "whole-of-Council" approach to infrastructure planning in order to understand the timing and costs of delivering trunk infrastructure within the Ooralea development area. The findings and outputs of the infrastructure planning process will be packaged into the Ooralea Infrastructure Strategy document. The Ooralea Infrastructure Strategy document will ultimately inform the future amendments to the consolidated Priority Infrastructure Plan (PIP) document.

Progress: 50%

Milestones for Current Stage – Closure	Timeframe	Comment
▪ Consider infrastructure options and land use scenarios	Nov 2012	Completed
▪ Update Planning Assumptions – dependant on preferred Ring Road alignment	Nov 2012	Completed
▪ Ooralea Infrastructure Planning (Schedule of Works (SOW) and associated mapping)	Jun 2013	In progress

Project title: **Mackay City Centre Parking Strategy**
Objective: The City Centre Parking Strategy builds on the content of the "Towards a Carparking Strategy" report (completed in 2010) to evolve, package and illustrate short, medium and long term parking strategies for the effective management and provision of parking within the city centre over the next 20 years.
Progress: 40%

Milestones for Current Stage – Closure	Timeframe	Comment
▪ First draft City Centre Parking Strategy document	Aug 2012	Completed
▪ Finalised draft version of City Centre Parking Strategy document	Oct/Nov 2012	Completed
▪ City Centre Parking Strategy - Council briefing and workshop	Feb 2013	Awaiting

Project title: **Richmond Structure Plan and Infrastructure Strategy**
Objective: The purpose of the Strategy is to appropriately plan for the future of the Richmond development area, as shown in the Mackay, Isaac and Whitsunday Regional Plan. The intent of the Strategy is to integrate land use and infrastructure planning to develop a preferred structure plan and an associated high level infrastructure plan over the Richmond development area. The draft Strategy will remain an internal document until Council makes an informed decision on the future of the Richmond development area.
Progress: 40%

Milestones for Current Stage – Implementation	Timeframe	Comment
▪ Pre-Stakeholder Workshop	Aug/2012	Completed
▪ Stakeholder Workshop	Aug/ 2012	Completed
▪ Stakeholder Workshop Report	Jan/2013	In progress
▪ Develop land use and infrastructure options	June 2013	Awaiting

Project title: **Pioneer Valley Sporting Land Needs Analysis**
Objective: The purpose of the Analysis is to assess the existing sporting land supply in the Pioneer Valley and project, in accordance with the anticipated future population, the need for sporting land in the future. The Analysis will specifically determine the size requirement for the future sporting park in the growth area of Marian.
Progress: 90%

Milestones for Current Stage – Closure	Timeframe	Comment
▪ Workshop on draft Report	Aug/2012	Completed
▪ Comments on draft Report	Aug/2012	Completed
▪ Final draft Report	Sept/2012	Completed

Project title: **Flood, Stormwater and Trunk Infrastructure Studies**

Current Stage (% completed)	Milestones	Timeframe	Comment
Goosepond Creek Flood Study			
Closure (100%)	▪ New mapping, model, and addendum report completed (it was confirmed that Pioneer River has dominance over Goosepond Creek in terms of water levels for Q100).	Sep /2012	Completed
	▪ Report to Council for release of final study and public consultation (in conjunction with Pioneer River Flood Study).	Dec /2012	Completed
	▪ Council adopts final study report.	Dec /2012	Completed
Pioneer River Flood Study			
Closure (100%)	▪ New mapping, model, and addendum report completed.	Sep /2012	Completed
	▪ Report to Council for release of final study and public consultation (in conjunction with Goosepond Creek Flood Study).	Dec /2012	Completed
	▪ Council adopts final study report.	Dec /2012	Completed
Mackay Region Storm Tide Study			
Closure (90%)	▪ First draft and review.	Jul/2012	Completed
	▪ Final draft.	Sep/2012	Completed
	▪ Internal distribution for final comment.	Sep/2012	Completed
	▪ Independent review of Storm Tide Study by consultant	Feb /2013	In Progress

McCreadys Creek South Stormwater Trunk Infrastructure Study			
Closure (90%)	▪ Design of Homemakers Detention Basin (Richmond area) by Aurecon.	Sep/2012	Completed
	▪ Re-modelling of effect on downstream flows upon completion of design by Aurecon.	Sep/2012	Completed
	▪ Addendum report.	Jan /2013	In Progress
	▪ Report to council for release of final study and public consultation.	Feb /2013	Awaiting
Bakers Creek to Stockroute Road East Stormwater Trunk Infrastructure Study			
Implementation (40%)	▪ Study commenced and model being developed.	Jul/2012	Completed
	▪ Draft Report Completion	Dec/2012	Completed
	▪ Report to Council for release of final study and public consultation and for use in the Ooralea infrastructure study	April/ 2013	Awaiting

9.5 COMMUNITY SERVICES HIGHLIGHTS AND SIGNIFICANT ISSUES REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2012

Author Director Community Services

Purpose

Attached is a copy of the Community Services Highlights and Significant Issues report for December 2012 for information purposes.

Officer's Recommendation

THAT the report be received

Attachments

1. Community Services Highlights and Significant Issues report - December 2012.

COMMUNITY SERVICES HIGHLIGHTS AND SIGNIFICANT ISSUES REPORT – DECEMBER 2012

Author: **DIRECTOR COMMUNITY SERVICES**

Purpose

To review Community Services Department highlights and significant issues for the month ending 31 December 2012.

Background and Discussion

Highlights and Significant Issues for December 2012 are as follows: -

COMMUNITY SERVICES HIGHLIGHTS

- **M150 Christmas Lights Competition 2012**
  Council was the naming rights sponsor for the M150 Christmas Lights Competition 2012 which is organised by the Daily Mercury. The competition was a success and the overall winner of the competition was John and Maxine Ollett from 271 Slade Point Road. The public bus tours were well received by the public and this competition encouraged the community Christmas spirit for the region.

- **Community Resilience Project**
  Mackay Regional Council's Emergency Action Guide in Large Print has arrived and copies have been distributed to Council Libraries, Retirements villages, Special School and the Low Vision Clinic.

- **Sister City**
  Planning is underway for the 2013 sister city citizens' tour to Matsuura, to take place on or around 26 November 2013, depending on flight times.

- **RFID Implementation Progress**
  RFID (Radio Frequency Identification) went live in September 2012 at Gordon White and Mackay City Libraries. There were some problems during the implementation phase which have now been rectified and the system is now working as expected. We hope to continue to increase our percentage of self serve loans through education of library customers.

Self check out usage (% of total loans)	Previous Year	Current Year
Gordon White Library	25%	80%
Mackay City Library	18%	90%

- **Christmas Opening of Gordon White Library**
  For the first time in a number of years, library services were offered to the community during the Council closure over the festive season. Gordon White Library was open for business on 27-29 December, with all other library branches remaining closed. The

initiative was well received by the community, with many customers venturing north of the river to the Gordon White Library for the first time. Statistics for the open days proved that it was a worthwhile endeavour and one worth repeating in 2013.

	27/12/12	28/12/12	29/12/12	TOTAL
Loans	828	763	546	2137
Returns	1733	699	536	2968
Visitors	338	375	389	1102

Artspace Mackay

- Artspace is celebrating its tenth birthday during 2013. Official celebrations will start on Sunday 10 February with a giant day of family art activities, featuring Qld Art Gallery's Kids APT (Asia Pacific Triennial) on Tour. The Mayor, Cr Deirdre Comerford, will cut a giant birthday cake and Brisbane identity and LGAQ Ambassador, Heather Foord, will make an appearance.

COMMUNITY SERVICES MANAGEMENT

- Met with Sarina Arts and Craft volunteers regarding Field of Dreams and Tourism grant opportunities.
- Assessed aquatics facilities EOI's.
- Met with Whitsunday Marketing and Development to discuss joint opportunities for Mackay and Whitsunday to work together on tourism and economic development matters.
- Attended review session of the Mackay Isaac Tourism Opportunities Plan.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND LIBRARIES

Management

- Chaired inaugural Community Engagement Working Group meeting
- Attended Friends of the Library Christmas party
- Attended Home Library Service Christmas Party
- Interviewed possible scholarship recipients for Students' trip to Matsuura 2013
- Interviewed chaperones who have applied to go with the students to Matsuura next year
- Interviewed for the Community Development Assistant position

Community Development

Community Development

- CDO attended the 'Understanding the Housing System' info session organised and facilitated by CASA and Dept. of Housing
- CDO attended the Urban Design and Place-making Workshop organised by Strategic Planning and facilitated by Andrew Hammonds from PlaceFocus
- Equitable Access Advisory Committee (EAAC) meeting was held on 4 December

Locality Development

Community Development staff attended the Christmas events of a number of community groups that they worked with during 2012. Events included a supper with the Hampden Valley Progress Association, luncheons with Headway Mackay and the James Cook University Social Work team, and a sausage sizzle with Quota International of Mackay's Rural North.

Homelessness
The money raised by the Community Development Team fundraiser in November ($200) for the Xmas Drop In Centre helped to sponsor two meals during the event over the Xmas holidays. Community Development staff also attended the first meeting of the Homeless Expo Working Group. This initiative will include activities and entertainment, donations of clothes and other essentials, food and health checks for the homeless. A tentative date of Wednesday 20 March 2013 has been set for this event.

Healthy Rural Community Programs
Most programs wrapped up in the first week of December with 140 community members participating in all programs. Although attendance was not 100% each week, the programs have had significant exposure in its first complete term and the rural grapevine has been highly effective in getting the message out there.

- Mirani: Gentle exercise – 8 participated
- Aqua aerobics - 34 participated
- Finch Hatton – Yoga – 5 participated
- Eungella – Yoga – 6 participated
- North Eton – Chi ball – 10 participated
- Seaforth – Gentle exercise – 17 participated
- Tai chi – 25 participated
- Calen – Healthy Cooking and nutrition – 19 participated
- Habana - Tai Chi – 16 participated

A Tai-Chi-Athon was held at Seaforth Community Hall on the 30 November 2012 to capitalise on the popularity of Tai Chi in the region and to celebrate its health benefits with current participants and engage new participants for 2013. 37 non-MRC people attended the event and they came from all over the region including the Pioneer Valley, Habana and Seaforth.

A Summer Boost program was scheduled for January 2013 to promote healthy eating and regular activity.

Regional Arts Development
1500 copies of the Art is In Calender were distributed. This edition covers December, January and February

Multicultural CAMS
The Multicultural CAMS Officer attended a meeting with Mackay Churches Together regarding the non-denominational Church service in acknowledgement of Australian South Sea Islander Elders and the 150th Anniversary.

The Multicultural CAMS Officer attended ASSI 150 Steering Committee meeting chaired by Cr Chris Bonanno with the help of Cr Alison Jones. Plans are well under way for several events to acknowledge the 150th anniversary of the arrival of the first South Sea Islander indentured labourers.

Youth Development
Mackay Regional Council's Youth Development Officer worked with the Australia Day Committee for Australia Day celebrations and activities in the Pioneer Valley at the Finch Hatton showground. Workshops were undertaken with the Valley District Youth Council towards Australia Day activities and also towards 2013 projects, including the next major Youth Variety Show at the Pinnacle Playhouse in April. Planning is also underway for a regional youth forum/youth council to take place later in the year.

Inkind Assistance Requests Approved
Mirani Rotary -approved

10 General Waste Bins $218.00

Inkind Assistance Requests Not Approved for the month of December 2012
Mackay Church of Christ
Did not meet the required guidelines. The organisation requested waiver of fees for an MCU application (MRC Town Planning) of $3,770 and have been advised to apply for a grant instead.

Inkind Assistance Request – Partly Successful for the month of December 2012
Crossroad Arts
1 General Waste Bin & 1 Recycle Bin Approved
Request to Waive Artspace Foyer Hire Fee
not approved as per Inkind Policy $48.30

Junior Sporting Grants for the month of December 2012
Mackay Yacht Club Dinghy Division
Four club members selected to represent Queensland in the 49th Australian National Sabot Championships. $400.00

Rural Engagement

Sister City
Interviews for student selection and chaperones for the 2013 scholarship program took place in December.

Libraries

Home Library Service (HLS) Christmas Party

On 7 December, 50 HLS customers and home delivery volunteers enjoyed their Christmas party at the Gordon White Library. .

The MRC choir, which included Mayor Comerford and Cr Jones, entertained with Christmas Carols accompanied by young Ditte Sjoegren and her violin teacher. Lucky dips ensured some lucky customers went home with some delightful prizes

Many Cultures Story Time Christmas Party

65 children and parents from a variety of cultures enjoyed some waterplay and then created Christmas decorations at their annual Christmas party held at Gordon White Library. Library staff also organised some Christmas gifts as well as a delightful party spread for those who attended.

School Visits / Visits to Schools:

- Monday 10 December: 55 Prep students from Walkerston State School visited the Gordon White Library for an introduction to the Library and tour, Christmas Storytime and some free time to explore the collections, puzzles and craft activities.

Baby Bounce:

The beginning of term 4 saw the introduction of a second Baby Bounce session to our weekly program:

Mondays	9.30am	Gordon White Library
Mondays	11.00am	Mackay City Library

We have received an overwhelming response and the attendance figures for both sessions have proved the additional session necessary and very worthwhile. Feedback regarding the staggered time slots has also been positive with parents attending the most convenient session depending on their baby's routine.

Baby Bounce's increasing popularity is reflected in the statistics which show that **2,640 parents and their babies** attended sessions at the Gordon White and Mackay City branches in 2012.

We will continue this arrangement in 2013 and will also be introducing a new Baby Bounce session at Mirani Library on Mondays.

Santa Glen Holcroft with Taylor Chase (6) at Sarina Library

Storytime Christmas Breakups:

Weekly Storytime sessions for 2012 concluded at all branches in the second week of December with Christmas stories, Christmas craft and a morning tea.

Storytime continues to be our most popular program with over **12 900 children and their parents/carers attending sessions across our 5 branches** during 2012.

Storytime will recommence with the school term in 2013

School Holiday Activities:

The Christmas craft activities and parties were fully booked at all 5 branches with over 250 children excitedly awaiting Santa's arrival. After the craft activities and an energetic rendition of favourite Christmas carols, they were delighted to see Santa, who had lots of lollies and balloons in his bag.

Event	Previous year	Current year
Storytime	374	640
Baby Bounce	47	107
School Holiday Activities	227	250

TOP 5 Junior Fiction	Dec 2012
The very bad book / Andy Griffiths	9
Just Macbeth! / Andy Griffiths	8
Cheryl the Christmas tree fairy / Daisy Meadows	7
I'm not a supermouse! / Andy Griffiths	7
Just shocking! / Andy Griffiths	7

TOP 5 Picture Books	Dec 2012
The little Christmas tree / Dugal Steer	12
An Aussie night before Christmas /	11
The magic hat / Mem Fox	11
Where's Wally now? / Martin Handford	11
Spot's treasure hunt / Eric Hill	10

Knowledge Navigator Workshops

Young Adult and Community Services Librarians visited Mercy College numerous times during their Year 8 Activities week, spreading the word about libraries, and how the students can benefit by making use of our resources. Many were also pleasantly surprised to discover what the library had to offer in leisure activities and items during the school holidays. 101 New members joined the library!

'Let Loose in the Library'

16 teens enjoyed an afternoon of Wii games, BIG games, book dominoes and loud music, topped off with some excellent chocolate fondue, all to celebrate the end of the school year at City Library.

Statistics - December

Computer Use and Classes	Previous year	Current year
Discover IT Classes (participants)	No classes	No classes
Public Computers - Users	396	453
Public Computers – Bookings	544	570
Public Computers – Express Computers	81	91
Public Computers – Wireless (hrs)	293	451.5

Information Requests	Previous year	Current year
Ask a Library queries	7	11
Interlibrary Loans – Requests made	61	74
Interlibrary Loans – Requests received	56	54

Top Website Visits	Previous year	Current year
Total Website Visits	22,208	21,261
Website Visits - Home	5,937	6,135
Website Visits - Branches	505	685
Website Visits – Online Resources	470	559
Website Visit – My Details and Membership	211	311
Website Visits – Activities & Events	152	193
Website Visits – For Kids	162	166
Website Visits – Services	112	143
Website Visits – Collections	n/a	142
Website Visits – For Kids/School Holiday Activities	221	129
Website Visits – Services/Justices of the Peace	n/a	118
Website Visit - Heritage Library	205	114

e-Resource Usage	Previous Year	Current Year
Safari e-books	1	28
Bolinda Digital Downloads(audiobooks)	552	431
Zinio Digital Magazines	nil	123

Heritage Collection Room	Previous year	Current year
No. of visitors to Heritage Collection	37	47
No. of research inquiries * up to 1 hr research required	8	10
Microfilm Reader Bookings	22	20
Number of projects	N/A	0
No. of digitised photographs in image collection	Statistics not available	449

New Members	Previous Year	Current Year
Gordon White Library	93	179
Mackay City Library	122	150
Mirani Library	1	8
Mobile Library	6	10
Sarina Library	24	36
Walkerston Library	6	6

Loans	Previous Year	Current Year
Gordon White Library	21765	20567
Mackay City Library	15440	13413
Mirani Library	2127	1832
Mobile Library	2106	1655
Sarina Library	4080	3134
Walkerston Library	1318	1158

Visitors	Previous Year	Current Year
Gordon White Library	9036	10008
Mackay City Library	8441	9517
Mirani Library	1207	1440
Mobile Library	826	518
Sarina Library	3077	2641
Walkerston Library	979	764

RECREATION SERVICES

Management / Sport and Recreation

- Recreation Services provided significant assistance to Sarina BMX in finalising and submitting a funding application for the Sarina Skate Park Project under the Queensland State Governments 'Get in the Game – Get Playing' funding program. The application aims to obtain further funding for the creation of a new skate park to be located at the Brewers Park Sporting Precinct on Sarina Beach Road. The total project cost was $297,632.35 with a maximum amount of $100,000 requested. It is anticipated that the outcome will be announced February 2013.
- The annual report for the Local Sport and Recreation Jobs Plan funding was submitted. The grant funds the Sport and Recreation Officer (SRO) position within Recreation Services, with some great results achieved over 2012 with the six specific sporting groups from across the region.
- Manager Recreation Services and CQUniversity representatives progressed on the design of the Sport Hub concept for the Ooralea site.

- Manager Recreation Services met with Leisure Consultant and Mackay Football (Soccer) representative to progress Mackay Football's relocation project, in particular layout of proposed fields and costings.
- Manager Recreation Services and Sport and Recreation Coordinator attended an 'Urban Design and Place Making' workshop.
- The 'Focus on Sarina' project under the 'Building Rural Communities - Blueprint for the Bush' grant concluded end December 2012. This joint project between Recreation Services and Economic Development has been very successful. The program will continue for a short term during 2013 using funds secured from Queensland Health for this project, with confirmation of the activities and timetable to be finalised during January.

Media / PR
Media coverage

- Increased temperatures and link to Bluewater Lagoon.
- Council's Head Swim Coach and petition for swimming lessons for children.
- Partnership with BMA to complete car park at the South Mackay Sporting Precinct.
- Mackay Football (Soccer) regarding possible relocation to a site in Glenella.
- Calling for physical activity providers interested in leading walking groups in the Mackay City Centre.

Aquatic Facilities

Bluewater Lagoon
- Several sections of the perimeter fence were repaired.
- Security at the facility was increased to cater for high seasonal patronage.

Memorial Pool
- Bookings
  2 x school bookings
  2 x sporting club bookings
  2 x water polo club nights
  6 x 'Active...in the City' sessions
  1 x swim and survive session
  2 x school carnivals
  2 x community groups
- Council's Mission Inflatable obstacle course activity proved popular (refer to photo).
- Scheduled Hazard Inspections were completed by Duty Supervisor and Manager Recreation Services.

Mission Inflatable activity

Pioneer Pool

- Bookings 2 x school bookings
  5 x swim and survive sessions
  7 x community group bookings
  1 x club night
  3 x school carnivals
- Scheduled Hazard Inspections were completed by Duty Supervisor and Manager Recreation Services.
- Council's Term 4 Learn-to-Swim program successfully finalised on December 15 (refer to photo).
- Week 1 of the 'Holiday Intensive' swim program commenced December 17, with 50 children attending each day.
- Children of Council's 'Squad' swimming training program attended the State Meet and achieved 'personal bests' in every event.
- Council's Swim and Survive swimming programs completed for the year with all schools participating receiving certificates.

Learn-to-Swim at Pioneer Swim Centre

Mirani Pool

- Cr. Steindl, Sport and Recreation Coordinator and Manager Recreation Services met with Mirani Swim Club representative to discuss collaboration opportunities.

Sarina Pool

- Pool Operators experienced high attendances during December.

The following customers have attended the Aquatic Facilities for December 2012:

Bluewater Lagoon*

Type of Customer	Bluewater Lagoon December 2011	Bluewater Lagoon December 2012
GRAND TOTAL	**53,505***	**32,880****

* Source: Lifeguard Statistics - Monthly Reports December 2012 - Visitations PDF by Surf Lifesaving Queensland (SLSQ)
** Source: Traffic/People Counting System

Memorial Pool**

Type of Customer	Memorial Pool December 2011	Memorial Pool December 2012
Persons 15 years or older	1,031	1,465
Children from 3 years to persons under 15 years	515	579
Pensioner	93	85
Non-Swimmer	37	66
School Swimming	-	29
Swim and Survive Program	-	149
MRC Access	72	51
Mission Inflatable Entry	-	64
Access Card Entries	1	8
Adult Swim For Fitness	-	24
General Memberships	409	562
TOTAL	**2,158**	**3,082**
Multi Visit Passes Sold (persons 15 years or older)	50	71
Multi Visit Passes Sold (children)	-	2
Total Kiosk Revenue	$4,018.40	$3,475.20

** Source: LINKS Software System

Pioneer Pool**

Type of Customer	Pioneer Pool December 2011	Pioneer Pool December 2012
Persons 15 years or older	1,318	1,528
Children from 3 years to persons under 15 years	1,154	1,162
Pensioner	45	66
Non-Swimmer	123	152
School Swimming	298	77
Swim And Survive Program	0	466
MRC Access	17	26
Mission Inflatable Entry	81	86
Orca's Squad	418	358
Access Card Entries	0	8
Learn to Swim Attendance	584	905
General Memberships	267	544
TOTAL	**4,305**	**5,378**
Multi Visit Pass (persons 15 years or older)	55	56
Multi Visit Pass (children)	-	2
Total Kiosk Revenue	$6,688.42	$8,342.22

** Source: LINKS Software System

Multi-Visit Pass Attendance MSC and PSC: **2012**: 1,236 **2011**: 2,585
Child Multi-Visit Pass Attendance MSC and PSC: **2012**: 8 **2011**: -

Mirani Pool***

Type of Customer	Mirani Pool December 2011	Mirani Pool December 2012
Persons 15 years or older	533	412
Children from 3 years to persons under 15 years	743	468
Spectators	-	49
TOTAL	**1,276**	**929**

*** Source: Information received from Lessee of Mirani Pool

Sarina Pool**

Type of Customer	Sarina Pool December 2011	Sarina Pool December 2012
Persons 15 years or older	285	450
Children from 3 years to persons under 15 years	682	982
Spectators	-	41
TOTAL	**967**	**1,473**

****Source: Information received from Lessee of Sarina Pool

Revenue Received:**

Type of Customer	Pioneer Pool		Memorial Pool	
	December 2011	December 2012	December 2011	December 2012
Actual Gate	$10,936.10	$11,725.50	$7,743.70	$10,338.00
Season Tickets	$2,080.00	$955.00	$1,735.00	$930.00
Miscellaneous	$8,623.77	$11,737.22	$4,399.10	$4,440.20
TOTAL	**$21,639.87**	**$24,417.72**	**$13,877.80**	**$15,708.20**
Multi-visit pass sales component of Actual Gate	$1,760.00	$1,840.00	$1,600.00	$2,320.00

** Source: Monthly Reconciliation Spreadsheet (Microsoft Excel)

PROPERTY SERVICES

Coordinator

As staff were going on leave, the month was a quiet one. Preparations however, were put in place for tasks to be undertaken over the closedown period. While the general tasks continued there was only a few new projects undertaken for the month.

- HR was moved from GE Building to rear of 42 Wellington St after major refurbishment of that area.
- Plans were put into place to then "make good" the GE occupancy. Plans are also underway to relocate Waste Services out of the GE building and refurb it by end of March.
- Refurbishment of Mayor and CEO office underway over the shutdown period.
- A new roof was put onto City Library to replace existing leaking, damaged roof
- A shade sail structure at Gordon White Library was damaged and fell down just prior to Christmas. This was made safe and plans are underway to rebuild it.
- Anthony Hodges received Staff Excellence award at Staff Christmas Party.

Property Co-ordinations

Leases

Program Staff are currently dealing with 39 leases

- Glenella Hall, Hill End Road – Report ratified, lease documentation to be prepared
- Letter sent to Mackay Touch Association in regards to the possibility of entering a new lease, awaiting reply
- Eungella Community Progress Assoc – Report in process of being prepared – awaiting Land Management Plan from Association
- Extension of lease area for Dolphins Soccer and Norths Netball to include car parking area, awaiting advices from Clubs before moving forward with this

- Report ratified for Telstra lease renewal at Black Mountain, awaiting lease documentation from Telstra's solicitors
- Mackay & District Motorcross lease – Report ratified and lease documentation to be prepared
- Lease expired on RP907578/900 – applying for exemption for tender due to nature of the lease and location (lease is for pumping water from river to household) – report has been ratified, however, issues have arisen with proposed rental
- Visionstream – NBN sites on Council land – report ratified for four sites
- Rotary west have surrendered their lease in Loughnane Court, two new leases will be issued to HTM and Yamadi, have received confirmation from both groups that they are happy to proceed, report in process of being prepared
- Mackay Kennel Club – Report has been ratified for new lease area, lease documentation to be prepared
- Formalising agreement with Qld Police for antenna at Hicks Road
- Group tender has closed, awaiting final submissions from Procurement & Plant
- Lease at Midge Point – still awaiting surrender of Lease. Council is now looking at returning this reserve back to State.
- Had a meeting with Reef Catchments regarding the proposal of setting up various wash-down facilities in the Mackay region, Property Services have been looking into possible sites for this facility

Council Freehold Land Register – Council briefing to be held February.

Land Dealings

- Hyne Street and Nebo Road Intersection widening to cater for footpath
- Wilson and Bridge Road widening as part of DA.
- Sweeney Road, Glenella footpath/road widening.
- Shakespeare and Nebo Road water main easement.
- Elvin Street application to State to open reserve as road to construct a car parking facility.
- Paradise Street intersection upgrade.

Property Services are currently dealing with:-

- 16 Road Realignments
- 10 Land Acquisitions of property for Council purposes
- 2 Land Encroachments
- 4 Easements being established

MACKAY CONVENTION PRECINCT AND EVENTS

Management

- Coordinated Carols in the City with community and business stakeholders, overseeing Christmas decor and the new, city Christmas tree installation and lighting
- Attended Visual Arts Advisory Committee meeting
- Attended Mackay Tourism's Major Events Committee meeting, which finalised advertising strategies for major events
- Interviewed for the position of Assistant Precinct Manager, appointing Mr Andrew Bobeldyk from Logan City Council to the position
- Attended meeting re Meadowlands (policy and activation)
- Attended several meetings re Virgin Australia Stadium Mackay and coordinated advertisements for Stadium Manager / Coordinator

- Attended Artspace Foundation meeting
- Managed New Year's eve celebrations

Mackay Entertainment and Convention Centre

Overview

December saw a very diverse range of community and corporate events, and the Centre and its staff were kept busy until just before Christmas.

The month started with Carols in the City which was held on 1 December in the Convention Centre. Revellers sang along to well known Carols, and children were excited to see Santa who made a pre-christmas appearance. Thanks to technology, the Mayor, Cr Deirdre Comerford was able to light the City's new Christmas Tree in Victoria Street from the Centre, and the lighting of the tree was broadcast "live" into the Centre much to the delight of young and old alike. Much good feedback was received regarding this event.

Local dance schools rehearsed and performed end of year concerts, local businesses held their annual Christmas parties including Dalrymple Bay Coal Terminal Pty Ltd, Pacific National, and QLD Complete Contracting Services. Council conducted its annual BBQ Christmas Lunch and Awards for staff, held the final Citizenship Ceremony for the year, and used the MECC to present funds to individuals and businesses affected by the Greenfield fire.

The producers and writers of independent Australian feature film "Bathing Franky" hired the Centre to screen "Bathing Franky" and host a Q&A session, this somewhat unusual offering delighted the relatively small audience that attended.

The year came to a close with New Year's Eve celebrations. Between 6pm and 9pm the Centre was packed with families who enjoyed the "Pineapple Palace" a pop up festival which featured song and dance, activities and a great range of free entertainment. The 9pm fireworks went off without a hitch, in spite of inclement weather, and the early part of the festivities concluded successfully. The Suzie Quatro tribute band which was to be staged outdoors from 9pm at Bluewater Quay was moved indoors to the MECC because of the inclement weather. A small but appreciative crowd assembled, but the rain and change of location inevitably put a damper on the proceedings. Staff were kept busy fielding questions from the public regarding whether the midnight fireworks display would be held given the downpour of rain, and although there was some doubts as to whether the fireworks would light in the downpour, the rain cleared sufficiently and the New Year was seen in, in style, with the much loved an awaited fireworks at Bluewater Quay, where thousands of revellers lined the Quay and the Forgan Bridge.

Capital Program

Quotes were sought for the extension to the rear of Artspace's cafe now known as Taste at Space, for a Federal Government Grant application.

Air conditioning the Entertainment Centre's administration offices was completed.

Tenders have been prepared for the storage shed at the rear of the MECC, and quotations obtained for other capital projects.

Development/Other Issues

The MECC welcomed Assistant Precinct Manager, Andrew Bobelkdyk. Andrew has substantial experience and was previously manager of the Logan Entertainment Centre. The Centre's Head of Lighting resigned to return to the UK, and a casual theatre technician provided notice that she would be leaving to go to University. Recruitment will commence in earnest in January 2013.

Entrepreneurial

One entrepreneurial event occurred this month, the eagerly awaited triple bill, Blondie, The Saints and The Stranglers. A phenomenal response was received in the lead up and following the performance, as it is seldom Mackay hosts international acts of this calibre. It is also highly pleasing to note the MECC was the only local government venue in Australia to attract this event. Blondie's lead singer Deborah Harry indulged local media with interview requests, and the five hour concert wowed audience members.

Deborah Harry took time from her busy schedule to meet local dancers who were using the Entertainment Centre, and with 3000 attendees across two events the MECC showcased professional and community entertainment that impressed all.

Performance

Type	# of Events	Actual Attendance
Awards Evening	1	140
Cocktail Party	1	160
Concert	6	3523
Dinner Dance	1	101
Entrepreneurial	1	2000
Event	3	1216
Filming	1	32
Function	3	783
Gala Supper	1	405
Rehearsal Space	8	900
	26	**9260**

as at DEC 2012

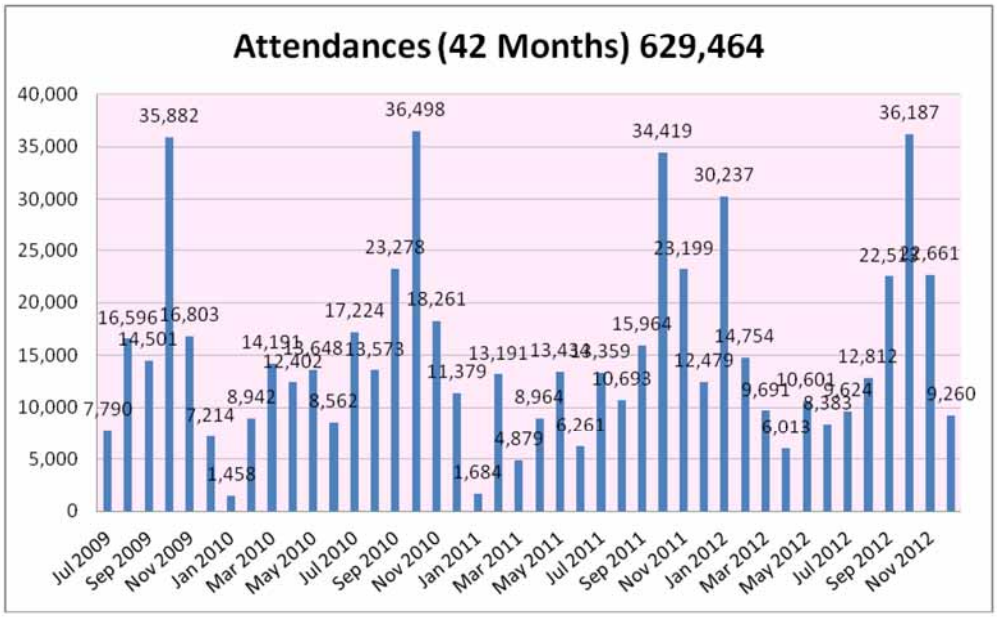
Non-Financial Indicators	TARGET	Year to date
Number of Performances fully cost recovered	50%	50%
Minimum number of catered functions (excluding performances)	140	83
Average attendance at shows	Auditorium 550	Auditorium 396
	Foyer/space 100	Foyer/space 146
	Halls 600	Halls 420
	One Hall only 200	One Hall only 210
Number of non-utilised days	90	14
Number of Performances at the MECC	200	85
Yearly occupancy of facility	173,890	113,057
Average Response time for Patrons enquiries	<48 hours	<48
Customer Hire Satisfaction	80%	99%
Ratio of Complaints to a sample of Patron Usage	5%	1%
Are adequate range of facilities being provided	70%	100%
Would you use the Centre again	70%	100%

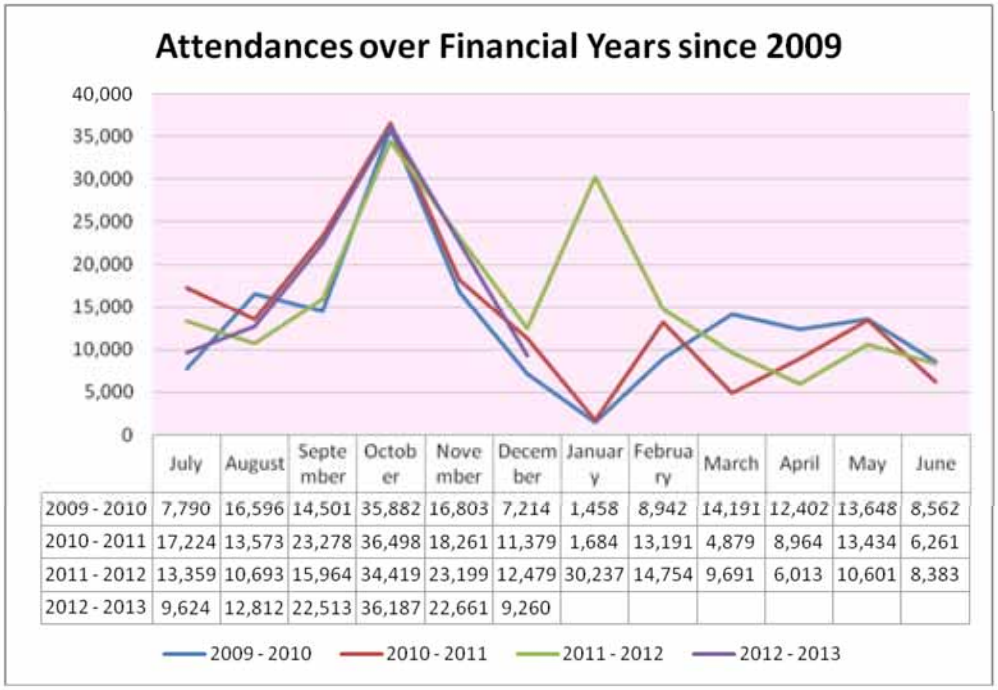
THREE YEAR COMPARISONS												
	2012-2013				2011-2012				2010-2011			
	Performances	Events	Attendance	External Ticket Sales	Performances	Events	Attendance	External Ticket Sales	Performances	Events	Attendance	External Ticket Sales
JUL	24	23	9,624	1,772	30	23	13,359	1,260	21	20	17,224	3,204
AUG	12	27	12,812	4,390	20	14	10,693	4,704	11	16	13,573	1,200
SEP	20	27	22,513	4,262	14	37	15,964	0	14	27	23,278	209
OCT	118	31	36,187	247	117	13	34,419	1,629	116	23	36,498	2,783
NOV	18	38	22,661	1,163	16	48	23,199	852	13	30	18,261	561
DEC	6	20	9,260	352	36	54	12,479	514	10	22	11,379	1,012
JAN					0	167	30,237	0	0	5	1,684	297
FEB					4	15	14,754	8,494	6	21	13,191	0
MAR					13	30	9,691	3,769	4	24	4,879	0
APR					4	23	6,013	2,440	7	18	8,964	1,397
MAY					14	19	10,601	1,484	11	31	13,434	62
JUN					13	13	8,383	11730	11	18	6,261	104
TOTAL	198	166	113,057	12,186	281	456	189,792	36,876	224	255	168,626	10,829

**This table includes "maintenance" as events/attendance until March 2011 when it has been excluded from reporting*

#NOTE: October is Eisteddfod Month

#NOTE: December 2011-Jan 2012 - Ice City





	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June
2009 - 2010	7,790	16,596	14,501	35,882	16,803	7,214	1,458	8,942	14,191	12,402	13,648	8,562
2010 - 2011	17,224	13,573	23,278	36,498	18,261	11,379	1,684	13,191	4,879	8,964	13,434	6,261
2011 - 2012	13,359	10,693	15,964	34,419	23,199	12,479	30,237	14,754	9,691	6,013	10,601	8,383
2012 - 2013	9,624	12,812	22,513	36,187	22,661	9,260						

Festivals and Events

Following the briefing to Council on 25 November, the following suite of Council managed or auspiced Festivals and Events will be delivered in 2013.

Easter Laneways Festival	Sunday 31 March
River Rock to Mountain Top Community Festival	26 April – 12 May
Mackay Festival of Arts	6-21 July
Sarina Festival (formerly Coal to Coast)	Monday 7 October
River 2 Reef Festival	Saturday 5 October
Global Grooves	Sunday 27 October
Christmas Tree Lighting /Carols in the City	Saturday 7 December
New Years Eve Party	Tuesday 31 September

Mackay Tourism's Major Events Committee has agreed that the Festival of Arts and River to Reef Festival will benefit from destination and event advertising from funds gained through Events Queensland.

Preparatory work is now underway regarding the series of 2013 events, and as already reported, the last event for 2012, the New Year's Eve celebrations was successfully delivered in spite of the inclement weather.

Artspace Mackay

Visitors: 760 people visited Artspace during Dec 2013 (including Town Hall)
No figures for Dec 2011, as it was combined with Jan 2012

Exhibitions

McAleese Gallery	19 Oct - 1 Dec	*Jenny Sages- Paths to portraiture*
	14 Dec - current	*Ron McBurnie: Metal as anything*
ASM Foyer	19 Oct - 8 Dec	*Creative Generations*
	14 Dec - current	*The Printbank Award*
Cox Rayner Gallery	8 Sept - current	*Ted Barraclough: A rare bird*
	15 Nov - current	New acquisitions by Danie Mellor commemorating *Mackay 150*
Collectors' Cabinet	current	*Antique irons:* a collection of irons from John and Caroline Snowdon
Seminar Room	until 1Dec	*Kids' artwork from the Danie Mellor project*
Lagoons Cafe	6 Nov – 2 Dec	*Moments in time: Historic photographs from the Mackay Regional Council Library's image collection*

MacAleese Gallery / Foyer / Cox Rayner Gallery

Jenny Sages: Paths to portraiture (McAleese Gallery)
This travelling exhibition from the National Portrait Gallery explores the process of portrait making through large-scale portraits, abstract landscapes, preparatory and finished drawings, photographs, and objects and materials related to the work of artist Jenny Sages. Sages has twice won the Portia Geach Memorial Award for portraiture, and has been a finalist nineteen times in the NSW Archibald Prize for portraiture. She won the Wynne Prize for landscape in 2005.

Ron McBurnie: Metal as anything (McAleese Gallery)
Metal as anything is a survey exhibition that showcases thirty years of the diverse and intricate etchings of Townsville artist Ron McBurnie. The diversity of events, both large and small, that inspires McBurnie's artworks are telling of the artist's greatest strength – his ability to highlight the weird and wonderful events that occur in our 'mundane' suburban environment.

Creative Generation (Foyer Gallery)
An initiative of the Department of Education and Training, this exhibition highlights a range of outstanding work by visual art and design students from secondary schools throughout the Mackay region. Selected finalists from the region go on to compete in the statewide Creative Generation Excellence Awards in Visual Art and Design.

The Printbank Award (Foyer Gallery)
This exhibition features selected works from local printmaking group, Printbank Mackay's 3rd annual printmaking award. The exhibition includes recent works by printmakers throughout Queensland using a range of contemporary and traditional printmaking techniques.

Ted Barraclough: A rare bird (Cox Rayner Gallery)
Ted Barraclough is an emerging artist in his 70's working in Queensland who grew up in the bush, with an affinity for local birdlife. He whittled and carved as a young boy and his continued interest in bird-watching and carving eventually melded into his present art form, creating small, whittled wooden sculptures which capture the essence of native Australian birds.

New acquisitions celebrating Mackay's sesquicentenary (Cox Rayner Gallery)
The two brand new artworks by Danie Mellor, commissioned by Artspace to celebrate Mackay's sesquicentenary arrived at the gallery this month. *Wambool Yuibera* and *A changing ecology* are now on display in the Cox Rayner gallery until February 2013.

Kids' artwork from the Danie Mellor project (Seminar Room)
As a part of the Danie Mellor 2012 project, a selection of remote and regional schools participated in local artist run workshops at the Mackay Regional Botanic Gardens. The resulting artworks by primary school students from the five different schools were on display in the Seminar Room until Saturday 1 December.

Moments in time (Lagoons Cafe – Botanic Gardens)
This travelling exhibition of historic photographs from the Mackay Regional Council Library's image collection moved to its final venue for the year – Lagoons Cafe at the Mackay Regional Botanic Gardens. The exhibition was on display from 6 November – Sunday 2 December. Throughout the year, the exhibition also travelled to Greenmount Homestead, Gordon White Library and Sarina Art Gallery.

Collectors' Cabinet

***Antique irons* from John and Caroline Snowdon**
This collection of irons from Seaforth couple John and Caroline Snowdon is the result of a lifetime of passion for collecting. A love of collecting is a trait that John acquired from his mother and inheriting her early *'Mrs Potts' travelling iron* marked the beginning of the collection. John and Caroline have built on their collection over the years, travelling to markets and antique shops across the country.

December Public Programs & Education:

4 Dec	Christmas BMA Kidspace toddlers activity program	Seminar room	184
15 Dec	Ron McBurnie floor talk	McAleese Gallery	36
15 & 16 Dec	Ron McBurnie Printmaking workshop	Town Hall Studio	10
18 – 22 Dec	Drop-in Christmas activities for families – recycled paper decorations	Artspace Mackay Seminar Room	64
Total participants in Artspace public programs in December 2012			270

Overview

Artspace is also helping to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the arrival of Australian South Sea Islanders, with exhibitions being planned throughout the year. The gallery is excited to be hosting *Body on the line*, a series

Planning is well under way for the Libris Awards. This is a national artists book prize, held to raise awareness of and develop Mackay Regional Council's nationally significant artists book collection. Artspace has secured a $10,000 sponsorship for the main prize in our Libris Awards this year.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Management

Expression of Interest for RDA funding - City Centre Public Realm Project

In December 2012 an Expression of Interest (EOI), under the Regional Development Australia (RDA) funding round 4, was submitted by Mackay Regional Council for improvements to the public places and streetscapes within the Mackay City Centre.

Mackay City Centre is the 'place' which symbolises the centre of the region. Public realm improvement in the Mackay City Centre offers a strong community benefit – not only for businesses in the area - but in support of the City's role as the principal centre for our region. This in turn helps support and promote the vitality, liveability and prosperity of our region.

The EOI followed council's decision in late November to apply for over $17 million for the City Centre public realm improvements as a 50/50 Council and Federal Government funding split, under the Regional Development Australia Fund (RDAF).

The RADF is a national infrastructure program aimed at supporting Australia's regions to enhance their wellbeing and economic development. With government funding sources becoming increasingly constrained, this round offers an opportunity, (which may not be available again in the near future), to target funding for improvement for the Mackay City Centre.

Only three EOIs from each RDA region will proceed to full application. RDA committees will advise the three EOIs that they have selected from their region, to be invited to submit a full application. Those invited to submit a successful application will be advised early in 2013. Full applications must be lodged by Thursday, 11 April 2013.

If successful with the EOI, council will submit a full application for a streetscape upgrade of Victoria Street from Sydney to Gregory and Wood Street from Gordon to River streets.

Council will use the Public Realm Concept Plan, released earlier this year, to apply for the funding. The Public Realm Concept was developed with a view to target grant funding, such as the Regional Development Australia Fund (RDAF).

NBN Rollout commences

The rollout of the NBN across the region, commenced first construction phase works in Mackay City Centre and areas of East Mackay, in December

The first phase entailed NBN Co contractors (Telstra) undertaking detailed design and survey

works in each location for the installation of the fibre optic cables that will deliver superfast broadband to the area.

On average it takes around 12 months from the start of construction to the time when householders and business owners can order NBN retail services from telephone or internet service providers.

By mid-2015, construction is forecast to have commenced or completed on delivering the NBN to over 670,000 premises across the state and 3.5 million premises nationwide.

In early 2013, a second phase of construction is expected which will see contractors SILCAR Communications working in the City. Council's economic development program, has joined with other local organisations, including the Chamber of Commerce and others, to advocate engagement with business owners as a top priority for NBNCo and its sub-contractors before and during construction. Business owners and operators, residents and members of the community seeking information on the current NBN rollout activity are asked to contact the NBN call centre on 1 800 687 626, for advice and assistance.

Maps of areas covered by the NBN rollout are available at www.nbnco.com.au/rollout/rollout-map

Regional Economic Development Strategy

In 2008 an economic baseline audit (EBA) for the region was prepared by consultants AEC, under instruction from REDC. From the audit report, an economic development strategy for the region was prepared, the strategy along with the audit report are available downloadable from the REDC website. Links to REDC publications are available from council's economic development pages.

Following the development of the Mackay Isaac Whitsunday Regional Plan and its' adoption by the State in February this year, the EBA was updated in 2012 through the collaboration of the Department of State Development and Infrastructure Planning (DSDIP) Mackay-Isaac-Whitsunday Regional Office and REDC. This work feeds into a planned project for 2013 to review REDC's 2009 Economic Development Strategy.

The purpose of the project is to update and replace the 2009 Regional Economic Development Strategy prepared by the Mackay and Whitsunday Regional Economic Development Corporation (REDC) in collaboration with MIW stakeholders. This project will be facilitated by the Department of State Development and Infrastructure Planning (DSDIP) Mackay-Isaac-Whitsunday Regional Office oversighted by a Steering Committee comprising of strategic stakeholders across Mackay, Isaac and Whitsunday, including Mackay Regional Council, Isaac Regional Council and Whitsunday Regional Council, Mackay Whitsunday Regional Economic Development Corporation (REDC), Mackay Area Industry Network (MAIN), Whitsunday Marketing and Development Limited (WM&D) and Mackay Whitsunday Regional Development Australia. This Steering Committee will oversight the development of the project plan and the execution of the project

The project evidences close collaboration between DSDIP, Mackay Regional Council economic development program, and regional organisations.

Digital Economic Strategy

This is being pursued as a collaborative project facilitated by the Department of State Development, Infrastructure and Planning's Mackay-Isaac-Whitsunday Regional Office working in partnership with MIW local governments and other stakeholders.

The project aims to develop key strategies to empower business, industry and the wider community across the Mackay, Isaac and Whitsunday region to capitalise on opportunities provided by innovation and technology. This includes leveraging off the NBN rollout to maximise business and industry productivity.

Project key deliverables will include:
A Digital Economy guiding framework - including an executive summary geared to assist communication with the general public
A detailed Digital Economy Strategy
An action plan for the region

On 7 December 2012, an initial planning discussion occurred between representatives from the Department of State Development, Infrastructure and Planning, Department of Science, Information Technology, Innovation and the Arts, Mackay Regional Council, Isaac Regional Council, Whitsunday Marketing and Development, and Mackay IT Network.

Key stakeholders will be invited to form a steering committee to have strategic oversight of the project's development and execution. It is anticipated that steering committee members will nominate representatives to form a working group to take carriage of the project.

Council's economic development program is working closely with DSDIP and with regional organisations, on the development of this project, and in particular around digital economy matters.

A joint briefing to council, covering the Digital and Regional Economic Development Strategies, is being scheduled, to provide the opportunity for Council input into these projects.

Economic Profiles Released

The December issue of the Mackay Regional Council Statistical Profiles were prepared and published in easy, downloadable format, on council's website. The profiles included an overall Mackay Local Government Area publication plus specific Sarina and Pioneer Valley versions. All contain a wide range of economic, social and industry stats, offering handy information for business and community. Tables offered in the profiles, include population, as well as employment, business counts and building approval data.

The Mackay snapshot includes September Quarter median house and unit sales and rental data.

In terms of housing prices in Queensland, the highest gain for all major regions over the quarter was experienced in Mackay Local Government Area (LGA), which posted a median house price increase of 4.7 per cent to $445,000.

Over the year, the Mackay LGA median house price increased 4.9 per cent. The preliminary numbers of house sales were up 27 per cent on the same period last year.

Local agents say the quarter experienced additional demand, most notably in the upgrader segment, evidencing the continuing confidence in the Mackay market.

There was a significant amount of increased development and building activity in the region resulting in strong demand for new home and land developments.

Rental vacancy rates for Mackay eased from the 1.7% in the previous Quarter to 4.0 per cent in the September Quarter.

Despite more availability, the median rent for a three-bedroom house increased from $420 per week in September last year to $475 per week in September this year.

Healthy Rural Communities initiative joins with Focus on Sarina

Economic Development and Sports & Recreation have partnered with the Australian Federal Government Healthy Communities initiative to include further events in 2013 on the Focus on Sarina calendar. Events to be included on the calendar are offered for free or at low cost and will focus on promoting healthy activities available in the Sarina community as well as enhancing business activity in the local area.

City Centre Christmas Marketing Campaign

A new marketing campaign, prepared through consultants DPA saw a full media program with radio, TV, print and social media employed to deliver the Christmas in the City message. "Christmas shopping is easy in the City" also featured where to park and included footage of local businesses along with a Christmas message from Mayor of the Mackay Region, councillor Deidre Comerford and Tourism and Economic Portfolio councillor Greg Martin. Visitation to council's Mackay City Centre website recorded its highest number of monthly visitor stats to date, during the campaign.

City Centre Staff Christmas Celebration

More than 120 City Centre Staff turned out to celebrate Christmas in the City as part of the City Centre Staff Christmas Celebration on Friday, December 7.

The celebration was held at 73 Victoria Street (next to Cool Mango), starting at 7am and finishing 8.30am.

Christmas carollers, Zumba demonstrations (sponsored by Battery World Mackay), music and more featured at the breakfast with many city workers attending.

The Mayor of Mackay Regional Council councillor Deidre Comerford opened the event, which acknowledged the efforts of the thousands of staff who travel to the Mackay City Centre for work each day.

To reward City Centre staff for their efforts, fantastic, sponsored prizes were up for grabs, including the Office Hero and Customer Service Hero competitions.

Office Hero Prize Package – sponsored by Harvey World Travel, Prime Radio and the Daily Mercury. Lydia Hill was the lucky winner of the two Pink tickets and her employer, City Fitness, has won an advertising package worth over $5,000 thanks to her entry.

Customer Service Hero Prize Package – sponsored by Harvey World Travel
Mandy Constable of Carlisle Motors was nominated by co-worker, Kieren Armstrong, for her outstanding Customer Service and took home an Airlie escape for two people at Peppers Coral Coast as well as an Airlie Jetski adventure with Whitsunday Jetski Tours.

The Team Spirit Prize Package - sponsored by Suncorp Bank
A $200 team building lunch was awarded to Santa and his elves from the Bendigo Bank for their outstanding team spirit at the City Centre Staff Christmas Celebration.

On the City Streets Christmas Entertainment

Christmas entertainment took to the Mackay City Centre streets in the lead up to Christmas 2012.

Customers in the city centre were able to enjoy street entertainment including the Christmas Fairy and carol singers. The Christmas Fairy was stationed in the Mackay City Centre in the lead up to Christmas and offered free face painting to City Centre customers at the below locations:

- December 13 & 14 Wood Street near the Coffee Club between 11am and 1pm,
- December 17 Victoria Street opposite The Dome between 10.30am and 1.30pm; and
- December 18 on Sydney Street near Old Town Hall between 10.30am and 1.30pm

Children received a free gift when they visited the Christmas fairy.

Roving Christmas carollers were also providing on-street entertainment to city centre patrons on the following dates:

- December 13 Victoria Street between 11am and 12noon,
- December 14 Wood Street between 11am and 12noon,
- December 17 Victoria Street between 11am and 12noon
- December 18 on Sydney Street 11am and 12noon
- December 20 on Victoria Street between 11am and 1pm
- December 21 on Wood Street between 11am and 1pm

Council's Business Networks

City Centre Business Network: 722 (last month 721)
Regional Focus Business Network: 173 (last month 169)
Sarina Business Network: 216 (last month 210)

City Deals Club Subscribers: 1,976 (last month 1,979)

Visitors flock to City Centre website

The City Centre website, mackaycitycentre.com.au continues to power, after attracting over 113,000 visitors for the year ending December 31, 2012.

For the year to December 2012, total visits to the Mackay City Centre website reached 113,871 with 305,985 page views.

More recently, the month of December 2012 produced impressive figures with 14,916 visits to the web and 32,861 page views.

The Mackay City Centre web hosts a free online business directory, with over 730 businesses listed, plus an innovative, digital City Business network, and many free events and programs, including Active in the City and the online City Deals.

Services offered on the Mackay City Centre website are completely free and manageable by the business.

All businesses located in the Mackay City Centre are able to take advantage of the mackaycitycentre.com.au free web platform.

Consultation

There has been consultation with Community Services Program Managers.

Resource Implications

Nil.

Conclusion

All programs are performing well for this stage of the year and meeting the majority of operational plan goals.

Director's Recommendation

THAT this report be received.

9.6 PROPOSED PERMANENT ROAD CLOSURE ADJOINING LOT 216 ON CI179

File No **179-216-CPCi**
Author **Manager Property Services**

Purpose

To advise Council that a Permanent Road Closure Application has been lodged with the Department of Natural Resources and Mines (DNRM) for a section of unformed gazetted roadway within Lot 216 on CPCi179 Deals Road Kuttabul.

Operational Plan Linkage

Corporate Plan Strategy 4.1

Improve strategies and communication with relevant stakeholders and all levels of government in the strategic planning of future land use.

Background/Discussion

DNRM have received an application for closure of about 2.12 ha of unformed gazetted road within Lot 216 on CPCi179. A copy of Drawing No 12/894/CEN showing the proposed road closure is attached.

The mentioned land is a State controlled road reserve with Council having no dedicated authority over the land.

As part of the application process, DNRM seeks the views of all relevant stakeholders (e.g. other government agencies and local government authorities and adjoining land owners).

The matter was considered by the Land and Road Committee on 14 December 2012 with approval to this application being provided by the committee.

Consultation and Communication

Consultation with the Land and Road Use Committee occurred on 14 December 2012. The committee consists of Co-ordinator Maintenance, Manager Technical Services, Manager Strategic Planning, Planning Officer, Manager Planning and Sustainability and Manager Parks and Environment.

Resource Implications

Nil.

Risk Management Implications

Nil. The area is an unformed gazetted road.

Conclusion

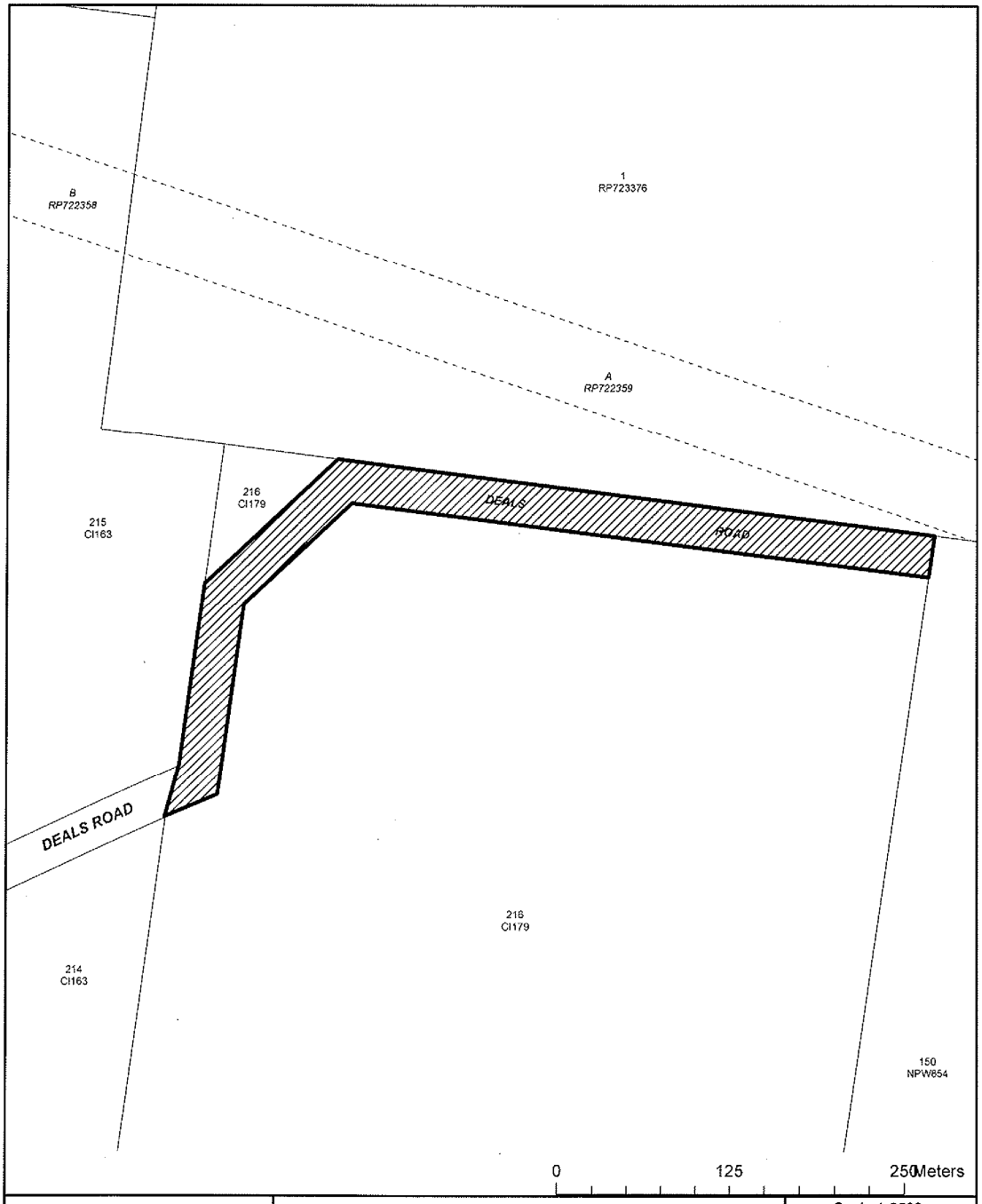
The permanent closure of a section of road reserve within Lot 216 on CPCi179 Parish of Ossa will have no adverse impact on Council's current or future requirements.

Officer's Recommendation

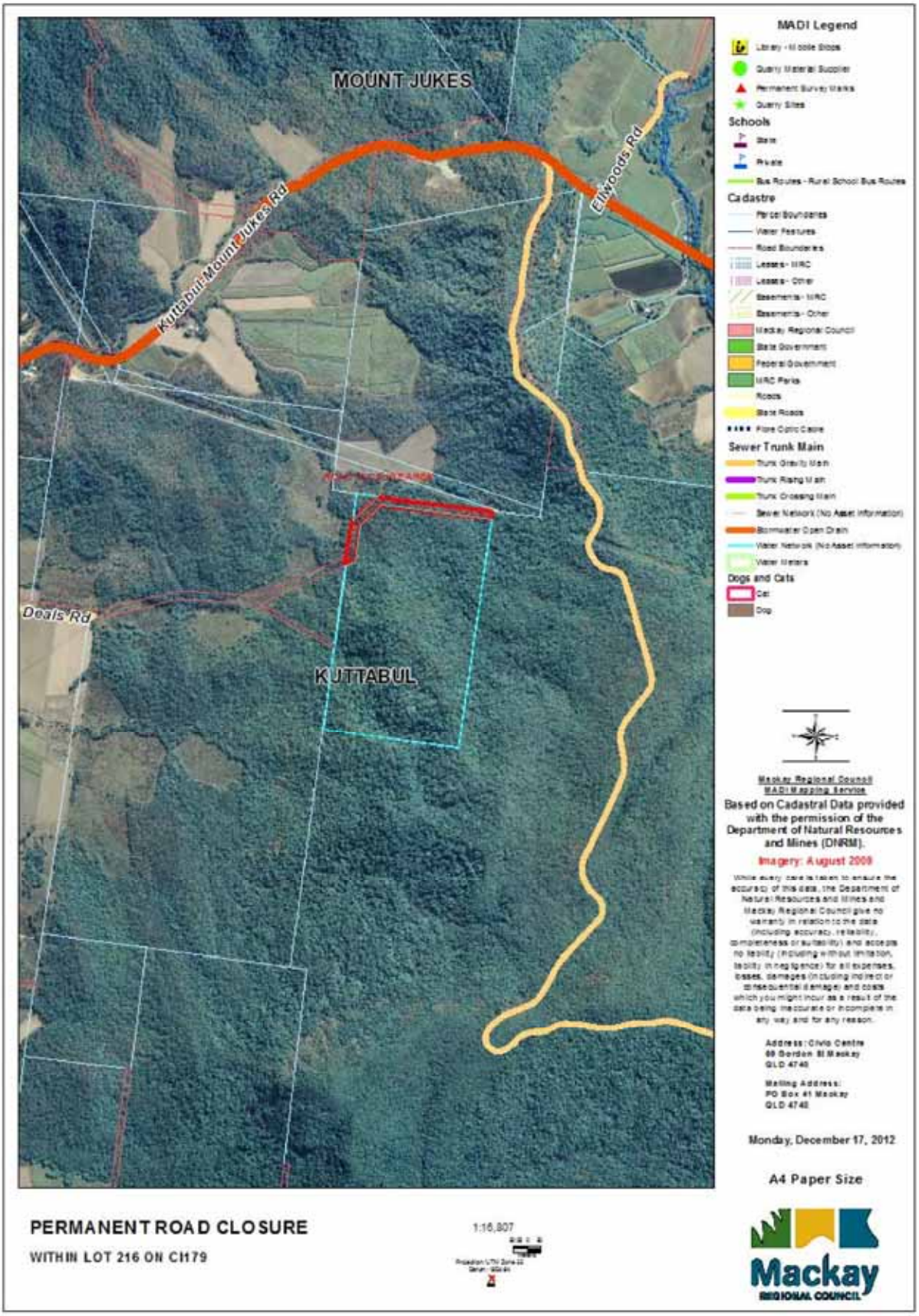
THAT Council advise DNRM of its consent to the permanent closure as shown on the provided Drawing No 12/894/CEN of unformed gazetted road reserve of about 2.12 ha within Lot 216 on CPCi179.

Attachments

1. Drawing No. 12/894/CEN of Area of Closure.
2. Image of Road Closure Area within lot 216 on Ci179.



REGION: CENTRAL LOCAL AUTHORITY OF MACKAY REGIONAL LOCALITY OF KUTTABUL Compiled from DCDB & sketch in eLVAS	**Plan of Proposed Road to be Permanently Closed** *About 2.12 ha shown as* ▨	Scale 1:2500 at original size (A3) **Drawing No: 12/894/CEN**
Queensland Government	PARISH OF OSSA / COUNTY OF CARLISLE Map Reference: 8655-11412 / eLVAS Reference: 2012/005661	NORTH Prepared by: AJM Date: 19 Oct 2012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9.7 PROPOSED PERMANENT ROAD CLOSURE WITHIN LOT 121 ON CI213

File No 213-121-CPCi
Author Manager Property Services

Purpose

To advise Council that a Permanent Road Closure Application has been lodged with the Department of Natural Resources and Mines (DNRM) for a section of unformed gazetted roadway within Lot 121 on CPCi213 off Mackay Eungella Road, Pinnacle.

Operational Plan Linkage

Corporate Plan Strategy 4.1

Improve strategies and communication with relevant stakeholders and all levels of government in the strategic planning of future land use.

Background/Discussion

DNRM have received an application for closure of about 4200m2 of unformed gazetted road within Lot 121 on CPCi213. A copy of SmartMap showing the proposed road closure is attached.

The mentioned land is State controlled road reserve with Council having no dedicated authority over the land.

As part of the application process, DNRM seeks the views of all relevant stakeholders (e.g. other government agencies and local government authorities and adjoining land owners).

The matter was considered by the Land and Road Committee on 14 December 2012 with approval to this application being provided by the committee.

Consultation and Communication

Consultation with the Land and Road Use Committee occurred on 14 December 2012. The committee consists of Co-ordinator Maintenance, Manager Technical Services, Manager Strategic Planning, Planning Officer, Manager Planning and Sustainability and Manager Parks and Environment.

Resource Implications

Nil.

Risk Management Implications

Nil. The area is an unformed gazetted road.

Conclusion

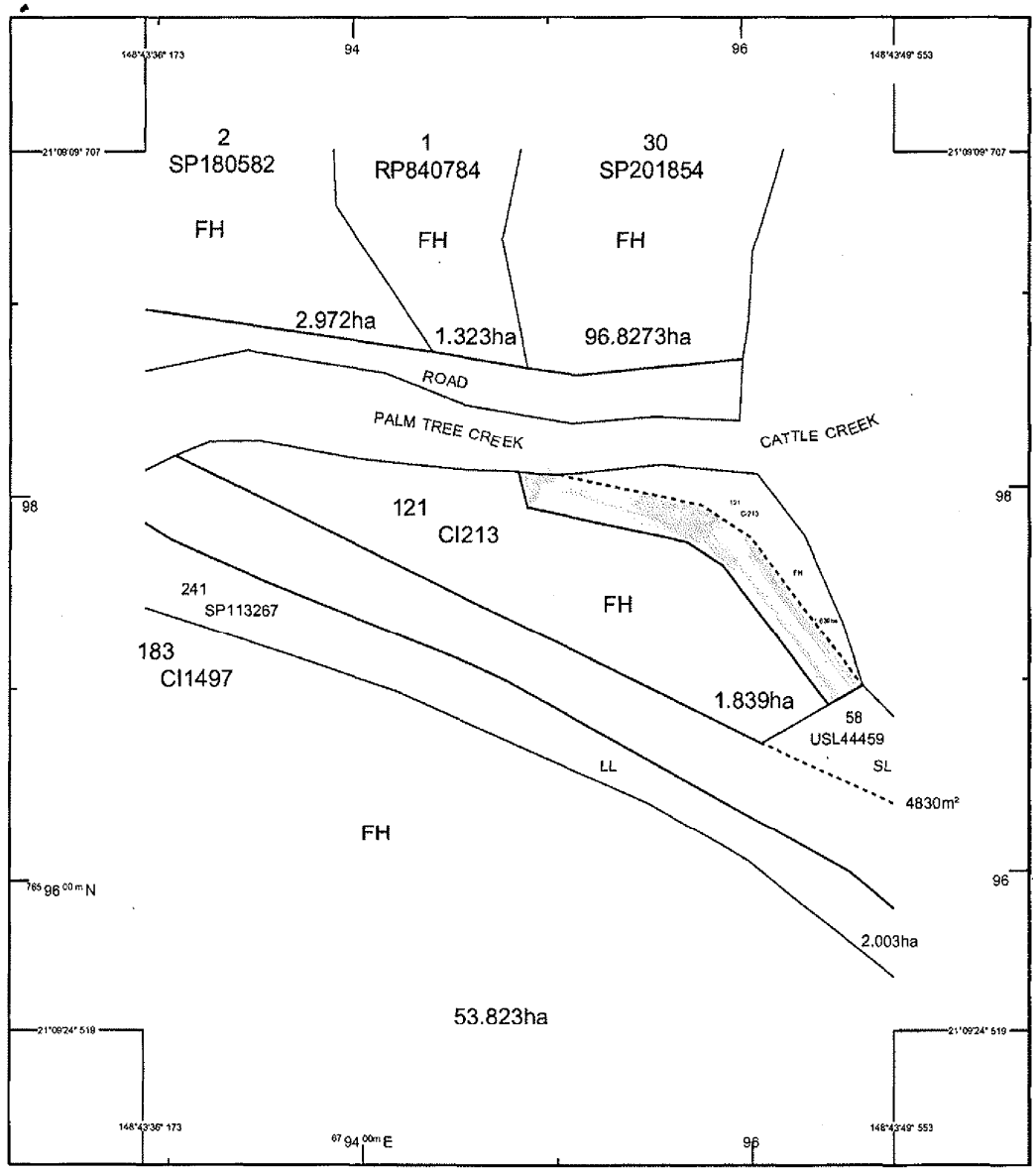
The permanent closure of a section of road reserve within Lot 121 on CPCi213 Parish of Mia Mia will have no adverse impact on Council's current or future requirements.

Officer's Recommendation

THAT Council advise DNRM of its consent to the permanent closure as shown on the provided SmartMap of unformed gazetted road reserve of about 4200m2 within Lot 121 on CPCi213.

Attachments

1. SmartMap of Area of Closure - Lot 121 on CPCi213.
2. Image of Road Closure Area - Lot 121 on CPCi213.



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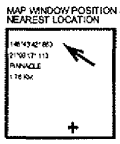

SUBJECT PARCEL DESCRIPTION

DCDB

Lot/Plan	121/CI213
Area/Volume	1.839ha
Tenure	FREEHOLD
Local Government	MACKAY REGIONAL
Locality	PINNACLE
Parish	MIA MIA
County	CARLISLE
Segment/Parcel	44459/37

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10. CONSIDERATION OF COMMITTEE REPORTS:

10.1 DRAFT MINUTES - WATER & SEWERAGE CAPITAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Author Director Water & Waste Services

Purpose

Attached is a copy of the Draft Minutes of the Water & Sewerage Capital Advisory Committee Meeting held on 11 December 2012, for information purposes.

Operational Plan Linkage

This links to Operational Plan 6.2 - Develop a comprehensive, sustainably funded 10 Year Capital Works Program for operating on a commercial basis.

Background/Discussion

These are the Minutes from the initial meeting of the newly formed Water & Sewerage Capital Advisory Committee.

Officer's Recommendation

THAT the Minutes be received.

Attachments

1. Water & Sewerage Capital Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes - 11 December 2012

Minutes

Water & Sewerage Capital Advisory Committee Meeting

Tuesday, 11 December 2012

Attendance: Mayor Deirdre Comerford (DC), Cr Frank Gilbert (FG), Dan McKinlay (DM), Jason Devitt (JD), David Brooker (DB), Peter Dennis (PD), Noel Faulkner (NF)

Apologies: Brad Cowan (BC

Meeting Opened: **8.10 am**

ITEMS	REQUESTOR	ACTION / COMMENTS
1. Appointment of Chair		• Noel Faulkner appointed as Chair of Committee.
2. Review/Adoption of Charter		• Charter reviewed. • Couple of small amendments made. • Charter adopted by Committee. • Copy of adopted charter attached for reference.
3. Agree Format of Meetings		• It was agreed that meetings should be held around the following dates: 1. February 2. May 3. November 4. December • Meetings to generally take the form of: 1. Presentations/Discussions 2. Briefing Papers 3. Issues to be covered "across table" • It was confirmed that the level of detail in Monday's Presentations was as required. • Confirmed that the meetings/discussions should be open, transparent and honest. • Confirmed that it is appropriate for Specialists to assist with Presentations where and when necessary.

ITEMS	REQUESTOR	ACTION / COMMENTS
		• Meetings to be scheduled within the first 2 weeks of the month. • Meetings to be held on either Tuesday or Thursday. • Meetings to commence at 10am to 2pm.
4. Agree Committee Paper Format		• Committee Papers to be presented in the Council Agenda format.
5. Asset Presentations (Jason/David)		**PPP - Trunk Assets** **Nebo Road WTP** • Water from Nebo Road WTP is piped to Seaforth in north, Sarina in south and Walkerston in west - approx 100km. • Main constraint for service is infrastructure. • Mt Pleasant Reservoirs services north of Pioneer River. • South of Pioneer River is direct pressure from High lift PS at Nebo rd WTP. • SunWater supply the raw water but will not guarantee water quality. • Agricultural catchment. • Nebo Road WTP has a bore water system for use in emergency/high turbidity/flood events. • SunWater has no responsibility to manage the catchments • Regulatory bodies - Reef Catchments, DEHP. • Dumbleton water mains constructed in 1970's; some leaking at joints when under high pressure as originally designed as low pressure pipe. • Nebo Road WTP - clarifiers have limited space to expand. • Nebo Road WTP currently at ultimate capacity. • Investigating efficiencies of pumping from Mackay to Sarina and shutting down the current Sarina WTP. • Census results flawed for this area due to residents living/working in different areas.

ITEMS	REQUESTOR	ACTION / COMMENTS
		• Population Working Group has been investigating: 1. Sewerage loads 2. Wheelie Bins issued 3. Building/Plumbing Approvals 4. Rates Assessments • 70 to 80% of workers Drive In/Drive Out of Bowen Basin. • Sensitivity to population figures. • High growth area. • NF advised that Water Restrictions need to form part of Demand Management/forward planning. • PD noted that Master Planning (i.e. checking/testing of assumptions) is vital to gain those key bits of knowledge and fill in the gaps. **New WTP Walkerston** • Site 1 has been purchased for a new reservoir site • Negotiating purchase of Site 2 for future reservoir. **Mirani/Marian** • Recently spent $7M increasing pressure to 30m to meet required standards • Bore water supply. • Groundwater Pioneer Valley currently over-allocated. • Highly disturbed Water Quality from the bores • Due to cane-farm nutrient runoff. • MRC usage requirements currently exceed allocation and purchase extra allocation from a grower on an annual basis. • Moratorium on new bores so have not been able to gain any extra allocation because could not demonstrate that the bores were not linked to groundwater. • NF suggested the option to revisit the bore issue with the Regulator. • Regulatory landscape has changed with new government • New WTP will still be required and EOI is

ITEMS	REQUESTOR	ACTION / COMMENTS
		out now. • Previous Mirani Shire Council was about to award contract in 2008 when amalgamation occurred; been on hold since then pending further review of suitable sites. **Sarina** • 2003/2004 bores/Middle Creek Dam dry and emergency connection to Eton Irrigation Scheme undertaken. • Middle Creek Dam built in 1950's - joint ownership Sarina SC and Plane Creek Mill. • Currently does not meet flow capacity and people downstream at risk. • Small dam with poor catchment area. • Cheapest option is to upgrade spillway rather than decommission dam. • Sarina Pipeline connection commissioned but not currently used. • 75% SCAP State Subsidy for this main. **Remote Schemes** • Legacy issues have only recently been assessed. • Plans now underway to completed upgrades where necessary to meet he DWQMP requirements. **Sewerage Mackay** • Retrofit MBRs. • Current forecast upgrades are • MNWRF (Bucasia) - 2017/2018 • MSWRF (Bakers Creek) - 2024 **Sewer - Mirani/Marian** • Marian - No receiving waters near WWTP. • Currently discharge into drain - minimum flow requirements. • Options being considered include - Nutrient trading / Expand Reuse • Next upgrade - potentially $20M. • Acceptance of Discharge Point by Regulator is a risk.

ITEMS	REQUESTOR	ACTION / COMMENTS
		Sewer Sarina • Last trickling plant in region to be closed January 2014. • Current reuse - Golf Course. • $35M for 8000 EP plant on Greenfield site. • New PS and 3km rising main. • Contract awarded mid-November to Transfield SKM Joint Venture. • Current Licence conditions include thoroughfare (i.e. road) as closed Odour Receptor - Regulator has agreed to take this out of this Licence. • Next new plant required approx 2030. • Several local beach communities currently unsewered. PD noted biggest impact is material selection due to corrosion and odour issues. **PPP - Network Assets, Overview & Condition** • Currently not logging pipe breaks on GIS. • Need better data capture • PD recommended low investment until better data capture in place. • 180 sewerage pump stations. • Small team of pump station attendants. • PD noted option of minimising the need for pump station attendants and review where better to utilise these resources within the business • Use WSAA Design Guidelines with some variation. • Precast manholes: leaks, I/I - low lids, broken lids, and leaking lids. • Water Main Renewal Program driven by Roads Program (NDRRA Program). **PPP - Statistics & Performance Indicators** • Sewerage Capital Expenditure - $600/property. • Capital program not smooth. • Spiked due to major projects. • ROR based on regulated asset base.

ITEMS	REQUESTOR	ACTION / COMMENTS
		• Sewer Overflow Abatement Program required. • I/I - Council assets vs. customer assets • Believe Council assets contribute approx 50%. • Quality of subdivisions is poor and therefore donated assets are questionable. • Project Development/Delivery Workflow option for large projects: 1. Cross council group to critique larger projects. 2. Possibly use of Cairns Townsville Mackay Water Alliance 3. BCC - $5M and over and risky/social impact projects. **PPP - Future Capital Program** • Roads Program: • Undertake Risk Assessment on criticality of asset, end of useful life and breaks. • MOU with TMR for cost sharing.
6. Timing for Next Meeting		• First 2 weeks in February. • Tuesday or Thursday. • 10am to 2pm.
7. Agree Area of Focus for Next Meetings		• NF noted: 1. Need to review the long term financial model for the business to address appropriate capital structure and long term financial sustainability; 2. Work is progressing with QTC on development of the financial model; 3. Add an additional element of critique for 2013/2014 Capital Program. 4. Ensure prudent and efficient spend. • February meeting detail required: 1. LTFF - first cut of 2013/2014 Capital Program 2. Drivers + one page Business Case - Planning/Design Phase • Suggestions for further consideration: 1. NF - Budget labour costs - 5/6%

ITEMS	REQUESTOR	ACTION / COMMENTS
		vacancy 2. NF - Electricity costs - possibility to renegotiate contract/amalgamate with other councils to obtain reduced tariff. 3. NF - Procurement – use of a strategic procurement approach for major contracts / services including an element of commercial negotiations. 4. Agency for Procurement people. • Need "Commercial Approach": 1. Most desirable outcome 2. Acceptable outcome 3. No Deal 4. Risk position and scope to be well considered. 5. More work on concept design/planning stage. • Need to ensure we understand: 1. Market 2. Tenderers 3. Process 4. Have necessary skill set • **For discussion at next meeting:** **1. Procurement** **2. Prioritisation Process** **3. Gateway Process** **4. Financial model**
8. Lunch with Water Services Program Managers		
9. Site Visits • **Mirani WWTP/WTP Site** • **Nebo Road** • **Mackay South**		Site visits conducted.
10. Next Meeting		12 February 2013

Meeting closed: 12 pm
Minutes: Robyn Smith

10.2 DRAFT MINUTES MACKAY MATSUURA SISTER CITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Author Manager Community Development and Libraries

Purpose

Attached is a copy of the draft minutes of the Mackay Matsuura Sister City Advisory Committee meeting held 3 December 2012, for information purposes.

Officer's Recommendation

THAT the minutes be received

Attachments

1. Mackay Matsuura Sister City Advisory Committee draft minutes 03.12.12

MACKAY MATSUURA SISTER CITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Monday 3 December 2012 at 5.00 pm
"London" Meeting Room
MINUTES

ATTENDANCE: Cr Alison Jones (Chair); Karen Hurford; Margaret Browne; Naoka Kaneda; Bill Molloy; Virginia Flynn; Lyn Gargano; Jan Kilbourne; Meghan Campbell; Kathryn Smith;

APOLOGIES: Cr Dave Perkins; Aki Doolan;

1. **Minutes of previous meeting**
   The minutes of the meeting held 29 October 2012, having been previously distributed, were approved.

2. **Matters arising**
   2012 Scholarship Trip to Japan
   The students' reports are being compiled and will be given to the Mayor and Councillors in the next couple of weeks and will be available to the committee in the near future. One of Karen's students prepared a good presentation which was shown to students at their school and Karen will ask if this could be shown to the committee and shared for future promotion.
   Action: Meghan/Kathryn to compile reports.
   Karen to follow up re the student's presentation.

3. **2013 Scholarship Trip to Japan**
   Chaperone and student interviews are underway.
   Travel agent / itinerary: Quotes have been received and reviewed and the committee agreed to go with Saizen Travel next year.
   Action: Travel agents to be advised.

4. **2013 Mackay Region Citizens' tour to Matsuura**
   Quotes have been received and reviewed. Discussion took place and the committee recommended Saizen Travel as the preferred choice for the 2013 trip, subject to Council approval. The committee could not come to a unanimous decision as to when would be the best time for the trip - October or November - and it was agreed this should be put to the Mayor for her consideration. The minimum age limit for tour group members was discussed and it was agreed that the opinion of the Mayor/Councillors and Matsuura should be sought.
   Action: Kathryn to email Junko; Cr Jones to follow up with the Mayor, Travel agents to be advised and media release to be arranged.

   Gifts will be needed for Matsuura City, the Friendship Association and Individual formal dinner gifts and suggestions were discussed.
   Action: For further thought - committee members to email any suggestions.

5. **2014 Matsuura Citizens' Visit - proposal for trip**
   Following feedback from the 2012 citizens' tour to our region, Virginia has researched details for a stay on Hamilton Island to enable the visitors to have a trip

to the reef. It was agreed this would increase the costs to Matsuura and that information should be forwarded to Matsuura for their future planning.
Action: Kathryn to forward to Junko/Fiona.

6. Sister Cities Mackay

- Update
  Lyn Gargano advised that elections had taken place and the officers elected are:
  Margaret Browne: President
  Lyn Gargano: Vice President
  Jane Carrello: Secretary
  Craig Shepherd: Treasurer

  Lyn said that as her position on the advisory committee is for the presidency tenure, Lyn will step down following this meeting. Margaret Browne suggested that if Margaret is unable to attend a meeting, Lyn may like to attend in her absence. Lyn was thanked for her work on the advisory committee over the past year.

- Sister Cities are having a Christmas get together tomorrow and Advisory committee members are welcome to attend.

- Sister Cities are arranging a skype link up with Matsuura on Australia Day (to be held Saturday 26 January) and it is hoped some Council representatives will be able to attend. Further information to be provided.

7. General Business

- **Sister Cities Conference**
  Naoko Kaneda had represented the advisory committee at the annual conference and provided a report to the committee. Naoko spoke to the report and said that the conference had been extremely worthwhile, with many ideas being exchanged and discussions taking place. Representatives from councils and communities all over the country had attended and discussions had shown there are common issues regarding funding and resources. There was a strong feeling that involvement of more young people in the sister city relationships would be beneficial. Naoko was thanked for attending the conference and for her report.

- **Fish banners - appropriate date to display and activity**
  Jan had researched the sister city activities which Coff's Harbour arrange. They have an active Japanese / community committee and celebrate Children's Day with annual events. The fish banners are traditionally a symbol of Children's Day which is 5 May and discussion took place around what could be done to display the banners which Matsuura had given to Mackay on their last visit. It was suggested to display the banners on Matsuura Drive on an appropriate day on or close to 5 May and to have some Japanese activities happening also. We may need more banners to create a good display and this is to be looked into. A suggestion was put that we fly the banners on Council's flagpole on the actual day if they are not being displayed on Matsuura Drive on that date.
  Action: Kathryn to enquire re flying banners on Council's flagpole
  Meghan to enquire re use of flagpole(s) on Matsuura Drive (is there a mobile pole?).

Margaret to research availability/cost of fish banners.

8. **Date and time of next meeting**
   The next meeting is to be held mid February (date to be confirmed) with information to be shared by email if necessary in the meantime.

The meeting closed at 6.15 pm

10.3 DRAFT MINUTES RURAL AFFAIRS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Author Director Community Services

Purpose

Attached is a copy of the draft Rural Affairs Advisory Committee minutes of 6 December 2012 for information purposes.

Officer's Recommendation

THAT the minutes be received

Attachments

1. Rural Affairs Advisory Committee draft minutes 6.12.12

RURAL AFFAIRS ADVISORY COMMITTEE
6 December 2012 at 3.30 pm
Council Chambers - Mackay Regional Council

MINUTES

ATTENDANCE: Cr Alison Jones (Chair); (Stuart Holley (part); Ann Hand; Lyn Hackett; Owen Burns (part); Charlie Symons; Graham Townsend; Andrew Gibbs

APOLOGIES: Cr Dave Perkins; Gerard Carlyon; Kerry Latter; Andrew Cappello; Peter Gill

1. **MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**
The minutes of the meeting held on 18 October, having been previously distributed, were approved.

2. **MATTERS ARISING**

2.1 **Eungella Road – Range section - cat's eyes (RRPM)**
Andrew Gibbs has further discussed this with Main Roads and they have given this work priority – timing still to be advised.
Action: Andrew Gibbs to follow up

2.2 **Schmidtke's Road**
The development associated work is close to completion.

2.3 **Sarina Showgrounds**
Andrew Gibbs discussed this with Main Roads and speed limits can be reduced for the cattle sales as well as the Sarina Show. Details of dates of events to be advised to Andrew at least two weeks prior to event.

Regarding the access issue into the Sarina Showgrounds, Andrew has raised this with Main Roads as requested and it is intended to follow up with a letter
Action: Andrew to correspond with TMR.

2.4 **Discussion around strategic issues**
As requested by the committee, Gerard Carlyon has written to Jeff Stewart Harris at NQ Bulk Ports with an invitation for a representative to come to a future RAAC meeting to give an update on their activities. No reply has been received as yet.
Action: Gerard to follow up

2.5 **Seaforth Issues:**
Erosion of creek bank in Evans Avenue:
Stuart Holley advised this has not progressed at this stage and it is intended to investigate and look at options to rectify.
Action: Stuart Holley to follow up

No Parking signage on the foreshore area at the corner of George Street and Poinciana Avenue:

Charlie Symons had seen a Council worker taking photographs, who said he could see no reason for parking to be restricted but it was thought he was not clear on the exact location. Charlie has discussed this with Cr Morgan who will follow up.
Action: Andrew to follow up

Seaforth Dump Point
Stuart Holley advised it is hoped work will start on this next Monday, the location is being finalised so that it is in a place accessible to people who are staying in the campsite as well as visitors passing through.

3. GENERAL BUSINESS

3.1 Update on Roads and Drainage

Stuart Holley advised that Andrew Gibbs will be attending future meetings in place of himself and the committee thanked Stuart for the work he has done with the RAAC. Stuart introduced the Council's website on roadworks activities and handed over to Andrew who demonstrated how this may be used and the committee agreed this is very useful communication tool.

Andrew also gave the committee a demonstration on how to put in customer requests via Council's website and the committee appreciated this. It was noted that it was not clear in which section water leaks and related problems should be reported. Graham Townsend wished to report a water leak and it was noted that this was an important topic for the public to report. The committee agreed that water leaks should be highlighted as a topic in the section "roads, footpaths, drainage" which would be helpful to people when reporting these issues.

Action: Andrew to discuss with Corporate Communications, the suggested location for water-related issues to be reported on the website.

- Kuttabul / Mt Jukes: The design is being finalised for tender early next year, with construction to commence in the 2nd quarter of 2013.
- Midge Point: The design to be finished early 2013 with the tender process to start June 2013.
- Balnagowan-Mandurana Rd – stormwater drainage work in progress, roadworks to commence in New Year.
- Sugar Shed Road, construction is scheduled to commence in the third quarter 2013.
- Walkerston Drainage: Bold Street to Keeley's Road – substantially completed.
- Seaforth: Palm Avenue work to commence December/January.
- Grasstree Beach footpath work well advanced, scheduled to be complete by Christmas.

- Constant Creek boat ramp and carpark – completion scheduled prior to Christmas but may extend into January.
- Approximately $1.6 million per week is being spent on natural disaster recovery (NDRRA) work (urban and rural).
- 2010 NDRRA work is 85% complete.
- 2011 NDRRA work is 16% complete, to be completed June 2014.
- 2012 NDRRA – works in progress and funding approvals still being sought through QldRA.

Applications for funding under the natural disaster programme are examined closely by QldRA and recent trends are only awarding 65%-70% of funding being applied for.

Owen Burns queried work on the Mackay-Eungella Road, Watts Road/Crediton Road which had been recently re-surfaced by Main Roads. Andrew explained the process is to apply three coats of bitumen/aggregate, with the final coat left for a few months. Linemarking has to be done at the intermediate stage as well as on completion and this explanation was appreciated.

3.2 **Graffiti Management Funding**

Council has received $70,000 to assist with managing graffiti related problems, as part of the State-wide Graffiti Stop programme. This funding will be used for clean ups, community services offenders' supervision costs etc. Andrew distributed information for the committee to pass on to their networks. Ratepayers can call this service to report any issues. The committee noted there is some graffiti on road signs in the region.

3.3 **Seaforth Camping Reserve Issues Update**

- **After hours access / onsite caretaker**
  Although the phone number for the caretaker is now shown at the entrance of the park, so that visitors may ring after hours, Charlie Symons explained there are still problems regarding this. The ideal situation would be for the caretaker to be resident on site, either in a caravan or a donga. This will be an ongoing issue which has been raised with Cr Morgan who will follow up.

- **Reinstallation of washing machines**
  Andrew Gibbs explained it is not possible to re-install washing machines on the site, due to the limitations of the capacity of the waste water plant on site. Charlie explained that unfortunately the toilet system does not work well and there are times when this gives off smells, noticeable to campers and residents in the vicinity. Andrew explained that the waste water plant is being monitored. Charlie said it was disappointing that the installer of this system did not take responsibility and during times of heavy rain, Council has to pump out the area.

- **Drainage in reserve**
  Corner Palm Ave/George St and Corner George St/Ponciana Ave
  This work is to be carried out. Palm Avenue/George Street is in the design stage and will be issued for consideration in 2013. George Street/Ponciana is scheduled to be completed during the week commencing 17 December 2012.

- **Walkway proposal**
  Charlie Symons explained this had been a project brought up in the past by the Seaforth Progress Association, who have some funds they would like to use on a walkway, in conjunction with Council, if Council is prepared to put some funding in. The long term idea is to have a walkway going from Ponciana Avenue along to the swimming enclosure. Andrew explained that initial concept plans are being developed and Cr Jones suggested that with concern about the corner of Ponciana Avenue, could this plan be extended to incorporate the area in question into the initial concept plan. It was agreed that the drain which is to go in next week could have a big impact on the corner.
  Action: Andrew Gibbs to follow up and bring the concept plan to the next meeting.

3.4 **Possible media promotion this month**

Following up on the suggested media item from the last meeting, Gerard has liaised with Corporate Communications regarding the littering issues in the region and it is expected that this will be highlighted on Council Connect in the near future.

It was agreed it would be appropriate to publicise the dates/times when children will be returning to school after the holidays for the January media promotion, as awareness for motorists.

4. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled for 21 February 2013 at 3.30 pm in Council Chambers.

The meeting closed at 4.35 pm.

10.4 DRAFT MINUTES LOCAL AREA MULTICULTURAL PARTNERSHIP (LAMP) PROGRAM ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Author Manager Community Development and Libraries

Purpose

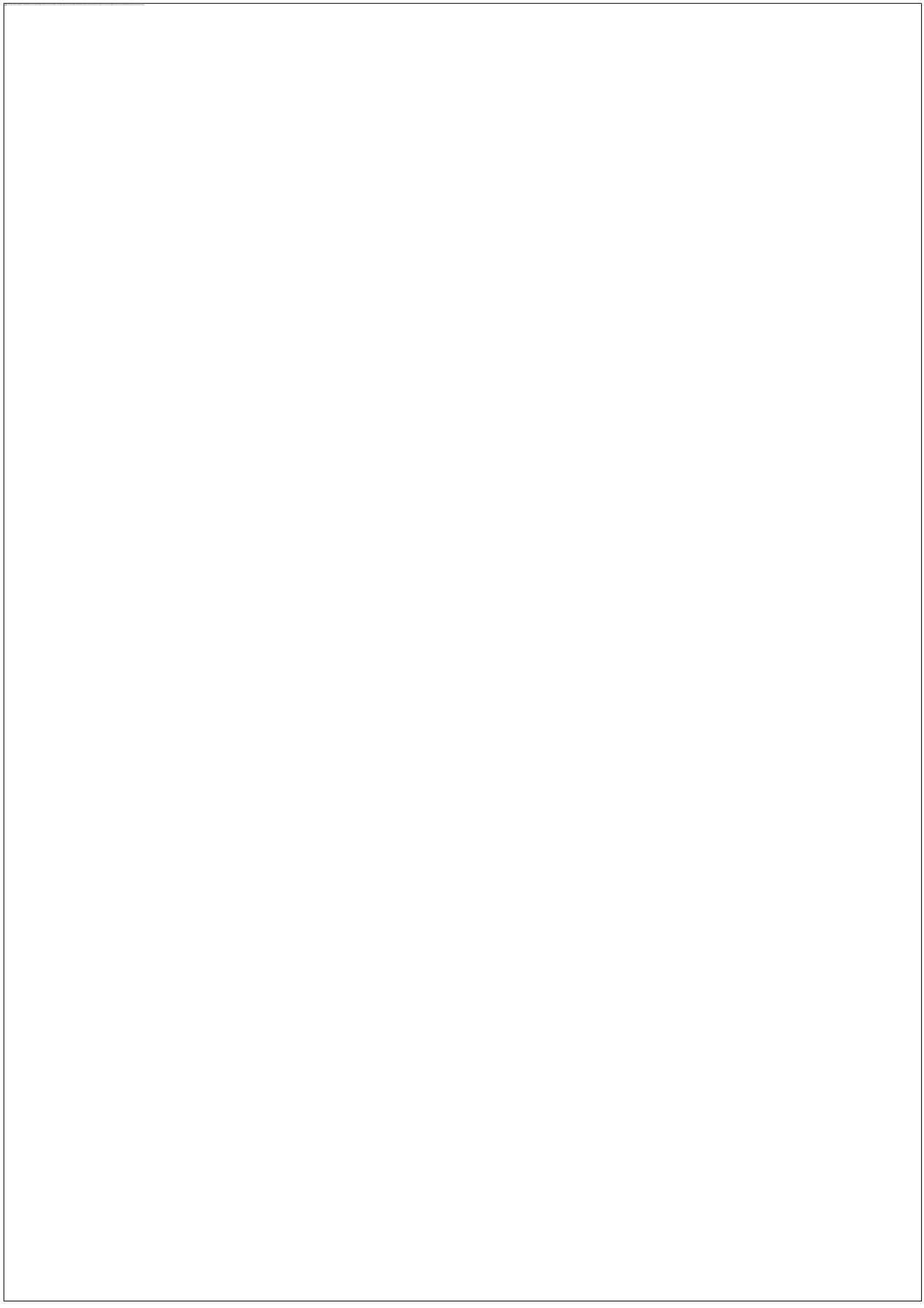
Attached is a copy of the draft minutes of the Local Area Multicultural Partnership (LAMP) Advisory Committee meeting held 29 November 2012 for information purposes.

Officer's Recommendation

THAT the minutes be received

Attachments

1. Draft minutes - LAMP Advisory Committee - 29.11.12



3. UPDATE ON MULTICULTURAL SECTOR ACTIVITIES

LAMP Update

Welcome Centre

Media launch was held on 16 November. Gemma has been appointed as Welcome Centre coordinator and is working 21 hours per week from Tuesday – Thursday each week. Gemma is working on a volunteer's roster to keep the centre manned at all times.

Mia is doing Friday shifts over the next 3 weeks to help keep the Centre open.

The Welcome Centre still requires 60% of funding needed to keep the centre going for a 12 month trial period. Any Advisory Committee members who are keen to volunteer or know of sponsorship opportunities are asked to contact Mia or Lara.

Action: Mia to send Welcome Centre contact details to LAMP Advisory Committee members

Dept Immigration Consultations

Lara attended on behalf of LAMP program and Council representative. Consultations were well attended.

Carolyn advised that there was a good cross section of different industries that attended which provided different opinions on the current government's migration program. Carolyn advised that in her opinion the governments review of the migration program to regional areas, it appears that decisions seem to be economically driven and no consideration of whether there are enough social supports in those areas to support new families migrating here.

Welcome Picnic

Next welcome picnic is scheduled for Saturday 8th December and coincides with International Volunteers Day. This picnic will be at Town Hall Park, Sydney St from 10am – 12noon and we will be asking for gold coin donation to support fundraising for the Welcome to Mackay Centre.

Harmony Day 2013

In the process of purchasing short film DVD from colourfest to showcase at a Harmony Day outdoor film screening. Currently looking for suitable outdoor venues (Town Hall Park) but also need to consider wet weather plan with an indoor venue.

-End of LAMP update-

Sisters of Mercy

Sr Margaret's work is consistent with five ESL students at St Joseph Catholic Primary School.

CALD Program at Carers Qld

Alison is filling in for Deb Parker while she is on study leave. This secondment will be until February 2013. Has attended the Committee meeting today to network and keep informed about multicultural issues for the sector.

ESL – Advisory Visiting Service

Joanne advised that her position and the co-workers at .7 and .3 positions has meant that the numbers of students requiring ESL support are steady. They are winding down for the year.

Settlement Grants Program

The program has been running for two years now at George St neighbourhood centre. The Program is currently funded until June 2013.

Carolyn advised that she has started to see a cycle of case work clients who have accessed the service and are now integrated into the community and are in favourable position to volunteer their services back to the centre.

Mackay District Intelligence Office

Sergeant Robert Dunbar has joined the Advisory Committee on this occasion to increase his networks and understanding of migration issues, patterns, concerns, trends of the CALD sector of the Mackay community. Any sub-committee members who would like to have a meeting are asked to contact Sgt Dunbar directly.

Business cards distributed to members.

Disability Services

No update for this meeting. The service is winding down for the Christmas period.

Multicultural Community Worker Program

World Cafe conversational English group is travelling well.

Lyn advised that she is always looking for partnerships to encourage relationship building and connections as part of her community development work with migrant communities and families.

Lyn and Carolyn advised that they will both be physically moving office locations from 4 George Street to 43 Shakespeare Street.

Community English Classes

David advised that the Community English Classes that he runs on Thursday nights require a new venue due to the imminent closure of the RSDC building on Wellington Street. It was suggested at the meeting to contact Aggie Partridge from Gordon White Library as a venue option.

David notes that he is seeing an increasing influx of new Chinese and Indian migrants to this region.

Meeting Dates 2013

Action: Mia/Lara to set meeting dates for 2013. Advise Madonna to schedule this in Cr Jones diary.

Thursday 21st February 2013

Thursday23rd May 2013

Thursday 22nd August 2013

Thursday 21st November 2013

All meetings are at 4pm in the Reception Room, 1st Floor Administration building Mackay Regional Council.

Meeting ended 5:00pm

Minutes recorded by: Mia Sammut-Landt

10.5 DRAFT MINUTES - VISUAL ARTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Author Manager Convention Precinct & Events

Purpose

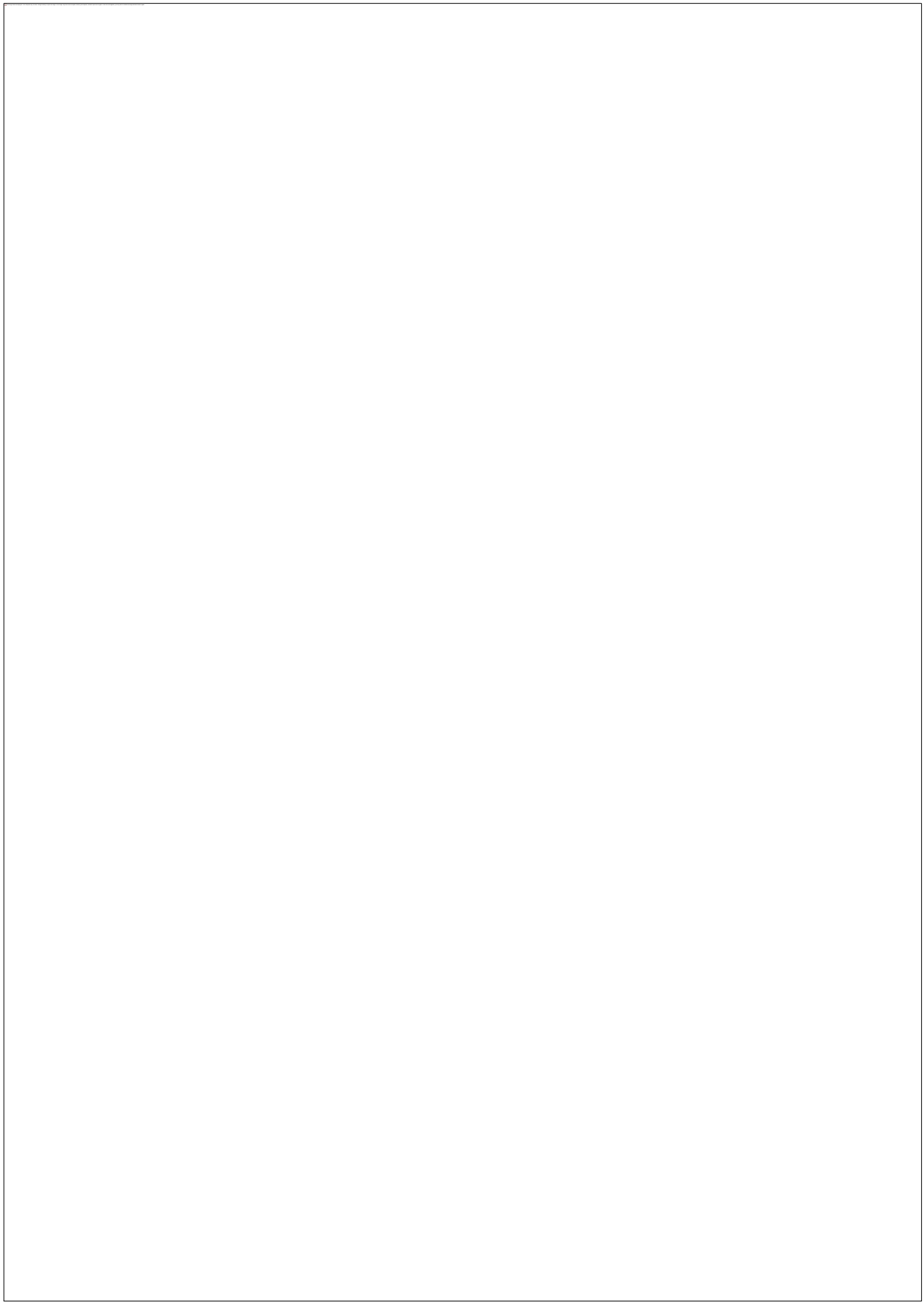
Attached is a copy of the draft Visual Arts Advisory Committee minutes of 3 December 2012**,** for information purposes.

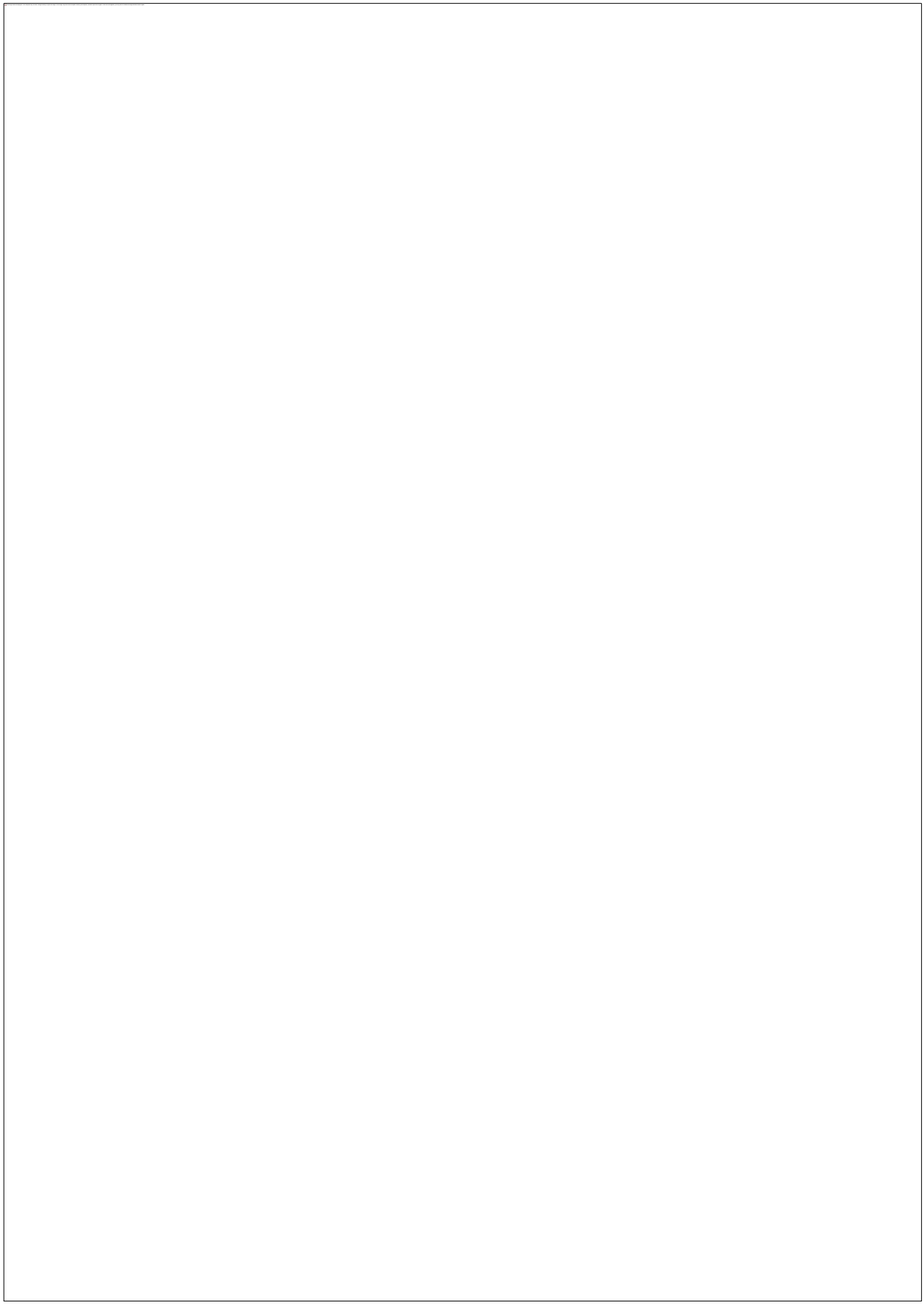
Officer's Recommendation

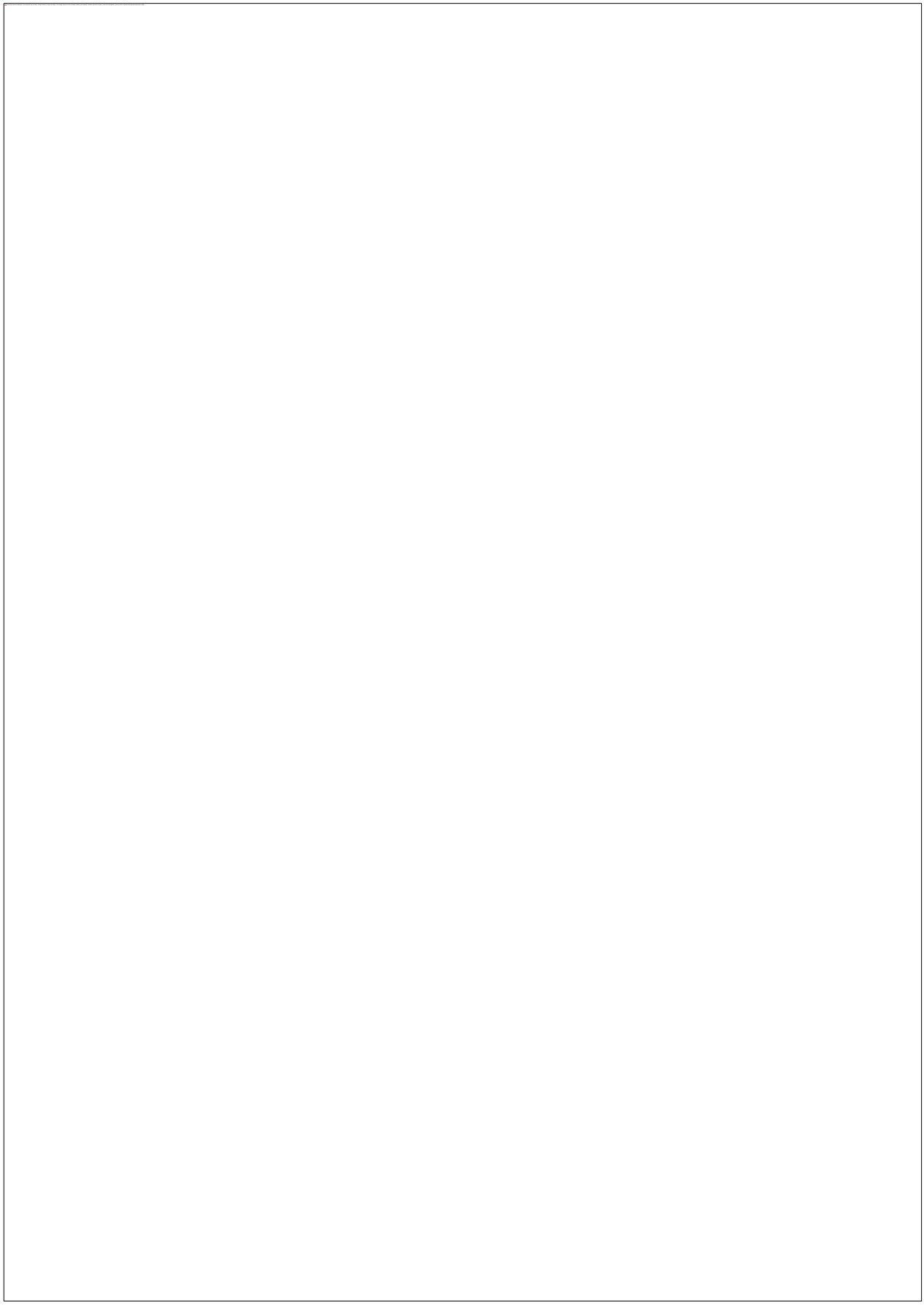
THAT the minutes be received.

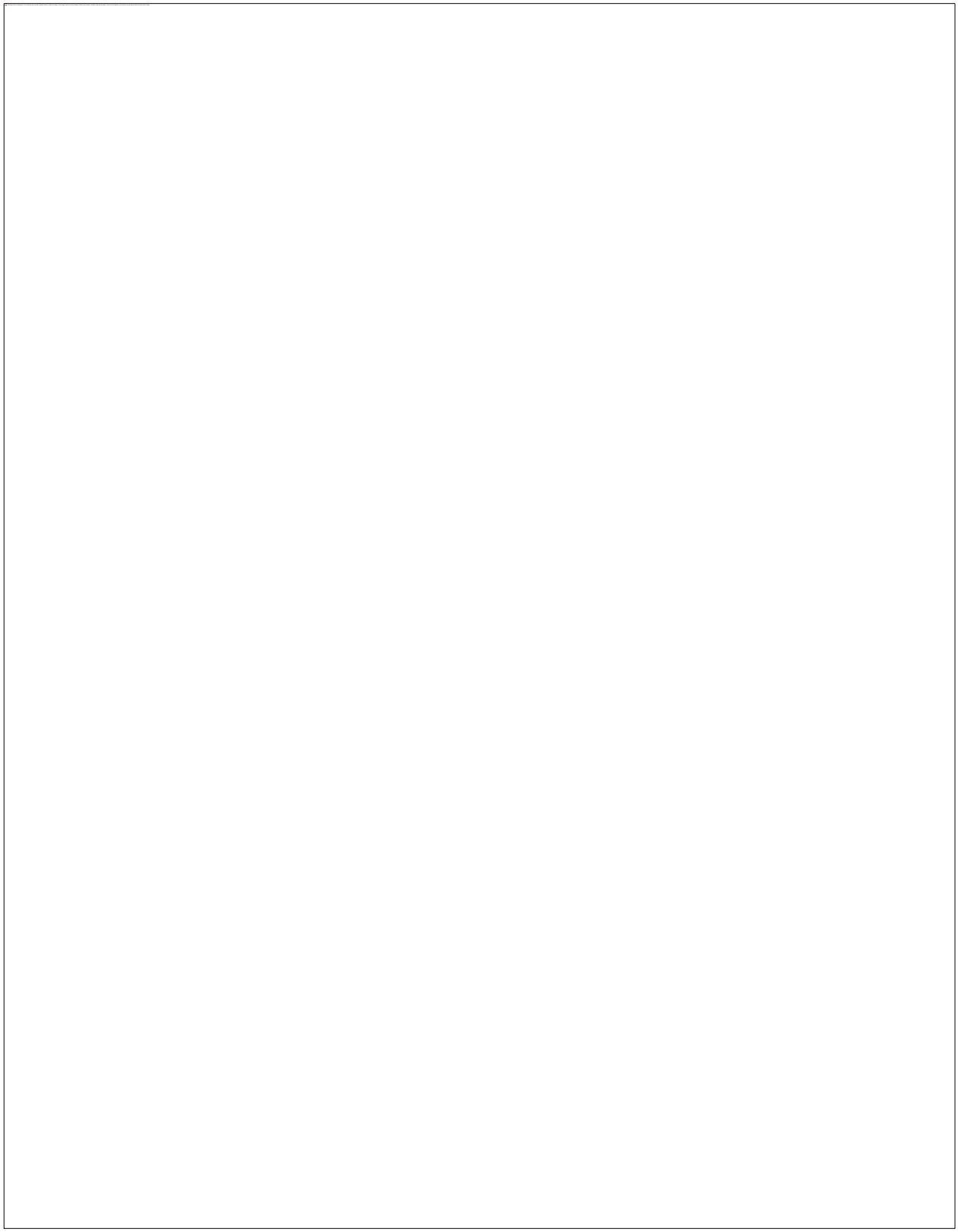
Attachments

1. Visual Arts Advisory Committee draft minutes, 3 December 2012
2. Michael Cook Artwork









10.6 DRAFT MINUTES EQUITABLE ACCESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Author Manager Community Development and Libraries

Purpose

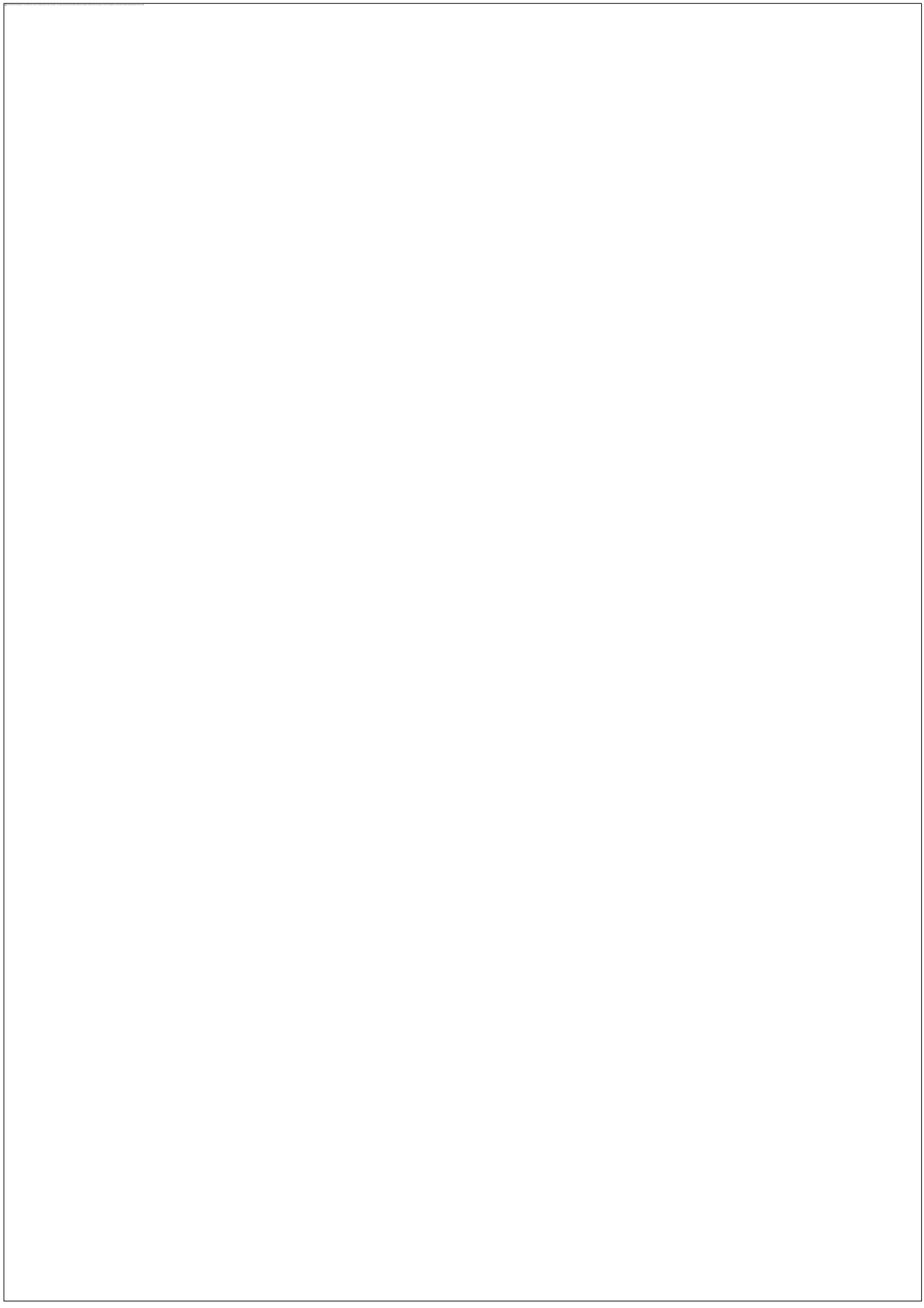
Attached is a copy of the draft Equitable Access Advisory Committee minutes of 4 December 2012 for information purposes.

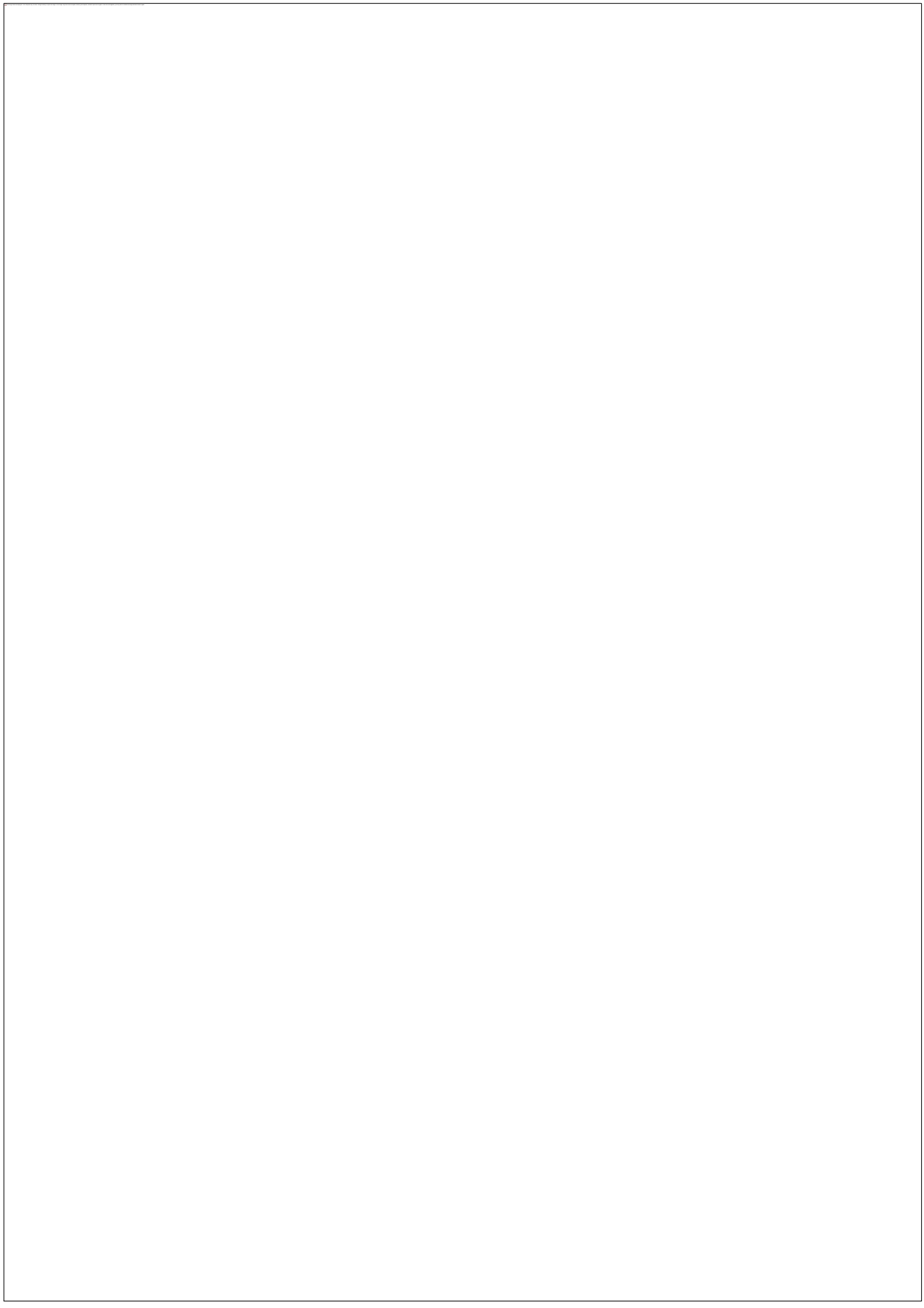
Officer's Recommendation

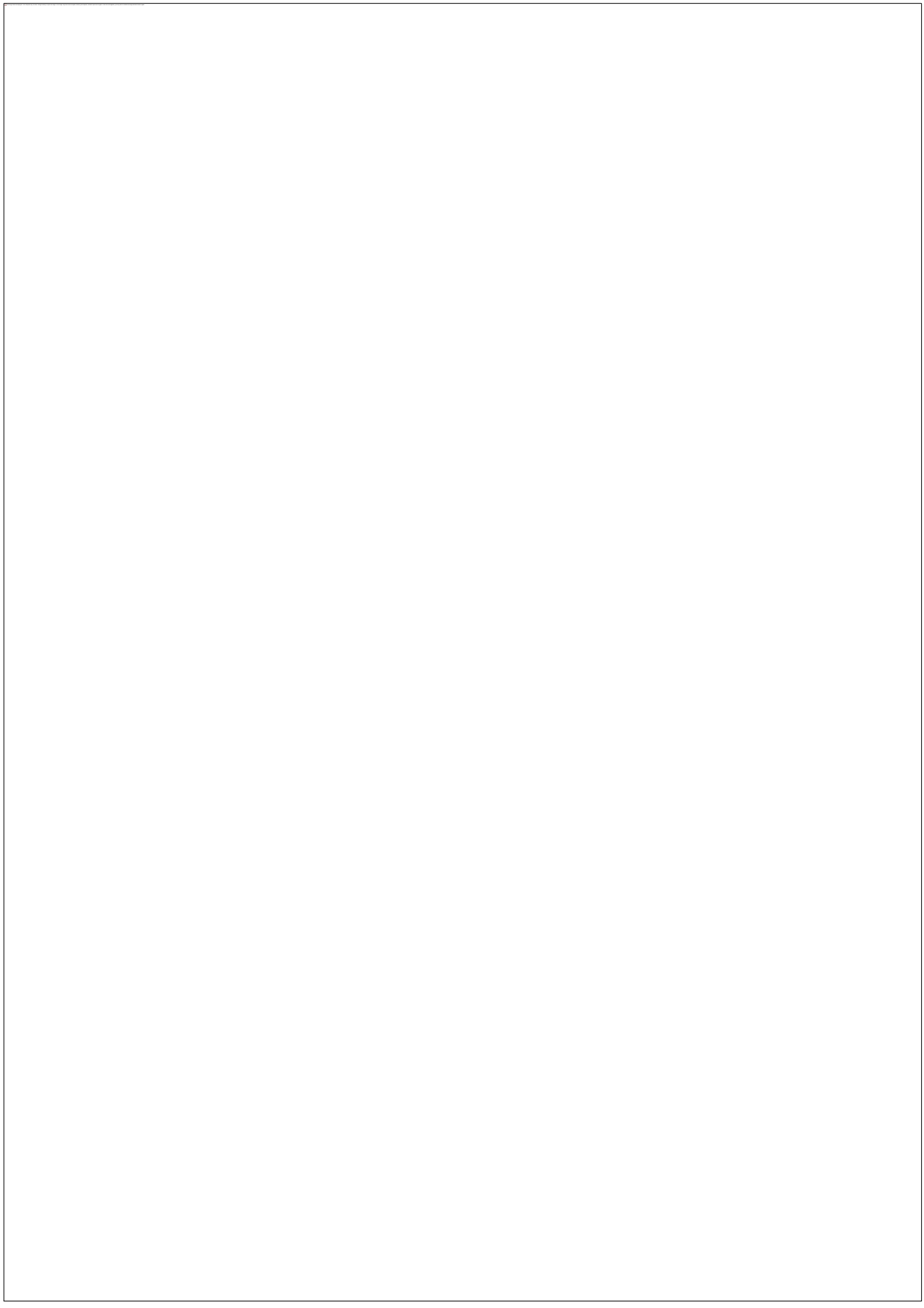
THAT the minutes be received.

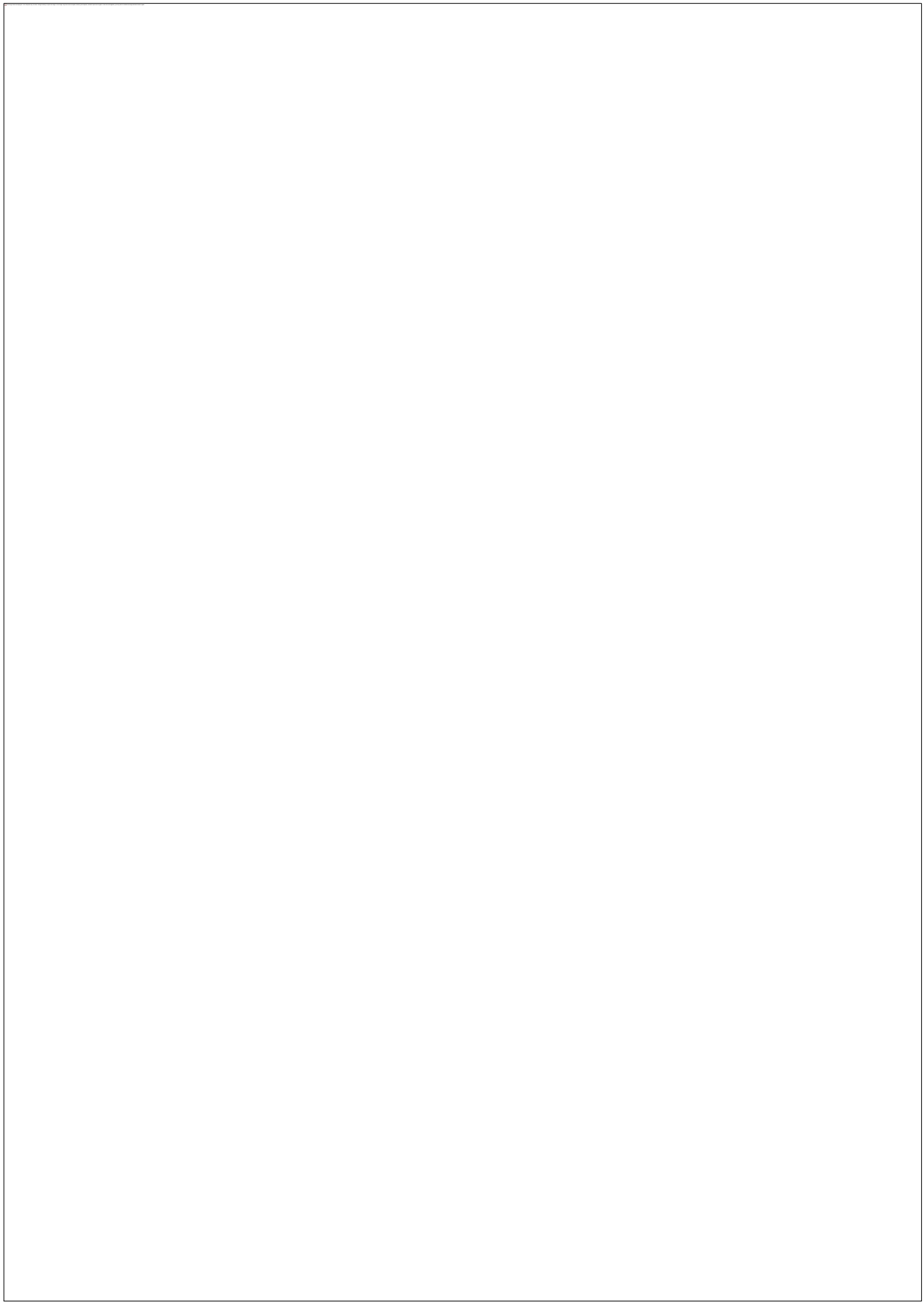
Attachments

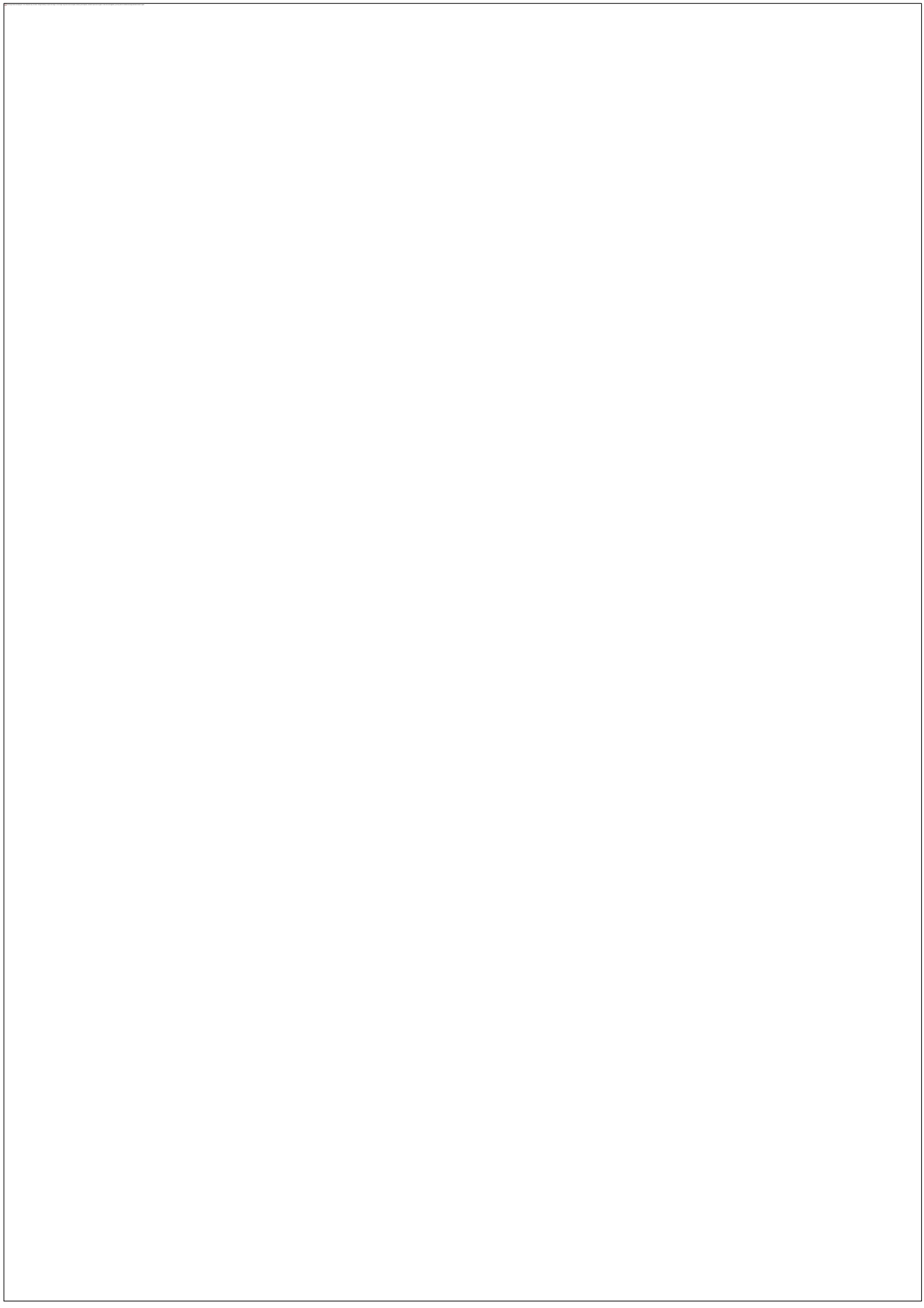
1. Equitable Access Advisory Committee draft minutes 4 December 2012

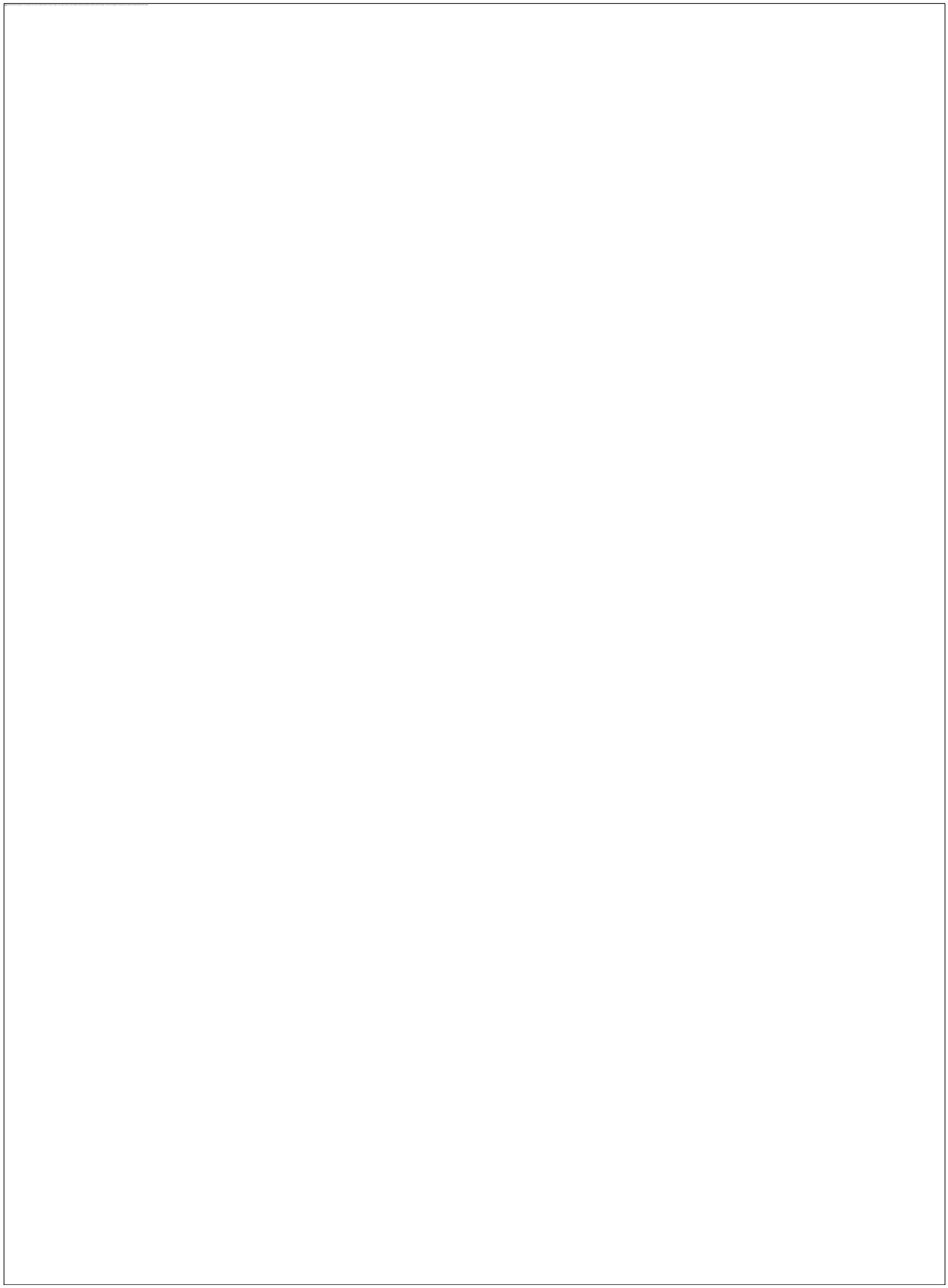












10.7 DRAFT CHARACTER HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE - 14 DECEMBER 2012

Author Strategic Planner - Local Area Planning

Purpose

Attached is the draft minutes of the Character Heritage Advisory Committee meeting held 14 February 2012, for information purposes and consideration of recommendations.

Advisory Committee's Recommendation

THAT the minutes be received.

Officer's Recommendation

THAT the minutes be received.

AND THAT all recommendations be discussed at the next Character Heritage Advisory Committee.

Attachments

Draft Minutes - Character Heritage Advisory Committee - 14 December 2012

Draft Minutes

Character Heritage Advisory Committee

8:30 am, Friday, 14 December 2012

Reception Room

Attendance: Cr Dave Perkins (Chair of CHAC), Cr Chris Bonanno, Philip Grobler, Yevonne Sullivan, Brian Osborne, Katherine Balderson, Carolyn Scott (Sarina Historical), Berenice Wright, Phil Martin (Mackay Historical Society & Museum), Wendy Laird (DEHP).

Apologies: Kevin Jefferies, Jaco Ackerman, Anna Thurgood, Tony De Brincat, Carmel Kelly (Mirani Museum), Lyn Robson (National Trust). Norma Lang (Sarina Historical Society), and Cr Greg Martin

ITEM	COMMENT	ACTION
1 Welcome		
2 Confirmation of Draft Minutes		
2.1	Acknowledged previous minutes of 12 October 2012.	**2.1** Noted.
3 Business Arising		
3.1 **Letters to Building Owners**	**3.1.1 T & G Building (116 Victoria St):** Council carried out an external site inspection with photographs, which was included in a letter sent to the Owner of the building. The current tenant of one of the shops in the building requested an updates from council on the outcome from the inspection. Cr. Perkins noted that a new tenant will be coming into the second shop on the site and may not be aware of the current	**3.1.1** The Committee recommends that Council send a follow up letter to the owner to reinforce the maintenance issues relating to the building. Council's Health & Regulatory Services Department are currently corresponding with the owners regarding the state of the building.

ITEM	COMMENT	ACTION
	state of the building. Clr Perkins had requested that an inspection be carried out by the Council's Health & Regulatory Services Department. It was noted that an article in the Daily Mercury on 15 November 2012 carried council's concerns regarding the state of the T&G building. **3.1.2 Paxton's building (River St).** Council carried out an external site inspection with photographs, which was included in a letter sent to the Owner of the building. **3.1.3 Court House (Victoria Street).** Council carried out an external site inspection with photographs, which was included in a letter sent to the Owner of the building. **3.1.4 Old Post Office (River St).** Council carried out an external site inspection with photographs, which was included in a letter sent to the Owner of the building. It was noted that this building is not listed on the Queensland Heritage register. Council has not received a formal response. **3.1.5 Pioneer Shire building** Council is seeking funding for City Centre works, with notification expected before June 2013. This application for funding will includes the Pioneer Shire building which will assist council with restoring the building.	**3.1.2** The owner has responded and confirmed that maintenance is scheduled on the building. **3.1.3** Wendy Laird (DEHP) confirmed that DEHP is following up on the proposed maintenance works. **3.1.4** Wendy Laird (DEHP) committed to assist in following up on state and maintenance of this building. **3.1.5** Council's application for funding is noted.
3.2 Lights on Edmond Casey Bridge.	**3.2.1** Carolyn Scott noted there is poor lighting on the Edmund Casey Bridge (Mackay bypass road at Fursden creek). Although not a heritage issue, it was ascertained that there were lights installed on the bridge, but Ergon have not connected power to the lights. This should be completed in due course.	**3.2.1** No action required.
3.3 Councilor attendance of Mackay Historical Society Museum	**3.3.1** Councillor Allison Jones and Brian Osborn (Museum Coordinator) now attends the monthly meetings.	**3.3.1** No action required.

ITEM	COMMENT	ACTION
4. General Business		
4.1 **M150 - 2012 Heritage Awards –** **Debrief/Lessons learned**	**4.1.1** Cr Perkins congratulated all involved in the M150 Heritage Awards on the success of the Awards. Several aspects lead to its success including: the venue, introduction of new categories, involvement of the press/media, and encouraging people to apply for the awards. It was noted that one award winner (Queensland Museums) decided to return the prize money to council and that the funds will be added to council's museum budget. The use of Greenmount as venue should be considered in future events. It was suggested that other areas in the region should also host the awards – i.e. Sarina in two years time. Ideas for future awards included: • Adhering more strictly to the criteria for judging the awards. • Continual media coverage of the awards • Listing of Development Applications suitable for awards • Contact local building certifiers to identify building that have been renovated with heritage value, and encourage interest in promoting properties for submissions for awards. • Using sponsorships/partnerships in awards.	**4.1.1** The date and venue to be confirmed prior to the next awards in 2014.
4.2 **Heritage on Draft Mackay Region Planning Scheme**	**4.2.1** Strategic Planning provided information to the Committee on how the proposed Draft Mackay Region Planning Scheme deals with heritage issues. This included detail on how the strategic vision (Strategic Framework of the Planning Scheme) values heritage protection and how a special overlay codes deals with heritage and neighbourhood character areas. Examples of the associated mapping in draft Mackay Region Planning Scheme was distributed during the meeting.	**4.2.1** For information purposes only

ITEM	COMMENT	ACTION
4.3 Promoting Heritage in Mackay Region	**4.3.1 Education packages** Brian Osborn is undertaking a program with Education Queensland to provide education packages suitable for schools (These packages were originally developed 6 years ago). The intent is to enable schools to visit and participate in heritage projects through council and local museums. The Greenmount Heritage collection is part of this exercise. Several ideas were discussed, including an 'adopt a cemetary'-idea to promote involvement in heritage issues in the region. It was noted that the headmaster of the new school in Northern Beaches has heritage expertise that may be able to be utilised. **4.3.2 Mackay Region Showcase** Mackay Historical Society Museum has established a steering committee to proceed with the Mackay Region Showcase (not a village of historical buildings). The Mackay Region Showcase will be one heritage related building with RV Park facilities. The steering committee is looking for business professionals to assist with creating a business plan and feasibility study which will enable them to apply for funding. A feasibility study could cost between $30,000 and $40,000. It is anticipated that a briefing paper with be ready for a presentation meeting with council by February 2013.	**4.3.1** Council to continue to support the linkage with Education Queensland and involving students in heritage programs. **4.3.2** The Committee suggests Council considers the manner of its support for the Mackay Region Showcase concept upon receipt of a briefing paper.
4.4 Clifftonville Cemetery/Atherton Family	**4.4.1** This is a follow up action from previous minutes. A discussion was held on ways to encourage maintenance of regional cemeteries, such as a school project similar to the Hampden School project.	**4.4.1** Carolyn from Sarina Museum to follow up with Robin Pitcher regarding previous discussions and report back at next meeting.
4.5 Green Knoll site	**4.5.1** It was noted the 8 Rotary clubs in the Mackay region have secured a 5 year lease of this site (off Green Knoll Road, Pleystowe), and will probably take possession in January 2013.	**4.5.1** Noted. No action required
5 Other Issues		
5.1	**5.1**	**5.1**

ITEM	COMMENT	ACTION
DEHP	Wendy Laird requested Council to send a letter notifying DEHP of the Heritage Buildings in Mackay requiring inspection, when she visits Mackay again. She has noted that this list could include: • Greenmount Homestead • Old Court House • Town Hall • Mackay Museum Building (last remaining Mill Barracks)	Council to write a letter and request a visit from Wendy Laird – DEHP to inspect local heritage buildings.
6 Next Meeting		
6.1 Date/venue	**6.1.1** To be confirmed: Date: Friday 8 February 2013 Time: 8.30 am – 10.00 am Venue: Reception room.	**6.1.1** To be confirmed.

Meeting Closed at 9.45 am

11. RECEIPT OF PETITIONS:

11.1 PETITION - ANTHONIEY'S CROSSING - SANDY CREEK ON KINCHANT DAM ROAD

File No **Anthonieys Crossing**
Author **Manager Technical Services**

Purpose

To report to Council on the outcome of investigations following the receipt of a petition from residents regarding Anthoniey's Cross, Sandy Creek on Kinchant Dam Road.

Operational Plan Linkage

This report relates to Operation Plan Linkage:

- Corporate Plan Strategy 5.1 and Operation Plan 5.1.1
- Corporate Plan Strategy 5.4 and Operation Plan 5.4.1, 5.4.3
- Corporate Plan Strategy 5.5 and Operation Plan 5.5.2

Background/Discussion

A petition was received by Council on 1 November 2012 relating to a request to raise and lengthen Anthoniey's Crossing due to the release of water from Kinchant Dam by Sunwater causing flooding of Anthoniey's Crossing on Kinchant Dam Road. This petition was formally received by Council at its 14 November 2012 Ordinary Meeting.

From investigations and general enquiries with Civil Operations it appears that the issue is generated during a combination of local catchment rainfall events plus discharges by Sunwater from Kinchant Dam.

Advice from Sunwater on Dam operations, improvements previously undertaken and other general issues can be identified as follows:

- Dam storage has a 1 metre air space between dam full supply level (FSL) of 57.21 metres and the Emergency Spillway crest level of 58.21 metres.
- When storage levels exceed FSL, flood discharges are made into the North Branch of Sandy Creek at a maximum discharge of 20m3 per second during normal operations although this could be exceeded via discharges by the emergency spillway during extreme events.
- Anthoniey's Crossing culvert capacity was upgraded in 1979 for the design discharge of 20m3 per second – see plan attached.
- Travel time from the Dam to the Crossing is 6 to 8 hours depending on the rate of release and cessation of release takes a similar time to have an effect on the Crossing.
- Following complaints from residents after approval and occupation of the current subdivision by Mirani Shire, Sunwater (State Water Projects at the time) upgraded two creek crossings on Leichhardt Road, Kinchant Dam Gully and Currans Crossing on

Sandy Creek to allow Leichhardt Road to be utilised as an alternative access during incidents of inundation of Anthoniey's Crossing.

- Sunwater personnel have indicated that they endeavour to manage releases from the Dam in such a way as to keep the crossing open to local traffic, however, releases are affected by the magnitude of the rainfall event, the quantity of inflow from the catchment and the stored volume at the time of the event.
- During heavy rainfall events (tropical depressions and cyclones) maximum discharge rates are chosen in order to manage the storage.
- Ultimately Sunwater is responsible for the structural safety of the Dam and general public safety is paramount.

Advice from Civil Operations in regard to road closure and inundation issues is as follows:

- Anthoniey's Crossing is inundated to depths ranging from 1.6 to 2 metres during instances of severe rainfall events in combination with dm releases. Approach roadways to the crossing are also inundated for a significant distance.
- Permanent road closure signage on Kinchant Dam Road has been established to be utilised during inundation events and a good working relationship exists between Sunwater, Queensland Police and Civil Operations staff.
- Alternative access is available via Leichhardt Road, however, during severe rainfall events Curran's Crossing is also inundated with both the crossing and approach roadways operating as a floodway with depths approaching approximately 800 millimetres.
- The surface of the unsealed Leichhardt Road appears to be acceptable in terms of trafficability even during wet weather. This road was utilised as construction access during Kinchant Dam construction and base and surfacing materials utilised appear to allow it to operate suitably for through traffic even in these extreme rainfall events.

In considering possible options to improve access provisions it should initially be stated that these investigations have been based on conceptual level hydrological data only. Prior to any definitive determination being made a detailed hydrological investigation would be required to assess and determine accurate catchment boundaries, time of concentration flows, creek bed slopes, flood routing of alternative contributing flood flow sources, waterway area and capacity requirements as well as generated hydraulic grade lines during extreme events.

Based on the assumptions above the following concept development options were considered:

Background

Anthoniey's Crossing is located over Sandy Creek at Kinchant Dam Road, Kinchant Dam. It comprises of a 4/ (2.3x1.8) box culvert. The 4/ (2.3x1.8) box culverts were designed to cater for the discharge from Kinchant Dam (maximum of 20 cumecs). The crossing becomes inundated when the dam discharge combined with rain water runoff generated from the huge catchment upstream of Sandy Creek. After numerous occasions of flooding and some near miss incidents the floodway signs were erected. There were occasions when the crossing needed to be closed for an extended period of time for road safety. One of the occasions was during the rainfall event of 17th to 21st of March 2012.

The residents of that area have been using the Curran Crossing at Leichhardt Road as an alternative crossing while Anthoniey's Crossing is closed due to flooding. The Curran Crossing is situated on RL 51 metres and the Anthoniey's Crossing is situated on RL 33.9 metres.

Rainfall Analysis

The event referenced by the petitions has been researched and the Bureau of Meteorology has indicated that the rainfall recorded in this catchment is as follows:

18/3/12	-	109mm
19/3/12	-	131mm
20/3/12	-	135mm
21/3/12	-	201mm

Assessed as individual rainfall events these events equate to an ARI 2 to 5 year event while as a combined event ARI 5 to 10 year event.

Culvert Capacity and Flow of Anthoniey's Crossing

The upstream contributing flow to Sandy Creek near the Anthoniey's Crossing has a catchment area of 200 hectares approximately which can generate a flow of 60 cumecs in a Q5 event. (A detailed hydraulic analysis needs to be conducted to accurately measure the flow.) If we combine this flow with the dam discharge the total flow becomes 80 cumecs.

Therefore, it is quite evident that the capacity of the box culvert at Anthoniey's Crossing is not adequate. The capacity of the box culvert can be increased by adding cells or replacing with a larger one. Another cell of box culvert (2.3x1.8) at the located will not improve the flooding situation considerably. Therefore, the only other feasible option is constructing a bridge in a higher elevation and hence allowing overbank creek flow.

Curran's Crossing

The Curran's Crossing floodway was upgraded from 2/600 RCP culvert to 4/1500 RCP culvert in 2001. The height of the flood water at Curran's Crossing was reported as 800mm on 21st March 2012 (refer to the petition). The flooding situation at Curran's Crossing can be significantly improved by replacing the 4/1500 RCP's with the 5/ (2.3x1.8) box culvert. This floodway can be concreted as well for better driveability. It is observed that the downsteam of the Curran's Crossing is heavily silted and vegetated (as shown on the photograph below).

Again, a detailed hydraulic analysis (at least a 2 dimension flood hydrograph) needs to be conducted to determine the extent of flooding.

Option Analysis

1. M. Lock Bridge construction at Anthoniey's Crossing involves construction of a bridge at RL35.9 in comparison with the existing road crown level of 32.9111m as well as approach road works of an assumed 100m on each approach.

   Cost estimated: $1.44M

2. Upgrading Curran's Crossing by upgrading the existing culvert, creating a trafficable concrete causeway and raising road formation level over a length of approximately 4.6km.

   Cost estimated: $960,000

3. Upgrading Curran's Crossing by upgrading the existing culvert and creating a trafficable concrete causeway.

   Cost estimated $426,000

The three options presented above indicated the range of options available.

- Option 1 – upgrade Anthoniey's Crossing to be trafficable during Q5 event plus dam discharges.
- Option 2 and 3 – upgrade Curran's Crossing to Q5 trafficable or Q5 immune standards.

Each of these options should be viewed in light of limited alternative access options, the extent of isolation which may be experienced and Council's normal Q5 trafficable standards for rural roads.

In addition, the following other observations should be made:

- The Sandy Creek bed at the upstream/downstream of Anthoniey's Crossing is heavily vegetated; the flow velocity can be improved by clearing the vegetation from the upstream of Anthoniey's Crossing. Notations on construction plans from Sunwater indicated a requirement to clear vegetation both upstream and downstream for 1 kilometre from the culverts.
- The downstream of the Curran's Crossing is also heavily silted and vegetated. The 4/1500 RCP culvert was observed as water logged during a site visit.
- It is observed during the site visit the downstream end of Sandy Creek at the Curran's Crossing culvert may have been partially filled or diverted.

Consultation and Communication

- Sunwater
- Director Engineering Services
- Manager Civil Operations
- Maintenance Engineer
- Manager Technical Services

Resource Implications

No current capital works funding allocation exists for this project. Investigation, design and construction funding would have to be allocated in a future Capital Works Programme deferring alternative works given that funding is allocated on a project specific basis over the life of the 20 year LTFP. It should be noted that the cost of initial investigations and studies are estimated to cost $100,000.

Risk Management Implications

Ongoing road maintenance costs are incurred as a result of inundation of both crossings, however limited financial risk exists. Major risk implication is to Council's reputation in the event of a serious health/medical issue when road access is unavailable.

Conclusion

A range of options exist to address the access issues raised by the petitioners, however, this should be mitigated by the Q5 trafficable level of service provided for rural roads.

It is suggested that to more accurately define the issues that Council, prior to any determination or resolution, approve and request that Sunwater undertake vegetation and silt removal in Sandy Creek upstream and downstream of both Anthoniey's and Curran's Crossings. Whilst no funding is currently available and these studies are not a high priority compared to other drainage related projects across the region where property inundation is an issue, it would be prudent to list the following studies for future consideration:

- A detailed hydraulic and hydrologic investigation into contributing flows associated with the individual catchments and determine actual design flow rates and water levels at the individual crossings.
- Investigate upgrading of Leichhardt Road as an alternative access and determine the level of and extent of flooding at this location.
- A field survey and geomorphic channel evaluation on Sandy Creek and the individual crossings.

The total costs to Council of the above would be in the order of $100,000.

Officer's Recommendation

THAT prior to any Council determination on the major capital costs associated with any proposed upgrade of road crossings or causeways as requested in the petition, the following be undertaken:

1. Sunwater be requested to undertake vegetation and silt removal in Sandy Creek upstream and downstream of both Anthoniey's and Curran's Crossings.
2. Council assess as part of its long term capital program the funding of the following studies and investigations:
   - A detailed hydraulic and hydrologic investigation into contributing flows associated with the individual catchments and determine actual design flow rates and water levels at the individual crossings.

- Investigate upgrading of Leichhardt Road as an alternative access and determine the level of and extent of flooding at this location.
- A field survey and geomorphic channel evaluation on Sandy Creek and the individual crossings.

Attachments

1. Anthoniey's Crossing Petition
2. Anthoniey's Crossing Minutes 14 November 2012 Ordinary Meeting
3. Anthoniey's Crossing Mi1565
4. Anthoniey's Crossing Mi1564
5. Anthoniey's Crossing Mi1575
6. Anthoniey's Crossing Mi1591
7. Anthoniey's Crossing 49295B
8. Anthoniey's Crossing 49293B
9. Anthoniey's Crossing 49292B
10. Anthoniey's Crossing 49306
11. Anthoniey's Crossing Mi105

Advisory Committee Recommendation

THAT the minutes be received.

Officer's Recommendation

A. THAT the minutes be received.

B. AND THAT all recommendations be discussed at the next Heritage Advisory Committee.

Council Resolution

THAT the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Moved Cr Perkins **Seconded Cr Martin**

CARRIED

10. RECEIPT OF PETITIONS:

10.1 PETITION - ANTHONY'S CROSSING, SANDY CREEK ON KINCHANT DAM ROAD

Author **Acting Chief Executive Officer**

Purpose

A petition was received by Council on 1 November 2012 and relates to a request to raise and lengthen Antony's Crossing, due to the releasing of water from Kinchant Dam by Sunwater which causes flooding of the crossing on Kinchant Dam Road.

Background/Discussion

In terms of Council's Standing Orders Council has three options with regard to Petitions that are tabled and these are;

- the petition be received and consideration stand as an order of the day for the meeting; or for a future meeting; or
- the petition be received and referred to a committee or officer for consideration and a report to the local government; or
- the petition not be received.

The petitioners have chronicled the condition of the crossing over a two month period whereby water levels have restricted or halted use of the crossing. Residents request that rectification works be carried out by Council to raise and lengthen the Crossing to ensure this main access can be utilised not only by locals but also by emergency services and other service providers.

Consultation and Communication

That the petitioners, through their representative, be informed that Council acknowledges receipt of the Petition and that it has been accepted as a formal submission. The issues raised will be addressed in the report that is tabled before Council.

Resource Implications

Nil.

Risk Management Implications

Nil

Conclusion

It is proposed that Council consider the action it wishes to take with regard to the Petition ie;

- the petition be received and consideration stand as an order of the day for the meeting or for a future meeting or
- the petition be received and referred to a committee or officer for consideration and a report to the local government
- the petition not be received.

Officer's Recommendation

THAT the petition be received and referred to the Chief Executive Officer for a report to be prepared to the local government.

THAT the principle petitioner be advised of Council's determination.

Council Resolution

THAT the petition be received and referred to the Chief Executive Officer for a report to be prepared for Council's consideration on 30 January 2013.

THAT the principle petitioner be advised of Council's determination.

Moved Cr Steindl **Seconded Cr Bonaventura**

CARRIED

Antony's Crossing, Sandy Creek on Kinchant Dam Road

On 3rd February 2012 Antony's Crossing was closed in the morning for 24 hours through natural rainfall, no dam release.

26th February 2012 was closed again for 12 hours through natural rainfall, no dam release.

16th March 2012 – 8:15am about .400mm over crossing, arms down at 6:00pm over by .150mm. Sunwater opened 1 valve at 6:00pm and by 7:00pm crossing was over by .200mm.

17th March 2012 crossing still over by .150mm in the morning. Then after heavy rainfall was over by a metre. Currans Crossing on Leichardt Road was also over by .300mm at 5:30pm.

18th March 2012 at 7:00pm Antonys Crossing was well over at 1.200 metres with Curran's Crossing still closed.

19th March 2012 at 7:00am Antonys Crossing was over about 1.600 metres. Currans Crossing was still closed by .600mm.

No way out at 7:00am and at 1:30pm on 20th March Antonys Crossing was over by 2 metres and Currans Crossing over by .800mm. Kinchant Dam full and all gates at Kinchant Dam opened fully.

21st March 2012, 8:00am, rain easing off by Antonys Crossing still 2 metres over. Water was still being let out of Kinchant Dam at 100%. Currans Crossing still over at .800mm falling very slowly.

Residents on Kinchant Dam side of Antony's Crossing had been completely locked in since Saturday morning 17th March 2012.

22nd March 2012 Antony's Crossing still over, water level marker had been washed away. Currans Crossing now open.

23rd March 2012 Antonys Crossing over about .300-.500mm. Storm in afternoon.

24th March 2012, Election/Voting Day, Antonys Crossing was still over, so residents could only go out through Mirani.

25th March 2012 Antony's Crossing still over and water still being let out of Kinchant Dam.

26th March 2012 Antonys Crossing still over, Currans Crossing still clear.

27th March 2012 Antonys Crossing still over by approx. .250mm. Road block arms still down. Antonys Crossing was closed till late on the 29th March. During this time of the crossing being closed the residents received no mail, no garbage collection, children were unable to attend primary and high schools. If an emergency had occurred there is no way for the Emergency Services to get through which concerns all resident immensely.

There are 50 properties plus the Education Recreation Camp and the Kinchant Dam Resort on the western side of Antonys Crossing.

In a petition for this year 450 signatures were received, of which 126 were residents on Kinchant Dam Road and roads leading off.

Something has to be done to this crossing as it is the main access in and out.

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31 Thomas Deguara Drive
Kinchant Dam Q 4741
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NAME	ADDRESS	S
Amanda Nelson	1852 Mirani-Eton Rd Brightly	
Jim Kendall	Kinchant Dam Resort	
Jason Bantelo	Marian - Eton Road	
Frances Stebbeings	9 Clarke Street Eton	
Ashleigh Stebbeings	9 Clarke Street Eton	
Troy Crawford	365 Kinchant dam Rd	
Helen Foden	North Eton M/E Road	
Michelle Cottrell	Mia mia rd Marian	
Leanne Ferris	3 Lowther St Eton	
Kristy Faram	513 Kinchant Dam Rd.	
Warrick Rackemann	10 Elva Court Glenella	
Terri Robke	Blue Mtn Rd Eton.	
Clayton Pearson	9 Clark Pl Marian	
E Vassallo	1852 Mirani Eton Rd Brightley	
B. Robke	9 Barrier St Eton	
Yvonne Hollier	11 Hill St Eton	
Karla Howard	28 Kinchant Dam Road	
Tanya Hornsby	10 Lowther St Eton	
Dave Petx Rest.	472 Chelonard	
Lee Graham	Eton 4741	
Jeff Wayman	10 Clement St Sth Mackay	
Joan Berg	Eton 4741	
Frances Deguara	118 Sorbellos Rd, Eton	
Graham Haines	1051 Marian Eton Rd Nth Eton	
Vicki Alvino	59 Kinchant Dam Rd.	
Debbie Fry	160 Stongy Creek Rd. Eton	
Neil Brittain	20 Joan Temple Dr Eton	
S. Sant	18 Austin Dr Eton	

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NAME	ADDRESS
HELEN GLANDINNER	117 THOMAS RD
WILLIAM GLANDINNER	117 THOMAS RD
DEE BEAR	KINCHANT WATER
BARRY SMITH	KINCHANT WATERS
TIM STRONNIX	KINCHANT WATERS
Brak Stephen	38 Kinchant dm rd
Brenton Foak	395 Kinchant Dam RD
R Rossiter	Green Hill RD TL BILBIE
S Himmons	White Cedar Place, Nanang BA
A Bell	Kinchant Dam
R Knapton	Kinchant Dam
B Danielson	Kinchant Dam
A Danielson	Kinchant Dam
G. SLATER	GLENELLA
E. SLATER	MACKAY
S. Milner	Kinchant waters
Stephen Tardy	8 Stonemann Cres
Lee Toohill	Sydney NSW
Brendon morgan	Brisbane QLD
GABE Perry	" "
Aleeka Fagan	Brisbane QLD
STEPHEN PERR	"
A R MATHEWS	MACKAY
G MATHEWS	MACKAY
JOHN BURTON	KINCHANT WATERS
BASIL SIMPLE	KINCHANT WATERS
R. Eggs	" "

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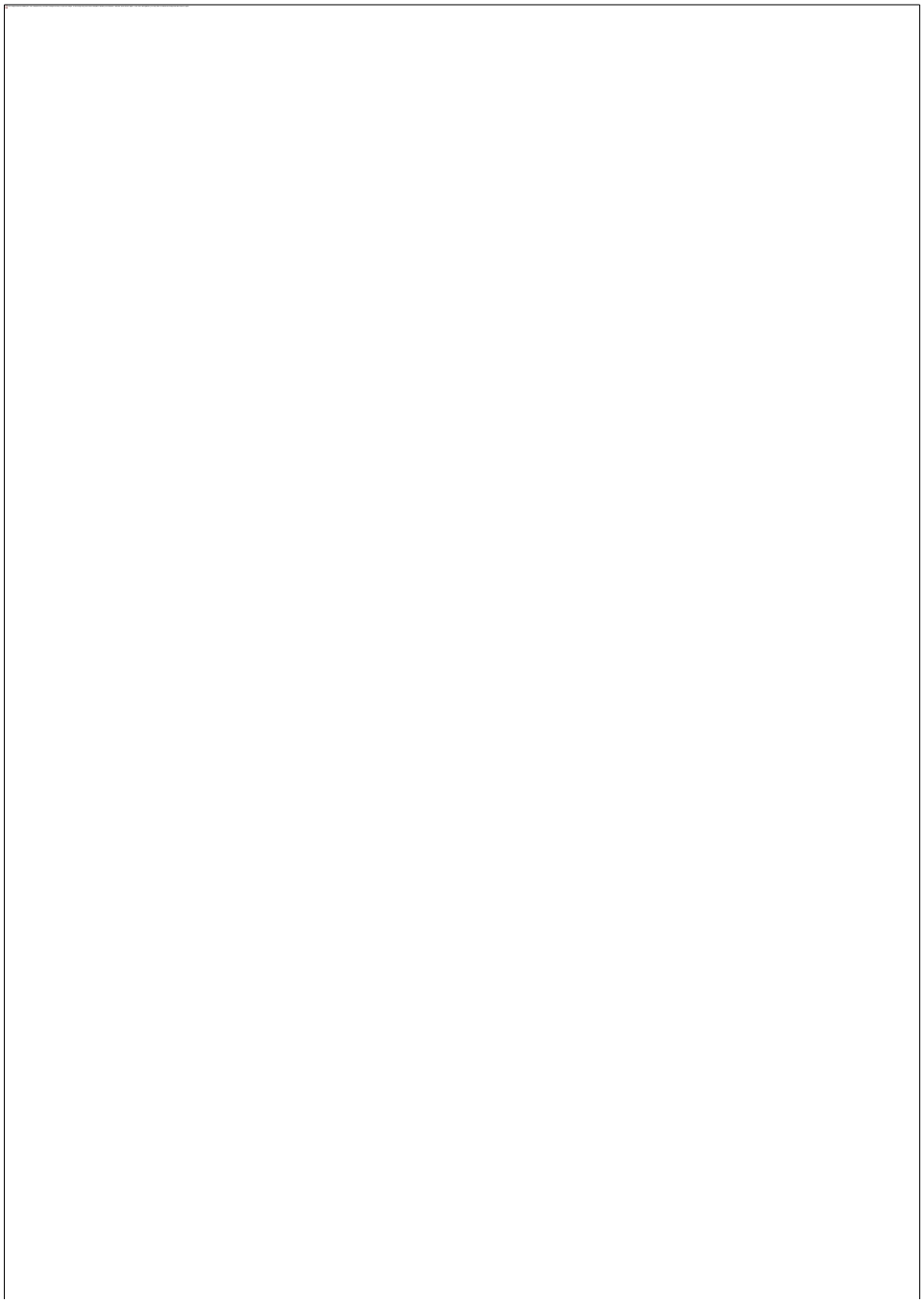

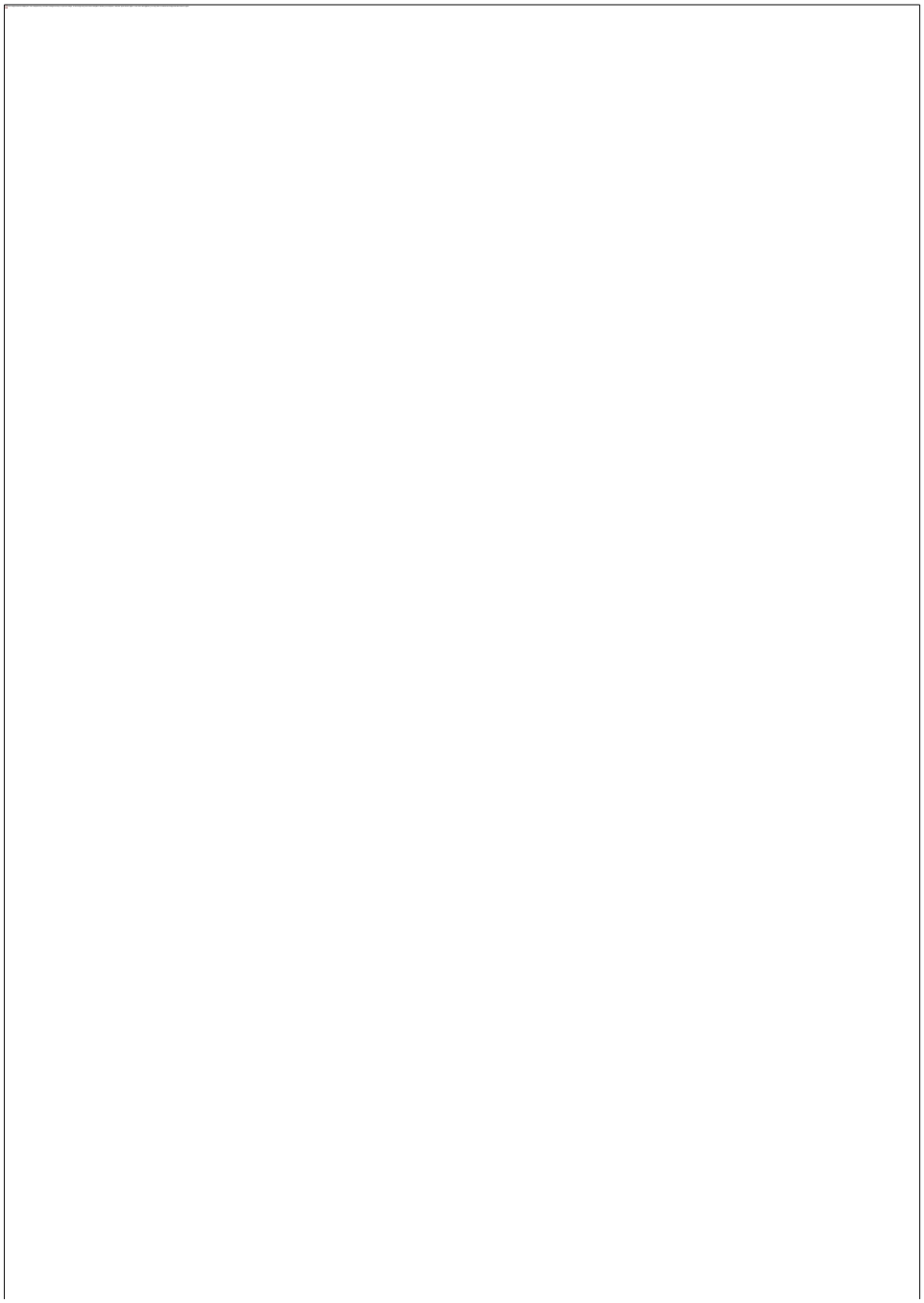

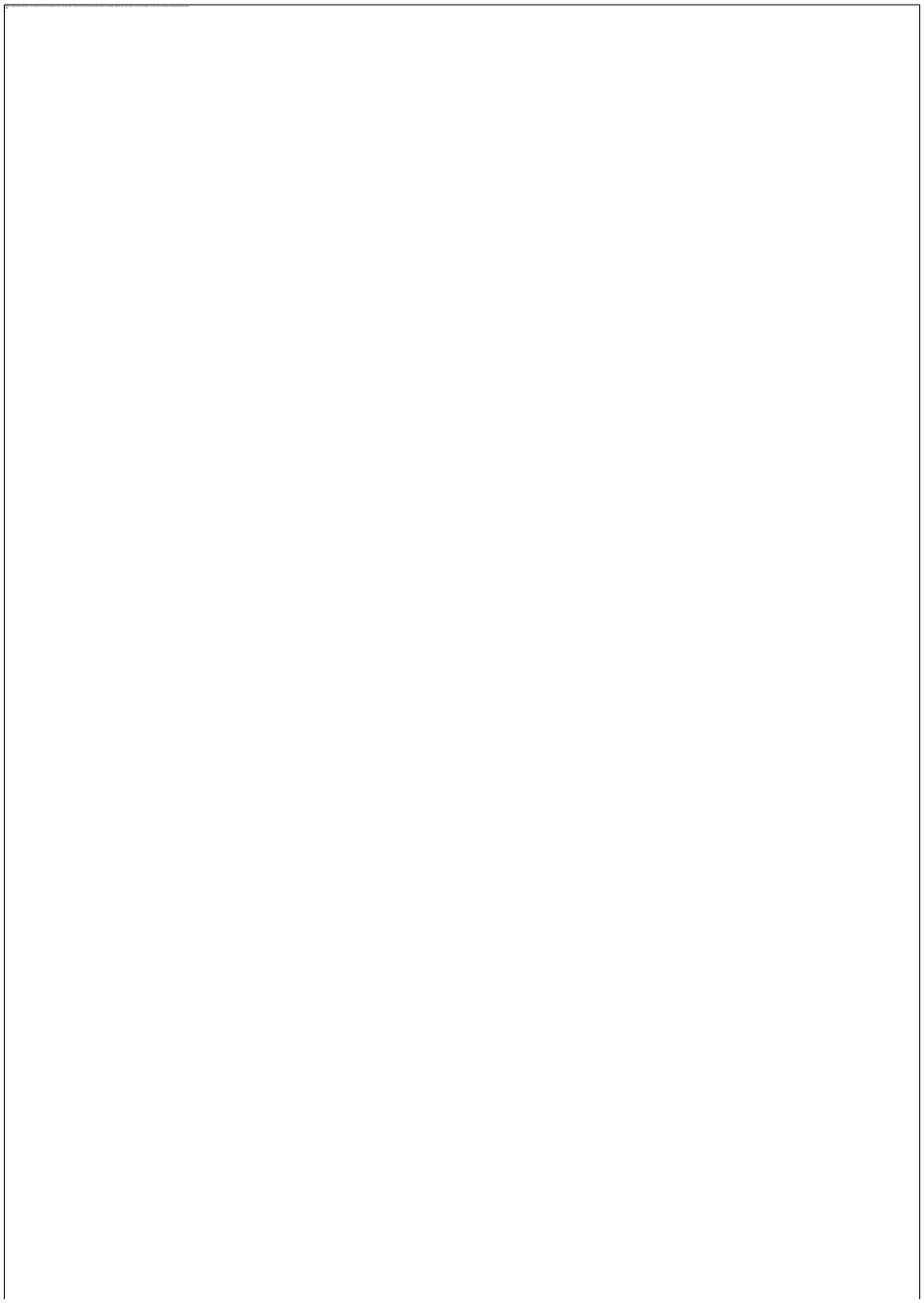

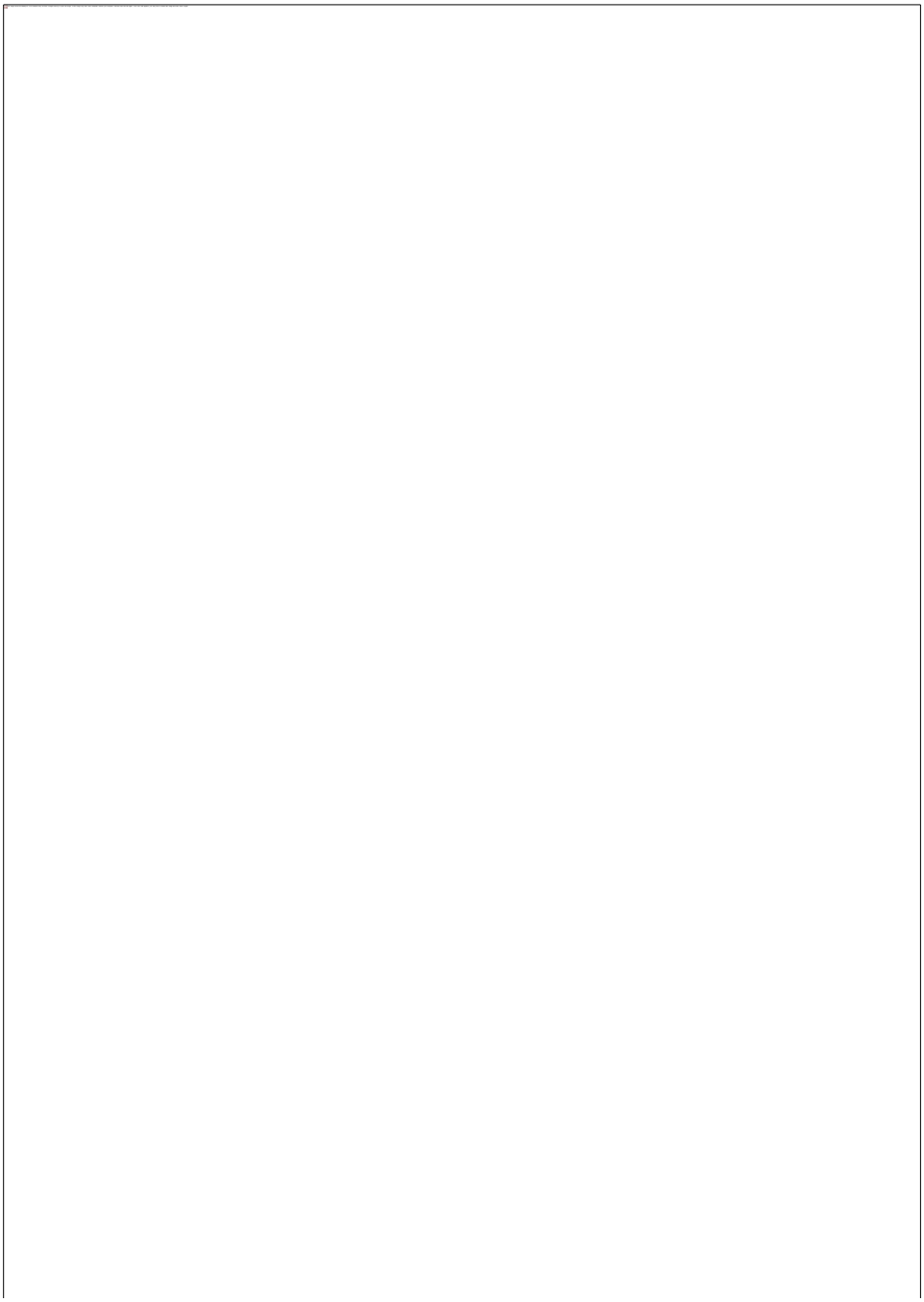

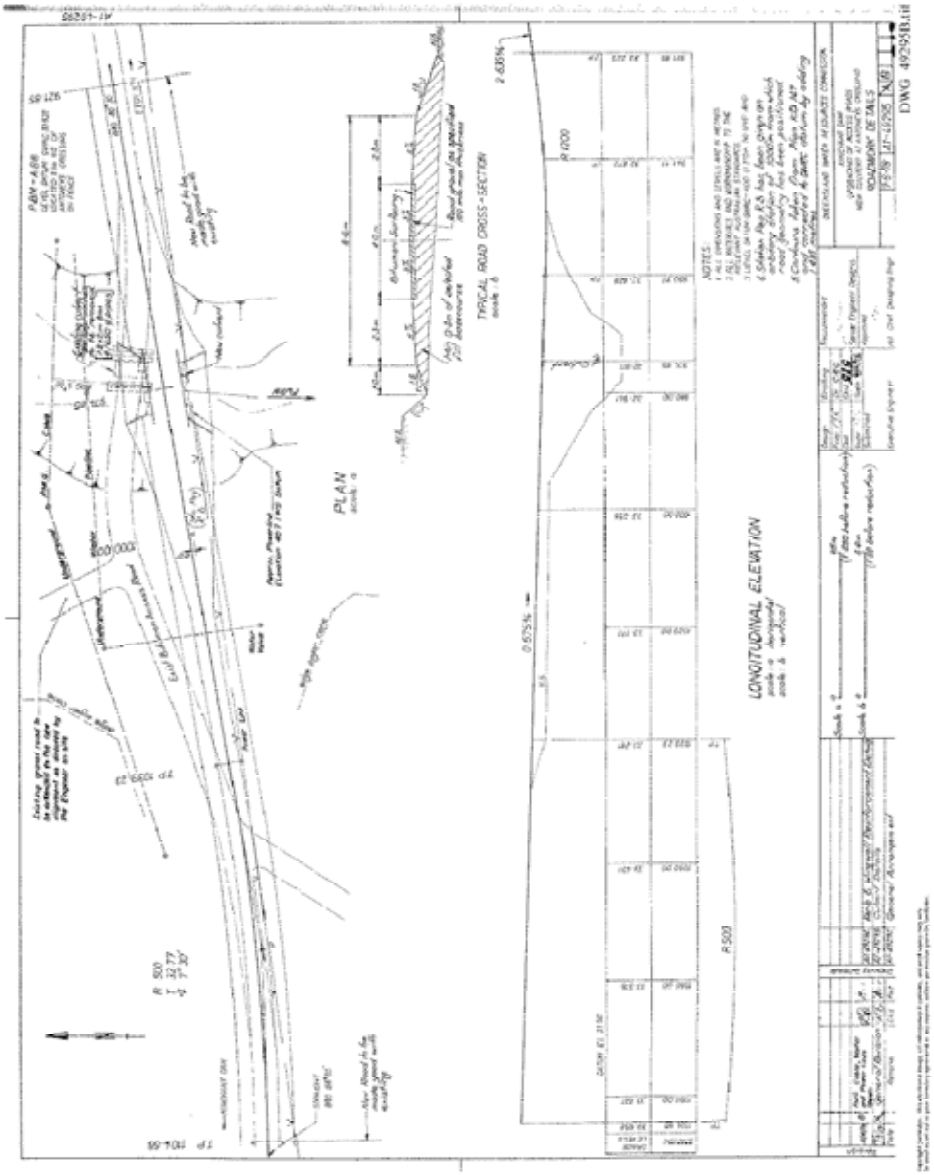
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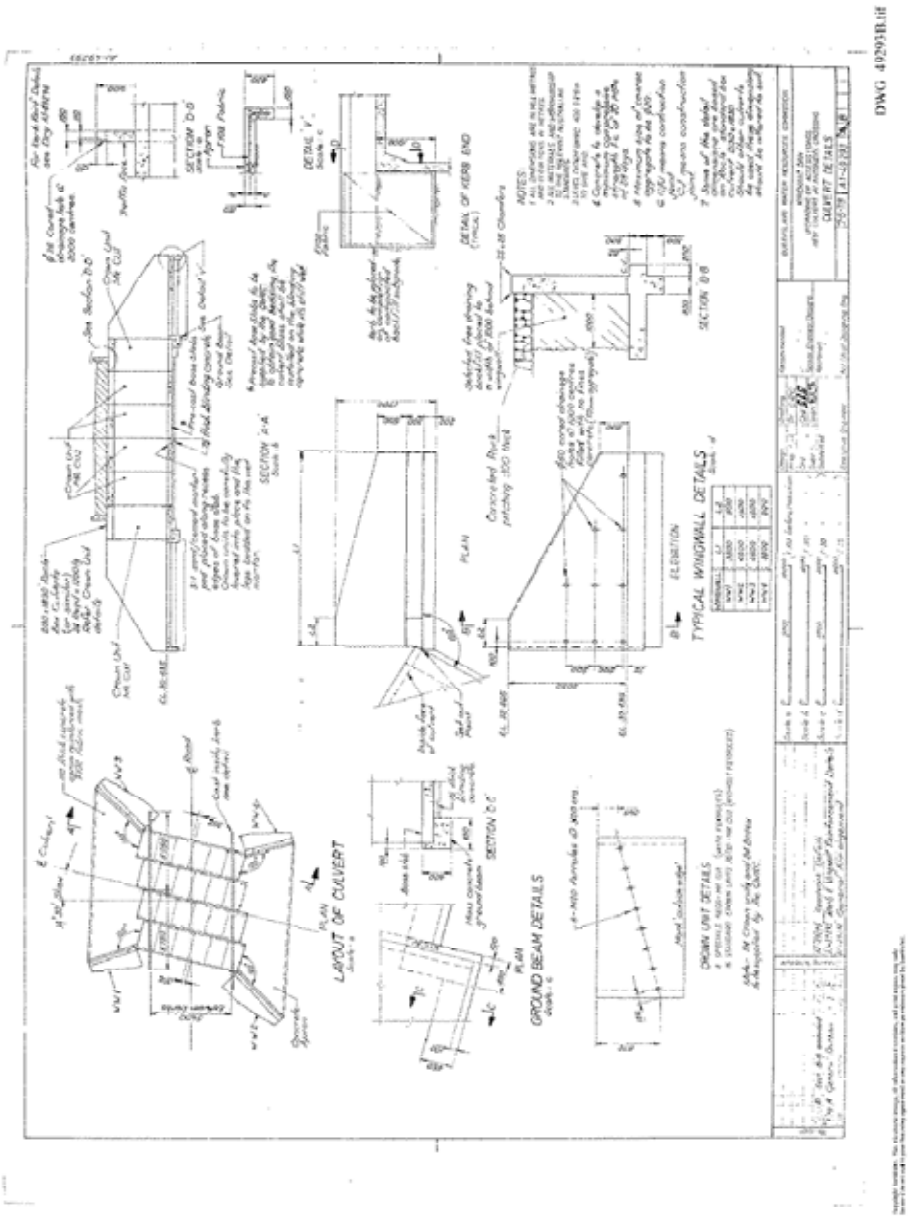
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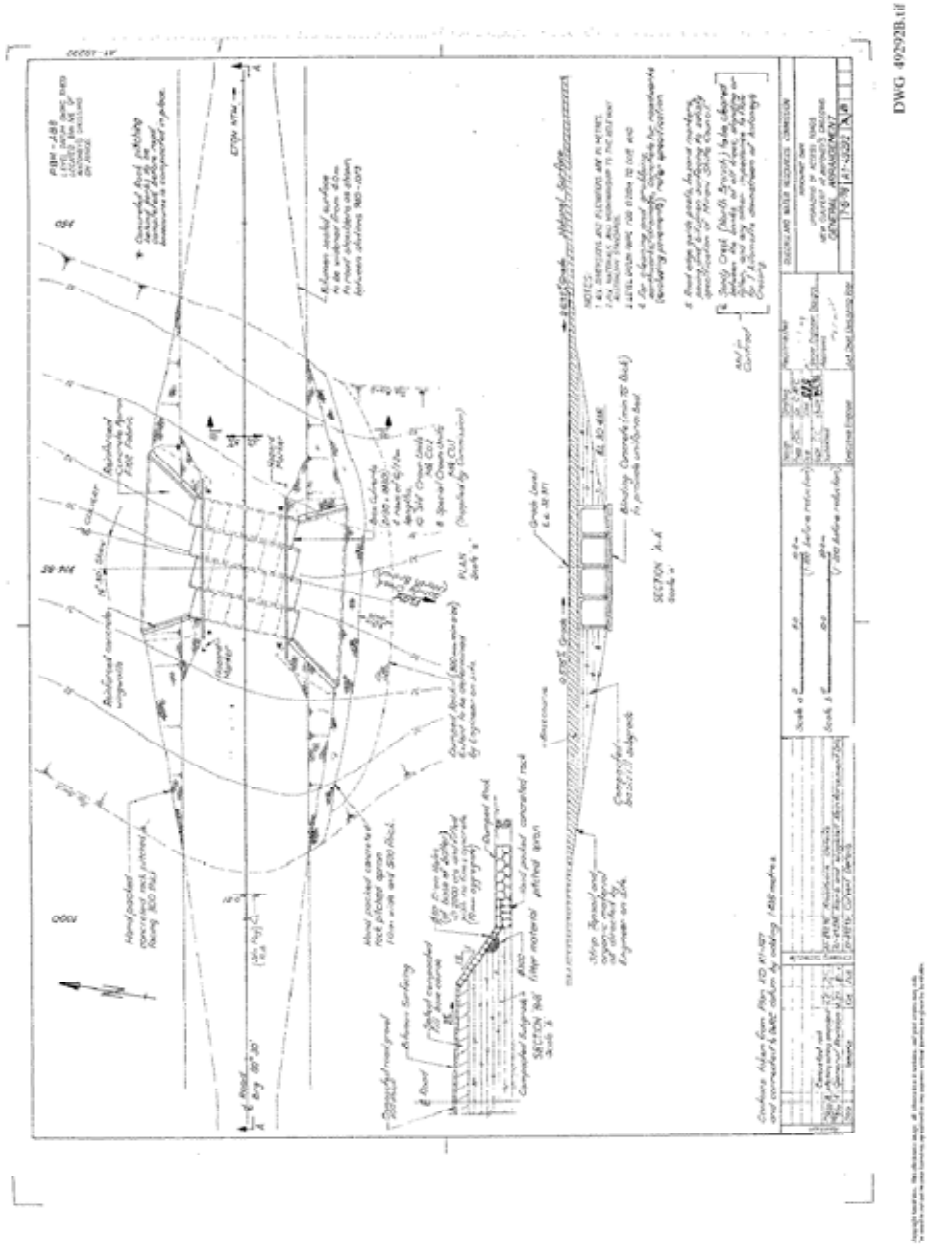
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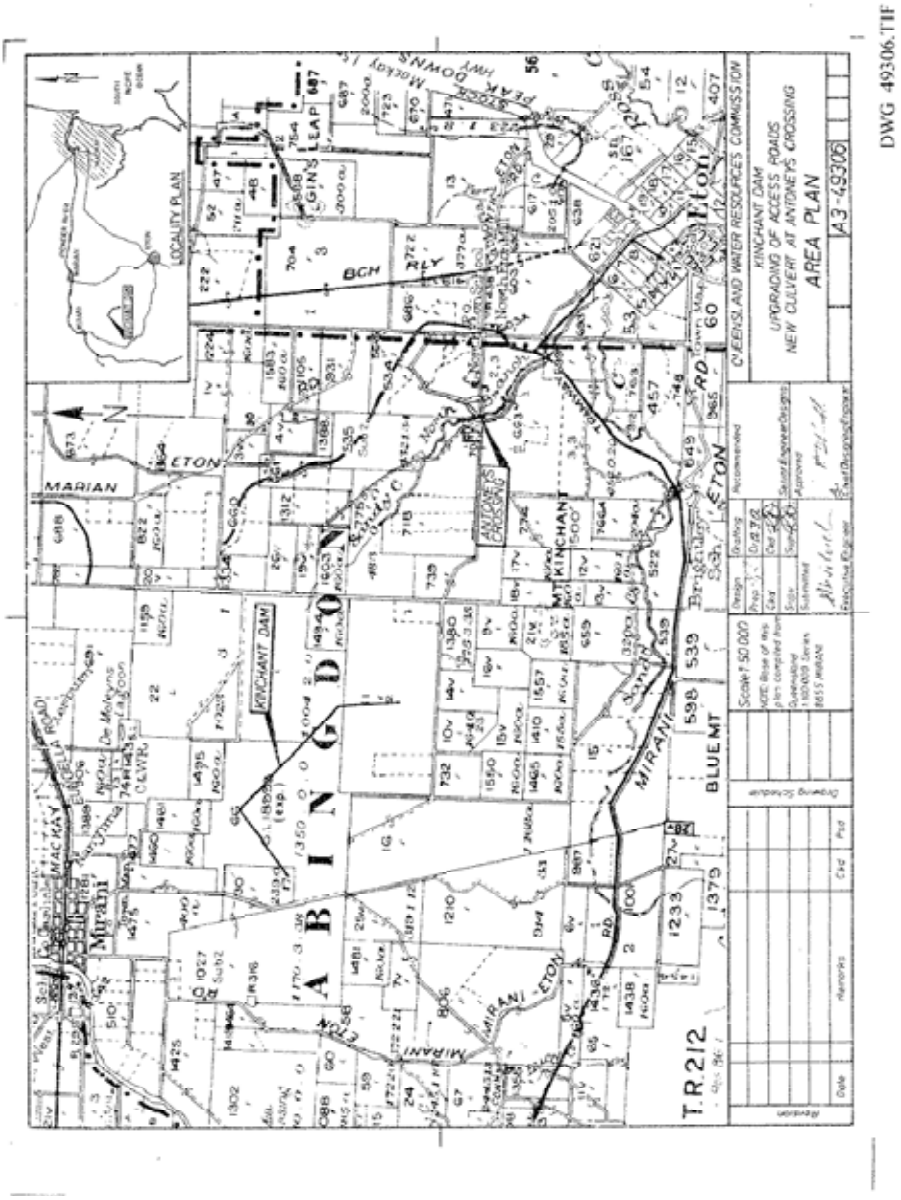
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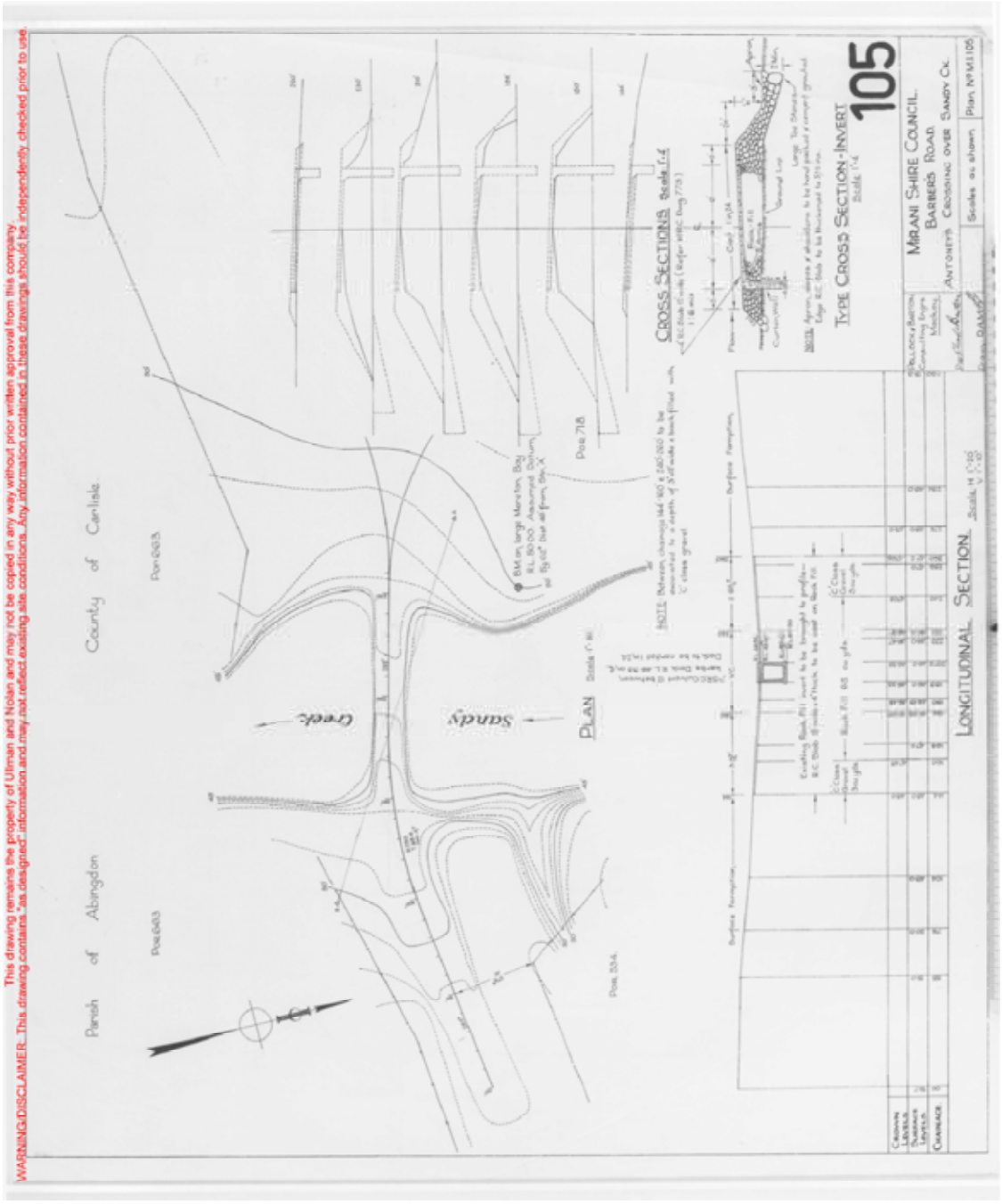
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12. TENDERS:

12.1 EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST - MANAGEMENT OF MACKAY REGIONAL COUNCIL'S AQUATIC FACILITIES - PIONEER AND MEMORIAL SWIM CENTRES

File No **MRC 2013-040**
Author **Manager Recreation Services**

Purpose

To present to Council for approval shortlisted respondents for MRC 2013-040 Request for Expressions of Interest (REOI) – Management of Mackay Regional Council's Aquatic Facilities – Pioneer and Memorial Swim Centres, with the intention of inviting tenders

Operational Plan Linkage

Operational Plan relevance: 1.2.1: Implement Open Space, Sport and Recreation (OSSR) Strategy.

Background/Discussion

Mackay Regional Council's adopted OSSR Strategy 2010 - 2016 acts as the principal document for the direction and development of aquatics, open spaces, sports and recreation.

Councillors have been informed on the background and progress associated with the OSSR Strategy 2010 – 2016 in Council briefings held in August 2012 and September 2012.

In accordance with outcomes of these briefings, it was determined to progress on the Strategy's recommendations to ensure the needs and expectations of the Mackay regional community are met and to support the future planning and development of aquatic facilities. One of the recommendations relates to exploring market opportunities and inviting expressions of interest for a professional, experienced aquatic facility operator(s) to manage one, several or all of Council's pools.

Consequently, on 26 September 2012 Council resolved to call expressions of interest from professional, experienced aquatic facility operator(s) to manage the Pioneer and Memorial Swim Centres in accordance with Section 177(3) of the *Local Government (Finance, Plans and Reporting) Regulation 2010*.

Expressions of interest were called on 6 October 2012, via Council's website and advertised in the Daily Mercury and Courier Mail with the intention of forming a shortlisted panel of providers from which tenders may be sought.

The following submissions were received by the closing date 30 October 2012:

1) BlueFit Leisure Pty Ltd
2) Born 2 Swim
3) Casa Leisure Pty Ltd

4) Lane 4 Aquatics
5) Lend Lease Investment Management (Australia) Pty Ltd
6) Mackay Home Services Pty Ltd
7) Mr. Matthew Kent (Tobruk Pool)
8) NQ Water Services Pty Ltd.
9) The Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA) of Brisbane

Council was briefed in regards to the submissions on 5 December 2012.

Of the submissions received, Born 2 Swim, Mackay Home Services Pty Ltd and NQ Water Services Pty Ltd are locally based businesses. Mr Matthew Kent is located in the Whitsunday Regional Council area.

An initial compliance check was conducted by the evaluation panel on 6 November 2012 to identify submissions that were non-conforming with the immediate requirements of the Request for Expressions of Interest (RFOI). This included the provision of requested information.

During the evaluation it was evidenced that the submission from Lend Lease Investment Management (Australia) Pty Ltd was non-conforming and therefore not considered further in the evaluation.

All other submissions were progressed through to the qualitative criteria assessment on the basis that all terms, conditions and mandatory requirements of the REOI had been met.

During the evaluation, submissions were assessed against the nominated qualitative criteria. The weighting attributed to each qualitative criterion was:

a) Compliance with the REOI - 5%
b) Task Appreciation - 15%
c) Resources - 15%
d) Experience, qualifications and referees including Key Personnel - 15%
e) Other Services, and Conflicts of Interest Policy - 5%
f) Pricing Model - 20%
g) Commercial Details, insurances and quality assurance - 15%
h) Local Content - 10%

At the conclusion of the evaluation it was determined by the panel that the following respondents had received the highest combined scores.

- BlueFit Leisure Pty Ltd
- Casa Leisure
- Lane 4 Aquatics
- Mr Matthew Kent
- The Young Men's Christian Association of Brisbane (YMCA)

It was established during the evaluation that the highest scoring respondents had extensive experience with the operation and management of aquatic facilities in numerous jurisdictions across Australia which also included a number of additional services which could enhance the current services provided at the Aquatic Facilities. In addition, the commercial or pricing

models offered provided Council with significant flexibility under which a formal arrangement may be entered into.

Consultation and Communication

Council has been informed on the background and progress associated with the OSSR Strategy 2010 -2016 in Council briefings held in August and September 2012. In addition, Council was briefed in December 2012 in regards to the REOI submissions. Council aquatic staff were informed about calling expressions of interest prior to the 26 September 2012 report coming to Council and are continuously being updated about the REOI process. Relevant unions have been notified as per the terms of reference of the Mackay Regional Council Certified Agreement 2011 and extensive communication took place with the Director Community Services.

The evaluation of the Expressions of Interest was conducted by:

- Director – Community Services
- Manager – Recreation Services
- Manager – Procurement and Plant

Resource Implications

It is anticipated that shortlisting respondents for the REOI will provide an opportunity to examine the most suitable model for managing the Pioneer Swim Centre and Memorial Swim Centre to ensure the needs and expectations of the Mackay Regional Council community are met.

Risk Management Implications

Nil.

Conclusion

That the following respondents to MRC 2013-040 Request for Expressions of Interest – Management of Mackay Regional Council's Aquatic Facilities – Pioneer and Memorial Swim Centres be shortlisted with the intention of calling tenders from that list based upon their demonstrated experience, skills, task appreciation and pricing models offered.

- BlueFit Leisure Pty Ltd
- Casa Leisure
- Lane 4 Aquatics
- Mr Matthew Kent
- The Young Men’s Christian Association of Brisbane (YMCA)

Officer's Recommendation

THAT the following respondents be shortlisted in response to MRC 2013-040 Request for Expressions of Interest – Management of Mackay Regional Council's Aquatic

Facilities – Pioneer and Memorial Swim Centres with the intention of calling tenders in accordance with *section 228 (6a) of the Local Government Regulation 2012*.

- BlueFit Leisure Pty Ltd
- Casa Leisure
- Lane 4 Aquatics
- Mr Matthew Kent
- The Young Men's Christian Association of Brisbane (YMCA)

13. CONSIDERATION OF NOTIFIED MOTIONS

14. LATE BUSINESS:

15. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

16. CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS:

16.1 PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT COURT APPEAL NO. 4877 OF 2012 - PREMIER ILLAWARRA PTY LTD - 42 LEN SHIELD STREET, PAGET (4483-594-DA-2012-157)

Confidential Report to be forwarded separately.

THAT the meeting be closed to the public in accordance with the Local Government Act (Section 72(1)(f) of the Local Government Operations Regulation 2010) to discuss a matter relating to starting or defending legal proceedings.

17. MEETING CLOSURE

18. FOR INFORMATION ONLY

18.1 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION INFORMATION - 14.01.13 TO 20.01.13

For Council Information Only - No Decision Required.

Development Applications Received

App no	Code / Impact	Address	Applicant	Description	Officer
CON-2013-17		21 Adrian Street, WEST MACKAY	Michael R White and Paula J White	Building Work - Boundary Setback for Carport	Brogan Jones
MCUC-2013-11	Code	L 1607 Yakapari-Habana Road, HABANA	Richard O Turner	Telecommunications Facility	Matthew Ingram
RECONF-2008-202		3 Blue Beach Boulevard, HALIDAY BAY	Landscope One Pty Ltd	Request to Extend Relevant Period - Reconfiguration of 1 lot to create 3 Village lots	Brogan Jones
CON-2013-15		32 Keswick Avenue, SLADE POINT	GMA Certification Group Pty Ltd	Building Work - Boundary Setback for Deck	Julie Brook
CON-2013-9		2 Denham Crescent, RURAL VIEW	Spanline Home Additions Mackay	Building Work - Boundary Setback for Carport	Brogan Jones
CON-2013-10		24B Newport Parade, BLACKS BEACH	GMA Certification Group Pty Ltd	Building Work - Boundary Setback for Dwelling House	Julie Brook
CON-2013-8		8 Holloways Court, BLACKS BEACH	GMA Certification Group Pty Ltd	Building Work - Boundary Setback for Dwelling House	Andrea McPherson
CON-2013-16		1 Absolon Street, SOUTH MACKAY	Coastal Building Approval Service	Building WOrk - Boundary Setback for House	Brogan Jones
CON-2013-11		29 Michelle Crescent, BUCASIA	Lyndal M Trims and Terry W Trims	Building Work - Boundary Setback for Carport	Darryl Bibay
ROLC-2013-12	Code	L 14 Cliftonville Road, SARINA	Ian C Brady and Linda M Brady	1 Split Zone into 3 Rural Res Lots & 1 Rural Lot.	Josephine McCann
MCUI-2013-10	Impact	961 Homebush Road, HOMEBUSH	Harts Transport (QLD) Pty Ltd	Transport Depot (Superseded Planning Scheme)	Julie Brook
CON-2013-12		79 Marwood-Sunnyside Road, BALBERRA	Mackay and Whitsunday Building Certification	Amenities & Aesthetics	Bruce Lenahan
MCUC-2013-9	Code	865 Maraju-Yakapari Road, DUMBLETON	Visionstream Pty Ltd	Telecommunications Facility	Brogan Jones
CON-2013-14		59 O'Riely Avenue, MARIAN	Andrew D Simonsen and Katherine E Dawson	Building Work - Boundary Setback for Shed	Darryl Bibay

Development Applications Entering Decision Making Period

App Number	Code / Impact	Address	Applicant	Description	Officer
CAC-2012-341		116 Shoal Point Road BUCASIA	Pioneer Projects No. 1 Pty Ltd and McGrath Developments (Kohuna) Pty Ltd	Combined Application - Material Change of Use (49 Multiple Dwelling Units/61 keys) & Reconfiguration of a Lot (3 Special Activities (Tourism) Lots into 49 Lots)	Brogan Jones
MCUC-2012-209	Code	25 Juliet Street SOUTH MACKAY	Russell A Spurrell	Multiple Dwelling Units (5)	Julie Brook
MCUC-2012-397	Code	8 Caterpillar Drive PAGET	Murcorp Pty Ltd	General Industry and Warehouse	Brogan Jones
MCUC-2012-414	Code	11 Nelson Street MACKAY	Medifit Pty Ltd	Commercial Premises, Health Care Centre & Multiple Dwelling Units (2)	Shane Kleve
RECONF-2008-202A		3 Blue Beach Boulevard HALIDAY BAY	Landscope One Pty Ltd	Request to Extend Relevant Period - Reconfiguration of 1 lot to create 3 Village lots	Brogan Jones

Development Applications Finalised

App No	Code / Impact	Location	Applicant	Description	Officer
Approved Subject to Conditions					
MCUC-ASPA-2012/458	Code	32 Warilla View BLACKS BEACH QLD 4740	Sandsky Developments	Dual Occupancy	Andrea McPherson
CAC-ASPA-2012/436		21 Smith Street WEST MACKAY QLD 4740	The Trustee For Paul & Jan Dwyer Family Trust	Combined Application - Material Change of Use - Dwelling House (x4) & Reconfiguration of a Lot (1 Urban Residential Lot into 4 Lots)	Brogan Jones
CON-ASPA-2013/4		6 Greenwood Drive GLENELLA QLD 4740	Altec Patio Builders & Designers	Building Work - Boundary Setback for Patio	Brogan Jones
MCUC-ASPA-2012/423	Code	71 High Street NORTH MACKAY QLD 4740	Richard Bowern and Carloyn A Bowern	Dwelling House (Steep Land Overlay)	Brogan Jones
MCUC-ASPA-2012/443	Code	65 Beaconsfield Road East ANDERGROVE QLD 4740	Churches of Christ In Queensland	Local Community Facility	Brogan Jones
ROLC-ASPA-2012/440	Code	L 1 Wainai Road FARLEIGH QLD 4741	Company 57 Pty Ltd	1 Rural Residential Lot into 2 Lots	Brogan Jones
CON-ASPA-2013/13		39A High Street NORTH MACKAY QLD 4740	Rockhampton Building Approvals	Amenities & Aesthetics	Bruce Lenahan
ROLC-ASPA-2012/337	Code	315 Wewak Road ST HELENS BEACH QLD 4798	SJ & GC Pratt Family Trust	Reconfiguration of a Lot - Boundary Realignment 2 Rural Lots into 2 Lots	Darryl Bibay
ROLC-ASPA-2012/426	Code	7 Patterson Street MIDGE POINT QLD 4799	Bengt E Johannesson	1 Rural Residential Lot into 2 Lots	Darryl Bibay
MCUC-ASPA-2012/453	Code	30 Hermitage Drive EIMEO QLD 4740	Neville J Davis	Dwelling House (Steep Land Overlay)	Helle Jorgensen Smith
ROLC-ASPA-2012/284	Code	9 Lakeview Drive BEACONSFIELD QLD 4740	Selwyn Peter Highway and Dwayne T Latcham and Tina R Latcham	2 Urban Expansion Lots into 3 Lots & Access Easement	Helle Jorgensen Smith
CON-ASPA-2013/1		9 Houdewind Street EIMEO QLD 4740	Wayne R Hedrick and Joanne L Hedrick	Building Work - Boundary Setback Variation for Roof Over and Shed Exceeding 9m in Length on Rear Boundary.	Josephine McCann
CON-ASPA-2013/2		15 Owen Jenkins Drive SARINA BEACH QLD 4737	Steven N Johnston	Building Work- Rear and Side Boundary Setback Variation for Shed with Height of 4.73m.	Josephine McCann
MCUI-ASPA-2012/154	Impact	4-8 Valroy Street HAY POINT QLD 4740	Charlton Best	Commercial Premises (Extension)	Josephine McCann
MCUI-ASPA-2012/365	Impact	86-90 West Street SARINA QLD 4737	Sandsky Developments	Dual Occupancy	Josephine McCann
CON-ASPA-2013/5		47 Dobinson Street BUCASIA QLD 4750	Damien E Smith	Building Work - Boundary Setback for Shed	Matthew Ingram
MCUC-ASPA-2012/364	Code	78-86 Maggiolo Drive PAGET QLD 4740	Brymax Pty Ltd	General Industry, Car Repair Workshop & Warehouse	Matthew Ingram
MCUC-ASPA-2012/407	Code	166-182 Farrellys Road PAGET QLD 4740	Ampcontrol Pty Ltd	General Industry	Matthew Ingram

App No	Code / Impact	Location	Applicant	Description	Officer
Approved Subject to Conditions					
CAC-ASPA-2010/93C		2B East Gordon Street EAST MACKAY QLD 4740	Vasco Projects Pty Ltd	Request for a Permissible Change - Material Change of Use for Motel (57 units and Caretakers Residence), Multiple Dwelling Units (maximum of 149 units), Dwelling Houses (14 dwellings) and Catering Shop/s (483m2 GFA) and Reconfiguration of a Lot (1 into 35 Lots)	Shane Kleve
MCUCD-IDAS-2008/141A	Code	180 Shoal Point Road SHOAL POINT QLD 4750	Charter Capital Pty Ltd	Extension of Relevant Period - Material Change of Use - 62 Multiple Dwelling Units (including 9 potential dual key units) with a total yield of 71 units and common Property	Shane Kleve
PTW-ASPA-2012/3		OCEAN AVENUE PARK 76 Ocean Avenue SLADE POINT QLD 4740	Mackay Regional Council	Emergency repairs to seawall under S585 of Sustainable Planning Act	Trina Saunders
Negotiated Decision					
ROLC-ASPA-2011/336	Code	437 Anzac Avenue MARIAN QLD 4753	Mackay Sugar Limited and Mackay Regional Council	2 lots into 2 lots (Boundary Realignment)	Leah Harris
Relevant Period Extended					
MCUIMP-IDAS-2008/486A	Impact	L 1 Meyer Street MOUNT PLEASANT QLD 4740	Australian Leisure & Hospitality Group Pty Ltd	Permissible Change - Extension of Relevant Period - Modifications and Extensions to Hotel - Mt Pleasant Tavern (including removal of drive-through Bottle Shop)	Shane Kleve
Application Withdrawn					
PTW-ASPA-2012/4		47-51 Palm Street CREMORNE QLD 4740	Mackay Regional Council	Carpark	Trina Saunders

APPENDIX / ATTACHMENTS