

Minutes



ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

MINUTES

15 MARCH 2023

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ATTENDANCE:

Councillors Present

- Cr Tanya Milligan (Mayor) (Chairperson)
- Cr Jason Cook (Deputy Mayor)
- Cr Brett Qualischefski
- Cr Janice Holstein
- Cr Chris Wilson
- Cr Michael Hagan
- Cr Rick Vela

Officers Present

- Ian Church, Chief Executive Officer
- Dan McPherson, Group Manager People, Customer & Corporate Services
- Amanda Pugh, Group Manager Community & Regional Prosperity
- John Keen, Group Manager Infrastructure
- Richard Marshall, Chief Financial Officer
- Bella Greinke, Council Business Officer
- Dee Stewart, Coordinator Accounting Services (part of meeting)
- Tammy Thomas, Technical, Planning Officer
- John Holdcroft, Coordinator Disaster Management Resilience (part of meeting)
- Lacey Martell, Media and Communications Officer
- Kate Burns, Coordinator Growth and Policy (part of meeting)
- Tammee Van Bael, Planning Officer
- Annete Doherty, Manager Planning, Policy and Community Wellbeing (part of meeting)
- Nicole Kilah, Coordinator Libraries and Galleries (part of meeting)
- Jason Harm, Manager Communities (part of meeting)
- Caitlan Natalier, Coordinator Governance and Property (part of meeting)

Media Present

- Jacob Hayden, The Lockyer and Somerset Independent
- Jesse Hamilton, The Lockyer and Somerset Independent

1.0 MEETING OPENED

The Mayor, Cr Milligan as Chairperson, opened the meeting at 9:01am and welcomed all present.

1.1 Acknowledgement of Country

The Chairperson acknowledged the traditional owners of the land on which the meeting is being held.

1.2 Opening Prayer

Ps. Rick Armour led the meeting in prayer, following a minute's silence for those persons recently deceased.

2.0 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

No Leave Of Absence.

3.0 CONDOLENCES/GET WELL WISHES

3.1 Condolences

Author: Bella Greinke, Council Business Officer
Responsible Officer: Ian Church, Chief Executive Officer

Officer's Recommendation:

THAT letters of condolence be forwarded to the families of recently deceased persons from within, or associated with, the Lockyer Valley region.

RESOLUTION

THAT letters of condolence be forwarded to the families of recently deceased persons from within, or associated with, the Lockyer Valley region.

Moved By: Cr Holstein

Seconded By:

Cr Hagan

Resolution Number: 20-24/0760

CARRIED

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4.0 DECLARATION OF ANY PRESCRIBED CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS/DECLARABLE CONFLICTS OF INTEREST BY COUNCILLORS

4.1 Declaration of Prescribed Conflict of Interest on any Item of Business

Pursuant to Chapter 5B, Part 2 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, a councillor who has a prescribed conflict of interest in an issue to be considered at a meeting of a local government, or any of its committees must:

- (a) inform the meeting of the prescribed conflict of interest in the matter, including the following about the interest –
 - i. if it arises because of a gift, loan or contract, the value of the gift, loan or contract
 - ii. if it arises because of an application or submission, the subject of the application or submission
 - iii. the name of any entity other than the councillor that has an interest in the matter
 - iv. the nature of the councillor's relationship with the entity that has an interest in a matter
 - v. details of the councillor's and any other entity's interest in the matter; and
- (b) leave the meeting room, including any area set aside for the public, and stay out of the meeting room while the matter is being discussed and voted on unless the subject councillor has written notice from the Minister to participate in the matter.

4.2 Declaration of Declarable Conflict of Interest on any Item of Business

Pursuant to Chapter 5B, Part 3 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, a councillor who has a declarable conflict of interest in a matter to be considered at a meeting of the local government or any of its committees must inform the meeting about the personal interest in the matter, including the following particulars about the interests:

- (a) the nature of the interests
- (b) if it arises because of the councillor's relationship with a related party:
 - i. the name of the related party to the councillor
 - ii. the nature of the relationship of the related party to the councillor
 - iii. the nature of the related party's interest in the matter
- (c) if it arises because of a gift or loan from another person to the councillor or a related party:
 - i. the name of the other person
 - ii. the nature of the relationship of the other person to the councillor or related party
 - iii. the nature of the other person's interest in the matter
 - iv. the value of the gift or loan and the date the gift or loan was made.
- (d) how the councillor intends to handle the matter i.e. leave the meeting or proposes to stay in a meeting.

In accordance with Section 150EQ of the Local Government Act 2009, Councillor Wilson informed the meeting that he has a declarable conflict of interest in Item 12.1, 'MC2021/0088 Development Application for Material Change of Use for Noxious, Offensive and Hazardous Industry at 41 Heise Road, Hatton Vale'. The nature of the conflict of interest is that Councillor Wilson's sibling owns and resides at a property neighbouring the property subject to the Development Application. Councillor Wilson advised that he will leave the meeting room (including any area set aside for the public) while the matter is discussed and voted upon.

5.0 MAYORAL MINUTE

No Mayoral Minute.

6.0 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

6.1 Confirmation of Ordinary Meeting Minutes - 15 February 2023

Author: Ian Church, Chief Executive Officer

Responsible Officer: Ian Church, Chief Executive Officer

Officer's Recommendation:

THAT the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Lockyer Valley Regional Council held on Wednesday 15 February 2023 be taken as read and confirmed.

RESOLUTION

THAT the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Lockyer Valley Regional Council held on Wednesday 15 February 2023 be taken as read and confirmed.

Moved By: Cr Hagan

Seconded By:

Cr Vela

Resolution Number: 20-24/0761

CARRIED

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7.0 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

No Business Arising from Minutes.

8.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS

8.1 Receipt of the Minutes of the Lake Apex Community Advisory Committee Meeting - 22 February 2023

Author: Sara Rozynski, Personal Assistant Infrastructure
Responsible Officer: John Keen, Group Manager Infrastructure

Officer's Recommendation:

THAT Council receive and note the unconfirmed minutes of the Lake Apex Community Advisory Committee meeting held on 22 February 2023.

RESOLUTION

THAT Council receive and note the unconfirmed minutes of the Lake Apex Community Advisory Committee meeting held on 22 February 2023.

Moved By: Cr Holstein

Seconded By:

Cr Hagan

Resolution Number: 20-24/0762

**CARRIED
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MEETING:	Lake Apex Community Advisory Committee (LACAC) Meeting
TIME OF MEETING:	10.00am to 11.00am
DATE OF MEETING:	22 February 2023
LOCATION OF MEETING:	Theatre, Lockyer Valley Cultural Centre
CHAIRPERSON:	Cr Janice Holstein
MINUTES:	Sara Rozynski

ATTENDANCE

PRESENT			
Name	Position Title	Name	Position Title
Cr Janice Holstein	Councillor – LVRC	Annette Doherty	Manager Planning, Policy and Community Wellbeing
Maurice Hennessey	Gatton Village Markets	Barry Hoffmann	Gatton and District Historical Society
Alan Willson	Lockyer Valley Billy Cart Association	Cr Michael Hagan	Councillor - LVRC
Jason Whiting	Coordinator Parks, Recreation and Cemeteries	Bill Beckmann	Lockyer Chamber of Commerce and Industry
Beth Clark	2nd Light Horse Lockyer Troop	Sara Rozynski	Personal Assistant - LVRC



APOLOGIES			
Name	Position Title	Name	Position Title
Graham Voss	Lights on the Hill	Brendan Sippel	Manager Community Facilities
Tara Stone	parkrun	Renee Sternberg	Senior Environmental Planner
Kate Burns	LVRC Coordinator Growth and Policy	Di Lewin	Friends of Lake Apex

AGENDA ITEMS

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	RECORD MATTERS FOR ACTION	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	BY WHEN
1.	Apologies if Applicable <i>(Chair)</i>	Apologies as above.	NA	
2.	Confirmation of previous minutes <i>(Chair)</i>	Minutes from 29/11/2022 moved by Alan Wilson seconded by Beth Clarke. ECM 4453908 .	NA	
3.	Outstanding Actions	Refer to the outstanding actions items document ECM 3161961	NA	
4.	Upgrades to the bird hide peninsular	<p>As no FOLA members were present, notes were provided from FOLA to Sara Rozynski on 21/02/2023 which were read out by the Chair at the meeting. They are as follows: "The whole of the Bird Hide Peninsular has become very degraded. Every year this area becomes inundated with Khaki weed and has to be sprayed. Years ago someone suggested grassing the area and planting shade trees, to eventually be used for picnics. From time to time people give us plants they have raised from seeds gathered in the Dry Rainforest Arboretum. Using some of the \$130,000 earmarked in the 2022/2023 Budget for the Lake Apex Environmental Rehabilitation Project, FOLA would like to re-introduce the car park request and follow this with the planting of the Bird Hide Peninsular with grass and shade trees, (using some of the donated trees) creating a peaceful area for picnics and family gatherings in beautiful, natural surroundings."</p> <p>It was further discussed that the above mentioned area of the Lake Apex parklands is heavily populated by birds and ducks which are causing the grass and area to deteriorate. LVRC are inclined to not undertake works in this area due to that reason or until the duck population has naturally declined or the grass is seen to be growing back naturally.</p> <p>ACTION: LVRC environmental planner to provide advice on Council's options to revegetate this area.</p>	Renee Sternberg	10 May 2023

ECM:

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	RECORD MATTERS FOR ACTION	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	BY WHEN
5.	General business (All)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annette Doherty - Manager Planning, Policy and Community Wellbeing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Council has received a development application (DA) relating to the land at the corner of Tenthill Creek Road and Freemans Road. The subject land adjoins Lake Apex and the area leased by the Gattton and District Historical Society. The DA seeks a development permit for material change of use for Industry from Open Space and Recreation. The application includes 2,588m² of gross floor area across four (4) proposed industrial tenancies. ○ Building height is generally a maximum of 8m. Twenty-seven car parking spaces are proposed. ○ The development application also seeks a Variation Approval to vary the effect of the <i>Gattton Shire Planning Scheme 2007</i> and allow certain uses to commence as a tenancy change without additional approval (Service Trade and Warehouse), and to make Indoor Entertainment (gym), Rural Service Industry, Showroom and Transport Depot code assessable development on the site. ○ The development application is impact assessable and will require public notification. ○ Council officers are undertaking the review and assessment of the development application. The assessment will include how the proposed development will interface with the adjoining parkland and Historical Village. ○ Proposed plans and further information will be circulated to the Committee however can also be found on Council's website. • Allan Wilson - Lockyer Valley Billy Cart Association <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The 2023 Lockyer Valley Billy Card Derby will be run on Sunday 7 May and will be broadcast internationally, and River 9.49 will also be present. 	NA	
			NA	

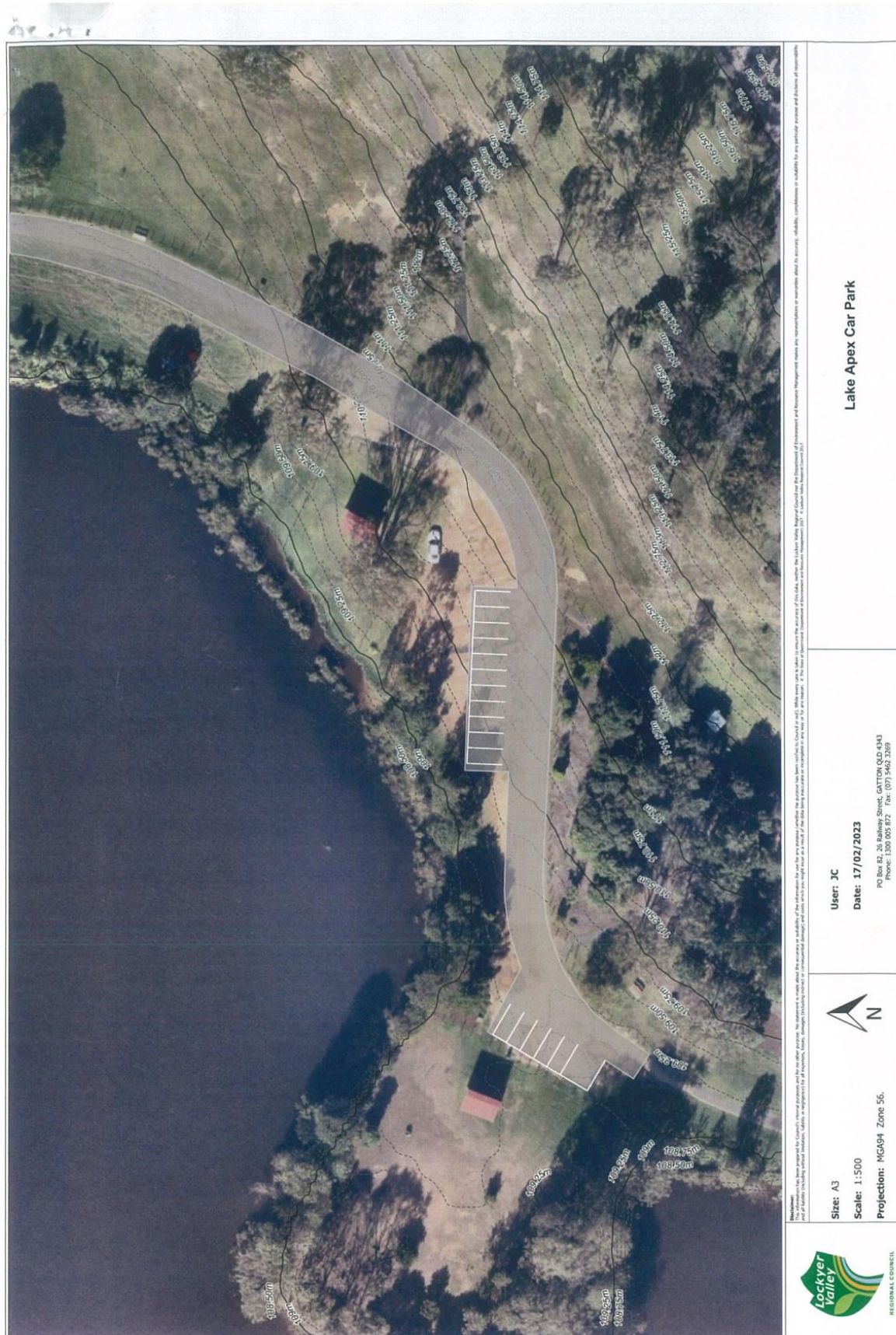
Documents Tabled: Basic carpark design as discussed in the outstanding actions.

Open: 10.01am

Close: 10.26am

Next meeting: 10 May 2023

ECM:



8.2

Receipt of the Minutes of the Lockyer Valley Traffic Safety Working Group Meeting - 22 February 2023

Author: Sara Rozynski, Personal Assistant Infrastructure
Responsible Officer: John Keen, Group Manager Infrastructure

Officer's Recommendation:

THAT Council receive and note the unconfirmed minutes of the Lockyer Valley Traffic Safety Working Group meeting held on 22 February 2023.

RESOLUTION

THAT Council receive and note the unconfirmed minutes of the Lockyer Valley Traffic Safety Working Group meeting held on 22 February 2023.

Moved By: Cr Holstein

Seconded By:

Cr Cook

Resolution Number: 20-24/0763

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TIME OF MEETING:	8.30am to 9.30am
DATE OF MEETING:	22 February 2023
LOCATION OF MEETING:	Held via Microsoft Teams
CHAIRPERSON:	Wes Davis
MINUTES:	Sara Rozyński

ATTENDANCE

PRESENT			
LVRC	QPS	TMR	
Cr Janice Holstein	Lisa Damman (Laidley)	Anita Sullivan	Dereck Sanderson (part)
Wes Davis	Glen Thomas (Helidon)	Sandra Poulton	
	Rowland Browne (Gatton)	Rebecca Roberts	
		Kerri Rudder	
APOLOGIES			
		David Willis	Adam Garvin
			Michael Timmer (Translink)



AGENDA ITEMS

DATE RAISED	DESCRIPTION	RECORD MATTERS FOR ACTION	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER
22/02/2023	Apologies if applicable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Apologies – 	All to note
22/02/2023	Outstanding Actions ECM 3814317	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Refer to the outstanding actions items document 	All to note
22/02/2023	Traffic Incidents Lockyer Valley Region	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Due to no meeting held in the last quarter of 2022, two lots of traffic accident data has been tabled for each division. Laidley 25/08/2022 to 31/12/2022 64 reported crashes in total. 26 injury, 14 non-injury, 23 hit and run, 1 fatal traffic crash <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Essentially all crashes have been caused by driver lack of attention and / or experience with alcohol contributing factor. No issues associated with the environment, road or signage for the incidents recorded. Laidley 01/01/2023 – 21/02/2023 8 reported crashes in total. 2 injury, 3 no-injury, 3 hit and run, 0 fatalities. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No issues associated with the environment, road or signage for the incidents recorded. Helidon – 25/08/2022 to 31/12/2022 17 reported crashes in total. 7 injury, 6 non-injury, 3 hit and run, 1 fatal. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The fatality occurred on Toowoomba Connection Road, Withcott eastbound. 2 of the non-injuries occurred on the Toowoomba Second Range Crossing downhill eastbound which involved trucks. One due to heavy fog, second due to a truck failing to give way whilst changing lanes. No issues associated with the environment, road or signage for the incidents recorded. Helidon – 01/02/2023 to 10/02/2023 3 reported crashes in total. 2 injury, 0 non-injury, 0 hit and run, 1 fatal. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The fatality occurred on Warrego Highway, Grantham westbound. No issues associated with the environment, road or signage for the incidents recorded. Gatton 25/08/2022 to 31/12/2022 33 reported crashes in total. 14 injury, 6 non-injury and 13 hit and run, 0 fatal traffic crash – dates from 08/12/2021 to 08/05/2022. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> One injury crash occurred on Gatton Esk Road, Spring Creek where a driver hit a pothole and has over corrected and lost control. 	Rowland

DATE RAISED	DESCRIPTION	RECORD MATTERS FOR ACTION	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ ACTION: Rowland to provide Wes with exact location for further investigation by LVRC. • Gattion 01/01/2023 to 08/02/2023 • 8 reported crashes in total. 3 injury, 1 non-injury and 3 hit and run, 0 fatal traffic, 1 police vehicle • No issues associated with the road or signage for the other incidents recorded. 	
22/02/2023	60km section of Murphys Creek Road at Postmans Ridge (between Diana Crescent and Rocky Creek Bridge)	<p>While road works were being undertaken along this stretch of road speeds were reduced. Request to change 60km/hr sign to 70km/hr to match the other side of the road. TMR advised it was missed during design works and it is meant to be a 70km/h sign rather than 60km/h sign.</p> <p>ACTION: TMR to replace the 60km/h sign with a 70km/hr sign.</p>	TMR
22/02/2023	Heavy vehicle traffic movements via Fairways Estate Hatton Vale	<p>A resident has expressed concerned regarding trucks traveling from Brightview Estate eventually travelling Fairways Drive to access the Warrego Highway. The road networks and intersections are getting damaged. QPS advised in correspondence prior to this meeting that the truck drivers are not committing any traffic offences by driving through the estate. LVRC are aware of defects along these roads and they will be rectified alongside our REPA flood damage works. This will be completed within the next 18 months.</p>	NA
22/02/2023	Withcott State School Traffic Pick up Zone concerns	<p>LVRC officers, TMR and QLD Education representatives met with the Withcott State School Principal on 15 February 2023 to discuss parking and loading zone concerns. During the meeting drivers (parents/caregivers) were observed entering the 2 minutes drop off/pick up zone which is causing buses to queue and children are walking through cars to get into the school yard. As a result of the onsite meeting, it was agreed to formalise the bus stop facility, removing the drop off/pick up zone and educating parents on utilising the parking available.</p> <p>The Principal agreed to communicate to parents and caregivers of students to utilise the</p> <p>It was suggested that site works are completed during the Easter school holidays.</p> <p>ACTION: LVRC to draft a design to circulate to the Working Group at the next meeting.</p>	Wes
22/02/2023	General business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cr Holstein • Murphys Creek Road flood damage • Cr Holstein asked when will the flood damage sections of Murphys Creek Road be repaired. <p>ACTION: TMR to advise at the next meeting.</p>	Anita

DATE RAISED	DESCRIPTION	RECORD MATTERS FOR ACTION	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER
22/02/2023	Next meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kerri Rudder Kerri and her supervisor attended a meeting at Our Lady of Good Counsel school last week who are experiencing similar parking issues as Withcott State School are. TMR are requesting QPS to conduct enforcement in this area during school pick up and drop off as parents are stopping in no standing zone which is obstructing crossing supervisors view. Some parents getting to school 1 hr before school pick. <p>ACTION: QPS to conduct enforcement</p> <p>3 May 2023 – 10.30am to 11.30am</p>	Wes

Meeting opened: 8.30am
Meeting closed: 9.15am
Tabled documents: NA

8.3

Receipt of the Minutes of the Queensland Transport Museum Advisory Committee Meeting - 23 January 2023

Author:

Tracy Vellacott, Senior Tourism and Events Officer

Responsible Officer:

Amanda Pugh, Group Manager Community & Regional Prosperity

Officer's Recommendation:

THAT Council receive and note the unconfirmed minutes of the Queensland Transport Museum Advisory Committee meeting held on 23 January 2023.

RESOLUTION

THAT Council receive and note the unconfirmed minutes of the Queensland Transport Museum Advisory Committee meeting held on 23 January 2023.

Moved By: Cr Cook

Seconded By:

Cr Hagan

Resolution Number: 20-24/0764

CARRIED

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QUEENSLAND TRANSPORT MUSEUM COMMITTEE MEETING Date 23 January 2023

Chairperson: Deputy Mayor, Cr Jason Cook

Minutes: T Vellacott

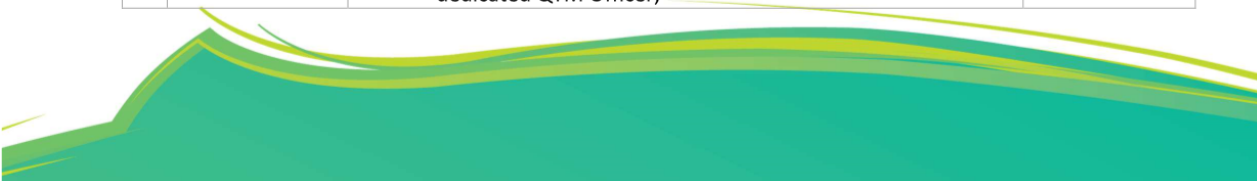
Attendees: Cr Brett Qualischefski, Clive Barton, Nick Stokes, Tony Coonan (video link), Jason Harm (Manager Communities), Tracy Vellacott (Tourism & Special Projects Coordinator), Nicole Frew (Senior Tourism & Events Officer)

Apologies: Mayor Cr Tanya Milligan

Meeting opened: 11.00am

	Agenda Item	Discussion/Actions	Action By
1.	ATTENDANCE 11:00am	Mr Graham McVean attended the meeting for the purpose of presenting his proposal re transitioning the QTM to a third-party entity.	
2.	Chairman's Introduction of Committee	<p>As the first Advisory Committee meeting under the new structure, Chairperson, Cr Cook, welcomed members and guest, Graham McVean and asked that attendees introduce themselves and outline their experience in the transport industry or museum operations.</p> <p>Cr Cook acknowledged the contribution of former Advisory Committee members and noted the attendance of new Advisory Committee member, Tony Coonan, whose work experience at the Cobb & Co Museum and background as a Museum Education Officer, will be beneficial to the Museum's forward operations.</p>	
3.	Marketing & Attendance Update	The Tourism & Special Projects Coordinator provided a Marketing Report update from 1 January 2022 to 1 January 2023 (see below).	
4.	Presentation by Graham McVean	<p>Mr McVean provided a verbal presentation to the Advisory Committee on his vision to create a third-party entity to run the QTM. His proposal included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Board composition of industry, finance and marketing personnel;• Staffing outline;• Admission model utilising café operations as the ticket seller;• Theatre use by QTM and guided tours;• Revenue model inclusive of corporate memberships, sponsorships and running events;	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> View that the current level of experience will not sustain the museum and that it requires dedicated staff, storyboards and proper promotion. Proposed start date of 1 July 2023. <p>There was discussion on the operation of other museum models in regard to purchasing travelling exhibitions, wages, profitability of complimentary café operations, grant funding opportunities.</p> <p>The status of the Western Transport exhibit was discussed with Mr McVean noting he is the custodian of the Anderson's fleet.</p> <p>He was invited to submit his business plan to Council's CEO for further Council consideration.</p> <p>Mr McVean left the meeting at 12.30pm.</p>	
5.	Update on outcomes from QTM Reviews	<p>The Tourism & Special Projects Coordinator provided an overview of outcomes from the TEQ Transformational Experience Mentorship, undertaken by a VIC/QTM staff member in 2021, and the 2022 Museums & Galleries Standards Review of QTM operations.</p> <p>Points of discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bookability – QTM entry will be bookable via the Council's new tourism website when complete. Opening hours – standard hours avoids confusion; being open weekends; having regular tours. Mr Coonan spoke of the need to engage in the education sector including the possibility of engaging an education facilitator to help, as well as the strong curriculum links to the QTM and the surrounding Lake Apex Precinct including bird habitat. Cr Cook raised the issue of maintaining the "Museum" name, as raised in the M&GQ Standards Review. There was consensus that the QTM remain the Qld Transport Museum as "museum" is credible from a marketing perspective and carries more weight. 	
6.	QTM Project Brief from Council	<p>The Manager Communities and Tourism & Special Projects Coordinator provided committee members with a draft project plan to renew QTM operations. Discussion points included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Day-to-day management of the QTM; Improvements to the exhibit schedule; Networks to assist with exhibit programming; Improved business processes/exhibit changeover admin process; Interactive display spaces and creation of zones with moveable walls and murals etc; Marketing considerations including stand-alone website; Improved signage; Identification of funding opportunities to support a dedicated QTM Officer; 	



		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prioritisation of repairs and maintenance, along with capital works such as air-conditioning. <p>Project success to be identified and tracked by increased visitation numbers, reviews, digital media, and participation in workshops and public programs.</p> <p>Key Outputs for 2023</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Business Plan adopted by Council Marketing Strategy adopted by Council 12-month exhibit schedule in advance School Holiday Programs scheduled 	
7.	Forward Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alternative ways to operate the Museum <p>Resolved that Council officers present a workshop to Council to gain an understanding of their preferred future plan for the Museum.</p> <p>It was noted that an external evaluation process would be needed to evaluate Mr McVean's proposal against Council's current operational or future operational model. Cr Cook requested that current financial modelling be provided.</p>	Jason Harm
8.	General Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Request from Steve McNamara for the return of a Kenworth W Model donated by him. <p>Moved Jason Cook Seconded Clive Barton</p> <p>That the Advisory Committee agree to Mr McNamara's request for return of the Kenworth W Model previously donated by him and officers contact Mr McNamara to organise return of the model.</p> <p>CARRIED</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Request from Anthony Beggs re donation of approx. 100-150kg of Leader Trucks sales material to the Museum <p>Resolved that Clive Barton contact Mr Beggs and investigate the donation offer further.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> New Motoring Museum in Brisbane <p>Committee members were alerted to the progress on the new Motoring Museum in Brisbane.</p> <p>Resolved that Council investigate joining the Australasian Motor Museums Association (AMMA).</p>	<p>Nicole Frew</p> <p>Clive Barton</p> <p>Nicole Frew</p>
9.	Next Meeting	The next meeting date to be determined after the QTM presentation to the Council Workshop on 7 February 2023.	



10.	Meeting Closed	2.18pm	
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8.4

Receipt of the Minutes of Friends of Das Neumann Haus Meeting - 16 February 2023

Author: Chayne Wellman, Tourism Officer

Responsible Officer: Amanda Pugh, Group Manager Community & Regional Prosperity

Officer's Recommendation:

THAT Council receive and note the unconfirmed minutes of the Friends of Das Neumann Haus committee meeting held on 16 February 2023.

RESOLUTION

THAT Council receive and note the unconfirmed minutes of the Friends of Das Neumann Haus committee meeting held on 16 February 2023.

Moved By: Cr Qualischefski

Seconded By:

Cr Hagan

Resolution Number: 20-24/0765

CARRIED

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**MINUTES OF FRIENDS OF DAS NEUMAN HAUS - February
16th Thursday 2023**

Apologies: Linda Naggs/Marion Davis/Karl Woldt/Peta Merrick/Brett Qualischefski/Corrie

Attending: Sue Williams/Astra Farrell/Dot Windolf/Trisha Dick/ Chayne (Council). Maria Larkman

Meeting commenced: 9.10am

Minutes of last meeting were read, moved by Sue Williams and seconded by Dot Windolf.

BUSINESS ARISING:

Regarding Bird Proofing: Chayne will check with Council Facilities as to what progress has been made.

Gutters in storge area appear to have been cleaned and again Chayne will find out the situation regarding the main building gutters.

Spring Festival: There will be a meeting at Council on 16th March 9am to 10.30am. We need one of our volunteers to attend please. Please speak to Dot if you can attend.

Musicians at Spring Festival and Heritage Festival to be contacted. Sue Williams will speak to Tracy regarding the situation with booking the musicians her family are involved with.

Seniors Morning Tea: October 5th and 19th 2023. We will be holding two special morning tea for seniors. Bookings can be made via Trisha Dick 0407038736 Trisha will organise leaflets advertising this, & arrange for them to be handed out. Dot will advise the Group organising the month of celebrations, of our plans.

Famils: Not much progress on this subject. We are thinking of visiting Branell B & B, and the Homestyle Lodge in Laidley. We will contact them when we have a date to arrange for our volunteers visit. This gives us the ability to talk about them to travellers. This could be followed by a Morning Tea. Stay tuned!

Astra Farrell has offered to attend the LVRC Grant writing seminar on February 22nd. 5.30pm to 7.30pm on behalf of DNH. This is the first step in our plan to apply for a grant to cover in the boards on our front verandah.

Regarding the printing of the DNH Leaflet.... Chayne will take a copy of the current one to add the changes necessary. We hope to get them printed at the local Printers in Laidley. We are now responsible for the cost involved. (due to our incorporation.)

Meeting closed at 10.15am.

Next meeting will be held at 9am on Thursday March 16th 2023

9.0 DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

No Deputations/Presentations.

10.0 EXECUTIVE OFFICE REPORTS

10.1 Summary of Council Actual Performance v Budget - 28 February 2023

Author: Dee Stewart, Coordinator Accounting Services

Responsible Officer: Ian Church, Chief Executive Officer

Purpose:

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with an update of Council's financial performance against budget for the financial year to 28 February 2023.

Officer's Recommendation:

THAT Council receive and note the Summary of Council Actual Financial Performance versus Budget to 28 February 2023.

RESOLUTION

THAT Council receive and note the Summary of Actual Financial Performance against Budget to 28 February 2023.

Moved By: Cr Wilson

Seconded By:

Cr Cook

Resolution Number: 20-24/0766

CARRIED

7/0

Executive Summary

In accordance with Section 204 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a financial report summarising the progress of Council's actual performance against budget is to be presented to Council. This report provides a summary of Council's financial performance against budget for the financial year to 28 February 2023.

At 28 February 2023, revenues are above target and expenditures are under target.

Proposal

Monthly reporting of Council's financial performance is a legislative requirement and reinforces sound financial management practices throughout the organisation. The following report provides a summary of Council's financial performance against budget to 28 February 2023.

Operating Revenue - Year to date target \$57.22 million actual \$65.27 million or 114.08%

At 28 February 2023, overall operating revenue for the year to date is above target.

Rates and Utility Charges (Gross) on target

The second rates levy for 2022/2023 was raised in February with a due date of 15 March 2023. Rates will be closely monitored throughout the year regarding cash flow and overdue balances as well as whether growth targets are being achieved as forecast. 19.87% of the rates levy was collected as at 24 February 2023. The percentage collected will increase as the due date draws closer.

Fees and Charges over budget by \$0.34 million

The favourable variances in fees and charges relate predominately to higher than expected income from plumbing and building fees (\$0.19 million) and waste disposal fees (\$0.13 million).

Operating Grants and Subsidies over budget by \$7.53 million

This line item is over budget due to the receipt of \$1.53 million for counter disaster operations and an extra \$6.10 million for emergency works. This has been included as revenue for the 2022/2023 financial year as part of the budget amendment presented for adoption at the Council meeting.

Revenue – Contract/Recoverable Works over budget by \$.25 million

This line item is performing above budget due to increased income from the Routine Maintenance Performance Contract (RMPC) with the Department of Transport and Main Roads at this time of the year.

Operating Expenditure - Year to date target \$45.96 million actual \$42.22.00 million or 91.86%

Employee Costs under budget by \$0.85 million

This line item is showing an underspend due to the timing of annual leave and staff taking leave over the Christmas break with leave taken reducing the provision on the balance sheet as opposed to an expense on the Income Statement. Employee costs are, also, under target due to vacant positions within Council's establishment. This is being offset by an underspend on capital wages (\$0.39 million). The underspend on capital wages is mostly due to infrastructure staff focusing work on the emergent works flood recovery projects during the earlier weeks of the financial year. This is funded works and therefore the underspend on capital wages will have no impact on the bottom line. Capital wages will be closely monitored throughout the year and has been adjusted as part of the quarterly budget review.

Goods and Services under budget by \$2.89 million

Goods and services are showing as under budget mostly due to timing difference in the delivery of asset management condition assessment, ICT, community engagement, resilient rivers and regional development projects. These will be investigated and the timing of the delivery of the project budgets adjusted accordingly.

The flood recovery works will be closely monitored for budget amendment as the restoration work continues. Council has expended \$5.30 million on flood restoration and recovery works this financial year.

Capital Project Expenditure – Year to date target \$20.35 million actual \$14.50 million or 71.28%

At 28 February 2023, Council has expended \$14.50 million on its capital works program with a further \$9.92 million in committed costs for works currently in progress. The capital works budget has been reviewed for project delivery and timing of delivery as part of the budget amendment presented for endorsement by Council at this meeting. The capital works program will continue to be monitored for delivery and inflationary effects as the year progresses.

Additional detail is provided in the capital works program within the attachment.

Statement of Financial Position

The Statement of Financial Position provides information on the breakdown of Council's assets and liabilities at a point in time. At 28 February 2023, Council had \$79.71 million in current assets compared to \$22.68 million in current liabilities with a ratio of 3.51:1. This means that for every dollar of current liability, there is \$3.51 in assets to cover it.

Statement of Cash Flows

The Statement of Cash Flows provides information on the amount of cash coming in and going out. As at 28 February 2023, there has been a net cash inflow of \$6.44 million with \$11.15 million inflow from operating activities; and a net cash outflow of \$3.89 million from investing activities including capital revenue and expenditure.

The Statement of Cash Flows is important as it shows the real movement in Council's cash balances, as opposed to the accounting movements shown in the Statement of Income and Expenditure. To maintain adequate working capital, it is estimated that Council needs around \$11.00 million cash at any one time. As at 28 February, Council's cash balance was \$54.29 million. Unexpended grant funds which are restricted to be spent in accordance with the terms of the grant are \$9.85 million.

Options

Option 1

THAT Council receive and note the Summary of Council Actual Financial Performance versus Budget to 28 February 2023.

Or

Option 2

THAT Council do not receive and note the Summary of Council Actual Financial Performance versus Budget to 28 February 2023.

Previous Council Resolutions

Nil

Critical Dates

Nil

Strategic Implications

Corporate Plan

Leadership and Council

Outcome:

- 5.1 Undertake robust and accountable financial, resource and infrastructure planning and management to ensure affordable and sustainable outcomes for our community.
- 5.7 Compliant with relevant legislation

Finance and Resource

Monitoring of budgets and actuals will remain important if Council is to achieve the financial results adopted as part of the 2022-23 Budget.

Legislation and Policy

In accordance with section 204 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a financial report summarising the progress of Council's actual performance against budgeted performance is to be provided to Council.

Risk Management

Key Corporate Risk Category:	FE2
Reference and Risk Description:	Finance and Economic Decision making governance, due diligence, accountability and sustainability.

Consultation

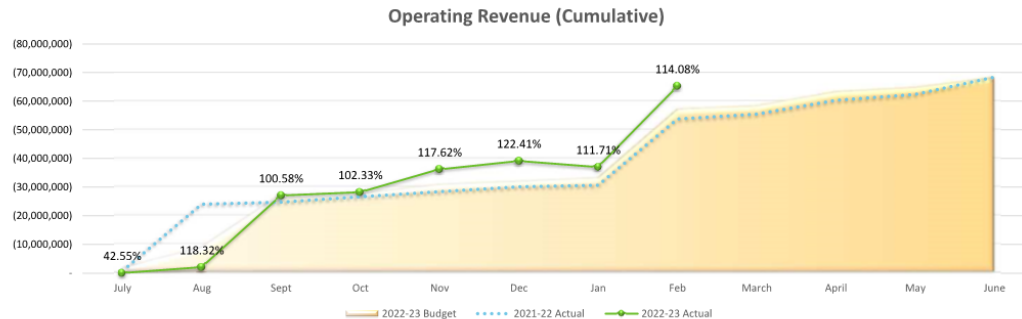
Internal Consultation

- Managers and Group Managers
- Finance Team
- Portfolio Councillor Consultation

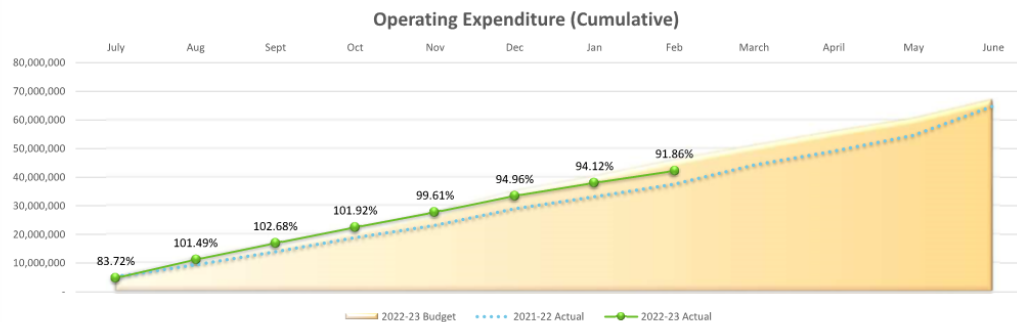
Attachments

- 1 [↓](#) Monthly Financial Statements - February 2023 19 Pages

LOCKYER VALLEY REGIONAL COUNCIL
Operating Revenue and Expenditure Dashboard
For the Period Ending 28th February, 2023

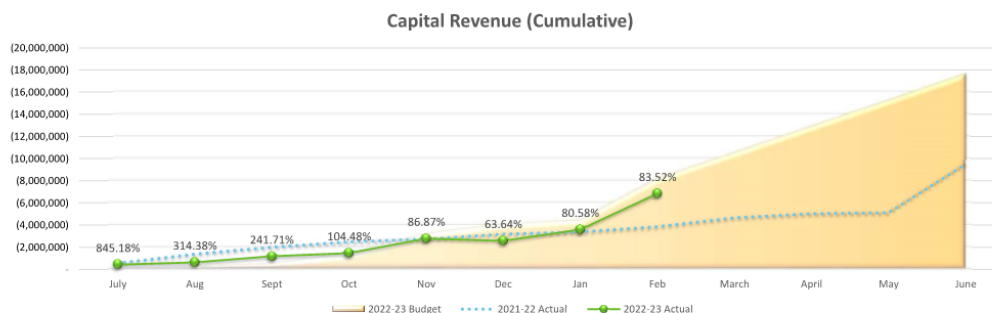


REVENUE TO DATE by Type	Rates and Utility Charges (Gross)	Discount	Charges and Fees	Interest	Operating Grants and Subsidies	Operating Contributions and Donations	Revenue - Contract/Reco verable Works	Other Revenue	Profit from Investments	Total
Actual	(44,831,502)	1,251,403	(3,905,378)	(1,486,428)	(13,733,706)	(54,741)	(948,363)	(1,563,904)	-	(65,272,620)
Budget	(44,857,576)	1,116,008	(3,569,178)	(1,187,868)	(6,207,953)	(377,500)	(700,000)	(1,431,029)	-	(57,215,096)
Variance	(26,074)	(135,394)	336,200	298,560	7,525,753	(322,760)	248,363	132,875	-	8,057,525
Target %	99.94%	112.13%	109.42%	125.13%	221.23%	14.50%	135.48%	109.29%	-	114.08%
Movement to Prior Month Target %	→	→	↑	↑	→	→	↓	→	→	→



EXPENDITURE TO DATE by Type	Employee Costs	Goods and Services	Finance Costs	Depreciation	Total
Actual	17,999,915	15,604,881	564,039	8,049,054	42,217,889
Budget	18,850,875	18,498,234	547,328	8,061,456	45,957,893
Variance	850,960	2,893,353	(16,711)	12,402	3,740,003
Target %	95.49%	84.36%	103.05%	99.85%	91.86%
Movement to Prior Month Target %	→	↓	→	↓	↓

LOCKYER VALLEY REGIONAL COUNCIL
Capital Revenue and Expenditure Dashboard
For the Period Ending 28th February, 2023

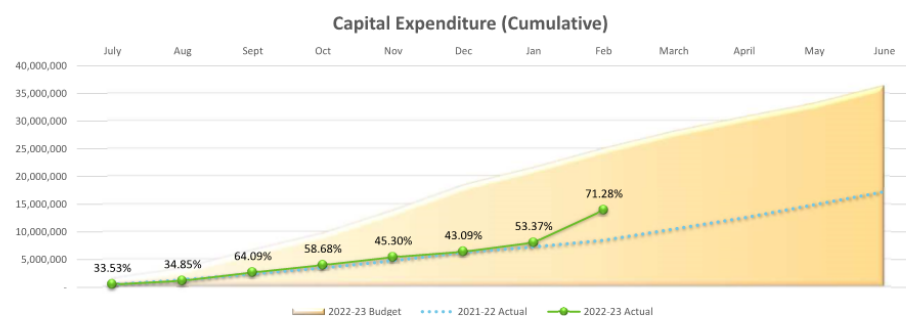


REVENUE TO DATE by Type	Profit (Loss) Capital Grants, Subsidies and Contributions on Disposal of Non Current Assets		
	Capital Grants, Subsidies and Contributions	Assets	Total
	Actual (6,850,342)	22,569	(6,827,773)
	Budget (8,175,503)	-	(8,175,503)
Variance	(1,325,161)	(22,569)	(1,347,730)

Note: Graph above is reflecting capital grants and subsidies and developer contributed assets only

Target % 83.79% - 83.52%

Movement to Prior Month Target % → → →



EXPENDITURE TO DATE by Group	People, Customer and Corporate Services				Community and Regional Prosperity		Total
	Customer and Corporate Services	Executive Office	Infrastructure	Community and Regional Prosperity	Community and Regional Prosperity	Total	
	Actual 44,333	36,660	12,133,576	2,287,274	1,406,488	14,501,843	
	Budget 2,387,120	569,999	15,982,659	2,287,274	1,406,488	20,346,266	

Target % 1.86% 6.43% 75.92% 162.62% 71.28%

Movement to Prior Month Target % → → ↑ → ↑

Lockyer Valley Regional Council (Whole Council)
Statement of Comprehensive Income
For the Period Ending February 2023

	Current Annual Budget	Actuals YTD	Budget YTD	Variance Amount YTD	Variance % YTD
Income					
Revenue					
Recurrent Revenue					
Rates and Utility Charges (Gross)	44,854,076	44,831,502	44,857,576	26,074	0.06%
Discount	(1,892,017)	(1,251,403)	(1,116,008)	135,394	-12.13%
Charges and Fees	5,668,783	3,905,378	3,569,178	(336,200)	-9.42%
Interest	1,850,320	1,486,428	1,187,868	(298,560)	-25.13%
Operating Grants and Subsidies	11,952,947	13,733,706	6,207,953	(7,525,753)	-121.23%
Operating Contributions and Donations	705,000	54,741	377,500	322,760	85.50%
Revenue - Contract/Recoverable Works	1,050,000	948,363	700,000	(248,363)	-35.48%
Other Revenue	2,231,861	1,563,904	1,431,029	(132,875)	-9.29%
Profit from Investments	1,805,837	-	-	-	0.00%
Total Recurrent Revenue	68,226,807	65,272,620	57,215,096	(8,057,525)	-14.08%
Capital Revenue					
Capital Grants, Subsidies and Contributions	17,646,544	6,850,342	8,175,503	1,325,161	16.21%
Total Revenue	85,873,351	72,122,962	65,390,599	(6,732,363)	-10.30%
Capital Income	-	-	-	-	0.00%
Total Income	85,873,351	72,122,962	65,390,599	(6,732,363)	-10.30%
Expenses					
Recurrent Expenses					
Employee Costs	28,097,936	17,999,915	18,850,875	850,960	4.51%
Goods and Services	25,798,525	15,604,881	18,498,234	2,893,353	15.64%
Finance costs	1,047,789	564,039	547,328	(16,711)	-3.05%
Depreciation	12,092,184	8,049,054	8,061,456	12,402	0.15%
Total Recurrent Expenses	67,036,433	42,217,889	45,957,893	3,740,003	8.14%
Capital Expenses	-	105,327	-	(105,327)	0.00%
Loss on Sale	(81,465)	22,569	(40,733)	(63,301)	155.41%
Total Expenses	66,954,968	42,345,785	45,917,160	3,571,375	7.78%
Net Recurrent Result/Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	1,190,374	23,054,731	11,257,203	(11,797,528)	-104.80%
NET RESULT AFTER CAPITAL ITEMS	18,918,383	29,777,176	19,473,439	(10,303,738)	-52.91%

Lockyer Valley Regional Council (Executive Office)
Statement of Comprehensive Income
For Period Ending February 2023

	Current Annual Budget	Actuals YTD	Budget YTD	Variance Amount YTD	Variance % YTD
Income					
Revenue					
Recurrent Revenue					
Rates and Utility Charges (Gross)	35,704,270	36,205,204	35,707,604	(497,601)	(1.39)
Discount	(1,642,017)	(1,110,606)	(866,008)	244,598	(28.24)
Charges and Fees	370,693	231,395	273,026	41,630	15.25
Interest	1,817,320	1,459,101	1,165,868	(293,233)	(25.15)
Operating Grants and Subsidies	4,333,105	1,288,043	1,242,768	(45,275)	(3.64)
Revenue - Contract/Recoverable Works	-	799	-	(799)	-
Other Revenue	1,176,652	939,639	736,101	(203,538)	(27.65)
Profit from Investments	1,805,837	-	-	-	-
Total Recurrent Revenue	43,565,860	39,013,576	38,259,359	(754,217)	(1.97)
Capital Revenue					
Capital Grants, Subsidies and Contributions	1,013,125	282,556	473,125	190,569	40.28
Total Revenue	44,578,985	39,296,132	38,732,484	(563,648)	(1.46)
Capital Income	-	-	-	-	-
Total Income	44,578,985	39,296,132	38,732,484	(563,648)	(1.46)
Expenses					
Recurrent Expenses					
Employee Costs	4,339,234	3,279,975	2,315,724	(964,250)	(41.64)
Goods and Services	3,267,900	1,403,851	2,065,649	661,797	32.04
Finance costs	662,744	353,663	353,372	(291)	(0.08)
Depreciation	10,330,804	6,908,837	6,887,203	(21,634)	(0.31)
Total Recurrent Expenses	18,600,682	11,946,326	11,621,948	(324,378)	(2.79)
Capital Expenses	-	-	-	-	-
Loss on Sale	-	-	-	-	-
Total Expenses	18,600,682	11,946,326	11,621,948	(324,378)	(2.79)
Net Recurrent Result/Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	24,965,178	27,067,250	26,637,411	(429,839)	(1.61)
NET RESULT AFTER CAPITAL ITEMS	25,978,303	27,349,806	27,110,536	(239,270)	(0.88)

Lockyer Valley Regional Council (People, Customer and Corporate Services)
Statement of Comprehensive Income
For Period Ending February 2023

	Current Annual Budget	Actuals YTD	Budget YTD	Variance Amount YTD	Variance % YTD
Income					
Revenue					
Recurrent Revenue					
Rates and Utility Charges (Gross)	7,966,562	7,882,427	7,966,729	84,302	1.06
Discount	(250,000)	(140,797)	(250,000)	(109,203)	43.68
Charges and Fees	579,540	614,949	386,360	(228,589)	(59.16)
Interest	32,000	26,306	21,333	(4,973)	(23.31)
Operating Grants and Subsidies	131,500	293,908	131,500	(162,408)	(123.50)
Operating Contributions and Donations	50,000	-	50,000	50,000	100.00
Other Revenue	542,000	293,481	350,833	57,352	16.35
Total Recurrent Revenue	9,051,602	8,970,275	8,656,755	(313,520)	(3.62)
Capital Revenue					
Capital Grants, Subsidies and Contributions	1,796,065	(17,833)	20,000	37,833	189.16
Total Revenue	10,847,667	8,952,442	8,676,755	(275,687)	(3.18)
Capital Income	-	-	-	-	-
Total Income	10,847,667	8,952,442	8,676,755	(275,687)	(3.18)
Expenses					
Recurrent Expenses					
Employee Costs	6,003,710	3,878,035	4,176,536	298,501	7.15
Goods and Services	9,882,360	6,485,444	6,996,744	511,299	7.31
Finance costs	89,019	57,702	44,843	(12,859)	(28.68)
Depreciation	595,940	335,761	397,293	61,532	15.49
Total Recurrent Expenses	16,571,028	10,756,942	11,615,415	858,474	7.39
Capital Expenses	-	39,584	-	(39,584)	-
Loss on Sale	-	-	-	-	-
Total Expenses	16,571,028	10,796,526	11,615,415	818,890	7.05
Net Recurrent Result/Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	(7,519,426)	(1,786,667)	(2,938,660)	(1,171,994)	39.61
NET RESULT AFTER CAPITAL ITEMS	(5,723,361)	(1,844,083)	(2,938,660)	(1,094,577)	37.25

Lockyer Valley Regional Council (Community and Regional Prosperity)
Statement of Comprehensive Income
For Period Ending February 2023

	Current Annual Budget	Actuals YTD	Budget YTD	Variance Amount YTD	Variance % YTD
Income					
Revenue					
Recurrent Revenue					
Rates and Utility Charges (Gross)	319,104	311,801	319,104	7,303	2.29
Charges and Fees	4,368,550	2,825,241	2,676,458	(148,782)	(5.56)
Interest	1,000	1,021	667	(354)	(53.17)
Operating Grants and Subsidies	1,269,764	916,364	957,185	40,821	4.26
Operating Contributions and Donations	655,000	52,241	327,500	275,260	84.05
Revenue - Contract/Recoverable Works	-	4,469	-	(4,469)	-
Other Revenue	53,209	34,364	37,467	3,103	8.28
Total Recurrent Revenue	6,666,627	4,145,501	4,318,382	172,881	4.00
Capital Revenue					
Capital Grants, Subsidies and Contributions	95,000	181	95,000	94,819	99.81
Total Revenue	6,761,627	4,145,682	4,413,382	267,699	6.07
Capital Income	-	-	-	-	-
Total Income	6,761,627	4,145,682	4,413,382	267,699	6.07
Expenses					
Recurrent Expenses					
Employee Costs	7,158,885	4,588,830	4,950,258	361,427	7.30
Goods and Services	5,105,032	2,226,634	3,502,186	1,275,552	36.42
Finance costs	6,600	2,126	4,400	2,274	51.69
Depreciation	26,540	17,220	17,693	474	2.68
Total Recurrent Expenses	12,297,057	6,834,810	8,474,537	1,639,727	19.35
Capital Expenses	-	-	-	-	-
Loss on Sale	-	-	-	-	-
Total Expenses	12,297,057	6,834,810	8,474,537	1,639,727	19.35
Net Recurrent Result/Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	(5,630,430)	(2,689,309)	(4,156,155)	(1,466,846)	35.29
NET RESULT AFTER CAPITAL ITEMS	(5,535,430)	(2,689,128)	(4,061,155)	(1,372,028)	33.78

Lockyer Valley Regional Council (Infrastructure)
Statement of Comprehensive Income
For Period Ending February 2023

	Current Annual Budget	Actuals YTD	Budget YTD	Variance Amount YTD	Variance % YTD
Income					
Revenue					
Recurrent Revenue					
Rates and Utility Charges (Gross)	864,140	432,070	864,140	432,070	50.00
Charges and Fees	350,000	233,792	233,333	(459)	(0.20)
Operating Grants and Subsidies	4,255,578	1,619,500	1,913,500	294,000	15.36
Operating Contributions and Donations	-	2,500	-	(2,500)	-
Revenue - Contract/Recoverable Works	1,050,000	943,095	700,000	(243,095)	(34.73)
Other Revenue	460,000	296,420	306,627	10,207	3.33
Total Recurrent Revenue	6,979,718	3,527,377	4,017,600	490,223	12.20
Capital Revenue					
Capital Grants, Subsidies and Contributions	7,742,354	5,567,605	6,587,378	1,019,773	15.48
Total Revenue	14,722,072	9,094,982	10,604,978	1,509,996	14.24
Capital Income	-	-	-	-	-
Total Income	14,722,072	9,094,982	10,604,978	1,509,996	14.24
Expenses					
Recurrent Expenses					
Employee Costs	10,095,107	5,698,055	6,907,357	1,209,302	17.51
Goods and Services	5,816,732	3,922,352	4,207,155	284,803	6.77
Finance costs	289,426	150,548	144,713	(5,835)	(4.03)
Depreciation	1,138,900	787,237	759,267	(27,970)	(3.68)
Total Recurrent Expenses	17,340,166	10,558,192	12,018,492	1,460,301	12.15
Capital Expenses	-	64,943	-	(64,943)	-
Loss on Sale	(81,465)	22,569	(40,733)	(63,301)	155.41
Total Expenses	17,258,701	10,645,704	11,977,760	1,332,056	11.12
Net Recurrent Result/Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	(10,360,448)	(7,030,815)	(8,000,893)	(970,078)	12.12
NET RESULT AFTER CAPITAL ITEMS	(2,536,629)	(1,550,722)	(1,372,782)	177,940	(12.96)

Lockyer Valley Regional Council (2021/2022 Flood Events)

Statement of Comprehensive Income

For Period Ending February 2023

	Current Annual Budget	Actuals YTD	Budget YTD	Variance Amount YTD	Variance % YTD
Income					
Revenue					
Recurrent Revenue					
Operating Grants and Subsidies	1,963,000	9,615,891	1,963,000	(7,652,891)	(389.86)
Total Recurrent Revenue	1,963,000	9,615,891	1,963,000	(7,652,891)	(389.86)
Capital Revenue					
Capital Grants, Subsidies and Contributions	7,000,000	3,292,968	1,000,000	(2,292,968)	(229.30)
Total Revenue	8,963,000	12,908,859	2,963,000	(9,945,859)	(335.67)
Capital Income	-	-	-	-	-
Total Income	8,963,000	12,908,859	2,963,000	(9,945,859)	(335.67)
Expenses					
Recurrent Expenses					
Employee Costs	501,000	554,778	501,000	(53,778)	(10.73)
Goods and Services	1,726,500	1,582,837	1,726,500	143,663	8.32
Total Recurrent Expenses	2,227,500	2,137,615	2,227,500	89,885	4.04
Capital Expenses	-	-	-	-	-
Loss on Sale	-	-	-	-	-
Total Expenses	2,227,500	2,137,615	2,227,500	89,885	4.04
Net Recurrent Result/Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	(264,500)	7,478,277	(264,500)	(7,742,777)	2,927.33
NET RESULT AFTER CAPITAL ITEMS	6,735,500	10,771,245	735,500	(10,035,745)	(1,364.48)

LOCKYER VALLEY REGIONAL COUNCIL
Statement of Cash Flows
For the Period Ending 28 February, 2023

	2022-2023 Annual Budget	2022-2023 YTD Actuals
<u>Cash flows from operating activities:</u>		
<u>Receipts</u>		
Receipts from customers	63,980,000	48,693,923
Dividend received	-	-
Interest received	1,850,000	1,486,428
<u>Payments</u>		
Payments to suppliers and employees	(54,960,000)	(38,550,591)
Interest expense	(620,000)	(479,752)
Net cash inflow (outflow) from operating activities	10,250,000	11,150,008
<u>Cash flows from investing activities:</u>		
Capital grants, subsidies and contributions	17,650,000	9,767,818
Payments for property, plant and equipment	(36,340,000)	(13,995,419)
Payments for investment property	-	-
Net transfer (to) from cash investments	1,170,000	-
Proceeds from sale of property plant and equipment	300,000	337,964
Net cash inflow (outflow) from investing activities	(17,220,000)	(3,889,637)
<u>Cash flows from financing activities:</u>		
Repayment of borrowings	(7,720,000)	(817,458)
Proceeds from borrowings	-	-
Net cash inflow (outflow) from financing activities	(7,720,000)	(817,458)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents held	(14,690,000)	6,442,913
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the financial year	44,090,000	47,845,646
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the financial year	29,400,000	54,288,559

LOCKYER VALLEY REGIONAL COUNCIL
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
As at 28 February, 2023

	2022-2023 Annual Budget	2022-2023 YTD Actual
<u>Current Assets</u>		
Cash assets and cash equivalents	29,400,000	35,288,559
Cash investments	-	19,000,000
Trade and other receivables	4,510,000	22,556,540
Inventories	630,000	708,685
Contract Receivable	-	2,158,716
Non-current assets classified as held for sale	-	-
Total Current Assets	34,540,000	79,712,499
<u>Non Current Assets</u>		
Trade and other receivables	14,740,000	14,734,969
Equity investments	32,890,000	32,289,074
Investment properties	1,610,000	1,693,275
Property, plant and equipment	552,330,000	579,125,431
Intangible assets	660,000	88,498
Total Non Current Assets	602,230,000	627,931,247
TOTAL ASSETS	636,770,000	707,643,746
<u>Current Liabilities</u>		
Trade and other payables	5,000,000	7,865,138
Provisions	8,190,000	7,950,510
Borrowings	1,120,000	880,457
Contract Liability Grants	-	5,988,560
Total Current Liabilities	14,300,000	22,684,665
<u>Non Current Liabilities</u>		
Provisions	28,680,000	41,346,563
Borrowings	11,100,000	18,285,910
Total Non Current Liabilities	39,790,000	59,632,473
TOTAL LIABILITIES	54,080,000	82,317,138
NET COMMUNITY ASSETS	582,680,000	625,326,609
<u>Community Equity</u>		
Retained surplus (deficiency)	425,070,000	385,419,787
Asset revaluation surplus	156,420,000	211,955,962
Reserves	-	4,896,128
Current Surplus/(Deficit)	1,190,000	23,054,731
TOTAL COMMUNITY EQUITY	582,680,000	625,326,609

LOCKYER VALLEY REGIONAL COUNCIL
For Period Ended February, 2023

CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAM

	Budget	Actual	Committed	Total (includes committed costs)	Remaining Budget	Total Amount of Funding	Council Contribution	Design Completion %	Construction Completion %	Comments
INFRASTRUCTURE										
Cost Centre: Parks & Open Spaces										
<i>Program: Parks and Open Spaces Projects</i>										
Fairways Park Retention Dam Design	25,000	18,363	17,700	36,063	(11,063)	-	25,000	100	20	
Fairways Parking and Traffic Controls	30,000	-	-	-	30,000	-	30,000	100	100	
Fairways Shade and Drainage Improvements	20,000	38,980	-	38,980	(18,980)	-	20,000	100	100	
FH Temis Club Synthetic Court Renewal	59,000	-	-	-	59,000	25,000	34,000	100	0	
Jean Biggs Disability Parking	42,000	4,864	-	4,864	37,136	-	42,000	100	100	
Lions Park Laidley Seat Replacement	9,500	11,541	-	11,541	(2,041)	-	9,500	100	100	
LRR Bubbler Renewal	5,000	404	-	404	4,596	-	5,000	100	20	
McNully Park Bubbler	5,000	404	-	404	4,596	-	5,000	100	20	
Murphy's Creek Ground Playground Renewal	136,000	5,967	106,180	111,147	24,853	-	136,000	100	20	
Parks and Open Spaces Projects Total	331,500	80,523	122,880	203,403	128,097	25,000	306,500			
Cost Centre: Capital Program Delivery										
<i>Program: Asphalt Resheet Programme</i>										
21/22 Asphalt Renewal Gtn CBD (RC1&2)	164,757	155,338	-	155,338	9,419	153,206	11,551	100	100	
22/23 Asphalt Resheet	500,000	365,097	55,830	420,927	79,073	-	500,000	Not applicable	90	
Asphalt Resheet Programme Projects Total	664,757	520,436	55,830	576,265	88,492	153,206	511,551			
<i>Program: Culvert Renewal Programme</i>										
21/22 Culvert Renewal Program (SICOSP)	241,137	64,092	-	64,092	177,045	238,677	2,460	100	95	
Culvert Renewal Programme Projects Total	241,137	64,092	-	64,092	177,045	238,677	2,460			
<i>Program: Future Design Works Programme</i>										
23/24 Culvert Renewal Program	-	5,850	-	5,850	(5,850)	-	-	80	Not applicable	
23/24 Floodway Renewal Program	-	46,148	99,455	145,603	(145,603)	-	-	40	Not applicable	
Biggs Road, Withcott	-	4,258	-	4,258	(4,258)	-	-	10	Not applicable	
Cemetery Road/Victor Court Intersection	-	964	-	964	(964)	-	-	20	Not applicable	
Cochrane/Maitland/Riddell/Subbersfield	-	344	-	344	(344)	-	-	95	Not applicable	
Dwyne Street, Withcott	-	1,417	13,594	15,011	(15,011)	-	-	5	Not applicable	
Douglas McInnes Drive	-	1,165	-	1,165	(1,165)	-	-	5	Not applicable	
Footpath Missing Links - Fairway Drive	-	786	-	786	(786)	-	-	20	Not applicable	
Footpath Missing Links - Jones Road	-	5,063	-	5,063	(5,063)	-	-	20	Not applicable	
Footpath Missing Links - William Street	-	364	-	364	(364)	-	-	20	Not applicable	
Future Design - 23/24 Footpath Renewal	-	761	-	761	(761)	-	-	10	Not applicable	
Future Project Design-Budget Only	350,000	-	-	-	350,000	-	350,000	Not applicable	Not applicable	Design Budget Holding Project.
Gekhe/Forest Avenue	-	333	-	333	(333)	-	-	5	Not applicable	
John Street South, Laidley	-	8,234	4,045	12,279	(12,279)	-	-	30	Not applicable	
Laidley CBD Accessibility Review	-	1,160	-	1,160	(1,160)	-	-	10	Not applicable	
Lawlers Road/Sandy Creek Intersection	-	1,058	-	1,058	(1,058)	-	-	30	Not applicable	

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				Total (includes committed costs)	Remaining Budget	Total Amount of Funding	Council Contribution	Design Completion %	Construction Completion %	Comments
Budget				Actual	Committed					
Program: Seal Renewal Programme										
21/22 Bitumen Reseal Program (RT)				-	58,112	-	-	100	100	
22/23 Bitumen Reseal (R2)				1,700,000	1,471,978	105,422	1,577,299	927,079	90	
Seal Renewal Programme Projects Total				1,700,000	1,529,990	105,422	1,535,411	927,079	772,921	
Program: Seal Road Upgrade Programme										
Twidales Rd Haildon Spa Upgrade (SECCSP)				13,368	-	-	13,368	100	100	
Seal Road Upgrade Programme Projects Total				13,368	-	-	13,368	100	100	
Cost Centre: DRFA New Event - REPA										
Program: REPA Programme										
DRFA - Feb 2022 - Unsealed Zone 9				160,246	3,576	163,822	(163,822)	Not Applicable	100	
DRFA - Feb 2022 - Unsealed Zone 3				6,997	7,309	14,306	(14,306)	Not Applicable	4	
DRFA - Feb 2022 - Unsealed Zone 1				301,073	12,691	313,764	(313,764)	Not Applicable	100	
DRFA - Feb 2022 - Unsealed Zone 8, pt 2				360,445	78,789	439,233	(439,233)	Not Applicable	84	
DRFA - Feb 2022 - Unsealed Zone 8, pt 1				287,012	68,521	355,532	(355,532)	Not Applicable	58	
DRFA - Feb 2022 - Unsealed Zone 8, pt 3				231,200	33,637	264,956	(264,956)	Not Applicable	71	
DRFA - Feb 2022 - Old Laidley Forest Hill Road				4,400	-	4,400	(4,400)	Not Applicable	0	
DRFA - Feb 2022 - Unsealed Zone 4, pt 2				1,397	-	1,397	(1,397)	Not Applicable	0	
DRFA - Feb 2022 - Unsealed Zone 11-18				634	-	634	(634)	Not Applicable	0	
DRFA - Feb 2022 - Woodshed Ck Rd Floodway				17,949	449,704	467,653	(467,653)	Not Applicable	55	
DRFA - Feb 2022 - Berlin Road Landslip				51,389	5,011	56,400	(56,400)	Not Applicable	0	
DRFA - Feb 2022 - Main Camp Ck Rd Floodway				989	-	989	(989)	Not Applicable	30	
DRFA - Feb 2022 - Sealed Zone 5				4,205	-	4,205	(4,205)	Not Applicable	5	
DRFA - Feb 2022 - Sealed Zone 11-18				2,721	-	2,721	(2,721)	Not Applicable	2	
DRFA - Feb 2022 - Adare Road Floodway				18,536	79,830	98,366	(98,366)	Not Applicable	0	
DRFA - Feb 2022 - Guardrail Repairs				9,705	170,111	179,816	(179,816)	Not Applicable	20	
DRFA - Feb 2022 - Steinke's Bridge				2,392	-	2,392	(2,392)	Not Applicable	0	
DRFA - Feb 2022 - Sealed Zone 11-18				50,114	38,596	88,710	(88,710)	Not Applicable	0	
DRFA - Feb 2022 - Rockmount Road CH 3220				556	-	556	(556)	Not Applicable	5	
DRFA - Feb 2022 - Abbotts Road Culvert CH 430				556	-	556	(556)	Not Applicable	0	
DRFA - Feb 2022 - Abbotts Road Culvert CH 630				556	-	556	(556)	Not Applicable	0	
DRFA - Feb 2022 - Sealed Zone 8				6,739	2,208	8,947	(8,947)	Not Applicable	1	
DRFA - Feb 2022 - Unsealed Zone 7				33,838	1,051	34,889	(34,889)	Not Applicable	2	
DRFA - Feb 2022 - Roches Road CH 1250				46,667	4,472	51,139	(51,139)	Not Applicable	0	
DRFA - Feb 2022 - REPA Project Mgt				887,179	1,484,799	2,371,978	(2,371,978)	Not Applicable	0	
DRFA - May 2022 - Liffin Bridge				35,618	10,238	45,855	(45,855)	Not Applicable	30	
DRFA - May 2022 - East Egypt Rd Landslip				71,456	17,979	89,435	(89,435)	Not Applicable	0	
DRFA - May 2022 - Mountain View Dr Landslip				29,720	12,738	42,458	(42,458)	Not Applicable	0	
REPA (Holding Project)				7,000,000	-	7,000,000	-	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
REPA Programme Projects Total				7,000,000	2,623,852	5,105,112	1,894,888	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
Program: REPA Complimentary Works Programme										
DRFA - Feb 2022 - Camp Works Unsealed				-	432,513	86,554	519,068	Not Applicable	5	
REPA Complimentary Gravel Works Program Budget				1,000,000	-	-	1,000,000	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
REPA Complimentary Works Programme Projects Total				1,000,000	432,513	86,554	519,068	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	

	Budget	Actual	Committed	Total (includes committed costs)	Remaining Budget	Total Amount of Funding	Council Contribution	Design Completion %	Construction Completion %	Comments
Cost Centre: Fleet										
<i>Program: Fleet Projects</i>										
21/22 Earthmoving Equipment Replacement	1,170,000	1,133,534	980	1,134,514	35,486	358,000	812,000	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
21/22 Light Commercial Replacement	133,238	97,389	44,834	142,223	(8,985)	16,000	117,238	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
21/22 Mowers Replacement	205,555	214,455	-	214,455	(8,900)	-	205,555	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
21/22 Passenger Vehicles	55,075	24,629	-	24,629	30,446	55,075	-	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
21/22 Tractors Replacement	80,000	64,500	-	64,500	15,500	-	80,000	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
21/22 Trailers Replacement	270,000	-	178,844	178,844	91,156	-	270,000	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
21/22 Trucks Replacement	696,370	119,051	561,753	680,803	15,567	-	696,370	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
22/23 Earthmoving Equipment	949,700	-	-	-	949,700	-	949,700	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
22/23 Light Commercial	80,000	85,418	169,834	255,252	(175,252)	-	80,000	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
22/23 Light Trucks	705,000	-	774,659	774,659	(69,659)	138,000	567,000	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
22/23 Mowers	150,000	-	-	-	150,000	23,150	126,850	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
22/23 Passenger Vehicles	200,000	-	104,547	104,547	95,453	2,925	197,075	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
22/23 Trailers	80,000	47,476	-	47,476	32,524	48,500	31,500	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
22/23 Trucks	270,000	-	351,271	351,271	(81,271)	60,000	210,000	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
New Light Commercial	45,000	-	-	-	45,000	-	45,000	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
Fleet Projects Total	5,089,938	1,786,452	2,186,721	3,973,173	1,116,765	701,650	4,388,288			
Cost Centre: Cemetery										
<i>Program: Cemetery Projects</i>										
Gatton Cemetery Seam Strip Installation	35,000	4,861	19,513	24,375	10,625	-	35,000	100	10	
Gatton Cemetery Sealing	6,000	3,732	-	3,732	2,268	-	6,000	100	20	
Laidley Cemetery Seam Strip Install (LRCI)	70,000	60,948	-	60,948	9,052	50,000	20,000	100	100	
Laidley Cemetery Seam Strip Renewal	35,000	324	-	324	34,676	-	35,000	100	10	
Cemetery Projects Total	146,000	69,865	19,513	89,379	56,621	50,000	96,000			
Cost Centre: Camping Grounds										
<i>Program: Camping Grounds Projects</i>										
Disabled Toilet Lake Dyer	25,000	3,979	-	3,979	21,021	-	25,000	100	0	
Prinic Setting Renewal	27,000	2,749	-	2,749	24,251	-	27,000	100	10	
Camping Grounds Projects Total	52,000	6,728	-	6,728	45,272	-	52,000			
Cost Centre: Facilities										
<i>Program: Facilities Projects</i>										
Alex Gaddes Hall Upgrade	-	5,428	26,105	31,533	(31,533)	-	-	100	0	Included in budget review.
Bore Infrastructure Improvements (SEDCSP)	32,007	13,470	-	13,470	18,537	32,007	-	100	100	
Cahill Park Machinery Shed (SEDCSP)	21,567	13,602	-	13,602	7,965	21,567	-	100	100	
Catering Equipment Colonial Cafe	25,000	1,772	-	1,772	23,228	-	25,000	Not Applicable	0	
Community Facilities Design Packages	70,000	-	-	-	70,000	-	70,000	100	100	
Depot Containers	10,000	-	6,500	6,500	3,500	-	10,000	100	10	
Electrical Infrastructure Program	98,527	65,747	591	66,338	32,189	-	98,527	100	100	
Electrical Upgrades	159,300	13,580	-	13,580	145,720	-	159,300	100	20	
Gatton Admin Building Works (LRCI)	510,000	328,157	26,987	355,143	154,857	510,000	-	80	30	
Gatton Depot Action Plan	17,772	24,200	1,300	26,200	(8,428)	-	17,772	100	100	
Gatton Depot Fuel Tank	58,415	50,310	-	50,310	8,105	-	58,415	100	100	

	Total				Total Amount of Funding	Council Contribution	Design Completion %	Construction Completion %	Comments
	Budget	Actual	Committed	(includes committed costs) Remaining Budget					
Gatton Shire Hall (BSBR)	210,000	-	-	-	210,000	-	0	0	Transfer funding to Alex Geddes Hall.
Gatton Showgrounds Program	-	407	-	407	(407)	-	100	100	
Grantham Buttery Factory Upgrade (LER)	32,555	20,088	-	20,088	12,467	-	100	100	
GSH External Cladding and Gutters	370,000	33,392	-	33,392	336,608	-	100	10	Transfer funding to Alex Geddes Hall.
Heidon Community Centre (BSBR)	55,000	-	-	-	55,000	-	0	0	
Hydraulic Renewal Program	72,068	20,577	-	20,577	51,491	-	0	0	Transfer funding to Alex Geddes Hall.
Laidley Cultural Centre (BSBR)	210,000	-	-	-	210,000	-	0	0	
Laidley GGA Carpark	60,000	-	-	-	60,000	-	100	0	
Laidley Rec Grounds Program	75,000	53,336	-	53,336	21,664	-	100	100	
Laidley Saleyards Program (SEQCSP)	56,413	-	-	-	56,413	-	100	100	
Laidley Showgrounds Bore Pump	12,500	14,025	-	14,025	(1,525)	-	100	100	
Lake Apex Amphitheatre (SEQCSP)	365,026	-	-	-	365,026	-	100	100	Project deferred.
LVSAC Pool Side Gates	35,000	30,607	-	30,607	4,393	-	100	100	
LVSAC Rejuvenation (SEQCSP)	165,179	162,169	-	162,169	3,010	-	100	100	
Murphy's Creek Community Centre (BSBR)	30,000	-	-	-	30,000	-	0	0	Transfer funding to Alex Geddes Hall.
Solar to Gatton Depot Workshop	22,392	83,914	-	83,914	(61,522)	-	100	0	
Without Sports Centre (BSBR)	100,000	-	-	-	100,000	-	0	0	Transfer funding to Alex Geddes Hall.
Facilities Projects Project Total	2,873,721	935,479	61,483	996,962	1,795,192	1,118,529	0	0	
Total for Group	\$ 29,727,033	\$ 12,133,576	\$ 8,973,332	\$ 21,106,908	\$ 8,620,125	\$ 16,802,376	\$ 12,924,657		

PEOPLE AND BUSINESS PERFORMANCE							Total	Total Amount of	Council	Design	Construction	Comments
							(includes committed costs)	Funding	Contribution	Completion %	Completion %	
Budget	Actual	Committed	committed costs)	Remaining Budget								
Cost Centre: Governance and Property												
<i>Program: Legal Services Projects</i>												
Realignment, subdivide, sale Tryhom St	-	810	21,052	21,862	(21,862)	-	-	-	-	Not applicable		Included in budget amendment.
Legal Services Projects Total	-	810	21,052	21,862	(21,862)	-	-	-	-			
Cost Centre: Information Communication Technology												
<i>Program: Information Communication Technology Projects</i>												
22/23 LVCC Audio Visual Renewals	71,000	-	-	-	71,000	-	-	71,000	-	10	0	
Library People Counter Renewals	8,000	-	-	-	8,000	-	-	8,000	-	0	0	
Network Perimeter Security (Firewalls)	34,000	-	-	-	34,000	-	-	34,000	-	0	0	
UPS Renewal	50,000	-	-	-	50,000	-	-	50,000	-	0	0	
Information Communication Technology Projects Total	163,000	-	-	-	163,000	-	-	163,000	-			
Cost Centre: Waste Disposal												
<i>Program: Waste Disposal Projects</i>												
Lidley Leachate Tank Replacement	125,000	-	-	-	125,000	-	-	125,000	-	0	0	
Waste Disposal Projects Total	125,000	-	-	-	125,000	-	-	125,000	-			
Cost Centre: Transfer Stations												
<i>Program: Transfer Station Projects</i>												
Gatton Landfill Cell 5 (SECOSP)	3,796,065	29,383	375,775	405,158	3,390,907	1,796,065	2,000,000	-	100	0	0	
Lidley Landfill Capping Design	12,070	8,800	-	8,800	3,270	-	12,070	-	0	0	0	
Materials Recov Fac Asphalt Replacement	70,000	-	-	-	70,000	-	70,000	-	0	0	0	
Materials Recovery Facility Fire Systems	80,000	-	13,110	13,110	66,890	-	80,000	-	10	0	0	
Old Gatton Landfill Capping	8,550	559	23,716	24,275	(15,725)	-	8,550	-	0	0	0	
Transfer Station Projects Total	3,966,685	38,742	412,601	451,343	3,515,342	1,796,065	2,170,620	-				
Cost Centre: Public Order & Safety												
<i>Program: Public Order and Safety Projects</i>												
22/23 LVRC CCTV	44,000	-	-	-	44,000	-	44,000	-	Not applicable	0	100	
LVRC CCTV	5,000	4,781	-	4,781	219	-	5,000	-	Not applicable			
Public Order and Safety Projects Total	49,000	4,781	-	4,781	44,219	-	49,000	-				
Total for Group	\$ 4,303,685	\$ 44,333	\$ 433,653	\$ 477,987	\$ 3,825,698	\$ 1,796,065	\$ 2,507,620					

COMMUNITY AND REGIONAL PROSPERITY											
					Total						
					(includes committed costs)	Remaining Budget	Total Amount of Funding	Council Contribution	Design Completion %	Construction Completion %	Comments
Budget	Actual	Committed									
Cost Centre: Regional Development											
Program: Regional Development Projects											
Strategic Land Acquisition	1,250,000	-	-	-	-	1,250,000	-	1,250,000	Not applicable	0	
Regional Development Projects Total	1,250,000	-	-	-	-	1,250,000	-	1,250,000			
Cost Centre: Tourism Initiatives											
Program: Tourism Projects											
FH Rec Grounds Parking & Viewing Silos	100,000	-	-	-	-	100,000	-	100,000	0	0	
Tourism Projects Total	100,000	-	-	-	-	100,000	-	100,000			
Cost Centre: Voluntary Buy Back											
Program: Voluntary Home Buy Back											
Voluntary Home Buy Back Scheme	2,275,136	362,500	2,637,636	(2,637,636)	2,275,136	2,275,136	-	2,275,136	Not applicable	5	
Voluntary Home Buy Back Projects Total	-	2,275,136	362,500	2,637,636	(2,637,636)	2,275,136	-	2,275,136			
Cost Centre: Pest Management											
Program: Pest Management Projects											
Loan Spray Equipment	20,000	-	19,315	19,315	685	20,000	-	20,000	Not applicable	10	
Pest Management Projects Total	20,000	-	19,315	19,315	685	20,000	-	20,000			
Cost Centre: Gatton Child Care Centre											
Program: Gatton Child Care Projects											
Gatton Childcare Centre Refurbishment	13,155	11,956	-	11,956	1,199	13,155	-	13,155	100	100	
Gatton Child Care Projects Total	13,155	11,956	-	11,956	1,199	13,155	-	13,155			
Cost Centre: Art Galleries & RADF											
Program: Art Gallery & RADF Projects											
Art Gallery Lighting Upgrade (LRCS)	95,000	181	75,730	75,911	19,089	95,000	-	95,000	100	0	
Art Gallery & RADF Projects Total	95,000	181	75,730	75,911	19,089	95,000	-	95,000			
Total for Group					\$ 1,478,155	\$ 2,287,274	\$ 457,545	\$ 2,744,819	-\$ 1,266,664	\$ 2,370,136	\$ 1,383,155

EXECUTIVE OFFICE									
Cost Centre: Disaster Management									
					Total (includes committed costs)	Total Amount of			
Budget	Actual	Committed	committed costs	Remaining Budget	Funding	Council Contribution	Design Completion %	Construction Completion %	Comments
Program: Disaster Management Projects									
DM Donga Pathway	30,000	-	-	30,000	-	30,000	5	0	
DM Evacuation Centre Trailer	16,000	7,753	-	7,753	16,000	-	100	100	
Flood Intelligence Infrastructure	135,000	-	-	135,000	-	135,000	10	0	
Flood Warning System Upgrade	23,500	-	-	23,500	-	23,500	10	0	
QRRR Flood Cameras & Electronic Signage	600,000	17,837	28,920	46,757	553,243	540,000	10	0	
Upgrade Flood Camera Equipment (SECQSP)	25,832	11,070	24,560	35,630	(9,798)	25,832	100	100	
Disaster Management Projects Total	830,332	36,660	53,480	90,140	740,192	581,832			
Total for Group	\$ 830,332	\$ 36,660	\$ 53,480	\$ 90,140	\$ 740,192	\$ 581,832			
Total for Council	\$ 36,339,205	\$ 14,501,843	\$ 9,918,010	\$ 24,419,854	\$ 11,919,351	\$ 21,550,409			

LOCKYER VALLEY REGIONAL COUNCIL
For Period Ended February, 2023

CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAM SUMMARY

	Budget	Actual	Committed	Total (includes committed costs)	Remaining Budget
INFRASTRUCTURE					
Camping Grounds	52,000	6,728	-	6,728	45,272
Capital Program Delivery	13,233,874	6,198,164	4,014,921	10,213,085	3,020,789
Cemetery	146,000	69,865	19,513	89,378	56,622
DRFA New Event - REPA	8,000,000	3,056,365	2,567,814	5,624,179	2,375,821
Facilities	2,873,721	935,479	61,483	996,962	1,876,759
Fleet	5,089,938	1,786,452	2,186,721	3,973,173	1,116,765
Parks & Open Spaces	331,500	80,523	122,880	203,403	128,097
Total for Group	\$ 29,727,033	\$ 12,133,576	\$ 8,973,332	\$ 21,106,908	\$ 8,620,125

PEOPLE AND BUSINESS PERFORMANCE

Governance and Property	-	810	21,052	21,862	(21,862)
Information Communication Technology	163,000	-	-	-	163,000
Public Order & Safety	49,000	4,781	-	4,781	44,219
Transfer Stations	3,966,685	38,742	412,601	451,343	3,515,342
Waste Disposal	125,000	-	-	-	125,000
Total for Group	\$ 4,303,685	\$ 44,333	\$ 433,653	\$ 477,987	\$ 3,825,698

COMMUNITY AND REGIONAL PROSPERITY

Art Galleries & RADF	95,000	181	75,730	75,911	19,089
Gatton Child Care Centre	13,155	11,956	-	11,956	1,199
Pest Management	20,000	-	19,315	19,315	685
Regional Development	1,250,000	-	-	-	1,250,000
Voluntary Home Buy Back	-	2,275,136	362,500	2,637,636	(2,637,636)
Tourism Initiatives	100,000	-	-	-	100,000
Total for Group	\$ 1,478,155	\$ 2,287,274	\$ 457,545	\$ 2,744,819	-\$ 1,266,664

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

Disaster Management	830,332	36,660	53,480	90,140	740,192
Total for Group	\$ 830,332	\$ 36,660	\$ 53,480	\$ 90,140	\$ 740,192
Total for Council	\$ 36,339,205	\$ 14,501,843	\$ 9,918,010	\$ 24,419,854	\$ 11,919,351

10.2 Budget Review and Updated Long Term Financial Forecast

Author: Kacey Bachmann, Management Accountant; Dee Stewart, Coordinator
Accounting Services

Responsible Officer: Ian Church, Chief Executive Officer

Purpose:

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's adoption of the amended 2022-23 Budget and Long-Term Financial Forecast as set out in the attachments.

Officer's Recommendation:

THAT Council adopt the amended 2022-23 Budget and Long-Term Financial Forecast as set out in the attachment titled 2022-23 Budget and Long-Term Financial Forecast.

RESOLUTION

THAT Council adopt the amended 2022-23 Budget and Long-Term Financial Forecast as set out in the attachment titled "2022-23 Budget and Long-Term Financial Forecast."

Moved By: Cr Wilson

Seconded By:

Cr Hagan

Resolution Number: 20-24/0767

CARRIED

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Executive Summary

In adopting its budget, several assumptions are used by Council which need to be updated periodically based on changes in actual results. The budget review has included a review of those major variations which have occurred since the budget was adopted including capital works. Where Council amends its budget, its Long-Term Financial Forecast must also be updated.

The changes include adjustments to operating income and expenditure, and capital income and expenditure. Forecasts are regularly reviewed and have been updated to reflect the changes in the current economy.

The updated Long-Term Financial Forecast incorporates the recommended budget changes.

Proposal

A review of actual financial performance against the budget has been conducted. The review focused on those major variations whose impacts are currently known including additional grants and fees and charges income received and the identification of adjustments to the capital works program. Further budget reviews will be conducted during the year to review ongoing budget variations in detail.

Table 1 shows the operational income and expense items which require amending at this point in time:

Item	Revenue / Expenditure	Description	Amount Increase / (Decrease)	Comments
1	Revenue	Charges and Fees	\$182,500	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$177,000 Plumbing fees \$5,500 other minor movements
2	Revenue	Operational Grants & subsidies	\$7,548,193	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$6,037,000 Emergency Works \$1,550,000 Counter Disaster Operations \$100,000 Child Care Subsidy \$75,000 Traineeship funding \$42,000 Apprenticeship funding \$26,400 Australia Day funding \$30,700 QRA Flood Risk Management \$55,000 Voluntary Home Buy Back operating component -\$210,000 deferral of LGGSP asset condition assessments -\$157,000 due to changes of accounting treatment of operating grants
3	Revenue	Interest Income	\$240,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Investment income increase as per LTFF forecast
4	Revenue	Operating Contributions and Donations	\$20,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$20,000 Resilient Rivers Phase 5 Lockyer Creek project
5	Revenue	Other Revenue	\$162,758	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$175,000 Urban Utilities Income Tax Instalments Other minor movements
TOTAL Revenue			\$8,153,451	Net increase in revenue
1	Expenditure	Employee Costs	\$556,975	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$540,000 transfer capital wages to operational Other minor movements to reflect current operations and adjustments to business delivery.
2	Expenditure	Materials and Services	\$1,489,002	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$220,000 transfer capital plant to operational \$402,500 for Development Assessments \$70,500 legal costs \$113,300 waste contract \$100,000 green waste mulching \$156,000 Community Well Being contractors \$80,000 Fleet contractors \$55,000 Voluntary Home Buy Back project management \$119,000 insurance premium \$240,000 fuel costs

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • -\$350,000 deferral of LGGSP asset condition assessment project to 23/24 • -\$150,000 deferral of concrete crushing • \$50,000 Inland Rail costs deferred to 23/24 • Other minor movements to reflect current operations and adjustments to business delivery.
3	Expenditure	Depreciation	\$414,940	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase in depreciation of road and drainage network due to indexation applied in 21/22.
TOTAL Expenditure			\$2,460,937	Net increase in expenditure
NET TOTAL			\$5,692,514	Overall net increase in the 2022-23 operating result.

The changes to the operational and capital budget will have a positive impact on the projected operating surplus, increasing by \$5.69M to a forecast position at 30 June 2023 of \$6.88M, as well as an overall increase to the capital works program budget. The largest adjustments are directly associated with the adjustment to the operational grants and subsidies due to the recognition of counter disaster and emergency works funding in the 22/23 financial year.

The Management Team is continuing to monitor their budgets to risk manage variances within their respective branch budgets with reporting to the Executive Leadership Team on variances also occurring.

Table 2 shows the changes to capital income and expense items which require amendment in this budget review:

TABLE 2 – CAPITAL BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Item	Revenue / Expenditure	Description	Amount Increase / (Decrease)	Comments
1	Revenue	Capital Revenue	\$2,439,975	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • -\$2,000,000 deferment of REPA projects to 23/24 • \$5,000,000 Voluntary Home Buy Back • -\$535,025 deferment of amphitheatre/waste cell
TOTAL Revenue			\$2,439,975	Net increase in revenue
2	Expenditure	Capital Works	\$4,825,727	<p>All movements are detailed in the Capital Works Program Report Attachment 2.</p> <p>New Projects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$300,000 Fairways Car Park • \$5,000,000 Voluntary Home Buy Back • \$25,000 spray equipment

				<ul style="list-style-type: none">• \$605,000 Alex Geddes Hall• \$253,253 Tryhorn St subdivision• \$50,000 Gatton saleyards subdivision <p>Other amendments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• -\$59,000 synthetic court renewal• \$90,000 Future project designs• \$537,500 Floodway renewal• \$973,000 net increase in other infrastructure projects• -\$2,000,000 REPA projects deferred• \$5,000,000 voluntary home buy back• \$25,000 spray equipment• -\$605,000 transferred to Alex Geddes Hall• -\$365,026 Lake Apex Amphitheatre• \$21,000 Network perimeter security
TOTAL Expenditure			\$4,825,727	Net increase in expenditure

The total capital works budget for 2022-23 is proposed at \$41.16M. A further detailed review of project delivery and phasing will be undertaken towards the end of the financial year to identify any projects which may not be completed in the 2022-23 year.

Options

Option 1

THAT Council adopt the amended 2022-23 Budget and Long-Term Financial Forecast as set out in the attachment titled 2022-23 Budget and Long-Term Financial Forecast.

Or

Option 2

THAT Council do not adopt the amended 2022-23 Budget and Long-Term Financial Forecast as set out in the attachment titled 2022-23 Budget and Long-Term Financial Forecast.

Or

Option 3

THAT Council proposed adjustments to the presented amended 2022-23 Budget and Long-Term Financial Forecast as set out in the attachment titled 2022-23 Budget and Long-Term Financial Forecast.

Previous Council Resolutions

Nil

Critical Dates

Nil

Strategic Implications

Corporate Plan

Corporate Plan Goal

Leadership and Council

Outcome

- Undertake robust and accountable financial, resource and infrastructure planning and management to ensure affordable and sustainable outcomes for our community.
- Compliant with relevant legislation

Finance and Resource

To maintain sound financial management practices, a periodic review of financial performance is required. Council's Management Team has carried out a review of major changes to income and expenditure for the year to the end of January 2023. As a result of this review, it is recommended that Council amend its 2022-23 Budget and associated Long-Term Financial Forecast to better reflect the current forecasted position at 30 June 2023.

Legislation and Policy

Section 170 (3) of the Local Government Regulation 2012 'The local government may, by resolution, amend the budget for a financial year at any time before the end of the financial year'.

Risk Management

Key Corporate Risk Category:	FE1
Reference and Risk Description:	Finance and Economic Financial sustainability to support the achievement of strategy, goals and objectives in the medium to long term.

Consultation

Portfolio Councillor Consultation

Council Workshop

Following previous meetings and summary of actual financial performance Vs budget reports presented to Council, Council is aware that a budget review is to be presented to update both the operational and capital budget.

Internal Consultation

Internal Consultation

The proposed budget amendments contained in the attachments have been reviewed by relevant Group Managers and Branch Managers.

External Consultation

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Community Engagement

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Attachments

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|---|---|----------|
| 1 | 2022-23 Budget and Long-Term Financial Forecast | 5 Pages |
| 2 | Capital Works Program Report | 11 Pages |

Lockyer Valley Regional Council
2022/2023 Budget and Long Term Financial Forecast
Statement of Income and Expenditure

	2023	2023		2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032
	\$	\$		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Original Budget	Proposed Budget	Movement	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast
Revenue												
Recurrent Revenue												
Rates & Utility Charges	44.86M (1.90M)	44.86M (1.90M)	-	46.68M (1.98M)	48.58M (2.06M)	50.56M (2.14M)	52.64M (2.23M)	54.80M (2.32M)	57.04M (2.41M)	59.38M (2.51M)	61.82M (2.61M)	64.36M (2.71M)
Less Discounts	42.96M	42.96M	0.00M	44.70M	46.52M	48.42M	50.41M	52.48M	54.63M	56.86M	59.21M	61.64M
Net rates and utility charges	5.67M	5.85M	0.18M	5.84M	6.03M	6.23M	6.44M	6.66M	6.89M	7.12M	7.36M	7.61M
Fees and charges	1.05M	1.05M	-	1.08M	1.12M	1.15M	1.19M	1.23M	1.28M	1.32M	1.36M	1.41M
Sales, contract and recoverable works	12.66M	20.23M	7.57M	10.15M	10.76M	10.98M	11.20M	11.42M	11.65M	11.88M	12.12M	12.36M
Operational Grants & subsidies	1.85M	2.09M	0.24M	1.30M	1.24M	1.16M	1.09M	1.09M	1.11M	1.11M	1.18M	1.27M
Interest received	4.04M	4.20M	0.16M	3.97M	3.90M	3.98M	4.06M	4.14M	4.23M	4.32M	4.41M	4.50M
Other recurrent income	68.23M	76.38M	8.15M	67.05M	69.58M	71.92M	74.40M	77.03M	79.78M	82.70M	85.73M	88.81M
Total Recurrent Revenue												
Capital revenue:												
Capital Grants	17.62M	20.09M	2.46M	3.19M	4.24M	2.74M	2.74M	3.08M	3.91M	3.41M	3.74M	3.08M
Developer Contributions	0.03M	-	(0.03M)	0.50M	0.50M	0.50M	0.50M	0.50M	0.50M	0.50M	0.50M	0.50M
Gain/(loss) on sale of property, plant & equipment	0.08M	0.08M	-	(0.01M)	(0.03M)	0.01M	0.03M	0.08M	0.01M	(0.02M)	0.09M	0.05M
Total capital revenue	17.73M	20.17M	2.44M	3.69M	4.71M	3.26M	3.27M	3.65M	4.42M	3.89M	4.34M	3.63M
Total Revenue	85.95M	96.55M	10.59M	70.74M	74.29M	75.18M	77.67M	80.69M	84.21M	86.58M	90.07M	92.44M
Expenses												
Recurrent Expenses												
Employee costs	28.10M	28.66M	0.56M	29.51M	30.83M	32.06M	33.34M	34.68M	36.06M	37.50M	39.00M	40.56M
Materials and services	25.80M	27.29M	1.49M	23.01M	22.81M	23.56M	24.36M	25.45M	26.84M	28.84M	27.76M	28.95M
Depreciation and amortisation	12.09M	12.51M	0.42M	13.57M	14.37M	14.94M	15.60M	16.51M	17.23M	16.80M	16.85M	16.94M
Finance costs	1.05M	1.05M	0.00M	0.71M	0.66M	0.61M	0.55M	0.50M	0.44M	0.37M	0.31M	0.23M
Total Recurrent Expenses	67.04M	69.50M	2.46M	66.81M	68.67M	71.17M	73.86M	77.13M	79.69M	81.52M	83.91M	86.68M
Net Result adjusted for Capital Items	18.92M	27.05M	8.13M	3.93M	5.62M	4.00M	3.81M	3.55M	4.52M	5.06M	6.15M	5.76M
Net Recurrent Result/Operating Surplus/(Deficit)	1.190M	6.879M	5.690M	0.241M	0.910M	0.745M	0.536M	(0.100M)	0.096M	1.175M	1.818M	2.129M

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Statement of Financial Position

	2023 Proposed Budget	2024 Forecast	2025 Forecast	2026 Forecast	2027 Forecast	2028 Forecast	2029 Forecast	2030 Forecast	2031 Forecast	2032 Forecast
Current Assets										
Cash assets and cash equivalents	33.97M	32.09M	30.02M	26.07M	24.78M	25.20M	25.39M	28.64M	30.59M	29.45M
Other inventory	0.63M	0.63M	0.63M	0.63M	0.63M	0.63M	0.63M	0.63M	0.63M	0.63M
Receivables	4.26M	3.52M	3.68M	3.82M	3.96M	4.09M	4.25M	4.41M	4.57M	4.73M
Prepayments	1.25M	1.25M	1.25M	1.25M	1.25M	1.25M	1.25M	1.25M	1.25M	1.25M
Total Current Assets	40.10M	37.49M	35.58M	31.75M	30.61M	31.16M	31.51M	34.92M	37.03M	36.05M
Non Current Assets										
Land held for development or sale	1.69M	1.69M	1.69M	1.69M	1.69M	1.69M	1.69M	1.69M	1.69M	1.69M
Joint Ventures & Associates	34.18M	34.86M	35.58M	36.30M	37.02M	37.74M	38.46M	39.18M	39.90M	40.62M
Property, plant and equipment	592.16M	609.48M	618.16M	624.88M	642.32M	646.02M	649.08M	666.64M	671.59M	686.38M
Intangible assets	0.74M	1.46M	1.29M	1.12M	2.16M	2.68M	2.33M	1.99M	2.23M	2.30M
Capital works in progress	9.76M	9.76M	9.76M	9.76M	9.76M	9.76M	9.76M	9.76M	9.76M	-
Other non-current assets	14.74M	14.74M	14.74M	14.74M	14.74M	14.74M	14.74M	14.74M	14.74M	14.74M
Total Non Current Assets	653.28M	671.99M	681.23M	688.50M	707.69M	712.64M	716.07M	734.01M	739.93M	745.73M
TOTAL ASSETS	693.38M	709.48M	716.81M	720.26M	738.30M	743.80M	747.58M	768.92M	776.95M	781.78M
Current Liabilities										
Trade and other payables	2.16M	2.01M	2.06M	2.14M	2.22M	2.30M	2.38M	2.47M	2.56M	2.66M
Borrowings	1.17M	1.17M	1.23M	1.29M	1.35M	1.42M	1.49M	1.56M	1.63M	-
Employee payables/provisions	7.97M	8.05M	8.13M	8.21M	8.30M	8.38M	8.46M	8.55M	8.63M	8.72M
Other provisions	0.02M	0.02M	0.02M	0.02M	0.02M	0.02M	0.02M	0.02M	0.02M	0.02M
Other current liabilities	3.07M	3.07M	3.07M	3.07M	3.07M	3.07M	3.07M	3.07M	3.07M	3.07M
Total Current Liabilities	14.34M	14.32M	14.51M	14.73M	14.95M	15.19M	15.42M	15.67M	15.92M	14.47M
Non Current Liabilities										
Borrowings	11.13M	9.96M	8.74M	7.45M	6.10M	4.68M	3.19M	1.63M	0.45M	-
Employee payables/provisions	0.37M	0.37M	0.37M	0.37M	0.39M	0.41M	0.42M	0.44M	0.45M	0.47M
Other provisions	41.01M	41.01M	41.01M	41.01M	41.01M	41.01M	41.01M	41.01M	41.01M	41.01M
Total Non Current Liabilities	52.46M	51.31M	50.10M	48.83M	47.50M	46.10M	44.63M	43.08M	41.46M	41.47M
TOTAL LIABILITIES	66.79M	65.63M	64.61M	63.56M	62.45M	61.29M	60.05M	58.75M	57.38M	55.95M
Net community assets	626.59M	643.85M	652.20M	656.70M	675.85M	682.51M	687.53M	710.17M	719.57M	725.83M
Community Equity	11.10M									
Asset revaluation reserve	212.46M	225.79M	228.51M	229.01M	244.35M	247.46M	247.96M	265.53M	268.78M	269.28M
Retained surplus (deficiency)	410.63M	414.56M	420.18M	424.19M	427.99M	431.55M	436.07M	441.13M	447.26M	453.04M
TOTAL COMMUNITY EQUITY	623.08M	640.34M	648.69M	653.19M	672.34M	679.00M	684.02M	706.66M	716.06M	722.32M

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Statement of Cash Flows

	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Proposed Budget										
Cash flows from operating activities:										
Receipts from customers	75.44M	64.73M	66.56M	69.01M	71.54M	74.18M	76.89M	79.74M	82.69M	85.76M
Payment to suppliers and employees	(63.34M)	(52.72M)	(53.64M)	(55.60M)	(57.69M)	(60.10M)	(62.01M)	(64.33M)	(66.75M)	(69.50M)
Interest received	2.09M	1.30M	1.24M	1.16M	1.09M	1.09M	1.11M	1.18M	1.26M	1.27M
Finance costs	(0.62M)	(0.57M)	(0.51M)	(0.45M)	(0.39M)	(0.33M)	(0.26M)	(0.20M)	(0.12M)	(0.05M)
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net cash inflow (outflow) from operating activities	13.57M	12.74M	13.64M	14.11M	14.55M	14.84M	15.72M	16.39M	17.08M	17.49M
Cash flows from investing activities:										
Payments for property, plant and equipment	(41.16M)	(18.08M)	(19.95M)	(20.96M)	(18.54M)	(17.32M)	(19.27M)	(16.52M)	(18.83M)	(21.43M)
Subsidies, donations and contributions for new capital expenditure	20.09M	3.19M	4.24M	2.74M	2.74M	3.08M	3.91M	3.41M	3.74M	3.08M
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment	0.30M	0.30M	0.26M	0.48M	0.34M	0.27M	0.34M	0.55M	0.61M	0.46M
Net transfer (to) from cash investments	1.17M	1.08M	0.90M	0.90M	0.90M	0.90M	0.90M	0.90M	0.90M	0.90M
Net cash inflow (outflow) from investing activities	(19.60M)	(13.51M)	(14.54M)	(16.83M)	(14.55M)	(13.07M)	(14.12M)	(11.65M)	(13.57M)	(16.99M)
Cash flows from financing activities:										
Proceeds from borrowings	(7.74M)	(1.11M)	(1.17M)	(1.23M)	(1.29M)	(1.35M)	(1.42M)	(1.49M)	(1.56M)	(1.63M)
Repayment of borrowings	(7.74M)	(1.11M)	(1.17M)	(1.23M)	(1.29M)	(1.35M)	(1.42M)	(1.49M)	(1.56M)	(1.63M)
Net cash inflow (outflow) from financing activities	(15.48M)	(2.22M)	(2.34M)	(2.46M)	(2.58M)	(2.70M)	(2.84M)	(2.98M)	(3.12M)	(3.19M)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents held	(13.77M)	(1.87M)	(2.07M)	(3.95M)	(1.29M)	0.42M	0.19M	3.25M	1.95M	(1.14M)
Cash at beginning of reporting period	47.74M	33.97M	32.09M	30.02M	26.07M	24.78M	25.20M	25.39M	28.64M	30.59M
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the financial year	33.97M	32.09M	30.02M	26.07M	24.78M	25.20M	25.39M	28.64M	30.59M	29.45M

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Statement of Changes in Equity

	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Proposed	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast	Forecast
Budget										
Asset revaluation surplus										
Opening balance	211.96M	212.46M	225.79M	228.51M	229.01M	244.35M	247.46M	247.96M	265.53M	268.78M
Increase in asset revaluation surplus	0.50M	13.33M	2.72M	0.50M	15.34M	3.11M	0.50M	17.58M	3.24M	0.50M
Closing balance	212.46M	225.79M	228.51M	229.01M	244.35M	247.46M	247.96M	265.53M	268.78M	269.28M
Retained surplus										
Opening balance	383.58M	410.63M	414.56M	420.18M	424.19M	427.99M	431.55M	436.07M	441.13M	447.28M
Net result	27.05M	3.93M	5.62M	4.00M	3.81M	3.55M	4.52M	5.06M	6.15M	5.76M
Closing balance	410.63M	414.56M	420.18M	424.19M	427.99M	431.55M	436.07M	441.13M	447.28M	453.04M
Total										
Opening balance	595.54M	623.08M	640.34M	648.69M	653.19M	672.34M	679.00M	684.02M	706.66M	716.06M
Net result	27.05M	3.93M	5.62M	4.00M	3.81M	3.55M	4.52M	5.06M	6.15M	5.76M
Increase in asset revaluation surplus	0.50M	13.33M	2.72M	0.50M	15.34M	3.11M	0.50M	17.58M	3.24M	0.50M
Closing balance	623.08M	640.34M	648.69M	653.19M	672.34M	679.00M	684.02M	706.66M	716.06M	722.32M

Lockyer Valley Regional Council 2022/2023 Budget and Long Term Financial Forecast Relevant Measures of Financial Sustainability

	Target	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	Average
Operating Surplus Ratio	Between 0% and 10%	9.0%	0.4%	1.3%	1.0%	0.7%	-0.1%	0.1%	1.4%	2.1%	2.4%	1.8%
(Net Operating Surplus / Total Operating Revenue) (%)												
Net Financial Asset / Liability Ratio	<= 60%	39.5%	47.2%	46.8%	49.1%	47.5%	43.7%	40.2%	33.1%	27.8%	26.4%	40.1%
((Total Liabilities - Current Assets) / Total Operating Revenue)												
Asset Sustainability Ratio	>90%	179.9%	107.9%	89.4%	91.0%	82.7%	83.3%	82.8%	84.1%	89.0%	88.1%	97.8%
(Capital Expenditure on the Replacement of Assets (renewals) / Depreciation Expense)												
Cash Expense Cover Ratio	Target >3	7.3	7.3	6.7	5.6	5.1	5.0	4.9	5.3	5.5	5.1	5.8

CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAM

	Budget	Total (includes committed costs)	Amendment to Adopted Budget	Amended 22-23 Capital Works Budget	Total Amount of Funding	Council Contribution
INFRASTRUCTURE						
Cost Centre: Parks & Open Spaces						
<i>Program: Parks and Open Spaces Projects</i>						
Fairways Park Retention Dam Design	25,000	22,133		25,000	-	25,000
Fairways Parking and Traffic Controls	30,000	24,716		30,000	-	30,000
Fairways Shade and Drainage Improvements	20,000	14,264		20,000	-	20,000
FH Tennis Club Synthetic Court Renewal	59,000	-	(59,000)	-	-	-
Fairways Car Park	-	-	300,000	300,000	-	300,000
Jean Biggs Disability Parking	42,000	4,864		42,000	-	42,000
Lions Park Laidley Seat Replacement	9,500	8,687		9,500	-	9,500
LRR Bubbler Renewal	5,000	404		5,000	-	5,000
McNulty Park Bubbler	5,000	404		5,000	-	5,000
Murphys Creek Ground Playground Renewal	136,000	110,551		136,000	-	136,000
Parks and Open Spaces Projects Total	331,500	186,024	241,000	572,500	-	572,500
Cost Centre: Capital Program Delivery						
<i>Program: Asphalt Resheet Programme</i>						
21/22 Asphalt Renewal Gttn CBD (LRCI1&2)	164,757	155,338		164,757	153,206	11,551
22/23 Asphalt Resheet	500,000	353,188		500,000	-	500,000
Asphalt Resheet Programme Projects Total	664,757	508,526	-	664,757	153,206	511,551
<i>Program: Culvert Renewal Programme</i>						
21/22 Culvert Renewal Program (SEQCSP)	241,137	61,963		241,137	238,677	2,460
Culvert Renewal Programme Projects Total	241,137	61,963	-	241,137	238,677	2,460

	Budget	Total (includes committed costs)	Amendment to Adopted Budget	Amended 22-23 Capital Works Budget	Total Amount of Funding	Council Contribution
<i>Program: Future Design Works Programme</i>						
23/24 Culvert Renewal Program	-	5,850		-	-	-
23/24 Floodway Renewal Program	-	113,711		-	-	-
Biggs Road, Withcott	-	2,981		-	-	-
Cemetery Road/Victor Court Intersection	-	964		-	-	-
Cochrane/Maitland/Riddell/Stubbersfield	-	186		-	-	-
Dayne Street, Withcott	-	86		-	-	-
Douglas McInnes Drive	-	371		-	-	-
Footpath Missing Links - Fairway Drive	-	786		-	-	-
Footpath Missing Links - Jones Road	-	5,063		-	-	-
Future Design - 23/24 Footpath Renewal	-	761		-	-	-
Future Project Design-Budget Only	350,000	-	90,000	440,000	-	440,000
Gehrke/Forest Avenue	-	767		-	-	-
John Street South, Lairley	-	5,328		-	-	-
Lairley CBD Accessibility Review	-	118		-	-	-
Lawlers Road/Sandy Creek Intersection	-	1,058		-	-	-
Main Camp Creek Road (BSBR)	-	507		-	-	-
Mountain Rd/Range Crescent Intersection	-	3,419		-	-	-
Postmans Ridge Road Rehab (FDW)	-	1,782		-	-	-
Tenthill Ropeley Rockside Steinhardt	-	838		-	-	-
Waterhouse Road	-	2,676		-	-	-
William St, Forest Hill (Future Design)	-	4,165		-	-	-
Woodlands Road (Schroeders Road Bends)	-	4,951		-	-	-

	Budget	Total (includes committed costs)	Amendment to Adopted Budget	Amended 22-23 Capital Works Budget	Total Amount of Funding	Council Contribution
Future Design Works Programme Projects Total						
<i>Program: Footpath Renewal Programme</i>						
21/22 Footpath Renewal Program (SEQCSP)	339,976	7,021		339,976	339,976	-
Murphys Creek Road, Footpath (LRC12)	7,850	-		7,850	7,850	-
Footpath Renewal Programme Projects Total	347,826	7,021	-	347,826	347,826	-
<i>Program: Floodway Renewal Programme</i>						
21/22 Floodway Renewal Program (SEQCSP)	400,000	997,014	537,500	937,500	383,000	554,500
Floodway Renewal Programme Projects Total	400,000	997,014	537,500	937,500	383,000	554,500
<i>Program: Other Infrastructure Projects</i>						
Betterment Design Projects	150,000	-		150,000	-	150,000
Bridge Improvements	100,000	-		100,000	-	100,000
Bus Shelter Drayton St (BSSP + PTALP)	32,000	1,193	28,000	60,000	27,686	32,314
Digital Signage (LER)	431,293	381,863		431,293	431,293	-
Flagstone Cr/Lockyer Cr Rd (HVSPP)	613,250	292,294	(300,000)	313,250	225,000	88,250
Flagstone Creek Rd/Carpendale Rd (HVSPP)	-	103,694	105,000	105,000	-	105,000
Gatton Central Drainage Upgrade - Design	338,943	21,782	130,000	468,943	-	468,943
Gatton Industrial Estate (HVSPP)	640,000	418,294	(200,000)	440,000	225,000	215,000
Gehrke Road/Lorikeet Road (BS)	450,000	115,168	150,000	600,000	224,500	375,500
Grantham Scrub/Grantham Winwill (HVSPP)	1,000,000	166,061	300,000	1,300,000	167,220	1,132,780
Lake Clarendon Way (LRC13)	799,158	1,074,305	600,000	1,399,158	799,158	600,000
North East St Stormwater Renewal(SEQCSP)	208,000	92,745		208,000	208,000	-
North East Street Kerb & Chanel (SEQCSP)	300,000	164,775	60,000	360,000	300,000	60,000
North Street / East Street, Gatton (BS)	302,000	91,972		302,000	262,000	40,000
Safe Schools Program - TIDS 21/22&22/23	58,134	172,329	60,000	118,134	29,067	89,067
Safe Schools Program - TIDS 22/23	60,000	-	-	60,000	30,000	30,000
Spencer & Maitland (Black Spot 22/23)	219,000	19,609		219,000	189,000	30,000
Spencer Street/East Street, Gatton (BS)	74,205	58,873		74,205	74,205	-
Springbrook Park Entry Upgrade (LRC13)	450,000	444,690	40,000	490,000	450,000	40,000
Other Infrastructure Projects Total	6,225,983	3,619,648	973,000	7,198,983	3,642,129	3,556,854

	Budget	Total (includes committed costs)	Amendment to Adopted Budget	Amended 22-23 Capital Works Budget	Total Amount of Funding	Council Contribution
Program: Pavement Renewal Programme						
Gehrke Road, Plainland -TIDS 21/22	505,861	449,026		505,861	505,861	-
Pavement Renewal Programme Projects Total	505,861	449,026	-	505,861	505,861	-
Program: Pavement Widening Programme						
Grantham Scrub Road - TIDS 21/22&22/23	2,699,983	1,473,512		2,699,983	974,429	1,725,554
Woodlands Rd Pavement Rehab (LRC12)	84,959	929		84,959	84,959	-
Pavement Widening Programme Projects Total	2,784,942	1,474,441	-	2,784,942	1,059,388	1,725,554
Program: Seal Renewal Programme						
21/22 Bitumen Reseal Program (RTR)	-	58,112		-		-
22/23 Bitumen Reseal (R2R)	1,700,000	1,568,457		1,700,000	927,079	772,921
Seal Renewal Programme Projects Total	1,700,000	1,626,569	-	1,700,000	927,079	772,921
Program: Seal Road Upgrade Programme						
Twidales Rd Heildon Spa Upgrade (SEQCSP)	13,368	-		13,368	13,368	-
Seal Road Upgrade Programme Projects Total	13,368	-	-	13,368	13,368	-
Cost Centre: DRFA New Event - REPA						
Program: REPA Programme						
DRFA Works	-	2,088,309		-	-	-
REPA (Holding Project)	7,000,000	-	(2,000,000)	5,000,000	5,000,000	-
REPA Programme Projects Total	7,000,000	2,088,309	(2,000,000)	5,000,000	5,000,000	-
Program: REPA Complimentary Works Programme						
DRFA - Feb 2022 - Complimentary Works	-	165,974		-	-	-
REPA Complimentary Gravel Works Program	1,000,000	-		1,000,000	-	1,000,000
REPA Complimentary Works Programme Projects Total	1,000,000	165,974	-	1,000,000	-	1,000,000

	Budget	Total (includes committed costs)	Amendment to Adopted Budget	Amended 22-23 Capital Works Budget	Total Amount of Funding	Council Contribution
Cost Centre: Voluntary Home Buy Back						
<i>Program: Voluntary Home Buy Back</i>						
Voluntary Home Buy Back	-	-	5,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000	-
Voluntary Home Buy Back Projects Total	-	-	5,000,000	5,000,000	5,000,000	-
Cost Centre: Fleet						
<i>Program: Fleet Projects</i>						
21/22 Earthmoving Equipment Replacement	1,170,000	1,134,384		1,170,000	358,000	812,000
21/22 Light Commercial Replacement	133,238	142,223		133,238	16,000	117,238
21/22 Mowers Replacement	205,555	214,455		205,555	-	205,555
21/22 Passenger Vehicles	55,075	24,629		55,075	58,000	(2,925)
21/22 Tractors Replacement	80,000	64,500		80,000	-	80,000
21/22 Trailers Replacement	270,000	178,844		270,000	-	270,000
21/22 Trucks Replacement	696,370	680,700		696,370	-	696,370
22/23 Earthmoving Equipment	949,700	-		949,700	-	949,700
22/23 Light Commercial	80,000	255,252		80,000	-	80,000
22/23 Light Trucks	705,000	-		705,000	138,000	567,000
22/23 Mowers	150,000	-		150,000	23,150	126,850
22/23 Passenger Vehicles	200,000	104,547		200,000	-	200,000
22/23 Trailers	80,000	-		80,000	48,500	31,500
22/23 Trucks	270,000	-		270,000	60,000	210,000
New Light Commercial	45,000	-		45,000	-	45,000
QikSpray Spray Equipment	-	-	25,000	25,000	-	25,000
Trucks	-	-		-	120,000	(120,000)
Fleet Projects Total	5,089,938	2,799,534	25,000	5,114,938	821,650	4,293,288

				Total (includes committed costs)	Amendment to Adopted Budget	Amended 22-23 Capital Works Budget	Total Amount of Funding	Council Contribution
Cost Centre: Cemetery				Budget				
<i>Program: Cemetery Projects</i>								
Gatton Cemetery Seam Strip Installation	35,000	4,545				35,000	-	35,000
Gatton Cemetery Seating	6,000	3,372				6,000	-	6,000
Laidley Cemeter Seam Strip Install (LRC1)	70,000	60,948				70,000	50,000	20,000
Laidley Cemetery Seam Strip Renewal	35,000	324				35,000	-	35,000
Cemetery Projects Total	146,000	69,189			-	146,000	50,000	96,000
Cost Centre: Camping Grounds								
<i>Program: Camping Grounds Projects</i>								
Disabled Toilet Lake Dyer	25,000	3,979				25,000	-	25,000
Picnic Setting Renewal	27,000	2,749				27,000	-	27,000
Camping Grounds Projects Total	52,000	6,728			-	52,000	-	52,000
Cost Centre: Facilities								
<i>Program: Facilities Projects</i>								
Alex Geddes Hall Upgrade	-	31,533			605,000	605,000	605,000	-
Bore Infrastructure Improvements(SEQCSP)	32,007	13,470				32,007	32,007	-
Cahill Park Machinery Shed (SEQCSP)	21,567	13,602				21,567	21,567	-
Catering Equipment Colonial Cafe	25,000	-				25,000	-	25,000
Community Facilities Design Packages	70,000	-				70,000	-	70,000
Depot Containers	10,000	-				10,000	-	10,000
Electrical Infrastructure Program	98,527	99,607				98,527	-	98,527
Electrical Upgrades	159,300	12,226				159,300	-	159,300
Gatton Admin Building Works (LRC13)	510,000	352,552				510,000	510,000	-
Gatton Depot Action Plan	17,772	26,200				17,772	-	17,772
Gatton Depot Fuel Tank	58,415	59,810				58,415	-	58,415
Gatton Shire Hall (BSBR)	210,000	-			(210,000)	-	-	-

	Budget	Total (includes committed costs)	Amendment to Adopted Budget	Amended 22-23 Capital Works Budget	Total Amount of Funding	Council Contribution
Gatton Showgrounds Program	-	407		-	-	-
Grantham Butter Factory Upgrade (LER)	32,555	23,155		32,555	-	32,555
GSH External Cladding and Gutters	370,000	32,311		370,000	-	370,000
Helidon Community Centre (BSBR)	55,000	-	(55,000)	-	-	-
Hydraulic Renewal Program	72,068	20,577		72,068	-	72,068
Laidley Cultural Centre (BSBR)	210,000	-	(210,000)	-	-	-
Laidley IGA Carpark	60,000	-		60,000	-	60,000
Laidley Rec Grounds Program	75,000	53,336		75,000	-	75,000
Laidley Saleyards Program (SEQCSP)	56,413	-		56,413	56,413	-
Laidley Showgrounds Bore Pump	12,500	14,025		12,500	-	12,500
Lake Apex Amphitheatre (SEQCSP)	365,026	-	(365,026)	-	-	-
LVSAC Pool Side Grates	35,000	30,607		35,000	-	35,000
LVSAC Revitalisation (SEQCSP)	165,179	162,169		165,179	165,179	-
Murphy's Creek Community Centre (BSBR)	30,000	-	(30,000)	-	-	-
Solar to Gatton Depot Workshop	22,392	20,909		22,392	-	22,392
Withcott Sports Centre (BSBR)	100,000	-	(100,000)	-	-	-
Facilities Projects Total	2,873,721	966,495	(365,026)	2,508,695	1,390,166	1,118,529
Total for Group	\$ 29,727,033	\$ 15,182,828	\$ 4,501,474	\$ 34,228,507	\$ 19,532,350	\$ 14,696,157

PEOPLE, CUSTOMER AND CORPORATE SERVICES

	Budget	Total (includes committed costs)	Amendment to Adopted Budget	Amended 22-23 Capital Works Budget	Total Amount of Funding	Council Contribution
Cost Centre: Information Communication Technology						
<i>Program: Information Communication Technology Projects</i>						
22/23 LVCC Audio Visual Renewals	71,000	-	-	71,000	-	71,000
Library People Counter Renewals	8,000	-	-	8,000	-	8,000
Network Perimeter Security (Firewalls)	34,000	-	21,000	55,000	-	55,000
UPS Renewal	50,000	-	-	50,000	-	50,000
Information Communication Technology Projects Total	163,000	-	21,000	184,000	-	184,000
Cost Centre: Governance and Property						
<i>Program: Governance and Property Projects</i>						
Realignment, subdividing and future sale of lots at Grantham (Tryhorn St)	-	-	253,253	253,253	-	253,253
Subdivision of the Gattton Saleyards	-	-	50,000	50,000	-	50,000
Governance and Property Projects Total	-	-	303,253	303,253	-	303,253
Cost Centre: Waste Disposal						
<i>Program: Waste Disposal Projects</i>						
Laidley Leachate Tank Replacement	125,000	-	-	125,000	-	125,000
Waste Disposal Projects Total	125,000	-	-	125,000	-	125,000

	Budget	Total (includes committed costs)	Amendment to Adopted Budget	Amended 22-23 Capital Works Budget	Total Amount of Funding	Council Contribution
Cost Centre: Transfer Stations						
<i>Program: Transfer Station Projects</i>						
Gatton Landfill Cell 5 (SEQCSP)	3,796,065	396,067		3,796,065	1,626,000	2,170,065
Laidley Landfill Capping Design	12,070	8,800		12,070	-	12,070
Materials Recov Fac Asphalt Replacement	70,000	-		70,000	-	70,000
Materials Recovery Facility Fire Systems	80,000	13,110		80,000	-	80,000
Old Gatton Landfill Capping	8,550	23,716		8,550	-	8,550
<i>Transfer Station Projects Total</i>	3,966,685	441,693	-	3,966,685	1,626,000	2,340,685
Cost Centre: Public Order & Safety						
<i>Program: Public Order and Safety Projects</i>						
22/23 LVRC CCTV	44,000	-		44,000	-	44,000
LVRC CCTV	5,000	4,781		5,000	-	5,000
<i>Public Order and Safety Projects Total</i>	49,000	4,781	-	49,000	-	49,000
Total for Group	\$ 4,303,685	\$ 446,474	\$ 324,253	\$ 4,627,938	\$ 1,626,000	\$ 3,001,938

COMMUNITY AND REGIONAL PROSPERITY

	Budget	Total (includes committed costs)	Amendment to Adopted Budget	Amended 22-23 Capital Works Budget	Total Amount of Funding	Council Contribution
Cost Centre: Regional Development						
<i>Program: Regional Developments Projects</i>						
Strategic Land Acquisition	1,250,000	-	-	1,250,000	-	1,250,000
Regional Developments Projects Total	1,250,000	-	-	1,250,000	-	1,250,000
Cost Centre: Tourism Initiatives						
<i>Program: Tourism Projects</i>						
FH Rec Grounds Parking & Viewing Silos	100,000	-	-	100,000	-	100,000
Tourism Projects Total	100,000	-	-	100,000	-	100,000
Cost Centre: Pest Management						
<i>Program: Pest Management Projects</i>						
Loan Spray Equipment	20,000	-	-	20,000	-	20,000
Pest Management Projects Total	20,000	-	-	20,000	-	20,000
Cost Centre: Gattton Child Care Centre						
<i>Program: Gattton Child Care Projects</i>						
Gattton Childcare Centre Refurbishment	13,155	11,956	-	13,155	-	13,155
Gattton Child Care Projects Total	13,155	11,956	-	13,155	-	13,155
Cost Centre: Art Galleries & RADF						
<i>Program: Art Gallery & RADF Projects</i>						
Art Gallery Lighting Upgrade (LRC13)	95,000	75,911	-	95,000	95,000	-
Art Gallery & RADF Projects Total	95,000	75,911	-	95,000	95,000	-
Total for Group	\$ 1,478,155	\$ 87,868	\$ -	\$ 1,478,155	\$ 95,000	\$ 1,383,155

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				Total (includes committed costs)	Amendment to Adopted Budget	Amended 22-23 Capital Works Budget	Total Amount of Funding	Council Contribution
EXECUTIVE OFFICE				Budget				
Cost Centre: Disaster Management								
Program: Disaster Management Projects								
DM Donga Pathway				30,000	-	30,000	-	30,000
DM Evacuation Centre Trailer				16,000	7,753	16,000	16,000	-
Flood Intelligence Infrastructure				135,000	-	135,000	-	135,000
Flood Warning System Upgrade				23,500	-	23,500	-	23,500
QRRRF Flood Cameras & Electronic Signage				600,000	5,671	600,000	540,000	60,000
Upgrade Flood Cameras Equipment (SEQCSP)				25,832	38,375	25,832	25,832	-
Disaster Management Projects Total				830,332	51,799	830,332	581,832	248,500
Total for Group				\$ 830,332	\$ 51,799	\$ 830,332	\$ 581,832	\$ 248,500
Total for Council				\$ 36,339,205	\$ 15,768,969	\$ 4,825,727	\$ 41,164,932	\$ 21,835,182
								\$ 19,329,750

10.3 Local Disaster Management Plan

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Responsible Officer: Ian Church, Chief Executive Officer

Purpose:

Purpose of this report is to present the Local Disaster Management Plan to the Lockyer valley Regional Council for adoption.

Officer's Recommendation:

THAT Council adopt the Local Disaster Management Plan version 7.0 as attached.

RESOLUTION

THAT Council adopt the Local Disaster Management Plan version 7.0 as attached.

Moved By: Cr Holstein

Seconded By:

Cr Hagan

Resolution Number: 20-24/0768

**CARRIED
7/0**

Executive Summary

A review of the Local Disaster Management Plan version 7.0 (the Plan) has been completed by the Lockyer Valley Disaster Management Team. This was a major review of the Plan which identified significant changes throughout the document with emphasis on the following:

- Agency Roles and responsibilities
- Critical Infrastructure / Services Summary – Table 10
- Detailed information on critical infrastructure – Annexure 7
- Levels of Activation
- Warning Authorities – Table 12
- Primary (Hazard Specific) Agencies – Table 14
- Functional Lead Agencies - Table 15

The Lockyer Valley Local Disaster Management Group (the Group) includes members and advisors from Local and State agencies including Emergency Services agencies that have responsibility for Disaster Management within the Lockyer Valley local government area.

Functions of the Group are identified within Legislation, the Disaster Management Act 2003 and Disaster Management Regulation 2014, requiring the Local Government to establish a Local Disaster Management Group which must meet regularly, prepare a Local Disaster Management Plan (the Plan) and review the effectiveness of the Plan at least once a year.

The Group has provided feedback on the Plan for the purposes of the review, through the Disaster Management Lessons Management process and generally.

Proposal

The Plan was submitted to the members of the Local Disaster Management Group (the Group) for review and feedback and all comments and suggestions were considered and evaluated with amendments made accordingly to the Plan.

The final draft of the Plan was submitted for endorsement to the Group at the ordinary Group meeting conducted on Thursday 2 March 2023. At that meeting the Lockyer Valley Local Disaster Management Group endorsed the revised version of the Plan and supported the submission of the Plan to the Lockyer Valley Regional Council for adoption.

Previous Council Resolutions

The Plan was last adopted 17 June 2020

Strategic Implications

Corporate Plan

Lockyer Community - The community's preparedness for disasters is improved through community education, training and strong partnerships between Council and other agencies.

Finance and Resource

Adoption of the recommendations contained in this report has been managed through the 2022-23 Financial year budget.

Legislation and Policy

The Plan was reviewed in accordance with legislative requirements under s. 59 of the Disaster Management Act 2003.

Risk Management

LCL1 – Legal compliance and liability.

Consultation

All members and advisors of the Lockyer Valley Local Disaster Management Group were provided with a copy of the draft Plan for review and feedback.

Attachments

- 1 [📄](#) Local Disaster Management Plan Version 7.0 68 Pages



Lockyer Valley Regional Council

Local Disaster Management Plan - VERSION 7.0



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Lockyer Valley Regional Council respectfully acknowledges the Traditional Owners, the Yuggera-Ugarapul people as custodians of the region we share. We pay our respects to their elders past, present and emerging and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elders of other communities who may live here as the keepers of the traditions, customs, cultures and stories of proud peoples. Lockyer Valley Regional Council is committed to cultivating inclusive environments for all staff, customers, residents and visitors.

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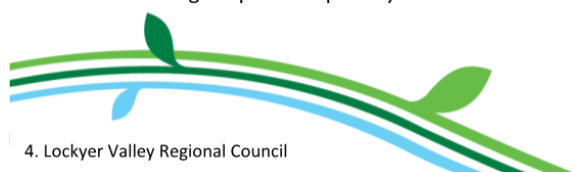
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FOREWORD

Lockyer Valley is no stranger to the impacts of disaster events that have tested individual and community resilience. With the increase in frequency and severity of natural disasters, it is important that our Local Disaster Management Plan (the Plan) provides a comprehensive, consistent and coordinated approach to disaster management for our region. Not only is the Plan an important tool for managing potential disasters, but it is also a demonstrated commitment towards enhancing the safety, capacity and resilience of the Lockyer Valley community.

This Plan aims to clearly define what is expected from all stakeholders. This includes our communities and individuals as well as agencies with specific roles and responsibilities in disaster management. We rely on our community to act on information provided before, during and after events. This shared responsibility is a vital element in creating disaster resilient communities.

The Lockyer Valley Local Disaster Management Group strives to safeguard people, property and the environment from disaster impacts. The group aims to empower and support local communities to manage their disaster risks, respond to events and be more resilient.

I am confident that this Plan provides an excellent framework for our community. The Plan will be reviewed to ensure it remains effective and relevant, reflecting current legislation, changes in the region's risks and learnings from disaster events.

The residents and visitors to our region can feel secure in the fact the agencies that comprise our Lockyer Valley Local Disaster Management Group are dedicated and capable in their respective fields.



Cr Tanya Milligan

**Lockyer Valley Mayor and
Chair of the Local Disaster
Management Group**



AUTHORISATION OF THE PLAN

The plan was endorsed by the Lockyer Valley Local Disaster Management Group at its meeting of <DD Month YYYY>.

Section 80(1)(b) of the [Disaster Management Act 2003](#) requires Council to approve its Local Disaster Management Plan. This plan was approved by resolution <XXX> of the Lockyer Valley Regional Council Ordinary Meeting, <DD Month YYYY>.

The plan was endorsed by the Lockyer Valley Local Disaster Management Group at its meeting of <DD Month YYYY>.

AUTHORITY TO PLAN

This Plan has been prepared and endorsed by the Local Disaster Management Group for the Lockyer Valley Regional Council under the provisions of Section 57(1) of the *Disaster Management Act 2003* ([the Act](#)).

Cr Tanya Milligan

Mayor, Lockyer Valley Regional Council
Chair, Local Disaster Management Group

Date

APPROVAL

The preparation of this Local Disaster Management Plan has been undertaken in accordance with [the Act](#), to provide for effective disaster management in the Lockyer Valley Local Government Area.

The Local Disaster Management Plan is approved by Lockyer Valley Regional Council.

Ian Church

Chief Executive Officer, Lockyer Valley Regional Council
Local Disaster Coordinator, Local Disaster Management Group

Date



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DOCUMENT CONTROL

This Plan is reviewed as required by Section 59 of the [Disaster Management Act 2003 \(the Act\)](#), with relevant amendments made and distributed. The Plan and Annexures will be reviewed as appropriate; however, the effectiveness of the plan will be reviewed annually.

The Local Disaster Coordinator (LDC) may approve minor amendments to this plan.

VERSION CONTROL AND RECORD OF AMENDMENTS

The controller of the document is the Lockyer Valley LDC. Any proposed amendments to this plan should be forwarded in writing to:

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An amendment register can be found at [Annexure 1](#).

DISTRIBUTION

The Plan will be distributed to persons and/or agencies as identified in the Plan and is not for distribution or released except by approval of the LDC.

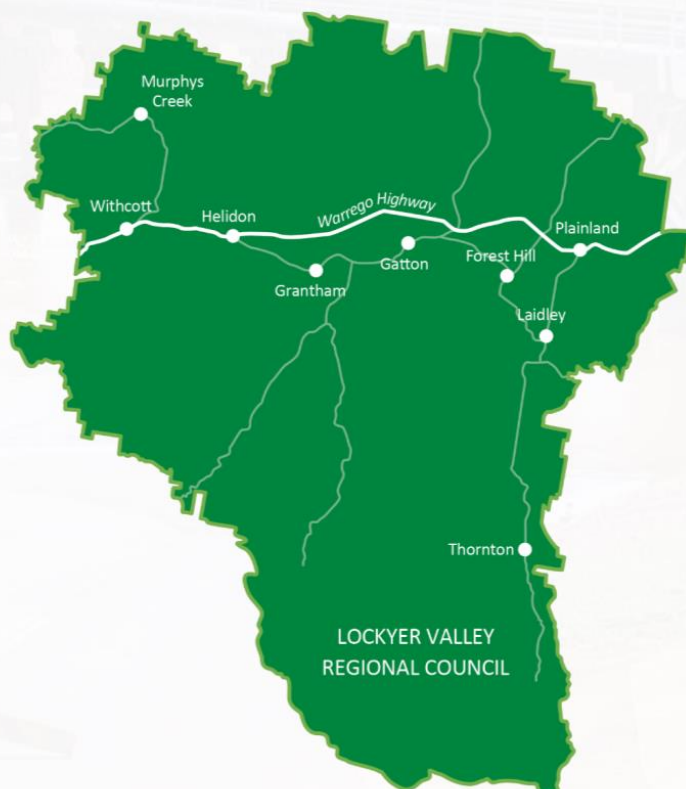
In accordance with [the Act](#) the Plan is available to members of the public and an electronic copy of the Plan is available on Council's website.

INTRODUCTION

This plan applies to the Lockyer Valley Local Government Area (LGA). The current boundaries were established in 2008 as part of the State-wide series of Council amalgamations and boundary adjustments. The current boundaries are shown in Figure 1. They enclose a total land area of 2269 square kilometres, with an average daily temperature range of 12 to 24.8 degree Celsius and an average annual rainfall of 811 millimetres.

Lockyer Valley LGA is bordered by Southern Downs LGA in the south, Toowoomba LGA in the west, Somerset LGA in the north-east, Ipswich City in the east and Scenic Rim LGA in the south-east

FIGURE 1 - LOCKYER VALLEY LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA BOUNDARIES



PURPOSE

This plan details the arrangements within the Lockyer Valley LGA for Council and the LDMG to plan and coordinate disaster management and disaster operations to ensure and maintain safety in the Lockyer Valley LGA prior to, during and after a disaster event.

As legislated in Section 57 of [the Act](#), the purpose of the Plan is to:

- Embed the State group's strategic policy framework for disaster management for the State, and detail Council's policies for disaster management
- Define the roles and responsibilities of entities involved in disaster management
- Detail arrangements for the coordination of disaster operations and activities relating to disaster management performed by the entities involved in disaster management
- Identify the events that are likely to happen in the area
- Identify the strategies and priorities for disaster management for the area

OBJECTIVE

The objective of the Plan is to:

- Provide effective disaster management for the Lockyer Valley LGA
- Align with the *Queensland Disaster Management 2016 Strategic Policy Statement* objectives which:
 - Strives to safeguard people, property and the environment from disaster impacts
 - Empowers and supports local communities to manage their disaster risks, respond to events and be more resilient.
- Help the Lockyer Valley community to:
 - Mitigate the potential adverse effects of an event through the implementation of preventative strategies
 - Prepare for managing the adverse effects of an event, and
 - Effectively respond to and recover from a disaster or emergency situation.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

This Plan provides a comprehensive, all-hazards, multi-agency approach to disaster management.

This Plan and disaster management within Queensland follows the four guiding principles outlined in [the Act](#) Section 4A:

- Disaster management should be planned across the four phases of prevention, preparedness, response and recovery (PPRR)
- All events, whether natural or caused by human acts or omissions, should be managed in accordance with the *Queensland Disaster Management 2016 Strategic Policy Statement*, the Queensland State Disaster Management Plan and any other disaster management guidelines (including the Prevention, Preparedness, Response and Recovery Disaster Management Guideline)
- Local governments should primarily be responsible for managing events in their local government area, maintaining a local disaster management capability; and
- District groups and the state disaster management group should provide local governments with appropriate resources and support to help the local governments carry out disaster operations



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APPROACH TO DISASTER MANAGEMENT

Consistent with [the Act](#), disaster management is planned across the four phases of disaster management.

TABLE 1 - PHASES OF DISASTER MANAGEMENT

PREVENTION	Investigate and coordinate strategies to reduce the impact of disaster events on the community
PREPAREDNESS	Increase community resilience by increasing knowledge and education
	Encourage shared responsibility and an all-hazards approach to disaster management
RESPONSE	Provide effective and efficient coordination of disaster response and relief/short-term recovery in order to safeguard people, property and the environment
RECOVERY	Ensure that the recovery priorities of the community are identified and met across the functional areas
	Ensure that recovery operations help to build whole of community resilience



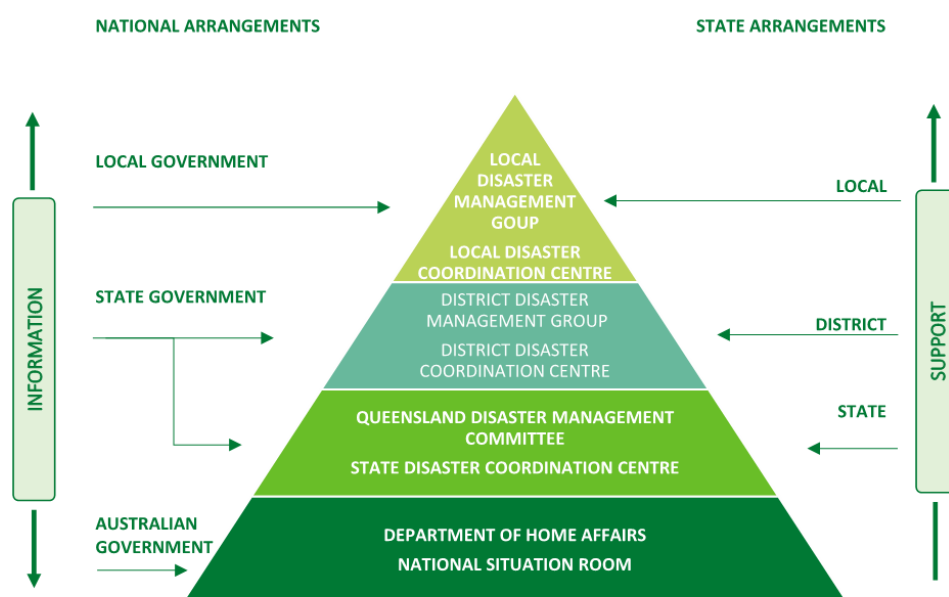
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QUEENSLAND DISASTER MANAGEMENT ARRANGEMENTS (QDMA)

The Queensland Disaster Management Arrangements are based upon arrangements between local government, disaster district, state and federal government. The arrangements enable a progressive escalation of support and assistance through the four tiers as required.

The arrangements recognise and promote collaboration to ensure comprehensive disaster management.

FIGURE 2 - QUEENSLAND DISASTER MANAGEMENT ARRANGEMENTS (QDMA)



Local government underpins the QDMA as a frontline of disaster management and has primary responsibility for managing events in their LGA. LVRC is ideally suited to manage disaster events at the community level based on its understanding of local, social, environmental and economic issues and the regions infrastructure.

During a disaster, the Lockyer Valley LDMG provides initial support for the affected community.

If further support is required, it is requested through the district disaster group to the state level.

If state resources prove inadequate or inappropriate, Australian Government support can be sought through the Department of Home Affairs.

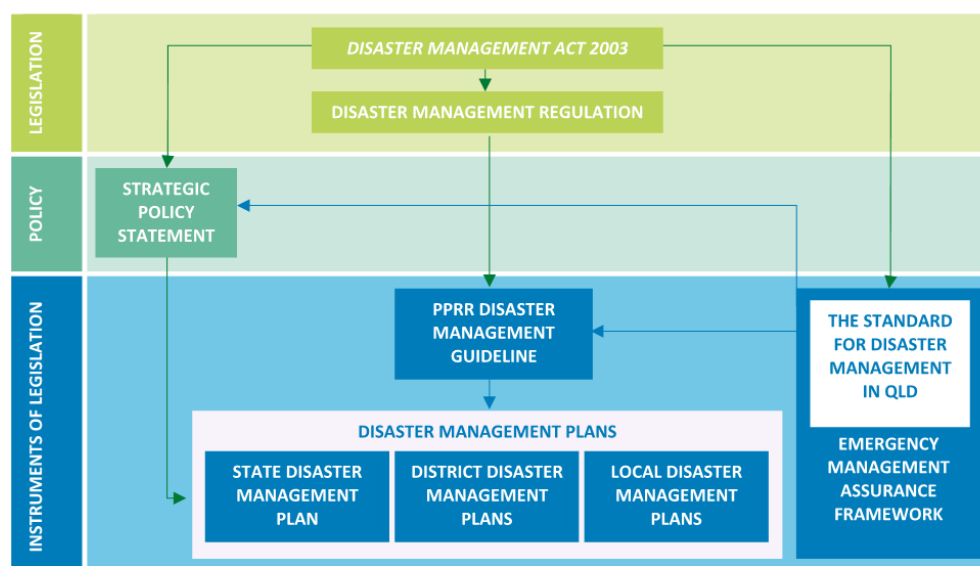
The [Queensland Government's Disaster Management website](#) provides further information on the QDMA.



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AUTHORISING ENVIRONMENT

FIGURE 3 - AUTHORISING ENVIRONMENT



Disaster management in the Lockyer Valley is informed by a number of strategic documents. These documents can be found in [Annexure 8 – References](#). Please note this is not an exhaustive list.

QUEENSLAND DISASTER MANAGEMENT 2016 STRATEGIC POLICY STATEMENT

The [Queensland Disaster Management Strategic Policy Statement](#) informs the Queensland Government's strategic approach to keeping people safe and making communities more resilient to disaster risks and impacts.

Disaster management and disaster operations in the Lockyer Valley LGA are consistent with the [Queensland Disaster Management 2016 Strategic Policy Statement](#). This is achieved by:

- Ensuring disaster operation capabilities are responsive and effective
- Building capacity, skills and knowledge to enable adaptation to changing environments
- Effectively collaborating and sharing responsibilities for disaster management across all levels of government, industry and communities
- Effectively communicating to engage all stakeholders in disaster management
- Incorporate risk-based planning into disaster management decision making
- Continuously improving disaster management through implementation of innovation, research and lessons learned



EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ASSURANCE FRAMEWORK

In accordance with S16C of the Act, the Inspector General Emergency Management (IGEM) has developed the [Emergency Management Assurance Framework \(EMAF\)](#) and Standard for Disaster Management in Qld.

The EMAF outlines the structure and mechanisms for reviewing and assessing the effectiveness of disaster management arrangements. It is comprised of principles, the [Standard of Disaster Management in Qld](#) (the Standard), and assurance activities.

The assurance activities collectively contribute to the assessment of the overall effectiveness of disaster management in Qld.

TABLE 2 - ASSURANCE ACTIVITIES

SHARED RESPONSIBILITY	OUTCOMES
MANAGING RISK	There is a shared understanding of risks for all relevant hazards
	Risk is managed to reduce the impact of disasters on the community
PLANNING AND PLANS	There is a shared understanding of how the impact of disasters will be managed and coordinated
	Plans outline and detail how the impact of disasters on the community will be reduced
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT	Entities proactively and openly engage with communities
	The community makes informed choices about disaster management, and acts on them
CAPABILITY INTEGRATION	Resources are prioritised and shared with those who need them when they need them
	Entities develop integrated capabilities and shared capacity to reduce the impact of disasters on the community
OPERATIONS	Operations minimise the negative impacts of an event on the community and provide support needed for recovery
COLLABORATION AND COORDINATION	Entities proactively work together in a cooperative environment to achieve better results for the community
	A collaborative culture exists within disaster management

LOCKYER VALLEY DISASTER MANAGEMENT POLICY

The Lockyer Valley Disaster Management Policy applies to Council (Councillors, employees, volunteers, contractors of Council) and details how Council will comply with its responsibilities under [the Act](#) and the [Disaster Management Regulation 2014](#).

It is recognised that for particular disaster situations, support for the community is required to be provided, in the first instance, from Council, taking into account its capacity and resources. Such assistance would be provided in cooperation with local emergency service providers, government and non-government agencies and community groups.



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LOCAL DISASTER MANAGEMENT GROUP

Council has established the Lockyer Valley Local Disaster Management Group (LDMG) in accordance with Section 29 of the [Disaster Management Act 2003](#). The LDMG is committed to the principles of leadership, partnership, public safety and performance.

In order to have a common understanding of the purpose, functions, membership roles and responsibilities, and administrative arrangements, a [Terms of Reference](#) has been developed.

In accordance with Section 30 of [the Act](#), the LDMG is responsible for managing disaster operations in the local government area. In the event of a disaster, the LDMG is the decision-making authority for disaster management in the local government area.

MEMBERSHIP

The Lockyer Valley LDMG is made up of the following membership:

TABLE 3 - LDMG MEMBERSHIP

ROLE	MEMBER /S
CHAIRPERSON	The Chair of the Lockyer Valley LDMG is Mayor, Tanya Milligan.
DEPUTY CHAIRPERSON	The Chair is assisted by Cr Janice Holstein as Deputy.
LOCAL DISASTER COORDINATOR	The Local Disaster Coordinator is the Chief Executive Officer Under Section 143 (8) of <i>the Act</i> , the local disaster coordinator may delegate the coordinator's functions to an appropriately qualified person.
MEMBERS	Representation from LVRC, QFES, SES, QPS, QAS, Qld Health
ADVISORS	Agencies other than Members to provide an advisory role for hazard or threat specific events

All members and advisors will nominate a deputy to ensure continuity and full agency representation.

A full list of members currently identified advisors and their deputies can be found at [Annexure 9 – LDMG Members List](#).



FUNCTIONS OF A LOCAL GROUP

[The Act](#) prescribes a range of functions to be performed by the local group:

- Ensure disaster management and disaster operations in the area are consistent with the state group's strategic policy framework for disaster management for the state
- Develop effective disaster management, and regularly review and assess the disaster management
- Help the local government for its area to prepare a local disaster management plan
- Identify and provide advice to the relevant district group about support services required by the local group to facilitate disaster management and disaster operations in the area
- Ensure the community is aware of ways of mitigating the adverse effects of an event, and preparing for, responding to and recovering from a disaster
- Manage disaster operations in the area under policies and procedures decided by the State group
- Provide reports and make recommendations to the relevant district group about matters relating to disaster operations
- Identify and coordinate the use of resources that may be used for disaster operations in the area
- Establish and review communications systems in the group, and with the relevant district group and other local groups in the disaster district of the relevant district group, for use when a disaster happens
- Ensure information about a disaster in the area is promptly given to the district group
- Perform other functions given to the group under the *Disaster Management Act*
- Perform a function incidental to a function mentioned in paragraphs above

ROLE OF THE LDMG

The role of the LDMG is to:

- Develop, review and assess effective disaster management practices
- Help local government to prepare a local disaster management plan
- Ensure the community knows how to respond in a disaster
- Identify and coordinate disaster resources
- Manage local disaster operations
- Ensure local disaster management and disaster operations integrate with state disaster management.

SUB-GROUPS

Two sub-groups of the LDMG have been established:

- Bushfire Sub Committee
- Local Recovery Group – forms when the Local Recovery Plan is activated

Other sub-groups may be established to address specific functions within disaster management arrangements.

QLD DISASTER MANAGEMENT TRAINING FRAMEWORK

Section 16A(c) of [the Act](#) provides a legislative requirement that persons involved in disaster operations are appropriately trained. It is the responsibility of stakeholders with disaster management roles to undertake relevant training as outlined in the [Queensland Disaster Management Training Framework \(QDMTF\)](#).

Agencies are to have an appropriate number of staff trained or planned to be trained at the appropriate skill and competency level to work in the LDCC. Agencies are to have an appropriate number of staff trained under the QDMTF to fill the role of Liaison Officer within the LDCC.



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ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

LVRC, state government agencies and organisations have designated responsibilities in disasters which reflect their legislated and/or technical capability and authority with respect to hazards, functions and/or activities of disaster management.

Members and advisors must have the appropriate delegation and knowledge to commit their organisations resources in a disaster management context.

The list below aims to ensure, from a whole-of-government perspective, that accountabilities with respect to disaster management have been addressed. It should be noted, the list is not exhaustive as LDMG advisor representation can change as required. All agencies are responsible for providing liaison between the agency and the LDMG including attendance at LDMG meetings and situation reporting.

TABLE 4 - ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES IN DISASTER MANAGEMENT



ORGANISATION	ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES
LOCKYER VALLEY REGIONAL COUNCIL (LVRC)  REGIONAL COUNCIL LDMG MEMBER	PERFORM THE FOLLOWING ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES IN SUPPORT OF THE LDMG: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To Chair, manage and coordinate the business of the LDMG and sub-committee meetings Ensure LDMG performs its functions Regularly report to the DDMG about the performance by the LDMG of its functions Assist the community to prepare for, respond to and recover from an event or disaster Development and maintenance of a disaster response capability Identification, development, maintenance and operation of a Lockyer Valley Local Disaster Coordination Centre (LDCC) Identification of staffing required for disaster operations Identification and coordination of training required for disaster operations Coordinate disaster operations for the LDMG in conjunction with relevant agencies Issue public information or warnings about disaster events Ensure continuity of essential Council services to the community during events Establishment and management of evacuation centres and supporting where possible places of shelter
QUEENSLAND FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES (QFES)  LDMG MEMBER	ROLE <p>Ensure the safety of people and property in Queensland through the provision of effective prevention, preparation, response and recovery activities across a range of emergency situations through the capabilities of Fire and Rescue, Rural Fire Service (RFS) and State Emergency Service (SES).</p> STATE DEFINED RESPONSIBILITIES (SDMP APPENDIX C) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Primary response agency for structural, bushfire and hazmat incidents Provide advice, chemical analysis and atmospheric monitoring at relevant incidents Provide mass and technical decontamination capability Provide rescue and search functions and perform other operations to help and protect injured persons from danger or potential danger Distribute and develop (where primary agency) warnings to disaster management stakeholders and communities Facilitate and authorise Emergency Alert (EA) campaigns to provide advice and warnings to communities affected by disasters and emergency situations Prepare guidelines to inform local governments, district and state groups of disaster management related matters





ORGANISATION	ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establish and maintain arrangements between the state and the Commonwealth about matters relating to effective disaster management Ensure disaster management and disaster operations are consistent between plans, policies, standards and guidelines Ensure that persons performing functions under <i>the Act</i> in relation to disaster operations are appropriately trained Provide advice and support to the state group, local and district groups in relation to disaster management and disaster operations Ensure the collaborative development of the Queensland Emergency Risk Management Framework and the state-wide risk assessment. Ensure the SDCC is maintained to a state of operational readiness Maintain situational awareness and reporting capability and capacity through the SDCC Watch Desk Lead the planning and logistics capabilities in the SDCC and support the staffing models of other capabilities Emergency supply acquisition and management of supplies and services in support of disaster operations Resupply of essential goods (food and basic commodities) to temporarily isolated communities, properties and individuals Ensure the capability and capacity of Disaster Assistance Response Teams (DART) to assist communities affected by disasters or emergency situations Undertake damage assessment function (residential and commercial structures) <p>LOCAL RESPONSIBILITIES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Carry out primary (hazard) and/or lead (functional) agency roles as nominated in this plan Contribute to prevention and preparedness activities, including community education Provide impact assessment and intelligence-gathering capabilities Provide situational monitoring Coordinate and manage resupply (food and other essentials) and emergency supply operations Coordinate and manage the deployment of air assets including fixed wing and rotary aircraft Coordinate disaster management training in accordance with the Queensland Disaster Management Training Framework Assist in pumping out and clean-up of flooded buildings Liaison between the agency and the LDMG including attendance at LDMG meetings and situation reporting At the request of the Local Disaster Coordinator or delegate, provide a liaison officer to the LDCC with appropriate delegation and knowledge to commit resources in a disaster management context





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ORGANISATION	ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES
<p>STATE EMERGENCY SERVICE (SES)</p>  <p>LDMG MEMBER</p>	<p>ROLE</p> <p>The SES assists the community to prepare for, respond to and recovery from natural disasters including cyclones and severe storms, floods, earthquakes and landslides. The SES also provides support to QPS, when requested, in the coordination of search and/or rescue events as defined in the intergovernmental agreement.</p> <p>LOCAL RESPONSIBILITIES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SES is a partnership with Local Government. When the LDCC is activated, SES priorities are determined by the LDCC • Provide emergency repair and / or protection of damaged or vulnerable critical infrastructure. • Provide emergency repair and / or protection of essential living areas for members of the community • Coordinate pumping out and clean-up of flooded buildings • Provide situational monitoring • Search and rescue of missing, trapped or stranded persons • Support public education and awareness programs • Liaison between the agency and the LDMG including attendance at LDMG meetings and situation reporting • At the request of the Local Disaster Coordinator or delegate, provide a liaison officer to the LDCC with appropriate delegation and knowledge to commit resources in a disaster management context.
<p>QUEENSLAND POLICE SERVICE (QPS)</p>  <p>LDMG MEMBER</p>	<p>ROLE</p> <p>To enhance the safety of the community by assisting them to prepare for, respond to and recover from disaster events by providing support and guidance to disaster management groups at all levels.</p> <p>STATE DEFINED RESPONSIBILITIES (SDMP APPENDIX C)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preserve peace and good order • Operational responsibility for first response to terrorism • Providing executive support to the QDMC • Coordinating disaster response operations for the QDMC through the State Disaster Coordinator • Provide the Chair and executive support to the State Disaster Coordination Group • Provide the Chair (District Disaster Coordinator) and executive support to DDMGs • Managing and coordinating the business of DDMGs • Develop and facilitate a program of disaster management themed exercises • State Search and Rescue authority and responsible for the coordination of search and rescue operations • Activate and coordinate the operation of the SDCC • Conduct coronial investigations • Coordinate the review of the SDMP • Provide a Disaster Victim Identification capability. <p>LOCAL RESPONSIBILITIES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide support to LDMGs • Provide traffic management, including assistance with road closures, maintenance of roadblocks, and stranded travellers • Liaison between the agency and the LDMG including attendance at LDMG meetings and situation reporting • At the request of the Local Disaster Coordinator or delegate, provide a liaison officer to the LDCC with appropriate delegation and knowledge to commit resources in a disaster management context.

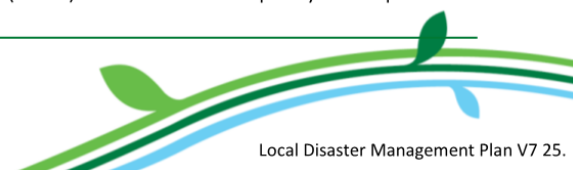
ORGANISATION	ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES
<p>QUEENSLAND AMBULANCE SERVICE (QAS)</p>  <p>LDMG MEMBER</p>	<p>ROLE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide, operate and maintain ambulance services and service delivery during rescue and other related activities. This includes protecting persons from injury or death, whether or not the individuals are sick or injured. • Provide transport for persons requiring attention at medical or health care facilities, to participate with other emergency services in counter disaster planning and to coordinate all volunteer first aid groups during the disaster. <p>STATE DEFINED RESPONSIBILITIES (SDMP APPENDIX C)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide, operate and maintain ambulance services. • Coordinate all volunteer first aid groups during major emergencies and disasters • Provide and support temporary health infrastructure where required • Collaborate with Retrieval Services Queensland in the provision of paramedics for rotary wing operations • Collaborate with Queensland Health in mass casualty management systems • Provide disaster, urban search and rescue (USAR), chemical hazard (Hazmat), biological and radiological operations support with specialist logistics and specialist paramedics. <p>LOCALLY DEFINED RESPONSIBILITIES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access, assess, treat and transport sick and injured persons • Protect persons from injury or death, during rescue and other related activities • Participate in search and rescue (SAR), evacuation and victim reception operations • Participate in health facility evacuations. • Liaison between the agency and the LDMG including attendance at LDMG meetings and situation reporting • At the request of the Local Disaster Coordinator or delegate, provide a liaison officer to the LDCC with appropriate delegation and knowledge to commit resources in a disaster management context
<p>WEST MORETON HOSPITAL AND HEALTH SERVICE (QLD HEALTH)</p>  <p>LDMG MEMBER</p>	<p>ROLE</p> <p>Coordinate and manage the health aspects of a disaster or emergency incident across the full spectrum of prevention, preparedness, response and recovery including health advice to the community, public health, clinical care, forensic support and mental health.</p> <p>STATE DEFINED RESPONSIBILITIES (SDMP APPENDIX C)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lead agency for response functions of public health, mental health and medical services, mass casualty management, mass fatality management including victim identification (with QPS) and emergency medical retrieval • Provide health emergency incident information • Primary agency for heatwave, pandemic influenza, biological and radiological incidents • State representation at Australian Health Protection Principal Committee and associated sub-committees including Communicable Diseases Network Australia (CDNA), Public Health Laboratory Network (PHLN) and the National Health Emergency Management Standing Committee • Department of Health participation in appropriate and relevant state level groups and committees. • Hospital and Health Service participation in LDMG and DDMG activities • Develop health-focused disaster and emergency preparedness, response and recovery plans • Develop and maintain disaster and emergency health response capability and capacity • Implement business continuity plans and arrangements to maintain health services during disasters and emergencies • Work across the health sector including aged care facilities, private facilities, primary health and community care providers to ensure 'whole of health' arrangements are in place



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ORGANISATION	ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordinate the state level health response through maintenance and activation of the State Health Emergency Coordination Centre • Clinically coordinate aeromedical transport and emergency medical retrieval (with QAS) and provide membership to the SDCC aviation cell when activated • Forensic and scientific health services to mass fatality management and terrorism (with QPS). • Communicable disease surveillance and response arrangements. <p>LOCALLY RESPONSIBILITIES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide health disaster and emergency incident information to the public and disaster management stakeholders • Clinical response to mass casualty management (with QAS) • Recovery mental health support to affected communities (with DCDSS) • Public health and environmental health advice and support to local governments and affected communities and industries • Environmental health risk assessment advice to other agencies, local government and industries. • Messaging on public health risks to affected communities • Liaison between the agency and the LDMG including attendance at LDMG meetings and situation reporting • At the request of the Local Disaster Coordinator or delegate, provide a liaison officer to the LDCC with appropriate delegation and knowledge to commit resources in a disaster management context
<p>ENERGEX</p>  <p>LDMG ADVISOR</p>	<p>ROLE</p> <p>Primary agency for providing, maintaining and restoring power supplies in the Lockyer Valley region.</p> <p>LOCAL RESPONSIBILITIES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide advice to the LDMG on power supplies • Provide safety information to customers • Liaison between the agency and the LDMG including attendance at LDMG meetings and situation reporting • At the request of the Local Disaster Coordinator or delegate, provide a liaison officer to the LDCC with appropriate delegation and knowledge to commit resources in a disaster management context.
<p>URBAN UTILITIES (UU)</p>  <p>LDMG ADVISOR</p>	<p>ROLE</p> <p>Urban Utilities are a distributor-retailer under the provision of the <i>South East Queensland Water (Distribution and Retail Restructuring) Act 2009</i> and as a service provider under the <i>Water Supply (Safety and Reliability) Act 2008</i>.</p> <p>STATE DEFINED RESPONSIBILITIES</p> <p>Urban Utilities services the Lockyer Valley region supplying drinking water and sewerage services.</p> <p>LOCAL RESPONSIBILITIES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitor water and sewerage during emergency events and incidents • Facilitate actions across their water and sewerage network in response to an event • Liaison between the agency and the LDMG including attendance at LDMG meetings and situation reporting • At the request of the Local Disaster Coordinator or delegate, provide a liaison officer to the LDCC with appropriate delegation and knowledge to commit resources in a disaster management context

ORGANISATION	ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES
<p>SEQWATER</p>  <p>LDMG ADVISOR</p>	<p>ROLE</p> <p>Seqwater is a statutory authority of the Queensland Government that provides bulk water storage, transport and treatment, water grid management and planning, catchment management and flood mitigation services to South East Queensland (SEQ).</p> <p>Seqwater manages Bill Gunn Dam and Clarendon Dam in the Lockyer Valley region and operates Wivenhoe and Somerset dams to provide bulk water for the area. Atkinson Dam in the Somerset Region is supplied by diverting run-off from Buaraba Creek, Seven Mile Lagoon and Lake Clarendon catchments (in the Lockyer Valley LGA).</p> <p>STATE DEFINED RESPONSIBILITIES (SDMP APPENDIX C)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Seqwater is the key liaison for the State, Local government and emergency services for all water related emergencies or incidents in SEQ • The SEQ water grid provides Seqwater with the ability to move drinking water across the region if its assets are impacted by weather or emergency events • Develop Emergency Action Plans (EAPs) for all of their referable dams as per legislative requirements • Develop the Flood Mitigation Manual for Wivenhoe, Somerset and North Pine flood mitigation dams. <p>LOCAL RESPONSIBILITIES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide notifications and warnings to populations at risk immediately downstream of their referable dams, as per actions contained within the approved Emergency Action Plan (EAP) • Seqwater provides a free dam release notification service and associated App to provide the community with up to date information on dam releases, water supply and recreation during emergencies or incidents • Work with and provide timely and accurate information to the LDMG where required to manage the consequences of a water supply or dam safety incident • Seqwater operates two purpose built Emergency Operations Centres (Brisbane and Ipswich) to host its Flood Operations Centre, Network Control Room and Emergency Management Team. The centre provides updated situation reports (SITREPS) during emergencies for the State through the SDCC Emergency Management System, and to LDMGs where required and will provide liaison resources at the SDCC, as required. • Liaison between the agency and the LDMG including attendance at LDMG meetings and situation reporting • At the request of the Local Disaster Coordinator or delegate, provide a liaison officer to the LDCC with appropriate delegation and knowledge to commit resources in a disaster management context
<p>TELSTRA</p>  <p>LDMG ADVISOR</p>	<p>ROLE</p> <p>Telstra's role is to operate, maintain and restore communication networks and infrastructure.</p> <p>STATE DEFINED RESPONSIBILITIES (SDMP APPENDIX C)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Telstra operates as a mobile phone/data provider and provides fixed lines services for its customers. It also provides this capability to other resellers • Telstra has an extensive data network that covers Queensland • Telstra is a reseller of NBN services • Telstra has a variety of mobile facilities that it can deploy into impacted communities to deliver limited/partial service restoration subsequent to service disruption driven through the impacts of a natural disaster event. These facilities are pre-deployed into locations that the carrier determines to be the most logistically practical placement to support rapid deployment into impacted communities. Common terms include: • Satellite Communications on Wheels (COWS) – used to create temporary mobile phone coverage





ORGANISATION	ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mobile Exchange on Wheels (MEOWS) – portable land line exchange to supplement inoperable facilities • Wi-Fi Mobile Customer Office – a van where customers can connect to Wi-Fi to do their business and to charge their phones/tablets <p>LOCAL RESPONSIBILITIES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Liaison between the agency and the LDMG including attendance at LDMG meetings and situation reporting • At the request of the Local Disaster Coordinator or delegate, provide a liaison officer to the LDCC with appropriate delegation and knowledge to commit resources in a disaster management context
<p>NBN</p>  <p>LDMG ADVISOR</p>	<p>ROLE</p> <p>NBN's purpose is to lift the digital capability of Australia, allowing Australians to have access to a fast, reliable broadband network, at least possible cost to the taxpayer.</p> <p>LOCAL RESPONSIBILITIES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implement internal business continuity plans to allow ongoing support to the LDMG in disaster operations • Assist with provision of temporary emergency communications facilities • Provide advice to the LDMG and action reasonable requests during disaster operations, as required. • Liaison between the agency and the LDMG including attendance at LDMG meetings and situation reporting • At the request of the Local Disaster Coordinator or delegate, provide a liaison officer to the LDCC with appropriate delegation and knowledge to commit resources in a disaster management context
<p>QUEENSLAND RAIL (QR)</p>  <p>LDMG ADVISOR</p>	<p>ROLE</p> <p>Queensland Rail's purpose is to provide a safe, reliable, on-time, value for money and customer focussed rail service that benefits the community, supports industry and is integrated with the public transport system.</p> <p>STATE DEFINED RESPONSIBILITIES (SDMP APPENDIX C)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Queensland Rail's network extends more than 6,600 kilometres across the state. The business operates the following three core services across multiple customer markets: • Citytrain • Travel and Tourism • Regional Network and Freight • Queensland Rail has a comprehensive Emergency Management Framework in place and regularly tests its processes and procedures for emergency situations across the state. It regularly partners with external agencies as part of these emergency preparedness exercises <p>LOCAL RESPONSIBILITIES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advice on critical rail infrastructure • Coordinate any response to affected railway infrastructure • Liaison between the agency and the LDMG including attendance at LDMG meetings and situation reporting • At the request of the Local Disaster Coordinator or delegate, provide a liaison officer to the LDCC with appropriate delegation and knowledge to commit resources in a disaster management context.





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<p>DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES (DAF)</p>  <p>LDMG ADVISOR</p>	<p>ROLE</p> <p>Lead agency for containment and eradication of animal and plant diseases and pets. The Department of Agriculture and Fisheries (DAF) also provides advice on agriculture, fisheries and forestry in a disaster event.</p> <p>STATE DEFINED RESPONSIBILITIES (SDMP APPENDIX C)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coordinate efforts to prevent, respond to, and recover from plant and animal pests and diseases and invasive plants and animals • Coordinate the Agriculture Coordination Group with agricultural industry groups to provide information about the effect that a disaster event has on the agriculture, fisheries and forestry industries and the issues that individuals and businesses are facing in responding to and recovering from a disaster event • Administer Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) relief measures including agriculture industry recovery operations as required • Report on the possible impact seasonal conditions and climate events will have on the agricultural sector. <p>LOCAL RESPONSIBILITIES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborate with stakeholders with shared responsibilities and other organisations to facilitate prevention, preparedness, response and recovery strategies and priorities for animal welfare management within a community • Provide advice in relation to agriculture, fisheries and forestry disaster impacts • Provide advice on livestock welfare • Coordinate destruction of stock or crops in an emergency pest/disease situation • Lead the reporting on the disaster impact assessments on the agricultural sector, including economic losses and expected recovery • Engage with industry on preparedness for climate risks and aid with economic recovery • Assist agriculture industries in prevention and preparedness through normal business operations and service provision to industry and the communities • Provide advice to the City of Ipswich LDMG and action reasonable requests during disaster operations, as required • Liaison between the agency and the LDMG including attendance at LDMG meetings and situation reporting • At the request of the Local Disaster Coordinator or delegate, provide a liaison officer to the LDCC with appropriate delegation and knowledge to commit resources in a disaster management context
<p>DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITIES, HOUSING AND DIGITAL ECONOMY</p>  <p>LDMG ADVISOR</p>	<p>ROLE</p> <p>Functional lead agency for planning, coordination and implementation of human and social recovery in Queensland.</p> <p>THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITIES, HOUSING AND DIGITAL ECONOMY, AS LEAD AGENCY FOR HUMAN AND SOCIAL RECOVERY, PROVIDES:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advice and State Government human and social resources in support of LDMG-led recovery processes • Coordination and collaboration between agencies engaged in human and social recovery at a district and state level • Service delivery to disaster-affected people through triage assessment, outreach services and recovery hubs • Financial assistance to disaster-impacted people through: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Emergency Hardship Assistance Grants • Essential Services Hardship Assistance Grants • Essential Household Contents Grants • Structural Assistance Grants • Essential Services Safety and Reconnection Scheme



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ORGANISATION	ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Information, advice, referral, counselling and personal support through arrangements with partner agencies The provision of housing assistance including social housing and the activation and management of the Emergency Housing Assistance Referral Service (EHASRS) and homelessness support services The Management of Smart Service Queensland and the associated telephony systems on behalf of a number of government departments such as SES and the Community Recovery Hotline Liaison between the agency and the LDMG including attendance at LDMG meetings and situation reporting
<p>DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS (DTMR)</p>  <p>LDMG ADVISOR</p>	<p>ROLE</p> <p>Functional lead agency for planning, coordination and implementation of roads and transport recovery in Queensland. Coordinate the effective and efficient delivery of state-controlled road and transport recovery and reconstruction activities.</p> <p>STATE DEFINED RESPONSIBILITIES (SDMP APPENDIX C)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide information and advice regarding the impact of an event on road, rail, aviation and maritime infrastructure Assist with the safe movement of people resulting from mass evacuation Enable an accessible transport system through reinstating road, rail and maritime infrastructure. Ensure the capability of logistics-related industries is appropriately applied to disaster response and recovery activities <p>LOCAL RESPONSIBILITIES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Liaison between the agency and the LDMG including attendance at LDMG meetings and situation reporting The DTMR LDMG representative provides advice on local planning arrangements and response to meet requirements under Queensland's Disaster Management Arrangements. The role is a source of information at the point of operation, providing an opportunity to assess a situation and better position the department for action should its' resources be required. At the request of the Local Disaster Coordinator or delegate, provide a liaison officer to the LDCC with appropriate delegation and knowledge to commit resources in a disaster management context
<p>QUEENSLAND RECONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY (QRA)</p>  <p>LDMG ADVISOR</p>	<p>ROLE</p> <p>Lead agency for disaster recovery, resilience and mitigation policy in Queensland.</p> <p>Manage and coordinate the state government's program of infrastructure reconstruction within disaster affected communities. The Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA) focuses on working with state and local government partners to deliver value for money and best practice expenditure and acquittal of public reconstruction funds.</p> <p>STATE DEFINED RESPONSIBILITIES (SDMP APPENDIX C)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drive and coordinate enhancement of resilience throughout Queensland Plan and coordinate Queensland and Australian Government assistance under the Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) Maintain the Queensland Recovery Plan and develop state level event-specific plans as required Implement the Queensland Strategy for Disaster Resilience 2022-2027 Maintain the State Recovery Coordinator (SRC) Guide and Register, including induction of srcs, when appointed



ORGANISATION	ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitor damage of public infrastructure and private properties. • Administer DRFA and SDRA • The Chief Executive Officer, QRA is appointed by the Premier as the State Recovery, Policy and Planning Coordinator. <p>LOCAL RESPONSIBILITIES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitor reconstruction activities in affected communities
<p>UNIVERSITY OF QLD - GATTON CAMPUS (UQ)</p>  <p>THE UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND AUSTRALIA</p> <p>LDMG ADVISOR</p>	<p>ROLE</p> <p>The University of Qld – Gatton Campus supports the LDMG through emergency animal services. They may also provide a place of shelter for stranded travellers and UQ staff who are unable to access other sites.</p> <p>LOCAL RESPONSIBILITIES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Animal management support • Liaison between the agency and the LDMG including attendance at LDMG meetings and situation reporting • At the request of the Local Disaster Coordinator or delegate, provide a liaison officer to the LDCC with appropriate delegation and knowledge to commit resources in a disaster management context
<p>AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS</p>  <p>LDMG ADVISOR</p>	<p>ROLE</p> <p>Red Cross works with communities and stakeholders to build capacity and strength in preparing for, responding to, and recovering from disasters. Red Cross is an Auxiliary to Government in the humanitarian space.</p> <p>OVERARCHING RESPONSIBILITIES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development and provision of best practice guidance and information on disaster management and recovery related practice • Administration of the National Registration and Enquiry Service – ‘Register.Find.Reunite.’ • Provision of psychosocial supports to disaster affected communities • Delivery of recovery supports and services in evacuation centres, recovery hubs, and through outreach. <p>LOCAL RESPONSIBILITIES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support the management and operations of evacuation centres upon request from Council • Provide psychosocial supports and psychological first aid in evacuation centres, recovery hubs, and through outreach • Operate the Register.Find.Reunite. Service under the auspices of the Queensland Police Service (QPS) • Liaison between the agency and the LDMG including attendance at LDMG meetings and situation reporting



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ORGANISATION	ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES
<p>GIVIT</p>  <p>LDMG ADVISOR</p>	<p>ROLE</p> <p>GIVIT manages offers of goods and services in response to disasters and emergency incidents as defined by <i>the Act</i>. GIVIT also procures goods with monies donated by the public in response to such events.</p> <p>STATE DEFINED RESPONSIBILITIES (THROUGH SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH THE QUEENSLAND GOVERNMENT)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In partnership with the Queensland Government, manage offers of donated goods and services, including corporate offers of assistance, following Queensland disasters. <p>LOCAL RESPONSIBILITIES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Manage offers of, and requests for, donated goods and services after disasters Liaison between the agency and the LDMG including attendance at LDMG meetings and situation reporting At the request of the Local Disaster Coordinator or delegate, provide a liaison officer to the LDCC with appropriate delegation and knowledge to commit resources in a disaster management context





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LOCKYER VALLEY CONTEXT

A risk-based approach to disaster planning includes establishment of community context, which takes into account information such as geography, climate, population demographics, infrastructure, essential public assets and challenges of the area.

This section of the Plan provides local context.

TOPOGRAPHY AND GEOLOGY

The topography of Lockyer Valley LGA is dominated by the mountains of the Great Dividing Range to the west and south and the wide floodplain of Lockyer Creek in the north. The highest point is Mt Mistake at 1052 metres above sea level (ASL) while Mt Haldon (904 metres) and Mt Cooper (712 metres) are also prominent high points. The region is drained by Lockyer Creek and its major tributaries including Murphy's, Gatton, Ma Ma, Blackfellow, Tenthill, Sandy and Laidley Creeks.

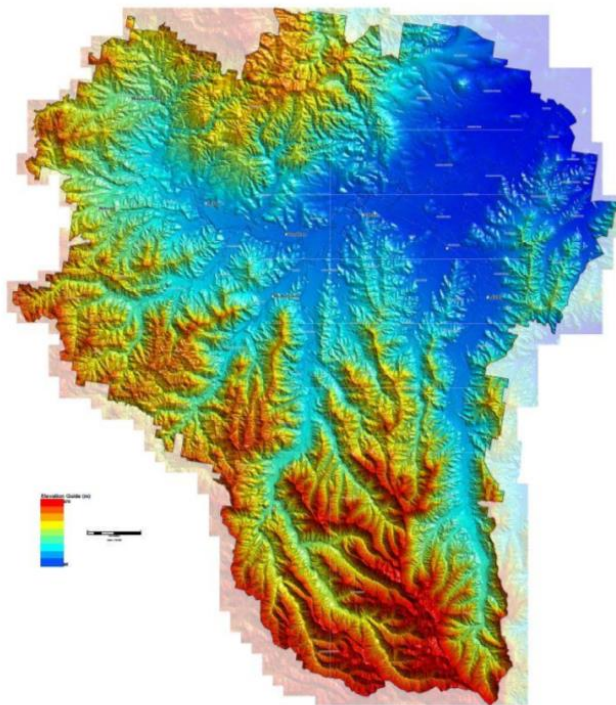
There are three small impoundments to provide local requirements: Lake Apex, Lake Dyer and Lake Clarendon. Most of the water for agriculture, however, comes from ground water.

The terrain of the Lockyer Valley is created by its underlying geology. In broad terms, the region is made up of three major groups of material.

- The volcanic rocks that make up the mountains of the Great Dividing Range. Most of these are of basalt;
- Sandstones of the Bundamba/Landsborough Groups make up the bulk of the region; and
- Alluvium of sand, gravel and silt along the Lockyer Creek.

There are also small areas of Injune or Ipswich coal measures in the south of the region which are outliers of the much more extensive areas found to the east in Ipswich City.

FIGURE 4 - LOCKYER VALLEY LGA TOPOGRAPHY



CLIMATE

Lockyer Valley LGA has a climate that is classed, under the Koeppen climate classification system, as 'subtropical with no dry season'. Rainfall is none-the-less seasonal with the greatest totals occurring during the summer. Its inland location also tends to exaggerate the extremes of temperature that can occur at sub-tropical latitudes though the higher country is generally several degrees cooler and much wetter than the lowlands.



TEMPERATURE

While records indicate Queensland's state-wide mean annual temperature has warmed by around one degree Celsius since 1910, most of this warming has occurred over the past 50 to 60 years¹. Between 2011 and 2016, 45 extreme weather events have caused \$13 billion in damage to public assets and infrastructure in QLD. Insured damage to private assets in declared disaster events is valued at \$8.6 billion in the 10 years to 2016. More recently, the 2022 SEQ Rainfall and Flooding event has been estimated to have cost \$7.7 billion in social, financial and economic impacts.²

TABLE 5 - UQ GATTON (STATION 040082) SELECTED TEMPERATURE STATISTICS 1913-2022
(SOURCE BUREAU OF METEOROLOGY)

°C	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	ANNUAL
MEAN MAX	31.6	30.8	29.6	27.2	23.8	21.1	20.8	22.5	25.6	28.2	30.2	31.4	26.9
HIGHEST MAX	44.5	45.7	41.1	37.4	33.7	31.5	29	37.9	39.5	41.6	42.8	43.5	45.7
DAYS OVER 35 °C	5.2	3.1	1.4	0.2	0	0	0	0	0.3	1.5	3.5	4.5	19.7
DAYS OVER 40 °C	0.5	0.2	0.1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.1	0.3	0.4	1.6
MEAN MIN	19.1	19	17.4	13.7	10.2	7.6	6.3	6.7	9.5	13.2	16	18.1	13.1
LOWEST MIN	11.9	8.3	6.7	3.2	-0.2	-2.4	-5.6	-1.9	0	4.3	6.3	8.8	-5.6

TABLE 6 - TOOWOOMBA (STATION 041103) SELECTED TEMPERATURE STATISTICS 1931-1998
(SOURCE BUREAU OF METEOROLOGY)

°C	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	ANNUAL
MEAN MAX	27.6	26.6	25.5	22.9	19.6	16.9	16.3	17.9	20.9	23.7	26.0	27.5	22.6
HIGHEST MAX	39.3	37.0	35.0	32.3	27.2	26.1	24.7	29.5	31.6	36.2	38.1	38.9	39.3
DAYS OVER 35°C	1.0	0.2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.1	0.5	0.9	2.7
MEAN MIN	16.7	16.6	15.4	12.3	9.1	6.3	5.3	6.0	8.5	11.5	13.8	15.7	11.4
LOWEST MIN	8.9	7.2	6.1	3.5	-1.8	-3.6	-4.4	-4.2	-0.4	1.9	3.8	7.4	-4.4

RED = HIGHEST VALUE BLUE = LOWEST VALUE

¹ Mean Annual Temperature Data - [Mean annual temperature | State of the Environment Report 2020 \(des.qld.gov.au\)](https://des.qld.gov.au)

² Queensland Reconstruction Authority, June 2022 Report -

[The social, financial and economic costs of the 2022 South East Queensland Rainfall and Flooding Event \(qra.qld.gov.au\)](https://qra.qld.gov.au)



RAINFALL

The extremes of widespread rainfall have been associated with the impact of active or decayed tropical cyclones, while localised extremes are associated with severe thunderstorms. The greatest 24-hour rainfall of 199.4 millimetres at Gatton was recorded on 26 January 1974 (TC *Wanda*), while the maximum of 164.1 millimetres at Toowoomba was recorded on 10 February 1942 from an unnamed cyclone.

TABLE 7 - UQ GATTON (STATION 040082) SELECTED RAINFALL STATISTICS 1897-2023
(SOURCE BUREAU OF METEOROLOGY)

MM	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	ANNUAL
MEAN RAIN	109	99.5	79.2	48	44.9	41	36.7	26.4	34.7	65.8	76.9	98.2	765.6
HIGHEST RAIN	452.9	307.3	323.4	324.1	443.5	319.6	306.4	94.8	190.5	269	321.2	317	1241.4
LOWEST RAIN	1.2	0	0.8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.8	1.3	230
HIGHEST DAILY RAIN	199.4	182	141.5	91.2	118.9	111.5	192.3	46.2	71.4	107.2	170.6	108.8	199.4

TABLE 8 - TOOWOOMBA (STATION 041103) SELECTED RAINFALL STATISTICS 1869-2007
(BUREAU OF METEOROLOGY)

MM	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	ANNUAL
MEAN RAIN	132.1	121.1	94.6	61.9	58.4	56.8	52.0	39.5	46.7	72.2	89.5	120.0	952.4
HIGHEST RAIN	519.6	735.6	389.6	421.2	519.6	373.0	248.1	266.4	168.7	234.2	302.8	358.6	1735.3
LOWEST RAIN	12.0	1.8	0	0	0	0	0.2	0	2.8	0	4.6	7.7	433.3
HIGHEST DAILY RAIN	156.7	164.1	132.3	96.8	121.8	116.8	145.0	133.9	61.2	88.6	109.8	127.0	164.1

RED = HIGHEST VALUE BLUE = LOWEST VALUE

The mean rainfall is 770.2 millimetres per annum, the yearly mean maximum temperature is 26.9 degree Celsius and the yearly mean minimum is 13 degree Celsius.

The highest daily rainfalls recorded in January 2011 (*Tasha*) were 228.8 millimetres on 12 January 2011 at O'Shea Road, Hatton Vale and 180.8 millimetres on 11 January 2011 at Withcott. The highest daily rainfall recorded in January 2013 (TC *Oswald*) was 709 millimetres at Mount Castle. Rainfall of 1208 millimetres was received over the six days to 9am, 29 January 2013 at Mt Castle.

The area has a long history of flooding from a range of different sources including large scale riverine flooding due to prolonged rainfall and also high intensity flash flooding initiated by thunderstorms in the area. Localised intense storm events as well as large soaking rainfall events can result in widespread flooding across the region. Historical storm events have indicated rainfall of 50 millimetres on a wet catchment can result in localised flash flooding posing a risk to community. Almost two-thirds of recorded flood events occur within the months of January to March.

Further information on climate data can be found using the Bureau of Meteorology's Climate Data Online tool at www.BOM.gov.au/climate/data/

VEGETATION

Large areas of the native vegetation of Lockyer Valley have been removed or greatly modified over time by agriculture. The extensive areas of remnant native vegetation that remain, especially in the south, includes the temperate rainforests and wet sclerophyll forest of the mountains.

Rainforests grow in moist or sheltered locations, with open eucalypt forest occurring on the drier ridges and valleys. Montane heath vegetation grows on the cliffs and rocky outcrops.



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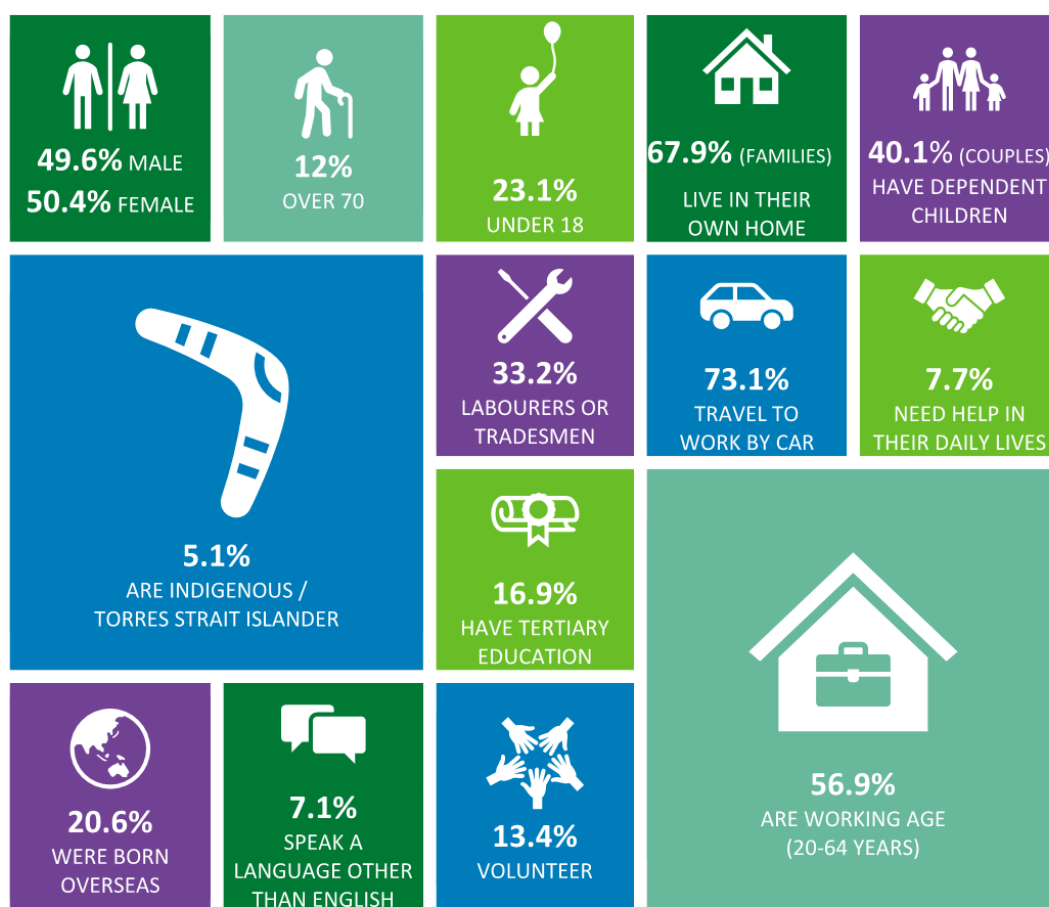
POPULATION AND DEMOGRAPHICS

Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) 2021 Census data for the Lockyer Valley shows the population at the time the census was taken as 41,098³ persons. Over the last five years the region has seen an average annual growth rate of 1.1 per cent.⁴

The areas of highest population densities can be found in Gatton, Laidley, Helidon, Withcott, Forest Hill and the expanding Plainland / Kensington Grove areas. The median age is 39 which is close to the state and national average of 38 years.

Figure 5 below is a snapshot of the Lockyer Valley population per 100 people.

FIGURE 5 - LOCKYER VALLEY POPULATION SUMMARY



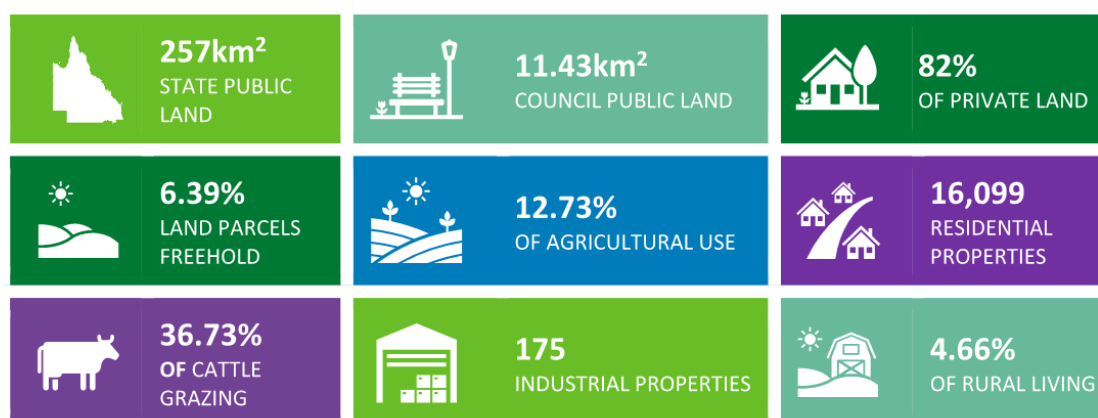
³ Australian Bureau of Statistics 2021 Census data for the Lockyer Valley - [2021 Lockyer Valley, Census All persons QuickStats | Australian Bureau of Statistics \(abs.gov.au\)](https://www.abs.gov.au/2021/Lockyer-Valley-Census-All-persons-QuickStats)

⁴ Queensland Government Statistician's Office, Queensland Treasury, Queensland Regional Profiles: Resident Profile for Lockyer Valley (R) Local Government Area - statistics.qgso.qld.gov.au/qld-regional-profiles

LAND USE

In terms of area, Lockyer Valley is dominated by rural land uses. The largest areas are used for dry-land grazing of cattle for beef and dairying. Horticultural crops (mainly seasonal vegetables), however, account for the greatest proportion of the value of the Region's agricultural production.

TABLE 8 – LAND USE IN THE LOCKYER VALLEY SNAPSHOT



ECONOMIC PROFILE

The Lockyer Valley is recognized as a 'food bowl' of Southeast Qld. 24 per cent of the State's and five per cent of Australia's total horticultural production comes from this area⁵ making up forty percent of the Lockyer Valleys' economy. Output from our agricultural sector is \$652.5 million⁶ annually.

TABLE 9 - ECONOMIC PROFILE OF THE LOCKYER VALLEY SNAPSHOT⁶



⁵ Lockyer Valley Horticultural Research Project Report – April 2018

⁶ Data sourced from .id and 2021 ABS Census Data



CRITICAL SERVICES AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Where possible, maintaining critical services and infrastructure during a disaster event is of key importance. If impacted by the event, their restoration is a high priority. The table below outlines a summary of the critical infrastructure in the Lockyer Valley LGA.

A detailed list of all identified critical infrastructure, including equipment that is important for intelligence and mitigation can be found at [Annexure 7 – Critical Infrastructure](#).

TABLE 10 - CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE / SERVICES SUMMARY

TYPE	DETAILS
AMBULANCE STATIONS	Gatton, Laidley
FIRE AND RESCUE STATIONS	Gatton, Laidley, Helidon, Forest Hill
POLICE STATIONS	Gatton, Laidley, Helidon
RURAL FIRE BRIGADES	Blenheim, Iredale and Flagstone Creek, Central Lockyer, Grantham, Laidley North and East, Lefthand Branch, Lockyer Waters, Mulgowie, Murphy's Creek, Mount Campbell, Upper Flagstone, Summerholm and Hatton Vale, Withcott, Woodlands
SES DEPOTS	Gatton, Laidley, Forest Hill
HEALTH FACILITIES	Gatton Hospital, Laidley Hospital
MAJOR ROADS	Warrego Highway, Gatton-Esk Road, Gatton-Helidon Road, Gatton-Clifton Road, Gatton-Laidley Road, Forest Hill-Fernvale Road, Laidley-Plainland Road, Rosewood-Laidley Road, Mulgowie Road, Mt Sylvia Road, Murphy's Creek Road.
RAIL LINES	West Moreton Rail Line
GAS SUPPLY	Roma to Brisbane pipeline
ELECTRICITY SUPPLY	Gatton, Laidley, Glenore Grove Sub Stations

HAZARDS

The hazards for the region were identified from the Natural Hazard Risk Assessment for Lockyer Valley Regional Council 2016, Lockyer Creek Flood Risk Management Study, and Forest Hill Flood Hazard Study. These studies were undertaken to provide updated information on risks within the region and took into consideration earlier studies.







A significant element of the process of hazard identification was the consideration of how a reduction in disaster risk can protect the community against loss of infrastructure, damage to the natural environment, compromised standard of living and economic failures brought about by disasters.

Figure 6 - Identified local hazards is a high-level summary of natural hazards considered to be of primary concern to the Lockyer Valley LDMG. Detailed information on local hazards can be found in the [Hazards and Risk Assessment Sub Plan](#).

It is noted that global mean temperatures have risen over the past century and that they will continue to rise as the result of climate change. It is anticipated this will affect the frequency and intensity of weather-related events.



FIGURE 6 - IDENTIFIED LOCAL HAZARDS

HAZARD	AREAS AFFECTED / SIGNIFICANT RISK	RECURRENCE
 HEATWAVE	Entire Lockyer Valley LGA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Annually, generally between the months of November and February. Days of excessive heat can occur between October and March.⁷
 BUSHFIRE	Heavily timbered areas, rural residential areas and urban infrastructure. Significant bushfire hazard primarily in southern, western and northern areas.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bushfires may be considered an annual event
 TROPICAL CYCLONES, EAST COAST LOWS AND SEVERE THUNDERSTORMS	Entire Lockyer Valley LGA.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 65 cyclones have come to within 400 kilometres of Gatton in the period from 1906 to 2006⁸. East Coast Lows - since 1960 the annual average has been 3.7⁹. Severe Storms - on average the Lockyer Valley area experiences between 30 and 40 thunderstorm days a year¹⁰
 FLOODS - FLASH	Entire Lockyer Valley LGA.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Localised flooding is an annual problem which can occur in any month of the year, but flooding is most likely to occur in the months from October to May based on recent events.
 FLOODS - REGIONAL	Entire Lockyer Valley LGA (inundation and / or isolation)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mainstream flooding from the various major creeks is less frequent than flash flooding
 LANDSLIDES	The greatest level of hazard exists in the south and west of the region where very steep slopes coincide with susceptible geology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Generally, coincides with prolonged high precipitation

⁷ [Geoscience Australia, South-East Queensland community risk report – heat wave risks, chapter 10, 2001](#)

⁸ [Bureau of Meteorology tropical cyclone database](#)

⁹ Referenced from Hazards and Risk Assessment Sub Plan

¹⁰ Based on national-level data (see Hazards and Risk Assessment Sub Plan)





RISK ASSESSMENT

Within Queensland, the Queensland Emergency Risk Management Framework (QERMF), State Planning Policy 2017 and Queensland's Strategy for Disaster Resilience 2017, in alignment with policies at the National level, National Emergency Risk Assessment Guidelines (NERAG) and the Australian Standard AS/NZS ISO 31000:2018 Risk Management – principles and guidelines all contribute to disaster risk reduction.



RISK EVALUATION

In 2012 a [Natural Hazard Risk Assessment](#) for Lockyer Valley Regional Council was conducted and was followed by an [update in 2016](#). Refer to this document for details on the identification and analysis of risks in the Lockyer Valley Regional LGA.

The approach adopted for this study follows the risk management process established in AS/NZS ISO 31000-2009 Risk management - principles and guideline (SA/SNZ, 2009).



The highest prioritised risks for Lockyer Valley

- Heatwave
- Bushfire
- Severe weather - flooding and storms

The [Hazards and Risk Assessment Sub Plan](#), contains detail on these and other hazards, and forms part of the suite of supporting plans to the LDMG.

In 2022, the Lockyer Valley LDMG commenced undertaking a [QERMF](#) risk-based assessment of hazards. It is anticipated that this process will take approximately five years to complete and is awaiting the outcome of the State review of the process before proceeding further.

RISK TREATMENT

There are several ways to treat risks, including

- Avoid or remove the risk
- Implement strategies to decrease the consequences of the risk
- Implement strategies to decrease the likelihood of the risk
- Share the risk (for example, through insurance)
- Transfer the risk through the identification of ownership and associated responsibility
- Accept and retain the risk through informed decision-making

The [2012 Natural Hazards Risk Assessment](#) and the [2016 Update](#) provides strategies that would help to reduce or eliminate emergency risks across the study area. It is focused primarily, but not exclusively, on those strategies that might be adopted by LVRC.

To ensure that shared risks are appropriately managed, the LDMG must consult with the entities whom the risk will be shared and ensure that appropriate agreements are in place and documented.



RESIDUAL RISK

There will be instances where the LDMG, following a risk assessment, identifies that the application of treatment options at the local level will not be adequate to remove the risk and that unacceptable residual risk remains. When an unacceptable residual risk remains at the local level, the LDMG will collaborate with the Toowoomba DDMG, through the QDMA, for consideration and treatments noting that currently there is no agreed process between levels of QDMA to either accept, mitigate or transfer risk.



INCREASED RISK FROM CLIMATE CHANGE

Climate change is 'any change in the climate, lasting for several decades or longer, including changes in temperature, rainfall or wind patterns' and, coupled with increased population growth and urban development, is likely to increase exposure and risks to Queensland communities and infrastructure^{11, 12}.



Climate change increases the frequency, distribution, duration and intensity of weather events, which will expose the community to hotter summers, more intense rainfall, flooding, storms and cyclones¹³. An emphasis on understanding the impacts and preparing for them will be integral to mitigating the risks of climate change.



¹¹ [Climate Council – What is Climate Change and what can we do about it?](#)

¹² [Queensland Government, Emergency Management Sector Adaptation Plan for climate change](#)

¹³ [Queensland Strategy for Disaster Resilience](#)



PREVENTION STRATEGY

LVRC conducts prevention and disaster mitigation activities to reduce risk and vulnerability through initiatives to enhance community resilience and sustainability.

The Natural Hazard Risk Assessment has identified risk reduction measures and the Hazard Analysis, Risk Assessment and Risk Treatment Sub Plan details these measures and the activities that Council is undertaking as prevention strategies.

Prevention and disaster mitigation can be, in part, achieved through application of, building codes and planning policies and legislation.

BUILDING CODES, BUILDING USE REGULATIONS AND PLANNING POLICIES

Codes and regulations that are relevant and apply include:

- *Building Act 1975*
- Building Standards Regulation 2006
- Building Regulations 1991
- Queensland Development Code
- Building Fire Safety Regulation
- *Body Corporate and Community Management Act*
- *Building Units and Group Titles Act*
- *Building and Other Legislation Amendment Act*
- *Building Services Authority Act*
- Local Government Finance Standard 2005
- Queensland Coastal Plan
- State Planning Policy 1/03 guideline: mitigating the adverse impacts of flood, bushfire and landslide

LAND USE MANAGEMENT INITIATIVES

LVRC is in the process of developing a new Planning Scheme to replace the schemes currently in use. Those Planning Schemes include:

- [Laidley Shire Planning Scheme 2003](#)
- [Gatton Shire Planning Scheme 2007](#)
- [Temporary Local Planning Instrument 2020 \(Flood Regulation\) Grantham Reconstruction Area Development Scheme](#)



INSURANCE

In a disaster there is significant impact on the whole community caused by under insured and non-insured properties. It is considered that this is an issue for the insurance industry and the State Government with input from the Local Group through its members.

LEGISLATION

In addition to the *Disaster Management Act 2003* legislation relevant to disaster management includes:

- *Agricultural Chemicals Distribution Control Act 1966*
- *Ambulance Service Act 1991*
- Local and Subordinate Local Laws
- *Chemical Usage (Agricultural and Veterinary) Control Act 1988*
- *Dangerous Goods Safety Management Act 2001*
- *Environmental Protection Act 1994*
- *Exotic Diseases in Animals Act 1981*
- *Explosives Act 1999*
- *Fire and Emergency Services Act 1990*
- *Gas Supply Act 2003*
- *Land Act 1994*
- *Liquid Fuel Supply Act 1984*
- *Local Government Act 2009*
- *Major Sports Facilities Act 2001*
- *Native Title (Queensland) Act 1993*
- *Nature Conservation Act 1992*
- *Qld Reconstruction Authority Act 2011*
- *Petroleum Act 1923*
- *Public Health Act 2005*
- *Public Safety Preservation Act 1986*
- *Sustainable Planning Act 2009*
- *Terrorism (Commonwealth Powers) Act 2002*
- *Water Act 2000*
- *Water Supply (Safety and Reliability) Act 2008*
- *Work Health and Safety Act 2011*



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PREPAREDNESS

The LDMG prepares for disasters through a continuous cycle of risk management, planning, coordinating, training, equipping, exercising, evaluating and taking corrective action to ensure effective coordination and response during disasters.

BUILDING RESPONSE CAPABILITY

Within the Lockyer Valley it is the responsibility of designated lead agencies to plan for and coordinate the response to a particular emergency or event. See Table 15 - Functional Lead Agencies.

Each agency, particularly lead agencies, identify in reports at LDMG meetings the status of their preparedness, and the extent of their response capability. These reports are also to identify any gaps in the agency's capability.

Council maintains a response capability through funding and support of the Lockyer Valley State Emergency Service (SES) Unit.

The emergency management levy is collected on behalf of the Queensland Government through Council rates. The levy is applied to Queensland properties to ensure there is a sustainable funding base for our fire and emergency services when Queenslanders are at risk during emergencies such as floods, cyclones, storms as well as fire and accidents.

Council has identified teams with relevant capabilities and expertise to assist in providing a disaster response capability. This is maintained through training and exercise.

Each LDMG agency is responsible for taking actions to establish and sustain its own disaster response capability. This includes providing equipment and a suitable number of trained persons using the resources available to effectively respond to an emergency or a disaster situation.

Agencies must provide a LDMG representative with the appropriate delegation and knowledge to commit their organisations resources in a disaster management context.

During all stages of a disaster activation, if additional resources are required by an agency to ensure the appropriate response effort, then this is to be brought to the attention of the LDC.

TRAINING

Disaster management training is one of the activities undertaken to maintain or enhance the QDMA.

The [Queensland Disaster Management Training Framework \(QDMTF\)](#) developed by QFES forms the basis of disaster management training in Queensland. QFES delivers the training and maintains records of it using a learning management system. It is their responsibility to ensure LDMG agency representatives are appropriately trained to undertake their role.

It is expected that all Lockyer Valley LDMG stakeholders will complete the mandatory courses specific to their role within a twelve-month period of commencement in that role.

Each LDMG agency is responsible for ensuring that staff working in an operational environment have received appropriate training, in particular for those roles identified for in the QDMTF.

Council provides training to LDMG agency representatives in the use of the LDCC incident management software. It is expected that LDCC liaison officers undertake relevant training to enable them to complete tasks, provide input to situation reports and access shared information.





EXERCISES

Exercises are used to practice, test and evaluate the knowledge and ability of LDMG agencies to coordinate disaster operations.

Exercises are an essential component of disaster preparedness and can be used by the LDMG and member organisations to enhance capacity and contribute to continuous improvement.

The Act requires the effectiveness of the Plan to be reviewed at least once a year, conducting an exercise is one way in which the LDMG can meet this requirement. The activation of the LDMG, for example dealing with a disaster, also satisfies this legislative requirement.

POST EVENT REVIEW

After disaster events occur, the LDMG will review the operational activities undertaken. This is a key component in ensuring capability development and the continuous improvement of disaster management arrangements.

Post-event reviews will:

- Assess disaster operations undertaken, including actions, decisions or processes
- Document those processes that worked well and identify a course of action to ensure they are recorded and updated for use in the next operation/event
- Assess capability and consider where additional training, community education and/or exercises may be needed.

The LDMG will review its operations following an event through a post-event debrief. During protracted operations the LDMG may choose to conduct multiple 'hot debriefs' to identify significant issues and provide prompt solutions for immediate implementation. The post-event debrief could be held days or weeks after an operation, when participants have had an opportunity to form a considered view on the effectiveness of the operation.

The post-debrief process is designed to identify improvements in relation to the conduct of the operation.

The report from the post-event analysis may make recommendations regarding how disaster management is delivered within the QDMA.

LESSONS MANAGEMENT

The [Queensland Disaster Management Lessons Management Framework](#) refers to lessons management as the collecting, analysing, disseminating and applying learning experiences from events, exercises, programs and reviews.

The learnings from exercises and operations are to be consolidated into a recommendations action plan for endorsement and implementation.

Following the Lesson Management process, the Local Group may need to consider issues for resolution or may need to refer an issue to the District Group for advice or resolution.



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DISASTER RESILIENCE AND COMMUNITY CAPACITY BUILDING



Disaster resilience can be defined as “a system or community's ability to rapidly accommodate and recover from the impacts of hazards, restore essential structures and desired functionality, and adapt to new circumstance”.

The *Disaster Management Act 2003* requires the LDMG “to ensure the community is aware of ways of mitigating the adverse effects of an event, and preparing for, responding to, and recovering from a disaster”.

Preparedness activities are designed to increase the capability of communities in order to reduce the impact of disasters. Examples of preparedness activities include:

- Developing and implementing community awareness programs
- Developing effective information management and collection of historical data events
- Developing concise and effective community communications methods
- Ensuring that accurate and current plans are in place



DISASTER RESILIENCE

No individual, organisation or community is immune from disaster impacts.

It is Council’s mission to continually strengthen the disaster resilience of our region by improving communities’ preparation for, response to, and recovery from disasters.

To deliver on this Council embeds the four guiding principles of resilience, as outlined in the [Queensland Strategy for Disaster Resilience \(2022-2027\)](#) into its planning, operations, and engagement activities:

- Shared responsibility
- All hazards risk-based approach
- Evidence-based decision making
- Continual learning.

Council will be successful in its mission when the region:

- Understands its potential disaster risks
- Works together to better manage these risks; and
- Seeks new opportunities to reduce disaster risks, including those triggered by the effects of climate change.



COMMUNITY CAPACITY BUILDING

The capacity of a community to respond, restore and adapt to a disaster is key to its resilience.

Members of the LDMG currently work to build the region's capacity through public information and education programs that increase residents', visitors', and businesses natural hazard risk and awareness.

This includes, but is not limited to:

- Council's Disaster Dashboard
- Council's Flood Information Portal (currently under development)
- Council's website and Facebook pages
- Opt-in warning system notifications (registration is available through the Disaster Dashboard)
- Disaster Management preparedness information on Council website
- Disaster and emergency community awareness brochures displayed and available in Council Offices and Libraries
- Qld State Government Get Ready campaign
- Education activities through local service providers
- QFES Fire and Bushfire Awareness Program
- BOM Weather Warnings and website material.

Such resources are key to a community's short- and long-term planning, decision making and action in and around disasters.



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RESPONSE STRATEGY

*The Act defines disaster response as:
the taking of appropriate measures to respond to an event, including action taken and measures planned in anticipation of, during, and immediately after an event to ensure that its effects are minimised and that persons affected by the event are given immediate relief and support”.*

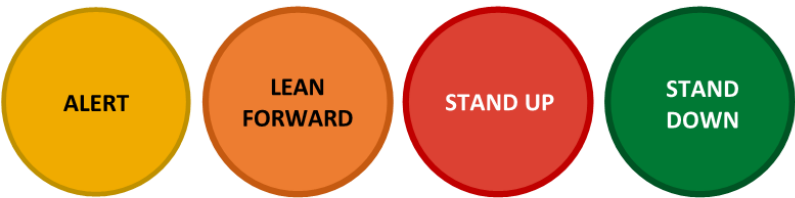
The principal purpose of emergency response is the preservation of life, property and the environment.

ACTIVATION

The LDC is responsible for activating the LDMG. This would generally occur following consultation with the Chair of the LDMG and the DDC.

The decision to activate local disaster management arrangements, including the LDMG and/or LDCC, depends on multiple factors including the perceived level of impact to the community. Activation does not necessarily mean the LDMG will convene.

The four levels of activation are:



Activation levels are not necessarily sequential with any level skipped dependent on the situation. A description and triggers for the activation levels is below:

TABLE 11 - LDMG ACTIVATION TRIGGERS

	DEFINITION	TRIGGERS	ACTIONS
ALERT	<ul style="list-style-type: none">There is a heightened level of vigilance and preparedness due to the possibility of an event in the area.Some actions may be required, and the situation should be monitored by staff capable of assessing and preparing for the potential hazard.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Awareness that the potential impact may cause serious disruption to the community and / or may require a coordinated multi agency response	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Information sharing from warning agencyMonitor hazard and identify possible risksSituational awareness brief to LDC and District. Wider briefing as required.Report by exception only to the DDC and / LDMGChair and LDC available on agreed communication channelsInitial contact and information sharing with relevant agencies / organisationsInitial advice to communities through relevant media and social media sources as requiredUndertake incident response activities through LDMG members’ core business arrangements



	DEFINITION	TRIGGERS	ACTIONS
LEAN FORWARD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> An operational state characterised by a heightened level of information sharing and situational awareness of a disaster event (either current or impending) and a state of operational readiness. Disaster Coordination Centres are prepared but not activated. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hazard is quantified but may not yet be imminent Potential requirement for coordinated disaster operations Need for public awareness Event is to be managed locally 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure relevant facilities are set up and roster prepared as required e.g. LDCC and evacuation centres Relevant functional lead agency and LDC conduct analysis of predictions Chair and LDC on watching brief Confirm level and potential of hazard Development of Event Action Plan LDMG and DDMG briefings / meetings as required Council staff prepare for operations Determine trigger point to stand up Establish regular communications with warning agency LDC advises DDC of lean forward and establishes regular contact Public information and warning initiated Chair, LDC and LDMG members available on agreed communication channels
STAND UP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The operational state following lean forward where resources are mobilised, personnel are activated, and operational activities commenced. Disaster Coordination Centres are activated. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hazard is imminent with serious impact in region Community will be or has been seriously impacted Request for support received by LDMG agencies or LDCC Coordinated support required Significant State resources committed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> LDMG meeting / briefing LDCC operational and coordinating response Review of Event Action Plan Local government shifts to disaster operations and maintains critical functions LDMG Liaison Officers located in LDCC as required Commence sitreps to DDMG DDMG advised of potential requests for support Agency communication with LDCC through agreed channels LDC present at LDCC LDMG Chair and members available through agreed communication channels Recovery Committee on Lean Forward and moves to Stand Up as event progresses Commencement of Recovery planning
STAND DOWN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transition from responding to an event back to normal core business and / or recovery operations. The event no longer requires a coordinated operational response. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No requirement for coordinated response Community has returned to normal function Move has been made from response to recovery activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> LDMG and LDCC stood down from response Final situation report sent to DDMG Final checks for outstanding requests LDMG members not involved in recovery operations resume standard business and after hours contact arrangements Implement plan to transition to recovery Hand over to Recovery Coordinator for reporting Debrief of staff in LDCC Debrief with LDMG members as required Consolidate financial records



LOCAL DISASTER COORDINATION CENTRE (LDCC)

The LDCC is managed by Council, staffed by Council employees and supported by liaison officers from relevant government and non-government organisations. The LDCC structure provides a flexible and scalable approach to staff, roles and resources based on the nature, complexity and size of the event.

The LDC has overall responsibility for the establishment and operation of the LDCC. During a disaster event the LDCC is established to support the LDMG around the following activities:

- Coordination and planning of disaster operations
- Resource management and coordination
- Managing information collection and dissemination
- Develop intelligence and strategic planning capability
- Provide regular reports to the DDC
- Maintain an overall account of the event
- Dissemination of public information and warnings
- Coordination of reporting to relevant stakeholders

Lockyer Valley LDCC is located at 26 Railway Street, Gatton.

A [Local Disaster Coordination Centre Sub Plan](#) has been developed with full details of LDCC operation.



EMERGENCY WARNING NOTIFICATION AND DISSEMINATION

The LDMG is responsible for ensuring the community is aware of ways to prevent, prepare for, respond to and recover from a disaster. This involves raising awareness of identified threats and the means by which the public should respond at an individual and/or household level. It may also include warnings and directions, as provided by primary agencies relating to the particular hazard.

Emergency warnings may be issued by any agency that has primary responsibility for a hazard, such as the Bureau of Meteorology, QPS and QFES.

TABLE 12 - WARNING / INFORMATION AUTHORITIES

ORGANISATION	WARNINGS/ INFORMATION TYPE
BIOSECURITY QLD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Animal/Plant Disease
BUREAU OF METEOROLOGY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Severe weather alerts
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT AND MAIN ROADS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Major road disruption Maritime incidents Qrail disruption
QUEENSLAND FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Emergency Alert (EA) Standard Early Warning Signal (SEWS) Bushfire and Hazardous Materials incidents
QUEENSLAND HEALTH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public Health Alerts Heatwave
QUEENSLAND POLICE SERVICE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Public Safety Preservation Act</i> declarations Community evacuations
SEQWATER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dam release notifications Dam spilling Dam recreational safety
UTILITY OR FACILITY OWNER (E.G., URBAN UTILITIES, ENERGEX)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Major Infrastructure failure

The release of information to the community regarding the emergency and associated threats, will normally be approved by the Chairperson of the LDMG and distributed after discussions with the Lead Agency and the LDC.

The Chairperson of the LDMG (or delegate) is the official source of public and media information for the group's coordination and support activities.

Primary and functional lead agencies provide media liaison for issues relating to their organisational roles. Individual organisations maintain

responsibility for internal reporting on their business in accordance with their established procedures.

Community members may receive warnings and information from a number of different sources – some official, some not. Almost always, people will want to verify a warning by seeking additional information or investigating how others in the area are responding. Confirmation is an important step in the process of responding to warnings.



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FAMILY, FRIENDS AND NEIGHBOURS

Family, friends and neighbours are an extremely powerful source of warning information. However, this information should always be verified through official sources.

All members of the community are encouraged to check on family, friends and neighbours and to share official warnings with them.

SOCIAL MEDIA

People are more likely to act on a warning when the source of that warning is someone they trust.

Facebook and Twitter are the two most common social media platforms used by Council. Social media feeds are available from Qld.gov.au/alerts and Council's [Disaster Dashboard](#) for those who do not subscribe to social media platforms.

MAINSTREAM MEDIA (RADIO, TELEVISION)

The use of mainstream media is essential for the provision of emergency warnings. Mainstream media channels are generally very proactive in the monitoring of official sources.

DISASTER DASHBOARD

The Lockyer Valley Disaster Dashboard provides a comprehensive and user-friendly platform for accessing information on the current status of events in the Lockyer Valley. It includes emergency news, weather, warnings and alerts, road impacts, power outages, flood monitoring cameras, rain river height data, social media feeds and other information.

OPT-IN AND NOTIFICATION SERVICES

Lockyer Valley Regional Council has partnered with [Early Warning Network \(EWN\)](#) to provide residents access to a free early warning alert system. The early warning alert service provides warnings for severe thunderstorms, hail, destructive winds, cyclones and flooding for people directly in the path of severe weather. Residents can subscribe to the service through Council's website or Disaster Dashboard. Residents who do not have internet access and/or an email address can register by contacting Council on 1300 005 872.

Many agencies provide an application (app) for use on digital devices. Some apps allow users to receive

warning notifications. Use of official apps ensures the reliability of information received.

EMERGENCY ALERT SYSTEM

Emergency Alert (EA) is the national telephone warning system used by emergency services and Council to send voice messages (to landlines) and text messages (to mobile phones) within a defined area about likely or actual emergencies.

The Emergency Alert system will only be used in dangerous situations where there is likely to be an impact on human life. It relies on telecommunications networks to send messages, and message delivery cannot be guaranteed.

The SDCC may decide to issue an EA message without consultation with Council or the LDMG; however, during these situations, the SDCC will inform Council of any warnings issued.

STANDARD EMERGENCY WARNING SIGNAL (SEWS)

SEWS is a wailing siren sound intended as an alert signal to be played preceding an emergency warning to draw listeners attention to the following emergency warning.

When community members hear the signal, they should pay careful attention to the message that follows and act immediately on the advice given.

The [Queensland Standard Emergency Warning Signal \(SEWS\) Manual](#) provides guidance to all persons and roles involved in the use of SEWS as a community warning messaging tool within Queensland.

DOORKNOCKING

Doorknocking can be highly effective and, in some scenarios, will be a necessity. In areas with poor telephone and internet reception, doorknocking may be an essential communication channel.





SIRENS AND PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEMS

A traditional form of alerting the public, sirens can play a role in alerting people to an incident and serve as a prompt to seek further information. Prior community education to encourage information-seeking behaviour when sirens sound is important. People should also be made aware they may not hear a siren and should not rely on this as their only trigger.

Public address systems are an additional channel that may be available, particularly in cities or specific activity centres. They can be used to broadcast warnings to people in an immediate area

BUREAU OF METEOROLOGY WARNINGS

The Bureau of Meteorology (the Bureau) issues Severe Weather Warnings whenever severe weather is occurring in an area or is expected to develop or move into an area. The warnings describe the area under threat and the expected hazards. Warnings are issued with varying lead-times, depending on the weather situation, and range from just an hour or two to 24 hours or sometimes more.



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PUBLIC INFORMATION AND MEDIA MANAGEMENT

When an event is imminent it is essential the public are informed of hazard and its potential impacts and provided with information to enable appropriate decision making. The key objective is to deliver accurate, clear, timely information and advice to the public.

During a disaster, it is critical that the public information provided to the media is consistent across all agencies. To ensure the release of appropriate, reliable and consistent information Consideration of the following should occur:

- The Public Information team will coordinate media engagements for the LDMG Chair
- Joint media conferences held at designated times involving key stakeholders, where feasible
- Key spokespeople should be senior representatives of the LDMG agencies involved in the event.

The LDMG should develop a flexible media management strategy that identifies key messages to share with the community, including reinforcing the LDMG's role in coordinating support to the affected community. Council works with other LDMG agencies to facilitate consistent messaging.

The [Public Information and Warnings Sub Plan](#) has been developed to manage media in disaster events.

LDMG NOTIFICATIONS

The LDMG notification and dissemination processes allows communication between member organisations. This process considers the time restrictions of rapid onset events.

LDMG's secretariat does not send out any publicly available warnings or notifications to member organisations. Member organisations are required to subscribe and manage their subscription to these services themselves.

The DDC will receive notification directly from the State Disaster Coordination Centre (SDCC) and internally through Queensland Police Service Communication Centres and will ensure the dissemination of warnings to vulnerable LDMG's within the Toowoomba Disaster District.

DISASTER MANAGEMENT CAPACITY

The LDMG will coordinate and support the response capability of individual agencies. Agencies are responsible to ensure that they have appropriate resources to deliver their agreed roles and responsibilities. Where an agency's local capacity is exceeded, they can request support through the LDMG.

Where the LDMG is unable to provide the required support for an agency, the established processes to seek assistance from the Toowoomba DDMG will be utilised.

During disaster events the LDMG has a response and recovery capacity, which includes the following:

TABLE 13 - ENTITIES WITH LOCAL RESPONSE AND RECOVERY CAPACITY

ENTITY TYPE	ORGANISATION
LOCAL GOVERNMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lockyer Valley Regional Council
EMERGENCY SERVICES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Queensland Police Service Queensland Ambulance Service Queensland Fire and Emergency Services
EMERGENCY SERVICES VOLUNTEERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rural Fire Service Brigades State Emergency Service
QLD GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Department of Transport and Main Roads Department of Communities, Housing and Digital Economy Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service and Partners
OTHER AGENCIES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Urban Utilities Energy QLD Optus Telstra Queensland Rail University of Queensland, Gatton Campus Ergon Seqwater Red Cross GIVIT Nbn Queensland Corrective Services Resource Safety and health Queensland, Helidon Reserve Queensland Reconstruction Authority National Emergency Management Agency Department of Agriculture and Fisheries Other agencies as required
COMMUNITY SERVICE ORGANISATIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lockyer Valley Community Centre Laidley Community Centre Lifeline Adventist Disaster and Relief Agency Salvation Army St Vincent de Paul Society Service clubs Culturally and linguistically diverse community organisations



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CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS FOR RESPONSE

REPORTING

For disaster management to function effectively, reporting lines must be strictly adhered to.

The demand for information increases substantially during times of activation, and this can be driven by political or media demands. Whilst the LDMG accepts these demands and will facilitate requests for information it must not allow the reporting system to be circumvented.

The LDMG reports to the DDMG. In turn the DDMG will report to the State Group. The local group should not report directly to the State group and all requests for information must go through the district group. Individual agencies have two reporting obligations:

- Each agency must report all activities to the Chair and LDC of the group. Without this information full situational awareness cannot be achieved. Reporting must be in writing summarising the activities of the agency.
- Each supporting agency has a responsibility to keep their normal command structure informed of their actions and activities. The structure and nature of this reporting is by individual arrangement.

In turn the LDCC has a responsibility to keep all the members of the LDMG informed of the situation. It is unusual that all agencies will be required to support activation. The LDC is responsible to ensure that all members of the LDMG receive situation reports and up to date information.

DISASTER DECLARATION

The DDC may, with the approval of the Minister of the State, declare a disaster situation for the district or one or more local government areas within the district in whole or in part, or by the Premier and the Minister for the State or a part of the State. As outlined in Section 75 and Section 77 of *the Act*, the declaration confers extra powers on particular groups to perform actions, give directions and control movements within the declared area.

A declaration may be made if the person/s responsible for making it are satisfied that a disaster has happened, is happening or is likely to happen and it will be necessary, or reasonably likely to be necessary, to exercise declared disaster powers to prevent or minimise the loss of human life, illness or injury to humans, property loss or damage, or damage to the environment.

Before declaring a disaster situation the person/s responsible for the declaration is to take reasonable steps to consult with local government in the proposed declared area.

In accordance with *the Act*, a declaration must be in the approved form, or can be made orally if necessary to exercise declared disaster powers before an approved form can be obtained and completed. An oral declaration can be made if the DDC is satisfied only that it is reasonably likely to be necessary to exercise declared disaster powers. If the declaration is made orally, it must be recorded in the approved form as soon as is reasonably practicable.

THE PROVISIONS FOR DECLARATIONS AND DISASTER POWERS

Disaster management forms, including forms for disaster declaration, extension, request to end and for the authorisation of persons to exercise declared disaster powers etc. Are available within the [Prevention, Preparedness, Response and Recovery Disaster Management Guideline](#) Support Toolkit.

A Declaration of a Disaster Situation may be requested, for example, where there is an identified need to undertake a managed evacuation, from the Chair or LDC to the DDC, using the agreed forms as referenced above that are available within the LDCC.

When a Declaration of a Disaster Situation is enacted, the Chair and LDC will continue to align local strategies and arrangements with the DDC to ensure the appropriate utilisation of the powers within the local disaster management arrangements. The declaration of a disaster situation does not impact the requirements of a local government under *the Act* to manage disaster operations in their area.



ACCESSING SUPPORT AND ALLOCATING RESOURCES

Incidents, events, emergencies, and disasters of local or regional scope which can be managed using regional resources are to be coordinated and managed by ICC's and the LDCC.

Requests for support may come from lead agencies, supporting agencies or the community. These requests must be acted on in accordance with the standard operating procedures for Council's LDCC.

Support may be sourced from the following entities:

- Member agencies preferred suppliers as per the list of suppliers held by that agency's procurement unit.
- All emergency service providers both government and non-government agencies.
- Through the agency liaison officers or via the usual member agency procedures.
- The SDCC or the DDC may allocate and push resources forward to the region during an event even though resources have not been requested by the LDC. The staging and reception of these resources will require planning and coordination in conjunction with the LDC.
- Should support as described above, be withdrawn for whatever reason, the agencies should advise the LDC immediately

Through businesses and community groups for additional resources.

When the LDMG requires logistics support and/or resources to meet operational requirements that are beyond local capacity and capability, it sends a request for assistance to the District Disaster Coordination Centre (DDCC).

At times, administrative boundaries may separate resources from affected communities. In planning, the LDMG considers resources in other lgas in addition to those available locally.

The LDCC will maintain communication with local governments that share a boundary with the area.

These are the Ipswich City Council, Toowoomba Regional Council, Somerset Regional Council, Southern Downs Regional Council and Scenic Rim Regional Council.

COUNCIL TO COUNCIL ARRANGEMENTS (C2C)

C2C exists between Council and other local government areas. If resources permit, activities relating to disaster response and recovery for affected communities, C2C may be initiated.

In addition, and at the request of the DDC, the Chair of the LDMG or delegate may activate the LDMG and the Plan to provide support to disaster-affected communities outside the region. Should neighbouring Councils request assistance the LDC will request assistance through the C2C arrangements.

Any requests for assistance that cannot be met within local resources will be submitted to the DDC; the LDC must endorse these requests. If the request for assistance cannot be actioned by the DDC, he or she will request assistance through the State Disaster Coordination Centre

DEFENCE ASSISTANCE TO THE CIVIL COMMUNITY (DACC)

The principle applied to the provision of emergency Defence Assistance to the Civil Community (DACC)¹⁴ is that State/Territory Governments are primarily responsible for combating disasters and civil emergencies, using available State/Territory paid and volunteer services and commercially available resources. Australian Government resources (including Defence assets) may be made available in situations where State/Territory authorities are unable to react with sufficient speed or lack the necessary resources or skills. There are three categories of DACC assistance:

- Cat 1 – Local Emergency Assistance
- Cat 2 – Significant Emergency Assistance
- Cat 3 – Emergency Recovery Assistance

¹⁴ Defence Assistance to the Civil Community (DACC) Categories – Reference Guide RG.1.210



EVACUATION

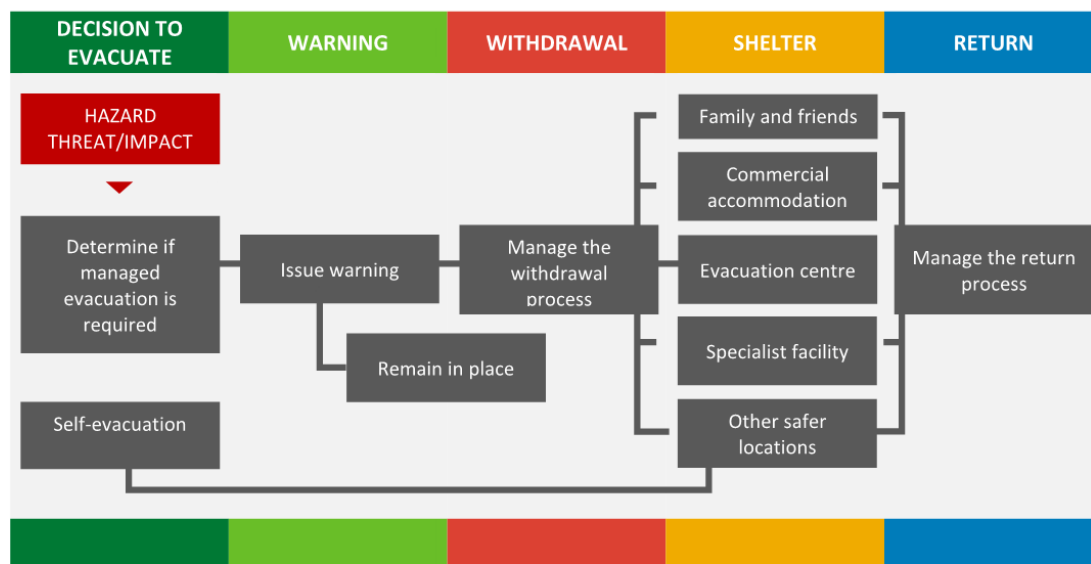
There are several emergency or disaster situations that may require evacuations or temporary relocation of people or part of the community. The evacuation is a critical component during the response phase and is address in detail in the [Evacuation Sub Plan](#).

The key evacuation objectives adopted by the LDMG are:

- To ensure the preservation of life during a disaster event
- To use evacuation when it is deemed to be the most appropriate strategy
- To ensure the effective coordination of the evacuation operation.

Community messaging needs to be frequent and consistent, clear and concise to avoid confusion and provide actions for the at-risk community to take. The disaster evacuation process is primarily based on self-evacuation. This involves advising the community to seek temporary accommodation in safer places in a timely manner. It is recommended the public arranges temporary communication with family and friends in the first instance. However, for some individuals, such as travellers from outside the region, the next best option may be to attend an evacuation centre until the disaster passes.

FIGURE 7 - EVACUATION PROCESS (AIDR EVACUATION PLANNING HANDBOOK, 2017)



EVACUATION CENTRES

Council has identified various community facilities across the region as potential evacuation centres or places of refuge. The LDCC is responsible for coordinating the activation and closure of the facilities. These facilities can be used as:

- An evacuation centre - a facility set aside to provide short-stay emergency accommodation for displaced (evacuated) residents.
- A place of shelter - a facility identified or set aside to provide a brief respite from disaster effects and does not require the provision of accommodation.

Community evacuation centres or places of shelter may be opened as required as a result of an impending threat within the region. The affected community will be notified of the establishment and operation of a centre via various communication sources. People will always be encouraged to seek shelter with family or friends in the first instance. Further information on evacuation centres, refer to [Evacuation Centre Sub-Plan](#).

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

Major disasters, both natural and man-made, are common and generally involve some form of Environmental Health (EH) response. Disasters such as fires and floods that have been experienced in the Lockyer Valley in recent years, have widespread EH consequences.

EH is concerned with the investigation, assessment, and management of the physical, chemical, biological, and social factors in our environment that have the potential to impact upon human health and wellbeing. In managing these factors, EH focuses on creating and maintaining sustainable environments, enhancing good human health and wellbeing, and ensuring protection of the natural environment.

The Plan outlines the LDMG need for thorough planning in the prevention, preparation for, response to and recovery from hazardous and disaster events.

The [EH Sub-Plan](#) focuses on managing the EH risks that have the potential to affect the LVRC LGA from hazardous and disaster events.

ANIMAL MANAGEMENT

A disaster can present a range of risks relating to animal management in terms of public health, safety, and nuisance. Hazards can include – injured and displaced animals, dead animals, animal-related diseases, and care and shelter related issues.

It is important accommodation requirements for animals and household pets are considered. Insights from previous events indicate that some residents will not evacuate without their animals or pets. However, in the majority of cases people will either evacuate with them or abandon them.

Arrangements for assistance animals (e.g. Guide dogs) or companion animals for vulnerable community members must be considered during evacuation planning.

The responsibility for the welfare of animals at all times remains with the person in charge of an animal. It is recognised animals can impact on people's decision making and behaviour in an emergency. Information for the community on planning for the care of animals in disasters is provided on [Council's website](#).

An [Animal Management Sub Plan](#) has been developed to outline animal management arrangements for the Lockyer Valley LGA.



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RESUPPLY

The LDMG is responsible for supporting communities in preparing for temporary isolation. It is also responsible for ensuring procedures are in place for resupply of food and other essentials during times of isolation.

Most events that isolate communities occur on a seasonal basis and affect roads and transport networks. Communities that are likely to be affected by such events are expected to prepare well in advance for both the event and the expected period of isolation.

LDMG planning for resupply operations takes into account the necessity and urgency of the request. It will need to balance the diversion of limited resources from other activities (such as supporting rescue, evacuation centres or similar) with the needs of the isolated persons.

The LDMG has developed a [Resupply Sub Plan](#). The aim of this sub plan is to ensure a fair and equitable system for support to isolated persons without compromising the fundamental responsibilities of individuals and communities for self-help and mutual assistance.

DONATIONS

Council has a partnership with GIVIT to manage all offers of donated goods and services during a disaster event. GIVIT is a not-for-profit organisation that offers a free disaster recovery service that supports charities, front-line services, agencies and governments by matching needs with donated goods and services through a virtual warehouse. This process eliminates the need for organisations to store and sort donated goods. GIVIT also accepts donations of money that can be spent on urgently needed items. These items are purchased, where possible, from businesses in the local community which assists the recovery of the local economy.

Council will promote the use of GIVIT for donations through social media, Council's website and scripting for Call Centre staff.

Further details on the management of donated goods can be found in the [Donated Goods Sub Plan](#) and the [Memorandum of Understanding between GIVIT and Lockyer Valley Regional Council](#).

IMPACT ASSESSMENTS

There are primarily two types of damage assessments.

- Rapid Damage Assessment
- Comprehensive Assessment.

A Rapid Damage Assessment examines the ways in which an event has affected the community immediately after the event. This assessment will provide initial and often unconfirmed indicative information. The information collected is used to provide an assessment of the potential overall impact of the event and to set initial priorities.

Comprehensive damage assessment will commence as soon as possible following an event to accurately establish the impact of an event. Response and recovery agencies will undertake detailed impact assessments relating to their area of jurisdiction and will submit Situation Reports to the LDMG through the LDCC. Depending on need, the LDMG may coordinate the formation and operation of multiagency damage assessment teams to systematically collect and analyse impact assessment data. An [Impact Assessment Sub Plan](#) has been developed.

SPONTANEOUS VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are a vital resource during all phases of disaster management. Council, however, does not have the capacity to manage volunteers. Volunteers are encouraged to first assist family, friends and neighbours then register with [Volunteering Queensland](#) if they wish to assist others in the community.



FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

LDMG member organisations will be responsible for their financial management and procurement matters. Council will assume responsibility for financial management of the LDCC during the event.

When an event occurs, each organisation should immediately begin accounting for personnel and equipment costs relating to disaster operations (in accordance with its own policies and procedures) to provide evidence for reimbursement from the various assistance arrangements.

Care and attention to detail must be taken throughout the disaster operations period to maintain logs, formal records and file copies of all expenditure (including personnel timesheets). This will provide clear and reasonable accountability and justification for future audit and potential reimbursement purposes.

It is important to remember that a Declaration of a Disaster Situation is **not** a pre-requisite for the reimbursement of expended funding.





DISASTER FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE ARRANGEMENTS

There are two sets of financial arrangements that, if activated, provide financial support to Queensland communities affected by a disaster event.

DISASTER RECOVERY FUNDING ARRANGEMENTS (DRFA)

The [DRFA](#) is a joint funding initiative of the Australian and State governments to provide disaster relief and recovery payments and infrastructure restoration to help communities recover from the effects of eligible disaster events. In Queensland, this program is managed on a whole of government basis by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA).

[The Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements 2018 \(Australian Government\)](#) outlines the activation process for DRFA and includes a table of relief measures and activation criteria.

STATE DISASTER RELIEF ARRANGEMENTS (SDRA)

The SDRA is an all-hazards relief program that is 100 per cent State funded and covers natural and non-natural disasters. The purpose of the SDRA is to address personal hardship and community response needs for disaster events where the DRFA is unable to be activated. SDRA relief measures for Personal Hardship Assistance Scheme and Counter Disaster Operations are the same relief measures that are activated under the DRFA, as detailed above.

The Director-General of the Department of the Premier and Cabinet (supported by QRA) is responsible for activating the SDRA. The [Queensland Disaster Funding Guidelines \(QDFG\) 2021](#) outlines the activation, eligibility and other requirements for both the DRFA and SDRA within Queensland

AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT DISASTER RECOVERY PAYMENTS AND ALLOWANCES

Australian Government Disaster recovery payments may be available through the Department of Human Services. Activation of the Australian Government Disaster Recovery Payment or Allowance is the decision of the Australian Government.

DISASTER RECOVERY PAYMENT

When a major disaster has had such a significant impact on individuals and families where assistance over and above the joint Australian Government-State cost sharing arrangements is needed, the Australian Government may provide the Disaster Recovery Payment (AGDRP) which is a one-off recovery payment. Activation of AGDRP requires a determination by the Minister for Law Enforcement and Cybersecurity that an event is a major disaster.

DISASTER RECOVERY ALLOWANCE

Major disasters can have a significant impact on people's ability to earn an income. In such situations, the Australian Government may provide the Disaster Recovery Allowance (DRA) which is a short-term income support payment. DRA becomes payable after the Minister for Law Enforcement and Cybersecurity (the Minister) determines that an event is a major disaster. Eligibility criteria must be met.



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HAZARD SPECIFIC ARRANGEMENTS

State departments or agencies have primary responsibility to address certain hazards as detailed in the State Disaster Management Plan. Hazard specific planning is required across all aspects of Disaster Management (PPRR). Coordination and operational procedures for specific hazards may be different to those for disaster management.

Agency specific coordination centres may be established in addition to local, district and State coordination centres and internal structures, including the passage of information and resources may be managed using different processes. Primary Agencies also have a role to ensure hazard specific

plans link to corresponding national hazard specific plans and arrangements and that appropriate communication and relationships with their counterparts at the national level are maintained.

The Plan outlines the LDMG's need for thorough planning in the prevention, preparation for, response to and recovery from hazardous and disaster events.

The following table outlines the Primary Agencies responsible for each specific hazard and the respective State and national level plans, where appropriate.

TABLE 14 - PRIMARY (HAZARD SPECIFIC) AGENCIES

HAZARD	PRIMARY AGENCY	RELATED PLANS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Animal or Plant Disease (Biosecurity) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Department of Agriculture and Fisheries (DAF) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Queensland Veterinary Emergency Plan Australian Veterinary Emergency Plan Australian Aquatic Veterinary Emergency Plan Australian Emergency Plant Pest Response Plan Biosecurity Emergency Operations Manual DAF Disaster Management Plan
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Biological (human related) Communicable Disease Radiological 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> West Moreton Hospital and Health Service 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Queensland Pandemic Influenza Plan National Action Plan for Influenza Pandemic State of Queensland Multi-Agency Response to Chemical, Biological and Radiological Incidents Queensland Whole of Government Pandemic Plan Pandemic Sub Plan – a sub plan of the Plan
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Earthquake and Landslip 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lockyer Valley Regional Council 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dam Safety Emergency Action Plans Mt Whitestone Landslide Event Specific Plan
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fire – Structural or Bushfire 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Queensland Fire and Emergency Services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bushfire Mitigation and Readiness Plans Queensland Bushfire Plan Bushfire Sub Plan – A sub plan of the Plan
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Flood, Storm, Cyclone or Severe Weather 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lockyer Valley Regional Council 	<ul style="list-style-type: none">
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hazardous Material/s Incident 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Queensland Fire and Emergency Services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> State of Queensland Multi-Agency Response to Chemical, Biological and Radiological Incidents
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Heatwave 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> West Moreton Hospital and Health Service 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Heatwave Response Plan
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Major Transport Incident (road, rail, marine) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Queensland Police Service 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Operational Procedures Manual (OPM) Queensland Mass Casualty Incident Plan
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Terrorism 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Queensland Police Service 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Operational Procedures Manual (OPM) Queensland Counter-Terrorism Plan National Counter-Terrorism Plan



FUNCTIONAL LEAD AGENCIES

TABLE 15 - FUNCTIONAL LEAD AGENCIES

FUNCTION	LEAD AGENCY	RELATED PLANS
• Damage Assessments	• Queensland Fire and Emergency Services	• Impact Assessment Sub Plan – a subplan of the Plan
• Emergency Medical Retrieval	• Queensland Health	• Nil
• Emergency Supply	• Queensland Fire and Emergency Services	• Nil
• Energy Infrastructure (electricity, gas and fuel)	• Department of Natural Resources, Mines and Energy	• Nil
• Evacuation – Voluntary	• Lockyer Valley Regional Council	• Queensland Prevention, Preparedness, Response and Recovery Disaster Management Guideline, 2018
• Evacuation – Directed and/or Mass Scale	• Queensland Police Service	• Operational Procedures Manual (OPM) • Queensland Prevention, Preparedness, Response and Recovery Disaster Management Guideline, 2018 • Evacuation Sub Plan
• Evacuation Centre Management	• Lockyer Valley Regional Council, supported by Australian Red Cross	• Queensland Prevention, Preparedness, Response and Recovery Disaster Management Guideline, 2018 • Australian Red Cross Preferred Sheltering Practices • Evacuation Centre Sub Plan
• Mass Fatality Management (including disaster victim identification)	• Queensland Health • Queensland Police Service	• Nil
• Public Health, Mental Health, and Medical Services	• West Moreton Hospital and Health Service	• Nil
• Public Information and Warnings	• Public Information – Lockyer Valley Regional Council • Warnings – Lockyer Valley Regional Council and Queensland Fire and Emergency Services	• Queensland Prevention, Preparedness, Response and Recovery Disaster Management Guideline, 2018 • Emergency Alert Guidelines • Standard Emergency Warning Signal (SEWS) Guidelines
• Resupply	• Lockyer Valley Regional Council	• Queensland Prevention, Preparedness, Response and Recovery Disaster Management Guideline, 2018 • Resupply Sub Plan
• Search and / or Rescue	• Queensland Police Service	• Intergovernmental Agreement • The National Search and Rescue Manual
• Transport Systems	• Department of Transport and Main Roads	• Nil
• Temporary Emergency Accommodation	• Department of Communities, Housing and Digital Economy • LDMG	• Temporary Emergency Accommodation (TEA) Plan • Evacuation Sub Plan



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RECOVERY STRATEGY

Disaster recovery is the coordinated process of supporting affected individuals and communities in the reconstruction of the physical infrastructure, restoration of the economy and of the environment, and support for the emotional, social, and physical wellbeing of those affected.

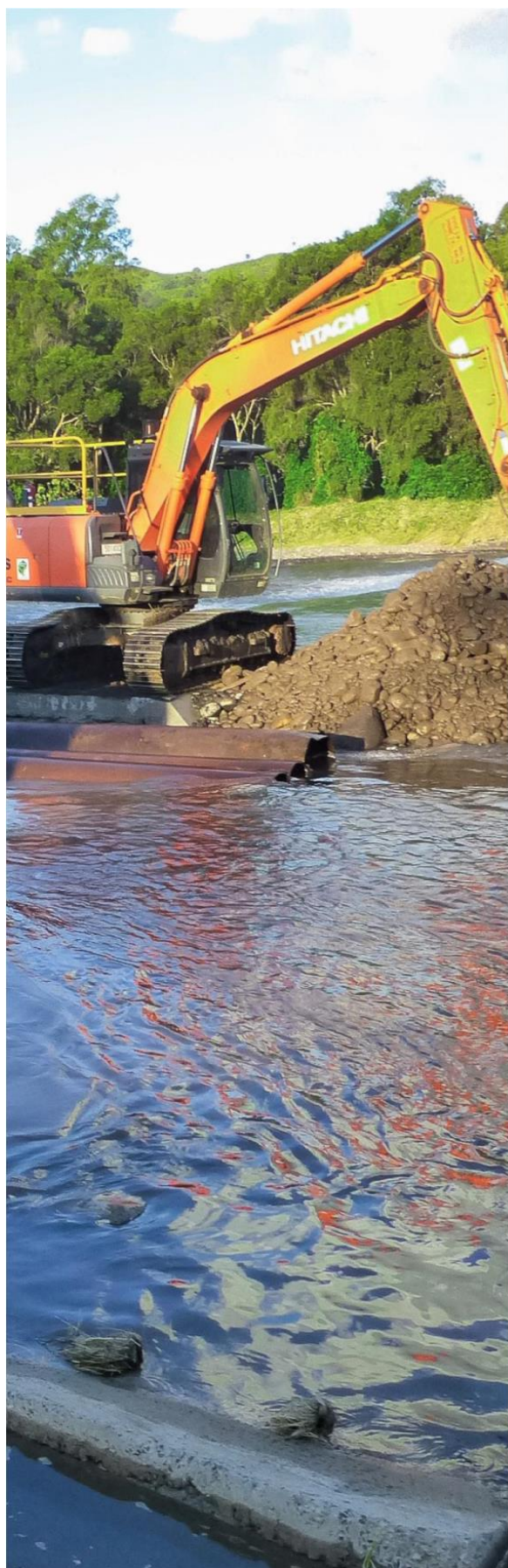
Recovery is defined as:

- Providing relief measures to assist persons affected by the event who do not have resources to provide for their own personal wellbeing
- Restoring essential infrastructure in the area or areas affected by the event
- Restoring the environment in areas affected by the event
- Providing personal support to individuals affected by the event, including temporary hospital accommodation, emergency medical supplies, material assistance and counselling services, and/or
- Supporting community development activities to restore capacity and resilience

Recovery is undertaken across phases as outlined in the [Queensland Recovery Plan](#).

FIGURE 8 - PHASES OF RECOVERY





PLANNING FOR RECOVERY

The [Recovery Sub Plan](#) provides information on a framework for the coordination of recovery operations within the Lockyer Valley LGA.

A critical aspect of disaster management is planning for recovery. Recovery can offer an opportunity to learn and build resilience so that the region is better prepared for future disaster events. Communities can further develop their capability and resilience through recovery activities that focus on sustainability and growth, community development initiatives, reconstruction efforts and risk reduction strategies.

The Recovery Sub Plan includes transition arrangements from response through to recovery. It also identifies the scope of possible disaster recovery operations and the roles and responsibilities of all stakeholders involved in the process for short, medium and long-term recovery requirements.

RECOVERY FUNCTIONS

Lockyer Valley [Recovery Sub Plan](#) involves the following six key elements of recovery:

- Coordination and monitoring
- Human-social
- Economic
- Building
- Roads and transport
- Environment



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11.0 PEOPLE, CUSTOMER AND CORPORATE SERVICES REPORTS

No People & Business Performance Reports.

12.0 COMMUNITY AND REGIONAL PROSPERITY REPORTS

In accordance with Section 150EQ of the Local Government Act 2009, Councillor Wilson informed the meeting that he has a declarable conflict of interest in Item 12.1, 'MC2021/0088 Development Application for Material Change of Use for Noxious, Offensive and Hazardous Industry at 41 Heise Road, Hatton Vale'. The nature of the conflict of interest is that Councillor Wilson's sibling owns and resides at a property neighbouring the property subject to the Development Application. Councillor Wilson left the meeting room (including any area set aside for the public) at 9:48am while the matter was discussed and voted upon.

12.1 MC2021/0088 Development Application for Material Change of Use for Noxious, Offensive and Hazardous Industry at 41 Heise Road, Hatton Vale

Author: Tammee Van Bael, Planning Officer
Responsible Officer: Amanda Pugh, Group Manager Community & Regional Prosperity

Purpose:

The purpose of this report is to consider an application (MC2021/0088) for a Development Permit for Material Change of Use for Noxious, Offensive and Hazardous Industry on Lot 6 RP22826 at 41 Heise Road, Hatton Vale.

The application has been assessed in accordance with the requirements of the *Planning Act 2016* and it is recommended that the application be refused.

Officer's Recommendation:

THAT the application MC2021/0088 for a Development Permit for Material Change of Use for Noxious, Offensive and Hazardous Industry situated at 41 Heise Road, Hatton Vale, be refused for the following reasons:

1. The proposed industrial development is located on land identified as Good Quality Agricultural Land (GQAL) under the *Laidley Shire Planning Scheme 2003*, and within an Important Agricultural Area (IAA) and Agricultural land classification – Class A and B under the State Planning Policy. The proposed industrial development will alienate and reduce the availability of GQAL, IAAs and Agricultural land classification – Class A and B for agricultural purposes. The development does not protect or enhance GQAL, IAAs or Agricultural land classification – Class A and B. There is no demonstrated need for the development to locate on GQAL, IAAs or Agricultural land classification – Class A and B. The development conflicts with the following provisions:
 - *State Planning Policy – State Interest - Agriculture – State interest policies:*
 - (1) *Agriculture and agricultural development opportunities are promoted and enhanced in important agricultural areas (IAAs).*
 - (4) *Growth in agricultural production and a strong agriculture industry is facilitated by:*
 - (d) *facilitating opportunities for co-existence with development that is complementary to agricultural uses that do not reduce agricultural productivity (e.g. on-farm processing, farm gate sales, agricultural tourism etc).*
 - *Laidley Shire Planning Scheme 2003:*

- **Desired Environmental Outcome (3)(e)**
 - *Good Quality Agricultural Land is protected as a major economic resource for the region.*
 - **6.2 Rural Areas Code**
 - 6.2.2(2) Overall Outcomes for the Rural Areas**
 - *Good Quality Agricultural Land (GQAL) within the Shire is protected and forms the major economic base for the region;*
 - *Good Quality Agricultural Land is not alienated by development in that;*
 - *Adjacent uses do not compromise agricultural operation – protect farm practices; and*
 - *Encroachment of residential uses onto agricultural land is avoided; and*
 - *Buffers are included in adjacent uses.*
 - 6.2.4 Specific Outcomes for the Rural Landscape Area**
 - *Rural production on Good Quality Agricultural Land is free from intrusion by incompatible uses.*
- 2. The proposed industrial development is an inconsistent and inappropriate use for the Regional Landscape and Rural Production Area under the *South East Queensland Regional Plan 2017 (Shaping SEQ)*, and for the Rural Landscape Area under the *Laidley Shire Planning Scheme 2003*. The development conflicts with following provisions:**
- ***South East Queensland Regional Plan 2017 (Shaping SEQ) Chapter 3, Part B***
The intent of the Regional Landscape and Rural Production Area is to:
 - *protect the values of this land from encroachment by urban and rural residential development*
 - *protect natural assets and regional landscapes, and ensure their sustainable use and management*
 - *support development and economic growth of rural communities and industries.*
 - ***Laidley Shire Planning Scheme 2003***
Desired Environmental Outcome (3)(f)
 - *Industry, business and employment opportunities are improved and appropriately located to service the community and sub-region, and encourage economic activity within the local area.*
- 3. The proposed industrial development would promote an ad hoc development pattern through the inclusion of industrial uses outside of industrial zoned areas. The development would cause adverse amenity impacts to the surrounding rural area. The development conflicts with the following provisions:**
- ***South East Queensland Regional Plan 2017 (Shaping SEQ) Chapter 3, Part B***
The intent of the Regional Landscape and Rural Production Area is to:
 - *protect the values of this land from encroachment by urban and rural residential development*
 - *protect natural assets and regional landscapes, and ensure their sustainable use and management*
 - *support development and economic growth of rural communities and industries.*
 - ***Laidley Shire Planning Scheme 2003***
6.2 Rural Areas Code

6.2.4 Specific Outcomes for the Rural Landscape Area

- *Rural industry uses, or those land uses considered to be complementary to the rural setting, are undertaken in the Rural Landscape Area.*

6.3 Industrial Area Code

6.3.2(2) Overall Outcomes for the Industrial Area

- *Industrial development in the Shire is located in an efficient, equitable and ecologically sustainable manner to the needs of the local and regional community.*

6.3.3 Specific Outcomes for the Industrial Area

- *Industrial uses are consolidated to confine impacts to Industrial Areas, or other locations where such impacts do not significantly affect amenity.*

4. There is no demonstrated economic or community benefit or need which would support the proposed industrial development locating outside areas zoned for industrial uses. The development conflicts with the following provisions for the *Laidley Shire Planning Scheme 2003*:

- **6.3 Industrial Area Code**

- 6.3.2 Overall Outcomes for the Industrial Area

- *Industrial development in the Shire is located in an efficient, equitable and ecologically sustainable manner to the needs of the local and regional community.*

5. The proposed industrial development will negatively impact the surrounding rural amenity and character, and quiet and peaceful enjoyment of the rural area. The development conflicts with the following provisions of the *Laidley Shire Planning Scheme 2003*:

- **Desired Environmental Outcome (3)(i)**

- *Rural residential and urban residential development occurs in distinct localities that provide a sense of community, amenity, services, and a safe, affordable living environment, whilst maintaining the rural amenity of the Shire.*

- **6.2 Rural Areas Code**

- 6.2.2(2) Overall Outcomes for the Rural Areas

- *The rural environment and scenic values are maintained for the enjoyment of the community and tourists.*

- **6.3 Industrial Area Code**

- 6.3.2(2) Overall Outcomes for the Industrial Area

- *Industrial development preserves the amenity and ecological health of the Shire.*

- 6.3.3 Specific Outcomes for the Industrial Area

- *The type and scale of development is located, designed and managed to;*
 - (i) maintain the safety of people and works;*
 - (ii) maintain amenity for surrounding land uses through buffering;*
 - (iii) avoid significant adverse effects on the environment;*
 - (iv) minimise off-site impacts.*
 - *Industrial uses are consolidated to confine impacts to Industrial Areas, or other locations where such impacts do not significantly affect amenity.*
 - *Amenity is maintained for surrounding land uses by buffering industrial uses.*

- **6.13 Industrial Uses Codes**

- 6.13.2(2) Overall Outcomes for the Industrial Uses Code

- *Industrial buildings and uses near residential and other sensitive land uses can accommodate a range of industrial uses without unacceptable impacts on the amenity of those areas.*

6.13.3 Table 4 Specific Outcomes and Acceptable Solutions for the Industrial Uses Code

- *Specific Outcome 3 “The development is of a scale generally compatible with nearby buildings and achieves a standard of amenity having regard to the existing character of the locality”.*

6. The proposed industrial development does not have access to appropriate road infrastructure resulting in a circuitous and inefficient haul route and requiring significant road upgrades to support the proposed development. The inefficient provision of infrastructure places an unreasonable cost burden on Council to maintain extensive road upgrades which are not otherwise planned or contemplated. The development conflicts with the following provisions:
- **State Planning Policy 2017**
 - **State Interest – Infrastructure Integration – State interest policies:**
 - (2) *Development achieves a high level of integration with infrastructure planning to:*
 - (a) *promote the most efficient, effective and flexible use of existing and planned infrastructure;*
 - (b) *realise multiple economic, social and environmental benefits from infrastructure investment;*
 - (3) *Development occurs:*
 - (a) *in areas currently serviced by state and/or level infrastructure and associated services; or*
 - (b) *in a logical and orderly location, form and sequence to enable the cost effective delivery of state and local infrastructure to service development.*
 - **State Interest – Transport Infrastructure – State interest policies:**
 - (1) *Transport infrastructure and existing and future transport corridors are reflected and supported through compatible land uses.*
 - (2) *Development is located in areas currently serviced by transport infrastructure, and where this cannot be achieved, development is facilitated in a logical and orderly location, form and sequence to enable cost-effective delivery of new transport infrastructure to service development.*
 - **Laidley Shire Planning Scheme 2003**
 - **Desired Environmental Outcome (3)(h)**
 - *A convenient access to roads and services is achieved through well located land uses and the efficient use and timely provision of infrastructure such as water, sewerage and roads, walkways and cycling facilities.*
 - **6.2 Rural Areas Code**
 - 6.2.2 Overall Outcomes for the Rural Areas**
 - *Development maximises the efficient use, extension and safe operation of infrastructure.*
 - **6.3 Industrial Area Code**
 - 6.3.3 Specific Outcomes for the Industrial Area**

- *Industrial activities are consolidated to provide cost effective infrastructure.*

RESOLUTION

THAT the application MC2021/0088 for a Development Permit for Material Change of Use for Noxious, Offensive and Hazardous Industry situated at 41 Heise Road, Hatton Vale, be refused for the following reasons:

1. The proposed industrial development is located on land identified as Good Quality Agricultural Land (GQAL) under the *Laidley Shire Planning Scheme 2003*, and within an Important Agricultural Area (IAA) and Agricultural land classification – Class A and B under the State Planning Policy. The proposed industrial development will alienate and reduce the availability of GQAL, IAAs and Agricultural land classification – Class A and B for agricultural purposes. The development does not protect or enhance GQAL, IAAs or Agricultural land classification – Class A and B. There is no demonstrated need for the development to locate on GQAL, IAAs or Agricultural land classification – Class A and B. The development conflicts with the following provisions:
 - *State Planning Policy – State Interest - Agriculture – State interest policies:*
 - (1) *Agriculture and agricultural development opportunities are promoted and enhanced in important agricultural areas (IAAs).*
 - (4) *Growth in agricultural production and a strong agriculture industry is facilitated by:*
 - (d) *facilitating opportunities for co-existence with development that is complementary to agricultural uses that do not reduce agricultural productivity (e.g. on-farm processing, farm gate sales, agricultural tourism etc).*
 - *Laidley Shire Planning Scheme 2003:*
 - Desired Environmental Outcome (3)(e)
 - *Good Quality Agricultural Land is protected as a major economic resource for the region.*
 - 6.2 Rural Areas Code
 - 6.2.2(2) Overall Outcomes for the Rural Areas
 - *Good Quality Agricultural Land (GQAL) within the Shire is protected and forms the major economic base for the region;*
 - *Good Quality Agricultural Land is not alienated by development in that;*
 - *Adjacent uses do not compromise agricultural operation – protect farm practices; and*
 - *Encroachment of residential uses onto agricultural land is avoided; and*
 - *Buffers are included in adjacent uses.*
 - 6.2.4 Specific Outcomes for the Rural Landscape Area
 - *Rural production on Good Quality Agricultural Land is free from intrusion by incompatible uses.*

2. The proposed industrial development is an inconsistent and inappropriate use for the Regional Landscape and Rural Production Area under the *South East Queensland Regional Plan 2017 (Shaping SEQ)*, and for the Rural Landscape Area under the *Laidley Shire Planning Scheme 2003*. The development conflicts with following provisions:
 - *South East Queensland Regional Plan 2017 (Shaping SEQ)* Chapter 3, Part B
The intent of the Regional Landscape and Rural Production Area is to:
 - *protect the values of this land from encroachment by urban and rural residential development*
 - *protect natural assets and regional landscapes, and ensure their sustainable use and management*
 - *support development and economic growth of rural communities and industries.*
 - *Laidley Shire Planning Scheme 2003*
Desired Environmental Outcome (3)(f)
 - *Industry, business and employment opportunities are improved and appropriately located to service the community and sub-region, and encourage economic activity within the local area.*
3. The proposed industrial development would promote an ad hoc development pattern through the inclusion of industrial uses outside of industrial zoned areas. The development would cause adverse amenity impacts to the surrounding rural area. The development conflicts with the following provisions:
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 - *Industrial uses are consolidated to confine impacts to Industrial Areas, or other locations where such impacts do not significantly affect amenity.*
4. There is no demonstrated economic or community benefit or need which would support the proposed industrial development locating outside areas zoned for industrial uses. The development conflicts with the following provisions for the *Laidley Shire Planning Scheme 2003*:
 - 6.3 Industrial Area Code

6.3.2 Overall Outcomes for the Industrial Area

- *Industrial development in the Shire is located in an efficient, equitable and ecologically sustainable manner to the needs of the local and regional community.*

5. The proposed industrial development will negatively impact the surrounding rural amenity and character, and quiet and peaceful enjoyment of the rural area. The development conflicts with the following provisions of the *Laidley Shire Planning Scheme 2003*:

- **Desired Environmental Outcome (3)(i)**
 - *Rural residential and urban residential development occurs in distinct localities that provide a sense of community, amenity, services, and a safe, affordable living environment, whilst maintaining the rural amenity of the Shire.*
- **6.2 Rural Areas Code**
 - 6.2.2(2) Overall Outcomes for the Rural Areas**
 - *The rural environment and scenic values are maintained for the enjoyment of the community and tourists.*
- **6.3 Industrial Area Code**
 - 6.3.2(2) Overall Outcomes for the Industrial Area**
 - *Industrial development preserves the amenity and ecological health of the Shire.*
 - 6.3.3 Specific Outcomes for the Industrial Area**
 - *The type and scale of development is located, designed and managed to;*
 - (i) maintain the safety of people and works;*
 - (ii) maintain amenity for surrounding land uses through buffering;*
 - (iii) avoid significant adverse effects on the environment;*
 - (iv) minimise off-site impacts.*
 - *Industrial uses are consolidated to confine impacts to Industrial Areas, or other locations where such impacts do not significantly affect amenity.*
 - *Amenity is maintained for surrounding land uses by buffering industrial uses.*
- **6.13 Industrial Uses Codes**
 - 6.13.2(2) Overall Outcomes for the Industrial Uses Code**
 - *Industrial buildings and uses near residential and other sensitive land uses can accommodate a range of industrial uses without unacceptable impacts on the amenity of those areas.*
 - 6.13.3 Table 4 Specific Outcomes and Acceptable Solutions for the Industrial Uses Code**
 - *Specific Outcome 3 “The development is of a scale generally compatible with nearby buildings and achieves a standard of amenity having regard to the existing character of the locality”.*

6. The proposed industrial development does not have access to appropriate road infrastructure resulting in a circuitous and inefficient haul route and requiring significant road upgrades to support the proposed development. The inefficient provision of infrastructure places an unreasonable cost burden on Council to maintain extensive road upgrades which are not otherwise planned or contemplated. The development conflicts with the following provisions:

- **State Planning Policy 2017**
 - **State Interest – Infrastructure Integration – State interest policies:**

- CARRIED**
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This report considers a development application (MC2021/0088) for a Development Permit for Material Change of Use for Noxious, Offensive and Hazardous Industry at 41 Heise Road, Hatton Vale. The following table summarises the application details.

APPLICATION DETAILS	
Application No:	MC2021/0088
Applicant:	Regyp Qld Pty Ltd C/- Ardent Group Pty Ltd
Landowner:	Regyp Qld Pty Ltd and Pacific Farming Trust

Site address:	41 Heise Road, Hatton Vale
Lot and Plan:	Lot 6 RP22826
Proposed development:	Development Permit for Material Change of Use for Noxious, Offensive and Hazardous Industry
STATUTORY PLANNING DETAILS	
Planning Scheme:	<i>Laidley Shire Planning Scheme 2003</i>
Zone:	Rural Landscape
Mapped State Planning Policy (SPP) matters:	State Planning Policy (July 2017) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agriculture • Biodiversity • Water Quality • Natural Hazards, Risk and Resilience
South East Queensland Regional Plan 2017 (Shaping SEQ) regional land use category:	Regional landscape and rural production area
Referral trigger/s under the Planning Regulation 2017:	State controlled transport thresholds Environmentally relevant activities (ERA) – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ERA 33 Crushing, milling, grinding or screening - more than 5,000 tonnes of material in a year (concurrence) • ERA 54 Mechanical waste reprocessing – (1) operating a facility for receiving and mechanically reprocessing, in a year, more than 5,000 tonnes of inert, non-putrescible waste or green waste only (non-concurrence).
TLPI:	<i>Temporary Local Planning Instrument 2020 Flood Regulation</i> Flood hazard area under the Flood hazard overlay: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Investigation area • Overland flow path
Overlays:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bushfire risk area: medium
Category of Assessment:	Impact assessable The subject land is located within the Rural landscape area which identifies a Noxious, offensive and hazardous industry as impact assessable development under Part 4, Division 5, Table 9 of the <i>Laidley Shire Planning Scheme 2003</i> .
Decision Due Date:	17 March 2023

The application has been assessed in accordance with the requirements of the *Planning Act 2016*. The development does not comply with the applicable assessment benchmarks and cannot be conditioned to comply, therefore the application is recommended for refusal.

Site Details

SITE AND LOCALITY DESCRIPTION	
Land Area:	30.47Ha
Existing Use of Land:	Cropping, Dwelling House
Road Frontage:	Heise Road: 461m
Significant Site Features:	Woolshed Creek runs through property, sparse vegetation
Topography:	Level

Surrounding Land Uses:	Agriculture, Dwelling Houses
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Figure 1. Locality of Subject Site (source LVRC Intramaps)

Site History and Background

The subject site has historically been used for agricultural purposes, including cropping and animal husbandry, as well as for residential purposes (dwelling house).

The land was purchased by the current landowner (Regyp Qld Pty Ltd and Pacific Farming Trust) on 4 April 2019.

Prior to lodgement of the development application, three prelodgement meetings (16 May 2019, 12 December 2019 and 13 September 2021) were held with the applicant and landowner regarding the proposed development. There were also various discussions and correspondence between the applicant and landowner and Council officers.

At the prelodgement meetings, and throughout the development application process, Council officers raised concerns about the inconsistency of the use in the Rural Landscape area, the requirement to demonstrate the need for the proposed use to locate to this site despite the inconsistency, traffic impacts associated with the development, stormwater and flooding issues, and potential impact on the rural amenity (e.g. noise, dust, character) associated with the proposed use.

The development application was lodged on 18 November 2021. Council issued an Information Request on 13 January 2022 and responded to by the applicant on 15 March 2022. A Further Advice letter was issued by Council on 21 June 2022, with the final part of the response received on 27 January 2023.

Council officers sought an external review and assessment of the application by a town planning expert, John Gaskell of Gaskell Planning Consultants. The purpose of this review and assessment was to obtain an independent assessment of the proposal. This review was obtained by Council officers due to the complexity of the development application and the community response during public notification raising concerns with the development on the subject site. Mr Gaskell provided his final report on 15 February 2023 which identified areas of concern and non-compliance with the Planning Scheme. A copy of Mr Gaskell's final report is included as an attachment to this report.

Proposal

The proposed development involves the manufacturing and processing of recycled gypsum and includes natural mineral milling and screening operations, with a total volume of up to 29,000 tonnes per year. The manufacturing and processing will produce agricultural products for customers in southern and western Queensland. The use will also supply incidental products and materials to customers including fencing, poly pipe and seed mixes. The use will not be open to the general public. The products being brought to site include phosphate rock, dolomite, natural gypsum and limestone.

The application includes the following Environmentally Relevant Activities (ERA) for the manufacturing and processing activities:

- ERA 33 – Crushing, grinding, milling or screening more than 5,000 tonnes of material in a year; and
- ERA 54 – Mechanical waste processing, operating a facility for receiving and mechanically reprocessing, in a year, more than 5,000t of inert, non-putrescible waste or green waste only.

The development will be undertaken in two (2) stages. Stage 1 will involve the construction of a shed (70m (L) x 30m (W) x 10m (H)), with a gross floor area of 2,100m², to contain all processing equipment. Stage 2 will involve the construction of a second identical shed, to contain material stockpiles. The total gross floor area following Stage 2 will be 4,200m².

The activity will involve the delivery of plasterboard and other natural mineral products to the site which, at Stage 1, will be stockpiled on site in the open air. At Stage 2, a second shed will be constructed and the products will be stored within that shed. The products will be processed, including milling and screening, then sold as agricultural fertiliser and soil conditioner products.

It is anticipated that there will be up to five trucks bringing raw materials to the site each day and up to five trucks departing each day with material. In addition, the site will be serviced by a fuel tanker every two to three days to supply fuel to the equipment and machinery.

There will be up to ten (10) employees associated with the use. Hours of operation are 7am – 5pm Monday to Friday and 7am to 1pm on Saturday. The existing house on the property, which has a gross floor area of 146m², will be converted to an office and ablution facilities. Twelve (12) car parking spaces will be provided near the existing sheds on the subject site.

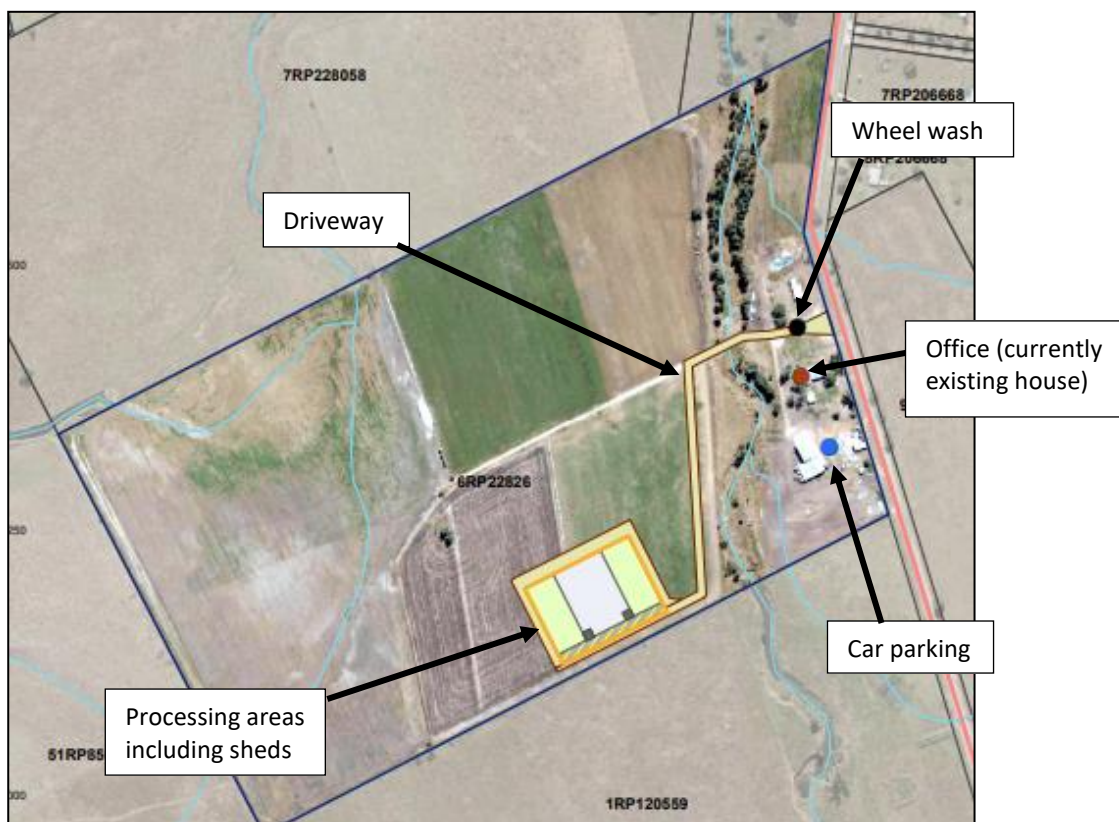
The development will involve the use of diesel generators for electricity supply which is required due to the existing power infrastructure along Heise Road being insufficient to cater for the use.

Landscaping is proposed around the proposed sheds and processing areas. This includes three (3) species varying in height and width at maturity.

No advertising devices are proposed in association with the proposed development.

The proposed site layout plan is identified in Figure 2, with the detailed proposal plans included as an attachment to this report.

MATERIAL CHANGE OF USE	DEVELOPMENT PARAMETERS
Gross Floor Area	4,200m ²
Building Height/ Storeys	10m
Setbacks	Front: 229.1m Side: 24m (south), 329m (north) Rear: 324.34m
Site Cover	2.88%
Parking	12 spaces



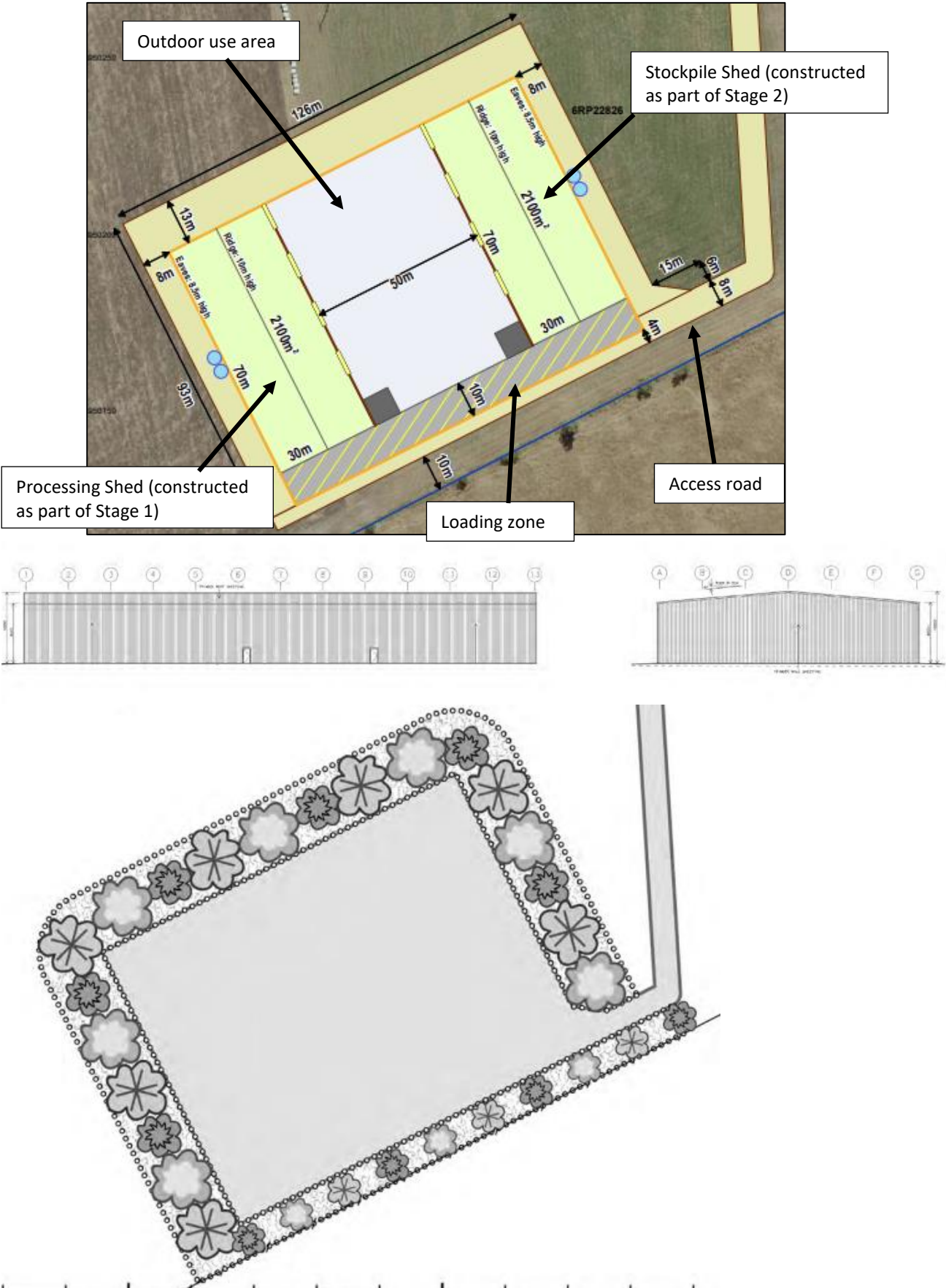


Figure 2. Proposed development plans

PLANNING ASSESSMENT:

Laidley Shire Planning Scheme 2003

The proposed development is impact assessable under the Planning Scheme, and therefore must be assessed against the Planning Scheme as a whole.

Use Definition

The use primarily involves the manufacturing and processing of gypsum to create agricultural fertiliser and soil conditioner products and delivery of these products to customers. The site will not be open to the general public.

The application is for a Noxious, offensive and hazardous industry use only. Under the *Laidley Shire Planning Scheme 2003*, a 'Noxious, offensive and hazardous industry' means *"the use of premises for the carrying on of an industry, which by reasons of the processes or materials involved, or the method of manufacture, or the nature of the processes or materials used or produced, requires isolation from other buildings or areas of human activity or occupation because of the detrimental effect which such processes or materials might have on the amenity of such areas, or the health of its occupants"*.

Under the Planning Scheme, 'Industry' means *"the use of premises for making, assembling, breaking up, servicing, storing or repairing goods, or treating wastes, if at a scale and of a nature not included in "Commercial Premises"*. For the purposes of this Scheme, industrial uses are further defined as;

- (a) *Light Industry*
- (b) *Medium Industry*
- (c) *Noxious, Offensive & Hazardous Industry"*.

The applicant also proposes to supply incidental products and materials to customers, for example fencing materials, poly pipe and seed mixes. This brings about the determination as to whether the supply of these incidental products and materials is ancillary to the Noxious, offensive and hazardous industry. These incidental products are not by-products of the manufacturing process. The supply of these incidental products could operate independently of the Noxious, offensive and hazardous industry if the manufacturing and processing of gypsum were to cease. Further, these products and materials would likely be sourced from suppliers other than those supplying the plasterboard and mineral products. The application states that *'plasterboard is delivered from plasterboard manufacturing plants or from pre-approved suppliers that bring 100% plasterboard loads'*. These products are not incidental to and necessarily associated with the Noxious, offensive and hazardous industry and are reliant on separate delivery of these goods. The supply of incidental products and materials is not ancillary to the Noxious, offensive and hazardous industry. A use of this nature would be defined as a Bulk retail or Commercial premises.

The application is only for a Noxious, offensive and hazardous industry for manufacturing and processing of gypsum to create agricultural products and the supply of these products to customers. This application does not include use for the supply of incidental products and materials, and that use of the site would be subject to a further development application for Material change of use.

Assessment against Planning Scheme Codes

The proposed development has been assessed against the Planning Scheme; the areas of non-compliance are addressed below.

Good Quality Agricultural Land (GQAL)

The proposed industry development is located on land identified in Council's Planning Scheme as Good Quality Agricultural Land (GQAL) Class B (refer to Figure 3 below). The land is also identified as an Important Agriculture Area and Agricultural land classification – class A and B under the State Planning Policy.

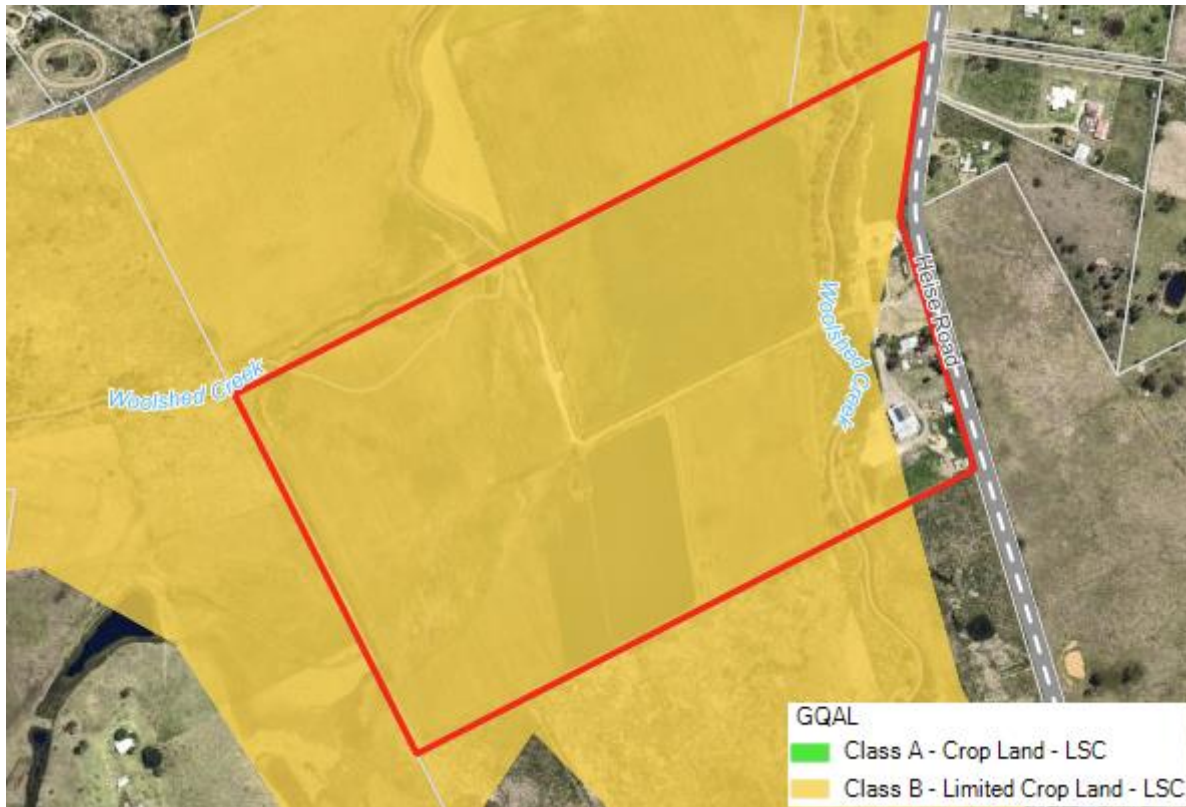


Figure 3. Good Quality Agricultural Land overlay

The Planning Scheme seeks to protect current and future use of GQAL for agricultural purposes and prevent the alienation of the land by development that would compromise agricultural uses. The development footprint is approximately 1.2ha of development of an industrial type and scale. Whilst this may be relatively small in the scale of GQAL in the Region, any alienation of GQAL reduces the amount of land that is available. A key theme of the Planning Scheme is that this area is protected from intrusion due to agriculture being an important economic resource for the Region. The proposed industry development impacts upon GQAL.

Accordingly, the development conflicts with the following provisions of the Planning Scheme:

- Desired Environmental Outcome (DEO) (3)(e) - *“Good Quality Agricultural Land is protected as a major economic resource for the region”.*
- 6.2.2(2) Overall Outcomes for the Rural Areas –
“Good Quality Agricultural Land (GQAL) within the Shire is protected and forms the major economic base for the Shire”.
“Good Quality Agricultural Land is not alienated by development in that;
 - *Adjacent uses do not compromise agricultural operation – protect farm practices; and*
 - *Encroachment of residential uses onto agricultural land is avoided; and*
 - *Buffers are included in adjacent uses”.*

- 6.2.4 Specific Outcomes for the Rural Landscape Area – *“Rural production on Good Quality Agricultural Land is free from intrusion by incompatible uses”*.

Inconsistent use and ad hoc development

The proposed industrial development is not located in close proximity to a resource (i.e. plasterboard is not sourced from or near the site) or customer base (customers are located across southern and western Queensland) and has no locational nexus to the community and sub-region. The applicant has not sufficiently demonstrated the proposed site is the only location where the business/use can operate. There are no clear advantages by locating the proposed development on this site in relation to access to employees and customers.

The proposed development does not have a commercial / retail component on site and it is intended for this site to service southern Queensland and potentially broader Australia. A rural industry may locate within a rural area due to its immediate proximity to its raw products and/or customer base. As the proposed industrial development is not contingent upon being located on the subject site, nor does it service a local customer base, it has no nexus to the community or sub-region and is inappropriately located.

The prevailing rural character and community expectation of the area generally consists of and is more akin to rural residential living which predominantly consists of residential properties and hobby farms (refer to Figure 4 below). There are no other industrial or intensive agricultural industries carried out in the surrounding area. The application itself describes the surrounding area as rural residential in nature.



Figure 4. Aerial image of surrounding area

The proposed industrial development would be in stark contrast to the current character of the area. Whilst some impacts are within relevant environmental standards (air, noise generated by the processing), there are other impacts that are extremely difficult to manage and would dramatically change the character of the area, such as truck noise, increased truck movements along roads, dust along the haul route and noise generation generally. For these reasons, the use is not complementary with the rural setting.

In addition, the building footprint (4,200m²) is significant and of an industrial scale. This differs significantly from the building footprints of the surrounding area which is characterised as rural lands, dwelling houses and smaller scale sheds and farm buildings. The significant size, scale and industrial nature of the buildings will adversely impact upon the visual amenity of the area. The building scale is vastly different to that of the existing area and does not complement the rural setting.

The inclusion of industrial uses outside of industrial zoned areas promotes an ad hoc development pattern. The proposed use is inconsistent with the outcomes sought by the Planning Scheme as the industrial development is not consolidated to the Industrial areas. Further, the development would cause adverse amenity impacts to the surrounding rural area relating to traffic impacts, noise and dust.

Accordingly, the development conflicts with the following provisions of the Planning Scheme:

- Desired Environmental Outcome (DEO) (3)(f) - *“Industry, business and employment opportunities are improved and appropriately located to service the community and sub-region, and encourage economic activity within the local area”*.
- 6.2.4 Specific Outcomes for the Rural Areas - *“Rural industry uses, or those land uses considered to be complementary to the rural setting, are undertaken in the Rural Landscape Area”*.
- 6.3.2 Overall Outcomes for the Industrial Area - *“Industrial development in the Shire is located in an efficient, equitable and ecologically sustainable manner to the needs of the local and regional community”*.
- 6.3.3 Specific Outcomes for the Industrial Area - *“Industrial uses are consolidated to confine impacts to Industrial Areas, or other locations where such impacts do not significantly affect amenity”*.

Planning Need

Section 45(5) of the *Planning Act 2016* details how impact assessment is carried out which includes allowing the assessment management to carry out assessment *“against, or having regard to, any other relevant matter, other than a person’s personal circumstances, financial or otherwise”*. The *Planning Act 2016* specifically cites ‘planning need’ as an example of a ‘relevant matter’ that may be considered.

The potential economic and community benefits of the proposed development were reviewed by Council’s Senior Economic Development Officer. The application lacks detail of the local economic benefit beyond the number of jobs created (ten jobs). Whilst there is mention of sourcing supplies locally where possible, it is difficult to determine how this is to be achieved and what scale the economic benefit would be. There doesn’t appear to be a strong positive case for community, social or economic benefit identified in the application. It is noted that Council officers gave the applicant several opportunities throughout the process (prelodgement meetings, information request and further advice letters) to provide this type of information to support the application (due to the identified zone inconsistencies). Despite these requests, the applicant did not provide sufficient information to support the development. Accordingly, there is no demonstrated need for the development to locate outside of the Industrial areas, which are specifically zoned for these uses.

Accordingly, the proposed development conflicts with the following provisions of the Planning Scheme:

- 6.3.2 Overall Outcomes for the Industrial Area - *“Industrial development in the Shire is located in an efficient, equitable and ecologically sustainable manner to the needs of the local and regional community”*.

Rural Amenity

The subject site is located within the Rural landscape area and the surrounding area is characterised as rural and rural residential living. The proposed development would result in significant adverse impacts to the rural amenity of the area. This is evidenced by the large number of submissions received from nearby residents citing their concerns regarding traffic and noise impacts, which are not anticipated to occur in this locality. It has not been demonstrated how the rural environment of the locality is maintained for the enjoyment of the community. For example, the heavy vehicle movements along the haul route will result in increased adverse impacts such as truck noise, truck movements and dust generation not currently experienced in this area. These impacts generated external to the premises cannot be mitigated. These impacts are further exacerbated by the extensive haul route that heavy vehicles accessing and leaving the site must use (refer to further discussion on the haul route below).

In addition, an industry use will result in an increase in noise impacts. The submitted *Air and Noise Assessment*, prepared by Air Noise Environment, addressed the air and noise impacts as a result of the use in accordance with the standards of the *Environmental Protection (Air) Policy 2019* (EPP Air) and *Environmental Protection (Noise) Policy 2019* (EPP Noise). This report was reviewed by Council's environmental science consultant, Yarramine Environmental, who advised that the methodology used was sound and demonstrated that the proposed development can comply with the EPP Air and EPP Noise standards.

Whilst the noise impacts can comply with the EPP Noise standards, this can only be achieved by implementing mitigation measures. The noise mitigation measures proposed include certain roller doors being closed during use of some equipment, which would require onerous supervision by both the operator and Council and create an impractical compliance burden for Council in ensuring these measures are being implemented consistently. Instead, the applicant should be able to demonstrate sufficient noise mitigation measures are provided such that constant supervision is not required to meet the relevant EPP Noise standards (e.g. acoustic wall).

Further, even though the noise and dust impacts are within EPP Noise and EPP Air standards, the increase of these impacts in a rural area for an inconsistent industrial activity would adversely affect the rural character and quiet enjoyment of the area, as discussed above. Further to this, the compliance with EPP Noise standards is only achieved through implementation of significant mitigation measures including acoustic treatment of the building, locating certain processing equipment within specific parts of the shed, silencing generators and equipment that is used outside, dividing the shed into parts and the closure of certain roller doors during operation of some equipment.

Accordingly, the proposed development conflicts with the following provisions of the Planning Scheme:

- DEO (i) - *"Rural residential and urban residential development occurs in distinct localities that provide a sense of community, amenity, services, and a safe, affordable living environment, whilst maintaining the rural amenity of the Shire"*.
- 6.2.2 Overall Outcomes for the Rural Areas - *"The rural environment and scenic values are maintained for the enjoyment of the community and tourists"*.
- 6.3.2 Overall Outcomes for the Industrial Area - *"Industrial development preserves the amenity and ecological health of the Shire"*.
- 6.3.3 Specific Outcomes for the Industrial Area -
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 - (ii) maintain amenity for surrounding land uses through buffering;*
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- 6.13.2 Overall Outcomes for the Industrial Uses Code requires *"Industrial buildings and uses near residential and other sensitive land uses can accommodate a range of industrial uses without unacceptable impacts on the amenity of those areas"*.

- 6.13.3 Specific Outcomes and Acceptable Solutions for the Industrial Uses Code Specific Outcome 3 requires “the development is of a scale generally compatible with nearby buildings and achieves a standard of amenity having regard to the existing character of the locality”.

Traffic and Road Access

The *Traffic Impact Assessment*, prepared by Bitzios Consulting, submitted with the application identifies that heavy vehicles will access the site from the Warrego Highway via Summerholm Road, Woolshed Creek Road and Heise Road. No heavy vehicle access is proposed or permitted to the Warrego Highway directly from Heise Road (refer to Figure 5 below).

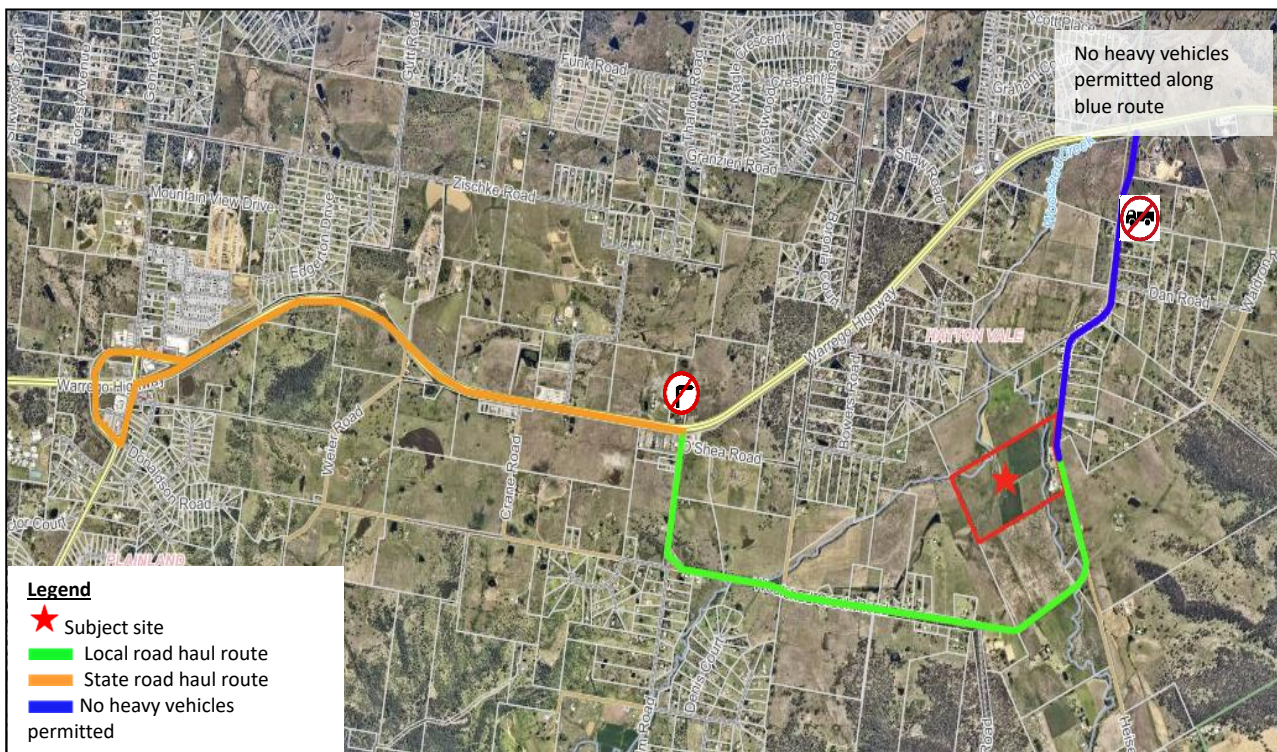


Figure 5. Proposed Heavy Vehicle Haul Route

The subject site is located 2.2km from the Warrego Highway intersection with Heise Road. However, heavy vehicles are required to travel 4.5km to the Warrego Highway via Heise Road, Woolshed Creek Road and Summerholm Road.

All heavy vehicles are required to turn left from Summerholm Road onto the Warrego Highway. Heavy vehicles heading east towards Ipswich/Brisbane must first travel westbound along the Warrego Highway to the Plainland overpass, and use the overpass to access the eastbound lanes of the Warrego Highway. This means that eastbound heavy vehicles are required to take a 17 kilometre detour (refer to Figure 5).

Summerholm Road, Woolshed Creek Road and Heise Road are constructed for rural traffic only and are not constructed to the standard required to cater for industry traffic. The majority of Heise Road and Woolshed Creek Road are one-lane narrow carriageways. Several submitters raised concerns regarding the potential for head-ons/car accidents occurring with larger vehicles. The current road environment is not conducive to additional and regular heavy vehicle movements.

The outcomes of the Planning Scheme seek to ensure development is located with cost effective infrastructure. Significant upgrades to the haul route would be required to provide safe road infrastructure for the industrial development (refer to Figure 6), including:

1. Summerholm Road/Woolshed Creek Road intersection: widening required to allow for larger vehicles. Install truck turning warning signs and trim vegetation as far back as possible (to increase sight distance).
2. Woolshed Creek Road: installation of centre line marking around curves for a linear distance of 250m (approximately) from the Summerholm Road intersection.
3. Woolshed Creek Road: install curve widening to two lanes for vehicle to pass on the curve and Chevron Alignment Markers (CAMs) to improve delineation.
4. Woolshed Creek Road/Heise Road intersection: upgrade floodway, drainage and pavement rehabilitation. Install curve widening to two lanes (for vehicles to pass), CAMs and linemarking to improve delineation and intersection alignment/priority/delineation (to be confirmed through detailed design plans).
5. Driveway crossover: Seal the driveway crossover to minimise gravel accumulation and edge wear on Heise Road carriageway.

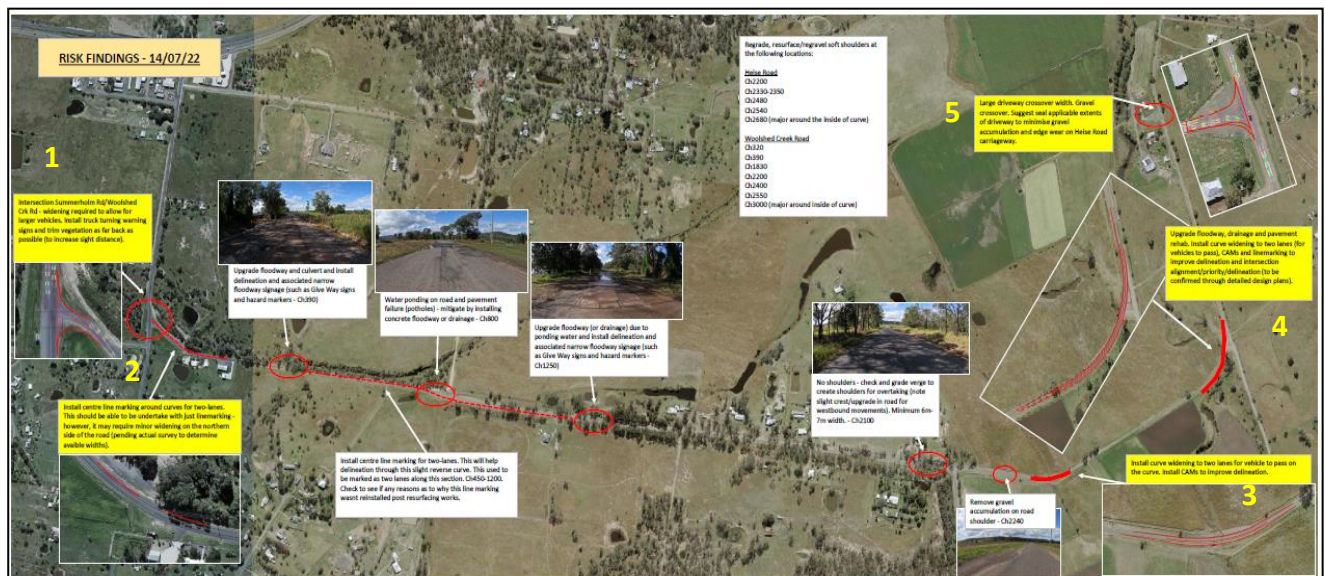


Figure 6. Local road upgrades

The Planning Scheme seeks to ensure development is undertaken in an orderly and sequential manner with appropriate infrastructure being provided or able to be provided efficiently. The heavy vehicle route is circuitous and inefficient and the lack of infrastructure reinforces the inappropriateness of this site for the proposed development.

In addition, it is noted that if the development was conditioned to provide this infrastructure, it would become a Council asset. Council would be responsible for the ongoing, long-term maintenance of road infrastructure which is currently unplanned and unfunded, in an area where it would not otherwise have been contemplated. This would place an unnecessary financial burden on Council and the community.

Accordingly, the proposed development conflicts with the following provisions of the Planning Scheme:

- DEO (3)(h) - “A convenient access to roads and services is achieved through well located land uses and the efficient use and timely provision of infrastructure such as water, sewerage and roads, walkways and cycling facilities”.

- 6.2.2 Overall Outcomes for the Rural Areas - *“Development maximises the efficient use, extension and safe operation of infrastructure”*.
- 6.3.3 Specific Outcomes for the Industrial Area - *“Industrial activities are consolidated to provide cost effective infrastructure”*.

Temporary Local Planning Instrument 2020 (Flood Regulation)

The subject site is located within the Flood Investigation Area and contains Overland Flow Paths under Council's *Temporary Local Planning Instrument 2020 (Flood Regulation)* (TLPI). However, the TLPI does not apply to industrial development, and therefore does not apply to this application for a Noxious, offensive and hazardous industry.

A *Flood Assessment and Stormwater Management Plan*, prepared by Water Technology, was submitted with the application. The development footprint, with the exception of the internal driveway, will be wholly located outside of the 1% AEP flood event (refer to Figure 7 below). The driveway can be designed and constructed so as to provide suitable access to the development. The development can be mitigated against flooding impacts.

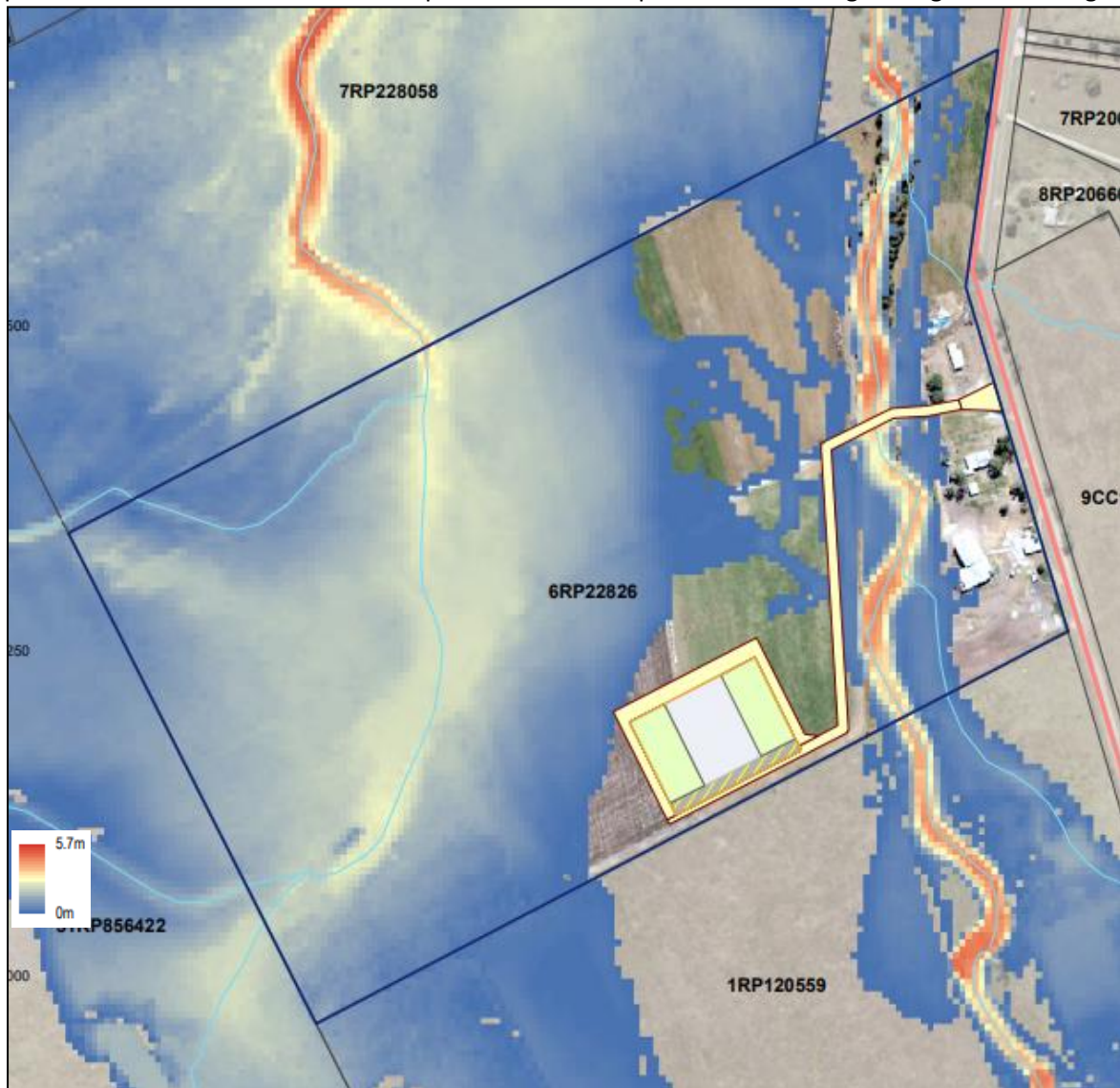


Figure 7. Flood depth mapping

State Planning Requirements

South East Queensland Regional Plan 2017 (Shaping SEQ)

The site is located in the Regional Landscape and Rural Production Area (RLRPA). Under the Regional Plan, the intent of the RLRPA is to:

- protect the values of this land from encroachment by urban and rural residential development;
- protect natural assets and regional landscapes, and ensure their sustainable use and management;
- support development and economic growth of rural communities and rural industries.

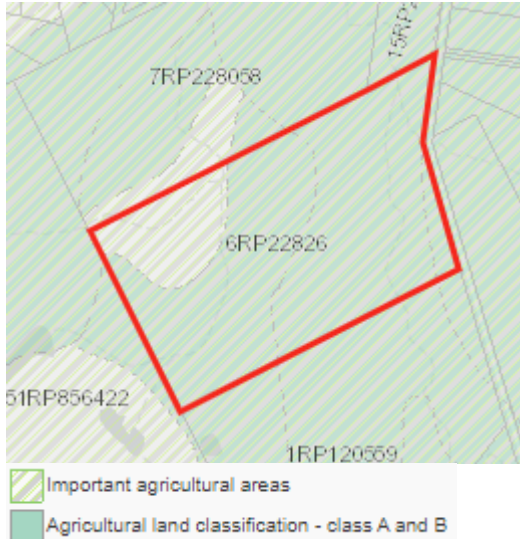
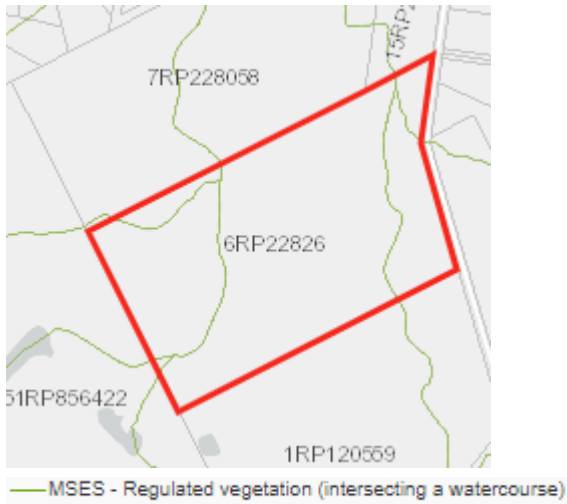
The RLRPA is to be protected from inappropriate development, particularly urban and rural residential development. The proposed development will adversely impact on the regional landscape and compromise the future use of the land for rural purposes. Accordingly, the development conflicts with the intent of the SEQ Regional Plan for the RLRPA.

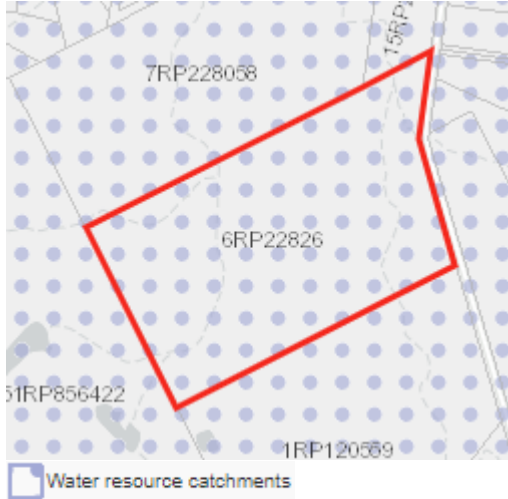
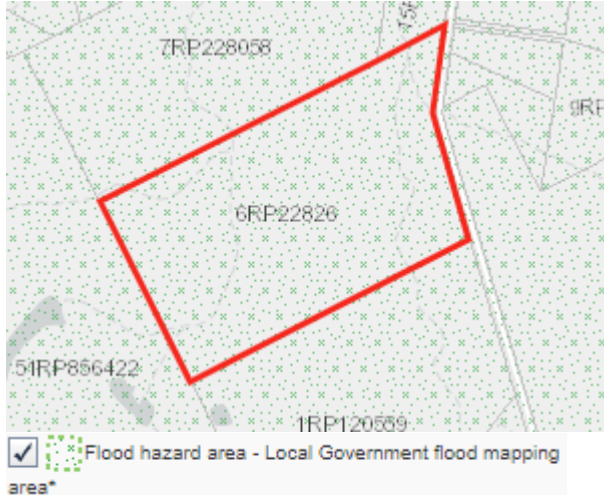
The State Assessment and Referral Agency (SARA) provided confirmation that referral of the application was not required under the *Planning Regulation 2017* as the use does not meet the definition of an *urban activity* under Schedule 24 of the Regulation.

State Planning Policy (SPP)

As the Planning Scheme does not reflect the current SPP, an assessment of the proposal against relevant state interests has been undertaken.

SPP THEME	ASSESSMENT
Liveable communities and housing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Housing supply and diversity • Liveable communities 	Not applicable to proposed development.
Economic Growth: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agriculture • Development and construction • Mining and extractive resources • Tourism 	<p><u>Agriculture</u></p> <p>The subject site is located within important agricultural areas and agricultural land classification – class A and B. The proposed development is for industry purposes which will result in alienation of important agricultural areas. This will detract from agriculture and agricultural development opportunities. The development does not promote or enhance the IAAs and will reduce the availability of agricultural land.</p> <p>The development of 1.2ha for non-agricultural activities reduces land available for agricultural production, with no justification for why the use must be located on this site. Co-existence with complementary agricultural uses has not been demonstrated and the development reduces land available for agriculture and therefore agricultural productivity.</p> <p>Accordingly, the proposed industrial development conflicts with the following State interest policies for Agriculture:</p> <p>(1) <i>Agriculture and agricultural development opportunities are promoted and enhanced in important agricultural areas (IAAs).</i></p>

	<p>(4)(d) <i>Growth in agricultural production and a strong agriculture industry is facilitated by ... facilitating opportunities for co-existence with development that is complementary to agricultural uses that do not reduce agricultural productivity (e.g. on-farm processing, farm gate sales, agricultural tourism etc).</i></p> 
<p>Environment and heritage:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biodiversity • Cultural heritage • Water quality 	<p><u>Biodiversity</u></p> <p>The subject site contains MSES – Regulated vegetation (intersecting a watercourse). The development footprint avoids the watercourse, with the exception of the driveway. The development will be carried out within a shed as well as stockpiles being appropriately bundled to ensure materials (e.g. gypsum) do not disperse into the watercourse. The driveway can be designed and constructed to ensure no adverse impacts to the watercourse, for example a concrete driveway with culverts. Accordingly, the development can comply with this State interest.</p>  <p><u>Water quality</u></p>

	<p>The subject site is located within the water resource catchments. A <i>Flood Assessment and Stormwater Management Plan</i> (SWMP), prepared by Water Technology, was submitted with the application. This report was reviewed by Council's Development Engineer and who was satisfied that stormwater management and water quality measures comply with Council's planning requirements and could be appropriately conditioned.</p> <p>The SWMP recommends a stormwater treatment train be provided including tanks and swales to ensure the development will not cause adverse water quality impacts. Water quality can be managed such that it complies with outcomes of this State interest.</p> 
<p>Safety and resilience to hazards:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Emissions and hazardous activities Natural hazards, risk and resilience 	<p><u>Natural hazards, risk and resilience</u></p> <p>The subject site is located within the flood hazard area – Local Government flood mapping area. The development footprint with the exception of the internal driveway, will be wholly located outside of the 1% AEP flood event. The driveway could be designed and constructed to provide suitable access to the development.</p> 
<p>Infrastructure:</p>	<p><u>Infrastructure integration</u></p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Energy and water supply • Infrastructure integration • Transport infrastructure 	<p>The proposed haul route is inefficient and circuitous due to the 4.5km route to the Warrego Highway via local roads, and the requirement for eastbound heavy vehicles to first travel westward to Plainland and use the overpass to access eastbound lanes resulting in 17km detour from the Summerholm Road intersection.</p> <p>Further, the local haul route is constructed for rural traffic only. The route has not been designed or constructed to cater for industrial traffic. The proposed development would result in industry traffic and transport infrastructure that is out of sequence and within an area not planned to cater for industry traffic. To cater for the proposed development, the route would require significant road upgrades that would require long-term maintenance and result in an unnecessary financial burden to Council and the community, and therefore is does not represent cost effective delivery of local infrastructure.</p> <p>The significant cost of upgrading the roads to an appropriate standard, and maintaining the roads at that standard, would not provide economic or social benefits from infrastructure investment, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • economic: the upgrades would require ongoing maintenance and cause an unnecessary financial burden to Council and the community • social/environment: the haul route would impact a greater number of residents in relation to truck noise and dust generation. <p>Accordingly, the proposed industrial development conflicts with the following State interest policies for Infrastructure integration:</p> <p>(2) <i>Development achieves a high level of integration with infrastructure planning to:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) <i>promote the most efficient, effective and flexible use of existing and planned infrastructure;</i> (b) <i>realise multiple economic, social and environmental benefits from infrastructure investment.</i> <p>(3) <i>Development occurs:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) <i>in areas currently serviced by state and/or local infrastructure and associated services; or</i> (b) <i>in a logical and orderly location, form and sequence to enable the cost effective delivery of state and local infrastructure to service development.</i> <p><u>Transport infrastructure</u></p> <p>The development is not supported by transport infrastructure. Introducing an industrial use, which is incompatible with the zone, would require significant upgrades to transport infrastructure to support the use. These upgrades are unplanned</p>
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	<p>and would result in a significant cost burden to Council and the community for the long-term maintenance of this infrastructure.</p> <p>Accordingly, the proposed industrial development conflicts with the following State interest policies for Transport infrastructure:</p> <p><i>(1) Transport infrastructure and existing and future transport corridors are reflected and supported through compatible land uses.</i></p> <p><i>(2) Development is located in areas currently serviced by transport infrastructure, and where this cannot be achieved, development is facilitated in a logical and orderly location, form and sequence to enable cost-effective delivery of new transport infrastructure to service development.</i></p>
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REFERRALS

The application was referred to Council's Development Engineer, Plumbing Inspector, Building Certifier, Senior Environmental Planner and Senior Economic Development Officer. Their comments have been incorporated into the assessment.

The application was referred to a consultant environmental scientist (Yarramine Environmental) for a technical review of the noise and dust assessment. The application was also referred to a consultant planning expert (Gaskell Planning Consultants) for an independent planning assessment.

Planning Regulation 2017 Referrals

The application was referred under under the Planning Regulation:

Referral Status	Referral Agency	Referral Trigger	Response
Referral	State Assessment and Referral Agency (SARA)	<p>Schedule 10, Part 5, Division 4, Table 2, Item 1 – Environmentally Relevant Activity</p> <p>Schedule 10, Part 9, Division 4, Subdivision 1, Table 1, Item 1 – State Transport Infrastructure</p>	The agency provided its response on 24 February 2022 (Reference No. 2112-26291 SRA). A copy of the response is attached.

SARA's referral response included conditions relating to roadworks for a channelised right turn treatment (CHR) to the Warrego Highway at the intersection with Summerholm Road (refer to Figure 8 below).

Additionally, SARA has issued their response with conditions on the basis of no heavy vehicles using the Heise Road intersection with the Warrego Highway and no right turn movements from Summerholm Road onto the Warrego Highway. Therefore, all heavy vehicles are required to turn left from Summerholm Road onto the Warrego Highway. Heavy vehicles heading east towards Ipswich/Brisbane must first travel westbound along the Warrego Highway to the Plainland overpass, and use the overpass to access the eastbound lanes of the Warrego Highway. This means that eastbound heavy vehicles are required to take a 17 kilometre detour, including state controlled roads (refer to Figure 5).

The matters relating to the Environmentally Relevant Activities (ERA) 33 Crushing, milling, grinding or screening and ERA 54 Mechanical waste reprocessing, would be conditioned under an Environmental Authority (EA) by the Department of Environment and Science.

A copy of the EA issued was provided by the applicant, and includes standard conditions relating to waste, air, land, noise, water and other environmental management matters. It is noted that the EA does not take effect until a related Development approval for Material change of use takes effect. If the development application is refused, the EA will not take effect.

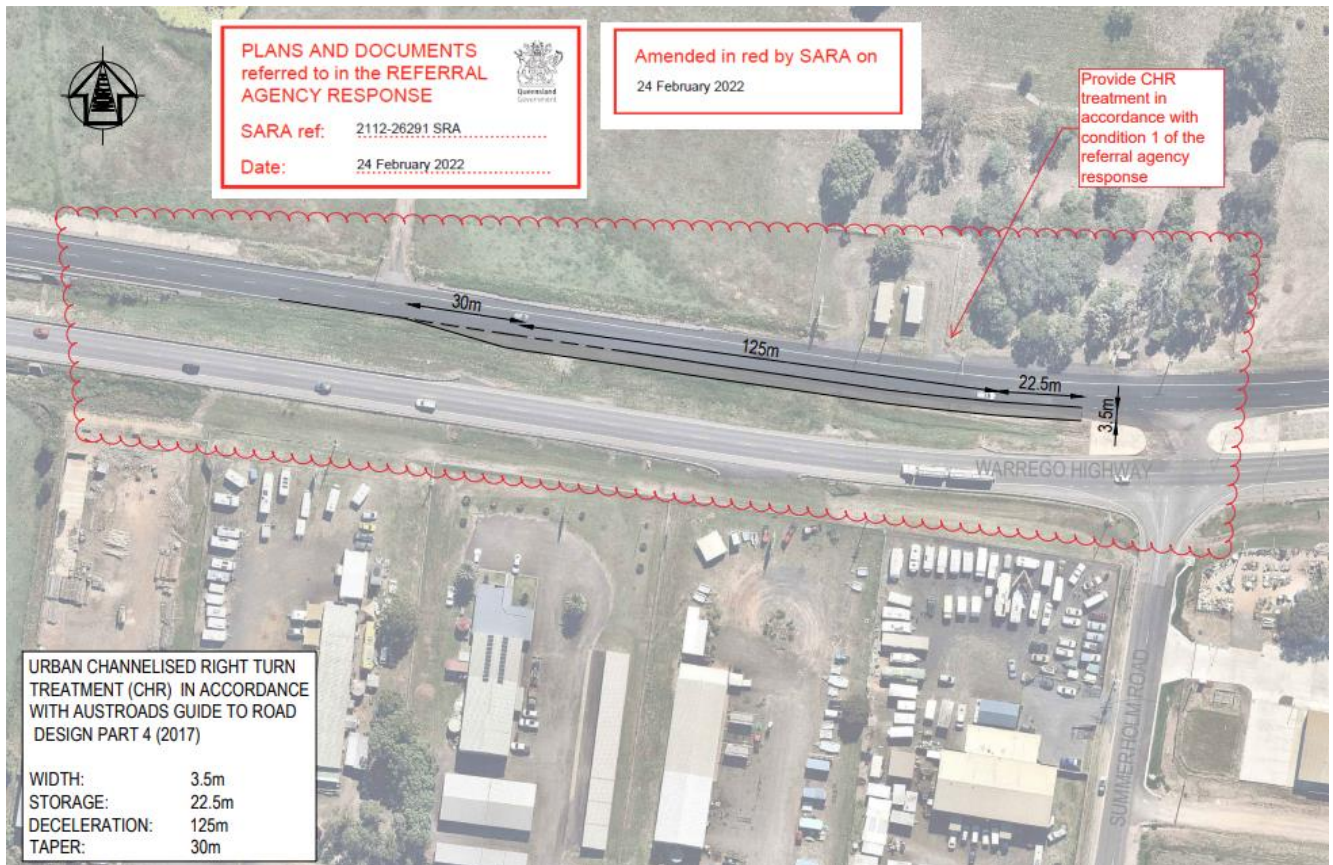


Figure 8. SARA conditioned road works

Other Referrals

Third party advice was sought from Seqwater due to the subject site being located within the water resource catchments of the water quality State interest of the State Planning Policy (SPP). Seqwater advised that the development meets the Seqwater Development Guidelines subject to the inclusion of appropriate conditions that they have suggested.

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

The application was impact assessable and therefore underwent public notification. Council received 55 properly made submissions and 3 not properly made submissions in relation to the development application. This included one (1) petition with 38 signatories. Several of these signatories also made a separate individual submission.

The majority of the submissions were in objection to the proposal: 56 opposed the development and two were in support. The majority of the submitters have their address listed within the Hatton Vale area where the development is located.

ISSUES	COUNCIL OFFICER COMMENTS
<p>The proposed development will cause adverse noise impacts to surrounding properties. The increased heavy vehicle movements will result in additional noise generation.</p>	<p>An <i>Air and Noise Assessment</i> prepared by Air Noise Environment was submitted with the application.</p> <p>Council's environmental science consultant (Yarramine Environmental) reviewed this assessment. Whilst the noise generation is within the relevant standards of the <i>Environmental Protection (Noise) Policy 2019</i>, this could only be achieved through the implementation of mitigation measures. Some of these measures would require onerous supervision by Council and the operator.</p> <p>Further, the noise generated by the development will increase the background levels within the immediate surrounding area. This would adversely impact upon the quiet and peaceful enjoyment of land and detract from the rural amenity, which is inconsistent with the Planning Scheme outcomes. These non-compliant outcomes cannot be conditioned to comply and are grounds for refusal.</p>
<p>The proposed development will generate dust which will adversely impact upon nearby properties, including their water supply (e.g. water tanks). Their water supply is used for potable purposes due to no Urban Utilities water supply infrastructure. Gypsum is unsafe and will result in toxic dust that will infiltrate water supply.</p>	<p>An <i>Air and Noise Assessment</i> prepared by Air Noise Environment was submitted with the application.</p> <p>Council's environmental scientist consultant (Yarramine Environmental) reviewed this assessment and advised that air quality impacts comply with the relevant standards of the <i>Environmental Protection (Air) Policy 2019</i>. No mitigation measures are required.</p> <p>The report did not address dust deposition as there is no air quality goal within the <i>Environmental Protection (Air) Policy 2019</i>.</p> <p>Further, the development includes Environmentally Relevant Activities, with conditions of an Environmental Authority addressing dust deposition and concentration of particulate matter.</p>
<p>The development is located within a floodplain which will impact upon downstream properties. The contamination of water or soil by gypsum will adversely affect the Woolshed Creek ecosystem.</p>	<p>The <i>Flood Assessment and Stormwater Management Plan</i> provided demonstrates that the development is located above the Defined Flood Event in a 1%AEP flood event, with the exception of the driveway. The driveway could be designed and constructed so as to ensure no nuisance to downstream properties. The Environmental Authority contains conditions pertaining to contamination.</p>

	<p>At Stage 1 of the development, gypsum and other materials will be stored in stockpiles in the open. The applicant has proposed to bund this storage area to prevent gypsum and other materials from entering the waterway. The bunding will include pre-cast concrete walls and a heavy duty tarp similar to the below arrangement. The tarp will be removed when access to the stockpile is required.</p> 
<p>The proposed heavy vehicle movements are not safe due to the local roads being single lane and there being no turning lanes onto the state controlled road (Warrego Highway).</p>	<p>The rural area does not have fit-for-purpose infrastructure for an industrial use. Significant road upgrades would be required to the local road network to allow the safe movement of heavy vehicles. These upgrades could be conditioned but this infrastructure would become a financial burden to Council and community.</p> <p>The lack of infrastructure available reinforces the inconsistency of the land use and would result in out of sequence development.</p> <p>SARA's response includes conditions to provide a turning lane on the Warrego Highway. Traffic movements to and from the Warrego Highway will be limited to the Summerholm Road intersection and eastbound traffic is required to turn left and use the Plainland overpass.</p>
<p>The site is within Fire Ant Biosecurity Zone 1 which requires approval prior to removal of any stockpiled products.</p>	<p>Preventing the spread of fire ants is a general biosecurity obligation (GBO) under the <i>Biosecurity Act 2014</i>. Fire ants eradication is managed by the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries (DAF), and any approvals for moving of products would need to be obtained from DAF.</p>
<p>The proposed development of this site is purely based on introducing an Industrial Waste Recycling Facility into a Rural Landscape area within the Lockyer Valley Region. The reason for choosing this site cannot be attributed to customer needs as transport costs between delivery of waste product to site compared to having a facility closer to the waste product source would be significant. The land at</p>	<p>The use is for industry purposes with no demonstrated need to locate on the subject site. The use is not tied to either a customer base (e.g. supplying the local rural area) or a resource (as an extractive industry would). As such, an industrial use on the subject site is inconsistent with the rural area.</p>

<p>this site does not produce any raw materials for use within this recycling facility or utilise any product from the material being recycled. Using prime farming land to develop an Industrial Recycling Facility could well set a precedent within the LVRC that could lead to further Rural areas being under threat of rezoning into Industrial areas.</p>	
<p>The use will devalue properties.</p>	<p>Change in valuation of land is not a planning ground.</p>
<p>The use will prevent nearby horse riding group from exercising their animals due to the increased heavy vehicles.</p>	<p>The use results in industrial traffic. Whilst currently the area would have occasional heavy vehicles, the scale and intensity of traffic required for an industrial use is substantially greater and more frequent than that of the rural use. The heavy vehicles will also cause adverse amenity issues to nearby residents from the regular heavy vehicle movements. However, it is noted that all users of the road, whether that be drivers or horse riders, must obey all road rules.</p>
<p>The truck wash down facility has the potential to cause impact to the surrounding rural lands and ecosystem.</p>	<p>The truck wash down facility is proposed to be regularly maintained to ensure that it does not cause adverse impacts to the ecosystem. Further conditions could be imposed on an approval requiring the treatment of any wastewater generated prior to being discharged.</p>
<p>The proposed development will provide additional manufacturers of agricultural inputs for local growers. This will lower supply costs of products and provide additional job opportunities.</p>	<p>The proposed development will provide an additional manufacturer to the Region. However, the community and economic benefit is limited. Further the manufacturing is intended to service a wider customer base of southern and western Queensland with limited local benefit.</p> <p>There is no demonstrated need for the use on the subject site that would override the inconsistency with the intent of the RLRPA and the adverse impacts on the amenity.</p>
<p>The development will adversely impact the peaceful enjoyment and rural amenity of the area by surrounding residents.</p>	<p>The development will adversely impact the peaceful enjoyment and rural amenity, through introducing industrial development to a rural area. These non-compliant outcomes cannot be conditioned to comply and is grounds for a refusal.</p>
<p>The use for industrial purposes on Good Quality Agricultural Land (GQAL) – Class B will result in a loss of land of agricultural value.</p>	<p>The industrial use is proposed on GQAL which will alienate and prevent this land from being used for agricultural purposes. This is inconsistent with the Planning Scheme and State Planning Policy which seeks to protect and enhance GQAL for agricultural purposes, as an important economic resource for the Region. These non-compliant outcomes cannot be conditioned to comply and are grounds for a refusal.</p>
<p>The development has not demonstrated compliance with the Desired</p>	<p>An assessment has been undertaken against the Desired Environmental Outcomes of the Planning Scheme which</p>

Environmental Outcomes of the Planning Scheme.	identified non-compliance. These non-compliant outcomes cannot be conditioned to comply and are grounds for a refusal.
The proposed development involves the use of diesel generators, which will impact upon air emissions, which must be avoided or minimised as per the <i>Environmental Protection (Air) Policy 2019</i> .	No issues were raised by SARA with respect to the ERAs and use of diesel generators. The diesel generators are required to supply electricity to the development. There are no outcomes or grounds under the Planning Scheme prescribing the type of electricity supply permitted. This is not grounds for a refusal.
The buildings will adversely impact upon the visual and scenic amenity of the area through the introduction of industrial buildings and development.	<p>The proposed buildings are of significant scale (4,200m² gross floor area and 10m in height). The height of buildings comply with the maximum 10m building height for the rural area. However, these buildings are of industrial scale and they do not complement the surrounding area which is generally characterised by dwelling houses and small scale sheds.</p> <p>These non-compliant outcomes cannot be conditioned to comply and are grounds for a refusal.</p>
The local heavy vehicle route from Heise Road to Woolshed Creek Road and Summerholm Road will require the use of Lot 244 M33909, which has not been included within the application therefore cannot be lawfully used.	Lot 244 M33909 was unallocated State land located at the intersection of Woolshed Creek Road and Heise Road. Recently this land was dedicated wholly as road by the State Government. Therefore, there are no concerns with use of this part of Woolshed Creek Road.
The site is located within the Regional Landscape and Rural Production Area (RLRPA) of the SEQ Regional Plan. The industrial use is inconsistent with the outcomes sought for the RLRPA.	<p>The RLRPA is to be protected from inappropriate development, particularly urban and rural residential development.</p> <p>The proposed development will adversely impact on the regional landscape and compromise the future use of the land for rural purposes. The proposal therefore is inconsistent with the SEQ Regional Plan.</p>

INFRASTRUCTURE CHARGES

If the proposed development was to be approved by Council, infrastructure charges would apply at a rate of \$28.72 per square metre of gross floor area.

CONCLUSION

The proposal:

- is for industrial development within the Rural landscape area;
- is inconsistent with the outcomes sought for the Rural landscape area;
- has no demonstrated overriding need to locate the use on the subject land;
- will result in adverse impacts to the rural amenity and quiet and peaceful enjoyment of the rural area by surrounding residents;
- utilises a circuitous and inefficient traffic route owing to the inappropriate location of industrial development within a rural area where there is inadequate infrastructure to support the use; and
- results in alienation of Good Quality Agricultural Land.

It is therefore recommended the development application be refused in accordance with Section 60 of the *Planning Act 2016*.

Options

Option A: Refuse the development application.

Option B: Approve the development application subject to reasonable and relevant conditions.

Option C: Approve the development application in part subject to reasonable and relevant conditions.

Critical Dates

A decision on the application must be made by Council by 17 March 2023.

Strategic Implications

Corporate Plan

Lockyer Planned – A development assessment process that delivers quality development that is consistent with legislation, best practice and community expectations.

Finance and Resource

Should the decision be contested in the Planning and Environment Court financial implications may occur.

Legislation and Policy

The application has been assessed in accordance with the requirements of the *Planning Act 2016*. Legal implications arising from the recommendation provided in this report are that the applicant and/or submitter/s may appeal the decision to the Planning and Environment Court.

Risk Management

The application has been assessed in accordance with the *Planning Act 2016*. Any risks have been mitigated through the appropriate assessment of the application in accordance with legislative requirements and the recommendation of a refusal due to the development not complying with the relevant assessment benchmarks.

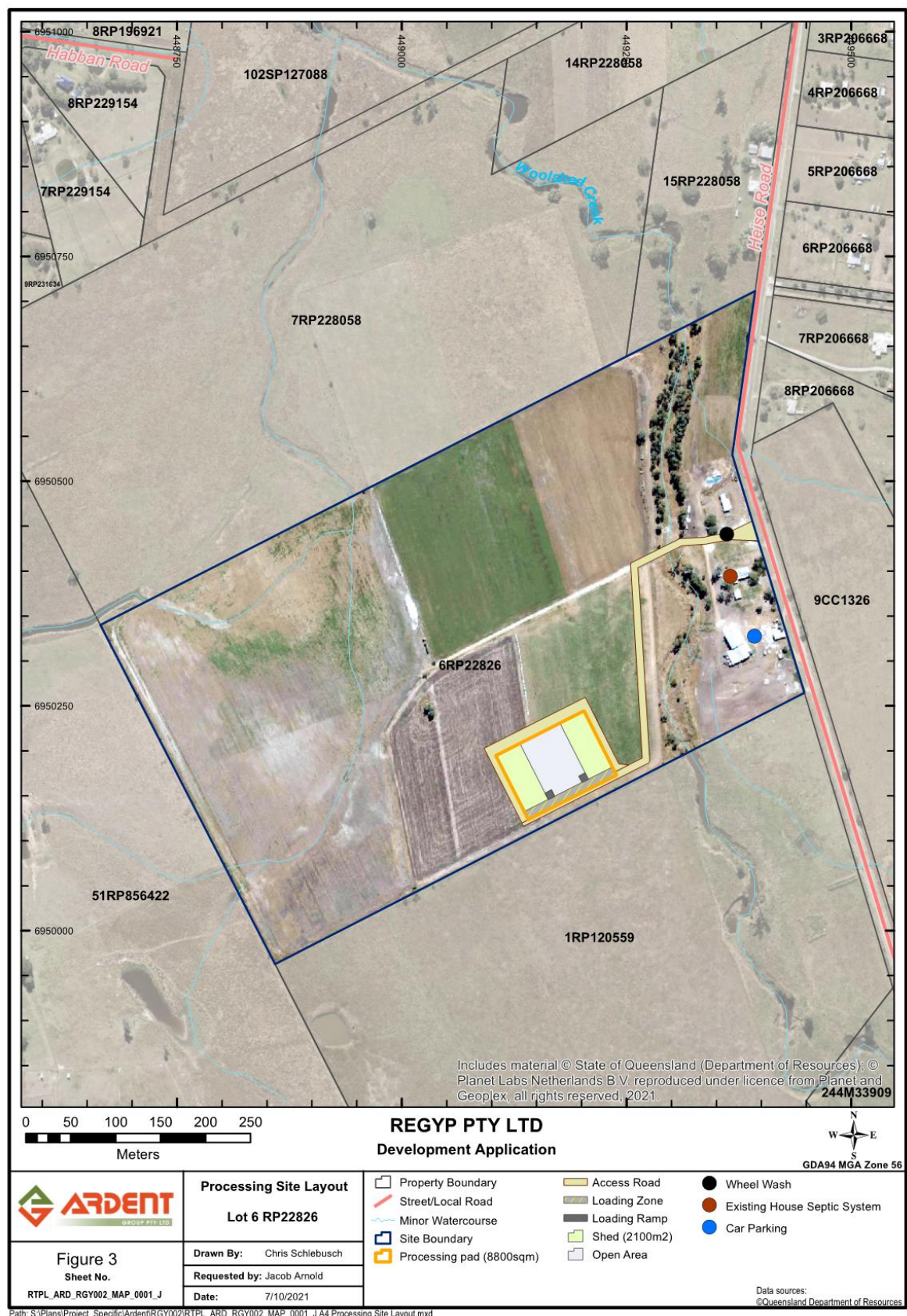
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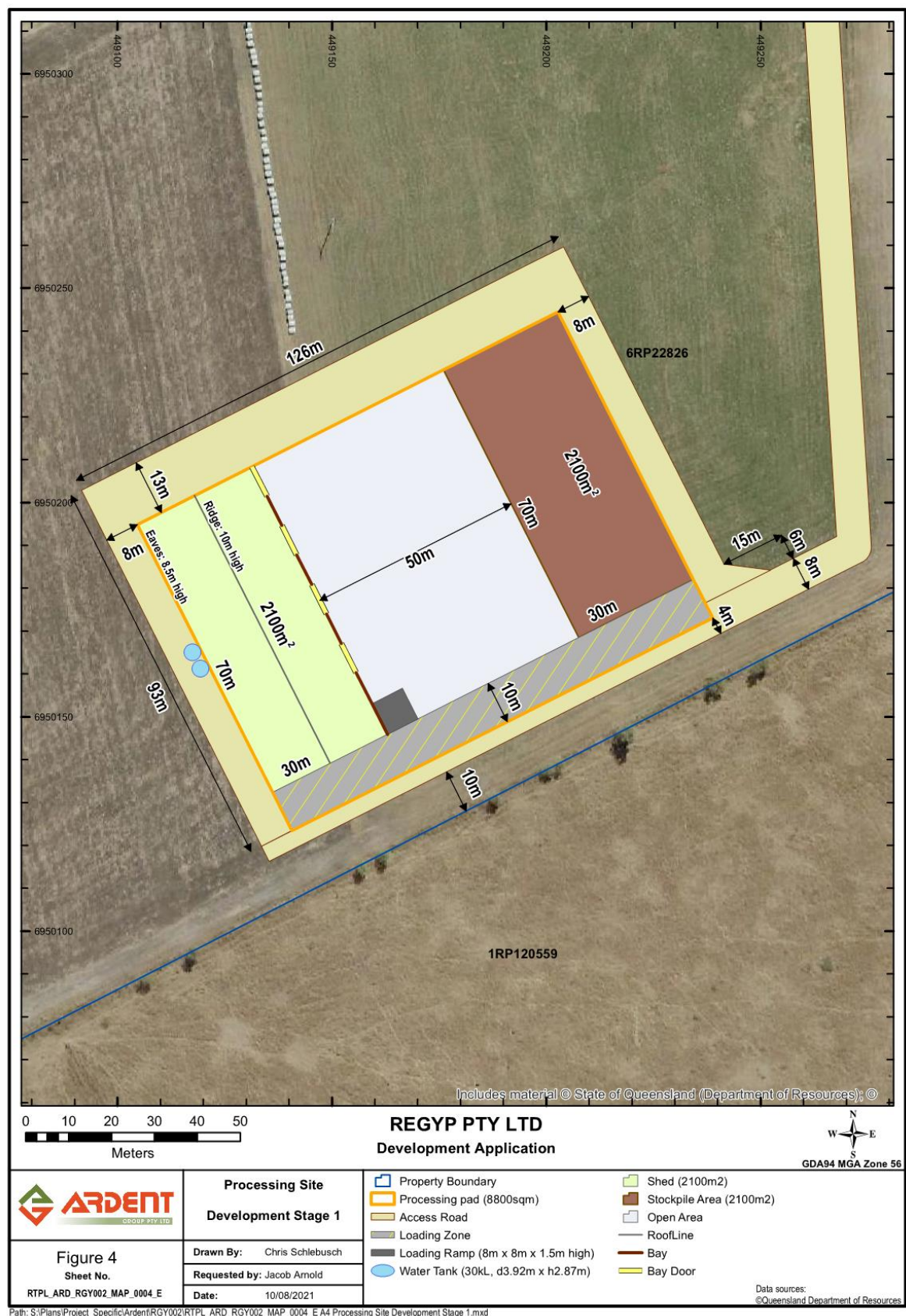
Councillor Consultation

The applicant/landowner presented their proposal to a Councillor Workshop on 14 January 2020. A meeting was held between Councillors, Council officers and the applicant to discuss the application on 15 June 2022. A further Councillor Workshop was held on 28 February 2023.

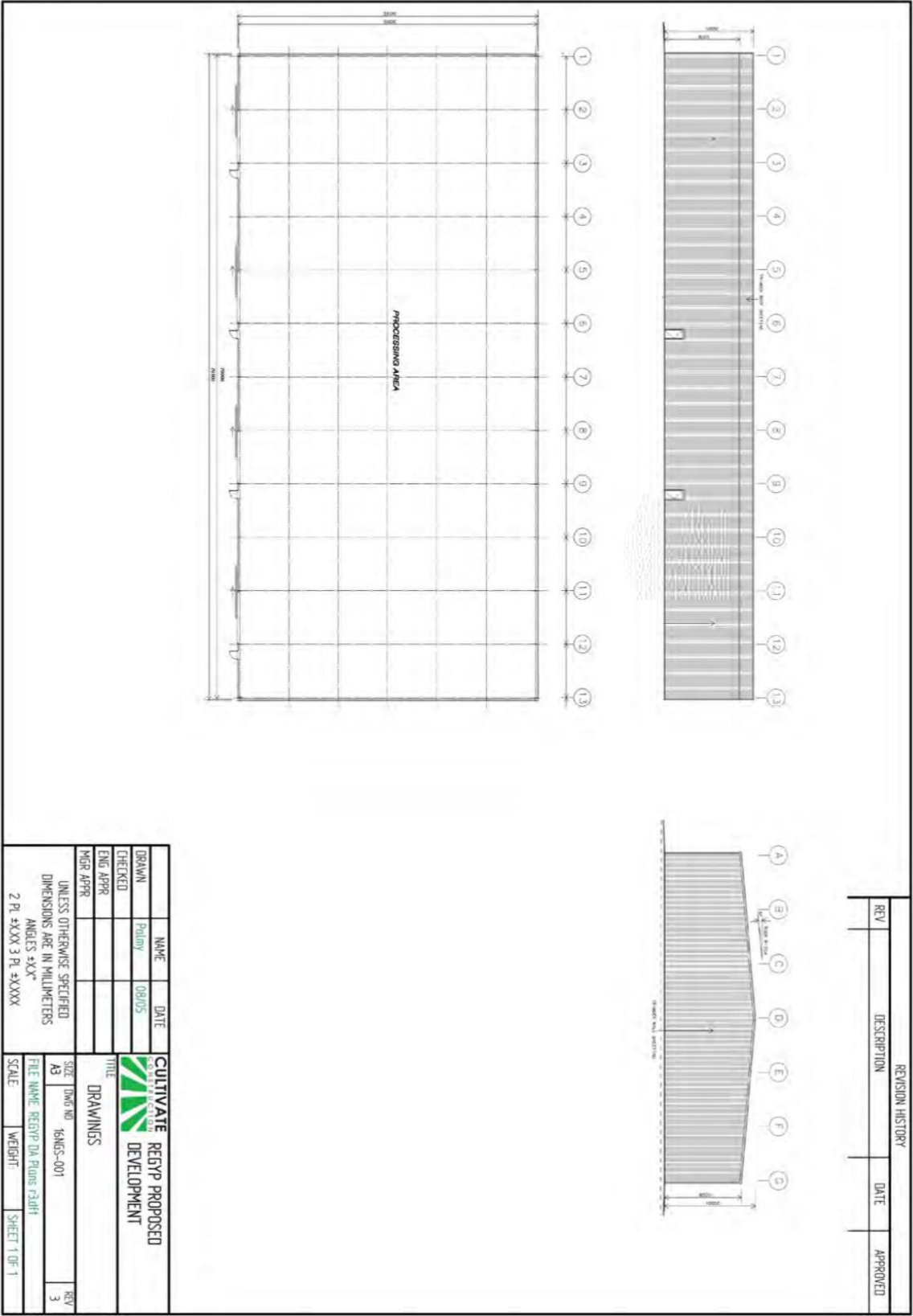
Attachments

1	MC2021/0088 Proposal Plans	5 Pages
2	MC2021/0088 Gaskell Planning Consultants Independent Assessment Report	54 Pages
3	MC2021/0088 SARA Referral Agency Response	11 Pages
4	MC2021/0088 Seqwater Third Party Advice Response	5 Pages









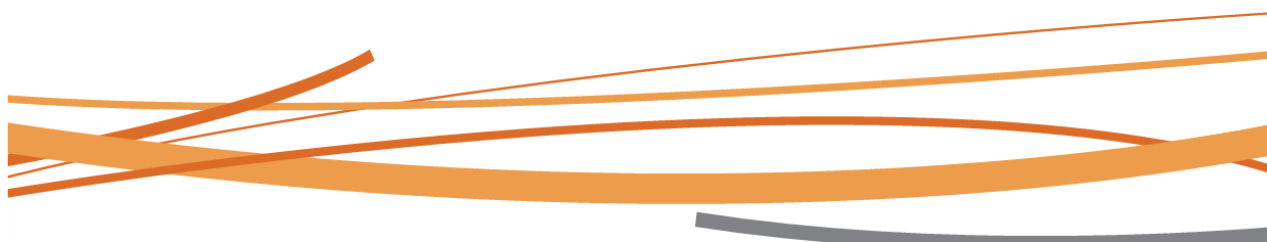


INDEPENDENT ASSESSMENT REPORT

41 Heise Road, Hatton Vale QLD 4341

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1 Introduction

1.1 Purpose of Report

Gaskell Planning Consultants has been commissioned by Lockyer Valley Regional Council to complete an independent assessment of a development application made over land located as 41 Heise Road, Hatton Vale QLD 4341 and described as Lot 6 on RP22826 (hereafter referred to as the 'subject land').

The development application seeks a Development Permit for Material change of Use for a Noxious, Offensive and Hazardous Industry (rural supply centre) combined with two ERAs:

- ERA 33 Crushing, milling, grinding or screening - more than 5,000 tonnes of material in a year (concurrency)
- ERA 54 Mechanical waste reprocessing – (1) operating a facility for receiving and mechanically reprocessing, in a year, more than 5,000 tonnes of inert, non-putrescible waste or green waste only (non-concurrency).

Council's development application reference is MC2021/0088.

The purpose of this independent assessment is to allow for an objective review of the facts and circumstances of the proposed development as the basis for the assessment against the Laidley Shire Planning Scheme 2003 and state planning framework.

I confirm that no instructions were given or accepted to adopt or reject any particular opinions in preparing this independent assessment report.

This report includes the following sections:

- **Section 2:** a description of the subject land and its surrounds
- **Section 3:** an outline of the proposed development
- **Section 4:** an overview of the relevant planning framework
- **Section 5:** an assessment of the key issues
- **Section 6:** recommendations arising from this independent report.

2 The Subject Land and Locality

2.1 The Subject Land

The subject land is located at 41 Heise Road, Hatton Vale QLD 4341 and described as Lot 6 on RP22826. The subject land has an area of 30.291 hectares, is irregular in shape, and has road frontage of approximately 460m to Heise Road. The subject land is not currently burdened or benefitted by any easements.

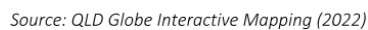
The subject land contains residential dwelling, rural sheds and open storage areas along the road frontage with the balance of the land being use for farming activities including grazing and cropping. The subject land contains a mapped waterway running north-south which the domestic portions of the land with the balance farming activities. Vehicle access is provided from a sealed road (Heise Road) which forms the site's eastern boundary.

Refer to **Figure 1** for an aerial photograph of the subject land and surrounding locality and **Figure 2** for a cadastre Smartmap of the subject land.

Figure 1: Aerial image of the Subject Land



Source: Nearmap, 2022 (image capture date 15 October 2022)

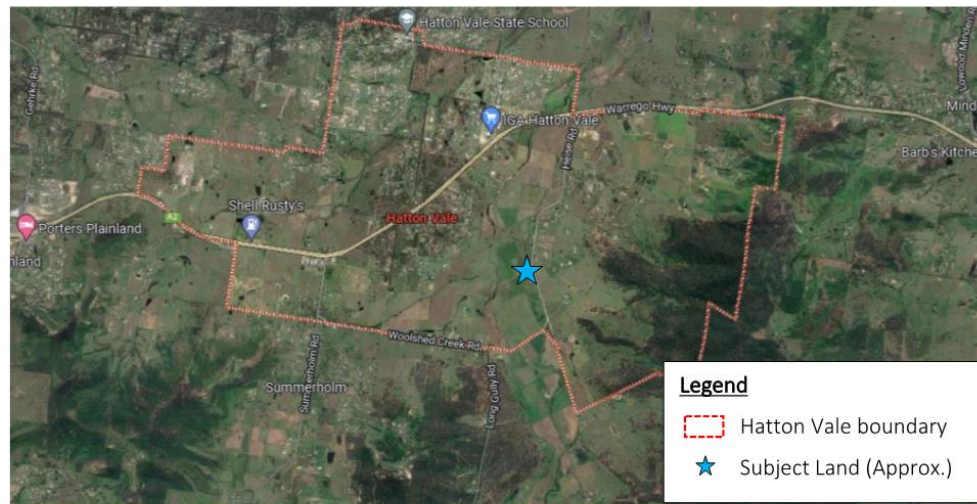


Heise Road is located on the suburb of Hatton Vale which is a rural town located within the Lockyer Valley Region. Hatton Vale is located on the Warrego Highway, 72 kilometres west of Brisbane and 36 Kilometres west of the regional centre of Ipswich. Land to the west of the Warrego Highway is primarily rural in nature containing large holdings used for rural residential and farming uses. Refer to **Figure 3** for an aerial photograph of the broader area surrounding the subject land.

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Figure 3: Hatton Vale and Subject Land context map



Source: Google Maps (2022)

Figure 4 : Immediate locality



Source: Nearmap: Image capture October 2022



3 Proposed Development

3.1 Development Application

Development application MC2021/0088, seeking a Development Permit for Material Change of Use for a Noxious, Offensive and Hazardous Industry (Rural Supply Centre), was properly made on 19 November 2021. The Council gave a confirmation notice to the applicant dated 1 December 2021.

The development application required impact assessment and required referral to other entities under the *Planning Regulation 2017*, including:

- The State Assessment and Referral Agency as a concurrence agency (being for an Environmentally Relevant Activity)
- SEQ Water as an advice agency.

The development application was assessed against the Laidley Shire Planning Scheme 2003 ('the Planning Scheme'). Council gave an information request to the applicant on 13 January 2022 and the applicant provided a response on 15 March 2022.

The development application required public notification and was advertised from 31 March 2022 to 26 April 2022 and attracted 58 properly made submissions (including 1 petition with 38 signatories). The submitters raised issues of traffic impacts, air and noise impacts, loss of amenity, environmental impacts, health and safety concerns. Whilst some of the submissions do not have publicly available details of where the submitters lived or what their interest(s) might be, the majority of submissions appear to be from the surrounding Hatton Vale area.

The applicant provided a notice of compliance dated 27 April 2022 confirming public notification had been carried out in accordance with the Development Assessment Rules.

Council gave further advice on 21 June 2022. On 15 November 2022, the applicant and assessment manager agreed to extend the decision period until 17 February 2023, providing additional time for the applicant to respond to Council's further advice.

3.2 Proposed Use

IDAS Form 1 identifies the use as a Rural supply centre, involving a medium industry, and Environmentally Relevant Activities ERA 33 and ERA 54(1). The Confirmation notice (1 December 2021) identified the use as a 'Noxious, offensive and hazardous industry' (Rural supply centre) and ERA 33 and 54.

The proposed development involves a 'rural supply centre' for the purpose of processing (milling, screening and mixing) minerals such as gypsum, dolomite and phosphate for use in agricultural activities. The manufacturing process of gypsum involves recycling plasterboard sourced from construction materials. Production volumes are proposed to be 29,000 tonnes per year and it is estimated that the use will generate eleven truck movements per day (66 truck movements per week, based on the six days of operation proposed). The planning report states that onsite activities will also include sale of other ancillary products and materials such as fencing materials, poly pipe and seed mixes. According to the planning report, these materials will be stored in a nominated stockpile area. The intended hours of operation are for processing are:

- 7am to 5pm, Monday to Friday
- 7am to 1pm Saturday (Closed Sunday)

The applicant's planning report states the site will be open during daylight hours. No specific hours have been included in the planning application. The products and services are proposed to be delivered to customers across Queensland. The proposed development involves two stages:



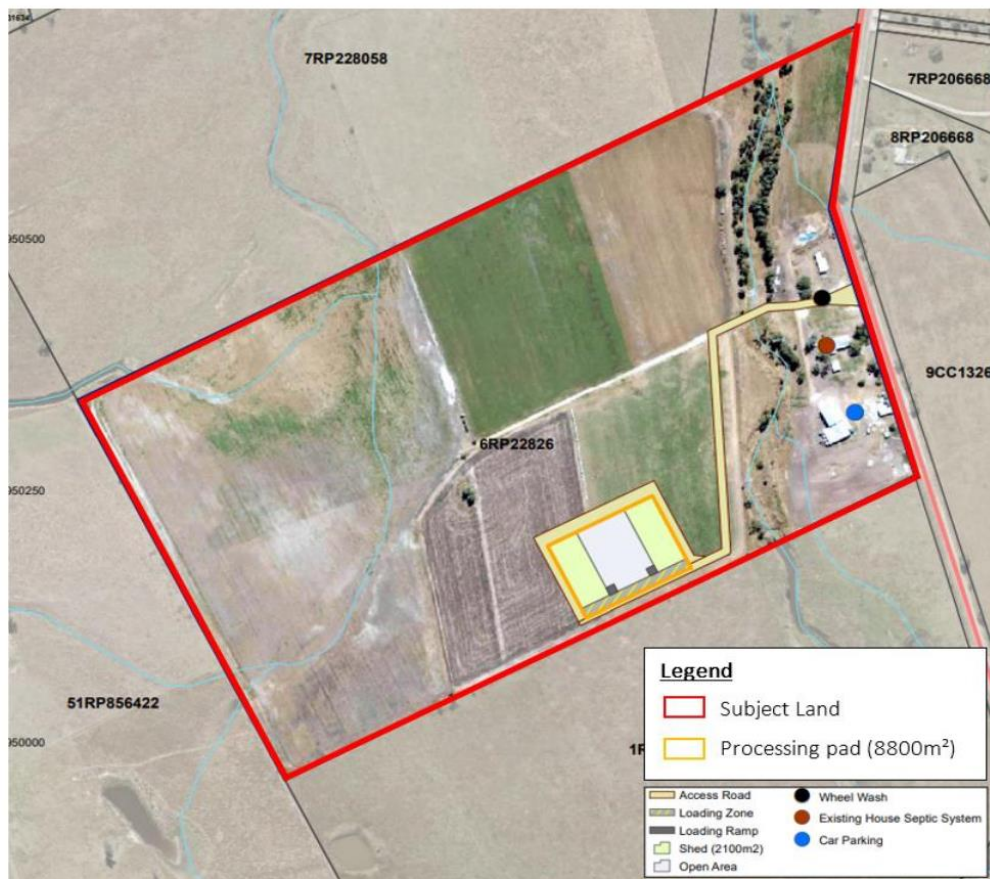
- Stage 1 – the construction of a large shed to contain all processing equipment.
- Stage 2 – the construction of a second shed to contain all the material and product stockpiles.

Built form will be located on the southern boundary and involves:

- 8,800m² processing pad adjoining the southern boundary of the subject land, comprising:
 - » 2,100m² shed
 - » 2,100m² stockpile area (Stage 1) to be converted to a shed (Stage 2)
 - » Loading zone
 - » Loading ramp
- Access road and wheel wash area.

The planning report states that a total of 12 car parks will be provided on the subject land, within proximity to the existing residence. The car parking is intended to accommodate staff (10 employees expected), PWD and visitor parking requirements. We understand existing residential buildings fronting Heise Road will remain unchanged as a result of the proposed development. The balance of the property will continue to be used for agricultural purposes (cropping).

Figure 4: Extract of Site Layout Plan from Planning Report



Source: MC2021/0088 Development Application Material (Planning Report), 2021



3.3 Environmentally Relevant Activities

The development application includes two prescribed environmentally relevant activities (ERA's) under Schedule 2 of the *Environmental Protection Regulation 2019*. These are:

- ERA 33 Crushing, milling, grinding or screening - more than 5,000 tonnes of material in a year (concurrency)
- ERA 54 Mechanical waste reprocessing – (1) operating a facility for receiving and mechanically reprocessing, in a year, more than 5,000 tonnes of inert, non-putrescible waste or green waste only (non-concurrency).

Both ERAs are concurrency, requiring both development approval and environmental approved as part of a combined development application.

The Department of Environment and Science (as delegate of the administering authority under the *Environmental Protection Act 1994*) granted an environmental authority approval on 18 March 2022 (reference R-EA-100210822).

The Environmental authority is subject to conditions limiting the use as follows:

- Milling and screening must not exceed 30,000 tonnes in a year.
- Combining or mixing gypsum and or other minerals must not exceed 200 tonnes per year.
- Gypsum based plasterboard is the only waste type able to be accepted and processed onsite.
- Hours of operation for activities are between 7am to 5pm weekdays and 7am to 1pm Saturday. No operation is to occur outside of these times.

3.4 Submissions

As set out above 58 properly made submissions were received on the proposal with 2 in support and 56 opposed¹ to the proposed development. The range of issues contained in the submissions included:

- The proposed 'noxious, offensive and hazardous' industry being inconsistent with the rural amenity rural setting and landscape of the locality
- Major increases in traffic, including heavy vehicles traversing minor and rural standard roads, and the noise generated from the additional heavy vehicles
- The safety issues arising and the lack of suitability of heavy vehicles on the minor and rural standard roads
- Air pollution and noise
- Stormwater management and the impact of flooding
- The suitability of industrial land to accommodate the proposal.

¹ One of the 56 submissions opposed set out a survey, which set out the basis for opposition of the proposal.



4 Statutory Planning Framework

4.1 Planning Act 2016

The *Planning Act 2016* (the 'Act') provides the statutory planning framework for the State of Queensland and outlines the statutory process for preparing, assessing and deciding development applications. The Act provides that development which is categorised as assessable development will require a development permit before it can be lawfully carried out.

The Laidley Shire Planning Scheme 2003 categorises the development as assessable development and therefore requires a development approval prior to the development commencing. Assessable development is required to be undertaken in accordance with section 45 of the Act, having regard to the relevant assessment benchmarks and other relevant matters. The proposed development is **impact assessable** and therefore requires assessment against the items listed in section 45(5) of the Act.

Section 45 of the Act sets out that an impact assessment is an assessment that:

- (a) *must be carried out—*
 - (i) *against the assessment benchmarks in a categorising instrument for the development;*
 - and*
 - (ii) *having regard to any matters prescribed by regulation for this subparagraph; and*
- (b) *may be carried out against, or having regard to, any other relevant matter, other than a person's personal circumstances, financial or otherwise.*

Examples of a relevant matter is identified as a planning need, the current relevance of assessment benchmarks in the light of changed circumstances and whether assessment benchmarks or other prescribed matters were based on material errors.

4.2 Referral agencies

The State Development Assessment Provisions ('SDAP') is a statutory instrument prescribed by the *Planning Regulation 2017*. SDAP version 2.6 (commenced on 7 February 2020) was the version in effect when this development application was properly made. The current version of SDAP, version 3.0 did not commence until 18 February 2022.

The Queensland Government's Development Assessment Mapping System ('DAMS') spatially defines matters of State interest that may be applicable to the subject land. This mapping assists with understanding where certain development, under Schedule 10 of the *Planning Regulation 2017*, may be made assessable, where State referral is required, and where the SDAP may be prescribed.

The DAMS identifies the following mapping layers are applicable to the subject land:

- Fish habitat areas – Queensland waterways for waterway barrier works (Low, Moderate, High)
- Water resources – Water resource planning area boundaries, Great artesian water resource plan area
- Koala priority area – Koala priority area.

Refer to **Appendix A** for a copy of the DAMS results.

Referral agencies (and their jurisdictions) that are applicable to assessable development are set out in Schedule 10 of the *Planning Regulation 2017* ('PR'). The PR identifies the proposed development requires referral to the Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning ('DSDILGP') as the State Assessment and Referral Agency ('SARA') and assessment against the relevant SDAP. **Table 1** summarises the referrals for the proposed development.



Table 1: Referrals for the proposed development

Referral Basis	Referral Agency	Matters Referral Agency Must be Against
Environmentally relevant activities		
Schedule 10, Part 5, Division 4, Table 2 – Non-devolved environmentally relevant activities	The chief executive	State code 22: Environmentally relevant activities (v2.6)

4.3 State Planning Policy

The State Planning Policy ('the SPP') July 2017 was in effect at the date the development application was properly made. The Laidley Shire Planning Scheme 2003 does not state that the State interests in the SPP relevant to Lockyer Regional Shire Council have been integrated.

Under the PR an assessment manager must have regard to the SPP (including the relevant state interest statement and policies), where the planning scheme has not appropriately integrated the state interest. The SPP only applies as a matter to have regard to where the assessment manager considers these matters are relevant to the proposed development and only to the extent of any inconsistency with the planning scheme.

The current SPP Interactive Mapping System identifies the following layers for State Interests on the subject land:

- Agriculture – Important agricultural areas, Agricultural land classification (class A and B)
- Biodiversity – MSES – Regulated vegetation (intersecting a watercourse)
- Water quality – Water resource catchments
- Natural hazards risk and resilience – Flood hazard area – Local Government flood mapping area.

Refer to **Appendix B** for a copy of the SPP results.

4.3.1 Agriculture

Part E of the SPP is relevant to the assessment of the application. Agricultural land classification A and B are required to be protected for sustainable agricultural use by avoiding development that will have a irreversible impact on the land.

Agricultural land is required to be protected for sustainable agricultural growth, avoiding development that will have an irreversible impact. (SPP: State interest – Agriculture). The SPP emphasises the allowance for development that is complementary to agricultural uses (such as on farm processing, agri-tourism) – which is not the case with the proposed use.

4.3.2 Biodiversity

Part E of the SPP is relevant to the assessment of the proposed development in relation to biodiversity State interests. The relevant assessment benchmarks under Part E state:

- (1) Development is located in areas to avoid significant impacts on matters of national environmental significance and considers the requirements of the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999.
- (2) Matters of state environmental significance are identified² and development is located in areas that avoid adverse impacts; where adverse impacts cannot be reasonably avoided, they are minimised³.



- (3) Matters of local environmental significance are identified and development is located in areas that avoid adverse impacts; where adverse impacts cannot be reasonably avoided, they are minimised.*
- (4) Ecological processes and connectivity is maintained or enhanced by avoiding fragmentation of matters of environmental significance.*
- (5) Viable koala populations in South East Queensland are protected by conserving and enhancing koala habitat extent and condition.*

4.3.3 Water quality

Part E of the SPP is relevant to the assessment of the proposed development in relation to water quality State interests.

4.3.4 Natural hazards risk and resilience

Part E of the SPP is relevant to the assessment of the proposed development in relation to bushfire hazard State interests.

4.4 South East Queensland Regional Plan 2017

The South East Queensland Regional Plan 2017 – ShapingSEQ ('the Regional Plan') was in effect at the date the development application was properly made. The ShapingSEQ includes the subject land in the Regional Landscape and Rural Production Area (see **Figure 5**).

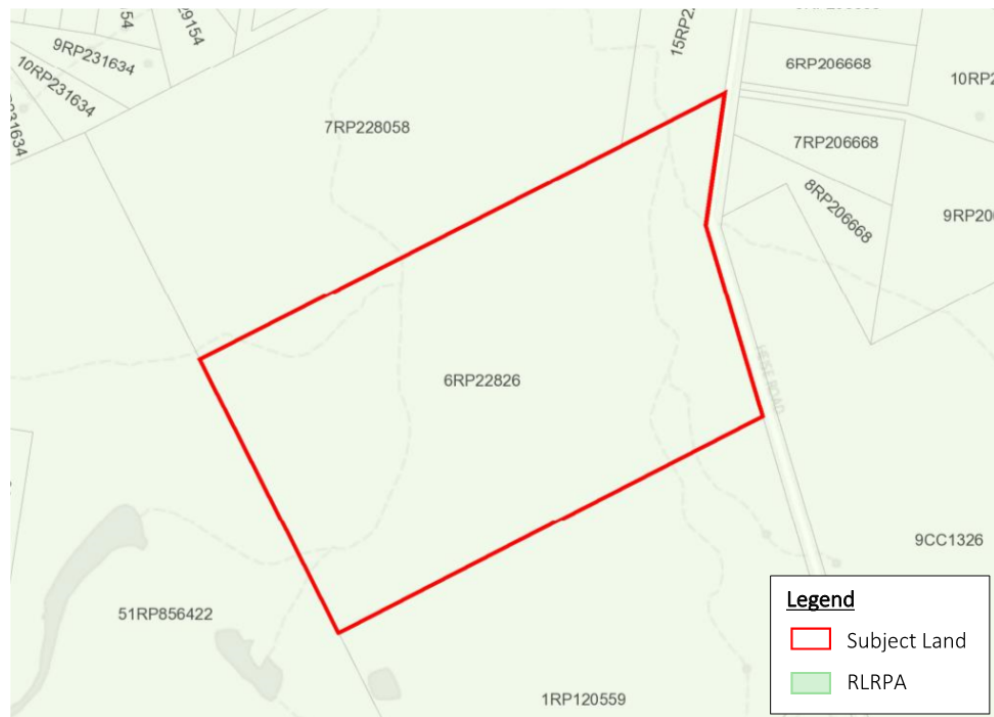
The intent of the Regional Landscape and Rural Production Area is to:

- *protect the values of this land from encroachment by urban and rural residential development*
- *protect natural assets and regional landscapes, and ensure their sustainable use and management*
- *support development and economic growth of rural communities and industries.*

The SEQ Regional Plan contains relevant policies and outcomes which support the retention of agricultural land, avoiding its fragmentation or alienation from urban development. The proposed use is urban in nature, having no nexus with the land on which it is located, and being defined as an industry use and commercial use.



Figure 5: ShapingSEQ land use category applicable to the subject land



Source: Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning, 2022

4.5 Laidley Shire Planning Scheme 2003

4.5.1 Overview

The Laidley Shire Planning Scheme 2003 ('Planning Scheme') was in effect at the time the development application was properly made and is the Planning Scheme referred to by this planning report.

Table 3 provides a summary of the Planning Scheme specific information applicable to the subject land.

Table 2: Relevant Planning Scheme information

Planning Scheme aspect	Details
Desired Environmental Outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environment Economic Community Well-Being and Lifestyle.
Zone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rural areas <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rural Landscape
Overlay Mapping	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Areas of Natural and Environmental Significance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bushfire Prone Areas – Medium Bushfire Risk



Strategy Mapping	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agricultural Land Classes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Good Quality Agricultural Land – Class B – Limited Crop Land
Temporary Local Planning Instrument	TLPI 2022 Flood regulation (Overland flow paths)

4.5.2 Desired Environmental Outcomes

The Planning Scheme contains Desired Environmental Outcomes (DEOs) which provide the broad policy outcomes and land use strategies sought for Laidley Shire. There are 12 DEOs, including DEOs relevant to the assessment of the proposed development:

- Environment
- Economic
- Community Well-Being and Lifestyle.

Desired environmental outcomes considered relevant to the assessment of the proposed development include the following:

Environment

- The areas of high scenic amenity, remnant vegetation, wetlands, fauna habitats and wildlife corridors and regional significant open space in the Shire are protected. ...*

Economic

- Good Quality Agricultural Land is protected as a major economic resource for the region.*
- Industry, business and employment opportunities are improved and appropriately located to service the community and sub-region, and encourage economic activity within the local area.*
- Rural business opportunities are improved to protect and value-add to the existing rural based economy...*

Community well-being and lifestyle

- A convenient access to roads and services is achieved through well located land uses and the efficient use and timely provision of infrastructure such as water, sewerage and roads, walkways and cycling facilities. ...*

4.5.3 Broad strategies for Laidley Shire

The Laidley Shire planning scheme contains six broad strategies. Two of the strategies are considered relevant to the assessment of the proposed development:

(1) Rural Areas

Rural Areas provide for continued agricultural activities and retention of scenic amenity of the rural landscape. These areas provide the basis of Laidley Shire's economy and all uses in these areas are compatible to agricultural activities. ...

(3) Industrial Areas

Industrial Areas provide for industrial uses of a local and regional nature. Infrastructure provided to these areas is utilised to service industrial activities. ...



4.5.4 Definition

The following definitions, contained in Schedule 1 Dictionary, are considered relevant in the assessment of the proposed use:

"Industry" – means the use of premises for making, assembling, breaking up, servicing, storing or repairing goods, or treating wastes, if at a scale and of a nature not included in "Commercial Premises". For the purposes of this Scheme, industrial uses are further defined as;

(a) Light Industry

(b) Medium Industry

(c) Noxious, Offensive & Hazardous Industry.

Noxious, Offensive and Hazardous Industry" – means the use of premises for the carrying on of an industry, which by reasons of the processes or materials involved, or the method of manufacture, or the nature of the processes or materials used or produced, requires isolation from other buildings or areas of human activity or occupation because of the detrimental effect which such processes or materials might have on the amenity of such areas, or the health of its occupants."

The term 'rural supply centre' is not defined in the planning scheme. It is understood that the 'Rural supply centre' will not allow for visitation by the public to the premises or for goods to be purchased on site. The 'rural supply centre' is a distribution/ logistics activity only. If open to the public and on site sales occurred the use would be defined as "bulk retail" or "Shop".

"Bulk Retail" – means the use of premises, comprising a gross floor area greater than 300m², for the purpose of displaying and/or offering for sale to members of the public, goods of a bulky nature. The term includes, but is not limited to, the following uses;

Agricultural machinery & accessories ...

Shop – means the use of premises for the displaying or offering of goods for sale by retail. The term does not include any of the uses listed under "Refreshment Service".

4.5.5 Areas and level of assessment

The land is included in the Rural Landscape Area. Table 9 of the planning scheme does not identify the proposed use as exempt, self assessable or code assessable and is considered 'other' uses which are identified as requiring impact assessment. Section 6.2 of the planning scheme contains the Rural Areas Code which sets out a series of overall outcomes. Overall outcomes for the Rural Areas considered relevant to the assessment of the proposed development include:

"Good Quality Agricultural Land (GQAL) within the Shire is protected and forms the major economic base for the Shire;

Predominately used for agricultural purposes; ...

The range of primary industries reflect the economic potential of the Laidley Shire;

The rural environment and scenic values are maintained for the enjoyment of the community and tourists;

...

Rural uses are undertaken in a manner that avoids adverse effects on the environment; ...

Development maximises the efficient use, extension and safe operation of infrastructure; ...

Good Quality Agricultural Land is not alienated by development in that;

- Adjacent uses do not compromise agricultural operation – protect farm practices; and ...*
- Buffers are included in adjacent uses."*



Specific outcomes for the Rural landscape area (Section 6.2.4) include:

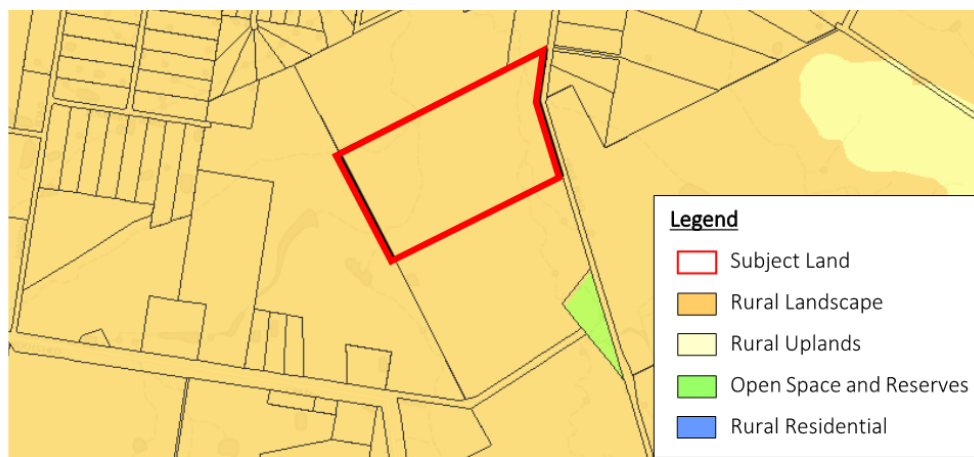
"Rural industry uses, or those land uses considered to be complementary to the rural setting, are undertaken in the Rural Landscape Area;

Rural production on Good Quality Agricultural Land is free from intrusion by incompatible uses; ..."

4.5.6 Zones

The Planning Scheme includes the subject land in the Rural Landscape zone (Figure 6).

Figure 6: Zone map of the Subject Land



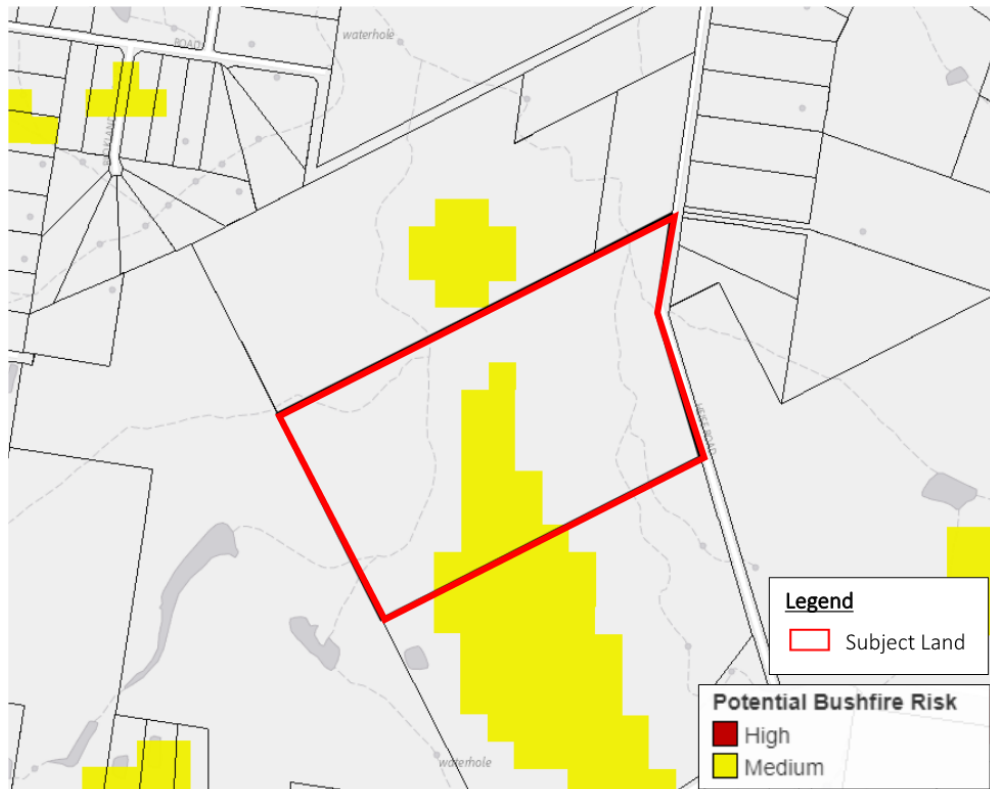
Source: Gatton and Laidley Shire Planning Scheme – Interactive Mapping, 2022

4.5.7 Overlay Mapping

Areas of Natural and Environmental Significance – Bushfire Prone Areas

A relevant overall outcome from the Areas of Natural and Environmental Significance Overlay Code identified that "development within areas identified as medium and extreme bushfire risk are protected with appropriate measures to reduce fire risk". (Section 6.7.2 (2)).

Figure 7: Subject Land - Bushfire Prone Areas



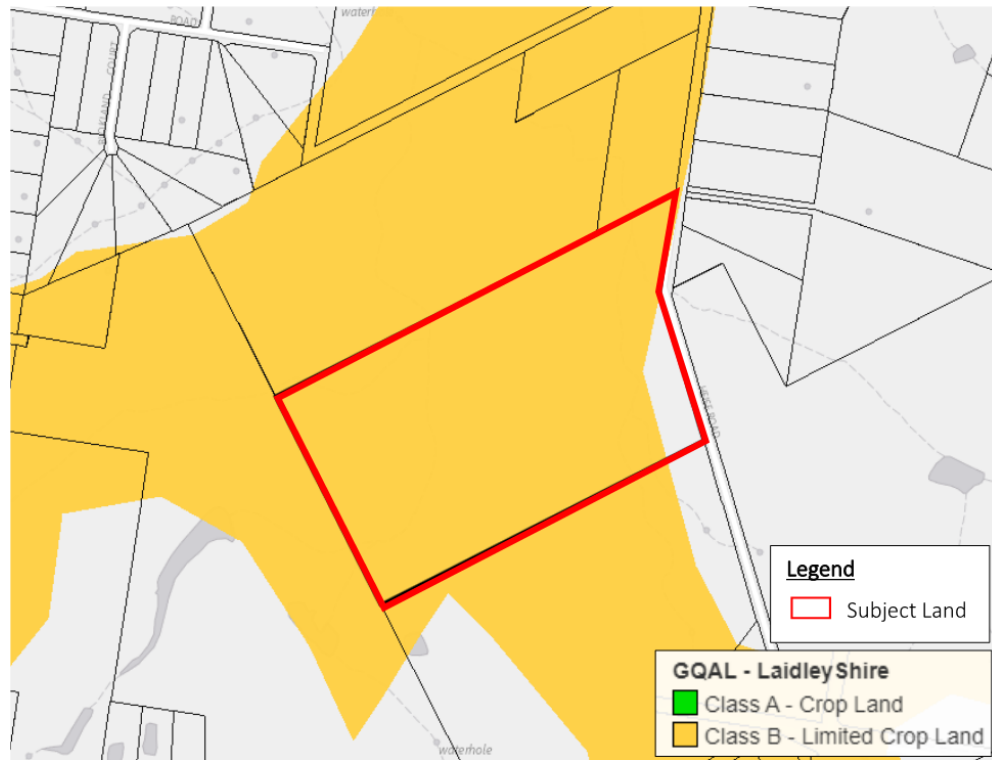
Source: Gatton and Laidley Shire Planning Scheme – Interactive Mapping, 2022

4.5.8 Strategy Mapping - Agricultural Land Classes

Good Quality Agricultural Land

Good quality land is referred to in Section 6.2 Rural areas code, and the overall outcomes identify that “Good quality agricultural land (GQAL) within the Shire is protected and forms the major economic base for the Shire”. (Section 6.2.2)

Figure 8: Subject Land – GQAL



Source: Gatton and Laidley Shire Planning Scheme – Interactive Mapping, 2022

4.5.9 Rural uses code

Section 6.15 of the planning scheme contains the Rural uses code. The overall outcomes sought are:

“Agricultural land is preserved as a key economic resource; Agricultural, farming activities, and intensive animal uses avoid significant adverse effects on the natural environment;

Compatible land uses are encouraged to protect the rural scenic values of the Shire and protect Good Quality Agricultural Land;

There are no significant impacts on rural amenity, or the quiet enjoyment of the surrounding community.”

The rural uses code contains a range of specific outcomes relevant to the assessment of the proposed development.

1. *The development is of a scale generally compatible with the surrounding amenity having regard to the existing character of the locality; and*
2. *Noise generated by the use does not exceed acceptable levels of noise in the surrounding neighbourhood; and*
3. *The manoeuvring of vehicular traffic both on and offsite does not compromise human safety and ingress and egress of heavy vehicles does not result in damage to public or private property; and*
4. *The use does not generate unacceptable levels of dust nuisance; and*



5. *The use complies with the requirements set out in Planning Scheme Policy No. 4 – Preparation of Landscape Management Plans; and*
...
7. *The use does not cause odour emissions capable of causing environmental nuisance; and*
...
9. *The use complies with the requirements set out in Planning Scheme Policy Number 3 – Preparation of Environmental Management plans; and”*

4.5.10 Industrial Areas

The proposed use is not located in or near an industrial area. Some assessment criteria (overall outcomes and specific outcomes) may be relevant however, in relation to planning principles for locating industrial development in the Laidley Shire, including

Overall outcomes

“Industrial development in the Shire is located in an efficient, equitable and ecologically sustainable manner to the needs of the local and regional community;

The range of industries reflect the economic potential of the Shire;

Land uses that will not inhibit the future development of the area for industrial use are provided;

Industrial development preserves the amenity and ecological health of the Shire.”

Specific Outcomes

“The type and scale of development is located, designed and managed to;

(i) maintain the safety of people and works;

(ii) maintain amenity for surrounding land uses through buffering;

(iii) avoid significant adverse effects on the environment;

(iv) minimise off-site impacts;

Suitable land for local and sub-regional industrial activities, at locations within the Shire, is provided;

Industrial uses are consolidated to confine impacts to Industrial Areas, or other locations where such impacts do not significantly affect amenity;

Industrial activities are consolidated to provide cost effective infrastructure;

Regionally focused, transport reliant, industrial activities are located in areas close to the Warrego Highway;

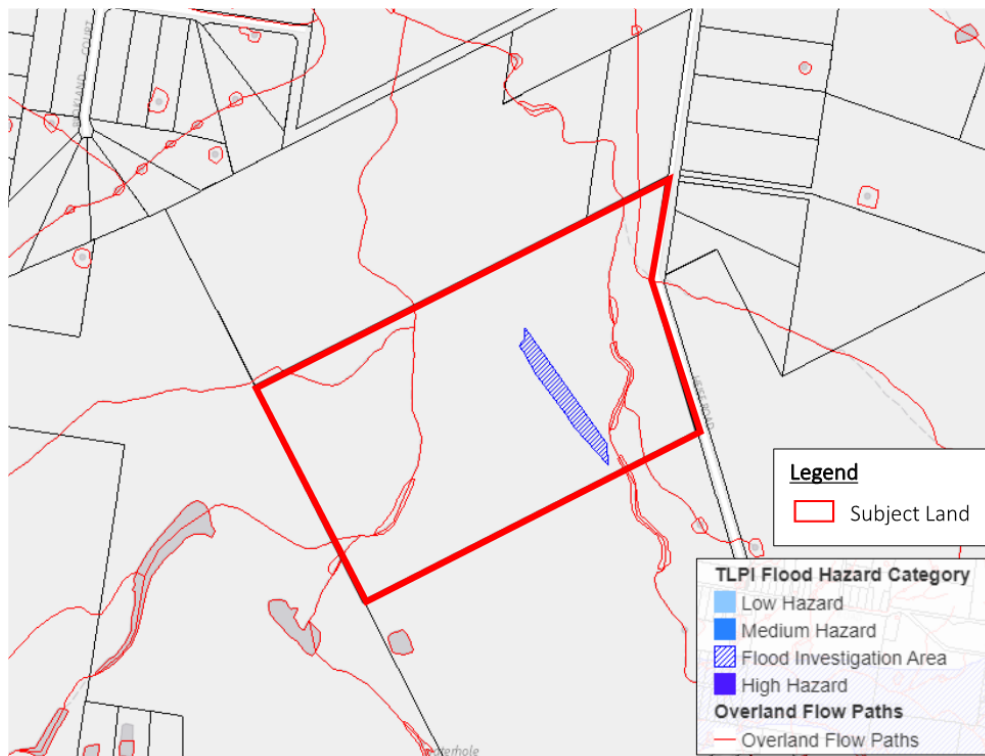
Amenity is maintained for surrounding land uses by buffering industrial uses”

4.5.11 Temporary Local Planning Instrument

Temporary Local Planning Instrument 2022 Flood regulation (Overland flow paths) was in effect when the development application was properly made. TLPI 2022 regulates development within flood prone areas of the Lockyer Valley Region and affects the operation of the Planning Scheme by introducing a Flood hazard overlay and Flood hazard overlay code which includes assessment benchmarks for development within the overlay.

Council has confirmed that the latest flood modelling identifies that there are no flooding impacts along the Overland Flow Path effecting the subject land with the proposed development compliant with the Flood hazard overlay code.

Figure 9: Subject Land TLPI Flood Hazard and Overlay Flow Paths



Source: Gatton and Laidley Shire Planning Scheme – Interactive Mapping, 2022



5 Discussion of assessment against benchmarks

5.1 Summary

Assessment under the Act is required against the assessment benchmarks. The key planning issues arising from the proposal against the assessment benchmarks, and a summary of the assessment, is outlined below, and includes:

- The definition of the proposed use
- The assessment of the suitability of the proposed land use
- Traffic
- Amenity
- Agricultural land
- Bushfire
- Environmental considerations
- Acoustic assessment

5.2 Definition of the Proposed use

The application material identifies the proposal as including a medium industry and a 'rural supply centre'. The confirmation notice identified a more accurate description of the use being a 'rural supply centre' and a 'noxious, hazardous and offensive industry'.

Primarily the use involves the delivery of building products containing gypsum, processing the product, and delivering the product to farms across southern and western Queensland². The use also involves the storage and distribution of products such as dolomite and phosphate. Other materials that are sold from the site and delivered include but are not limited to poly pipe, fencing materials, seed mixes.

It appears that the land use allows for the storage and sale of a range of agricultural goods and delivery from the premises to the farm.

In my opinion the use of the premises selling goods for delivery to properties in southern and western Queensland underpins the commercial nature of the proposal. A "rural supply centre" is an appropriate definition in the circumstances, as it highlights the commercial nature of the use, including the delivery of goods from the site. This is not considered ancillary or material to the operation of a gypsum recycling operation and is a separate use. Other goods for sale ("stockpiled on site") and fertiliser not produced on site (such as phosphate) forms part of the proposed use. There is no suggestion that the agricultural products will be restricted to the materials produced on site, and if approved, a wide range of agricultural products could be stored on site and delivered across Queensland.

5.3 Assessment of the suitability of the proposed land use at its location

The proposed involves two separate uses. The two uses can operate independently and include:

- The Rural supply centre is similar to a "bulk retail" or a "shop", as set out above, but without direct customer visitation to the premises.
- The proposed noxious, hazardous and offensive industry and environmentally relevant activities 33 and 54(1).

The proposed uses noxious, hazardous and offensive industry and rural supply centre are different to reasonably expected agricultural or grazing use, including:

- The higher volumes of heavy vehicle and employee traffic, manoeuvring and parking

² Ardent assessment report page 3.



- The more continuous traffic movements expected day to day and week to week
- The five to six days per week operation of the activity, including machinery
- The outdoor storage areas and processing of materials not usually associated with agricultural uses.

This contrasts with an agricultural use, which at peak times, may have elevated staff and truck movements, but would otherwise not generate the same level of employee, heavy vehicle traffic or continual background noise from the generator and industry activity.

The location of the proposed development is characterised by the following:

- A series of smaller rural residential or 'lifestyle blocks'
- Larger holdings used for agriculture, or for grazing purposes.

Areas of bushland or more heavily vegetated land are located in some areas distant from the site.

The subject land is approximately 2.3km from the Warrego Highway.

The land appears to be a quiet rural area typical of many areas of the Lockyer Valley which contain a range of rural, rural living and agricultural uses.

The development proposes to introduce a sales/ logistics use (involving receipt and delivery of rural goods, including fertiliser) and an noxious, hazardous and offensive industry.

The Laidley Shire planning scheme provides the planning framework for this part of the region, and specifically seeks a range of high level outcomes for the former Shire's rural areas. The proposal cuts across broader planning outcomes for rural areas including:

- Protecting the high scenic amenity of the shire. The use of stockpiles, vehicle manoeuvring and parking areas inherent in the proposed use detracts from the areas scenic amenity values
- Protecting good quality agricultural land (GQAL). GQAL is impacted through the introduction of an industrial use, and a rural supply centre, and does not avoid GQAL.
- Maintaining and protecting rural amenity. The proposal is likely to significantly detract from the rural amenity of the area, through noise impacts and noise and disturbance from the increased heavy vehicles. I defer to environmental quality expertise in relation to air and noise impacts of the proposed use and its impacts on the rural amenity of the locality
- The appropriate location of industry, business and employment. The location has no nexus with other business or industry, is isolated, and is not considered an appropriate location for industry or commercial use
- Convenient access to roads and services through well located land uses and the efficient use and timely provision of infrastructure such as roads. The proposal is required to utilise a network of rural roads and does not have direct, close or convenient proximity to the arterial road network.

In my opinion the proposed development cuts across the strategic outcomes sought for the former Laidley Shire, including the need to locate industry and commercial uses in areas set aside for these purposes, or in locations which do not impact GQAL, infrastructure or rural amenity reasonably expected for rural locations.

The location of the use bears no relationship with the land uses around it and does not contribute to the orderly development of the former Laidley Shire, where these activities are expected on industrial land, or land in an urban or urban fringe environment that has better access to a developed or suitable road network.

The Rural areas are expected to provide for "agricultural activities and retention of scenic amenity" as a basis for the former Laidley Shires economic development. This contrasts with Industry areas which are provided to accommodate industry and employment generated uses at locations where infrastructure is able to support their development.



5.4 Traffic

The application material identifies that heavy vehicle access will enter and exit the site from the Warrego Highway via Somerholm Road, Woolshed Creek Road and then onto Heise Road. The application material identifies that no heavy vehicle access will occur between the Warrego Highway and the subject land along Heise Road. No advice is provided as to how this is to be managed or implemented.

The proposed access for the use necessitates the traversing of local rural roads as shown on Figure 5 of the Environmental assessment and management report (Based on page 8 of the Bitzious Traffic Report). 31 vehicles per day are expected, including 11 heavy vehicle movements per day).

The proposal introduces heavy vehicles (non rural traffic) onto local rural roads, which is a detrimental impact on the amenity for these areas.

The route to the site is considered circuitous and not efficient and reinforces the lack of land use/ infrastructure nexus of the proposal. Planning for the Laidley Shire seeks to avoid these land use activities which do not reflect an orderly pattern of land use and infrastructure, where industry and commercial uses are located in those areas set aside for these uses, or in areas where appropriate infrastructure is provided or can be efficiently provided.

Traffic engineering advice is recommended in relation to traffic safety, capacity, road pavement, flood liability of creek crossings and intersection design.

5.5 Rural amenity

The Rural uses code, in particular, identifies outcomes for amenity including the following:

Compatible land uses are encouraged to protect the rural scenic values of the Shire and protect Good Quality Agricultural Land;

There are no significant impacts on rural amenity, or the quiet enjoyment of the surrounding community.

The current rural amenity of this part of Heise Road is characterised by agricultural activities and rural or rural residential living. The proposal is considered to have a detrimental impact on the rural amenity of the locality in relation to:

- The creation of parking areas, outdoor stockpile areas and storage of goods, as required by the Rural supply centre
- The parking and access areas, which are over and above what would reasonably be expected for an agricultural use
- The noise generated from the use, including the use of diesel generators to power equipment that cannot be powered by the domestic electricity supply
- The additional traffic generation from the uses, which is different to and a greater frequency and volume than rural uses results and likely to result in a detrimental impact on the amenity of Heise Road residences and other roads that will be relied on for the proposed use.
- Air quality impacts, including dust from stockpiles and storage areas.

The amenity impacts are not considered to be consistent with the rural amenity of this locality, or reasonable expectations of amenity, and are not consistent with the planning scheme outcomes for rural areas.

The Yarramine Environmental report comments on the amenity considerations associated with rural residential uses and agricultural production activities. The report considers that the proposal will adversely impact on surrounding amenity given the industrial nature of the use (amongst other comments on the application and planning scheme) (Yarramine Environmental 2022, page 11).



5.6 Agricultural Land

The proposed industry and rural supply centre is located on Good Quality Agricultural Land (Class B). The proposal impacts good quality agricultural land. The State Planning Policy, and the Laidley Shire planning scheme, seeks to protect and allow for the current and future use of agricultural land. Although the extent of the operation on GQAL is approximately 1 hectare any alienation of GQAL reduces the amount of good quality agricultural land available, particularly where non GQAL land is better suited (including land set aside in the planning scheme in other parts of the region) for the proposed development.

The rural uses code also recognises agricultural land as a key resource required to be protected, as part of the region's role to utilise agricultural land for productive purposes.

5.7 Bushfire

Bushfire considerations are recommended to be addressed by a bushfire specialist. These aspects may be able to be addressed by conditions, if the application was to be approved.

5.8 Noise assessment

A noise assessment was carried out by Air Noise Environment (ANE) and submitted with the application.

Yarramine Environmental has undertaken an independent review of the noise report. Yarramine Environmental has identified that the report has been undertaken using accepted noise modelling practices and is appropriate for the type of facility proposed. (Yarramine Environmental 2022, p6)

5.9 Air quality impact assessment

An air quality assessment was carried out by Air Noise Environment (ANE) and submitted with the application.

Yarramine Environmental has undertaken an independent review of the Air quality report. Yarramine Environmental has identified that the criteria and modelling are appropriate, apart from the omission of dust deposition. (Yarramine Environmental 2022, p10).

5.10 TLPI

Acceptable outcomes AO1.2 states: If located on land in a flood investigation area or overland flow path, a local flood risk assessment, prepared by a suitably qualified person and approved by Council, determines that the development site is not exposed to high or medium flood hazard.

AO1.3 states Development is located at least 10m from the top of bank of an overland flow path.

5.11 Submitter concerns and community expectations

The proposal is opposed by residents in the locality for the expected increase in industrial traffic and impacts on the rural amenity of the locality. The submitters have also raised legitimate concerns about the potential impacts on the rural setting, potential air and noise pollution, stormwater management and the suitability of industrial land to accommodate this type of use.

The proposal runs against reasonable expectations for rural amenity. A noxious and offensive industry and storage/ sales / distribution use is not reasonably expected in a rural area, particularly where those uses bear no relationship to the land on which they propose to locate. The proposal is not consistent with the reasonable expectations for rural amenity and character in this part of Lockyer Valley.



5.12 Relevant matters

Section 45(5) of the *Planning Act 2016* sets out that impact assessment is an assessment that:

“(a) must be carried out—

- (i) against the assessment benchmarks in a categorising instrument for the development; and*
- (ii) having regard to any matters prescribed by regulation for this subparagraph; and*

(b) may be carried out against, or having regard to, any other relevant matter, other than a person’s personal circumstances, financial or otherwise.

Examples of another relevant matter—

- a planning need*
- the current relevance of the assessment benchmarks in the light of changed circumstances*
- whether assessment benchmarks or other prescribed matters were based on material errors”*

As a result, the Council (or the Planning and Environment Court) may consider relevant matters in its decision. In my opinion there are a number of relevant matters that Council could have regard to, in deciding the application, as set out below.

- Need. The covering report identifies its processes in obtaining the site but does not provide any definitive information to support the need for the proposal outside of land zoned for these uses, such as industry land. These are areas where expert need inputs are required.
- Lack of nexus with subject land. Agricultural activities are able to contain some associated rural industry uses associated with the rural uses on the land. This is not the case for the proposed uses on the subject land - there appears to be limited or no need to locate the premises on the subject land.
- Rural living. This is an area that has allotment sizes and residences that reside nearby in a rural residential or small lot rural land holdings. The area has strong rural amenity characteristics which are jeopardised by the proposed use.



6 Findings and recommendations

Gaskell Planning Consultants has been commissioned by Lockyer Valley Regional Council to complete an independent assessment of a development application made over land located as 41 Heise Road, Hatton Vale QLD 4341 and described as Lot 6 on RP22826.

The development application seeks a Development Permit for Material change of Use for a Noxious, Offensive and Hazardous Industry (rural supply centre) combined with two ERAs:

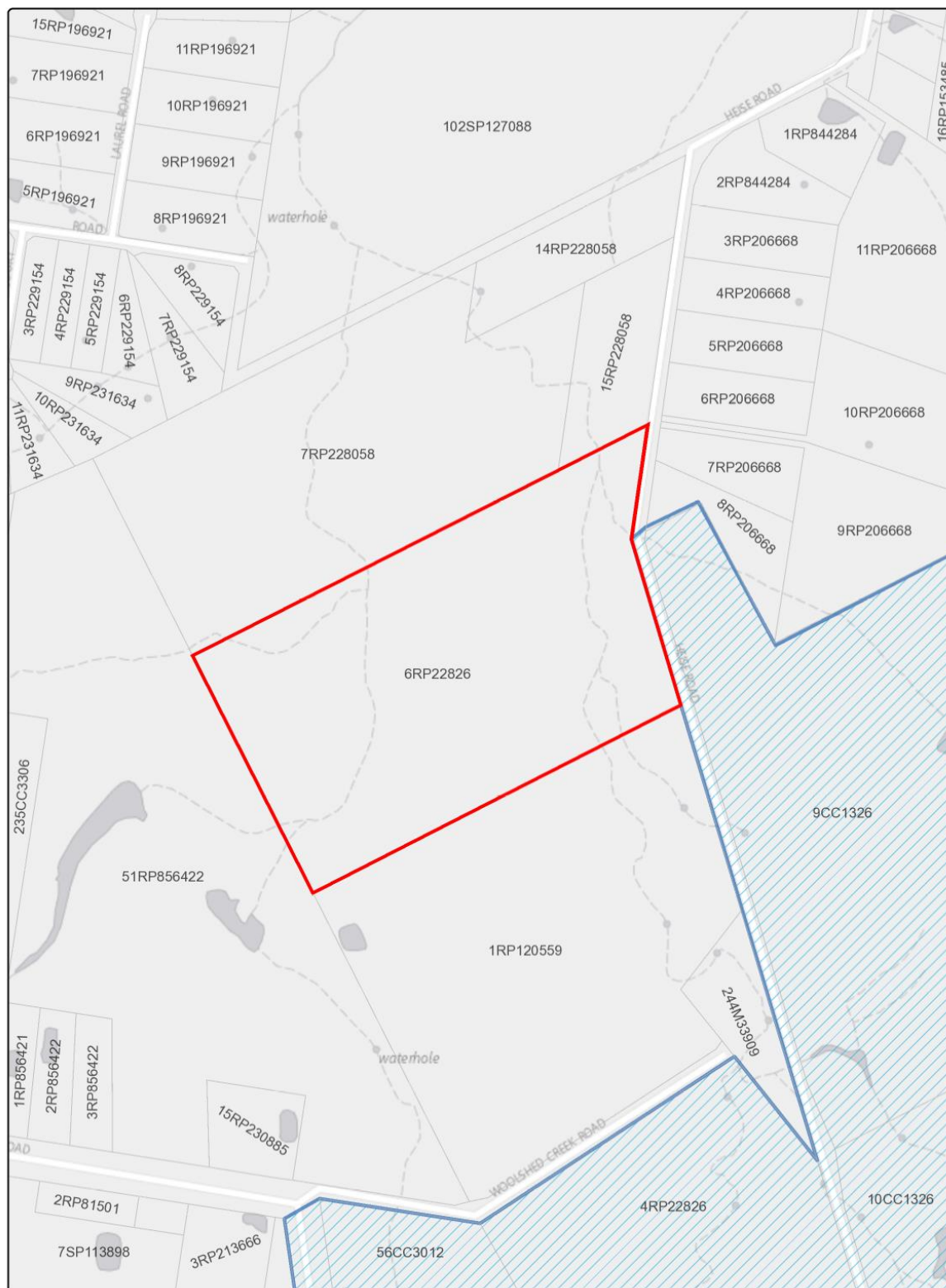
- ERA 33 Crushing, milling, grinding or screening - more than 5,000 tonnes of material in a year (concurrence)
- ERA 54 Mechanical waste reprocessing – (1) operating a facility for receiving and mechanically reprocessing, in a year, more than 5,000 tonnes of inert, non-putrescible waste or green waste only (non-concurrence).

Council's development application reference is MC2021/0088.

The independent report has reviewed the information on the application and the relevant assessment benchmarks. In my opinion the application is not able to meet the assessment benchmarks. In my opinion the application is recommended for refusal on the grounds outlined in Section 5 of this report in addition to other technical reports and assessments by the Council and its consultants.



Appendix A: Development Assessment Mapping



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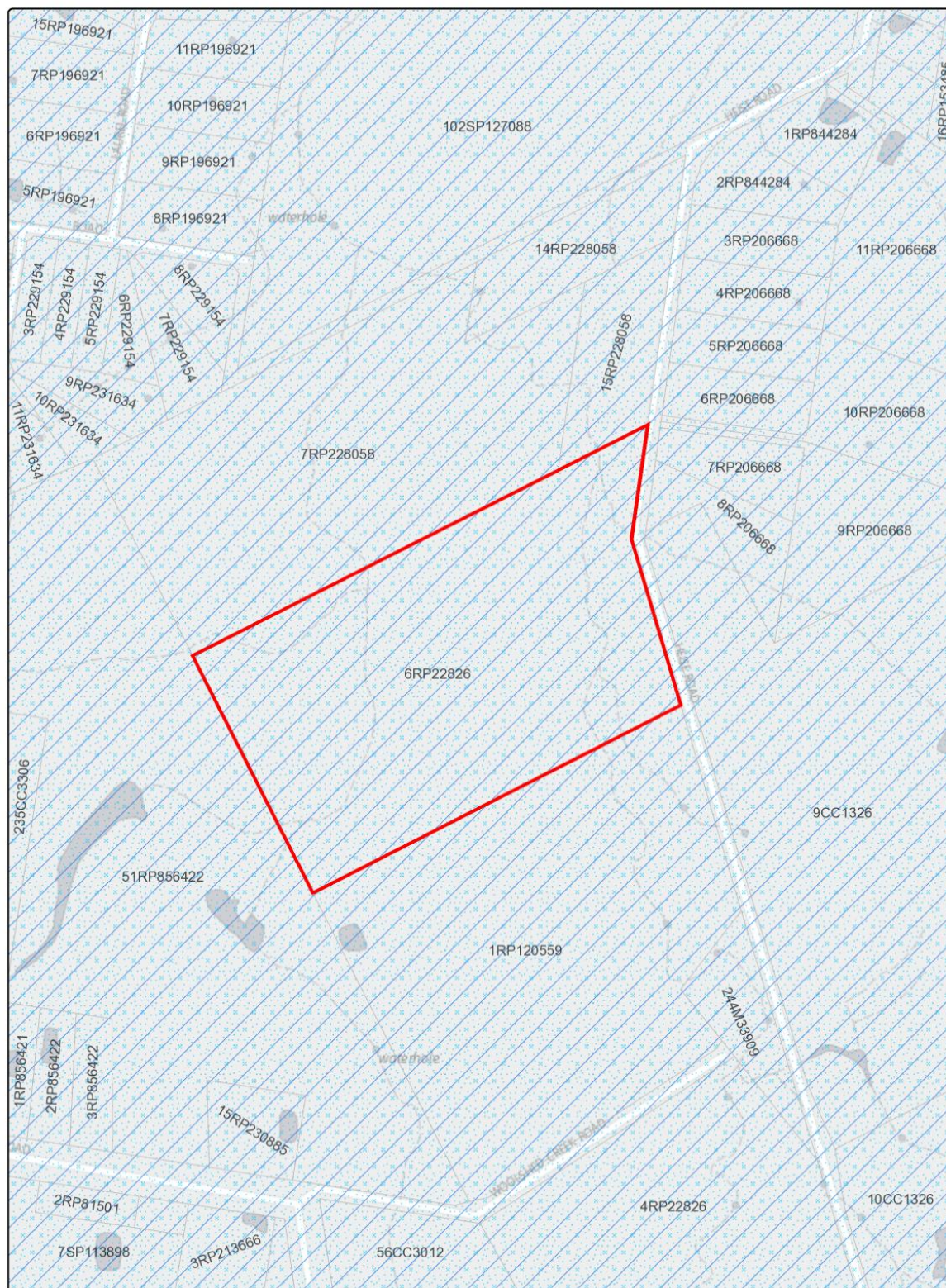
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Water resource planning area boundaries

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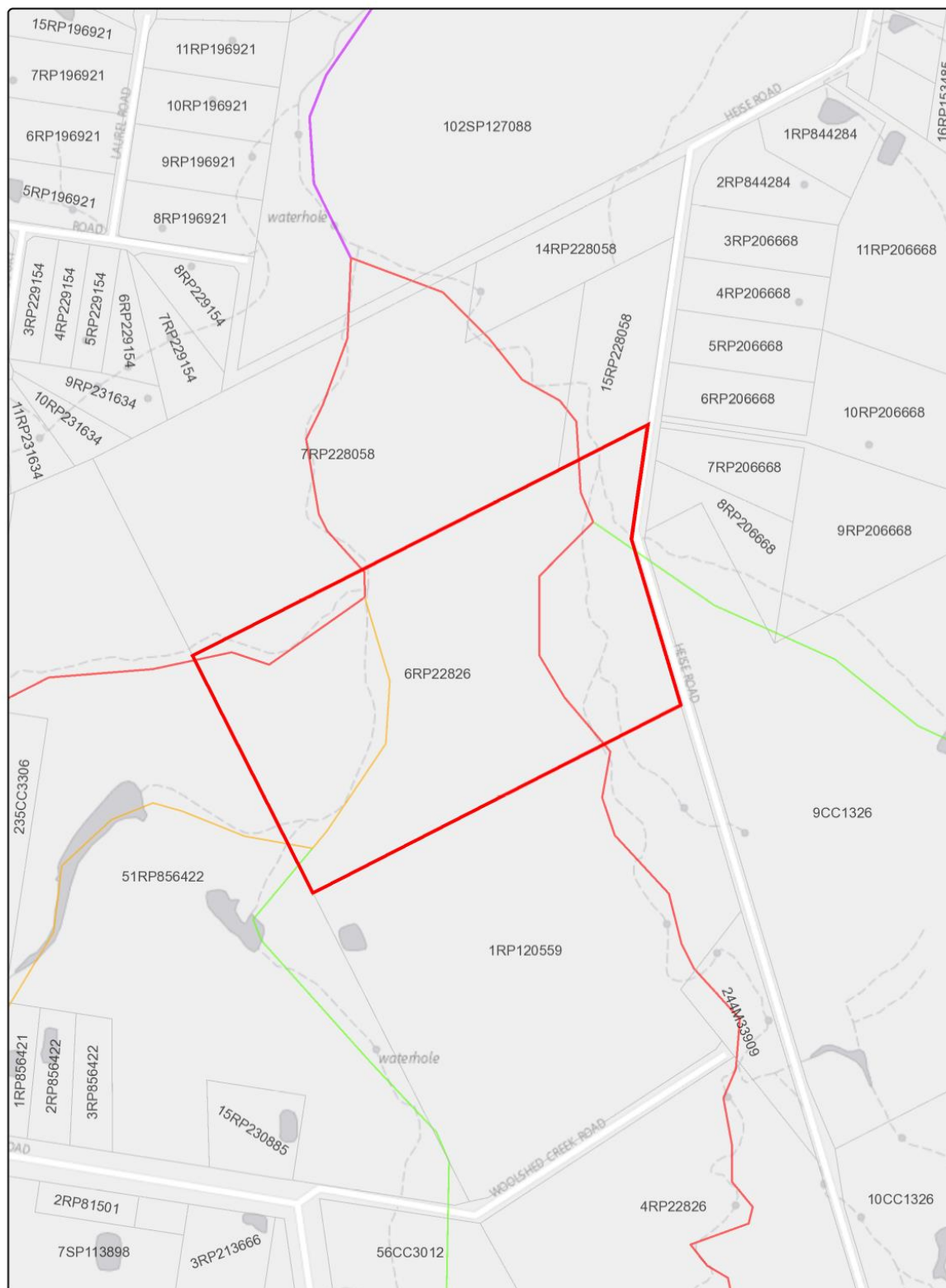


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Fish habitat management area B

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Tidal waterways

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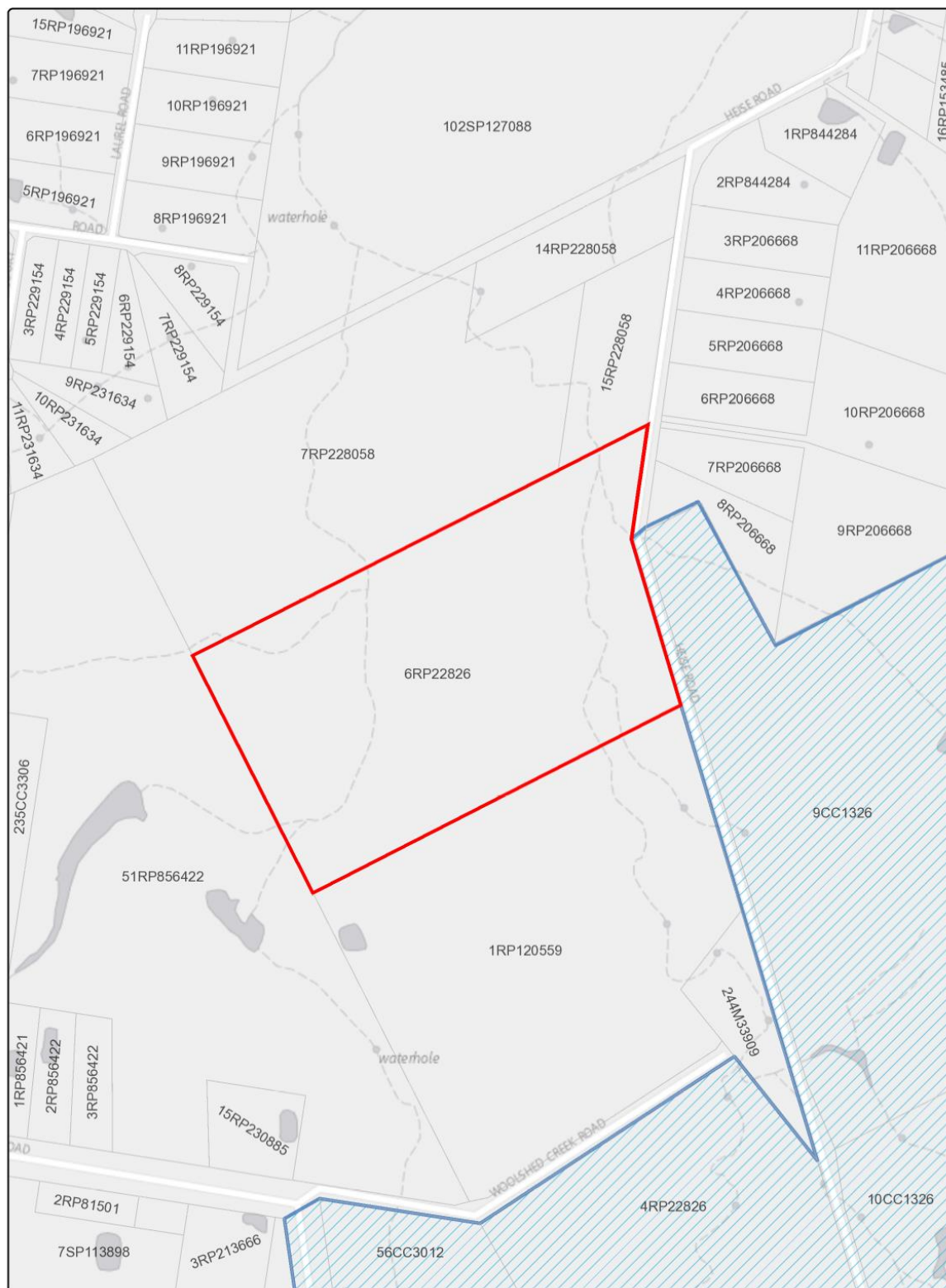
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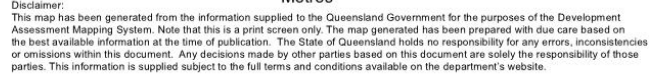
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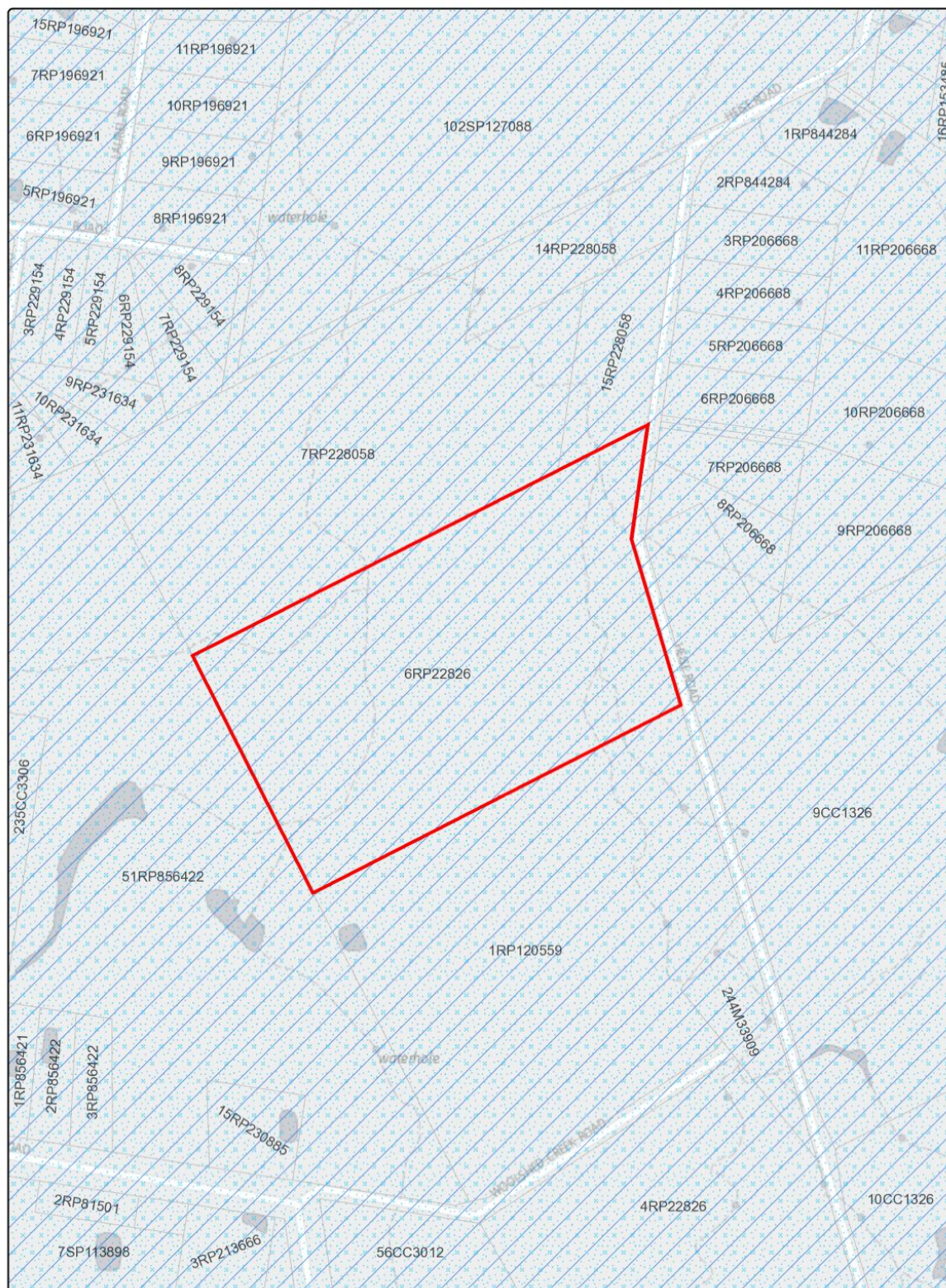
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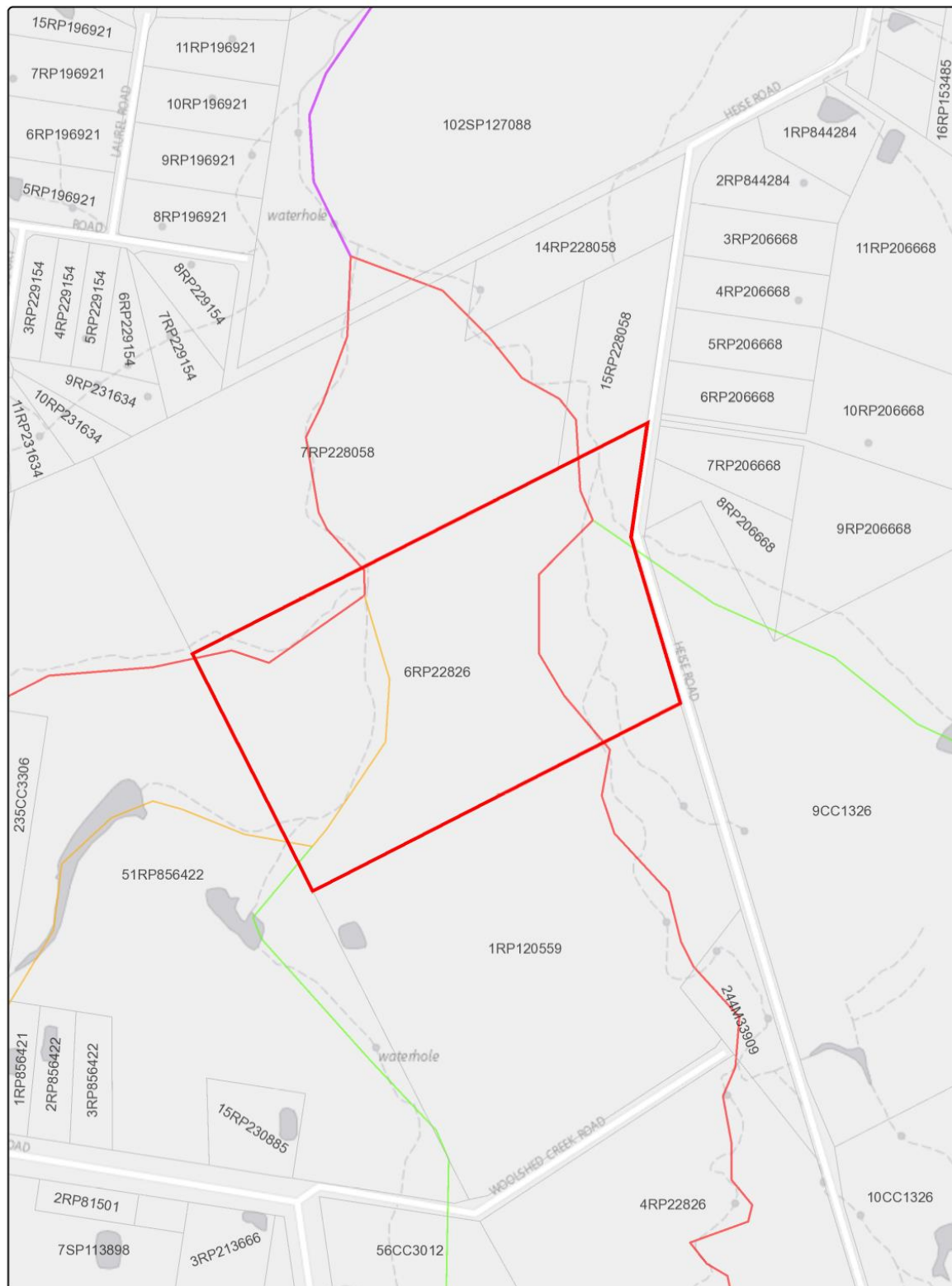


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
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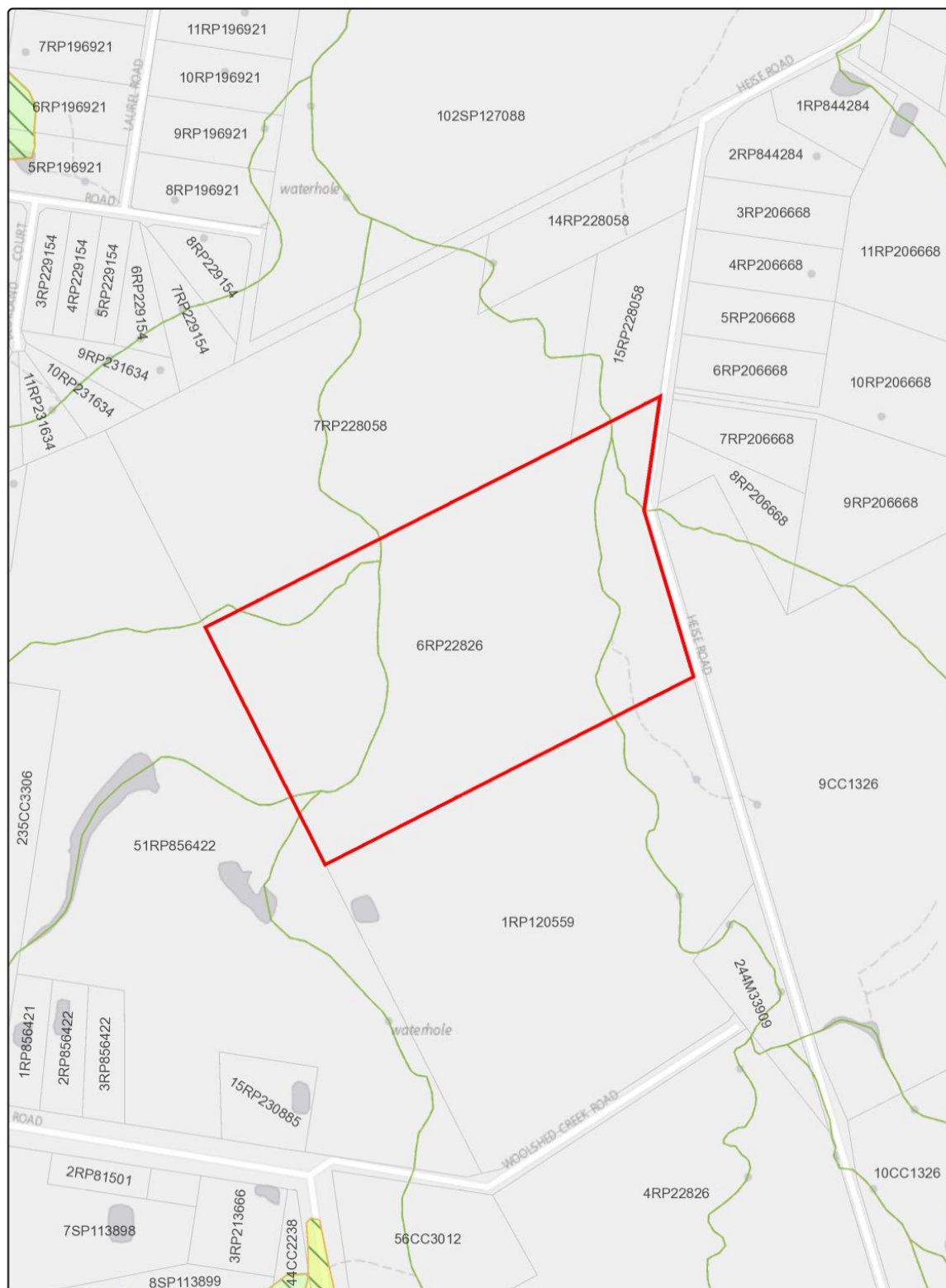
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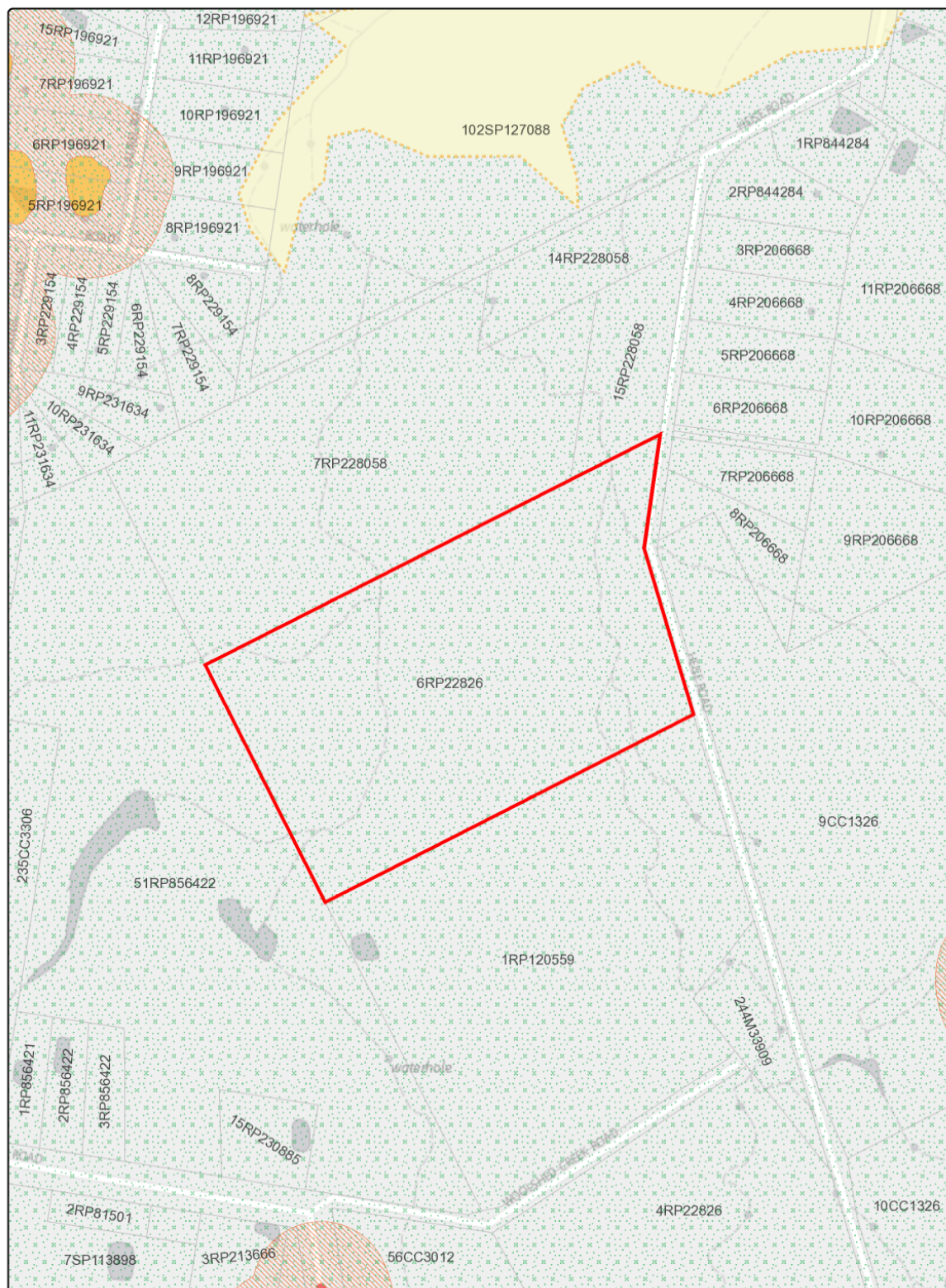
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Erosion prone area

 Erosion prone area


High storm tide inundation area

 High storm tide inundation area


Medium storm tide inundation area

 Medium storm tide inundation area


Flood hazard area - Level 1 - Queensland floodplain assessment overlay

 Flood hazard area - Level 1 - Queensland floodplain assessment overlay

Flood hazard area - local government flood mapping area

 Flood hazard area - local government flood mapping area

Bushfire prone area

 Very High Potential Bushfire Intensity

 High Potential Bushfire Intensity

 Medium Potential Bushfire Intensity

 Potential Impact Buffer



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Slightly disturbed waters



Slightly disturbed waters

Climatic regions - stormwater management design objectives



Climatic regions - stormwater management design objectives

Urban water supply storage



Urban water supply storage

High ecological value water areas



High ecological value water areas

Water resource catchments



Water resource catchments

Water supply buffer area



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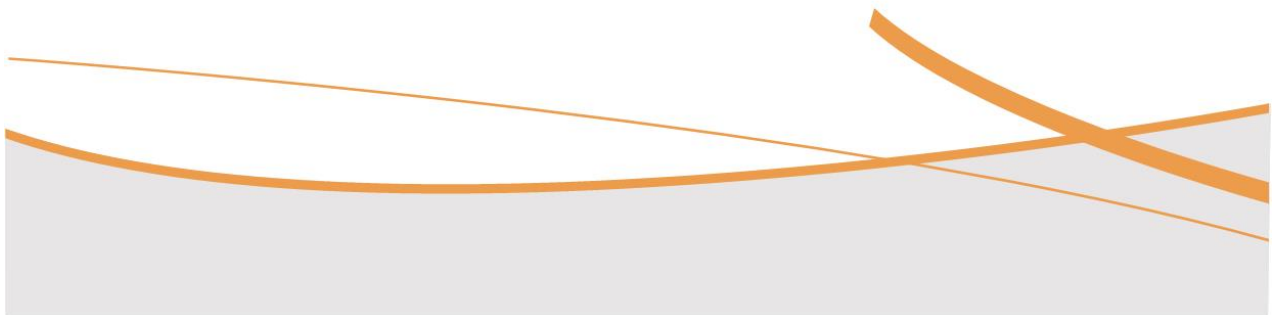
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Council reference: MC2021/0088

24 February 2022

Chief Executive Officer
Lockyer Valley Regional Council
PO Box 82
GATTON QLD 4343
mailbox@lvrc.qld.gov.au

Attention: Ms Miriam Sharp

Dear Ms Sharp

SARA response—41 Heise Road, Hatton Vale

(Referral agency response given under section 56 of the *Planning Act 2016*)

The development application described below was confirmed as properly referred by the State Assessment and Referral Agency (SARA) on 2 December 2021.

Response

Outcome:	Referral agency response – with conditions.	
Date of response:	24 February 2022	
Conditions:	The conditions in Attachment 1 must be attached to any development approval.	
Advice:	Advice to the applicant is in Attachment 2 .	
Reasons:	The reasons for the referral agency response are in Attachment 3 .	

Development details

Description:	Development permit	Material Change of Use for a Noxious, Offensive and Hazardous Industry (Rural Supply Centre) Development Permit for Environmentally Relevant Activity 33 and 54
SARA role:	Referral agency	
SARA trigger:	Schedule 10, part 5, division 4, table 2, item 1 (Planning Regulation 2017)	

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Environmentally Relevant Activity

Schedule 10, part 9, division 4, subdivision 1, table 1, item 1 (Planning Regulation 2017)

State transport infrastructure

SARA reference: 2112-26291 SRA

Assessment Manager: Lockyer Valley Regional Council

Street address: 41 Heise Road, Hatton Vale

Real property description: Lot 6 on RP22826

Applicant name: Regyp Pty Ltd

Applicant contact details: PO Box 320
Red Hill QLD 4059
jacob.arnold@ardent-group.com.au

Environmental Authority: This referral included an application for an environmental authority under section 115 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1994*. Below are the details of the decision:

- Approved
- Reference: P-EA-100182383
- Effective date: 24 February 2022
- Prescribed environmentally relevant activity (ERA): ERA 33 Crushing, milling, grinding or screening more than 5,000 tonnes of material in a year and ERA 54(1) Mechanical waste reprocessing – operating a facility for receiving and mechanically reprocessing, in a year, more than 5,000t of inert, non-putrescible waste or green waste only.

If you are seeking further information on the environmental authority, the Department of Environment and Science's website includes a register. This can be found at: www.des.qld.gov.au

Representations

An applicant may make representations to a concurrence agency, at any time before the application is decided, about changing a matter in the referral agency response (section 30 of the Development Assessment Rules). Copies of the relevant provisions are in **Attachment 4**.

A copy of this response has been sent to the applicant for their information.

For further information please contact Darrian Borick, Principal Planner, on 3432 2411 or via email lpwischSARA@dasilgp.qld.gov.au who will be pleased to assist.

Yours sincerely



Alison Stevens
A/Manager

2112-26291 SRA

enc Attachment 1 - Referral agency conditions
 Attachment 2 - Advice to the applicant
 Attachment 3 - Reasons for referral agency response
 Attachment 4 - Representations provisions
 Attachment 5 - Approved plans and specifications

cc Regyp Pty Ltd, jacob.arnold@ardent-group.com.au

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Attachment 1—Referral agency conditions

(Under section 56(1)(b)(i) of the *Planning Act 2016* the following conditions must be attached to any development approval relating to this application) (Copies of the plans and specifications referenced below are found at Attachment 5)

No.	Conditions	Condition timing
Development Permit for Material Change of Use for a Noxious, Offensive and Hazardous Industry (Rural Supply Centre)		
Schedule 10, part 9, division 4, subdivision 1, table 1, item 1—The chief executive administering the <i>Planning Act 2016</i> nominates the Director-General of the Department of Transport and Main Roads to be the enforcement authority for the development to which this development approval relates for the administration and enforcement of any matter relating to the following condition(s):		
1.	(a) Road works comprising a CHR treatment must be provided generally in accordance with the CHR Concept plan prepared by Bitzios Consulting, dated 28 October 2021, reference Project No. P1479 (Issue 2). (b) The road works must be designed and constructed in accordance with the Austroads Guide to Road Design (Part 4) and the Department of Transport and Main Roads' Road Planning & Design Manual.	Prior to the commencement of use.

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Attachment 2—Advice to the applicant

General advice	
1.	Terms and phrases used in this document are defined in the <i>Planning Act 2016</i> its regulation or the State Development Assessment Provisions (SDAP) v2.6. If a word remains undefined it has its ordinary meaning.

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Attachment 3—Reasons for referral agency response

(Given under section 56(7) of the *Planning Act 2016*)

The reasons for SARA's decision are:

- The development complies with State Code 6: Protection of State transport networks. Specifically, the development:
 - o Does not create a safety hazard for users of state transport infrastructure by increasing the likelihood or frequency of a fatality or serious injury
 - o Does not result in a worsening of the physical condition or operating performance of the state transport network
 - o Does not compromise the state's ability to cost-effectively construct, operate and maintain state transport infrastructure.
- The development complies with State code 22: Environmentally relevant activities. Specifically, the development:
 - o is located and designed to avoid or mitigate environmental harm on environmental values of the natural environment, is not adjacent sensitive land uses or sensitive receptors; and
 - o avoids impacts on matters of state environmental significance.

Material used in the assessment of the application:

- The development application material and submitted plans
- *Planning Act 2016*
- Planning Regulation 2017
- The *State Development Assessment Provisions* (version 2.6), as published by SARA
- The Development Assessment Rules
- SARA DA Mapping system
- State Planning Policy mapping system.

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Attachment 4—Change representation provisions

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Attachment 5—Approved plans and specifications

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Development Assessment Rules—Representations about a referral agency response

The following provisions are those set out in sections 28 and 30 of the Development Assessment Rules¹ regarding **representations about a referral agency response**

Part 6: Changes to the application and referral agency responses

28 Concurrence agency changes its response or gives a late response

- 28.1. Despite part 2, a concurrence agency may, after its referral agency assessment period and any further period agreed ends, change its referral agency response or give a late referral agency response before the application is decided, subject to section 28.2 and 28.3.
- 28.2. A concurrence agency may change its referral agency response at any time before the application is decided if—
- (a) the change is in response to a change which the assessment manager is satisfied is a change under section 26.1; or
 - (b) the Minister has given the concurrence agency a direction under section 99 of the Act; or
 - (c) the applicant has given written agreement to the change to the referral agency response.²
- 28.3. A concurrence agency may give a late referral agency response before the application is decided, if the applicant has given written agreement to the late referral agency response.
- 28.4. If a concurrence agency proposes to change its referral agency response under section 28.2(a), the concurrence agency must—
- (a) give notice of its intention to change its referral agency response to the assessment manager and a copy to the applicant within 5 days of receiving notice of the change under section 25.1; and
 - (b) the concurrence agency has 10 days from the day of giving notice under paragraph (a), or a further period agreed between the applicant and the concurrence agency, to give an amended referral agency response to the assessment manager and a copy to the applicant.

¹ Pursuant to Section 68 of the *Planning Act 2016*

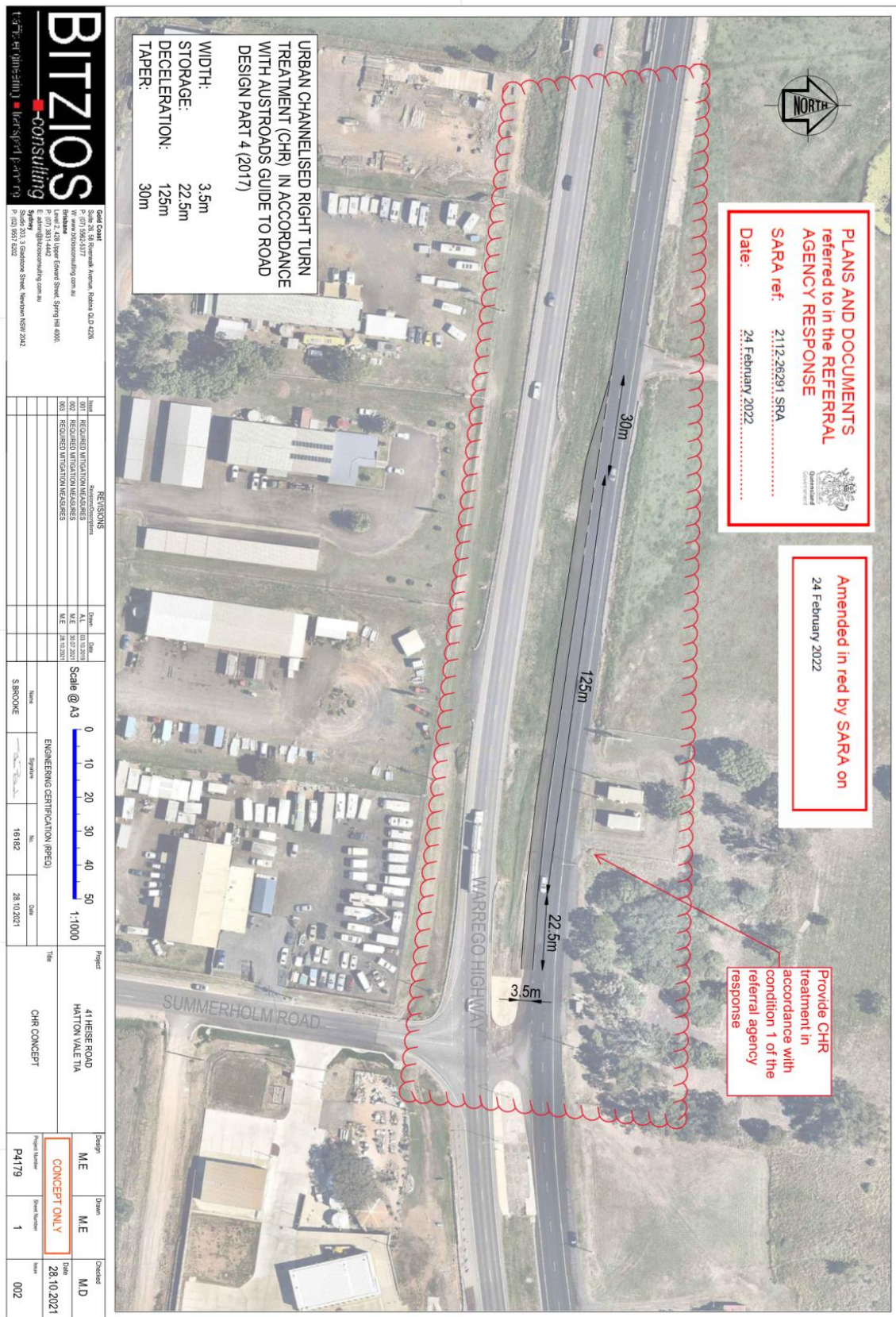
² In the instance an applicant has made representations to the concurrence agency under section 30, and the concurrence agency agrees to make the change included in the representations, section 28.2(c) is taken to have been satisfied.

Part 7: Miscellaneous

30 Representations about a referral agency response

- 30.1. An applicant may make representations to a concurrence agency at any time before the application is decided, about changing a matter in the referral agency response.³

³ An applicant may elect, under section 32, to stop the assessment manager's decision period in which to take this action. If a concurrence agency wishes to amend their response in relation to representations made under this section, they must do so in accordance with section 28.





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Lockyer Valley Regional Council
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Attention: Tammee Van Bael
Via email: mailbox@lvrc.qld.gov.au

Dear Ms Van Bael,

Re: Seqwater Third Party Advice – Material Change of Use for Noxious Offensive and Hazardous Industry (Rural Supply Centre) at 41 Heise Road, HATTON VALE - Lot 6 on RP22826

Seqwater herein provides a response to Council's Request for Third Party Advice dated 18 March 2022. The application has been referred to Seqwater for Third Party Advice regarding the State Interest for Water Quality.

This advice applies to the original application material and the applicant's response to Council's Information Request which included Seqwater's items (Third Party Advice dated 13 January 2021).

Seqwater Assessment and Advice:

In addition to the original application material, Seqwater has reviewed the Applicant's Response to Information Request, prepared by Ardent Group Pty Ltd and dated 15 March 2022.

Seqwater Issue 1

Performance Outcome PO1 requires that:

Development maintains an adequate separation distance and avoids areas of potential flood inundation to protect waterways or water supply sources.

The applicant's response confirms the use of compacted gravel on the existing track with a nominal thickness of 150mm and that a grassed/cropped buffer of 20m wide between the track and top bank of





Woolshed Creek will capture sediment from any runoff. The applicant notes that the road will be sloped to the West to minimise potential for sediment washing into the creek.

The Flood Assessment and Stormwater Management Plan – Prepared by Water Technology, dated 10/8/2021, section 4.5.4.2 notes that an existing onsite natural swale will be utilised as a treatment device for stormwater runoff from the site's internal roadway and roof runoff. The 'existing' swales were used in the MUSIC modelling however, their locations are not shown. Section 4.5.4.3 notes that a roadside buffer has also been included in the WSUD treatment train however, there is no minimum width of buffer noted.

It is considered that the applicant's response to PO1 is acceptable subject to conditions to ensure the development incorporates and maintains the proposed mitigation measures.

Seqwater Issue 2

Performance Outcome PO2 requires that:

Development does not discharge wastewater unless demonstrated to not compromise the drinking water supply environmental values.

The applicant's response confirms that no wastewater (other than sewerage) is generated on site. It is considered that the development meets PO2, however, it is recommended that any development approval includes a condition to ensure compliance.

Seqwater Issue 3

Performance Outcome PO15 requires that:

Dangerous goods, hazardous substances or environmentally hazardous materials are stored and handled in a manner that minimises the potential for contamination of surface and groundwater in the event of a leak or spill.

The applicant's response confirms that refuelling will occur in sheds (for fixed equipment) and on compacted hardstand for vehicles. The applicant notes that "During refuelling, the contract refueller places appropriate spill mats under the re-fill point. In addition, the contract refueller carries adequate spill kit supplies. Furthermore, spill kits will be onsite."

The Environment Assessment and Management Report – Prepared by Ardent Group Pty Ltd, dated November 2021 identifies fuel storage and handling as having potential for release of contaminants to the receiving environment in relation to surface water. Control measures are outlined in the Stormwater Management Plan and Chemical Management Plan.

It is considered that the development can meet PO15 subject to conditions requiring compliance with the proposed mitigation measures and the *Environmental Protection Act 1994*. A site-based management plan incorporating such mitigation measures with the inclusion of a waste management plan, would also be beneficial.



Seqwater Issue 4

Performance Outcome PO5 requires that:

Sewage treatment systems are designed, constructed and managed in ways that do not compromise the drinking water supply environmental values.

The applicant's response confirms the general nature of the on-site sewerage treatment system and agrees to a condition on an approval of the development requiring a detailed report to confirm the adequacy and condition of the system. It is considered that such a condition should be included in any approval to ensure compliance with PO5.

Seqwater Issue 5

Seqwater requested that an amended proposal plan be provided to label the surface of the internal roadways, vehicle parking and servicing areas. The applicant's response confirms that the internal roadway will have a gravel surface and that the staff parking area will be paved.

It is considered that any approval should include condition(s) to ensure suitable surfaces are provided to avoid impacts on the waterway and that amended site plan and development plans should be provided showing the relevant surface treatments.

Recommendation:

Seqwater considers that the proposed development can meet the relevant parts of the Seqwater Development Guidelines subject to the inclusion/appropriate incorporation of the following conditions in any approval of the development:

1. The development must be carried out in accordance with the *Environmental Assessment and Management Report – Prepared by Ardent Group Pty Ltd, dated November 2021*.
2. Fuel storage and handling and refuelling activities must not release contaminants to the receiving environment in relation to surface water in accordance with the requirements of the *Environmental Protection Act 1994*. Refuelling must be conducted on a designated, purpose-built area of the site, on an impermeable bunded surface with weatherproofing.
3. Solid waste and hazardous chemicals must be managed in accordance with the control measures outlined in the Stormwater Management Plan and Chemical Management Plan contained in the *Environment Assessment and Management Report – Prepared by Ardent Group Pty Ltd, dated November 2021*.
4. Setbacks of at least 100m to Woolshed Creek must be maintained for storage and handling of solid waste and hazardous chemicals where aggregate quantities stored involve between



200L/kg and 1000L/kg and 50m for quantities less than 200L/kg. All wastes and hazardous chemicals must be stored above the 1% AEP flood level for the site.

5. The storage of petroleum products in bulk (i.e. over 1000L) aboveground uses self-bunded vessels that meet Australian Standard 1692: 2006 Steel Tanks for Flammable and combustible liquids.
6. No wastewater (other than sewerage) is generated or disposed of on-site.
7. At all times, ensure and maintain a minimum 20-metre-wide grassed buffer between the internal road and top bank of Woolshed Creek.
8. The internal road must slope away from Woolshed Creek to ensure sediment run-off is diverted to a swale.
9. Provide and maintain the internal road and hardstand areas with a gravel surface having a nominal gravel thickness of 150mm.
10. Maintain the swales identified/proposed in the Flood Assessment and Stormwater Management Plan – Prepared by Water Technology, dated 10/8/2021.
11. Amend the proposal plans (Figure 3 – Processing Site Layout; Figure 4 – Processing Site Development Stage 1; and Figure 5 – Processing Site Development Stage 2) prepared by Ardent Group Pty Ltd and dated 10/8/2021 to include:
 - Notation of gravel surface for internal access road and vehicle manoeuvring areas; and
 - Location and width of the stormwater treatment swales;
 - Notation of the cross-fall (slope) of the internal road away from Woolshed Creek; and
 - Location of a minimum 20-metre-wide grassed buffer between the internal road and top of bank of Woolshed Creek.
12. Submit for endorsement, an On-site Wastewater Management Report, prepared by a suitably licensed plumber or wastewater designer demonstrating that the existing wastewater management system is in good working condition, of adequate capacity and appropriate to cater for the demand generated by the development. The report must identify any deficiencies and requirements to rectify or upgrade the facilities, if necessary. Any upgrades required, must be in accordance with the *Seqwater Development Guidelines for Water Quality Management in Drinking Water Catchments 2017* (Acceptable Outcome AO5.2) and the Seqwater Land Use Risk Tool.



13. To ameliorate setbacks less than the recommended 50m to Woolshed Creek, a densely vegetated buffer is provided along the western bank of the creek. Appropriate monitoring, watering and other maintenance is to be carried out to ensure the establishment of vegetation. A Vegetation Management Plan must be submitted to Council for approval.

Whilst it is acknowledged that the applicant has submitted an Environmental Assessment and Management Report (Ardent Group, November 2021), consideration should be given to imposing a condition requiring the applicant to submit for endorsement, a site-based management plan to incorporate all environmental management controls including management of fuel and other chemicals.

Should you have any queries regarding the above, please contact Leah Snerling, Senior Land Use Planner, via email at planning@seqwater.com.au.

Yours sincerely,

Medina Handley
Integrated Planning Coordinator

Cr Wilson returned to the meeting at 10:03am.

12.2 Application for Preliminary Approval including a Variation Request for a Material Change of Use and Development Permit for Reconfiguring of a Lot for Subdivision (1 Lot into 44 Lots) at 14 and 16 Mountain View Drive, Plainland

Author: Scott Hambleton, Contract Planner

Responsible Officer: Amanda Pugh, Group Manager Community & Regional Prosperity

Purpose:

The purpose of this report is to consider an application (MC2022/0046 & RL2022/0027) for a Preliminary Approval including a Variation Request to vary the effect of the *Laidley Shire Planning Scheme 2003* and a Development Permit for Reconfiguring of a Lot (Subdivision of 1 Lot into 44 Lots) on Lots 13 and 14 RP141940 at 14 and 16 Mountain View Drive, Plainland.

The application has been assessed in accordance with the requirements of the *Planning Act 2016* and it is recommended that the application be approved subject to conditions.

Officer's Recommendation:

THAT the application (MC2022/0046 & RL2022/0027) for a Preliminary Approval including Variation Request to vary the effect of the *Laidley Shire Planning Scheme 2003* and a Development Permit for Reconfiguring of a Lot (Subdivision of 1 Lot into 44 Lots) on Lots 13 and 14 RP141940 at 14 and 16 Mountain View Drive, Plainland, be approved subject to the following conditions:

VARIATION APPROVAL

A Variation Approval under the *Planning Act 2016* has been granted. The level of assessment and applicable codes for any development resulting from this approval are identified in the conditions.

FURTHER PERMITS REQUIRED

- Development Permit for Operational Works

CURRENCY PERIOD OF APPROVAL

The currency period for the Preliminary Approval including a Variation Request to vary the effect of the *Laidley Shire Planning Scheme 2003* is five (5) years starting the day that this variation approval takes effect. (Refer to Section 88 "Lapsing of approval for failing to complete development" of the *Planning Act 2016*.)

The currency period for the Development Permit for Reconfiguring a Lot for Subdivision is four (4) years starting the day that this development approval takes effect. (Refer to Section 85 "Lapsing of approval at end of currency period" of the *Planning Act 2016*.)

ASSESSMENT MANAGER CONDITIONS

PRELIMINARY APPROVAL INCLUDING VARIATION REQUEST TO VARY THE EFFECT OF THE LAIDLEY SHIRE PLANNING SCHEME 2003

No.	Condition	Timing										
APPROVED PLANS AND DOCUMENTS												
1.	<p>APPROVED PRELIMINARY APPROVAL DOCUMENT</p> <p>The approved Preliminary Approval Document is as follows:</p> <table><tr><td>Title</td><td>Plan No.</td><td>Revision / Amended</td><td>Date</td><td>Prepared By</td></tr><tr><td>Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Approval Code</td><td>-</td><td>-</td><td>25/05/22</td><td>LandPartners</td></tr></table>	Title	Plan No.	Revision / Amended	Date	Prepared By	Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Approval Code	-	-	25/05/22	LandPartners	At all times.
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Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Approval Code	-	-	25/05/22	LandPartners								
2.	<p>PRELIMINARY APPROVAL CODE</p> <p>All future development within the Preliminary Approval Area, as identified in the approved Preliminary Approval Document, must be undertaken in accordance with the provisions of the approved Preliminary Approval Document and the applicable Codes and Planning Scheme Policies contained in the Laidley Shire Planning Scheme 2003.</p>	At all times while the approval is current.										
3.	<p>PLANNING SCHEME</p> <p>Where the approved Preliminary Approval Document does not state the way in which the approval will vary the effect of the Planning Scheme, the relevant provisions contained in the Laidley Shire Planning Scheme 2003 will have effect.</p>	At all times while the approval is current.										
4.	<p>LAPSING OF APPROVAL FOR DEVELOPMENT NOT COMPLETED</p> <p>In accordance with section 88(2) of the <i>Planning Act 2016</i>, this variation approval lapses to the extent the development is not completed within five years after the approval takes effect.</p>	At all times while the approval is current.										

DEVELOPMENT PERMIT FOR RECONFIGURING A LOT

No.	Condition	Timing										
APPROVED PLANS AND DOCUMENTS												
1.	<div>APPROVED PLANS & DOCUMENTS</div> <div>Undertake the approved development generally in accordance with the approved plans and documents, including any amendments where in red on the approved plan(s) or document(s):</div> <table><tr><td>Title</td><td>Plan No.</td><td>Revision/ Amended</td><td>Date</td><td>Prepared By</td></tr><tr><td>Proposed Reconfiguration of Lot 13 on RP141940</td><td>BRSS3620-PX2-79-6</td><td>-</td><td>15/11/2022</td><td>LandPartners</td></tr></table>	Title	Plan No.	Revision/ Amended	Date	Prepared By	Proposed Reconfiguration of Lot 13 on RP141940	BRSS3620-PX2-79-6	-	15/11/2022	LandPartners	At all times.
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2.	<div>CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL AND APPROVED PLANS</div> <div>Where there is a conflict between the conditions of this approval and the details shown on the approved plans and documents, the conditions of approval take precedence.</div>	At all times.										
GENERAL												

3.	COMPLIANCE WITH CONDITIONS The developer is responsible for ensuring compliance with this development approval and the conditions of the approval by an employee, agent, contractor, or invitee of the applicant.	At all times.
4.	WORKS – APPLICANT’S EXPENSE The cost of all works associated with the development and construction of the development, including services, facilities and/or public utility alterations required are met at no cost to the Council or relevant utility provider, unless otherwise stated in a development condition.	At all times.
5.	INFRASTRUCTURE CONDITIONS All development conditions contained in this development approval about infrastructure under Chapter 4 of the <i>Planning Act 2016</i> (the Act), should be read as being non-trunk infrastructure conditioned under section 145 of the Act, unless otherwise stated.	At all times.
6.	WORKS – DEVELOPER RESPONSIBILITY The applicant must repair any damage to existing infrastructure (e.g. kerb and channel, footpath or roadway) that may have occurred during any works undertaken as part of the development. Any damage that is deemed to create a hazard to the community, must be repaired immediately.	At all times.
7.	WORKS – DESIGN & STANDARD Unless otherwise stated, all works must be designed, constructed, and maintained in accordance with the relevant Council policies, guidelines and standards.	At all times.
8.	WORKS – SPECIFICATION & CONSTRUCTION All engineering drawings/specifications, design and construction works must comply with the requirements of the relevant Australian Standards and must be approved, supervised, and certified by a Registered Professional Engineer of Queensland (RPEQ).	At all times.
9.	MAINTAIN APPROVED DEVELOPMENT The development is to be constructed and maintained in accordance with the approved drawing(s) and/or document, and any relevant approvals.	At all times.
PLAN SEALING REQUIREMENTS		
10.	The supervising Registered Professional Engineer Queensland (RPEQ) or other suitably qualified person will submit a certification of compliance report to Council with each condition of this approval or agreed variation.	In conjunction with the lodgement of a survey plan for each stage.
ALTERATIONS AND/OR RELOCATIONS		
11.	Any alteration or relocation in connection with or arising from the development to any service, installation, plant, equipment or other item belonging to or under the control of the telecommunications authority, electricity authority or Council or other person engaged in the provision of public utility services is to be carried out with the development and at no cost to Council.	At all times.
12.	All works, services, facilities and/or public utility alterations required by this approval or stated condition/s whether carried out by Council or otherwise, shall be at no cost to Council unless otherwise specified in subsequent development approvals.	At all times.
DEVELOPMENT IN STAGES		
13.	STAGED DEVELOPMENT – TIMING – NOT SEQUENCED	At all times.

	The stages as indicated on the approved plans and documents are not required to be undertaken in chronological order. Unless otherwise expressly stated, the conditions must be read as being applicable at all stages.	
STREET NUMBERING AND CERTIFICATION		
14.	ROAD NAMING Submit to and have approved by Council a request for road naming for each proposed road.	Prior to submitting to Council any request for the approval of a plan of subdivision.
15.	STREET NUMBERING Submit to and have approved by Council a request for street numbering for each proposed lot.	Prior to submitting to Council any request for the approval of a plan of subdivision.
16.	EXISTING BUILDINGS & STRUCTURES Demolish or relocate off site any existing buildings and/or structures on the site that are located: (a) Over any proposed lot boundary; (b) On land proposed to be dedicated to Council as trustee or transferred to Council in fee simple; and (c) Within any easement required to be registered across any part of the land. A Development Approval for Building Works is to be obtained for the demolition or relocation of any building.	Prior to submitting to Council any request for the approval of a plan of subdivision.
ENGINEERING STORMWATER		
17.	LAWFUL POINT OF DISCHARGE Lawful point of discharge for the development is Mountain View Drive. Discharge all minor storm flows that fall or pass onto the site to the lawful point of discharge without causing annoyance or nuisance to any person or property in accordance with the Queensland Urban Drainage Manual (QUDM).	At all times.
18.	STORMWATER DRAINAGE WORKS – DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE Design all necessary internal and external stormwater drainage to service the development. Such drainage works must be designed by a Registered Professional Engineer Queensland (RPEQ) and constructed in accordance with the Queensland Urban Drainage Manual 2017 such that the overall drainage system caters for a storm event with a 1% annual exceedance probability (AEP) and the provisions of a Development Permit for Operational Work (Stormwater Drainage Works).	Prior to submitting to Council any request for the approval of a plan of subdivision.
19.	EASEMENTS/ DRAINAGE RESERVES Dedicate, at no cost to or compensation by Council, a drainage reserve over all areas impacted by the design 1% AEP and any drainage infrastructure capturing/conveying stormwater runoff from an upstream catchment. The drainage reserve must be a minimum size as specified on the approved plan and be of sufficient dimensions to fully contain the proposed drainage infrastructure (including batters) and stormwater overland flow path. The drainage infrastructure and/or centreline of the stormwater overland flow path must be centrally located within the drainage reserve.	Prior to submitting to Council any request for the approval of a plan of subdivision.

EROSION AND SEDIMENT CONTROL		
20.	<p>SUBMIT EROSION & SEDIMENT CONTROL PLAN</p> <p>Submit a 'For construction' Erosion and Sediment Control Plan (ESCP) as part of the Operational Works application. The ESCP must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) be prepared by a suitably qualified and experienced Register Profession Engineer of Queensland and/or Certified Professional in Erosion and Sediment Control; (b) relate to each phase of the works (including but not limited to, clearing, earthworks, manage, flows and capture sediment; <p><i>Note: Very rarely can erosion and sediment control requirements for a single stage, be communicated and detailed effectively and a whole of site plan should be prepared for each stage. Standard notes and drawings do not form an ESCP as they provide no guidance to the Contractor on-site.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (c) be consistent with current best practice standards to the extent that the standards are not inconsistent with the conditions of approval and consider all environmental constraint including erosion hazard, season, climate, soil, and proximity to waterways; (d) provide sufficient detail to ensure compliance with all conditions of this permit relating to erosion and sediment control is achieved; (e) include details of the proposed flocculants and automatic dosing systems for sediment basins, including jar testing results. (f) demonstrate the suitability of the proposed flocculants having regard to the downstream receiving environment and water quality; and (g) include the results of all soil investigations undertaken for the whole development site. 	As indicated.
21.	<p>IMPLEMENT EROSION & SEDIMENT CONTROL PLAN</p> <p>Implement and maintain the ESCP for the duration of the construction works, and until such time as all exposed soil areas are permanently stabilised (e.g. turfed, hydro mulched, concreted on landscaped etc.).</p>	As indicated.
GENERAL WATER AND SEWERAGE INFRASTRUCTURE		
22.	<p>WATER & SEWERAGE – GENERAL</p> <p>Ensure that each lot is serviced by the water distributor-retailer's water supply and sewerage infrastructure. Submit to Council evidence of connection from the relevant service provider.</p>	Prior to submitting to Council any request for the approval of a plan of subdivision.
ENGINEERING WORK – ROAD WORKS		
23.	<p>ROADWORKS, KERB, CHANNEL & DRAINAGE INFRASTRUCTURE</p> <p>Design and construct internal roads within the site to an Access Street standard, with kerb and channel and drainage infrastructure, in accordance with the Lockyer Valley Regional Council Road Hierarchy Table, Austroads, Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices, approved plans and the provisions of a Development Permit for Operational Work (Engineering Work – Road Works).</p>	Prior to submitting to Council any request for the approval of a plan of subdivision.
24.	<p>LINE MARKING & SIGNAGE</p> <p>Establish line marking and signage in accordance with the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices.</p>	Prior to submitting to Council any request for the approval of a plan of

		subdivision.
25.	ENGINEERING WORK – ROAD WORKS Design and construct a 1.5 metre wide concrete pathway within the road verge on one side of the road and within the “pathway” corridors that connects into any existing paths adjacent to the site in accordance with the Access Street standard in accordance with the Lockyer Valley Regional Council Road Hierarchy Table and the provisions of a Development Permit for Operational Work (Engineering work – Road works).	Prior to submitting to Council any request for the approval of a plan of subdivision.
26.	TERMINATING ROADS Any terminating roads that may be extended as a part of a later stage must be constructed with a gravel turnaround area with a minimum diameter of 18m, with a two-coat bitumen seal. Hazard markers and delineator posts must be erected to define the turn around.	Prior to submitting to Council any request for the approval of a plan of subdivision.
STREET LIGHTING		
27.	LIGHTING – DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION Design and construct street lighting to a minimum of “P4” Standard in accordance with AS/NZS 1158.3.1:2015 - Lighting for Roads and Public Areas. Lighting is to be designed and certified by a Registered Professional Engineer of Queensland.	Prior to submitting to Council any request for the approval of a plan of subdivision.
28.	STREET & PATH LIGHT SYSTEM Install a street and path light system on all roads within and bounding the site on footpaths/bikeways within park and road reserves associated with the development at no cost to Council. The street and path light system must be designed in accordance with the ‘Crime prevention through environmental design: Guidelines for Queensland’ produced by the Queensland Government, unless otherwise approved by Council in writing, and be powered using underground power.	Prior to submitting to Council any request for the approval of a plan of subdivision.
EXCAVATING AND FILLING		
29.	OPERATIONAL WORK – EARTHWORKS PLAN Provide an earthworks plan and a Development Application for Operational Works that clearly identifies the following: (a) The location of cut and/or fill; (b) The type of fill to be used and the compaction standards; (c) The quantum of fill to be deposited or removed and finished cut and/or fill levels; (d) Retaining structures (if necessary); and (e) Surface and sub-surface drainage controls (if applicable).	As part of a development application for Operational Work (Excavating and Filling).
30.	EXCAVATING (CUT) & FILLING Carry out Excavating (Cut) and Filling activities in accordance with the <i>Laidley Shire Planning Scheme 2003</i> , AS3798-2007 Guidelines on earthworks for residential and commercial developments, the approved plans and the provisions of a development permit for Operational Work (Excavating and Filling).	Prior to submitting to Council any request for the approval of a plan of subdivision.
31.	EXCAVATING & FILLING	At all times.

	<p>(a) Ensure the excavating or filling does not concentrate or divert stormwater onto adjoining land to a degree which is worse than that which existed prior to the works.</p> <p>(b) Ensure the excavation or filling does not result in the ponding or permanent retention of surface water either on the site or on adjoining land.</p>	
32.	<p>EXCAVATING & FILLING</p> <p>Ensure areas of fill and excavation are graded, compacted and planted and/or mulched, unless otherwise approved, immediately after the excavation/filling is complete and at all times thereafter.</p>	At all times.
TELECOMMUNICATION AND ELECTRICITY		
33.	<p>ELECTRICITY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS</p> <p>Connect each lot to reticulated electricity and telecommunications to the standard of the relevant service provider. Submit to Council evidence of connection from the relevant service provider.</p>	Prior to submitting to Council any request for the approval of a plan of subdivision.
34.	<p>ELECTRICITY INFRASTRUCTURE</p> <p>Electricity infrastructure must be provided underground. No overhead powerlines are permitted.</p>	Prior to submitting to Council any request for the approval of a plan of subdivision.
LANDSCAPING		
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DEVELOPMENT IN STAGES		
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18.	STORMWATER DRAINAGE WORKS – DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE Design all necessary internal and external stormwater drainage to service the development. Such drainage works must be designed by a Registered Professional Engineer Queensland (RPEQ) and constructed in accordance with the Queensland Urban Drainage Manual 2017 such that the overall drainage system caters for a	Prior to submitting to Council any request for the approval of a plan of

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Executive Summary

This report considers an application (MC2022/0046 & RL2022/0027) for a Preliminary Approval including a Variation Request to vary the effect of the *Laidley Shire Planning Scheme 2003* and Development Permit for Reconfiguring of a Lot (Subdivision of 1 Lot into 44 Lots) on Lots 13 and 14 RP141940 at 14 and 16 Mountain View Drive, Plainland. The following table summarises the application details.

APPLICATION DETAILS	
Application No:	MC2022/0046 & RL2022/0027
Applicant:	Maddison Ridge Pty Ltd C/- Landpartners
Landowner:	Peter Lindsay Campbell and Jillian Ruth Campbell, Maddison Ridge Pty Ltd
Site address:	14 and 16 Mountain View Drive, Plainland
Lot and Plan:	Lot 13 RP141940 and Lot 14 RP141940 (now described as Lot 999 SP326513)
Proposed development:	Preliminary Approval including Variation Request to vary the effect of the <i>Laidley Shire Planning Scheme 2003</i> and Development Permit for Reconfiguring a Lot – Subdivision (1 into 44 lots)
STATUTORY PLANNING DETAILS	
Planning Scheme:	<i>Laidley Shire Planning Scheme 2003</i>
Zone:	Rural Residential
Mapped State Planning Policy (SPP) matters:	State Planning Policy (July 2017) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biodiversity • Water Quality • Natural Hazards, Risk and Resilience
South East Queensland Regional Plan 2017 (Shaping SEQ) regional land use category:	Urban Footprint
Referral trigger/s under the <i>Planning Regulation 2017</i> :	Nil
TLPI:	<i>Temporary Local Planning Instrument 2020 Flood Regulation</i> Flood hazard area under the Flood hazard overlay: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Investigation area • Overland flow path
Overlays:	Not Applicable
Category of Assessment:	Impact assessable The development includes a Variation Request which is Impact assessable development pursuant to the <i>Planning Regulation 2017</i> .
Decision Due Date:	16 March 2023

The application has been assessed in accordance with the requirements of the *Planning Act 2016*. The development complies with the applicable assessment benchmarks, subject to reasonable and relevant conditions.

SITE DETAILS

SITE AND LOCALITY DESCRIPTION	
Land area:	8 hectares

Existing use of land:	Dwelling house
Road frontage:	Approx 197m to Mountain View Drive
Significant site features:	Sparse vegetation, dam, overland flow path
Topography:	Slopes from 119m AHD at south boundary to 108m AHD at Mountain View Drive (3% slope)
Surrounding land uses:	Detached urban residential dwellings to south Detached rural residential dwellings to north and east Construction of Plainland Crossing Stages 9D-12, 17A & 17B to west



Figure 1. Locality of Subject Site (source LVRC Intramaps)

SITE HISTORY AND BACKGROUND

The site itself contains no relevant development applications or approvals. However, the adjoining sites were all included in the Mountain View Drive Preliminary Approval Plan of MC2018/0014, which was approved by Council on 14 May 2019 through a negotiated decision. That approval applies the Mountain View Drive Preliminary Approval Code to the highlighted areas below in order to change it from the Rural Residential Area to the Urban Residential Area, allowing the establishment of the northern stages of the Plainland Crossing subdivision.

The subject site (this development application) is the “missing link” between the eastern and western parts of the approval plan area.



MC2018/0014 Existing Approval - Mountain View Drive Preliminary Approval Plan Area

Several minor change applications to MC2018/0014 have been lodged, which essentially only vary the subdivision layout and access arrangements. MC2018/0014.03 is the latest minor change approval, which has resulted in the following approved subdivision layout for the parcels adjoining directly east and west.



MC2018/0014.03 Subdivision Plan

The development is for the subdivision of Lot 13 RP141940, however it also involves Lot 14 RP141940 (now described as Lot 999 SP326516) as Stage 17 includes a drainage reserve located in the north-eastern corner of Lot 14 RP141940.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL

The application seeks a Preliminary Approval including a Variation Request to vary the effect of the *Laidley Shire Planning Scheme 2003* and a Development Permit for Reconfiguring a Lot – Subdivision (1 into 44 lots) over the subject site.

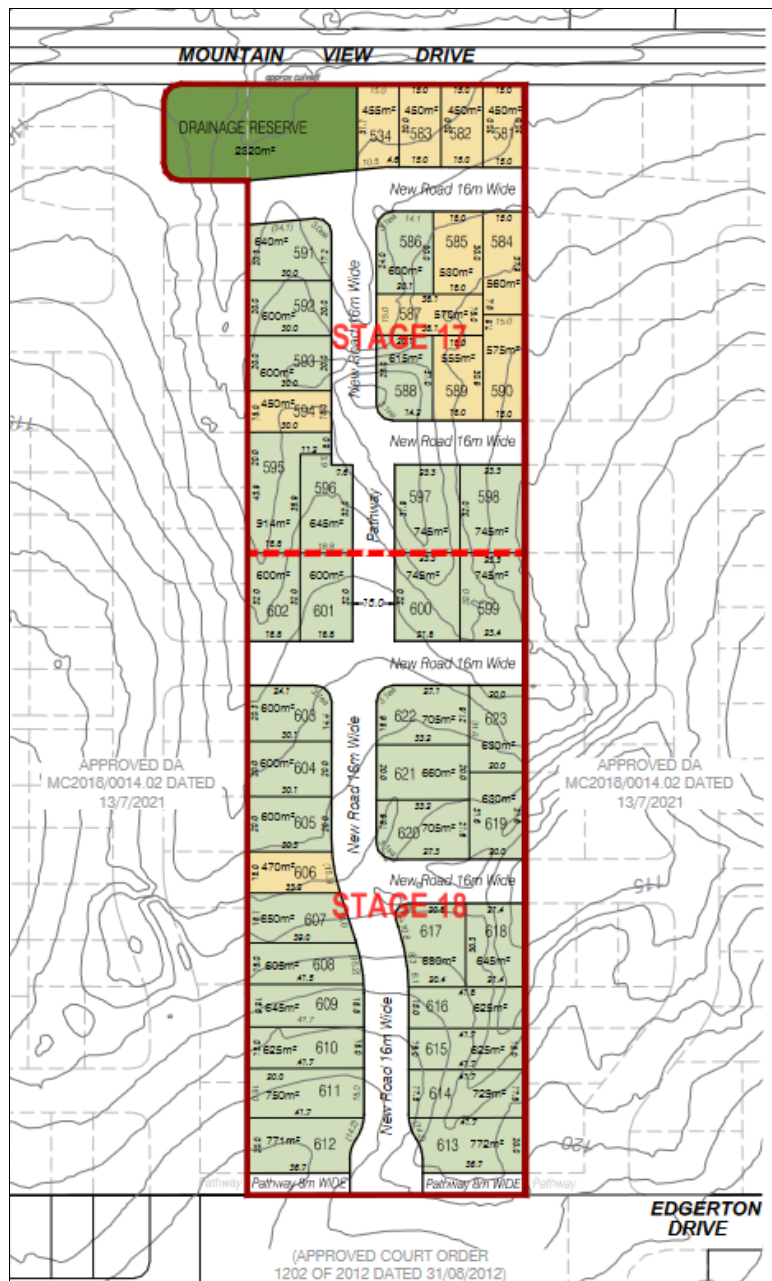
Variation Request

The proposal seeks to apply the Mountain View Drive Preliminary Approval Code to the subject site in line with the adjoining sites approved in MC2018/0014.03, to in effect treat the site as though it was within the Urban Residential Area instead of the Rural Residential Area. The Mountain View Drive Preliminary Approval Code allows the establishment of Dwelling houses, Home based businesses, Apartments (secondary dwellings) and Estate sales offices without further approvals under the planning scheme.

Subdivision

The proposal seeks to subdivide the land to establish 44 urban residential lots varying in size across 2 stages (Stages 17 and 18), a drainage reserve, new 16m wide roads and associated pathways. Refer proposal plan below. The subdivision will link the currently disconnected eastern and western parts of the wider Plainland Crossing development. There are no nominated Dual occupancy sites within the development.

RECONFIGURING A LOT	DEVELOPMENT PARAMETERS
Number of Proposed Lots	Stage 17: 19 lots + drainage reserve Stage 18: 25 lots Total: 44 lots + drainage reserve
Area of Proposed Residential Lots	Ranging from 450m ² to 914m ²



Proposed subdivision plan



Overall development plan - the proposed subdivision (Stages 17 & 18) will link the western (Stages 9D-12, 17A & 17B) and eastern (Stages 14 & 15) parts of the Plainland Crossing development

PLANNING ASSESSMENT

Laidley Shire Planning Scheme 2003

The proposed development is identified as impact assessment under the Planning Scheme. The applicable assessment benchmarks for the proposed development are the following codes of the Planning Scheme:

- Desired Environmental Outcomes
- Reconfiguring a Lot Code
- Residential Areas Code
- Temporary Local Planning Instrument 2020 Flood Regulation

Assessment against Planning Scheme Codes

Desired Environmental Outcomes

The proposal does not result in any adverse environmental or economic impacts and is not adversely impacted by natural hazards. The proposal is well located within the Plainland Urban Footprint area of the SEQ Regional

Plan, allowing comfortable access to a range of urban services, facilities and infrastructure which are developing in the nearby Business Area precinct. Accordingly, the proposal complies with the Desired Environmental Outcomes.

Reconfiguring a Lot Code

All footpaths within the road verge, and the 15m wide pathway which links Stages 17 and 18 of the subdivision, are located to allow for exposure and casual surveillance to comply with Specific Outcome 1.

Although the proposal does not directly provide public open space, all lots within the subdivision are within a 400m walking distance of Edgerton Park established in the adjoining stages of the Plainland Crossing development (to the south), to comply with Specific Outcome 2.

The 2320m² bioretention basin within the identified drainage reserve in the north-west will fully capture the increase in stormwater run-off caused by the development through a pit and pipe network in the road reserve, resulting in a non-worsening of stormwater impacts, to comply with Specific Outcomes 3, 4 and 5.

The road network has been appropriately designed given the context of the subdivision within the larger Plainland Crossing development. All roads will be in the form of 16m wide access streets which can carry the amount and type of anticipated vehicle traffic. The footpaths within the road verge and central pathway link provide appropriate infrastructure for active transport. As such, the proposal complies with Specific Outcomes 6 to 10.

The subdivision consists of lots ranging from 450m² to 914m² in size, which is consistent with the approved subdivision of the wider Plainland Crossing development, to comply with Specific Outcome 11.

Given the urban context, all lots will be connected to the reticulated water, sewer, electricity and telecommunication systems, to comply with Specific Outcome 12.

Accordingly, the proposal complies with the Reconfiguring a Lot Code.

Residential Areas Code

The site is located within the Rural Residential Area. Given the nature of the development, the proposal cannot meet the Specific Outcomes for the Rural Residential Area which require “*Rural Residential Areas provide residential style living on a large allotment*”. Accordingly, assessment against the Overall Outcomes of the code is required.

The relevant overall outcomes of the Residential Areas Code require:

- *Residential development in the Shire is located in an efficient, equitable and ecologically sustainable manner;*
- *The Residential Areas cater predominantly for residential uses, whilst not discouraging secondary compatible uses in association with the primary residential use;*
- *A range of housing types and allotment sizes are accommodated within the Rural Residential Area, providing a safe and pleasant living environment;*
- *Residential (including Rural Residential) development occurs where there is no adverse impact on Good Quality Agricultural Land;*
- *The expansion of residential development occurs in areas where it is most cost effective to supply physical infrastructure, such as water, sewerage, roads and electricity;*

- *Efficient and equitable access to social infrastructure, such as schools, neighbourhood shopping, community services, public transport services, and parks are provided in residential Areas*

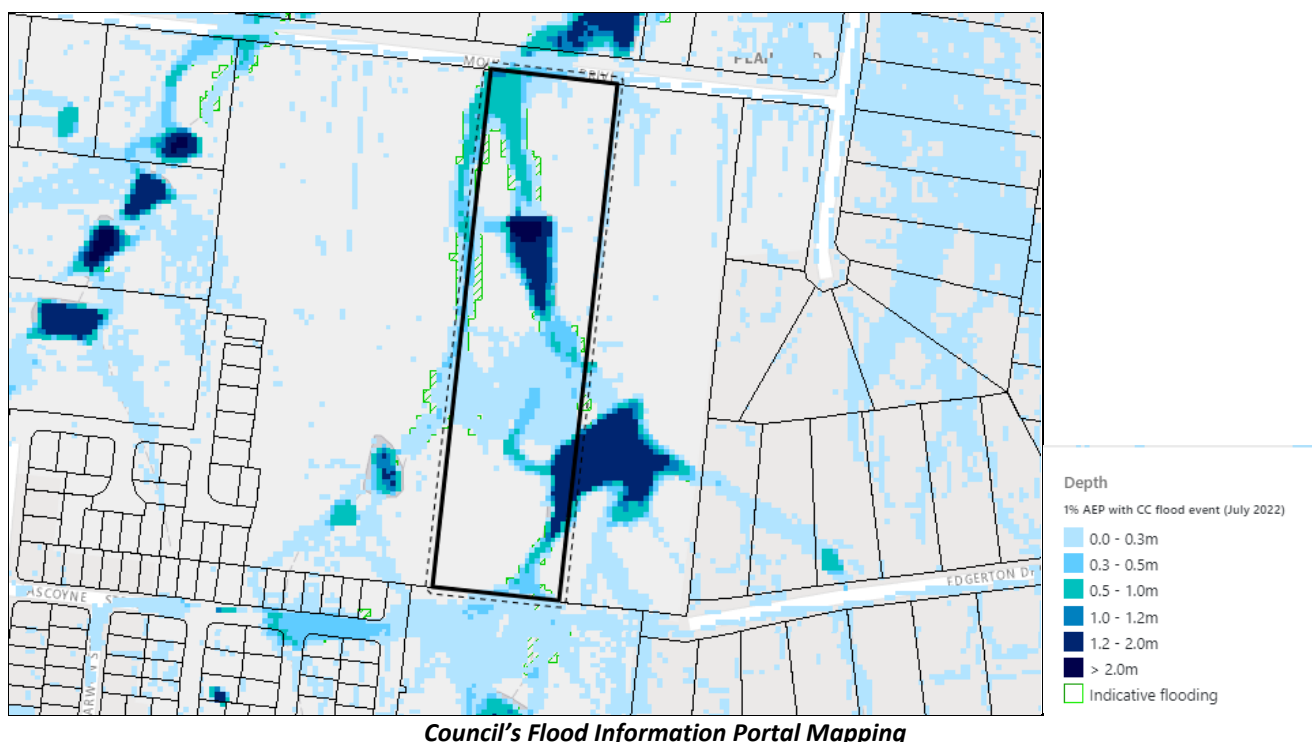
The development complies with the relevant overall outcomes because:

- The development is efficiently located having regard to existing approved road connections to the east and west, and the development pattern emerging nearby. The development is ecologically sustainable as there are limited ecological values on the development site, and stormwater impacts are managed to avoid adverse impacts.
- The development caters for predominately residential uses and enables secondary compatible uses (for example Apartments and Home based businesses) in association with the primary residential use.
- The development provides a range of house types and allotments including lots of varying size, shape, configuration and orientation.
- The development does not involve or impact on agricultural land.
- The expansion of the residential development from the east and west to this central parcel is most effective for the supply of physical infrastructure, essentially representing an 'infill' development.
- The development has efficient and equitable access to social infrastructure including nearby schools and shops along Gehrke Road, parks within Plainland Crossing, and community services including health care within Plainland.

In summary, the development complies with the overall outcomes of the code despite not complying with the Specific Outcomes for the Rural Residential Area. Accordingly, the proposal complies with the Residential Areas Code.

Temporary Local Planning Instrument 2020 (Flood Regulation)

The site is located within a Flood investigation area and contains overland flow paths. Review of Council's internal flood mapping confirms the presence of some flooding generally contained to the overland flow paths traversing the site.



It is noted the broader Plainland Crossing development has altered the surrounding flood mapping for the premises through construction of a detention basin along the southern boundary, and construction of another detention basin in the north-west along Mountain View Drive. This captures, treats and conveys stormwater from the south and west of the adjacent development. (Refer to the map below.) Accordingly, the management of stormwater and flooding impacts for the proposed development involves the construction of another bioretention basin to capture stormwater, conveyed to it through stormwater pipes within the road network of the development, and treated and discharged to Mountain View Drive to achieve no worsening of peak flows.



Existing detention basins

In addition to managing the stormwater impacts, the stormwater infrastructure mitigates against the flood impacts of the 1% AEP. Through filling of the allotments, which has been modelled in the stormwater reporting, all lots are provided as flood-free. Council's Development Assessment engineers have reviewed the stormwater and flood impacts and determined them to be suitable. The development demonstrates compliance with the purpose of the TLPI as it manages outcomes in the floodplain so that risk to life, property, community and the environment during flood events is minimised.

State Planning Requirements

South East Queensland Regional Plan 2017 (Shaping SEQ)

The site is located in the Urban Footprint. The development proposal is for an urban activity in the Urban Footprint, and there are no requirements in the *Planning Regulation 2017* applicable to the development proposal.

State Planning Policy (SPP)

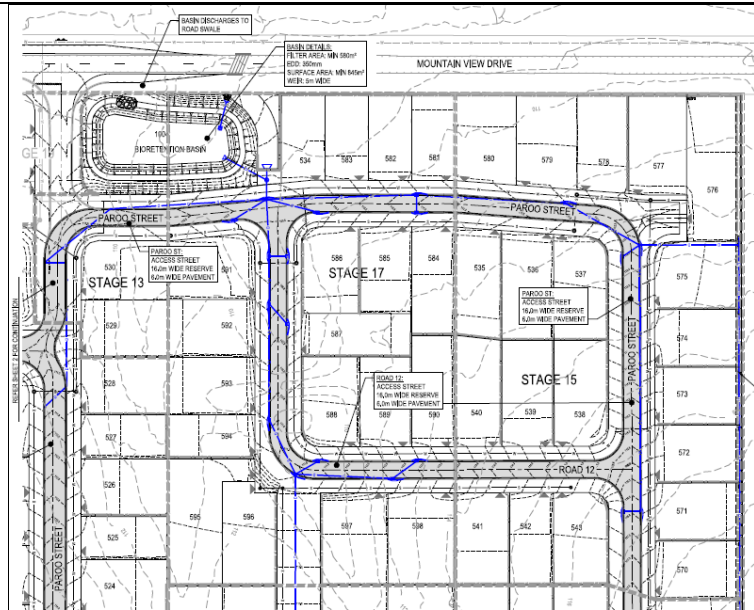
As the Planning Scheme does not reflect the current SPP, an assessment of the proposal against relevant state interests has been undertaken.

SPP THEME	ASSESSMENT
Liveable communities and housing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Housing supply and diversity Liveable communities 	<p>The State Interest seeks for <i>Diverse, accessible and well-serviced housing, and land for housing, is provided and supports affordable housing outcomes</i>. The development supports diverse and well-serviced housing outcomes through a variety of lot sizes from 450m² to 914m² in an area with existing infrastructure and latent capacity. The range of lot sizes supports affordable housing outcomes including opportunities for smaller more affordable dwellings on smaller lots. The development is consistent with the State Interest.</p>
Economic Growth: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agriculture Development and construction Mining and extractive resources Tourism 	<p>Not applicable to proposed development</p>
Environment and heritage: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Biodiversity Cultural heritage Water quality 	<p><u>Biodiversity</u></p> <p>The site contains MSES – Regulated vegetation (intersecting a watercourse). The applicant sought advice from SARA regarding the validity of the watercourse (2212-26344 SPL), through which SARA determined that:</p> <p><i>The green waterway mapped within Lots 12 and 13 on RP141940 as identified on Figure 1 is not considered to be a waterway providing fish passage. The evidence provided demonstrated:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>There was no defined channel with bed and banks.</i> <i>There was not an extended period of flow.</i> <i>There appeared to be no flow adequacy.</i> <i>There was limited upstream habitat and connectivity</i> <p>On the basis that SARA consider the MSES - Regulated Vegetation (intersecting a watercourse) has limited environmental value, Council officers consider the MSES mapping as not directly applicable to this development. As such, further assessment is not required.</p>



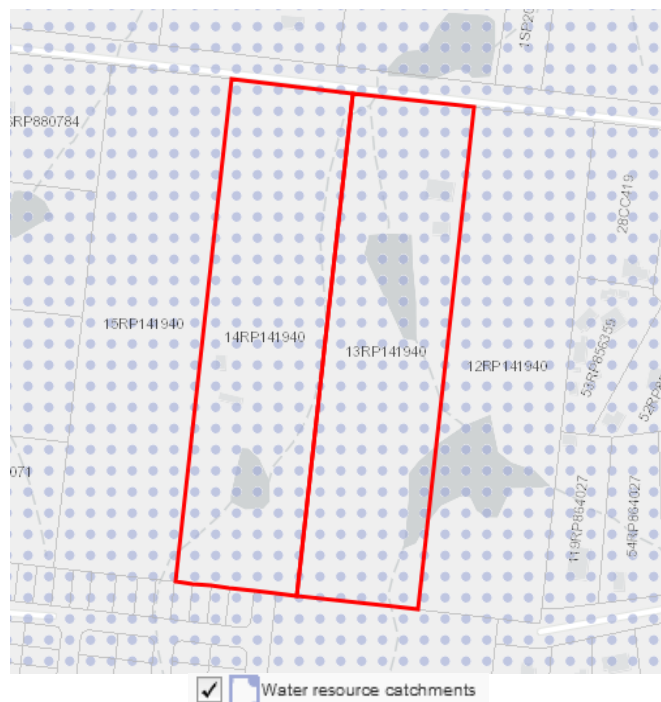
Water Quality

The site is located within a water resource catchment. The proposal is for an urban residential subdivision which will be connected to the reticulated water and sewer networks and includes a 2320m² bioretention basin (which also supports Stages 14 & 15). A Stormwater Management Plan has been supplied which demonstrates that water quality objectives are met, and the development results in a non-worsening of stormwater impacts. The proposal therefore appropriately addresses the State Interest.



Civil

drawings of proposed bioretention basin in north-west corner



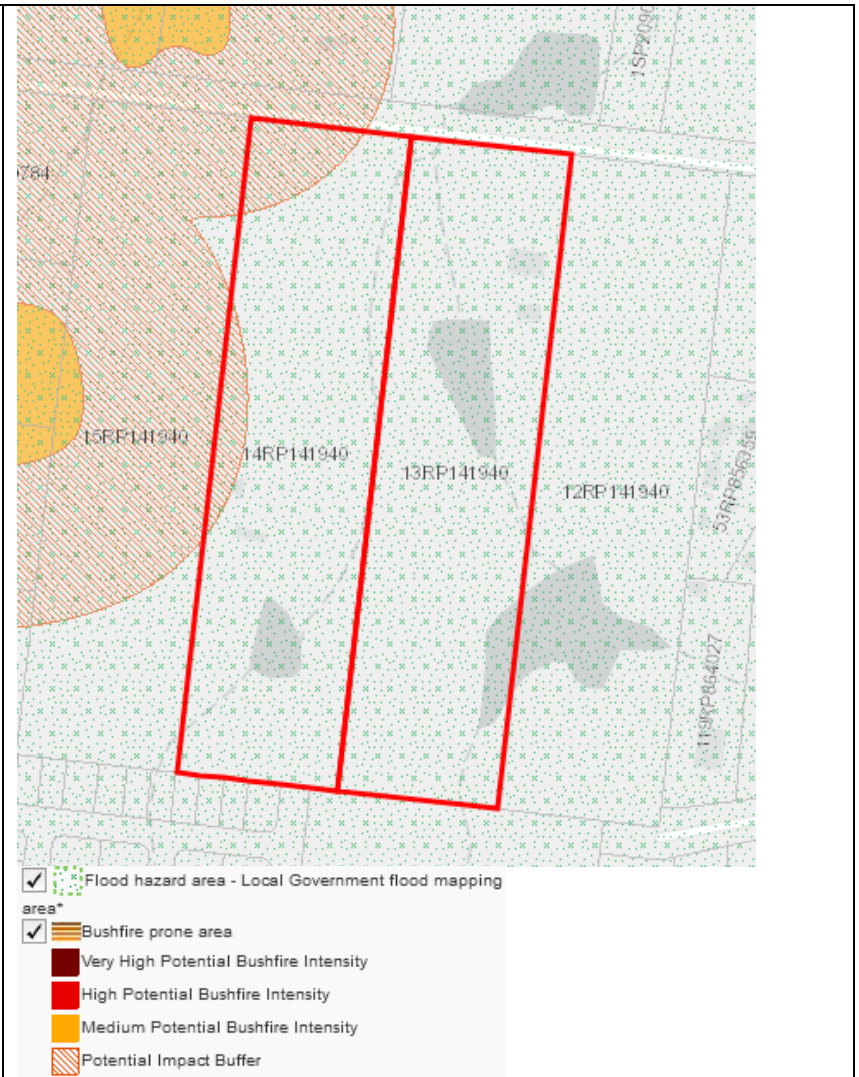
Safety and resilience to hazards:

- Emissions and hazardous activities
- Natural hazards, risk and resilience

Natural hazards, risk and resilience

The site is located within a Flood hazard area – Local Government flood mapping area. Refer to the 'TLP' section above as to how the proposal adequately addresses the State Interest.

The site is located within a Bushfire prone area (potential impact buffer). The proposed subdivision is not located in the potential impact buffer area and therefore not subject to any bushfire risks. As such, further assessment is not required.

	
<p>Infrastructure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Energy and water supply • Infrastructure integration • Transport infrastructure 	<p>Not applicable to proposed development</p>

Schedule 12A Assessment benchmarks for particular reconfiguring a lot

Schedule 12A of the *Planning Regulation 2017* applies to certain reconfiguring a lot applications in certain zones. Council officers' view is the schedule is relevant in this instance because the development application seeks to apply a prescribed zone through a variation request and is for residential subdivision. The purpose of the schedule is to ensure the reconfiguration supports convenient and comfortable walking for transport, recreation, leisure and exercise in the locality of the lot.

The development complies with the assessment benchmarks because:

- **Connectivity** – the development provides a grid like pattern of connected development which is integrated with adjacent development to the east and west including road links and pathways links, both with footpaths to be conditioned.
- **Maximum length of blocks** – the maximum length of each boundary of a block for the reconfiguration does not exceed 250m which is the specified maximum to ensure convenient pedestrian movement.
- **Street trees** – the development will be conditioned to provide street trees at a rate of 1 tree/ 10m².

- **Footpaths** – a footpath will be provided on at least 1 side of any new road within the development pursuant to conditions in accordance with requirements.
- **Parks and open space** – the development has access to the existing park located along the southern boundary along Barcoo Drive.

The development is in accordance with Schedule 12A.

REFERRALS

Internal

The application was internally referred to Council's development assessment engineer. Relevant conditions have been included in the recommendations.

External

Planning Regulation 2017 Referrals

The application did not trigger referral under the *Planning Regulation 2017*.

VARIATION REQUEST

This application includes a variation request, which is defined in the *Planning Act 2016* to mean the part of a development application for a preliminary approval for premises that seeks to vary the effect of any local planning instrument in effect for the premises.

Section 61(2) of the *Planning Act 2016* specifies that when assessing the variation request, the assessment manager must consider:

- a) the result of the assessment of that part of the development application that is not the variation request; and
- b) the consistency of the variations sought with the rest of the local planning instrument that is sought to be varied; and
- c) the effect the variations would have on submission rights for later development applications, particularly considering the amount and detail of information included in, attached to, or given with the application and available to submitters; and
- d) any other matter prescribed by regulation.

An assessment of the variation request to vary the effect of the *Laidley Shire Planning Scheme 2003* to have the Urban Residential Area (via the Mountain View Drive Preliminary Approval Area Code) apply to the land has been undertaken and is discussed below.

Result of Assessment of the other aspects of the Development Application

In this development application, the other aspect as discussed earlier in this report is a Reconfiguring a Lot – Development Permit for Subdivision.

As noted, the development is for a subdivision that includes 44 lots of varying sizes, new 16m wide roads, a bioretention basin and a pathway, all of which links the currently disconnected eastern and western stages of the Plainland Crossing development. On this basis, an assessment of the proposed subdivision has determined it to be appropriate. The proposed variation is consistent with the proposed lot layout.

Consistency with the rest of the Planning Scheme

The Variation Request seeks to apply the Mountain View Drive Preliminary Approval Code to the entirety of the site, which applies the Planning Scheme provisions for the Urban Residential Area to the future development of the land. The application of the Urban Residential Area is logical and sensible having regard to the application of this area directly to the east and west of the subject site via MC2018/0014.03 and the Urban Footprint designation under the Regional Plan.

The Mountain View Drive Preliminary Approval Code seeks to continue to apply relevant codes from the current *Laidley Shire Planning Scheme 2003* to future development (e.g. applying the Residential Uses Code and Building Dimensions Code from the planning scheme to future dwelling houses, and applying the Urban Residential Area instead of the Rural Residential Area) which ensures the Variation Request remains consistent with the rest of the planning scheme.

Effect of the variations on submission rights

The proposed Variation Request seeks to apply a different area (Urban Residential Area) to provide a compatible lot size for the subdivision and enable future development appropriate for the Urban Residential Area. The subdivision has been applied for at the same time as the Variation Request to provide certainty on the development outcome. Future activities on each parcel will also be able to occur in accordance with the Mountain View Drive Preliminary Approval Code (essentially the Urban Residential Area), which exists directly to the east and west of the subject site and has been developing now over a number of years.

Accordingly, the community would be aware of reasonable development outcomes which can occur within the area. Impact assessable development in the Mountain View Drive Preliminary Approval Area will continue to require public notification in the future if it occurs.

Given the variation request was publicly notified for 30 days, received nil submissions, and future impact assessable development in the Mountain View Drive Preliminary Approval Area will continue to require public notification, there is no adverse result on submission rights because of the Variation Request.

Any other matter prescribed by regulation

The corresponding section 32 of the *Planning Regulation 2017* provides guidance on assessing variation requests specifically in relation to section 61(2)(d) of the *Planning Act 2016*:

32 Assessing variation requests—Act, s 61

For section 61(2)(d) of the Act, an assessment manager must consider the following matters when assessing a variation request, to the extent the matter is relevant to the request—

- a. the common material;*
- b. the regional plan for a region;*
- c. the State Planning Policy, to the extent the State Planning Policy is not identified in the planning scheme as being appropriately integrated in the planning scheme;*
- d. any temporary State planning policy.*

As part of the development application process, any material relating to, attached to, or given with the development application has been assessed complying with section 32(a) of the *Planning Regulation 2017*.

The South East Queensland Regional Plan and State Planning Policy has been considered in the Section 'State Planning Requirements' and accordingly, the development application is compliant with Section 32(b) and (c) of the *Planning Regulation 2017*.

No temporary State Planning Policy is applicable to the site and therefore the development application is compliant with Section 32(d) of the *Planning Regulation 2017*.

Having carried out the assessment of the Variation Request, it has been demonstrated that:

- It is aligned with the proposed uses contained in the Reconfiguring a Lot components of the development application in that it facilitates dwelling houses on the created allotments; and
- It is consistent with the rest of the planning scheme; and
- The effect of the variation on submission rights is acceptable as submitters with concerns have had the opportunity to make a submission about this development application; and
- The development application is compliant with the other matters as prescribed in Section 32 of the *Planning Regulation 2017*.

Accordingly, the variation request has demonstrated it warrants favourable consideration.

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

The application was impact assessable and was publicly notified for a minimum 30 business days between 23 November 2022 and 23 January 2023. On 30 January 2023, Council received the notice of compliance confirming public notification has been carried out in accordance with the requirements of the *Planning Act 2016*. No properly made submissions regarding the proposed development were received.

INFRASTRUCTURE CHARGES

In accordance with section 13 of the *Lockyer Valley Adopted Infrastructure Charges Resolution (No. 6) 2022*, a levied charge is applicable to the development proposal and has been calculated as shown in the below table taking into consideration any applicable credits or offsets. An infrastructure charges notice is recommended to be issued.

Stage 17

Charge Type	Demand Unit	No. of Demand Units	Rate	TOTAL
PROPOSED DEMAND				
Charge	New Allotments (19) + Balance	20	\$13,297.13	\$265,942.60
TOTAL PROPOSED DEMAND				\$265,942.60
EXISTING DEMAND				
Credit	Existing Allotment	1	-\$13,297.13	-\$13,297.13
TOTAL EXISTING DEMAND CREDIT				-\$13,297.13
TOTAL AMOUNT PAYABLE				\$252,645.47

Stage 18

Charge Type	Demand Unit	No. of Demand Units	Rate	TOTAL
PROPOSED DEMAND				
Charge	New Allotment	25	\$13,297.13	\$332,428.25
TOTAL PROPOSED DEMAND				\$332,428.25
EXISTING DEMAND				
Credit	Existing Balance Allotment	1	-\$13,297.13	-\$13,297.13
TOTAL EXISTING DEMAND CREDIT				-\$13,297.13

TOTAL AMOUNT PAYABLE	\$319,131.12
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TRUNK INFRASTRUCTURE

The development is adequately serviced by trunk infrastructure and does not require any additional trunk infrastructure or upgrades of trunk infrastructure. Further, no trunk infrastructure upgrades are identified in Council's Local Government Infrastructure Plan (LGIP).

CONCLUSION

The proposal:

- Applies the Mountain View Drive Preliminary Approval Code in line with adjoining sites to allow for urban residential development of the site;
- Links the currently disconnected eastern and western stages of the Plainland Crossing development;
- Provides a variety of lot sizes to increase housing choice and diversity within Plainland;
- Will be appropriately connected to all urban infrastructure and services;
- Meets stormwater quality objectives and results in a non-worsening of stormwater impacts;
- Is not adversely impacted by any natural hazards; and
- Achieves compliance with planning scheme and state planning requirements through the imposition of development conditions.

It is therefore recommended the variation request and development application be approved subject to conditions in accordance with sections 60 and 61 of the *Planning Act 2016*.

Options

Option A: Approve the development application subject to reasonable and relevant conditions

Option B: Approve the development application in part subject to reasonable and relevant conditions

Option C: Refuse the development application

Critical Dates

A decision on the application must be made by Council by 16 March 2023.

Strategic Implications

Corporate Plan

Lockyer Planned – A development assessment process that delivers quality development that is consistent with legislation, best practice and community expectations.

Finance and Resource

Should the decision be contested in the Planning and Environment Court financial implications may occur.

Legislation and Policy

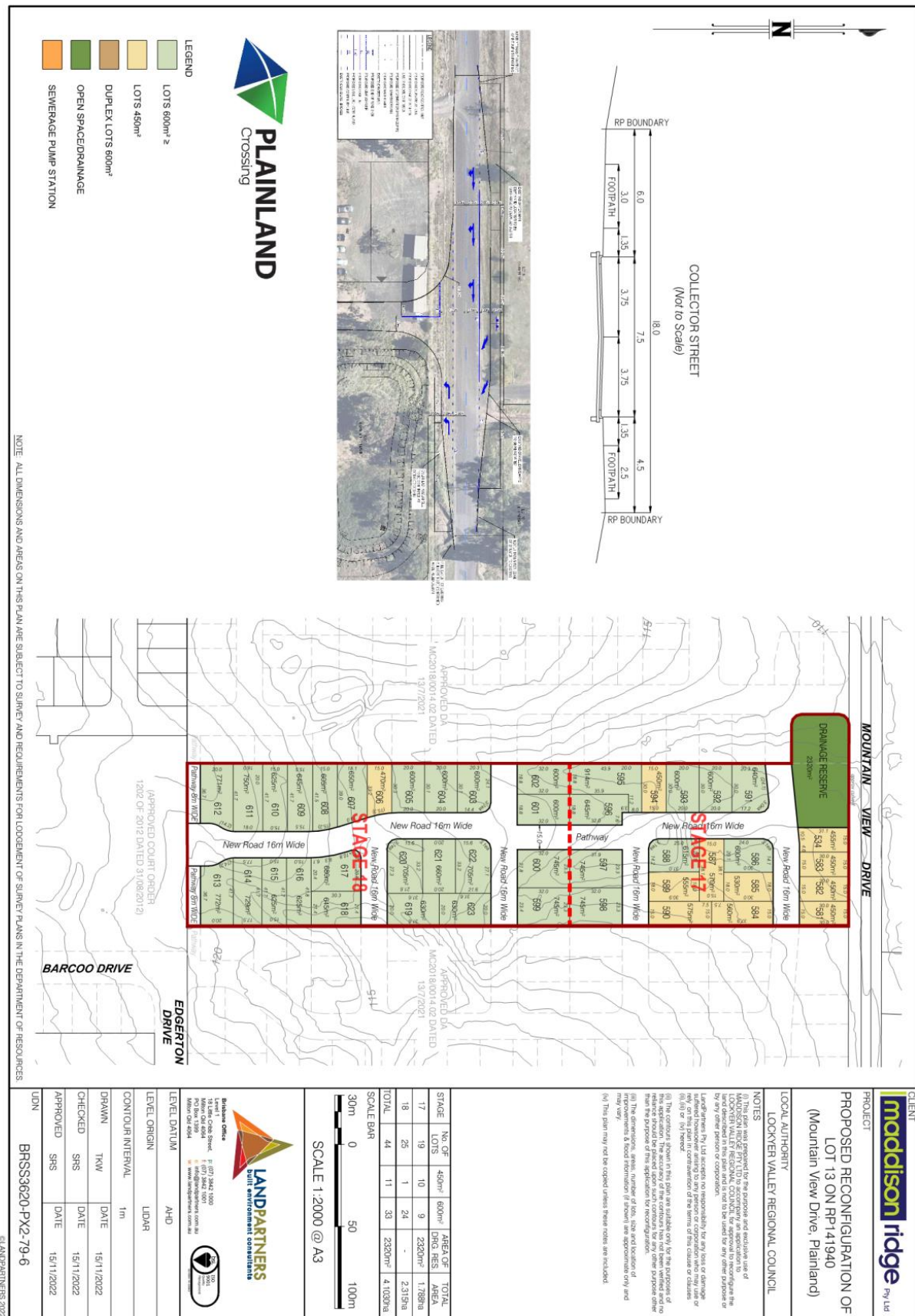
The application has been assessed in accordance with the requirements of the *Planning Act 2016*. Legal implications arising from the recommendation provided in this report are that the applicant and/or submitter/s may appeal the decision to the Planning and Environment Court.

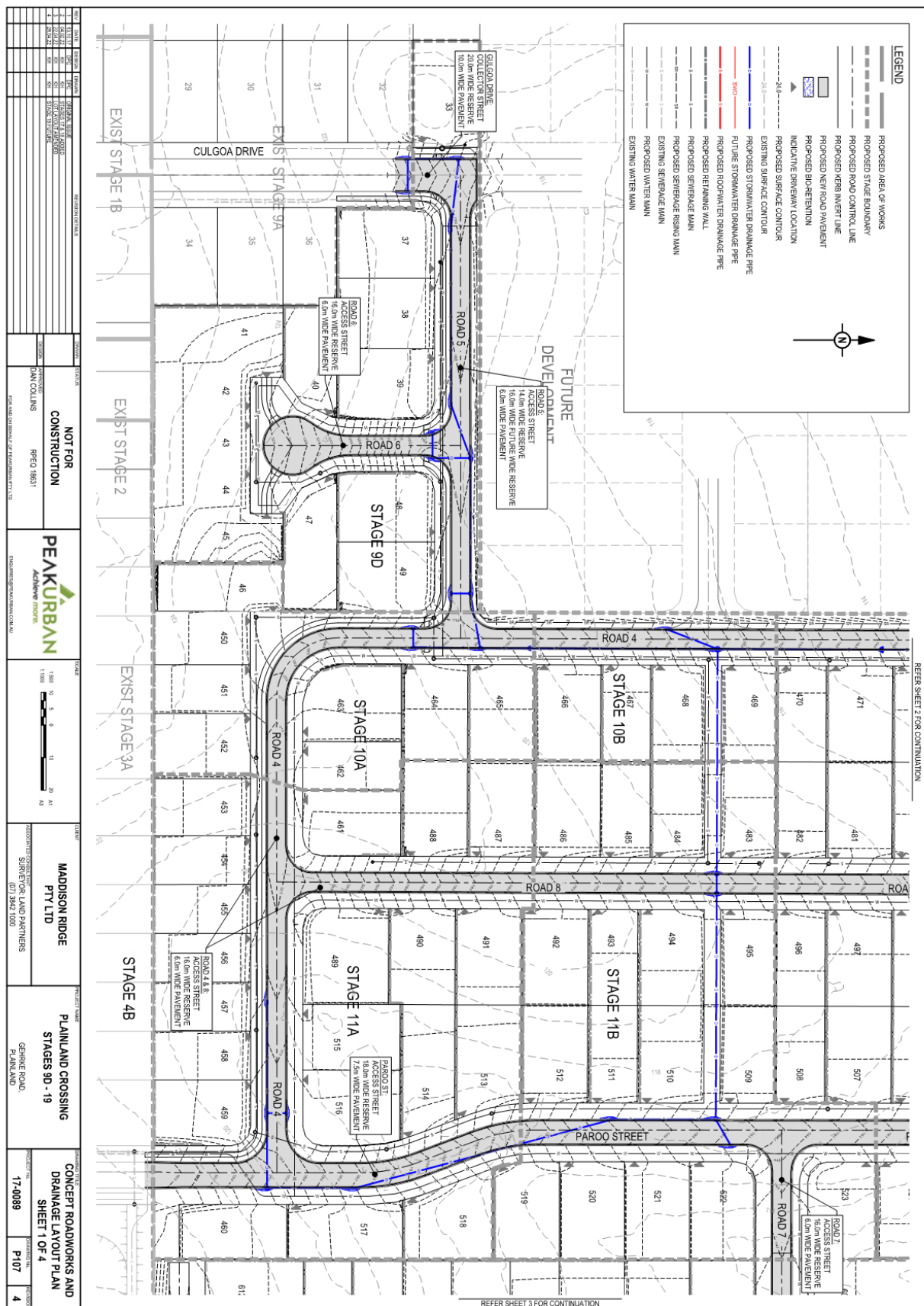
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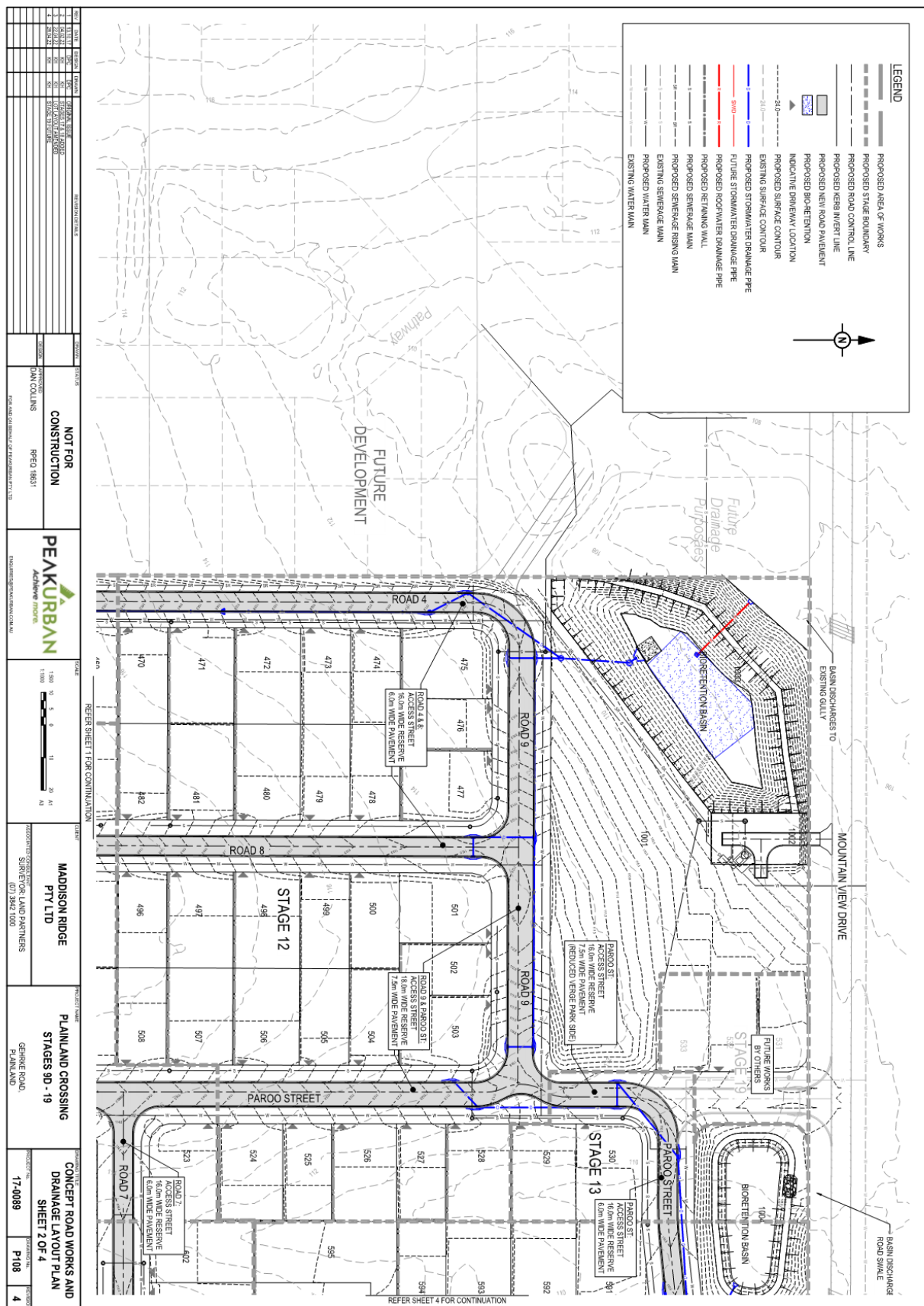
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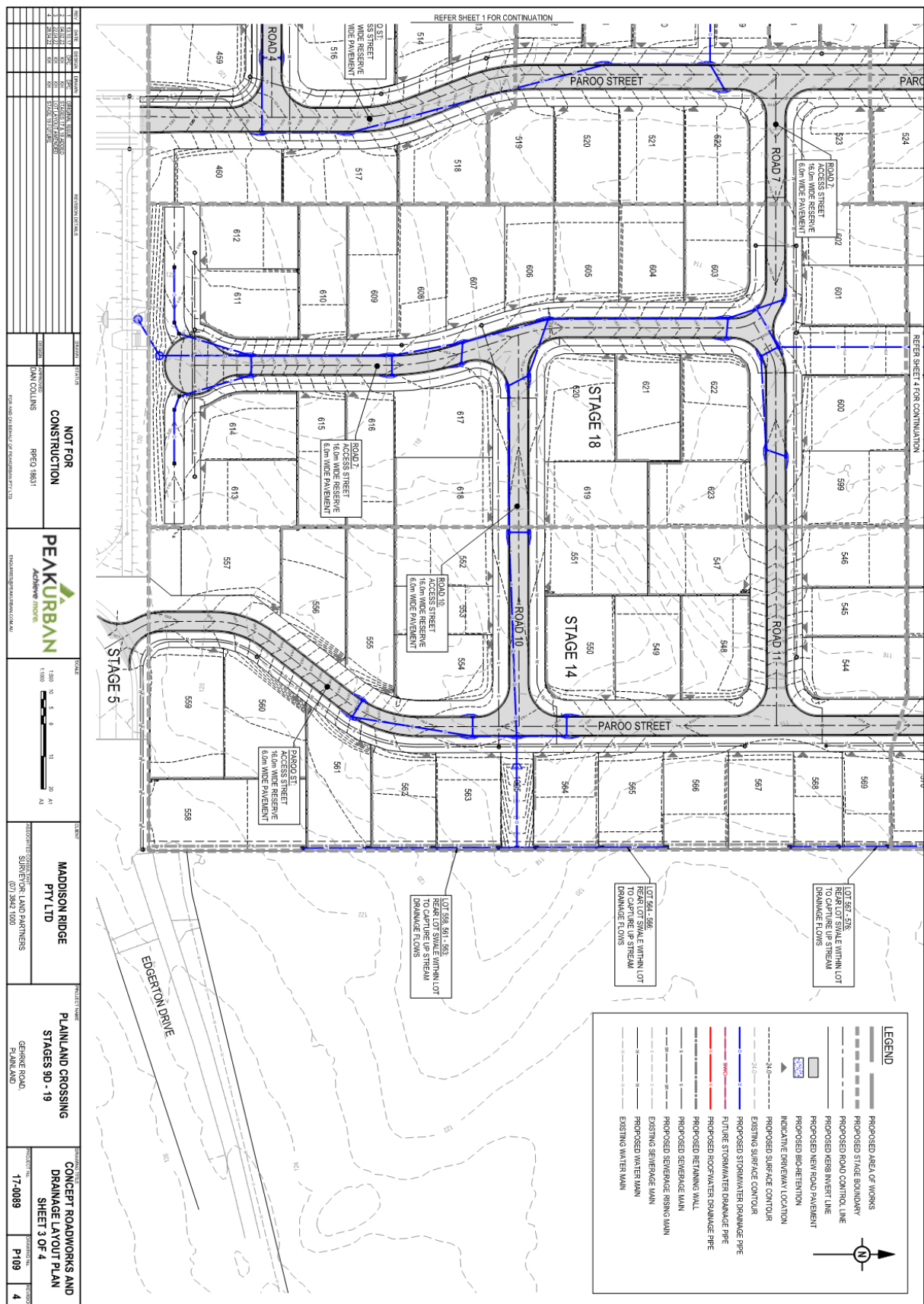
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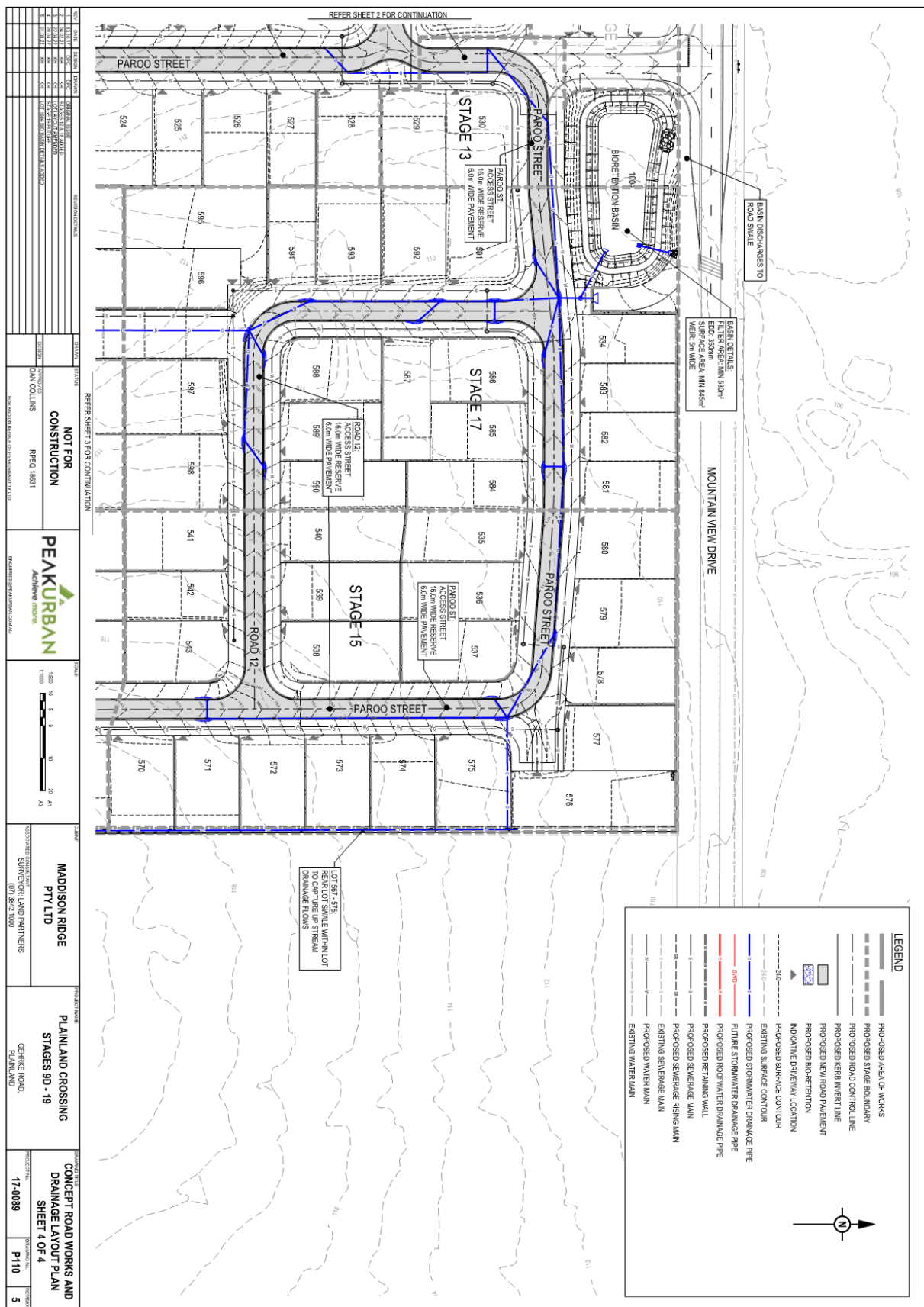
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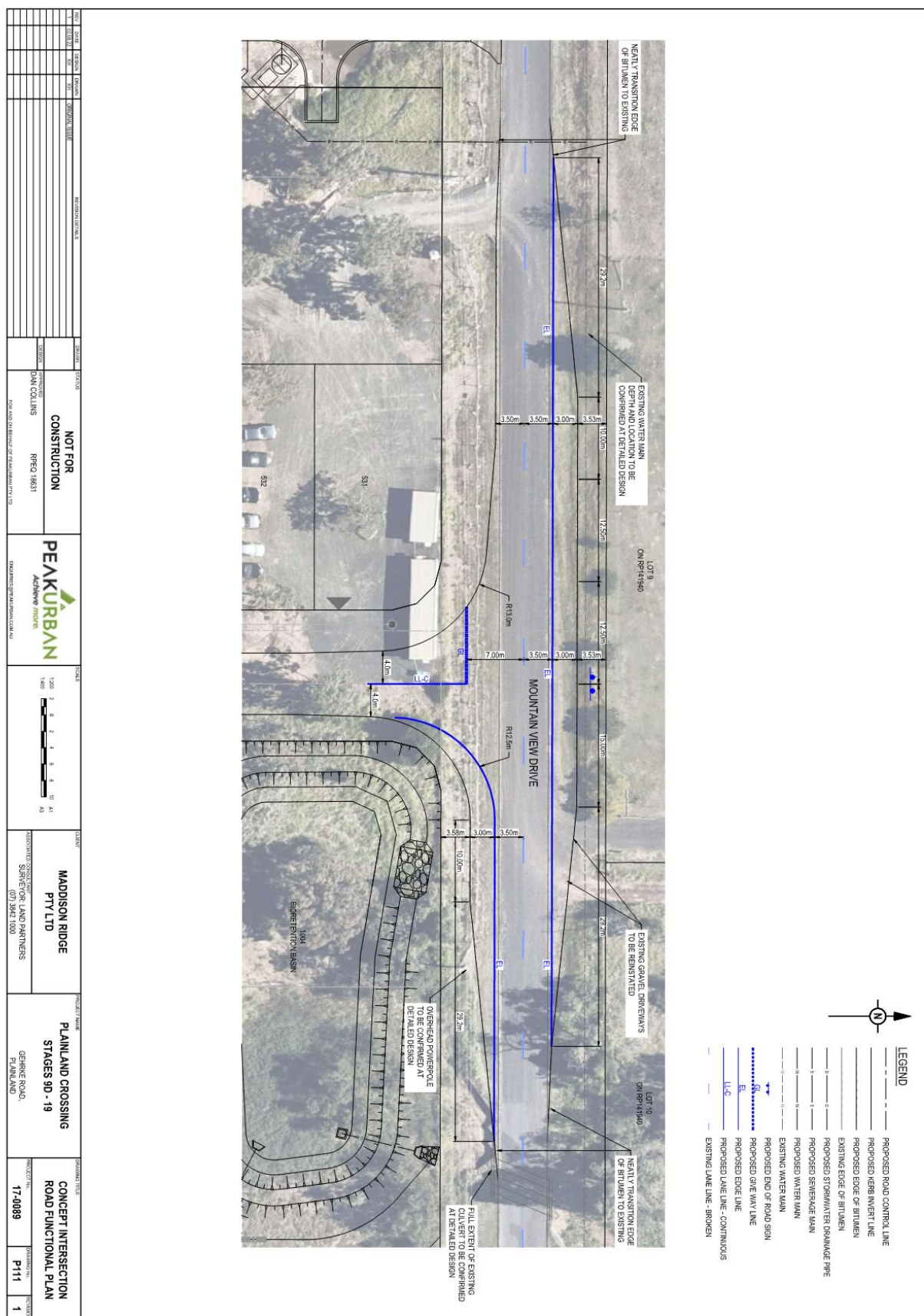


Figure 1 – Preliminary Approval Area (Location Plan)

Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Approval Code

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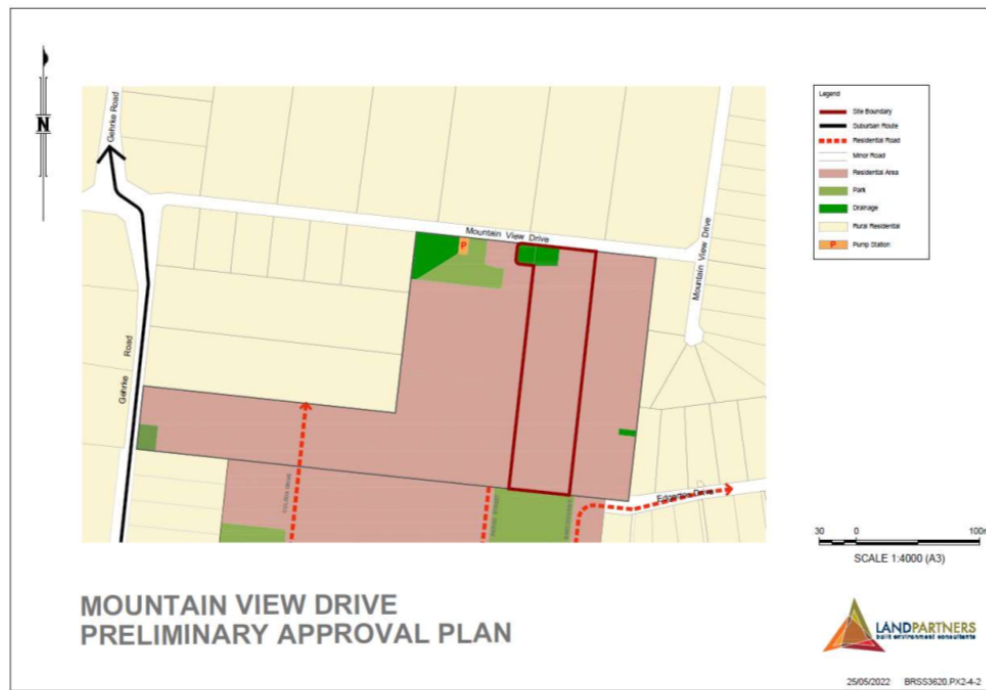


Figure 2 – Site Plan

1.2 Determining the Level of Assessment of Development

The Assessment Table for the Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Approval Area identifies the level of assessment of development within the Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Approval Area.

1.3 Types and Names of Codes

The Codes are as follows:

- (a) Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Approval Area Code; and
- (b) Laidley Planning Scheme Codes (refer to Laidley Planning Scheme) for development of a stated purpose or development of a stated type.

Development within the Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Approval Area is not affected by overlays of the Laidley Shire Council Planning Scheme as all overlay matters were addressed by the original development approval.

2.

Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Approval Code

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1.4 Probable Solutions for Code Assessable Development

An acceptable solution for a specific outcome provides a guide for achieving that outcome in whole or in part and does not limit the assessment manager's discretion under the *Planning Act 2016* to impose conditions on a development approval.

1.5 Impact on Laidley Shire Planning Scheme

This Preliminary Approval has the effect to change the existing Rural Residential Area to Urban Residential Area.

1.6 Overlays

Assessment categories are not affected by overlays of the Laidley Shire Council Planning Scheme, as all overlay matters are addressed in the original application. As part of the Stormwater Management Report prepared by Peak Urban the TLPI is removed from all future applications.

3.

Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Approval Code

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**PART 2 CATEGORIES OF DEVELOPMENT AND ASSESSMENT FOR THE MOUNTAIN VIEW DRIVE
(STAGE 17 & 18) PRELIMINARY APPROVAL AREA**

The following table of Assessment Categories and Applicable Codes apply to development proposals within the Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Approval Area. The uses shown in the following table, are defined within the Laidley Shire Council Planning Scheme, dated 12 March 2003.

**2.1.1 Categories of Development and Assessment of the Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18)
Preliminary Approval Area (Making a Material Change of Use)**

Table 2.1.1 Assessment Categories and Applicable Codes for the Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Approval Area (Making a Material Change of Use)		
Column 1 Defined Use or Use Class	Column 2 Assessment Category	Column 3 Applicable Code
EXEMPT DEVELOPMENT		
Public Infrastructure	Exempt	
Use for a Road	Exempt All Circumstances	
Park	Exempt where located in an area labelled 'Park' on the approved Preliminary Approval Plan	
SELF-ASSESSABLE AND ASSESSABLE DEVELOPMENT		
Apartment	Self Assessable; or Code Assessable if the acceptable solutions of the self assessable codes are not complied with.	If Self Assessable- (a) Building Dimensions Code; (b) Residential Uses Code; (c) Mountain View Drive Area Preliminary Approval Code If Code Assessable- (a) Building Dimensions Code (b) Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Approval Code (c) Residential Uses Code
Child Care Facility	Code Assessable	(a) Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Approval Code (b) Residential Uses Code (c) Advertising Devices Code (d) Building Dimensions Code (e) Community Uses Code (f) Vehicle Access and Parking Code

4.

Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Approval Code

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Table 2.1.1 Assessment Categories and Applicable Codes for the Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Approval Area (Making a Material Change of Use)		
Column 1 Defined Use or Use Class	Column 2 Assessment Category	Column 3 Applicable Code
Dwelling House	Self Assessable; or	If Self Assessable- (a) Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Approval Code (b) Residential Uses Code (c) Building Dimensions Code
	Code Assessable if the acceptable solutions of the self assessable codes are not complied with	If Code Assessable – (a) Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Code (b) Residential Uses Code (c) Building Dimensions Code
Estate Sales Office	Self Assessable; or	If Self Assessable- (a) Advertising Devices Code (b) Building Dimensions Code (c) Commercial / Retail Uses Code (d) Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Approval Code (including Residential Area Precinct Code) (e) Vehicle Access and Parking Code
	Code Assessable if the acceptable solutions of the self assessable codes are not complied with	If Code Assessable- (a) Advertising Devices Code (b) Building Dimensions Code (c) Commercial / Retail Uses Code (d) Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Code (e) Vehicular Access and Parking Code

5.

Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Approval Code

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Table 2.1.1 Assessment Categories and Applicable Codes for the Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Approval Area (Making a Material Change of Use)		
Column 1 Defined Use or Use Class	Column 2 Assessment Category	Column 3 Applicable Code
Home Based Business	Self Assessable; or Code Assessable if the acceptable solutions of the self assessable codes are not complied with.	If Self Assessable – (a) Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Code (b) Residential Uses Code (c) Advertising Devices (d) Building Dimensions Code (e) Home Uses Code (f) Vehicle Access and Parking Code If Code Assessable – (a) Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Code (b) Residential Uses Code (c) Advertising Devices Code (d) Building Dimensions Code (e) Home Uses Code (f) Vehicle Access and Parking Code
Medical / Paramedical Centre	Code Assessable	(a) Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Code (b) Advertising Devices Code (c) Building Dimensions Code (d) Commercial / Retail Uses Code (e) Vehicle Access and Parking Code
Multiple Dwelling	Code Assessable if – (a) Two (2) dwelling units proposed; and (b) a lot shown as a 'Duplex Lot' on the approved reconfiguration plan. Impact Assessable otherwise –	(a) Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Code (b) Residential Uses Code (c) Building Dimensions Code (d) Vehicle Access and Parking Code

6.

Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Approval Code

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Table 2.1.1 Assessment Categories and Applicable Codes for the Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Approval Area (Making a Material Change of Use)		
Column 1 Defined Use or Use Class	Column 2 Assessment Category	Column 3 Applicable Code
Removal House	Code Assessable	(a) Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Code (b) Building Dimensions Code (c) Residential Uses Code
Sport and Recreation	Self Assessable if no building work proposed; or Code Assessable if – (a) building work proposed; or (b) the acceptable solutions of the self assessable codes are not complied with.	If Self Assessable – (a) Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Code (b) Advertising Devices Code (c) Community Uses Code (d) Vehicle Access and Parking Code If Code Assessable – (a) Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Code (b) Advertising Devices Code (c) Building Dimensions ode (d) Community Uses Code (e) Vehicle Access and Parking Code
Other and Not Defined Uses		
All	Impact Assessable All Circumstances	

7.

Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Approval Code

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2.1.2 Assessment Categories and Applicable Codes for the Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Approval Area (Other Development)

Table 3.1.2 Assessment Categories and Applicable Codes for the Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Approval Area (Other Development)		
Column 1 Type of Development	Column 2 Assessment Category	Column 3 Applicable Code
Carrying out building work not associated with a material change of use	<p>Self Assessable if undertaking building works associated with existing buildings on the site</p> <p>Code Assessable if –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the Building Dimensions Code is not complied with; or (b) no existing buildings on the site 	<p>If self assessable –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Building Dimensions Code <p>If code assessable –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Building Dimensions Code (b) Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Code
Placing an advertising device on premises not associated with a material change of use	<p>Self Assessable if a business name sign; or</p> <p>Code Assessable if –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) not a building name sign; or (b) if the acceptable solutions of the self assessable codes are not complied with 	<p>If self assessable –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Advertising Devices Code (b) Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Code <p>If code assessable –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Advertising Devices Code (b) Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Code
Reconfiguring a Lot	Code Assessable	(a) Reconfiguring a Lot Code
Carrying out operational work for reconfiguring a lot	Code Assessable if the reconfiguring is assessable development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Code (b) Filling and Excavation Code (c) Reconfiguring a Lot Code
Carrying out operational work for excavating and/or filling not associated with reconfiguring a lot or a material change of use	<p>Exempt where the extent of cut does not exceed 100m³ or extent of fill does not exceed 500m³; or</p> <p>Code Assessable where the extent of cut exceeds 100m³ or extent of fill exceeds 500m³</p>	<p>If code assessable –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Code (b) Filling and Excavation Code
Other	Exempt Development	

8.

PART 3 MOUNTAIN VIEW DRIVE (STAGE 17 & 18) PRELIMINARY APPROVAL AREA CODE

This code applies to all development proposed within the Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Approval Area.

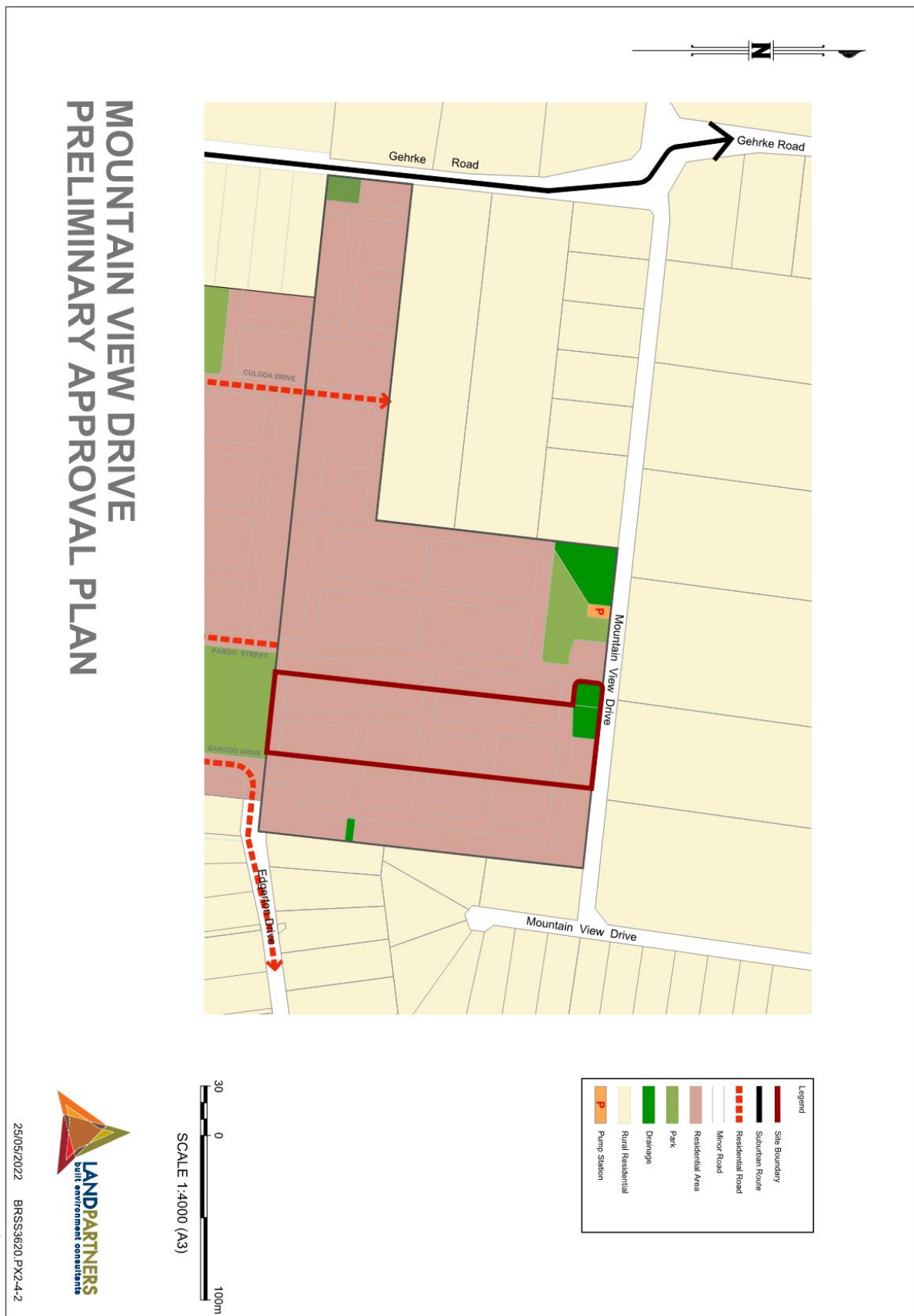
3.1 Overall Outcomes for the Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Approval Area

The overall outcomes are the purpose of the Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Approval Area.

- (a) Residential land uses are established within the Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Approval Area, predominantly in the form of a single house on each lot; and
- (b) A high quality lifestyle is established within the Residential Precinct.

3.2 Specific Outcomes and Acceptable Solutions for Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Approval Area

Table 2.3.1 – Specific Outcomes and Probable Solutions for the Mountain View Drive (Stage 17 & 18) Preliminary Approval	
Column 1 – Specific Outcomes	Column 2 – Acceptable Solutions
SO1 Building height, length, and location minimise overlooking and overshadowing, and maintains privacy.	AS1.1 Buildings are a maximum of two (2) storeys in height.
SO2 The maximum site cover is 60% of the site.	AS2.1 The maximum site cover is 60% of the site.
Non Residential Land Uses (including Home Based Businesses)	
SO3 Non-residential land uses, including Home Based Businesses are compatible with the residential amenity and provide a service to the residential community.	AS3.1 Non-residential land uses must not have a negative impact on surrounding land uses.
SO4 The proposed height, area, and number of signs is appropriate to the size, nature, and location of the land use.	AS4.1 One (1) sign only is to be provided on any lot. AS4.2 No sign is to exceed 1.5m in height and 1.5m in width (total face area of 2.25m ²). AS4.3 No sign is to be positioned above two (2) metres in height.



12.3 Round 1 of the 2022/23 Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) Grant Program

Author: Nicole Kilah, Coordinator Libraries & Galleries
Responsible Officer: Amanda Pugh, Group Manager Community & Regional Prosperity

Purpose:

The purpose of this report is to present the recommendations of the Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) Committee regarding funding through Round 1 of the 2022/23 RADF Grant program, and to present the unconfirmed minutes of the RADF Committee meeting of 27 February 2023.

Officer's Recommendation:

THAT Council endorse the recommendations of the Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) Committee and allocate RADF funds totalling \$19,140 to the following applicants:

- | | |
|---|---------|
| • Mr Charles Thomson | \$2,000 |
| • Mr Hainian Yu | \$5,700 |
| • Ms Theresa Miers | \$2,000 |
| • Cluster Arts Pty Ltd | \$3,800 |
| • Ms Shandell Reisenleiter | \$3,000 |
| • Lockyer Valley Art Society Incorporate (LASI) | \$2,640 |

And further;

THAT Council receive and note the unconfirmed minutes of the RADF Committee meeting held on 27 February 2022.

RESOLUTION

THAT Council endorse the recommendations of the Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) Committee and allocate RADF funds totalling \$19,140 to the following applicants:

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| • Mr Charles Thomson | \$2,000 |
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| • Ms Shandell Reisenleiter | \$3,000 |
| • Lockyer Valley Art Society Incorporate (LASI) | \$2,640 |

And further;

THAT Council receive and note the unconfirmed minutes of the RADF Committee meeting held on 27 February 2022.

Moved By:	Cr Hagan	Seconded By:	Cr Holstein
Resolution Number: 20-24/0771			
CARRIED			
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Executive Summary

Applications for Round 1 of the 2022/23 Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) opened on 12 January 2023 and closed on 21 February 2023. A total of 9 applications were received with an excess of \$49,000 of funding requested. The RADF Committee ('the Committee') has recommended six applicants receive RADF funding.

Proposal

Each application was checked against the eligibility criteria and then assessed by the Committee members against Local and State RADF Priorities including Reach, Impact, Viability, Quality and Value for Money. At a meeting on 27 February 2023, the Committee discussed each project and made recommendations for funding.

Initially \$15,000 was available for Round 1. Due to the larger than expected number of applications and requested funding, the RADF Committee decided to reallocate an additional \$4,200 to provided additional funds for Round 1.

The applications received, and the recommendations of the RADF Committee, are as follows:

Applicant	Project Title	Budget total	Funding request	Funding Allocated
Mr Charles Thomson	Art Beat Creative Workshops	\$4,100	\$2,400	\$2,000
Project brief: Art Beat Creative Workshops will engage young people through a variety of workshops including drawing, cartooning, poetry, and music. By providing creative workshops for young people, it is also expected that this will improve the wellbeing of participants.				
Lockyer Community Centre	Lockyer Jam	\$23,524	\$15,300	Nil
Project brief: A two stage project: Grow Lockyer Jam will bring new/past participants together to learn/expand artistic knowledge/skills/talent with the main objective to perform live at a community event. Stage two will include a two-day school holiday beginners music workshop.				
Noosa Film Academy	Youth Acting for Screen and Screen production workshops and community screenings	\$31,177	\$6,985	Nil
Project brief: Academy Award winning Cinematographer Greg Huglin and Noosa Film Academy deliver Acting for Screen and Screen Production Workshops, Screenings, and an Inter-regional Red-Carpet Community Screening Event to Lockyer Valley Youth.				
Mr Hainian Yu	Sing Sing Together	\$14,400	\$8,700	\$5,700
Project brief: Through concerts and workshops involving the STSA choir and Laidley Anglican church, we seek to empower participants to find their voice, and the joy, hope and connectedness that music brings.				
Ms Theresa Miers	Gelliprinting and Collaging	\$4,000	\$2,400	\$2,000
Project brief: Through this project I seek to introduce a printing process using a gelliplate to create patterns to be transferred to paper, which are then cut up for a collage.				

Cluster Arts Pty Ltd	A bee story comes to the Laidley Festival	\$6,937	\$3,800	\$3,800
Project brief: A Bee Story is a 45-minute circus & physical theatre show which will be presented in a garden during the Laidley Spring Festival. Together with the team from Lockyer Valley Regional Council & Laidley Festival we will increase access to quality touring productions, and foster wellbeing and connection through bringing their award-winning circus work “A Bee Story” to the Laidley Spring Festival in September 2023.				
Ms Shandell Reisenleiter	Let Music Make your Feet Move	\$5,900	\$3,500	\$3,000
Project brief: To take women on a journey to discover the art of ballet by offering outside hours beginners ballet class to connect people, improve coordination, mobility and create an interest.				
Mr Andrew Stubbersfield	Gatton Through Time Photographic Exhibition	\$3,500	\$1,000	Ineligible
Project brief: The first Photographic Exhibition chronicling Gatton's history from 1890-1950. The project is to restored images including people, places and events from Gatton's past and print/mount them for display.				
Lockyer Valley Art Society Inc.	Ceramics and Pottery Skills Activation Program	\$9,545	\$5,280	\$2,640
Project brief: Workshops are planned for one day each fortnight, with 2 workshops conducted on each day. A total of twenty-four workshops conducted over 12 days. The number of LASI members interested in pottery is increasing with many have little or no experience in working in this area. An outcome of these workshops would be an opportunity to develop their skills and learn about safety procedures. Existing members would also welcome the opportunity to increase their skills in areas they may not yet have explored				
TOTAL		\$103,083	\$49,365	\$19,140

The following applications have not been recommended for funding in this round:

- Lockyer Community Centre – Despite being a two-stage project, the funding total was more than the RADF committee’s budget.
- Noosa Film Academy – Similar projects have been funded in the past from this applicant, therefore funding is not recommended.
- Andrew Stubbersfield – This project is ineligible for funding under RADF guideline as framing, freight and publishing costs are not funded.

The following projects have been partially funded. The committee considered the budgets and determined that partial funding will not affect the project’s viability:

- Charlie Thompson
- Hainian Yu
- Theresa Miers
- Shandell Reisenleiter
- Lockyer Valley Art Society Incorporated.

Options

1. That Council endorses the recommendations of the RADF Committee for funding.
2. That Council endorses the recommendations of the RADF Committee for funding, but subject to amendments.
3. That Council does not provide RADF funding for these projects.

Critical Dates

The earliest a project funded under this round is 1 April 2023.

Strategic Implications

Corporate Plan

Lockyer Community 1.5 - Events and activities that bring together and support greater connectivity in the community.

Finance and Resource

Council's grant application to Arts Queensland for RADF funding included an allocation of \$15,000 for Round 1. Partial funding for professional development has been reallocated to Round 1.

Legislation and Policy

The applications received under Round 1 of the 2022/23 RADF Grants Program have been assessed by the RADF committee in accordance with the RADF Guidelines.

Risk Management

Key Corporate Risk Code Category: Environment and Community (EC1)
Corporate Risk Category Description: Environment and the community, including sustainable development, social and community wellbeing, relationships, public health, recreation, regional profile and identity

Consultation

Portfolio Councillor Consultation

Cr Hagan is chair of the RADF committee and was involved in the assessment of the applications.

Internal Consultation

Jason Harm, Manager Communities and Cr Janice Holstein attended the RADF committee meeting 27 February 2023 and were involved in assessing the applications.

External Consultation

The RADF Committee consists of six community members, five of which attended the meeting on the 27 February to assess applications.

Community Engagement

Round 1 of the 2022/23 RADF grant program was promoted in local newspapers, social media channels and within Council's community eNewsletters.

Attachments

[1](#) Attachment 1 - Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) Committee meeting 27 February 2023 4 Pages

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RADF Committee Minutes

Date: 27 February 2023
Start: 6.01pm
Chair: Cr Michael Hagan

Minutes: Nicole Kilah
Location: Gatton Library

INVITEES:				Non-Voting attendees
Cr Mike Hagan	Sallyann Peacock	Grace Crichton		Nicole Kilah
Helen Richards	Jess Logan	Luke Willey	Cr Janice Holstein	Jason Harm
APOLOGIES:				
Stephen Hogarth				

ITEM #	ITEM
1.	WELCOME, ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES: Apologies from Steven Hogarth
2.	CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES: Minutes from meeting 11 May 2022 Moved: Luke Seconded: Grace
3.	BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nil
4.	COUNCIL CORRESPONDENCE, MEETINGS AND NEWS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Draft Arts and Cultural Plan was taken to council workshop in February for comments and ideas. This will be presented to Council again within the next few months. The theme for our plan will be <i>Grow and Connect</i>
5.	ARTS QUEENSLAND CORRESPONDENCE AND NEWS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Partnership Discussions are occurring early March to identify issues, challenges, and opportunities for RADF partnerships for the RADF model. Nic will inform the committee of outcomes from these webinars.
6.	PROMOTION AND ADVERTISING <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Facebook advertising of Round 1 Advert in 2 newspapers for Round 1 Advert in Library and Gallery newsletter Direct email to "names" collected over the last 18 months. <p>Thirteen people opened a funding application, and we received 9 actual responses for this round so the promotion and advertising appear to be suitable. Future plans for RADF round promotion include RADF worksheets and example budgets / factsheets.</p>
7.	ACQUITTALS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Acquittals from: Professional Development participants, 2021/22 Round recipients. These are up to date with only a couple PD acquittals outstanding. All round acquittals for completed projects have been received. Extension/variation requests from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lockyer Community Centre – change of artists Lockyer Arts Trail – additional workshop for their grant <p>These extensions have been approved by Nic due to the timing of these.</p> Applications for Round 1 – 2022/23 – 9 Applications received – 4 unsubmitted

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- A total of \$49,365 has been requested.
- All applications have been reviewed by the RADF committee
- The allocated budget for Round 1 was \$15,000. The committee discussed each application and determined funding allocations based on the budget.

APPLICATIONS

Applicant	Project Title	Budget total	Funding request	Conflict of Interest	Funding Allocated
Mr Charlie Thomson	Art Beat Creative Workshops	\$4,100	\$2,400	Nil	\$2,000

App ID: 37RADF

Project brief:

Art Beat Creative Workshops will engage young people through a variety of workshops including drawing, cartooning, poetry, and music. By providing creative workshops for young people, it also expected that this will improve the wellbeing of participants.

Discussion: Despite the artist being from outside our region, this is something new for our community. It meets a target audience of Youth as well.

Recommendation: Has budgeted \$400 for accommodation and travel however due the amount of funding requested overall, recommend to not fund this component of the request.

Lockyer Community Centre	Lockyer Jam	\$23,524	\$15,300	Nil	\$0.00
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App ID: 38RADF

Project brief:

Two Stage Project: Grow Lockyer Jam project, bringing new/past participants together to learn/expand artistic knowledge/skills/talent; objective to perform live at community event. Deliver a two-day school holiday beginners music workshop.

Discussion: Great concept but a very large request of funding. Previous grant has been extended so there is still an outstanding acquittal.

Recommendation: Not funded

Noosa Film Academy	Youth Acting for Screen and Screen production workshops and community screenings	\$31,177	\$6985	Nil	\$0.00
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App ID: 41RADF

Project brief:

Academy Award winning Cinematographer Greg Huglin and Noosa Film Academy deliver Acting for Screen and Screen Production Workshops, Screenings, and an Inter-regional Red-Carpet Community Screening Event to Lockyer Valley Youth.

Discussion: Due to the total value of funding requested for Round 1, we won't be funding this application. Similar projects have been funded in the past from this group.

Recommendation: Not funded.

Mr Hainian Yu	Sing Sing Together	\$14,400	\$8,700	Luke Willey	\$5,700
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App ID: 42 RADF

Project brief:

Through concerts and workshops involving the STSA choir and Laidley Anglican church, we seek to empower participants to find their voice, and the joy, hope and connectedness that music brings.

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<p>Discussion: Despite the artists (15 in total) being from outside the region, this project offers two things – development and encouragement for STSA and public performances with live ensemble. The funding requested included 2 concerts and several workshops.</p> <p>Recommendation: Due to budget constraints, unable to fully fund. Recommend funding \$5,700.</p>					
Ms Theresa Miers	Gelliprinting and Collaging	\$4,000	\$2,400	Nil	\$2,000
<p>App ID: 44RADF</p> <p>Project brief: Through this project I seek to introduce a printing process using a gelliplate to create patterns to be transferred to paper, which are then cut up for a collage.</p> <p>Discussion: A unique project that hasn't been offered to our community providing diversity of workshops.</p> <p>Recommendation: Budget was assessed and agreed that we would partially fund.</p>					
Cluster Arts Pty Ltd	A bee story comes to the Laidley Festival	\$6,937	\$3,800	Nil	\$3,800
<p>App ID: 45RADF</p> <p>Project brief: A Bee Story is a 45-minute circus & physical theatre show with 2 performers. Our plan is to present the show in a garden during the Laidley Festival. Together with the team from Lockyer Valley Council & Laidley Festival we will increase access to quality touring productions, and foster wellbeing and connection through bringing their award-winning circus work A Bee Story to Laidley Festival in September 2023.</p> <p>Discussion: Well written application. This project offers some diversity to our RADF. Application has a detailed budget that gave committee great understanding of what is being pay for via RADF.</p> <p>Recommendation: Fully funded</p>					
Ms Shandell Reisenleiter	Let Music Make your Feet Move	\$5,900	\$3,500	Nil	\$3,000
<p>App ID: 46RADF</p> <p>Project brief: To take women on a journey to discover the art of ballet by offering outside hours beginners ballet class to connect people, improve co-ordination, mobility and create an interest.</p> <p>Discussion: Similar to activity held in Somerset. Great opportunity for our older community members to be a target audience for this activity.</p> <p>Recommendation: Reduce the funding to \$3,000 due to budget constraints.</p>					
Mr Andrew Stubbersfield	Gatton Through Time Photographic Exhibition	\$3,500	\$1,000	Nil	\$0.00
<p>App ID: 48RADF</p> <p>Project brief: The first Photographic Exhibition chronicling Gatton's history from 1890-1950. To be held at The Lockyer Valley Art Gallery Including many restored images including people, places and events from Gatton's past.</p> <p>Discussion: Great concept however the application is not eligible for funding as framing, freight and publishing costs are not funded.</p> <p>Recommendation: Recommend the application reconsider his application for a future round of funding.</p>					
Lockyer Valley Art Society Inc.	Ceramics and Pottery Skills Activation Program	\$9,545	\$5,280	Nil	\$2,640
<p>App ID: 50RADF</p> <p>Project brief: Workshops are planned for one day each fortnight, with 2 workshops to be conducted on each day. Twenty-four workshops will be conducted over 12 days. The number of LASI members interested in</p>					

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pottery is increasing. Many of these people have little or no experience in working in this area and are looking for opportunities to develop their skills and learn about safety procedures. Existing members would also welcome the opportunity to increase their skills in areas they may not yet have explored

Discussion: This project is offering 24 workshops over 12 days which is a lot of workshops. Discussion around if this project is open to all or just LASI members. Project budget was assessed and due to the number of applications received, it was decided we would fund half the workshops.

Recommendation: Fund half of the workshops.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Professional Development Quick Response Grants – Guideline update

Discussions took place about additional guidelines for PD Quick response grants. Decision was that at this stage we:

- We won't put an exclusion period for a person to apply for another round of funding however they can only receive one Professional Development funding round per financial year
- Will not fund to attend a workshop by the same tutor – idea was that if you didn't get what you needed from the past workshop, try someone different.

RADF Budget Update

Round 1 had an allocation of \$15,000 however there were many great applications. The details of the budget were assessed, and it was decided to reallocate the Conference Professional Development to Round 1.

Meeting closed at: 7.02pm

Items for discussion next meeting:

Update from Arts Qld

Update Guidelines for 2023/24 Rounds to include:

- Professional Development
- Workshop fees

12.4 Flood Recovery Resilient Homes Fund - Voluntary Home Buy-Back Scheme - Preferred Supplier Arrangement for the Demolition and Site Rehabilitation of Properties

Author: Amanda Pugh, Group Manager Community & Regional Prosperity

Responsible Officer: Amanda Pugh, Group Manager Community & Regional Prosperity

Purpose:

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's endorsement to establish a Preferred Supplier Arrangement (PSA) for the provision of demolition and site rehabilitation services as part of the Voluntary Home Buy Back Scheme.

Officer's Recommendation:

THAT Council in accordance with Sections 233 and 235 (a) (b) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* approve:

- 1. The establishment a Preferred Supplier Arrangement for the future procurement of demolition and site rehabilitation services associated with the Voluntary Home Buy Back Scheme.**
- 2. Entering into contractual arrangements without first inviting written quotes or tenders for the future procurement of sole source and specialised suppliers for the disconnection and removal of utility services for each location associated with the Voluntary Home Buy Back Scheme, for the following suppliers:**
 - Queensland Urban Utilities
 - Energex Limited
 - Energy Queensland
 - Telstra Corporation Limited
 - NBN Co Queensland
 - Dial Before You Dig (Qld) Ltd
 - ELGAS Limited
 - AGAS National Pty Ltd
 - Origin Energy CSG Limited
 - AGL Energy

RESOLUTION

THAT Council, in accordance with Sections 233 and 235 (a) (b) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, approve:

- 1. The establishment of a Preferred Supplier Arrangement for the future procurement of demolition and site rehabilitation services associated with the Voluntary Home Buy Back Scheme.**
- 2. Entering into contractual arrangements without first inviting written quotes or tenders for the future procurement of sole source and specialised suppliers for the disconnection and removal of utility services for each location associated with the Voluntary Home Buy Back Scheme, for the following suppliers:**
 - Queensland Urban Utilities

- **Energex Limited**
- **Energy Queensland**
- **Telstra Corporation Limited**
- **NBN Co Queensland**
- **Dial Before You Dig (Qld) Ltd**
- **ELGAS Limited**
- **AGAS National Pty Ltd**
- **Origin Energy CSG Limited**
- **AGL Energy**

Moved By: Cr Hagan

Seconded By:

Cr Vela

Resolution Number: 20-24/0772

CARRIED
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Executive Summary

Council's procurement policy states that Lockyer Valley Regional Council will carry out all procurement activities in accordance with the prescribed legislative framework and its Procurement Guideline.

As it is the responsibility of Council to undertake the demolition of the properties purchased by Council as part of the Voluntary Home Buy Back Scheme, it is necessary to establish a PSA with an approved panel of providers who are appropriately qualified and experienced to undertake demolition and site rehabilitation.

Proposal

After the flooding events of 2022, a joint initiative was announced by the Australian and Queensland Governments to help people living in Queensland recover and become more resilient to future flooding events by introducing the \$741 million Resilient Homes Fund. There are three (3) programs that are funded under the fund and include:

The **Resilient Retrofit Program** provides funding for homeowners to repair (enhancing resilience) or retrofit homes to incorporate flood resilient design and materials in liveable rooms or areas. This program is administered by the Department of Housing and Public Works.

The **Home Raising Program** provides funding for homeowners to raise their home to reduce the impacts of future flood events by elevating liveable rooms or areas. This may also include moving the home on the same parcel of land by moving it to higher ground. This program is administered by the Department of Housing and Public Works.

The **Voluntary Home Buy-Back Program** provides funding for Councils to buy back homes. Once the property is purchased (by Council) it must be demolished, and the land returned to its natural state and a planning scheme amendment undertaken to ensure that the land can never be developed for residential purposes. This program is administered by the Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA) and is the program that Council has the most involvement in.

To be eligible for funding under the Voluntary Home Buy Back program, property owners must meet the following criteria:

- The home is within one of the local government areas activated for Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements; and
- The owner-occupier or landlord of the home is applying for funding; and
- The home is a residence not used primarily for business purposes; and
- the home was inundated by water in liveable rooms or areas during the 2021–22 rainfall and flooding events listed below:
 - Central, southern, and western Queensland rainfall and flooding – 10 November to 3 December 2021; and
 - Ex-tropical cyclone Seth – 29 December 2021 to 10 January 2022; and
 - South-east Queensland rainfall and flooding – 22 February to 5 April 2022; and
 - Southern Queensland flooding, 6 - 20 May 2022.

It is the south-east Queensland Rainfall and Flooding event that occurred between 22 February to 5 April 2022 that makes Lockyer Valley residents eligible to participate in the program.

Voluntary Home Buy Back Program Overview

The process undertaken to be considered for Home Buy Back is as follows:

1. Property owner makes application for Voluntary Home Buy Back to the QRA.
2. QRA ensures that the application meets the eligibility funding criteria.
3. Property valuers undertake pre and post flooding valuations.
4. Offers are presented to eligible property owners by the QRA.
5. Property owners consider the QRA offer.
 - a. If the Property owner accepts the offer, a contract is forwarded to Council for execution.
 - b. If the Property owners does not accept the offer, no further action is undertaken and the process ceases.
6. McCullough Robertson, acting on behalf of Council arrange for the contracts to be issued.
7. Property settlement occurs 30 days after the contract is executed by both parties.
8. Demolition of structures and rehabilitation of the land occurs.
9. Planning Scheme Amendment undertaken to rezone land.

It should be noted that under the funding arrangements the program must be completed by 30 June 2024, including; demolition of the house, and amendment of the relevant planning scheme.

LVRC Voluntary Home Buy Back Properties

To date, the Queensland Government (QRA and the Department of Housing and Public Works) have received 94 applications from property owners in the Lockyer Valley.

- 20 properties were capable of being raised
- 21 were qualified for a resilient retrofit
- 28 were considered for voluntary buy-back, of which 25 initially qualified; and
- 25 property owners were unsure of which program option was of interest to them.

25 properties initially qualified for the Home Buy Back Scheme under the Resilient Homes Fund. The Property Identification Numbers of the 25 properties are; 236300, 236190, 132930, 117050, 268160, 131600, 167790, 167920, 255650, 135760, 132760, 132740, 251500, 114090, 132560, 133200, 245310, 132700, 132590, 138910, 178400, 172040, 157320, 176590, and 127470.

To date nine (9) contracts have been executed and six (6) properties have settled, with the remaining three (3) properties settling between now and mid-April 2023.

Whilst it is anticipated that additional properties will be contracted for purchase, it is the responsibility of Council to undertake the demolition of the purchased property. It is necessary to establish a PSA with an agreed panel of providers who can undertake the demolition and site rehabilitation of this first tranche of contracted properties and any others potentially thereafter. This is the most efficient and effective means to undertake the demolition of the properties that Council has purchased through the Voluntary Home Buy Back Program.

Preferred Supplier Panel Arrangement

Council's procurement policy states that Lockyer Valley Regional Council will carry out all procurement activities in accordance with the prescribed legislative framework and its Procurement Guideline.

It has been determined that the most efficient way to undertake the procurement of the demolition function is to establish a PSA.

The objectives of the tender process are:

- a. To establish a PSA with multiple suppliers who have the capacity and capability to provide demolition and site rehabilitation services for flood-affected houses/structures. The works will be released in packages of varying sizes anywhere from one (1) to ten (10) houses (possibly more).
- b. Upon the PSA being established, quotes for each package of works will be released to capable suppliers on the arrangement. The pricing will be provided in a lump sum format with task price breakdown and submissions evaluated and awarded primarily on price.
- c. To establish a PSA with the intent that works are to be distributed across all preferred suppliers (although there is no guarantee of any works under this arrangement).
- d. Perform all requirements in accordance with the required standards and priorities specified in the Schedules, Conditions and Specification.

To procure and engage contractors on the PSA, Council will apply Section 233 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, which states the following:

1. This section applies to a medium-sized contractual arrangement or large-sized contractual arrangement for the supply of goods or services.
2. A local government may enter into the contract without first inviting written quotes or tenders if the contract is entered into with a supplier from a register of pre-qualified suppliers that is made in compliance with subsections (3) to (7).
3. A local government may establish a register of pre-qualified suppliers of particular goods or services only if:
 - a. the preparation and evaluation of invitations every time the goods or services are needed would be costly; or
 - b. the capability or financial capacity of the supplier of the goods or services is critical; or
 - c. the supply of the goods or services involves significant security considerations; or
 - d. a precondition of an offer to contract for the goods or services is compliance with particular standards or conditions set by the local government; or
 - e. the ability of local business to supply the goods or services needs to be discovered or developed.
4. A local government must invite suppliers to tender to be on a register of pre-qualified suppliers.
5. The invitation must;
 - a. be published on the local government's website for at least 21 days; and
 - b. allow written tenders to be given to the local government while the invitation is published on the website.
6. Also, the local government must take all reasonable steps to publish the invitation in another way to notify the public about establishing the register of pre-qualified suppliers.

7. When selecting a supplier to be a pre-qualified supplier for the register, the local government must have regard to the sound contracting principles:
 - *Value for money; and*
 - *Open and effective competition; and*
 - *The development of competitive local business and industry; and*
 - *Environmental protection; and*
 - *Ethical behaviour and fair dealing.*
- (8) A pre-qualified supplier is a supplier who has been assessed by the local government as having the technical, financial and managerial capability necessary to perform contracts on time and in accordance with agreed requirements.

Council will apply the ethics principles of integrity and impartiality, promoting the public good, commitment to the system of government, and accountability and transparency in undertaking its procurement activity.

Additional Procurement Requirements – Sole Source and Specialised Services Engagements

Engagement of utilities providers will be required for the disconnection and potentially the removal of applicable assets and structures associated with each utility type to rehabilitate each location.

Generally, Council evaluates its commitment to expending funds by undertaking a procurement process involving two or more parties. In some instances, there is only one supplier who is available to perform the works and services, or the works and services are require of a sole source or specialised nature making it impractical or disadvantageous to invite several written quotes or tenders.

In accordance with section 235 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, Section 235 Other exceptions “A local government may enter into a medium-sized contractual arrangement or large-sized contractual arrangement without first inviting written quotes or tenders if—

- (a) *the local government resolves it is satisfied that there is only 1 supplier who is reasonably available: or*
- (b) *the local government resolves that, because of the specialised or confidential nature of the services that are sought, it would be impractical or disadvantageous for the local government to invite quotes or tenders.”*

The below list of organisations has been identified as being either sole source or specialised services providers that will be required to provide services to Council in the demolition and rehabilitation of the sites.

- Queensland Urban Utilities
- Energex Limited
- Energy Queensland
- Telstra Corporation Limited
- NBN Co Queensland
- Dial Before You Dig (Qld) Ltd

Options

Council has several options available and to consider including:

1. Council endorses the Officer’s Recommendation to establish a PSA for the provision of demolition and site rehabilitation services as part of the Voluntary Home Buy Back Scheme.
2. Council does not endorse the Officer’s Recommendation and alternative procurement options are investigated; however, it should be noted that the Resilient Homes Fund has a program completion date of 30 June 2024 and the establishment of a panel arrangement for the procurement of the demolition and rehabilitation of subject sites is the most efficient and effective means to undertake

the demolition of the properties that Council has purchased through the Voluntary Home Buy Back Program.

Previous Council Resolutions

Ordinary Council Meeting – 26 October 2022

Resolution 20-24/0668

1. *THAT Council resolve to purchase the following properties for the purposes of the Resilient Homes Fund Voluntary Home Buy-Back program:*
 - *Property ID 236300*
 - *Property ID 178400*
 - *Property ID 268160*
 - *Property ID 157320*
 - *Property ID 117050*
 - *Property ID 132700*
 - *Property ID 138910*
 - *Property ID 167920*
 - *Property ID 114090*
 - *Property ID 255650*
 - *Property ID 127470*
 - *Property ID 132590*
 - *Property ID 132740*
 - *Property ID 236190*
 - *Property ID 167790*
 - *Property ID 132930*
 - *Property ID 176590*
 - *Property ID 245310*
 - *Property ID 131600*
 - *Property ID 251500*
 - *Property ID 132760*
 - *Property ID 132560*
 - *Property ID 133200*
 - *Property ID 135760*
2. *THAT Council resolve to authorise the Chief Executive Officer to take the necessary action required to implement Council's decision, including but not limited to making, amending and discharging the necessary contractual arrangements required to complete the sale of the identified properties.*
3. *THAT Council be kept informed of the progress and the outcome of the purchases of the identified properties.*

Critical Dates

The project completion date for the Resilient Homes Fund is 30 June 2024. All actions associated with the three (3) programs under the Fund need to be completed by this date.

Strategic Implications

Corporate Plan

- *Lockyer Planned*
- *Lockyer Leadership & Council*

Finance and Resource

Council has been allocated a grant funding from the Australian and Queensland governments through the Resilient Homes Fund to purchase, demolish, rehabilitate and rezone 25 flood affected parcels of land across the region.

An initial payment of \$5 million has been made to council to commence this process.

All costs associated with the implementation of the Voluntary Home Buy Back Scheme can be claimed by Council as part of the program. This includes, but is not limited to, staff time, project management costs, property acquisition cost, and demolition costs.

Legislation and Policy

Section 233 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* states, *'This section applies to a medium-sized contractual arrangement or large-sized contractual arrangement for goods or services if a local government— (a) needs the goods or services— (i) in large volumes; or (ii) frequently; and (b) is able to obtain better value for money by accumulating the demand for the goods or services; and (c) is able to describe the goods or services terms that would be well understood in the relevant industry.'*

Risk Management

Key Corporate Risk Code and Category: FE2 - Finance and Economic

Key Corporate Risk Descriptor: Decision making governance, due diligence, accountability and sustainability.

Further, this report and recommendation aligns with Council's Procurement Policy adopted by Council 15 July 2020.

Consultation

Councillor Consultation

A number of discussions and Councillor Workshops have been had with Council in relation to the Voluntary Home Buy Back Program since the announcement of the Resilient Homes Fund.

Internal Consultation

Extensive and ongoing consultation has occurred with the Policy and Growth, Building and Plumbing, Waste, Community Facilities, Finance, Procurement and Workplace Health and Safety teams.

External Consultation

Extensive and ongoing consultation has occurred with Council's external legal representatives McCullough Robertson who are assisting Council with the contract of sale management for the Voluntary Home Buy Back Scheme.

Extensive and ongoing consultation has occurred with Stewart Pentland of Infinitum Partners who is assisting Council with the project management of Council's obligations under the Voluntary Home Buy Back Scheme.

Extensive and ongoing consultation has occurred with the QRA in relation to the delivery of the Voluntary Home Buy Back Scheme.

Community Engagement

Extensive Consultation and Engagement with the community has been undertaken by the QRA and by Council when appropriate.

Attachments

There are no attachments for this report.

13.0 INFRASTRUCTURE REPORTS

No Infrastructure Reports were presented to the meeting.

14.0 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

GENERAL BUSINESS

THAT Council receive and note the following items for information:

14.1 - Chief Executive Officer's Monthly Report - February 2023

14.2 - Group Manager People Customer and Corporate Services Monthly Report - February 2023

14.3 - Group Manager Community and Regional Prosperity Monthly Report - February 2023

14.4 - Group Manager Infrastructure Monthly Report - February 2023

14.5 - Urban Utilities Monthly Report - November & December 2023

Moved By: Cr Holstein

Seconded By:

Cr Cook

Resolution Number: 20-24/0773

CARRIED

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14.1 Chief Executive Officer's Monthly Report - February 2023

Author: Ian Church, Chief Executive Officer

Responsible Officer: Ian Church, Chief Executive Officer

Purpose:

This report provides Council with a summary of key operational activities undertaken by the Chief Executive Officer's Group during February 2023.

This document is for Council's information only.

Executive Summary

The activities covered in this report include Strategic Planning; Internal Audit and Risk; Procurement; Disaster Management; Community Development and Engagement and Advocacy. The Finance function is subject to separate reporting.

Proposal

That this report be received and noted.

Attachments

[**1**](#) Monthly Group Report - Executive Office 16 Pages



Executive Office

MONTHLY GROUP REPORT
February 2023



HIGHLIGHTS

Flood Restoration Program Update

Expenditure incurred during and after the three declared events has been substantial and it is important to ensure all eligible costs are reimbursed. The following table provides a snapshot of costs submitted for reimbursement and approved. Report as at 27 February 2023.

Event/Description	QRA Reference Number	Submission Amount Requested by LVRC	Deemed Ineligible	Trigger Point Deducted	Approved Amount	Received Amount	
November 2021 Flood Event	LVRC.0042.2122B.CDO	48,557	1,485	0	47,072	47,072	
February 2022 Flood Event	LVRC.0044.2122H.CDO	770,849	10,493	0	760,356	760,356	
February Leachate Costs	LVRC.0064.2122H.CDO	93,509	0	0	93,509	93,509	*
February 2022 Traffic Management	LVRC.0041.2122H.CDO	245,028	717	0	244,311	244,311	
May 2022 Flood Event	LVRC.0043.2122K.CDO	534,172	152,375	0	381,797	381,797	*
May 2022 Flood Event - DM staff costs	LVRC.0065.2122K.CDO	446	0	0	446	446	*
October 2022 Flood Event	to be submitted	0	0	0	0	0	
TOTAL FOR CDO		1,692,561	165,070	0	1,527,492	1,527,492	
November 2021 Event	LVRC.0021.2122B.EWK	949,591	794	237,199	711,598	711,598	
February 2022 Event	LVRC.0036.2122H.EWK	3,050,673	623	0	3,050,051	3,050,051	
May 2022 Event	LVRC.0052.2122K.EWK	4,307,102	3,151	0	4,303,952	4,303,952	
TOTAL FOR EMERGENT WORKS		8,307,367	4,567	237,199	8,065,600	8,065,600	
Station Street, Helidon and Roches Road, Withcott - May Event	LVRC.0053.2122K.IWR	22,799	0	0	22,799	22,799	
IRW Flood Gauges - Feb Event	to be submitted	0	0	0	0	0	
IRW Flood Gauges - May Event	to be submitted	0	0	0	0	0	
TOTAL FOR IMMEDIATE RECONSTRUCTION WORKS		22,799	0	0	22,799	22,799	
Fred Thomas Pedestrian Bridge	LVRC.0020.2122H.REC	220,159	0	55,040	165,119	49,536	
Unsealed Roads Zone 9	LVRC.0023.2122H.REC	234,227	0	58,557	175,670	117,339	
Unsealed Roads Zone 2	LVRC.0024.2122H.REC	234,376	0	0	185,977	55,793	
Unsealed Roads Zone 3	LVRC.0026.2122H.REC	388,212	0	0	375,636	112,691	
Unsealed Roads Zone 1	LVRC.0027.2122H.REC	535,405	0	129,831	403,859	121,158	
Lifitin Bridge	LVRC.0029.2122K.REC	3,653,571	0	243,428	2,339,379	701,814	
Unsealed Roads Zone 8 Part 2	LVRC.0030.2122H.REC	566,782	0	0	515,749	216,281	
Unsealed Roads Zone 8 Part 1	LVRC.0031.2122H.REC	689,045	0	0	641,853	192,556	
Unsealed Roads Zone 8 Part 3	LVRC.0032.21223H.REC	410,118	0	0	298,007	196,286	
Sealed Roads Zones 1,2,and 3 Submission 1	LVRC.0033.2122H.REC	246,646	0	0	241,352	72,406	
Unsealed Roads Zone 10 - Part 1	LVRC.0034.2122H.REC	689,329	0	0	686,822	206,047	
Old Laidley Forest Hill Road CH 1800	LVRC.0035.2122H.REC	269,006	0	0	0	0	
Unsealed Roads Zone 4 - Part 1	LVRC.0037.2122H.REC	1,178,564	0	0	867,359	260,208	
Unsealed Roads Zone 4 - Part 2	LVRC.0038.2122H.REC	1,146,515	0	0	1,121,366	336,410	
Unsealed Roads Zones 11-18	LVRC.0039.2122H.REC	152,130	0	0	129,407	38,822	
Woolshed Creek Road Floodway CH 400	LVRC.0040.2122H.REC	442,230	0	0	339,694	101,908	
RCP and RCBC Desilting and Clean Outs	LVRC.0045.2122H.REC	211,064	0	0	184,538	55,361	
East Egypt Road Landslip	LVRC.0046.2122K.REC	4,112,342	0	0	2,293,795	688,139	
Berlin Road Landslip	LVRC.0047.2122H.REC	2,588,719	0	0	1,978,528	593,558	
Sealed Roads Zone 9	LVRC.0049.2122H.REC	432,350	0	0	342,109	102,633	
Sealed Roads Zone 5	LVRC.0051.2122H.REC	1,275,573	0	0	557,741	167,322	
Adare Road Floodway	LVRC.0054.2122H.REC	183,831	0	0	183,831	55,149	

Event/Description	QRA Reference Number	Submission Amount Requested by LVRC	Deemed Ineligible	Trigger Point Deducted	Approved Amount	Received Amount	
Guardrail Restoration	LVRC.0055.2122H.REC	238,986	0	0	232,394	69,718	
Sealed Roads Zone 4	LVRC.0056.2122H.REC	149,844	0	0	139,316	41,795	
Sealed Roads Zone 3	LVRC.0057.2122H.REC	149,098	0	0	145,547	43,664	
Brightview Road	LVRC.0058.2122H.REC	2,635,900	0	0	0	0	
Sealed Roads Zone 11 - 18	LVRC.0059.2122K.REC	203,344	0	0	157,467	47,240	
Mountain View Drive Landslip	LVRC.0060.2122H.REC	1,740,043	0	0	1,531,190	459,357	
Sealed Roads Zone 1 and Town Extras	LVRC.0061.2122H.REC	1,276,265	0	0	0	0	
East Egypt Road Landslip - Site 3	LVRC.0062.2122K.REC	118,098	0	0	118,098	35,430	
Unsealed Roads Zone 5	LVRC.0063.2122H.REC	1,083,272	0	0	1,033,685	310,106	
Unsealed Roads Zone 6	LVRC.0067.2122H.REC	1,628,561	0	0	0	0	
Unsealed Roads - Zone 10 - Part 2	LVRC.0068.2122H.REC	740,144	0	0	740,144	214,330	
Sealed Roads Zone 10	LVRC.0069.2122H.REC	195,683	0	0	0	0	
Sealed Roads Zone 8	LVRC.0070.2122H.REC	991,305	0	0	0	0	
Unsealed Roads Zone 10 - Part 3	LVRC.0071.2122H.REC	1,179,746	0	0	0	0	
Sealed Roads Zone 2	LVRC.0072.2122H.REC	636,899	0	0	0	0	
Sealed Roads Zone 6	LVRC.0073.2122H.REC	199,291	0	0	0	0	
Sealed Roads Zone 7	LVRC.0074.2122H.REC	136,076	0	0	0	0	
Unsealed Roads Zone 7	LVRC.0075.2122H.REC	1,443,213	0	0	0	0	
Flagstone Creek Road Rockfall	LVRC.0076.2122H.REC	736,439	0	0	0	0	
Reconstruction of Floodway Approaches	LVRC.0077.2122H.REC	1,698,927	0	0	0	0	
All Zones Final	LVRC.0078.2122H.REC	516,221	0	0	0	0	
Roches Road Ch 1250 - Part of LVRC.0078	to be submitted	0	0	0	0	0	
Steinke's Bridge - Part of LVRC.0055	to be submitted	0	0	0	0	0	
Upper Lockyer River Height Gauge Repairs	to be submitted	0	0	0	0	0	
Project Management Expenditure included in all submissions	included in approved submissions	0	0	0	0	0	
TOTAL FOR REPA		37,557,549	0	486,856	18,125,632	5,663,054	
TOTAL FOR DRFA PROGRAM		47,580,277	169,637	724,055	27,741,524	15,278,945	
*\$93 955 of the \$152 375 deemed ineligible for May CDO was approved in separate submissions.							

BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT & STRATEGY

Audit and Risk Management

The Audit and Risk Management function links to the Corporate Plan by assisting Council to be; “*Compliant with Legislation*”.

Audit and Risk Management Committee

At the time of writing this report, the next meeting of the Audit and Risk Management Committee is scheduled for Thursday 9 March 2023. The key agenda items include:

- CEO update
- 2022 external audit closing report and draft 2023 external audit plan
- Internal audit progress report and 3-year internal audit plan
- Review of internal audit policy and charter
- Review of internal audit performance
- Audit register progress update
- Corporate risk management progress update
- Committee member training
- Financial performance report

Audit Register Status

The following table provides insight into the status of the internal and external audit recommendations captured on Council’s Audit Register. The table identifies the number of current active action items on the Audit Register by their level of risk to Council.

There has been no change to the content of the table as included in last month’s Executive Office report.

Internal Review (audit)	Total No of Rec.	Number of Current Active Recommendations by Risk Level				Completed Rec.
		High	Medium	Low	Improve	
Tendered Contract Review	17	0	3	1	1	12
Project Management Practices	11	0	1	1	0	9
Review of Legislative Compliance	6	0	1	0	0	5
Payroll and Remuneration Processes	10	1	0	0	0	9
Payroll and Vendor Analytics	9	0	3	0	0	6
Lessons Learned from Pandemic	4	1	2	1	0	0
Property Management Review	10	4	1	0	1	4
Disaster Response (On Ground)	14	8	4	0	0	2
Plant and Fleet Utilisation Review	19	2	9	8	0	0
Development Applications Review	8	0	0	0	0	8
External Audit Items	3	0	2	0	0	1
Total	111	16	26	11	2	56

Corporate Risk Management

Council's Corporate Risk Management Policy and Framework (the Framework) have been reviewed and updated in line with the current international standard for risk management (ISO312000:2018E) and recommended feedback received from the Risk Awareness Training conducted with staff in May 2022. Although neither document had reached its timeframe for review, the feedback received was beneficial to streamline and assist the organisation with risk management requirements. Copies of the draft documents were included with the Audit and Risk Management Committee Agenda for review and endorsement.

The Risk Management Framework is the application tool that guides the organisation on how appropriately identify risk, assessed the type and level of risk to the organisation and report on risk in orderly format.

Each Group is reviewing Council's Risk Assurance Map as it applies to the functions within the Group to ensure the controls and information captured within the Map are accurate. A Risk Assurance Map is a document that identifies various tiers of internal processes and controls (such as policies, plans, strategies, and reporting) which are in place within the organisation that align to the applicable function of Council. The Assurance Map enables Council's to identify the gaps (or weaknesses) within its processes and controls against its functions. A simple example, Council Business is identified as one of Council's functions and the Code of Meeting Practice is an internal control (policy) which aligns to this function, we also have guiding documents for this process such as a work instruction on council meeting protocols, a report writing guidelines. Agenda briefing are also conducted as management review component of this function. All these pieces together endeavour to ensure Council's function is compliant and delivered effectively.

Corporate Planning and Performance Reporting

The Corporate Planning and Performance Reporting function links to the Corporate Plan by assisting to; "Provide leadership and contemporary management systems that drive a coordinated and connected organisation".

Operational Plan 2022-2023 – Quarterly Performance Report

Preparation of the third quarter performance report on the progress of Council's Operational Plan 22-23 will be undertaken in the second half of March 2023.

Development of Operational Plan 2023-2024

Preliminary preparations for the development of Council's Operational Plan for the 2023-2024 year will commence during March with Council's Executive Leadership Team.

Review of Corporate Performance Reporting

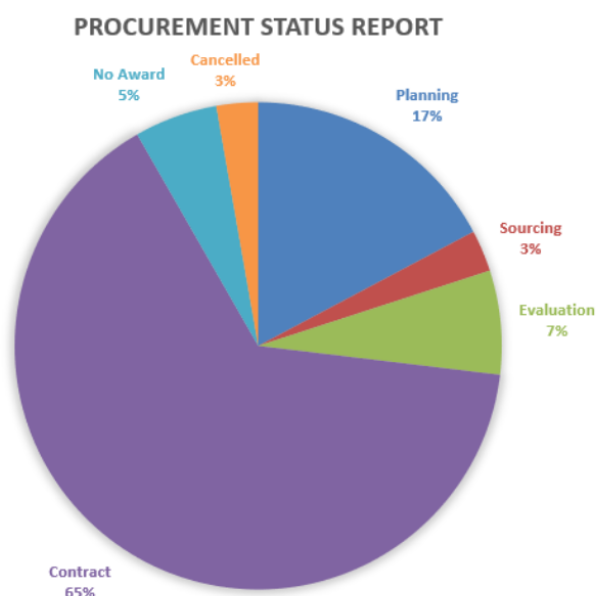
A planning session with the Chief Executive Officer scheduled for this February was postponed until March to identify suitable content for inclusion in the Executive Office Monthly Report to Council.

PROCUREMENT

Group	Progress		
	January 2023	February 2023	March 2023
Infrastructure Delivery			
LVRC-22-037 Tyres & Tyre repairs	Planning for tender process	Final Planning for tender release	
LVRC-22-065 North & East St Roundabout Asphalt	Evaluation of tenders - closed 16/12/22	Evaluation of tenders - closed 16/12/22	
LVRC-22-042 Gatton Stormwater Condition Survey	Evaluation of tenders - closed 22/9/22	Awarded - Total Drain Cleaning Services	
LVRC-22-036 Fred Thomas Bridge Replacement	Evaluation of RFQ closed - 22/8/22	No Award – Further consideration of scope required	
LVRC-22-046 Gatton Central Drainage Design	No award in Nov, documents being revised prior to re-release		
LVRC-22-068 Building Condition Assessments	Contract being negotiated	Awarded – Aspect Architects & Project Managers	
LVRC-22-046A 22/23 Gatton Central Drainage - Design		Planning phase - for RFQ process	
LVRC-22-004 Landslip Remediation		Sourcing - Limited Market Tender released 27/02/2023 - closing 20/03/2023	
LVRC-22-094 Lake Clarendon Way Reconstruction	Released 2/11/2022 – closed 3/01/2023	Awarded - Stabilised Pavements of Australia Pty Ltd	
LVRC-22-095 Lorikeet Road Floodway	Released 2/11/2022 – closed 4/01/2023	Awarded - G&R Brown & Sons Pty Ltd T/A Brown Contractors	
LVRC-22-096 Woodlands Road Floodway	Released 3/11/2023 – closed 5/1/2023	Awarded - G&R Brown & Sons Pty Ltd T/A Brown Contractors	
Infrastructure Fleet			
LVRC-22-070 Multiple Earthmoving Plant	Evaluation of RFQ - closed 20/1/23	Evaluation of RFQ - closed 20/1/23	
LVRC-22-071 Multiple Heavy and Light Trucks	Evaluation of RFQ - closed 18/11/22	Awarded – Separable Portions 1 & 2 - Isuzu Australia Limited - Separable Portion 3 - Volvo Trucks	
LVRC-22-073 Multiple Mowers	Evaluation of RFQ - closed 11/1/23	Awarded – Separable Portion 1 - Kubota Australia Pty Ltd - Separable Portion 2 - Toro Australia Group Sales Pty Ltd	
LVRC-22-074 Multiple Trailers	Planning for RFQ process		
LVRC-22-072 Multiple Light Commercial & Passenger Vehicles	Awarded Lockyer Valley Toyota	Awarded – Lockyer Valley Toyota	
LVRC-22-072A Single Cab Utilities	Awarded Moorooka Motor Group	Awarded – Moorooka Isuzu Ute	
LVRC-22-069 Bridge Maintenance	Evaluation of RFQ - closed 7/2/23	Evaluation of RFQ - closed 7/2/23	
LVRC-22-082 John Street Laidley Design	RFQ closes 17/2/23	Evaluation of RFQ - closed 17/2/23	
Waste			
LVRC-22-076 Leachate Management Services	Sourcing tender closed on 16/2/23	Evaluation of RFT – closed 23/02/2023	
LVRC-22-044 Waste Facilities Supervision	Evaluation of tender - closed 13/12/22	Evaluation of tender - closed 13/12/22	
LVRC-22-045 MRF Kerbside Recyclable Processing	Evaluation of tender - closed 13/12/22	Evaluation of tender - closed 13/12/22	
LVRC-22-091 FOGO Treatment System	Planning for tender process		
Community Facilities			
LVRC-2-086 Gatton Shire Hall External Façade Upgrade	Tender closes on 28/2/23	Evaluation of tender - closed 28/02/23	

LVRC-22-092 Fairways Park North Carpark Repairs	Awarded – Covey and Associates Pty Ltd		
LVRC-23-007 Fairways Park Maintenance			
Planning and Development			
LVRC-22-027 Forest Hill Silos Art	Planning for tender process		
LVRC-23-006 Nature Based Recreation and Tourism Study	Planning for RFQ process	Planning for RFQ process	
Procurement and Stores			
LVRC-22-078 – Bitumen Products & Services	Planning for tender process	Planning for tender process	
LVRC-22-052- Traffic Control Ad-hoc Services	Planning for tender process	Planning for tender process	
Group		Progress	
Procurement and Stores	January 2023	February 2023	March 2023
LVRC-23-008 – Wet/Dry Plant & Equipment Hire Panel	Planning for Public Tender Process		
Executive Office			
LVRC-22-022 – Corporate Uniforms	Planning for tender process		
LVRC-23-002 – 2022-23 Flood Intelligence Infrastructure	Planning for tender process		
LVRC-23-004 – Flood Camera Network Maintenance	Planning for tender process		

Planning	25
Sourcing	4
Evaluation	10
Contract	94
No Award	8



OVERALL PURCHASING DATA	Jan-23	Feb-23	Mar-23
No of Purchase Orders Generated	57	47	
Total Value of Purchase Orders Generated	\$151,284.00	\$196,286.00	
Total Value of Largest Spend to a Single Supplier	\$97,886.00	\$122,552.00	

INVENTORY DATA	Jan-23	Feb-23	Mar-23
No of New Items Added	12	16	
No of Items made Inactive	0	0	
Total Number of Inventory Items	1352	1368	

JANUARY TOP FIVE SUPPLIER SPEND TOTALS (LARGEST \$ TO LEAST \$)	
OCWEN ENERGY	\$97,886.00
TRAFFIC CONTROL SUPPLIES	\$7,039.00
CASTROL	\$6,430.00
TAYLOR SAFETY	\$6,001.00
KARREMAN QUARRIES	\$4,891.00
FEBRUARY TOP FIVE SUPPLIER SPEND TOTALS (LARGEST \$ TO LEAST \$)	
OCWEN	\$122,552.00
HUMES	\$17,647.00
BORAL CONS	\$12,804.00
JNL INDUSTRIES	\$7,888.00
TAYLOR SAFETY	\$6,680.00

DISASTER MANAGEMENT

Corporate Plan Action - Disaster Management Framework development and implementation

Corporate Strategic Planning

- Disaster Management Policy – currently under review.
- DM framework Disaster Management Framework – currently under development.
- Internal Audit Report – update completed.

Community Education
External Engagement &
Partnerships

Council assisted Western Downs Regional Council through Council-to-Council arrangements for the Western Downs Bushfires response by providing Council's two evacuation centre trailers. Western Downs Regional Council has expressed their gratitude to Council for deploying the trailers to assist with evacuation centre resourcing. The trailers did not need to be used.

Disaster Management attended the launch of the Lockyer Valley Libraries Welcome Packs initiative. Council partnered with local real estate agents who delivered the packs to new residents. The packs include information on the Disaster Dashboard, local hazards, disaster preparedness information and Birdie Tree resources

Training & Exercises



Disaster Management team delivered Incident Management System Basics training to Council staff – this training provides an awareness of the system and will be followed up with more specific training in upcoming months.

Internal Engagement &
Collaboration

[Birdies Tree](#) is a suite of resources to help babies and young people prepare for, cope with and recover from a natural disaster and disruptive event. Birdies Tree resources are available online, at Gatton & Laidley libraries, in Welcome Packs and contained within Council's evacuation centre trailers. Birdie Tree resources will be making their way around the organisation to raise awareness. Disaster Management sessions will talk about how the resources will be used.

Disaster Management
Plans

The Local Disaster Management Plan has had a major review. The Draft Local Disaster Management Plan V7.0 was tabled at the Local Disaster Management Group meeting on 2 March 2023 for endorsement and has been included in the Ordinary Meeting Agenda of 15 March for adoption by Council.

Flood Intelligence System



Council engaged the market for the delivery of new flood intelligence infrastructure. This project is a capital project in the 2022/23 budget. No responses were received by the due date. Council has a Flood Cameras and Warning Signage project still awaiting award. Once this award is finalised, Council will re-engage the market.

Council's existing flood intelligence infrastructure is monitored with Council's Warrego Highway and Woodlands Road River height sites suspected to have issues. These sites will be inspected and issues rectified. The Junction View, Thornton School Road and Upper Lockyer River height sensors were damaged during the 2022 floods and sensors have been relocated. Working with the Bureau of Meteorology to determine systems offsets due to relocation of sensors.

**Funded Programs –
Progress Reports**

Woodlands Road signage upgrade has been delayed due to LED light supply delays.

Queensland Resilience and Risk Reduction Funding (QRRRF), 2019-2020 – Flood Classifications project is progressing and is on track to be completed by the end of the current financial year.

**State Emergency Service
(SES) Monthly Report**

The Lockyer Valley SES held an information evening on 20 February 2023. 10 community members attended with 6 completing paperwork to join SES.

The Lockyer Valley SES has 37 active members with an additional two on leave.

- Forest Hill – 10
- Gatton – 13
- Laidley – 12

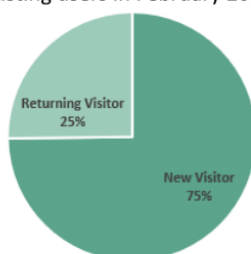
SES volunteers assisted QFES air base operations at Miles and Tara. Volunteers assisted Council with the transport of Council's two evacuation centre trailers to Chinchilla to assist Western Downs Regional Council evacuation centre resourcing.

**Queensland Disaster
Management
Arrangements Review**

Disaster Management practitioners from the area participated in a workshop with the IGEM QDMA review team in Toowoomba. Additional information to the written submission was provided. IGEM will provide a final report to government by the end of April.

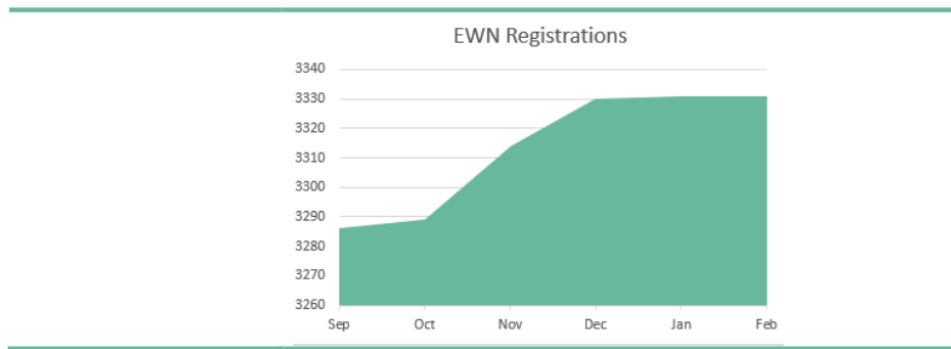
Disaster Dashboard

The Disaster Dashboard was accessed by 392 new users and 132 existing users in February 2023. See graph below.

**Opt-In Notification
Service**

Subscriptions to the Lockyer Valley Early Warning Network have remained stable for February with a total of 3,331 registered users. Lockyer Valley residents are encouraged to register for this free service at EWN or through the [Disaster Dashboard](#).

Strategies to increase membership are being developed. The Lockyer Valley Early Warning Network will be promoted at the Colours of the Lockyer.



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & ENGAGEMENT

Strategic Priority 1 – Engage with the community to ensure the community's views, values and aspirations inform Council decision-making.



8 projects received engagement support in February:

- Flood-affected Park Furniture Program
- eNotices Strategy
- Lockyer Waters Community Facilities
- Lorikeet Road/Gerhke Road Roadworks
- Fairways Park Carparking
- Inland Rail
- Queensland Rail Level Crossing works, Laidley
- Jean Biggs Park

Strategic Priority 2 – Support community groups to increase their capacity, resilience and sustainability.



- Council continues to provide financial support to community groups and hall committees through the *Community Safer Places* and *Council Catch Up* series program areas for community-led projects that increase the resilience and social connectedness of local communities.
- Direct engagement and communication continued with community centres and hall committees regarding internal and external funding opportunities and identifying community and community group capacity building opportunities. Representatives from several of these groups attended Council's recent Grant Writing Workshops initiative. Key groups engaged with in February include:
 - Blenheim Hall
 - Forest Hill School of Arts
 - Lockyer Community Centre
 - Lockyer Waters
 - Stockyard Creek Hall
 - Withcott and Districts Progress Assn
- 2 sponsorships were provided to individuals representing at either a state, national or international level via the Ambassador Support Grant. These were provided to:
 - Macie Whiting – 10-12 Years Girls State Cricket Championships – State Event
 - Leonard Van Lille – APL QLD State Powerlifting Championships – State Event
- Council hosted a free Grant Writing Workshop for local community groups on 22 February and was facilitated by an experienced local grant writer. The event had 29 attendees and focused on increasing the grant writing capacity of attendees, who reported positively on the training.

My Community Directory: February 2023

Top 5 searched categories	Top 5 most viewed service
1. Health Services	1. Lifeline Shop – Crowley Vale
2. Community Clubs & Interest Groups	2. Laidley Crisis Care & Accommodation
3. Sport	3. Laidley Junior Rugby League Club
4. Religion & Philosophy	4. Laidley Oral Health Services
5. Education	5. Laidley & Districts Netball Association

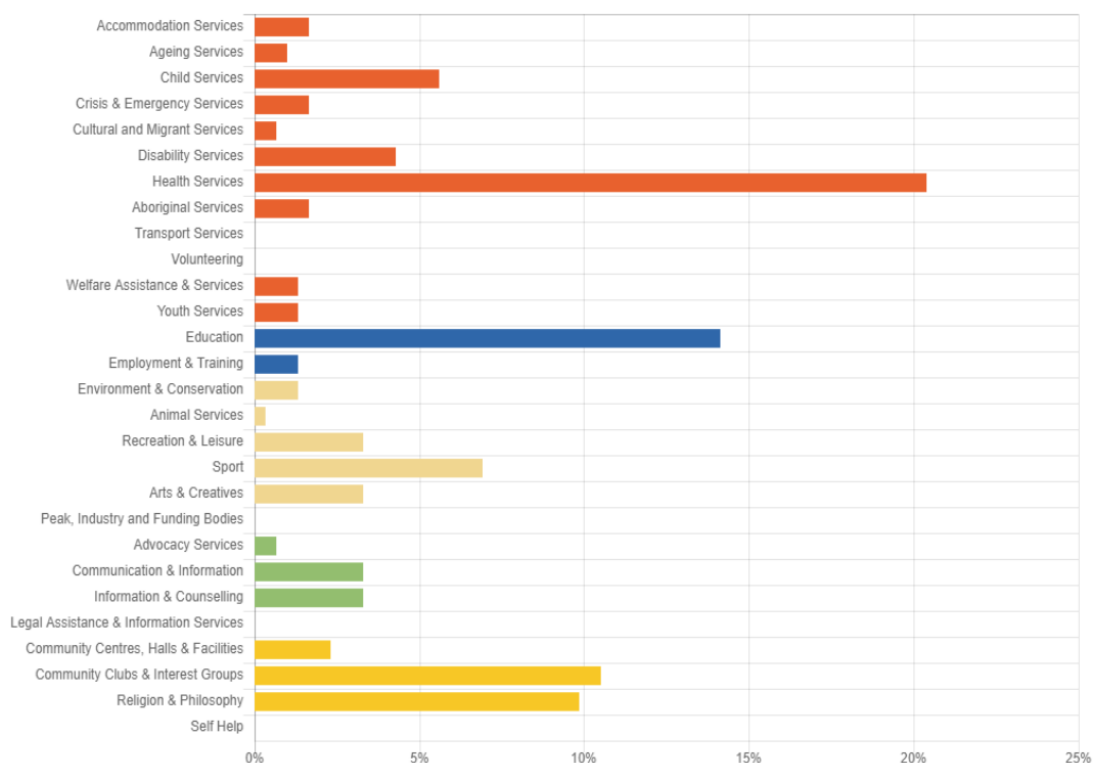
Services by Sector

The below chart shows the number of services listed on My Community Directory by sector.

Services by Category

The below graph shows the number of services listed on My Community Directory by category.

Health Services is the most dominant category, with 62 services listed (20.39%), followed by Education with 43 (14.14%), Community Clubs & Interest Groups with 32 (10.53%) and Religion & Philosophy with 30 (9.87%).



Strategic Priority 3 – Develop and deliver programs, in consultation and collaboration with stakeholders, to promote community wellbeing and resilience, including recovery from adverse events.



Community recovery and resilience engagement continues through:

- Disaster preparedness and recovery information added to the Libraries' Welcome Packs initiative which was recently launched at an event held at the Gatton Library.
- Key stakeholder involvement with the two-year Building Inclusive Disaster Resilient Communities (BDIRC) project, led by funding partners Queenslanders with Disability Network (QDN), University of Sydney, and Community Services Industry Alliance (CSIA). Liaison with QDN to assist with and support upcoming Person-Centred Emergency Preparedness Workshops (March 2023) including promotional support. This project supports one of the more vulnerable parts of the community with a targeted approach.
- Council's Community Recovery and Disaster Resilience Officer is providing capacity-building assistance to the Lockyer Waters Hall Committee Inc to be ready and viable before the new community centre is constructed and operational.

Strategic Priority 4 – Strengthen and utilise partnerships with NGOs and government agencies to improve support services and programs for vulnerable members of the community.



- Partnering with NGOs, Community Groups, and Government Agencies to activate at local scale community events to improve access to support services and programs for vulnerable members of the community. The first community event is *Colours of the Lockyer* in Laidley on 26 March. Council will be activating an information stand at the event and encouraging other agencies to participate in 'Resilience Row' – an initiative of the *Colours of the Lockyer* event organisers.
- Partnered with the Children's Health Queensland Hospital and Health Service to deliver the Birdie's Tree disaster preparedness resources for children training on 21 February 2023. Attendance included 16 participants from six community organisations, state departments and local government.

Interagencies

Staff are involved in the following networks aimed at identifying human and social service gaps and trends, and improve service delivery through strategic networking and partnerships:

- Lockyer Youth Agency Network.
- Lockyer Valley Service Provider Interagency meeting.
 - At the meeting on 14 February attendance increased to 30 participants from service providers and state agencies.
- Lockyer Valley Disaster Recovery and Resilience Interagency
 - February meeting included approximately 25 participants from 19 service providers and state agencies.
 - Service providers actively encouraged to participate in local community events.
 - Strong encouragement for external service providers to engage through the Lockyer and Laidley Community Centres to connect with Lockyer Valley residents.
- Local Level Alliance and Ipswich West Moreton Community Central.
- Toowoomba and Ipswich Districts Human and Social Recovery Committee.
- New, regular district Community Recovery & Resilience Officer (CRRO) community-of-practice meeting (Ipswich, Somerset, Scenic Rim, Southern Downs and Toowoomba)

COMMUNICATIONS

The Communications Team manages a range of media and communication products ranging from media releases and social media posts, to design of posters, signs and fact sheets, to videography and media events, as well as website management. Our primary function is to provide meaningful and timely information to the community on Council decisions, programs and services through a range of mediums.

DISASTER COMMUNICATIONS

The Communications Team leads the Public Information function during severe weather events and disasters and provides time-sensitive information via social posts and the Disaster Dashboard as well as managing enquiries and interviews from external media. Between disaster activations, the team publishes a range of preparedness messages.



0 preparedness messages published

0 awareness and warning messages published

ONLINE ENGAGEMENT



33 CORPORATE FACEBOOK POSTS

HIGHEST PERFORMING POST



Don't forget to get apps in for apprenticeships /traineeships

Reach: 15.8k

Shares: 50



30 INSTAGRAM GRID POSTS



HIGHEST PERFORMING POST

Stealing road work signs

Reach: 675

Reactions: 27



28 TWITTER POSTS



HIGHEST PERFORMING POST

Laidley Office temporary closure

Impressions: 472

Re-tweets: 2

Total engagements: 14

COMMUNITY CONNECT NEWSLETTER

An opt-in e-newsletter aimed at community groups including sporting and interest groups and schools which provides timely information on capacity-building workshops, a wide range of grants and community events.

586 Subscribers with an open rate of **46.25%** (industry average < 25%).

TOP 3 ARTICLES

1. EasyGrants Newsletter
2. Birdies Tree Flood Survey
3. Gambling Community Benefit Fund

25 IN-HOUSE DESIGN PROJECTS	
61 DESIGNS CREATED	\$21,580.00 COUNCIL SAVED ON DESIGN PROJECTS

0 INTERNAL VIDEOS	2 EXTERNAL VIDEOS	
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MEDIA ENQUIRIES			
			
4 RADIO	10 NEWSPAPER	0 TV	0 OTHER

EXTERNAL COMMUNICATIONS	
	16 MEDIA RELEASES
2 PAID ADVERTS	

COUNCIL'S CORPORATE WEBSITE

11,178 TOTAL WEBSITE USERS	73.3% NEW WEBSITE USERS	
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MOST VISITED WEB PAGES

- Current Vacancies
- Contact us
- Development Services

ADVOCACY

Advocacy**Inland Rail**

The Independent Review of Inland Rail by the Australian Government (chaired by Dr Kerry Schott AO) has now provided a Report to the Australian Government. It is understood that significant concerns have been identified but the Report has not yet been released. At the Senate Estimate Committee hearing in mid-February, it was advised that the Government would not be releasing the Review Report until they had formulated their response to the findings.

Inland Rail review identifies 'significant concerns'

Jennifer Dudley-Nicholson
February 13, 2023 – 3:55pm

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"Significant concerns" have been identified in a major rail project to complete Australia's national freight network.

But the issues outlined in the report from an independent review will not be made public until the government has developed its responses.

Brisbane Times

While Council's submission to that Review focussed on alignment concerns in the Lockyer Valley, it is understood that the Review has concerns relating to governance and delivery. It will also consider the rising project costs and the issues that arose during early construction in NSW sections of the project.

Council has maintained its position seeking a change in the Inland Rail alignment around both Gatton and Forest Hill. Council officers continued to work this matter through with officers from the Australian Rail Track Corporation (ARTC). During February Council officers also met with the CEO of Regionerate Rail – the entity procured by ARTC to deliver the Public Private Partnership for Inland Rail between Gowrie and Kagaru. Officers also met with the Design and Construction Sub Contractor who will be integral to outcomes throughout the Lockyer Valley over the coming years.

Council's firm view remains that an alignment must be found that reduces the number of residents affected by Inland Rail construction and operation and that minimises the extent of the impacts on residents. Council considers that the impacts of the project simply cannot be mitigated on the current alignment.

It is intended that once conceptual design has taken place on an alternate alignment around Gatton that officers will be involved in the evaluation and comparison of the potential alternatives. That is anticipated to take place in late March /Early April 2023.

ARTC and the Office of the Co-Ordinator General (OCG) continue their work and review of the Draft Environmental Impact Statements for both Helidon to Calvert (H2C) and Gowrie to Helidon (G2H) sections of Inland Rail. Council regularly meets with officers from the OCG to receive updates and respond to questions arising from their EIS review. OCG has required ARTC to provide additional information on both the G2H and the H2C projects. It is not anticipated that this work will be ready for further community consultation until late in 2023.

Council has also been trying to identify any benefits associated with Inland Rail. The Australian Government's Interface Improvement Program funded Council's identification of potential benefits. The Final Gateway 4 Report has been submitted to the Government for consideration.

Council is also working with ARTC to identify any benefits during the construction phase. However, delays to the project have meant that detailed design has not yet been undertaken by ARTC/Regionerate Rail.

14.2 **Group Manager People Customer and Corporate Services Monthly Report - February 2023**

Author: Dan McPherson, Group Manager People, Customer and Corporate Services
Responsible Officer: Dan McPherson, Group Manager People, Customer and Corporate Services

Purpose:

This report provides Council with a summary of key operational activities undertaken by the People, Customer and Corporate Services performance group during February 2023.

This document is for Council's information only.

Executive Summary

This report provides Council with a summary of key operational activities undertaken by the People, Customer and Corporate Services Group during February 2023.

Proposal

That this report be received and noted.

Attachments

1 [📄](#) Monthly Group Report - People Customer and Corporate Services - February 2023 9 Pages



People, Customer and Corporate Services

MONTHLY GROUP REPORT
FEBRUARY 2023



PEOPLE, CUSTOMER AND CORPORATE SERVICES

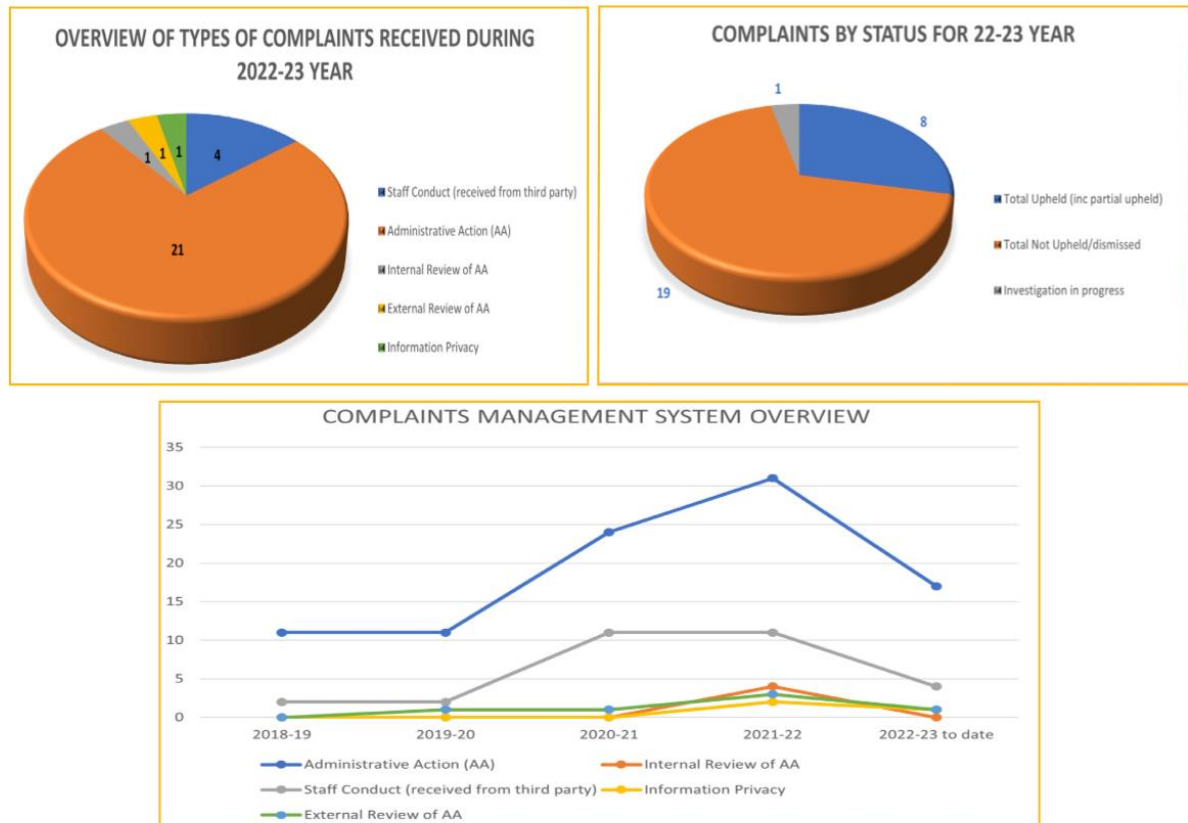


- A lot of time and effort is currently going into preparation for the up coming Mutual Risk Obligation Safety Audit to ensure we maintain our current self-insurance status.
- Our ICT Gurus have earned a ★ this week for no unplanned network downtime, with 99.995% network availability.
- Waste have been busy with Get Grubby and the Waste Warriors Project rolling out to schools, while they've had over 9,000 customers to their facilities.
- And Organisational Development have completed nearly 300 accreditations. All in the shortest month of the year!



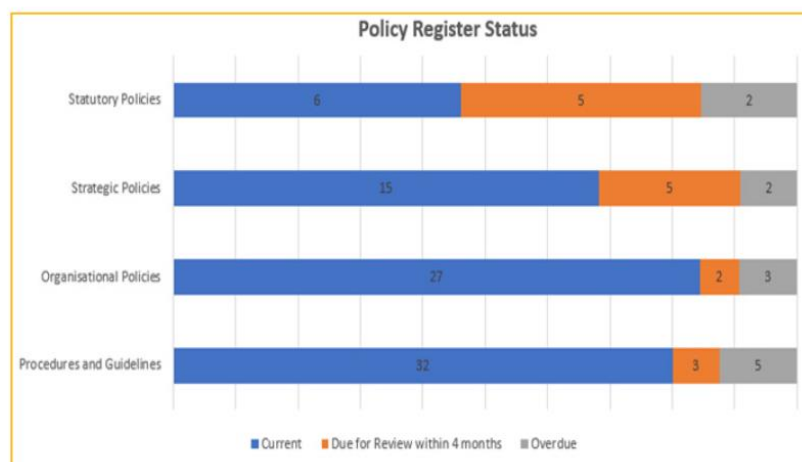
GOVERNANCE AND PROPERTY

Below is an overview of complaints received through Council's complaints management system for the 2022/2023 financial year to date. During February, Council received two new complaints.



POLICY REGISTER UPDATE

The statutory and strategic policies which are due for review within 4 months, will be reviewed and adopted with Council's 2023/24 budget. The Governance and Property team continue to work with and provide assistance to policy owners whose policies are either overdue or due for review. This is an ongoing process across the organisation.



INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

Disposal of Physical Records

Work continues on the assessment and disposal of Council records and during the month, the IM team have scanned and registered a large number of files and documents that will soon be approved for destruction of the physical record. The scanning work combined with the ongoing processing of other records is steadily decreasing the number of cartons in storage and associated storage and retrieval costs.

INFORMATION MANAGEMENT SNAPSHOT

	February 2023	Year to date
Mail/Email items processed	1,682	3,015
Requests for files/boxes	20	54

RIGHT TO INFORMATION APPLICATIONS

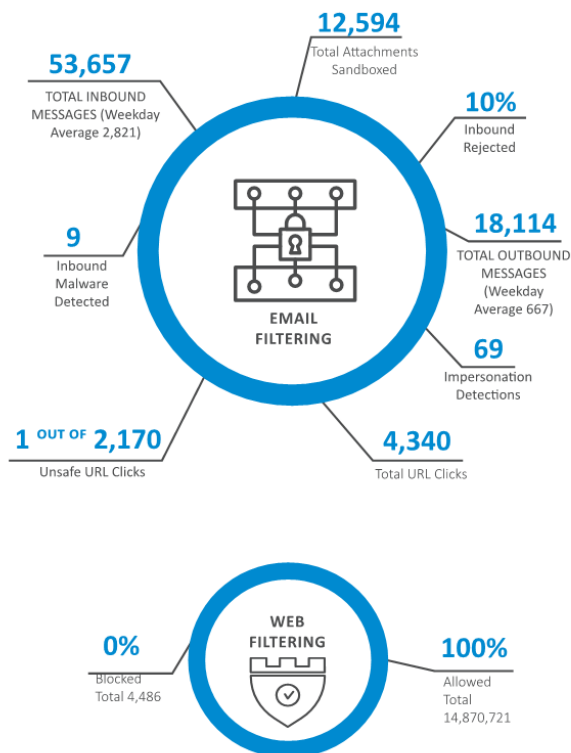
	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Number of applications received	3	9	14	10	2	8



INFORMATION COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY

- The ICT Steering Committee met on the 17th of February and agreed to increase business representation on the committee by including the Chief Financial Officer, Group Manager Community and Regional Prosperity, and Group Manager Infrastructure on the committee, joining the existing committee members of the CEO, Group Manager People, Customer and Corporate Services, Manager ICT, a Councillor and an External Advisor.
- A Draft Cyber Security Strategy has been approved by the ICT Steering Committee with several initiatives currently in progress include the implementation of Application Control, the review of Council's ICT Policy and Standards, and the implementation of a Multiple Framework Maturity Assessment Tool. The results from the maturity assessment will inform the priority of future cyber security improvement initiatives.

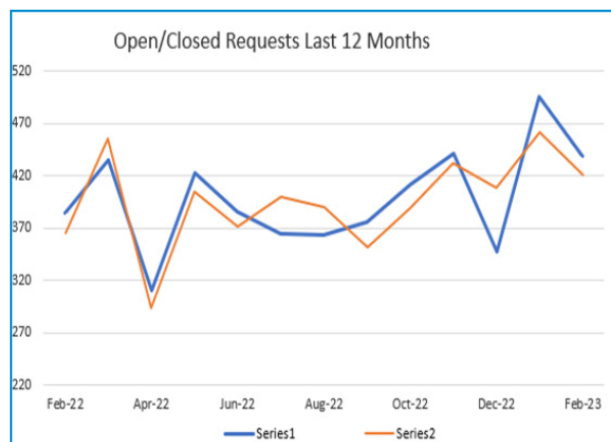
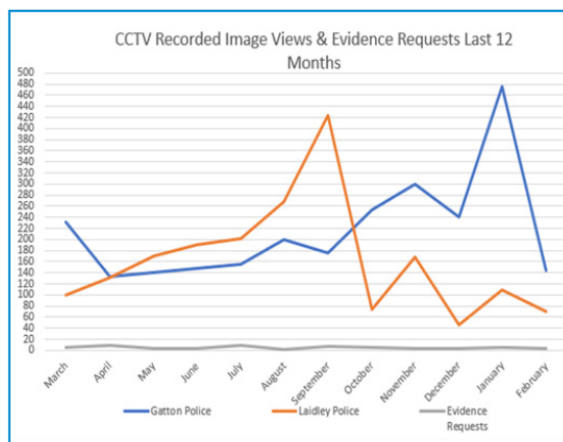
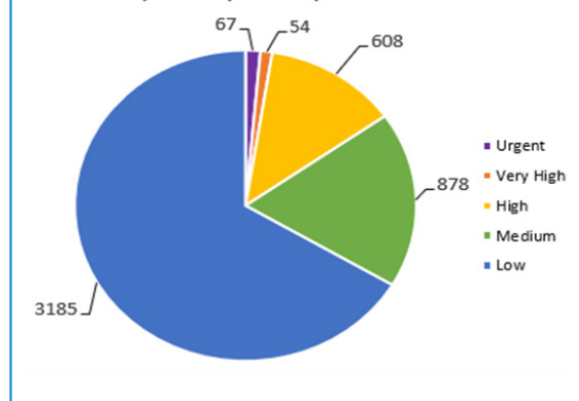
EMAIL AND WEB PROTECTION



NETWORK PERFORMANCE SNAPSHOT

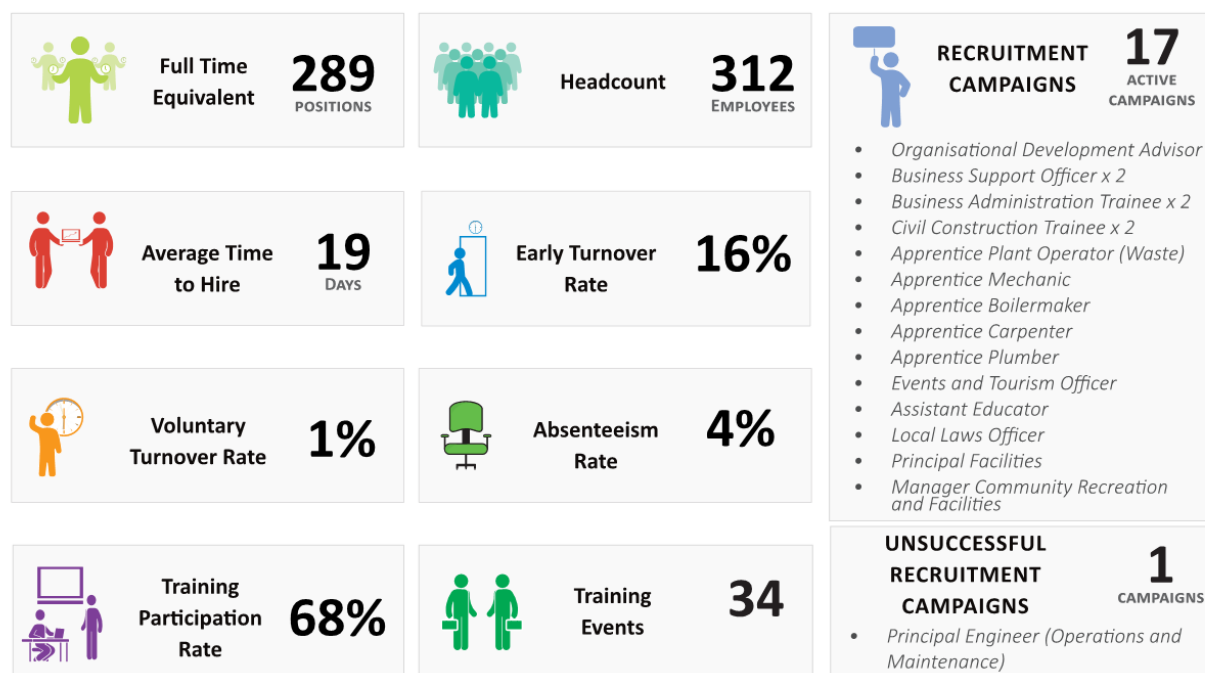


Requests by Priority Last 12 Months



PEOPLE AND CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE

ORGANISATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND PAYROLL



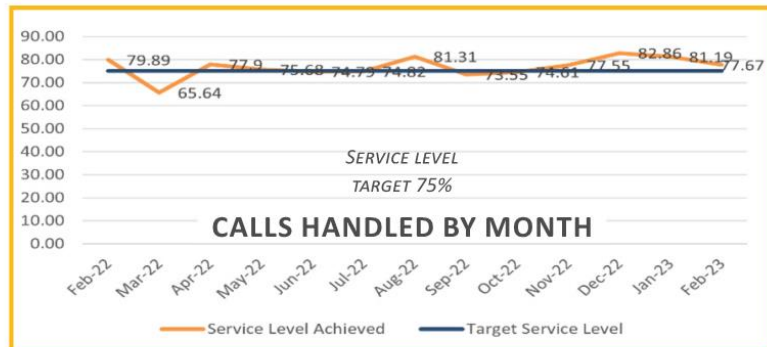
CORPORATE TRAINING

- CPPUPM3011 Manage organisms by applying fumigants to commodities and environments
- Disaster Management Training - Queensland Disaster Management Arrangements
- First Aid Training - Provide Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation
- First Aid Training - Provide First Aid
- Fumigation Environments Workshop
- Governance Compliance Training - Authorised Persons
- Governance Compliance Training - Gifts and Conflicts of Interest
- Governance Compliance Training - Authorised Person
- Governance Compliance Training - Gifts and Conflicts of interest
- Governance Compliance Training - Local Government Worker
- Governance Compliance Training - Public Interest Disclosures - Managers and Supervisors
- Governance Compliance Training - Public Interest Disclosures
- Internal Compliance Training - Corporate Induction
- Internal Compliance Training - Employee Code of Conduct
- Internal Compliance Training - Workplace Bullying and Harassment
- Nationally Recognised Certification - Conduct Comprehensive Inspection of Park Facilities
- Nationally Recognised Certification - Conduct Operational Inspection of Park Facilities
- Nationally Recognised Certification - Conduct Visual and Operational Inspection of Park Facilities
- Responsible Service of Alcohol (RSA)
- Safety Compliance Training - Dealing with Hostile and Violent People
- Safety Compliance Training - Drug and Alcohol Awareness
- Safety Compliance Training - Fire Awareness & Extinguisher
- Safety Compliance Training - Fire Warden (Emergency Control Team)
- Safety Compliance Training - Workplace Health and Safety Induction
- Safety Compliance Training - Manual Tasks for Workers - Manual Handling
- Traffic Management - Working in Proximity to Traffic Awareness Part 1
- Traffic Management - Working in Proximity to Traffic Awareness Part 2
- Verification of Current Competency - Backhoe
- Verification of Current Competency - Excavator
- Verification of Current Competency - Skidsteer
- Verification of Current Competency - Tractor
- Verification of Current Competency - Wheeled Front End Loader
- Work Safely in Construction Industry

Total Number of Accreditations Issued in February 2023 = 292

PEOPLE AND CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE

CUSTOMER CONTACT



TOTAL WEB CHATS

66
Increase by 10 from last month.

TOTAL eREQUESTS

747
Increase by 240 from last month.

TOTAL RECEIPTS

521
Increase by 332 receipts from last month.

WEBCHAT HANDLING TIME

9:23
MINUTES
Decrease by 3:35 minutes from last

TOTAL CRM RECEIVED

1486
Increase by 410 from last month.

QGAP PERFORMANCE

65.93 HRS

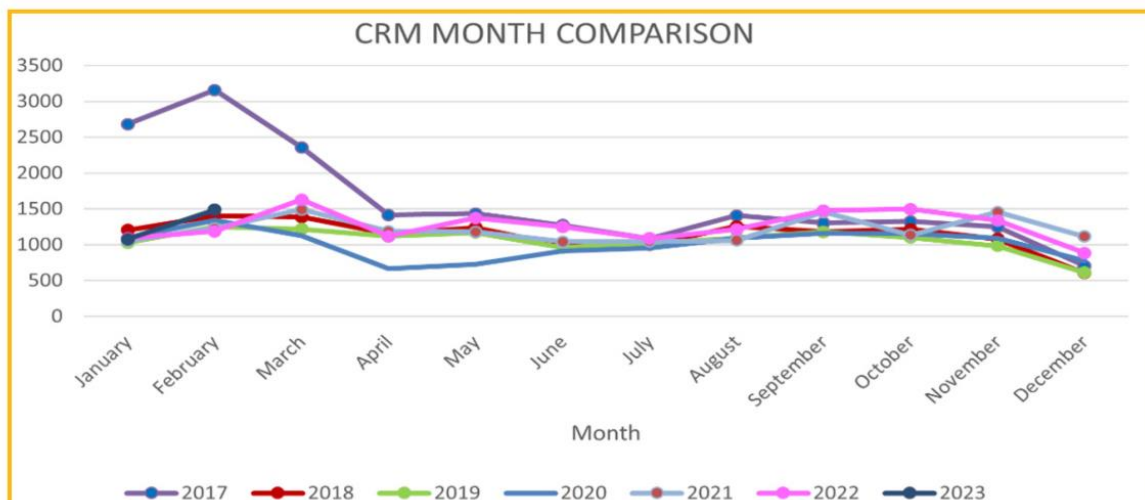
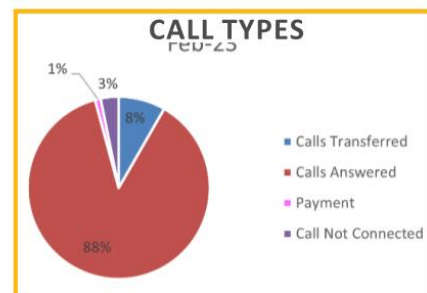
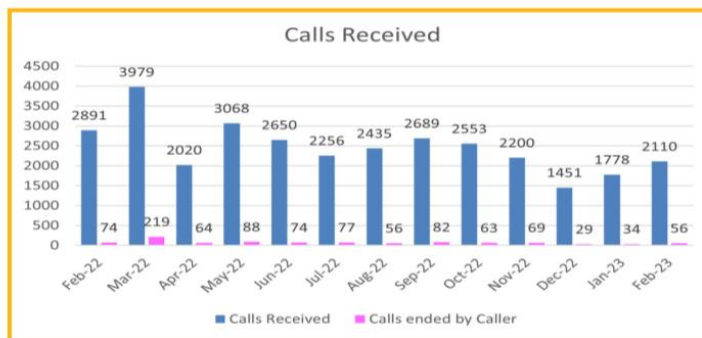
Total time taken for all transactions

381

Total number of transactions

10.38

Total average time for all transactions



PEOPLE AND CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE

WORK HEALTH AND SAFETY



MEASURING OUR SAFETY PERFORMANCE

FEBRUARY 2023

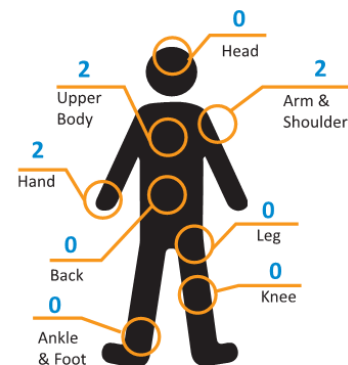
INJURIES BY CLASSIFICATION TYPE

7
INJURIES
OCCURRED



	0	LOST TIME
	5	MEDICAL ONLY
	1	FIRST AID
	1	REPORTABLE ONLY
	0	NEAR MISS

AREAS OF THE BODY MOST AFFECTED



KEY FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH ASSET INCIDENTS

6
ASSET INCIDENTS
OCCURRED



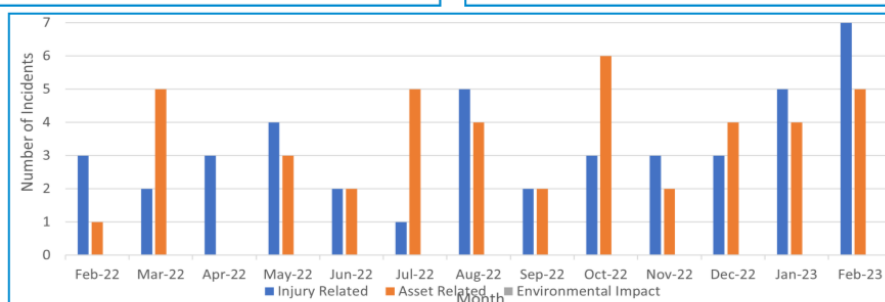
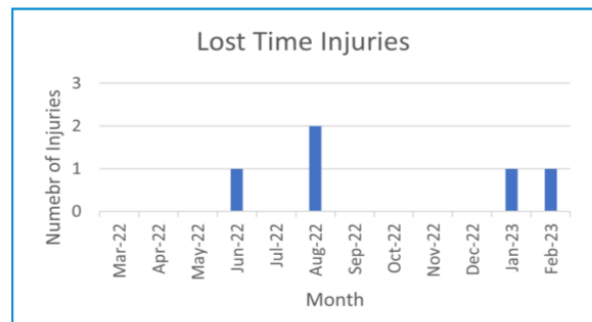
	2	PROPERTY DAMAGE
	4	PLANT VEHICLE/ INCIDENT
	0	ANIMAL STRIKE
	0	FIRE

KEY FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH ENVIRONMENTAL INCIDENTS

0
ENVIRONMENTAL
INCIDENTS
OCCURRED



	0%	SPILLS
	0%	CONTAMINATION



WASTE SERVICES

WASTE MANAGEMENT

- The Waste Warrior project has now been introduced to schools in the Lockyer Valley. Schools have embraced the program and are looking to reduce waste and increase recycling in schools. Students also take the waste minimisation and recycling messages home.
- Council purchased the license agreement for the Get Grubby Program and schools have been encouraged to sign up to this free program. Many schools have taken up the offer and will work the messages into their curriculum-based activities.
- Beneterra has been awarded the construction of Cell 5 at Gatton Landfill and site preparation is underway for work to commence in or around April 2023.

KERBSIDE WASTE & RECYCLING SERVICES JANUARY 2023



Garbage Bins
Collected **55,499**

83.8% presentation rate



Garbage Tonnes
Received **821.32**
TONNES



Recycle Bins
Collected **25,039**

74.2% presentation



Recycle Tonnes
Received **181.62**
TONNES

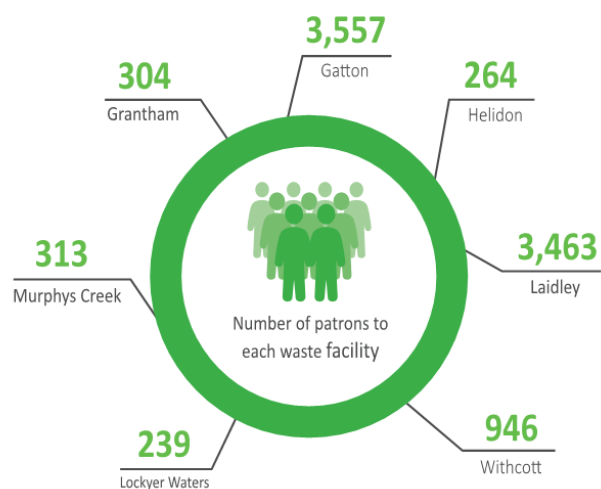


Recycle
Contamination **28.5**
TONNES



FOGO Food/Garden
Tonnes Received **27.84**
TONNES

1 Year trail of 1000 homes
47.1% presentation rate



Group Manager Community and Regional Prosperity Monthly Report - February 2023

Author: Amanda Pugh, Group Manager Community & Regional Prosperity
Responsible Officer: Amanda Pugh, Group Manager Community & Regional Prosperity

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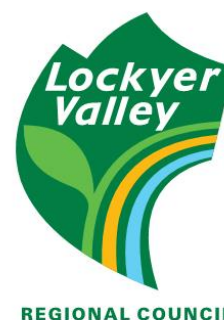
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Community and Regional Prosperity

MONTHLY GROUP REPORT
FEBRUARY 2023



PERFORMANCE REPORTING

KEY GROUP PROJECTS



LOCAL FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT PLAN (LFMP)

The consultant has been progressing the LFMP and evacuation projects. They have submitted an updated timetable for completion by end of June 2023. Officers will engage with Council at opportune time in the near future to discuss these projects. The consultant has proposed a traffic light system to address the completion of providing flood warnings using the flood intelligence tool. Discussions have been initiated with TMR by the consultant in regard to local and regional route planning support.

Catchment Planning has been progressing in North Laidley. Officers have been engaging with the new owners in order to progress the proposed mitigation strategy. Officers after spending 2 years trying to engage with ARTC to coordinate and share costs and opportunities have moved forward without them. ARTC will have to manage their own requirements. We now have been working closely with consultants to finalise the concept plan for mitigation of the locality. The concept design now looks promising as currently modified. An agreement with respect to providing engineering support to the Developer has been held up by negotiations between the other parties. When finalised this should allow progress with their project. Officers will bring the concept design to Council when finalised. This design will form the basis of modification of and other necessary development approvals and other tasks moving forward.



FLOOD MODELLING - ENGINEERING

The Lockyer Creek overall NDRP flood modelling project was practically completed in 2022. The Engineering maps sets output from this project were used to create the planning trigger risk mapping in the draft planning scheme. Due to time constraints the scheme flood risk planning trigger maps and FIP were moved forward with available maps/information in late 2022. Checks of this mapping both by internal and the waterRIDE consultant has indicated issues with the mapping of several events. This may affect the draft Defined Flood Level (DFL) map for both the FIP (interim) and scheme. The consultant is reviewing these issues presently. The key cause seems to relate to areas where the 2014 modelling was retained and combined – not the new modelling. This may affect the scheme risk mapping. The DFL (scheme) map was based on the consultant applying the effect of freeboard in relation to the Probably Maximum Flood (PMF). Officers are working with the consultant to manage the outcomes. Any amendments will be addressed before release of the FIP and during the state interest review process.

Officers completed and submitted an application under a new federal government disaster resilience program to obtain initial funding for land purchase and the concept planning and decision making stage at Laidley.

Council has just received the 2022 LIDAR (or terrain model) from the State government for the whole of the LGA area. Council has been successful with another grant to extend the Lockyer Creek model, improve the calibration against the 2022 events and to use the new LIDAR to improve the operations and mapping outcomes. This will assist catchment planning (creeks and streams infrastructure and sediment management), asset management (bridges and crossings), planning and disaster management. Unfortunately we were not successful on the funding package to integrate the outcomes into Council's business.

Officers have been supporting Council's contactor for the RHF buyback program as well as QRA inquiries to assist management of the program. Discussions were held with QRA in terms of obtaining effective outcomes with this program particularly in Laidley. Opportunities for funding the Laidley flood mitigation scheme were explored with the QRA. Strategies for effective use of the available funds under the RHF program have been agreed with QRA. We are planning to use the next phase of work at Laidley to provide key data for this exercise.

Regional engineering mapping and rainfall models were provided to the Flood Intelligence vendor (WaterRIDE) to allow that project to progress in late 2023. They have picked up some anomalies which are currently under investigation (above). The vendor was engaged to consider and include learnings from the February/March 2022 events to improve operation of the Flood Intelligence tool, particularly in complex localities such as Grantham. A progress meeting was held to check on progress as well as ensure that maximum use of the new modeling data will be made for Disaster management, flood Evacuation Planning and flood classification outcomes. The consultant has confirmed that warnings are complex depending on what system is actually activated by rainfall not initiative and that it is important that the intelligence system is robust and appropriately modified.

Discussions were held 2022 with Urban Utilities in relation to a request to for access to detailed flood information. It is intended that we work collaboratively to assist each other's planning programs. At this stage it looks like the more effective solutions is to have a joint agreement of data, planning and intelligence sharing. This is agreement is still under development.

KEY GROUP PROJECTS CONTINUED



FLOOD INFORMATION PORTAL

The mapping issues detailed above have delayed this part of the project. The consultant has advised this will be relatively shortly we can will progress with a progressive release in a number of weeks with key data in place e.g. DFL(FIP) historical events, with the balance to come later.



TOOWOOMBA AND LOCKYER VALLEY ESCARPMENT MOUNTAIN BIKE TRACK PROJECT

Investigations for alternative sites have continued for the Withcott Hub. A meeting with the Toowoomba Regional Council Project Team has identified two remaining options for flood free sites and are reconsidering the cost of the existing proposal as a flood resilient model. The Toowoomba Regional Council Project Team are also currently working through the connectivity of the trails and will have an Environmental Impact Study completed in June.



LAKE APEX AND LAKE FREEMAN REIMAGINING PROJECT

A follow up request for a meeting has been sent to the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water to determine the environmental values.



FOREST HILL SILO PROJECT

Place Design Group has provided a draft Concept/Master Plan for Council Officers' review and initial feedback. The draft Concept/Master Plan will be presented to the March Council Workshop. Councillor feedback will inform finalisation of the Master/Concept Plan prior to embarking on the selection process for the artist/s to complete the artwork. Consultants Bligh Tanner are completing a Flood Risk Assessment of the site.

Inland Rail advised there may be additional noise modelling at the site and will engage further with Council once the new noise assessment work is complete.



EQUINE COLLABORATIVE PRECINCT

No further updates at this stage.



ARTS AND CULTURAL PLAN

The draft Arts and Cultural Plan was reviewed at the February Councillor Workshop, with minor amendments suggested. A final version will be prepared for adoption in the coming months.



COMMUNITIES

TOURISM

QUEENSLAND TRANSPORT MUSEUM



275

TICKET SALES



66

FREE ENTRY



\$1,776

TOTAL TICKET
REVENUE



AUDIENCE

65% QLD 23% NSW 7% VIC

1.4% TASMANIA 4.8% OVERSEAS



AUDIENCE

13.9% BRISBANE 8.2% TOOWOOMBA

7.6% GATTON 12.1% IPSWICH 3.4% GOLD COAST

Visitor Information Centre Statistics



EVENTS

Ongoing support is being provided to a range of community event organisers. Support includes advice and equipment.



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COUNCIL LED EVENTS

During the month of February there were no Council led events.



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PROJECTS IN PLANNING

- Brisbane - National 4x4 Outdoors Show - 17-19 March
- Brisbane - Let's Go Queensland Caravan and Camping Supershow- 6-12 June
- 2023 Anzac Day Commemorations
- 2023 Laidley Spring Festival



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COMMUNITY GROUPS/ EVENTS
GIVEN ASSISTANCE

- Bushfood Under the Stars.
- Lockyer Valley Billy Cart Association Family Fun Day.
- Laidley Equestrian Group Twilight Hack Show.
- Colours of the Lockyer.



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UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

Ongoing assistance was provided to:

- 8 March - International Women's Day breakfast
- 25 March - Forest Hill Annual Artisans Gathering
- 25 March - Tenthill Lower State School 150th Anniversary
- 26 March - Colours of the Lockyer

LIBRARIES AND GALLERIES



eRESOURCES			
PLATFORM		FEBRUARY 2023	FEBRUARY 2022
	eAudiobooks & eBooks (Borrowbox)	1,799	1,630
	eAudiobooks, eBooks & eMagazines (Overdrive)	298	258
	eMovies (Beamafilm)	58	74

8,963

PHYSICAL LOANS

In comparison to 8,297 in February 2022. Including audiobooks, books, DVDs, magazines, literacy kits, CDs, seeds, and toys.

2,155

ELECTRONIC LOANS

In comparison to 2,057 in February 2022.

11,118

TOTAL LOANS

Decrease of 19.3% in comparison to last month

17,290

ACTIVE LIBRARY MEMBERS

In comparison to 16,054 in February 2022

112

NEW LIBRARY MEMBERS



LIBRARIES - EVENTS

Our February events at Gatton and Laidley Libraries included:

- Storytime has returned to the libraries this month with 4 sessions each week at each library branch
- Other weekly sessions include – JP in the community, and craft group (Gatton)
- Bi-monthly – Digital literacy sessions, writing group
- Monthly – Lockyer Valley Cancer Support Groups (Gatton), Music on the mat, movie matinees, book chat (Laidley), book club (Gatton) and the online book club.
- Special events – Author visits, visit from SLQ staff for some professional development for our Children's team, as well as the launch of the Welcome Packs, a partnership with local real estate agencies.

*All events are run by our library staff – the Cancer support group is library supported

LIBRARIES UPDATE

- Libraries participated in Library Lovers Day on 14 February. Visitors to the library were given the opportunity to say what they love about their libraries. There was a variety of responses including love of the computers, air conditioning, activities, books and, not surprisingly, a shout out to the fabulous staff.
- The quarterly What's On Brochure for March to May 2023 has been printed and is now available online.
- Library staff are preparing for the Library Management System Upgrade over a 3 week period in March.

ART GALLERY UPDATE

- 1,801 visitors to the gallery during the month of February.
- Museums and Gallery Services Queensland presented the first of a recovery series of workshops for Gallery, Libraries and Museum staff. Attendees included Council staff and volunteers from the Laidley Pioneer Village.
- Algalrhythms by Svenja opened with an artist talk and official function on 10 February. This exhibition has received many positive comments in the visitors book. "The opening was a very special event. Svenja is such a clever lady" "Wow, setting the benchmark high in 2023"
- We are preparing for the installation of the new lights in early March.

REGIONAL ARTS AND DEVELOPMENT FUNDING (RADF)

- Round 1 2022/23 closed on 21 February 2023 with 9 applications received requesting in excess of \$49,000. The RADF Committee met and has recommended 6 projects be funded, either in full or partially.



CHILDCARE



UPDATE

In early March the Childcare Centre will be undertaking a safety audit.

As a team, all staff have been preparing for the upcoming audit by checking equipment and ensuring everything is meeting the required standards.

Additionally all staff have also been involved in reviewing our policies and procedures for ongoing improvement.

Earlier in the month we welcomed our new Kingergarten Teacher, Miss Amali.



82.33%

**TOTAL
OCCUPANCY RATE**

In comparison to 70.55% in February 2022

ACTIVITIES

One of our main goals and focus this year is to provide an environment that encourages children's curiosity and understanding of the world around them. By encouraging children's voices and open ended questions, staff can educate and encourage thinking skills leading to new possibilities.

Some of our areas of focus this month included; the celebration of Waitangi Day, volcanoes and the development of fine motor skills.



NEW RESOURCES

During the month we have updated some of our resources for the children's learning and development. This has been a wonderful improvement and adds to the overall appearance of our centre, resulting in a fun, engaging and inviting environment to children and families.

These new resources have already made a huge difference to the children's learning experiences.



PLANNING POLICY AND COMMUNITY WELLBEING

GROWTH AND POLICY



Strategic Planning

Council officers are working with State Planning officers through the State Interest Review process. State Government has issued a pause notice so that internal conflicts between agency comments can be resolved. It is anticipated that the pause may delay Council's intended consultation start date.

In the meantime, Council officers continue to prepare for public consultation while awaiting final comments from State governments interest review.

The Land Constraints and Suitability Analysis has hit a major milestone with consultation with Urban Utilities and Department of Transport and Main Roads being finalised. Council is now progressing the next stage in determining the amount of land that is suitable within the Urban footprint area.

The Industrial Land Study is being finalise with a workshop planned to discuss the outcomes with Councillors in March.

Economic Development

Council has provided information to CSIRO for their current FoodShed study in the Lockyer Valley. This study is examining the agricultural supply chain locally to develop methodologies that could support the sector during shocks, such as fire, flood and pandemic.

The Growth and Policy team coordinated a Monthly Thinktank to identify potential benefits from the 2032 Brisbane Olympics that could be pursued for the region. The ideas generated have been collated into a list with further research and discussion to take place in the future.

Council participated in strategic planning for the Lockyer Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Tourism with the new executive reviewing the purpose and vision of the Chamber, how they will provide benefit to members, and clear targets to achieve in the next 12 months.

Integrated Land Management Plan



Funded
project

Growth and Policy and Community Wellbeing staff conducted the Seven Mile Lagoon summer bird survey along with Birdlife Southern Queensland. The survey is part of a 3-year monitoring program to develop a picture of the ecological value of Seven Mile Lagoon as birds are one of the most visible bio-indicator faunal groups. The data will be used to guide decisions about the future use and management of Seven Mile Lagoon.

Drafting

State Interest
Check

Community
Consultation

Submissions
review

Adoption

Draft Lockyer Valley Planning Scheme

We are here



Environmental Planning

Koalas have been the focus of the past few weeks including a potential research grant application, working with Griffith University's Social Marketing team on koala education campaign to be rolled out later this year, a Local Government Koala working group where lots of great ideas were shared and an update from the State Government on its activities identified in the SEQ Koala Conservation Strategy 2020-2025.

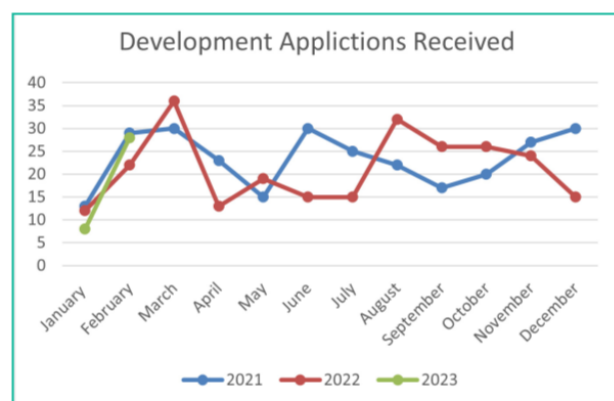
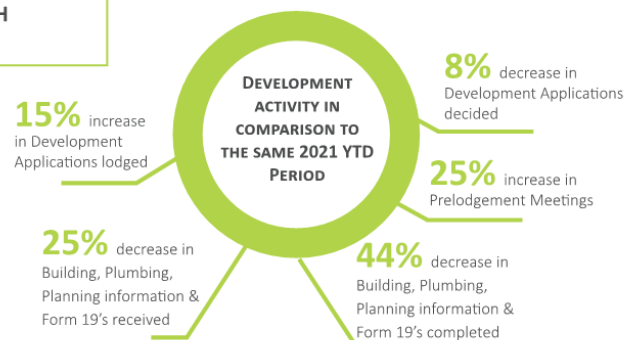
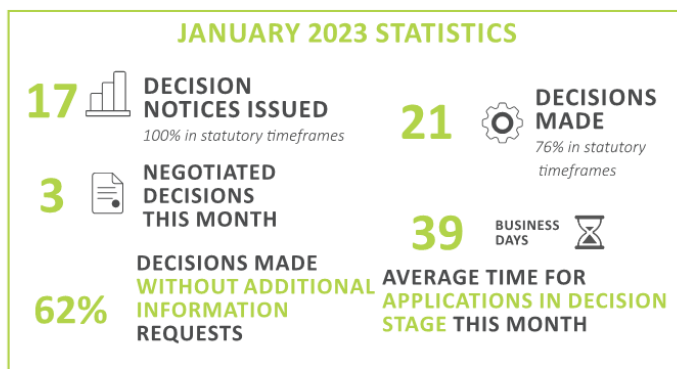
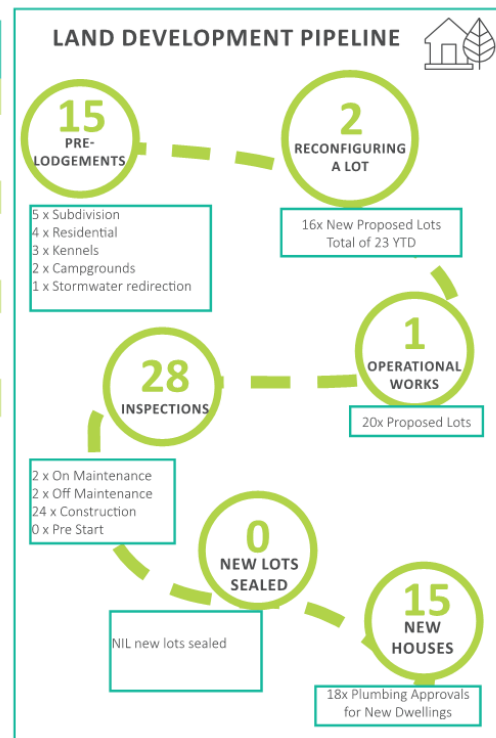
Project delivery status

Growth and Policy has numerous projects and studies underway that support the delivery of Council's strategies and Growth Management Plan.

- Constraints Analysis - *near completion*
- Planning Scheme portal - *near completion*
- Bushfire Management plans (ILM project) - *procuring*
- Matters of Local Environmental Significance - *procuring*
- Nature Based Tourism and Recreation Study - *to be scoped*
- Cultural Heritage study - *to be scoped*
- Retail and commercial land use audit - *completed*
- Industrial land study - *completed*

DEVELOPMENT ASSESSMENT

ACTIVITY	CURRENT MONTH	2023 YTD	2022 SAME YTD PERIOD
DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS			
RECEIVED	31	39	34
DECIDED	21	36	39
EXEMPTION CERTIFICATES			
RECEIVED	6	6	9
DECIDED	1	1	5
BUILDING, PLUMBING, PLANNING INFORMATION AND FORM 19'S			
RECEIVED	34	63	84
COMPLETED	29	55	98
PRELODGE MEETINGS HELD	15	20	16



INFRASTRUCTURE CHARGES PAID
YTD = \$65,846.31

INFRASTRUCTURE CHARGES OUTSTANDING
= \$306,041.32

BUILDING AND PLUMBING



BUILDING APPROVALS **58**

By Private Certifiers and LVRC.
In comparison to 120 in 2022



BUILDING APPROVALS BY LVRC **21**

In comparison to 22 in 2022



PLUMBING APPROVALS **41**

In comparison to 67 in 2022



AVERAGE DAYS TO APPROVE **15**

Building Applications

Days

\$8.2M
COMMERCIAL AND DOMESTIC VALUE OF WORKS
in the Lockyer Valley Region



AVERAGE DAYS TO APPROVE **5**

Plumbing Applications

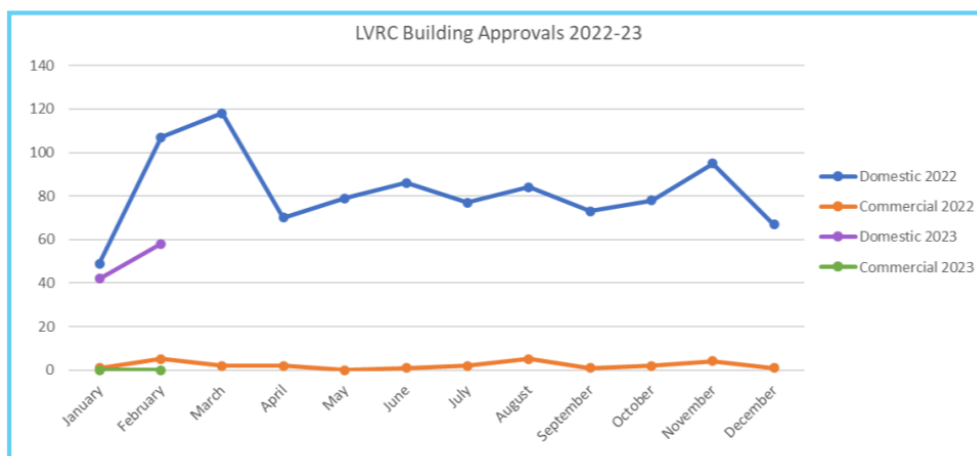
Days



BUILDING INSPECTIONS **47**



PLUMBING INSPECTIONS **175**



COMMUNITY AND WELLBEING

LVRC PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

- Site inspection/survey of Sippel Road Council Reserve.
- Site inspection/survey of Southern Street, Laidley Council Reserve.
- Site Inspection/survey of Otto Road (southern side) Council Reserve.
- Site inspection/assessment of Balaam Hill (Waste Services) Vegetation Offset site.
- Quarterly bird survey at Seven Mile Lagoon.

PEST MANAGEMENT

- University Queensland (UQ) Giant Rat's Tail Grass Discussion with Department of Agriculture and Fisheries and UQ research team regarding potential research site in the Lockyer Valley Region, which may be identified through the Biosecurity Surveillance Program.
- Officers attended the Vertebrate Pest Fumigation Course in Warwick in preparation for future fox den program and rabbit warren destruction.
- Meeting with Biosecurity Queensland to discuss drafting an LVRC Draft Investing report to be completed prior to issuing biosecurity orders and PINs.
- Biosecurity Surveillance Program commenced on 20 February 2023, and will continue until 20 February 2026.

COMMUNITY AND WELLBEING

RESILIENT RIVERS

- Group meeting with catchment project officers from Scenic Rim, Ipswich, Logan and COMSEQ in Ipswich.
- Bushfire risk assessment and management plan developed for revegetation site in Placid Hills.
- Flood modelling impact assessment undertaken for proposed revegetation sites on Lockyer Creek using LVRC flood model to test proposed revegetation plans.
- Project planning for a revegetation site on Lockyer Creek at Placid Hills.
- Commenced update to hydrological assessment and site prioritisation on Blackfellow Creek using latest LiDAR.
- Engaged contractor to undertake a hydrological assessment and prioritisation on Lockyer Creek.

LAND FOR WILDLIFE

- Met with Land for Wildlife member in Gatton Office.
- Land for Wildlife Steering Committee Meeting at Karawatha.
- Land for Wildlife Group email Koala Survey invitation to members from Department of Environment and Science.
- Land for Wildlife Group email with an invitation to attend the Healthy Land and Water, QLD Fire and Biodiversity Consortium Workshop.
- Compilation of two lists of Land for Wildlife members properties for the BioControl and Lantana projects and mapping.



ENVIRONMENTAL COLLABORATION

- Meeting with Healthy Land and Water to discuss Natural Resources Recovery Program grants (NRRP), sourcing Land for Wildlife properties for the release of Pest Plant BioControl agents for release and Lantana Treatment projects.
- Survey of Seven Mile Lagoon with Birdlife Australia
- Completed installation of single stage sediment traps in Lockyer Valley catchment in collaboration with University Queensland (UQ) as part of sediment tracking project.
- Facilitated installation of stereo camera at Glenore Grove by UQ as part of waterway flow velocity monitoring project
- Discussion with DTMR regarding future collaboration on erosion protection works on Blackfellow Creek at Mt Sylvia Road.

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

THE FOLLOWING HAVE BEEN ISSUED YEAR TO DATE

170
FOOD
LICENCES ISSUED YTD



170
CURRENT
FOOD
LICENCES



3
PERSONAL APPEARANCE
SERVICES LICENCES

15 LOCAL LAWS PERMITS



4 CARAVAN



4 EVENTS



4 TEMPORARY
HOME



1 CAMPING



1 MARKET



1 ROADSIDE
STALL

LOCAL LAWS

183



NUMBER OF CUSTOMER
REQUESTS RECEIVED

In comparison to 140 in
February 2022

15



NUMBER OF DOGS
IMPOUNDED

In comparison to 16 in
February 2022

35



KENNEL LICENCES
ISSUED YTD

In comparison to 37 in 2021-2022

47



TOTAL NUMBER
OF INFRINGEMENT
NOTICES ISSUED YTD

In comparison to 40 in 2021-2022

178

NUMBER OF CUSTOMER
REQUESTS RESOLVED

In comparison to 155 in
February 2022

17



NUMBER OF DOGS
RELEASED/REHOMED

In comparison to 9 in February
2022

63



EXCESS ANIMAL
PERMIT RENEWALS
YTD

In comparison to 59 in 2021-2022



NUMBER OF DOGS
REGISTERED

7,488 YTD

In comparison to 8,347 in 2021-2022

ILLEGAL DUMPING / LITTERING UPDATE

Illegal Dumping Statistics have been collated based on review of all Illegal Dumping CRMs received and actioned year to date.



19

TOTAL NUMBER OF
INFRINGEMENTS YTD
ISSUED = \$11,346



31

ILLEGAL DUMPING
INCIDENTS

In comparison to 12 in
February 2022



APPROXIMATELY **735**
WHEELIE BINS OF
ILLEGALLY
DUMPED WASTE YTD

In comparison to 938 in
2021-2022

WASTE TYPES
ILLEGALLY
DUMPED YTD
(APPROXIMATE %)



17% Wrecked Vehicles
17% Demolition Materials
16% Tyres
27% Household Waste
11% Mattresses/Furniture
5% Green Waste
2% White Goods
1% Asbestos

14.4 **Group Manager Infrastructure Monthly Report - February 2023**

Author: John Keen, Group Manager Infrastructure

Responsible Officer: John Keen, Group Manager Infrastructure

Purpose:

This report provides Council with a summary of key operational activities undertaken by the Infrastructure Group during February 2023.

This document is for Council's information only.

Executive Summary

This report provides Council with a summary of key operational activities undertaken by the Infrastructure Group during February 2023.

Proposal

That this report be received and noted.

Attachments

[1](#) [Group Manager Infrastructure Monthly Report - February 2023](#) 15 Pages



Infrastructure

MONTHLY GROUP REPORT
FEBRUARY 2023

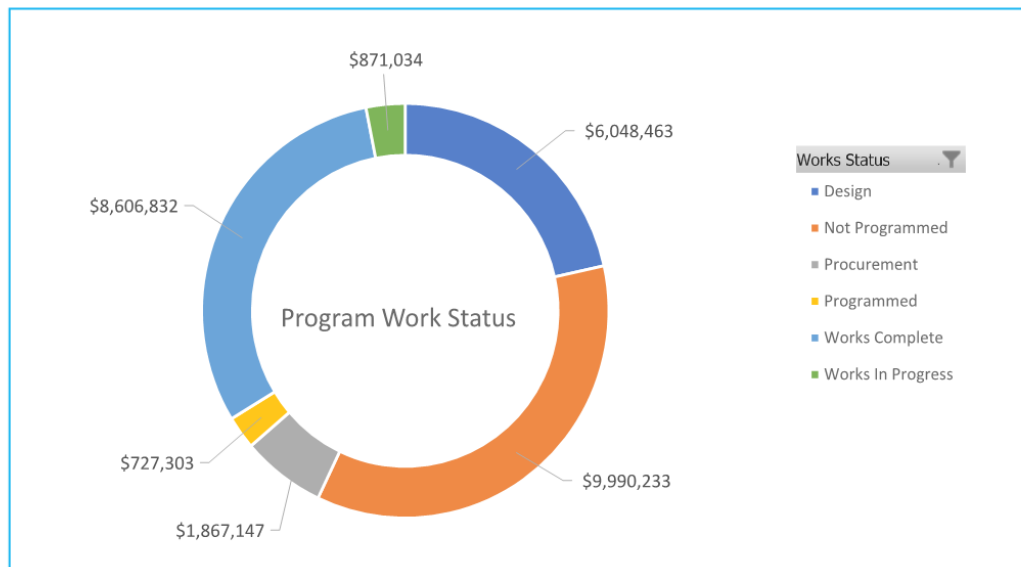


2022 WEATHER EVENTS

PROGRAM OVERVIEW UPDATE

Information provided in the program updates including figures is as at 20 February 2023.

- The approval process for the reconstruction of damage caused to assets from this event end as at 30 March.
- \$16,186,387 worth of works approved by the QRA
- \$10,215,624 worth of works with the QRA for assessment
- \$1,709,000 worth of works being prepared in submissions by Council.



SUBMISSION STATUS

- 7 of 12 sealed roads submission have been approved to date.
- 13 of 16 unsealed roads submission have been approved to date.
- 12 submissions are with the QRA for assessment including repairs to the rockfall fence on the western end of Flagstone Creek Road, more commonly know as Horsefalls Lane.



BETTERMENT WORKS

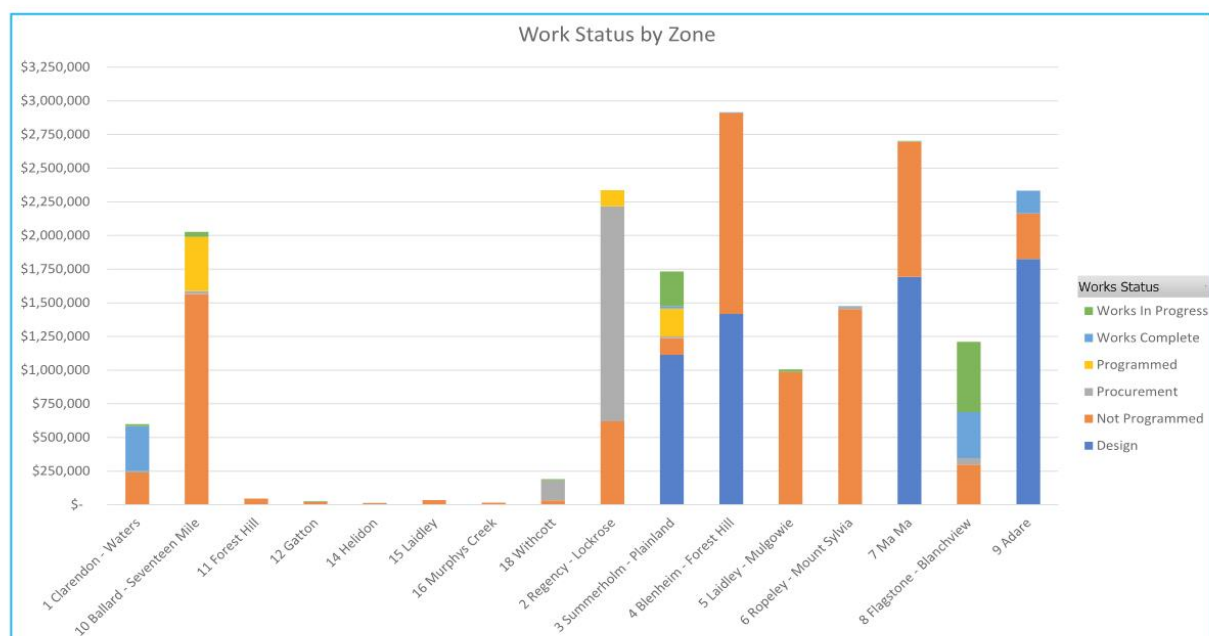
Program updates are as below:

- A betterment project on Brightview Road has been approved by the QRA, allowing for 750 metres of reconstruction including foamed bitumen stabilisation to take place just east of the Glenore Grove School towards Gehrke Road. The project's value is approximately \$2.22M, with REPA and Betterment funding of \$2.05M secured.

RECONSTRUCTION OF ESSENTIAL PUBLIC ASSETS PROGRAM

Program updates are as below:

- The design is underway for the restoration works for the landslips at Liftins Bridge, East Egypt Road, Berlin Road and Mountain View Road including risk assessment, cost estimates and specifications for the construction tender. The tender will be released on 23 March 2023.
- The Fred Thomas pedestrian bridge at Withcott is currently being procured.
- Works on Woolshed Creek floodway reconstruction is well underway with expected completion mid to late March.
- Grading crews are continuing work in Zone 8.
- Preparations are underway to commence work in Zones 10 and 4.



The images below are before and after photos of recent REPA works undertaken on the unsealed road network.



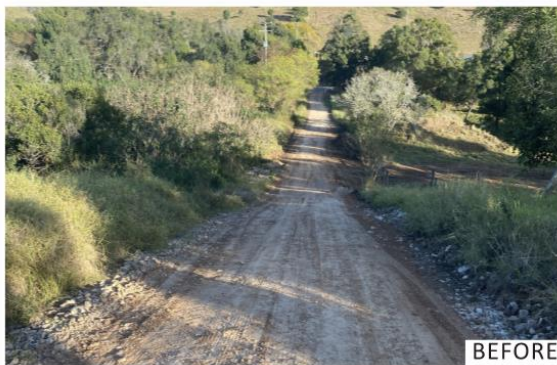
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AFTER



Carey Road, Blanchview



Higgins Road, Blanchview

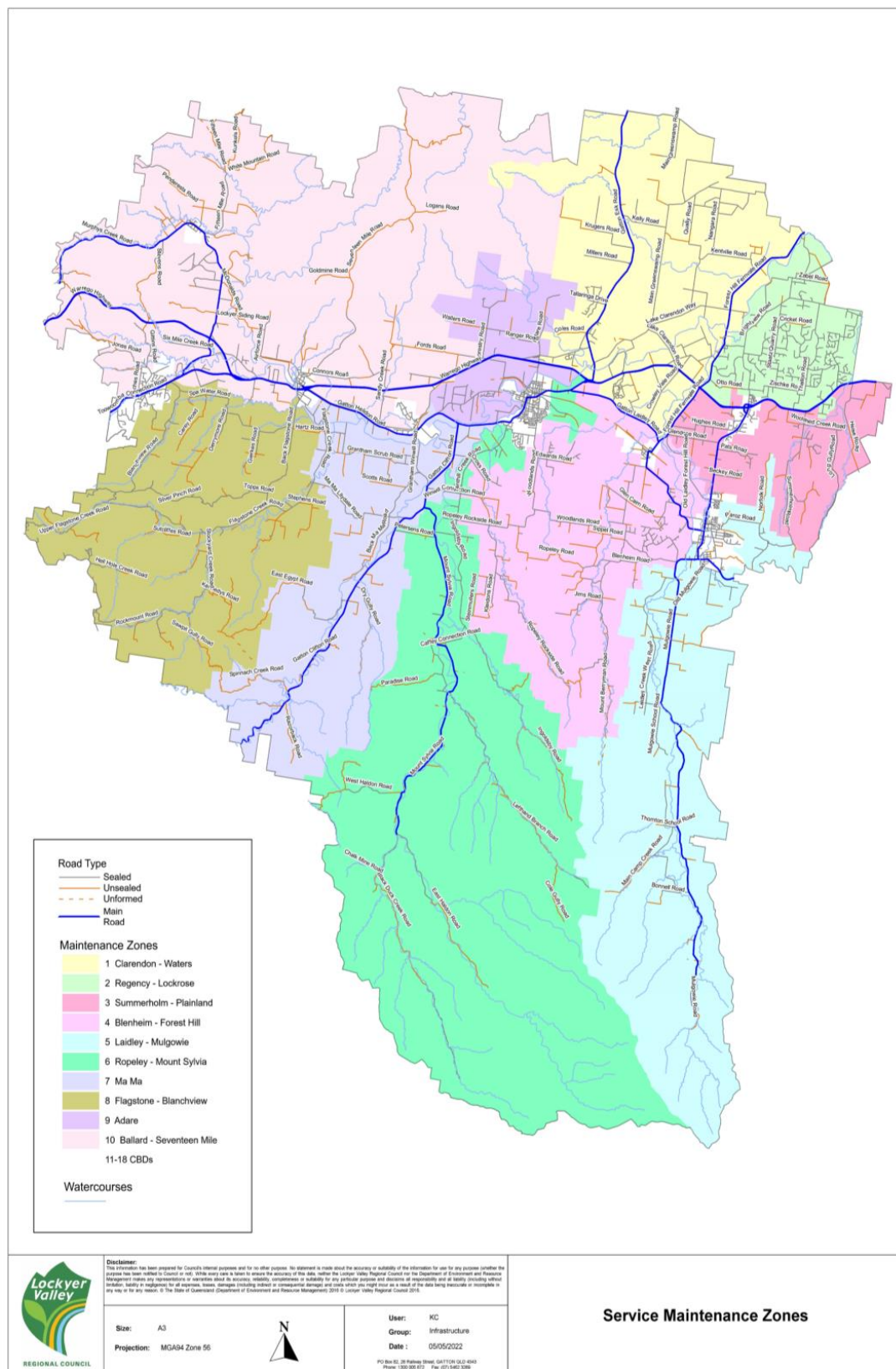


Duncans Road, Ma Ma Creek



Knitters Road, Blanchview





INFRASTRUCTURE & ENGINEERING SERVICES BRANCH HIGHLIGHTS**DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION WORKS****LORIKEET ROAD, REGENCY DOWNS FLOODWAY RENEWAL**

- The Lorikeet Road floodway in Regency Downs is nearing its end of life and needs a complete replacement. This project is joint funded by the South East Queensland Community Stimulus Package (SEQCSP) and Council.
- Work includes demolishing and removing existing structures, minor earthworks, construction of culvert base slab, new aprons and floodway, installation of new reinforced concrete box culverts, rock protection and affected guideposts and road furniture.
- The key objective for Lorikeet Road Floodway is to replace the end of life concrete crossing/under road culvert with a new concrete floodway surface, new under road drainage structure and the replacement of road signs and marking; thus improving resilience and creating a safer floodway that is compliant with contemporary standards.
- Works began on Monday 13 February 2023. Full road closure required, and a detour is in place via Mountain View Drive, Plainland. Expected 6-week program with estimated completion in April 2023.



PROJECT PROGRESS



PROJECT PROGRESS

LAKE CLARENDON WAY REHABILITATION

- The rehabilitation of Lake Clarendon Way in Lake Clarendon is joint funded by both the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program and Council.
- The aim is to rehabilitate the affected section of Lake Clarendon Way to improve safety to the motorists and increase the pavement life. The proposed pavement design is to incorporate a binder into the pavement material. This binder is made up of a blend of cement, lime and fly ash, which will increase the pavement strength. Additional material will be incorporated to ensure correct pavement shape is achieved.
- Construction began Monday 6 February. Contractors are progressing as planned with an estimated finish date of early April 2023.



PROJECT PROGRESS



PROJECT PROGRESS

2022-23 BITUMEN RESEAL PROGRAM

- Lockyer Valley Regional Council are seeking to reseal approximately 170,000m² of existing road pavement as asset renewal works for its sealed roads. This program is joint funded by both Council and the State Government through the Roads to Recovery Program (RTR).
- The objective of the RTR Program is to contribute to the Infrastructure Investment Program through supporting maintenance of the nation's local road infrastructure asset, which facilitates greater access for Australians and improved safety, economic and social outcomes.
- Bitumen works were completed in mid-February 2023 with line marking works remaining.
- The list of roads include:
 - Bremer Street, Laidley
 - Church Street, Laidley
 - Colquhouns Road, Lower Tenthill
 - Connors Road, Grantham
 - Frome Street, Laidley
 - Gehrke Hill Road, Summerholm
 - Hope Street, Laidley
 - Laidley Creek West Road, Laidley Creek West
 - Laurette Drive, Glenore Grove
 - Lefthand Branch Road, Lefthand Branch
 - Ma Ma Lilydale Road, Ma Ma Creek
 - Manteuffel Road, Ropeley
 - McGarvas Road, Grantham
 - Mountain View Drive, Plainland
 - Old Ropeley Road, Lower Tenthill
 - Pioneer Street, Laidley
 - Railway Street, Laidley
 - Sippel Road, Laidley Creek West
 - Steinhardts Road, Lower Tenthill
 - Summer Street, Laidley



Laurette Drive, Glenore Grove

SPRINGBROOK PARK CARPARK UPGRADE

- Springbrook Park/Withcott Sporting Complex is located in Withcott, off Parkridge Drive. The sporting complex and park is utilised by a number of sporting clubs and community groups including Soccer, Martial Arts, Basketball, School Sports and the CWA. The venue is also able to be used as a community shelter in times of natural disaster. Successful funding from the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program will provide improved accessibility and parking for the venue.
- Some key objectives include, widening the pavement along the access road to achieve a consistent width for two-way traffic, improve access point, increase sealed carpark spaces, improve lighting and road signage and define drop off and pick up area.
- Earthworks and road pavement activities for the carpark extension and access road have commenced, with an expected completion date in March 2023.

**GRANTHAM SCRUB REHABILITATION**

- The Grantham Scrub project is the combination of two separate funding streams to upgrade and rehabilitate Grantham Scrub Road from the intersection of Grantham Winwill Road for 1.3km.
- The intersection of Grantham Scrub and Grantham Winwill Roads has been funded by the Heavy Vehicle Safety and Protection Program (HVSPP). The scope of works includes stormwater drainage, realignment of property boundaries, service relocations, pavement widening and rehabilitation, bitumen surfacing, line marking and road furniture. This intersection upgrade will allow heavy vehicles to navigate this intersection safely whilst maintaining traffic flow.
- Grantham Scrub Road, from the intersection with Grantham Winwill to West of the intersection with Roses Road, will be funded by Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme (TIDS). The rehabilitation of Grantham Scrub will improve motorist safety, widen and strengthen the pavement and improve stormwater drainage. The work activities include culvert installation, service relocation, property realignment, road excavation, geotextile installation, road pavement, concrete kerb, bitumen sealing, line marking and road furniture.
- The section of Grantham Scrub Road between Kansas Road and Roses' Road has been completed and Lockyer Valley Regional Council crews are currently working on another section West of Roses' Road. The project is anticipated to be completed by June 2023.



FOOTPATH MISSING LINKS

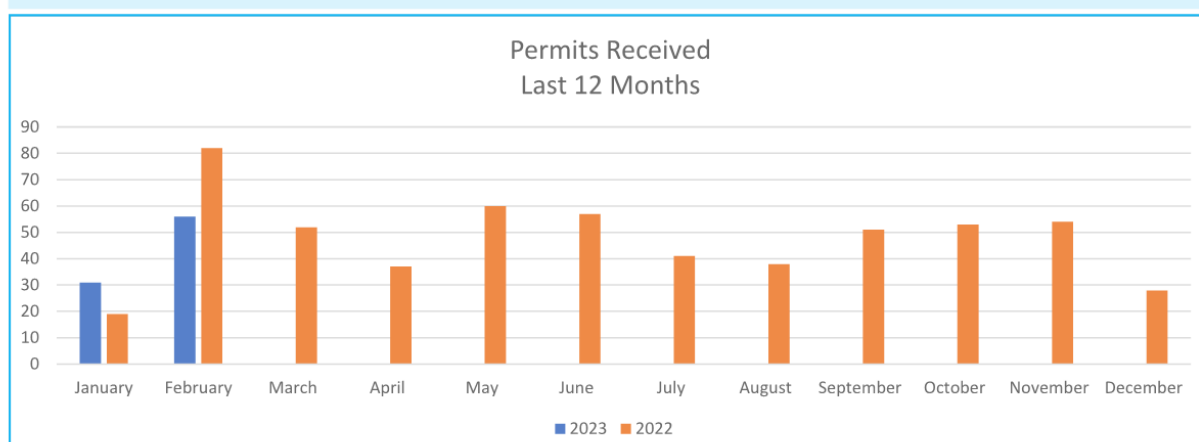
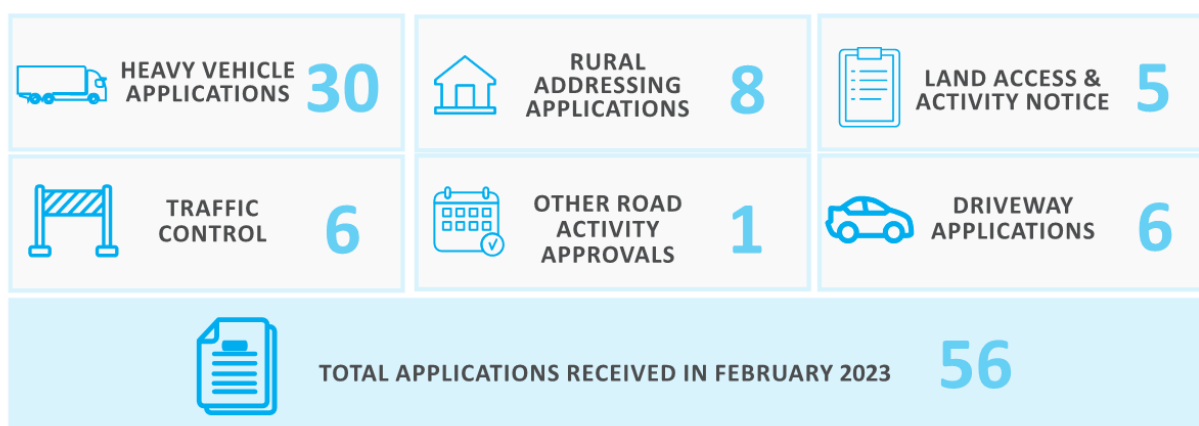
- This project is funded through the South East Queensland Community Stimulus Package (SEQCSP) and will improve footpath connectivity at three locations in Gatton.
- The locations are; Crescent St, Ballantine and Spencer St, and Dennis Minson Dr.
- Onsite works commenced late November 2022 with only Spencer Street footpath in Gatton remaining. Expected completion date early March 2023.

SAFE SCHOOLS PROJECT

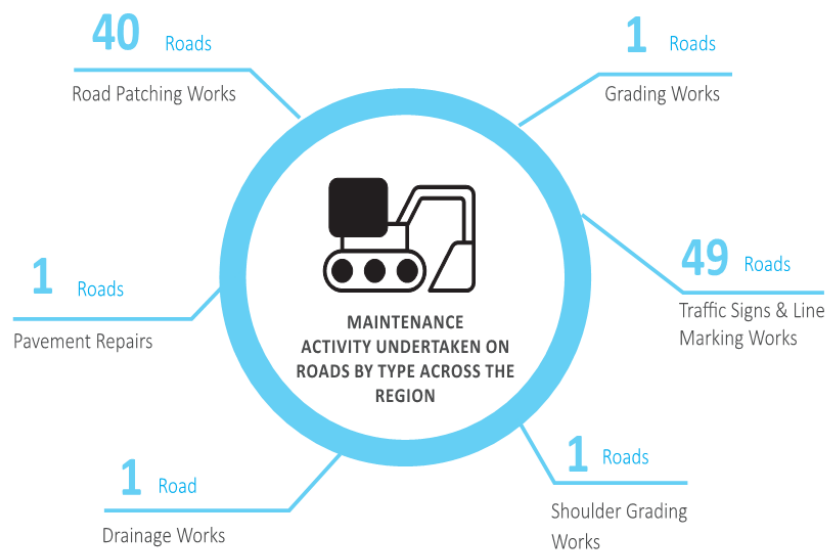
- Joint funded by the Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme (TIDS) and Council.
- Scope includes minor civil works, concrete footpaths, signs and lines at local schools in the Lockyer Valley. Locations include schools in Gatton, Laidley, Lake Clarendon and Withcott.
- Project commenced late October and is nearing completion. Kerb works in Campbell Street, Laidley remaining.

NORTH & EAST STREETS INTERSECTION UPGRADE

- The upgrade of North and East Street roundabout in Gatton has been funded under both the Black Spot and South East Queensland Community Stimulus Package. Scope of works include the installation of a concrete roundabout, upgrading of existing stormwater infrastructure, installation of new concrete kerb and channel, formalise pedestrian crossings and footpaths, relocation of public utilities, new pavement, asphalt surfacing and line marking.
- The project will be a staged delivery to accommodate the school terms, works began in September school holidays which involved installation of the stormwater components. The kerb and channel works were completed over the December school holidays. The remainder of the concrete and asphalt works will be completed by April 2023.

OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE**WORKS ON ROADS PERMITS & APPLICATIONS**

MAINTENANCE WORKS



INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING

ASSET MANAGEMENT

- Weekly monitoring surveys of the landslip sites at Berlin Road and East Egypt Road
- Routine RMPC inspections
- Condition inspection of 183 assets
- Continued processing of capital completions
- Commencement of safety inspections on 'high order' footpaths
- Stormwater CCTV contract has been finalised. A contractor is scheduled to commence inspections during the week beginning 27 February.
- Building Condition Inspection contract was awarded. The contractor commenced work on the 16 February.
- Minor bridge maintenance quotation was received from one company. We are negotiating the works with this company.
- Preparation of data for the Transport Asset Valuation.
- Began preparation of the Asset Management Plans for Transport and Drainage asset classes.
- Inspection of road that were identified as issue by Waste contractor.
- Commenced development of budget items for 2023/24 financial year.
- Continue with draft for Strategic Asset Management Plan

DEFECT OVERVIEW

TOTAL DEFECTS
CAPTURED IN
FEBRUARY 2023

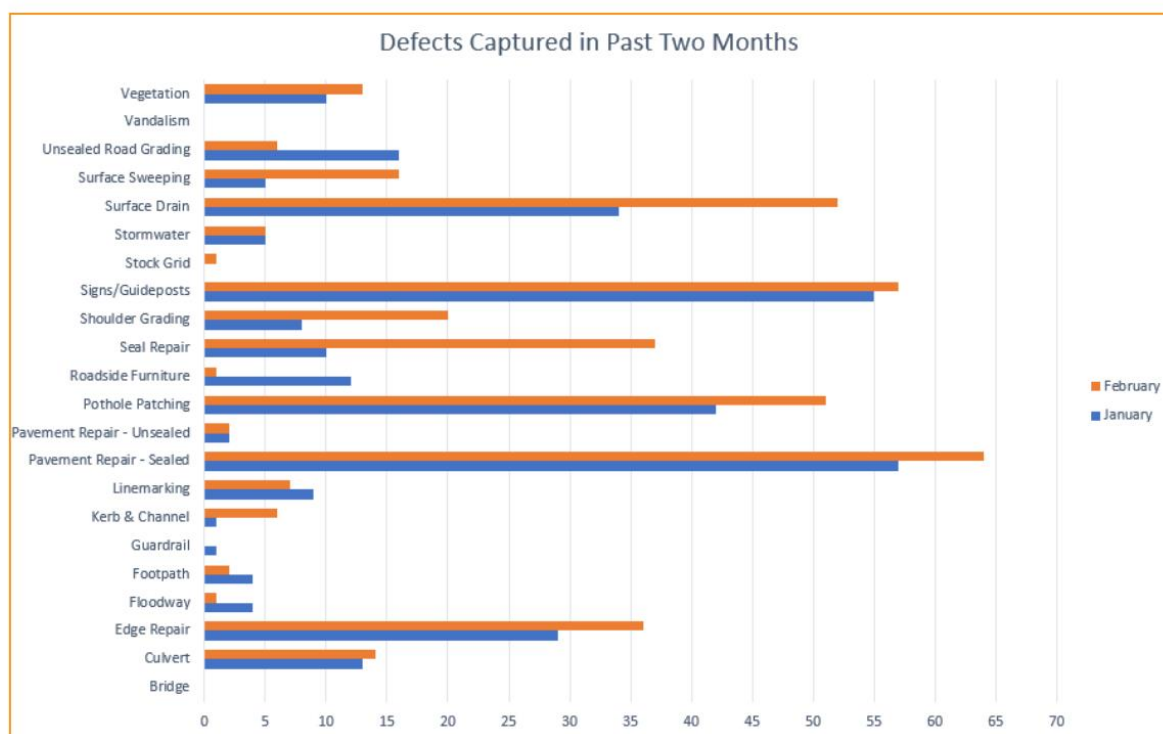
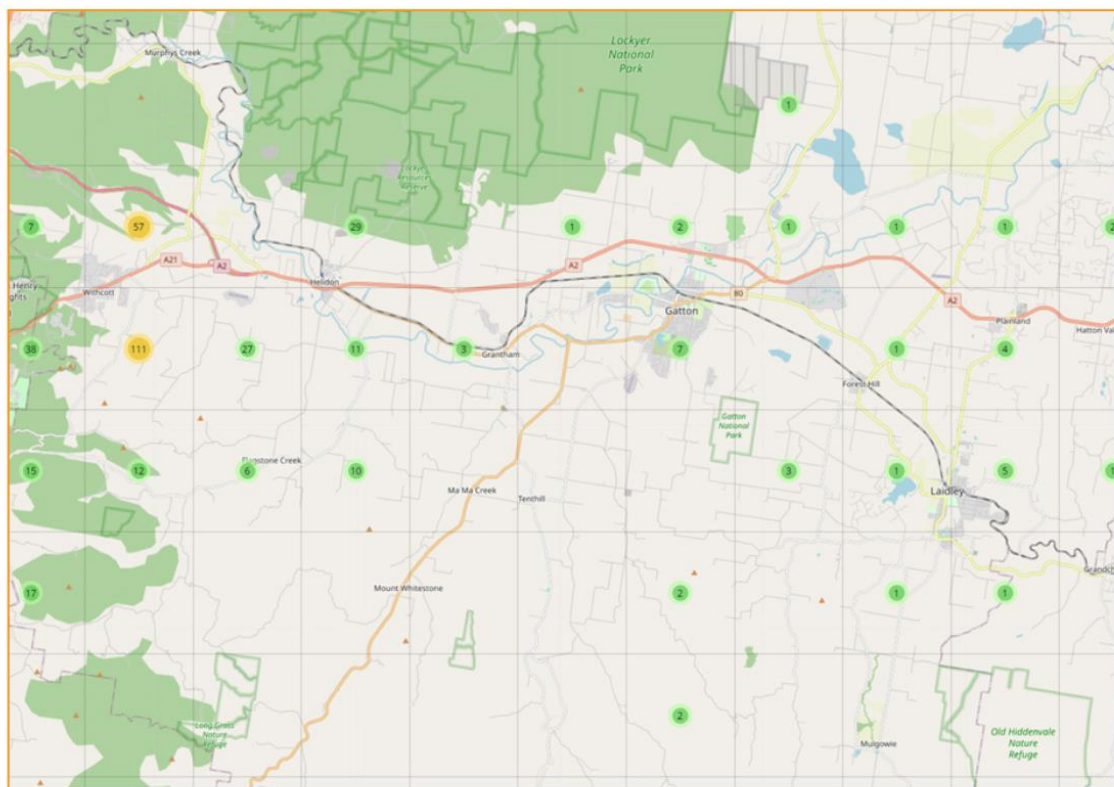
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DEFECTS COMPLETED
IN FEBRUARY 2023

DEFECTS COLLECTED THROUGHOUT THE REGION - FEBRUARY



COMMUNITY RECREATION & FACILITIES BRANCH**CAPITAL WORKS****GATTON TOWN CLOCK TOWER**

- Works have commenced onsite to remove all the old clock mechanisms. The clock dials are currently being cut to size. The contractor will return to site in the next couple of weeks to install new mechanisms and lighting. These works are funding under the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program.

**MURPHYS CREEK GROUND PLAYGROUND**

- Demolition of the playground at Jessie Lane Murphys Creek will commence late February 2023. Odin Road playground will be removed late March/early April 2023.
- The new playground installation for Jessie Lane has been awarded. Works are scheduled to commence on 13 March 2023.

ALEX GEDDES HALL, LOCKYER WATERS

- The concept design for the new building was completed. On 18 January 2023, Council approved reallocation of \$605,000 from the Black Summer Bushfire Recovery Grants Program to fund the replacement of Alex Geddes Hall. Community consultation was held on 16 February 2023 with positive feedback received. The consultant has been engaged to provide construction drawings.

UPCOMING CAPITAL PROJECTS:

- Materials Recovery Facility Fire Systems project

PROJECTS OUT FOR TENDER/QUOTATION:

- Gatton Shire Hall External Cladding
- Electrical Infrastructure and Laidley IGA Carpark Lighting
- Laidley Cemetery Seam Strip Renewal
- Gatton Cemetery Seam Strip Installation
- Jean Biggs Disability Parking

PARKS AND CEMETERIES MAINTENANCE WORKS**Playground Maintenance**

- Visual inspections undertaken at playgrounds and repairs completed as needed.

Furniture Maintenance / Landscaping

- Garden maintenance is ongoing.
- Cleaning and vegetation maintenance was completed on 56 bus stops across the region.
- Various requests for vegetation and safety issues were dealt with around the region.
- A large red gum tree was deemed dangerous after an arborist report. After a further investigation, the tree will remain in place due to the amount of wildlife found in it.

Mowing/Slashing

- Mowing/grass control across the region has been ongoing as per scheduled maintenance.
- Another round of slashing commenced this month in zones 3 (49km) and zone 7 (47km).
- Spraying roadside furniture complete in zone 4 and 6.

Disposal Services

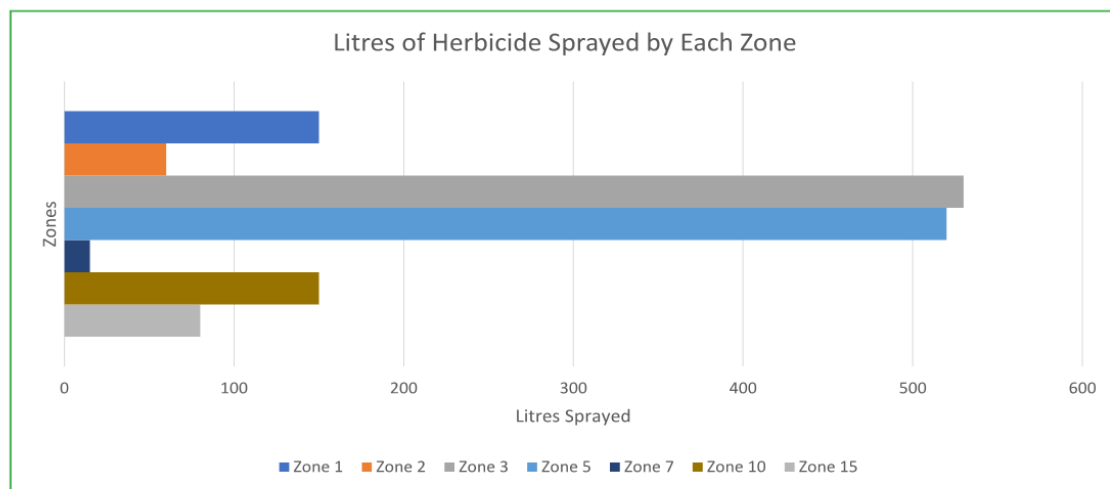
- 903 street and park bins were services each week during February.

Event Assistance

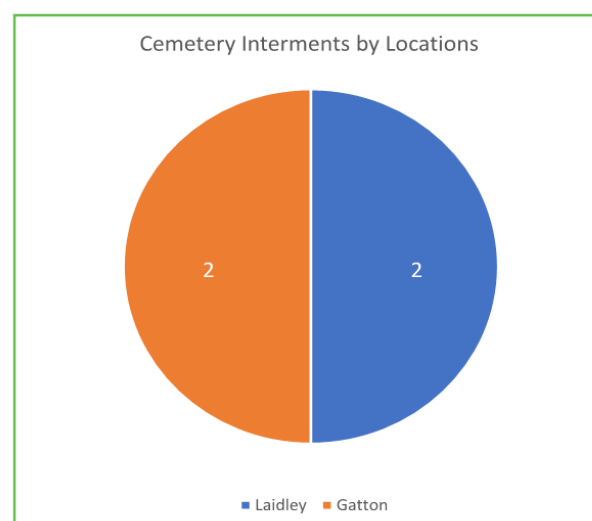
- Event sign changeovers completed as required.

Declared Weeds

- There is ongoing monitoring and treatment of all declared weeds.

**Cemetery Works**

- Routine mowing across the five operational cemeteries.



FACILITIES MAINTENANCE WORKS

Electrical

- Testing of RCDs' (residual current devices) across all Council owned assets for completion continuing
- Exit light testing
- Finalising electrical register
- General maintenance and repairs as required.

Buildings

- Letters of support for various sporting groups for facilities upgrades through grant applications
 - Lockyer Valley Cricket – new duplicate nets at Cahill Park
 - Withcott – New shed for storage of equipment
 - Laidley Recreation Reserve Committee – signage, bench seating and historic markers
- Liaising with Infrastructure team on Building Condition reports for various council buildings across the region
- Routine maintenance and repairs as and when required

Plumbing

- Replacement of toilet suites and tap wear in various public amenities across the region
- General Repairs and maintenance.

LOCKYER VALLEY SPORTS & AQUATIC CENTRE



11,454

TOTAL CENTRE ATTENDANCE



2,730

GYM USERS



4,002

GENERAL POOL ENTRIES



2,282

LEARN TO SWIM LESSONS (NOT INCLUDING PARENTS)



265

SQUAD LESSONS
(NOT INCLUDING PARENTS)

2,175

SCHOOLS - STUDENT GENERAL ADMISSION
(PRIMARY & SECONDARY)

DAL RYAN MEMORIAL SWIMMING POOL



1,357

TOTAL CENTRE ATTENDANCE



979

GENERAL POOL ENTRIES



94

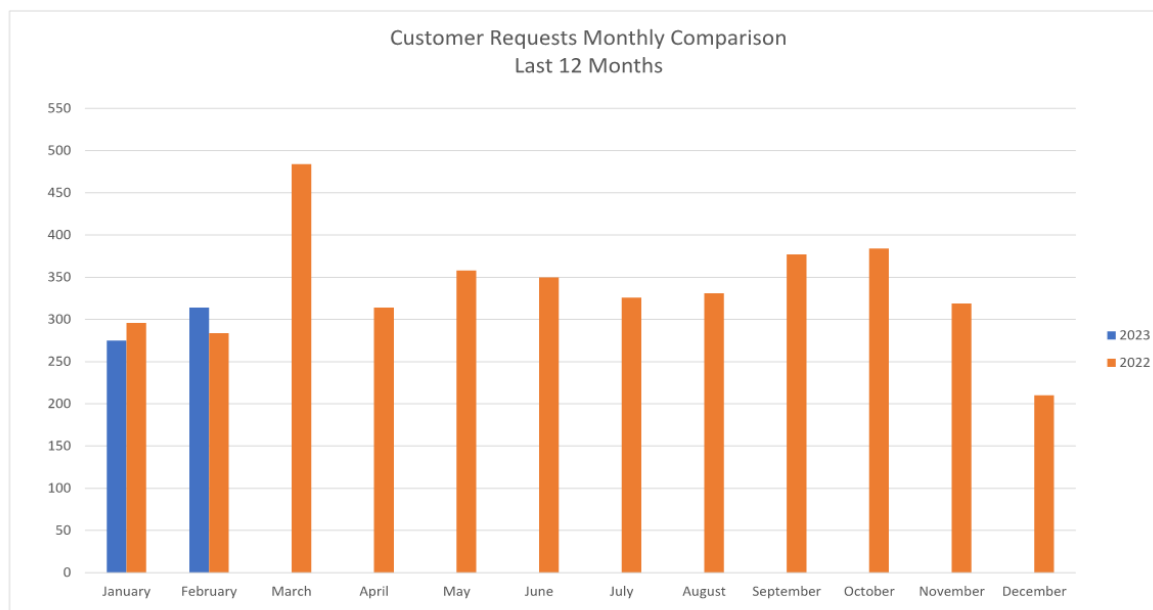
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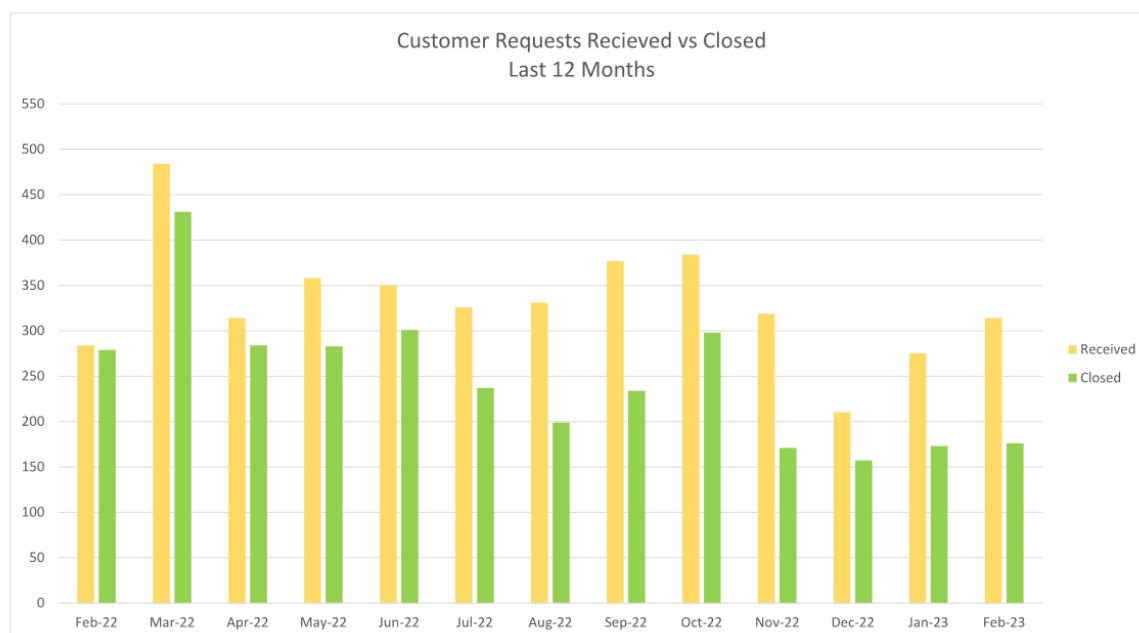
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SCHOOLS - STUDENT GENERAL ADMISSION (PRIMARY &
SECONDARY)

CUSTOMER CONTACT



Data as at 6 March 2023



Data as at 6 March 2023

14.5 Urban Utilities Monthly Report - November & December 2023

Author: Vickie Wieland, Executive Assistant Chief Executive Officer
Responsible Officer: Ian Church, Chief Executive Officer

Purpose:

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with highlights from the Urban Utilities (UU) November & December 2022 Board Meeting.

This document is for Council's information only.

Executive Summary

Lockyer Valley Regional Council maintains an ongoing relationship with UU on both operational and strategic aspects of water and sewerage provision. This report is an update on matters of significance with respect to UU for Council's information.

Urban Utilities is:

- A statutory body, created on 1 July 2010 as a result of Queensland Government changes to the way water is managed in South East Queensland.
- Owned by the Brisbane and Ipswich City Councils, and Lockyer Valley, Scenic Rim and Somerset Regional Councils, and governed by an independent Board.
- Tasked with delivering drinking water, recycled water and sewerage services to the cities and townships within the boundaries of these five local government areas.

Responsible for delivering water to customers, collecting, transporting and treating sewage, as well as charging and billing for water and wastewater services for customers in the Brisbane, Ipswich, Lockyer Valley, Scenic Rim and Somerset local authority areas.

Proposal

Significant Activities

November and December have been busy months for the Urban Utilities' Board with several important shareholder and other engagements, in addition to the scheduled Board and committee meetings.

On 2 November, five Board members accompanied by management visited the Lockyer Valley and Somerset Regional Council areas for a regional tour. This included open and positive discussions on water security and water collaboration with the Mayors and a local producer, and a tour of the Laidley Sewage Treatment plant which included a briefing on the Plainland-Laidley Wastewater Upgrade Project.

The Special General Meeting was held on 18 November at Urban Utilities' corporate offices in Fortitude Valley. The Board would like to acknowledge the positive engagement and interest of shareholding councils on key issues of mutual concern such as water security and purified recycled water, and on Urban Utilities' 2032 aspiration and strategies for growth.

The Board visited the Oxley Creek Resource Recovery Centre for a site tour on 21 November after the scheduled Board meeting. This site was heavily impacted by the February 2022 floods and the Urban Utilities' team has worked tirelessly since to reinstate facilities such as the Cambi thermal hydrolysis equipment which is located there.

The Board and management have also continued to discuss issues relating to the pathway for participation returns which are paid to shareholding councils. We continue to work constructively with Brisbane City Council, which had raised these issues.

Board Meeting 21 November 2022

The Urban Utilities Board met on 21 November 2022 for its ordinary meeting.

During an in-camera session, the Board received an update from CEO Paul Arnold on the progress of his 90 day plan, including impressions on the business and key priorities. The Board also considered a review of Executive Leadership Team contracts and remuneration and has agreed to transition these contracts from maximum term to open-ended employment contracts to promote stability in the leadership team.

At the conclusion of the in-camera session, the following matters were considered.

Enhancing Liveability of Communities

Ipswich Integrated Zone Plan

The Board approved the Integrated Zone Plan (IZP) for the Ipswich and Warrill View Zone. The IZP sets out a series of capital and operational investment plans over a ten-year period. For the Ipswich and Warrill View Zone, the IZP will address rapid growth in population in the area, water flow and reliability including fireflow performance, and improve water quality performance. The program of activities in the IZP includes capital investments of up to \$254.4 million.

Hamilton Siphon Rehabilitation

The Board approved an accelerated business case for rehabilitation works for the Hamilton Siphon project, for a total investment presently estimated at over \$30 million. The Hamilton Siphon extends laterally under the Brisbane River and provides sewage services to around 47,000 equivalent persons. It is in poor condition and the asset is deteriorating rapidly. The project will involve replacement of a single pipe with modern pipework and will be prioritised during the 2023 "dry" season, with a planned completion and asset handover date of 30 November 2023.

This will be a challenging project, with the Board noting technical challenges, safety protocols, and stakeholder engagement and communication requirements, particularly given residential areas close to both entry shafts of the siphon.

Social and Economic Value

Annual Review of Opportunity Appetite Statement

The Board approved a revised Opportunity Appetite Statement for Urban Utilities. This statement is designed to assist the business to filter and prioritise growth and diversification opportunities in alignment with the Risk Appetite Statement, considering matters such as core capabilities, optimisation of existing assets, and new products and service opportunities targeted at new or existing customers.

Contestable Services – Corporate Structure and Risk-Weighted Returns

The Board considered proposed corporate structures and risk return guidelines which will underpin commercial arrangements for contestable (non-core) services. The Board's in principle approval for establishment of a

subsidiary proprietary limited entity to facilitate contestable activities is intended to enable flexible investment and divestment approaches, ring-fencing strength, and appropriate quarantining of risk.

The Board also approved risk adjusted return guidelines, to ensure that returns will be appropriate taking account of risks associated with contestable activities. NPV analysis and the development of a robust business case will support proper analysis of each proposal, so that opportunities are properly considered and derisked with reasonable rates of return.

Expansions and Adjacencies Report

The Board considered a regular report on inorganic growth and diversification initiatives and noted the development of a customer centered and portfolio-based approach to new initiatives.

Key initiatives noted by the Board included the Organics Valorisation program where there may be opportunities for development of regional solutions to create value from organic waste; and sustainable water programs, particularly those anchored around the development of a future hydrogen precinct at Gibson Island. The Board has recognised that these initiatives contribute to Urban Utilities' Environmental Social and Governance (ESG) strategies and may also create opportunities to support the ESG aspirations of shareholding councils.

Foundational Success

Review of Participation Returns Pathway

The Board was updated on the discussions with Brisbane City Council regarding the future approach to participation return setting and discussed principles for calculation of returns in both the short and longer term.

Annual Review of Risk Appetite Statement

The Board approved revised Risk and Opportunity Appetite Statements for Urban Utilities. This is a key component of Urban Utilities' risk management framework and sets expectations for mitigating, accepting and/or pursuing different types of risk, and provides the boundaries and thresholds for acceptable risk-taking within the business.

Network Integrity – Selective Inspection Program

The Board approved the continuation of Urban Utilities' Selective Inspection Program. This program allows Urban Utilities, or its authorised agents, to access private properties to identify and rectify network integrity issues, such as illegal stormwater connections. This program continues to be effective and is reviewed every six months by the Board, as required by law. The locations approved for Q3 and Q4 FY23 are: Upper Mt Gravatt East, Mount Gravatt and Westlake in the Brisbane area, and One Mile in the Ipswich local government area.

2022 Flood – Review of Emergency Management Processes and Flood Resilience Activities and Investments

The Board undertook a close-out review of Urban Utilities' response to the February 2022 flood event. This review had considered flood emergency management activities, including communications during and after events, and the capacity of the organisation to effectively coordinate activities with other agencies and to manage fatigue through sharing of human resources.

The Board also considered an independent assessment of flood resilience activities and investments which have occurred since the 2011 floods. It was pleasing to note reduced recovery time and costs after the 2022 flood event due to protection of assets, particularly electrical infrastructure.

2022/23 Summer Preparedness Program

The Board considered an annual update on activities to prepare for the summer threat environment. Whilst this is an annual business as usual activity, there is a heightened threat environment considering current long range weather forecasts. The Board noted key risks included employee fatigue and reduced employee resilience

following a challenging year, and discussed issues which have the potential to affect fresh water supplies after flood events.

Program Management Approach Year in Review

The Board noted a paper outlining Urban Utilities' performance in delivering its capital investment portfolio. The Program Management Approach adopted by the business continues to deliver strong results regarding project savings and delivery of project milestones.

Monthly Reports

The Board noted a report from the CEO about current and significant issues within the business.

Consistent with its role to oversee the management of Urban Utilities' business, the Board also considered monthly reports on Urban Utilities' performance against key metrics and service standards, and on financial management, delivery of capital investments, and safety performance. In addition, the Board considered a monthly dashboard report on a program of work to ensure that Urban Utilities' payments to its employees are correct and that any rectification payments are identified.

Environmental Leadership

Lunch guest

Nigel Chamier (Chair) and Tracey Melenewycz (CEO) of the Brisbane Sustainability Agency (BSA) joined the Board for lunch and discussed the Oxley Creek Transformation project, including key matters such as the development of green spaces, rehabilitation of industrial areas and waterways, and plans to stabilise areas to reduce sediment flow into Oxley Creek. Areas of potential collaboration with Urban Utilities were also discussed including development of water education and play experiences in recreational areas which may include opportunities to demystify recycled water.

Board meeting 5 December 2022

The Urban Utilities Board met on 5 December 2022. This was a reserve meeting which had been required due to the high volume of business considered by the Board during 2022.

In addition to a report from the CEO updating the Board on current and significant issues, the Board considered the following matters.

Enhancing Liveability of Communities

Olympic Games Quarterly Dashboard

The Board received a regular update on Urban Utilities' involvement in preparations for the Brisbane 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games. Urban Utilities is involved in respect to planning for a number of precincts and is focusing on opportunities to improve our long term servicing strategy including water reuse for greening and cooling, and water recycling.

Foundational Success

Extension to Contract for Sewer Cleaning, Inspection and Evaluation Services and Procurement Update

The Board approved the extension of a contract for sewer cleaning and related services which is required pending finalisation of a current procurement process.

Review of Risk Management Framework and Procedure

The Board approved an updated Risk Management Framework for the business.

Update to Policy – Complaints about the Executive Officer

The Board approved revisions to a policy which would address the requirements of section 48A of the *Crime and Corruption Act 2001*. This policy required updating following the recent appointment of CEO Paul Arnold.

Protective Security Policy Suite Update

The Board approved a revised suite of protective security policies, covering information and cyber security, people security and physical security within the business. The review had been undertaken to better respond to requirements of the Security of Critical Infrastructure legislation.

FY23 Interim Participation Return Declaration

The Board declared an interim participation return equal to 50% (or \$65 million) of the Floor Return (being \$130 million) for FY23.

Safety discussion

The Board discussed a recent safety incident which had resulted in injury to two employees, including response and safety improvements.

Preparedness to Manage a Data Breach

The Board held a discussion on a recent workshop conducted by management on cyber security issues. It was agreed that a simulation exercise would be conducted during 2023 to include Board involvement.

Queensland Government SEQ Water Bill Discount

The Board noted Urban Utilities' approach to administering the State Government \$55 water bill discount.

In closing, 2022 has been a busy and challenging year for Urban Utilities and for our shareholding councils, and their support and collaboration on Urban Utilities' endeavors over the year have been greatly appreciated.

Attachments

There are no attachments for this report.

15.0 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

In accordance with the provisions of section 254J(3) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a local government may resolve to close a meeting to the public to discuss confidential items, when its Councillors or members consider it necessary to close the meeting.

CLOSED SESSION

THAT the meeting be closed to the public at 11:07am, to discuss the following items which are considered confidential in accordance with section 254J(3) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, for the reasons indicated.

15.1 Rating Concession - Property ID 127470

This item is confidential in accordance with Section 254J (3) (d) of the Local Government Regulation, 2012, as the matter involves rating concessions.

15.2 Legal & Property Update

This item is confidential in accordance with Section 254J (3) (e) (g) of the Local Government Regulation, 2012, as the matter involves legal advice obtained by the local government or legal proceedings involving the local government including, for example, legal proceedings that may be taken by or against the local government; AND negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government.

Moved By: Cr Hagan

Seconded By:

Cr Cook

Resolution Number: 20-24/0774

CARRIED

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OPEN SESSION

THAT Council move into open session, the time being 11:33am.

Moved By: Cr Vela

Seconded By:

Cr Hagan

Resolution Number: 20-24/0775

CARRIED

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15.1 Rating Concession - Property ID 127470

Author: Dee Stewart, Coordinator Accounting Services; Kirsty Johnson, Coordinator Revenue Services

Responsible Officer: Ian Church, Chief Executive Officer

That the above item be considered in Closed Session to the exclusion of the press and public in accordance with Section 254J (3) (d) of the Local Government Regulation, 2012, as the matter involves rating concessions.

Purpose:

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's approval to provide a rating concession of 50% of the general rate and 50% of the waste collection charge issued on 13 February 2023 for the period 1 January 2023 to 30 June 2023 for Property ID 127470.

Officer's Recommendation:

THAT Council grant a concession to the owner of Property ID 127470 of 50% of the general rate levied and 50% of the waste collection charge for the period of 1 January 2023 to 30 June 2023.

RESOLUTION

THAT Council grant a concession to the owner of Property ID 127470 of 50% of the general rate levied and 50% of the waste collection charge for the period 1 January 2023 to 30 June 2023.

Moved By: Cr Cook

Seconded By:

Cr Holstein

Resolution Number: 20-24/0776

CARRIED

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15.2 Legal & Property Update

Author: Caitlan Natalier, Coordinator Governance and Property

Responsible Officer: Dan McPherson, Group Manager People, Customer and Corporate Services

That the above item be considered in Closed Session to the exclusion of the press and public in accordance with Section 254J (3) (e) (g) of the Local Government Regulation, 2012, as the matter involves legal advice obtained by the local government or legal proceedings involving the local government including, for example, legal proceedings that may be taken by or against the local government; AND negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government.

Purpose:

The purpose of this report is to provide an update to Council in relation to a number of confidential legal and property matters.

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GENERAL BUSINESS

THAT Council receive and note the following item for information:

15.2 – Legal & Property Update

Moved By: Cr Vela

Seconded By:

Cr Cook

Resolution Number: 20-24/0777

CARRIED

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16.0 MEETING CLOSED

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 11:34am.