

3RD JUNE 2008

AGENDA - FINANCE AND SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING OF COUNCIL



LITHGOW CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA

FINANCE AND SERVICES COMMITTEE
MEETING OF COUNCIL

TO BE HELD AT

THE ADMINISTRATION CENTRE, LITHGOW

ON

03 JUNE 2008

AT 6.30pm

AGENDA

PRESENT

QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC GALLERY - NIL

PRESENTATIONS - NIL

**CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE FINANCE AND SERVICES
COMMITTEE MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON 6TH MAY 2008**

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

NOTICES OF MOTION - NIL

NOTICES OF RESCISSION - NIL

CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS

Regional Services Reports

Community and Corporate Services Reports

REPORTS FROM DELEGATES - NIL

COMMITTEE MEETINGS - Sports Advisory

CLOSED REPORTS - NIL

QUESTIONS OF AN URGENT NATURE

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REGIONAL SERVICES REPORTS

ITEM:1 REG - 03/06/2008 - UPPER MAQUARIE COUNTY COUNCIL - APRIL WEEDS REPORT

REPORT FROM: GROUP MANAGER REGIONAL SERVICES, ANDREW MUIR

SUMMARY

To advise of the most recent Upper Macquarie County Council Weeds Report.

COMMENTARY

Attached is the report from the Upper Macquarie County Council Chief Weeds Officer Report for April 2008.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

ATTACHMENTS

1. Upper Macquarie County Council Chief Weeds Officer's Report April 2008 (Doc: 415477).

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the information be received.

**ITEM:2 REG - 03/06/08 - PROPOSED ROAD NAMING - DA 360/03 - PS & BJ
 GITTARNY & DA 61/04 - R & M MENDHAM**

**REPORT FROM: ACTING REGIONAL SERVICES MANAGER - STEPHEN
DARLINGTON**

SUMMARY

To advise Council of submissions for road naming.

COMMENTARY

McKanes Naming

The four lot subdivision of Lot 5 DP 1001104, McKanes Falls Road, South Bowenfels, DA 61/04. Meeting- 6/8/07

Central Palms Naming

The Subdivision of Lot 6, DP 1057900, Central Palms Estate, Hill Street Lithgow

Background

McKanes Naming

Proposed name of 'Stockyard Lane' to be adopted as it is a new /un-named road. In reference to the old stockyards which have been a feature of the property for many years.

Central Palms Naming

Proposed name of 'Cura Close' to be adopted as it is a new /un-named road. The name 'Cura' is Latin meaning attention, care, healing, management, dedication, thought and concern which reflects on the medical centre in this subdivision.

Council notified the residents along this section of road and advertised in the paper for suggestions for the road naming in accordance with the Geographical Names Board guidelines for the duration of 28 days.

Issues/Public Participation

As a result of the notification Council received a number of suggestions as follows:

McKanes Naming

'Beecroft Lane' in reference to family who owned subdivided land for some time and the cattle yards have been referred to as the Beecroft yards for some time, proposed by resident of McKanes Falls Road for 25yrs.

Central Palms Naming

1. 'S.H.Gannon Road' in reference to S. H. Gannon who was instrumental in the establishment of the original Lithgow Hospital.
2. 'Clout Close' in reference to George Clout who was one of the early founders of the Lithgow Hospital and third mayor of Lithgow in 1894 and died 1896.
3. 'Eucha Drive' in reference to an aboriginal Tribe that inhabited the surrounding area.

4. 'Queens Drive' in reference to Australia as a Monarchy
5. 'Paul- Joseph Close' in reference to a general practitioner that worked in the old Lithgow Hospital in the 60's

Support

Although a number of the names would be considered suitable for the naming of the road Council officers support the names with supported reasons:

McKanes Naming

'Stockyard Lane' as it was requested by the owner of the subdivision and the yards have changed hands for an extended amount of time since the Beecroft's ownership.

Central Palms Naming

'Cura Close' as it has defined meaning for the subdivision and owner has agreed to the name being short and to the point.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

CONCLUSIONS

If there are no objections Council can proceed with the notification of the name in accordance with the Geographical Names Board of NSW Requirements.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council support the name 'Stockyard Lane' and 'Cura Close' and contact the owners of the subdivision and anyone living in the area for any final objections. If no objection is raised then Council shall proceed to notification of the proposed road naming and advise the Emergency Services and Government Gazette of these road names.

ITEM:3 REG - 03/06/08 - DEVELOPMENT / CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATE APPLICATION 087/08 CULLEN BULLEN TOILET BLOCK

REPORT FROM: ACTING REGIONAL SERVICES MANAGER – STEPHEN DARLINGTON

SUMMARY

To advise council of the submission of Development/Construction Certificate Application No.087/08 by Lithgow City Council for clubhouse additions on Council owned land at Portland Road, Cullen Bullen, and recommend approval.

COMMENTARY

An application has been received from Lithgow City Council the construction of a unisex toilet block on the reserve owned by council and located at Lot 145 DP 755769 Portland Road, Cullen Bullen.

The proposal involves the construction of a Landmark steel framed colourbond clad unisex toilet accessible to people with disabilities, the waste discharging to a dual tank Gough Hybrid Toilet System and small on-site trench installed in accordance with AS/NZS 1546.1.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Council's policy **Development Applications by Councillors and Staff and Relatives or on Council Owned Land** requires that such application be referred to Council or its appropriate committee for consideration and determination and that no aspect of the application be dealt with under delegated authority.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Council is funding the project through the 2007/08 Management Plan.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

The application has been assessed in accordance with the provisions of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Development/Construction Certificate Application No. 087/08 be approved subject to the following conditions:

CONDITIONS

1. To ensure structural integrity, the maintenance of minimum health standards, the management of the buildings surrounds and the protection of the environment, compliance certificates are to be issued at significant stages throughout the construction period. These stages are:
 - a) Pier holes/pad footings before filling with concrete.
 - b) Trenches complete with reinforcing and prior to filling with concrete.
 - c) Internal drainage carried out by licensed plumber prior to covering

- d) Reinforcing steel in position and before concrete is poured.
- e) External drainage (including onsite waste disposal system) installed by a licensed plumber and prior to covering.
- f) Stormwater drainage between building and discharge point (drainage pipes, soakage pits and the like) prior to covering.
- g) Completion of the development and sign off to all conditions of the consent including landscaping, prior to occupation and use.

At each inspection, erosion and sediment control measures and site management will be inspected.

Note: forty-eight (48) hours notice shall be given to Council prior to inspections.

2. All work on site shall only occur between the following hours:

Monday to Friday	7.00am to 6.00pm
Saturday	8.00am to 1.00pm
Sunday and public holidays	No work
3. That all plumbing and drainage work be carried out by a licensed plumber and drainer and inspected by Council officers.
4. All building work must be carried out in accordance with the provisions of the Building Code of Australia.
5. The person constructing any works shall install, prior to any construction work, adequate sediment and soil erosion controls. The controls shall be in accordance with the Department of Infrastructure Planning & Natural Resources current guidelines for erosion and sediment control.
6. The building or any part of the building which is the subject of a development consent and construction certificate must not be used or occupied until an Occupation Certificate has been issued by the Principal Certifying Authority.
7. The disabled handrails, access ramp and WC are to comply with the requirements of Australian Standard 1428 Design for Access and Mobility.

ITEM:4 REG - 03/06/08 - DEVELOPMENT AND CONSTRUCTION APPROVALS

REPORT FROM: ACTING GROUP MANAGER REGIONAL SERVICES –STEPHEN DARLINGTON

SUMMARY

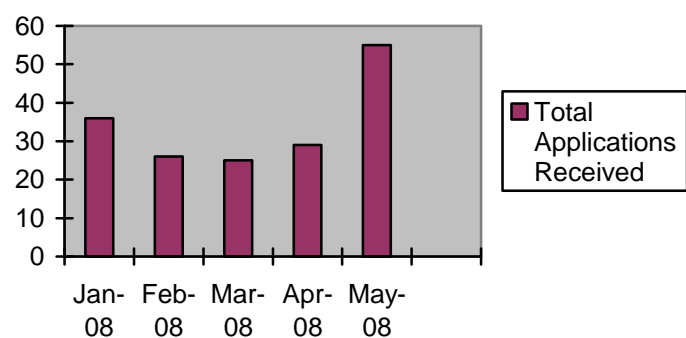
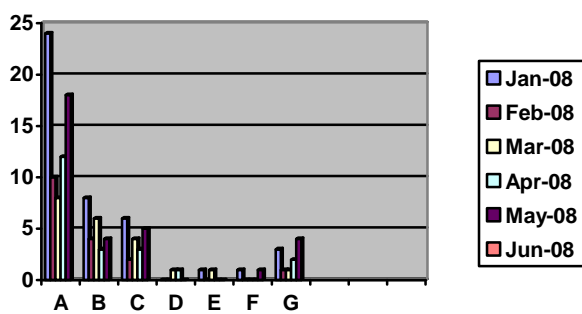
To provide statistical information on Development Applications and Construction Certificates processed.

COMMENTARY

The following table indicates Development Applications and Construction Certificates approved in the period between Finance and Services Committee Meetings. A full list of individual applications received and approved is made available to Councillors and the press.

	Minor Development Approvals (including carports, garages and patios) A	Dwelling Approval B	Dwelling Addition Approvals C	Other Residential Applications (including Dual Occupancies, Flats) D	Rural Subdivision Approvals E	Residential Subdivision Approvals F	Commercial/Industrial Approvals G	Total Application Received
Jan 2008	24	8	6	0	1	1	3	36
Feb 2008	10	4	2	0	0	0	1	26
March 2008	8	6	4	1	1	0	1	25
April 2008	12	3	3	1	0	0	2	29
May 2008	18	4	5	0	0	1	4	55

* includes Approvals from 12/04/2008 TO 23/05/2008



APPROVALS

Total Estimated Cost:
Average Approval Time
Total Cost of Approvals from 10/12/2007
No. of Applications from 10/12/2007 to 25/04/08

\$1,441,729
15 DAYS
\$78,840,212.00
142

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the information be noted.

**ITEM:5 REG - 03/06/2008 - DONATION TO TARANA VOLUNTEER BUSH
FIRE BRIGADE**

**REPORT BY: ACTING GROUP MANAGER REGIONAL SERVICES - STEPHEN
DARLINGTON**

REFERENCE

Nil.

SUMMARY

To advise of a request for a donation to the Tarana Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade for the construction of an extra bay to their existing shed.

COMMENTARY

The Tarana Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade has to build an extra bay to the existing shed to house a Cat 1 Fire Truck as the current shed is too low, at an estimated cost of \$20,000. The Rural Fire Service's maximum contribution to the Brigade is \$5000. The Tarana Volunteers Bush Fire Brigade has asked the Lithgow Council to contribute \$2000 towards provision of equipment and facilities to protect the Community.

Council may be able to make the donation by way of inkind using wages and plant rather than direct 'cash funding'.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Funding of \$2000 will be required. If Council elected to undertake this work the \$2000 will need to be allocated in the 2008/2009 budget.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the General Manager negotiate with the Tarana Bush Fire Brigade for the amount of \$2000 inkind wages and plant to the construction of the Bushfire Shed.

COMMUNITY AND CORPORATE SERVICES REPORTS

ITEM:6 COMM - 03/06/08 - COUNCIL INVESTMENTS TO 30 APRIL 2008

REPORT FROM - INTERNAL SERVICES MANAGER - C FARNSWORTH

REFERENCE

Min 07-401: Finance & Services Committee Meeting 3 September 2007 (July 2007)
 Min 07-425: Council Meeting 17 September 2007 (August 2007)
 Min 07-480: Finance & Services Committee Meeting 5 November 2007 (15 Oct 2007)
 Min 07-528: Finance & Services Committee Meeting 3 December 2007 (31 Oct 2007)
 Min 07-554: Finance & Services Committee Meeting 17 Dec 2007 (30 Nov 2007)
 Min O08-09: Finance & Services Committee Meeting 4 Feb 2008 (31 Dec 2007)
 Min F08-18: Finance & Services Committee Meeting 3 March 2008 (31 Jan 2008)
 Min F08-38: Finance & Services Committee Meeting 7 April 2008 (29 Feb 2008)
 Min F08-39: Finance & Services Committee Meeting 7 April 2008 (31 Mar 2008)

SUMMARY

To advise Council of 2007/08 investments held for the period ending 30 April 2008.

COMMENTARY

The amount invested as at 30 April 2008 when compared to 31 March 2008 has decreased by \$2,102,922.80.

INVESTMENT REGISTER 2007/08								
INSTITUTION	INV TYPE	DATE LODGED	DATE DUE	DAYS	INT	VALUE 31.03.08	VALUE 30.04.08	% OF TOTAL
ANZ	TD	01.04.08	01.05.08	32	7.50	589,249.96	589,249.96	4.21%
BANKWEST	TD	31.03.08	30.05.08	90	7.86	512,445.40	512,445.40	3.66%
	TD	04.03.08	02.06.08	90	8.10	509,061.64	509,061.64	3.64%
CBA	CMS Nt	20.06.06	20.06.11	1,825	7.31	500,000.00	500,000.00	3.57%
	On Call				7.20	1,011,371.19	667,528.08	4.77%
	Ethical	06.11.06	06.11.11	1,825	9.25	500,000.00	500,000.00	3.57%
	TD	11.04.08	11.05.08	30	7.64	529,035.52	532,383.66	3.80%
	TD	21.11.07	05.06.09	547	16.0	750,000.00	750,000.00	5.36%
CITIBANK	TD	11.02.08	12.05.08	91	7.55	550,245.67	550,245.67	3.93%
LG FINANCIAL	On Call				7.72	765,683.46	265,683.46	1.90%
	TD	06.11.07	06.11.08	365	7.55	306,524.05	306,524.05	2.19%
	TD	07.02.08	07.05.08	90	7.47	537,245.67	537,245.67	3.84%
	On Call				7.15	4,714.43	4,714.43	0.03%
	TD	10.03.08	10.04.08	30	7.68	521,106.92	0.00	0.00%
IMBS	On Call				7.25	27,437.39	27,589.02	0.20%
	TD	06.02.08	06.05.08	91	7.55	1,114,769.71	1,114,769.71	7.96%
	TD	15.02.08	22.05.08	97	7.93	499,588.02	499,588.02	3.57%
	TD	05.03.08	03.06.08	90	8.10	815,810.89	815,810.89	5.83%
	TD	22.01.08	22.04.08	90	7.24	250,000.00	0.00	0.00%
MACQUARIE	TD	28.03.08	30.06.08	92	7.95	2,500,000.00	2,500,000.00	17.85%
ALLIANCE	Managed	28.02.08	28.02.09	365		1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00	7.14%
ST GEORGE	TD	17.10.07	17.04.08	180	7.05	505,682.19	0.00	0.00%
	TD	02.03.08	02.06.08	90	8.10	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00	7.14%
	TD	15.04.08	14.07.08	90	7.95	805,986.52	820,196.17	5.86%
			TOTAL			16,105,958.63	14,003,035.83	100.00%

I, Carol G Farnsworth, Lithgow City Council Internal Services Manager (Responsible Accounting Officer) certify as required under Local Government (General) Regulations 2005, that Council's investments have been made in accordance with the Local Government Act 1993, Regulations and Lithgow City Council's Investment Policy.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

All Council's investments are held in accordance with Lithgow City Council's Investment Policy.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Investment income to date, 30 April 2008 is \$742,214.73. Interest is paid on the maturity date of the investment and managed funds report earnings quarterly.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Investments are held in accordance with the Lithgow City Council's Investment Policy which accords with the requirements of the:

- Local Government Act 1993 - Section 625
- Local Government Act 1993 - Order dated 17 March 2000
- Local Government (General) Regulation 2005
- Trustee Amendment (Discretionary Investments) Act 1997- Section 14A(2), 14c(1) & (2)

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council's 2007/08 investments for the period ending 30 April 2008 be received

ITEM:7 COMM - 03/06/08 - BUDGET FOR 13 SEPTEMBER 2008 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS

REPORT FROM: GROUP MANAGER COMMUNITY AND CORPORATE - SUZANNE LOLLBACK

REFERENCE

NIL

SUMMARY

This report updates the Council with a detailed budget estimate for the cost of providing election services for the Council.

COMMENTARY

The attached letter was received from the Electoral Commission NSW.

The NSW Electoral Commission is required by law to conduct the elections and each council is required by law to pay the costs associated with their election.

The Electoral Commission NSW will provide a range of services as indicated.

The budget estimate does not include the cost of any Crown Solicitor's advice that may be necessary in connection with the election for Lithgow City Council area.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

NIL

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The Council has estimated a total of \$120,000 for conducting the election in the 2008-2009 Draft Management Plan.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

NIL

ATTACHMENTS

1. Electoral Commission NSW - Budget for the 13 September 2008 Local Government Elections

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the information from the Electoral Commission NSW relating to the budget for the 13 September 2008 local government elections be noted.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

**ITEM:8 REG- 03/06/08 - SPORTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE - MINUTES 26
 MAY 2008**

REPORT BY: STRATEGIC ENGINEER – LEANNE KEARNEY

SUMMARY

Details of the Minutes of the Sports Advisory Committee Meeting held on Monday, 26 May 2008 for Council adoption.

COMMENTARY

At the Sports Advisory Committee Meeting held on Monday, 26 May 2008, there were thirteen (13) items discussed by the Committee, and it is considered that all these items be adopted by Council as per the Committee's recommendations.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Item 5 will require \$100.00 to be expended from the current allocation for Financial Assistance for Sporting Representations (approved financial assistance to Claire Rodgers).

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Minutes of the Sports Advisory Committee Meeting held on Monday, 26 May 2008.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council note the recommendations of the Sports Advisory Committee for the meeting held on Monday, 31 March 2008 and the General Manager initiate actions as appropriate.

QUESTIONS OF AN URGENT NATURE

ATTACHMENTS

**ITEM:8 REG- 03/06/08 - SPORTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE - MINUTES 26
 MAY 2008**

PRESENT

Councillor Neville Castle (Chairman), Mr Neil Gambrill, Mr Glen Ryan, Mr Shane Denley, Ms Deborah Williams, Mr Paul Crowder, Mr Bill Ranse, Mr Danny Whitty, Mrs Robyn Whitty, Mr Eric Arnold, Mr Danny Oldfield (Public Assets Engineer) and Miss Leanne Kearney (Strategic Engineer).

APOLOGIES

Mr John Boyd, Mr Ray Stoneley, Ms Deb Martin, Mr Wayne Vought, and Mr Andrew Muir (Group Manager Regional Services).

REPORT

ITEM 1 - DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Nil.

ITEM 2 - MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting held on Monday, 24 March 2008 were confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

MOVED: Neil Gambrill

SECONDED: Danny Whitty

ITEM 3 - BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Nil.

ITEM 4 – 2008 REG COWDEN MEMORIAL SPORTS STAR AWARDS

Junior Nominations for the month of April 2008 were received from the following:

- Hayden Boyd (Swimming) – Hayden swam in 6 events at the NSW Speedo Sprints, with his best result being 6th in the Breaststroke. Hayden also swam in 6 events at the NSW Catholic Polding Championships, with his best result being 4th in the Breaststroke - giving Hayden a ranking of 5th in the NSW Catholic Schools. Hayden also broke a long standing Lithgow record (25 year record), as well as breaking this record again at the Lithgow Championships. Hayden qualified for the 2008 Australian Junior Excellence programme, which recognises and rewards junior swimmers who achieve a high standard of swimming excellence. To qualify, you need to achieve times set by Swimming Australia during the 2007/2008 season. Hayden qualified at the top level of Gold.

Unfortunately, Hayden was ineligible to win the April 2008 award, as he was the monthly winner for January 2008.

MONTH	RECIPIENT
January	Hayden Boyd (Swimming)
February	Jenna Heath (Athletics)
March	Riley Dukes (Motocross)
April	Nil
May	

Sue Brooks (Golf) was nominated and selected as the Senior monthly winner for the month of April 2008 after winning the Lithgow Golf Club Ladies Championship for the 14th time.

MONTH	RECIPIENT
January	Dale Ryan (Wood Chopping)
February	Workies Aces Premier League Lawn Bowls Team
March	Nil
April	Sue Brooks (Golf)
May	
June	

The Committee recommends that the Senior Sports Star Award be awarded to Sue Brooks (Golf) for the month of April 2008, and for a merit certificate to be awarded Hayden Boyd (Swimming).

MOVED: Danny Whitty

SECONDED: Neil Gambrill

ITEM 5 – FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE REQUESTS

The attached sheet details all requests for financial assistance, including Applications that were placed on hold whilst Council reviewed, amended and adopted the new Donations Policy. All Applicants were contacted and given the opportunity to provide additional information relating to their initial application, with the details noted in the attachment.

The Committee recommends that financial assistance be provided to Claire Rodgers (\$100.00).

MOVED: Eric Arnold

SECONDED: Glen Ryan

ITEM 6 – BOOKING REQUEST – TONY LUCHETTI SPORTSGROUND AND JIM MONAGHAN ATHLETICS OVAL, LITHGOW - 2009 LITHGOW FLASH GIFT

Correspondence has been received from the Lithgow Flash Organising Committee (representatives from Lithgow Tourism, NSW Athletics League, Lithgow Little Athletics and community volunteers), requesting permission for exclusive use of Tony Luchetti Sportsground and Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval, Lithgow on Saturday, 28 February 2009, to conduct the 2009 Lithgow Flash Gift.

The event will be held on grass over 100, 200 and 400 metres as well as a 5 kilometre event, with competitors handicapped according to their performances in the preceding season. A range of events for junior athletes will also be staged, as well as introductory events potentially including wheelchair races.

The Lithgow Flash Gift Organising Committee seeks permission from the Lithgow Sports Advisory Committee to stage the event on the 28th February 2009 at the Tony Luchetti Showground, with the event granted exclusive use of the Showground.

This booking may conflict with the general season booking by the Lithgow District Cricket Association, however, the Lithgow District Cricket Association are looking at alternative dates (including the possibility of utilising the grounds on the Sunday for that round), to prevent any further disruptions to the already shortened cricket season.

Danny Whitty advised that the Lithgow Flash Gift Organising Committee are attempting to conduct the event on the last Saturday in February each year, so that it will become an established event and attract more competitors.

Neil Gambrell advised that protection of the cricket wickets should be a paramount condition imposed on the event organisers, considering the booking is to be held toward the later end of the cricket season each year, and the wickets need to be in top shape for the upcoming finals each year.

The Committee recommends that permission be granted to the Lithgow Flash Organising Committee for exclusive use of the Tony Luchetti Sportsground and Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval, Lithgow on Saturday, 28 February 2009 to conduct the 2009 Lithgow Flash Gift, provided that the cricket wickets are protected from any possible damage, and the grounds are left in a suitable condition for cricket to be played on Sunday, 1 March 2008 (if required).

MOVED: Shane Denley

SECONDED: Robyn Whitty

ITEM 7 – BOOKING REQUEST – LITHGOW WAR MEMORIAL OLYMPIC SWIMMING POOL – LITHGOW DISTRICT PSSA CARNIVAL AND ZIG ZAG PUBLIC SCHOOL LEARN TO SWIM

Correspondence has been received from Zig Zag Public School requesting permission to use the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool, Lithgow to conduct the Lithgow District PSSA swimming carnival and their Learn to Swim Classes.

The PSSA carnival is scheduled between 8.00am and 3.00pm on Friday, 13 February 2009, and the Learn to Swim programme is scheduled for weekdays between 1.30pm and 2.30pm from Monday, 23 February 2009 to Friday, 6 March 2009.

Whilst this booking does not conflict with any other approved booking, the Committee noted that Council has applied for a special rate variation for the construction of a new indoor aquatic centre which, if approved, may impact on this booking.

The Committee recommends that permission be granted to Zig Zag Public School to use the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool, Lithgow to conduct the Lithgow District PSSA swimming carnival between 8.00am and 3.00pm on Friday, 13 February 2009, and their Learn to Swim Classes weekdays between 1.30pm and 2.30pm from Monday, 23 February 2009 to Friday, 6 March 2009, dependant upon the Pool being operational at the time of the booking.

MOVED: Eric Arnold

SECONDED: Glen Ryan

ITEM 8 – BOOKING REQUEST – TONY LUCHETTI SPORTSGROUND AND JIM MONAGHAN ATHLETICS OVAL, LITHGOW - 2009 WORLD MASTERS GAMES

Correspondence has been received from the World Master Games Orienteering Committee requesting permission for exclusive use of Tony Luchetti Sportsground and Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval, Lithgow from Sunday, 11 to Sunday, 18 October 2009 in conjunction with the World Masters Games Orienteering event.

The World Master Games is a multi-sport event that attracts mature aged sports men and women from around the globe who share a commitment to the simple philosophy of "sport for life".

The seventh World Masters Games will be held Sydney from 10 to 18 October 2009, attracting approximately 30,000 competitors to the event from over 100 countries, competing in 28 sports.

As part of the World Masters Games, orienteering events will be staged in the Lithgow region on 14, 15 and 17 October 2009. The events comprise of two (2) qualification events for the long distance competition and a long distance final event. These events will attract approximately 1,200 competitors to the region, for a period of approximately six (6) days.

The World Masters Games seeks use of the Tony Luchetti Showground and Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval, Lithgow, from Sunday, 11 October 2009 to Sunday, 18 October 2009, for the following activities:

- Registration area
- Opening Ceremony (this will be open to the community to attend)
- Onsite camping

This booking may conflict with the general season booking by the Lithgow District Cricket Association, as well as Little Athletics training and competition. The Committee discussed the possibility of cricket and Little Athletics still being conducted on this weekend, and further information will need to be provided by the event organisers regarding the exact area required and purpose for the area. The Committee hopes that local sporting events and major events such as the opening ceremony of this event can be held in conjunction with each other without conflict.

Neil Gambrell enquired if Council has an Events Co-Ordinator who can liaise with local sporting bodies and groups as well as the organisers of large events such as this one, the Lithgow Flash Gift and the Great Escape Bike Ride,

which will encourage more events to be conducted in the area without any local users having to compromise their whole booking. Councillor Neville Castle advised that Council is investigating the possibility of employing an Events Co-Ordinator, which may assist with these requests.

The Committee recommends that permission be granted to the World Master Games Orienteering Committee to use Tony Luchetti Sportsground and Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval, Lithgow from Sunday, 11 to Sunday, 18 October 2009 in conjunction with the World Masters Games Orienteering event, conditional upon successful liaison with the Lithgow Athletics Club and the Lithgow District Cricket Association and for further information to be provided regarding this event.

MOVED: Neil Gambrill

SECONDED: Danny Whitty

ITEM 9 – BOOKING REQUEST – NSW SPORT AND RECREATION – 2009 SWIMS SAFE PROGRAMME

Correspondence has been received from NSW Sport and Recreation, requesting permission to conduct Swimsafe programmes at the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool, Lithgow on the following dates:

- Pre-School Programme (catering for children 18 months to 4 ½ years), weekdays from 5 January to 15 January 2009 between 9.00am and 11.30am
- School Age Programme (designed for children 4 ½ years to 12 years), weekdays from 5 January to 15 January 2009 between 9.00am and 12.40pm

Swimsafe is a community based programme aimed at developing water safety and learn to swim skills in pre-schoolers, school age children and adults.

Exclusive use of the pool is not required, however, the programme does require a defined area to be allocated to enable participants to gain maximum benefit from the classes.

Whilst this booking does not conflict with any other approved booking, it is noted that Council has applied for a special rate variation for the construction of a new indoor aquatic centre which, if approved, may impact on this booking.

The Committee recommends that permission be granted to NSW Sport and Recreation to conduct Swimsafe programmes at the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool, Lithgow for the Pre-School Programme between 9.00am and 11.30am, and the School Age Programme between 9.00am and 12.40pm on weekdays from 5 January to 15 January 2009, dependant upon the Pool being operational at the time of the booking.

MOVED: Bill Ranse

SECONDED: Paul Crowder

ITEM 10 – BOOKING REQUEST – WALLERAWANG OVAL, WALLERAWANG – WALLERAWANG PRIMARY SCHOOL

Correspondence has been received from Wallerawang Primary School, requesting permission to use Wallerawang Oval on Friday, 20 June 2008 between 11.30am and 1.30pm to conduct a Touch Football game.

This booking does not conflict with any other approved booking.

The Committee recommends that permission be granted to Wallerawang Primary School to use Wallerawang Oval on Friday, 20 June 2008 between 11.30am and 1.30pm to conduct a Touch Football game.

MOVED: Robyn Whitty

SECONDED: Eric Arnold

ITEM 11 – LITHGOW STORM JUNIOR RLFC – VARIOUS REQUESTS

Correspondence has been received from the Lithgow Storm Junior RLFC requesting permission to use the lights and modify field layouts at Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow.

Lighting is requested for Fridays 30 May, 6 June, 20 June, 28 June and 5 July 2008 for approximately 30 minutes between 5.30pm and 6.00pm, as training can't commence until 4.30pm due to coaches working commitments. This arrangement will be reviewed during the July school holidays, and if still required after the holidays, a further application will be made. Council has investigated this request, and determined that the minimum run time for these lights is one (1) hour, to achieve operational efficiency. The fees are currently set at \$36.50 per hour, with a proposed fee of \$38.00 in the 2008/2009 fees and charges (which are currently being prepared for adoption by Council).

Paul Crowder advised that due to the cost, he will need to liaise with the affected coaches, and determine if training can be conducted earlier to eliminate the possible use of the lights. Paul will contact Leanne Kearney to advise of this decision. The Committee resolved for approval to be given if the Lithgow Storm Junior RLFC wish to proceed with their original request.

The Club are also requesting that consideration be given to setting up three (3) permanent mini league fields on Field number 3. These fields would be the same dimensions as the current mini league field, and if approved, the existing mini league field can be decommissioned. The Club are requesting this to ease the burden on volunteers who currently set up two (2) mini league fields each week, in addition to the existing field. This would also allow for all of the mini league games to be centralised in one location, with Fields 1 and 2 being utilised for the moderate and intermediate games. This would also assist the Club by streamlining their operations for ease of control and safety of players and spectators, as there are approximately 200 to 300 players along with parents etc when the entire Club have home games.

The Committee recommends that a meeting be conducted between Lithgow Storm Junior RLFC, Lithgow Bears RLFC, Workmen's Club RLFC and Council to determine if a suitable area for permanent mini league fields can be established at Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow without the loss of one (1) full sized football field.

MOVED: Bill Ranse

SECONDED: Shane Denley

ITEM 12 – BOOKING REQUEST – TONY LUCHETTI SPORTSGROUND, LITHGOW – LITHGOW PRIMARY SCHOOL

Correspondence has been received from Lithgow Primary School, requesting permission to use Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow on Wednesday, 4 June 2008 between 12.30pm and 3.00pm to conduct a touch football game.

This booking does not conflict with any other approved booking.

The Committee recommends that permission be granted to Lithgow Primary School to use Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow on Wednesday, 4 June 2008 between 12.30pm and 3.00pm to conduct a touch football game.

MOVED: Glen Ryan

SECONDED: Eric Arnold

ITEM 13 – GENERAL BUSINESS

- Shane Denley advised that the Lithgow Swimming Club are investigating the possibility of conducting a triathlon event, which may involve road closures. The Lithgow Swimming Club are going to investigate possible routes and dates, and present a proposal to a future meeting of the Sports Advisory Committee.
- Eric Arnold thanked Andrew Hope for his assistance with mowing tracks at Lake Wallace for the upcoming championships, and thanked Leanne Kearney for her assistance with maps of the area.
- Danny Whitty enquired if any progress has been made in regard to repairing Conran Oval, Lithgow after vehicles were parked on the field for Ironfest. Leanne Kearney advised that Council has ordered the materials for the repair, and will be commencing the repair works shortly.
- Danny Whitty enquired if the fence at Glanmire Oval, Lithgow had been repaired. Danny Oldfield advised an inspection of the entire fence was undertaken, and apart from a few sections, the fence is in a good condition. Council is investigating the possibility of a work scheme to replace the missing / damaged sections, and paint the fence.
- Danny Whitty enquired if Council could investigate the possibility of removing the dead trees in Farmers creek between Glanmire Oval, Lithgow and Conran Oval, Lithgow. Danny Oldfield advised that an inspection will be undertaken and a report will be presented to the next Sports Advisory Committee meeting.
- Bill Ranse thanked Danny Oldfield, Terry Nolan and Council's ground staff, in particular Scott Fittler, who's efforts have greatly improved Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow. Bill commented how the grounds are in great condition, and the surrounds are great as well, particularly now that the old drums have been replaced by appropriate bins.
- Bill Ranse enquired if some minor renovations could be undertaken in the public announcement booth at Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow, as the official scorer, Mr Bunny Abbott, is having difficulty viewing the game due to the location of the old bench and the condition of the perspex windows. Leanne Kearney advised that a meeting will be held on site with Bunny to determine what action can be taken to assist.

- Bill Ranse advised that after the Ironfest event, a number of rubber mats from the change rooms are missing, and enquired if they could be located and replaced. Neville Castle advised that Council will investigate this and provide a report to the next Sports Advisory Committee meeting.
- Deborah Williams requested Council to inspect the carpark off James Street, Lithgow near the tennis courts, as there are a number of potholes which require attention. Danny Oldfield will arrange for an inspection and any maintenance works to be scheduled.
- Neil Gambrill thanked Council for their prompt installation of emergency access signage at Glanmire Oval, Lithgow, as well as the clearing of the sewer choke during the week, adding that Council's staff completed the job promptly and affectively without disturbing any of the games.
- Neil Gambrill advised that the Hockey Association have been successful in obtaining a grant in the order of \$100,000 from the Federal Government to replace the sand based turf with another water based turf. The Hockey Association are attempting to obtain a State Government Grant of \$100,000, and would like Council's assistance and support as they would like to commence this project in December 2008. The Committee resolved to support the Hockey Association's request for support to complete this project.

MOVED: Danny Whitty

SECONDED: Neil Gambrill

The meeting closed at 6.11pm.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the minutes of the Sports Advisory Committee be adopted.

Name	Team Selected In	Level of Representation (Reg/State/Nat)	Date of Event	Parent or Guardian Approval	Resident	Local Organisation Contribution	Amount requested	Previous Applications	Amount approved
Claire Rodgers	CHS Swimming	Regional	March 2008	Yes	Yes	\$200.00	\$100.00	Nil	\$100.00
Hayden Boyd	Polding Swimming	Regional	March 2008	Yes	Yes	Pending	\$100.00		PENDING
Jordan Boyd	Polding Swimming	Regional	March 2008	Yes	Yes	Pending	\$100.00		PENDING
Alan Mostyn	Australian Over 50's Hockey Team	National	April 2008	N/A	Yes	N/A	\$500.00		Not eligible due to senior representative
Robert Redding	Australian Over 50's Hockey Team	National	April 2008	N/A	Yes	N/A	\$500.00		Not eligible due to senior representative
Amanda Saladine	Australian Women's Country	National	April 2008	N/A	Yes	N/A	\$500.00		Not eligible due to senior representative

AGENDA – FINANCE AND SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING OF COUNCIL

	Hockey Team								tive
Andrew Craig	NSW Western Branch Under 14 Soccer Team	Regional	October 2008	Yes	Yes	Pending	\$100.00		PENDING
Luke Morris	Group 10 Under 13's Rugby League Team	Regional	May 2008	Yes	Yes	Pending	\$100.00		PENDING
Ben Redding	NSW Combined Catholic School Hockey Team	State	May 2008	No	Yes	Pending	\$300.00		PENDING