



LITHGOW CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA

FINANCE AND SERVICES COMMITTEE
MEETING OF COUNCIL

TO BE HELD AT

THE ADMINISTRATION CENTRE, LITHGOW

ON

05 MARCH 2007

AT 7.00pm

AGENDA

PRESENT

QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC GALLERY

PRESENTATIONS - NIL

**CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE FINANCE AND SERVICES
COMMITTEE MEETING OF COUNCIL HELD ON 5 FEBRUARY 2007**

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

NOTICES OF MOTION - NIL

NOTICES OF RESCISSION - NIL

CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS

Regional Services Reports
Community and Corporate Services Report

REPORTS FROM DELEGATES - NIL

COMMITTEE MEETINGS - Sports Advisory Committee

CLOSED REPORTS - NIL

QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

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REGIONAL SERVICES REPORTS

ITEM:1 REG - 05/03/07 - LITHGOW TOWN CLOCK

REPORT FROM: REGIONAL SERVICES MANAGER – ANDREW MUIR

SUMMARY

To advise Council of complaints being received about the condition of the Town Clock and recommend its removal.

COMMENTARY

The Lithgow Town Clock has been inoperative for a number of years. The clock was installed many years ago by Lithgow Rotary Club on the building at 114 Main Street, Lithgow that was previously owned by Council and operated as a Ladies Rest Room. The clock was maintained by the Rotary Club until about 2002 when they advised that they were no longer able to continue with the arrangement.

In 2005 quotations were obtained for the repair of the clock and Council resolved to approach the Rotary Club to enter into a joint arrangement to cover the cost of the necessary repairs. Rotary advised that they were unable to assist in this regard and could not contribute. The estimated cost of repairs is \$10,000 which requires a new clock mechanism to be installed plus crane hire.

The building on which the clock is located is no longer owned by Council. There is an agreement with the current owner to allow access subject to any associated costs being Council's responsibility.

A number of complaints have been received from residents about the condition of the town clock. The suggestions are that it either be removed or repaired. There are no funds available to carry out repairs. It is considered that removal of the clock as an interim measure to improve the unsatisfactory appearance of the broken face in the centre of the CBD is an acceptable short term solution.

It is possible to remove the clock mechanism from the back and then sheet over both sides at the front of the structure to create a flush surface that can then be painted. The sheeting could be removed as necessary if a replacement clock is to be installed when funds become available. It will be necessary to hire a knuckle lift to carry out this work.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The replacement cost of the clock is in excess of \$10,000. The estimated cost to remove the mechanism and sheet over as described is \$1,500. This could be funded from the existing recurrent budget.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

The usual safety procedures will need to be followed in any works.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT as an interim measure the clock mechanism be removed and the structure sheeted over and painted.

ITEM:2 REG - 05/03/07 - DEVELOPMENT AND CONSTRUCTION APPROVALS

REPORT FROM: GROUP MANAGER REGIONAL SERVICES – ANDREW MUIR

SUMMARY

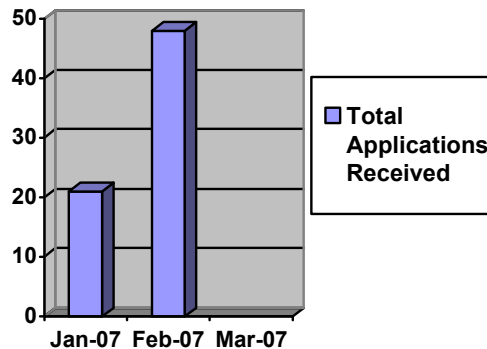
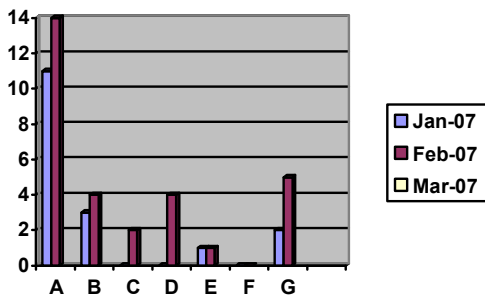
To provide statistical information on Development Applications and Construction Certificates processed.

COMMENTARY

Following installation of a new electronic registration system the traditional reports on Development Applications and Construction Certificates have been replaced with a report detailing the types of applications processed in each month. Over time this will evolve into useful statistical information. A full list of individual applications will be made available to Councillors and the press.

	Minor Development Approvals (including carports, garages and patios) A	Dwelling Approvals 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 Applications Received
Jan 2007	11	3	0	0	1	0	2	21
Feb 2007 *	14	4	2	4	1	0	5	48
Mar 2007								

* includes Approvals from 26/1/2007 TO 26/02/2007



Total Estimated Cost:	\$1,392,855
Average Approval Time	35 days
Total Cost of Approvals from 1/01/2007	\$2,363,899
No. of Applications from 1/01/2007	68

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the information be received

ITEM:3 REG - 05/03/07 - LITHGOW LOCAL GOVERNMENT WATER USAGE

REPORT FROM: Strategic Engineer – L. Kearney

REFERENCE

Nil

SUMMARY

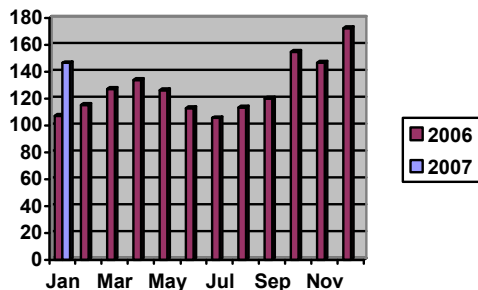
Comparison of figures for 2006 and 2007 for water usage within the Lithgow Local Government area.

COMMENTARY

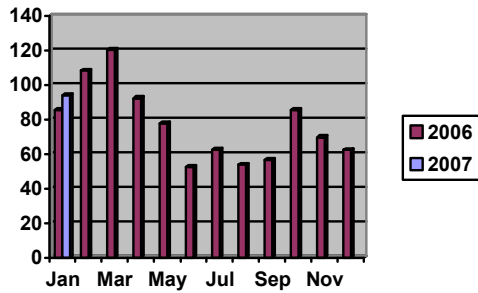
Lithgow Local Government Area Water Usage, including use from Farmers Creek Dam and Fish River Water Supply as at 26 February 2007.

	2006			2007		
	Farmers Creek Dam (ML)	Fish River Water Supply (ML)	Total (ML)	Farmers Creek Dam (ML)	Fish River Water Supply (ML)	Total (ML)
January	107.086	85.456	192.542	146.283	93.943	240.226
February	115.126	108.236	223.362			
March	127.115	120.423	247.538			
April	133.557	92.345	225.902			
May	125.966	77.810	203.776			
June	112.814	52.381	165.195			
July	105.382	62.530	167.912			
August	113.398	53.792	167.19			
September	119.937	56.443	176.38			
October	154.694	85.386	240.08			
November	146.773	69.673	216.446			
December	172.212	62.376	234.588			
TOTAL (ML)	1,534.06	926.851	2,460.911	146.283	93.943	240.226

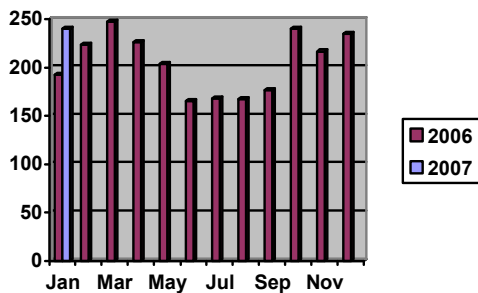
Farmers Creek Dam Usage (ML)



Fish River Water Supply Usage (ML)



Total Water Consumption in Lithgow LGA (ML)



Farmers Creek Dam is currently at 78.9% of its full capacity and Oberon Dam is currently at 20.95% of its full capacity.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

CONCLUSION

Council will recall its resolution of 18 December 2006 where the following was resolved:

THAT

1. Council amend the current water restrictions to allow the use of fixed hoses and sprinklers between the hours of 6.00am and 10.00am and 6.00pm and 10.00pm seven (7) days per week.
2. The amended restrictions be advertised appropriately.
3. The amended restrictions be reviewed in March 2007.

At that stage Farmers Creek dam was at 73.2%. It is currently at 78.9% of its full capacity and Oberon dam is 20.95%. With respect to Oberon Dam the current restriction on Council due to its current capacity means that Council can only access 80% of its allocation which allows approximately 5ML/day. Current maximum consumption by Lithgow Council is on an average 3ML/day from Fish river supply.

Until Farmers Creek Dam has sufficiently filled it is considered prudent to continue the current restriction of only allowing sprinklers and fixed hoses between 6:00AM to 10AM and 6:00PM to 10:00 PM. This will be monitored, also having regard to the Oberon Dam situation, to ensure responsible use of bulk water whilst providing equity across the local government area where residents are served by different supplies.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the information be received and the current restrictions of only allowing sprinklers and fixed hoses between 6:00AM to 10AM and 6:00PM to 10:00 PM continue until further notice.

ITEM:4 REG - 05/03/07 - BLACKMANS CREEK ROAD, HARTLEY - ROAD CLOSURE

REPORT FROM: STRATEGIC ENGINEER – L.Kearney

SUMMARY

Report providing details of proposed road closure and road opening through Lot 179 DP 751650 (formerly Portion 179) 157 Blackmans Creek Road, Hartley, allowing adequate vehicular access to Lot 1 DP 577090 . 159 Blackmans Creek Road, Hartley.

COMMENTARY

In 1999, Council was approached by the owner of 159 Blackmans Creek Road, Hartley (Lot 1 DP 577090), regarding inadequate vehicular access to the property along the section of Blackmans Creek Road which traverses through 157 Blackmans Creek Road, Hartley (Lot 179 DP 751650 (formerly Portion 179)).

At an onsite meeting during July 1999 conducted between the two (2) property owners, Council Officers, surveyors and consultants, the owner of 157 Blackmans Creek Road requested Council's support to apply for the closure of the section of Council road (Blackmans Creek Road) which traverses the property from the southern boundary to the northern boundary, and to purchase this section of road once closed. Secondary to this closure, the owner proposed to create in favour of 159 Blackmans Creek Road a Right of Carriageway across Lot 179 DP 751650 in the location of the existing formed access road, which lies substantially outside the boundaries of the dedicated road reserve.

The owner of 157 Blackmans Creek Road further requested for a road opening on the site of the existing formed access road, with the boundaries of such road being defined by the existing fences on each side of the existing access road, from the southern boundary of 157 Blackmans Creek Road to the southern boundary of 159 Blackmans Creek Road, Hartley, with the exception of one (1) slight relocation of the eastern boundary fence (adjacent to the turn off to the house situated on 157 Blackmans Creek Road). This road will become a dedicated Council public road providing access to 159 Blackmans Creek Road.

In exchange for the opening of this road, the owner of 157 Blackmans Creek Road requested to acquire the existing Council road planned for closure, thus allowing adequate vehicular access to 159 Blackmans Creek Road, and eliminating a Council road which is at present, substantially unformed and serves no purpose in terms of public access through 157 Blackmans Creek Road.

The required survey work was undertaken in 2000 at full cost to the owner of 157 Blackmans Creek Road, and an undertaking was given by this owner to meet all necessary legal and survey costs in relation to the closing, opening and transfer of the road once closed.

Council would need to fund the costs associated with general maintenance and upkeep of this road.

At Council meeting held on Monday, 15 April 2002, Council resolved to raise no objection to the closure and opening of Blackman's Creek Road in Portion 179, and for the Mayor and General Manager be authorised to sign the relevant documents, however, this project has not been progressed to date.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

This project complies with the objectives in Council Asset Acquisition and Asset Disposal Policies, as detailed below:

Council has considered the following in accordance with the objectives of the Asset Acquisition Policy;

CONSIDERATION	RESPONSE
<i>The comparative long term ownership costs of the asset;</i>	The maintenance cost of this project is fair and reasonable to ensure the Community are using a dedicated public road through private property
<i>Evidence of community demand for the provision or retention of the asset;</i>	Both land owners are requesting Council action in regard to road closing and opening
<i>The strategic worth of the asset and its community benefit;</i>	The asset will benefit the Community by providing a dedicated, usable public road through private property
<i>Whether the asset provides Council as positive return on the investment, and</i>	Not applicable to this project
<i>The extent to which the asset is subsidised by the community, through the use of general rate revenue.</i>	All costs associated with this project are to be met by the owner of 157 Blackmans Creek Road, however Council will need to provide additional funds to maintain the proposed road
<i>Acquisition or Development costs;</i>	Not applicable to this project (being met by land owner)
<i>The cost of providing finance (i.e. opportunity costs and interest charges);</i>	Not applicable to this project
<i>Any warranty period applicable;</i>	Not applicable to this project

<i>The length, value and cost of any applicable maintenance agreements;</i>	Not applicable to this project
<i>The lifetime maintenance profile and costs;</i>	As detailed under 'Financial Implications' in this report
<i>Energy consumption and projected costs;</i>	Not applicable to this project
<i>Any residual value (where applicable);</i>	Not applicable to this project
<i>An investigation of alternative acquisition arrangements, eg. Purchase, lease, rent, public partnership or resource sharing;</i>	Investigation into undertaking works to construct the unformed section of public road to a standard accepted by Council has deemed this alternative unfeasible (contours of the land prevent road construction along existing road dedication at minimal cost)
<i>An investigation as to alternative financing arrangements, eg. User pay, grants, loan funds or private sector, and</i>	Not applicable to this project
<i>Taxation issues under competition policy;</i>	Not applicable under this policy

Council has considered the following in accordance with the objectives of the Asset Disposal Policy;

CONSIDERATION	RESPONSE
<i>Market forces and impact on return from the sale of the asset;</i>	Not applicable to this project . asset is being transferred for another asset, not sold
<i>Community need for the asset and alternative resources which could be considered to be substituted;</i>	The asset is required for the Community, as Council will be providing a dedicated, usable public road through private property
<i>The strategic worth of the asset and its long term benefit to the community;</i>	The asset will benefit the Community by providing a dedicated, usable public road through private property
<i>The purchase price and maintenance costs incurred over the lifespan of the asset should be assessed to determine, where possible, a return on investment of a particular asset;</i>	As detailed under 'Financial Implications' in this report
<i>That the funds raised from the sale of an asset should be considered as to their use and this must be reflected in the Council's Management Plan;</i>	Not applicable to this project
<i>That the method of sale (for example auction vs private treaty) be determined and specifically resolved by Council.</i>	Not applicable to this project . asset is being transferred for another asset, not sold

<i>The funds raised from the sale of land and/or buildings will be internally restricted for future strategic asset acquisitions or improvements.</i>	Not applicable to this project . asset is being transferred for another asset, not sold
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FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Council will need to budget approximately \$4,500.00 per annum annual maintenance (grading/resheeting etc) of this road. The cost for the entire project (including additional survey work, road closure fees, road opening fees, transfer and legal fees), will be met by the owner of 157 Blackmans Creek Road, Hartley.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

The prime legal matters will be matters of process associated with the road closure, road opening, plan registration and right of way creation.

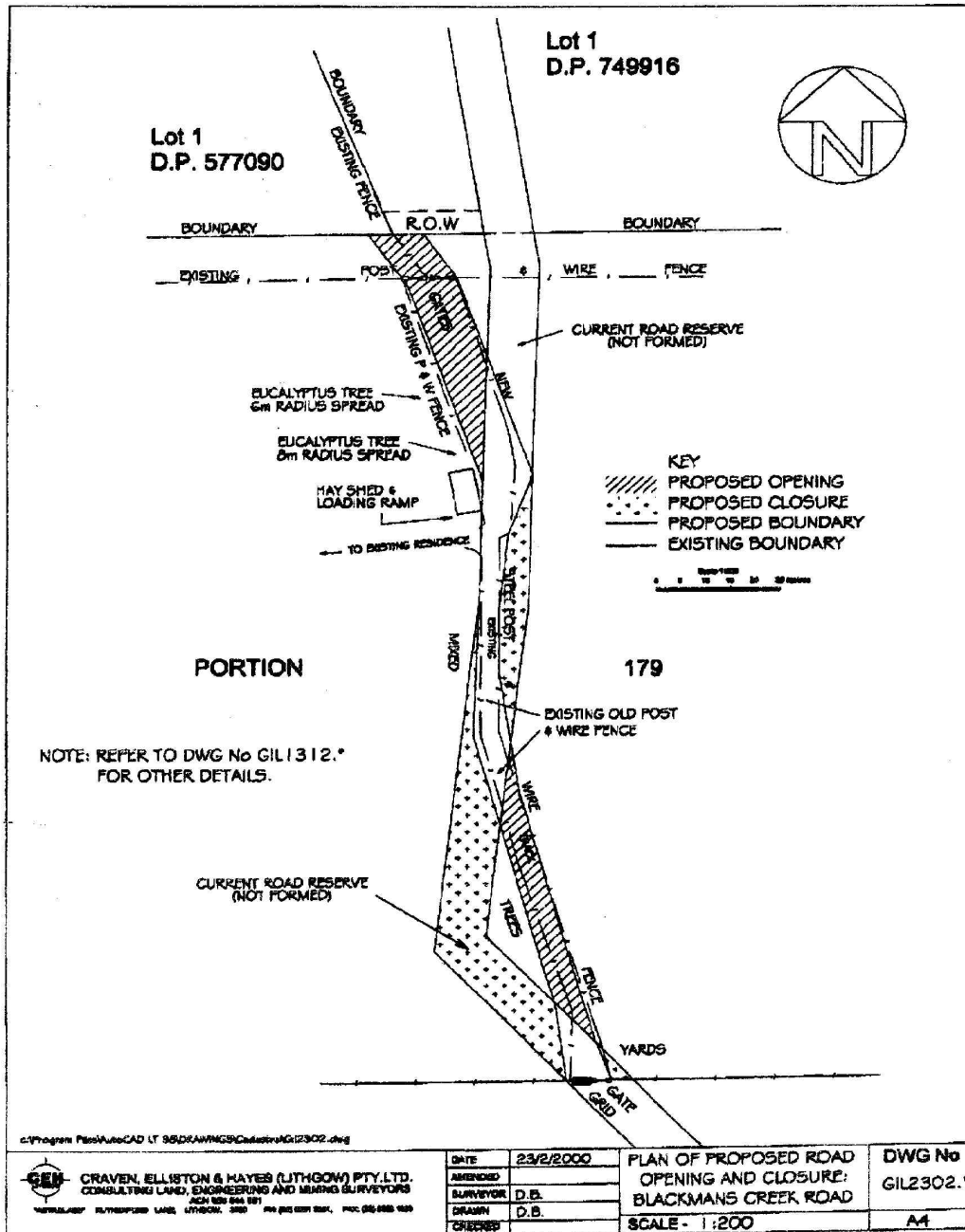
ATTACHMENTS

1. Plan of proposed road opening and closure . Blackmans Creek Road, Hartley

RECOMMENDATION

THAT:

1. Council support the request for closure, opening and transfer of Blackmans Creek Road, Hartley, through Lot 179 DP 751650 (formerly Portion 179) 157 Blackmans Creek Road, Hartley;
2. Council allow \$4,500.00 per annum annual maintenance (grading/resheeting etc) of this new road within its recurrent maintenance budget; and
3. The Mayor and General Manager be authorised to sign the documents relevant to the closure, opening and transfer of Blackmans Creek Road, Hartley, through Lot 179 DP 751650 (formerly Portion 179) 157 Blackmans Creek Road, Hartley.



ITEM:5 REG - 05/03/07 - PLANNING AGREEMENTS

REPORT FROM: GROUP MANAGER, REGIONAL SERVICES - ANDREW MUIR

SUMMARY

To recommend the endorsement of Planning Agreements prepared as part of a number of Development Applications in the Lithgow area in relation to contributions and/or works for open space, community facilities and parking facilities.

COMMENTARY

A planning agreement is a negotiated voluntary agreement or other arrangement between a planning authority and a developer under which the developer is required to dedicate land free of cost, pay a monetary contribution, or provide any other material public benefit, or any combination of them, to be used for or applied towards a public purpose.

An explanatory note shall be prepared for each agreement which includes detail regarding the proposed planning agreement. The explanatory note accompanies the planning agreement and is exhibited and registered with the planning agreement.

Currently the three agreements that are ready for endorsement by Council subject to advertisement without objection, are as follows:

DA NO.	DESCRIPTION	NAMES OF PARTIES	LAND
395/05	For community facilities as a result of residential subdivision	Lithgow City Council & AC & E Grech	Lot 2 in the subdivision of Lot 3 DP 710177, known as 51-53 Mort Street, Lithgow
541/05	For community and open space facilities as a result of residential unit development	Lithgow City Council & Wally Gabrael	15 Units, Lot 1 DP 222184, known as Barton Street, Lithgow
542/05	For parking facilities	Lithgow City Council & Westfund Limited	4 residential apartments, Lot B DP 405446, 120 Main Street, Lithgow

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

The planning agreement for Westfund was based on the number of spaces required as per Council's Off Street Parking Development Control Plan. However, as the development is located in Main Street and no off street parking could physically be provided on the site the applicant agreed to pay the amount that would be required should council have to purchase land and construct additional parking.

The Planning Agreements have been compiled in accordance with Council Planning Agreement Policy through negotiation with Council. Normally negotiation would occur prior to issue of development consent. However, Council has the opportunity to process the agreements post consent as long as an offer has been made by the applicant. In this instance the consents have been issued with the agreements currently being advertised.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The financial implications for Council are the receipt by Council of development contributions being a monetary, the dedication of land free of cost, or the provision of a material public benefit in the form of infrastructure, facilities, amenities and services.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

The Planning Agreement is subject to the requirements of the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979, and the provisions of Council's Draft Planning Agreement Policy.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council endorse the Planning Agreements as presented if no objections have been received following advertisement, and proceed to issue of the final documents, notifications to the Minister and registration in Council's Public Register.

**ITEM:6 REG - 05/03/07 - 003/07 DACC PROPOSED SHED, LITHGOW STP,
 GEORDIE STREET LITHGOW**

REPORT FROM: ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNER – SKYE ELLACOTT

SUMMARY

To report and recommend determination on a development application on Council land for a new shed at the Lithgow Sewerage Treatment Plant.

COMMENTARY

Council is in receipt of an application for the erection of a shed for the storage of plant and equipment at the Lithgow Sewerage Treatment Plant. The development is of minimal impact, but requires a Section 79C assessment and determination by Council as it entails the erection of a building on Council land. It will be recommended in a separate report that a policy amendment be made to ensure development applications on Council land require determination by the Finance and Service Committee or Council. The application has been assessed in accordance with the relevant legislation, regulations and policies and is considered appropriate for the site subject to conditions.

The proposed shed is 10.5m by 10m and would be located to the west of Filter Bed Number 1. The shed would be colourbond, on a concrete slab with three roller doors.

The site is known as Lot 1 DP 125085, being Council's Sewerage Treatment Plant, Geordie Street, Lithgow. The site currently retains extensive Council infrastructure. The location for the shed is relatively flat.

The property is zoned Rural 1 (a) under Lithgow's Local Environmental Plan 1994.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no specific policy implications relating to the development apart from the proposed policy amendment as mentioned above.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

No contributions are required as part of this application. In Council's separate role as applicant/developer the shed is included in the 2006/2007 budget.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

In determining a development application, a consent authority is required to take into consideration the matters of relevance under Section 79C of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. These matters for consideration are as follows:

Any Environmental Planning Instrument

LEP 1994

The application is considered permissible subject to development consent and is not considered contrary to the objectives of the zone.

SEPP's

There are no applicable SEPP's relating to the site or the development.

REP

The application was required to be assessed under the Drinking Water Catchments REP No. 1. Sheds require assessment under Module 1, accordingly see the checklist below. The development is considered to have a neutral effect on the catchment subject to the application of appropriate sedimentation controls during construction.

Pre-Assessment Checklist

- Q1** Inside SCA Catchment
- Q2** Shed
- Q3** Documentation Complete
- Q4** No other referrals required
- Q5** Complies with the LEP
- Q6** No SCA concurrence required by the LEP

MODULE 1

- Q1.1** Impervious area <2500m
- Q1.2** Impervious area >50m²
- Q1.3** Size of construction area <250 m² - apply sediment control conditions
- Q1.4** N/A
- Q1.5** Stormwater not treated
- Q1.6** Slope less than 20%
- Q1.7** Outside the 1:100 Flood zone
- Q1.8** Rainfall <4,000mm/ha/hr/year - **NorBE considered satisfie**

Any draft environmental planning instrument that is or has been placed on public exhibition and details of which have been notified to the consent authority
If applicable, is the development consistent with the objectives of the draft instrument?

None.

Any Development Control Plan

None.

Any planning agreement that has been entered into under Section 93F, or any draft planning agreement that a developer has offered to enter into under Section 93F?

None.

Any matters prescribed by the regulations that apply to the land

The application has been assessed by one of Council's Building and Development Officers. Comments are included later in this report.

The likely impacts of that development, including environmental impacts on both the natural and built environments, and social and economic impacts in the locality

The proposed development would be located within the existing footprint of the sewerage treatment plant and associated infrastructure and would not be highly visible from any residences or other premises.

The shed will be improving the security of the site enabling machinery and other materials to be locked up at night time, thereby discouraging theft and vandalism.

The Suitability of the site for the development

There are no man made or natural hazards preventing the approval of this development. The site is considered suitable for the proposal.

Any submissions made in accordance with this Act or the Regulations

Building conditions were provided and have been included in the recommendation.

The application has been referred to the Mine Subsidence Board for their approval.

The public interest

The reporting of development applications on Council's land is considered to be in the public interest as it provides additional transparency in the process.

ATTACHMENTS

Plans of the proposed development.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT pending approval of the plans from the Mine Subsidence Board the application be approved subject to the following conditions:

Administrative Conditions

That the development be carried out in accordance with the application, accompanying information, plans submitted with the application and any further information provided during the process unless otherwise amended by the following conditions.

Building Code of Australia Compliance

In accordance with the Building Code of Australia, portable fire extinguishers must be installed to comply with the requirements of Australian Standard AS 2444.

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) Reinforcing steel in position and before concrete slab is poured.
- b) Stormwater drainage between building and discharge point (drainage pipes, soakage pits and the like) prior to covering.
- c) Completion of the development and sign off to all conditions of the consent prior to occupation and use.

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

Prior to the commencement of any works, documentary evidence of structural adequacy prepared by an approved practising Structural Engineer are submitted to and approved by Council. (**Note:** any such Certificate is to set forth the extent to which the Engineer has relied on relevant specifications, rules, codes of practice or publications in respect of the construction):

- a) reinforced concrete floor slab on ground; and
- b) structural steelwork.

Prior to the commencement of any works on the land, a sign/s must be erected in a prominent position on the site:

- a) Showing the name of the principal contractor (if any) for any building work and a telephone number on which that person can be contacted outside working hours.
- b) Stating that unauthorised entry to the work site is prohibited and
- c) Showing the name, address and telephone number of the principle certifying authority for the work.

The sign/s are to be maintained while the building work, subdivision work or demolition work is being carried out, but must be removed when the work has been completed.

Subject to the provisions of essential fire or other safety measures, Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000 as detailed below:

Essential fire or other safety measures are subject to specific requirements under Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 2000. Upon completion of the building and prior to issue of an Occupation Certificate, all of these services must be certified on a Fire Safety Certificate as required and submitted to Council stating that the essential fire and other safety measures have been installed and comply with the relevant standard specified below.

Once the building is occupied, an Annual Fire Safety Statement must be submitted to Council and the NSW Fire Brigades, PO Box A249, SYDNEY SOUTH NSW 2001, and a copy retained on site certifying that:

- (i) The essential fire and other safety measures have been maintained and serviced at regular intervals in accordance with the appropriate maintenance specified below and are still operable; and
- (ii) That the path of travel is clear of anything which would impede free passage of any person at any time.

The essential fire and other safety measures services are:

PORTABLE FIRE EXTINGUISHERS: Portable Fire Extinguishers - refer Part E1.6 of the Building Code of Australia and AS 2444 & AS 1851.1

Stormwater and Drainage

That the proposed rainwater drains are connected to the existing rainwater disposal system.

Amenity/Noise

That the external cladding and roofing of the shed are of a natural tone, non-reflective condition.

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

Waste Management/ Environmental Protection

To contain soil and sediment on the property, controls are to be implemented prior to clearing of the site vegetation and the commencement of site works. This will include:

- a) The installation of a sediment fence with returned ends across the low side of the site so that all water flows through. These shall be maintained at no less than 70% capacity at all times. Drains, gutters, roadways etc., shall be kept clean and free of sediment.

Soil erosion fences shall remain and must be maintained until all disturbed areas are restored by turfing, paving, revegetation.

That minimal disturbance is caused to the site during construction works and any disturbed areas are to be generally made good and revegetate to the satisfaction of Council.

Other Conditions

A roller shutter door must remain open at all times that the shed is occupied by any person.

COMMUNITY AND CORPORATE SERVICES REPORTS

ITEM:7 COMM - 05/03/07 - COUNCIL INVESTMENTS JANUARY 2007

REPORT FROM - INTERNAL SERVICES MANAGER - C FARNSWORTH

REFERENCE

Min 06-237: Finance and Services Committee 7 August 2006 (investments for July 2006)
 Min 06-330: Finance and Services Committee 3 October 2006 (investments for August 2006)
 Min 06-378: Finance and Services Committee 6 November 2006 (investments for September 2006)
 Min 06-436: Finance and Services Committee 4 December 2006 (investments for October 2006)
 Min 07-35: Finance and Services Committee 5 February 2007 (investments for November 2006)
 Min 07-36: Finance and Services Committee 5 February 2007 (investments for December 2006)

SUMMARY

To advise Council of 2006/07 investments held for the period ending 31 January 2007.

COMMENTARY

The amount invested as at 31 January 2007 when compared to 31 December 2006 has decreased by \$678,402.57. The third rate instalment of the 2006/07 rate levy is due for payment on 28 February 2007 as well as the third payment of the Financial Assistance Grant. During the month of January Council relies heavily on investments to fund ongoing operations.

INVESTMENT REGISTER 2006/07								
INSTITUTION	INV TYPE	DATE LODGED	DATE DUE	DAYS	INT	VALUE 31.01.07	VALUE 30.12.06	% OF TOTAL
ANZ	TD	27.11.06	29.01.07	33	6.35	553,945.38	553,945.38	4.91%
CBA	CMS Nt	06.11.11	06.11.16	1,825	9.25	500,000.00	500,000.00	4.43%
	On Call				6.20	412,651.21	907,870.59	3.66%
	TD	18.12.06	18.01.06	30	6.33	0.00	703,751.42	0.00%
	Ethical	20.06.06	20.06.11	1825	7.12	500,000.00	500,000.00	4.43%
CITIBANK	TD	19.12.06	05.02.07	63	6.38	508,401.79	508,401.79	4.51%
LG FINANCIAL	On Call				6.15	1,184,714.43	1,184,714.43	10.51%
	TD	06.12.06	06.03.07	90	6.44	785,644.82	785,644.82	6.97%
	TD	29.11.06	05.02.06	63	6.41	508,224.66	508,224.66	4.51%
	TD	05.01.07	06.03.07	60	6.47	500,000.00	0.00	4.43%
IMBS	On Call				5.75	5,013.49	5,013.49	0.04%
	TD	03.11.06	05.02.07	94	6.45	1,025,386.89	1,025,386.89	9.09%
	TD	28.06.06	29.06.07	364	6.41	450,000.00	450,000.00	3.99%
	TD	22.01.07	23.04.07	90	6.54	256,631.12	253,871.23	2.28%
	TD		06.03.07	92	6.48	750,000.00	750,000.00	6.65%
ALLIANCE	Managed	01.04.02	28.02.07	365		1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00	8.87%
ST GEORGE	TD	10.01.07	07.05.07	122	6.30	256,298.15	250,000.00	2.27%
	TD	09.10.06	16.01.07	62	6.16	0.00	515,910.18	0.00%
	TD	16.01.07	16.03.07	60	6.44	1,327,420.37	800,000.00	11.77%
	TD	06.12.07	06.02.07	60	6.37	750,000.00	750,000.00	6.65%
			TOTAL			11,274,332.31	11,952,734.88	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, 31 January 2007 totals \$359,918.30. 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 2006/07 investments for the period ending 31 January 2007 be received.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

**ITEM:8 REG - 05/03/07 - SPORTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES OF 8
 JANUARY 2007 AND 29 JANUARY 2007**

REPORT BY: STRATEGIC ENGINEER – LEANNE KEARNEY

SUMMARY

Details of the Minutes of the Special Sports Advisory Committee Meeting held on Monday, 8 January 2007 and the Sports Advisory Committee Meeting held on Monday, 26 February 2007 for Council adoption.

COMMENTARY

At the Special Sports Advisory Committee Meeting held on Monday, 8 January 2007, the annual winners for the 2006 Reg Cowden memorial Sports Star Awards were selected, and the Sports Advisory Committee Meeting held on Monday, 26 February 2007, there were twenty one (21) 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

Nil

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

ATTACHMENTS

1. Minutes of the Special Sports Advisory Committee Meeting held on Monday, 8 January 2007.
2. Minutes of the Sports Advisory Committee Meeting held on Monday, 26 February 2007.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council adopt the recommendations of the Special Sports Advisory Committee for the meeting held on Monday, 8 January 2007, and the recommendations of the Sports Advisory Committee for the meeting held on Monday, 26 February 2007.

ATTACHMENTS

**ITEM:8 REG - 05/03/07 - SPORTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES OF 8
JANUARY 2007 AND 29 JANUARY 2007**

**SPORTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY 8 JANUARY 2007**

PRESENT

Councillor Neville Castle (Chairman), Mr Neil Gambrill, Mrs Robyn Whitty, Mr Danny Whitty, Mr Ray Field, Mrs Vicky Hourigan, Ms Deb Martin, Mr Russell Jeffery, Mr Glen Ryan and Miss Leanne Kearney (Strategic Engineer).

APOLOGIES

Nil.

REPORT

The Committee resolved to select the following recipients as annual winners of the Reg Cowden Memorial Sports Star of the Year Awards for 2006.

Junior Sports Star of the Year

Matthew Writer (Hockey)

Senior Sports Star of the Year

David Palmer (Squash)

Junior Team Achievement of the Year

Lithgow High School CHS Under 16 Girls Relay Team

Senior Team Achievement of the Year

Lithgow Netball Division 2 State League Team

Volunteer of the Year

Nerryl Wood (Netball)

Official of the Year

Eric Arnold (Athletics)

International Sports Star of the Year

David Palmer (Squash)

Whitty Perpetual Trophy

Samuel Hourigan (Swimming)

Mac Scott Memorial Trophy

Tamika Bostock

Encouragement Award

Keely Hunter (Hockey)

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the minutes of the special Sports Advisory Committee be adopted.

SPORTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY 26 FEBRUARY 2007

PRESENT

Councillor Neville Castle (Chairman), Mrs Robyn Whitty, Mr Danny Whitty, Mr Ray Stoneley, Mr Ray Field, Mr Glen Ryan, Mr Neil Gambrill, Mr Bob Martin, Mr Russell Jeffery, Mr John Boyd, Mr Barry Dorrough, Mr Michael Rushworth, Mr Andrew Muir (Group Manager Regional Services . left at 5.35pm), Mr Maurie Weekes (Acting Recreation Supervisor), and Miss Leanne Kearney (Strategic Engineer).

APOLOGIES

Mrs Vicky Hourigan, Mr Eric Arnold and Mr Mark Cronin.

Councillor Castle opened the meeting advising that in the past week there had been two (2) great sporting ceremonies in Lithgow, the first being the Reg Cowden Memorial Sports Star of the Year Awards on Friday, 16 February 2007, and the first induction into the Lithgow Sporting Hall of Fame on Saturday, 24 February 2007. It is great that the sporting community of Lithgow are being recognised for their achievements, and Neville thanked the organisers for these events, noting that Danny Whitty, Mark Cronin and Leanne Kearney are members of the Lithgow Sporting Hall of Fame Committee.

REPORT

ITEM 1 - DECLARATION OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest.

ITEM 2 - MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the Special Sports Advisory Committee Meeting held on Monday, 8 January 2007, were read and confirmed with the amendment to include Mr Glen Ryan as being present.

The Committee recommends that the Minutes of the Special Sports Advisory Committee Meeting held on Monday, 8 January 2007, be taken as read and confirmed.

MOVED: Danny Whitty

SECONDED: Glen Ryan

The Minutes of the Sports Advisory Committee Meeting held on Monday, 29 January 2007 were read and confirmed.

The Committee recommends that the Minutes of Sports Advisory Committee Meeting held on Monday, 29 January 2007 be taken as read and confirmed.

MOVED: Ray Field

SECONDED: Russell Jeffery

ITEM 3 - BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- Nerryl Wood submitted an apology for the meeting held on 29 January 2007, however, this was omitted from the minutes.
- Russell Jeffery enquired if Council had obtained a quotation for the proposed irrigation works at Conran Oval, Lithgow. Maurie Weekes advised that Council will be undertaking this work in house, and has purchased a special trenching machine for the project. Council will prepare a quotation for these works, and forward through to the Lithgow District Cricket Association this week.

MOVED: Russell Jeffery

SECONDED: Neil Gambrill

ITEM 4 – FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE REQUESTS

Council is currently reviewing its policy for financial assistance to sporting representatives, and once Council has approved the reviewed policy, all sporting bodies and the community will be notified. It is the Committee's understanding that until this Policy is reviewed, the current Policy is operational, and as such, all outstanding requests for financial assistance need be assessed as per the existing Policy.

The Committee recommends that all outstanding requests for financial assistance be assessed as per the existing Policy.

MOVED: Neil Gambrill

SECONDED: Russell Jeffery

ITEM 5 – 2006 REG COWDEN MEMORIAL SPORTS STAR AWARDS

Junior Nominations for the month of January 2007 were received from the following:

- Tom Brodie (Swimming) . competed at the NSW State Age Championships in Homebush on 12th and 13th January 2007, and placed 7th in the 400 metre Freestyle, 8th in the 200 metre Breaststroke, 9th in the 200 metre Freestyle, 11th in the 200 metre Individual Medley and 15th in the 100 metre Breaststroke. From these results, Tom was selected in the Swimming NSW 11 and 12 Years 200 metre Individual Medley Squad.
- Samuel Hourigan (Swimming) . competed at the NSW State Age Championships at Homebush, results 16th in 100 metre Freestyle, 24th in 100 metre Butterfly; competed at the NSW Country Regionals in Cowra, results 12th in 200 metre Freestyle, 4th in 50 metre Butterfly, 1st in 200 metre Individual Medley, 2nd in 100 metre Freestyle, 10th in 50 metre Breaststroke, 3rd in 100 metre Butterfly, 7th in 100 metre Breaststroke, and 4th in 50 metre Freestyle. Samuel also set new Club records in the 16 years 100 metre Freestyle, the Open Men's 100 metre Freestyle, 16 years 100 metre Breaststroke, Open Men's 100 metre Breaststroke, and Open Men's 200 metre Individual Medley on 19 January 2007.
- Tamika Bostock (Athletics) . Tamika competed at the NSW Country Championships held in Newcastle, where she won a gold medal in high jump and a bronze medal in the 80 metre hurdles.

The Committee discussed criteria for winners, debating if the winner needs to compete for a Lithgow team and be selected at higher representation from this Lithgow team, with the benefits and disadvantages discussed. Neville Castle advised that he, Andre Muir (Group Manager Regional Services) and Leanne Kearney (Strategic Engineer) will liaise and produce draft criteria for monthly selection and report to the next Sports Advisory Committee Meeting.

The Committee selected Samuel Hourigan (Swimming) to be the Junior Sports Star winner for the month of January 2007.

MONTH	RECIPIENT
January	Samuel Hourigan
February	

March	
April	
May	
June	
July	
August	
September	
October	
November	

Senior Nominations for the month of January 2007 were received from the following:

- Brad De Losa (Wood Chopping) . selected in the Australian Axemanø Team to compete in New Zealand in February 2007

The Committee selected Brad De Losa (Wood Chopping) to be the Senior Sports Star winner for the month of January 2007.

MONTH	RECIPIENT
January	Brad De Losa
February	
March	
April	
May	
June	
July	
August	
September	
October	
November	

The Committee recommends that the Neville Castle, Andrew Muir and Leanne Kearney liaise to produce some draft criteria for the awards and report back to the next Committee meeting, Junior Sports Star Award be awarded to Samuel Hourigan (Swimming) for the month of January 2007, and the Senior Sports Star Award be awarded to Brad De Losa (Wood Chopping) for the month of January 2007 and for merit certificates to be awarded to the other nominees.

MOVED: Bob Martin

SECONDED: Neil Gambrill

ITEM 6 – BOOKING REQUEST – KREMER PARK AND SAVILLE PARK, PORTLAND – PORTLAND COLTS RLFC

Correspondence has been received from the Portland Colts RLFC requesting permission to conduct training and competition games, for both Junior and Senior teams, for the 2007 rugby league season.

It is proposed for the juniors to train on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 3.30pm and 4.30pm at Saville Park, Portland, and for seniors to train on Tuesdays, Thursdays and some Fridays between 6.00pm and 7.45pm at Kremer Park, Portland.

The juniors will need Kremer Park, Portland on limited occasions, which will be on approximately two (2) Saturdays from 8.00am to 1.30pm between mid February and mid July 2007.

The seniors will need Kremer Park, Portland for approximately seven (7) home games on Sundays between April and mid August 2007, from 12.00pm to 4.30pm. Dependant upon the success of the team, the ground may also be required to host home semi finals and finals.

A draw has been provided to Council specifying the exact senior dates as follows:

- 6 May 2007
- 20 May 2007
- 17 June 2007
- 24 June 2007 and
- 22 July 2007

A draw for the dates required for junior competition will be provided to Council as soon as possible.

The Committee noted that Council will shortly commence seeding, topsoil and watering of Saville Park, Portland (at the conclusion of the touch football season), and request that the football training does not occur on the area affected by this work.

The Committee has previously granted permission for the Portland Owners and Trotters Association to use Kremer Park, Portland during times which have been requested by the Portland Colts RLFC. It is suggested that the request by Portland Colts RLFC be granted subject to successful liaison with the Portland Owners and Trotters Association for equal and fair use of the facility.

The Committee recommends that permission be granted to the Portland Colts RLFC to use Kremer Park, Portland and Saville Park, Portland, subject to the following conditions:

1. Juniors to train on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 3.30pm and 4.30pm at Saville Park, Portland, not utilising the area affected by Council's proposed seeding, topsoiling and watering;
2. Seniors to train on Tuesdays, Thursdays and some Fridays between 6.00pm and 7.45pm at Kremer Park, Portland;
3. Juniors to use Kremer Park, Portland on limited occasions, which will be on approximately two (2) Saturdays from 8.00am to 1.30pm between mid February and mid July 2007;
4. Seniors to use Kremer Park, Portland for approximately seven (7) home games on Sundays 6 May 2007, 20 May 2007, 17 June 2007, 24 June 2007 and 22 July 2007, from 12.00pm to 4.30pm, (dependant upon the success of the team, the ground may also be required to host home semi finals and finals);
5. A draw to be provided to Council specifying the exact junior dates required, once this draw is available (possibly early March 2007); and
6. Subject to successful liaison with the Portland Owners and Trotters Association for equal and fair use of the facility.

MOVED: Danny Whitty

SECONDED: Neil Gambrill

ITEM 7 – APPROVED GRANTS FROM DEPARTMENT OF SPORT AND RECREATION

Council has been successful in obtaining two (2) grants under the NSW Department of Sport and Recreation's Capital Assistance Programme, for supply and installation of an electronic scoreboard at Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow, and for alterations and extensions to the Lithgow Croquet Clubhouse, Albert Street, Lithgow.

Council will receive \$3,514.00 for the electronic scoreboard, which has been ordered and it is anticipated that this project will be completed in April 2007.

Council will receive \$16,000.00 for alteration and extensions to the Lithgow Croquet Clubhouse, and it is anticipated that this project will be completed by December 2007.

The Committee recommends that the information be received.

MOVED: Russell Jeffery

SECONDED: Robyn Whitty

ITEM 8 – BOOKING REQUEST – LAKE WALLACE, WALLERAWANG – LITHGOW INFORMATION AND NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE

Correspondence has been received from the Lithgow Information and Neighbourhood Centre, requesting permission to use Lake Wallace, Wallerawang, on Wednesday, 4 April 2007, to conduct their annual Mini Olympic Carnival.

This booking does not conflict with any other approved bookings.

The Committee recommends that permission be granted to Lithgow Information and Neighbourhood Centre, to use Lake Wallace, Wallerawang, on Wednesday, 4 April 2007, to conduct their annual Mini Olympic Carnival.

MOVED: Glen Ryan

SECONDED: Danny Whitty

ITEM 9 – BOOKING REQUEST – TONY LUCHETTI SPORTSGROUND, LITHGOW – CARAVAN CLUB OF AUSTRALIA

Correspondence has been received from the Caravan Club of Australia requesting permission to use Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow between 6 June 2008 and 9 June 2008 to conduct their Queens Birthday Rally event.

An area suitable for thirty (30) to thirty five (35) caravans is required, along with access to showers, toilets and the supper room of the Civic Ballroom.

This booking does not conflict with any other approved booking.

The Committee recommends that permission be granted to the Caravan Club of Australia to use Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow between 6 June 2008 and 9 June 2008 to conduct their Queens Birthday Rally event.

MOVED: Russell Jeffery

SECONDED: Neil Gambrill

ITEM 10 – MID WEST RUGBY LEAGUE – 2007 COMPETITION DRAW

At the Sports Advisory Committee meeting held on 11 December 2006, the Committee approved a booking by the Lithgow Bears RLFC to use Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow to conduct training and competition games for the 2007 Mid West Rugby League Season.

A draw has been provided to Council, with the Bears having home games at Tony Luchetti Sportsground on the following weekends:

- 21 & 22 April 2007
- 5 & 6 May 2007
- 26 & 27 May 2007
- 2 & 3 June 2007
- 23 & 24 June 2007; and
- 7 & 8 July 2007

Games will either be held on Saturdays or Sundays, depending upon whether Lithgow Workmen's Club RLFC have home games on the same weekends, and if so, the Bears RLFC will host home games on Saturdays (after the conclusion of junior games). Dependant upon the success of the team, the ground may also be required to host home semi finals, finals and the grand final.

The Committee recommends that the information be received.

MOVED: Russell Jeffery

SECONDED: Michael Rushworth

ITEM 11 – BOOKING REQUEST – TONY LUCHETTI SPORTSGROUND, LITHGOW AND WATSFORD/CONRAN OVALS, LITHGOW – LITHGOW STORM JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE

Correspondence has been received from the Lithgow Storm Junior Rugby League Club, requesting permission to use Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow, to conduct training and competition games for the 2007 season.

The Club would like to use Watsford and Conran Ovals from early March 2007 until the end of the cricket season to conduct training.

Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow will be required to be used on the following Saturdays between 9.00am and 2.30pm for competition:

- 5 May 2007
- 12 May 2007
- 26 May 2007
- 2 June 2007
- 9 June 2007
- 16 June 2007
- 23 June 2007
- 30 June 2007
- 21 July 2007
- 28 July 2007
- 4 August 2007
- 11 August 2007
- 18 August 2007
- 25 August 2007
- 1 September 2007
- 8 September 2007
- 15 September 2007

The above dates do not conflict with any other approved booking, and a draw will be forwarded to Council as soon as possible.

Bob Martin advised that the Mid West Rugby League are now enforcing rules requiring the Bears to undertake a risk assessment inspection on the ground prior to commencing play, and that with the change over in signage and canteen operation, with the junior competition finishing at 2.30pm, this results in a start of about 3.30pm for the Bears. The Committee suggested that the Storm Junior Rugby League Club liaise with Council to work out plans to enable the junior competition to be completed at 1.30pm each week, allowing sufficient change over times.

It should be noted that Lithgow again has the honour of hosting the major semi finals on Saturday, 1 September 2007, which will attract a total of twenty eight (28) teams, and require exclusive use of all three (3) fields from 9.00am until approximately 5.30pm.

The Committee recommends that permission be granted to Lithgow Storm Junior Rugby League Club:

1. To use Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow, to conduct training and competition games for the 2007 season;
2. To use Watsford Oval only during March 2007 to conduct preseason training, provided the cricket wickets are not trained on;
3. To use Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow between 9.00am and 1.30pm for competition on 5 May 2007, 12 May 2007, 26 May 2007, 2 June 2007, 9 June 2007, 16 June 2007,

- 23 June 2007, 30 June 2007, 21 July 2007, 28 July 2007, 4 August 2007, 11 August 2007, 18 August 2007, 25 August 2007, 8 September 2007, and 15 September 2007;
4. To have exclusive use of all three (3) fields at Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow between 9.00am and 5.30pm for competition on 1 September 2007;
 5. A draw to be provided to Council as soon as possible; and
 6. Storm Junior Rugby League Club liaise with Council to work out plans to enable the junior competition to be completed at 1.30pm each week, allowing sufficient change over times.

MOVED: Michael Rushworth

SECONDED: Bob Martin

ITEM 12 – BOOKING REQUEST – LITHGOW WAR MEMORIAL OLYMPIC SWIMMING POOL, LITHGOW – ZIG ZAG PUBLIC SCHOOL

Correspondence has been received from Zig Zag Public School requesting permission to use the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool, Lithgow, on the following dates in 2008:

- Friday, 15 February 2008 . Lithgow District PSSA Carnival between 9.00am and 3.00pm;
- Weekdays from 17 February 2008 to 28 February 2008 . Learn to Swim Classes between 1.30pm and 2.30pm; and
- Friday, 29 February 2008 . Zig Zag Public School Swimming Carnival between 11.30am and 2.30pm.

It should be noted that these dates do not conflict with any other approved booking, however, with the plans for upgrading of the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool, at present, Council cannot guarantee that the Pool will be operational when requested, and will update Zig Zag School closer to the requested date.

The Committee recommends that permission be granted to Zig Zag Public School to use the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool, Lithgow, on Friday, 15 February 2008 (for the Lithgow District PSSA Carnival between 9.00am and 3.00pm), weekdays from 17 February 2008 to 28 February 2008 (for the Learn to Swim Classes between 1.30pm and 2.30pm) and Friday, 29 February 2008 (for their annual Swimming Carnival between 11.30am and 2.30pm), subject to the Pool being operational.

MOVED: Danny Whitty

SECONDED: Russell Jeffery

ITEM 13 – BOOKING REQUEST – JIM MONAGHAN ATHLETICS OVAL, LITHGOW – WALLERAWANG PUBLIC SCHOOL

Correspondence has been received from Wallerawang Public School, requesting permission to use Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval, Lithgow between 9.30am and 2.30pm on Tuesday, 3 April 2007 to conduct their annual athletics carnival, with an alternative date of 1 May 2007.

It should be noted that this booking does not conflict with any other approved booking.

The Committee recommends that permission be granted to Wallerawang Public School to use Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval, Lithgow between 9.30am and 2.30pm on Tuesday, 3 April 2007 to conduct their annual athletics carnival, with an alternative date of 1 May 2007.

MOVED: Neil Gambrill

SECONDED: John Boyd

ITEM 14 – BOOKING REQUEST – SAVILLE PARK, PORTLAND – LITHGOW INFORMATION AND NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE

Correspondence has been received from the Lithgow Information and Neighbourhood Centre requesting permission to use a small area of Saville Park, Portland (opposite the Imperial Hotel, Portland) on Wednesday, 21 March 2007 to conduct a Harmony Day event between 10.30am and 1.00pm.

It should be noted that this booking does not conflict with any other approved booking.

The Committee recommends that permission be granted to Lithgow Information and Neighbourhood Centre to use a small area of Saville Park, Portland (opposite the Imperial Hotel, Portland) on Wednesday, 21 March 2007 to conduct a Harmony Day event between 10.30am and 1.00pm.

MOVED: Danny Whitty

SECONDED: Ray Stoneley

ITEM 15 – BOOKING REQUEST – WALLERAWANG OVAL, WALLERAWANG – WALLERAWANG WARRIORS SENIOR LEAGUE CLUB

Correspondence has been received from the Wallerawang Warriors Senior League Club, requesting permission to use Wallerawang Oval, Wallerawang for training and competition games for the 2007 Mid West Rugby League competition.

Training is requested for Seniors on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6.00pm until 7.30pm, and for Juniors on Wednesdays and Fridays from 4.30pm to 5.30pm.

The Oval is required for Senior competition on the following Sundays between 12.00pm and 5.00pm:

- 22 April 2007
- 29 April 2007
- 27 May 2007
- 3 June 2007
- 8 July 2007 and
- 15 July 2007

Dependant upon the success of the team, the ground may also be required to host home semi finals, finals and the grand final.

At present, a draw for the Junior competition games has not been finalised, however, the grounds will be required for home games on Saturdays between 8.30am and 1.00pm (possibly every second Saturday). A draw will be provided to Council as soon as possible.

The Committee recommends that permission be granted for Wallerawang Warriors Senior League Club to use Wallerawang Oval, Wallerawang, for training and competition associated with the 2007 rugby league season subject to the following conditions:

- Senior training to be conducted on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6.00pm until 7.30pm;
- Junior training to be conducted Wednesdays and Fridays from 4.30pm to 5.30pm;
- Senior competition on the following Sundays between 12.00pm and 5.00pm, 22 April 2007, 29 April 2007, 27 May 2007, 3 June 2007, 8 July 2007 and 15 July 2007;
- Dependant upon the success of the team, the ground may also be required to host home semi finals, finals and the grand final;
- Junior competition home games on Saturdays between 8.30am and 1.00pm (possibly every second Saturday), with a draw to be provided to Council as soon as possible;
- A representative from the Wallerawang Warriors Senior League Club be invited to attend Sports Advisory Committee meetings.

MOVED: Ray Field

SECONDED: Bob Martin

ITEM 16 – BOOKING REQUEST – WALLERAWANG OVAL, WALLERAWANG – WALLERAWANG SOCCER FC

Correspondence has been received from the Wallerawang Soccer FC requesting permission to use Wallerawang Oval, Wallerawang for training for the 2007 soccer season.

At this stage, participant numbers are unknown, and once determined, the Wallerawang Soccer FC will be able to determine days and times required for training.

It should be noted that until dates and times are provided to Council, Council is unable to determine if this booking conflicts with the requested booking of the Wallerawang RLFC.

The Committee recommends that approval of the booking requested by the Wallerawang Soccer FC be approved, subject to confirmation of numbers and ground availability.

MOVED: Barry Dorrrough

SECONDED: Robyn Whitty

ITEM 17 – BOOKING REQUEST – JIM MONAGHAN ATHLETICS OVAL, LITHGOW – LITHGOW PRIMARY SCHOOL

Correspondence has been received from Lithgow Primary School, requesting permission to use Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval, Lithgow between 9.00am and 11.30am on the following Fridays:

- 2 March 2007;
- 9 March 2007;
- 16 March 2007;
- 23 March 2007; and
- 30 March 2007.

It should be noted that bookings have previously been approved for 23 and 30 March 2007, which would conflict with this request.

The Committee recommends that permission be granted to Lithgow Primary School, to use Jim Monaghan Athletics Oval, Lithgow between 9.00am and 11.30am on 2 March 2007, 9 March 2007, and 16 March 2007 only, and for additional dates to be approved providing they do not conflict with any other approved booking.

MOVED: Neil Gambrill

SECONDED: Russell Jeffery

ITEM 18 – BOOKING REQUEST – LAKE WALLACE WALLERAWANG AND SAVILLE PARK, PORTLAND

Correspondence has been received from the Lithgow Child Protection Interagency, requesting permission to use Lake Wallace Wallerawang on Wednesday, 21 March 2007 (between 4.30pm and 6.30pm) and Saville Park, Portland on Wednesday, 11 July 2007 (between 10.30am and 1.30pm) to conduct free family events.

It should be noted that these requests do not conflict with any other approved bookings.

The Committee recommends that permission be granted to the Lithgow Child Protection Interagency, to use Lake Wallace Wallerawang on Wednesday, 21 March 2007 (between 4.30pm and 6.30pm) and Saville Park, Portland on Wednesday, 11 July 2007 (between 10.30am and 1.30pm) to conduct free family events.

MOVED: Russell Jeffery

SECONDED: Ray Field

ITEM 19 – BOOKING REQUEST – LITHGOW WAR MEMORIAL OLYMPIC SWIMMING POOL, LITHGOW – LITHGOW SWIMMING CLUB

Correspondence has been received from the Lithgow Swimming Club requesting permission to have exclusive use of the 50 metre Olympic swimming pool at the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool between 4.30pm and 7.30pm on Friday, 16 March 2007 to conduct their annual club championship carnival.

This booking does not conflict with any other approved booking.

The Committee recommends that permission be granted to the Lithgow Swimming Club to have exclusive use of the 50 metre Olympic swimming pool at the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool between 4.30pm and 7.30pm on Friday, 16 March 2007 to conduct their annual club championship carnival, and for this to be advertised in the Council Column of the Lithgow Mercury as well as on the notice board at the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool.

MOVED: Robyn Whitty

SECONDED: Ray Field

ITEM 20 – 2007 WOMEN'S SPORT LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME – NSW DEPARTMENT OF SPORT AND RECREATION

Information has been received from the NSW Department of Sport and Recreation advising of their 2007 Women's Sport Leaders Scholarship Programme.

This programme aims to develop and extend the skills, knowledge and networks of women in leadership and decision making roles in sport and recreation, with a view to improving opportunities for advancement in their sport, increasing their capabilities to facilitate organisational change in sporting organisations, and improving sport and recreation opportunities in their communities, particularly for women and girls and other under represented groups.

Scholarships are offered in five (5) categories . Sport Leadership, Coach and Official Development, International Travel, Sport Management Development and State Sporting Organisation Initiatives.

All applications need to be forwarded to Women's Sport Leaders Scholarship Programme, Industry Support Unit, NSW Sport and Recreation, Locked bag 1422 SILVERWATER NSW 2128 by 5.00pm on Wednesday, 28 March 2007.

Guidelines and application forms can be obtained through Council, or downloaded from the Department's website www.dsr.nsw.gov.au, and Council's website www.lithgow.com.au also has a link available.

The Committee recommends that the information be received.

MOVED: Glen Ryan

SECONDED: Ray Field

ITEM 21 - GENERAL BUSINESS

- John Boyd enquired of the closing date of the Lithgow War Memorial Olympic Swimming Pool, and requested that the season be extended by two (2) weeks due to the two (2) week delay of the opening date. Maurie Weekes advised that he needs to discuss this with Andrew Muir, and a report will be provided to the next meeting.
- Neil Gambrell enquired if Council's reported surplus being used to fund the electronic scoreboard at Tony Luchetti Sportsground, Lithgow could be better utilised in provision of a scoreboard that could be used by multi sports, such as rugby league and cricket. Leanne Kearney advised that the investigation of this project and request had been submitted by the Lithgow Workmen's Club RLFC, and that Council has identified the current occupational health and safety risks associated with weekly set up and removal of the current manual scoreboard. As Conran Oval, Lithgow has been identified as the Lithgow District Cricket Association's preferred premier ground, a similar scoreboard for use for cricket can be investigated for this location, and a grant application submitted for the next round of grant funding.
- Ray Field enquired if stormwater guttering could be investigated at the stables at Kremer Park, Portland, currently the roof slopes to the front of the stables, and creates a mess and slippery conditions during wet weather. Maurie Weekes will investigate this and provide a report to the next meeting.

- Ray Field advised that after the Portland Owners and Trotters Association's request for use of Kremer Park, Portland was approved at the previous meeting, he received three (3) phone calls from Portland people complaining of their exclusive use of the field. Ray explained that exclusive use was not approved, and they have never had exclusive use of the fields. Neville Castle and Danny Whitty advised that they also received phone calls about this issue, and both advised the callers that use is shared between users. The Committee resolved to invite a representative from both the Portland Colts and Portland Junior RLFC's to attend Sports Advisory Committee meetings to ensure that information relayed is correct and to prevent any further confusion.

MOVED: Neil Gambrill

SECONDED: Ray Field

The meeting closed at 6.30pm.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the minutes of the Sports Advisory Committee be adopted.