

Minutes

Operations Committee

3rd April 2017

4.00pm

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ITEM 1: PRESENT AND APOLOGIES

PRESENT: Clr S Lesslie, Clr W McAndrew, Clr S Ring

APOLOGIES: NIL

OFFICERS: I Stewart, R Brownlow, J Edgecombe, K Cibulka

ITEM 2: DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

NIL

ITEM: 3 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING – 30th JANUARY 2017

The minutes were adopted by Council on 6th February 2017.

ACTION

THAT the Minutes of the meeting of 30 January 2017 be taken as read and confirmed.

MOVED: Clr S Lesslie **SECONDED:** Clr S Ring

ITEM 4: BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

NIL

ITEM 5: BACK CULLEN BULLEN ROAD

A number of complaints have been received concerning the issues of the Back Cullen Road.

The issues raised include;

1. The roads requires grading
2. Table drains need to be cleaned out
3. Mitre drains need to be cut in
4. Mitre drains cleaned off the property owners fence

Council staff have inspected the Back Cullen Road and found it to be in a reasonable condition however some work is required to clean out table drain and cut off drain

ATTACHMENTS

1. Photo of Back Cullen Bullen Road, Cullen Bullen

COMMENTARY

The state of the road was discussed by the committee; J Edgecombe also showed a video clip of when he travelled the road with new GPS camera attached to car to present the visual state of the road to the committee. It was advised that the table drain clearing as there is tree & leaves causing the issue. Potholes were an issue which has been caused due to the wet weather.

ACTION

THAT Council will carry out maintenance work when resources become available including clearing out of table drain and cut off drains.

MOVED: Cllr S Lesslie

SECONDED: Cllr S Ring

ITEM: 6 REPAIR OF BLACKFELLOWS HANDS FIRE TRAIL

On Friday 17 March 2017, Council officers attended a meeting with representatives of the Rural Fire Service and the Mingaan people regarding the condition and proposed maintenance of the Blackfellows Hands Fire Trail.

As per the Rural Fires Amendment (Fire Trails) Bill 2016 s.62W, Council is responsible for the maintenance of the trail to an acceptable standard. In order to reach this standard, the proposed works require large amounts of fill to be transported on site to build the road to its original levels and fill the large drainage channels formed from scouring.

As a result of the meeting, Council officers will be assessing the cost and drawing up a plan of maintenance to complete the proposed works. In conjunction with this plan, the RFS will prepare an associated bush fire hazard reduction proposal to compliment the plans prepared by Council. The Mingaan people, as well as the Forestry Corporation and Office of Environment and Heritage will be consulted throughout the process to ensure no culturally or environmentally sensitive sites are disrupted as a result of the works.

These documents will then be presented as a submission to the Bush Fire Management Committee in hopes of receiving funding to complete the required works. Overall, it is expected that physical works will commence by August 2017.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Email from RFS regarding track repair

COMMENTARY

The State of the Black Fellows Hands was discussed, it was advised that the fire trail is in a bad state and that it is impassable unless by 4WD. As at 2014 it is council's responsibility to maintain the fire trail and funding grants are available and can be applied for through the RFS. Quote are currently being sourced for contractor to carry out required works. Council is looking at a figure of \$ 20000.00 to repair 1km stretch of the fire trail.

It was advised that a survey of the roads and drainage would need to be approved by the Mingaan people and the RFS.

ACTION

THAT Operations Committee notes the status of the Blackfellows Hands Fire Trail repair project.

MOVED: Cllr S Lesslie

SECONDED: Cllr S Ring

ITEM: 7 MAIN STREET LITHGOW – FUTURE REPAIR REQUIREMENTS

It has recently come to the attention of Council officers that sections of the footpath on Main Street, Lithgow have reached the end of their useful life. As seen in the attachment to this report, areas of the pavers have been subject to extreme compaction and failure.

Investigation into the cause of the compaction has necessitated the removal of some pavers. Upon their removal, Council officers have located voids beneath the surface of varying size and severity. The exact cause of these voids is not known however at this stage it is thought to be a result of the aged sub-base being disturbed and excavated for conduit repair or replacement for the many services located beneath the footpath.

Urgent repairs are required to ensure the longevity of the footpath and reduce current risk of injury. As it stands, the current pavers are causing problems in many locations. Complaints include (but are not limited to) slipperiness, unevenness, grade, amenity and severe compaction of the subbase. In addition, these exact tiles cannot be purchased anymore as production has ceased. This leaves very little option for their replacement.

At this stage, it is considered that the footpath of Main Street, Lithgow has reached the end of its useful life and replacement is required to reduce risk now and into the future. In terms of replacement of the tiles, options need to be investigated with regard to cost and amenity. Once a replacement for the tiles has been found, Council can tender for the replacement by external contractor.

In preparation for this expenditure, \$426,783.00 has been allocated in the budget for next financial year. It is expected that this will only represent a percentage of the total cost of this project. Once a replacement footpath has been accepted, Council can lobby for additional funding through grants or external stakeholders.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Photos of Main Street footpath condition.

COMMENTARY

The Condition of the Main Street was discussed, it is believed that the service providers have repaired there services but there is now the issue with compacting, erosion and movement of pavers. It is unsure if there is any void under the pavement and this would not be known until it was removed for further investigation. It was suggested that ground penetration radar would be good to use for this investigation. There is also the issue of the pavers being to slippery and this is one of the major issues.

It was advised that the access ramps are non-compliant and that these pavers are no longer available and very hard to source.

It was discussed that the funding would come from the roads 2017/2018 budget to use to upgrade the main street footpath. Council would be provided with options and make a decision of material would best replace the current pavers to make it safe for the community and appealing to the business owners of Main Street.

Some options were discussed with them being – Hot mix, new pavers or concrete sheeting.

It was mentioned that the NBN rollout may depend on a starting time of the work as they are no plans that have been provided to council about where the cables will be placed. A Councillor Information session will be held on the 1st May 2017 where more detail plans about the NBN will be presented to the Councillors.

Legal options were also discussed regarding the quality of work done by Endeavour Energy when they restored the Main Street footpath.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT

- (1) Operations Committee notes the condition report; and
- (2) Options for the replacement of the Main Street footpath pavers will be brought to the next meeting as a matter of priority.
- (3) Council provides authority to the Acting General Manager to seek legal redress from Endeavour Energy for the restoration of the Main Street Footpath between Bridge Street and Eskbank Street Lithgow.

MOVED: Cllr S Lesslie

SECONDED: Cllr S Ring

ITEM: 8 DRAFT CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAM – 2017/18

Please note the draft Capital Works Program for the 2017/18 financial year in the attachments. Brief explanations of the works as proposed are as follows. Please note that a focus has been placed on *completing* half-finished works.

- Footpath of Main Street, Lithgow
Please note **Item 7** for a detailed summary of required works.
- Glen Alice Road, Bogee (RESEAL)
Similar allocation for the 2016/17 financial year to continue the reconstruction of the dilapidated 7km section of Glen Alice Road, Bogee from Glencoe Road to Dunville Loop Road. Budget will allow for a further 2,500m to be rehabilitated.
- Magpie Hollow Road, Lithgow (RESEAL)
Budget allocated to complete the rehabilitation works commenced in the 2015/16 financial year. Budget will allow for the remaining 800m of seal in this area to be rehabilitated (just west of Martins Road).
- Curly Dick Road, Meadow Flat (NEW SEAL)

This project has been continuing for the last two financial years with \$100,000.00 being allocated each year. In order to complete the project, 2.5km requires seal. The budget allocated to Curly Dick Road will complete this project.

- **Clarence Pirie Park, Capertee (NEW SEAL / RESEAL)**
Over the last 12 months, Council has received numerous complaints regarding this condition of Clarence Pirie Park. Contrary to popular belief, the road in this area is a Council asset. In order to minimize future maintenance and provide a quality asset to motorists travelling through the area, a budget has been allocated to lay a hotmix seal in this area.
- **Donald Street, Lithgow (RESEAL)**
The combination of heavy vehicles that utilize this road has caused significant deterioration of the road surface. A hotmix reseal is required in this area. In addition, the removal of the concrete/grassed median is factored into the budget proposed to better facilitate heavy vehicle movement.
- **Cripps Avenue, Wallerawang (RESEAL)**
Budget allocated to complete the rehabilitation works commenced in the 2015/16 financial year. Budget will allow for the remaining 300m of seal in this area to be rehabilitated (north of Pindari Place).
- **Carlton Road, Portland (NEW SEAL)**
Completing the two-coat seal of the remaining unsealed sections in the proximity of Albion Road. This seal was commenced in previous years and budget constraints caused the project to be abandoned prematurely.
- **Lyon Parade and Hume Avenue, Wallerawang (RESEAL)**
Over the last 12 months, Council has received numerous complaints regarding this condition of Lyon Parade and Hume Avenue, Wallerawang. Inspection has shown significant signs of pavement failure on Lyon Parade and seal failure on Hume Avenue. This project will effect select rehabilitation of failed pavement in Lyon Parade and the reseal of Hume Avenue between Lyon Parade and Lidsdale Street.
- **Cullenbenbong Road, Kanimbla (RESEAL)**
Replacement of a 350m length of seal removed in 2014/15 financial year. Seal was removed without consulting residents. Replacement is required to control dust in the immediate vicinity of 324 Cullenbenbong Road, Kanimbla.
- **Ellen Close, Portland (RESEAL)**
Removal of the two-coat seal cul-de-sac and replacement with hotmix. Works required to allow garbage truck movements without destroying the seal. Works will reduce customer complaint and maintenance requirements.
- **Valley Drive, Lithgow (RESEAL)**
Sections of the pavement and seal have failed in the vicinity of the access to ALDI and the intersection of Valley Drive and Hassans Walls Road. Urgent works required to ensure failure does not spread.
- **Brays Lane, Wallerawang (RESEAL)**
As part of the Black Bridge Reconstruction, Blackberry Lane was resealed with remaining funds. Unfortunately, these funds did not stretch to the seal

failure of Brays Lane. Due to frequent heavy vehicle use, the existing seal will be replaced with a hotmix seal.

- Ivatt Street Lane, Lithgow (NEW SEAL)
In order to reduce dust, a new two-coat seal will be laid in this area.
- Williwa Lane (CBD), Portland (RESEAL)
The seal in this area from Lett Street to Tramway Avenue has reached the end of its useful life. A new seal is required to bring this lane to the condition of the rest of Scheidel Avenue.
- Jamison / High Lane, Portland (NEW SEAL)
This lane requires particularly high levels of maintenance. A seal plus more effective drainage should almost eliminate required maintenance and reduce customer requests.
- Langbein Lane, Portland (NEW SEAL)
Due to the gradient of this street plus the fact that it is the primary access for almost 10 residents over its 260m length, a seal is warranted to reduce maintenance and alleviate drainage concerns.
- Tank / Union Lane, Lithgow (RESEAL)
Council receives frequent complaints regarding the condition of Tank / Union Lane. Works in this area are required to repair the two-coat seal from Inch / Gay Lane to the end. New works will tie into the Donald Street capital works proposed above.
- Palmers Oakey Road, Palmers Oakey (GRAVEL RESHEET / RECONSTRUCTION)
Council's GIS data indicates the section of Palmers Oakey Road from 902 to 1616 Palmers Oakey Road is owned by Crown Lands. Recently it has been discovered that this is not the case and this road is under the care and control of Council. It's condition restricts two-wheel drive access and in wet circumstances, four-wheel drive access. Preliminary works are required to bring this road to a serviceable standard. The length of the proposed section is approximately 5km.
- Main Street, Lithgow Drainage Works
The drainage of Main Street, Lithgow outside Picmii Real Estate is inadequate. During short, heavy rainfall events, the inlet capacity in this area cannot cope with the shockwave effect caused. For this reason, this area is subject to flooding during most rainfall events. This necessitates road closures and general disruption of traffic during these rainfall events. Through a survey of the existing stormwater infrastructure in this area, new strategically placed inlets into the existing substantial stormwater infrastructure should alleviate this issue.

ATTACHMENTS

1. 2017-18 Draft capital works program.

ACTION

THAT The 2017/2018 draft capital works program be modified to include funds previously allocated to Urban Resealing and be presented at the next operations committee meeting.

MOVED: Clr S Lesslie

SECONDED: Clr W Mc Andrew

ITEM 9: PROPOSED ACQUISITION OF LOT 11 DP239627 & PART LOT 12 DP 239627 – CHIFLEY ROAD LITHGOW

Roads and Maritime Services propose to reconstruct Scenic hill on Chifley Road at Clarence. As part of the project land will be acquired for widening and realignment of the road. This land will be dedicated as public road vested in Lithgow City Council.

Roads and Maritime would like to acquire Council owned land known as Lot 11 in Deposited Plan 239627 and Part Lot 12 in Deposited 239627 for road purposes including drainage structures and sedimentation basins.

The area of the proposed acquisition is shown in yellow on the attached Sketches, 0516.258.AS.A101339_1 and 0516.258.AS.A101339_2.

Roads and Maritime seek concurrence from Lithgow City Council to the acquisition under the provisions of the *Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991*, of the known land as Lot 11 in Deposited Plan 239627 and part Lot 12 in Deposited Plan 239627, Shown in yellow on the enclosed sketches 0516.258.AS.A101339_1 and 0516.258.AS.A101339_2.

Roads and Maritime also asks Council to Waive compensation under the provisions of Section 206 of the *Roads Act, 1993* and Section 64 of *Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991*.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Letter and plans of Proposed Acquisition of Lot 11 DP239627 & Part Lot 12 DP 239627 – Chifley Road Lithgow.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council accepts the proposed acquisition of Lot 11 DP239627 & Part Lot 12 DP 239627 – Chifley Road Lithgow and agree to waive compensation for the acquisition.

MOVED: Clr s Lesslie

SECONDED: Clr Ring

ITEM 10: GENERAL BUSINESS

1. SEALING GANBENANG ROAD, KANIMBLA VALLEY

Photos of road provided of the Ganbenang Road, Kanimbla Valley and it was noted that is already in the works program for 2016/2017. The tree that is quite close to the road, quotes will be sourced for the removal of the tree.

The state of the Upper Nile road was discussed and staff will be attending an inspection regarding the road condition on Wednesday 5th April 2017.

The carpark at the rear of the Wallerawang Depot is to be resealed shortly.

ACTION

THAT appropriate actions and reporting be undertaken in relation to the items raised during general business.

ITEM 11: NEXT MEETING

Next Meeting: 4.00pm on Monday, 24th April 2017
Committee Room, Administration Building,
180 Mort Street LITHGOW NSW 2790

There being no further business the meeting closed at 5:34pm



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Attachment 5



Attachment 6

From: Gary Hansen [<mailto:Gary.Hansen@rfs.nsw.gov.au>]

Sent: Friday, 17 March 2017 12:15 PM

To: Iain Stewart

Cc: Greg Sim; Mick Holland; Annette Baker

Subject: Blackfellows Hands Fire Trail

Hi Iain,

Thank you for your time this morning, along with Jonathan and Matt. I believe that it was very productive and that we have a sound plan to restore the fire trail to the required standard.

Below are my notes regarding the actions to take place from here. Please let me know if I have missed anything or misinterpreted the details.

1. March – April 2017
 - a. RFS to provide Jonathan with a shape file and map of the Blackfellows Hands Fire Trail
 - b. RFS to provide LCC with contact details for Dan Kirby of Forestry Corporation of NSW
 - i. Intent is to discuss collaborative options for managing the fire trail on a permanent basis
 1. Dan Kirby – Fire & Stewardship Manager
Forestry Corporation of NSW
PO Box 143
Cnr Panorama Avenue & Browning St
Bathurst NSW 2795
02 6330 1033
0448 033 325
 - c. LCC to engage a contractor to assess the works to be done and provide a quote
 - d. LCC to prepare a plan of the fire trail restoration works
 - e. LCC to review the Site Management Plan for the area to determine if any environmental impacts may occur from these works
 - f. RFS to arrange an on-site meeting with LCC, Mingaan Community Elders and OEH to review the works plan and identify exactly where the works will take place to ensure no sensitive sites will be impacted
 - g. RFS to prepare details of associated bush fire hazard reduction to support funding submission from LCC
 - h. LCC to enter submission for funding via RFS Grants Portal
 - i. RFS to assist LCC with submission and link to the planned bush fire hazard reduction in adjoining area
 - i. LCC to work with Mingaan to rectify status of trail near information sign
 - i. Mingaan to arrange drainage of existing pools of water
 - ii. Including, where/if necessary, provision of fill by LCC to sustain trail at this location

2. 2nd May 2017

- a. LCC to present funding submission to Bush Fire Management Committee for approval and to determine priority vs other funding submissions for the Lithgow LGA
- b. RFS to facilitate finalising funding submission to Bush Fire Grants Coordination Team

3. May-Aug 2017

- a. Funding submission reviewed, assessed, prioritised by NSW RFS Bush Fire Grants Coordination Team, on behalf of NSW RFS Commissioner.
 - i. Outcome of submission may occur during this period, with advice from the Grants Team direct to LCC in the first instance.
- b. Works undertaken by LCC.
 - i. Note that even if funding via the Grants submission is unsuccessful, the obligation to undertake the works does not cease.

Thanks again for your time and expertise today, I am confident that we have a sound plan to complete the works.

Cheers,

Gary



Gary Hansen | Operational Officer | Chifley / Lithgow Team

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Attachment 7





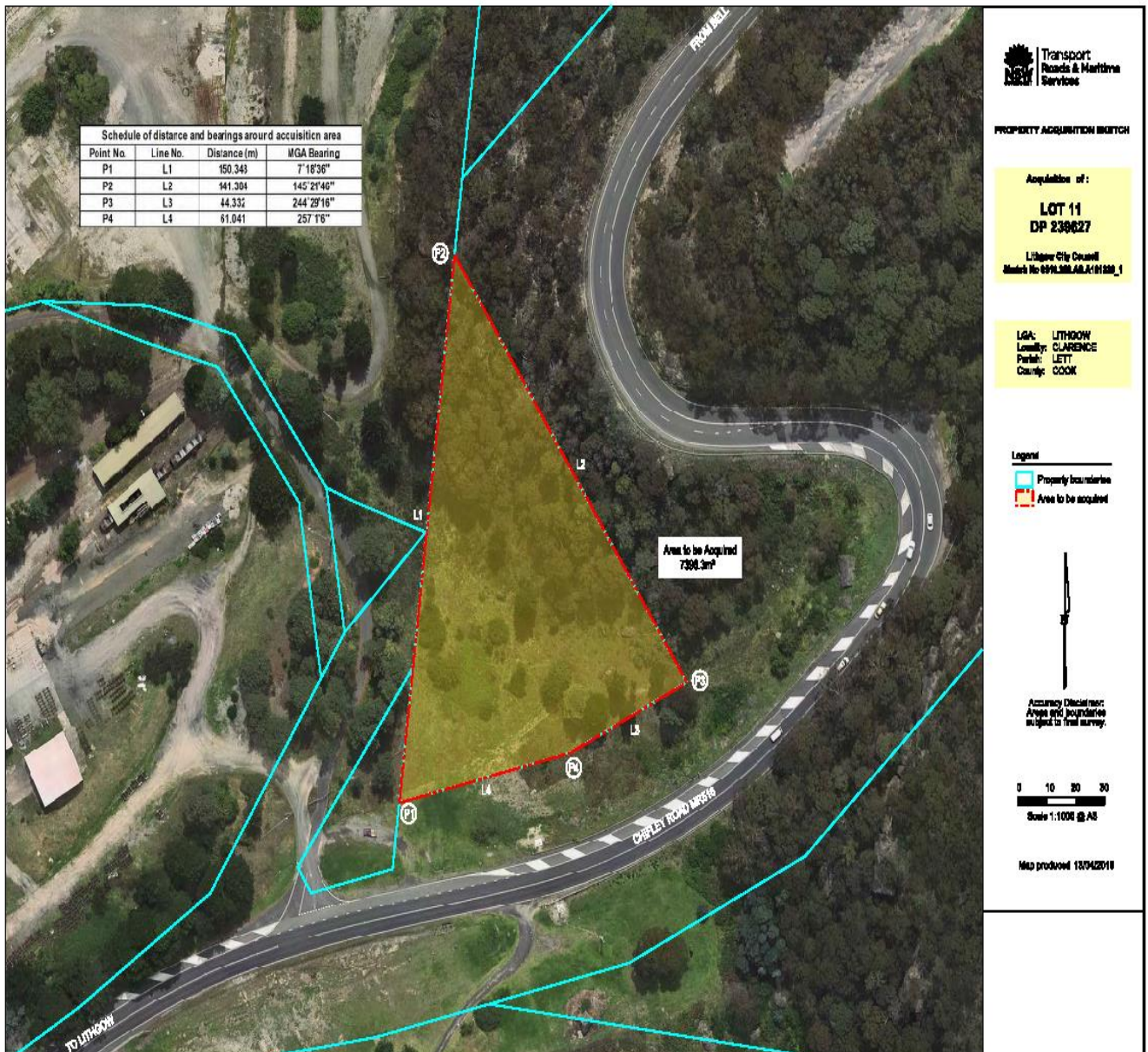


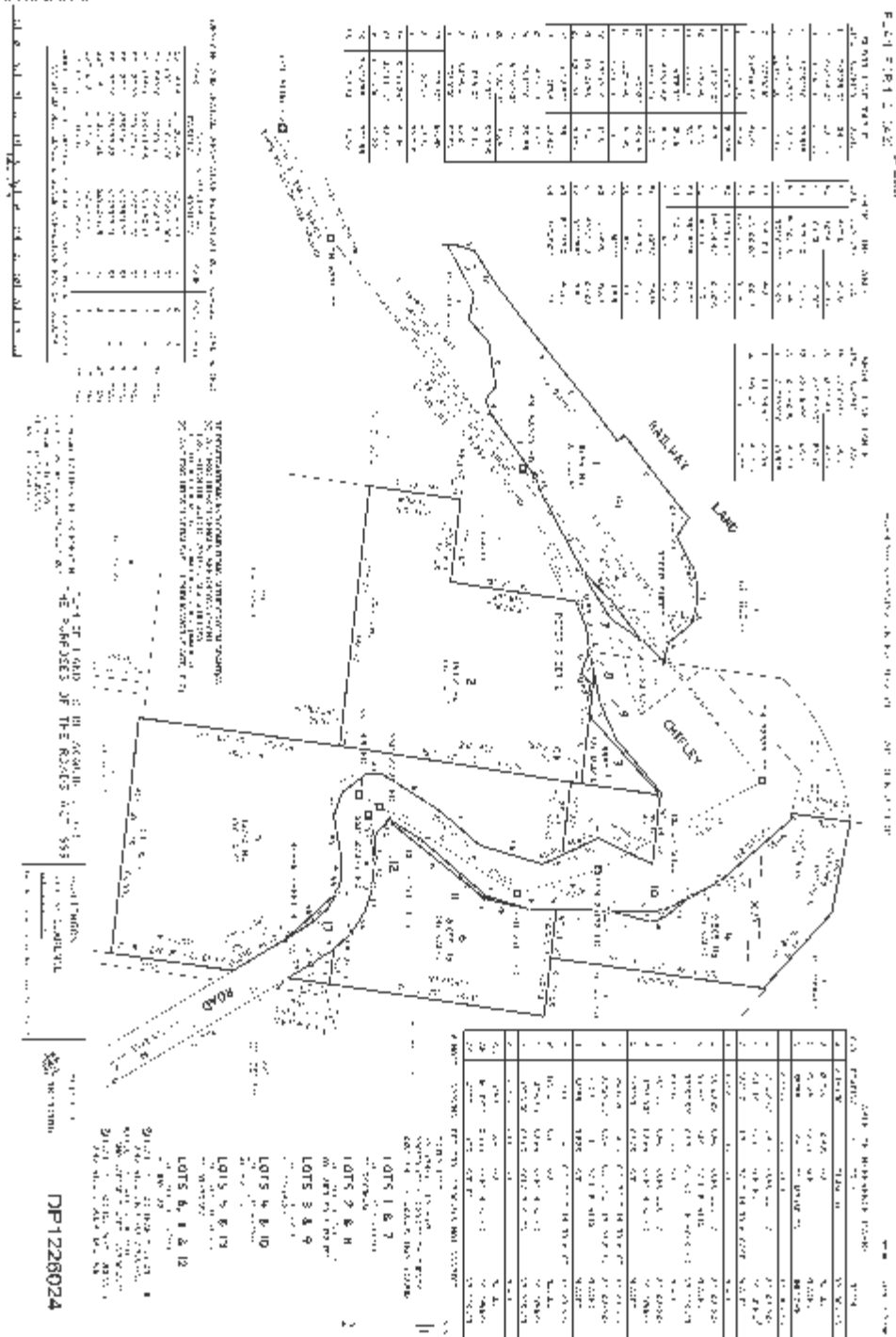


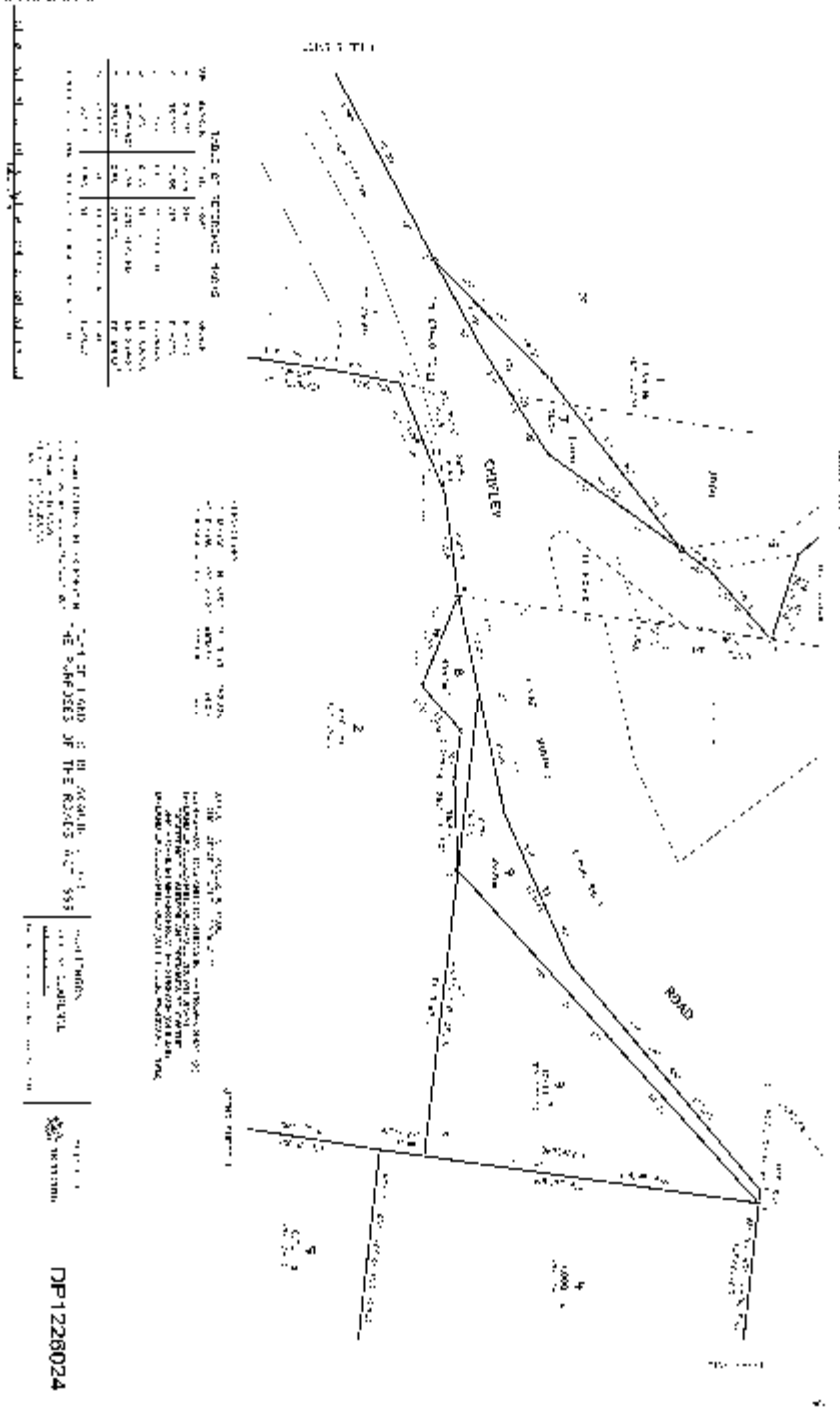
Attachment 8

Capital Works Program 2017/18						
Main Program	Sub-Program	Section	Type of Work	Surface Type	Length of Work (m)	Budget
Urban Resealing	Allocate to Main Street footpath					\$ 200,000.00
	Total					\$ 200,000.00
Roads to Recovery	Glen Alice Road, Glen Alice Magpie Hollow Road, Lithgow Curry Dick Road, Lithgow Clarence Pine Park Road, Capertree Donald Street, Lithgow	End of 2016/17 works End of 2015/16 works End of 2016/17 works Cardereagh Highway Tank Street to Bennett Street	Reseal Reseal New seal New seal Reseal	Two-coat Two-coat Two-coat Hotmix Hotmix	2,500 800 2,500 127 279	\$ 1,117,608.00 \$ 367,608.00 \$ 120,000.00 \$ 367,608.00 \$ 110,000.00 \$ 152,392.00 \$ 1,117,608.00
	Total					\$ 376,365.00
ILP - Roads	Cripps Avenue, Wallerawang Cartton Road, Portland Lyon Parade & Hume Avenue, Wallerawang Cullenbong Road, Kanimbla Ellen Close, Portland Valley Drive, Lithgow Brays Lane, Wallerawang	Pindari Place to Heel Street Section around Albion Road Barton Avenue to Hume Avenue & Lyon Parade to Lidsdale Street 324 Cullenbong Road - Ray Hadley End of Ellen Close Kirkland Link to Cooper Close Pipers Flat Road to Blackberry Lane	Reseal New seal Select Reseal Reseal Reseal Reseal Reseal	Two-coat Two-coat Hotmix Two-coat Hotmix Hotmix Hotmix	253 410 328 350 40 116 190	\$ 376,365.00 \$ 50,000.00 \$ 47,000.00 \$ 80,365.00 \$ 50,000.00 \$ 37,000.00 \$ 50,000.00 \$ 62,000.00 \$ 376,365.00
	Total					\$ 90,000.00
ILP - Lane Improvements	Ivatt Street Lane, Lithgow Willwa Lane (CBD), Portland Jamison / High Lane, Portland Langbein Lane, Portland Tank / Union Lane, Lithgow	Sandford Avenue to Ivatt Street Lett Street to Tramway Avenue Lidsdale Street to Limestone Street Union Street to Limestone Creek Road Inch / Gay Lane to End	New seal Reseal New seal New seal Reseal	Two-coat Two-coat Two-coat Two-coat Two-coat	150 96 182 260 240	\$ 20,000.00 \$ 12,000.00 \$ 15,000.00 \$ 25,000.00 \$ 18,000.00 \$ 90,000.00
	Total					\$ 260,000.00
Rural Road Improvements	Palmer's Oakley Road	902 Palmer's Oakley Road to 'Bingletree' 1616 Palmer's Oakley Road	Gravel reconstruction	Gravel unsealed	5,000	\$ 260,000.00
	Total					\$ 260,000.00
Rural Roads Gravel Resheeting	Old Western Road, Rydal	Sydney Road to last property	Gravel reconstruction	Gravel unsealed	1,600	\$ 150,000.00
	Total					\$ 150,000.00
Kerb and Gutter Construction	Allocate to Main Street footpath					\$ 20,000.00
	Total					\$ 20,000.00
Footpath Construction	Main Street footpath					\$ 103,783.00
	Total					\$ 103,783.00
Urban Drainage Improvements	Main Street, Lithgow	Cupro Street to Laurence Street	New inlets	New inlets	x	\$ 50,000.00
	Total					\$ 50,000.00
Guardrail Installation	Allocate to Main Street footpath					\$ 33,000.00
	Total					\$ 33,000.00
Depot Improvements	Wallerawang Depot Seal Lithgow Stockpile Shed					\$ 35,000.00
	Total					\$ 35,000.00
Farmers Creek Stage 3 Footpath	Allocate to Main Street footpath					\$ 70,000.00
Bus Shelters						\$ 15,000.00
Timber Bridge Improvements						\$ 100,000.00
Bicycle Plan Review						\$ 10,000.00

Footpath fund
\$ 426,783.00








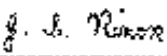


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Subdivision Certificate number: Date of Easement:		DP1226024 This sheet is for the provision of the following information as set out in: • A schedule of lots and addresses - See of (c) 681 Regulation 2012 • A schedule of subdivision and release affecting interests in accordance with section 58B Conveyancing Act 1915 • A schedule of easements - See 685 Conveyancing Act 1915 • Any information which would be in the appropriate form of sheet 1 of the subdivision sheet
APPROVED:  INFRASTRUCTURE PROPERTY MANAGER WESTERN ROADS AND MARITIME SERVICES		
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