



MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF KEMPSEY SHIRE COUNCIL

Tuesday 24th August 2004 commencing at 9.10am.

PRESENT:

Councillors J A C Hayes, (Mayor and Chairman), J H Howell, E A Green, J C Gribbin, T L Hunt, R H McWilliam, D F Saul, B R Sowter and E R Walker.

General Manager, A V Burgess; Director Engineering, K J Finnie; Acting Director Environmental Services, R B Pitt; Acting Director Corporate and Community Services, A P Curtin; Director Business Enterprises, G B Snape, Pat Hanrahan and Donna Pearson.



PUBLIC FORUM

- 1 - Janelle Barnett addressed Council regarding item DBE1 – Kempsey Pool Risk Audit Underground Infrastructure.



CONSIDERATION OF LATE REPORTS

2004. 596

RESOLVED:

*Moved: Cl. Sowter
Seconded: Cl. Walker*

That the late reports including the Swimming Pool Committee Minutes of the 23rd June 2004 be considered in conjunction with the relevant Director's reports.



PRESENTATION

At this stage 9.30 a.m. the Meeting was addressed by Mr Richard Brennan ATS Group Pty Ltd on Macleay Valley Coast Preliminary Draft Tourism Strategic Plan.



CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS RELATING TO PUBLIC FORUM AND PRESENTATION – Reports DBE1, DBE3 and GM2.

2004. 597

RESOLVED:

*Moved: Cl. Sowter
Seconded: Cl. Walker*

That the reports dealt with in PUBLIC FORUM be brought forward and dealt with immediately and that DBE1 and DBE3 be dealt with in conjunction.

DBE1	KEMPSEY POOL RISK AUDIT UNDERGROUND INFRASTRUCTURE
	FILE: R3-5 GTS (NRN) {Folio No. 280694}

Reporting on the deferral of the report DBE8 from 10th August 2004.



DBE8	KEMPSEY POOL RISK AUDIT UNDERGROUND INFRASTRUCTURE
(SUPP)	FILE: R3-2 GTS {Folio No. 280084}

SUMMARY:

Reporting on the status of investigations into the condition of underground infrastructure at Kempsey Pool and options for remedial measures.



This report is submitted in supplementary form because investigations were incomplete at the usual time of preparation of monthly council reports.

Because of the nearness of the summer swimming season, a decision in relation to remedial options for the 33m pool must be made prior to the September meeting of Council.

Background

At its Ordinary Meeting of 9th March 2004, Council Resolved to re-allocate \$10,000 from 2003/2004 savings on pools operation and expenditure for underground infrastructure investigations and testing at the Kempsey Pool complex.

It was reported to Council that the below ground infrastructure would require specialist investigations to determine the extent of dilapidation and the extent of requisite remedial measures. Techniques used in the investigation could include smoke testing,

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dye testing, ultrasonics, camera work, pot holing and groundwater testing at a time when the pool was empty.

It was also reported that, in view of the age and condition of the Kempsey Pool complex, the cost of these remedial measures could run up to the \$100,000 mark.

History

Maintenance history suggests the main problems are associated with the 33m pool.

As far back as 1985, it was reported that the pipework serving the old pool was in poor condition insofar as the pipes were not jointed, were poorly supported and subject to corrosion. It was also reported that there were serious problems with walkways and pool walls. The working maintenance expenditure was outstripping the budget. Temporary repairs were carried out. In 1987, the Kempsey pool needed to be closed for emergency repairs to a pipe leak.

The 33m pool was built in two stages; stage 1 in 1938 (with underwater and overhead lights which have since been removed) under a government scheme subsidy to help the unemployed and stage 2 in 1968. There were building problems because the pool was built in a swampy horse paddock. The pool was badly hit by great floods in 1949 and 1950, a further flood in 1964 and was inundated in 2001.

Arguably, 1985 may have been the time to plan for replacement of the pool.

Current Investigations

The pool was not emptied immediately upon the close of the swimming season so that pool water was available for the testing of the backwash water tank and pipework which were being installed at that time.

When the water level was lowered and an inspection pit excavated, discussions with the specialist company poised to do the investigation work confirmed that the poor condition of the pipework, joints and entry points would not allow the use of the conventional inspection equipment, would not be cost-effective and that the best way to investigate the condition of the infrastructure was to do a wholesale excavation which would expose all entry points, pipes, supports, fittings and the 33m pool shell itself for visual inspection. The added benefit of so doing was the opportunity to remove the sinking, trip-hazardous concourse and provide a foundation which would adequately support a new concourse.

In its exposed state, the pool could also be subject to a specialist, independent dilapidation survey.

A dilapidation survey was scheduled for Friday, 6th August 2004 (Ove Arup & Partners, Consulting Engineers) with a report due on or before the date of the August Ordinary Meeting of Council.

The cost of the investigations work is \$10,000 (being the excavation to expose the infrastructure and \$3,000 for the dilapidation survey and report). Other, separate inspections and assessments have been carried out following the excavation.

Visual inspections by various Council staff have confirmed the damaged sections of pipework, corrosion, poor jointing, inadequate support and damage to coping/tiles, expansion joints and other fittings.

The extent of leakage has never been quantified but will become apparent under new metering and pay-for-water arrangements. It is thought that the extent of leakage may be significant judging by the rapidity with which the adjacent groundwater level adjusted to the level of water in the pool during dry weather conditions.

There is also quite some concern over the antiquated overflow channels within the pool. They aren't provided in modern pools.

Further significant expenditure on the 33m pool could be regarded as putting good money after bad.

Remedial Measures

1. The estimated cost to "band-aid" the existing infrastructure so that it is workable for this season is \$10,000.
2. The estimated cost to carry out full installation of pool reticulation, including supported inlet and outlet plumbing, fittings, connections in appropriate sizes to suit the current pool turnover code for plant upgrades would be \$65,000 to \$95,000 depending on the pipe type (PVC or the more suitable polyethylene for the situation)
3. In both cases (1. and 2.), the additional cost of restoring the surrounds and providing the concourse is \$30,000.

Options

1. "Band-aiding" (total estimated cost \$40,000 including restoration) will not solve the longer-term problems. The concourse may need to be dug up at any time to repair further leaks. This option could be adopted as a temporary measure whilst long term strategies are being investigated (including ultimate replacement of the asset)
2. Wholesale replacement of the pipework (total estimated cost \$95,000 to \$125,000 including restoration) will be matching brand new infrastructure with much older, poor condition, leaking

infrastructure and the work may not be able to be carried out in time for the opening of the season.

3. Filling-in the structure is also an option but the loss of the asset for any length of time may not be popular.

4. Replacing the structure with a \$500,000 (preliminary estimate) modern contoured pool.

Director's Comment:

The investigations to date have confirmed the poor condition of the underground infrastructure in the vicinity of the 33m pool. A further report from the consulting engineer is expected to be available by Monday, 9th August 2004.

Report Implications:

Council allocated \$10,000 in the 2003/2004 budget to undertake the investigations of the underground infrastructure.

No provision has been made for carrying out repairs and restoration of the site to enable the swimming pool complex to return to service for the 2004/2005 swimming season.

Council was previously advised that remedial measures could cost around the \$100,000 mark.

The estimated costs can be determined upon receipt of the consulting engineer's report.

There are no policy or statutory implications arising from the following recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council adopt option 1 in conjunction with option 4 as short-term and longer-term solutions based upon the information presented in the dilapidation report tabled at the Council meeting and any departmental comment accompanying that report.

When making the decision to defer consideration of the above report DBE8, Council sought additional information relating to the possible options for the remedial measures. This included the cost of temporary fencing; local service provider quotes for rectification of plumbing; and further assessments of costs and times for construction of various types of facilities.

Some of this information could not be obtained prior to the time of writing this report and will be supplied when available.

Accordingly, the following information is provided and should be considered in the context of previously supplied reports.

The budget cost of a conventional 25m outdoor pool is \$500,000 including filtration.

Should the pool be provided in a way which facilitates the conversion to a heated situation down the track, the pipework and filtration would be of a higher capacity to allow the faster changeover of water associated with heated systems.

This would mean an additional expenditure of \$100,000 resulting in a total of \$600,000.

The shell itself costs about \$250,000 without demolition, concourse, balance tank or filtration facility.

The general construction time is about 6 months but there are proprietary systems such as lined stainless steel structures with baked PVC finishes which can be installed within a couple of months at the same cost.

Leisure pools cost about the same (\$500,000) but can vary in size and price accordingly. \$500,000 buys a 16-18m learn-to-swim pool with leisure pool off the side, beach walk-out and water features.

A conventional, heated 25m pool costs between \$1.2million and \$1.5million depending on the degree of embellishment.

The cost of isolating the 33m pool with fencing is as follows;

- temporary site fencing (ATF): 120m @ \$10/m for 6months = \$1,200 (hired)
- 1800mm high conventional chain wire fencing @ \$35/m = \$4,200

The cost of bandaiding the existing pipework and restoring the area is \$40,000.

It is expected that, weather permitting, this would be completed prior to the commencement of the swimming season (26th September 2004).

The cost of replacing the existing pipework and restoring the area is \$95,000 to \$125,000 and would probably not be available for use until November 2004.

The cost is based on replacement of existing sizes which do not facilitate an adequate water changeover rate in accordance with current day standards. There is no legal obligation to upsize the pipework for an existing pool.

Whilst there has been insufficient time to assess the structural adequacy of the pool walls to support a wet-deck system, from local knowledge and preliminary engineering judgements, it is thought that such a system could be supported. This would eliminate the scum overflow channels within the pool which are being eliminated by most operators based on incidents of children getting elbows caught in them. The outlet from the channels presents a similar problem for hands.

The cost of replacing the channels with a wet-deck system (where the deck water level is identical to the pool water and the water is returned to the filtration system via surface flow) is about \$150,000.

Any dollar-for-dollar grant funding that may emanate from an application to the Department of Tourism, Sport and Recreation under its capital assistance programme (closing 30th August 2004) would not be paid until the completion of any project.

Comments by Director

Nil

Report Implications

Should Council adopt the Director's Recommendation it will be necessary to allocate the sum of \$40,000 to undertake the essential repair works.

There are no policy or statutory implications.

Director Business Enterprises Recommendation:

That Council adopt the Director's Recommendation as provided in the previous report to Council (DBE8 of 10th August 2004).

**DIRECTOR BUSINESS ENTERPRISES
SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT**

DBE3 (SUPP.)	KEMPSEY POOL - REMEDIAL MEASURES FILE: R3-2 GTS
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SUMMARY:

Reporting on the options and costs for the execution of remedial measures at the Kempsey Pool complex.



Further to information previously supplied, the following is advised.

- A local plumbing company has quoted \$43,200 for the replacement of existing pipework in PVC with a 3 weeks completion time.
- Council's additional quote for restoration is \$30,000 as reported previously with a 3 weeks time frame.
- A specialist pool restorer is also due to inspect the site en-route 24.8.04 and has indicated, from photographs, that the existing pipework could be repaired using fibreglass bandaging. Without a commitment to costing it is understood that this would be cheaper than pipework replacement.

- Non-local service providers have generally indicated that they have a full book of commitments over the coming months.

Comments by Director

Nil

Financial Implications

Nil

Policy Implications

Nil

Statutory Implications

Nil

ESD Implications

Nil

Director Business Enterprises Recommendation:

That the advice be noted in the context previously supplied information.

MOVED:

*Moved: Cl. Walker
Seconded: Cl. Sowter*

That Council proceed with the replacement of existing pipework in PVC to meet OH&S standards and to allow for future upgrading to a heated pool.

2004. 598

RESOLVED:

*Moved: Cl. Hunt
Seconded: Cl. Bowell*

That this matter be deferred until a special meeting of Council on Wednesday 1st September 2004.

GM2	MACLEAY VALLEY COAST TOURISM STRATEGIC PLAN	FILE: T3-5	AVB (NRN)	{Folio No. 280697}
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SUMMARY:

To provide comments on the preliminary draft Tourism Strategic Plan prepared by ATS Group Pty Ltd.



The Macleay Valley Coast Tourism Strategic Plan preliminary draft has been prepared by ATS Group Pty Ltd and a number of workshops have been conducted to received community feedback on the report. The plan was funded by Council, National Parks, The Department of State and Regional Development and Tourism NSW. Council is to carry out the majority of the actions with some actions to be undertaken by other bodies such as National Parks, DSRD etc. It is not clear who is the owner of the plan. I would expect Council is, as we initiated the plan and it will be up to Council to co-ordinate the actions of the other parties.

Input into the plan was provided by representatives listed on page 18 of the plan. Council's representatives on this Team were Steve Read and Toni Shannon. I met with the consultant for about ten minutes to talk about industry contribution to tourism and as far as I am aware there has been no other consultation with staff.

The Strategic Plan encompasses six strategies and these are generally supported although I make the following comments:-

- ADOPTION OF A NEW TOURISM MODEL

Council during this years budgetry considerations recognised the cost of tourism to our ratepayers and the lack of contribution being made by those that benefited from tourism to marketing and promotion. Council at that time resolved.

“That a review of Tourism Information Services and a possible fee for service be included in the report from the General Manager on the re-structure proposals”.

I agree that more than direct tourism services eg. Accommodation and attractions get a benefit from tourism and that membership of any association should comprise different interest groups. The development of clusters as proposed has a very long lead time as a fee paying membership is not proposed to be developed in the initiation phase between January 2005 and December 2005.

Council needs to introduce a contributory system where it is going to receive financial benefit now rather than later. The clusters are designed to allow the members to take a lead role in driving destination marketing and product development. It is also proposed under Strategy 3 to develop Visitor Information Centres at Stuarts Point, Hat Head, Crescent Head and Bellbrook that are not operated by Council staff. In my view the Kempsey and South West Rocks Visitor Information Services should operate under a different structure to tourism and marketing and Council should introduce a fee for service at the Visitor Information Centres.

Clusters will allow Council over time to reduce its commitment to tourism and focus on facilitating general industry development across all sectors. There has been no expanded explanation of this role in the document or what it means.

With the development of clusters what will MDAP's role with tourism be?

- PRESERVING AND SHOWCASING THE CORE VALUES OF THE MVC

Preserving the unspoilt beauty of the Shire does figure prominently in our Corporate Strategic Plan and utilising the tourism potential of that beauty should be applauded. However the consultant has got involved in the regulatory function, which I believe is outside of the scope of the consultancy and has expressed views in respect of all the coastal villages regarding the appropriateness of non-tourist development. These views include, “strictly controlling development impact”, “entering an urban suburb as opposed to a tourism destination” and the plan should adopt a “hands off posture to significant future development in Hat Head and Stuarts Point”. These views should not be part of the Tourism Strategy and should be removed.

- NURTURING AND ASSISTING INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENT

There are a number of comments in the document referring to fast tracking of tourism developments. Council will give every assistance to any applicant whether it is for development of a tourism nature or not. Where developments are received that generate employment Council does recognise their importance and processes those applications as quickly as possible taking into account the fact that other applications should not suffer as a result as they have an expectation that their application will be processed within expected timeframes. The comments regarding fast tracking should be deleted.

In respect of the aims of the plan the third last dot point, page 20 should be altered to read, “planning needs such as Tourism Infrastructure”, and the last dot point should be deleted.

There are 154 actions to be implemented largely by Kempsey Shire Council, some of which will have significant impacts:-

6.1.3 The actions regarding clusters will reduce Councils ability to get a financial return in the short term.

6.1.3 11 Action

The cost of engaging a Grants Officer would be in the vicinity of \$50,000 per annum. Council has made no provision in its forward financial plan. This action needs to be deleted.

6.2.2 The first dot point of the objective, page 28 should be deleted.

6.2.3 Action 6

Some work has already been undertaken. Council would need to provide additional financial resources. This matter is not a Tourism Strategic Plan issue but an Infrastructure Plan issue and should be deleted.

6.2.3 Action 7

This is not a Tourism Strategic Plan issue but a Town Planning issue. This action would result in planning controls being introduced limiting

development and a hands off attitude to all of the coastal villages. The development of controls would need substantial resources to be allocated and would not be in accordance with Councils current attitude and strategic planning programs. This actions needs to be deleted.

6.2.3 Action 9

This action has already been widely debated by Council and the status and condition of the road is covered by the Transport Infrastructure Plan. This action should be deleted.

6.2.3 Action 12

This action appears to be in opposition to Action 19, which proposes that Grassy Head and Goolawah be transferred to the Crown. Council has not determined whether the transfer of those reserves are in its best interests. Council is prepared to investigate the proposal to transfer either to a contractor or the Crown. Action 12 and 19 should be amalgamated with the investigation to be held in year 1.

6.2.3 Action 20

This is currently not in our Five Year Financial Plan and would be subject to substantial grant funding. This is not the only option to provide disable access to the beach.

6.2.4 Action 23

This is currently not in our Five Year Financial Plan and would be subject to substantial grant funding.

6.2.3 Action 25

Council has undertaken preliminary studies of the bridge project which are still to be reported to Council. No decision can be made to proceed further until these studies have been assessed by Council. This Action and Action 26 should be deleted.

6.3.3 Action 1

This is the responsibility of The Department of Lands and not Council.

6.3.3 Action 6

This would be dependent on 6.2.3 Action 12 and 19.

6.3.3 Action 7, 8 & 10

Would be the responsibility of the Park Mangers not Council.

6.3.3 Action 13

This Action indicates that the VIC at Kempsey should be expanded to provide a venue for the cluster. The MDAP offices already have meeting facilities and office space that can be used. This action needs to be costed and reported to Council prior to adoption.

6.3.3 Action 14

This will require financial resources that are not currently available. This action needs to be costed and reported to Council prior to adoption.

- 6.3.3 Action 16
Council has resolved to hold discussions with DIPNR and a report still needs to be considered by Council before any studies are undertaken.
- 6.3.3 Action 23
No funds have been provided for the project other than RTA funding for additional lighting. Plan of Management to be reviewed following development of Plan of Management for Verge Street Ovals.
- 6.3.3 Action 26
This will require a review of DCP 25 which will require resources to be allocated by Council.
- 6.3.3 Action 31
This is in conflict with the proposal to transfer the park to the Crown.
- 6.3.3 Action 35
Possible sites for a marina will be examined as part of the Macleay River Process Study currently being commenced. The planning studies referred to would be undertaken by private developers in conjunction with any DA or rezoning. The action needs to be altered to reflect this.
- 6.3.3 Action 39
This would be a major expenditure item for Council, presumably National Parks would provide the site and Council would be responsible for constructing the building, estimated at \$600,000. The centre is to have paid staff complimented by volunteers, which would be a large ongoing cost for Council. This Action needs to be investigated and reported to Council prior to adoption.
- 6.3.3 Action 44
See Action 16. This Action should be deleted.
- 6.3.3 Action 51
Council has agreed to develop the Gladstone Hall as an Art Gallery. No funds have been provided for this project. The concept needs to be investigated and reported to Council prior to its adoption.
- 6.3.3 Action 61 & 62
See Action 16. The development of this area if it did take place would need to be by a private developer and that developer presumably would have the management rights. Actions 16, 44, 61, 62 should be deleted unless the feasibilities and construction are undertaken by private enterprise.
- 6.3.3 Action 72
This would require paid staff to man the Kempsey VIC on weekends in lieu of the Historical Society. This would be a large ongoing cost for Council that has not been provided for.

6.4.2 Objectives

The last dot point should be deleted.

6.4.3 Action 8

This would involve the employment of an additional staff member at Council's cost that has not been provided for in Council's Five Year Financial Plan.

The Draft Strategic Plan is supported by a background paper of some 218 pages and should be carefully read by Councillors. It is this document that outlines the intent behind the recommendations to be implemented by Council and other bodies. Many of the Actions proposed in the Draft involve Town Planning implications and or involve Council investing considerable financial resources in infrastructure, ongoing maintenance and staff costs. The implications should be reported to Council before the Draft Plan is adopted and placed on exhibition. There is no use in adopting a Plan if there is no likelihood in Council proceeding to implement its recommendations.

Report Implications

There are substantial financial implications if Council adopts the Report as well as policy implications.

General Manager's Recommendation:

That the Town Planning and financial implications of implementing the Actions be reported to Council prior to adoption of the Macleay Valley Coast Tourism Strategic Plan.

2004. 599

RESOLVED:

*Moved: Cl. Powell
Seconded: Cl. Green*

That subject to the receipt of the updated draft plan, all the implications of implementing the actions be reported to Council.



DBE2	SWIMMING POOLS	
	FILE: R3-2 GBS (NRN)	{Folio No. 280695}

SUMMARY:

Reporting on progress with tenders for operation of Council's swimming pools.



At council's meeting of 15th July it was resolved:-

- "1. *That tenders be invited for the lease of each of the Shire's 4 swimming pool complexes for a period of*

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three (3) years, commencing the 2004 / 05 swimming season.

2. *That a report be submitted on the current operation of pools versus tender."*

Tender specifications have been developed and advertised, with the closing time for tenders being 10.00am on Tuesday 24th August, 2004.

All permanent employees in all four pools, (Kempsey Pool and the three Village Pools), were advised that their roles would be redundant prior to the start of the 2004/2005 swimming season. As required under the Local Government Award, negotiations with the affected staff, and the union to which they belong (The United Services Union) took place.

A compelling case was put forward by the affected staff in the Village Pools, and their Union, that the current staff needed more time to put in a competitive tender to lease, and requested that the Village Pools remain on employment arrangements for one more season with an understanding that it would go to lease for the 2005/2006 season.

It seemed that these employees may not be ready to enter into non-employment arrangements to operate the pools for this coming season.

Therefore management considered continuation of their employment for one more season to allow them time to prepare for this transition would be fair and reasonable. This would be achieved by rolling over existing Employment Agreements, as covered by the Award, and agreed between the employees, the union and Council for one more season. It was, conditional however, upon Council, and the employees, ensuring Workplace Safety Compliance in regards to work practices, hours of work, etc. avoidance of any conflicts of interest in the conduct of activities at the complexes.

Therefore I strongly recommend, for industrial harmony, that the pools remain on employment arrangements for a maximum, of one more season if all conditions are guaranteed and met.

Both the union and the employees appear happy with this extra season of employment and accept the certain decision that following the 2004 / 2005 season the village pools will be tendered for lease.

Should the current employees nominate through the current tender process that they would prefer to "lease" the pool rather than continue employment arrangements, this would need to be considered but that is against the advice they and their unions have provided me previously.

Due to the distinct nature of the operation and employment arrangements in place at Kempsey Pool, employment continuation was not possible and it is recommended that the Kempsey Pool be tendered for lease as proposed this season and beyond. This decision has been explained to the Union and accepted, albeit that Council has an obligation under the Award to search for other employment options for Terry Preston should he wish to remain employed with Council.

The outcomes of the tendering process and comparing it to the current operation will be reported to a special meeting of Council.

Comments by Director

As per report.

Report Implications

There are no financial, policy or statutory implications arising from the following recommendation.

Director Business Enterprises Recommendation:

That the information be noted.

2004. 600

RESOLVED:

*Moved: Cl. Green
Seconded: Cl. Gribbin*

That this matter be deferred to the special meeting of Council on Wednesday 1st September 2004.



At this stage 10.26 a.m. the Meeting adjourned for Morning Tea and upon resumption at 10.50 a.m. all present at the adjournment were in attendance with the exception of Councillor Gribbin who apologised for non-attendance at the remainder of the Meeting.



The following reports DE1 Supplementary – 2003/2004 Budget Revotes, DCCS1 - Application for Revote of Funds from 2003/2004 year, DBE4 - Sale Yards Budget and GM3 – 2003/04 Budget Revotes were dealt with in conjunction.

DIRECTOR ENGINEERING SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT

DE1 (SUPP.)	2003/2004 BUDGET REVOTES FILE: A2-22 KJF
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SUMMARY:

Reporting on the revotes sought for Engineering Department project.



A number of projects, funded from the 03/04 year, have not been fully expended, for a variety of reasons, as shown below. Revotes are requested to complete these projects as well as those identified in the 04/05 Budget. Subject to external impacts and maintaining existing staff resources, it is believed that all projects can be completed.

	Project	Revote sought	Reason
1	Regional Roads - Block Grant	\$47,992	Grant funds used to supplement other RTA projects
2	Regional Roads - Repair Programme	\$91,409	Grant offer received late in financial year. Design completed – awaiting relocation of electricity lines.
3	Black Spot Program	\$64,362	Grant funded project recently completed.
	Resealing Village Streets	\$24,468	Works programmed to be carried out in conjunction with improvement works in Frederickton, South West Rocks and Crescent Head.
4	F.A.G. – Roads	\$21,205	Works programmed for Phillip Drive/Arakoon Road intersection which is to compliment Traffic Facilities and Section 94 funds.
5	Roads to Recovery	\$91,795	Reporting period is not consistent with financial year and all funds will be spent by 30 th June 2005. Ocean Avenue at Stuarts Point project will be combined with Block Grant and Town Improvement funds from 04/05. Gladstone Street, Kempsey, project only partly funded last year and combined with 04/05 funds for completion this year.
6	Tanban Road	\$40,984	Grant funded by Rail Services Authority – awaiting advice from RSA on guardrail installation.
7	Kempsey Town Improvement Programme: Kempsey Wharf \$40,000 Nicholson/West St \$55,000 Collin Tait Av \$15,765	\$103,933	Reported to Council May 2004 and Council agreed to transfer to 04/05 year.
8	Crescent Head Town Improvement Programme: Comara Tce Steps \$7,470 Korogora St K&G \$12,078 Korogora St Drainage \$16,436	\$36,949	Insufficient funds to complete each project – combine with 04/05 funds to complete.
9	Frederickton Town Improvement Programme: Great Northern Road K&G	\$37,830	Insufficient funds to complete project in one year – combine with 04/05 funds.
10	Gladstone Town Improvement Programme: Barnard Street Drainage	- \$140	Ongoing programme – funds accumulated until sufficient funds available to complete a section.
11	Hat Head Town Improvement:	\$2,731	Ongoing programme – combined with

	Drainage Improvements		R2R funds in 03/04 and with 04/05 funds to continue this year.
12	Smithtown Town Improvement Programme:	\$8,355	Ongoing programme, combined with R2R funding in 03/04. Job completed and funds required for R2R balance.
13	South West Rocks Town Improvement Programme:	\$116,610	Funds combined from 02/03 and 03/04 – reported to Council May 2004 – awaiting relocation of power lines.
14	Stuarts Point Town Improvement: Marine Parade K&G	- \$15,300	Job completed – awaiting contributions from benefiting landowner
15	Point Plomer Road	\$544,934	Report to Council May 2004.
16	Kempsey MasterPlan Projects identified for 04/05 Verge Street \$76,000 (Bridge to Carpark) Belgrave Street \$150,000 (Mall to Smith Street) Elbow St \$150,000 (Tozer Street to Forestry) Belgrave Street \$150,000 (John Street to Stuart Street)	\$374,616	Council funds preserved whilst funds from RTA (\$102,000) and Community Solutions (\$65,000) expended in 03/04. Also, Belgrave Street project deferred. Deferral of funding will defer projects and reduce impact of CBD improvements.
17	Bridges – Specific Maintenance McCoys Creek	\$48,233 \$33,224	Fullers Bridge on Nulla Nulla Creek now completed and funds expended. Awaiting confirmation of details from NSW Fisheries on causeway removal and creek restoration – seeking complimentary funding for extensive restoration project.
18	South West Rocks CBD Drainage	\$32,307	Reported to Council May 2004 – waiting on finalisation of 40kph Speed Zone works.
19	River Street Drainage	\$13,333	Additional late project – now completed and funds expended.
20	Implementation of Stormwater Management Plan	\$47,875	50% Grant funded – Plan adopted by Council in July. Final payment to Consultant yet to be paid (\$7,000) and total program funds may not be required. Allow completion of program and then reallocate any Council funds unused.

21	South West Rocks Stormwater Management Plan	\$78,242	100% Grant funded projects – awaiting final report from Consultant. Final payment to Consultant yet to be paid and civil works priorities yet to be identified. Allow completion of program and determination of which works can be funded from any funds remaining.
22	Crescent Head Stormwater Management Plan	\$47,354	
23	Belle O'Connor Street Drainage	\$164,976	Links to items 100-103.
24	Spencerville Drainage	\$100,000	Reported to Council May 2004 –

			implications of subdivisions west of Bi-Lo extending the scope of work to be addressed by Consultant – see Item 82.
25	Memorial Avenue Drainage	\$25,000	Environmental Levy project – compliments existing program and awaiting final development MAY NOT BE REQUIRED.
26	Cycleways – Landsborough Street	\$9,032	Work in Progress – awaiting finalisation of 40kph Speed Zone work.
27	Cycleways – Phillip Drive	\$31,544	Work in Progress – delays at Beck's due to property boundary conflict.
28	Implementation of \$67,071 PAMP		Work in Progress.
29	Street Lighting	\$6,375	Awaiting finalisation of works ordered to CountryEnergy.
30	Car Parking – Forth Street	\$6,670	Awaiting finalisation of land matters – looking to provide long vehicle parking 04/05.
31-37	Ancillary Roads - 50kph Urban Speed Zone Signs - SWR 40kph Zone - Sth Kempsey Park Rest Area - Safety Around Schools - Russell St/Phillip Dr Inter ⁿ	\$109,415	Grant funded RTA projects, confirmed late in financial year and extra to Council's Works Program – works substantially completed. - combined with FAG
38-40	Flood Mitigation Programme	\$716,628	Late confirmation of grants plus delays in approvals delayed start of projects – ongoing problem with State Government procedures. Works in Progress.
41	Emergency Services - Adjustments to HQ	\$5,000	Works delayed pending revue of option to build new HQ at Emergency Management Centre, North Street.
42	Plan of Management – Mattys Flat	\$20,000	100% Grant, late confirmation, and initiation delayed due to other projects
43	Plans of Management	\$9,345	Consultant engaged – work progressing.
44	Playground – New Entrance	\$3,561	Work commenced and almost completed.
45	Netball Court Rehabilitation	\$7,609	Project complete but finish is not as expected – ongoing discussion with Contractors seeking improvement.
46–54 57-63	Sports Fields Projects - Various projects	\$84,877	Combination of Revenue, Section 94 funds and User Group commitment to volunteer labour – awaiting movement by User Groups and Sports Associations.
56	Field Development – SWR	\$256,651	Boyers Lane Sports Fields and Wetland Restoration Project – Consultant engaged to develop a comprehensive

			Management Plan – draft expected end of September.
64-72	Horseshoe Bay Reserve	\$85,956	Ongoing programme of works comprising revenue, reserve funds and Section 94 funds – delayed due to contractors and supply of materials. Some grant funds sought and not forthcoming, but Council's contribution required to compliment any grants offered.
73	Passive Recreation Support Project Funding	\$5,000	Council funds utilised to support Community Groups (eg. Tennis Clubs, Hall Committees etc.) who do works on Council owned lands – no specific projects identified in 03/04 but some recently notified.
74	Board and Chain Access	\$9,663	Ongoing Program, determined by need and subject to weather and tide impacts.
75	Estuary Management Plan	\$30,000	Grant Funds, shown also under Item 95 – REVOTE NOT REQUIRED.
76	Bitou Bush Management Study	\$6,686	Ongoing program, utilising community members etc.
77	Development of Upriver Areas	\$6,801	Council funds normally utilised to support Community Groups in development of Upriver Parks or Reserves – no specific projects identified 03/04.
78	Best Practice Signage	\$6,013	Funding provided to allow design and provision of Best Practice Signage of Council controlled lands – awaiting confirmation from Insurers.
79	WIGAY Park - Amenities Building - Public Privies	\$6,691	50% grant funded – Work in progress on Shelter Shed and associated pathways.
80	- RSL Carpark Upgrade	\$20,000	Deferred pending finalisation of MasterPlan civil works Scheduled for completion before Christmas 2004.

Significant additional income was sourced for Council, including;

NSW BlackSpot – MR198	Barnetts Lagoon	\$320,000
Repair Programme – MR198	Benelong Haven (advanced 2 years)	\$ 95,000
South Kempsey Park Upgrade		\$ 76,000
Safety Around Schools Programme		\$ 40,000
Remedial Bus Stop Programme		\$ 25,000
Cycleways Programme		\$ 35,000
Smithtown Wharf		\$ 8,000
MasterPlan Works Kempsey		\$102,800
Flood Mitigation Programme – Voluntary Purchase Scheme		\$ 66,000
Smithtown Wharf		<u>\$ 8,000</u>
	TOTAL	<u>\$775,800</u>

Also, Council's Works Section completed additional unprogrammed works for Business Enterprises (Crescent Head Landfill, Pools, Biosolids removal) and Corporate and Community Services.

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IMPACTS OF ADJUSTMENTS PROPOSED TO 04/05 BUDGET

In the report from the General Manager GM3, a number of adjustments are proposed for this year's budget and the following comments are preferred.

Town Improvement Program

Council has sought a review of funding for the Town Improvement Program, following severe reductions in the 03/04 funds. To extend reductions for a further year would impact negatively on projects in some villages. Council may like to review Town Improvement funding rather than reduce such funding again this year.

Kempsey MasterPlan South West Rocks MasterPlan

Council has previously agreed to borrow funds for each MasterPlan to accelerate works on the ground. To defer funding would defer implementation of work and reduce the positive impact provided by such works.

Bridge Maintenance

Any reduction in bridge maintenance is not recommended and Council is referred to page 30 of the recently adopted Transportation Infrastructure Strategic Plan (TISP).

Trial Bay Creek Bridge

The upgrade of the single lane bridge over Trial Bay Creek on Collombatti Road has been listed for some years and deferred on two (2) occasions previously. Collombatti Road has increasing traffic volumes, which make such a single lane bridge an increasingly hazardous issue.

Miscellaneous Drainage

Some \$10,000 has been provided for implementation works after the recently adopted Stormwater Management Plan. It is felt some funds should be provided for implementation. Council may like to source funds from the Environment Levy funds rather than Revenue.

Street Lighting

Only \$17,000 has been allowed for additional street lighting in the 04/05 year, a reduction of \$5,000 on the previous year. A further reduction to \$12,000 would seriously impact on improvement works.

Ancillary Roads

Provision has been made for traffic facilities at the intersection of Entrance and Rudder Street, South West Rocks. The deletion or deferral of this project is not recommended.

Sports Fields

Provision is made annually for Sports Field improvements, with a programme of works usually coordinated through the Sports Council. Where possible, funds are complimented by Section 94 funds or grant funds accessed by the User Group. Deletion of these funds will restrict improvement works on Sporting Fields.

Passive Recreation

Provision has been made of \$5,000 for Best Practice signage and \$2,000 for development of up-river areas. Deletion of these funds is not recommended.

Directors Comment:

Additional income for projects has always been pursued with a view that it is better to spend others funds, rather than Council's first. It is felt that this approach should continue and that revotes should be approved for the projects mentioned in the report.

Financial Implication

The financial implication of the following recommendation would be that the funds noted in the report would be revoted for use in the 04/05 financial year.

Report Implications:

There are no policy or statutory implications arising from the following recommendation.

Director Engineering Recommendation:

That the revotes sought for Engineering projects be approved.

K J Finnie
DIRECTOR ENGINEERING



DIRECTOR CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT

DCCS1	APPLICATION FOR THE REVOTE OF FUNDS FROM 2003-2004 YEAR
	FILE: A2-22 APC (NRN) {Folio No. 280692}

SUMMARY:

Reporting on the application to revote unexpended revenue funded items from the 2003/04-year.



A schedule detailing the request for revotes together with supporting comments is attached [\(Appendix D\)](#)

A summary of the revote request is set out below:

Fund	Revote	<u>Funding</u>			
		Funding Grant Contributions	Reserve	Loan	Revenue
General Fund	\$6,900,784	\$2,243,612	\$531,347	\$2,797,207	1,328,618
Water Fund		\$469,168 \$392,611		\$36,000	\$40,557
Sewer Fund	\$2,139,105	\$1,211,137		\$660,059	\$267,909

Council Working Funds balances as at 30 June 2004 are as follows:

	Balance 30/6/2004	Revote Request	Balance after Revotes
General Fund	\$2,076,698	\$1,328,618	\$748,080
Water Fund	\$940,139	\$392,611	\$547,528
Sewer Fund	\$1,277,204	\$267,909	\$1,009,295

General Manager's Comment

The appendix showing expenditure to 30th June 2004 shows that an amount of \$6,060,587.00 in General Fund \$469,168.00 in Water Fund and \$2,139,105.00 in Sewerage Fund had not been expended in the 2003/04 year.

Each year Council revotes moneys from the previous year and when added to the annual budget provides a total budget allocation that is beyond our human resources to fulfill and so the following year we go through the same ritual again. To have a permanent under expenditure of this magnitude is poor financial planning and should not continue.

All of the unexpended works except those that are funded by specific grant funds are capable of being reallocated to other high priority areas if Council so wished.

An examination of [\(Appendix D\)](#) reveals that in Strategic Planning and Environmental control there is an under expenditure of \$228,339.00 and \$350,374.00 yet we are allocating a further \$65,000.00 for Strategic Planning studies and \$145,000.00 for environmental works in the

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2004/05 year. I am not doubting whether the studies and works need undertaking but whether we can get the consultancy resources to undertake the work.

Other major under expenditures with sizable 2004/05 allocations include:-

ITEM		UNDER EXPENDED	2004/05
8-14	Town Improvement	\$330698	\$380750
15	Kempsey Masterplan	\$308052	\$150000
45-63	Sports fields	\$349137	\$266000
16-17	Bridges	\$81457	\$280000
18-25	Stormwater Drainage	\$509087	\$265000
26-28	Footpaths and Cycleways	\$107647	\$60000
38-40	Flood Mitigation	\$716628	\$435000
125-131	Baths	\$295597	\$190000
107-117	Economic Development	\$113136	\$40000
143-152	Water Capital	\$469168	\$2016000
153-164	Sewerage Capital	\$2139105	\$1298000

Council's ability to reallocate some of the 2003-04 funds has been restricted by the fact that it considered and adopted a report in May revoting engineering works and staff have waited to the end of the financial year and committed the funds through orders or the engagement of contractors. This will not occur in future years, as staff will be required to submit a report to Council in April/May to co-incide with budget deliberations seeking permission to continue with programmed jobs that have not yet commenced.

Council can however reduce or delete its 2004-05 allocations which will have the same affect as reallocating the 2003-04 unexpended amounts.

As pointed our earlier there is nothing to gain in reallocating the unexpended amounts to other areas that don't have the resources to handle the additional work. Jobs that receive the additional funding should be able to be completed utilizing casual staff or contractors. The other alternative is to reallocate funds to emergency expenditure eg. Kempsey swimming pool, the purchase of plant or the reduction of outstanding loans.

Financial Implications:

Council's working funds as at 30 June 2004 would be reduced in line with the revenue revotes approved, General Fund \$1,328,618, Water Fund \$392,611, and Sewer Fund \$267,909.

Report Implications:

There are no financial, policy or statutory implications arising from the following recommendation.

Director Corporate and Community Services Recommendation:

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1. That the application for the revoting of unexpended funded programs from the 2003/04 year be approved.
2. That the information be noted
3. That Council determine what changes it wishes to make to either the 2003-04 or 2004-05 budget

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 T I Hannam
 DIRECTOR CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES



DIRECTOR BUSINESS ENTERPRISES SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT

DBE4 SALE YARDS BUDGET
(SUPP.) FILE: S1-2 GBS

SUMMARY:

Reporting on OH&S concerns at Kempsey Regional Sale Yards.



At the Saleyards Committee meeting held on Friday, 20th August 2004, an address on the status of the Kempsey Regional Saleyards was given by a visiting specialist in Saleyards design and operation, Mr Armin Huefner.

Mr Huefner drew attention to matters which he identified as Occupational Health and Safety concerns which could be remedied in a relatively short term.

These matters are listed below, together with preliminary estimates of costs. Time has not been sufficient to allow for detailed design and the preparation of normal construction estimates.

<i>Item</i>	<i>Estimated Cost</i>
Lighting (to overcome dark areas)	\$ 5,000
Loading Schutes (Northern end)	Maintenance
Mesh Walkway on Schute (Southern end)	Maintenance
Replace Yard Gates (Not to swing > 90°)	\$ 70,000
@ \$400 + fitting	
Refuge in Sale Ring	\$ 1,500
Drafting Yards and Laneway to Scales	<u>\$ 25,000</u>
	<u>\$101,500</u>

Note: The estimate for replacement of yard gates represents a provision to commence a program for replacement of gates, and incorporating the necessary amendments to yard design.

Director's Comment:

As per report.

Financial Implication:

An allocation of \$101,500 would be required to address the OH&S matters identified at Kempsey Saleyards.

Other Implications:

There are no policy or statutory implications arising from this report.

Director Business Enterprises Recommendation:

For consideration by Council.



GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

GM3	2003/04 BUDGET REVOTES	
	FILE: A2-22 AVB (NRN)	{Folio No. 280698}

SUMMARY:

To recommend reductions in the 2004/05 Budget and 200304 Revote Requests.



Attached [\(Appendix A\)](#) is a list of Revote Requests with explanations and a list of revote requests showing expenditure to 17th August against those requests. Also attached [\(Appendix B\)](#) is a schedule recommending a reduction in the capital and works programs to be undertaken during the 2004/05 year.

Council has a certain level of staff resources and those resources can only be worked for so many hours a day. The 2004/05 budget plus the \$9.5 million in revotes cannot, I believe be completed by existing staff resources.

It can of course if staff numbers are increased or contractors are engaged provided design work is completed and staff resources are available for contract management. Council needs to make a decision as to whether it wants this level of work completed in one year. If it does not, it is a good opportunity to reallocate those resources to reduce our indebtedness. Those works that are deleted from the program are only being deferred and can be

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taken up in future years. Section 94 fully funded works that are deferred can be undertaken at any time as that funding will not have an impact on our budget.

If Council adopted the amended program [\(Appendix B\)](#). The savings would be in the following areas:-

GENERAL FUND					
	Revenue	Loans	Reserve	Sect 94	TOTAL
Tanban Road	40,445				40,445
Town Improvements	380,750				380,750
Kempsey Masterplan		308,052			308,052
SWR Masterplan		100,000			100,000
Macleay Street, Fred		650,000			650,000
Bridge Maintenance	20,000				20,000
Trial Creek Bridge	30,000		100,000		130,000
Section 94 Drainage				164,976	164,976
Miscellaneous Drainage	35,000				35,000
Street Lighting	5,000				5,000
Crescent Head Boat Ramp	10,000				10,000
Ancillary Roads SWR	31,056				31,056
Gladstone SES	5,000				5,000
Netball Court Rehab	7,609				7,609
Sports Fields			21,000		21,000
Boyers Lane Fields		230,000	16,651	250,000	496,651
GENERAL FUND					
	Revenue	Loans	Reserve	Sect 94	TOTAL
Horseshoe Bay	32,858		13,098		45,956
Passive Recreation	34,163				
Crescent Head Toilets		80,000			80,000
Strategic Planning	113,073				113,073
Economic Development	40,000				40,000
Waste	20,000				20,000
Goolawah Reserve	30,000				30,000
Airport	4,867				4,867
Saleyards		50,000			50,000
Baths					
TOTALS	839,321	1,418,052	150,749	414,976	2,823,598

There are two large revotes, Flood Mitigation and 4 Shore Tourist Parks. The Flood Mitigation program does have accumulated votes \$200,000 to purchase property in the floodway and the caravan parks have \$720,00 for cabins and some work would be undertaken by outside trades, such as electrical. I am assured that all flood Mitigation and works will be completed but I am unconvinced that these works will not be at the expense of other works, which as a consequence will remain uncompleted at the end of the year.

WATER					
Leak Detection	20,421				20,421
SEWERAGE					
SKEM Study	87,500			87,500(G)	175,000
TOTALS	288,379			87,500	375,879

Report Implications

There are no policy or statutory implications. The financial implications would be a reduction in loan indebtedness.

General Manager's Recommendation:

- 1. That the reduction in General Fund revenue works be used to repay existing loans or reduce our 2004/05 loan borrowings.**
- 2. That Councils 2004/05 General Fund loan borrowing program be reduced by the reduction in loan expenditure.**
- 3. That the revenue savings in Sewerage Fund be transferred to the Sewerage fund Augmentation reserve.**



2004. 601 RESOLVED: *Moved: Cl. Green*
Seconded: Cl. Hunt

That Council move into Workshop to further discuss the issue of 2003 / 2004 budget revotes.



At this stage 11.25am the Meeting moved into a Workshop and at 11.58am the Workshop concluded.



2004. 602 RESOLVED: *Moved: Cl. Hunt*
Seconded: Cl. Green

That the Council meeting be resumed.

2004. 603 RESOLVED: *Moved: Cl. Hunt*
Seconded: Cl. McWilliam

- 1 That Council allocate the following funds from the reduction in revenue works identified in the General Manager's report:-**

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

GM1	ENVIRONMENTAL LEVY	
FILE: R1-2	AVB (NRN)	{Folio No. 280696}

SUMMARY:

To allocate unexpended funds in the Environmental Levy program.



Council decided not to proceed with the capping of Stuarts Point Tip in 2004/05 and to reallocate the funding of \$150,000 to other projects. Council reallocated \$50,000 of the Levy to environmental works at its budget meeting held on 11th May 2004. The remaining \$100,000 is still to be reallocated.

The following projects would be suitable to be funded by the Environmental Levy.

- Trashracks (Gross Pollution Traps) @ \$24,000 at:-
 - Horseshoe Bay x 2
 - Mitchell Street, South West Rocks
 - Belgrave Street, Kempsey
 - Ferry Street, Kempsey
 - Forth Street, Kempsey
 - Drain under highway at Frederickton
 - Lee Street, Crescent Head
- West Kempsey Cemetery, Ecological Channel drain \$25,000
- Board Walk, Boyters Lane Reserve \$125,000
- Water Tune Up (Leakage detection, flow control devices, convert single flush wc's to dual flush and vandal proof spindles on taps) of Council's facilities \$20,000

Report Implications

There are no additional financial, statutory or policy implications arising from the report.

General Manager's Recommendation:

That Council reallocate \$100,000 of Environmental Levy funds to projects outlined in the report.

2004. 605

RESOLVED:

*Moved: Cl. Bowell
Seconded: Cl. Hunt*

- 1 That the General Managers recommendation be adopted.**

2 That the funds be allocated to the following projects:-

- Gross Pollution Traps or Trash racks - \$75,000
- West Kempsey Cemetery Drain - \$25,000

GM2	MACLEAY VALLEY COAST TOURISM STRATEGIC PLAN	FILE: T3-5	AVB (NRN)	{Folio No. 280697}
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This report was dealt with earlier in the meeting just after PUBLIC FORUM.

GM3	2003/04 BUDGET REVOTES	FILE: A2-22	AVB (NRN)	{Folio No. 280698}
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This report was dealt with earlier in the meeting in conjunction with reports DE1 Supplementary and DCCS1.

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A V Burgess
GENERAL MANAGER



WORKS INSPECTION

23rd August 2004

REPORT OF THE WORKS INSPECTION HELD ON THE 23rd AUGUST 2004 COMMENCING FROM THE CIVIC CENTRE, CORNER ELBOW AND TOZER STREETS, WEST KEMPSEY, AT 9.00AM.

PRESENT:

Councillor J A C Hayes (Mayor), Councillors J H Bowell, E A Green, J C Gribbin, T L Hunt, R H McWilliam, D F Saul, B R Sowter and E Walker.

Also in attendance were Tom Vermeulen, Tony Ward and Keith Finnie.

Ken Ward attended for the first item.



- 1. Two Lot Subdivision – Lot 6 DP832352 No 42 Cyrus Saul Circuit, Frederickton
File T4-04-356**

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MOVED:

That the application be approved

*Moved: Cl. Sowter
Seconded: Cl. Walker*

The MOTION was PUT to the Meeting and was LOST.

RESOLVED:

*Moved: Cl. Howell
Seconded: Cl. Hunt*

That the proposal be refused due to

- (i) the negative impacts on the amenity of the area.
- (ii) the safety concerns
- (iii) the impacts of traffic, and
- (iv) the noise impacts.

Councillor Sowter and Councillor Saul recorded their votes against the foregoing Resolution.

**3. Quarry Road and Kemps Access, Frederickton
File R Quarry Rd**

RECOMMENDED:

*Moved: Cl. Green
Seconded: Cl. Hunt*

1. That the Director Engineering prepare a report on the costs and options to upgrade Quarry Road, Frederickton.
2. That the Acting Director Environmental Services report to the next meeting of Council detailing the guidelines for determining Existing Use rights on properties and what is required for development.

CONCLUSION

The Works Inspection terminated at 1.15pm.



2004. 606

RESOLVED:

*Moved: Cl. Howell
Seconded: Cl. Green*

That the report of the Works Inspection held 23rd August 2004 be adopted.



QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

Councillor B R Sowter

Councillor Sowter was advised:-

- 1 That the Director Engineering would negotiate with the school bus company regarding the possible relocation of the pick up point at Billybyang Creek Road which is adjacent to Mr Mordue's property.

Councillor R H McWilliam

Councillor McWilliam was advised:-

- 1 That the Director Engineering would follow up the procedure for sweeping loose gravel after resealing and patching work.
- 2 That the Director Engineering would arrange for "No Fishing" signage to be erected at Perrotts Bridge at Jerseyville.

Councillor E A Green

Councillor Green was advised:-

- 1 That a review of the Section 94 contributions was not proposed for the next year as funding for the review was listed but not included in the 2004/2005 budget.
- 2 In accordance with a resolution of Council at its meeting on 10th August 2004 a further report on the connection of Hat Head residents to the sewerage system is to be prepared for Council.

Councillor J H Howell

Councillor Howell was advised:-

- 1 That the Director Business Enterprise would investigate the situation regarding the access road to the Crescent Head Caravan Park.
- 2 That the Director Engineering would investigate the need for re-location of a power pole opposite the newsagent in Crescent Head which is on the roadway.
- 3 That the Director Engineering would raise the issue of a reduction in the speed limit of heavy vehicles through Kempsey at the upcoming Traffic Committee meeting in light of the recent heavy vehicle accidents.
- 4 That the Director Corporate and Community Services would be made aware of a proposed meeting in Port Macquarie next Wednesday 1st September 2004 to outline the criteria for the allocation of beds for Aged Care.

Councillor J A C Hayes

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Councillor Hayes was advised:-

- 1 That the Director Business Enterprise would investigate the poor quality of the Tourism banners across the Highway leading into Kempsey.
- 2 That the Acting Director Environmental Services would investigate the location of four (4) caravans parked on land in the vicinity of Quarry Road and Raymonds Lane.
- 3 That the Acting Director Environmental Services would be reporting to the next ordinary Council meeting on existing use rights provisions in relation to the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act.
- 4 That it was the Acting Director Environmental Services understanding that not having to pay section 94 contributions on old land portions was a previous policy and not in accordance with Council's current policy.

Councillor J H Howell

Councillor Howell was advised:-

- 1 That other Councillors had received a letter from Mr John Jeayes of the Crescent Head Ratepayers Association regarding an apology for accusations made over a development issue and the General Manager had received a letter from Mrs Scott regarding this matter

Councillor D F Saul

Councillor Saul advised the meeting:-

- 1 That the work undertaken by Engineering staff at Collombatti Road near Everson's Gate was to be commended and the residents were very happy with the quality of the work done.



CONCLUSION:

There being no further business, the Meeting terminated at 12.55 p.m.

