



MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF KEMPSEY SHIRE COUNCIL

Tuesday 22nd June 2004 commencing at 9.48am.

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; Director Corporate and Community Services, T I Hannam; Director Business Enterprises, G B Snape, Pat Hanrahan and Donna Pearson.



ASSESSMENT OF ITEMS LISTED IN CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS PAPER

MOVED:

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

That the confidential report GM1 be considered in open Council.

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ADOPTION OF AGENDA ORDER OF BUSINESS

2004. 409

RESOLVED:

*Moved: Cl. Howell
Seconded: Cl. Sowter*

That the Agenda Order of Business be adopted.



DIRECTOR ENGINEERING REPORT

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HORSESHOE BAY RESERVE

FILE: R3-21 KJF

{Folio No. 277075}

SUMMARY:

*THIS IS PAGE 1 OF THE FULL TEXT MINUTES OF THE EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE
KEMPSEY SHIRE COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 22ND JUNE 2004*

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MAYOR

Reporting on the Plan of Management for Horseshoe Bay Reserve.



Council, at its meeting of 11th May 2004, resolved:

“That the proposed workshop to review the Plan of Management for Horseshoe Bay Reserve be held Tuesday, 22nd June 2004, following the Planning Committee Meeting.”

The report of 11th May 2004 is attached as *Appendix A* for Council consideration.

Subsequently, a letter has been received from the Department of Lands on this issue and a copy is attached at *Appendix B*.

The implications of the report, the Plan of Management, and any adjustments to the Plan of Management can be fully discussed at the Council Workshop.

Directors Comment:

As per report.

Report Implications:

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

Director Engineering Recommendation:

For Council determination.

2004. 410

RESOLVED:

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

That this report be deferred for the conduct of a Workshop later in the meeting.



LATE BUSINESS – LOCAL GOVERNMENT CULTURAL AWARD

At this stage the Mayor advised the meeting that Council had received an award under the Local Government Cultural Awards 2004 for the West Kempsey Community Renewal Project.

2004. 411

RESOLVED:

*Moved: Cl. Green
Seconded: Cl. Sowter*

That this matter be dealt with at this meeting as it is deemed by the Mayor to be a matter of great urgency.

That a letter of congratulations be forwarded to Mavis Symonds, Co-ordinator of the West Kempsey Community Renewal Project.



DIRECTOR CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES REPORT

DCCS1	COUNCIL COMMITTEES – MEMBERSHIP APPOINTMENTS
FILE: C18-13	PJH {Folio No. 277080}

SUMMARY:

Reporting on the appointment of community members and other representatives to Council's Committees.



Council will recall that in appointing the Councillor delegates to the Council Committees at the 11th May 2004 Council meeting it was advised that appointment of community members to the Committees would be undertaken in June following advertising for expressions of interest and letters being sent to all existing committee members.

Letters were sent to each community representative during the period 21-28 May 2004 requesting them to complete the nomination form if they sought re-appointment and return this to Council by Friday 11th June 2004. Advertisements have also been placed seeking any other community nominations to the committees, which have community representatives.

Following under the heading of each Committee are the nominations received. Nominations have been marked as "previous" or "new" to show if the nomination was from a previous committee member or not.

Where the nomination is from a person representing a specific organisation the name of the organisation is shown, otherwise it is listed as community member.

Some committees have staff as voting members and this is detailed where applicable.

Aboriginal Liaison Committee

Gary Morris (previous) - Booroongen Djugun Aboriginal Corporation)
Dawn Thornton (previous) - NSW Premiers Dept
Chris Latta (previous) - Kempsey Macleay Womens Reconciliation

Robert Silva (previous) - Macleay Business Enterprise Centre
Harry Bell (previous) - Burran Dalai Aboriginal Corporation
Ren Perkins (new) – Djigay Centre Student Manager
Ruth Cambell (previous) – Elders Council
Beverley Roberts (previous) – Many Rivers Violence Prevention Unit
Narelle Cochrane (previous) – Community Health
Steve Blunden (previous) – ATSIC Many Rivers Region
Ursula Donohue (previous) – Dept Community Services
Bronwyn Leon (previous) – Dept Community Services
Noel Lockwood (previous) – Guri Wa Ngundagar CDEP Program
Fred Kelly (previous) – Djigay Students Association
Gerald Bradshaw (previous) – Djigay Students Association
Caroline Bradshaw (previous) – Macleay Valley Local AEGG
Lillian Greenup (previous) – Regional Extended Family Services
Harold Smith (previous) – Kempsey Local Aboriginal Land Council
Andrew Hoholt (previous) – Kempsey Local Aboriginal Land Council
David Toby (previous) – Thunghutti Local Aboriginal Lands Council
Laurie Clay (previous) – Durri Medical Service
Father Bernie Ryan (new) – community member
Andrea Douglas (new) – community member
Shirley Kelly (previous) – community member
Mary-Lou Buck (previous) – community member
Madeline Donovan (previous) – community member
Mavis Davis (previous) – community member

Access Committee

Paul Phillips (previous) - community member
David Corbett (previous) – community member
Patricia Oldfield (previous) – Kempsey and Nambucca Blind Group
Jim Fisher (previous) – community member
Richard Mackay (previous) – community member
Madeleine Mainey (previous) – Community Health
President Kempsey Branch CWA (previous)

Australia Day Committee

No community nominations were received.

The Australia Day Committee should comprise the following staff as voting members:

Two (2) staff members nominated by the Director Corporate and Community Services

Bellbrook Sewerage Liaison Committee

The community members of the Bellbrook Sewerage Liaison Committee were finalised by Council at its 13th April 2004 meeting. The members appointed should be confirmed again at this meeting as:

Lyn Gleeson (previous) – community member
Anthony Fitzpatrick (previous) – community member
Carol Dunlevie (previous) – community member

The following staff should also be appointed as voting members:

The Director Business Enterprise or his nominee

Caravan Park Committee

The Caravan Park Committee does not have community members however Council should confirm the appointment of the following staff as voting members of the Caravan Park Committee:

Director Business Enterprise
Small Business Manager
Tourism Services Manager

Coastal and Estuary Management Committee

Terry Parkhouse (previous) National Parks Association Three Valleys Branch
Marcus Riches (previous) – NSW Fisheries
John Jeayes (previous) – Crescent Head Ratepayers & Residents Assoc
Victor Grezl (new) – South West Rocks Marine Group
Colin Campbell (previous) – National Parks & Wildlife Service
Rod McDonagh (previous) – Waterways Authority
MASSLAG representative (previous) – name of representative to be advised
Dept of Land & Water Conservation – name of representative to be advised
Lewis Nicholl (previous) – Hat Head Dune Care Group
Malcolm Ptolemy (previous) – community member
Howard Lee (previous) – community member
Russell Bowen (new) – community member
Karen Gribbin (new) – community member

Community Services Committee

The appointment of community organisation delegates to the Community Services Committee is based on the various community service organisations in the Shire being represented on the committee by a delegate.

Membership of the Community Services committee should therefore comprise a representative of the following organisations:

Department of Corrective Services
Mid North Coast Area Health Service
NSW Department of Community Services
Kempsey Children's Services Co-operative
Kempsey Women and Children's Services
Kempsey PCYC
Macleay Valley U3A Incorporated
South Kempsey Neighbourhood Improvement Program
Many Rivers Violence Prevention Unit
Kempsey Neighbourhood Centre
West Kempsey Community Renewal Project
Playgroup Association of NSW
Kempsey Shire Council Economic Development Officer
Kempsey Shire Council Community Safety Officer

Kempsey Community Health Department
Kempsey Centrelink
Kempsey Hospital Mental Health Unit
Kempsey Post School Options
Kempsey Community Housing
Kempsey Police
Stuarts Point Community House
South West Rocks Mental Health
Regional Council for Social Development
Kempsey Probation and Parole Service
Macleay Accommodation Support

Community Safety Council

The appointment of community organisation delegates to the Community Safety Council is also based on the various community service organisations in the Shire being represented on the committee by a delegate.

The membership of the Community Safety Council should comprise of a representative of the following organisations:

Kempsey Police
Department of Corrective Services
NSW Premiers Department
Djigay Centre
Department of Housing
Kempsey Women and Children's Services
Department of Community Services
Kempsey Community Health Services
NSW Department of Education and Training
West Kempsey Neighbourhood Improvement Program
Many Rivers Violence Prevention Unit
Durri Medical Centre
Kempsey Probation and Parole Service
Kempsey Juvenile Justice
Elders Council South Kempsey
Kempsey Mental Health Support Group
Community Health Violence Against Women Strategy
Mid North Coast Area Health Service
Kempsey Centrelink
Goorie Galbans
Kempsey SES

Kempsey Local Ranking Committee - Area Assistance Scheme

Fred Kelly (previous) – community member
Trisha Elbourne (previous) – community member
Helen Bean (previous) – community member
Lyn Cook (previous) – community member
Cheryl Robinson (previous) – community member

The following staff should also be appointed as voting members:

The Director Environmental Services or his nominee

The Director Corporate and Community Services or his nominee

Kempsey Assistance Patrol

The Kempsey Assistance Patrol committee should comprise a representative of local organisations as follows:

Kempsey Police
Kempsey Macleay RSL Club
Kempsey CDEP Program
Kempsey Local Aboriginal Land Council
Guri Wa Ngundagar CDEP Program
Kempsey Shire Council Co-ordinator – May Gill

Kempsey Community Gallery Committee

Karen Gribbin (new) – community member

The Kempsey Community Gallery Committee membership should also comprise a representative from:-

Gladstone Hall Committee
Macleay Valley Arts Council
Aboriginal Community
Kempsey Shire Council – Director Corporate and Community Services or his nominee

Kempsey Masterplan Implementation Committee

Kempsey Chamber of Commerce – representative to be advised
Chris Mowle (previous) – community member
David Fry (previous) – community member
Jennifer Igerl (new) – community member

The following staff should also be appointed as voting members:

The Director Engineering or his nominee
The Director Environmental Services or his nominee

Local Heritage Committee

John Russell (previous) – Macleay Historical Society
Billie Crawford (previous) – Macleay Historical Society

The following staff should also be appointed as voting members:

The Director Environmental Services or his nominee

Macleay Development and Promotion Committee

Jennifer Kelly (previous) – community member
Richard Emerson (previous) – community member
David Prestwich (previous) – community member
Chris Mowle (previous) – community member

Diana Pook (previous) – Macleay Business Enterprise Centre

The following staff should also be appointed as voting members:

The General Manager or his nominee

Macleay District Sports Council

The constitution of the Macleay District Sports Council requires that each User Group should be a voting delegate i.e. each User Group represented at the meetings has one vote. The membership of the Macleay District Sports Council should comprise a representative of each of the following organisations:

Verge Street User Group
Stuarts Point User Group
Kemp Street User Group
Crescent Head User Group
South West Rocks User Group
Upper Macleay User Group
Frederickton User Group
South East User Group
Services Park User Group
Gladstone User Group
Smithtown User Group
Eden Street User Group
Aboriginal Sports Committee

The following staff should also be appointed as voting members:

The General Manager or his nominee
The Director Engineering or his nominee

Macleay Floodplain Project Committee

Peter Haskins (previous) - Dept of Infrastructure Planning & Natural Resources
Colin Campbell (previous) – National Parks & Wildlife Service
Mick Foster (previous) – community member
Kevin Rosten (previous) – community member
Terry Parkhouse (previous) – community member
Des Brady (previous) – community member
Simon Walsh (previous) – community member
Howard Lee (previous) – community member
Russell Bowen (new) – community member

The following staff should also be appointed as voting members:

The Director Environmental Services or his nominee

Macleay Flood Risk Management Committee

The Director Engineering is to review the makeup of the Macleay Flood Risk Management Committee and such review is to be discussed at the next meeting of the Committee.

It would be appropriate to defer any appointments to the Macleay Flood Risk Management Committee until the Director Engineering's report on the makeup of this Committee is presented to Council.

Men's Accommodation and Resource Centre Committee

Kay Clarke (previous) – community member
Sheila Scott (previous) – community member
Beatrice Gray (previous) – community member
Margaret Campbell (previous) – community member

The Mens Accommodation and Resource Centre Committee should also include a representative of the following organisations:

Department of Corrective Services
Kempsey Family Support Services
Kempsey Neighbourhood Centre
Kempsey Probation and Parole Service
Many Rivers Violence Protection Unit
Kempsey Community Housing
Salvation Army
Centrelink
Department of Housing

Saleyards Advisory Committee

W McGoldrick (previous) - Kempsey Stock & Land
Ian Argue (previous) - Kempsey Stock & Land
Harry Borger (previous) – community member
Ron Swan (previous) – community member
Alan Griffin (previous) – community member
John Dew (previous) – community member
Wayne Farrell (new) – community member
Russell Bowen (new) – community member
Neil Griffin (new) – community member

South West Rocks CBD Masterplan Implementation Committee

Ms S Graham (previous) – community member
David Maxwell (previous) – community member
Stephen McEvoy (previous) – community member
Graham Eagleton (previous) – community member
Kevin Ball (previous) – community member

The following staff should also be appointed as voting members:

The Director Engineering or his nominee
The Director Environmental Services or his nominee

Stuarts Point Sewerage Liaison Committee

The community members of the Stuarts Point Sewerage Liaison Committee were finalised by Council at its 13th April 2004 meeting. The members appointed should be confirmed again at this meeting as:

Chris Nelson (previous) – community member
Ian Tolson (previous) – community member
Terry Parkhouse (previous) – community member
Russell Bowen (previous) – community member
Nikki Smith (previous) - Stuarts Point District Community Organisation

The following staff should also be appointed as voting members:

The Director Business Enterprise or his nominee

West Kempsey Community Renewal Project Advisory Committee

Francis Little (previous) – community member
Karen Hardy (previous) – community member
Wally Hardy (previous) – community member
Karen Hall (previous) – School as Communities
Voula Crossingham (new) – community member
Jennifer Igerl (new) – community member

Willawarrin Sewerage Liaison Committee

The community members of the Willawarrin Sewerage Liaison Committee were finalised by Council at its 13th April 2004 meeting. The members appointed should be confirmed again at this meeting as:

David Wilkinson (previous) – community member
David Horsburgh (previous) – community member
Geoff Gill (previous) – community member

The following staff should also be appointed as voting members:

The Director Business Enterprise or his nominee

Nominations from new community members and consideration of the numbers of members to be appointed

Where Council has received new community member nominations, a copy of their nominations, which includes a brief resume, have been attached for Council's information at [\(Appendix A\)](#)

The following Committees have received community member nominations where the number of community member nominations received exceeds the number of community members previously on these Committees and Council may wish to conduct an election in these instances:-

Aboriginal Liaison Committee – 6 community nominations (previously 4).

Coastal and Estuary Committee – 4 community nominations (previously 3)

Kempsey Masterplan Committee – 3 community nominations (previously 2)

Saleyards Committee – 7 community nominations (previously 5)

Review of community members of committees

Council has resolved that community members be reviewed each September in conjunction with the re-appointment of Councillor delegates. A report on this will be submitted to the September ordinary Council meeting.

Report Implications:

There are no financial, statutory or policy implications arising from this report. Community members attend voluntarily and receive no remuneration however there is staff time and stationery costs in preparation of agendas and minutes to each member.

Director Corporate and Community Services Recommendation:

- 1 That Council determine the Community members to be appointed to the Committees.**
- 2 That the Director Engineering provides a further report on the appointment of community member appointments to the Macleay Flood Risk Management Committee.**
- 3 That the General Manager be authorised to alter the membership of the committees as deemed appropriate in the interim periods prior to a review each September in conjunction with the re-appointment of Councillor delegates.**

2004. 413

RESOLVED:

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

That the number of community members on each committee be no more than that which previously served on the committees.

Aboriginal Liaison Committee

2004. 414

RESOLVED:

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

That the four (4) community members to be appointed to the Aboriginal Liaison Committee be determined by the Aboriginal Liaison Committee at their next meeting, with the four members to be selected from the six (6) nominations received.

Access Committee

2004. 415

RESOLVED:

*Moved: Cl. Hunt
Seconded: Cl. Walker*

That the four (4) community members nominated be appointed to the Access Committee.

Australia Day Committee

2004. 416

RESOLVED:

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

That the Director Corporate and Community Services or his nominee and Community Services Co-ordinator Melanie Booth be appointed to the Australia Day Committee.

Bellbrook Sewerage Liaison Committee

2004. 417

RESOLVED:

*Moved: Cl. Hunt
Seconded: Cl. Sowter*

That the three (3) community members nominated and the Director Business Enterprise or his nominee be appointed to the Bellbrook Sewerage Liaison Committee.

Caravan Park Committee

2004. 418

RESOLVED:

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

That the Director Business Enterprise, the Small Business Manager and Tourism Services Manager be appointed to the Caravan Park Committee.



Councillor Gribbin declared an interest in the following item for the reason that his wife has nominated for the Coastal and Estuary Committee as a community member and retired from the Chambers.

Coastal and Estuary Management Committee

2004. 419

RESOLVED:

*Moved: Cl. Hunt
Seconded: Cl. Walker*

That a secret ballot be carried out to elect the community members to be appointed to the Coastal and Estuary Management Committee.

The General Manager declared that following the election to determine three (3) members of the Coastal and Estuary Management Committee the three (3) community members elected to the committee are Malcolm Ptolemy, Howard Lee and Russell Bowen.

2004. 420

RESOLVED:

*Moved: Cl. Hunt
Seconded: Cl. Walker*

That the appointment of Malcolm Ptolemy, Howard Lee and Russell Bowen to the Coastal and Estuary Management Committee as community members be confirmed.

Councillor Gribbin returned to the Chambers.



Community Services Committee

2004. 421 **RESOLVED:** *Moved: Cl. Sowter
Seconded: Cl. Green*

That the membership of the Community Services Committee be referred to the committee for a review of its membership.

Kempsey Local Ranking Committee Area Assistance Scheme

2004. 422 **RESOLVED:** *Moved: Cl. Sowter
Seconded: Cl. Bowell*

That the five (5) community members nominated be appointed to the Kempsey Local Ranking Committee – Area Assistance Scheme.

Kempsey Assistance Patrol

2004. 423 **RESOLVED:** *Moved: Cl. Hunt
Seconded: Cl. Green*

That the Director Corporate and Community Services and Co-ordinator May Gill be appointed to the Kempsey Assistance Patrol Committee.

Councillor Gribbin declared an interest in the following item for the reason that his wife is a nomination to be a community member of the Kempsey Community Gallery Committee, and retired from the Chambers.

Kempsey Community Gallery Committee

2004. 424 **RESOLVED:** *Moved: Cl. Hunt
Seconded: Cl. Green*

That the one (1) nomination received and the Director Corporate and Community Services be appointed to the Kempsey Community Gallery Committee.

Councillor Gribbin returned to the Chambers.



Kempsey Masterplan Implementation Committee

2004. 425 **RESOLVED:** *Moved: Cl. Hunt
Seconded: Cl. Walker*

Macleay Floodplain Project Committee

2004. 430 **RESOLVED:** *Moved: Cl. Hunt*
Seconded: Cl. Walker

That the seven (7) community members as nominated together with the Director Environmental Services or his nominee be appointed to the Macleay Floodplain Project Committee.

Macleay Flood Risk Management Committee

2004. 431 **RESOLVED:** *Moved: Cl. Bowell*
Seconded: Cl. McWilliam

That the appointment of the membership of the Macleay Flood Risk Management Committee be deferred pending a further report to Council from the Director Engineering.

Men's Accommodation and Resource Centre Management Committee

2004. 432 **RESOLVED:** *Moved: Cl. Hunt*
Seconded: Cl. Sowter

That the four (4) community members nominated and the Director Corporate and Community Services or his nominee be appointed to the Men's Accommodation and Resource Centre Committee.

Sale Yards Advisory Committee

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

That the representatives of Kempsey Stock and Land be appointed to the Sale Yards Advisory Committee, be encouraged to contribute, and invited to attend but have no voting rights.

The MOTION was PUT to the Meeting and was LOST.

2004. 433 **RESOLVED:** *Moved: Cl. Sowter*
Seconded: Cl. Walker

That each agent using the Kempsey Sale Yards has one (1) representative on the Sale Yards Advisory Committee and that each licensed agency have only one vote.

2004. 434 **RESOLVED:** *Moved: Cl. Saul*
Seconded: Cl. Hunt

That the election of five (5) community members for the Sale Yards Advisory Committee be conducted by secret ballot.

Following the election the General Manager declared that the community members elected for the Sale Yards Advisory Committee are Harry Borger, Alan Griffin, Russell Bowen, Neil Griffin and Ron Swan.

2004. 435 **RESOLVED:** *Moved: Cl. Saul*
Seconded: Cl. Hunt

That the appointment of Harry Borger, Alan Griffin, Russell Bowen, Neil Griffin and Ron Swan to the Sale Yards Advisory Committee as community members be confirmed.

South West Rocks CBD Masterplan Implementation Committee

2004. 436 **RESOLVED:** *Moved: Cl. Hunt*
Seconded: Cl. Green

That the five (5) community members nominated, the Director Environmental Services or his nominee and the Director Engineering or his nominee be appointed to the South West Rocks CBD Masterplan Implementation Committee.

Stuarts Point Sewerage Liaison Committee

2004. 437 **RESOLVED:** *Moved: Cl. Hunt*
Seconded: Cl. Green

The four (4) community members nominated and the Director Business Enterprise or his nominee be appointed to the Stuarts Point Sewerage Liaison Committee

West Kempsey Community Renewal Project Advisory Committee

2004. 438 **RESOLVED:** *Moved: Cl. Hunt*
Seconded: Cl. Green

That the five (5) community members nominated be appointed to the West Kempsey Community Renewal Project Advisory Committee.

Willawarrin Sewerage Liaison Committee

2004. 439 **RESOLVED:** *Moved: Cl. Hunt*
Seconded: Cl. Green

That the three (3) community members nominated and the Director Business Enterprise or his nominee be appointed to the Willawarrin Sewerage Liaison Committee.

2004. 440 **RESOLVED:** *Moved: Cl. Hunt*
Seconded: Cl. Saul

That the General Manager be authorised to alter the membership of the committees as deemed appropriate in the interim periods prior to a review each September in conjunction with the re-appointment of Councillor delegates.

2004. 441 **RESOLVED:** *Moved: Cl. Green*

Seconded: Cl. Saul

1. That a formal process of selection of members of committees be developed based on assessment of previous attendance, qualifications and areas of interest and expertise.
2. That the first meeting of all committees be held prior to the August Council Meeting and incorporate development of aims and objectives, terms of reference and membership, timeframes and standing orders and that the first item of each meeting be objectives of that committee and also an evaluation be conducted at the conclusion of each meeting.
3. That a formal review of the effectiveness of committees be conducted six monthly.

2004. 442

RESOLVED:

*Moved: Cl. McWilliam
Seconded: Cl. Bowell*

That all the committees be put in place until September 2005.

DCCS2	MINOR ADJUSTMENT TO RATING STRUCTURE 2004 / 2005
FILE: R1-2 WMS	{Folio No. 277085}

SUMMARY:

The Department of Lands, Valuer Generals Office, has recently dealt with several objections to the new land values issued for the Kempsey Shire, resulting in major alterations to land valuation at Hat Head and minor changes to Crescent Head.



As a result of 9 objections in Hat Head village the Valuer has re-ascertained the land values for 55 valuations, resulting in a decrease in land value of approx. \$5.5 million (\$100,000 per property) for Hat Head. In Dulconghi Street Crescent Head, 28 properties experienced a decrease of approx \$1 million (Approx \$ 34,000 per property) because of valuation objections by 3 property owners.

The reduction of \$5.5 million land value equates to approx \$16,500 in rating revenue for 2004 / 2005 year for the Hat Head Residential rate category, and a \$1 million land value equates to approx \$2,800 a year for the Crescent Head Residential rate category.

Unless Council determines to amend the appropriate section of the management plan prior to adoption, these amounts will be lost to Council revenue for the 2004 / 2005 rating year, but will be recoverable on Schedule 4 of the 2005 / 2006 rating return.

The change to the management plan would be considered minor. To recoup the lost revenue Council would need to increase the ad valorem rate in the dollar for Hat Head from 0.3003 to 0.3248, and Crescent Head from 0.3003 to 0.3024. There would be no requirement to re-exhibit the Management Plan. However, Council would publicise any changes.

Those Hat Head properties that have been subject to the re-ascertainment will receive a reduction in rate liability, in comparison to the adopted rate structure, of between \$227 and \$245 (average \$232). Those Hat Head properties that have not been affected by the re-ascertainment will have an increased rate liability, in comparison to the adopted rate structure, of between \$22 and \$115 (average \$50).

Those Crescent Head properties that have been subject to the re-ascertainment will receive a reduction in rate liability, in comparison to the adopted rate structure, of between \$49 and \$110 (average \$85). Those Crescent Head properties that have not been affected by the re-ascertainment will have an increased rate liability, in comparison to the adopted rate structure, of between \$0.42 and \$11.80 (average \$5.80).

Financial Implications

If the Management Plan is amended then the financial implication is zero, if the Management Plan is not amended then the rate revenue would be reduced by approx \$19,000 for 2004 / 2005. The shortfall would then be available to Council for 2005 / 2006 rate year.

2004. 443

RESOLVED:

*Moved: Cl. Hunt
Seconded: Cl. McWilliam*

That a minor amendment be made to the Management Plan, whereby the ad valorem rate in the dollar for Hat Head be increased to 0.3248 cents (up from 0.3003) and Crescent Head be increased to 0.3024 (up from 0.3003).

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T I Hannam
DIRECTOR CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES



DIRECTOR BUSINESS ENTERPRISES REPORT

DBE1	SUBMISSIONS ON DRAFT MANAGEMENT PLAN
FILE: A3-8 GBS	{Folio No. 277096}

SUMMARY:

Reporting on matters raised in submissions on Councils 2004/05 Draft Management Plan.



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MAYOR

1. Mr John Moore

Mr Moore submits that Council should reduce the Water Access charges for larger sized meters (ie. 40mm, 50mm and 80mm) on the basis that:-

- a) the proposed charges are an unfair impost on business, and are damaging to Council's strategies to attract business growth.
- b) the Best Practice Pricing Guidelines have been changed and no longer require the Access Charges to be calculated on "the square of the size of the customer's water supply".
- c) Council has given a 50% concessional reduction in Access Charges for 100mm and 150mm water connection.
- d) there was insufficient lead-in time in implementation of the new increased charges to allow business to make necessary adjustments.

This issue was considered by Council at its Estimates meeting when an Option to provide some reduction in Access Charges for 40mm, 50mm and 80mm connections and offset with a 2 cents per kilolitre increase in consumption charges was proposed. This proposal was NOT accepted by Council at that time.

Mr Moore suggests that the reduction in Access Charges could be recovered by an increase in the Access Charges for the smaller meters ie. 20 and 25mm.

On this basis a 25% reduction in Access Charges for 40mm, 50mm and 80mm water connections would require a \$5.75 increase in Access Charges for 20mm and 25mm connections.

It should be noted that whereas the initial impact of the introduction of Best Practice Water Supply Pricing was a reduction in costs for residential customers and an increase in costs for high use business customers, the granting of concessions on Access Charges is having the reverse effect.

A copy of the submission from Mr Moore is attached to the General Manager's Report.

If Council is of a mind to vary the Water Supply Access Charges, or consumption charges, and such variation results in an increase to other categories of customers, consideration needs to be given as to whether the change is a significant one and if so whether the proposal need to be re-advertised.

2. Kempsey Stock and Land

A copy of the correspondence from Kempsey Stock and Land is attached as a (Confidential Appendix A).

Kempsey Stock and Land raise concern in regard to the proposed 100% increase in Agents Fees.

The 2004/05 Draft Budget proposes that the fees paid directly by the Agent will increase from approximately \$20,000 to \$40,000pa, and in addition the Agent collects on behalf of vendors and remits to council a further \$121,000. ie. total fees paid to Council \$161,000pa.

In subsequent discussions with the General Manager and Director of Business Enterprises, the principals of Kempsey Stock and Land have reluctantly accepted the proposed fees on the basis that:-

- a) a 5 year lease agreement be entered into whereby Kempsey Stock and Land retain their exclusive use of the Sale yards for their current fortnightly Market Day sales and monthly Saturday Special Sales.
- b) the fees be subject to review in one years time in the light of industry circumstances at that time.

Director's Comment:

As per Report.

Report Implications:

The adoption of the following recommendation will not require any alteration to the 2004/05 Budget.

There are no Policy or Statutory implications.

2004. 444

RESOLVED:

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

1. That Council advise Mr John Moore that Water Supply Access Charges for larger sized connections will remain as advertised in the 2004/05 Draft Management Plan, however, further consideration will be given to this matter next year as Council moves towards implementation of the new Best Practice Water Pricing Guidelines.
2. That Council advise Kempsey Stock and Land that it is prepared to enter into a 5 year lease of the Sale yards for agreed sales, and that the Sale yards Fees will be subject to review for 2005/06.

**G B Snape
DIRECTOR BUSINESS ENTERPRISES**



GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

SUMMARY:

Reporting on alterations required to Draft Management Plan before 30th June 2004.

**Matters - Internal****a. Revision required to Draft Management Plan**

An omission has been identified on page 81 of the Draft Management Plan. No details of the proposed Local Loan Charge for the Jerseyville Sewerage Scheme had been included. There are 38 assessments affected by this charge and each of the owners of those assessments were advised by letter of the charge and submission procedure.

The revised page 81 (Rates and Charges - Sewerage Charges) is attached at [\(Appendix A\)](#)

b. Revisions required to the General Fund Draft Budget

An over-estimation of Section 94 contributions of \$1,000 for each of 2004/05 and 2005/06 has been identified for the provision of sunshades over playgrounds within the Parks and Gardens and Reserves Activity of the General Fund Draft Budget. Correction of these errors will result in revised results for both of those years of \$1,279 surplus and \$43,921 surplus for 2004/05 and 2005/06 respectively.

c. Revision required to the Ancillary Facilities - Traffic Facilities, Capital Works Program and the Bridges Specific Asset Management Program.

At its meeting of 29th April, 2004 Council considered a report from the Director Engineering (DE1 - Draft Budget - Engineering Section) advising, among other things, of requested a revision to the program included for the Traffic Facilities Capital Works Program, seeking approval to transfer funds allocated for a Pedestrian Refuge at Greenhill to a similar project at South West Rocks. No variation in funding requests was made.

This report was adopted with its recommendation "For consideration" and no variations to the programs were approved. Council is now requested to amend the program in accordance with that report.

A copy of the original report is attached at [\(Appendix B\)](#). Item 8 of the report covers the requested variation.

Additionally, council was requested in the same report to amend its specific Asset Bridge Management Program as detailed in Item 2 of the report. However, a recent inspection of Johnson's Bridge on Collombatti Road has shown that urgent work is required at an estimated cost of \$40,000.

Council is requested to revise its adopted allocation as follows to allow the necessary works to be carried out in 2004/05:

Original Program

Five Day Creek Road - Laurence	\$2000.00	Completed 2003/04
Nulla Nulla Creek Road - Dunbars	\$40,000.00	
Nulla Nulla Creek Road - McIntyres	\$40,000.00	
Nulla Nulla Creek Road - Roses	<u>\$28,000.00</u>	
	\$110,000.00	

Revised Program

Toorooka Bridge Removal	\$20,000.00
Nulla Nulla Creek Road - McIntyres	\$50,000.00
Collombatti Road - Johnson's	<u>\$40,000.00</u>
	\$110,000.00

Future programs for 2005/06 on will be included in the review of the Transport Infrastructure Strategic Plan to make allowance for the above variations.

d. Revision to Grant Funded Roads and Ancillary Facilities Programs

Attached at [\(Appendix C\)](#) are requested variations to subsidised programs following receipt of official advice of grant funded programs.

No variations to the financial results for either 2004 / 05 or 2006 / 07 occur as a result of these variations.

Financial Implications

Should Council resolve to adopt the following recommendations the General Fund Surplus for both 2004 / 05 and 2005 / 06 will reduce by \$1,000 resulting in revised surpluses of \$1,279 (2004 / 05) and \$43,921 (2005 / 06). No variations are required to either the Water or Sewerage Draft Budgets which both show surpluses for 2004 / 05 in the amounts of \$15,357 and \$3,771 respectively.

Policy Implications

Nil

Statutory Implications

Council is required to adopt its Management Plan by 30th June each year.

ESD Implications

Nil

2004. 445

RESOLVED:

*Moved: Cl. Hunt
Seconded: Cl. Sowter*

1. That the required revisions to the Draft Management Plan be made in accordance with the report.
2. That the 2004 / 05 Draft Management Plan as exhibited be adopted in accordance with the provisions of Section 406 of the Local Government Act 1993.

GM2	DRAFT MANAGEMENT PLAN
FILE: A3-8	AVB
	{Folio No. 277106}

SUMMARY:

Reporting to Council on the results of the public exhibition of the Draft Management Plan.



The Draft Management Plan has been on public exhibition from Thursday, 20th May to Friday, 18th June and the public has been invited to forward submissions where they have concerns.

A public meeting to discuss the Management Plan was held on Thursday 10th June and was attended by four people. The concerns expressed at that meeting were:

- Access water charges for 50mm metres
- The need to increase the allocation for road maintenance
- And the need for an organisation restructure

At the time of writing this report two written submissions had been received and they are attached ([Appendix D](#)). These submissions cover:

- Access water charges
- State of the roads
- The need for an organisational restructure
- Jerseyville Sewerage scheme

A separate report covers the affect of successful valuation appeals at Had Head and Crescent Head. Council needs to make a decision as to whether it is going to adjust the rates in those two areas to recover the lost revenue or leave the rates as advertised and recover the lost revenue next year.

The Management Plan is required under the Act to be adopted prior to 30th June 2004.

Report Implications

There are no statutory or policy implications arising from this report. Adoption of the Management Plan will enable Council to levy its rates for the 2004 / 05 year and provide its budgeted works and services.

2004. 446

RESOLVED:

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

1. That Council consider the submissions received as a result of advertising of the Draft Management Plan
2. That a Management Plan for the 2004 / 05 year be adopted

GM3	MAKING OF RATES AND CHARGES FOR 2004 / 2005
FILE: R1-2	JCC (NRN) {Folio No. 277107}

SUMMARY:

Reporting on the requirements for Council to make rates and charges for the year 1st July 2004 to 30th June 2005.



A rate or charge must be **made** before 1st August in the year for which the rate or charge is made.

Council's rating/charges proposals for the 2004 / 2005 year were advertised as required in the Draft Management Plan and no objections were received.

Financial Implications:

The proposed rates and charges are in accordance with Council's 2004 / 2005 Budget and Management Plan for all categories except Crescent Head and Hat Head Residential Rates which are in accordance with Director Corporate and Community Services Report DCCS1 to this meeting.

2004. 447

RESOLVED:

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

That whereas Council has given public notice of its Draft Management Plan for the year 2004 / 2005, and has taken into consideration submissions made in respect thereof, it is now resolved:-

- 1 That the Base Amount plus Ad Val Orem Ordinary Rates as set out hereunder for the various categories and subcategories of all rateable land in the area be now **made** for the year commencing 1st July 2004 pursuant to Section 494 of the Local Government Act 1993: -

Category	Subcategory	Base Amount	Plus	Ad Val Orem
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		\$	%		Cents in \$
Farmland		365.00	37.72		0.3001
Residential	Crescent Head	202.00	22.81		0.3024
	SWR / Arakoon	263.00	36.47		0.3003
	Hat Head	42.00	5.62		0.3248
	Other	259.00	49.37		0.3726
Business	Kempsey CBD	29.00	1.72		0.8697
	Crescent Head	29.00	1.20		0.6420
	SWR / Arakoon	29.00	1.68		0.5489
	Hat Head	29.00	1.58		0.6420
	Mining	29.00	2.73		0.8697
	Other	29.00	3.65		0.8697
Mining		-	-		0.8697

- 2 That the following Domestic Waste Management Service charges be now made for the year 2004 / 05 pursuant to the provisions of Section 496 of the Local Government Act 1993: -

Category	Charge per Annum
Weekly	\$136.90
Fortnightly	\$113.00

- 3 That the following Commercial Waste Service charge be now made for the year 2004 / 05 pursuant to the provision of Section 501 of the Local Government Act 1993: -

Per single weekly service (240 Litre Sulo) \$133.40

- 4 That the Domestic Waste Management Service and the Commercial Waste Service charges be based on the number of separate occupancies or domiciles (whether actually occupied or not) contained within each rateable property for which the service is available.

- 5 That the following water charges be made pursuant to the provisions of Sections 501 and 502 of the Local Government Act 1993 for the period 1st July 2004 to 30th June 2005: -

a. Access Charge

A charge per meter of: -

Meter Size (mm)	Access Charge (\$)
Vacant	265.00
20	265.00
25	276.00
32	654.00

40	1021.00
50	1593.00
80	4073.00
100	4620.00
150	7117.00

b. Usage Charge

I. 83.0¢ per Kilolitre for all water consumed.

6 That the following sewerage charges be made pursuant to the provisions of Section 501 of the Local Government Act 1993 for the period 1st July 2004 to 30th June 2005: -

a. Base Charge – Kempsey, Crescent Head, Hat Head and Lower Macleay Sewerage Areas

I. A sewerage charge in respect of each unconnected chargeable assessment of \$261.00 p.a.

II. A sewerage charge in respect of each connected chargeable assessment of \$499.00 p.a.

b. Sewerage Charges – Kempsey, Crescent Head, Hat Head and Lower Macleay Sewerage Areas

Charges in respect of additional connections of: -

Dwelling Units - \$499.00 for every additional dwelling unit.

Commercial, Industrial and Crown Premises - \$499.00 each WC or cistern serving urinal.

Hotels and Licensed Clubs - \$499.00 each WC or Cistern serving urinal.

Hotels and Motels (Accommodation Portion) - \$249.50 each WC or cistern serving urinal.

Holiday Flats (Multiple Occupancy Units excluding Strata Units) - \$249.50 each WC or cistern serving urinal.

Caravan Parks - \$74.85 per site.

Schools and Churches - \$249.50 each WC or cistern serving urinal.

Non-Profit Community based organisations - \$124.75 each WC or Cistern serving urinal.

Other Premises - \$249.50 each WC or cistern serving urinal.

c. Jerseyville Sewerage Area

A Local Loan charge in respect of each unconnected chargeable assessment of \$261.00 p.a.

- 7 That where an assessment becomes rateable or chargeable for any of the above rates/charges during the year commencing 1st July 2004 that such rates/charge be levied on a pro-rated basis.

GM4	2004 / 2005 FEES AND CHARGES
FILE: A2-12 JCC (NRN)	{Folio No. 277109}

SUMMARY:

Reporting on the advertisement of proposed 2004 / 2005 fees and charges with the Draft Management Plan.



As part of the Draft Management Plan, the proposed "2004 / 2005 Fees and Charges" document was exhibited and comments were sought regarding those fees and charges.

No comments were received resulting from the exhibition of Council's Draft Management Plan.

Financial Implication

The Fees and Charges proposed to be set by Council are the basis for the estimated incomes as shown in the 2004 / 2005 Budget.

2004. 448

RESOLVED:

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

That the amended Draft Schedule of Fees and Charges applicable as from 1st July 2004 to 30th June 2005 as attached to the 2004 / 05 Draft Management Plan be adopted.

GM5	ANNUAL RISK MANAGEMENT HAZARD LIST
FILE: I3-2 PJH (NRN)	{Folio No. 277112}

SUMMARY:

Reporting of the need to consider allocation of funds for potential risks identified on Council's Risk Management Hazard list.



As a result of Council's risk management program, many potential risks have been identified over the last number of years.

Many of these risk require long term funding to address, and it has not been possible to include provision for the necessary works within the sums voted by Council.

Set out at [\(Appendix E\)](#) is a list of these risk situations (not in any particular priority order).

Council's attention is drawn to these items so that it can formally: -

a) Identify which items (if any) it is able to allocate funds; and indicate that its financial position does not allow it to undertake the balance of the items on the list.

Or

b) Indicate that its financial position does not allow it to undertake any of the items on the list.

It should be noted that such a resolution will not guarantee immunity in any litigation as a court will base any decision on what it sees as a "reasonable" time to address these risk items.

Financial Implication

None of the items on the risk management hazard list are currently included in the 2004 / 2005 draft budget. Any such inclusion will affect the deficit or surplus of the proposed budget.

General Managers Recommendation:

That Council's financial position does not allow it to undertake any of the items on the risk management hazard list in 2004/2005.

2004. 449

RESOLVED:

*Moved: Cl. Howell
Seconded: Cl. Sowter*

That Council's financial position does not allow it to include any of the items on the risk management hazard list in 2004 / 2005 Budget and that Council review the risk management hazard list in December 2004.

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**Allan Burgess
GENERAL MANAGER**



QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

Councillor D F Saul

Councillor Saul was advised:-

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MAYOR

- 1 That the Director Engineering would consider referring to the Traffic Committee the possibility of extending the 80kph speed zone on South West Rocks road from East Kempsey until Red Hill Lane but the decision would be determined by the RTA based on a number of assessment factors.

Councillor R H McWilliam

Councillor McWilliam was advised:-

- 1 That the reason some trade waste bins were not emptied at South West Rocks recently was due to two (2) trade waste collection trucks being out of service.

Councillor B R Sowter

Councillor Sowter was advised:-

- 1 That the Director Engineering would investigate a road drainage problem being experienced by the owner at 206 Left Bank Road Kinchela where roadworks have lifted the road level and the former table drain was not restored and water runs off the road into the property.
- 2 That the General Manager would liaise with Councillor Sowter about a suitable time to meet with the Smithtown Oval User Group.

Councillor T Hunt

Councillor Hunt was advised:-

- 1 That the Director Business Enterprise would endeavour to advise businesses in the future when the trade waste collection vehicle would be out of service for two (2) days or more.

Councillor J C Gribbin

Councillor Gribbin was advised:-

- 1 That the Director Engineering would investigate the situation regarding the donation of land for the Collombatti Bush Fire Brigade and the requirement for the Brigade to pay \$2,000 in transfer costs and whether a loan could be offered by Council for this amount so the matter can be finalised.

Councillor J H Bowell

Councillor Bowell was advised:-

- 1 That the Director Business Enterprise had had a recent meeting with Mr Derek Sinclair regarding the preparation of the Caravan Park management plans.

- 2 That the Director Business Enterprise would arrange an inspection of the Crescent Head Caravan Park after the Management Plan is completed.
- 3 That the Management Plan for the Sale yards was still under preparation.
- 4 That the Mayor has flagged the issue of funding of the roads to recovery program for discussion with the Mid North Coast Group of Councils and advised that the funding guidelines have only been released this week.
- 5 That the Director Engineering would, prior to attending the upcoming roads congress, examine the white paper on fuel excise funding released earlier this month by the Deputy Prime Minister.
- 6 That the Director Business Enterprise would follow the need to tidy up around the Hat Head recycling bins.
- 7 That the Mayor would raise at the next Traffic Committee the danger when vehicles turn right into Marys Bay Road from Gowings Hill road due to a blind spot for drivers that has resulted in some near accidents.
- 8 That the Director Engineering would follow up the submission of applications to the Clean Beach Challenge which close on 23rd July 2004.
- 9 That Mayor would follow up the need for a sign in relation to the blocking of the slip lane from the Kempsey Traffic Bridge into Belgrave Street by trucks heading north into Smith Street.
- 10 That a submission had not been sent as yet to the Minister on the noise problems in relation to the Pacific Highway at Frederickton as suggested by the Minister at the Shires Conference.

Councillor Bowell advised the meeting:-

- 11 That he was disappointed of criticism being leveled at the Swimming Pool committee being described by Councillor Gribbin as flippant and the Committee were endeavouring to gain the thoughts of the community by sending circulars to 125 organisations.

Councillor J Gribbin advised the meeting:-

- 1 That his comments on the Swimming Pool committee were made because Council could not afford to consider an indoor swimming pool due to other more urgent funding priorities.



LATE BUSINESS – COUNCILLORS NAME BADGES
FILE: C18-2

At this stage the General Manager advised the meeting that a design for Councillors new name badges had been prepared

2004. 450 **RESOLVED:** *Moved: Cl. Howell*
Seconded: Cl. Saul

That this matter be dealt with at this meeting as it is deemed by the Mayor to be a matter of urgency.

2004. 451 **RESOLVED:** *Moved: Cl. Howell*
Seconded: Cl. Saul

That new badges as displayed on handouts by the General Manager be purchased for Councillors and Senior Staff.



MOTION FOR COMMITTEE

2004. 452 **RESOLVED:** *Moved: Cl. Howell*
Seconded: Cl. Sowter

That Council form itself into the Committee of the Whole, and at this stage the meeting be closed to the public to permit discussion of the confidential business items listed for the reasons as stated in the Agenda.



At this stage, 1.12pm, the Mayor retired from the Chamber and the Deputy Mayor, Councillor Sowter, occupied the chair.

GENERAL MANAGER'S CONFIDENTIAL REPORT

GM1	APPRENTICES		
	FILE: S10- 6	AVB	{Folio No. 277114}

SUMMARY:

Reporting on the need to pay underpayments in Apprentice Salaries.

REASON FOR PRESENTATION OF REPORT ON A CONFIDENTIAL BASIS

This report is submitted on a confidential basis as it involves personnel matters concerning particular individuals. (Local Government Act 1993, section 10A(2)(A).



2004. 453 **RESOLVED:** *Moved: Cl. Hunt*
Seconded: Cl. Howell

That the General Manager continue to negotiate payments that will be the most advantageous financially for Council.

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A V Burgess
GENERAL MANAGER



At this stage, 1.20pm, the Mayor returned to the Chamber and occupied the chair.



REPORT OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Upon resumption of Open Council, the following Report of the Committee of the Whole, was submitted by the General Manager.



ADOPTION OF REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

2004. 454

RESOLVED:

Moved: Cl. Howell
Seconded: Cl. Green

That the foregoing recommendations of the Committee of the Whole, as reported by the General Manager, be adopted.



At this stage 1.25 p.m. the Meeting adjourned for Luncheon and upon resumption at 2.32 p.m. all present at the adjournment were in attendance with the exception of the Mayor Councillor Hayes.

Deputy Mayor Councillor Sowter occupied the Chair.

DE1	HORSESHOE BAY RESERVE	
	FILE: R3-21 KJF	{Folio No. 277075}

SUMMARY:

Reporting on the Plan of Management for Horseshoe Bay Reserve.



Council, at its meeting of 11th May 2004, resolved:

“That the proposed workshop to review the Plan of Management for Horseshoe Bay Reserve be held Tuesday, 22nd June 2004, following the Planning Committee Meeting.”

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MAYOR

The report of 11th May 2004 is attached as [\(Appendix A\)](#) for Council consideration.

Subsequently, a letter has been received from the Department of Lands on this issue and a copy is attached at [\(Appendix B\)](#).

The implications of the report, the Plan of Management, and any adjustments to the Plan of Management can be fully discussed at the Council Workshop.

Directors Comment:

As per report.

Report Implications:

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

Director Engineering Recommendation:

For Council determination.

2004. 455

RESOLVED:

*Moved: Cl. Howell
Seconded: Cl. Gribbin*

That Council enter into a workshop to discuss the Plan of Management for Horseshoe Bay Reserve.



At 2.33pm Council held a workshop to discuss the Plan of Management.

Councillor Hayes entered the Chambers at 2.35pm and occupied the Chair.



2004. 456

RESOLVED:

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

That the Council meeting be resumed.

2004. 457

RESOLVED:

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

1 That Council adopt the amended Draft Plan of Management for Horseshoe Bay Reserve excluding those sections related to the future of the caravan park.

2 That the future of the caravan park be the subject of further negotiation with the Department of Land with such meeting to be arranged as soon as possible.



At this stage Councillor Gribbin retired from the Chambers and apologised for non-attendance at the remainder of the meeting.



PRESENTATION – SCHOOL OF RURAL HEALTH SCHOLARSHIPS

At this stage 3.10pm the Mayor welcomed to the Chambers Ms Janice Hall, from Newcastle University, Mr Derek Wright, from University of NSW and representatives of Melville High School, St Paul's College and Kempsey High School, representatives from the Kempsey Rotary Club and Kempsey West Rotary Club and Dr Leo Smith.

Following the Mayor's Welcome Councillor Howell officially launched the School of Rural Health Scholarships, which will make available three (3) scholarships this year to three (3) high school students who choose to pursue a course as a health professional.



At this stage the General Manager advised Councillors of the proposed workshop with the Dr John Martin had been scheduled for Friday 23rd July 2004.



CONCLUSION:

There being no further business, the Meeting terminated at 3.42 p.m.

