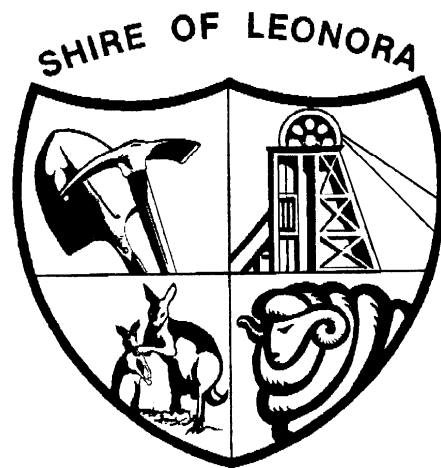


# **SHIRE OF LEONORA**

## **MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING**



**MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING HELD  
IN SHIRE CHAMBERS, LEONORA ON  
TUESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 2010 COMMENCING  
AT 9:30AM**

**1.0 DECLARATION OF OPENING / ANNOUNCEMENTS OF VISITORS / FINANCIAL INTEREST DISCLOSURE**

**1.1** Cr Carter declared the meeting open at 9.30am

**1.2** Visitors or members of the public in attendance – At 10.30am – Representation from Minara Resources Limited to advise on:

**1.2.1** Minara’s recovery over last 18 months; and

**1.2.2** Murrin Murrin East Deposit.

Following Council meeting, a further Strategic Planning Workshop will be held with James Davis in attendance.

**1.3** Financial Interests Disclosure – Cr Carter and Cr Baker (Item 10.3A) as they are members of the committee involved.

**2.0 DISCLAIMER NOTICE**

**3.0 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES / LEAVE OF ABSENCE (previously approved)**

**3.1 PRESENT**

President  
Deputy President  
Councillors

J F Carter  
P Craig  
L Petersen  
N G Johnson  
G W Baker  
S J Heather  
MWV Taylor  
JG Epis  
JF Rowe  
Mr H Buckingham  
Mr J Jerga

Chief Executive Officer  
Acting Deputy Chief Executive Officer  
Observer

**3.2 APOLOGIES**

Nil

**3.3 LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Nil

**4.0 RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE**

Nil

**5.0 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

Mr Buckingham asked regarding aged housing in Leonora.

The Chief Executive Officer, Mr Jim Epis, advised that this project was being assessed in Council’s Strategic Plan.

Cr Carter advised that Council would take the matter on notice.

Mr Buckingham requested Council talk to the police regards a recent issue.

Cr Carter advised that he would follow up.

**6.0 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Cr Norrie requested leave of absence for today’s meeting.

**Moved Cr Craig, seconded Cr Johnson** that this leave be granted.

**CARRIED (8 VOTES TO 0)**

**7.0 PETTITIONS / DEPUTATIONS / PRESENTATIONS**

Nil

**8.0 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

**Moved Cr Craig, seconded Cr Taylor** that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> May, 2010 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

**CARRIED (8 VOTES TO 0)**

**9.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY PRESIDING MEMBER WITHOUT DISCUSSION**

Nil

## **10.0 REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

### **10.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

#### **10.1(A) PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

**SUBMISSION TO:** Meeting of Council  
Meeting Date: 15<sup>th</sup> June, 2010

**AGENDA REFERENCE:** 10.1 (A) JUN 10

**SUBJECT:** Public Question Time

**LOCATION / ADDRESS:** Not Applicable

**NAME OF APPLICANT:** Not Applicable

**FILE REFERENCE:** Council – Internal Correspondence 2.2

#### **AUTHOR, DISCLOSURE OF ANY INTEREST AND DATE OF REPORT**

**NAME:** James Gregory Epis

**OFFICER:** Chief Executive Officer

**INTEREST DISCLOSURE:** Nil

**DATE:** 20<sup>th</sup> May, 2010

#### **BACKGROUND**

During public question time at the most recent meeting on the 18<sup>th</sup> May, 2010, observer, Mr Harry Buckingham advised that his questions to Council at the meeting held on the 16<sup>th</sup> February, 2010 were not accurately recorded in the minutes nor the response to his questions provided in full.

Following, I quote written form of Mr Buckingham's questions.

*"At a recent meeting the question was put to you (directed at Shire President, Cr Jeff Carter), would Council consider having wide loads, dangerous goods and trailers detour around the town.*

*You responded with a few words and a definite no (the President's own opinion).*

*Since then we learnt that ore from Tarmoola is to be carted through town making that street a multi use haul road further raising the risks, particularly to caravanners, pedestrians and the young as well as raising noise and dust issues.*

*Will you reconsider your view. If not, will you say why you oppose the proposition and separately poll Councillors so it is known where they stand on this safety issue."*

In response, the Shire President advised that at this stage Council was not considering any proposal to divert heavy traffic away from the main street.

The Chief Executive Officer advised that a Community Survey in regards this matter ten years earlier unanimously rejected the idea.

At the meeting of Council held on the 18<sup>th</sup> May, 2010 Mr Buckingham again asked the President if he had reconsidered his stance on the issue to which Cr Carter replied no.

In my opinion, it appears that Mr Buckingham is not satisfied with the response offered simply because one of the questions put forward was not answered, that being and again I quote:

*"will you separately poll Councillors so it is known where they stand on this safety issue."*

Maybe a response to this question will satisfy the enquiry made by Mr Buckingham.

## **STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT**

In accordance with Section 5.24 of the Local Government Act 1995 and Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996 it is a requirement that the minutes of the meeting contain a summary of each question asked and the response given.

Questions taken on notice should be researched and a written response provided to the questioner, assuming they have provided a name and contact details. Responses to questions taken on notice must be included in the minutes of the following meeting.

## **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

None, however procedures for Public Question Time are available upon request from members of the public. A copy will be provided to all Councillors as an information document.

## **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no financial implications resulting from the recommendation of this report.

## **STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS**

There are no strategic implications resulting from the recommendation of this report.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- That in regards diverting heavy vehicles away from the town centre, the President poll all Councillors with the view of obtaining an opinion; and
- That in future, a register be made available at least 30 minutes prior to commencement of a meeting for those who wish to ask a question, and that in addition, a form be made available so that each person can draft their question for presentation to the Chief Executive Officer.

## **VOTING REQUIREMENT**

Simple majority required.

**Moved Cr Baker**

**Seconded Cr Kennedy**

- **That in regards diverting heavy vehicles away from the town centre, the President poll all Councillors with the view of obtaining an opinion; and**
- **That in future, a register be made available at least 30 minutes prior to commencement of a meeting for those who wish to ask a question, and that in addition, a form be made available so that each person can draft their question for presentation to the Chief Executive Officer.**

**CARRIED (8 VOTES TO 0)**

## **10.0 REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

### **10.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

#### **10.1(B) PLANT PURCHASE**

**SUBMISSION TO:** Meeting of Council  
Meeting Date: 15<sup>th</sup> June, 2010

**AGENDA REFERENCE:** 10.1 (B) JUN 10

**SUBJECT:** Plant Purchase

**LOCATION / ADDRESS:** Not Applicable

**NAME OF APPLICANT:** Shire of Leonora

**FILE REFERENCE:** Preferred Supply Contract

#### **AUTHOR, DISCLOSURE OF ANY INTEREST AND DATE OF REPORT**

**NAME:** James Gregory Epis

**OFFICER:** Chief Executive Officer

**INTEREST DISCLOSURE:** Nil

**DATE:** 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2010

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Western Australian Local Government Association (WALGA) delivers a wide range of value adding and capacity enhancing products and services to its Members. Using these products and services provide significant financial savings and procurement benefits to Council.

WALGA annually delivers estimated savings in excess of \$20 million to its Members on the basis of over \$100 million of expenditure under a comprehensive range of Preferred Supplier Contracts for products and services. Their optimal procurement arrangements are secured using the combined purchasing power of the Local Government sector, through high volume aggregation.

Under the Local Government (Functions and General) Regulations, a tender exemption applies to WALGA's Preferred Supplier Contracts. WALGA Contracts are rigorously market tested using a compliant procurement process to ensure that the highest quality offerings are delivered at the best possible value.

WALGA Members save millions of dollars each year utilising these contracts, in addition to saving the cost and risk of independently tendering. Other benefits include avoiding resource duplications, generating administrative efficiencies and facilitating direct access to suppliers. Purchasing from a WALGA Contract couldn't be easier. All of these fleet contracts work on a quotation basis. Once a Local Government has worked out what they want, they can either go directly to the supplier of their choice and get a quote or they can go to two or more suppliers and obtain multiple quotes. Suppliers are ready and able to provide quotes direct to Local Governments. Councils can modify their specified requirements part way through the quotation process and can even arrange for staff/Councillors to view the plant or equipment that is available from suppliers on the panel. It is then up to Council to do the evaluation and once ready to purchase, issue a purchase order to your chosen supplier.

WALGA's fleet contracts provide an extensive plant and equipment range, with most brands represented and discounted prices. Discounts on Heavy Plant and Equipment, General Plant and Utility Equipment are up to 15% below market prices, while discounts on Trucks are up to 30% below market price.

Trading old plant, equipment or trucks is a simple process. Local Governments can get trade-in prices from any of WALGA's preferred suppliers at the same time as getting quotes on their new item.

If the trade-in is valued at more than \$50,000.00, the Local Government Act 1995 requires a separate market process to be conducted.

Rather than a Local Government going out to tender on its old plant or trucks, WALGA has an established process in place to do this. Their Procurement Consultancy Service can run a state-wide tender for a nominal fee (\$500) which can be advertised and completed within one (1) week. They advertise used plant and equipment regularly, and there are many buyers in the market that are regularly looking for their adverts. You can use your trade-in price as the reserve price for the tender. Dependant on the outcome of this process, you can either take the price that comes through the tender or you can proceed with the trade-in process through your chosen supplier for your new items. Either way, the compliance requirement of the Local Government Act will have been satisfied.

In the past the Shire of Leonora has always purchased plant and equipment in accordance with Local Government (Functions and General) Regulation 11 which states that tenders are to be publicly invited before a Local Government enters into a contract for another person to supply goods or services if the consideration under the contract is expected to be worth more than \$100,000.00.

Provision in the 2009/2010 Budget allows for the replacement of two items of plant, namely:

- 1 X Six Wheel Tipper; and
- 1 X 6X4 Prime Mover.

Quotes were obtained from the following Preferred Suppliers as detailed on the preferred supply contracts.

<b>Six Wheel Tipper (Excludes GST) (Budget Change Over \$75,000.00)</b>							
<b>Supplier</b>	<b>Make</b>	<b>Model</b>	<b>Engine</b>	<b>KW</b>	<b>Price</b>	<b>Trade-In</b>	<b>Nett</b>
Skipper Trucks	International	Eagle 9900i	Cummins	392	259,510.00	70,000.00	189,510.00
Kenworth	Kenworth	T402	Cummins	392	275,493.00	60,000.00	215,493.00
AV Trucks	Western Star	4864FS2	Caterpillar	289	261,085.00	50,000.00	211,085.00

<b>6X4 Prime Mover (Excludes GST) (Budget Change Over \$120,000.00)</b>							
<b>Supplier</b>	<b>Make</b>	<b>Model</b>	<b>Engine</b>	<b>KW</b>	<b>Price</b>	<b>Trade-In</b>	<b>Nett</b>
Skipper Trucks	International	Eagle 99000i	Cummins	392	245,890.00	51,370.00	194,520.00
Kenworth	Kenworth	T408	Cummins	392	274,470.00	35,000.00	239,470.00
AV Trucks	Western Star	4864FS2	Detroit	352	235,813.00	30,000.00	205,813.00

The Works and Services Manager, Mr Dan Yates did inspect all items of plant when last in Perth and is of the opinion that both trucks offered by Skippers Trucks provide good value to the Shire of Leonora.

As detailed above, budget estimates are well below what was expected when the budget was adopted August, 2009. Nevertheless, it is most important that the Plant Replacement Policy be strictly adhered to and that the plant purchases be made in the current financial year. To enable the purchases, it will be necessary to transfer funds from the Plant Replacement Reserves Fund to the Municipal Fund to supplement the shortfall.

Having transferred funds from the Reserve Account (Approximately \$140,000.00), a shortfall of approximately \$50,000.00 will exist however this can be made up from funds not expended on other items in the current budget.

## **STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT**

Local Government (Functions and General) Regulations 1996 Part 4 11(2) (b) state that tenders do not have to be publicly invited according to the requirement of this Part if the supply of the goods or services is to be obtained through the Council Purchasing Service of WALGA.

## **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

In accordance with Council policy to replace:

- Graders/Loaders every seven (7) years
- Trucks every four (4) years
- Other light vehicles every two (2) years or 40,000 kilometres.

## **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Expenditure for both items of plant, the subject of this report, are included in the current budget, however Councillors would need to refer to comments made earlier in this report.

## **STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS**

There are no strategic implications resulting from the recommendation of this report.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

That Council resolve to:

1. Transfer \$145,000.00 plus interest from Plant Reserve Fund to Municipal Fund Account to enable purchase of both items of plant in the current financial year; and
2. That the action of the Chief Executive Officer in issuing purchase orders for both items of plant to Skipper Trucks be endorsed.

## **VOTING REQUIREMENT**

Simple majority required.

**Moved Cr Craig**

**Seconded Cr Heather**

**That Council resolve to:**

3. **Transfer \$145,000.00 plus interest from Plant Reserve Fund to Municipal Fund Account to enable purchase of both items of plant in the current financial year; and**
4. **That the action of the Chief Executive Officer in issuing purchase orders for both items of plant to Skipper Trucks be endorsed.**

**CARRIED (8 VOTES TO 0)**



## **10.0 REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

### **10.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

#### **10.1(C) LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICE DELIVERY TO INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES**

**SUBMISSION TO:** Meeting of Council  
Meeting Date: 15<sup>th</sup> June, 2010

**AGENDA REFERENCE:** 10.1 (C) JUN 10

**SUBJECT:** Local Government Service Delivery to Indigenous Communities

**LOCATION / ADDRESS:** Leonora

**NAME OF APPLICANT:** Shire of Leonora

**FILE REFERENCE:** Indigenous Affairs Bilateral Agreement 5.2.7

#### **AUTHOR, DISCLOSURE OF ANY INTEREST AND DATE OF REPORT**

**NAME:** James Gregory Epis

**OFFICER:** Chief Executive Officer

**INTEREST DISCLOSURE:** Nil

**DATE:** 24<sup>th</sup> May, 2010

#### **BACKGROUND**

The former Minister for Local Government, the Hon Ljiljana Ravlich MLC, announced in December 2007 that an inquiry into Local Government Service Delivery to Indigenous Communities in Western Australia would be undertaken by the Local Government Advisory Board.

The Inquiry was instigated as a result of the *Bilateral Agreement on Indigenous Affairs* (the Bilateral Agreement) signed by the Commonwealth and State Governments. The Bilateral Agreement proposed that both parties and Local Government would work towards achieving one level of service delivery for the provision of housing, infrastructure, essential and municipal services to Indigenous communities in Western Australia.

In the 1970's the Commonwealth Government phased in direct funding of Indigenous communities for the delivery of essential and local government services. Since then, Indigenous communities have been responsible for service delivery with varying degrees of success.

A large number of reports and reviews commissioned by Governments and others have all identified shortfalls in the quality of service delivery and supported the need for normalisation of service delivery in Indigenous communities. The Bilateral Agreement is aimed at improving and upgrading service delivery to acceptable standards by both the State and Commonwealth Government and Local Government. The latter has a responsibility to provide for good government of people within their district but have generally not provided for the needs of discrete Indigenous communities within their districts due to legislative and funding constraints.

Funding for local government services is currently provided through a wide range of agencies but principally through the Department of Families, Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs (FaHCSIA). This funding is supplemented by fees and charges levied by Indigenous Community Councils for the delivery of essential services and local government services.

In 2007/2008, FaHCSIA provided \$22.3 million for municipal and essential services in Indigenous communities in Western Australia. Of this, \$9.2 million was allocated for the purchase of diesel fuel to operate community powerhouses. The level of funding provided for these services has generally been provided on a program/historic basis rather than through a strategic, planned or needs-based approach. The delivery of essential and local government services has relied heavily on cross

subsidisation from the Community Development Employments Project (CDEP). Since 2006/07, over half of the Municipal Services Program funding has been used to fund:

- Expenditure on general repairs and maintenance of community powerhouses;
- Purchase diesel fuel for powerhouses; and
- General repairs and maintenance of community water supplies and sewerage infrastructure.

Substantial increases in the cost of diesel fuel have further reduced the amount of funding available through the Municipal Services Program for the delivery of local government services.

In addition, FaHCSIA has been reducing funding under the Municipal Services Program since 2006/07 with the aim of encouraging:

- The State Government to provide additional funds towards local government type services;
- Local governments to access more of their Financial Assistance Grants and untied road funding;
- The introduction of service fees and charges; and
- Relevant parties to access alternative funding services.

These objectives have generally not been achieved. Consequently, local government services in most Indigenous communities are delivered less frequently and to lesser standards than before.

The Local Government Advisory Board was keen to consult as widely as possible with all stakeholders and to this end arranged to meet with all 24 affected local governments, 28 Indigenous communities and Resource Agencies, and a number of State and Commonwealth agencies and other key stakeholders.

The overall list of contacts included 24 local governments, in excess of 280 Indigenous communities, an indeterminable number of Indigenous Resource Agencies, 25 Commonwealth and State agencies, 6 individuals and other agencies.

Indigenous communities were informed of the Inquiry via the Indigenous radio over a two week period.

All local governments consulted by the Local Government Advisory Board expressed their concern at not being included in the Bilateral Agreement negotiations. Nevertheless, there was general agreement that local governments are best placed to deliver local government services to Indigenous communities within their districts.

However, they were unanimous that agreement was subject to two significant caveats:

1. Additional funding will be required to enable local governments to deliver services to a satisfactory standard; and
2. Existing community infrastructure must be upgraded to acceptable and agreed standards before local governments will accept full responsibility for them.

While some local governments sought clarification on the nature and frequency of the services to be provided, there was general consensus that they should provide 'primary' local government services to Indigenous communities such as waste management, maintenance of access and internal community roads and airstrips, and environmental health services. Other 'secondary' services such as parks and gardens, community services, fire prevention and community administration/governance should be phased in as resources permit.

Local governments indicated that they would consider various options in relation to the delivery of local government services. These include:

- Employing local Indigenous community members;
- Engaging contractors (Indigenous or non-Indigenous);

- Establishing 'local' work depots in strategically located Indigenous communities; or
- Undertaking service delivery themselves from their local government location.

All local governments stressed the need for funding to be recurrent with annual CPI adjustments. This contrasts with the current Commonwealth Government process of allocating local government services funding to Indigenous communities on an annual basis. Local governments will then be able to deliver services with some certainty as well as plan for the future.

The introduction of user-pays systems and the payment of rates by Indigenous communities are seen by local governments as key factors in achieving normalisation of services. Previous Government initiated reports have also endorsed this principle with Government agencies now generally supporting 'user-pays' systems. The Local Government Advisory Board supports such an approach and also an examination of the methods and options on how this may best be achieved.

Land tenure is considered by most local governments as a major impediment to the delivery of services in Indigenous communities. The common factors raised are:

- Difficulties in accessing Indigenous communities;
- Non-payment of rates;
- The 'private' nature of Indigenous communities;
- A history of Commonwealth and State Government agencies circumventing local government approvals and involvement;
- The substandard nature of existing infrastructure;
- The Crown not being bound by provisions of complementary legislation; and
- The inability to apply building controls and ensure compliance with the Building Code of Australia.

Local governments are supportive of legislative change to facilitate service delivery. The Local Government Advisory Board supports legislative change only where absolutely necessary and believes comprehensive changes will not be required if local governments and other Government agencies adopt a more cooperative approach. The Local Government Advisory Board was initially of the view that the *Aboriginal Affairs Planning Authority Act 1972* should be considered for review due to the views expressed by local governments and Indigenous communities about access issues and the ownership of infrastructure and assets. Following discussions with the Department of Indigenous Affairs the Local Government Advisory Board believes that existing provisions in the Act will allow appropriate levels of access to communities by local governments for the purpose of service delivery.

The Local Government Advisory Board also has concerns relating to the clarity of ownership of assets and infrastructure within communities. The Department of Indigenous Affairs were able to clarify the situation on Aboriginal Lands Trust land it would appear that this issue is not as problematic as originally thought. Clearly, the issue of access and ownership of assets requires a strategy to improve understanding amongst communities and local governments about these issues.

The majority of local governments concede, that to date they have generally only had limited interaction with Indigenous communities within their districts. Most indicated a desire to improve dialogue between the parties with a view to greater involvement by Indigenous communities in service delivery.

It was acknowledged by a majority of local governments that they have not been particularly proactive in their efforts to encourage Indigenous residents within their districts to stand for council. The majority of local governments consulted do not favour the introduction of specific ward systems as an option to address this issue. They are of the opinion that the current election processes are adequate.

It was evident that Indigenous communities and agencies have a peripheral understanding of the Bilateral Agreement. Like local governments, Indigenous communities and agencies, expressed concern that they were not consulted when the Bilateral Agreement was being developed.

The majority of Indigenous community residents also have little understanding of the role and responsibilities of local government. They are sceptical about whether services will improve under the proposed arrangements. There is a view that this is another change being imposed by Government without community consultation or involvement.

Communities have mixed views on whether they support the proposed arrangements under the Bilateral Agreement. Some have a negative view of their local government based on past experience, others see potential opportunities, such as:

- The provision of 'real' jobs within the communities;
- The possibility of entering into contracts with local governments; and
- The provision of more reliable and effective service delivery.

Indigenous communities support local governments in their contention that current funding levels are substantially inadequate to provide a satisfactory standard of service delivery. Communities acknowledge that existing municipal infrastructure in many instances is sub-standard and strongly support its upgrade to acceptable standards, including the provision of the necessary plant and equipment to ensure reliable and effective service delivery. They support increased and recurrent funding levels for service delivery adding that funds should be tied with transparent and strict accountability provisions.

They are critical of local governments' expenditure of Financial Assistance Grants made by the State Local Government Grants Commission (WALGGC). They argue that although these grants are provided in part for service delivery to Indigenous communities, very little of the funding is used for this purpose.

In respect to land tenure issues, Indigenous communities generally do not oppose access for the purpose of service delivery but are reluctant to lessen their control over the land. They believe that access arrangements can be satisfactorily negotiated between communities and local governments.

Based on past experience, Indigenous communities are suspicious of any legislative change that affects their circumstances. The Local Government Advisory Board considers that comprehensive discussions and negotiations must be undertaken with Indigenous communities prior to any changes being introduced. Care must be taken to ensure that any existing Indigenous rights and interests are not eroded as a result of legislative changes.

With the exception of the Shires of Halls Creek, Wiluna and Ngaanyatjarraku, there remains a general reluctance by Indigenous community members to seek representation on local government councils. Councils are not generally seen as a welcoming environment. Indigenous communities were critical of local governments' reluctance to introduce specific ward systems to encourage Indigenous participation on council.

The provision of services to remote Indigenous communities continues to present difficulties to service providers. Isolation and access are significant issues and factors such as the wet season impact on the range and standards of service delivery.

The maintenance of access and internal roads together with community airstrips at Indigenous communities is minimal due to a lack of physical and financial resources. Costs are restricting local governments and communities to minimal upkeep. Continued neglect is leading to other services suffering as the communities cannot be accessed all year round and consequently the social fabric deteriorates.

The capacity of local governments to provide adequate environmental health services due to resource limitations has resulted in limited environmental health services being provided to most remote Indigenous communities. The logistics associated with the delivery of these services and the recruitment, support and retention of the required staff incurs significant costs.

The standard of waste management at Indigenous communities varies significantly. The maintenance of rubbish tips presents difficulties due to the lack of proper equipment and poor understanding of regulatory requirements.

The potential for local governments to assume responsibility for the day-to-day management and governance of Indigenous communities concerns some residents of Indigenous communities. They fear that local governments will take over some of the day to day management and they will have a reduced role in the administration of their communities.

In Western Australia there remains relatively minimal Indigenous participation in local government councils. Indigenous people advise that they feel over-awed or intimidated in the local government environment. Additional resources need to be

provided to develop and run awareness and training programs to promote increased Indigenous representation in local government.

In respect to WALGGC financial assistance grants, local governments consider they are substantially inadequate and are critical of the current formula to determine funding levels. They emphasise that the per capita allocation does not acknowledge that States and Territories with large Indigenous populations have higher levels of need for local government services.

The use of Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) as a basis for calculations was also questioned by local governments given the 2006 ABS Census indicated a decline of some 25% in the populations of some local government districts in Western Australia. It appears that the ABS methodology was flawed with some Indigenous communities omitted from the count. While this is acknowledged by the Bureau, it is not prepared to undertake a review of the situation. Some local governments feel a recount is necessary in areas where it is evident the population figures are understated. The Local Government Advisory Board is of the view that the Australian Bureau of Statistics should be requested to review the 2006 Census statistics for Indigenous communities.

On the 12<sup>th</sup> May, 2010 the Director General, Department of Local Government wrote to the Shire of Leonora advising that as part of the Local Government Reform process, that State Government was keen to assist the local government sector to deliver normal local government services into Indigenous communities which was an important element of the Bilateral Agreement on Indigenous Affairs entered into by the State Government of Western Australia and the Australian Government.

A key recommendation of the Local Government Advisory Board was that Business Plans detailing costs and services standards for the delivery of services to Indigenous communities be developed by each of the affected local governments with funding provided by the State Government (It is my opinion that a Business Plan is not appropriate it is more a scoping project).

The Director General has offered the Shire of Leonora a Financial Assistance Agreement which contains an offer of \$15,000.00 to assist with the preparation of its Business Plan (Don't know what kind of a plan they would expect for \$15,000.00 – 2 or 3 pages).

The Department has requested that the Agreement be executed and returned by the 28<sup>th</sup> May, 2010 so that the release of funds can be expedited.

Personally, I am a bit confused about the Indigenous Business Planning Grant. Why is the Shire of Leonora being offered funding to do a business plan for the Indigenous communities within our boundary. The Shire of Leonora currently has no responsibility for any community eventhough it does deliver normal services to the Katampul Indigenous Community which is within the Leonora townsite. The Shire of Leonora has not entered into any agreements with the State or Commonwealth Governments over the running of any community.

Until some form of Memorandum of Understanding is developed between the State and the effected Local Governments it is my opinion that the issue should not be progressed further. How can I engage anyone to assist with a planning project without the Authority of Council.

## **STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT**

In accordance with the Local Government Act 1995.

- Section 2.7(2) – that Council is to oversee the allocation of local government finances and resources and to determine the local government policies; and
- Section 3.1 – that the general function of the local government is to provide for the good government of persons in its district.

## **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

There are no policy implications resulting from the recommendation of this report.

## **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no financial implications resulting from the recommendation of this report however if this matter is not investigated thoroughly now, severe financial commitment may result in the future.

## **STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS**

It is important that the Shire of Leonora provides good local government to all people residing within the Shire in a financially responsible and equitable manner. Provisions in the Local Government Act places a responsibility on local governments to provide services to all communities within their district, including Indigenous communities. This, of course has not been the case with many Indigenous communities, due to this less than ideal relationships that currently exist (does not apply to Leonora).

Few communities pay rates to local governments and this has been a significant factor in local government's reluctance to provide services to communities. The rating of Indigenous communities continue to be a contentious issue and little has been done to address the issue to the satisfaction of Local Governments (I might add that the Katampul Community are ratepayers).

## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

That Council resolve not to execute the Financial Assistance Agreement for the Development of Business Plans for Local Government Service Delivery into Indigenous Communities until some form of Memorandum of Understanding is developed between the State/Commonwealth Governments and affected local governments.

## **VOTING REQUIREMENT**

Simple majority required.

**Moved Cr Johnson**

**Seconded Cr Baker**

**That Council resolve not to execute the Financial Assistance Agreement for the Development of Business Plans for Local Government Service Delivery into Indigenous Communities until some form of Memorandum of Understanding is developed between the State/Commonwealth Governments and affected local governments and that Council be represented at a forum in Perth on the 12<sup>th</sup> July, 2010 to discuss the issue. Cr Carter was authorised to attend.**

**CARRIED (8 VOTES TO 0)**

**10.0 REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

**10.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

**10.1(D) METHOD OF VALUATION - MINING OPERATIONS**

**SUBMISSION TO:** Meeting of Council  
Meeting Date: 15<sup>th</sup> June, 2010

**AGENDA REFERENCE:** 10.1 (D) JUN 10

**SUBJECT:** Method of Valuation - Mining Operations

**LOCATION / ADDRESS:** Not Applicable

**NAME OF APPLICANT:** Shire of Leonora

**FILE REFERENCE:** Valuations - GRV Mines 17.3

**AUTHOR, DISCLOSURE OF ANY INTEREST AND DATE OF REPORT**

**NAME:** James Gregory Epis

**OFFICER:** Chief Executive Officer

**INTEREST DISCLOSURE:** Nil

**DATE:** 27<sup>th</sup> May, 2010

**BACKGROUND**

Gross Rental Valuations applied to mine sites was introduced by the Shire of Leonora in about 1989 and has applied equally to all mining operations within the Shire since that time. The valuation provided only applies to above ground structures used in the processing of resources, residential dwellings (campsites) and any other type of ancillary buildings.

In submitting applications for Governor's approval to convert the rating of such structures to GRV, Council has needed to provide the following information:-

- the expected period of tenure over the particular mining tenement. Only significant mining operations with some permanency should be converted to GRV's and therefore tenure must be at least one year;
- a full description of the improvements over the mining tenement must be provided with the application together with a plan;
- Councils must demonstrate that they have consulted with the owner of the mining operations and provide advice on the estimated increase in rates. Copies of any objections to the proposed rates must be provided; and
- an estimated gross rental value shall be obtained by council from the Valuer General (at council's own cost) and a comparison of the existing rates and proposed rates must be provided for the entire site.

The Department of Local Government has adopted a policy that only significant mining operations with some permanency would be recommended for conversion. Once the proposal has been approved by the Minister for Local Government, Council must arrange for the preparation of a technical description of the land to a standard required by the Department of Planning and Infrastructure in readiness for required publication in the Government Gazette.

Unfortunately many of the mining operations have closed down however the technical description allowing for the method of valuing the land still exists.

One of these is Dominion Mining's Bannockburn gold mine.

The Schedule detailing description of land comprising the Plant and Administration Complex and the Accommodation Complex for the Bannockburn mine was published in the Government Gazette on the 6<sup>th</sup> March, 1992. The mine ceased operations in about 1998. It now remains that the technical description be cancelled.

#### **STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT**

In accordance with the provisions of Section 6.28 of the Local Government Act 1995.

#### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

There are no policy implications resulting from the recommendation of this report.

#### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no financial implications resulting from the recommendation of this report. Both the minesite and campsite have not been rated for a number of years or since all plant, equipment and buildings were removed from site.

#### **STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS**

There are no strategic implications resulting from the recommendation of this report.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

That Council resolve to write to the Department of Local Government requesting that the method of valuing the land described in the schedule published on page 1141 of the Government Gazette dated 6<sup>th</sup> March, 1992 be cancelled.

#### **VOTING REQUIREMENT**

Simple majority required.

**Moved Cr Kennedy**

**Seconded Cr Baker**

**That Council resolve to write to the Department of Local Government requesting that the method of valuing the land described in the schedule published on page 1141 of the Government Gazette dated 6<sup>th</sup> March, 1992 be cancelled.**

**CARRIED (8 VOTES TO 0)**



## **10.0 REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

### **10.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

#### **10.1(E) GVROC MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

**SUBMISSION TO:** Meeting of Council  
Meeting Date: 15<sup>th</sup> June, 2010

**AGENDA REFERENCE:** 10.1 (E) JUN 10

**SUBJECT:** GVROC Memorandum of Understanding

**LOCATION / ADDRESS:** Not Applicable

**NAME OF APPLICANT:** Shire of Leonora

**FILE REFERENCE:** GVROC 2.15

#### **AUTHOR, DISCLOSURE OF ANY INTEREST AND DATE OF REPORT**

**NAME:** James Gregory Epis

**OFFICER:** Chief Executive Officer

**INTEREST DISCLOSURE:** Nil

**DATE:** 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2010

#### **BACKGROUND**

Following the elections conducted at the in-person meeting held on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2010, the issue of voting arrangements for both the GVROC and the Goldfields Esperance Country Zone of WALGA, was raised due to a degree of uncertainty about member Council voting rights at these elections.

The matter was considered at the GVROC Council at the meeting held on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2010, where it was resolved as follows:

*That:*

- 1. The GVROC MOU be listed for discussion at the next in-person meeting of the GVROC Technical Officers Working Group.*
- 2. The GVROC and the Goldfields Esperance Country Zone of WALGA voting arrangements be listed for discussion at the next in-person of the GVROC Council.*

The matter was considered by the Technical Officers Working Group at a meeting held on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2010.

The difficulty in the current voting arrangements appear to be that the GVROC MOU refers to "*The President/Mayor and Chief Executive Officer of a participating Council are members of the GVROC*", with the result that the President/Mayor and Chief Executive Officer are the voting members.

The intent of the Goldfields Esperance Country Zone voting arrangements, based on the WALGA Constitution, is that there are two delegates per member and the two delegates should be elected members. The CEO of a member Council is only a delegate where there are insufficient elected members in attendance to act as delegates.

It would seem that the issue of voting entitlements is most critical when voting for WALGA State Council representative. It may therefore be necessary to include in the GVROC MOU a clause that states that where the matter relates to the election of the WALGA representative or deputy representative that the two voting delegates shall be the elected members except where the number of elected members present is insufficient and the member Council CEO is a duly appointed delegate.

It was resolved that the GVROC Technical Officers Working Group recommend to the GVROC Council that the clause "Appointment of Members" in the Goldfields Voluntary Regional Organisation of Councils, Memorandum of Understanding be deleted and replaced with the following clause:

**"Appointment of Members**

*A participating Council is to appoint two voting members, one of whom shall be an elected member, to be members of the GVROC. Such appointments shall be at the discretion of the participating Council but can be the President/Mayor and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of a participating Council or two other elected members.*

*Whilst the functions and decisions of the GECZ are incorporated into the meetings of the GVROC, each participating Council will be entitled to two voting delegates one of whom may be the CEO. If however two elected member delegates are in attendance they shall be the voting delegates.*

*A participating Council may appoint two other persons as Deputies from the Council who are able to attend the GVROC meetings and who may act temporarily in place of either member of the GVROC during any period in which the member of the GVROC is unable by reason of illness, temporary absence from State, conflict of interest or any other inability to attend meetings."*

**STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT**

In accordance with Section 5.21(2) of the Local Government Act 1995.

**POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

There are no policy implications resulting from the recommendation of this report.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no financial implications resulting from the recommendation of this report.

**STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS**

There are no strategic implications resulting from the recommendation of this report.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

That Council resolve to appoint two voting members, the Shire President and the Chief Executive Officer to be members of the GVROC and in the absence of either voting member, the Deputy Shire President be delegated that Authority.

**VOTING REQUIREMENT**

Simple majority required.

**Moved Cr Petersen**

**Seconded Cr Johnson**

**That Council resolve to appoint two voting members, the Shire President and the Chief Executive Officer to be members of the GVROC and in the absence of either voting member, the Deputy Shire President be delegated that Authority.**

**CARRIED (8 VOTES TO 0)**

## 10.0 REPORTS OF OFFICERS

### 10.2 DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

#### 10.2(A) MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**SUBMISSION TO:** Meeting of Council  
Meeting Date: 15<sup>th</sup> June, 2010

**AGENDA REFERENCE:** 10.2 (A) JUN 10

**SUBJECT:** Monthly Financial Statements

**LOCATION / ADDRESS:** Leonora

**NAME OF APPLICANT:** Shire of Leonora

**FILE REFERENCE:** Nil

#### AUTHOR, DISCLOSURE OF ANY INTEREST AND DATE OF REPORT

**NAME:** John Francis Rowe

**OFFICER:** Acting Deputy Chief Executive Officer

**INTEREST DISCLOSURE:** Nil

**DATE:** 3<sup>rd</sup> June, 2010

#### BACKGROUND

In complying with the Local Government Financial Management Regulations 1996, a monthly statement of financial activity must be submitted to an Ordinary Council meeting within 2 months after the end of the month to which the statement relates. The statement of financial activity is a complex document but gives a complete overview of the “cash” financial position as at the end of each month. The statement of financial activity for each month must be adopted by Council and form part of the minutes.

It is understood that parts of the statement of financial activity have been submitted to Ordinary Council meetings previously. In reviewing the Regulations the complete statement of financial activity is to be submitted, along with the following reports that are not included in the statement.

Monthly Financial Statements submitted for adoption include:

- (a) Statement of Financial Activity – 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2010
- (b) Compilation Report
- (c) Material Variances – 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2010

#### STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

##### ***Part 4 — Financial reports— s. 6.4***

34. *Financial activity statement report – s. 6.4*

(1A) *In this regulation —*

***committed assets*** means revenue unspent but set aside under the annual budget for a specific purpose.

34. (1) *A local government is to prepare each month a statement of financial activity reporting on the revenue and expenditure, as set out in the annual budget under regulation 22(1)(d), for that month in the following detail —*

- (a) *annual budget estimates, taking into account any expenditure incurred for an additional purpose under section 6.8(1)(b) or (c);*
- (b) *budget estimates to the end of the month to which the statement relates;*
- (c) *actual amounts of expenditure, revenue and income to the end of the month to which the statement relates;*

- (d) *material variances between the comparable amounts referred to in paragraphs (b) and (c); and*
  - (e) *the net current assets at the end of the month to which the statement relates.*
34. (2) *Each statement of financial activity is to be accompanied by documents containing —*
- (a) *an explanation of the composition of the net current assets of the month to which the statement relates, less committed assets and restricted assets;*
  - (b) *an explanation of each of the material variances referred to in subregulation (1)(d); and*
  - (c) *such other supporting information as is considered relevant by the local government.*
34. (3) *The information in a statement of financial activity may be shown —*
- (a) *according to nature and type classification; or*
  - (b) *by program; or*
  - (c) *by business unit.*
34. (4) *A statement of financial activity, and the accompanying documents referred to in subregulation (2), are to be —*
- (a) *presented at an ordinary meeting of the council within 2 months after the end of the month to which the statement relates; and*
  - (b) *recorded in the minutes of the meeting at which it is presented.*
34. (5) *Each financial year, a local government is to adopt a percentage or value, calculated in accordance with the AAS, to be used in statements of financial activity for reporting material variances.*

#### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

There are no policy implications resulting from the recommendation of this report.

#### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no financial implications resulting from the recommendation of this report.

#### **STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS**

There are no strategic implications resulting from the recommendation of this report.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

That the Monthly Financial Statements for the month ended 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2010 consisting of:

- (d) Statement of Financial Activity – 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2010
- (e) Compilation Report
- (f) Material Variances – 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2010

be accepted.

#### **VOTING REQUIREMENT**

Simple Majority

**Moved Cr Craig**

**Seconded Cr Kennedy**

**That the Monthly Financial Statements for the month ended 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2010 consisting of:**

- (a) **Statement of Financial Activity – 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2010**
- (b) **Compilation Report**
- (c) **Material Variances – 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2010**

**be accepted.**

**CARRIED (8 VOTES TO 0)**

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**MONTHLY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY**  
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	NOTE	31 May 2010 Actual \$	31 May 2010 Y-T-D Budget \$	Amended 2009/10 Budget \$	Variences Budget to Actual Y-T-D %
<b><u>Operating</u></b>					
<b>Revenues</b>					
	1,2				
Governance		10,480	10,320	10,320	1.55%
General Purpose Funding		1,210,837	1,710,533	1,749,838	(29.21%)
Law, Order, Public Safety		47,798	38,550	38,550	23.99%
Health		14,787	16,240	17,240	(8.95%)
Education and Welfare		173,167	203,401	214,836	(14.86%)
Housing		37,298	36,839	39,440	1.25%
Community Amenities		69,576	229,600	259,600	(69.70%)
Recreation and Culture		149,069	1,277,301	1,282,908	(88.33%)
Transport		876,351	884,094	940,935	(0.88%)
Economic Services		318,290	316,902	403,416	0.44%
Other Property and Services		249,942	38,500	52,700	549.20%
		<u>3,157,595</u>	<u>4,762,280</u>	<u>5,009,783</u>	(33.70%)
<b>(Expenses)</b>					
	1,2				
Governance		(150,351)	(152,341)	(186,398)	1.31%
General Purpose Funding		(301,715)	(353,355)	(385,069)	14.61%
Law, Order, Public Safety		(118,668)	(184,898)	(198,457)	35.82%
Health		(391,501)	(397,183)	(441,842)	1.43%
Education and Welfare		(189,776)	(310,506)	(336,732)	38.88%
Housing		0	0	0	0.00%
Community Amenities		(177,586)	(269,124)	(293,591)	34.01%
Recreation & Culture		(826,100)	(926,501)	(1,015,044)	10.84%
Transport		(3,327,614)	(3,702,069)	(3,987,654)	10.11%
Economic Services		(563,257)	(896,103)	(1,031,150)	37.14%
Other Property and Services		201,295	17,036	(9,008)	(1081.59%)
		<u>(5,845,273)</u>	<u>(7,175,044)</u>	<u>(7,884,945)</u>	18.53%
<b><u>Adjustments for Non-Cash</u></b>					
<b><u>(Revenue) and Expenditure</u></b>					
(Profit)/Loss on Asset Disposals	4	40,721	75,054	35,061	45.74%
Depreciation on Assets		1,279,921	1,269,638	1,385,065	(0.81%)
<b><u>Capital Revenue and (Expenditure)</u></b>					
Purchase Land Held for Resale	3	(123,733)	(171,000)	(171,000)	27.64%
Purchase Land and Buildings	3	(1,269,772)	(2,850,000)	(3,809,542)	55.45%
Purchase Infrastructure Assets - Roads	3	0	0	0	0.00%
Purchase Infrastructure Assets - Other	3	(242,959)	(654,547)	(654,547)	62.88%
Purchase Plant and Equipment	3	(380,190)	(776,000)	(776,000)	51.01%
Purchase Furniture and Equipment	3	(21,379)	(146,500)	(146,500)	85.41%
Proceeds from Disposal of Assets	4	252,447	585,000	702,000	56.85%
Transfers to Reserves (Restricted Assets)	6	(438,841)	(1,061,806)	(1,158,334)	58.67%
Transfers from Reserves (Restricted Assets)	6	1,149,255	2,260,734	2,466,255	49.16%
ADD Net Current Assets July 1 B/Fwd	7	518,981	694,599	694,599	25.28%
LESS Net Current Assets Year to Date	7	2,137,131	1,120,513	0	(90.73%)
<b>Amount Raised from Rates</b>	8	<u>(4,060,358)</u>	<u>(4,308,105)</u>	<u>(4,308,105)</u>	

This statement is to be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

**SHIRE OF LEONORA**  
**NOTES TO AND FORMING PART OF THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY**  
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**1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The significant accounting policies which have been adopted in the preparation of this statement of financial activity are:

**(a) Basis of Accounting**

This statement is a special purpose financial report, prepared in accordance with applicable Australian Accounting Standards, other mandatory professional reporting requirements and the Local Government Act 1995 (as amended) and accompanying regulations (as amended).

**(b) The Local Government Reporting Entity**

All Funds through which the Council controls resources to carry on its functions have been included in this statement.

In the process of reporting on the local government as a single unit, all transactions and balances between those funds (for example, loans and transfers between Funds) have been eliminated.

Council currently hold no funds on behalf of other entities.

**(c) Rounding Off Figures**

All figures shown in this statement, other than a rate in the dollar, are rounded to the nearest dollar.

**(d) Rates, Grants, Donations and Other Contributions**

Rates, grants, donations and other contributions are recognised as revenues when the local government obtains control over the assets comprising the contributions. Control over assets acquired from rates is obtained at the commencement of the rating period or, where earlier, upon receipt of the rates.

**(e) Goods and Services Tax**

In accordance with recommended practice, revenues, expenses and assets capitalised are stated net of any GST recoverable. Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of applicable GST.

**(f) Cash and Cash Equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash at bank and in hand and short-term deposits that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

For the purposes of the Cash Flow Statement, cash and cash equivalents consist of cash and cash equivalents as defined above, net of outstanding bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are included as short-term borrowings in current liabilities.

**(g) Trade and Other Receivables**

Trade receivables, which generally have 30 - 90 day terms, are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method, less any allowance for uncollectible amounts.

Collectibility of trade receivables is reviewed on an ongoing basis. Debts that are known to be uncollectible are written off when identified. An allowance for doubtful debts is raised when there is objective evidence that they will not be collectible.

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**1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

**(h) General**

Inventories are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less the estimated costs of completion and the estimated costs necessary to make the sale.

Inventories held from trading are classified as current even if not expected to be realised in the next 12 months.

**Land Held for Resale**

Land purchased for development and/or resale is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Cost includes the cost of acquisition, development and interest incurred on the financing of that land during its development. Interest and holding charges incurred after development is complete are recognised as expenses.

Revenue arising from the sale of property is recognised in the operating statement as at the time of signing a binding contract of sale.

Land held for resale is classified as current except where it is held as non-current based on Council's intentions to release for sale.

**(i) Fixed Assets**

All assets are initially recognised at cost. Cost is determined as the fair value of the assets given as consideration plus costs incidental to the acquisition. For assets acquired at no cost or for nominal consideration, cost is determined as fair value at the date of acquisition. The cost of non-current assets constructed by the Municipality includes the cost of all materials used in the construction, direct labour on the project and an appropriate proportion of variable and fixed overhead.

Certain asset classes may be revalued on a regular basis such that the carrying values are not materially different from fair value. Assets carried at fair value are to be revalued with sufficient regularity to ensure the carrying amount does not differ materially from that determined using fair value at reporting date.

**(j) Depreciation of Non-Current Assets**

All non-current assets having a limited useful life are systematically depreciated over their useful lives in a manner which reflects the consumption of the future economic benefits embodied in those assets.

Depreciation is recognised on a straight-line basis, using rates which are reviewed each reporting period. Major depreciation periods are:

Buildings	30 to 50 years
Furniture and Equipment	2 to 15 years
Plant and Equipment	5 to 15 years
Infrastructure	10 to 40 years



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**1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

**(k) Impairment**

In accordance with Australian Accounting Standards the Council's assets, other than inventories, are assessed at each reporting date to determine whether there is any indication they may be impaired.

Where such an indication exists, an estimate of the recoverable amount of the asset is made in accordance with AASB 136 "Impairment of Assets" and appropriate adjustments made.

An impairment loss is recognised whenever the carrying amount of an asset or its cash-generating unit exceeds its recoverable amount. Impairment losses are recognised in the Income Statement.

For non-cash generating assets such as roads, drains, public buildings and the like, value in use is represented by the depreciated replacement cost of the asset.

At the time of preparing this report, it is not possible to estimate the amount of impairment losses (if any) as at 30 June 2010.

In any event, an impairment loss is a non-cash transaction and consequently, has no impact on the Monthly Statement of Financial Position from a budgetary perspective.

**(l) Trade and Other Payables**

Trade and other payables are carried at amortised cost. They represent liabilities for goods and services provided to the Municipality prior to the end of the financial year that are unpaid and arise when the Municipality becomes obliged to make future payments in respect of the purchase of these goods and services. The amounts are unsecured and are usually paid within 30 days of recognition.

**(m) Employee Benefits**

The provisions for employee benefits relates to amounts expected to be paid for long service leave, annual leave, wages and salaries and are calculated as follows:

**(i) Wages, Salaries, Annual Leave and Long Service Leave (Short-term Benefits)**

The provision for employees' benefits to wages, salaries, annual leave and long service leave expected to be settled within 12 months represents the amount the municipality has a present obligation to pay resulting from employees services provided to balance date. The provision has been calculated at nominal amounts based on remuneration rates the Council expects to pay and includes related on-costs.

**(ii) Annual Leave and Long Service Leave (Long-term Benefits)**

The liability for long service leave is recognised in the provision for employee benefits and measured as the present value of expected future payments to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the reporting date using the projected unit credit method. Consideration is given to expected future wage and salary levels, experience of employee departures and periods of service. Expected future payments are discounted using market yields at the reporting date on national government bonds with terms to maturity and currency that match as closely as possible, the estimated future cash outflows. Where Council does not have the unconditional right to defer settlement beyond 12 months, the liability is recognised as a current liability.

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**1. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)**

**(n) Interest-bearing Loans and Borrowings**

All loans and borrowings are initially recognised at the fair value of the consideration received less directly attributable transaction costs.

After initial recognition, interest-bearing loans and borrowings are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Fees paid on the establishment of loan facilities that are yield related are included as part of the carrying amount of the loans and borrowings.

Borrowings are classified as current liabilities unless the Council has an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least 12 months after the balance sheet date.

***Borrowing Costs***

Borrowing costs are recognised as an expense when incurred except where they are directly attributable to the acquisition, construction or production of a qualifying asset. Where this is the case, they are capitalised as part of the cost of the particular asset.

- (o) Provisions are recognised when:** The council has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of past events; it is more likely than not that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation; and the amount has been reliably estimated. Provisions are not recognised for future operating losses.

Where there are a number of similar obligations, the likelihood that an outflow will be required in settlement is determined by considering the class of obligations as a whole. A provision is recognised even if the likelihood of an outflow with respect to any one item included in the same class of obligations may be small.

**(p) Current and Non-Current Classification**

In the determination of whether an asset or liability is current or non-current, consideration is given to the time when each asset or liability is expected to be settled. The asset or liability is classified as current if it is expected to be settled within the next 12 months, being the Council's operational cycle. In the case of liabilities where Council does not have the unconditional right to defer settlement beyond 12 months, such as vested long service leave, the liability is classified as current even if not expected to be settled within the next 12 months. Inventories held for trading are classified as current even if not expected to be realised in the next 12 months except for land held for resale where it is held as non-current based on Council's

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**STATEMENT OF OBJECTIVE**

2.

In order to discharge its responsibilities to the community, the Council has developed a set of operational and financial objectives. These objectives have been established both on an overall basis and for each of its broad activities/programs.

Council operations as disclosed in this statement encompass the following service orientated activities/programs:

**GOVERNANCE**

Includes costs and revenues associated with the President and Councillors in the exercise of their obligations as a governing body. Items of expenditure include conference, travel, meeting attendance fees, presidential allowance, receptions, donations, subscriptions and phone rentals. Costs of advertising and conducting elections are also included. Revenues include election nomination fees and reimbursements by members for private expenses. An administration cost is also allocated which enables staff to process Council Meeting procedures, implement all government decisions and conduct Council meetings. Cost of conducting audit of Council books of accounts and procedures is also include under this heading.

**GENERAL PURPOSE FUNDING**

*1 Rates*

- (a) GRV (gross rental value) refers to property rates for Leonora, Gwalia, Leinster and Agnew town sites and operational mines and associated infrastructure.
- (b) UV (unimproved value) refers to mining properties and tenements (other than mines and other associated infrastructure) and includes prospecting licences, exploration licences and mining leases. It also refers to broad acre rural pastoral properties.
- (c) Additional rates and rates written back refer mainly to mining rates where tenements are granted or surrendered following the adoption of the budget.
- (d) Administration charge refers to the charge levied on ratepayers electing to make payment of rates on the offered instalment plan and is based on the actual cost involved in administering this process
- (e) Administration costs allocated are the costs of maintaining records, levying and collecting all rates.

*2 Grants*

- (a) Grants Commission - a general purpose grant allocated annually by the Federal Government to all local governments. The amount is determined by various formulae devised by the Grants Commission, with a significant component being based on population.
- (b) Roads Grant - An untied road grant allocated by the Federal Government and again distributed by the Grants Commission utilising a pre-determined formula.
- (c) Administration costs allocated to grants refers to the costs associated in collection of Federal Government grants including provision and updating of data used in grants commission formula.

*3 Interest from Investments*

Includes interest received on surplus funds invested throughout the year from both operating and reserve accounts.

**LAW, ORDER, PUBLIC SAFETY**

Costs and revenues associated with animal control within the Shire and also includes fire insurance, dog control and registration.

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**2. STATEMENT OF OBJECTIVE (Continued)**

**HEALTH**

Costs and revenues associated with compliance with the Health Act including inspections and approvals, food quality control, mosquito control, septic tank inspection/control, food hygiene inspection/control, contribution to doctors expenses, Royal Flying Doctor donation and notification of disease.

**EDUCATION AND WELFARE**

Provision of support for education and aged and disabled facilities within the district for the betterment of the residents.

**HOUSING**

Costs of maintaining Council owned accommodation units and collection of rentals paid by staff for use of those buildings. Costs that can be accurately attributed to other programs are allocated. Revenue associated with a State Government owned house by way of loan repayments to Council are also included.

Accommodation units include 3 houses, 2 duplexes and a single persons quarters.

**COMMUNITY AMENITIES**

Costs of collection and disposal of domestic and commercial refuse for town site of Leonora and Gwalia and maintenance of the landfill refuse site. Revenue collection by way of an annual fee for this service which is included on rate assessment notices.

Costs associated with review and administration of Council's Town Planning Scheme.

Provision of Christmas decorations in Leonora Town site.

Operation of the Leonora Cemetery.

**RECREATION AND CULTURE**

Provision and maintenance of Council owned parks, gardens and grassed oval/recreation ground at Leonora and a contribution to similar facilities within Leinster town site.

Costs of operation and maintenance of a purpose built recreation centre which includes indoor basketball court, two squash courts, kitchen, gymnasium and associated facilities and revenues collected from the public for use of these facilities.

Costs of maintenance of Council owned and provided television and radio re-transmission service which includes GWN, WIN and SBS television and WAFM and ABC fine music radio.

Costs and revenues associated with the operation and maintenance of library facilities at Leonora in conjunction with the Library Board of Western Australia.

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**2. STATEMENT OF OBJECTIVE (Continued)**

**TRANSPORT**

Maintenance and improvements of 1,300 kilometres of Council controlled unsealed roads, town site footpaths and streets, drainage control, street cleaning and provision and maintenance of street trees. Costs of providing electricity for steel lights in the Leonora/Gwalia town sites and maintenance of Council's works depot and associated infrastructure.

Operation, maintenance and management of Leonora Aerodrome including runways, runway lighting, tarmac and terminal building and gardens. Purchase of aviation fuel for resale to aircraft operators.

Revenues by way of landing fees and Head Tax charges charged to all aircraft with the exception of the Royal Flying Doctors Service, lease/renting of building to all users of facilities and charges for fuel supplied to aircraft.

**ECONOMIC SERVICES**

Costs associated with tourism promotion throughout the Shire including employment of a Curator/Promotion Officer at the Gwalia Museum and historic precinct.

Contribution to employment of a Goldfields/Esperance Development Officer operating from Shire Offices - Leonora.

Contribution to costs of North Eastern Goldfields Landcare Organisation.

Costs and revenues associated with building control under building regulations, including inspections and issuing building permits.

**OTHER PROPERTY & SERVICES**

Costs and revenues for private hire of Council machinery and operators for completion of private works for ratepayers and others.

Costing allocation pools including administration, overheads, plant operation costs and salaries and wages which are all individually detailed and then allocated throughout all previously mentioned operating activities, works and services.

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<b>3. ACQUISITION OF ASSETS</b>		<b>31 May 2010 Actual \$</b>	<b>Amended 2009/10 Budget \$</b>
The following assets have been acquired during the period under review:			
<b><u>By Program</u></b>			
<b>Housing</b>			
E192001 - 1260 Fitzgerald St	<b>FE</b>	6,981	60,000
E192008 - 1260 Fitzgerald St	<b>LB</b>	28,368	0
E190001 - 3 x 2 House	<b>LB</b>	0	0
<b>Community Amenities</b>			
E190002 - PEP Building	<b>LB</b>	252,932	250,000
E193001 - Cemetery Entrance	<b>IO</b>	4,206	60,000
E192004 - Christmas Decorations	<b>FE</b>	1,223	20,000
E190006 - Industrial Land Development	<b>LR</b>	123,733	171,000
E190007 - PEP Building Refit	<b>LB</b>	0	150,000
<b>Recreation and Culture</b>			
E190003 - Oval Sports Facility			
E190004 - Leonora Lawn Bowling Facility	<b>LB</b>	906,275	1,200,000
E190009 - Oval Caretakers Residence	<b>LB</b>	7,106	2,009,542
E193002 - Playground Equipment	<b>LB</b>	20,611	50,000
E193003 - Telecentre Shade Sail	<b>IO</b>	37,085	50,000
E193004 - Malcolm Dam Improvements	<b>IO</b>	0	4,000
E192003 - Portable Outdoor Cinema	<b>IO</b>	0	25,000
E193005 - Heating Swimming Pool	<b>FE</b>	0	8,000
E192005 - Stage Facility	<b>IO</b>	0	250,000
<b>Transport</b>			
E191002 - Road Sweeper			
E191003 - Prime Mover	<b>PE</b>	64,000	90,000
E191004 - Tray top Truck	<b>PE</b>	0	200,000
E191005 - Grader	<b>PE</b>	59,960	70,000
E191006 - Tip truck	<b>PE</b>	0	0
E191007 - Utility	<b>PE</b>	0	150,000
E191008 - Utility	<b>PE</b>	36,797	35,000
E191013 - Camp Generator	<b>PE</b>	37,063	35,000
E193006 - Airport Fuel Facility	<b>PE</b>	16,353	18,000
E191014 - Vermin Control Equipment	<b>IO</b>	0	50,000
E191015 - Coffee Vending Machine - Airport	<b>PE</b>	0	10,000
<b>Economic Services</b>			
E193007 - Goldfields North Heritage Trail			
<b>Other Property and Services</b>			
E190005 - Office Extensions			
E192002 - IT Upgrade and Restructure	<b>LB</b>	54,480	150,000
E191009 - CEO Vehicle	<b>FE</b>	13,175	28,500
E191010 - DCEO Vehicle	<b>PE</b>	46,247	55,000
E191011 - Health Vehicle	<b>PE</b>	37,229	35,000
E191012 - Doctor Vehicle	<b>PE</b>	37,229	35,000
		<u>2,038,033</u>	<u>5,557,589</u>

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3. ACQUISITION OF ASSETS (Continued)		<b>31 May 2010 Actual \$</b>	<b>Amended 2009/10 Budget \$</b>
<b><u>By Class</u></b>			
Land for Resale	<b>LR</b>	123,733	171,000
Land and Buildings	<b>LB</b>	1,269,772	3,809,542
Infrastructure Assets - Other	<b>IO</b>	242,959	654,547
Plant and Equipment	<b>PE</b>	380,190	776,000
Furniture and Equipment	<b>FE</b>	21,379	146,500
		2,038,033	5,557,589

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**4. DISPOSALS OF ASSETS**

The following assets have been disposed of during the period under review:

<b><u>By Program</u></b>	Net Book Value	Sale Proceeds	Profit(Loss)
	<b>31 May 2010 Actual \$</b>	<b>31 May 2010 Actual \$</b>	<b>31 May 2010 Actual \$</b>
<b>Health</b>			
Ford FG XR Sedan	28,369	23,177	(5,192)
<b>Transport</b>			
Aska ES1705 Generator	10,284	4,091	(6,193)
Sweeper 6650	43,443	25,000	(18,443)
Ford Courier XL Supercab Reg:33L	20,449	11,227	(9,221)
Aviation Fuel Tank	62,255	52,000	(10,255)
Truck 7 tonne	13,029	31,818	18,789
<b>Admin</b>			
Ford FG XR Sedan	28,439	23,091	(5,348)
Ford FG G6E Sedan	41,744	35,454	(6,290)
Ford Falcon Seduce	28,840	30,907	2,067
Ford Courier Super C/Cab	16,317	15,682	(635)
	<b>293,168</b>	<b>252,447</b>	<b>(40,721)</b>

<b><u>By Class</u></b>	Net Book Value	Sale Proceeds	Profit(Loss)
	<b>31 May 2010 Actual \$</b>	<b>31 May 2010 Actual \$</b>	<b>31 May 2010 Actual \$</b>
Plant & Equipment	293,168	252,447	(40,721)
	<b>293,168</b>	<b>252,447</b>	<b>(40,721)</b>

**Summary**

Profit on Asset Disposals	20,856
Loss on Asset Disposals	(61,577)
	<u>(40,721)</u>

**5. INFORMATION ON BORROWINGS**

- (a) Debenture Repayments  
The Shire of Leonora has no borrowings.
- (b) New Debentures 2009/10  
No new debentures were raised during the reporting period.

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	<b>31 May 2010 Actual \$</b>	<b>Amended 2009/10 Budget \$</b>
<b>6. RESERVES</b>		
<b>Cash Backed Reserves</b>		
<b>(a) Long Service Leave Reserve</b>		
Opening Balance	119,484	119,484
Amount Set Aside / Transfer to Reserve	3,262	4,779
Amount Used / Transfer from Reserve	(4)	0
	122,742	124,263
<b>(b) Fire Disaster Reserve</b>		
Opening Balance	9,755	9,755
Amount Set Aside / Transfer to Reserve	2,315	2,430
Amount Used / Transfer from Reserve	0	0
	12,070	12,185
<b>(d) Combined Sporting Reserve</b>		
Opening Balance	825,458	825,458
Amount Set Aside / Transfer to Reserve	324,523	321,126
Amount Used / Transfer from Reserve	(1,149,225)	(1,145,720)
	756	864
<b>(e) Plant Purchase Reserve</b>		
Opening Balance	56,388	56,387
Amount Set Aside / Transfer to Reserve	89,301	87,884
Amount Used / Transfer from Reserve	(2)	(55,000)
	145,687	89,271
<b>(f) Bowling Green Reserve</b>		
Opening Balance	600,000	600,000
Amount Set Aside / Transfer to Reserve	16,382	665,535
Amount Used / Transfer from Reserve	(20)	(1,265,535)
	616,362	0
<b>(g) Annual Leave Reserve</b>		
Opening Balance	112,002	112,002
Amount Set Aside / Transfer to Reserve	3,058	4,480
Amount Used / Transfer from Reserve	(4)	0
	115,056	116,482
<b>(h) Housing Reserve</b>		
Opening Balance	0	0
Amount Set Aside / Transfer to Reserve	0	72,100
Amount Used / Transfer from Reserve	0	0
	0	72,100
<b>Total Cash Backed Reserves</b>	1,012,673	415,165

All of the above reserve accounts are supported by money held in financial institutions.

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	<b>31 May 2010 Actual \$</b>	<b>Amended 2009/10 Budget \$</b>
<b>6. RESERVES (Continued)</b>		
<b>Summary of Transfers To Cash Backed Reserves</b>		
<b>Transfers to Reserves</b>		
Long Service Leave Reserve	3,262	4,779
Fire Disaster Reserve	2,315	2,430
Combined Sporting Reserve	324,523	321,126
Plant Purchase Reserve	89,301	87,884
Bowling Green Reserve	16,382	665,535
Annual Leave Reserve	3,058	4,480
Housing Reserve	0	72,100
	438,841	1,158,334
<b>Transfers from Reserves</b>		
Long Service Leave Reserve	(4)	0
Fire Disaster Reserve	0	0
Combined Sporting Reserve	(1,149,225)	(1,145,720)
Plant Purchase Reserve	(2)	(55,000)
Bowling Green Reserve	(20)	(1,265,535)
Annual Leave Reserve	(4)	0
Housing Reserve	0	0
	(1,149,255)	(2,466,255)
<b>Total Transfer to/(from) Reserves</b>	(710,414)	(1,307,921)

In accordance with council resolutions in relation to each reserve account, the purpose for which the reserves are set aside are as follows:

Long Service Leave Reserve

- This reserve is to offset Council's leave liability to it's employees.

Fire Disaster Reserve

- This reserve will assist in the provision of emergency contingencies in the case of fire disaster.

Combined Sporting Reserve

- To set aside money for the building of a combined sporting club facility within the Shire.

Plant Replacement Reserve

- to be used for the purchase of major plant.

Bowling Green Reserve

- to be used for the maintenance of the bowling green.

Annual Leave Reserve

- This reserve is to offset Council's annual leave liability to it's employees.

Housing Reserve

- To set aside money for the building of housing within the Shire.

None of the above reserves are expected to be used within a set period as further transfers to the reserve accounts are expected before funds are utilised.

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	<b>31 May 2010 Actual \$</b>	<b>Brought Forward 1-Jul \$</b>
<b>7. NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
<b>Composition of Estimated Net Current Asset Position</b>		
 <b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Cash - Unrestricted	1,851,908	500,809
Cash - Restricted	1,012,673	1,723,086
Receivables	291,373	262,656
Inventories	101,686	32,448
	3,257,640	2,518,999
 <b>LESS: CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		
Payables and Provisions	(107,836)	(276,932)
<b>NET CURRENT ASSET POSITION</b>	3,149,804	2,242,067
Less: Cash - Reserves - Restricted	(1,012,673)	(1,723,086)
<b>NET CURRENT ASSET POSITION</b>	2,137,131	518,981

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**8. RATING INFORMATION**

<u>RATE TYPE</u>	Rate in \$	Number of Properties	Rateable Value \$	2009/10 Rate Revenue \$	2009/10 Interim Rates \$	2009/10 Back Rates \$	2009/10 Total Revenue \$	2009/10 Budget \$
<b>Differential General Rate</b>								
GRV	0.0753	594	10,388,244	702,858	46,304	0	749,162	703,357
UV Pastoral	0.0702	28	707,188	49,645	220	0	49,865	49,644
UV Other	0.1102	1,233	27,479,591	2,985,998	117,582	0	3,103,580	3,389,704
<b>Sub-Totals</b>		1,855	38,575,023	3,738,501	164,106	0	3,902,607	4,142,705
<b>Minimum Rates</b>	<b>Minimum \$</b>							
GRV	220	76	37,141	15,400	(440)	0	14,960	15,400
UV Pastoral	220	2	4,668	440	0	0	440	440
UV Other	220	935	1,031,713	240,106	56,674	0	296,780	236,060
<b>Sub-Totals</b>		1,013	1,073,522	255,946	56,234	0	312,180	251,900
<b>Totals</b>							4,214,787	4,394,605
Write-offs							(152,429)	(86,500)
<b>Totals</b>							4,062,358	4,308,105

All land except exempt land in the Shire of Leonora is rated according to its Gross Rental Value (GRV) in town sites or Unimproved Value (UV) in the remainder of the Shire.

The general rates detailed above for the 2009/10 financial year have been determined by Council on the basis of raising the revenue required to meet the deficiency between the total estimated expenditure proposed in the budget and the estimated revenue to be received from all sources other than rates and also bearing considering the extent of any increase in rating over the level adopted in the previous year.

The minimum rates have been determined by Council on the basis that all ratepayers must make a reasonable contribution to the cost of the Local Government services/facilities.

**9. TRUST FUNDS**

Council holds no funds on behalf of other entities

## COMPILATION REPORT TO THE SHIRE OF LEONORA

### (1) Scope

On the basis of the information provided by the Shire of Leonora, we have compiled, in accordance with APS 9 "Statement on Compilation of Financial Reports", the attached (local government) special purpose financial report of the Shire of Leonora for the period ended 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2010.

The Shire of Leonora is solely responsible for the information contained in the attached monthly (local government) special purpose financial report.

Our procedures use accounting knowledge to collect, classify and summarise the financial information, which the Shire of Leonora provided, into a financial report. Our procedures do not include verification or validation procedures. **No audit or review has been performed** and accordingly **no assurance is expressed**.

To the extent permitted by law, we do not accept liability for any loss or damage which any person, other than the Shire of Leonora, may suffer arising from any negligence on our part.

The monthly (local government) special purpose financial report was prepared exclusively for the benefit of the Shire of Leonora. We do not accept responsibility to any other person for the contents of the financial report.

### (2) Legislative Framework

The Shire of Leonora is required to prepare a monthly statement of financial activity for presentation to the Council by the Local Government Act 1995 and associated Regulations.

It should be noted that the attached financial report incorporates comparison of the actual year to date figures with the year to date budget amounts and also the full year budget figures.

UHY Haines Norton

**Shire of Leonora**  
**Material Variances as at May 31st 2010**

**Variances 2009/10 Budget to Actual**  
**Month Ended 31/05/2010**

In accordance with your adopted policy (\$10000.00 Variance) the following accounts are reported for your information.

<b>ACCOUNT</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>Year To Date BUDGET</b>	<b>DIFFERENCE</b>
<b>Income</b>				
I030008	Rates Additional - GRV	\$ 54,118.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 53,618.00
I030009	Additional Mining Rates	\$ 164,372.00	\$ 366,663.00	\$ (202,291.00)
I030011	Rates - Mining Written Back	\$ 152,273.00	\$ 83,182.00	\$ 69,091.00
I030022	Interest - Muni	\$ 28,546.00	\$ 45,833.00	\$ (17,287.00)
I030028	Grant - Country local Govt Fund	\$ -	\$ 390,535.00	\$ (390,535.00)
I030029	R4R - 09-10 Gergs	\$ -	\$ 225,000.00	\$ (225,000.00)
I030030	Community Infrastructure Prog	\$ -	\$ 30,000.00	\$ (30,000.00)
I053404	Roadwise Project	\$ 25,580.00	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 10,580.00
I080005	Youth Support Program	\$ 41,838.00	\$ 77,836.00	\$ (35,998.00)
I107413	Grant - Pep Building	\$ -	\$ 150,000.00	\$ (150,000.00)
I116413	Telecentre Grant - Wages	\$ 48,000.00	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 18,000.00
I122208	Grant Kurrajong St Lighting	\$ -	\$ 35,000.00	\$ (35,000.00)
I136497	Land Conservation Grant	\$ -	\$ 27,000.00	\$ (27,000.00)
I136498	Grant - NG Tourism	\$ -	\$ 42,454.00	\$ (42,454.00)
I141450	Charges - Plant Hire	\$ 108,519.00	\$ 13,500.00	\$ 95,019.00
I144451	Reimb - Insurance	\$ 27,262.00	\$ -	\$ 27,262.00
I114482	Grant - Bowling Club -State	\$ -	\$ 500,000.00	\$ (500,000.00)
I114483	Grant - Bowling Club -Federal	\$ -	\$ 500,000.00	\$ (500,000.00)
I114473	Grant - Heating Swimming Pool	\$ -	\$ 150,000.00	\$ (150,000.00)
	Sale of Industrial Blocks	\$ -	\$ 250,000.00	\$ (250,000.00)
	Trade In Tip Truck	\$ -	\$ 75,000.00	\$ (75,000.00)
	Trade In Prime Mover	\$ -	\$ 80,000.00	\$ (80,000.00)
I091433	Grant - Country Housing Auth	\$ -	\$ 150,000.00	\$ (150,000.00)
	Bowling Club Reserve transfer	\$ -	\$ 600,000.00	\$ (600,000.00)
		\$ 650,508.00	\$ 3,837,503.00	\$ (3,186,995.00)
<b>Expenditure</b>				
E053411	Emergency Management Plan	\$ -	\$ 10,000.00	\$ (10,000.00)
E053412	Crime Prevention Plan	\$ 4,891.00	\$ 15,680.00	\$ (10,789.00)
E074075	Doctor -Top Up salary	\$ 125,774.00	\$ 114,400.00	\$ 11,374.00
E080005	Childcare Services	\$ 113,673.00	\$ 129,484.00	\$ (15,811.00)
E081004	Youth Support Services	\$ 3,875.00	\$ 75,717.00	\$ (71,842.00)
E081005	Youth Support Wages	\$ 10,040.00	\$ 36,300.00	\$ (26,260.00)
E091033	Mtce- 1142 Walton St (South)	\$ 13,035.00	\$ 28,417.00	\$ (15,382.00)
E091036	Mtce - 1142 Walton St (North)	\$ 15,011.00	\$ 28,417.00	\$ (13,406.00)
E101030	Refuse site Maint	\$ 12,860.00	\$ 45,833.00	\$ (32,973.00)
E103010	Liquid Waste Disposal Site	\$ 35.00	\$ 18,333.00	\$ (18,298.00)
E106013	Uranium Consultant	\$ -	\$ 18,333.00	\$ (18,333.00)
E113092	Swimming Pool Maint	\$ 102,365.00	\$ 91,667.00	\$ 10,698.00

E113095	NG Recreation Officer	\$	41,286.00	\$	9,167.00	\$	32,119.00
E114280	Salaries - Rec Centre	\$	35,721.00	\$	108,641.00	\$	(72,920.00)
E114294	Repairs Rec Centre	\$	27,447.00	\$	13,750.00	\$	13,697.00
E114296	Sporting Equip	\$	3,863.00	\$	18,333.00	\$	(14,470.00)
E114351	Member Card System Upgrade	\$	1,055.00	\$	22,917.00	\$	(21,862.00)
E116024	Telecentre General Exps	\$	23,961.00	\$	11,000.00	\$	12,961.00
E116025	Telecentre Equip	\$	4,560.00	\$	17,187.00	\$	(12,627.00)
E122040	Roadworks Mtce	\$	957,043.00	\$	1,133,717.00	\$	(176,674.00)
E122043	Road Mtce - Bush Graders	\$	237,373.29	\$	256,667.00	\$	(19,293.71)
E122160	Street Cleaning	\$	139,069.00	\$	183,333.00	\$	(44,264.00)
E122189	Street Lighting - Kurrajong	\$	-	\$	32,083.00	\$	(32,083.00)
E122204	RRG Leonora Nambi	\$	83,449.00	\$	70,716.00	\$	12,733.00
E122205	Leinster Shoulder Grading	\$	-	\$	60,300.00	\$	(60,300.00)
E126010	Aerodrome Maint	\$	69,793.00	\$	105,417.00	\$	(35,624.00)
E132076	NG Working Group	\$	48,846.00	\$	89,333.00	\$	(40,487.00)
E132082	Revegetation Project	\$	17,642.00	\$	58,678.00	\$	(41,036.00)
E132093	Museum - Salary Subsidy	\$	13,320.00	\$	27,500.00	\$	(14,180.00)
E132094	Info Centre Wages	\$	26,649.00	\$	40,388.00	\$	(13,739.00)
E132095	Regional Marketing	\$	-	\$	22,917.00	\$	(22,917.00)
E132097	Italian Girls - Gwalia project	\$	-	\$	17,142.00	\$	(17,142.00)
E133052	Contract Building Surveyor	\$	24,343.00	\$	36,667.00	\$	(12,324.00)
E141010	Private Works	\$	100,181.00	\$	9,000.00	\$	91,181.00
E142050	Office - Building Mtce	\$	4,937.00	\$	17,142.00	\$	(12,205.00)
E142145	Fringe Benefit Tax	\$	57,719.00	\$	32,083.00	\$	25,636.00
E142252	Wage Increase	\$	17,254.00	\$	32,083.00	\$	(14,829.00)
E143040	Insurance	\$	166,605.00	\$	155,000.00	\$	11,605.00
E144010	Fuel and Oil	\$	139,246.00	\$	229,167.00	\$	(89,921.00)
E144030	Parts and Repairs	\$	103,548.00	\$	88,000.00	\$	15,548.00
E146200	Gross Salaries	\$	1,410,034.00	\$	1,744,632.00	\$	(334,598.00)
E190001	Staff house 3 x 2	\$	-	\$	300,000.00	\$	(300,000.00)
E190008	Furniture Lot 1260 Fitzgerald St	\$	11,055.00	\$	60,000.00	\$	(48,945.00)
E190006	Industrial Blocks	\$	123,732.00	\$	171,000.00	\$	(47,268.00)
E193001	Cemetery Enterance	\$	4,206.00	\$	60,000.00	\$	(55,794.00)
E192004	Xmas Decorations	\$	1,222.00	\$	20,000.00	\$	(18,778.00)
E190003&9	Oval Sport Facility(inc residence)	\$	920,076.00	\$	1,200,000.00	\$	(279,924.00)
E190004	Bowling Club	\$	7,105.00	\$	2,800,000.00	\$	(2,792,895.00)
E193002	Playground Equipment	\$	37,084.00	\$	50,000.00	\$	(12,916.00)
E193004	Malcolm Dam Improvements	\$	-	\$	25,000.00	\$	(25,000.00)
E193005	Heating Swimming Pool	\$	-	\$	250,000.00	\$	(250,000.00)
E192005	Stage Facility	\$	-	\$	30,000.00	\$	(30,000.00)
E191003	Purchase Prime Mover	\$	-	\$	200,000.00	\$	(200,000.00)
E191006	Purchase Tip Truck	\$	-	\$	150,000.00	\$	(150,000.00)
E191001	Purchase Bobcat	\$	-	\$	130,000.00	\$	(130,000.00)
E193006	Airport Fuel Facility	\$	-	\$	50,000.00	\$	(50,000.00)
E191004	Vermin Equipment	\$	-	\$	10,000.00	\$	(10,000.00)
E193007	Heritage Trail - north	\$	201,668.00	\$	215,547.00	\$	(13,879.00)
E190007	Youth Centre Refit	\$	-	\$	150,000.00	\$	(150,000.00)
E192002	IT Upgrade	\$	13,175.00	\$	28,500.00	\$	(15,325.00)
E190005	Office Restructure	\$	54,480.00	\$	150,000.00	\$	(95,520.00)
		\$	5,530,306.29	\$	11,305,588.00	\$	(5,775,281.71)

SUMMARY

Income Budgeted & not yet received-	-\$3,186,995.00
Expenditure Budgeted & not yet Spent	-\$5,775,281.71
Budget Surplus	\$2,588,286.71

## 10.0 REPORTS OF OFFICERS

### 10.2 DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

#### 10.2(B) ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

**SUBMISSION TO:** Meeting of Council  
Meeting Date: 15<sup>th</sup> June, 2010

**AGENDA REFERENCE:** 10.2 (B) JUN 10

**SUBJECT:** Accounts for Payment

**LOCATION / ADDRESS:** Nil

**NAME OF APPLICANT:** Nil

**FILE REFERENCE:** Nil

#### AUTHOR, DISCLOSURE OF ANY INTEREST AND DATE OF REPORT

**NAME:** John Francis Rowe

**OFFICER:** Acting Deputy Chief Executive Officer

**INTEREST DISCLOSURE:** Nil

**DATE:** 3<sup>rd</sup> June, 2010

#### BACKGROUND

Attached statement consists of accounts paid by Delegated Authority represented by **Vouchers 1183 to 1267** and totalling **\$538,126.48**, and accounts paid by Council Authorisation represented by **Vouchers 1268 to 1296** and totalling **\$34,752.56**.

#### POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications resulting from the recommendation of this report.

#### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications resulting from the recommendation of this report.

#### STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

There are no strategic implications resulting from the recommendation of this report.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

That accounts paid by Delegated Authority represented by **Vouchers 1183 to 1267** and totalling **\$538,126.48**, and accounts paid by Council Authorisation represented by **Vouchers 1268 to 1296** and totalling **\$34,752.56** be authorised for payment.

#### VOTING REQUIREMENT

Simple Majority

Moved Cr Heather

Seconded Cr Kennedy

**That accounts paid by Delegated Authority represented by Vouchers 1183 to 1267 and totalling \$538,126.48, and accounts paid by Council Authorisation represented by Vouchers 1268 to 1296 and totalling \$34,752.56 be authorised for payment.**

**CARRIED (8 VOTES TO 0)**



**Shire of Leonora**

**Monthly Report - List of Accounts Paid by Delegated Authority**

**Submitted to Council on 15<sup>th</sup> June, 2010**

The following list of accounts has been paid under delegation, by the Chief Executive Officer, since the previous list of accounts. Vouchers numbered from 1183 to 1267.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

1183	11.05.2010	P.J.J..D. Nominees P/L	Contract Grading	6,600.00
1184	12.05.2010	Leonora Paint Service	Painting Services	11,550.00
1185	12.05.2010	DCC Construction Pty Ltd	Concrete Slab - Lot 1260 Fitzgerald St	4,482.28
1186	12.05.2010	SDP Industries Pty Ltd	Wireless Internet - Information Centre	2,513.58
1187	12.05.2010	Builders Registration Board	Builders Registration - BLA 09/10	34.50
1188	13.05.2010	Advance Tourism	TNG Meeting Expenses	5,764.84
1189	13.05.2010	Butson's Building Service	Accommodation - John Rowe	3,080.00
1190	13.05.2010	Chubb Security	ATM Running Costs	2,508.22
1191	13.05.2010	Central Hotel	Various Accommodation & Meals	993.00
1192	13.05.2010	Canning Pool & Pump	Pool Safety Latches	295.90
1193	13.05.2010	Eagle Petroleum (WA) Pty Ltd	Fuel Card Purchases	609.44
1194	13.05.2010	Earth Australia Contracting	Hire of Machinery - Nambi Road	6,369.00
1195	13.05.2010	Grandview Management Pty Ltd	Fox Traps	470.00
1196	13.05.2010	Glenn Baker	Meeting Attendance Fees & Allowances	2,146.00
1197	13.05.2010	John Heather	Meeting Attendance Fees & Allowances	1,720.00
1198	13.05.2010	Kerion Pty Ltd	Airfares - James Davis	626.00
1199	13.05.2010	Leonora Roadhouse	Fuel Purchases - Parks & Gardens	42.75
1200	13.05.2010	Open Road Rentals	Tent City - Golden Gift 2010	17,985.00
1201	13.05.2010	Peter Craig	Meeting Attendance Fees & Allowances	4,141.10
1202	13.05.2010	UHY Haines Norton	Accounting Fees	6,820.00
1203	13.05.2010	Telstra	Internet Usage - Youth Centre	39.00
1204	13.05.2010	W.A.L.G.A.	Procurement Services - Heavy Vehicle	550.00
1205	13.05.2010	West Trac Pty Ltd	Various Parts and Repairs	9,299.85
1206	14.05.2010	Westnet Pty Ltd	Telecentre Gen. Exp – May 2010 B/S	11.00
1207	17.05.2010	Stuart Williamson	Contract Grading	290.00
1208	17.05.2010	Air Liquide WA Ltd	Oxygen Cylinder – Medical Centre	175.96
1209	17.05.2010	Corporate Express	Various Stationery	1,083.88
1210	17.05.2010	Courier Australia	Freight Charges	142.35
1211	17.05.2010	Ace Rang Corporation Pty Ltd	Various Carpet Supply & Installation	22,663.00
1212	17.05.2010	Dell Australia Pty Ltd	Toner – Medical Centre	425.70
1213	17.05.2010	Golden West Network Pty Ltd	Advertising Campaign – Tourism	2,553.10
1214	17.05.2010	Harvey Norman Kalgoorlie	Maintenance – Lot 250 Queen Victoria	6,107.00
1215	17.05.2010	Horizon Power	Electricity Usage	543.85
1216	17.05.2010	Joe Kennedy	Meeting Attendance Fees & Allowances	3,854.98
1217	17.05.2010	Landmark Operations Ltd	Fencing Materials – Oval Facility	6,397.25
1218	17.05.2010	Reliance Petroleum	Bulk Diesel, Fuel and Oils	44,941.40
1219	17.05.2010	Rexel Kalgoorlie	Industrial Land Development	53.26
1220	17.05.2010	Reynolds Graphics	Commercial Costs – Golden Gift 2010	550.00
1221	17.05.2010	Sunny Brushware Supplies	Brooms – Street Sweeper	824.05
			<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>\$ 179,257.24</b>

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Vouch. No.	Date	Payee's Name	Particulars	Payment Made By Delegated Authority.
			<b>Balance B/Fwd</b>	<b>\$179,257.24</b>
1222	17.05.2010	Sheridan's For Badges	Desk Plate – M. Taylor	98.45
1223	17.05.2010	Samuel Burke	Reimbursement Airfares – Golden Gift 10	421.00
1224	17.05.2010	Toll Ipec Pty Ltd	Freight Charges	371.09
1225	17.05.2010	Telstra	Phone Usage – Camp Requisites	30.00
1226	18.05.2010	Reynolds Graphics	Golden Gift 2010 Posters & TV Ad	836.00
1227	19.05.2010	Shire of Leonora	Salaries & Wages – PPE: 19.05.2010	41,426.00
1227(a)	19.05.2010	L.G.R.C.E.U.	Union Fees – PPE: 19.05.2010	17.40
1227(b)	19.05.2010	Shire of Leonora	Tax/Rent – PPE: 19.05.2010	13,401.25
1227(c)	19.05.2010	WALGS Plan	Superannuation – PPE: 19.05.2010	8,115.82
1227(d)	19.05.2010	Child Support Agency	Child Support – PPE: 19.05.2010	649.30
1228	21.05.2010	Toyota Financial Services	GEDC Vehicle – May 2010 B/S	1,476.05
1229	21.05.2010	National Australia Bank	Bank Fees – May 2010 B/S	105.50
1230	21.05.2010	Documentary Services	Searches and Fees	342.60
1231	21.05.2010	Liliana Sputore	Leinster Community Grant – Sport & Rec	5,000.00
1232	21.05.2010	Chris Gillam	Leinster Community Grant – Sport & Rec	780.00
1233	21.05.2010	Tattooads	Golden Gift Temporary Tattoos	462.00
1234	21.05.2010	Majstrovich Building Company	Pergola & Office Alterations	40,974.84
1235	21.05.2010	Brenton Rowe	Reimbursement – Airfares Golden Gift	440.70
1236	24.05.2010	Leonora Cabinets	Mtce & Repairs: Telecentre/Rec Centre	5,851.00
1237	26.05.2010	Goldsworthy Family Trust	Health & Building Contract	6,429.50
1238	27.05.2010	National Australia Bank	Cash – For Golden Gift 2010	20,250.00
1239	28.05.2010	Kalgoorlie Goldfields Visitor Centre	Advertising Charges	900.00
1240	28.05.2010	Parmelia Print	Race Bibs – Golden Gift 2010	506.00
1241	28.05.2010	Paul Trinidad	Leonora Gwalia Cemetery Project	2,500.00
1242	28.05.2010	FESA	2009/10 ESL Quarter 4	7,339.98
1243	31.05.2010	Greg Loughlin	Reimbursement – Depot Maintenance	123.15
1244	31.05.2010	Poitier Medical Practice	Medical Retainer 26.03.10-30.06.2010	38,031.85
1245	31.05.2010	National Australia Bank	Bank Fees – May 2010 B/Statement	156.50
1246	02.06.2010	Shire of Leonora	Sal & Wages – PPE: 02.06.10	43,527.00
1246(a)	02.06.2010	L.G.R.C.E.U.	Union Fee – PPE:02.06.2010	17.40
1246(b)	02.06.2010	Shire of Leonora	Tax/Rent – PPE: 02.06.2010	13,974.07
1246(c)	02.06.2010	WALGS Plan	Superannuation – PPE: 02.06.2010	8,110.75
1246(d)	02.06.2010	Child Support Agency	Child Support – PPE: 02.06.2010	352.56
1247	02.06.2010	City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder	Crowd Control Barriers – Golden Gift 10	628.00
1248	03.06.2010	Ace Range Corporation	Purchase & Installation of Carpet-Variou	14,279.00
1249	03.06.2010	Barrett Displays	Regional Sign – Oval Sporting Facility	194.70
1250	03.06.2010	Champion Bay Invitation Homing	Sponsorship – Golden Gift 2010	500.00
1251	03.06.2010	Department of Premier & Cabinet	Government Gazette Advertising	129.48
1252	03.06.2010	Energy Generation Pty Ltd	Bulk Fuel	3,575.00
1253	03.06.2010	Goldfields Filter Clean	Parts and Repairs – Various	243.10
1254	03.06.2010	Kalgoorlie Trophy & Engraving	Medals – Golden Gift 2010	280.00
			<b>Sub Total</b>	<b>\$462,104.28</b>

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Vouchers numbered from 1183 to 1267 **and direct bank transactions** totaling \$538,126.48 submitted to each member of the Council on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> June, 2010 have been checked and are fully supported by vouchers and duly certified invoices with checks being carried out as to prices, computations and costing.

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**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

1268	03.06.2010	Bitz (Australia) Pty Ltd	Parts and Repairs – P915	174.68
1269	03.06.2010	Bunnings Group	Various Building Supplies	695.42
1270	03.06.2010	Central Hotel	Various Accommodation & Meals	974.00
1271	03.06.2010	Courier Australia	Freight Charges	17.27
1272	03.06.2010	Department of Transport	Licence & Third Party Insurance – P82	24.05
1273	03.06.2010	Express Yourself Printing	Scrapbooking – Telecentre & Toners	165.93
1274	03.06.2010	Forman Bros	Maintenance – 11A Walton Street	71.50
1275	03.06.2010	Horizon Power	Electricity Usage	2,420.23
1276	03.06.2010	Harvey Norman Kalgoorlie	Electric Kettle – 11A Walton Street	69.00
1277	03.06.2010	J.F. Carter	Meeting Attendance Fees & Allowances	3,699.00
1278	03.06.2010	JR & A Hersey Pty Ltd	Depot Maintenance & Golden Gift 2010	620.05
1279	03.06.2010	Ian Diffen Tyres & Mufflers	Tyres – P2	763.00
1280	03.06.2010	Kalgoorlie Retravision	Purchase of Oven & Community Grant	3,766.00
1281	03.06.2010	Kenyon & Company Pty Ltd	Leonora Airport Maintenance	1,692.24
1282	03.06.2010	Landgate	Valuations	766.35
1283	03.06.2010	Leonora Cabinets	Maintenance – Doctor’s Residence	5,776.00
1284	03.06.2010	Leonora Post Office	Postal Charges	309.70
1285	03.06.2010	Larnie Dorph-Petersen	Meeting Attendance Fees & Allowances	2,000.00
1286	03.06.2010	McMahon Burnett Transport	Freight Charges	1,319.17
1287	03.06.2010	Neale Johnson	Meeting Attendance Fees & Allowances	1,440.00
1288	03.06.2010	Nicholson Agencies	Various Cleaning Supplies	1,130.89
1289	03.06.2010	Office National	Service Agreement – Office	452.25
1290	03.06.2010	On-Line Business Equipment	Service Agreement – Telecentre	589.31
1291	03.06.2010	Powerchill Electrical	Maintenance – 137B Hoover Street	184.80
1292	03.06.2010	Ross Norrie	Meeting Attendance Fees & Allowances	2,306.00
1293	03.06.2010	Toll Ipec	Freight Charges	148.50
1294	03.06.2010	Water Corporation	Water Usage	1,580.60
1295	03.06.2010	WA Country Health Service	Rent June 2010 – Medical Centre	408.80
1296	03.06.2010	WesTrac Pty Ltd	Cutting Edges – P289 & P2221	1,187.82
			<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$34,752.56</b>

## **10.0 REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

### **10.2 DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

#### **10.2(C) PLAN FOR THE FUTURE OF THE DISTRICT**

**SUBMISSION TO:** Meeting of Council  
Meeting Date: 15<sup>th</sup> June, 2010

**AGENDA REFERENCE:** 10.2 (C) JUN 10

**SUBJECT:** Plan for the Future of the District – July 2010–June 2012

**LOCATION / ADDRESS:** Nil

**NAME OF APPLICANT:** Nil

**FILE REFERENCE:** Nil

#### **AUTHOR, DISCLOSURE OF ANY INTEREST AND DATE OF REPORT**

**NAME:** John Francis Rowe

**OFFICER:** Acting Deputy Chief Executive Officer

**INTEREST DISCLOSURE:** Nil

**DATE:** 4<sup>th</sup> June, 2010

#### **BACKGROUND**

The amendments to the Local Government Act 1995 replaces the requirement for Councils to prepare a "Plan of Principal Activities" with a new provision with the fancy name of "Plan for the Future of the District". Regulations provide for a far less prescriptive plan to replace the old Principal Activity Plan. In our case this results in the plan being reduced from a four year plan to a two year plan. The need to adopt a plan to apply in respect of each year still applies. The Draft Plan for the financial years 2010/11 and 2011/12 are attached for your consideration.

#### **STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT**

Section 5.57 of the Act still requires 42 days local Public Notice of the plans availability to ensure electors and ratepayers of our district have been consulted during the development of the plan.

#### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

There are no policy implications resulting from the recommendation of this report.

#### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

In the preparation of the Annual Budget Council is to have regard to the contents of its adopted plan for the future and any significant variations must be explained in the Budget document.

#### **STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS**

As Council has previously adopted a strategic plan due recognisance of that plan has been made in the preparation of this plan for the future.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the draft Plan for the Future of the District 2010 to 2011 as presented proceed to local public advertising with a view to considering of submissions, modification if necessary and final adoption at the ordinary meeting of Council held in July 2010.

**VOTING REQUIREMENTS**

Simple Majority

**Moved Cr Johnson**

**Seconded Cr Baker**

**That the draft Plan for the Future of the District 2010 to 2011 as presented proceed to local public advertising with a view to considering of submissions, modification if necessary and final adoption at the ordinary meeting of Council held in July 2010.**

**CARRIED (8 VOTES TO 0)**

At 10.40am standing orders were suspended to receive a delegation from Minara Resources Limited, consisting of Mr Sam Rigg, Mr Luke Forward, Mr Matt Stingemore and Mr Linton O'Meara.

The meeting adjourned for morning tea at 10.40am and resumed at 10.59am with attendance identical to that at Item 3.1.

At 11.00am Cr Carter invited the delegation to update Council on Minara Resource's developments.

Following questions and answers Cr Carter thanked the visitors who departed at 11.50am.

## **10.0 REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

### **10.2 DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

#### **10.2(D) TRANSFER OF SURPLUS FUNDS TO BOWLING GREEN RESERVE ACCOUNT**

**SUBMISSION TO:** Meeting of Council  
Meeting Date: 15<sup>th</sup> June, 2010

**AGENDA REFERENCE:** 10.2 (D) JUN 10

**SUBJECT:** Transfer of Surplus Funds to Bowling Green Reserve Account

**LOCATION / ADDRESS:** Leonora

**NAME OF APPLICANT:** Nil

**FILE REFERENCE:** Budget 1.6

#### **AUTHOR, DISCLOSURE OF ANY INTEREST AND DATE OF REPORT**

**NAME:** John Francis Rowe

**OFFICER:** Acting Deputy Chief Executive Officer

**INTEREST DISCLOSURE:** Nil

**DATE:** 4<sup>th</sup> June, 2010

#### **BACKGROUND**

It is expected that the financial position as at 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2010 will show a significant surplus.

Consequently Council approval is now sought to have any surplus funds transferred to the Bowling Club Reserve Account to be utilised in the 2010/2011 budget to complete this project.

#### **STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT**

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 state:

##### **6.11 Reserve Accounts**

- 1) Subject to subsection (5), where a local government wishes to set aside money for use for a purpose in a future financial year, it is to establish and maintain a reserve account for each such purpose.
- 2) Subject to subsection (3), before a local government –
  - a) changes\* the purpose of a reserve account; or
  - b) uses\* the money in a reserve account for another purpose,

it must give one month's local public notice of the proposed change of purpose or proposed use.

*\*Absolute majority required.*

- 3) A local government is not required to give local public notice under subsection (2) –
  - a) where the change of purpose or of proposed use of money has been disclosed in the annual budget of the local government for that financial year; or
  - b) in such other circumstances as are prescribed.
- 4) A change of purpose of, or use of money in, a reserve account is to be disclosed in the annual financial report for the year in which the change occurs.
- 5) Regulations may prescribe the circumstances and the manner in which a local government may set aside money for use for a purpose in a future financial year without the requirement to establish and maintain a reserve account.

#### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

There are no policy implications resulting from the recommendation of this report.

#### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no implications for 2009/2010 as only surplus funds are intended to be transferred which will result in a more favourable position in 2010/2011.

#### **STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS**

There are no strategic implications resulting from the recommendation of this report.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That any surplus funds as at 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2010 be transferred to the Bowling Green Reserve Fund.

#### **VOTING REQUIREMENTS**

Simple Majority

**Moved Cr Kennedy                      Seconded Cr Heather**  
**That any surplus funds as at 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2010 be transferred to the Bowling Green Reserve Fund.**

**CARRIED (8 VOTES TO 0)**



**10.3 ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND BUILDING OFFICER**  
**10.3 PRINCIPAL ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH OFFICER**  
**10.3(A) APPLICATION TO OCCUPY A CARAVAN**

At 12 noon Cr Craig took the Chair and Council resolved to allow Cr Carter and Cr Baker to stay in the meeting and participate in debate.

**SUBMISSION TO:** Meeting of Council  
Meeting Date: 15<sup>th</sup> June, 2010

**AGENDA REFERENCE:** 10.3 (A) JUN 10

**SUBJECT:** Application to Occupy a Caravan

**LOCATION / ADDRESS:** White House at Gwalia within Common Reserve 7521

**NAME OF APPLICANT:** Mrs J.R. Carter – Leonora Gwalia Historical Museum Inc.

**FILE REFERENCE:** Submissions to Council – 18.3.0

**AUTHOR, DISCLOSURE OF ANY INTEREST AND DATE OF REPORT**

**NAME:** Gary Goldsworthy

**OFFICER:** Principal Environmental Health Officer

**INTEREST DISCLOSURE:** Nil

**DATE:** 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2010

**BACKGROUND**

Correspondence has been received from Mrs. J R Carter Secretary for Gwalia Historical Museum Inc. to place a caravan temporarily onsite at White House Gwalia. The Secretary has indicated in her letter that the caravan will only be onsite for approximately 4 months and be used as a caretaker's unit. The White House was used as the Managers residence but is now being proposed that the residence will be used as an entrance to the museum after some minor changes and it will contain no furniture.

Caretaker's units are permitted under the Town Planning Scheme 4.4.2 if they meet the following conditions.

- (1) That there shall first be an industrial use or building on the lot;
- (2) Occupancy of a Caretaker's Dwelling shall only be available to the proprietor, manager, or authorised person in charge of the industrial premises or its security and their immediate family;
- (3) A dwelling shall not exceed an area of 100m<sup>2</sup>, as measured from outside walls, and may not contain more than the following:
  - (a) 2 x bedrooms
  - (b) 1 x Bathroom
  - (c) 1 x laundry
  - (d) 1 x kitchen
  - (e) 1 x dining room
  - (f) 1 x lounge/sitting roomor any combination of c, d, e;
- (4) Offices are not permitted on a dwelling unless by the replacement of one bedroom;
- (5) Verandahs may be attached to a dwelling in addition to the provisions of (3) above, providing that they are not enclosed;
- (6) A caretaker's dwelling shall be provided with grassed and/or landscaped outdoors reception area/s at least equal in area to that of the dwelling for use by the occupants of the dwelling;

- (7) The location of the Caretaker's Dwelling on a lot shall be assessed in relation to its proximity to adjoining lot and the likely impact of any noise, dust, fumes, vibration and the like emanating from activities on the adjoining lots. Council may require appropriate measures to safeguard the occupants of the Caretaker's Dwelling to be incorporated in the dwelling however, Council will not consider any action against industrial firms undertaking lawful activity.

#### **STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT**

Shire of Leonora Town Planning Scheme No.1.

#### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

There are no policy implications resulting from the recommendation of this report.

#### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no financial implications resulting from the recommendation of this report.

#### **STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS**

There are no strategic implications resulting from the recommendation of this report.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

That Council resolve to approve the application subject to the conditions under the Town Planning Scheme being complied with.

#### **VOTING REQUIREMENT**

Simple Majority

**Moved Cr Johnson**

**Seconded Cr Taylor**

**That Council resolve to approve the application subject to the conditions under the Town Planning Scheme being complied with.**

**CARRIED (6 VOTES TO 0)**

Cr Carter resumed the Chair the time being 12.05pm.

**11.0 NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE INTRODUCED BY DECISION OF THE MEETING.**

**A. ELECTED MEMBERS**

Nil

**B. OFFICERS**

Nil

**12.0 NEXT MEETING**

20<sup>th</sup> July, 2010 to be held in Council Chambers, Leonora.

**13.0 CLOSURE OF MEETING**

Cr Carter declared the meeting closed the time being 12.06pm