



WELCOME

TO THE WEST

West Wimmera Shire Council

AGENDA

COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday 18 October 2023
2:00 pm

Dergholm Community Hall
Dergholm
Dergholm

PUBLIC ACCESS

Open to the public and Live streaming from
Council's website:

www.westwimmera.vic.gov.au





Councillors and Shire Map



MAYOR
Cr. Tim Meyer



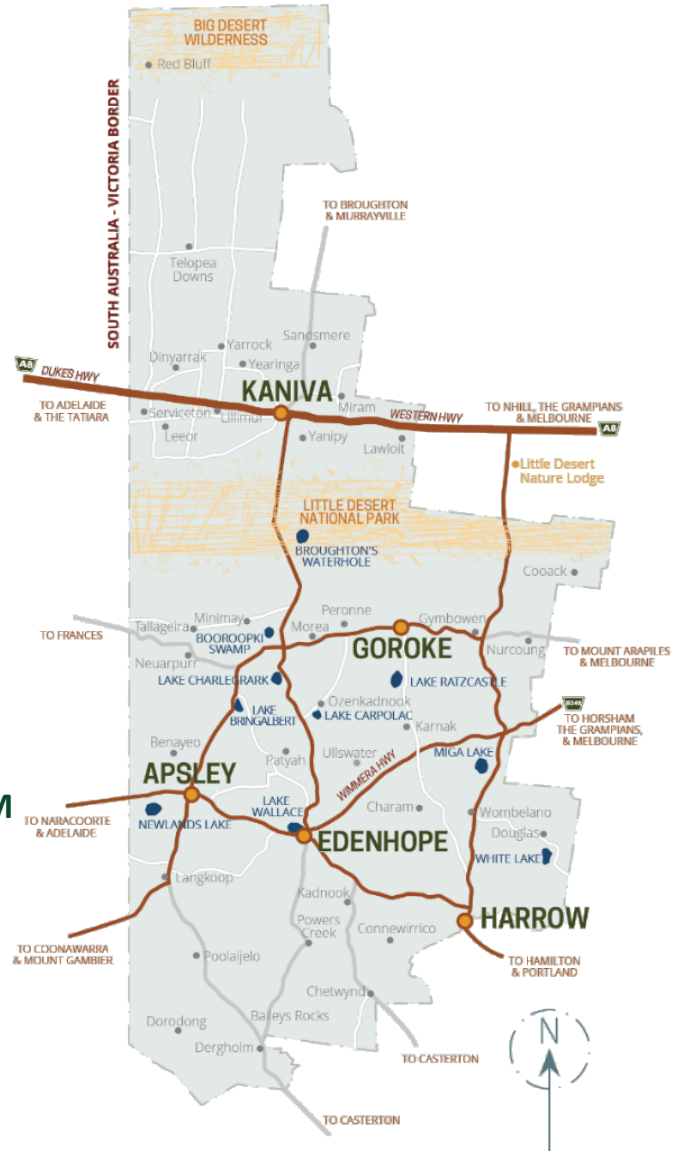
**DEPUTY
MAYOR**
**Cr. Jodie
Pretlove**



**Cr. Tom
Houlihan**



**Cr. Bruce
Meyer OAM**





COUNCIL VISION

Our West Wimmera community is healthy, thriving, diverse, harmonious, prosperous, and self-sustaining, with regional and global connectivity.

OUR VALUES

INNOVATIVE – We will proactively respond to change, are optimistic about our future and pursue continuous improvement in everything that we do.

ACCOUNTABLE – We will be responsible, take ownership of our actions and are committed to good governance, excellence, transparency, achievement of goals and advocating for our community

UNITED – We will do everything within our ability to encourage and form trusting relationships, to work together as one team to achieve our goals and advocate for ‘One West Wimmera’.

COLLABORATIVE – We will actively and openly consult with you and work constructively with community organisations, agencies, the business community and other levels of government to our community’s benefit.

OUR GOALS





Purpose of Council meetings

- (1) Council holds scheduled meetings and, when required, unscheduled meetings to conduct the business of Council.
- (2) Council is committed to transparency in decision making and, in accordance with the Local Government Act 2020, Council and Delegated Committee meetings are open to the public and the community are able to attend.
- (3) Meetings will only be closed to members of the public, in accordance with section 66 of the Act, if:
 - (a) there are clear reasons for particular matters to remain confidential; or
 - (b) a meeting is required to be closed for security reasons; or
 - (c) it is necessary to enable the meeting to proceed in an ordinary manner.
- (4) A meeting closed to the public for the reasons outlined in sub-rule 3(b) or 3(c) will continue to be livestreamed. In the event a livestream is not available:
 - (a) the meeting may be adjourned; or
 - (b) a recording of the proceedings may be available on the Council website

The West Wimmera Shire Council Governance Rules set out the meeting procedure rules for this Council Meeting.

Members of the public are reminded that they are required to remain silent during this meeting, except during Section 5 Questions from the Gallery.

This Council meeting will be recorded for live streaming.

Councillors pledge

As Councillors of West Wimmera Shire Council, we solemnly and sincerely declare and affirm that we will consider each item on this agenda in the best interests of the whole municipal community.



REQUIRED TO ATTEND:

Councillors:

Tim Meyer, Mayor
Jodie Pretlove, Deputy Mayor
Tom Houlihan
Bruce Meyer OAM

Executive Leadership Team:

David Bezuidenhout - Chief Executive Officer (CEO)
James Bentley - Director Corporate & Community Services (DCCS)
Ram Upadhyaya - Director Infrastructure Development & Works (DIDW)



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1 Welcome

2 Acknowledgement of Country

The West Wimmera Shire Council acknowledges the traditional custodians of the land on which we meet, and pays respect to their elders, past, present and emerging.

3 Opening Prayer

Almighty God, we humbly ask your blessing upon this Council. Guide and prosper our decisions to the advancement of Your Glory and the true welfare of the people of West Wimmera Shire. Amen.

4 Apologies, Leave of Absences, Declaration of Conflict of Interest

4.1 Apologies

4.2 Leave of Absence

4.3 Declaration of Conflict of Interest

All Councilors have a personal responsibility to ensure they are aware of the provisions mandated in the Local Government Act 2020 with regard to Conflict of Interest disclosures.



5 Questions from the Gallery

5.1 Written Questions on Notice

Governance Rules – Division 8 Section 53:

53.4 Questions submitted to Council can be submitted as follows:

53.4.1 In writing, stating the name and address of the person submitting the question and generally be in a form approved or permitted by Council; and

53.4.2 Placed in the receptacle designated for the purpose at the place of the meeting at least two hours prior to the Council meeting, or be lodged electronically at the prescribed email address at least two hours prior to the Council meeting.

53.5 No person may submit more than two questions at any one meeting.

The Question on Notice template is available from the Edenhope and Kaniva Council Offices, and from Council's website.

Written Questions on Notice submitted to Council no later than the deadline of 5:00pm on the Monday in the previous week to the relevant Council Meeting, will be included in the agenda.

Written Questions submitted subsequent to that deadline can be lodged electronically to KaddieCother@westwimmera.vic.gov.au, no later than two hours prior to the Council Meeting.

No questions on notice were received for inclusion in the agenda.



5.2 Verbal Questions without Notice

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council suspend Standing Orders for the purpose of receiving questions without notice from the members of the Gallery.

Time permitting, this section of the Agenda allows members of gallery to ask verbal questions of Councillors, following the removal of standing orders and when prompted by the Mayor (Governance Rules Division 8 S53.4.3)

Members of the Gallery providing verbal questions without notice at a Council Meeting must state their name, to be recorded in the minutes (Governance Rules Division 8 S53.4.4)

No person may submit more than two questions at any one meeting (Governance Rules Division 8 S53.5)

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council resume Standing Orders.



6 Delegates Reports

Delegate Reports are for providing feedback on formal council business and are for information only

6.1 Councillor Tim Meyer (Mayor)

Date	Event
27/09/2023	Audit & Risk Committee Meeting
02/10/2023	Unscheduled Council Meeting to Adopt Performance Statement & Financial Statement
04/10/2023	Councillor Forum
06/10/2023	RCV AGM
18/10/2023	Pre-Council Meeting
18/10/2023	Community Forum - Dergholm
18/10/2023	Council Meeting

6.2 Councillor Jodie Pretlove (Deputy Mayor)

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6.3 Councillor Tom Houlihan

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6.4 Councillor Bruce Meyer OAM

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7 Condolences

Nil



8 Confirmation of Previous Minutes

8.1 Council Meeting held on Wednesday, 20th September 2023

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Wednesday, 20th September 2023 be taken as an accurate record and confirmed.

Attachments

Nil

8.2 Council Meeting held on Monday, 2nd October 2023

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Monday, 2nd October 2023 be taken as an accurate record and confirmed.

Attachments

Nil



9 Business Arising From Previous Minutes

10 Notices of Motion

There were no Notices of Motion submitted for the agenda.

11 Councillor Forum Record

11.1 Councillor Forum Record Wednesday, 4th October 2023

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Record for the Councillor Forum Record Wednesday, 4th October 2023 be received and noted.

12 Deputations and Petitions

There were no Petitions or Deputations submitted for the agenda.

13 Chief Executive Officer

No Reports



14 Corporate and Community Services

14.1 Business Assistance Scheme Policy - Revocation

Directorate: Corporate and Community Services

Report Author: Community Development and Tourism Manager

Report Purpose: For Decision

Introduction

The Business Assistance Scheme Policy has now become redundant due to the two business grants (Business Assistance Grant and Business Streetscape Grant) being incorporated into the Council Grants Policy

Declaration of Interest

No officer declared an interest under the Local Government Act 2020 (LGA 2020) in the preparation of this report.

Background

The Business Assistance Scheme Policy provided a framework to enable Council to provide targeted assistance for businesses to commence or expand operations within the shire.

Risk Management Implications

Risk identified:

There are no obvious risks for Council to mitigate or eliminate in regard to the proposal considered for funding support in this report.

Legislative Implications

Not Applicable

Environmental Implications

Nil

Financial and Budgetary Implications

Nil

Policy Implications

This report is supported by the following West Wimmera Shire Council Policy/s:



Council Grants Policy

Council Plan Implications

This report supports the following sections of the West Wimmera Shire Council Plan 2021 – 2025:

Goal 1 – Liveable & Healthy Community

1.6 Support a prepared and resilient community.

Goal 2 – Diverse and Prosperous Economy

2.1 Encourage and support the establishment and expansion of innovative, creative, and sustainable businesses.

2.6 Provide infrastructure to sustain economic activity.

Communication Implications

No Communication Implications

Gender Equality

No Gender Impact Assessment is required

Conclusion

As the two Business Grants being the Business Assistance Grant and Business Streetscape Grant have been incorporated under the Council Grants policy it has been determined by Officers that the Business Assistance Scheme policy is no longer required and as such be revoked by Council.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION:

That Council revokes the Business Assistance Scheme Policy.

Attachments

1. WWSC Council Policy Business Assistance Scheme Policy adopted 16 Aug 2017 [**14.1.1** - 3 pages]



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COUNCIL POLICY							
BUSINESS ASSISTANCE SCHEME POLICY	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 60%; padding: 2px;">Policy No:</td> <td style="padding: 2px;"></td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;">Adopted by Council:</td> <td style="padding: 2px;">16 Aug 2017</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;">Next review date:</td> <td style="padding: 2px;">Aug 2021</td> </tr> </table>	Policy No:		Adopted by Council:	16 Aug 2017	Next review date:	Aug 2021
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Senior Manager:	Director Corporate & Community Services						
Responsible Officer:	Director Corporate & Community Services						
Functional Area:	Corporate & Community Services						
Introduction & Background	<p>Council is committed to attracting new and expanding existing business and industry to the municipality</p> <p>Council is willing to provide assistance to businesses in certain circumstances to commence or expand business operations within the shire. To be eligible for assistance these businesses must demonstrate that they will be financially and environmentally sustainable and provide a long term benefit to the West Wimmera community.</p>						
Purpose & Objectives	<p>This policy provides a framework to enable Council to provide targeted assistance to businesses to commence or expand operations within the shire.</p> <p>Assistance may include the offsetting of some costs of establishing or expanding businesses which may include rate assistance or permit and fee offsets, and/or may include professional business advice including marketing and business planning.</p> <p>The over-arching goals of this policy is to provide a sustainable and growing shire economy through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support for local businesses that will enable them to enhance their profitability; Competitiveness and provision of employment opportunities, Council recognises that the creation of employment for the region is one of the most critical challenges that we face; and The attraction of new businesses to the region. 						



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Policy Details	
1.	<p>Financial Assistance Available – Minimum Level of Assistance</p> <p>Council has agreed that all eligible business will be entitled to a base level of assistance in the form of \$500 (ex GST) comprising of either cash and/or in-kind professional assistance.</p>
2.	<p>Financial Assistance Available – Rate Concessions</p> <p>Rate Concessions will be considered to new and expanding businesses on an individual project basis and will be based on employment outcomes.</p> <p>Concessions will be considered for a maximum of 75% of rates and for a maximum of three years.</p> <p>Rate concessions will only be considered for commercial and industrial businesses.</p>
3.	<p>Financial Assistance Available – Permits</p> <p>Council may consider reimbursing permit costs for eligible businesses. Under this scheme, permit cost assistance will be a once only form of assistance for each applicant.</p>
4.	<p>Financial Assistance Available – Small Town Assistance</p> <p>In recognition of the special needs of smaller communities, Council may provide assistance to support businesses located in those communities where the venture will generate increased economic benefit.</p> <p>Applications for assistance under the Small Town Assistance will be considered on a case by case basis by Council.</p>
5.	<p>Financial Assistance Available – Other Financial Incentives</p> <p>Depending on the economic benefit provided by the development, Council may determine that other support is appropriate, this may include in-kind works or support to provide infrastructure such as improved access to Industrial premises.</p> <p>Eligibility to receive this type of assistance is to be determined on a case by case basis by Council.</p>
6.	<p>Other Assistance Available – Media Profile</p> <p>Council has secured a regular profile in the Local Media.</p> <p>A media profile is available to all new and expanding businesses in the West Wimmera Shire.</p>



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7.	Other Assistance Available – Support Through Regulatory Processes
	One on one support of an economic development officer is available to provide a single point of contact to assist all businesses through Council’s regulatory processes.
8.	Eligibility
	For a business to be eligible for assistance under this policy a business must have developed a business plan, as a minimum detailing the nature of the business, the directors/principals, SWOT analysis and sufficient financial details to demonstrate the business is sustainable.
9.	Application and Approval
	Applications must be made in writing on the appropriate form to the Manager – Economic and Business Development. A supporting business plan must be submitted with the application. The Manager – Economic and Business Development will assess each case and where warranted make a recommendation to Council.
10.	Maximum Support
	Support to a maximum value of \$15,000 per business under this policy.

Policy Adopted:	Ordinary Meeting 15/03/12		RecFind 12/008997
Policy Reviewed:	Ordinary Meeting 16/08/17	Minute Book Page 35876	RecFind 17/003194



14.2 Community Organisation Annual Contribution Support Applications

Directorate: Corporate and Community Services

Report Author: Community Development and Tourism Project Officer

Report Purpose: For Decision

Introduction

West Wimmera Shire Council (Council) has received an annual financial contribution request from three community-based 'not for profit' organisations.

Declaration of Interest

No officer declared a conflict of interest in relation to this report.

Background

Historically, Council considered financial support requests from 'not for profit' community-based organisations through the budget submission process, specifically under Section 223 of the *Local Government Act 1989* (the Act), which enables members of the public to make a submission on the draft budget for Council consideration.

Following adoption of the Council Grants Policy in April 2023 and review of associated grant funding support guidelines; the Community Support Grant Guideline has been drafted to assist eligibility and equitable assessment of these specific financial support requests and was adopted by Council at its 20 September meeting. Following this adoption, the three attached applications can be assessed under Stream A – Community Support Contribution.

Edenhope Tourism Incorporated has submitted a financial contribution request for \$9,804.00 for the 2023/24 financial year, application dated 21 July 2023. Council committed \$7,500.00 to Edenhope Tourism Incorporated in the 2022/23 FY. The Edenhope Tourism Incorporated application, financial statements and certificate of insurance are attached.

Kaniva and District Progress Association Incorporated has submitted a financial contribution request for \$10,000.00 plus insurance \$1,218.94.00 totaling \$11,218.94, application dated 31 July 2023. Council committed \$5,000.00 to Kaniva and District Progress Association in the 2022/23 FY. The Kaniva and District Progress Association application, financial statements and certificate of insurance are attached.

Apsley Alligators has submitted a financial contribution request for \$5,000.00 for the 2023/24 financial year, application dated 7 August 2023. Council did not commit to the Apsley Alligators in 2022/23 FY. Records indicate that Council last received an application



for support from the Apsley Alligators in March 2020 for \$4,500.00. An application has been received and is attached.

Risk Management Implications

Risk identified:

There are no apparent risks for Council to mitigate or eliminate regarding the proposal considered for funding support in this report.

Legislative Implications

The report complies with the requirements of the:
Local Government Act 2020

Environmental Implications

Not applicable

Financial and Budgetary Implications

The financial risk rating has been assessed as: Low

Policy Implications

This report is supported by the following West Wimmera Shire Council Policy/s:

Council Grants Policy

Council Plan Implications

This report supports the following sections of the West Wimmera Shire Council Plan 2021 – 2025:

Goal 1 – Liveable & Healthy Community

- 1.1 Create a healthy, active, and vibrant community.
- 1.5 Support and encourage our events, cultural and arts communities.
- 1.7 Improve the liveability of the shire to assist in growing our population into the future.

Goal 2 – Diverse and Prosperous Economy

- 2.2 Promote the Shire as a great place to visit, live and invest.
- 2.4 Create vibrant and attractive town centres.

Goal 3 – Sustainable Environment

- 3.3 Protect and promote public open space and natural assets.



Goal 4 – Good Governance

4.2 Engage with the community in a timely and respectful way.

Communication Implications

No Communication Implications

Gender Equality

Not Applicable

Conclusion

Since the Community Support Grant Guideline has now been adopted, future community support grant applications will be lodged, assessed and administered through Council's new grant management system SmartyGrants.

Officers will engage with local community and not-for-profit organisations to ensure that all stakeholders are conversant with the grant information and submission process which is now being administered through the SmartyGrants system. This will maximise the opportunities for the grant to achieve its objective of providing genuine and meaningful community support.

The three attached grant applications have been assessed by officers and the table below has been prepared regarding their suitability as per the guideline criteria for the information of Councillors in determination of their applications.



Applicant	Criteria	Criteria met
Apsley Alligators	Why a grant from Council is required for this particular financial year	Yes
	Detailed budget for the upcoming financial year demonstrating the need for the annual grant	Yes
	Public Liability Insurance	Yes
	Certificate of incorporation	No
Edenhope Tourism	Why a grant from Council is required for this particular financial year	Yes
	Detailed budget for the upcoming financial year demonstrating the need for the annual grant	Yes
	Public Liability Insurance	Yes
	Certificate of incorporation	Yes
Kaniva and District Progress Association	Why a grant from Council is required for this particular financial year	Yes
	Detailed budget for the upcoming financial year demonstrating the need for the annual grant	Yes
	Public Liability Insurance	Nil Public Liability at present but is included in their application
	Certificate of incorporation	Yes

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION:

That Council considers the Community Support Grant applications received from Edenhope Tourism Inc, Kaniva and District Progress Association and Apsley Alligators.

Attachments



Nil



14.3 Sponsorship & Contribution

Directorate: Corporate and Community Services

Report Author: Community Development and Tourism Manager

Report Purpose: For Decision

Introduction

The West Wimmera Shire Council Sponsorship and Contributions Grants provides communities with the opportunity to collaborate with Council to make their locality a better place to live. The Council provides Sponsorships and Contributions to address local needs and provide opportunities to support the community and enhance lifestyles of West Wimmera Shire Council residents. Sponsorship and Contributions may be via application for funds and/or Council in-kind support.

Declaration of Interest

No officer has declared a conflict of interest.

Background

Edenhope Little Athletics was formed in 2012 and due to Covid19, it unfortunately ceased operating in 2020, similarly to other sporting groups in our area (hockey, tennis, cricket). As many families have recently expressed interest in getting it up and running, the local community has come together and reformed a committee with registrations now open for Little Athletics to recommence on 3rd October 2023.

Risk Management Implications

Risk identified:

There are no obvious risks for Council to mitigate or eliminate in regard to the proposal considered for funding support in this report.

Legislative Implications

The report complies with the requirements of the:
Local Government Act 2020

Environmental Implications

Not applicable

Financial and Budgetary Implications

Nil



Policy Implications

This report is supported by the following West Wimmera Shire Council Policy/s:

Council Grants Policy

Council Plan Implications

This report supports the following sections of the West Wimmera Shire Council Plan 2021 – 2025:

Goal 1 – Liveable & Healthy Community

1.1 Create a healthy, active, and vibrant community.

Communication Implications

No Communication Implications

Gender Equality

No Gender Impact Assessment is required

Conclusion

As always, there are many costs associated with getting a program up and running again, and the Committee is hoping to be able to raise funds to purchase uniforms, new equipment and a laptop. If the Committee were to receive funding for a barbeque, this would allow parents to provide a sausage sizzle each week to raise funds to assist our committee to be self-sufficient and not reliant on ongoing grants. In addition, families are already very busy, and the provision of a weekly barbeque meal is likely to boost participation. As is the experience of other sporting groups (e.g., football clubs), parents are more likely to register their children knowing that dinner is covered on competition nights. A barbeque tea will lighten the load for parents.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION:

That Council considers the Sponsorship and Contributions Grant application submitted by Edenhope Little Athletics Club.

Attachments

Nil



15 Infrastructure Development and Works

15.1 Goroke Swimming Pool - ongoing operations

Directorate: Infrastructure Development and Works

Report Author: Facilities and Quality Manager

Report Purpose: For Decision

Introduction

On 29 August 2023, the Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action (DEECA) revoked the appointment of Goroke Recreation Reserve Committee Inc, part of CA 9H and appointed the West Wimmera Shire Council as the Committee of Management of the Goroke Swimming Pool.

The current volunteer committee consists of three members who have employed a local community member, who is a qualified swim teacher, to manage and operate the Goroke Swimming Pool for the 2023/24 season.

Declaration of Interest

No officer declared an interest under the Local Government Act 2020 (LGA 2020) in the preparation of this report.

Background

West Wimmera Shire Council has been formally appointed as a committee of management for Goroke Swimming Pool following the resolution from the Council on 16 August 2023. The infrastructure associated with the pool will still be the Crown asset but any further operational, maintenance and renewal or upgrade cost will have to be borne by the Council.

The infrastructure associated is listed below.

- a) 25m x 13m main pool
- b) Toddler pool
- c) Kiosk/office
- d) Change rooms
- e) Plant room
- f) Shade shelters and two picnic tables
- g) BBQ
- h) Solar heating
- i) Filtration plant
- j) Storage shed
- k) Pool vacuuming equipment
- l) Office telephone



m) Chemical dosing – sodium hypochlorite

Kaniva and Edenhope swimming pools are currently contracted to separate contractors who both have a long-standing contractual relationship with the Council. These pools have a budgeted amount of over \$95,000 each.

The Goroke Swimming Pool had the following attendance for the 2022/23 year:

- General public 896
- Frances School 30
- Natimuk School 120
- Goroke P-12 School 1,290
- Total 2,336

Goroke Swimming Pool Hours

The Goroke Swimming Pool current operates with following opening hours:

Monday to Friday 3.00pm to 6.00pm

Saturday and Sunday 2.00pm to 6.00pm.

The opening time currently depends on the weather. The pool may extend opening hours in hot weather and not be open if the pool is too cold. It also extends the hours for the West Wimmera Shire Council Freeza pool party event in December 2023.

Profit and Loss

West Wimmera Shire Council – Goroke Swimming Pool

For the year ended 30 June 2023

Account	Expenditure

Operating Expenses

Employee Costs - Salaries	\$146.44	
Internal - Internal Plant Hire Usage	0.00	
Materials and Services - Advertising/Marketing	0.00	
Materials and Services - Consultants	\$1,772.73	LSV Pool Audit
Materials and Services - Consultants	0.00	
Materials and Services - Contractors	\$30,000.00	Council contribution
	\$5,745.00	Bendigo Aquatic Services
Materials and Services - Insurance	\$4,772.00	Public Liability
Materials and Services - Materials	\$3,287.51	Pool painting
	\$163.59	First aid kit
Materials and Services - Repairs & Maintenance	\$32.73	PVC Pipes
Materials and Services - Utilities - Gas	0.00	
Total Operating Expenses	\$45,920.00	



**Financial statements
submitted to 30/6/2023
Goroke Swimming Pool**

Public Liability Insurance		Paid by Council
Workcover	\$0.00	
Maintenance	\$258.58	Some paid by Committee
Chemical	\$4,918.36	Paid by Committee
GWM Water	\$1,855.93	Paid by Committee
Electricity	\$696.76	Paid by Committee
Telephone	\$615.00	Paid by Committee
Building insurance	\$0.00	Nil insurance coverage
Wages/Superannuation	\$21,428.91	Paid by Committee
		Paid by Committee
Miscellaneous	\$1,083.79	Paid by Committee
Consumables	\$309.44	Paid by Committee
	\$31,166.77	

Income

Memberships	\$3,965.00	
Yearly contribution by WWSC	\$30,000.00	
	\$33,965.00	

Surplus \$2,798.23

Risk Management Implications

Risk identified:

Reputation risk

Safety risk

Legislative Implications

The report complies with the requirements of the:

Local Government Act 2020

Environmental Implications

Nil

Financial and Budgetary Implications

The financial risk rating has been assessed as: Low

While it is observed, from the financial statement submitted by Goroke Swimming Pool, that \$30,000 cash plus the insurance contribution from the Council is enough for pool operation,



attracting professional operators to meet the Council and LSV requirement might incur some additional cost.

Policy Implications

This report is supported by the following West Wimmera Shire Council Policy/s:

Asset Management Policy

Council Plan Implications

This report supports the following sections of the West Wimmera Shire Council Plan 2021 – 2025:

Goal 1 – Liveable & Healthy Community

- 1.1 Create a healthy, active, and vibrant community.
- 1.3 Provide well planned and sustainable community infrastructure.
- 1.4 Deliver quality services that support community life.

Communication Implications

No Communication Implications

Gender Equality

No Gender Impact Assessment is required

Conclusion

To provide an equitable service to communities within the municipality, it is prudent that West Wimmera Shire Council assumes the responsibility for the ongoing operation of the Goroke Swimming Pool from 1 July 2024.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION:

That the Council assumes the responsibility for the ongoing operation and management of Goroke Swimming Pool to operate at the current level of service.

Attachments

1. Goroke Swimming Pool__ Committee letter 2023 [15.1.1 - 1 page]

The Goroke Swimming Pool Inc.
107 Main Street, Goroke 3412

5 July 2023

Mr David Bezuidenhout
Chief Executive Officer
West Wimmera Shire Council
PO Box 201
EDENHOPE VIC 3318

Dear Mr Bezuidenhout,

GOROKE SWIMMING POOL MANAGEMENT

On behalf of the Goroke Swimming Pool Committee we would like to formally relinquish the management and responsibility of the Goroke Swimming Pool and transfer the administration to the West Wimmera Shire Council.

The past President who was the caretaker of the pool for the past 20 years resigned earlier in the year. Over time it has become a huge responsibility for the small committee to get matters in order and maintain the legislated requirements.

As a committee we are finding it hard to employ lifeguards, maintain committee positions and the general upkeep of our pool has become onerous on our committee.

The pool is a great asset to the Goroke community and it would benefit if the continued management was maintained by Council.

Kind Regards



Georgina Buckley



16 Sealing Schedule

Nil.

17 Late Items of Business

Pursuant to West Wimmera Shire Council Governance Rules – Division 3 Section 20:

20. Urgent Business

If the agenda for a Council meeting makes provision for urgent business, business cannot be admitted as urgent business other than by resolution of Council, and only then if it:

- *20.1 relates to or arises out of a matter which has arisen since distribution of the agenda; and*
- *20.2 cannot safely or conveniently be deferred until the next Council meeting.*

18 Confidential Reports

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council pursuant to Section 66 (2)(a) of the Local Government Act 2020 close the meeting to members of the public to resolve on matters pertaining to the following items:

- **Business Streetscape Grant Application**
- **CM0587 Supply and Delivery of a Tip Truck and 4 Axle Tipping Trailer**

Reasons for Confidentiality:

Local Government Act 2020, Section 3 - Private commercial information

19 Close of Meeting

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, 15th November 2023



Kaniva Council Chamber