

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE MEETING

AGENDA

4 MARCH 2014

Your attendance is required at a meeting of the Parks & Recreation Committee to be held in the Council Chambers, 232 Bolsover Street, Rockhampton on 4 March 2014 commencing at 3:00pm for transaction of the enclosed business.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER 28 February 2014

Next Meeting Date: 01.04.14

Please note:

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1 OPENING

2 PRESENT

Members Present:

Councillor C R Rutherford (Chairperson) The Mayor, Councillor M F Strelow Councillor A P Williams Councillor R A Swadling Councillor N K Fisher Councillor S J Schwarten

In Attendance:

Mr E Pardon – Chief Executive Officer Mr M Rowe – General Manager Community Services

3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Minutes of the Parks & Recreation Committee held 4 February 2014

5 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

6 BUSINESS OUTSTANDING

6.1	BUSINESS COMMITTEE	OUTSTANDIN	G TABLE	FOR	PARKS	AND	RECREATION
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Respo	onsible Office	r: Eva	n Pardon - C	hief Exe	ecutive Off	icer	

Author:

SUMMARY

The Business Outstanding table is used as a tool to monitor outstanding items resolved at previous Council or Committee Meetings. The current Business Outstanding table for the Parks and Recreation Committee is presented for Councillors information.

Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Business Outstanding Table for the Parks and Recreation Committee be received.

BUSINESS OUTSTANDING TABLE FOR PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Business Outstanding Table for Parks and Recreation Committee

Meeting Date: 4 March 2014

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE AGENDA

Meeting Date	Report Title	Resolution	Responsible Officer	Due Date	Comments
6 November 2012	Draft Sport and Recreation Land Signage Policy	THAT the Committee recommend to Council that the Sport and Recreation Land Signage Policy be revised and represented to Council at a later date.	Sophia Czarkowski	18/12/2012	Currently being reviewed with Chair of Parks and Recreation Committee
5 March 2013	Gracemere Redbacks Football Club's Proposed Lease	 THAT Council 1. Rescind the previous decision made to issue a Lease to Gracemere Redbacks Football Club Inc for land located on Johnson Road adjacent to the Cemetery (Lot 2 SP163921). 2. Authorise the Chief Executive Officer to offer the Gracemere Redbacks Football Club Inc a lease over a suitable area at Cedric Archer Park. 	d the previous decision sue a Lease to Gracemere Football Club Inc for land Johnson Road adjacent to ery (Lot 2 SP163921). ise the Chief Executive offer the Gracemere Football Club Inc a lease		Discussions with Club ongoing.
7 May 2013	Zoo Development Plan	THAT: a) the report be received; b) The 2012/13 capital program for the Zoo proceed as programmed; and c)Council direct that a 5 year Operational Plan for the Zoo be prepared for consideration in the formulation of the 2013/14 Budget and Long Term Financial Plan review.		30/06/2014	Site works for construction of Crocodile ponds underway. Cost estimates being prepared for Otter enclosure.

Meeting Date	Report Title	Resolution	Responsible Officer	Due Date	Comments
4 June 2013	Proposed Muellerville Walk	THAT Council endorse the route for the proposed Muellerville Walk and approve the re-allocation of funds from the 2012/13 Parks & Open Space budget to fund the acquisition of the signage with installation to be undertaken in 2013/14 by Council's day labour workforce.		30/05/2014	Interpretive signs ordered. Installation of signage targeted for completion in time for May 2014 launch.
4 June 2013	Planning and Collections Monthly Report for April 2013	THAT the Planning and Collections Monthly Report for April 2013 be received and a further report that explores options for burial alternatives for Memorial Gardens other than the Modern Burial System be provided.		31/03/2014	Report preparation well advanced and scheduled for inclusion in the April Agenda for Parks & Rec Committee.
6 August 2013	Request from Rockhampton Little Theatre for tenure at Bolton Park	Modern Burial System be provided. Request from Rockhampton THAT Council accede to the request from Rockhampton Little Theatre for a ittle Theatre for tenure at from Rockhampton Little Theatre for a		20/08/2013	Survey plan has been completed, minor adjustments are occurring at present due to trees of significance in the area. Once finalised the Lease document will be completed.

Meeting Date	Report Title	Resolution	Responsible Officer	Due Date	Comments
6 August 2013	Allocation of Lanes at WWII Memorial Pool South Rockhampton	THAT Council proceed with an Expression of Interest process for lane allocations at the WWII Memorial Pool complex (preceded by the appropriate level of community engagement) with the duration of the agreement being a period of five (5) years.	Vincent Morrice	30/06/2014	Currently on hold pending the outcome of the Pool Management EOI process. Lane space continues to be managed by the operator.
3 September 2013	Dump Point Sound Shell Parkhurst – Terminate Service	 THAT the Council approve the decommissioning of the caravan dump point located at The Soundshell (Music Bowl) and secure the site to stop unlawful entry effective 31 December 2013. THAT a further report on alternate sites be provided. 		17/09/2013	Facilities liaising with Regional Services about the proposal to relocate the dump point to the North Rockhampton Sewer Treatment Plant. Report to be presented to February Parks and Recreation Committee.
1 October 2013	Australian White Ibis Management Program: Annual Report 2012-13	THAT the Australian White Ibis Management Program Annual Report 2012-13 be received, and that bearing in mind the pending loss of food source at Lakes Creek Landfill for the Australian White Ibis, that Council seek discussions with relevant parties with a view to addressing potential problems.		15/10/2013	File Note form meeting of stakeholder included in Agenda for 4th March, 2014
5 November 2013	Business Outstanding Table for Parks and Recreation Committee	THAT the Business Outstanding Table for the Parks and Recreation Committee be received, and the Flood Mitigation Analysis for Jardine Park Precinct item be forwarded to full Council for determination with an appropriate report compiled by both Engineering and Parks.	Martin Crow	12/11/2013	

Meeting Date	Report Title	Resolution	Responsible Officer	Due Date	Comments
5 November 2013	36 Thompson Avenue, Mount Morgan – Community Engagement Outcome	That the matter lay on the table until the next Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting.	Sharon Sommerville	12/11/2013	Facilities are engaging a structural engineer to confirm that removing the verandas will not impact on the stability of the structure and to confirm whether any remedial works are required to the structural cracking of the building. An estimated cost for any remedial works to be supplied within the report. A contractor has provided a quotation for the removal of asbestos and fragments over the site. Facilities staff will maintain regular surveillance of the building in the interim. Costs to stabilise/make safe will be presented to February Parks and Recreation Committee.

Meeting Date	Report Title	Resolution	Responsible Officer	Due Date	Comments		
5 November 2013	Funding Programs - Anzac Centenary	That Council direct the officers to design and cost for council consideration the following projects for the forthcoming Anzac Centenary and Military Service related grants programs:		30/04/2014	Progress Report One included in Agenda for March 4th Parks & Rec Committee Meeting		
		1.lighting in the Rockhampton Botanical Gardens to facilitate public safety at commemorative services held at the Cenotaph					
		2.upgrading to the commemorative plinth at the Cenotaph					
		3.establishment of commemorative honour roll for regional servicemen; and					
		That a steering committee comprising of Councillor Strelow, Councillor Rutherford and Councillor Swadling report back to Council with suggestions for appropriate memorialisation or commemoration for 2015.					
4 February 2014	Request for Tenure for Rockhampton Cricket Inc at Birdwood Park	THAT: 1.Council grant Rockhampton Cricket Incorporated a Freehold Licence for non-exclusive use over Birdwood Park (being part Lot 1 LN2893) for a period of two (2) years from 1 January 2014 through 31 December 2015;		18/02/2014	A letter was forwarded to the Club on 19 February 2014. The preparation of Lease documentation has been requested from the Property and Insurance Unit.		
		2.Council charge the Club \$0 in 2014 and advise annual fee applicable for 2015 in August 2014.					

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Meeting Date	Report Title	Resolution	Responsible Officer	Due Date	Comments
4 February 2014	Yeppen Roundabout Landscape Renewal	THAT the landscape renewal plan maximising floral impact for Yeppen roundabout as contained within the report be approved for implementation.	-	18/02/2014	
4 February 2014	Sponsorship of 2014 Masters Swimming National Championship	THAT Council provide financial support to a maximum of \$9,000 for venue hire and ancillary costs directly associated with the conduct of the 2014 Masters Swimming National Championship in Rockhampton.		18/02/2014	

7 PUBLIC FORUMS/DEPUTATIONS

7.1 DEPUTATION - CAPRICORN CONSERVATION COUNCIL

File No:	2488
Attachments:	Nil
Responsible Officer:	Michael Rowe - General Manager Community Services
Author:	Kerri Dorman - Administration Supervisor

SUMMARY

Representatives of the Capricorn Conservation Council will attend the meeting at 3.00pm to address the values of Rockhampton's waterways and seeking Council support to engage/encourage the Rockhampton Community back to its waterways and creeks.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT the deputation from the Capricorn Conservation Council be 'received'.

BACKGROUND

Representatives of the Capricorn Conservation Council (CCC) are seeking Council support through the re-establishment of programs like the 'Rockhampton Urban Water Initiative' to encourage the community, recreation groups and schools to understand and care for our waterways and creeks.

The CCC is asking for Council's ongoing and continual support of promotional activities in the Rockhampton Region.

8 OFFICERS' REPORTS

8.1 JANUARY CAPITAL PROGRESS REPORT FOR PARKS AND RECREATION FROM FACILITIES MANAGEMENT UNIT.

File No:	1484
Attachments:	1. Facilities Capital Progress Report for January 2014
Responsible Officer:	Cheryl Haughton - Manager Community Services Michael Rowe - General Manager Community Services
Author:	Sharon Sommerville - Coordinator Facilities

SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to provide information to Councillors on the January 2014 progress of Parks and Recreation capital projects being undertaken by the Facilities Management Unit.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT the January Progress Report from the Facilities Management Unit in relation to Parks and Recreation capital projects be received.

JANUARY CAPITAL PROGRESS REPORT FOR PARKS AND RECREATION FROM FACILITIES MANAGEMENT UNIT.

Facilities Capital Progress Report for January 2014

Meeting Date: 4 March 2014

Parks and Open Space Projects for 2013/14

Adopted								Total	%	
Budget	Cost Centre	Project Title	YT	D Actual	Committa	s	Co	ommittals	Complete	Comment Period
					-					This program includes upgrades to Victoria Park toilet
										block and Kershaw Gardens upgrade to existing toilet
\$50,000	0943056	[R] Amenities Program Renew and Upgrade	\$	31,826	\$	91	\$	31,917	90%	blocks. Both are completed
										ITQ awarded to contractor. Application to Ergon sent
\$40,000	0983914	[R] Property Renewal Program - Spencer St	\$	424	\$ 34,2	63	\$	34,687	5%	waiting for advice on start date
\$150,000	0985132	[R] Hugo Lassen Femery Rectification	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-		On hold
										Internal and external repainting has been completed Replacement of carpets to Office and Chapel, replacement of two faulty ageing air conditioners and Tinting of various windows. Installation of new Blinds
\$35,000		[R] Memorial Gardens office and chapel	\$	21,901		38	<u> </u>	26,939	100%	
\$225,000		Total Capital Expenditure	\$	54,152	\$ 39,3	91	\$	93,543		

8.2 RELOCATION OF CARAVAN DUMP POINT

File No:	1464
Attachments:	 Option 1 - Nth Rockhampton Sewer Treatment Plant Option 2 - Bruce Highway, Parkhurst Option 3 - Curtis Park, Visitor Information Centre
Responsible Officer:	Cheryl Haughton - Manager Community Services Michael Rowe - General Manager Community Services
Author:	Sharon Sommerville - Coordinator Facilities

SUMMARY

Further to Parks and Recreation Committee recommendation from 3 September 2013, Facilities has investigated possible options and costing estimates to relocate the existing Caravan Dump Point from the Music Bowl.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council approves the relocation of the dump point to the North Rockhampton Sewer Treatment Plant with funding provided in the 2014/15 Capital Works Program.

COMMENTARY

As detailed in a previous report to Council the Music Bowl site is on the market for sale and will no longer be available as a site for the existing dump point. As well, the dump point on the site continually fails having a negative impact on the Facilities Management Unit's maintenance budget.

The report to the Parks and Recreation Committee on 3 September 2013 sought to decommission the dump point at the Music Bowl, and Council approved the decommissioning of the service, however, sought advice on relocation options to continue to provide the service to visitors to the region.

Facilities has consulted with FRW and Infrastructure to obtain technical advice on site requirements including operation and access, to assist in determining appropriate locations. FRW recommended locating the site over a larger pipeline that would provide continuous flow to prevent the failures that have occurred with the existing service. The sites proposed within the report meet this criterion.

The proposed sites also meet the future foreseeable demands by users of the service, are likely to have minimal ongoing operational costs, are perceived to have minimal impact on the residential community, and are readily accessible by way of vehicle access.

BACKGROUND

The existing dump point was partially funded by the Campervan and Motorhome Club of Australia in 2009. The club provided the dump point and FRW installed the facility. The facility has continually failed due to misuse of the site and the inadequate pipe size to have the ability to flush the debris.

As a result of the ongoing failures further consultation has been conducted with FRW to minimise the risk of failure for the proposed new locations. The new locations are considered to be better suited to the type of infrastructure and its operation.

Proposed locations

Each of the proposed locations will require earthworks and sealed area to allow vehicles to access the dump point. The dump point will be installed over an existing manhole and relevant signage erected.

Option 1 – North Rockhampton Sewer Treatment Plant entrance provides level access, with minimal disruption to residents (one resident in close proximity of site), minimal traffic area, off main road with easy access to site and turn around, return to main road. The detour from the main highway may also increase business along Musgrave Street by way of visitors returning to the main highway at Stocklands.

Option 2 – Bruce Highway, Parkhurst – will require exit lane off highway in higher speed zone; may have negative response with new subdivision area being established behind the location; more technical work required to allow return to highway and access to site close to supply.

Option 3 – Curtis Park Visitors Information Centre - proposed location to access at the corner of Ferguson Street and Lower Dawson Road may have negative response from residents located on Ferguson Street and Lower Dawson Road. This may impact on the progression of the project. With regard to flooding FRW advised that there would be impact on a large scale so traffic utilising the facility would also be impacted upon.

PREVIOUS DECISIONS

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

- 1. THAT the Council approve the decommissioning of the caravan dump point located at The Soundshell (Music Bowl) and secure the site to stop unlawful entry effective 31 December 2013.
- 2. THAT a further report on alternate sites be provided.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

This project is considered to be "new work" and would be submitted for consideration within the 14/15 New Works and Upgrades Budget Program.

The indicative cost estimate to deliver the project is between \$66,000 and \$74,000 dependent upon preferred option. The costs include supply and installation of the dump point, survey and design, earthworks (includes 3m wide pavement with an asphalt seal) and signage. Estimated costs per site are:

- 1. North Rockhampton Sewer Treatment Plant \$74,000
- 2. Bruce Highway, Parkhurst \$66,000
- 3. Curtis Park, Visitor Information Centre \$74,000

The estimates exclude any permits that may be required by DTMR for approval for access on Bruce Highway Option. The prices are indicative as there may be additional works required to ensure site visibility once the survey and design works are completed.

The estimates include some allowance for survey and design, service location and construction supervision. There is no allowance for overheads. A concrete slab at the dump point will add about \$4,000.

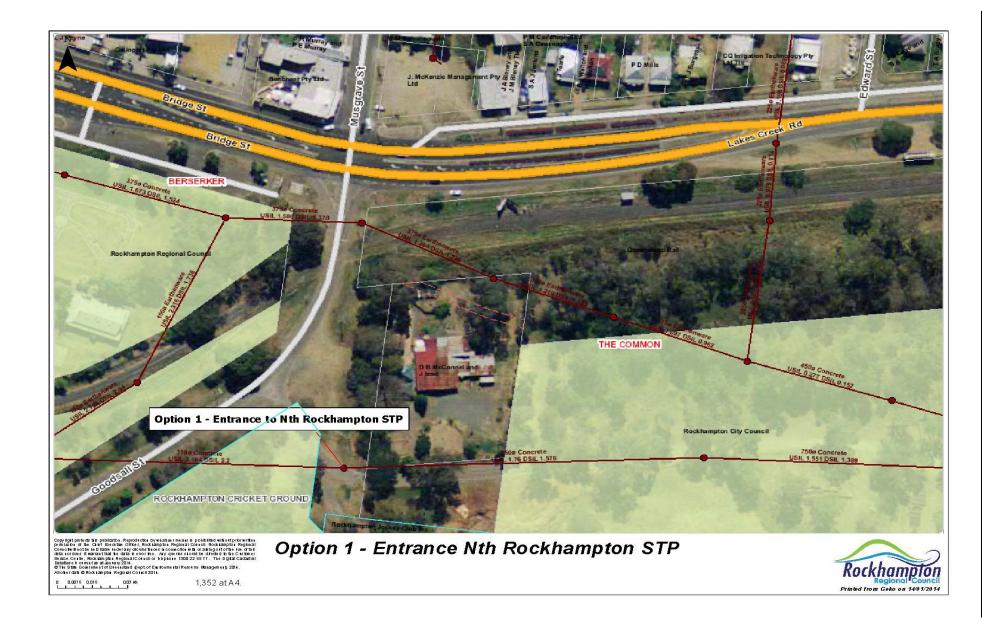
CONCLUSION

Alternative sites to relocate the dump point have been investigated in consultation with FRW and Infrastructure to ensure feasibility of proposed locations. Based on this process three sites have been presented for consideration, with the recommendation that relocation to the North Rockhampton Sewer Treatment Plant site be approved for inclusion in the budget submission for the 2014/15 Capital Works Program. The project will proceed upon adoption of the project through the Capital Works Program.

RELOCATION OF CARAVAN DUMP POINT

Option 1 - Nth Rockhampton Sewer Treatment Plant

Meeting Date: 4 March 2014

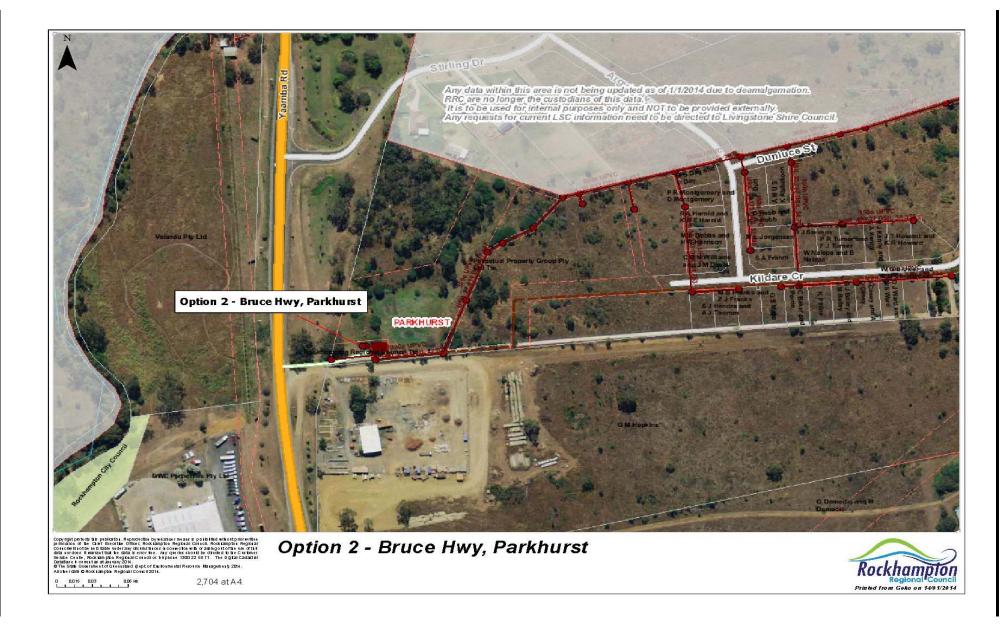


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RELOCATION OF CARAVAN DUMP POINT

Option 2 - Bruce Highway, Parkhurst

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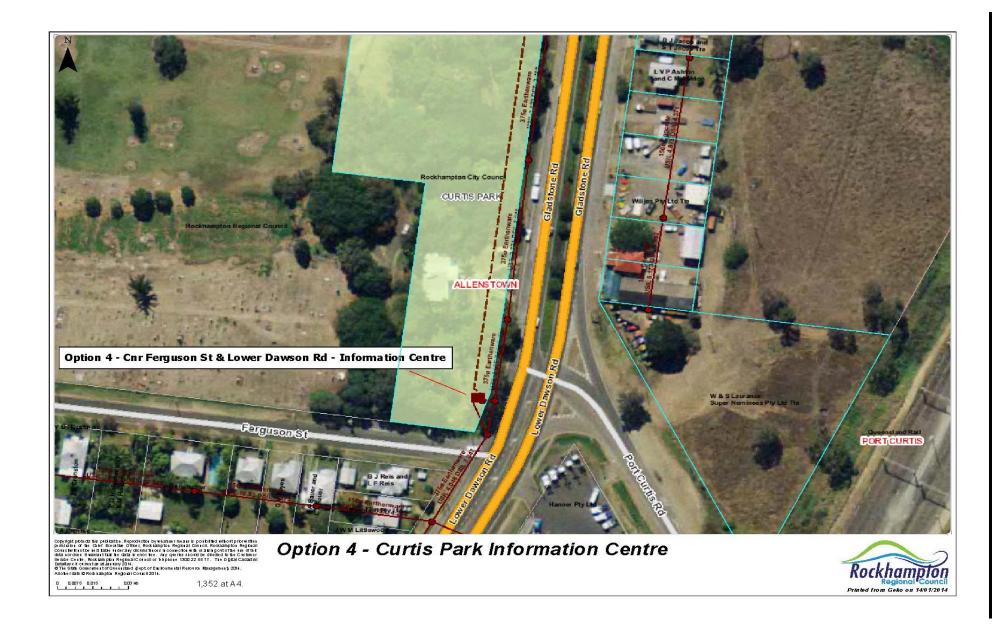


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RELOCATION OF CARAVAN DUMP POINT

Option 3 - Curtis Park, Visitor Information Centre

Meeting Date: 4 March 2014



8.3 MOUNT MORGAN RAILWAY TIMBER BRIDGE DEMOLITION

File No:	1464
Attachments:	Nil
Responsible Officer:	Cheryl Haughton - Manager Community Services Michael Rowe - General Manager Community Services
Author:	Sharon Sommerville - Coordinator Facilities

SUMMARY

Council resolved on 12 November 2013 to adopt the report recommendation from Parks and Recreation Committee to demolish the Mt Morgan Railway Timber Bridge.

This report seeks approval to allocate funding to demolish the bridge through the 2013/14 Revised Minor Capital Works Program.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council approves:

- 1. the allocation of budget in the 2013/14 Revised Minor Capital Works Program to demolish the Mt Morgan Railway Timber Bridge
- 2. the demolition to be undertaken prior to adoption of the revised budget.

COMMENTARY

A report was presented to the Parks and Recreation Committee on 5 November 2013, seeking approval to demolish the timber railway bridge due to the deteriorated condition of the structure and risks imposed on the public should the bridge collapse. Council resolved to approve demolition of the bridge at its Meeting on 12 December 2013.

Facilities engaged Cardno to prepare a demolition specification to enable Council to seek offers from suitably qualified contractors to demolish the bridge structure. Additionally, a portion of the bridge was demolished in December 2013 in an effort to prolong failure of the remaining structure, to enable a controlled demolition process.

Offers have since been received and evaluated through Council's Invitation to quote process to demolish the bridge. As the project has not been formally adopted through the Financial Budget process, approval is sought to proceed with the works prior to the adoption of the project through the 2013/14 Revised Minor Capital Budget process in March 2014.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

The estimated cost to demolish the bridge is \$90,000. The budget estimate includes demolition, costs to date for partial demolition, demolition specification and establishment/project control costs.

As a result of project efficiencies within the existing Minor Capital Program, Facilities proposes to deliver the project through the 2013/14 Revised Minor Capital Works Program.

CONCLUSION

The Mt Morgan Railway Bridge is in a deteriorated condition and has been recommended for demolition due to the risk of uncontrolled failure. Council has previously considered the report recommendation and approved Facilities to demolish the bridge.

Offers have been received to demolish the bridge and approval is sought to commence work and fund the project through the 2013/14 Revised Minor Capital Works Program.

8.4 MOUNT MORGAN CARETAKER'S COTTAGE STABILISATION

File No:	1464
Attachments:	1. Brown Consulting Report
Responsible Officer:	Cheryl Haughton - Manager Community Services Michael Rowe - General Manager Community Services
Author:	Sharon Sommerville - Coordinator Facilities

SUMMARY

Council resolved on 12 November 2013 to adopt the report recommendation from Parks and Recreation Committee to lay the report on the table and for Facilities to investigate costs to stabilise the Mt Morgan Caretaker's Cottage.

This report seeks approval to allocate funding to stabilise the building, including removal of asbestos materials, through the 2013/14 Revised Minor Capital Works Program.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT the matter is lifted from the table and Council approves the allocation of budget in the 2013/14 Revised Minor Capital Works Program to stabilise the Mt Morgan Caretakers Cottage, demolish the timber structures and complete associated works to remove asbestos materials.

COMMENTARY

A report was presented to Parks and Recreation Committee on 5 November 2013 seeking approval to demolish the caretaker's cottage due to the deteriorated condition of the structure and risks imposed on the public should building elements fail. The Chair of the committee requested the matter lay on the table pending a structural report and further information on costs to stabilise the building.

Facilities engaged Brown Consulting (see attachment 1 – Brown Consulting Report) to provide a structural assessment of the building to determine structural integrity and requirements to stabilise it.

The report confirms that the brick structure and roof are relatively sound; however it is recommended that the timber structures to the perimeter be removed as a result of their poor condition and associated safety risks should they fail. Ongoing inspections are recommended on the condition of the asset by qualified Council officers and will continue through the Asset Unit's condition inspection program.

A contractor has attended the site with the Facilities Project Manager to review the timber structure demolition requirements and removal of asbestos, and has provided a quotation for the works

Through consultation with the Mount Morgan Community it was requested that Council stabilise the building and retain within the chain wire fence to allow the community time to prepare a priority program of significant assets and propose a future use for the building, and funding options.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

The estimated cost to demolish the timber structures and remove asbestos is \$22,000.

As a result of project efficiencies within the existing Minor Capital Program, Facilities proposes to deliver the project through the 2013/14 Revised Minor Capital Works Program.

CONCLUSION

As a result of the condition of the building and a community consultation process undertaken, Facilities engaged a structural engineering consultant to provide a report on the condition of the building, including recommendations to stabilise the building. The report confirmed that the brick structure is relatively sound, but recommended the removal of timber structures to the perimeter. A quote to undertake this work has been received and approval is sought to allocate funding to stabilise the building through the 2013/14 Revised Minor Capital Works Program.

MOUNT MORGAN CARETAKER'S COTTAGE STABILISATION

Brown Consulting Report

Meeting Date: 4 March 2014

Our Ref: Contact: R13271/GJ:ew/Ltr.MountMorganMine Greg Janes



Rockhampton Regional Council PO Box 1860 ROCKHAMPTON QLD 4701

Attention: Mr Darren Toohey

Dear Darren,

Review of Mount Morgan Mine Caretakers Residence

At the request of Darren Toohey of Rockhampton Regional Council (RRC), Brown Consulting (Qld) Pty Ltd were commissioned to undertake a review of the Mount Morgan Mine Caretakers Residence. The purpose of the review was to inspect the general condition of the building and provide recommendations on which elements should be removed which would leave the remaining parts of the building in a relatively safe and stable condition. Greg Janes of Brown Consulting and Darren Toohey of RRC inspected the building on 5 December 2013.

The building is a solid brick walled structure with a pitched timber framed roof. There are timber framed verandas and ancillary structures at the perimeter. We understand that since the building has been unoccupied it has been the subject of vandalism. Upon inspection a significant amount of the timber framed structures to the perimeter and some of the internal floor boards have been demolished. A number of these elements are presently not adequately supported. The timber framing to the veranda on the western side is currently in reasonable condition however its support back to the main brick structure is of concern when viewed from the ground. Of the other perimeter timber elements that are still remaining some of the timber has suffered a degree of rot. The brick structure is in reasonable condition but it has suffered some degree of movement as evidence by some cracking above some internal openings. The openings have timber framed lintels which are currently in reasonable condition

Given the poor condition of most of the timber structures to the perimeter and their susceptibility to people intent on causing damage which consequently poses a personal safety risk, we recommend that the perimeter timber framed elements be removed. We are of the opinion that the brick structure and main timber framed roof pose less risk and are relatively robust and the roof is relatively inaccessible.

Given the age of the building and that it is not in use and unlikely to receive constant maintenance we also recommend that the building be inspected periodically to assess its condition. These inspections could be carried out by appropriately qualified RRC personnel and advice sought from Brown Consulting if required.

We trust this meets your requirements at this stage but please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any queries.

Yours sincerely Brown Consulting (QLD) Pty Ltd

Greg Janes Structures Manager - Rockhampton

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8.5 PROGRESS REPORT AND REQUEST FOR FURTHER DIRECTION: FUNDING PROGRAMS - ANZAC CENTENARY

File No:	1855
Attachments:	 Progress Report One - Centenary of ANZAC Projects Committee Resolution 5th November, 2013 Gallipoli Campaign Roll of Honour - Rockhampton & District
Responsible Officer:	Margaret Barrett - Manager Parks Michael Rowe - General Manager Community Services
Author:	Vincent Morrice - Coordinator Parks Recreation Services

SUMMARY

At the Parks & Recreation Committee Meeting held 05/11/2013 Council resolved to direct Officers to design and cost certain projects for the grants programs related to the Centenary of ANZAC. This report outlines progress to date and seeks further direction from Council in order for Officers to plan and prioritise further work effort.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Progress Report and Request for Further Direction: Funding Programs – Anzac Centenary be received and that further direction be provided where sought.

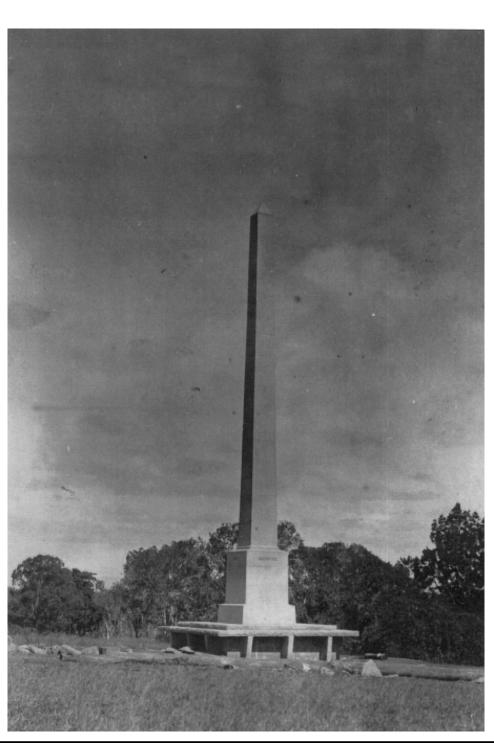
BACKGROUND

Refer attached report.

PROGRESS REPORT AND REQUEST FOR FURTHER DIRECTION: FUNDING PROGRAMS - ANZAC CENTENARY

Progress Report One - Centenary of ANZAC Projects

Meeting Date: 4 March 2014



Progress Report One Centenary of ANZAC Projects

Closing dates for Funding : Anzac Centenary Local Grants Program (Federal): 30 May 2014 Queensland Anzac Centenary Grants Program (Round One): 14 March 2014

The Cenotaph under construction in 1924

PROPOSAL ONE: LIGHTING IN THE ROCKHAMPTON BOTANIC GARDENS TO FACILITATE PUBLIC SAFETY AT COMMEMORATIVE SERVICES HELD AT THE CENOTAPH

Proposal Overview:

Assessment:

Indicative Costs:

No investigations undertaken to date.

Possible Funding Sources:

Not considered to meet the eligibility criteria for the Anzac Centenary Local Grants Program (Federal) or the Queensland Anzac Centenary Grants Program.

Proposed to submit for consideration in the 2014/15 Capital Program.

Direction Sought:

No further direction required at this time. Officers will progress investigations and report back in June 2014.

PROPOSAL TWO:UPGRADING TO THE COMMEMORATIVE PLINTH AT THE CENOTAPH(i) Duplication of the inscriptions on the Western face across to the Eastern Face.



Fig..1 Cenotaph – Western Face



Fig. 2 Cenotaph – Eastern Face

Proposal Overview:

A proposal has been put forward that the inscriptions on the Western face of the Cenotaph be duplicated onto the Eastern face of the monument. The genesis for the proposal seems to be that in recent years the necessity has arisen to transfer the public assemblage for the Anzac Day Dawn Service from the Western face of the monument to the Eastern face in order to comfortably accommodate increasing crowd numbers. In view of this transfer of assemblage, the conduct of the Dawn Service and subsequent wreath laying now takes place on the Eastern side of the monument. The proposal has therefore been ventured that the Western inscription be repeated on the Eastern face so that it is in full public view during the course of the service and forms the background for the bestowal of wreaths.

Current practise for the Remembrance Ceremony is to temporarily affix granite lookalike sheets of corflute to the Eastern face of the Cenotaph.

Assessment:

The Cenotaph (Rockhampton War Memorial) was entered in the Queensland Heritage Register on 21 October 1992 as Place ID 600818. The Cenotaph stands within the boundary of Rockhampton Botanic Gardens, which was also entered in the Queensland Heritage Register on 23 July 1999 as place ID 601819. As heritage-listed entities, both places are protected by virtue of the *Queensland Heritage Act 1922* and all associated acts and regulations.

The Department of Environment and Heritage Protection has authority under the Queensland Heritage Act to grant approval for works to take place at heritage-listed places by way of the issue of an Exemption Certificate for such works, provided that these will not have a detrimental impact on the cultural heritage significance of the place concerned (*Queensland Heritage Act 1922*, Div. 2, Sect. 72 (3) (b)). Schedule 2 (a) of the *Queensland Heritage Regulation 2003* further states that any building work undertaken at a heritage-listed place must not "……alter ……significant features of the place". Division 3, Section 10 1 (a) of the Sustainable Planning Act 2009 defines building work as being work to "alter a building or other structure".

In view of these legislative ramifications it is doubtful that an application for an Exemption Certificate to alter any of the inscriptions on the Cenotaph would be successful, particularly where the inscription now carried on the Western face was not part of the original design.

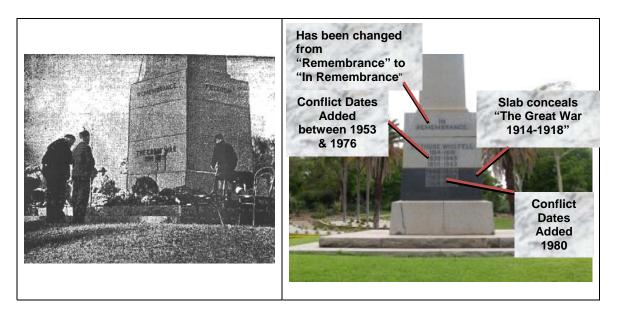


Fig. 3 Past alterations to the Western face of the Cenotaph. At left is the original layout photographed in 1939. At right is the inscription added 1980 with a granite slab bolted over the original inscription "The Great War 1914 - 1918". Date of the first alteration ("In Remembrance" and "To Those Who Fell" etc.) is not known at this time.

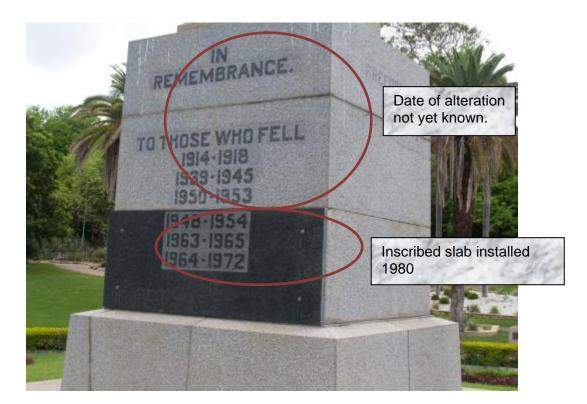


Fig. 4 Altered wording and insertion of dates



Fig. 5 Black granite slab bolted onto Western face.

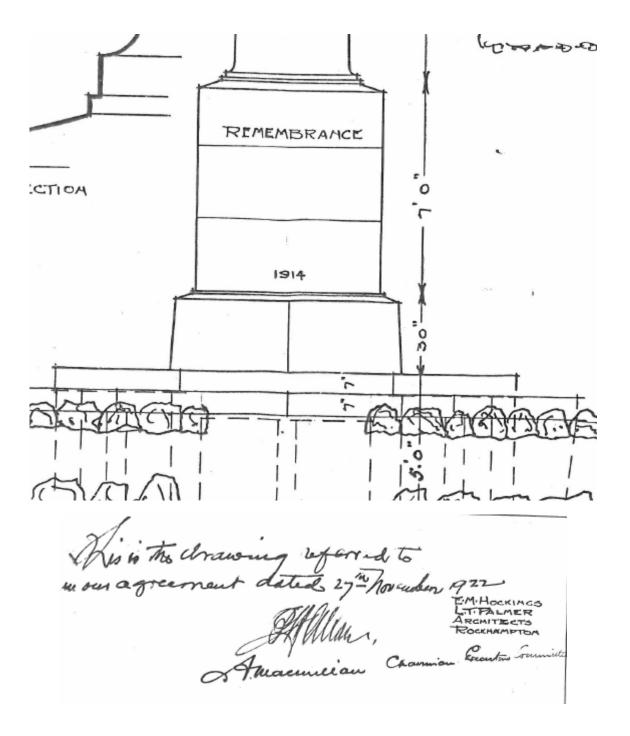


Fig. 6 Part of the original design plan for the Cenotaph as drawn by Hockings and Palmer, 1922.

TOWN CLERK. · MEMO:

Estimated costs to inscribe campaigns on Re: War Memorial in the Botanical Gardens.

The Returned Servicemens' League requests Council to include on the cenotaph the campaigns in which Australian Servicemen were engaged to combat communist aggression.

The campaigns are:-

	Navy	Army	Airforce	TOTAL
Malaya 1948 - 1954	- '	27	9	36
Malaysian Confrontation	1	16	-	17
Bornec 1963 - 1965 Vietnam 1964 - 1972	8	494	15	517

Campaigns presently listed on the memorial are:-

1914	-	1918
1939	-	1945
1950	-	1953

These numerals are polished on rough granite. This type of masonry work cannot be performed on the site by stone masons in Rockhampton.

To list the abovementioned campaigns on the cenotaph a piece of polished granite will have to be purchased from the south, the campaigns listed and then fixed on the memorial.

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CURATOR .

Grenite 4'6" x 2' Engraving Fixing to memorial	=	\$ 480-00 \$ 100-00 \$ 150-00
FIXING to memorized		\$ 730-00

will not be in keeping with the formal appearance of memorial and the overall appearance will be out of balance.

Fig. 7 1976 memo to the Town Clerk of Rockhampton City Council from the Curator of the Botanic Gardens advising that the alterations proposed by the RSL "will not be in keeping with the formal appearance of the memorial and the overall appearance will be out of balance".

Indicative Costs:

No investigations undertaken to date.

Possible Funding Sources:

Not considered to meet the eligibility criteria for the Anzac Centenary Local Grants Program (Federal) or the Queensland Anzac Centenary Grants Program.

Direction Sought:

Given the heritage listing of the Cenotaph, the knowledge that several alterations have already been performed and the very high likelihood that any *Application for Exemption* will be declined, Officers are seeking further direction from Council before dedicating any further work effort towards this proposal.

PROPOSAL TWO:

UPGRADING TO THE COMMEMORATIVE PLINTH AT THE CENOTAPH (ii) Installation of fixed lighting at each side of the Cenotaph for illumination during ceremonies & events.

Proposal Overview:

Up Lighting is used on the Cenotaph during the ceremonial proceedings of the ANZAC Day Dawn Service. Lights are positioned along each side and focussed to light the obelisk from base to tip. Despite all reasonable precautions being taken, the lights and associated leads pose a trip hazard due to the temporary nature of the installation. The proposal is to install (permanent) discrete lighting which integrates into the surrounds, eliminates the hazards associated with temporary lights and allows for the simultaneous control of the lights from a centralised point.

Assessment:

Due to the Heritage listing of the Cenotaph and the Rockhampton Botanic Gardens any work will require approval from the Department of Environment and Heritage Protection through the *Application for Exemption* process.

Preliminary Investigations:

Initial site investigations have identified that power is available in the vicinity (at the rear of the Kiosk) although trenching work will certainly be required for safety and to maintain the visual amenity of the surrounds. Officers are mindful that any works performed should also take into account the broader requirements for ceremonial lighting and audio amplification during the Dawn Service as well as for other major events conducted in that area (such as the Under Eights Week celebrations).

One option currently under consideration is to run all wiring to concealed pits with lighting being installed and removed only as required. This would deliver the desired functionality whilst eliminating potential trip hazards.

Indicative Costs:

No costs have been sought to date.

Possible Funding Sources:

Not considered to meet the eligibility criteria for the Anzac Centenary Local Grants Program (Federal) or the Queensland Anzac Centenary Grants Program.

Proposed to submit for consideration in the 2014/15 Capital Program.

Direction Sought:

Officers are seeking Council's in principle support for further investigations and cost estimates to be conducted on the basis that:

• no fixed lighting or control structures will be installed permanently. Rather, that cabling be run to suitable pits for use to connect devices as required, and

• that plans and cost estimates also include the ceremonial requirements for lighting & audio necessary for the conduct of the Dawn Service (not just the lighting of the Cenotaph).

PROPOSAL THREE:

HONOUR ROLL (WALL OF REMEMBRANCE)

OVERVIEW:

The proposal is to create a Roll of Honour to list the names of those members of the Australian armed forces from Rockhampton who died during or as a result of war service.

ASSESSMENT:

In establishing a Roll of Honour one of the key elements to be considered at the outset is the rules for inclusion. The following extract from the Australian War Memorial website outlines the approach adopted by their Council:

The Roll of Honour records and commemorates members of the Australian armed forces who have died during or as a result of war service, or for Post-1945 conflicts, warlike service, non-warlike service and certain peacetime humanitarian operations.

Existing Arrangements:

In 2008 the Capricornia RSL sub branch completed and opened what was termed a "Wall of Remembrance" on the Eastern perimeter of the Cenotaph at Rockhampton Botanic Gardens. In correspondence circulated by the RSL at the time, this wall was said to be unique in that it **commemorated the service of all members of all services;** male and female, regular and national service, Reserve forces, and all wars and conflicts including peacekeeping operations and the wars in the Persian Gulf, Iraq and Afghanistan.





Fig. 8 Wall of Remembrance and plaque on the Eastern perimeter of the Cenotaph

Availability and Accuracy of Name Lists:

There is no complete and accurate names list available for the purpose of creating either a nominal roll or an honour roll (a nominal roll contains the names of all those who enlisted whereas an honour roll contains the names of all those who were either killed in action or who died as a result of wounds or illness). Assistance has been sought from the Australian War Memorial, Canberra, in this regard, to which the AWM has replied;

• The Australian War Memorial honour roll is a nationally-composed roll and as such the data used to compile it has been collected and summarised in alphabetical format only. <u>No provision has</u> been included in its format to allow any cross-referencing to occur to identify where the people listed on it were from

• Although all WW1 service records have now been digitalised caution must be exercised to ensure the names of the persons concerned qualify for inclusion on a nominal roll (see example below at Fig. 10). These can be called up automatically on-line in groups according to where a person was born or where they lived when they enlisted. However, the task of scrutinising each and every dossier to ensure a person qualifies for inclusion on a nominal roll is complicated by the sheer numbers involved. For example, 1,626 people who were **born** in Rockhampton enlisted for military service in WW1 Australia-wide and 3,868 people who **lived** in Rockhampton at the time, enlisted for military service in WW1

- Not all WW2 service dossiers have been digitised to date. Many are still held in archives and digitizing them all will take several years to complete
- Service dossiers for all post WW2 conflicts are still held as security classified and are not available to public access.

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Fig. 10 The service dossier of a citizen who enlisted in Rockhampton. This person does not qualify for any war service recognition as their file is clearly marked "Deserter".

Staff have recently become aware that an Honour Roll exists for those who fell during the Gallipoli campaign. The list comes from the book *Heroes All: Central Queenslanders who gave their lives serving the Empire* (Bronwyn Tarrier 2005). The Southside Library has a copy of this book in the CQ Collection. The information has been cross referenced against the Australian War Memorial and Australian Archives record. A copy of the Honour Roll contained in the above book is attached hereto.

Estimated Work Effort:

Based upon trials conducted as part of the background for this report it is estimated that the work effort to research and compile an accurate Honour Roll for Rockhampton Regional Council area could be in excess of 6 months full time continuous effort (>1800 hours).

Siting:

There are a number of sites which could be suited to the installation of an Honour Roll including Rockhampton Botanic Gardens, Sir Raymond Huish Drive and City Hall. No significant time has been devoted to analysis of sites as yet.

Indicative Costs:

If Council were to engage a researcher to compile the list of names for the Honour Roll sufficient funds would need to be provided for Wages, Office Space & Equipment, and Memorial Design, Construction & Installation. Estimates have not yet been prepared due to the unknown scope.

Possible Funding Sources:

If the project is confined to <u>WWI only</u>, the research, compilation and construction\installation of either an Honour Roll or a Nominal Roll would appear to be consistent with the guidelines for both the Anzac Centenary Local Grants Program (Federal) and the Queensland Anzac Centenary Grants Program. Exercises involving other conflicts may attract funding although it's likely that any allocation would be proportionate to the WWI element of the project.

Direction Sought:

In view of the estimated work effort to compile a reliable and accurate Roll of Honour and the absence of any staff to undertake the task, Officers are seeking direction from Council before dedicating any further work effort towards this proposal.

THE HISTORY OF THE CENOTAPH

At a meeting convened at the Rockhampton Town Hall on Friday 21 February 1919, an Executive to the Central Queensland War Memorial Committee was formed. The Executive consisted of Rockhampton Mayor, Alderman William Charlton and Messrs F.M. Hockings, D.M. Morgan, W.K. Dalzell and A.A. Mawdsley. The role assumed by the Executive was to canvas the various towns and shires across Central Queensland to enlist both their moral and financial support for the erection of a Central Queensland War Memorial. In the event these towns and shires were agreeable to the proposal then the Executive intended that the memorial would be erected at Rockhampton and remain there as long as Rockhampton remained the capital of Central Queensland. Should the capital of Central Queensland ever change in the future, then the arrangement was intended that the memorial would be moved accordingly to the new capital. This raised the ire of several of the surrounding towns and districts who had a preference towards erecting their own war memorial locally and consequently considered it outrageous to be asked to contribute towards a memorial to (as they saw it) "glorify" Rockhampton .

In May 1919 the Executive announced that it had investigated what it considered to be a suitable site for the proposed memorial on the riverbank at the intersection of Denham and Quay Streets. It recommended that the War Memorial Committee call for competitive designs for the construction of the monument which it projected would cost £ 10,000 if it was to be large enough to contain the names of all of those from Central Queensland who had enlisted for service in the First World War (3,868 enlisted in Rockhampton alone).

Objections to the proposed site by the Harbour Board, the raising of such a large sum of money, the unwillingness of some to contribute and a push by the Returned Soldiers and Sailors League to construct their own memorial all dogged the progression of the Central Queensland Memorial proposal for the next two years. Ultimately, the following announcement appeared in the *Morning Bulletin* of Thursday 18 May 1922;

Finality has at last been reached in regard to a site for the erection of a war memorial in Rockhampton. At a meeting of the Central Queensland War Memorial Committee last night several propositions were put forward and it was eventually decided to erect the memorial in the Botanic Gardens. The memorial will be of granite and will be in the form of an obelisk.

Rockhampton architectural firm Hockings and Palmer (F.M. Hockings was a member of the Executive) were subsequently contracted to prepare a design for the construction of the memorial which was subsequently erected by Rockhampton monumental mason F.M. Allen at a cost of £ 2,654. The memorial was unveiled by Queensland Governor Sir Matthew Nathan on 16 November 1924, and saw its first Anzac Day service on 25 April 1925, 10 years after the infamous Gallipoli landings.

The memorial consists of a single obelisk spire surrounded by an inner circular hedgerow and an outer circle of 12 Canary Islands Date Palms (*Phoenix canariensis*). The shadow cast by the central spire traverses around the circle of palms to denote the hour of the day (as a sundial does). This is symbolic of English poet Robert Laurence Binyon's Ode to the Fallen; At the going down of the sun, and in the morning, we will remember them.

No names were ever recorded on the main monument, the reason being the Central Queensland War Memorial Committee were unable to agree whether the names of those from the surrounding districts should be included on the monument regardless, despite the fact that many of those districts had not contributed towards the building of the memorial. Hence the monument was designed and constructed as a *Cenotaph*, meaning *empty tomb*, symbolic of the fact that those it pays homage to are numerous and are *buried elsewhere*.

PROGRESS REPORT AND REQUEST FOR FURTHER DIRECTION: FUNDING PROGRAMS - ANZAC CENTENARY

Committee Resolution 5th November, 2013

Meeting Date: 4 March 2014

Attachment No: 2

FOR ACTION

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE

5/11/2013

TO: Operations Manager Planning and Collections (Vincent Morrice)

Subject:Funding Programs - Anzac CentenaryTarget Date:19/11/2013File Reference1855

Notes: Adopted at the Council Meeting on 12 November 2013

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

That Council direct the officers to design and cost for council consideration the following projects for the forthcoming Anzac Centenary and Military Service related grants programs:

- 1. lighting in the Rockhampton Botanical Gardens to facilitate public safety at commemorative services held at the Cenotaph
- 2. upgrading to the commemorative plinth at the Cenotaph
- 3. establishment of commemorative honour roll for regional servicemen; and

That a steering committee comprising of Councillor Strelow, Councillor Rutherford and Councillor Swadling report back to Council with suggestions for appropriate memorialisation or commemoration for 2015.

Moved by: Mayor Strelow Seconded by: Councillor Swadling MOTION CARRIED

Open Item in Minutes

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PROGRESS REPORT AND REQUEST FOR FURTHER DIRECTION: FUNDING PROGRAMS - ANZAC CENTENARY

Gallipoli Campaign Roll of Honour -Rockhampton & District

Meeting Date: 4 March 2014

Attachment No: 3

Rockhampton & District Roll of Honour* Gallipoli Campaign - 25 April 1915 – 09 January 1916

Key to Ranl	SPR = Sapper (Private equivalent in Engineer Corps)CPL = CorporTPR = Trooper (Private equivalent in Light Horse Regiment)SGT = Sergea		LCPL = Lance Co CPL = Corporal SGT = Sergeant LT = Lieutenant MAJ = Major					
Key to Unit	s:	Inf Bn = Infantry Battalion Fd Coy = Field Company (Engineers)	LH = Light Hors Med = Medical	e Regiment and surgical units				
Key to Caus of Death	se	KIA = killed in action (combat)	DOW = died of	wounds (combat)		DOI = died of illne	ess (combat-	related)
Service No	Rank	x Name	Born Locally	Place of Association	Unit	Died	Age	Memorialised At Gallipoli
30	SPR	BAILLIE James	-	Mt Morgan	3 Fd Coy	DOW 29/04/1915	29	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
261	PTE	BENSON Samuel Ernest William	Rockhampton	Rockhampton	15 Inf Bn	KIA 10/05/1915	28	Embarkation Pier Cemetery
411	PTE	BENTZON Sydney Malcolm	-	Rockhampton	15 Inf Bn	KIA 26/04/1915	22	Shrapnel Valley Cemetery
483	TPR	BEYERS James Albert	Gladstone	Mt Morgan	2 LH	KIA 14/05/1915	24	Quinn's Post Cemetery
1463	PTE	BOWERMAN George	-	Rockhampton	15 Inf Bn	KIA 17/05/1915	23	Beach Cemetery
785	PTE	BRISBIN Lowry McClelland	Mt Morgan	Mt Morgan	9 Bn	KIA 02/05/1915	21	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
265	PTE	BROOME Geoffrey George	Rockhampton	Rockhampton	15 Inf Bn	KIA 18/05/1915	18	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
270	PTE	CAIRNS William Burridge	Rockhampton	Rockhampton	15 Inf Bn	DOW 07/05/1915	22	Beach Cemetery
235	PTE	CARMICHAEL John Henry	Rockhampton	Rockhampton	1 Inf Bn	KIA 02/05/1915	41	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
327	PTE	CLANCY John Henry	-	Mt Morgan	4 Inf Bn	KIA 01/05/1915	27	Beach Cemetery
275	SGT	COLQUHOUN Harold Robert Lyne	-	Rockhampton	15 Inf Bn	KIA 27/08/1915	18	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
643	TPR	DALZELL Douglas Pulteney	Cawarral	Rockhampton	6 LH	KIA 07/08/1915	27	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
79	PTE	DEAKIN Alec Bertram	-	Rockhampton	15 Inf Bn	KIA 18/08/1915	19	7 Fd Ambulance Cemetery
1322	PTE	FISHER Vivian William	-	Mt Morgan	15 Inf Bn	DOW 07/08/1915	19	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
2136	PTE	FITZGERALD Thomas Joseph	-	Mt Morgan	15 Inf Bn	DOW 30/08/1915	30	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
842	LCPL	FORSYTH James	-	Rockhampton	9 Inf Bn	DOW 25/08/1915	29	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
OFFR	LT	FOSTER Reginald William	Rockhampton	Rockhampton	15 Inf Bn	KIA 08/08/1915	28	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
817	PTE	FRASER Robert Reid	Rockhampton	Rockhampton	9 Inf Bn	KIA 02/05/1915	22	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
783	CPL	FREEMAN Alfred Garnett	Rockhampton	Rockhampton	9 Inf Bn	KIA 25/04/1915	20	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
1775	PTE	GLENNIE David	-	Rockhampton	9 Inf Bn	KIA 20/05/1915	25	Shell Green Cemetery

Service No	Rank	Name	Born Locally	Place of Association	Unit	Died	Age	Memorialised At Gallipoli
2164	PTE	GOSTELOW Frederick Cecil	Rockhampton	Rockhampton	13 Inf Bn	KIA 23/08/1915	22	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
762	SGT	GRAHAM Thomas Anthony	-	Rockhampton	9 Inf Bn	KIA 02/05/1915	30	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
290	PTE	HANSEN Henry Christian	Rockhampton	Rockhampton	15 Inf Bn	DOW 10/08/1915	30	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
829	LCPL	HARNEY John William	Rockhampton	Rockhampton	9 Inf Bn	DOW 13/06/1915	28	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
1360	PTE	HEALY Maurice	Mt Morgan	Mt Morgan	2 Inf Bn	DOW 28/04/1915	22	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
294	SGT	HIGSON William Clarence	Rockhampton	Rockhampton	15 Inf Bn	KIA 08/08/1915	19	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
298	PTE	HODGE James De Orbet	-	Mt Morgan	15 Inf Bn	DOW 28/05/1915	24	Beach Cemetery
1147	DVR	HOWES Joseph Charles	Mt Morgan	Mt Morgan	9 Inf Bn	KIA 25/04/1915	20	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
1507	PTE	KYDD George	-	Mt Morgan	15 Inf Bn	KIA 14/05/1915	27	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
308	PTE	LEHFELDT William Robert	Rockhampton	Rockhampton	15 Inf Bn	KIA 08/08/1915	24	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
1350	PTE	LINDSAY David George	-	Rockhampton	15 Inf Bn	KIA 08/08/1915	36	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
863	PTE	MACDONALD John Robert	-	Rockhampton	9 Inf Bn	DOW 16/11/1915	22	Ari Burnu Cemetery
1353	PTE	MACDOUGALL Donald	-	Rockhampton	15 Inf Bn	KIA 08/08/1915	30	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
347	TPR	MARSON Cecil James	-	Mt Morgan	2 LH	KIA 07/08/1915	21	Quinn's Post Cemetery
319	PTE	MELEDINE Louis	-	Rockhampton	15 Inf Bn	KIA 09/05/1915	31	Beach Cemetery
348	TPR	MOREN William George	-	Mt Morgan	2 LH	KIA 29/06/1915	22	Shrapnel Valley Cemetery
370	TPR	O'CONNOR William Henry	-	Rockhampton	2 LH	DOW 20/06/1915	35	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
1782	PTE	O'LOUGHLIN Patrick John	-	Rockhampton	15 Inf Bn	KIA 08/08/1915	35	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
OFFR	LT	PATTISON Walter Byron James	-	Rockhampton	9 Inf Bn	DOW 10/05/1915	27	Cairo War Cemetery, Egypt
1380A	PTE	PHILLIPS James Hamilton	Rockhampton	Rockhampton	15 Inf Bn	KIA 09/05/1915	25	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
883	PTE	POLSSON Axel Oscar	-	Mt Morgan	2 Inf Bn	DOW 10/05/1915	20	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
1170	PTE	PRATT Charles Frederick	-	Rockhampton	9 Inf Bn	KIA 28/06/1915	21	Shell Green Cemetery
336	PTE	RANKIN David	Rockhampton	Rockhampton	15 Inf Bn	KIA 07/08/1915	22	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
OFFR	MAJ	RICHARDS Dr Samuel Jabez		Mt Morgan	Med	DOI 21/07/1915	51	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
OFFR	LT	ROBERTSON Thomas	-	Rockhampton	15 Inf Bn	KIA 27/04/1915	21	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
339	PTE	ROBSON Frederick	Rockhampton	Rockhampton	15 Inf Bn	KIA 18/05/1915	26	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
1375	PTE	ROGERS George Sandilands	-	Rockhampton	15 Inf Bn	KIA 27/04/1915	18	Quinn's Post Cemetery
1548	PTE	SHAW Sidney Wigmore	-	Mt Morgan	15 Inf Bn	KIA 11/05/1915	34	Quinn's Post Cemetery
191	PTE	SHERIDAN Charles Henry	Rockhampton	Rockhampton	15 Inf Bn	KIA 10/05/1915	30	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
169	TPR	SHERWIN Harold Phillip	Yaamba	Rockhampton	5 LH	KIA 07/11/1915	26	Shell Green Cemetery
328	SGT	SIMMONDS George Frederick	Mt Morgan	Mt Morgan	4 Inf Bn	KIA 26/05/1915	24	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
2236	PTE	SINCLAIR William George	-	Rockhampton	12 Inf Bn	DOW 21/08/1915	22	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
84	PTE	SKIMMING John Campbell	-	Rockhampton	15 Inf Bn	KIA 03/05/1915	37	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
2005	PTE	TILBURY Clive William	-	Rockhampton	15 Inf Bn	KIA 08/08/1915	30	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
1707	LCPL	TILLIDGE Henry William	Rockhampton	Rockhampton	15 Inf Bn	KIA 07/08/1915	24	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
1363	PTE	TREVETT Arthur Cecil	-	Rockhampton	15 Inf Bn	KIA 08/08/1915	21	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery

Service No	Rank	Name	Born Locally	Place of Association	Unit	Died	Age	Memorialised At Gallipoli
1442	PTE	VIZE Harry Blanchard	Rockhampton	Rockhampton	9 Inf Bn	KIA 28/06/1915	22	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
831	PTE	WESTRUPP Walter	-	Rockhampton	9 Inf Bn	KIA 25/04/1915	29	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
361	PTE	WHITING David	Coowonga	Rockhampton	15 Inf Bn	KIA 07/08/1915	20	Lone Pine Memorial Cemetery
609	TPR	WILLIAMS Alan Charles	-	Mt Morgan	5 LH	KIA 28/06/1915	26	Shell Green Cemetery
803	TPR	WILSON Wright	Rockhampton	Rockhampton	2 LH	KIA 07/08/1915	23	Shrapnel Valley Cemetery
1848	CPL	WOODSBEY Joseph	-	Rockhampton	9 Inf Bn	KIA 28/06/1915	45	Shell Green Cemetery

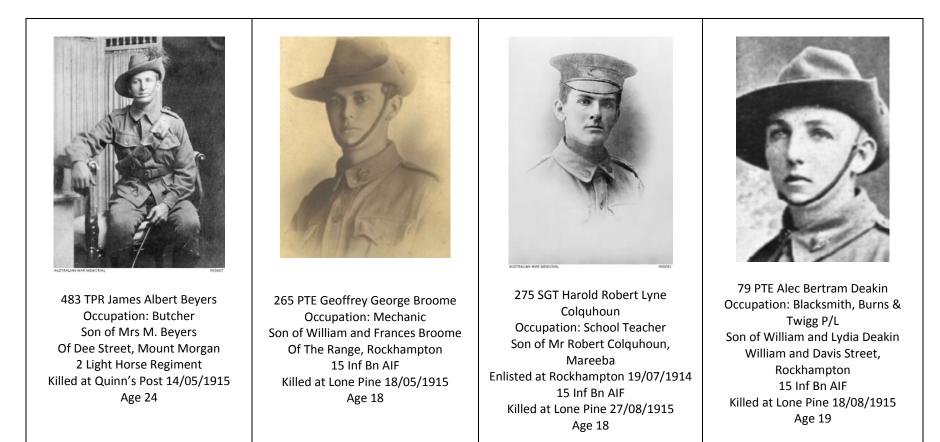
* Notes:

1. Source: *Heroes All: Central Queenslanders who gave Their Lives Serving the Empire* (Bronwyn Tarrier, 2005).

2. Source verified from Australian War Memorial National Roll of Honour and soldiers' individual service records held by Australian Archives.

3. LCPL Walter Henry Anderson of Mount Morgan whose name was included in the source roll has not been included here. This soldier died as a result of a fall from a moving train in Egypt on 31/12/1915. Whilst he did serve at Gallipoli until evacuated in August 1915 after having contracted an illness, the circumstance of his death bears no connection to the Gallipoli campaign.

The Only Photographs (Australian War Memorial):



The Cemeteries:



Lone Pine



Shrapnel Valley



7 Field Ambulance



Ari Burnu – the first landing point



Embarkation Pier



Shell Green



Quinn's Post



The Beach

9 STRATEGIC REPORTS

9.1 COMMUNITY SERVICES CAPITAL WORKS MONTHLY REPORT - FEBRUARY 2014 PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

File No:	1464
Attachments:	1. Parks and Recreation - Community Services Capital Works for February 2014
Responsible Officer:	Michael Rowe - General Manager Community Services
Author:	Andrew Collins - Special Projects Officer

SUMMARY

Project summary report for Capital Projects currently being delivered by Community Services Department on behalf of the Parks and Open Spaces Unit.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Community Services Capital Works monthly report for February 2014 for Parks and Recreation be 'received'.

COMMENTARY

The attached is an update of projects currently being delivered for Committee's information.

Full confidential monthly reports are produced by the Special Projects Officer for each project and are available on request.

COMMUNITY SERVICES CAPITAL WORKS MONTHLY REPORT -FEBRUARY 2014 PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Parks and Recreation - Community Services Capital Works for February 2014

Meeting Date: 4 March 2014

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Project Title	2013/2014 Approved Budget	Total Committed Cost	Project Status	% Complete	Comment Period
Southside Memorial Pool Redevelopment	\$8,587,808	\$8,329,229	Work In Progress	55%	 New 25m pool back fill/ balance tank lid poured. Concourse being set up. Hydraulic pipework completed. Plant room being fitted out with plant and equipment. Amenities block – Blockwork completed Structural Steel being erected \$80% complete Café / Entry building Slab completed up to kitchen area Blockwork completed up to kitchen area Footings poured to CAFÉ area LTS Piers being installed. Three outstanding due to wet weather Pile caps and footing beam poured \$75% Sewer pump station installed Onsite stormwater and electrical services 65% complete Redesign of Wet Play Area underway. Concept / Sketch plan complete The repairs to the dive tower platform and construction of the access structure cost confirmed at \$216K
Zoo Redevelopment – New Animal Enclosures	\$624,800	\$408,832	Contract Awarded	15%	Construction underway Site cleared and building platform constructed Main retaining wall and fence posts erected. Main ring beam to both croc ponds completed Excavation to both croc ponds completed Filter material , form work and reinforcement steel to both pool shells Anticipated spray pour early march.

9.2 PARKS AND OPEN SPACE REPORT

File No:	1464
Attachments:	 Parks and Open Space monthly report Australian White Ibis management program - summary report
Responsible Officer:	Michael Rowe - General Manager Community Services
Author:	Margaret Barrett - Manager Parks

SUMMARY

This report provides information on the activities and services of Parks and Open Space Unit for January 2014.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That the report on the activities and services of Parks and Open Space Unit for January 2014 be received.

COMMENTARY

The Parks and Open Space Unit is responsible for the following areas:

- 1. Park Recreation Services
 - o Kershaw Gardens
 - The Rockhampton Zoo
 - o Rockhampton Botanic Gardens
 - o Cemeteries
 - Sport and Education
 - Sport and Education Services
 - Healthy Communities Initiative
 - Swimming Pools
- 2. Park Operations
- 3. Capital projects

The attached report contains information on the activities and services of these areas for January 2014. This month's report also contains information on a trial program – Project 24 and a summary of the impacts of ex-tropical cyclone Dylan.

PARKS AND OPEN SPACE REPORT

Parks and Open Space monthly report

Meeting Date: 4 March 2014

Attachment No: 1

1. Park Recreation Services

1.1 Kershaw Gardens

Approximately 100 tonnes of recycled bitumen was provided by RRC's Infrastructure team from a job in the immediate vicinity of Kershaw Gardens. The material was used to repair paths (previously decomposed granite), which have had persistent issues with washout following rain. Staff received the assistance of team members from the Pathways Scheme to complete the job.



Newly laid pathway in the vicinity of the Sandstone Toilet block

1.2 Rockhampton Botanic Gardens

The Australian white ibis management program continues fortnightly in conjunction with the contracted service provider Ecosure, who manage the Damage Mitigation Permit on behalf of Council. A summary report of the activities for months of November and December 2013 is attached.

1.3 Rockhampton Zoo

Rockhampton Zoo once again hosted the University of Queensland's psychology research team, led by Professor Thomas Suddendorf. They were here for one week conducting problem solving tests with the chimpanzees. The change in group dynamics since Ockie's passing meant that for the first time chimpanzee Samantha participated in the tests. The chimps are always given the choice of participating in the tests, and the research group has never before been able to gather data from Samantha, as she has chosen not to participate. However, this time she was very keen to participate and performed very well with the tests. Cassie and Holly also participated and the research team gathered valuable data.

The Rockhampton Zoo Facebook page continues to go from strength to strength and now boasts over 2,000 "Likes".



Chimpanzee Samantha has both bases covered!

1.4 Cemeteries

Statistics

	Memorial Gardens		North Rockhampton		Gracemere		Mt Morgan		Bajool	
JANUARY 2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014	2013	2014
Burials	4	12	0	4	2	1	2			
Plots sold	3	8			1		1			
Reopens	1	4		2		1	1			
Reserved Sites used				2	1					
Ashes interred	1	1		3						
Ashes plots sold										
Reopens		1		3						
Reserved Sites used										
Chapel/Other Services										
JANUARY	2013	2014								
TOTAL ASHES INTERRED	1	4								
TOTAL BURIALS	8	17								
CREMATIONS *	38	47								

* These figures are taken from TMB advertisements only.

Memorial Gardens and Administration

The failure of the sole irrigation pump in one the hottest periods of the year caused a deal of extra work as staff used other "innovative" methods to ensure that the facility was able to be watered sufficiently to maintain the visual amenity of the area. The pump was assessed as beyond economical repair. A new unit has been ordered.



Staff member hand watering to maintain amenity of the area North Rockhampton Cemetery

Cemetery grounds are being maintained as required.

South Rockhampton Cemetery

The independently operated "Ghost Tours" commenced on Friday 17 January with a full turn out for the first session. To date it appears this tour is quite well attended, with the operator presenting an informative talk on elements of Rockhampton's history along with some anecdotes on the cemetery.

Gracemere Cemetery

Cemetery grounds are being maintained as required.

Mount Morgan Cemetery

Cemetery grounds are being maintained as required.

1.5 Sport And Recreation

Sport and Education Services Monthly Report

ACTIVITY	RESULTS
2014 Sports and Health Expo - Annual event to	Venue booked for Sunday 23 February 2014
promote participation in local sport and recreation	 Confirmed CQ NRL Bid as Naming Rights Sponsor for the event
activities	 Confirmed major sponsors – Win Network, Hot FM, CQ University and FM Studios
	 Event sponsor – The Athlete's Foot
	Merchandise sponsor – Subway
	 Tote bag sponsor – Get Logo'd
	Amusement ride sponsor – Pimp My Party
	 Marketing budget allocated and marketing currently underway
	 Webpage developed on KickStartCQ website to promote event details
	69 site holders have registered for the event
	Officers are aiming to have 2,500 attendances at the expo
Club Capacity - Increase club capacity and build sustainability	 The KickStartCQ website is continually updated to include relevant information that clubs can use on a day-to-day basis
	 Updates include news articles, funding opportunities, a more functional directory, risk management, volunteer management, and marketing guidelines to name a few
	• The aim is to have a comprehensive website that clubs can access at any time to develop their governance and capacity
Heart Foundation Walking – Breakfast Walk	The next breakfast walk is scheduled for 19 February 2014
	109 registered walkers in the Rockhampton Region

Healthy Communities Initiative

Rockhampton Regional Council has received \$566,042 from the Commonwealth for the execution of the Healthy Communities Initiative. Rockhampton Regional Council has developed and is implementing the KickStartCQ – Cook It! Move It! Do It! Project under the Healthy Communities Initiative.

The Healthy Communities Initiative aims to help reduce the prevalence of overweight and obesity within the target populations of participating communities by maximising the number of adults engaged in physical activity and healthy eating programs.

The initiative targets adults (over 18) who are not currently in the paid workforce or receiving a prescribed Centrelink benefit and are at risk of chronic disease.

Highlights

- KickStartCQ participants reported maintaining activity levels over the holiday period and also said they were more conscious of what they were eating as a result of the KickStartCQ program.
- Attendance numbers for the first sessions of the year were positive with at least 15 people attending each class.
- 47 new participants were registered between 6 January 2014 and 31 January 2014.
- "KickStartCQ has changed my life, I'm so much happier and couldn't imagine what I would be doing if I didn't have KickStart' KickStartCQ Participant number 427.
- "It (Wellness for Women Workshop) was a terrific day and I would highly recommend it. The ladies were all friendly and Loretta was very friendly and knowledgeable." – KickStartCQ participant number 186.

Outlook

- KickStartCQ is partnering with Centacare for the delivery of a number of wellbeing for women workshops. The workshops will launch in February and carry through to March with four groups moving through a series of three workshops.
- Nutrition plans have been developed for distribution to KickStartCQ participants by a local nutritionist. The plans will serve as a guide for participants in relation to recommended dietary needs. A total of 11 different plans were developed and will be distributed from February.
- Additional equipment, such as dumbbells and medicine balls have been ordered to cater for growing class numbers.
- The Healthy Communities Project Coordinator is currently developing a Community Health and Wellbeing Guide which includes information on exercise, nutrition and wellbeing in our Region. CQ Medicare Local has agreed to provide some content for the publication.

2014 Program Suite

• Aquafit will be hosted at the WWII Memorial Pool Complex by Lane 4 Aquatics

- MoveFit strength and conditioning for older Australians will be hosted by:
 - Yeppoon Jungle Gym (formerly NPFitness)
 - o CQUniversity Sports Centre
- Men's Only Strength and Conditioning Sessions will continue to be delivered by CrossFitCQ
- HeartMoves will be delivered by Mr Ian Jenkins
- Outdoor Gym Sessions will be delivered by the Healthy Communities Project Coordinator in Rockhampton and by Yeppoon Jungle Gym for Yeppoon
- CQ TAFE will continue to provide cooking classes increasing from monthly classes to weekly classes
- The Stockland Rockhampton Walking Group, Stockland Striders, will continue to walk Mondays to Fridays from 7am to 8am.
- The CQUniversity Sports Centre partnership will continue with eligible participants able to access the sports centre for free
- Food label reading workshops will continue to be held on a semi-regular basis. These sessions are hosted by CQ Medicare Local.

Program	As at 11 October 2013	As at 30 December 2013	As at 31 January 2014
MoveFit	 40 participants have completed the program 3 new participants have been referred in October and are yet to commence the program. 	 40 participants have completed the program. Stronger for Longer will not be offered in 2014. Movefit will now service Stronger for Longer participants. 	 Stronger for Longer is still being offered at a discounted rate by Vector Health. A number of participants have continued on with the program. Movefit launched with a total 38 participants across the three locations.
Heart Moves	 62 participants are currently attending HeartMoves classes. 4 new participants have been enrolled in Heartmoves are yet to commence 	66 participants have participated in Heartmoves.	 76 participants have participated in Heartmoves.

Updates

Program	As at 11 October 2013	As at 30 December 2013	As at 31 January 2014
	the program.		
Outdoor Gym Sessions	80 participants.	 81 participants. Due to heat/Christmas break attendance numbers dropped in Nov/Dec. 	 86 participants. Due to heat/Christmas break attendance numbers dropped in Nov/Dec.
CQ TAFE Cooking Classes	 122 participants. The next session is scheduled for October 14th 2013. 	 142 Participants. We are waiting to finalise the first session for 2014 	 142 Participants. First session scheduled for February 17
Food Label Reading Workshops	 42 participants. No new sessions have been scheduled. 	 42 participants. Two new programs have been scheduled. 	 42 participants. Awaiting first scheduled sessions for 2014.
Heart Foundation Walking	80 participants.	 81 participants. 	86 participants.
CQUni Partnership	124 participants are currently registered for the program.	 124 participants are currently registered for the program. 	 138 participants are utilising the free university gym membership
Aquafit	 No new participants have begun attending Aqua Fit sessions. 	 No new participants have begun attending Aqua Fit sessions. 	 6 new participants have enrolled in AquaFit classes, the total number of participants is 72
Men's Strength and Conditioning	10 participants. It is hoped that the launch of the session will encourage new participants.	• 13 participants. Attendance has been regular with most men attending both sessions each week.	• 15 participants. Attendance has been regular with most men attending both sessions each week.
TOTAL REGISTERED PARTICIPANTS	492 Participants	505 Participants	552 participants

Project 24

Project 24 is a pilot program combining Council's general community KickStartCQ program and the Healthy Communities Initiative. The program aims to teach members of the public how to take advantage of physical activity in their daily lives. The program consists of free no nonsense introductory sessions into health and fitness. The Healthy Communities Project Coordinator will run three sessions per week for approximately ten weeks from 24 February 2014.

A maximum of 50 participants will be enrolled into the program which will transition participants into individualised physical activities, gym memberships or participation in sport and recreation clubs.

Swimming Pools Monthly Report

Pool reports are to be provided by the pool managers/lessees by the second Wednesday of the following month. The following figures are for the month of January 2014

Water Quality

No reportable water quality issues.

Maintenance:

No reportable maintenance issues.

Incidents:

42nd Battalion Memorial Pool:

A number of break-ins occurred at the 42nd Battalion Memorial Pool in January 2014 including 1 January, 5 January and 7 January. The majority of damage was related to vandalism with items thrown into the pool. On one instance the kiosk was broken into, however, this set off the on-site alarms.

Mt Morgan Pool:

On 1 January 2014 a female child sustained a deep laceration to the foot when using the entry ladder requiring treatment at the Mt Morgan Hospital. The Child was transported to the hospital by her guardian. After the incident the child's guardian was contacted to enquire on how the child was, however, no response was received. The entry ladder has been inspected and repaired as required.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE AGENDA

	General Entry				Sho	Short Term Passes				Summer Passes			Winter Passes			Annual Passes				Programs and Activities			
January	Adult	Child	Concession/ Student	Spectator	Adult 10 Visit	Concession/ Child 10 visit	Adult 20 Visit	Concession/ Child 20 Visit	Adult	Concession/ Child	Family	Adult	Concession/ Child	Family	Adult	Concession/ Child	Family	Spectator	School entries	Program entries	Learn to Swim entries	Squad entries	TOTAL
2014	531	683	26	99	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	75	0	1418
2013	476	785	NA	65	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		0	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	1326
2012	305	501	NA	140	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		0	NA	NA	NA	0	244	NA	1190

Mount Morgan Pool

	General Entry				Shc	Short Term Passes				Summer Passes			Winter Passes			Annual Passes				Programs and Activities			
January	Adult	Child	Concession/ Student		Adult 10 Visit	Concession/ Child 10 visit	Adult 20 Visit	Concession/ Child 20 Visit	Adult	Concession/ Child	Family	Adult	Concession/ Child	Family	Adult	Concession/ Child	Family	Spectator	School entries	Program entries	Learn to Swim entries	Squad entries	TOTAL
2014	142	227	0	5	0	0	0	0	15	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	392
2013	127	207	NA	0	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		6	NA	NA	385	0	0	NA	340
2012	354	508	NA	0	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	!	51	NA	NA	39	0	0	NA	952

World War II Memorial Complex

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2014	2292	1947	0	190	547	106	62	55	405	20	109	0	0	0	552	17	89	35	240	205	0	0	6871
2013	1519	731	NA	48	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	18	24	NA	NA	0	0	0	NA	4122
2012	1450	577	NA	17	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	11	77	NA	NA	143	0	157	NA	3521

42nd Battalion Memorial Pool

		General	Entry		Shc	ort Teri	n Pas	ses		umme Passes		Win	ter Pa	sses	A	Annual	Pass	es	Prog	rams ai	nd Activit	ies	
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2014	1224	1642	0	162	15	6	0	0	40	33	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	0	0	3156
2013	1282	1620	NA	142	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	1	11	NA	NA	0	0	0	NA	3055
2012	5934	3827	NA	921	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		1	NA	NA	108	30	40	NA	10861

2. Parks Operations

Maintenance and construction have been completed following the cyclic maintenance arrangements, with few issues or incidents.

3. Capital Projects

	Comments/ Update
Landscape and Streetscape	
	Arrangements with TMR on rectification works complete.
Yeppen Roundabout Landscape Renewal	Landscape design approved for implementation. Estimate for artificial turf is in excess of \$100,000 – retaining existing grass.
	Works commencing after Easter.
Informal Parking Area - End of Thozet Rd	Project detail to be scoped and costed
Park Playgrounds and amenities	
Development of District Playground	Location – Cedric Archer Park, Gracemere. Concept under revision for further discussion.
Amenities Building Rigarlsford Park	Project completed and acquittal lodged for State grant funds
Upgrade to playground equipment	Program of works in current year completed
Cemeteries	
New Cemetery Information Management System	IT Services/ Projects managing installation of program and training for staff
Pomegranate Grove Extension	
Major Parks	
Rockhampton Zoo redevelopment	Work has commenced on the new crocodile ponds and enclosures with the successful tenderer Bell Thomasson Builders taking possession of the site on 28 January. This stage consists of two ponds, enclosures and associated pedestrian pathways and landscaping.
	Construction is expected to be complete by the end of May.
Rockhampton Botanic Gardens - Paving	Scoping and investigation commenced.

4. Ex-Tropical Cyclone Dylan – event impacts

The impacts of the event were primarily felt in trees lost and minor flooding

- Eight (8) street trees
- Seven (7) trees were lost in Kershaw Gardens. Three of them were fairly large, but not a danger to the public. A Brigalow which had fallen behind the Liberty swing was removed with no visible damage to the swing. No significant trees were lost.
- Minor flooding in low areas of Kershaw Gardens (at the Dowling Street end) and along Frenchman's Creek with minor damage along creek, park and pathways and river flooding of lower fields at Norbridge Park on King Tide on the 31st January 2014; no damage but some residual rubbish/ debris removed.



Moores Creek Crossing at Charles St. flowing strongly following rain associated with ex Tropical Cyclone Dylan (Kershaw Gardens)

• Rockhampton Botanic Gardens fared extremely well with no trees lost although a large "Akee Apple" (*Blighia sapida*) in the Tropical Fruit area was badly damaged. Structural pruning of the tree was carried out and staff will monitor its recovery over coming months.

PARKS AND OPEN SPACE REPORT

Australian White Ibis management program - summary report

Meeting Date: 4 March 2014

Attachment No: 2

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Australian White Ibis Management Program SUMMARY REPORT – November and December 2013

Rockhampton Regional Council

The following information was collected during November and December 2013 as part of the Rockhampton Regional Council Australian White Ibis Management Program (Ecosure 2013^1) and incorporates results of the:

- egg and nest removal program
- Rockhampton area foraging survey
- Rockhampton Botanic Gardens roost count
- Lakes Creek landfill count.

Results

Tables 1 - 3 present the results of the Australian White Ibis Management Program implementation for November and December 2013.

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laple I	Egg and nest removals -	 Rocknampton 	Botanic Gardens

Month (2013)	Nests removed	Eggs
November	8	5
December	15	35
Total	23	40

¹ Ecosure (2013), RI02_13 lbis Management-RE Annual Report, Report to Rockhampton Regional Council, Publication Location – Rockhampton

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Month (2013)	Nests removed	Eggs
November	0	0
December	1	0

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Table 3 Monitoring results - number of ibis observed

Component	November	December	
Rockhampton foraging survey	113	100	
Lakes Creek landfill count	500	819	
Rockhampton Botanical Gardens roost count	127	225	
Total	740	1144	

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Comments

Total

Nest and egg removals were performed on a fortnightly basis, as per schedule, through November and the first half of December. However, due to staffing constraints the nest and egg removals visit scheduled for the 25th of December was delayed to the 2nd of January following discussions with Rockhampton Botanic Gardens management. Over the November period two additional Ecosure staff completed the training program required to participate in both the removal and survey aspects of the Australian White Ibis Management Program. This will increase staffing flexibility and consistency into the future of the program.

Consistent with the results from October, no egg oiling was performed on the large island in Murray Lagoon during November or December. Low water levels continue to make the island easily accessible from the bank of the lagoon and it is assumed that this accessibility by terrestrial predators is the most probable cause for the lack of breeding success/effort on the island. Future precipitation and consequent water levels will determine if further management effort is required.

Over the November – December period cattle egrets were observed on a number of occasions performing nesting behaviours, in both Rockhampton Botanic Gardens and Zoo. However, up until the end of December no successful breeding by cattle egrets was observed. Consequently at this time, this has not interfered with the continued success of the nest and egg removals program within the Botanic Gardens. Ecosure predicts that, based on historical data, and expected breeding period (October to march), cattle egret reproductive efforts will increase through coming months and that this may interfere with the efficiency of removal efforts.

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Recommendations

Continued dry conditions and ongoing management pressure have stalled the expected increase in breeding effort historically associated with November and December (Ecosure 2013²). It is recommended that egg and nest removals continue as per the schedule, to ensure current low breeding success is maintained. Monitoring should also continue to inform future management decisions.

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9.3 GEORGESON OVAL

File No:	1464
Attachments:	1. Aerial of Georgeson Oval
Responsible Officer:	Michael Rowe - General Manager Community Services
Author:	Margaret Barrett - Manager Parks

SUMMARY

On 10 April 2013 a report was presented at the Ordinary Council Meeting on a request from Benevolent Aged Care to acquire Voss Park. It was resolved that a report be brought back to the table on the current status and usage of Georgeson Oval.

Information on the history and current condition of Georgeson Oval and associated infrastructure.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT the report on Georgeson Oval be received.

BACKGROUND

Georgeson Oval (being Lot 293 LN2017) is located on Pennycuick Street in Rockhampton. Council is the Trustee for the Reserve for Park and Recreation (Reserve Number 831). The history of the Reserve (as provided by the Department of Natural Resources and Mines) is as follows:

- 1. 1/05/1971 Dedication of Local Government (Rubbish Disposal) reserve
- 2. 12/02/1973 Advice from Council that use of the rubbish dump has ceased
- 3. 26/05/1973 Cancellation of Local Government (Rubbish Disposal) reserve and Original dedication of Park and Recreation reserve
- 4. 17/01/1976 Dedication of Park & Recreation reserve (original area and part of closed road).

See attachment 1 for an aerial view of the reserve.

HISTORY

In 1977 the Combined Schools Management Committee (consisting of Rockhampton Grammar School, Rockhampton Girls' Grammar School and Sisters of Mercy) was granted a Trustee Lease over Georgeson Oval (expiry date 2007). Council was contacted by the Combined Schools Management Committee in 2004 requesting permission to surrender the Lease. At the time of surrender Council resolved to demolish the existing building based on a report which identified it was not 'fit for purpose'.

On 19 February 2007 Georgeson Oval became an approved dog leash free area by way of Council Resolution. Then on 16 April 2007 Council resolved to enter into a Trustee Lease with 125th Army Cadet Unit. The Lease was never executed by the Club and in 2009 Officers ceased pursuing the matter.

OVAL

The current oval is approximately 130m in length and 75m wide. Extensive field rectification works would be required to reinstate Georgeson Oval as a playing surface as it is in below average condition with a very hard and uneven surface.

The irrigation system is not currently operational and in order to reinstate it both water tanks would need to be replaced, the pump system fully serviced and then each individual irrigation line and sprinkler assessed.

The existing fence is in below average condition and the fence would need to be higher than it currently is on the south western side of Georgeson Oval given the steep decline of the land.

BUILDING (ASSET ID 582140)

On 19 July 2004 Council resolved to demolish the existing amenities building based on a report provided by Hallahan Consulting Engineers and provided to Council through The Board of Trustees of The Rockhampton Grammar School. Hallahan Consulting Engineers identified that the building did not comply with the standards at the time.

The building was not demolished and on 20 April 2011, a further Building Condition Assessment was conducted. The assessment outcome was similar to that provided by Hallahan Consulting Engineers noting movement of the building, failing brick work etc. The report also recommended the building be demolished.

CURRENT USERS:

There are currently no formal tenure arrangements over Georgeson Oval and the facility is accessible to the local community.

The Rockhampton Grammar School's primary school department have enquired about using the facility on a casual basis.

CONCLUSION

Georgeson Oval is in generally poor condition with significant works required to reinstate the facility as a formalised training ground. The work required will include demolition of the building for safety reasons, field rectification works and replacement of the perimeter fence.

GEORGESON OVAL

Aerial of Georgeson Oval

Meeting Date: 4 March 2014

Attachment No: 1



9.4 MANAGEMENT OF AUSTRALIAN WHITE IBIS

File No:	1855
Attachments:	1. Australian White Ibis & Closure of Rockhampton Landfill
Responsible Officer:	Margaret Barrett - Manager Parks Michael Rowe - General Manager Community Services
Author:	Vincent Morrice - Coordinator Parks Recreation Services

SUMMARY

A report of a meeting of stakeholders on the potential impacts to the Australian White Ibis from problems arising from pending loss of food source following the planned closure of the Rockhampton Landfill on Lakes Creek Rd.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Management of Australian White Ibis report be received.

BACKGROUND

Following consideration of the Australian White Ibis Management Program: Annual Report 2012-13 at the 1 October 2013 Parks & Recreation Committee meeting it was requested that Officers seek discussions with relevant stakeholders with a view to addressing potential problems which may arise from the pending loss of food source at Lakes Creek Landfill for the Australian White Ibis.

A meeting of stakeholders was convened on 31 October, 2013 and the meeting notes are attached.

MANAGEMENT OF AUSTRALIAN WHITE IBIS

Australian White Ibis & Closure of Rockhampton Landfill

Meeting Date: 4 March 2014

Attachment No: 1



File Note

Date: 21st February, 2014

From: Vincent Morrice

Subject: Notes from meeting conducted 31st October, 2013 to discuss the impact (if any) on the local Australian White Ibis population following the planned closure of the Rockhampton Landfill site on Lakes Creek Rd.

File Ref: 1855

An informal meeting was conducted on 31 October, 2013 with stakeholders from RRC and Ecosure to discuss what issues, if any, may arise from changes to the foraging and/or roosting habits of the local population of Australian White Ibis (AWI) following the planned closure of the Rockhampton Landfill site on Lakes Creek Rd.

Jodi (Ecosure) reported that two of the three landfill closures which she had knowledge of in Queensland (Logan and Tweed) had not caused any known issues through the loss of the food source however the closure of the Redland Bay facility had prompted the colony to relocate en masse to a new roosting site.

Rockhampton Airport representatives reported that statistically the AWI did not rank high in the list of bird strikes although if a greater number of birds were traversing the flight zones (due to new foraging patterns) that may increase the likelihood of planes encountering them. Iain and Trevor also made mention of the statutory obligation for RAP to manage bird activity as part of their risk management strategy.

Options were canvassed to minimise the impact of the loss of the food source on the AWI population including the staged closure of the landfill so that the food source was gradually reduced over a period a time rather than all at once. Mention was also made of the future closure of the Gracemere Landfill as it also transitioned to a waste transfer station.

Following discussion on the movement of AWI Jodi made reference to a "dye bomb" exercise conducted in Sydney as part of an AWI tracking program and commented that a bird coloured in that study had subsequently been spotted in Papua New Guinea.

Overall, the consensus was that the loss of a concentrated food source would most likely result in the AWI returning to more natural feeding habits such as foraging in lawns, fields and wetlands. It was not thought that the numbers roosting at Rockhampton Botanic Gardens would increase solely as a result of the closure. <u>Meeting Attendees:</u> Margaret Barrett – RRC (Parks) Vince Morrice – RRC (Parks) Tony Cure – RRC (Parks) Brett McCarthy – RRC (Parks) Trevor Heard – RRC (Rockhampton Airport) Iain Lobegeier – RRC (Rockhampton Airport) Craig Dunglison – RRC (Regional Waste & Recycling) Jodi Liddell - Ecosure

10 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

11 URGENT BUSINESS/QUESTIONS

Urgent Business is a provision in the Agenda for members to raise questions or matters of a genuinely urgent or emergent nature, that are not a change to Council Policy and can not be delayed until the next scheduled Council or Committee Meeting

12 CLOSED SESSION

In accordance with the provisions of section 275 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a local government may resolve to close a meeting to the public to discuss confidential items, such that its Councillors or members consider it necessary to close the meeting.

THAT the meeting be closed to the public to discuss the following items, which are considered confidential in accordance with section 275 of the *Local Government Regulation 2012,* for the reasons indicated.

13.1 South Side Memorial Pool Redevelopment- Wet Play Area Expansion

This report is considered confidential in accordance with section 275(1)(e), of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, as it contains information relating to contracts proposed to be made by it.

13 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

13.1 SOUTH SIDE MEMORIAL POOL REDEVELOPMENT- WET PLAY AREA EXPANSION

File No:

5045

Attachments:	1. Original Wet Play Area
	2. Overlay Drawings
	3. Concept Design
	4. Area Break Down
	5. Cost Estimate
Responsible Officer:	Michael Rowe - General Manager Community Services
Author:	Andrew Collins - Special Projects Officer
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This report is considered confidential in accordance with section 275(1)(e), of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, as it contains information relating to contracts proposed to be made by it.

SUMMARY

General Manager Community Services reporting on the redesign and cost estimate for the proposed Wet Play Area expansion at the South Side Memorial Pool.

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