



MINUTES OF KONDININ SHIRE COUNCIL

held in Council Chambers on 25th June 2025

Order of Business

1. DECLARATION OF OPENING/ ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

The Shire President Cr Mouritz read the Statement of Commitment to Indigenous Australians, welcomed those present and declared the meeting open at 4.52pm.

2. RECORD OF ATTENDANCE/ APOLOGIES/ LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Councillors:	Cr Kent Mouritz (President) Cr Darren Pool Cr Brett Smith	Cr Beverley Gangell Cr Paul Green Cr Kerrie Green	Cr Bruce Browning Cr Murray James
Staff:	Mark Hook (ACEO) Mark Burgess (MoW)	Vince Bugna (MCS) Ellen Valenta (ESO)	Tory Young (MPA)
Apologies:	Nil		

3. RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

4. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

5. APPLICATION FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

RESOLUTION: #4572

Moved: Cr K Green

Seconded: M James

That Cr Brett Smith be granted a leave of absence for the August 2025 Council Meeting.

Carried: 8/0

For: Cr K Mouritz, Cr B Gangell, Cr B Smith, Cr B Browning, Cr K Green, Cr P Green, Cr M James & Cr D Pool.

Against: Nil.

6. PETITIONS/DEPUTATION/PRESENTATIONION FACILITY

7. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS/INFORMATION REPORTS

7.1 MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING – 21st May 2025

RESOLUTION: #4573

Moved: Cr B Smith

Seconded: Cr B Browning

That the minutes of the Council Meeting, held on the 21st May, 2025, be confirmed.

Carried: 8/0

For: Cr K Mouritz, Cr B Gangell, Cr B Smith, Cr B Browning, Cr K Green, Cr P Green, Cr M James & Cr D Pool.

Against: Nil.

7.2 MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING – 30th May 2025

RESOLUTION: #4574

Moved: Cr M James

Seconded: Cr B Gangell

That the minutes of the Special Council Meeting, held on the 30th May 2025, be confirmed.

Carried: 8/0

For: Cr K Mouritz, Cr B Gangell, Cr B Smith, Cr B Browning, Cr K Green, Cr P Green,
Cr M James & Cr D Pool.

Against: Nil.

7.4 INFORMATION REPORT – June 2025

RESOLUTION: #4575

Moved: Cr B Browning

Seconded: Cr K Green

That Council receives and accepts the Information Reports before this meeting.

Carried: 8/0

For: Cr K Mouritz, Cr B Gangell, Cr B Smith, Cr B Browning, Cr K Green, Cr P Green,
Cr M James & Cr D Pool.

Against: Nil.

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY PRESIDING MEMBERS WITHOUT DISCUSSION

9. ITEMS

9.1 MANAGER OF PLANNING & ASSETS

- 9.1.1 Proposal to advertise Closure of section of public Road to incorporate into Freehold Lot 2425 on DP169236
- 9.1.2 Hyden Tennis Club/Multi Use Building – Progress Report
- 9.1.3 Adoption of Policy EGO 002 – Temporary Accommodation
- 9.1.4 Endorsement of Supporting Documentation – Proposed King Rocks Wind Farm (DAP 22/02288)
- 9.1.5 Report of Review – Local Planning Framework
- 9.1.6 Consideration of Construction Management Plan; Aviation Plan and Electromagnetic Interference (EMI) Assessment – Proposed Kondinin Wind Farm (DAP 18/0477)
- 9.1.7 Kondinin Community Recreation Council (KCRC) – Electricity Payments

9.2 MANAGER OF CORPORATE SERVICES

- 9.2.1 List of Accounts – May 2025
- 9.2.2 Financial Reports – May 2023
- 9.2.3 Draft Fees and Charges 2025/2026
- 9.2.4 Proposed Differential Rates

9.3 MANAGER OF WORKS

- 9.3.1 General Report

9.4 **CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

- 9.4.1 Discovery Centre Update
- 9.4.2 WALGA AGM – Local Government Week
- 9.4.3 Gourmet in the Garden/Community Garden

9.5 **CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

- 9.5.1 Chief Executive Officer

9.6 **COMMITTEE ITEMS**

Nil

9.1 MANAGER OF PLANNING & ASSETS

9.1.1 PROPOSAL TO ADVERTISE CLOSURE OF SECTION OF PUBLIC ROAD TO INCORPORATE INTO FREEHOLD LOT 2425 ON DP 169236

Author:	Tory Young, Manager Planning and Assets
Authorising Officer:	Mark Hook, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Date:	16 th June 2025
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Attachments:	Aerial Tenure Maps

RESOLUTION: #4576

Moved: Cr P Green

Seconded: Cr B Smith

That Council:

1. **SUPPORTS** advertising the closure of the section of local road reserve (Land ID 3662697) that runs along the southern and eastern boundary of Lot 2425 on DP 169236 Walton Road, Karlgarin to amalgamate with the adjoining land as outlined in the map attached:
2. **AUTHORISES** the Chief Executive Officer to commence the process pursuant to Section 58 of the Land Administration Act 1997 and the Regulation 9 of the Land Administration Regulations 1998.

Carried: 8/0

For: Cr K Mouritz, Cr B Gangell, Cr B Smith, Cr B Browning, Cr K Green, Cr P Green, Cr M James & Cr D Pool.

Against: Nil.

Summary

The purpose of this report is to seek approval from Council to proceed with the advertising to close the section of the local road reserve (Land ID 3662697) that runs along the southern and eastern boundary of Lot 2425 on DP 169236 Walton Road, Karlgarin to amalgamate with the adjoining land.

Background

The Shire of Kondinin Administration have been approached by the landowner of Lot 2425 on DP169236 seeking consideration of the formal closure of the section of public road reserve that runs along the southern and eastern boundary to enable the reserve to be amalgamated into the subject landowner's freehold property.

A site visit has been undertaken by the Shire's Administration indicating that the section of the public road reserve to be closed will not change the current access of the subject property and surrounding lots, with access remaining from Walton Road, Chalk Hill West Road and Karlgarin East Road, Karlgarin.

To formalise this change, under section 58 of the Land Administration Act 1997 and Regulation 9 of the Land Administration Regulations 1998 the proposal first needs to be advertised for a minimum of 35 days before being reported back to council with any accompanying submissions made to formally resolve to request the Minister to close the local road reserve.

Statutory Environment

- Land Administration Act 1997
- Land Administration Regulations 1998

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

Nil. The landowner of Lot 2425 will be required to purchase the section of the road reserve from the crown.

Strategic Implications

Supports the following section of the Shire's Strategic Community Plan 2022 – 2032

“CIVIC LEADERSHIP

4.2 We are a compliant and resourced Local Government.”

Voting Requirement

Simple majority

9.1.2 HYDEN TENNIS CLUB/MULTI USE BUILDING – PROGRESS REPORT

Author: Tory Young, Manager Planning and Assets
Authorising Officer: Mark Hook, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Date: 16th June 2025
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Attachments: Amended Concept Plan

RESOLUTION: #4577

Moved: Cr B Smith

Seconded: Cr B Gangell

That Council:

1. **SUPPORTS** the amended concept plans as attached for the construction of a multi-use building on Lot 500 Marshall Street, Hyden at the location of the existing Hyden Tennis Club building:
2. **AUTHORISES** the Chief Executive Officer to prepare an updated Quantity Surveyor Estimate based on the amended concept plans:
3. **AUTHORISES** the Chief Executive Officer to re-apply for the Department of Local Government Sports and Cultural Industries Community Sporting Recreation Facilities Fund (CSRFF) forward grant closing on the 30th September 2025 to seek funding for 1/3 of the total cost of the demolition of the existing tennis club building and construction of a multi-use building on Lot 151 Marshall Street, Hyden at the location of the existing Hyden Tennis Club building:
4. **SUPPORTS** the inclusion of consultancy fees in the 25/26 budget for the preparation of the detailed design drawings should the grant application be successful: and
5. **NOTES** that the matter will be reported back to Council with the final funding model to cover the project before the CSRFF grant is submitted.

Carried: 8/0

For: Cr K Mouritz, Cr B Gangell, Cr B Smith, Cr B Browning, Cr K Green, Cr P Green, Cr M James & Cr D Pool.

Against: Nil.

Summary

This report is to update the Council on the progression towards a new Tennis Club / Multi-Use building at the Hyden Tennis Club.

Background

Council at its Ordinary Meeting held on the 18 September 2025 Council considered an item in relation to the construction of a new tennis club / multi use building to replace the existing tennis club building and resolved as follows:

1. **SUPPORTS** the concept plans as attached for the construction of a multi-use building on Lot 151 Marshall Street, Hyden at the location of the existing Hyden Tennis Club building;

2. **AUTHORISES** the Chief Executive Officer to apply for the Department of Local Government Sports and Cultural Industries Community Sporting Recreation Facilities Fund (CSRFF) forward grant closing on the 30th September 2024 to seek funding for 1/3 of the total cost of the demolition of the existing tennis club building and construction of a multi-use building on Lot 151 Marshall Street, Hyden at the location of the existing Hyden Tennis Club building;
3. **SUPPORTS** a total of up to \$700,000 for the demolition of the existing tennis club building and construction of a multi-use building on Lot 151 Marshall Street, Hyden at the location of the existing Hyden Tennis Club building to be allocated over the 2025 / 2026 and 2026/2027 financial years;
4. **ACCEPTS** a cash contribution from the Hyden Community estimated at \$200,000 towards the demolition of the existing tennis club building and construction of a multi-use building on Lot 151 Marshall Street, Hyden at the location of the existing Hyden Tennis Club building subject to formal notifications provided by contributing groups;
5. **AUTHORISES** the Chief Executive Officer to re-apply for the Community Sporting Recreation Facilities Fund (CSRFF) in September 2025 should funding in the 2024 round be unsuccessful.

Being unsuccessful with the 2024 round of funding, the Shire's Administration are re-applying for the Community Sporting Recreation Facilities Fund (CSRFF) in September 2025 as per item 5 of the resolution above.

On receipt of the grant outcome, the Shire's Administration and representatives from the Hyden Tennis Club met with the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries and based on the direction received are currently amending the plans and associated grant application and associated documentation in support of the new application.

The concept plans have been prepared in close collaboration with the Hyden Tennis Club and with liaison affiliated groups of the Hyden Sports Council. The concept plan proposes a 499m² building with dual frontage to the Hyden Tennis courts and the Hyden Hockey field comprising change rooms, kitchen, multi-purpose room and office offering a practical and functional building for users.

Statutory Environment

- Local Government Act 1995
- Functions and General Regulations 1996

Policy Implications

Shire of Kondinin Policy – Purchasing FIN-005

Financial Implications

The basis of the grant funding will be determined following completion of an updated Quantity Surveyor Estimate Report and further confirmation from community / sporting groups.

The actual cost of the development will be determined once tenders are received.

Strategic Implications

Supports the following section of the Shire's Strategic Community Plan 2022 – 2032:

“COMMUNITY

- a. Recreational and social spaces encourage active and healthy lifestyles*
 - Achievement of the Sport and Recreation Facilities Plan*

Voting Requirement

Simple majority

9.1.3 **ADOPTION OF POLICY EHO 002 – TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATION**

Author: Tory Young, Manager Planning and Assets
Authorising Officer: Mark Hook, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Date: 16th June 2025
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Attachments: Policy EHO 002 – Temporary Accommodation;
Temporary Accommodation Guidelines;
Temporary Accommodation Application Form

RESOLUTION: #4578

Moved: Cr M James

Seconded: Cr K Green

That Council:

1. **ENDORSES** Policy EHO 002 – Temporary Accommodation and associated Temporary Accommodation Guidelines and Temporary Accommodation Application Form: subject to section 8.10 of the Guidelines being amended to include a minimum water storage supply of 20,000 litres
2. **ENDORSES** the inclusion of a set fee of \$300 per application in the 2025/2026 Fees and Charges

Carried: 8/0

For: Cr K Mouritz, Cr B Gangell, Cr B Smith, Cr B Browning, Cr K Green, Cr P Green, Cr M James & Cr D Pool.

Against: Nil.

Summary

This report is for Council to endorse the Temporary Accommodation Policy and associated Guidelines and Application Form to provide a consistent approach to the management of temporary accommodation across the Roe Regional Organisation of Councils (RoeROC) Shires.

Background

In 2024 the State Government announced reforms to the Caravan Parks and Camping Grounds Regulations 1997 aimed at enabling greater flexibility for temporary accommodation on private land. The legislative changes have meant that local governments can now consider applications to occupy a caravan and other moveable accommodation on private land for up to 24 months.

The construction of buildings/structures on land subject to approval under the Planning and Development Act 2005 and/or the Building Act 2011 cannot be approved under the Caravan Parks and Camping Ground Regulations 1997. Being outside of the planning and building framework, local governments have been required to develop their own Policy to guide the application process.

Representatives from the Shires of Corrigin, Kondinin, Kulin and Narembeen endorsed the draft Temporary Accommodation Policy and Guidelines at the Roe ROC meeting held on 5 June 2025 to assess applications and guide decision-making consistently across the neighbouring shires.

In cases where a local government does not address an application in a reasonable timeframe, the Minister for Local Government will have the power to issue approvals, subject to the same health and safety requirements.

Statutory Environment

- Local Government Act 1995 Caravan and Camping Ground Act 1995
- Caravan and Camping Ground Regulations 1997 (as amended 1 September 2024)
- Health (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1911
- Building Code of Australia / National Construction Code

Policy Implications

- Nil

Financial Implications

- \$300 to be charged per application as per the Shire's Fees and Charges consistent with other RoeROC Shires.

Strategic Implications

Supports the following section of the Shire's Strategic Community Plan 2022 – 2032:

"CIVIC LEADERSHIP

4.2 We are a compliant and resourced Local Government."

Voting Requirement

Simple majority

9.1.4 ENDORSEMENT OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION – PROPOSED KING ROCKS WIND FARM (DAP 22/0288)

Author: Tory Young, Manager Planning and Assets
Authorising Officer: Mark Hook, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Date: 20th June 2025
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Attachments: Construction Management Plan; Traffic Management Plan

RESOLUTION: #4579

Moved: Cr P Green

Seconded: Cr B Smith

That this Item be laid on the table until a satisfactory amended Construction Management Plan and Traffic Management Plan has been received.

Carried: 8/0

For: Cr K Mouritz, Cr B Gangell, Cr B Smith, Cr B Browning, Cr K Green, Cr P Green, Cr M James & Cr D Pool.

Against: Nil.

Summary

This report is for Council to endorse as amended the Construction Management Plan (CMP) and the Traffic Management Plan (TMP) in support of the conditions of development application that was approved by the Mid-West/Wheatbelt JDAP at its meeting on 12 November 2022 for a use not listed described as a 'Wind Farm' on two freehold agricultural lots located approximately 35km north-east of the Hyden townsite.

Background

The Mid-West/Wheatbelt JDAP at its meeting held on the 15 November 2022 provided conditional support for a use not listed described as a 'Wind Farm' on 2 freehold agricultural lots located approximately 35km north-east of the Hyden Town Site.

The approval was granted with a series of conditions requiring local government approval to be addressed by the Applicant. This Agenda Report relates to Condition 4 / Advice Note 3 (Construction Management Plan) and Condition 6 / Advice Note 5 (Traffic Management Plan).

Council at its Ordinary Meeting held on the 21 May 2025 considered this matter and resolved as follows:

'That Council:

1. **ENDORSES** the Construction Management Plan (CMP) as attached in support of Condition 4 / Advice Note 3 of development approval issued by the Mid-West/Wheatbelt JDAP at its meeting on 15 November 2022 for use not listed described as 'Wind Farm' on two freehold agricultural lots located approximately 35km north-east of the Hyden townsite, subject to the document being amended / clarification provided on matters relating to waste, water, bushfire management and editorial considerations as summarized in body of the Agenda Report and re-submitted to the Local Government for final endorsement;

2. **ENDORSES** the Traffic Management Plan (TMP) as attached in support of Condition 6 / Advice Note 5 of development approval issued by the Mid-West/Wheatbelt JDAP at its meeting on the 15 November 2022 for a use not listed described as 'Wind Farm', on two freehold agricultural lots located approximately 35km north-east of the Hyden townsite, subject to the document being amended / clarification provided as summarized in the body of the Agenda Report and resubmitted to the Local Government for final endorsement.'

The Shire's Administration have reviewed the Construction Management Plan (CMP) as amended dated 3 June 2025 and the Traffic Management Plan (TMP) as amended dated 4 June 2025 respectively to assess if they meet with the Conditions and Advice Notes of the JDAP development approval and address the matters raised at the 21 May 2025 Ordinary Meeting of Council.

On review of the documents, most of the issues raised on the documents have been addressed in the amended documents, however, to formally endorse the two documents the Shire would like clarification and consideration on further amendments to the documents with regards to and not limited to the following matters:

Traffic Management Plan

- Incorporation of regular start up meetings that reiterate matters relating to road safety, school buses, harvest periods etc.
- Correct spelling of the roads listed in the document.
- Section 9.4.1 - the Traffic Management Plan should be reviewed at least monthly, and the Shire must (not may) be consulted.
- Section 8.2 – this still references speed limits on local roads.
- Section 8.3 – greater clarity that the prescribed truck routes only apply to vehicles related to the King Rocks Wind Farm project.
- Section 8.5 – greater detail required on the dilapidation reports. These need to be done at least monthly and in liaison with the Shire's Works Manager
- Section 8.7 – greater detail required on how this will be implemented with corresponding reporting mechanisms.
- Section 9.1.1 – greater detail required on how this will be implemented with corresponding reporting mechanisms.
- Section 9.4.2 – road safety audits need to be undertaken on a regular basis with corresponding reporting mechanisms.

Construction Management Plan

- Section 2.3.1 – reword sentence as follows: Rehabilitation of disturbed areas outside the permanent roads & hardstands ~~as close as possible~~ to their original state.
- Interface of turbines and existing residential properties. Clarification if Near Neighbourhood Agreements have been established for adjacent residents.
- Section 2.3.4 – reword sentence as follows: Sunday & public holidays - The following works may occur during these days, subject to Council approval.
- Section 3.4.2.4 (table 4) – waste reporting table. Clarification on why have not included a third party for reporting (i.e. currently Vestas reporting to Synergy).
- Section 3.6.2 – longer term weed surveys (at least 2 years post disturbance) to accurately monitor impact.
- Section 3.10 - greater detail to be provided in this section with respect to the impact of the project on near-neighbors and the broader community.

- Section 3.11 – concern over the wording of the last dot point under ‘self-deployment of project resources.’ This should either be removed or liability protection provided to local Fire Control Officers to attend site in event of bushfire without waiting for approvals.
- Section 3.11 – information on communication of fire danger ratings cannot just rely on information from BOM. More localized information on weather will be required.
- Section 3.11 – recommend inclusion that all vehicles and machinery have a 9-litre fire extinguisher (not just machines) and considering the size of the project area, recommended that 1000 litre fast fire attack units shall be in the vicinity of the works being undertaken.
- Section 3.11 – further detail required on new tier 4 and 5 engine emissions abatement.

Once the documents have been amended to the satisfaction of the Local Government it is recommended that the Construction Management Plan and the Traffic Management Plan be endorsed by the Chief Executive Officer under delegation from the Council.

Statutory Environment

Planning and Development Act 2005

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

Nil

Strategic Implications

Supports the following section of the Shire’s Strategic Community Plan 2022 – 2032:

“CIVIC LEADERSHIP

2.1 Support the diverse industry across the Shire

ECONOMY

2.1 Support the diverse industry across the Shire

Voting Requirement

Simple majority

9.1.5 **REPORT OF REVIEW – LOCAL PLANNING FRAMEWORK**

Author: Tory Young, Manager Planning and Assets
Authorising Officer: Mark Hook, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Date: 16th June 2025
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Attachments: Report of Review

RESOLUTION: #4580

Moved: Cr P Green **Seconded:** Cr B Gangell

That Council:

1. pursuant to Regulation 66(1)(b) and (c) of the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015* approve the Report of Review as attached and forward a copy of the Report to the Western Australian Planning Commission.
2. pursuant to Regulation 66(3) (a), (b) and (c) of the *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015* recommend to the Western Australian Planning Commission that the Shire:
 - (a) prepare its first Local Planning Strategy by participating in a joint local planning strategy with the surrounding local governments that will set out the long-term land use planning directions for the local government; apply any State or regional planning policy that is relevant to the strategy; and to provide the rationale for any zoning or classification of the land under the local planning scheme;
 - (b) amend Local Planning Scheme No. 1 via an omnibus amendment to incorporate recommendations of the new Local Planning Strategy and align to it with the Model Scheme Text and the Deemed Provisions; and
 - (c) assess any structure plans and determine whether these are satisfactory or should be amended or have approval revoked as part of preparing the new Local Planning Strategy and amending Local Planning Scheme No.1.
3. as part of preparing the new Local Planning Strategy and amending Local Planning Scheme No.1 assess its existing local planning policies to determine which policies are satisfactory or should be amended or should be revoked and whether any new local planning policies are required.

Carried: 8/0

For: Cr K Mouritz, Cr B Gangell, Cr B Smith, Cr B Browning, Cr K Green, Cr P Green,
Cr M James & Cr D Pool.

Against: Nil.

Summary

This report is for Council to approve the Report of Review of the Shire's Local Planning Framework and forward to the Western Australian Planning Commission for consideration.

Background

This matter was reported to the 21 May 2025 Ordinary Meeting where Council resolved as follows:

1. **RECEIVES** the Draft Report of Review and provides feedback on the document to the Shire's Chief Executive Officer by 3 June 2025; and

2. ***SUPPORTS IN PRINCIPLE*** the approach outlined in section 6 of the Draft Report of Review to progress towards a joint Local Planning Strategy with the Roe Regional Organisation of Councils (RoeRoC), followed by an omnibus amendment to the Shire's Local Planning Scheme No.1 and updates to the Shire's Local Planning Policies and Structure Plans as required.

With no feedback received on the Draft Report of Review the document has been re-presented back to Council unchanged.

The Roe Regional Organisation of Councils (RoeROC) (the Shire(s) of Corrigin, Kondinin, Kulin, and Narembreen) who are working collaboratively on this matter are scheduled to meet with the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage on the 22 July 2025 to prepare a detailed project plan. This plan will guide preparation of a joint Strategy through 2025 and 2026 and will include key milestones that relate to drafting and key processes outlined in the Regulations.

The omnibus amendment to the Scheme will commence after the Local Planning Strategy has been finalised. The Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage have advised that the earliest anticipated commencement for this phase of the review of the local planning framework would be mid/late 2026 with finalisation of the amendment to occur during mid/late 2027. The Shire will progress the required amendment in consultation with the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage.

Statutory Environment

- Shire of Kondinin Local Planning Scheme No.1
- Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015
- Planning and Development Act 2005 (as amended)

Policy Implications

- Nil

Financial Implications

- \$3,000 - \$5,000 – preparation of maps by the DPLH
- All other costs are in-house or by DPLH at no cost to Shire.
- In-kind contribution for project management and administrative support

Strategic Implications

Supports the following section of the Shire's Strategic Community Plan 2022 – 2032:

"CIVIC LEADERSHIP

4.1 Skilled, capable and transparent team

RoeROC and regional groupings deliver local benefit

4.2 We are a compliant and resourced Local Government

External audits and reviews confirm compliance with relevant Local Government legislation"

Voting Requirement

Simple majority

9.1.6 CONSIDERATION OF CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT PLAN; AVIATION PLAN AND ELECTROMAGNETIC INTERFERENCE (EMI) ASSESSMENT – PROPOSED KONDININ WIND FARM (DAP 18/0477)

Author: Tory Young, Manager Planning and Assets
Authorising Officer: Mark Hook, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Date: 17th June 2025
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Attachments: Construction Management Plan; Aviation Plan; EMI Plan

RESOLUTION: #4581

Moved: Cr B Browning

Seconded: Cr B Smith

That Council;

1. **ENDORSES** the Construction Management Plan as attached dated 27 May 2025 in support of the conditions of development approval issued by the Mid-West/Wheatbelt JDAP at its meeting on the 9th November 2018 for a Renewable energy facility on 19 freehold agricultural lots located approximately 5km north and north-east of the Kondinin townsite and comprising up to 46 wind turbines, a 125ha solar farm, energy storage and all associated transmission corridors and infrastructure;
2. **ENDORSES** the Aviation Plan as attached dated 6th June 2025 in support of the conditions of development approval issued by the Mid-West/Wheatbelt JDAP at its meeting on the 9th November 2018 for a Renewable energy facility on 19 freehold agricultural lots located approximately 5km north and north-east of the Kondinin townsite and comprising up to 46 wind turbines, a 125ha solar farm, energy storage and all associated transmission corridors and infrastructure, subject to consideration of the following:
 - A.) At a minimum the four (4) turbines closest to the Kondinin airfield (K08, K15, K18 and K03) are lit as a precaution to avoid any aircraft accidents / collisions with consideration to being linked to the existing Pilot Activated Lighting (PAL) system at the Kondinin Aerodrome;
3. **ENDORSES** the Electromagnetic Interference (EMI) Assessment as attached dated May 2025 in support of the conditions of development approval issued by the Mid-West/Wheatbelt JDAP at its meeting on the 9th November 2018 for a Renewable energy facility on 19 freehold agricultural lots located approximately 5km north and north-east of the Kondinin townsite and comprising up to 46 wind turbines, a 125ha solar farm, energy storage and all associated transmission corridors and infrastructure.

Carried: 8/0

For: Cr K Mouritz, Cr B Gangell, Cr B Smith, Cr B Browning, Cr K Green, Cr P Green, Cr M James & Cr D Pool.

Against: Nil.

Summary

This report is for Council to endorse with amendments the documents submitted as attached in support of the conditions of development application that was approved by the Mid-West/Wheatbelt JDAP at its meeting on the 9th November 2018 for a Renewable Energy Facility on 19 freehold agricultural lots located approximately 5km north and north-east of the Kondinin townsite and comprising up to 46 wind turbines, a 125ha solar farm, energy storage and all associated transmission corridors and infrastructure as per the officer's recommendation.

Background

The Mid-West/Wheatbelt JDAP at its meeting held on the 9 November 2018 provided conditional support for a renewable energy facility on 19 freehold agricultural lots located approximately 5km north and north-east of the Kondinin townsite and comprising up to 46 wind turbines, a 125ha solar farm, energy storage and all associated transmission corridors and infrastructure.

The approval was granted with a series of conditions that are currently being addressed by the Applicant.

CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT PLAN

The Construction Management Plan was presented to the October 2024 Meeting of Council noting concern with matters relating to water, waste and bushfire management to be addressed prior to endorsement of the document. These matters were addressed, and an updated version was endorsed by Council at its Ordinary Meeting held on the 21 May 2025, subject to consideration of the following:

- a.) *Section 4.4 on water be amended further to reflect access to current community water supplies based on indicative required water volumes for project construction; and*
- b.) *Section 6.2 (table 6) be amended to reference Shire of Kondinin Chief Executive Officer, rather than providing the actual name of Chief Executive Officer; and*

These amendments have since been completed and the document updated accordingly.

AVIATION REPORT

The Aviation Report was presented to the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on the 21 May 2025 in which Council endorsed the document subject to consideration of the following matters;

- A.) At a minimum the three (3) turbines closest to the Kondinin airfield (K08, K15 and K03) are lit as a precaution to avoid any aircraft accidents / collisions with consideration to being linked to the existing Pilot Activated Lighting (PAL) system at the Kondinin Aerodrome;

Officer Comment: Proponents seek further information from Council on this recommendation to inform amending documentation, particularly the lighting of turbine K03.

- B.) Amend document to list the Maximum Tip Height of the Wind Turbine Generators (WTG's) as 220m (currently listed as 211m) to be consistent with that detailed in the Construction Management Plan and ensure associated compliance with height increase is updated as required;

Officer Comment: Proponents have amended document to reflect recommendation.

C.) The proponent adheres to all recommendations listed in the Aviation Plan; and

Officer Comment: Proponents have acknowledged recommendation.

D.) Amend section 6.1 of the document to note that the Kondinin Aerodrome whilst currently unsealed has funding to be sealed in the 2025 – 2026 financial year; and

Officer Comment: Proponents have amended document to reflect recommendation.

ELECTROMAGNETIC INTERFERENCE (EMI) ASSESSMENT

The EMI assessment was presented to the December 2024 meeting of Council where Council resolved as follows:

“Item to lay on the table to allow the Applicant to provide more information on concerns raised by members.”

The Applicant has provided additional information on the matters raised by Councillors as summarised as follows:

- *Impacts on mobile phone coverage*

There is no predicted impact on mobile phone coverage, with no change to the response by Telstra that there are “no expected impacts”. Previously clarification was sought over the Optus image which implied there is some Optus coverage in the area. An updated statement has been provided by Optus to confirm there is no mobile base station at Kondinin with “poor” existing coverage.

- *Impacts on Kondinin Air Strip*

Clarification has been added to the report that an independent assessment has been conducted for aviation concerns (as presented in the May meeting in the Aviation Impact Assessment by Aviation Projects). Aviation navigation/radars are covered within the Aviation Impact Assessment.

- *Feasibility on the hierarchy of mitigation options*

It was noted that previously the assessment provided generic options here that were more suited to an early development Wind Farm and were not practicable during late-stage development/construction. Considering this comment, Section 4 now refers to specific management requirements the project will have moving forwards, and at what stage they are relevant. Further to this, Appendix C has been added that retains some of the original discussion on risk hierarchy however categorises these into pre- and post-construction to ensure they are feasible.

- *Evidence and summary of further consultation with surrounding landowners and occupiers*

The project intends to bring our independent expert to the 25 June meeting to discuss any further concerns from the councillors, and whether specific additional consultation is required at a community level based on the findings presented in this revision.

- *Impacts of development on electronic farming devices and machinery*

Section 3.7 “Impacts on Electronic Farming Technologies” has been added into the assessment. This section focuses on outlining the types of technologies that may be used in farming practices and the associated interfaces that may be affected by a wind farm. A few case studies are referenced here that ultimately conclude on an unlikely potential of there being an impact. Should further questions arise from review of this section from the councillors, our expert will be happy to target any further response to specific technologies of interest.

- *Evidence and summary of additional liaison with communication providers to provide greater clarity on the impact of the proposed development and measures to safeguard potential risk to services in the vicinity of the development.*

Further correspondence with DFES has been provided (with Martin Griffiths, Manager for Radio Communications) with the accepted proposed mitigation strategy. To clarify open items with communication providers, Section 4 has been updated to conclude on what these items are and when they are intended to occur.

Statutory Environment

Planning and Development Act 2005

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

Nil

Strategic Implications

Supports the following section of the Shire’s Strategic Community Plan 2022 – 2032:

“CIVIC LEADERSHIP”

2.1 Support the diverse industry across the Shire

ECONOMY

2.1 Support the diverse industry across the Shire

Voting Requirement

Simple majority

9.1.7 KONDININ COMMUNITY RECREATION COUNCIL (KCRC) – ELECTRICITY PAYMENTS

Author: Tory Young, Manager Planning and Assets
Authorising Officer: Mark Hook, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Date: 17th June 2025
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Attachments: Letter from KCRC; Lease with KCRC

RESOLUTION: #4582

Moved: Cr B Smith

Seconded: Cr K Green

That Council:

1. **APPROVES** discontinuing charging the Kondinin Community Recreation Council for any electricity used at the Kondinin Sporting Precinct:
2. **APPROVES** by deed executed and signed with a Common Seal by Order of Council to amend section 6.2 (1) (b) of the lease attached between the Shire of Kondinin and the Kondinin Community Recreation Council as shown in strike-through as follows:

“6.2 Outgoings

(1) To pay to the Lessor or such person as the Lessor may from time to time punctually all the following outgoings or charges, assessed or incurred in respect of the Premises:

(a) Charges for rubbish and garbage removal;

(b) telephone, ~~electricity, gas and other power and light charges including but not limited to meter rents and the cost of installation of any meter, wiring, internet connections or telephone connections;~~ and

(c) any other consumption charge or cost, statutory impost or other obligations incurred or payable by reason of the Lessee's use and occupancy of the Premises

(2) If the Premises are not separately charged or assessed the Lessee will pay to the Lessor a proportionate part of any charges or assessments referred to in clause 6.2.(1) being the proportion that the Premises bears the total area of the land or premises included in the charge or assessment.”

3. **APPROVES** discontinuing the annual electricity subsidy provided to the Kondinin Community Recreation Council: and
4. **AUTHORISES** the Chief Executive Officer to advise the Kondinin Community Recreation Council of the changes to take effect as of the 1 July 2025.

Carried: 8/0

For: Cr K Mouritz, Cr B Gangell, Cr B Smith, Cr B Browning, Cr K Green, Cr P Green,
Cr M James & Cr D Pool.

Against: Nil.

Summary

This report is to seek Council support to discontinue charging the Kondinin Community Recreation Council (KCRC) for the use of power at the Kondinin Sporting Precinct and amend the lease between the two parties accordingly: and to discontinue the power subsidy [currently \$6,000] paid annually to the KCRC.

Background

This matter was presented to the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on the 21 May 2025 in which Council resolved as follows:

‘That Council:

AUTHORISES the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate with the Kondinin Community Recreation Council for correction of the Electricity Invoices for the Recreation Centre and an Agreement for the costings going forward.’

On receipt of the outcome of Council, the Kondinin Community Recreation Council wrote to the Shire’s Chief Executive Officer in a letter dated 3 June 2025 as shown as an attachment to this Agenda Report.

In short, the Kondinin Community Recreation Council is willing to accept the cost of all previous electricity payments that were outside of their lease obligations, however only on the provision that they are no longer responsible for paying electricity for any of the Kondinin Sporting Precinct going forward.

On balance, the proposed way forward outlined in the Officer Recommendation is considered the least complicated and most equitable approach to rectify this situation.

Policy Implications

Nil

Statutory Environment

Local Government Act 1995

Financial Implications

The Kondinin Community Recreation Council has been paying the full electricity bill for the Kondinin Sporting Precinct since at least 2013, which currently is around \$14,000 per annum. To offset this, the Shire has been paying an electricity subsidy to the Kondinin Community Recreation Council which currently stands at \$6,000 per annum.

Under the lease arrangement the Kondinin Community Recreation Council is only required to pay a proportionate of the Premises. Estimated at 1/3 of the electricity cost the amount to be paid by the Kondinin Community Recreation Council pursuant to the lease is currently approximately \$4,700, which is less than claimed via the subsidy.

Factoring in the subsidy, the application of the proposed arrangement will reduce the payments the Shire currently makes towards the Kondinin Sporting Precinct.

Consultation

Kondinin Community Recreation Council

Strategic Implications

Strategic Community Plan 2022-2023

Community

- 1.4 *Recreational and social spaces encourage active and healthy lifestyles
Parks, nature reserves and community spaces are green, tidy, accessible and activated*
- 1.5 *Support local volunteer organisations Clubs and service organisations feel supported*

Civic Leadership

- 4.1 *Skilled, capable and transparent team
We are inclusive and our communities feel heard*

Voting Requirement

Simple Majority

9.2 MANAGER OF CORPORATE SERVICES

9.2.1 LIST OF ACCOUNTS – MAY 2025

Applicant: Shire of Kondinin
 Author: Vince Bugna, Manager Corporate Services
 Disclosure of Interest: Nil
 Date: 10th June 2025
 Attachment(s): List of Accounts 01/05/2025 to 31/05/2025

RESOLUTION: #4583

Moved: Cr M James

Seconded: Cr P Green

That Council receive the attached report – List of Accounts Due & Submitted to Council for the month of May 2025:

• Municipal Fund payment cheque numbers 19497 - 19504	= \$ 37,031.71
• Municipal EFT20420 – 20478; 20480 – 20487; 20489 – 20583	= \$ 832,737.05
• Direct Debits – Transport – Hyden Office	= \$ 12,679.35
• Direct Debits – Transport – Kondinin Office	= \$ 13,169.60
• Direct Debits – Credit Cards DD22573.1	= \$ 2,769.29
• Direct Debits – Other	= \$ 52,301.68
• EFTPOS Merchant Fees & Tyro	= \$ 1,288.02
• Bank Fees – NAB Connect	= \$ 139.73
• Payroll EFTs	= \$ 142,738.23
• Trust EFT20479 & 20488	= \$ 1,650.00
TOTAL	= \$1,096,504.66

Carried: 8/0

For: Cr K Mouritz, Cr B Gangell, Cr B Smith, Cr B Browning, Cr K Green, Cr P Green, Cr M James & Cr D Pool.

Against: Nil.

Summary

To present to Council a list of accounts paid from Municipal and Trust Funds (when applicable) under the delegated authority to the CEO.

Background

The Chief Executive of a local government has delegated authority to make payments from Municipal and Trust Fund accounts pursuant to Regulation 13 of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*.

As required by sub regulation (1), a list of accounts paid by the CEO each month should show –

- (a) *the payee's name;*
- (b) *the amount of the payment;*
- (c) *the date of the payment;*
- (d) *sufficient information to identify the transaction*

Sub regulation (3), a list prepared under sub regulation (1) and (2) is to be –

- (a) *presented to the council at the next ordinary meeting of the council after the list is prepared;*
- and*
- (b) *recorded in the minutes of that meeting.*

Statutory Environment

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996

Policy Implications

Nil

Public Consultation

Nil

Financial Implications

All payments made to the Shire creditors have been in accordance with the 2024/25 Annual Budget.

Strategic Implications

Shire's Strategic Community Plan 2022 – 2032

4. Civic Leadership

4.1 Skilled, capable and transparent team:

- We engage with the community on key projects, and we provide regular, transparent communication*
- The capability of our organisation is continually improved*

4.2 We are a compliant and resourced Local Government:

- External audits and reviews confirm compliance with relevant Local Government legislation*
- Financial sustainability in achieving community aspirations*

Voting Requirement

Simple Majority

9.2.2 **FINANCIAL REPORTS – MAY 2025**

Applicant: Shire of Kondinin
Author: Vince Bugna, Manager Corporate Services
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Date: 11th June 2025
Attachment(s): Monthly Financial Report for the period ended 31st May 2025

RESOLUTION: #4584

Moved: Cr B Smith

Seconded: Cr P Green

That Council receive the attached reports entitled Monthly Financial Report (Containing the required Statement of Financial Activity and Statement of Financial Position) for the period ended 31 May 2025.

Carried: 8/0

For: Cr K Mouritz, Cr B Gangell, Cr B Smith, Cr B Browning, Cr K Green, Cr P Green,
Cr M James & Cr D Pool.

Against: Nil.

Summary

To present to Council the Monthly Financial Report for the period ended 31st May 2025.

Background

The monthly Financial Report (Containing the Financial Activity and Financial Position) is presented in accordance with the Local Government Act 1995 and the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 1996.

Regulation 4(4) states that, *a statement of financial activity, and the accompanying documents (notes) referred to in sub regulation (2), are to be –*

- (a) presented at an ordinary meeting of the council within 2 months after the end of the month to which the statement relates; and*
- (b) recorded in the minutes of the meeting at which it is presented.*

The Statement of Financial Activity summarises the Shire's financial activities for the period in which it relates.

Statutory Environment

Local Government Act 1995

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 1996

Policy Implications

Nil

Public Consultation

Nil

Financial Implications

In accordance with the approved material variances of 10% or \$10,000 whichever is the greater within the monthly Statement of Financial Activity during the 2024/25 financial year.

Strategic Implications

Shire's Strategic Community Plan 2022 – 2032

4. Civic Leadership

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REPORTING OFFICER'S COMMENT

The highlights of the May 2025 financial reports are as follows:

Item	Reference
Cash at Bank The Shire's total cash as at 31 May 2025 was \$6,670,950 – composed of \$4,471,800 reserve accounts (restricted), \$51,911 LCDC fund, \$242,463 term deposit investments and \$1,901,776 general fund (Muni, OCDF & Petty cash).	Page 9 – Note 6 Cash and Financial Assets Page 10 – Note 7 Reserve Accounts
Receivables Rates and Rubbish – \$271,179 equivalent to 6 % as 94% collected as of 31st May 2025 in contrast to \$444,897 equivalent to 89% as of 30th June 2024. Other receivables of \$1,901,355 – composed of \$1,832,239.69 sundry debtors (\$1,760,000 of which is the Milestone 1 claim for SLRIP Hyden Norseman Rd), \$52,312 gst receivable and \$16,804 ESL and pensioner related receivables.	Page 16 – Note 10 Receivables
Current Liabilities YTD balance is \$2,501,912 which includes \$501,221 of employees' annual and long service leave provision, \$49,921 Current portion of borrowings (payable within 12 months), \$1,639,642 unearned Capital Grants/Contributions and \$311,129 gst and other payables.	Page 5 – Note 2 Net Current Assets used in the Statement of Financial Activity
Closing Funding Surplus (Deficit) YTD actual is \$1,929,455 – composed of \$8,889,781 Current Assets less \$2,501,912 Current Liabilities and \$(4,458,414) Net Adjustments to Net Current Assets.	Page 5 – Note 2 Net Current Assets used in the Statement of Financial Activity
Significant Capital Projects: ✓ Roadworks budgeted for \$3.7m (amended) this financial year is 104% completed of which \$1.51m RRUPP and \$286,299 SLRIP spent on Hyden Norseman Road. Note: SLRIP added in 2025 – not part of the original budget. ✓ Plant and equipment have a budget of \$1.093m are 88% completed. ✓ Land and buildings have a total budget of \$3.04m for WACHS housing, Kondinin Pavilion upgrade and staff housing are 27% completed. ✓ Other Infrastructure is 77% completed.	Page 7 – Key Information Page 11 to 14 – Note 8 Capital Acquisitions
Grants, Subsidies and Contributions ✓ Operating grants total received = \$728,462 from FAGS full payment, Main Roads WA for Road Maintenance and few minor ones. ✓ Capital grants total to date = \$2,352,341 from completed RRUPP Hyden Norseman Road, MRWA full payment for RRG Lovering Road, R2R 202425 allocation/expenditure recouped, SLRIP recognised for expenditure till May 2025 and DVA grants for Kondinin and Hyden War Memorial Garden improvements.	Pages 21 – Note 15 Grants, Subsidies and Contributions Page 22 – Note 16 Capital Grants, Subsidies and Contributions.

In relation to material variances, “timing difference are due to the monthly spread of the budget not matching in comparison to the actual spread of revenue or expenditure.

Timing difference will not result in a forecast adjustment. Where the material variance is flagged as “permanent”,

this indicates that a forecast adjustment to the annual budget is required. – Refer to page 6, Note 3 – Explanation of

Material Variances.

Voting Requirement

Simple Majority

9.2.3 FEES AND CHARGES 2025/2026

Applicant: Shire of Kondinin
Author: Ellen Valenta - Senior Administration Officer
Authorising Officer's: Vince Bugna - Manager of Corporate Services
Mark Hook – Acting Chief Executive Officer
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Date: 18th June 2025
Attachments: Fees and Charges 2025/2026

RESOLUTION: #4585**Moved:** Cr B Gangell**Seconded:** Cr D Pool

That Council:

ACCEPT the fees and charges for 2025/2026 financial year as presented. With the addition of the Wave Rock Car Entry fee being changed to \$15.00 per car and adding of the Temporary Accommodation Fee of \$300.00.

Carried: 8/0

For: Cr K Mouritz, Cr B Gangell, Cr B Smith, Cr B Browning, Cr K Green, Cr P Green,
Cr M James & Cr D Pool.

Against: Nil.

Summary

For Council to consider the Fees and Charges for the 2025/2026 Financial Year.

Background

The Shire reviews the fees and charges to prepare for the Budget process every year. If required, the fees and charges established at this time can also be amended throughout the year.

Comment

After consultation with staff, you will note some fees have changed (marked in Red) and some have stayed the same. Prices have been compared to Shire or businesses around the area.

Statutory Environment

The Local Government Act 1995

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

The Fees & Charges will increase Shire revenue with certain services we deliver to the public.

Strategic Implications

Strategic Community Plan 2022-2032:

"4. CIVIC LEADERSHIP

4.2 We are a compliant and resourced Local Government.

Financial sustainability in achieving community aspirations."

Voting Requirement

Absolute majority

9.2.4 PROPOSED DIFFERENTIAL RATES

Applicant: Shire of Kondinin
 Author: Leandre' Genis – Executive Support/Rates Officer
 Authorising Officer's: Vince Bugna - Manager of Corporate Services
 Disclosure of Interest: Nil
 Date: 16th June 2025
 Attachments: Nil

RESOLUTION: #4586**Moved:** Cr B Browning**Seconded:** Cr B Gangell

That Council:

APPLY to the Minister for Local Government pursuant to Section 6.33(3) of the Local Government Act, 1995 seeking approval to apply the proposed differential rate between (UV) mining tenements, (UV) rural, (GRV) residential and (GRV) mining and the proposed minimum rates, advising the Minister that no objections were received within the public consultation process.

Carried: 8/0

For: Cr K Mouritz, Cr B Gangell, Cr B Smith, Cr B Browning, Cr K Green, Cr P Green, Cr M James & Cr D Pool.

Against: Nil.**Summary**

In accordance with the Local Government Act, 1995 Section 6.33(3) the Shire of Kondinin advertised its intention to levy a differential rate on mining tenement Unimproved Value (UV) properties and mining Gross Rental Value (GRV) properties, more than double the general UV and GRV Rate that applies. We advertised in the newspapers (Wednesday West Australian May 28th and Narrogin Observer Thursday 29th May 2025) and placed a notice on the Shire website calling for any objections to the proposed rates and the minimum payments. No objections or comments were received by the closing date (Monday 23rd June, 4pm).

Background

Due to the increase in unimproved values across the farming and mining areas of the Shire, we were able to decrease the rate in the dollar for both areas. With the decrease in the rate of the dollar, we are still able to have a modest rate of revenue increase. Council now needs to apply to the Minister for Local Government for approval to impose a differential general rate more than twice the lowest general rate imposed by it and to approve the minimum payment proposed.

Land Category	Rate – cents in the dollar (\$)	Minimum Payment \$
GRV – Town Sites	12.7629	490
GRV – Mining	26.2822	490
UV – Mining	24.0210	490
UV – Rural	0.8020	490

Statutory Environment

Local Government Act 1995, section 6.33(3), section 6.35

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

The outcome of this recommendation will allow council to move forward with the Budget to be presented.

Strategic Implications

Shire's Strategic Community Plan 2022 – 2032

"4. Civic Leadership

4.1 Skilled, capable and transparent team:

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- External audits and reviews confirm compliance with relevant Local Government legislation*
- Financial sustainability in achieving community aspirations"*

Voting Requirement

Simple Majority

9.3 MANAGER OF WORKS

9.3.1 GENERAL REPORT

Author: Mark Burgess – Manager of Works
Authorised Officer: Mark Burgess – Manager of Works
Date: 17th May 2025
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Attachments: Nil

RESOLUTION: # 4587

Moved: Cr K Green **Seconded:** Cr M James
That the Manager of Works Report be received.

Carried: 8/0

For: Cr K Mouritz, Cr B Gangell, Cr B Smith, Cr B Browning, Cr K Green, Cr P Green,
Cr M James & Cr D Pool.

Against: Nil.

Construction

As from the first of June we have now completed all works in the 24/25 budget.

This included the following Roads for Gravel sheeting.

Pederah East Rd – 1.5km	Karlgarin East Rd – 1.00km	Karlgarin South Rd – 1.5km
Medcalf Rd – 2.00km	Bendering East Rd – 2.00	King Rocks West Rd – 4km
Billericay Rd – 4.00km	Whyte Road – 3.5km	Young Rd – 4km
Roe Rd – 3.5km.		

We also completed an extra 4.5 km on the Forrestania Southern Cross road in which we negotiated a \$200,000 contribution from I.G.O.

This gives a total kms of Gravel sheeting of 31.5km

Construction Works were undertaken on the following roads which included Drainage, Shoulder widening, overlay and a two-coat seal.

Lovering Road – 4km

The completion of the Hyden Norseman Road – 7km

This completed the RUP grants.

Other areas completed are.

Sealing of the truck Bay / Carpark area and the laneway behind the Town hall Hyden.

We are presently working on the new grant on the Hyden Norseman Road, to date we have carried out survey, installed drainage, formed 17km and paved approx. 7km of the first lift.

Plant Hours

Please see attached in the information Report

Maintenance Grading

Some winter grading has been achieved albeit very little, generally dry grading has been undertaken with off shoots and batter works.

Parks and Gardens

Routine Maintenance is being undertaken in Kondinin, Hyden and Karlgarin.

Staff

Peter Ryan has tendered his resignation and has now moved on.

9.4 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

9.4.1 DISCOVERY CENTRE UPDATE

Author: CEO - David Burton
Authorised Officer: CEO - David Burton
Date: 10th June 2025
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Attachments: Nil

RESOLUTION: #4588**Moved:** Cr B Smith**Seconded:** Cr K GreenThat Council **NOTES** the updated information and supports the actions taken/to be taken.**Carried: 8/0****For:** Cr K Mouritz, Cr B Gangell, Cr B Smith, Cr B Browning, Cr K Green, Cr P Green,
Cr M James & Cr D Pool.**Against:** Nil.**Summary**

This report is to provide information and updates in relation to the Discovery Centre Project (the 'Project') and responses to the Business Plan.

Background

Since 2018, the Shire of Kondinin has been working with the Hyden CRC (HCRC) and the Hyden Progress Association (HPA) for construction of a Centre in Hyden for the CRC and to promote tourism for the Shire and region.

An application was made for funding in 2020 but failed to gain financial support. The Working Group has been following through improving the project and seeking funding.

This Project is in the Shire of Kondinin Strategic Community Plan and Long-Term Financial Plan.

Funding through the Federal Growing Regions Funding will be available now and will be the final round of funding for this project. It is likely that other funding may be available, but details and timeframes are not known, and no indications of future funding have been made.

The Working Group are also trying to get funding from State Government to reduce the financial impact of the project for the Shire of Kondinin residents and ratepayers.

Funding is currently being sought through the Regional Precincts and Partnership Program (RPPP).

Comment

Currently the Cost Benefit Analysis is being updated with the new costs for the Centre. The main aim is to have a CBA of about 1.7 or more. Being that this was higher with the last report, the new costings should still deliver a positive result for the report.

Staff are working with Juliet Grist to prepare the business plan which can then be printed in a formal document with funding assistance from Wheatbelt development Commission. This report will be used to present to the Heads of Agencies to garner support for the project from State and Federal funding sources. The document will also provide the basis for the application for funding.

Juliet has also suggested sourcing funding from several sources to spread the costings. The Working Group are wanting to engage Juliet for the grant applications and drafting business case. The cost of this will be \$35,000 and the Hyden Progress Association are considering paying half the amount for services making the Shire contribution \$17,500, which will be included in the 2025/26 Budget.

As the Federal Government did not change, we are still looking at the Regional Precincts and Partnerships Program for full funding. There may be some minor changes to the funding pending a cabinet reshuffle, but the project should remain fairly similar. Any changes can be incorporated into the grant application.

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

The cost of the Grant Assistance is \$35,000, of which the HPA are considering paying half. This will then need a contribution from the Shire of \$17,500

Consultation

Discovery Centre Working Group comprising of members from Hyden Progress Association, Hyden CRC, local Business and Council representatives.
Juliet Grist – Grant Writer.

Strategic Implications

Strategic Community Plan 2022-2023

1. Community

“1.3 Celebrate our pioneers, community members and protect our heritage Shire owned heritage buildings and places of interest are maintained and manage appropriately

2. Economy

2.1 Support the diverse industry across the Shire Townsite entrances, Shire verges and aesthetics are tidy, green and welcoming

3. Civic Leadership

4.1 Skilled, capable and transparent team. We are inclusive and our communities feel heard We engage with the community on key projects and we provide regular, transparent communication”

Voting Requirement

Simple Majority

9.4.2 WALGA AGM – LOCAL GOVERNMENT WEEK

Author:	Mark Hook – Acting Chief Executive Officer
Authorised Officer:	Mark Hook – Acting Chief Executive Officer
Date:	16 th June 2025
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Attachments:	Nil

RESOLUTION: #4589

Moved: Cr K Green

Seconded: Cr M James

That:

- 1) registration for the Local Government Week Conference / AGM be completed and accommodation reservations be made at an appropriate location for the following attendees:
 1. Cr Kent Mouritz
 2. Cr Beverley Gangell
 3. Cr Brett Smith
 4. Cr Darren Pool
 5. CEO – and;
- 2) voting rights for the WALGA AGM be given to Shire President and Deputy President, with proxies being Cr Brett Smith and Cr Darren Pool.

Carried: 8/0

For: Cr K Mouritz, Cr B Gangell, Cr B Smith, Cr B Browning, Cr K Green, Cr P Green, Cr M James & Cr D Pool.

Against: Nil.

Summary

To consider the participation of Council Members to the Local Government Week Convention and elect voting delegates for the WALGA AGM

Background

The WALGA Local Government Week Convention and AGM is an annual event showcasing information and exhibited items for Council members. This year, the Convention will be returning the Convention Centre in Perth. Accommodation will need to be sourced and can be close by or in the vicinity.

This year, the Convention will return to the Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre from Monday 22 – Wednesday 24 September 2025.

The 2025 theme is 'Lean into Legacy' and delves into how the decisions we make today form the building blocks for tomorrow.

With a focus on reflective, current and future legacy, it will explore how leaving a lasting, positive legacy as a Local Government means making choices that endure far beyond election cycles.

Making decisions that champion community well-being, drive economic development, and create sustainable communities for generations to come.

The WALGA AGM will be held during the Convention and Council will need to nominate voting delegates for the WALGA AGM.

Comment

The WALGA Local Government Week Convention is an excellent opportunity for Council Members to network with other Local Government representatives, receive information or ideas on a variety of topics or from motivational speakers and also keep information about the latest trends in Local Government through the trade exhibitors. Information is readily available for members to peruse and discuss with vendors the practicality of how new approaches could work in their own community. This year, the venue has returned to the Convention Centre in Perth.

Suitable accommodation will need to be sourced. A listing will be presented to Council at a future date.

For the WALGA AGM, two members are to be given voting rights for the meeting. This is usually the President and Deputy President providing that they are attending the conference. If unavailable proxy members are nominated to ensure voting for the Shire.

Statutory Environment

Nil

Policy Implications

Attendance at the WALGA Local Government Week is an approved conference as per Policy GOV-007

Financial Implications

An allocation of funding will be included in the 2025/2026 Budget for the costings.

Strategic Implications

Strategic Community Plan 2022-2032

4.1 *Skilled, capable and transparent team*

We are inclusive and our communities feel heard

We engage with the community on key projects, and we provide regular, transparent communication”

Voting Requirement

Simple Majority

9.4.3 **GOURMET IN THE GARDEN/COMMUNITY GARDEN**

Applicant: Shire of Kondinin
Author: Mark Hook – Acting Chief Executive Officer
Authorising Officer: Mark Hook – Acting Chief Executive Officer
Date: 16th June 2025
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Attachments: Reconciliations for event and Garden
Information on Community Garden in Information
Reports

RESOLUTION: # 4590

Moved: Cr B Browning **Seconded:** Cr K Green
That the Report for the 'Gourmet in the Garden' be received.

Carried: 8/0

For: Cr K Mouritz, Cr B Gangell, Cr B Smith, Cr B Browning, Cr K Green, Cr P Green,
Cr M James & Cr D Pool.

Against: Nil.

Summary

This report is for Council to receive a reconciliation of the event 'Gourmet in the Garden'.

Background

The Gourmet in the Garden event has been held for several years and is a major event for the Shire creating a festive event for residents of the district.

Comment

Gourmet in the Garden 2025 was held on the 21st of March with Chef Melissa Palinkas returning as well as Mint Event Collective and new singer Romy B.

I understand the event was a great success and everyone enjoyed the evening at the Gourmet in the Garden event.

The event unfortunately made a loss this year of \$1,756.50.

Additional funds through grants were obtained to assist with the cost of the chef for the event.

A full reconciliation for the Gourmet in the garden is attached for information.

Statutory Environment

Nil

Policy Implications

Nil

Financial Implications

The Gourmet in the Garden event has an annual allocation of \$2,000 included in the budget to cover Shire contributions to the event, the rest of the costs are covered by the income of the event. As decorations are re-used, the costs are kept to a minimum and items replaced as required or consumables purchased.

Strategic Implications

Strategic Community Plan 2022-2032

1.1 Community members have the opportunity to be active, engaged and connected

We hold well attended local events and activities

Voting Requirement

Simple Majority

9.5. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

RESOLUTION: #4591

Moved: Cr B Gangell

Seconded: Cr B Browning

That Council moves behind closed doors for the confidential item.

Carried: 8/0

For: Cr K Mouritz, Cr B Gangell, Cr B Smith, Cr B Browning, Cr K Green, Cr P Green,
Cr M James & Cr D Pool.

Against: Nil.

9.5.1 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Applicant:	Shire of Kondinin
Author:	Mark Hook – Acting Chief Executive Officer
Authorising Officer:	Mark Hook – Acting Chief Executive Officer
Voting:	Absolute Majority
Date:	26 th June
Attachment/s:	CEO Contract, CEO Recruitment Panel's assessment summary and recommendation

RESOLUTION: #4592

Moved: Cr B Smith

Seconded: Cr P Green

That Council: by Absolute Majority:

Receives the CEO Recruitment Panel's assessment summary and recommendation as to which applicant or applicants are suitable to be employed as the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) for the Shire of Kondinin.

Agrees that the preferred candidate is suitably qualified for the position in accordance with section 5.36(2)(a) of the *Local Government Act 1995*, and notes that the person's character, work history, competencies, performance and any other claims made by the applicant have been verified.

Approves the attached Contract of Employment – Chief Executive Officer and provisions contained therein being satisfied with the proposed provisions relating to the preferred candidate's employment in accordance with section 5.36(2)(b) of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

Authorises the Shire President and the current ACEO to execute the CEO employment contract and apply the common seal in accordance with section 9.49A(1) of the *Local Government Act 1995*. Subject to the preferred candidate's acceptance of the provisions contained within the attached Contract of Employment based on a to be determined term of employment with a six month initial probation period, noting that the total remuneration package is commensurate with the Salaries and Allowances Tribunal's Local Government Chief Executive Officers and Elected Members Determination No 1 of 2024 (SAT Determination) for a Band 4 local government.

With respect to the appointment of the Chief Executive Officer, maintains confidentiality as to the identity of the individual, until the successful candidate has formally executed the contract, and the appointment has been announced by the Shire of Kondinin.

Notes that if the preferred candidate is not satisfied with the Contract of Employment offered, that negotiations ensure, a revised Contract of Employment is presented to the Council.

Subject to the preferred candidate accepting the attached Contract of Employment and it being fully executed, certifies that the Council has complied with the requirements of the Shire of Kondinin's adopted CEO Recruitment, Performance and Termination Standards and, within 14 days of this resolution, provides a copy of the resolution as confirmation to the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries (as per s.5.39B(7) of the *Local Government Act 1995* and Regulation 18FB of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996).

Carried: 8/0

For: Cr K Mouritz, Cr B Gangell, Cr B Smith, Cr B Browning, Cr K Green, Cr P Green,
Cr M James & Cr D Pool.

Against: Nil.

RESOLUTION: #4593:

Moved: Cr K Green

Seconded: Cr D Pool

That Council comes out from behind closed doors.

Carried: 8/0

For: Cr K Mouritz, Cr B Gangell, Cr B Smith, Cr B Browning, Cr K Green, Cr P Green,
Cr M James & Cr D Pool.

Against: Nil.

9.6 COMMITTEE ITEMS

Nil

10. BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE

11. CLOSURE

Being no further business, the meeting was closed at 5.14pm.