

**MINUTES OF THE FINANCE &
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE
NARRABRI SHIRE COUNCIL HELD IN
THE COUNCIL COMMITTEE ROOM,
46-48 MAITLAND STREET, NARRABRI,
ON MONDAY, 31 OCTOBER 2005.**

PRESENT: Cr CM Bolton (Chair), Cr KI Bates, Cr TD Fragar, Cr DJ Laird, Cr AJ Meppem, Cr GB O'Regan, Cr RHG Panton, Cr SJ Rae and Cr GA Sevil.

The Director Corporate Services (Mr AM Magner), Director Engineering Services (Mr PJ Keech), Manager Financial Services (Miss KE Stidworthy) and Economic Development Manager (Mr WR Birch) were also in attendance.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING COMMENCED AT 9.00AM.

APOLOGIES

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Sevil and seconded by Cr Meppem that the apologies from Councillors Etheridge, Gleeson, and Lowder for non-attendance at the meeting be accepted and leave of absence be granted.

**1 NSW VALUER GENERAL – OMBUDSMAN REPORT
(AMM:KAB) [CORP]**

R10/50006

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Panton and seconded by Cr Bates that Council note the letter from the Office of the New South Wales Valuer General concerning the Ombudsman Report titled “Improving the Quality of and Valuations issued by the Valuer General.”

**2 MOVING ART EXHIBITION & AUCTION – REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE
(KAB:KAB) [CORP]**

P30/38003

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Panton and seconded by Cr Meppem that Council allow the Moving Art Exhibition & Auction, a 20% reduction of hire charges of The Crossing Theatre.

**3 NEWTOWN PARK INC – REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE
(AMM:KAB) [CORP]**

P10/08024

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Sevil and seconded by Cr Rae that the Committee refer the report in relation to Newtown Park Inc's request for assistance to the Public Infrastructure & Community Facilities Committee.

THIS IS PAGE 1 OF THE MINUTES OF THE FINANCE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
MEETING OF COUNCIL THAT WAS HELD IN THE NARRABRI SHIRE COUNCIL COMMITTEE ROOM ON
MONDAY, 31 OCTOBER 2005.

4 NOSH ON THE NAMOI – REQUEST REGARDING THE CROSSING THEATRE FACILITIES (AMM:KAB) [CORP] P99/00006

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Sevil and seconded by Cr Rae that Council request the Nosh on the Namoi Committee to provide a plan for the proposed power outlet prior to it agreeing to fund any installation.

5 WESTPAC RESCUE HELICOPTER SERVICE – REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE (KAB:KAB) [CORP] P30/38003

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Rae and seconded by Cr Sevil that Council include the Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service in Annexure C of their Contributions and Donations Policy for concessional use of The Crossing Theatre.

6 CANCER COUNCIL – RELAY FOR LIFE (AMM:AEC) [CORP] P30/06002

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Sevil and seconded by Cr Laird that Council advise Mrs Hanrahan that it supports in principle the holding of a Relay for Life in 2006.

7 FINANCIAL POSITION - 30 JUNE 2005 (AMM:AEC) [CORP] F10/02003

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Sevil and seconded by Cr Laird that Council note the report on Council's Available Working Capital position and resolve that it take no additional action to expend these funds this financial year with a view that a deficit budget be prepared in 2006/2007.

8 FINANCIAL REVIEW AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2005 (KES:KES) [CORP] F10/02005

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Laird and seconded by Cr Bates that pursuant to section 407(1) of the Local Government Act 1993, Council adopts the quarterly review report covering the period July to September 2005 as presented.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Laird and seconded by Cr Bates that Council approve the budget variations arising as a result of the September 2005 quarterly review.

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Rae and seconded by Cr Sevil that Council approve the following capital and rehabilitation works to be funded under the Roads to Recovery program:

1. Construction and seal of 4km of Shire Rd 5 (Kaputar Rd) \$560,000
2. Sealed road rehabilitation of 3.5km of Shire Rd 2 (Berrigal Rd) \$285,000
3. Sealed road rehabilitation of 1.45km of Shire Rd 4 (Kamilaroi Hwy) \$148,500

Total - \$993,500

9 DEBTORS REPORT (KES:KES) [CORP] F10/01002

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Panton and seconded by Cr Laird that Council adopt the Debtors Report as presented.

10 STATUTORY FINANCIAL REPORTS FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2005 (KES:KES) [CORP] F10/02003

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Sevil and seconded by Cr Laird that Council note the Auditor's Report, audited General Purpose Financial Reports and Special Purpose Financial Reports covering the financial year ended 30 June 2005.

11 5 YEAR FINANCIAL HEALTH CHECK (KES:KES) [CORP] F10/02005

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Meppem and seconded by Cr Laird that Council note the annual report on the outcome of the Financial Health Check assessment of Council.

12 NARRABRI SHIRE – STRATEGIC IDENTITY (WRB:WRB) [GM] E40/02001

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Fragar and seconded by Cr Panton that Council engage a graphic designer to design three conceptual logo's and tagline ideas suitable for Council and community consideration and that it be funded from the Economic Development Restricted Asset.

13 LEASE QUOTATION (KES:KAB) [CORP] L10/04011

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Bates and seconded by Cr O'Regan that Council accept the following quotation:

On the basis that they were the highest quotation

Lessee	Location	Amount	Term	
Betty May Smith	Land adjacent to Boolcarrol Road area of Wee Waa Levee Bank		\$1,900 pa	5 years

14 CAPITAL WORKS REPORT (KAB:KAB) [CORP] E30/13008

RESOLVED on the motion of Cr Sevil and seconded by Cr Fragar that the information in relation the Capital Works Report for the Finance & Economic Development Committee be received and noted.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, THE MEETING CLOSED AT 10.40AM.

RECOMMENDATIONS

**NSW VALUER GENERAL – OMBUDSMAN REPORT
(AMM:KAB) [CORP] R10/50006**

RECOMMENDATION 1: That Council note the letter from the Office of the New South Wales Valuer General concerning the Ombudsman Report titled “Improving the Quality of and Valuations issued by the Valuer General.”

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(KAB:KAB) [CORP] P30/38003**

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RECOMMENDATION 4: That Council request the Nosh on the Namoi Committee to provide a plan for the proposed power outlet prior to it agreeing to fund any installation.

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RECOMMENDATION 5: That Council include the Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service in Annexure C of their Contributions and Donations Policy for concessional use of The Crossing Theatre.

**CANCER COUNCIL – RELAY FOR LIFE
(AMM:AEC) [CORP] P30/06002**

RECOMMENDATION 6: That Council advise Mrs Hanrahan that it supports in principle the holding of a Relay for Life in 2006.

FINANCIAL POSITION - 30 JUNE 2005 (AMM:AEC) [CORP] F10/02003

RECOMMENDATION 7: That Council note the report on Council's Available Working Capital position and resolve that it take no additional action to expend these funds this financial year with a view that a deficit budget be prepared in 2006/2007.

FINANCIAL REVIEW AS AT 30 SEPTEMBER 2005**(KES:KES) [CORP]****F10/02005**

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RECOMMENDATION 11: That Council adopt the Debtors Report as presented.

STATUTORY FINANCIAL REPORTS FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2005**(KES:KES) [CORP]****F10/02003**

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5 YEAR FINANCIAL HEALTH CHECK (KES:KES) [CORP]**F10/02005**

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NARRABRI SHIRE – STRATEGIC IDENTITY (WRB:WRB) [GM]**E40/02001**

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CAPITAL WORKS REPORT (KAB:KAB) [CORP]**E30/13008****RECOMMENDATION 16:** That the information in relation the Capital Works Report for the Finance & Economic Development Committee be received and noted......
Cr CM Bolton**CHAIR**