REPORTS FROM OFFICERS

8. REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

8.1 General Managers Report

Attachments

Reviewer Report (distributed under separate cover)

Report

On 25 August 2010 the Gary Waldon Trust Dinner was held at Campbelltown RSL. As in previous years, Council was represented at this function by a number of Councillors.

On 26 August 2010 an email was received by the General Manager lodging a formal complaint in relation to alleged comments made by a Councillor to a person who was attending the dinner. It was alleged that an inappropriate comment had been made to a female teacher attending the function and the email reported this to the General Manager. The email outlined that the complainant was extremely embarrassed by this comment and requested that all appropriate processes utilised by Council to deal with such a situation be followed as a result of the comment.

In these situations, it is necessary for the General Manager to determine whether a possible breach of the Code of Conduct has occurred. Based on the information provided, it was considered possible a breach had occurred and it would be necessary to appoint an independent reviewer in accordance with the Code of Conduct to investigate and report on the matter.

This process has been followed and a report has been prepared by Partners of the legal firm Storey & Gough which has made a finding that a prima facie breach of the Code of Conduct has occurred particularly in regard to clause 6.3 where a Councillor had not "shown respect at all times".

It has been recommended by the independent reviewers that the Councillor agree to counselling and make a formal written apology to the complainant for making inappropriate comments at the Gary Waldon Trust function on 25 August 2010.

All parties involved in this matter have been interviewed by the independent reviewers and are satisfied with the report and recommendations contained therein.

In accordance with the Model Code of Conduct, adopted by Campbelltown City Council on 10 February 2009 (revised March 2010) it is necessary for Council to make a formal resolution with regard to the matters raised in the report of the independent reviewers.

Recommendation

Council resolve the following:

- 1. Council accept the independent report of Conduct Review by Chris Gough and Ian Woodward, lawyers of Storey & Gough dated 30 September 2010.
- 2. Council finds that Councillor Glynn has breached clause 6.3 of the Code of Conduct in that he did not show respect at all times at the Gary Waldon Trust function held on 25 August 2010.
- 3. Councillor Wal Glynn make a formal written apology to the Complainant for making inappropriate comments at the Gary Waldon Trust function held on 25 August 2010; and
- 4. Councillor Wal Glynn agrees to be counselled by the General Manager for the inappropriate comments he made to the Complainant at the Gary Waldon Trust function held on 25 August 2010.

Council Meeting 19 October 2010 (Thomas/Bourke)

That the Recommendation be adopted.

Council Minute Resolution Number 209

That the Recommendation be adopted.

8.2 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interests

Attachments

Register of Pecuniary Returns (to be tabled)

Report

Sections 441-448 of the Local Government Act outlines the duties of disclosure for Councillors, the General Manager, Senior Staff of Council and other designated persons.

The Department of Local Government has issued guidelines on the pecuniary interest provisions and these guidelines were forwarded to the relevant Councillors and staff outlining their responsibilities to complete the return for the period 1 July 2009 to 30 June 2010.

Section 449 of the Local Government Act requires that the returns must be completed prior to 30 September each year and there are specific statutory responsibilities of the General Manager in that he must keep a register of returns containing all completed and lodged returns and these returns must be available for inspection by members of the public.

The General Manager must also arrange for the tabling of the returns at the first council meeting held after 30 September each year. It is a requirement to provide a receipt to Councillors and staff with a duplicate copy of the receipt being placed on the Councillors or staff members file.

Changes to the Local Government Act in 1993 had the purpose of ensuring transparency and accountability for Council's actions. The Department of Local Government has stressed that the amendments are designed as a protection for Councillors and staff members as well as an opportunity to enhance public confidence in Local Government.

Returns for fifteen Councillors and one hundred and twenty-nine staff members' returns in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act have now been tabled.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

Council Meeting 19 October 2010 (Borg/Dobson)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Minute Resolution Number 210

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

9. REPORT OF DIRECTOR BUSINESS SERVICES

9.1 Festival of Fisher's Ghost Sub Committee

Attachments

Festival of Fisher's Ghost Sub Committee Agenda 13 October 2010

Report

The Festival of Fisher's Ghost Sub Committee meeting scheduled for Wednesday 13 October was cancelled due to competing commitments of the committee members.

Chair of the Sub Committee, Cr Rudi Kolkman, met with Council staff on Wednesday 13 October to discuss the reports which were due to be tabled at the meeting. The following items were raised.

Sponsorship

Coles are unable to sponsor this year's Festival. However, they are interested in being involved in the 2011 event, and negotiations will commence early in the new year.

Street Parade - Saturday 6 November

2010 Australian national figure skating champion, Cheltzie Lee, will officially open the Street Parade this year. Cheltzie, from St Andrew's, competed in this year's Winter Olympics in Vancouver, where she scored several personal bests and was placed 20th overall.

Another local, Danielle Everett, will perform the national anthem during the official opening. Danielle has entertained audiences around the world with her operatically trained voice and has sung at events such as the Dubai Racing World Cup, the Malaysian Grand Prix, as well as stage productions including Phantom of the Opera.

Street Fair - Saturday 13 November

GIO Insurance and the NSW Fire Brigade are combining stalls at the Street Fair for a community awareness campaign. They will be providing fire safety demonstrations, face painting, balloons and handing out colouring books. For their activities, they are seeking a gold coin donation with all money raised to be donated to a charity of Council's choice. Both GIO Insurance and the NSW Fire Brigade have taken part in similar activities in other local government areas most recently in the City of Ryde.

It is a recommendation of the Committee that Council request any money raised be donated to the Combined Christian Churches Christmas day luncheon, which is held in the Civic Hall on Christmas day. This would be an appropriate activity, as items donated to the Mayor's Christmas Appeal each year are also given to this group.

Officer's Recommendation

That money collected from GIO and the NSW Fire Brigade at the Street Fair be donated on behalf of Council to the Combined Christian Churches Christmas day luncheon.

Council Meeting 19 October 2010 (Rule/Rowell)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Minute Resolution Number 211

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

ATTACHMENT 1

Festival of Fisher's Ghost Sub Committee

AGENDA

REF: LG/kp

6 October 2010

Dear Fisher's Ghost Sub Committee Member

You are invited to attend the next meeting of the Festival of Fisher's Ghost Sub Committee. The meeting will be held in Council's Committee Room 3 on Wednesday 13 October 2010 at 6.00pm.

If you require any clarification regarding the reports and subsequent attachments, please do not hesitate to contact Council's Acting Events and Promotions Coordinator on 4645 4517. It would be appreciated if you could confirm your attendance or apologies for this meeting.

Yours sincerely Paul Tosi General Manager

Order of Business

- 1. Acknowledgement of Land
- 2. Apologies
- 3. Declarations of Interest
- 4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting held Wednesday 18 August 2010
- 5. Business Arising from Previous Minutes
- 6. Correspondence
- 7. Reports
 - 7.1 Sponsorship update
 - 7.2 Miss Princess update
 - 7.3 Craft Exhibition update
 - 7.4 Street Parade update
 - 7.5 Street Fair update
 - 7.6 Carnival and Fireworks update
 - 7.7 Party in the Park update
 - 7.8 Other Council events update
 - 7.9 Associated events update
 - 7.10 Marketing and Promotions
- 8. General Business

1. Acknowledgement of Land

I would like to acknowledge the Traditional Custodians, the Dharawal people, whose Lands we are now standing on. I would like to pay my respects to the Dharawal Elders, past and present and all other Aboriginal people who are here today.

4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Reporting Officer

Acting Events and Promotions Coordinator

Report

The Minutes of the Festival of Fisher's Ghost Sub Committee meeting held 18 August 2010, copies of which have been circulated to each Sub Committee member, these minutes were adopted by Council at its meeting held 21 September 2010.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

5. Business Arising from Previous Minutes

Reporting Officer

Acting Events and Promotions Coordinator

Attachments

Nil

Purpose

To report on Business Arising from the minutes of the Festival of Fisher's Ghost Sub Committee held on 18 August 2010.

Report

At the Festival of Fisher's Ghost Sub Committee meeting held on 18 August 2010 the following issues required follow up:

5.1 Sponsorship Update

Refer to report 7.1

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

6. Correspondence

Nil at time of print.

7. Reports

7.1 Sponsorship update

Reporting Officer

Acting Events and Promotions Coordinator

Attachments

Nil.

Purpose

To update the Sub Committee on the progress of sponsorship for the 2010 Festival of Fisher's Ghost.

Report

As outlined in a previous report, Council has secured sponsorship of the event to the value of \$18,000, through the following organisations:

Gold Sponsor Coles \$8,000

Silver Sponsor Campbelltown RSL \$4,000

Media Partner Nine Network \$4,000

Parade Supporter C91.3FM \$2,000 (In-Kind)

At the previous Committee meeting, Council was awaiting confirmation of sponsorship from Forest Lawn; however they have since declined to be involved.

As part of C91.3FM commitment to the event, they will be broadcasting live at Bradbury Oval alongside the Carnival on Saturday 6 November. Their sponsorship also includes radio advertising, live crosses throughout the festival and promotion on their website.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

7.2 Miss Princess update

Reporting Officer

Acting Events and Promotions Coordinator

Attachments

Nil.

Purpose

To update the Sub Committee on the progress of the Miss Princess Quest for the 2010 Festival of Fisher's Ghost.

Report

Applications for the 2010 Miss Princess Quest were distributed to all schools and dance schools within the LGA, as well as Council facilities including libraries, community centres and swimming pools.

Twenty eight applications were received by the 10 September closing date.

The judging took place on Saturday 25 September at the Civic Centre, with the crowning ceremony held at Macarthur Square on Sunday 3 October.

This year's winner was announced as Jasmine Kaur Deol of Eagle Vale.

The joint runners-up were Kiama Russell of Long Point and Jessica Pierce of Macquarie Links.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

7.3 Craft Exhibition update

Reporting Officer

Acting Events and Promotions Coordinator

Attachments

Nil.

Purpose

To update the Sub Committee on the progress of the Craft Exhibition for the 2010 Festival of Fisher's Ghost.

Report

Applications for the 2010 Craft Exhibition opened on 27 September and will close on Saturday 23 October. Applications will be distributed to all past exhibitors, as well as local craft shops and groups in the Campbelltown LGA.

The entry form and booklet have been uploaded to the Festival of Fisher's Ghost website.

Sponsorship has been secured for all categories from a variety of organisations, including the following:

Gold Sponsor

AusNAC CVGT Australian Apprenticeship Centre

Silver Sponsors

Duffy Automotive Tyres R Us

Bronze Sponsors

Sweet Violet Crafts
Campbelltown Alterations and Tailoring
Campbelltown Country Womens Association
Campbelltown Framing Gallery
Ken Shafer Smash Repairs
Come By Chance Pottery and Crafts

People's Choice Awards Sponsors

Michael and Judith Trimboli

Donations

Eckersley's Art and Craft Heffalump Dezign Art School

The judging will take place between 16 October and 3 November 2010.

The winners will be announced at a presentation evening to be held in the Council Foyer on Thursday 4 November 2010.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

7.4 Street Parade update

Reporting Officer

Acting Events and Promotions Coordinator

Attachments

Nil.

Purpose

To update the Sub Committee on the progress of the Street Parade for the 2010 Festival of Fisher's Ghost.

Report

Applications for the 2010 Street Parade opened in August 2010. Applications were distributed to all Council facilities, including libraries, community centres and swimming pools, as well as all parade participants from previous years. This year, the application period has been extended to 5 October due to the long weekend.

To date, 40 applications have been received.

Two judges have been confirmed at this stage, to judge the floats - Robyn Pulbrook, Principal, Campbelltown Performing Arts High School and Carmen Hannan of Friends of the Campbelltown Arts Centre. A third judge needs to be sourced and confirmed.

Local sporting hero, Cheltzie Lee, has been confirmed to officially open the parade.

A meeting will be scheduled with the SES to finalise the parade procession order and logistical requirements.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

7.5 Street Fair update

Reporting Officer

Acting Events and Promotions Coordinator

Attachments

Nil.

Purpose

To update the Sub Committee on the progress of the Street Fair for the 2010 Festival of Fisher's Ghost.

Report

Applications for the 2010 Street Fair opened in August 2010. Applications were distributed to all Council facilities, including libraries, community centres and swimming pools, as well as all stall holder participants from the previous year. This year, the application period has been extended to 5 October due to the long weekend.

So far, 64 applications have been received.

The Street Fair will also include a number of performances from local community groups and professional performers which will take place on stages in Mawson Park and Lithgow Street. Please see below for a draft entertainment program. There will also be an animal farm and circus located within Mawson Park.

Lithgow Street Stage

10.10am	Platinum Twirling
10.40am	Jemelia – a duo who sing country music
11.10am	Adam Herman – an 11 year old solo singer
11.40am	New Age Performing Arts – a mix of singers and dancers
12.10pm	Terry Spencer – solo singer
12.40pm	New Age Performing Arts – a mix of singers and dancers
1.10pm	Indonesian Community of Campbelltown Assoc – traditional dancing from West Java
1.40pm	Suzanne Mortimer, acoustic performance with guitar
2.10pm	To be confirmed

Mawson Park Stage

10.10am	Campbelltown Camden District Band
10.45am	Hot Pot & Aunty Judy
11.20am	The Wizard of Oz Show
11.50am	Shrek Show
12.20pm	Paul's Magic Show
12.55pm	Announcement – winners of Fisher's Ghost Street Parade
1.00pm	Stage & Screen Academy
1.30pm	Shrek Show
2.00pm	Le Groove Dance Company

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

7.6 Carnival and Fireworks update

Reporting Officer

Acting Events and Promotions Coordinator

Attachments

Nil.

Purpose

To update the Sub Committee on the progress of the Carnival and Fireworks for the 2010 Festival of Fisher's Ghost.

Report

Carnival

OCS Funland Pty Ltd won the tender to operate the carnival this year, which will take place over two weekends from 5-7 November and 12-14 November at Bradbury Oval. The Events and Promotions Coordinator met with the company owner to discuss details of the carnival. A further site visit will follow from this meeting.

C91.3FM will broadcast live from the carnival site at Bradbury Oval on Saturday 6 November.

To assist with the promotion of the carnival, OCS has committed ride coupon packs to the value of \$1000 to be offered as prizes. These will be given away through a promotion in the local papers in the led up to the event.

Fireworks

Xtreme Fireworks will operate the fireworks at Bradbury Oval on 6 and 13 November at 9pm The Events and Promotions Coordinator has finalised logistics and operational procedures with Xtreme.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

7.7 Party in the Park update

Reporting Officer

Acting Events and Promotions Coordinator

Attachments

Nil.

Purpose

To update the Sub Committee on the progress of the Party in the Park for the 2010 Festival of Fisher's Ghost.

Report

Party in the Park will take place on Saturday 13 November at Bradbury Oval from 6pm until 10pm alongside the carnival.

A line up of live musical acts will keep families on their feet including Mad Rhino, Covergirl, Stone Cold Sober and Powerhouse Diva's, Local girl Brooke Manzione will act as MC.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

7.8 Other Council events update

Reporting Officer

Acting Events and Promotions Coordinator

Attachments

Nil.

Purpose

To update the Sub Committee on the progress of the other Council events for the 2010 Festival of Fisher's Ghost.

Report

Fishers Gig

At this stage, there is no update for Fisher's Gig.

Fisher's Kids - Sunday 7 November

Campbelltown Arts Centre have arranged for the performance of a puppetry show called Krinkle Theatre by Performing Lines. They will also run puppet making workshops out of found and recycled materials. The workshops will interchange with the performances. Campbelltown Arts Centre are considering using a roving performer to call children into the Japanese Garden for storytelling. The rest of the event will be held in the sculpture garden, as was last year. Childrens Services will hold their exhibition in the rehearsal studio and other confirmed workshops so far are:

- Storytelling
- Craft/painting
- Playdough/drawing
- Sinking/Floating-water trough
- Bubble Blowing-water trough.

Fisher's Ghost Fun Run - Sunday 14 November

To date, entry forms have been distributed to a mailing list of 2500. Early indications are that entries will surpass last year's record of 866.

A new sponsor has been secured – IMB.

Council staff have already met with representatives from UWS and the Campbelltown Joggers Club to discuss the venue.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

7.9 Associated Events update

Reporting Officer

Acting Events and Promotions Coordinator

Attachments

Nil.

Purpose

To update the Sub Committee on the progress of the associated events for the 2010 Festival of Fisher's Ghost.

Report

To date, five organisations have requested that their event be included in this year's festival program. The details are as follows:

- NSW Sports Aircraft Club INC NSW Sports Aircraft Club Open Day Sunday 14 November 2010 Napper Airfield, Lysaught Rd, Wedderburn 9.30am – 3.00pm
- Macarthur Nature Photography Competition
 Friday 4 November Friday 19 November 2010
 Ingleburn Library
 Monday and Friday
 9.30am 8.30pm
 Tuesday to Thursday
 9.30am 5pm
 Saturday
 9am 12pm
- Campbelltown District Philatelic Society Festival of Fisher's Ghost Stamp Fair Sunday 7 November 2010 Campbelltown City Council Civic Hall 10am – 4pm
- 4. Razorback Crankhandle Association INC Fisher's Ghost Tour (Veteran Vintage & Classic Car Tour) Sunday 14 November 2010 Tour of district finishing at Marsden Park 9.30am – 1pm Home Centre, Cross Roads
- Spirit of Camden Ghost Tours
 12 14 November 2010
 Studley Park House

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

7.10 Marketing and Promotion

Reporting Officer

Acting Events and Promotions Coordinator

Attachments

Nil.

Purpose

To update the Sub Committee on the progress of marketing and promotion for the 2010 Festival of Fisher's Ghost.

Report

The following media releases have been circulated to local papers and radio stations during the lead up to the festival:

- Fisher's Ghost sponsorship opportunities
- Fisher's Ghost Street Fair call for performers
- Fisher's Ghost Street Parade and Street Fair call for entries/stall holders
- Fisher's Gig call for entries
- Fisher's Gig heats
- Fisher's Gig local line up
- Miss Princess call for entries
- Miss Princess reminder
- Miss Princess winners
- Macarthur Nature Photography Competition (related event)
- Fisher's Ghost Craft Exhibition call for entries
- Fisher's Ghost Fun Run.

Future media releases are planned to promote the Fisher's Ghost carnival and fireworks, Fisher's Kids, Fisher's Ghost Extreme, Party in the Park, Fisher's Ghost Street Fair entertainment, and the confirmed associated events.

Communications and Marketing is currently liaising with the Campbelltown-Macarthur Advertiser and the Macarthur Chronicle in relation to features in the lead up to the event.

Radio advertising has been secured with C91.3 FM.

In addition:

- The event has been promoted via the weekly Mayor's message on C91.3 (6 x 30 sec ads on Wednesdays) on three occasions to date.
- The Festival of Fisher's Ghost website has been updated with all relevant entry forms (Art Award, Craft Exhibition, Fun Run) and event information.
- All media releases, together with images, have been sent to the Daily Telegraph's Best Weekend publication.
- A full page ad was placed in iMag (tourism publication)
- The event was promoted during the Council Hour program on 2MCR.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

9.2 Progress Report: Amounts Expended on Providing Facilities and Payment of Expenses-Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councillors September 2010

Attachments

Nil

Report

On 18 November 2008, Council reviewed its policy concerning payment of expenses and provision of facilities to the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councillors.

Section 428 (2) (f) of the Local Government Act requires Councils to include in their financial reports:-

- a) The total amount of money expended during the year on Mayoral fees and Councillors' fees.
- b) Council's policy on the provision of facilities for, and the payment of expenses to, Councillors.
- c) The total amount of money expended during the year on providing those facilities and paying those expenses.

These expenses are calculated on a monthly basis and reported to Council.

Expenses as at September 2010 were as follows:

Expenses

1. Training Seminars and Conferences

\$99

2. Staff

Personal Secretary for the Mayor on a shared basis with the General Manager, together with Receptionist shared with Corporate Services. Apportioned cost for September 2010.

\$3,224

3. Stationery and Postage

Cost of Mayoral and Councillors' stationery, business cards and postage expenses.

Approximate cost for September 2010.

4. Periodicals

Cost of annual subscriptions Cost for September 2010.

\$334

Nil

5.	Meals Provision of meals in conjunction with Council and Committee Meetings and Inspections. Cost for September 2010.	\$2,239
6.	Refreshments Provision of refreshments in the Mayor's Suite and Councillors' Lounge and Civic Receptions. Cost for September 2010.	\$3,576
7.	Insignia of Office Replacement costs Mayoral robes, chain, badge and name plates. Cost for September 2010.	\$4,007
8.	Travelling Expenses for Use of Private Vehicle Reimbursement of travelling expenses on authorised Council business. Claims submitted for September 2010.	\$321
Prov	ision of Facilities	
(a)	Accommodation Office located on the Third Floor of the Administration Building - costs are included in total maintenance and operating expenses of the Administration Building and apportioned on an area basis (3.5%). Cost for September 2010.	\$3,207
(b)	Communication System Mobile telephone, personal computer or a laptop, personal digital assistant and combined printer, copier, scanner, facsimile machine and telephone answering machine provided for the Mayor and Councillors. Cost of equipment for September 2010 in accordance with Councillors Policy.	\$2,153
(c)	Office Equipment Facsimile machines, photocopier and telephone facilities for the Mayor and Councillors at the Civic Centre. Cost for September 2010.	\$1,166
(d)	Council Vehicle Costs associated with the use of Council vehicles by the Mayor and Councillors on authorised Council business. All usage is subject to the prior approval of the Mayor. Cost for September 2010.	\$636
(e)	Internet Facilities Costs associated with the provision of internet facilities in accordance with Council's Policy. Cost for September 2010.	\$899
(f)	Care Expenses Costs associated with care arrangements including childcare expenses and the care of elderly, disabled and/or sick immediate family members. Cost for September 2010.	Nil

The total cost for the payment of expenses and provision of facilities to the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councillors for September 2010 amounted to \$21,861.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

Council Meeting 19 October 2010 (Rule/Borg)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Minute Resolution Number 212

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

9.3 Reports Requested

Attachments

Status List of Reports Requested.

Report

Attached for the information of Councillors is a Status List of reports requested of Council as at 21 September 2010.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

Council Meeting 19 October 2010 (Rule/Oates)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Minute Resolution Number 213

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

ATTACHMENT 1

Reports Requested as at 21 September 2010

*Date of Decision *Mover *Res No Doc No	Item/Comments	Div.Resp	Comp Date
13.11.08 MO 1648358	CS6.1 - Report on the establishment of a piece of public Art or Landscape that celebrates and values the contribution of volunteers.	CS	December 2010
13.11.07 RK 1648363	CS6.2 - Report on the installation of signs recognising the indigenous history of our area at appropriately visible locations.	CS	December 2010
21.9.10 RK 2832064	CS6.1 - Report on 'Future Wave Energy Saver" devices that can be installed at swimming centres and any other constant flow motors to help reduce energy usage and also result in financial gains to Council.	CS	December 2010

*Date of Decision *Mover *Res No	Item/Comments	Div.Resp	Comp Date
18.3.08 AC 1770751	CW 5.2 - That a report be presented outlining proposed information brochure options for Council's Tree Policy and Tree Removal Guidelines. Comment: Pending completion of Stage 3 of the SCDCP which includes tree removal. Briefing provided to Council on 17 November 2009, 27 January and 3 August 2010	CW	November 2010
20.10.09 RM 2418781	CG9.2 - Report detailing possible options in regards to establishing an Accord, similar to the liquor accord, with suppliers of spray cans to reduce the availability of the product to the public.	CW	February 2011
17.11.09 RM 2454235	CW2.1 - Report investigating the feasibility of adopting a tree removal philosophy to assist the community where large trees may pose a threat to residents and/or their properties. Comment: Briefing provided to Council on 17 November 2009 27 January and 3 August 2010	CW	November 2010
1.6.10 RK 2672233	PE2.6 - Report evaluating trial of water filling stations	CW	April 2011
27.7.10 PH 2759077	CW5.1 - Report outlining results of the recent trial held at Randwick Council on Solar Wrap Around panels on Light Poles. Comment: Currently awaiting the assessment report to be presented to Randwick Council	CW	February 2011

*Date of Decision *Mover *Res No	Item/Comments	Div.Resp	Comp Date
5.8.08 AC 1928722	CG3.1 - Further report upon completion of the road closure and creation of title in respect to the future use of the land - Robinson St Campbelltown. Comment: Department of Lands approval obtained and letter sent to Landcom.	BS	Feb 2011
27.7.10 PH 2758681	CG2.3 - Further report outlining further possible options for the Staff Exchange Program.	BS	November 2010
27.7.10 AR 2758668	CG4.3 - Further Report upon expiration of the two year period in 2010 in order to reset the Loan Borrowing Allocation.	BS	November 2010

*Date of Decision *Mover *Res No	Item/Comments	Div.Resp	Comp Date
12.12.06 JB 1327990	PE 2.4 - Report presenting the Draft LES and Preliminary Draft LEP- Glenlee. Comment: Delays incurred in finalising rezoning investigations by the applicant. Awaiting applicant to submit further information to Council.	PE (EP)	2011
4.5.10 RM 2655408	CG9.2 -That a report be presented in regards to the Memorandum of Understanding between Council and Macquarie Fields Local Area Command concerning the patrolling of Council reserves	PE (CS)	November 2010
27.7.10 JB 2759168	PE5.1 - Report investigating: (i) the provision of suitable bedding to keep animals off the concrete floor at the Animal Care Facility. (ii) the establishment of a volunteer group to provide support services to the Animal Care Facility.	PE (CS)	November 2010
24.8.10 BT 2773531	PE2.3 - Evaluation report following completion of the 2010/11 Macarthur Nature Photographic Competition.	PE	February 2011
24.8.10 RK 2792298	PE3.5 - Report addressing the provision of more appropriate sanitary facilities in non-residential development for possible incorporation in the Campbelltown Sustainable City DCP.	PE (EP)	November 2011
21.9.10 RK 2832173	PE2.6 - Further report detailing outcome of all submissions following public exhibition of the Draft Bardia -Sub Precinct DCP.	PE	December 2011

10. REPORT OF DIRECTOR CITY WORKS

10.1 City Works Activity Report

Attachments

Activity Report.

Report

Works activities, both programmed and responsive, are proceeding according to program and on demand, and are outlined in the attached Activity Report. Statistics on graffiti are also presented in the Activity Report. It should be noted that the format of the Activity Report continues to be reviewed to better reflect the areas and program/projects being undertaken by Council.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

Council Meeting 19 October 2010 (Rule/Thompson)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Minute Resolution Number 214

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

ATTACHMENT 1

GRAFFITI

The schedule below provides details of the number of square metres of graffiti removed from Council's public facilities in the various suburbs by Council's contractor.

Facility	Apr to Jun 2009	Jul to Sep 2009	Oct to Dec 2009	Jan to Mar 2010	Apr to June 2010	Jul to Sep 2010	Oct 2010
Campbelltown	2337	1208	857	529	267	178	24
Ruse	183	69	183	6	101	93	0
Kentlyn	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
Airds	1193	246	25	78	539	347	85
St Helens Park	131	46	16	35	51	40	6
Rosemeadow	994	170	211	102	111	96	9
Ambarvale	552	257	112	178	109	17	0
Woodbine	11	29	44	77	0	0	0
Claymore	491	53	0	37	54	11	15
Eschol Park	219	228	151	171	110	28	0
Kearns	166	75	41	21	0	50	9
Raby	451	137	389	334	84	413	187
St Andrews	43	111	29	30	32	122	49
Bow Bowing	42	20	5	124	71	0	0
Minto	1096	269	345	510	295	302	10
Ingleburn	1262	282	190	211	184	189	16
Macquarie	737	370	134	75	181	292	14
Glenfield	439	147	164	75	25	203	163
Blair Athol	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Bradbury	386	57	31	47	124	47	0
Total m²	10733	3774	2929	2640	2338	2428	588

During the reporting period, Council received two additional requests for removal of graffiti. Over 9 Graffiti Removal Kits have been requested by the Community.

Council's Graffiti Action Teams have undertaken a number of tasks in addition to the above activity information. In reference to the Operational Maintenance Area map in this report, the Graffiti Action Team has for the period undertaken the following graffiti tasks to various Council assets:

Area	Area 1	Area 2	Area 3	Area 4	Total	
Graffiti Tasks	658	120	532	389	1699	

OPERATIONAL SERVICES SECTION (Reporting period 6 September - 3 October 2010)

OPEN SPACE

Activity	Area 1	Area 2	Area 3	Area 4
Servicing of Parks and Reserves Sites	137	79	45	121
Road Verges - Sites	93	30	18	32
Community/Childcare Centre's - Sites	8	8	12	0
Servicing Laneways - Sites	46	28	77	0
Litter/Rubbish Pickup	91	93	30	68
Herbicide Spraying (hrs)	15.5	47.5	0	18
Mulching (cm ³)	0	0	0	0
Garden Maintenance	0	0	0	0
Garden Refurbishment	0	0	0	0
Top Dressing (hrs)	0	0	0	0
Aeration of Fields	0	0	0	0
Sharps Pickup	0	0	0	0
Pathway Requests	15	6	1	0
Tractor Road Verge (Sites)	10	4	9	10
Tractor Servicing Parks & Reserves (Sites)	43	22	39	19
Cemetery	1	1	0	0
Reach Mower	6	2	0	0
Fire Hazard Reduction	2	5	0	0
Road Crews Servicing Parks	0	0	0	0
Refilling of Sandpits	0	0	0	0

HORTICULTURE

Activity	Area 1	Area 2	Area 3	Area 4
Servicing of Parks and Reserves Sites	28	38	10	3
Road Verges - Sites	6	13	1	0
Community/Childcare Centre's - Sites	1	5	0	0
Cemetery	0	0	0	0
Tractors Servicing Sporting Fields	15	16	11	13
Litter/Rubbish Pickups (hrs)	20	34	24	16
Herbicide Spraying (hrs)	0	3	7.5	3
Mulching - Quantity M ³	230	260	150	140
Garden Maintenance – Sites	46	39	38	31
Garden Refurbishment - Sites	0	0	0	0
Top Dressing - Sites	1	8	1	1
Aeration of Fields – Sites	0	0	0	0
Sharps Pickups – Quantity	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous Requests (hrs)	0	0	0	0
Refilling of Sandpits	0	0	0	0
Plumbing	3	8	20	1
Fit Goal post sleeves	0	0	0	0
Cricket Wicket Maintenance	3	1	2	2

Invergowrie Reserve Glen Alpine - Soil preparation works on the proposed planting site has been completed. Trees have been delivered to Minto Nursery and planting is anticipated late October.

Sportfield Renovation

Clarke Reserve - Top soiling with 250 tonne topdressing, aeration and renovation

Eschol Park No. 2 and 3 - Top soiling with 150 tonne topdressing, aeration and renovation

Showground No. 2 - Top soiling with 100 tonne topdressing, aeration and renovation

Showground No. 1 and Worrell Park No. 1 - Expected completion by mid October

Raby Sports Complex - 3 new synthetic covers on practice wickets

Clarke Reserve - 2 new concrete wickets and synthetic covering

Sarah Redfern No 1 Oval - 1 new concrete wicket, synthetic covering and turf

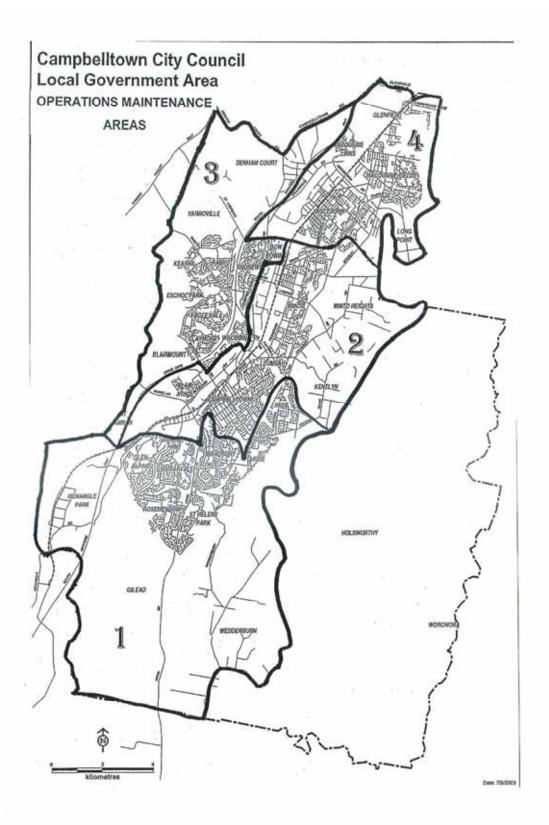
City's Annual Garden Competition – Undertook preliminary and final judging of approximately 50 garden entries.

Council Tree Inspections: -

Activity	Area 1	Area 2	Area 3	Area 4	Total
Contract	4	2	6	1	13
Council	16	34	25	33	108
Termites	0	0	0	0	0
Plumber - Sewer Chokes	0	0	0	0	0
N/A	0	6	2	2	10
HOLD	5	3	2	2	12
Area Totals	25	45	35	38	143

Private Property Tree Inspections: -

Activity	Area 1	Area 2	Area 3	Area 4	Total
Private Trees	26	20	12	26	84
Council Trees - Program	13	23	7	13	56
Area Totals	39	43	19	39	140



ROADS AND DRAINAGE

A. ROADS AND FOOTPATHS

Activity	Area 1	Area 2	Area 3	Area 4	Total (tonne)
Road repairs (heavy patching)	0	3.7	0	9.5	13.2
Road restorations	0	1	0	4.64	5.64
AC Base Course Total (tonne)	18.3	25.32	17.88	13.14	74.64

B. ROADS RESERVE OPENING & RESTORATIONS - Areas 1 to 4

Activity	Area 1	Area 2	Area 3	Area 4	Total
Vehicle crossings constructed	6	10	4	9	29
Telstra Inspections	8	2	6	10	26
Sydney Water inspections	16	20	21	14	71
Integral inspections	6	18	10	8	42
Gas Inspections	4	8	10	16	38
Customer requests	0	0	1	1	2

C. COMMUNITY RESPONSE - Areas 1 to 4

Activity	Area 1	Area 2	Area 3	Area 4	Total
Cleaning of gross pollutant trash racks / tail out drains	3	7	4	3	17
Pits cleaned by hand or suction	28	61	49	64	202
Tail out drains / headwalls	0	4	4	1	9
Removal of waste matter (cubic metres)	4	12	35	8	59
Flushing of stormwater lines (linear metres)	70	130	190	100	490
Underpass (drainage) cleaning	0	0	0	0	0
Trip hazards/footpath hazards attended	3	6	10	18	37
Dead animals removed	6	3	5	16	30
Parra webbing drainage, drains/grates/pits secured	3	5	3	33	44
Sign retrievals and straightening	1	0	2	5	8
Syringes	0	3	25	6	34
Deliver and set up at venues	0	8	0	2	10
Paver repairs	1	6	2	4	13
Oil Spill / Paint Spill / Debris on Road	1	2	1	9	13
Median Cleaning / Poisoning	5	10	35	49	99
Guide Posts	0	0	1	0	1

STREET ACCESSORIES Sign Manufacturer Areas 1 – 4

Activity	Area 1	Area 2	Area 3	Area 4	Total
Regulatory	15	0	0	1	16
Street signs	3	4	7	7	21
Community signs	3	3	3	3	12
Ordinance signs	2	2	0	20	24
Various council signs	4	17	4	4	29
Various council stickers	9	13	17	0	39
Warning signs	0	0	0	0	0
Council special events	0	15	0	8	23
Directional	0	0	1	0	1
Banners	0	3	0	3	6

Sign Erection Areas 1 - 4

Activity	Area 1	Area 2	Area 3	Area 4	Total
Works orders (traffic)	0	1	0	9	10
Bollards replacement and repair	11	7	1	1	20
Street signs	24	25	12	10	71
Community signs	8	7	0	1	16
Ordinance	20	33	6	4	63
Regulatory	42	70	27	74	213
Graffiti Removal m²	10	18	18	32	78
Warning Signs	42	28	1	14	85
Install various banners	0	0	0	1	1
Line Marking / Car Park	0	12	25	0	37
Directional	8	3	0	14	25

Minor Patching

Activity	Area 1	Area 2	Area 3	Area 4	Total
Pot holes (number)	298	278	466	525	1567
Edge breaks m²	0	0	0	0	0
Restorations m ²	0	2	0	2	4
Car parks	47	39	0	0	86
Trip Hazard (number) ie advice from community	2	2	3	0	7

D. KERB AND GUTTER RECONSTRUCTION

Road Related Program

Commenced, 96% complete

2010/11 Annual Program

Commenced 6 October, expected completion April 2011

E. ROAD REHABILITATION PROGRAM

Programming underway for commencement in mid October; stabilisation, sealing, rejuvenation and A/C overlay to be carried out at various locations in the Local Government area.

F. OPERATIONS MINOR WORKS

Fire Trails

Resurfacing of fire trail at Blackburn Road, Wedderburn - complete

Drainage Improvements

Eagleview Storm Water - Installation of drainage pit and pipes to commence mid October.

Mary Wade Reserve

Construction of grass lined swale to prevent water run off - complete

G. CAPITAL WORKS

John Kidd Reserve - Installation of play equipment and barbecue complete. Pending stage III program

Hurley Street Pedestrian Facility - Near completion pending Roads and Traffic Authority activation of pedestrian lights, landscape and fencing in median.

Bunbury Curran Reserve - Stream Naturalisation Project 95% complete

Eagles Nest Childcare Centre - Construction of new carpark commencing late October

H. PIT RECONSTRUCTION PROGRAM

Lintel Drainage Replacement Program 2010/11 - 1st stage complete

I. EVENTS

Riverfest - Support and traffic pedestrian management

PLUMBERS ACTIVITIES REPORT

Irrigation Works – Council's irrigation team has been involved in maintenance activities and system checks across the LGA, works have involved changing sprinkler heads, repairing leaks, pump systems, damaged pipes, and wiring problems and testing of systems. Assessment for confined space OHS requirements undertaken.

WORKSHOP ACTIVITIES REPORT

Vehicles/Plant and Equipment, reported here, are items that have accrued abnormal downtime due to awaiting parts/service from suppliers or priorities.

Plant No	Item	Reason - Area of Repair	Repairer	Down Time Hrs
9580	John Deere tractor	Transmission fault	Supplier	80 hrs
9704	Ford Tractor	Front axle	CCC Workshops and supplier	156hrs
9694	Sweeper	OSF broom motor	CCC Workshops and supplier	Nil
9624	Grader	Hydraulic cylinders	CCC Workshops and supplier	38hrs
9527	JCB Backhoe	Warranty – fuel pump	Supplier	80hrs

The following is a breakdown of the work performed since the last report 6/09/2010 - 3/10/2010.

9580	John Deere Tractor - Clutch and transmission fault. Unit has been sent to Bowral for repairs. ETA yet to be confirmed.
9704	Ford Tractor – Front axle diff pinion bearing and seals to be replaced. Parts have been sourced and unit is being reassembled. Will be back in service 14/10/2010
9694	Schwartz Sweeper – OSF broom hydraulic motor was leaking and was sent away for repairs. Installed Wednesday 13 October. Vehicle has not been out of service as hydraulics has been isolated and vehicle is being utilised cleaning out pits.
9624	Cat Grader – Leaking blade hydraulic cylinders were removed and sent to supplier for overhaul. Cylinders have returned, been refitted and grader is back in service.
9527	JCB Backhoe – The backhoe was sent to supplier for repairs to the fue injection pump. The job was completed and the unit returned. Backhoe is back in service.

All previous reported repairs have been completed and vehicles/plant are back in service.

Tyre Repairs	85
Services carried out	33
Repairs to trucks	62
Repairs to heavy plant	37
Repairs to trailers	26
Tractors/implements	61
SES repairs	7
RFS repairs	5
Small plant repairs	37
Repair to cars	21
Repairs to mowers	77
Repairs to sweepers	11
Pathway requests (completed)	19

Of the reported repairs above 70 were out in the field.

The Workshop has also carried out the following duties:

- Manufacturing and repair of various fire trail gates and locks
- Hand railing manufacture at Macquarie Fields Bridge Completed
- · Cricket fence repairs at Bradbury oval
- Various bus shelters repairs
- Repairs to signs
- Repair various pit lids
- · Fabricate and fit new wheels to Bradbury sightscreens
- Fabricate and Install hand railing at Ambarvale
- Drain grate repairs Broughton street
- Repair trailer at Koshigaya Park

HAZARD REDUCTION PROGRAM

RFS Hazard Reduction Program 2010-2011

The Macarthur Zone Bushfire Management Committee Hazard Reduction Program 2010-2011 was issued to Council identifying the upcoming hazard reduction burns within the Campbelltown LGA. Nine hazard reduction burns are planned for Spring and Autumn:

- Wedderburn West/O'Hares Road Strategic Fire Asset Zone
- · Hansens/Duncan Rd, Minto Heights
- Blackburn Road, Wedderburn
- · Wedderburn Fire Station, Wedderburn
- Peter Meadows Road
- · Georges River Road West
- Behind properties, Hansens Road, Minto Heights
- Waratah Road, Kentlyn
- Boronia Road, Kentlyn

Three hazard reduction burns have already been completed with additional burns to be conducted in the coming months, subject to weather conditions.

- Peter Meadows Road 6ha, completed 26 September 2010
- Blackburn Road 2ha, completed 29 September 2010
- Hansens/Duncan Road 6ha, completed 29 September 2010

Arson Activity

There have been several acts of arson activity in Council's bushland over the past few weeks. Most notably, there were 15 separate fires lit in Simmo's Beach Reserve on 1 October 2010, taking Rural Fire Service brigades several hours to bring under control. There was also a significant arson event in Deane Park, Airds, attended by the NSWFB.

Environmental Assessments

A significant number of environmental assessments has been conducted/renewed for Councils mechanical hazard reduction works program. This will enable Councils Operations team to continue maintaining Asset Protection Zones (APZ) and Roadside Vegetation on the urban/bushland interface areas of the Campbelltown LGA.

Bushfire Plan of Management - Simmo's Beach

Quotes for the consultant flora and fauna survey within Simmo's Beach Reserve have been received and the project is currently being reviewed by Environmental Planning and the Sustainability Committee. The survey will provide the basis for the development of a Bushfire Management Plan for the Reserve enabling key APZ upgrades and hazard reduction management with consideration to biodiversity, heritage and asset protection. Any residual funding will be directed toward a Smiths Creek Reserve Bushfire Management Plan.

Fire Trails

The Blackburn Road Fire Trail in Wedderburn has been recently upgraded to improve the integrity of the road for use in fire fighting operations. This fire trail is a key strategic defence between fires from the south and the main township of Wedderburn. Additionally, a strip of overgrown roadside vegetation was slashed at the end of Blackburn Road to assist in keeping this fire break a strong defendable space for fire fighters.

Mechanical Works

Two hazard reduction slashing sites were completed in the last four weeks, totalling an area of 2.146 hectares with over 150 assets protected. September marked the end of the quiet winter cycle with Council staff and contractors now coming back into action with regular hazard reduction slashing from this month. In consultation with staff from the Council's Operations Section, mechanical hazard reduction sites maintained by council are in the process of being mapped. Preparations for APZ upgrades at Simmo's Beach and Glenfield continue to progress.

ASSETS AND SUPPLY SERVICES

Procurement and Contract Management Services

Tenders/Quotes/ Expressions of Interest and Agreements:

Currently Being Prepared

- T10/19 General Trades Plumbing
- T10/20 General Trades Glass
- T10/21 General Trades Electrical
- T10/22 General Trades Miscellaneous
- T10/23 Turf Maintenance
- T10/24 Truck and Body Minor Patching
- T10/25 General Trades Building Maintenance
- T10/26 General Trades Welding Services
- Q10/12 Development of an Internet Site (awaiting final of specifications)

Currently Advertised

- T10/12 Telecommunications System (Unified Communications and Voice Over Internet Protocol)
- T10/16 Lift Installation and Maintenance

Currently Under Evaluation

- T10/14 Stadium Catering
- T10/15 Footpath Reconstruction Program
- T10/17 Road Pavement Maintenance Program

ASSET MANAGEMENT SECTION

Roads

- Works orders for Stabilisation Program 9 out of 10 projects have been issued for implementation.
- Works Order for rejuvenation program (50% of total value of works) has been issued for implementation.
- Stabilisation Program is scheduled to commence in October 2010.

Kerb and Gutter

- Works Order for Kerb and Gutter Annual Reconstruction Program 2010/2011 has been issued for implementation.
- Reconstruction of kerb and gutter prior to road works is 90% completed.

Parks and Public Spaces

- Steel rope fencing has been installed at Fullwood Reserve (approx 350mtrs).
- · Quotes are being sought for refurbishing practice cricket nets at Hurley Park.

 Installation of five litterbin enclosures to replace existing older bins at Koshigaya Park on 13 October 2010.

Playground Equipment

 Work Orders issued to repair Playground Equipment for the following sites due to vandalism: Rizal Park, Pembroke Park, Hyacinth Park, Harvey Brown Reserve, Digger Black, and Murray Reserve.

Internal Assets - Electrical Testing and Tagging

 Council's Contractor carried out electrical testing and tagging on construction equipment for September 2010. They have also rectified some minor defects.

Footpaths

 Footpath inspections are being carried out in Bradbury area with all defects and actions being mapped and placed into conquest by using tablet PC.

Bridges and Culverts

Defect actions validations have been completed.

Stormwater Drainage

- Condition assessment using the tablet PC is 20% complete for the stormwater pits. This assessment has been completed for Minto, Bow Bowing, Claymore and Eagle Vale suburbs.
- Defect assessment for stormwater pits is also in progress. Conquest defects and actions are being prepared for the Stormwater Program 2011/12.

Asset Management System, Grants and Reports

 Roads to Recovery Quarterly Report and Regional Roads Monthly Report have been completed and submitted to Government Agencies.

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FUNDING GRANTS

- Ambarvale Reserve Enclosure of existing awning to create a meeting room and concrete tiered seating has been completed. Purchase order has been raised for shelters with work to be completed by end of September. All work has now been completed.
- Waminda Reserve Construction work has commenced on change rooms, referees room and disabled toilet facilities. Tiling, concrete paths, hand railings and site levelling to be completed.
- Hurley Park Construction work has commenced on toilets, referees room, disabled toilet, canteen and storeroom facilities. Tiling, Canteen fit out and site levelling to be completed.

BUILDING MAINTENANCE/CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM

- Campbelltown Swimming Centre Refurbishment works to the 50 metre pool has commenced. Pool has been filled for water testing and curing of concrete shell.
 Cement rendering and tiling due to commence after preparation work has finished.
- Raby Oval Construction of the new change rooms and indoor cricket facilities
 has commenced. The concrete slabs are completed with brick work to change
 rooms has commenced. Structural steel erection for the cricket centre is due to be
 completed end October.

- Art Centre Works have commenced on the construction of new internal storage to the ground floor and relocation of office area on the first floor. Art Centre Staff relocate to new area 18 October so that old office area can be transformed into Workshop 4.
- Worrell Park Works has commenced on the construction of a new referees change room and store room. Concrete slab has been completed with brick work to commence shortly.

Reactive Building Maintenance Program

298 general maintenance requests were received during September/October 2010. Work has commenced or will be completed shortly on all requests.

Keying of Council Facilities

Art Centre office area and Civic Centre 2nd floor office refurbishment have been keyed to the Abloy system

FACILITIES SUPPORT

Customer Re	equests
Pathway Requests received	10
Key extension, issues, alarm codes and access	420
Request for access to Council Reserves	10

11. REPORT OF DIRECTOR COMMUNITY SERVICES

11.1 Footy Means Business Programme

Attachments

Nil

Report

The AFL have requested the use of Bob Prenter Reserve for a match between Indigenous players on Saturday 30 October 2010 from 11am.

AFL and Rio Tinto have joined forces to develop "Footy Means Business", a leadership development programme to establish new careers for young Indigenous men.

Each year, AFL Regional Development Officers will select 50 young Indigenous men based on their football ability, engagement with their communities and their potential to serve as a positive role model to others from their community. Around one third of participants will be selected from areas near Rio Tinto sites, which are mostly isolated from city areas.

The young men will participate in a leadership development programme, delivered in two one week blocks. The programme will include experience of elite AFL environments and training, as well as leadership development program.

The programme is targeted at young Indigenous AFL players between the ages of 18 - 24, just outside the AFL draft age.

During the project the men will visit major companies, viewing a range of employment opportunities, gain exposure to the cities and different lifestyles as well as developing their skills as an AFL player.

The programme is a National project with this year being the first time it is to be held in Sydney.

The culmination of the programmes events leads to a Northern States v Southern States Match being held at Bob Prenter Oval on Saturday 30 October 2010 from 11am. AFL recruitment officers, AFL development staff and other senior AFL identities will be on hand to review the players' skills. Former Swans star Michael O'Loughlin and former Brisbane Lions star Chris Johnston, both Indigenous players are promoting the scheme and will be present at the game.

Campbelltown City Council has supported NSW/ACT AFL in the development of an AFL Indigenous Academy located at Bob Prenter Reserve. The children and families of the academy will be invited and the AFL is very keen to promote the event throughout the local indigenous and wider community of Campbelltown.

The match between the Northern States and Southern States is expected to be of high standard with some of the participants likely to be recruited by AFL clubs.

The request for this event to be located at Bob Prenter Reserve demonstrates the high regard for Council's facilities and commitment to AFL in the Campbelltown area.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

Council Meeting 19 October 2010 (Dobson/Rule)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Minute Resolution Number 215

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

12. REPORT OF DIRECTOR PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT

12.1 Submission on the Draft Amended Environmental Assessment for Stage 3 of the Camden Gas Project

Attachments

- 1. Map showing the location of the major features of the Camden Gas Stage 3 project (Distributed under separate cover).
- 2. Submission on the draft Environmental Assessment (as amended).

Report

Introduction

The Camden Gas project involves the extraction of gas from coal seams within the southern coalfields by AGL Gas Production Pty. Ltd. (AGL). The locations of the key features of Stage 3 of this project are presented in Map 1 (Attachment 1). The Minister for Planning is the determining authority for the project under Part 3A of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.

A report on the draft Environmental Assessment (EA) associated with Stage 3 of the Camden Gas project was provided to Council's Ordinary meeting on 6 April 2010. Following its consideration of this report, Council resolved to endorse a submission to the Department of Planning. The submission objected to the public exhibition of the draft EA due to Council's opposition over the location of the proposed Gas Plant in the Scenic Hills and the identification of a number of significant issues that had not been adequately addressed.

On 23 September 2010, Council received a copy of the draft EA, as amended by AGL, from the Department for comment in regard to the adequacy of the response by AGL to matters raised in Council's original submission. Council also received information from the Department outlining comments regarding the draft EA made by Government Agencies. This information summarised comments from Council and relevant Government Departments such as the New South Wales Office of Water and the Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water (DECCW)

Briefing to Council on the draft amended EA

A presentation was provided to Council at a Briefing Session on 5 October 2010 to inform Councillors on the status of the project, the outcomes of a Council officer review of the draft amended EA and to obtain any comments from Councillors for inclusion into a subsequent submission. The presentation advised that AGL had resolved to delete the proposed Gas Plant from Stage 3 of the project and alternatively link with the existing Camden Gas network (Stage 2 of the project) associated with the existing Rosalind Park Gas Processing Plant (RPGP).

It is the officer's recommendation the Department be advised that the draft EA does not adequately address Council's original submission in relation to:

- The assessment of impacts on surface and groundwaters, biodiversity and associated
- mitigation measures;
- The reliance of the draft EA on sub-plans intended to be prepared after project
- approval; and
- Inconsistencies between the draft EA and the Director General's Requirements for the project.

Details of submission subsequent to the Briefing

A submission on the recently amended draft EA has recently been sent to the Department of Planning regarding the draft EA (as amended by AGL) within the required limited timeframe, and is presented in Attachment 2. The submission incorporates comments in relation to potential environmental and health impacts associated with the use of drilling additives at well sites. A Table included in the submission, details all comments contained in Council's original submission (as well as relevant comments from Government Agencies), the response by the proponent, a discussion regarding the adequacy of this response and requested further amendment to the draft EA.

The submission recognises that the removal of the proposed Gas Processing Plant had adequately addressed a number of comments contained in Council's original submission. However, the submission also requested a range of further amendments to the draft EA prior to its public exhibition, that address:

- The inclusion of any intended expansion work at the RPGP and associated impacts as well as any required in-field processing within the area covered by Stage 3 of the Camden Gas Project;
- The incorporation of sub-plans that specifically relate to Stage 3 of the project;
- The inclusion of a more definitive assessment of the potential impacts of all components of the project on the condition of both surface and groundwaters;
- Specification of the quantities and names of intended drilling additives to be used, and potential impacts on surface and groundwaters associated with their use; and
- An accurate assessment of vegetation to be removed associated with all components of the project.

Next stages in the finalisation and exhibition of the Environmental Assessment

Officers understand that a decision by the Department of Planning to publicly exhibit the EA or require further amendment prior to its exhibition is imminent. Information regarding this matter will be provided to Council as soon as it becomes available.

Officer's Recommendation

That Council endorse the submission to the Department of Planning shown as Attachment 2.

Council Meeting 19 October 2010 (Rule/Hawker)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Minute Resolution Number 216

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.



8 October 2010

Mr C Preshaw Major Project Assessment- Mining New South Wales Department of Planning GPO Box 39 SYDNEY NSW 2001

Dear Mr Preshaw

Draft Amended Environmental Assessment for Stage 3 of the Camden Gas project

Thank you for providing Council with the opportunity to comment on the draft Environmental Assessment (EA) accompanying Stage 3 of the Camden Gas Project (Application No MP 09 _0150) prepared by AGL Limited (the proponent). The extension of the deadline for receipt of comments until 8 October 2010 has enabled a presentation on this matter to be provided to Councillors at a Briefing session on 5 October 2010.

Council's original submission (dated 30 March 2010) provided formal objection to the draft EA in the format provided. In addition, Council objected to any public exhibition of the draft EA due to opposition over the location of the proposed Gas Processing Plant in the Scenic Hills and the identification of a number of key issues considered not to have been adequately addressed. The amended draft EA has been reviewed by Council in terms of the adequacy of addressing Council's previous submission.

A summary of the outcomes of this review are outlined in the enclosed submission. This submission refers to the attached table which provides a detailed listing of all comments contained in Council's original submission (as well as relevant comments from Government Agencies), the response by the proponent, a discussion regarding the adequacy of this response and requested further action by the Department.

The review concluded that the removal of the proposed Gas Processing Plant from the project application has adequately addressed a number of comments in Council's original submission. However, the review also concluded that the amended draft EA does not adequately address the following deficiencies outlined in Council's original submission (dated 30 March 2010):

- The assessment of impacts on surface and groundwaters, biodiversity and associated mitigation measures;
- The reliance of the draft EA on sub plans intended to be prepared after project approval; and
- Inconsistencies with the Director General's Requirements for the project.

Accordingly, while welcoming the removal of the proposed Gas Processing Plant from the project, please be advised that Council continues to object to the public exhibition of the draft EA in its current form based on a number of key issues not being adequately addressed. Consequently, Council would request that the Department require the further amendment of the draft EA to address these identified deficiencies prior to its public exhibition and that Council be provided with a copy of the amended document. The Department should note that Council requests the opportunity to provide more comprehensive comments on the EA during its public exhibition.

If you require any further information or would like to discuss aspects of Council's submission on the draft amended EA in more detail, please contact Council's Manager Environmental Planning, Phil Jemison, on (02) 4645 4598.

Yours sincerely

Jeff Lawrence

Director Planning and Environment

Submission on the draft amended EA for Stage 3 of the Camden Gas Project

1) Overview and scope of the submission

The provision of the draft amended Environmental Assessment (EA) to Council is appreciated. The following submission outlines the adequacy of the response by the proponent to Council's previous submission as well as requested further amendments to the draft EA. In addition to this submission, please find attached a table (Table1), which contains more detailed comments regarding these matters.

The draft EA has only been reviewed in terms of the adequacy of the response by the proponent to Council's original submission due to the imposed tight timeframe for the provision of comments. In summary, this review identified that the removal of the proposed Gas Plant from the proposed development adequately addressed a number of comments in Council's submission. However, the proponent is not considered to have adequately addressed comments particularly in regard to biodiversity and water related comments. The Department should note that a detailed review of the EA will be undertaken during the public exhibition period, which may identify additional issues.

2) Comments considered to be adequately or partially addressed

(i) Location of the proposed Gas Plant (Item 2 in Table 1)

The amendment to the draft EA by the proponent to delete the proposed Gas Plant from the project application is supported. The alternative proposal to construct a supply pipeline to link Stage 3 of the Camden Gas Project with the existing network (Stage 2) associated with the Rosalind Park Gas Processing Plant is also supported, in principle.

However, it is noted the draft EA does not discuss any expansion work required at this facility as a consequence of the increase in volume of gas received for processing from wells within Stage 3. It is also noted the draft EA does not discuss any requirements for 'in-field processing' (within Stage 3) to enable the gas to be transported to this facility. Therefore, Council requests that the Department provide this additional information prior to its public exhibition.

(ii) Air quality issues (item 3 in Table 1)

Council's original submission requested that the draft EA be amended to include an assessment of air quality impacts associated with the proposed development within a cumulative context as well as the atmospheric interaction between nitrous oxides emitted from the proposed Varroville Gas Plant and background ozone. The response of the proponent that these comments have been adequately addressed following the removal of the GP from Stage 3 of the project is noted.

However, it is considered that any additional air quality impacts as a consequence of the determination by the proponent to utilise the Rosalind Park Gas Processing Plant (RPGP) for the processing of extracted gas is within the sphere of influence of the project application. Consequently, it is requested the Department require further amendment of the draft EA to specify and assess any air quality impacts associated with the determination by the proponent to utilise the RPGP for the processing of extracted gas.

(iii) Amendment of environmental safeguards to provide more prescriptive measures (Item 1.3 in Table 1)

Council's original submission requested the amendment of the recommendations contained in the main body of the EA to ensure they provide prescriptive measures rather than replicating the recommendations contained in the accompanying specialist reports. It is noted that the wording of some recommendations have been strengthened such as the intended mitigation measures to address potential impacts on watercourses. However, the Department is requested to require the amendment of the draft EA in order for all the recommendations to provide definitive prescriptive measures in accordance with Council's original submission, prior to its public exhibition.

(iv) Assessment of direct and indirect impacts on biodiversity (Item 5.3 in Table 1)

Council's original submission expressed the view that the draft EA had not adequately assessed impacts on Cumberland Plain Woodland and other threatened species associated with the installation of the gas wells and construction of the various pipelines. The amendment of the draft EA is considered to be generally satisfactory in addressing this comment within the context of the adopted 'envelope approach by the proponent for the assessment of potential impacts on biodiversity associated with the project. However, the Department should note that Council's original submission expressed concerns regarding the adequacy of this approach in achieving a comprehensive assessment as outlined below.

(iv) Assessment of impacts on items of Aboriginal and European heritage (Items 6 and 7 in Table 1)

Council's submission requested that the draft EA be amended to include prescriptive measures for the protection of subsurface Aboriginal items and provide a detailed description of the Aboriginal cultural landscape. While these comments are not considered to have been entirely addressed, any further amendment of the draft EA prior to its public exhibition is deferred to the discretion of the DECCW given that Department's overall responsibility for the protection and management of Aboriginal heritage.

3) Comments considered not to have been addressed by the proponent

The following discussion summarises aspects of Table 1 where it is considered that the proponent has either not amended the draft EA in response to Council's submission or has carried out minimal amendment

(i) Inclusion of subsidiary plans in the draft Plan placed on public exhibition (item 1.2 in Table 1)

Council's original submission expressed a preference that all sub-plans, referenced in the draft EA, be provided to the Department prior to project determination in a format that can be readily implemented. However, it is noted the response by the proponent to a range of issues contained in Council's original submission such as the assessment of water related impacts is largely based on the preparation of these subplans subsequent to project approval. Consequently, the further amendment of the draft EA to incorporate sub-plans that is specifically related to Stage 3 of the Camden Gas project in response to Council's original submission is requested prior to its public exhibition.

(ii) Potential sterilisation of land associated with the gas wells (Item 1.4 in Table 1).

Council's original submission requested clarification in regard to the purpose of the 200 metre radius buffer around each well site and expressed the view that the issue of potential

future land sterilisation associated with these buffers had not been addressed by the draft EA. While noting the proponent has provided a response to the purpose of the buffer, it is considered that an adequate response has not been provided in relation to future land sterilisation. Accordingly, Council requests that the Department require further amendment of the draft EA to consider potential implications associated with land sterilisation (for a period of 15 to 20 years over the lifespan of the wells) in terms of impacts on future development and any restrictions on such use as a consequence of the drilling operations.

(iii) Assessment of Impacts on surface waters

Council's submission contained a number of requested amendments to the draft EA in regard to the assessment of potential impacts associated with the proposed development on surface and ground waters as well as associated mitigation measures. In regard to this matter, Council notes that the New South Wales Office of Water (the NOW) has expressed the view that the, "draft EA fails the test of adequacy with regard to its statutory regulatory role and that the proposal should not be placed on public exhibition until such time as this deficiency is addressed"

Within this context, the following summarises the adequacy of the response to Council's original submission and requested further amendment of the draft EA in relation to key identified surface water issues associated with the project.

• Salinity related impacts (Item 4.3 in Table 1)

Council's original submission requested that the draft EA be amended to include an assessment of potential salinity related impacts in accordance with a Director General's Requirement for the project. The amendment of the draft EA to include an additional subsection regarding this matter in response to Council's submission is welcome. However, a number of deficiencies outlined in the Item 4.3 of Table 1 regarding this subsection have been identified. Accordingly, Council requests that the Department require further amendment of the draft EA to address these deficiencies in consultation with the NOW, and prior to its public exhibition.

 Impacts on surface waters associated with the installation of gas wells and gas gathering pipelines (Items 4.4 and 4.5 in Table 1).

Council's original submission requested that draft EA be amended to include a comprehensive assessment of the potential impacts associated with the project on surface and groundwaters (both within and downstream of the subject site) as part of the intended Soil and Water Management Subplan. In responding to this comment, it is noted the proponent has reiterated the conclusion of the original document and advised that the SWMP will be updated to include stage 3 of the Camden Gas project.

Consequently, in light of the above comment from the NOW regarding this matter, it is considered the draft EA requires further amendment to provide a more definitive assessment of the following impacts associated with the project on the condition of watercourses (detailed in Table 1):

- Impacts on waterways associated with the construction and operation of the well sites;
- Impacts on waterways associated with the installation of pipelines; and
- Impacts on waterways based on the stated intention of the proponent to bury pipelines within ephemeral streams.

Therefore, Council requests that the Department require further amendment to the draft EA in accordance with relevant comments in its original submission and in consultation with the

NOW. As stated above, it is Council's preferred view that a SWMSP specifically related to Stage 3 of the project accompany the publicly exhibited EA rather than being prepared subsequent to project approval.

(iv) Assessment of impacts on groundwaters

Council's original submission expressed the view that the draft EA had not adequately assessed potential impacts associated with drilling activities on groundwater within a regional context. The management of groundwater is recognised as being the responsibility of the NOW, who as referred to above, have stated the draft EA does not comply with its statutory regulatory role. Within this context, the following summarises the adequacy of the response to Council's original submission and requested further amendment of the draft EA in relation to key identified groundwater issues associated with the project.

Implications of the Water Sharing Plans (Item 4.2 in Table 1).

Council's original submission requested that the Department require the proponent to consult with the NOW to determine its views regarding the project and implications associated with the draft Metropolitan Surface and Groundwater Sharing Plans (recently publicly exhibited). It is noted the draft EA has been amended to provide increased reference to relevant legislative requirements associated with the preparation and implementation of these plans. However, the proponent is considered to have not adequately responded and has not outlined the direct implications of the Plans in regard to the project (e.g. volumetric limits on the dewatering of groundwater aquifers). Consequently, it is requested the Department require the proponent to further amend the draft EA regarding this matter in consultation with the NOW.

Use of additives as part of the gas extraction process at well sites (Item 4.3 in Table 1).

Council's original submission did not include a comment directly relating to the use of drilling additives due to the absence of any information in the original draft EA regarding intended chemicals to be used as part of the fracture stimulation process (fracing) to increase the flow of gas from coal seams at well sites. However, it is noted the draft EA has been amended to list additives which may be used (including hydrochloric acid), that are considered potentially harmful to groundwater. In addition, reported impacts associated with use of additives (including the toxic compound Ethylbenzene) were noted to be the subject of a recent series of articles in the Sydney Morning Herald.

Council's concerns associated with the use of additives including the apparent absence of scientific advice regarding the short and long-term impacts on surface and groundwaters (as well as potential health impacts) cannot be emphasised enough and are detailed in Table 1. As a consequence of these concerns, please be advised that Council opposes the use of potentially harmful chemicals without adequate scientific advice regarding the validity of the conclusions of the draft EA regarding this matter. Accordingly, it is requested that the Department require further amendment of the draft EA to specify the quantities and names of intended fluids to be used, potential impacts as well as intended environmental safeguards to protect surface and groundwaters.

(v) Assessment of impacts on biodiversity associated with the project

Council's original submission contained a range of comments which sought clarification and also requested amendments to the flora and fauna assessment component of the draft EA prior to it being placed on public exhibition. It is also noted the submission from the DECCW included a range of requested amendments to this component of the draft EA. Within this

context, the following summarises the adequacy of the response to Council's original submission in relation to key identified biodiversity issues associated with the project.

Adequacy of the targeted flora and fauna surveys conducted (Item 5.2 in Table 1)

Council's original submission requested that the draft EA provide evidence that targeted surveys and habitat assessment had been conducted in accordance with the draft Guidelines under Part 3A of the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979*. The view of the DECCW that targeted surveys be conducted in accordance with the draft Threatened Biodiversity Survey and Assessment Guidelines (DECCW 2004) is supported by Council due to consistency with its Sustainable City Development Control Plan.

It is noted the proponent has not amended the draft EA in response to Council's or DECCW comments and alternatively outlines the considered compliance with the Part 3A Guidelines. Accordingly, the Department is requested to require that the proponent consult with the DECCW regarding the Guidelines to be adopted by the flora and fauna assessment (including the conducting of surveys) as part of the project and conduct additional surveys as required.

 Accurate assessment of vegetation to be removed as part of the project (Item 5.3 in Table 1)

Council's original submission requested that the draft EA provide an accurate assessment of vegetation to be removed as part of the project in accordance with the applicable Director General's Requirement item for the project. It is recognised that the area of vegetation to be removed will be reduced as a consequence of the removal of the Gas Plant from the project by the proponent and that the draft EA has been amended to provide an estimate regarding removal of vegetation associated with all components of the project

However, as detailed in Table 1, it is considered the amended draft EA does not sufficiently quantify the area of vegetation to be removed as part of the following activities associated with the proposed development:

- The removal of vegetation as part of the installation of the various pipelines;
- The removal of vegetation during the establishment of the construction site for each well site (up to 1ha); and
- The removal of vegetation in the reduced area (approximately 0.2ha) for the duration of the operation of each well.

Therefore, the Department is requested to require the further amendment of the draft EA to accurately quantify all intended vegetation removal prior to its public exhibition in accordance with Council's previous submission.

4) Identified issues in addition to Council's original submission

It is noted that the Department's correspondence (dated 21 September 2010) requested advice in regard to any other significant issues that are not considered to have been adequately addressed by the draft EA. Please note, the draft EA has only been reviewed in terms of adequacy of the response of the proponent to Council's original submission due to the imposed tight timeframe for provision of comments.

However, the potential impacts associated with evaporation from drill pits associated with each well site has been identified as a management issue subsequent to the provision of Council's original submission, due to the potential for these pits to contain contaminants.

Consequently, Council would request the Department require the amendment of the draft EA to consider this issue prior to its public exhibition.

5) Conclusion

Council's original submission on the draft EA contained a number of requested amendments associated with Stage 3 of the Camden Gas project, particularly in regard to the proposed Gas Plant and the assessment of water and biodiversity related impacts and associated mitigation measures. It is noted the original submission from the New South Wales Office of Water and Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water has also requested a number of amendments in regard to water and biodiversity related issues respectively.

The deletion of the proposed Gas Plant at Varroville from the proposed development is supported and is considered to have addressed a number of comments in Council's original submission. However, a review by Council has identified the amended draft EA does not adequately address Council's previous submission in relation to:

- The assessment of impacts on surface and groundwaters, biodiversity and associated mitigation measures;
- The reliance of the draft EA on sub plans intended to be prepared after project approval; and
- Inconsistencies with the Director General's Requirements for the project.

Accordingly, Council would not support the public exhibition of the draft EA in its current form based on the identification of key issues not being adequately addressed. It is Council's position that the draft EA not be placed on public exhibition until such time that comments contained in its previous submission have been adequately addressed. Consequently, Council would request that the Department require the further amendment of the draft EA to address these identified deficiencies prior to its public exhibition and that Council be provided with a copy of the amended document.

Summary of the adequacy of the response to Council's previous comments

Issue type	Initial CCC comment	Proponent (AGL) response	(AGL) Comments on the adequacy of amendments to the draft EA	Recommended further action
1 General comments on the EA	on the EA			
1.1 Finalisation of the layout of the project	The location of the gas wells and pathways of the gas gathering pipelines should be more clearly defined than the current statement that 'the final locations maybe adjusted within the assessment envelope during detailed design'.	The draft EA has been amended to include several A3 aerial maps detailing the locations of the gas gathering routes, access roads, and well surface locations. These locations would move within the identified envelope to avoid environmental and social constraints.	The additional A3 aerial maps are noted to indicate the assessment envelope and are not considered to provide the requested detail regarding the gas gathering routes, access roads and extraction wells.	The draft EA be further amended to more clearly define the location of the gas wells and pathways of the gas gathering pipelines in accordance with Council's original submission.
1.2 Inclusion of subsidiary sub plans	It is Council's preferred view that all sub- plans referenced in the draft EA be provided to the Department prior to project determination in a format that can be readily implemented.	The sub plans have previously been submitted to the Department and have been approved. The draft EA has been updated to show the link to the AGL website where these plans can be viewed.	The sub-plans have been reviewed and are considered to be restricted to issues associated with Stage 2 of the Camden Gas Project.	The draft EA be further amended to incorporate sub-plans specifically related to stage 3 of the project.
1.3 Inclusion of prescriptive safeguard measures	The Department require the amendment of the recommendations contained in the main body of the draft EA to ensure they provide definitive prescriptive measures rather than replicating the recommendations contained in the accompanying specialist reports.	The recommendations in the draft EA have been amended to provide definitive statements and prescriptive measures for the management and monitoring of potential impacts, where appropriate.	It is noted the wording of only a portion of the mitigation measures (such as in regard to water related impacts) have been strengthened.	The draft EA be further amended to ensure that all environmental safeguards are in the form of definitive prescriptive measures.

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Issue type		Initial CCC comment	Proponent (AGL) response	(AGL) Comments on the adequacy of amendments to the draft EA	ure recommended number
General comments on the draft EA	ents o	n the draft EA			
1.4 Potential sterilisation of land associated with the gas wells	land h the	Potential The purpose of buffers around the wells assessment footprint that sterilisation does not appear to have sterilisation does not appear to have addressed by the draft EA. Social constraints within the sterilisation of land gas gathering lines will not lead to the sterilisation of land gas gathering lines will not lead to the sterilisation of land to considered this matter concerns associated this matter considered to have allows for the avoidance of that are not considered to have secrilisation of land to considered this matter considered this matter potential implications that are not considered to have allows for the avoidance of the avoidance of the sterilisation of land for up to cocur on the type of usage as a consequence of the draft EA be further amended to consider that EA be further amended to consider the farth EA be further amended to consider the further are not considered this matter considered this matter potential implications that are not considered to have associated with land sterilisation on potential environmental and serilisation or land to use a consequence of the sterilisation of land occur on the type of usage as a consequence of the draft EA. Social constraints within the associated this matter potential implication or land use as consequence of the sterilisation of land occur on the type of usage as a consequence of the draft EA.	The 200 m radius is an assessment footprint that allows for the avoidance of potential environmental and social constraints within the identified envelope. The proposed well surface locations and gas gathering lines will not lead to the sterilisation of land	Council has the following two concerns associated this matter that are not considered to have been adequately addressed: Impacts on future land use as a consequence of the sterilisation of land for up to 20 years; and Any restrictions that may occur on the type of usage as a consequence of the drilling operations.	The draft EA be further amended to consider potential implications associated with land sterilisation on future land use.

Issue type	Initial CCC comment	Proponent (AGL) response	(AGL) Comments on the adequacy of amendments to the draft EA	Recommended further action
2 Issues associated	2 Issues associated with the proposed Gas Plant			
2.1 Location	Council objects in the strongest possible terms to the proposed location of the Gas Plant due to its location in the Scenic Hills, its close proximity to a school currently under construction and water supply canal and considered inconsistencies with the local planning instrument applying to the site. Council considers the project is not compatible with its planning instruments applying to the Scenic Hills and opposes any development approvals in the area including those under the State Government Part 3A approval process.	AGL has omitted the GP from the EA. The northern expansion would now involve the construction of gas gathering lines to tie-in to the existing Camden Gas network associated with the Rosalind Park Gas Processing Plant (RPGP). The assessment of permissibility of the Project has been updated to reflect the removal of the CNGP. The issue of compatibility with Local Environment Plans has therefore been addressed		The draft EA be further amended to specify the following: Any expansion work required at the RPGP to allow for the increased volume of received gas for processing. Details of any in-field processing required to transport the gas to the RPGP; and Any additional water and air quality related impacts associated with the increased supply of gas. No further action in relation to this matter is recommended
2.2 Proximity of Serbian School	Include an assessment of potential impacts on the adjacent Serbian Orthodox School recently approved by Council.	This assessment is no longer required as the CNGP has been removed from the project application.	The comment by AGL regarding this matter is supported	No further action in relation to this matter is recommended.

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Issue type	Initial CCC comment	Proponent (AGL) response	Comments on the adequacy of amendments to the draft EA	Recommended further action
2. Issues associated	2. Issues associated with the proposed Gas Plant			
2.3 Traffic issues	Specify whether the use of the eastern section of St Andrews Road (within the Campbelltown LGA) would require upgrading to enable it to be used during emergency situations.	Use of this road for emergency access is no longer required as a consequence of the CNGP being removed. However, temporary use of the road may be required during the installation of the gas gathering pipeline.	The significant reduction in traffic as a consequence of the removal of the CGP is recognised. However, it is considered the amended draft EA has not specified if the road would still require upgrading.	Require the further amendment of the draft EA to specify if the upgrading of St Andrews Road would require upgrading in accordance with the comment in Council's original submission.
3. Air quality related issues	issues			
	The EA has not included additional significant sources of pollutants in the assessment of cumulative air quality impacts over the intended life of the project such as the recently approved Leaf Gully Gas Fired Power Station and increased vehicle emissions arising from scheduled urban growth.	Air quality impacts associated with the project are minimal as a consequence of the removal of the Gas Processing Plant from Stage 2 of the project. Air quality impacts associated	It is recognised air quality impacts directly associated with Stage 3 of the CGP will be minimal. However, the draft EA is not considered to have assessed potential air quality impacts associated with the alternative proposal of utilising the existing RPGP.	Require further amendment of the draft EA to specify and assess any air quality impacts associated with the decision by AGL to utilise the RPGP. Require further amendment of the
	applicable specialist report to include a more detailed analysis of likely imposed on ozone layers and considers the almospheric reaction between nitrous oxides and ozone.	with the project are minimal as a consequence of the removal of the Camden Gas Plant.	directly associated with Stages of the CGP will be minimal. However, the draft EA is not considered to have assessed potential air quality impacts associated with the alternative proposal of utilising the existing RPGP.	draft EA to specify and assess any air quality impacts associated with the decision by AGL to utilise the RPGP.

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Issue type	Initial CCC comment	Proponent (AGL) response	(AGL) Comments on the adequacy of amendments to the draft EA	Recommended further action
4. Water quality related issues	per issues			
4.1 General assessment of water related impacts	The draft EA should include a comprehensive assessment of the potential impacts associated with the activity on surface waters within the subject site (both within the subject land and downstream) as part of the Soil and Water Plan. It is noted the submission from the NOW (in their capacity as the regulatory authority for both surface and groundwaters) states that: 'The EA fails to address key issues with regard to the New South Wales Office of Water's statutory regulatory role. As such, the proposal should not be placed on exhibition until such time as this deficiency is addressed.	The draft EA has identified that impacts on surface waters will be minimal and that impacts on downstream watercourses are not expected. A Soil and Water Management Sub Plan (SWMP) exists as part of the Environmental Management Strategy for the CNGP. The SWMSP would be updated to include Stage 3 of this project.	It is considered that Section 9 Surface Water is largely a replica of the previous draft EA with the exception of the removal of references to the CNGP. The SWMSP is considered more suitable as an overarching document for the management and protection of water related impacts associated with the Camden Gas Project given the absence of reference to Stage 3 of this project. It is therefore considered the draft EA has not adequately responded to Council's original submission as well as potentially the comments from the NOW.	Surface Water is largely a replica of the previous draft EA with the exception of the removal or references to the CNGP. The SWMSP is considered more suitable as an overarching document for the management and protection of water related and protection of water related social with the Council's preferred view that a and protection of water related summand protection of water related and protection of water related solution. Stage 3 be attached to the EA camden Gas Project given the absence of reference to Stage 3 Address the further amended assessment of the project on surface waters in accordance with the council's preferred view that a and protection of water related to Stage 3 be attached to the EA camden Gas Project given the Stage 3 be attached to the EA camden Gas Project given the Stage 3 be attached to the EA camden Gas Project Given the Stage 3 be attached to the EA camden Gas Project Given the Stage 3 be attached to the EA camden Gas Project Given the Stage 3 be attached to the EA camden Gas Project More associated with the Council's preferred view that a submission of this agency and Council's original submission to the satisfaction of this project.

Recommended further action		Sections 9 (Surface Water) and Section 12 (Groundwater) of the draft EA be further amended to discuss the implications of the SWSP and GWSP to the project in consultation with the NOW. This discussion is requested to include regarding volumetric limits for the utilisation of water and dewatering of aquifers as part of the CGP in accordance with the recommendation of the NOW.
(AGL) Comments on the adequacy of amendments to the draft EA		Council's original comment was based on concerns regarding reported loss of groundwater and aquifer interference potentially attributable to mining operations (including gas extraction). It is recognised the NOW have regulatory responsibilities for groundwater. With this regard, Council understands that the NOW are in the process of developing guidelines for developments assessed under Part 3A of the EPAA in relation to aquifer interference for incorporation into the SWSP and GWSP at a later stage. Within this context, It is noted Section 5.2. 'State Matters' has been expanded to include a brief description regarding relevant requirements of the Water Management Act 2000. However, it is also noted Section 12 of the EA, (which discusses sources and proposed safeguards) has not been amended in response to the NOW comment.
Proponent (AGL) response		An update of legislation pertaining to groundwater issues has been included in the EA. (Refer to ref 1.6). It is noted AGL has not provided a specific response to this comment in Council's original submission.
Initial CCC comment	d issues	Council requests the Department require the Proponent to consult with the NOW to determine their views regarding the project and implications associated with the draft Metropolitan Surface Water and Groundwater Sharing Plans (SWSP and GWSP respectively) prior to the exhibition of the EA. In relation to this matter, it is noted the submission from the NOW requires the assessment of the proposal in terms of current water sharing arrangements and volumetric limits and trade mechanisms which will come into force in mid 2010.
issue type	4. Water quality related issues	4.2 Water related issues associated with the operation of the gas wells.

Issue type	Initial CCC comment	Proponent (AGL) response	(AGL) Comments on the adequacy of amendments to the draft EA	Recommended further action
4. Water quality related issues	sed issues			
4.2 Water related Issues associated with the operation of the gas wells.	It is considered the EA has not assessed potential impacts associated with drilling activities on groundwater within a regional context.	It is noted the Proponent has updated the draft EA to include increased reference to the purpose of the drilling additives and justification for the	tt is recognised that additives constitute only a small proportion (5 percent) of the total injected fluids. It is also recognised that the management and protection of concounts.	Require further amendment of the EA as follows Specify the quantities.
	It is noted the Department of Planning (in its comments on the draft EA) has expanded the recommendation from Industry and Investment NSW (IINSW) to specify the types and volume of tubricants to be used as follows:	conclusion in the previous drain EA regarding the expected minimal impacts associated with their use.	responsibility of the NOW. However, it is noted page 12-5 of the draft EA states that additives that maybe used include Sodium hypochlorate and Hydrochloric	fluids and fraccing fluids to be used as part of the project. Specify all potential impacts on both surface and groundwater sources as a consequence of the use of fluids considered
	'Include further assessment of the impact of drilling fluids, lubricants and fraccing fluids on aquifers and the type of fluids/lubricants used and the proposed quantities and potential impacts'.		Acid which are considered potentially harmful to groundwater sources. This is contrary to advice previously supplied by the Proponent that the only additives used as part of the Camden Gas project (apart	Specify appropriate Specify appropriate environmental safeguards to protect surface and groundwater resources from potential impacts.
			from sand and water) is gel utilised in the food industry. Accordingly, Council would oppose the use of any potentially fraccing additive without adequate independent scientific advice regarding this matter.	In addition, the Department is requested to require AGL to obtain independent scientific advice regarding the short and long-term impacts associated with the use of additives on surface and groundwaters and to specify the details of this advice in the EA
			It is therefore considered the draft EA has not satisfactory responded to comments contained in Council's original submission regarding this matter.	

Issue type	Initial CCC comment	Proponent (AGL)		Kecommended further action
			to the draft EA	
4. Water quality elated issues	eaussi pa			
4.3 Salinity related		has t	The amendment of the draft EA in	Require the further amendment of
Impacts	sammy related impacts associated with the	impacts to groundwater	Council's original submission is	
		ent ecos	noted. However, the amended	
	-	salinity. Increases in surface	text is considered to have the	 Rectify the deficiencies
		salinity are not expected as	following deficiencies:	identified by Council officers;
		impact to shallow aquifers is	 The quoted map (DECCW) is 	and
		not anticipated.	based on a desktop	 Include a separate subsection
			assessment. Note, Council	detailing intended
			requires a Site Investigation	environmental safeguards to
			and Remedial Action Plan for	protect both surface and
			any application potentially	groundwater sources from
			impacting on groundwater	salinity related impacts.
			resources.	
			 The EA states the project 	
			area has been mapped as	
			presenting a low to very low	
			risk of salinity. Note, the	
			quoted map indicates all	
			watercourses within the	
			project area as having a high	
			salinity potential.	
			 The connecting gathering 	
			lines are laid at relatively	
			shallow depths (up to 1.2m)	
			and are not expected to	
			intersect the ground table.	
			Note, assessments	
			conducted for Council have	
			identified saline groundwater	
			at depths less than 1.2m.	

Issue type	Initial CCC comment	Proponent (AGL) response	(AGL) Comments on the adequacy of amendments to the draft EA	Recommended further action
4. Water quality related issues	ed issues			
npact		The majority of watercourses	It is noted the statement	The draft EA be further amended
surface waters	provide clarification (in regard to the following statement) as to whether any	after rehabilitation (detailed in	Council's original submission has	 Specify the precise location of
installation of gas		the EA) is completed. No	not been amended. It is also	pipelines intended to be within
gathering pipelines.	within or directly adjacent to watercourses.	significant impact on these watercourses is therefore	noted the SWMP does not include any specific measures to	or adjacent to watercourses (both ephemeral and with
		expected.	protect bank stability when	permanent flow); and
	Note, Council's original submission stated		installing pipes across ephemeral	 Detail environmental
	it was Council's preferred view that		watercourses.	safeguards specifically related
	underbonng occur wherever possible,		the property of the property o	to Stage 3 of the Camden Gas
	regardless of whether the watercourse		It is therefore considered the digit	Project.
	Has permanent water now.		100	
			submission.	
4.5 Impacts on	The proponent provide a detailed Soil	A landscape and Remediation	Council's previous comment was	Require the further amendment of
ਲ	and Stormwater Plan (specifically related	Sub Plan is submitted to the	based on the consideration that	the draft EA to incorporate aspects
Ş Ş	to each well location), be submitted with	Department for each well	the draft EA had not considered	of a suitably detailed Soil and
construction and	the project application.	surface location prior to	potential impacts associated with	Stormwater Plan specifically related
wells	•	commissioning. A SWMSP	the construction and operation of	to each well site in accordance with
-		forms part of the existing EMS	the wells on nearby	Council's previous submission.
		for the CGP and would be applied to Stage 3.	watercourses.	
			In this regard, it is considered the	
			draft EA has not adequately	
			responded to Council's original	
			comment in terms of providing a	
			detailed plan for the protection of	
			surface waters	

Issue type	Initial CCC comment	Proponent (AGL) response	(AGL) Comments on the Recommended adequacy of amendments action	Recommended further action
			to the draft EA	
5 Biodiversity related issues	issues			
5.1 Methodology	-	Section 2.6 of the Flora and	The amended draft EA is	No further amendment of the EA
adopted for the flora	•••	Fauna Assessment within the	considered to adequately	and inaccuracies Fauna Assessment within the considered to adequately specifically related to Council's
and fauna associated with	_	draft EA has been revised to	the use of a draft EA has been revised to respond to Council's specific previous	previous comment is
sment	and predominately desktop based survey include further discussion.	include further discussion.	comment. However, please note,	recommended.
	approach as well as measures to address		the stated limitations associated	
	these limitations and inaccuracies		with the adopted approach are	
			considered to validate the	
			comments contained in Council's	
			original submission regarding the	
			considered deficiencies of this	
			approach.	

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issue type		Proponent (AGL) response	(AGL) Comments on the adequacy of amendments to the draft EA	action
5. Biodiversity related issues	d issues			
5.2 Adequacy of the targeted surveys and habitat assessment.	The EA provide justification that the targeted surveys and habitat assessment have been conducted in accordance with the draft Guidelines under Part 3A of the EPA Act (the Part 3A Guidelines). It is noted the submission from the Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water (DECCW) contains a range of related comments including: Targeted threatened flora and fauna surveys should be undertaken across the Study Area in accordance with the draft Threatened Biodiversity Survey and Assessment Guidelines (TBSA Guidelines) (DECCW 2004). It is also noted the DECCW submission requires surveys for all threatened fauna in addition to those surveys conducted for the Cumberland Land Snail.	The Part 3A Guidelines states where developments occur over a large area the sampling regime must sample the full range of environments that occur. (In this regard), major environments that are likely to be impacted by the proposal have been sampled. The DECCW Director General's Requirements specifically state that field surveys should be conducted in accordance with the Part 3A Guidelines, which do not describe or reference targeted surveys for threatened species	It is noted AGL states the Part 3A guidelines require the full range of environments that occur be sampled. However, AGL is subsequently noted to state that only major environments have been sampled. Based on this statement, it is therefore considered the draft EA does not comply with the Part 3A guidelines. The survey guideline to be adopted is deferred to the DECCW. However please note, Council's Sustainable City Development Control Plan requires surveys in accordance with the draft TBSA Guidelines (DECCW 2004). Consequently, Council's view is that flora and fauna surveys be conducted in accordance with these guidelines.	The draft EA be further amended to fully comply with the agreed adopted survey guidelines in consultation with the DECCW prior to its public exhibition.

Issue type	Initial CCC comment	Proponent (AGL) response	Comments on the adequacy of amendments to the draft EA	Recommended further action
5. Biodiversity related issues	d issues			
5.2 Adequacy of the targeted surveys and habitat assessment	It is noted the DECCW submission contains a list of requirements regarding the reporting of the outcomes of the surveys by the draft EA including a list of all species (threatened, non-threatened and exotic).	Requested information is contained in the original draft EA.	It is considered the purpose of the DECCW comment was to enable the draft EA to include a description of the outcomes of the additional surveys requested in comments referred to above. It is noted the Part 3A Guidelines list a range of items to be included in a report that including detailing the results of surveys conducted.	The draft EA be further amended to detail the outcomes of surveys conducted for all threatened species potentially impacted by the proposed development. As above, the conducting of surveys in accordance with the DECCW 2004 guidelines (as requested by DECCW), would be supported due to the consistency with the requirements of Council's Sustainable. City Development Control Plan.
5.3 Assessment of impacts associated with the proposed development.	Council requests the Department require the amendment of the EA to adequately assess impacts associated with the installation of the gas gathering pipelines and insertion of gas wells components of the project on Cumberland Plain Woodland and relevant threatened species. In regard to this matter, it is noted the DECCW submission requires the amendment of the EA to describe all measures to avoid or mitigate impacts associated with the proposal.	The EA has been reviewed to determine if more potential indirect impacts require consideration.	It is noted that the draft EA has been amended to detail estimated vegetation removal and impacts on habitat associated with each well site, the gas gathering pipelines and proposed new pipeline. While the amendment of the draft EA is welcome, please note previous comments regarding the considered deficiencies of the he adopted envelope approach in allowing for a comprehensive and accurate assessment of potential impacts.	The EA is considered to have adequately responded to Council's previous comment within the constraints of the adopted envelope approach.

5. Biodiversity related issues 5.4 Issues The E/ associated with assessn offsets for clearance as part of vegetation.				
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	The EA should provide an accurate	No offsets are likely to be	It is recognised that the area of vegetation to be removed is	The draft EA be further amended to provide an accurate assessment of
		the CNGP.		all intended clearance associated
	the applicable Director General's		consequence of the deletion of	with all forms of the project in
	Requirements for the project.		the CGP from the project.	accordance with applicable Director
			:	General's Requirement.
			However, it is considered the	
			draft EA has not accurately	
			quantified the area of vegetation	
	The DECCW submission is noted to Estimated vegetation clearing	Estimated vegetation clearing	to be removed associated with	
	request that any measures to offset	has been calculated within the	the both the expanded	
	removal of vegetation should be	Flora and Fauna Assessment	construction site (1ha site) and	
	developed in consultation with the	Report. Significant impacts on	reduced site for operational	
	DECCW.	Cumberland Plain Woodland	purposes.	
		(CPW) are no longer expected		
		and as such, offsets are not	In addition, it is noted that the	
		required.	project will impact up to 12 ha of	
			closed grassland in the short tern	
			and result in the permanent	
			removal of 0.43ha of closed	
			grassland. The Department	
			should note that the listing of	
			CPW as a Critically Endangered	
			EEC has recognised native	
			grasses as forming part of this	
			community.	

Issue type	Initial CCC comment	Proponent (AGL) response	(AGL) Comments on the adequacy of amendments to the draft EA	Recommended further action
6. Aboriginal heritage related issues 6.1 Protection of The EA shoul potential sub-surface artefacts artefacts artefacts by Definitive presundertaken subsurface significance proof the EA. Note, it is preexavations be part of the practical part of the presuments of the presuments of the present of the presuments.	related issues The EA should be amended to include definitive prescriptive measures to be undertaken to protect potential subsurface Aboriginal items of significance prior to the public exhibition of the EA. Note, it is preferred that archaeological excavations be conducted as required as part of the preparation of the ACHMP rather than after project approval.	The EMS associated with the CGP contains an Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Management Sub Plan (ACHMP) that will be updated to identify commitments for the conservation of heritage items. This Plan details how Aboriginal archaeological subsurface deposits (if identified) will be avoided, conserved or salvaged during construction.	The protection and management of Aboriginal Heritage is recognised as being the responsibility of the DECCW. However, as stated in its original submission, Council would oppose any activity that potentially harms Aboriginal objects as part of the project. While the ACHMP contains a list of protective measures, there is an absence of reference to Stage 3 of the CGP. Consequently, the amendment of this Plan to include prescriptive measures specifically in relation to Stage 3 of the CGP is requested.	Require the further amendment of the draft EA to include prescriptive measures specifically in regard to the protection of subsurface deposits within Stage 3 in consultation with local Aboriginal groups and the DECCW.
6.2 Assessment of the cultural landscape	The EA should be amended to provide a detailed description of the significance of the cultural landscape within the project area and impacts on this landscape in consultation with the DECCW and local Aboriginal groups.	Additional information has been included in Section 8.1.3 'Cultural Landscapes' in Appendix I of the draft EA regarding this matter.	While the amendment of the draft EA in response to Council's comment is welcome, it is unclear whether the description was developed in consultation with the DECCW and local Aboriginal groups. The Department should note that a report on the outcomes of archaeological excavations in Rosemeadow has recently been provided to Council. This can be provided to the proponent upon request.	The adequacy of the amendment of the EA in providing a description of the cultural landscape within the project area is deferred to the DECCW.

Issue type	Initial CCC comment	Proponent (AGL)	(AGL) Comments on the	on the Recommended further
		response	adequacy of amendments action to the draft EA	action
7 European heritage related issues.	related issues.			
	An independent review of the European The European Heritage It would be appreciated if the No further amendment of the EA	The European Heritage	It would be appreciated if the	No further amendment of the EA
	Heritage Assessment should be Assessment underwent and review could be provided to specifically related to Council's	Assessment underwent and	review could be provided to	specifically related to Council's
	undertaken prior to the public exhibition internal and external review Council prior to the exhibition of previous	internal and external review	Council prior to the exhibition of	previous comment is
	of the EA.	during its preparation. An the EA.	the EA.	recommended.
		independent review is therefore		
	It is noted the Heritage Branch of the not required.	not required.	The recommendations of the	
	Department of Planning has provided a		Heritage Branch have been	
	range of recommended amendments to		reviewed and are considered	
	the EA as well as suggested conditions of		adequate in addressing Council's	
	consent.		concerns.	

12.2 Sydney Metropolitan Development Authority

Attachments

Nil

Report

The NSW Government Cabinet has approved plans to establish the Sydney Metropolitan Development Authority (SMDA) to create new sustainable urban centres (which are transit-oriented) across Sydney by facilitating certain new housing and commercial projects. The Minister for Planning has stated that "the SMDA will drive housing and employment opportunities in specific areas serviced by public transport and infrastructure, and build the economies of urban centres. Sydney will need 770,000 more homes and 760,000 jobs by 2036. These will need to be near transport and services, and the Authority will help plan and deliver that".

The role of the SMDA will include:

- Working with Transport and Planning Departments to identify precincts for renewal;
- Undertaking land use planning investigations and feasibility analyses;
- Delivering overarching precinct plans;
- Coordinating transport and infrastructure planning;
- Planning for open space in identified centre precincts;
- Levying infrastructure contributions and entering into planning agreements;
- Dealing with land;
- Borrowing and managing funds; and
- Partnering with public agencies and private entities when necessary.

The SMDA will utilise the existing provisions of the Growth Centres (Development Corporations) Act and will assume the functions of the Redfern-Waterloo Authority (RWA). As a priority, the Authority will focus on areas currently administered by the Redfern Waterloo Authority, including North Eveleigh and the Australian Technology Park.

The Government has identified the Granville Town Centre and Auto Alley as the next area for Cabinet consideration. It is anticipated that Redfern and Granville will be the two priority areas for the SMDA over the next 12 months. The Authority will build upon the Metropolitan Transport Plan, released in February 2010, and the updated Metropolitan Plan, to be released later this year.

The CEO of the Redfern Waterloo Authority (RWA), Mr Roy Wakelin-King, will perform the role of Acting CEO of the new SMDA and he will sit on the interim Board, comprising:

- Chair Dr Col Gellatly (chair of RWA);
- Lucy Turnbull former Lord Mayor of Sydney, and Deputy Chair of the Commonwealth Expert Panel for the review of capital city strategic planning systems;

- Shane Phillips a prominent community leader representing Aboriginal interests:
- The Directors-General (or their nominees) of Planning, Transport NSW, the Department of Premier and Cabinet and NSW Treasury; and
- A nominee of the Federal Minister of Infrastructure and Transport.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

Council Meeting 19 October 2010 (Rule/Dobson)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Minute Resolution Number 217

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.