

REPORTS FROM OFFICERS

8. REPORT OF GENERAL MANAGER

No reports this round

9. REPORT OF DIRECTOR BUSINESS SERVICES

9.1 Progress Report: Amounts Expended on Providing Facilities and Payment of Expenses-Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councillors Feb - Mar 10

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 February 2010 to March 2010 were as follows:

Expenses

1.	Training Seminars and Conferences	\$4,892
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 February 2010 - March 2010.	\$6,448
3.	Stationery and Postage Cost of Mayoral and Councillors' stationery, business cards and postage expenses. Approximate cost for February 2010 - March 2010.	\$990
4.	Periodicals Cost of annual subscriptions Cost for February 2010 - March 2010.	\$764
5.	Meals Provision of meals in conjunction with Council and Committee Meetings and Inspections. Cost for February 2010 - March 2010.	\$4,093
6.	Refreshments Provision of refreshments in the Mayor's Suite and Councillors' Lounge and Civic Receptions. Total Cost for February 2010 - March 2010.	\$6,198
7.	Insignia of Office Replacement costs Mayoral robes, chain, badge and name plates. Total cost for February 2010 - March 2010.	Nil
8.	Travelling Expenses for Use of Private Vehicle Reimbursement of travelling expenses on authorised Council business. Claims submitted for February 2010 - March 2010.	\$1,236

Provision 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 February 2010 - March 2010.	\$6,414
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| (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 February 2010 - March 2010.in accordance with Councillors Policy. | \$4,184 |
| (c) | Office Equipment
Facsimile machines, photocopier and telephone facilities for the Mayor and Councillors at the Civic Centre. Actual cost for February 2010 - March 2010. | \$1,140 |
| (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. Costs for February 2010 - March 2010. | \$429 |
| (e) | Internet Facilities
Costs associated with the provision of internet facilities in accordance with Council's Policy. Costs for February 2010 - March 2010. | \$1,819 |
| (f) | Care Expenses
Costs associated with care arrangements including childcare expenses and the care of elderly, disabled and/or sick immediate family members. Costs for February 2010 - March 2010. | Nil |

The total cost for the payment of expenses and provision of facilities to the Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Councillors for February 2010 to March 2010 amounted to \$38,607.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

Council Meeting 6 April 2010 (Greiss/Glynn)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Resolution Minute Number 57

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

9.2 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 2 March 2010.

Officer's Recommendation

That the information be noted.

Council Meeting 6 April 2010 (Thompson/Rowell)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Resolution Minute Number 58

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

ATTACHMENT 1

Reports Requested as at 2 March 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	May 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	May 2010
1.9.09 AC 2363304	Petition 5.4 - Report on a number of issues raised by Petitioners in regard to Macquarie Fields Pool. Comment: Reported Item 4.2 Community Services Committee 30.3.10	CS	
9.2.10 RK 2546879	CS7.3 - That following the exhibition period and consideration of any submissions, the Draft Social Plan be resubmitted to Council for adoption. Comment: Reported Item 2.8 Community Services Committee 30.3.10	CS	

*Date of Decision *Mover *Res No	Item/Comments	Div.Resp	Comp Date
12.5.09 JB 2234874	PE5.1 - Report on feasibility of building a low level crossing at Wedderburn that would allow for better environmental flows compared to what is there now.	CW	May 2010
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 and 27 January 2010	CW	June 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	May 2010
20.10.09 JB 2419274	PE5.2 - Report outlining i) Whether Councils current supplier of bottled water is sourcing its water in a sustainable way in comparison with other suppliers. ii) The feasibility of implementing an awareness program within Council to encourage people to use tap water in preference to bottled water where practicable. iii) The feasibility of installing bubblers throughout the Local Government Area, as has recently occurred in Manly.	CW	April 2010
20.10.09 JB 2419275	PE5.1 - Report regarding the feasibility of trialling an urban storm water garden in an area of Ingleburn bounded by Sackville Street, Cumberland Road and Oxford Roads.	CW	May 2010
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 and 27 January 2010.	CW	June 2010
15.12.09 AC 2490542	CW5.1 - Report on the feasibility of installing further lighting at William Fowler Reserve in Eschol Park and the report should include a summary of the Police Safety Audit findings conducted recently on the reserve	CW	May 2010

*Date of Decision *Mover *Res No	Item/Comments	Div.Resp	Comp Date
2.3.10 FB 2573676	CW 2.1 (Minutes) - Report on recent request for removal of tree at 39 Tallowood Crescent Bradbury Comment: Reported Item 2.2 City Works Committee 30.3.10	CW	

*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: Subject to Department of Lands approval for a closure, currently taking approximately 12 months.	BS	Sept 2010
1.9.09 JB	CS (Minutes) - Report following investigations with other Councils about how they conduct Community Consultation. Comment: Report to be presented following a Briefing to Councillors.	BS	June 2010
20.10.09 GG 2419273	PE5.3 - Report detailing Council's commercial assets and indicating the income received and the cost of maintaining the assets. Comment: Reported Item 13.1 Corporate Governance Committee 30.3.10	BS	
20.10.09 RM 2418779	CG9.1 - Report on the technological options available and the economical and organisational benefits in adopting broadband communications and information system technology. Comment: Reported Item 7.1 Corporate Governance Committee 30.3.10	BS	

*Date of Decision *Mover *Res No	Item/Comments	Div.Resp	Comp Date
26.7.05 SC 534 876017	2.4 PE- Report on the status of the Draft DCP for Macarthur Gardens with a view to adopting a site specific DCP for this site. Comment: With applicants awaiting changes to Draft DCP	PE (DS)	June 2010
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)	Sept 2010 (estimated)
4.8.09 PH 2335881	PE1.1 - Further report following November Environmental Protection and Heritage Council meeting examining the recommendations that flow from that meeting.	PE (WS)	April 2010
17.11.09 BT 2454629	PE2.2 - Further report outlining the outcome of the public exhibition process and public meeting for the Draft Plan of Management for Marsden Park. Comment: Advertising campaign closes 16 December 2009.	PE	April 2010
17.11.09 JB 2454614	PE5.1 - Report examining the potential to incorporate energy cogeneration facilities and systems as part of future development in the Menangle Park Urban Release Area. Comment: Reported Item 2.1 Planning and Environment Committee 30.3.10	PE	
15.12.09 RK 2489778	PE2.3 - Report following completion of Public Exhibition of Draft Environmental Education Strategy. Comment: Reported Item 2.2 Planning and Environment Committee 30.3.10	PE	

9.3 National General Assembly of Local Government

Attachments

1. Letter from ALGA regarding 2010 National General Assembly of Local Government
2. 2010 National General Assembly of Local Government - Discussion Paper Population, Participation and Productivity (distributed under separate cover)

Report

The Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) is holding its 2010 National General Assembly at the National Convention Centre in Canberra between 14 and 17 June 2010.

The ALGA has identified three themes for the General Assembly under which motions should be submitted. These themes reflect the key priorities identified by the Australian Government and aim to build upon existing ALGA and Local Government policy priorities. The themes for motions in 2010 are:

- Population;
- Productivity; and
- Participation.

To be eligible for inclusion in the National General Assembly Business Papers motions must:

- Fall under one of the themes - population, productivity, participation;
- Be relevant to the work of Local Government nationally; and
- Complement or build on the policy objectives of state or territory association.

To assist councils in submitting items for debate, a discussion paper has been prepared and will be circulated to all Councillors. All motions must be submitted to the ALGA by Friday 30th April 2010.

Officer's Recommendation

That interested Councillors, the General Manager or his nominee be authorised to attend the 2010 National General Assembly of Local Government and expenses be met in accordance with Council's policy.

Council Meeting 6 April 2010 (Bourke/Kolkman)

1. That interested Councillors, the General Manager or his nominee be authorised to attend the 2010 National General Assembly of Local Government and expenses be met in accordance with Council's policy.
2. That the following motion be forwarded to the Australian Local Government Association for consideration at the National General Assembly in June 2010:

That a Federal population strategy be based on independent research in to the capacity of Local Government to absorb any population increase without compromising economic, environmental and social sustainability.

Council Resolution Minute Number 59

That the above Resolution be adopted.

ATTACHMENT 1

AUSTRALIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION



Campbelltown City Council
PO Box 57
CAMPBELLTOWN NSW 2560

17 March 2010

To the Mayor, Councillors and CEO (or equivalent positions)

2010 National General Assembly of Local Government – call for motions

I write to invite you to participate in the 2010 National General Assembly of Local Government (NGA) which will be held at the National Convention Centre in Canberra between 14 and 17 June.

The NGA is the major event on the annual local government calendar and typically attracts more than 700 mayors, councillors and senior officers from councils across Australia.

The Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) has identified three themes for the NGA and under which motions should be submitted. These themes reflect the key priorities identified by the Australian Government in the recently released third Intergenerational Report and aim to build upon existing ALGA and local government policy priorities. The themes for motions in 2010 are:

- Population;
- Productivity; and
- Participation.

To assist councils in submitting motions for debate at the NGA, a discussion paper has been prepared. This paper provides background information on the themes and is designed to assist councils when developing motions. To access the discussion paper, go to <http://nga.alga.asn.au/event/2010/motions.html>.

To be eligible for inclusion in the National General Assembly Business Papers motions must:

- fall under one of the themes – population, productivity, participation;
- be relevant to the work of local government nationally; and
- complement or build on the policy objectives of state or territory association.

Motions must be received by 5pm Friday 30 April 2010. Motions can be submitted via the electronic form located at www.nga.alga.asn.au. Any inquiries should be directed to Clare Hogan, ALGA's Director of National Events on 02 6122 9436 or to clare.hogan@alga.asn.au.

I urge you to take the opportunity to make sure the views of your council and wider community are represented at the 2010 NGA.

Yours sincerely

Geoff Lake
President

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, 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 6 April 2010 (Lake/Bourke)

That the Officer's Recommendation be adopted.

Council Resolution Minute Number 60

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	April to June 2009	July to Sept 2009	Oct to Dec 2009	Jan 2010	Feb 2010	Mar 2010
Campbelltown	2337	1208	857	109	52	368
Ruse	183	69	183	0	0	6
Kentlyn	0	0	2	0	0	0
Airds	1193	246	25	25	0	53
St Helens Park	131	46	16	0	35	0
Rosemeadow	994	170	211	34	48	20
Ambarvale	552	257	112	71	7	100
Woodbine	11	29	44	8	0	69
Claymore	491	53	0	0	22	15
Eschol Park	219	228	151	32	95	44
Kearns	166	75	41	0	0	21
Raby	451	137	389	81	35	218
St Andrews	43	111	29	8	7	15
Bow Bowling	42	20	5	0	0	124
Minto	1096	269	345	391	82	37
Ingleburn	1262	282	190	20	28	163
Macquarie Fields	737	370	134	6	37	32
Glenfield	439	147	164	20	55	0
Blair Athol	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bradbury	386	57	31	7	3	37
Total m²	10733	3774	2929	812	506	1322

During the reporting period, Council received 6 requests for removal of graffiti. Several of these tasks were undertaken by Weekend Detention crews for removal of graffiti from a number of isolated areas eg walkways and park side fences. Over 16 Graffiti Removal Kits have been requested by the Community.

Council's Graffiti Action Team has 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:

Area	Area 1	Area 2	Area 3	Area 4	Total
Graffiti Tasks	334	107	417	355	1213

OPERATIONAL SERVICES SECTION (Reporting period 22 Feb – 21 Mar 2010)

OPEN SPACE

Activity	Area 1	Area 2	Area 3	Area 4
Servicing of Parks and Reserves Sites	288	249	197	290
Road Verges - Sites	75	42	40	58
Community/Childcare Centre's - Sites	12	10	12	25
Servicing Laneways - Sites	68	18	75	0
Litter/Rubbish Pickup	88	92	40	54
Herbicide Spraying (hrs)	43.5	4	12	24
Mulching	0	0	0	0
Garden Maintenance	1	42	54	4
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	46	25	9	0
Tractor Road Verge (Sites)	26	14	11	28
Tractor Servicing Parks & Reserves (Sites)	64	44	81	40
Cemetery	0	0	5	0
Reach Mower	5	9	5	2
Fire Hazard Reduction	0	20	0	0
Tractor Servicing Ovals	2	2	4	0

HORTICULTURE

Activity	Area 1	Area 2	Area 3	Area 4
Servicing of Parks and Reserves Sites	38	60	31	34
Road Verges – Sites	33	31	17	22
Community/Childcare Centre's - Sites	5	12	0	2
Cemetery	0	1	0	0
Tractors Servicing Sporting Fields	33	20	41	37
Litter/Rubbish Pickups (hrs)	29	43	22	24.5
Herbicide Spraying (hrs)	18	15	14.5	17
Mulching - Quantity M ³	0	0	620	0
Garden Maintenance – Sites	25	19	44	46
Garden Refurbishment - Sites	0	0	8	0
Top Dressing - Sites	2	0	6	0
Aeration of Fields – Sites	0	0	0	0
Sharps Pickups – Quantity	0	0	0	0
Miscellaneous Requests	39	51	62	31
Wicket Maintenance (hrs)				
Refilling of Sandpits	0	0	0	0
Placing of Goals	4	3	1	4
Covering cricket wickets	0	2	0	0
Plumbing	16	6	17	10
	11	10	12	6

Parklands Child Care Landscaping - The landscape planting of Parklands Child Care Centre has been completed. Approximately 400 assorted plant species were used in the project.

Family Day Care Centre Landscaping - The delivery of assorted plant species for the landscaping of the above centre is programmed. It is anticipated that the landscaping will be completed mid April.

Weed Control Contractor - Council's weed control contractor has been involved in weed control activities on a number of the major roads throughout the City area.

Fertilizing – Bob Prenter Oval, Eschol Park Rugby League, Clarke Oval.

Council Tree Inspections: -

Activity	Area 1	Area 2	Area 3	Area 4	Total
Contract	14	4	2	5	25
Council	19	30	17	28	94
Termites	0	0	0	0	0
Plumber - Sewer Chokes	0	0	0	0	0
N/A	5	4	5	2	16
HOLD	3	2	2	2	9
Area Totals	41	40	26	37	144

Private Property Tree Inspections: -

Activity	Area 1	Area 2	Area 3	Area 4	Total
Private Trees	26	18	14	16	74
Council Trees - Program	0	0	0	0	0
Pathway requests	0	1	0	0	1
Area Totals	26	19	14	16	75

ROADS AND DRAINAGE

A. ROADS AND FOOTPATHS

Activity	Area 1	Area 2	Area 3	Area 4	Total (tonne)
Road repairs (heavy patching)	0	52	0	60	112
Road restorations	0	0	0	0	0
AC Base Course Total (tonne)	0	37.27	0	3.3	40.57

Heavy Patching resource has moved to Open Space to assist with high seasonal requirements

B. ROADS RESERVE ASSETS – Areas 1 to 4

Vehicle crossings constructed	6	10	8	2	26
Telstra Inspections	11	10	12	6	39
Sydney Water inspections	10	10	17	10	47
Integral inspections	4	6	5	12	27
Gas Inspections	12	11	8	6	37
Customer requests	2	4	2	6	14

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	6	14	8	5	33
Pits cleaned by hand or suction	38	69	25	43	175
Tail out drains / headwalls	10	18	12	2	42
Removal of waste matter (cubic metres)	7.5	22	5.5	6	41
Flushing of stormwater lines (linear metres)	150	100	0	50	300
Underpass (drainage) cleaning	1	3	2	1	7
Trip hazards/footpath hazards attended	4	11	4	13	32
Dead animals removed	6	12	10	8	36
Parra webbing drainage, drains/grates/pits secured	2	2	9	16	29
Sign retrievals and straightening	1	6	3	5	15
Syringes	3	6	3	4	16
Deliver and set up at venues	0	6	2	6	14
Paver repairs	3	23	1	0	27
Oil Spill / Paint Spill / Debris on Road	2	3	3	3	11
Median Cleaning / Poisoning	10	15	31	24	80
Guide Posts	0	0	3	0	3

D. STREET ACCESSORIES

Sign Manufacturer Areas 1 – 4

Activity	Area 1	Area 2	Area 3	Area 4	Total
Regulatory	0	4	2	4	10
Street signs	12	11	12	12	47
Community signs	6	8	6	6	26
Ordinance signs	1	17	5	12	35
Various council signs	0	3	1	3	7
Various council banners	0	0	0	0	0
Warning signs	8	1	2	10	21
Council special events	0	48	1	10	59
Directional	0	0	0	0	0
Banners	0	6	0	2	8

Sign Erection Areas 1 – 4

Activity	Area 1	Area 2	Area 3	Area 4	Total
Works orders (traffic)	1	2	2	2	7
Bollards replacement and repair	4	2	0	0	6
Street signs	36	36	3	15	90
Community signs	20	20	1	30	71
Ordinance	1	9	13	6	29
Regulatory	49	116	62	52	279
Graffiti Removal m ²	3	2	8	10	23
Warning Signs	25	38	4	6	73
Install various banners	0	0	0	1	1
Line Marking / Car Park	0	0	0	0	0
Directional	1	2	4	9	16

Minor Patching

Activity	Area 1	Area 2	Area 3	Area 4	Total
Pot holes	176	398	180	410	1164
Edge breaks m ²	8.4	0	5.5	0	13.9
Restorations m ²	2	14	6	2.5	24.5
Car parks	54	71	93	13	231
Trip Hazard	2	8	2	6	18

E. FOOTPATH GRINDING

Special Tender
30% complete

F. FOOTPATH CONSTRUCTION

Annual Tender
Stage 1 - Complete
Stage 2 - 40% complete
Special Tender
Program 65% complete

G. KERB AND GUTTER RECONSTRUCTION

Annual Tender
50% complete
Special Tender
70% complete

H. ROADS REHABILITATION PROGRAM

- Broughton Street Day Care Centre Car Park – completed pending seal works
- Egret Place, Tuross Place, Friar Place, AC Overlay complete
- St Johns Road - Complete
- Kellicar Road – Complete
- Blaxland Road - Complete
- Queen Street – Complete
- Mill and fill various culverts – Complete, pending line marking

I. CAPITAL WORKS

- **Cycleway Program** – Mary Wade Reserve (RTA works) cycleway completed pending solar lights.
- **Broughton Street Car Park** - Complete.
- **Childcare Centres** - Parklands and Broughton Street complete.
- **Coronation Park** - Drainage Stage I complete, car park construction in progress 20% complete.
- **Fire Trail Works** – Long Point complete.
- **Koshigaya Park Inlet Structure** – Complete.
- **Reiby Juvenile Justice Car Park** – Work commenced 15% complete.
- **Simmo’s Beach Viewing Deck** – In progress 40% complete.
- **Triathlon Track Ingleburn** – Works order received, arranging quotations.
- **Startop Reserve Cycleway Ambarvale** – Works to commence mid April.
- **Pipe Baulks** – Works commenced 30% complete.

J. EVENTS

- Ingleburn Festival complete
- Challenge Walk

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.

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
636	Backhoe	Gearbox and fuel pump	CCC Workshops and parts	40hrs
714	J/D tractor	Air Seat broken	CCC Workshops and parts	32hrs
206	Vermeer chipper	Clutch u/s	Supplier – Warranty	32hrs
636	Backhoe	Gearbox and fuel pump	CCC Workshops and parts	40hrs

The following is a breakdown of the work performed since the last report **22/02/2010 – 21/03/2010**.

636	Fermac backhoe required rebuilding of injector pump and the transmission required a new speed sensor. All parts have been fitted. Backhoe is back in service.
714	John Deere tractor seat required new air suspension. Parts were sourced and fitted and tractor is back in service.
206	Vermeer chipper – clutch not working, unit returned to supplier and clutch replaced under warranty. Chipper is back in service.

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

Tyre Repairs	87
Services carried out	57
Repairs to trucks	99
Repairs to heavy plant	17
Repairs to trailers	21
Tractors/implements	37
SES repairs	7
RFS repairs	9
Small plant repairs	66
Repair to cars	13
Repairs to mowers	133
Repairs to sweepers	9

Of the reported repairs above 89 were out in the field.

The Workshop has also carried out the following:

- Manufacturing and repair of various gates and bus shelters
- Repairs to BBQ and bins at Simmo's beach
- Fence repairs at various locations
- Pit repairs and manufacture and replace lids at various locations

ASSETS AND SUPPLY SERVICES

Procurement and Contract Management Services

Current Tenders/Quotes/ Expressions of Interest and Agreements:

Currently Being Prepared

- Q10/02 Concrete Supply and Delivery

Currently Advertised

- T10/05 Supply of Turf
- T10/02 Plant Hire and Equipment
- T10/08 Legal Services

Currently Under Evaluation

- T10/03 Saw Cutting and Coring
- T10/04 Alarm Maintenance Services
- Q10/01 Preparation of a Development Control Program for Edmondson Park
- T10/07 Channel Mowing

ASSET MANAGEMENT SECTION

Roads

- Road Works completed on the following locations:
 - Blaxland Road between Badgally Road and Rose Street, Campbelltown.
 - Queen Street between Chamberlain Street and Langdon Avenue, Campbelltown.
 - Kellicar Road between Bolger Street and Tindall Street, Campbelltown.
 - Oxford Road between Bensley Road and Peugeot Drive, Ingleburn including intersection.
 - Intersections of Copperfield Drive with Dickens Road and Harthouse Road, Ambarvale.
- Works Order has been issued for Pavement Investigation for the Works Program 2010/2011.
- Car Park Programmed Maintenance 2009/2010 is in progress.

Road Valuation

- Fair Value calculation for Road Structures and Road furniture is 90% completed, including Road Safety Barriers and Retaining Walls.

Bridges and Culverts

- Works Order has been issued for the rehabilitation of the expansion joints on Ben Lomond Road Bridge over Bow Bowling channel and is now with Operations for the scheduling of this work.
- Quotations for Minor programmed maintenance works for bridges and culverts are being sought.
- Inspections of all major culverts following a new RTA format are underway.

Kerb and Gutter

- Works Program for Kerb and Gutter Annual Reconstruction Program 2010/2011 is being prepared.

Parks and Public Spaces

- Additional fencing improvements to be added for security improvement of assets at Jackson and Eschol Park Sporting Complexes have been completed.
- One Gossi Park bench to be installed at John Rider Reserve, Leumeah near the playground equipment.

Playground Equipment

- Playground equipment repairs due to vandalism have been completed at Jackson Park.
- Work commenced on new replacement playground at Coronation Park as part of Coronation Park Netball Complex refurbishment project.

Building Inspections

- The following buildings were inspected and all defects and actions entered into conquest system. Baby Health Centres – Campbelltown and Macquarie Fields, Occasional Care Centres at Campbelltown (Nanut) and Macarthur Temporary Family Day Care Centre (Minto), and the new Macquarie Fields Changing Rooms (Fourth Avenue).

Internal Assets – Electrical Testing and Tagging

- Council's Electrical Contractor has completed the March 2010 testing and tagging on electrical equipment used for construction work with minor defects found and repaired.
- Yearly Testing and Tagging of all equipment other than construction equipment has been completed (1187 items) with 6 items being repaired.

Asset Management Systems

- Road and Main Asset System Interface have been upgraded to fulfil the fair value reporting requirement.
- An upgrade to Council's Asset Management system software is currently being tested and is scheduled to be completed early April.

Footpaths

- Footpath Reconstruction Program for 2009/2010 is 75% completed, with footpath grinding program 50% completed.
- Additional Funds for Reconstruction Work (Footpath, Kerb and Gutter) have been allocated and is 20% completed.

Stormwater

- Eagleview Road stormwater design is being finalised.

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FUNDING GRANTS

- Coronation Park - Construction of the new clubhouse and facilities is on schedule. External cladding and windows has been completed with internal fit out, fencing and paths being carried out.

BUILDING MAINTENANCE/CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM

- Eschol Park No 2 - Construction of shade awning and breezeway closure, all building works have now been completed.
- Wood Park – construction of a shade awning and concrete area to the front of the existing amenities is 70% complete with only the concrete works to be undertaken.

Reactive Building Maintenance Program

302 general maintenance requests were received during March 2010. Work has commenced or will be completed shortly on all requests.

FACILITIES SUPPORT

Customer Requests	
Pathway Requests received	14
Key extension, issues, alarm codes and access	446
Request for access to Council Reserves	14

11. REPORT OF DIRECTOR COMMUNITY SERVICES

No reports this round

12. REPORT OF DIRECTOR PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT

12.1 Proposed Northern Expansion of the Camden Gas Project

Attachments

1. Extract from Draft Environmental Assessment (under separate cover)
2. Council's Submission to the Department of Planning

Report

On 9 March 2010 Council received a copy of a draft Environmental Assessment associated with a project application lodged with the Department of Planning by AGL Limited under Part 3A of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 (Application No. 09-0048).

The application relates to the northern extension of the Camden Gas project incorporating 12 gas extraction wells (5 located within the Campbelltown Local Government Area), gas gathering pipelines (located 750mm beneath surface level) and a gas extraction plant (also to be partly located within the Campbelltown Local Government Area).

Part of the proposed development 'package' is also located within the Camden Local Government Area.

The gas extraction plant proposal is intended to receive coal methane gas conveyed from each of the wells through the gas gathering pipelines. Once received, the plant will remove water contained in the extracted methane. Key features of the plant include:

- A compressor;
- Surface facility that allows for the 'flaring' of excess gas;
- A plant compound measuring 200 metres x 100 metres including a 'controlled area' of 130 metres x 30 metres; and
- An evaporating pond.

An indicative view of the gas extraction plant is shown as Attachment 1 (circulated separately).

The site of the gas extraction plant is located approximately equally in the Campbelltown and Camden Local Government Areas.

The draft Environmental Assessment referred to Council by the Department of Planning proposes that the gas extraction plant is to be located on a parcel of land at the western end of St Andrews Road, near to the water supply channel. That parcel of land is understood to be owned by the Sydney Catchment Authority.

The Department of Planning has requested Council to comment on the draft Environmental Assessment with regard to the identification of any significant issues not considered to have been adequately addressed, prior to the document being placed on public exhibition.

The extensive documentation (draft Environmental Assessment) has undergone preliminary review by Council's Environmental Planning Officers who have identified a range of shortcomings and issues of concern.

These matters relate primarily to the following items:

1. The potential for the project to have significant impacts on the:
 - a) Natural environmental, cultural and scenic values of the Scenic Hills District;
 - b) Condition of the Georges River and Nepean River Catchments;
 - c) Air quality of the sub-region; and
 - c) Current and future Council strategies and policies.
1. The project is not considered to be consistent with local environmental planning instruments;
2. The proposed gas extraction plant is located in close proximity to a school currently under construction and the open water supply channel; and
3. The draft Environmental Assessment is considered not to have adequately addressed the Director General's requirements for the project regarding the assessment of the potential impacts of the project on surface and ground water resources (including salinity) and the assessment of cumulative impacts on air and water quality and impacts on biodiversity.

These matters have been detailed in a submission made to the Department of Planning on Thursday 31 March 2010 by the Director Planning and Environment, with the concurrence of the General Manager.

This submission is shown as Attachment 2 and clearly states Council's objection to the proposed development.

Further elaborating information to support Council's submission will be lodged with the Department in the near future. A copy of this information will be made available to Councillors at the Ordinary Council Meeting on Tuesday 6 April 2010. It is also intended that Councillors will receive a full briefing on this matter in the near future.

Officer's Recommendation

1. That Council endorse the submission to the Department of Planning made by the Director Planning and Environment concerning the draft Environmental Assessment for the northern extension of the Camden Gas Project as per Attachment 2.
2. That Council receive a detailed briefing on this matter as soon as possible.

Council Meeting 6 April 2010 (Kolkman/Matheson)

1. That Council endorse the submission to the Department of Planning made by the Director Planning and Environment concerning the draft Environmental Assessment for the northern extension of the Camden Gas Project as per Attachment 2.
2. That Council receive a detailed briefing on this matter as soon as possible.
3. That Council advise all residents in the suburbs of Kearns, Raby, St Andrews, Bow Bowing, Eschol Park, Eagle Vale, Varroville, Denham Court, Claymore and Woodbine by letterbox drop outlining the issues that are going to occur in their local area if this proposal is successful.
4. That Council also write to the Minister for Water highlighting its concerns regarding this proposal.

Council Resolution Minute Number 61

That the above Resolution be adopted.

ATTACHMENT 2



31 March 2010

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Dear Ms O'Reilly

**Draft Environmental Assessment: Northern Expansion of the Camden Gas Project
Application No. 09-0048**

Thank you for providing Council with the opportunity to comment on the draft Environmental Assessment for the Camden Gas Stage 3 Project (Application No. 09-0048), prepared on behalf of AGL, prior to it being formally exhibited by the NSW Department of Planning. Council has requested that I respond to the Department over this matter on its behalf.

Council notes that this proposal is to be determined pursuant to the provisions of Part 3A of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979, and not by Council pursuant to Part 4 of the Act.

In response to the Department's email, dated 5 March 2010, Council has reviewed the draft Environmental Assessment (EA).

Whilst Council would acknowledge that a number of issues raised in its correspondence concerning the Environmental Assessment Scoping Report (dated 20 March 2010) have been addressed in the draft EA, there still remains a range of shortcomings with the document that give rise to the need for Council to formally advise the Department of its objection to the project as proposed and the release of the draft EA for public exhibition.

Council's reasoning for taking this stance relates to its concerns for the proposal to have a significant potential to impact on the:

- natural environmental, cultural and scenic values of the Scenic Hills district;
- condition of the Georges and Nepean River Catchments;
- air quality of the subregion; and
- current and future Council strategies and policies.

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Council's preliminary review of the draft Environmental Assessment has revealed a number of deficiencies that have lead Council to request that the application and draft EA not be placed on public exhibition in their current form:

- (i) The project is not considered to be consistent with the local environmental planning instrument(s) that apply to the Scenic Hills, and would strongly oppose any Part 3A assessment and determination process resulting in an outcome that would override those instruments.
- (ii) The proposed location of the Gas Extraction Plant as set out in the draft EA, lies within close proximity to a school (previously approved by Council and understood to be currently in course of construction). A copy of the approval documents issued by Council is attached for the Department's consideration in examining the "buffer" provisions proposed in the draft EA. Potential impacts concerning hazards and air quality need to be addressed in specific detail.
- (iii) The Gas Extraction Plant is proposed to be located on land adjacent to an open water supply channel that is an item listed on the State Heritage Register.
- (iv) The draft EA is not considered to have adequately addressed the Director General's Requirements for the project regarding the "assessment of the potential impacts of the project on surface and groundwater resources (including salinity) the assessment of cumulative impacts on air and water quality, and impacts on biodiversity.

These matters are examined in greater detail in the attached submission paper.

The Department is requested to acknowledge that this submission must not under any circumstance be taken to be exhaustive, given the limited time that has been made available to review the draft documentation.

Council requests that the Department consider the concerns and comments raised in its submission, prior to permitting the placement of the Environmental Assessment on public exhibition.

In this regard, Council would appreciate if a meeting could be arranged between its senior officers and representatives of the Department to discuss matters raised in both this submission and previous representations made by Council, prior to a decision being made as to whether the documentation should be placed on public exhibition. Such a meeting would also provide Council the opportunity to elaborate on issues described above.

Council notes that the proposed site of the Gas Extraction Plant is located in part of the Camden Local Government Area and part of the Campbelltown Local Government Area. It is understood that officers of Camden Council have expressed an interest in attending any meeting that the Department might agree to have with Campbelltown City Council.

Your earliest advice as to the Department's response to Council's request for the abovementioned meeting would be greatly appreciated.

Please note that Council's review of the draft EA has been undertaken pursuant to the Department's email correspondence dated 5 March 2010, to identify any issues not considered to have been adequately assessed. In addition, please note that as requested in correspondence by AECOM Australia Pty Ltd dated 8 March 2010, the draft EA has also been reviewed to assess the adequacy of the draft EA in addressing the Director General's Requirements (DGR's) issued by the Department.

Council appreciates the opportunity to provide input into the preparation of the draft Environmental Assessment prior to proceeding to public exhibition, and looks forward to ongoing consultation with the Department over this matter.

If you require any further information, or have enquiries regarding aspects of Council's submission, please do not hesitate to telephone me on (02) 4645 4575 or Council's Manager Environmental Planning, Mr Phil Jemison on (02) 4645 4598.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a stylized initial 'J' followed by a long, horizontal, slightly wavy line.

Jeff Lawrence
Director Planning and Environment