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Hawkesbury Shire Council

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Ordinary Meeting 10 FEB 1987

Minutes of the Meeting of the Council of the Shire of Hawkesbury, held at the Council Chambers, Windsor on 9th December, 1986, commencing at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillor G.G. Michael, President, and Councillors F.Y. Denne, P.A. Dunn, J.J. Horrex, J.E. Nicholson, R.F. Rotherham, A.B. Sheridan, W.J. Sledge, C.J. Stanley, F.S. Stevens and R.P. Stubbs.

Pastor P.Thomas, representing the Hawkesbury Ministers Fraternal, read the opening prayer at the commencement of the meeting.

An apology for absence was received from Councillor S.E.Durrington.

- 586 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Denne seconded by Councillor Nicholson that the apology be accepted.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

- 587 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Sheridan seconded by Councillor Stubbs that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 11th November, 1986 having been circulated amongst the members of Council be confirmed.
- 588 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Sheridan seconded by Councillor Nicholson that the Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held on 24th November, 1986 having been circulated amongst the members of Council be confirmed.
- 589 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs seconded by Councillor Denne that the Minutes of the Special Meeting of Council held on 25th November, 1986 having been circulated amongst the members of Council be confirmed.

PRESIDENTIAL MINUTES

1. REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE - WILLIAM BEAN - CHURCHILL FELLOWSHIP. B27/15.

- 590 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs seconded by Councillor Denne that Council make a donation of \$400 towards assisting Mr.Bean's programme of studies.

2. HAWKESBURY HOSPITAL. H106/1

- 591 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Horrex seconded by Councillor Denne that Council support the principle as an alternative for further development of the hospital by the private sector and indicate accordingly to the Minister.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS.

- 592 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stanley seconded by Councillor Stevens that representations be made, after consultation with local rural and farm organisations, to the Minister for Local Government, Department of Local Government, Local Government and Shires

Associations, and W.S.R.O.C., to seek amendment to the definition of rural land in Section 118 of the Local Government Act, to read -

118(1) "Farm land" means :

(a) a parcel of ratable land which is valued as one assessment, exceeds 10 hectares in area and is wholly or mainly used for the time being for carrying on the business of :

- grazing
- dairy farming
- forestry
- the growing of crops

(b) a parcel of ratable land which is valued as one assessment, exceeds 8000 square metres in area and is wholly or mainly used for the time being for carrying on the business of :

- viticulture
- orcharding
- horticulture
- vegetable growing
- pig farming
- poultry farming

(c) an oyster farm within the meaning of the Fisheries and Oyster Farms Act 1935.

593 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Sledge seconded by Councillor Stubbs that, with the cessation of production and circulation of the Civic News, a report be prepared for Council's consideration on the various alternatives, costs and effectiveness of Council communicating with its residents/ratepayers.

594 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Sledge seconded by Councillor Rotherham that, as part of its policy for the provision of information signs, Council progressively provide additional signs to all community facilities from the nearest main road junction and subsequent intersections to their location. Signs to be implemented with the construction of new facilities.

GENERAL PURPOSE COMMITTEE MEETING - 25TH NOVEMBER, 1986.

SECTION 1 - WORKS

ITEM 3 - SHIRE ENGINEER'S REPORT

MINUTES OF THE BUSH FIRE CAPTAINS MEETING, 7TH NOVEMBER, 1986

B27/4

595 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Sheridan seconded by Councillor Stevens that the Minutes of the Bush Fire Captains' Meeting be received, and the matter of hazard reduction in areas abutting parks be taken up with the National Parks & Wildlife Service to ascertain the real position in respect to the burning back activities in the Kurrajong Heights area.

- 596 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Sheridan seconded by Councillor Stubbs that the Report of the General Purpose Committee Meeting held on 25th November, 1986, as recorded on Pages I to 17 of the Minutes of the General Purpose Committee Meeting be confirmed, with the exception of :

Item 3 - Shire Engineer's Report - Minutes of the Bush Fire Captains Meeting, 7th November, 1986. B27/4

which has already been considered by Council - Minute No. 595.

TOURIST PROMOTION COMMITTEE MEETING - 7TH OCTOBER, 1986.

- 597 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs seconded by Councillor Stanley that the Report of the Tourist Promotion Committee Meeting held on 7th October, 1986, as recorded on Pages I to 3 of the Minutes of the Tourist Promotion Committee Meeting, be confirmed.

EXTRACTIVE INDUSTRY COMMITTEE MEETING - 25TH NOVEMBER, 1986

- 598 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stanley seconded by Councillor Stubbs that the Report of the Extractive Industry Committee Meeting held on 25th November, 1986, as recorded on Pages I to 3 of the Minutes of the Extractive Industry Committee Meeting, be confirmed.

BICENTENARY PARK COMMITTEE MEETING - 2ND DECEMBER, 1986.

- 599 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Nicholson seconded by Councillor Stubbs that the Report of the Bicentenary Park Committee Meeting held on 2nd December, 1986, as recorded on Page I of the Minutes of the Bicentenary Park Committee Meeting, be confirmed.

SHIRE CLERK/GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT.

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

CORRESPONDENCE

1. COMMONWEALTH BANK OF AUSTRALIA - RENEWAL OF LOANS 135/36. B23/32

- 600 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs seconded by Councillor Nicholson that the offer be accepted, an application be made to the Minister for approval to raise the loan and the Seal of Council be affixed to the application and mortgage documents.

2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT & SHIRES ASSOCIATION OF N.S.W. - GENERAL CIRCULAR NO. 11/1986. C44/2

2. Reimbursement of Council Members for Out-of-Pocket Expenses.

- 601 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Dunn seconded by Councillor Denne that Council advise the Association that it does not think

it is appropriate for Councillors to be reimbursed for out-of-pocket expenses, and that the attendance meeting fee should be increased substantially and regularly to cover that issue.

4. Rate Pegging.

- 602 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stevens seconded by Councillor Dunn that the Shire Clerk bring forward a report in support of Council's previously adopted policy in regard to rate pegging legislation.

16. Construction Safety Regulations - Inspection of Amusement Devices.

- 603 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Nicholson seconded by Councillor Stubbs that the procedure for inspection of amusement devices be referred to the Department of Industrial Relations in consideration of the legal opinion obtained by the Local Government and Shires Associations.
- 604 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Nicholson seconded by Councillor Stubbs that the balance of the circular be received.

REPORTS

1. STAFF MATTERS - RESIGNATIONS. S1/8P

- 605 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Sheridan seconded by Councillor Stubbs that Council accept the resignations of Mr G. Liehr and Mr O. McPherson.

2. UNEMPLOYMENT STATISTICS. S207/11

- 606 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs seconded by Councillor Nicholson that the information be received.
- 607 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs seconded by Councillor Denne that a report be brought forward on the effect of STD charges on employment in the Shire, particularly in view of the Northwest Sector expansion.

3. COMMUNITY AND CULTURAL CENTRE - NOVEMBER BOOKINGS. C51/3

- 608 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Sheridan seconded by Councillor Nicholson that the report on the November Bookings for the Community and Cultural Centre be received.

4. SIGNING OF CHEQUES - MR D.B. HAGGER. S205/18

- 609 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Sheridan seconded by Councillor Stubbs that Council authorise Mr Daryl Bruce Hagger to sign cheques on Council's behalf.

5. COMMUNITY ARTS OFFICER'S REPORT - NOVEMBER.

- 610 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs seconded by Councillor

Nicholson that the Report of the Community Arts Officer be received.

6. STRUCTURE OF TOURIST SERVICES IN THE HAWKESBURY SHIRE. T220

- 611 MOVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs seconded by Councillor Stanley that the offer of Tri-Psych International Pty Ltd for the investigation of the tourism facilities structural within the Hawkesbury Shire be accepted, and that financial assistance be sought from the Tourist Commission.

An amendment was moved by Councillor Stevens seconded by Councillor Rotherham that a report be brought forward by the staff, on the establishment of a Tourist Development Authority or similar in the Shire.

The amendment was lost.

The motion was then put and carried.

7. FEES AND CHARGES - 1987. F80, E77/5

- 612 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Sheridan seconded by Councillor Stubbs that the proposed fees and charges for 1987, as presented, be adopted.

8. HAWKESBURY FAMILY DAY CARE MONTHLY REPORT - NOVEMBER.

- 613 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs seconded by Councillor Stanley that the Hawkesbury Family Day Care report be received.

9. CONTRACTS AND DOCUMENTS FOR EXECUTION UNDER SEAL OF COUNCIL. C50, C45

- 614 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs seconded by Councillor Stanley that the Seal of Council be affixed to the undermentioned document:

Deed of Agreement ... Hornsby Shire Council - Wisemans Ferry
Community Building - Contribution - maximum
\$50,334.

10. WILBERFORCE CHILD CARE CENTRE. C43/14

- 615 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Sheridan seconded by Councillor Stubbs that the report be received.

11. RESERVE ADJACENT TO 'CLEAR OAKS' FRANCIS STREET, RICHMOND. 625/240

- 616 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Dunn seconded by Councillor Stubbs that the report concerning disposal of the Reserve adjacent to the 'Clear Oaks' homestead be received.

12. RURAL RATE APPEAL - HUNGERFORD. 259-01c

- 617 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Dunn seconded by Councillor Nicholson that the report concerning a Rural Rate Appeal by Mr M.H. Hungerford be received.

13. PROPOSED ACQUISITION - GROSE VALE SCHOOL SITE. B28/17, S196

- 618 MOVED on the motion of Councillor Stanley seconded by Councillor Dunn that subject to satisfactory arrangements being made for public access to the facility, Council agree to lease the former Grose Vale School site to the Grose Vale Scout and Girl Guides Groups for a nominal rental for a period of 3 years. The Groups to undertake renovations and repairs to the building with all work to be to the satisfaction of the Shire Engineer.

An amendment was moved by Councillor Denne seconded by Councillor Rotherham that subject to satisfactory arrangements being made for public access to the facility, Council agree to lease the former Grose Vale School site to the Grose Vale Scout and Girl Guides Groups for a nominal rental for a period of 3 years. The Groups to undertake renovations and repairs to the building with all work to be to the satisfaction of the Shire Engineer. Further that Council instal a septic system at a cost of approximately \$3,000.

The amendment was lost.

The motion was then put and carried.

14. REVEREND TURNER COTTAGE. C52/3

- 619 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs seconded by Councillor Stanley that the report concerning lease of Reverend Turner Cottage, No. 21 Baker Street and Shop 6 Hobartville Shopping Centre be received.

15. STAFF MATTER - DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE.
S1/8P

- 620 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Sheridan seconded by Councillor Denne that :
1. Mr. Stewart Bates be provided with a reference under Seal of Council.
 2. Mr. Peter Brack be appointed to the position of Treasurer at a salary of 82% of the Deputy Shire Clerk's salary.

16. APPLICATION FOR ANNUAL LEAVE - SHIRE CLERK. S1/8P

- 621 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Sheridan seconded by Councillor Nicholson that leave be granted.

17. FIVE YEAR DEVELOPMENT PLAN.

See late Report No. 22 - Minute No. 626.

18. REPORTS REQUESTED BY COUNCILLORS

- 622 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs seconded by Councillor Nicholson that the report be received.

19. REPORTS, MINUTES ETC. OF OTHER COMMITTEES AND ORGANISATIONS.
C50/3

- 623 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Sheridan seconded by Councillor Stubbs that the report be received.

20. AUSTRALIANA PIONEER VILLAGE - MONTHLY REPORT. C52/4

Moved on the motion of Councillor Rotherham that Council adopt the recommendations in the report with the exception of the recommendation to spend the profits on the restoration of Rose Cottage, and appropriate preparations be made for an official opening day and benefit concert during March, 1987.

The motion lapsed for the want of a seconder.

- 624 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stanley seconded by Councillor Stevens that Council adopt the recommendations in the report and appropriate preparations be made for an official opening day and benefit concert during March, 1987.

21. SHOP 6 HOBARTVILLE SHOPPING CENTRE. C51/5F

- 625 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Nicholson seconded by Councillor Stubbs that :

1. Council agree to lease Shop 6 Hobartville Shopping Centre to Windsor Glass and Glazing for a period of 6 months commencing 1st July, 1987 at a weekly rental of \$80 per week, plus a contribution towards outgoings, with the agreement to rest on correspondence.
2. A formal lease agreement for a period of 3 years with a 3 year option for renewal to be completed effective from 1st July, 1987, at an annual rental of \$6,198.57, plus contribution to outgoings, with provision for increases of 10% in the first and second years.
3. All necessary documents to be completed under Seal of Council.

22. FIVE YEAR DEVELOPMENT PLAN.

- 626 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Horrex seconded by Councillor Sheridan that the report on the Five Year Development Plan be received and that the following be Council's priorities :

1. Water Supply & Sewerage :
Provision of water supply and sewerage facilities to urban areas at a cost similar to that provided in the metropolitan area, based on the need for services to such areas and the environmental sensitivity of the Hawkesbury basin. Financial assistance for those currently operating under Special/ Government assistance schemes to bring them in line with metropolitan costs.
2. Roads :
Upgrading of the Windsor Road by the provision of appropriate intersection/turning areas and flood-free access between McGraths Hill and Windsor, development of tourist road funding, completion of works on M.R. 184 at Bell Bird Hill, construction of Pitt Town bypass, bridge across Grose River, road funding for local roads being returned to former levels with index increase commensurate with costs.
3. Rail :
Electrification and integration of the Richmond rail line into the Sydney grid to provide for employment opportunities, entertainment facilities for youth of the area, improved access to health facilities and commercial facilities in other centres.
4. Health :
Redevelopment of the Hawkesbury Hospital.
5. Education :
Development of the Western Sydney University with regional course planning through TAFE.
6. Local Government Finance :
Rationalisation of payments to statutory authorities.
7. Industrial Development :
Promotion of development in Western Sydney through packaging and promotion.
8. Bus :
Multi-modal ticketing with private buses.
9. Entertainment :
Development of major entertainment centre in Western Sydney at a major public transport location.
10. Tourism :
Greater promotion of investment and tourism and the extension of tourism signposting.

ENGINEERING

CORRESPONDENCE

1. TRAFFIC AUTHORITY OF NEW SOUTH WALES - 1986/87 TRAFFIC FACILITIES FUND.

- 627 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Sheridan seconded by Councillor Denne that the information concerning the 1986/87 Traffic Facilities

Fund be received.

2. THE MARITIME SERVICES BOARD OF N.S.W. - ERECTION OF ENLARGED
WATERWAYS MAP AT THE BOAT RAMP AT WINDSOR. H100

- 628 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Horrex seconded by Councillor Denne that the Maritime Services Board be advised that Council is pleased to allow the erection of the map at the boat ramp Windsor and will instal it.

3. DEPARTMENT OF MAIN ROADS - CLASSIFIED ROAD CONSTRUCTION
PROGRAMME 1986/87. M130

- 629 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs seconded by Councillor Nicholson that :
1. Council accept the grant in accordance with "General Conditions of Assistance to Councils" for the 1986/87 Classified Road Construction Programme.
 2. Representations be made to the Minister for Roads, The Hon. L.J. Brereton, to increase the level of expenditure for construction works on main roads within the Shire and seek a special grant for construction of kerb and gutter and shoulder sealing on MR 184, Bells Line of Road, both sides from Grose Vale Road to Redbank Creek.

REPORTS

1. WINDSOR WHARF - HAWKESBURY RIVER. H100

- 630 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Nicholson seconded by Councillor Denne that in accordance with the provisions of Section 415(3) of the Local Government Act, the Shire Engineer or his authorised nominee/s be delegated the following powers in respect to operation of Windsor Wharf.

"Full power to order and direct and do all things necessary in relation to

- (a) the control of the berthing and removal of any vessel;
- (b) the discharge and loading of cargo;
- (c) the storage and removal of goods; and
- (d) generally in relation to the control of the use of such wharf and any appliances connected therewith."

2. SUBDIVISIONS UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY

- 631 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs seconded by Councillor Rotherham that the information be received.

3. SOUTH WINDSOR WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLAN. P160/46/B

- 632 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs seconded by Councillor Stanley that the information in regard to the new waste water treatment plant be received.

4. PUBLIC WORKS

- 633 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs seconded by Councillor Sheridan that the report be received.

5. CONTROLLER'S REPORT ON HAWKESBURY SHIRE STATE EMERGENCY SERVICES - NOVEMBER, 1986. S206

- 634 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Denne seconded by Councillor Stubbs that the report be received.

HEALTH & BUILDING

CORRESPONDENCE

1. IAN ROBINSON REAL ESTATE - ST. ALBANS CEMETERY TRUST - ST. ALBANS CEMETERY. C41

- 635 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Dunn seconded by Councillor Nicholson that Council donate a generator and kangahammer to the St. Albans Cemetery Trust.

2. ROTARY CLUB OF KURRAJONG - HOT DOG STAND. 625-140

- 636 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Sheridan seconded by Councillor Denne that Rotary Club of Kurrajong be granted permission to operate a hot dog stand at Rotary Lookout, Kurrajong Heights subject to the stand being sited and used so as not to interfere with the safe flow of traffic, and that a report be submitted to Council after six (6) months, if considered necessary, by the Shire Health and Building Surveyor.

REPORTS

1. BUILDING APPLICATIONS. B25

- 637 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs seconded by Councillor Nicholson that the report be received.

2. IMMUNISATION. H103-2

- 638 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Sheridan seconded by Councillor Stanley that :

1. Council advise the Minister for Health of its concern at the low immunisation status of children in the region and request that funds be made available urgently for study of all aspects of

immunisation in the region. Further that the Minister be requested to allocate funds for Council to conduct immunisation clinics at outlying schools in 1987.

2. A specific article on the importance of immunisations be included in Council's Annual General Report.

PLANNING

REPORTS

1. SOCIAL PLAN - BLIGH PARK ESTATE. P160/46/A

- 639 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Dunn seconded by Councillor Stevens that the information on the adoption of the Social Plan by the Department of Housing be received.

2. VACATION CARE EXCURSION POLICY. C43/12

- 640 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stevens seconded by Councillor Sheridan that Council write to the Minister of Youth and Community Services acknowledging the need and support for the Excursion Policy but expressing concern towards the staff to children ratios which will currently cancel the possibility of excursions from the Richmond Vacation Care Centre.

3. PROPOSED REZONING WINFORD MOTORS SITE, GEORGE STREET, WINDSOR: APPLICANT: JOHN NICHOLAS & PARTNERS PTY. LTD. L21/86

- 641 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stevens seconded by Councillor Sheridan that Council resolve to prepare a draft local environmental plan over Lot 1 DP 533450 and Lot 1 DP 528975 to alter the zone from Commercial 3(b) to Commercial 3(a) and that the Department of Environment and Planning be advised that, in Council's opinion, an environmental study is not required prior to preparation of the draft local environmental plan as the land area is not significant in terms of the overall commercial floor space of Windsor, and that the relocation of the existing motor dealership has been approved by Council and the subsequent redevelopment for a commercial 3(a) use has been previously promoted by Council.

4. REPLACEMENT RECTORY BUILDING - ST. JOHNS CHURCH OF ENGLAND, WILBERFORCE. DA 348/86

- 642 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Sheridan seconded by Councillor Stevens that the plan of Noel Bell, Ridley Smith and Partners, dated 21st November, 1986, under their plan reference 1172-5 be approved subject to the submission and approval by building application under Ordinance 70 of the Local Government Act.

5. PROPOSED USE OF SCHEYVILLE ARMY CAMP - WESTERN SYDNEY NEW DIRECTORS COOPERATIVE C51-59

- 643 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Dunn seconded by Councillor

Stevens that the proposal be deferred pending Council being supplied with a copy of the Organisation's constitution, its last balance sheet, and particulars of its current Executive and a report be brought forward.

6. PROPOSED SAND EXTRACTION - LOT 7 DP 979541 JOHNSTON STREET, PITT TOWN. OWNER: BONA VISTA CITRUS PTY. LTD. APPLICANT: R.A. COLE TOWN PLANNING PTY. LTD. ON BEHALF OF WHATLEY SANDS PTY. LTD. P160; E78.

- 644 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Horrex seconded by Councillor Rotherham that this matter be the subject of a full Council inspection.

7. RUM CORPS BARRACKS MOTEL - RICHMOND ROAD, WINDSOR. DA 183/85

- 645 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Denne seconded by Councillor Stanley that Council support the proposal of an alteration to the development by the addition of a further 13 units as a first stage, and 20 units as a subsequent stage, subject to formal considerations at the later development application stage, as is required.

The Shire President undertook to discuss with the RAAF Base the possible conflict with TACAN in respect to the development.

LIBRARY

REPORTS

1. L.E.R.N. (LOCAL EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES NETWORK). L125/4

- 646 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stevens seconded by Councillor Rotherham that the report on the Evaluation of L.E.R.N. be received.

2. LIBRARY HOURS SURVEY. L125

- 647 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Nicholson seconded by Councillor Stubbs that the information be received.

3. CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY PERIOD. L125

- 648 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Sheridan seconded by Councillor Stubbs that the library service be closed on Saturday 27th and Sunday 28th December.

4. TECHNICAL SERVICES EVALUATION. L125/11

- 649 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stanley seconded by Councillor Stubbs that the report on the evaluation of Technical Services be received.

5. DELEGATION TO HON. R.J. CARR ON 27.10.86 FROM THE LIBRARY
ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA, PUBLIC LIBRARIES SECTION (NSW GROUP).
L125

- 650 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Horrex seconded by Councillor Stubbs that the report on the delegation to the Minister be received and the case put by the delegation be supported through the local member. Further that the Public Libraries Section (NSW Group) be commended for their efforts.

SECTION B - LETTERS SUBMITTED FOR INFORMATION

- 651 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Horrex seconded by Councillor Sheridan that the letters in this section be received and appropriate replies forwarded where necessary.

1. HCF-CAREFLIGHT - REPORT. C45
2. W.S.R.O.C. - SYDNEY'S GREATER WEST INVESTMENT PROSPECTUS. W275
3. MICHAEL DUFFY, MP, MINISTER FOR COMMUNICATIONS - GUIDELINES ON BROADCASTING REIMBURSEMENT REVISED. C44-1
4. R.J. BURTON, TOWN CLERK & CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, CITY OF BENDIGO - FRINGE BENEFITS TAX. T215-4
5. BERNARD FISK, COMMISSIONER FOR MAIN ROADS - APPRECIATION. M130;A5
6. RICHMOND HIGH SCHOOL - APPRECIATION. S196/21
7. L.J. BRERETON, MP, MINISTER FOR PUBLIC WORKS, PORTS AND ROADS - FLOOD MITIGATION SCHEME. F84/2; G95/22
8. LOCAL GOVERNMENT & SHIRES ASSOCIATIONS OF N.S.W. - LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANT GRANTS. C44/2
9. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF N.S.W. - VANDALISM. C48/1; L128; N146/7
10. MINISTER FOR EDUCATION - GLOSSODIA P & C ASSOCIATION. S196/9
11. AUSTRALIAN NUCLEAR FREE ZONES SECRETARIAT - AFFILIATION FEE AND DONATION 1987/88. C50/11
12. WINDSOR PUBLIC SCHOOL - APPRECIATION. S196/25
13. RICHMOND LITERARY INSTITUTE - APPRECIATION. A5
14. HAWKESBURY DISTRICT NETBALL ASSOCIATION - APPRECIATION. C50/10/A
15. DEPARTMENT OF MAIN ROADS - TRAFFIC MATTERS. T225; 665-723; 665-2003
16. DEPARTMENT OF MAIN ROADS - SPEED LIMIT ON CROOKED LANE. T225; 665-322
17. DEPARTMENT OF MAIN ROADS - SPEED LIMIT, BATHURST STREET, PITT TOWN. A7/5; 665-237; 665-1513
18. DEPARTMENT OF MAIN ROADS - TRAFFIC MATTERS. 6225; 665-243
19. TRAFFIC AUTHORITY OF NEW SOUTH WALES - SPEED TRIALS. T225

- 652 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stevens seconded by Councillor Dunn that the Local Traffic Committee consider the question of 40km/h speed limits in certain precincts, particularly in residential areas.

20. COPY OF LETTER FROM PITT TOWN PROGRESS ASSOCIATION TO MR. J.E. AKISTER, MINISTER FOR CORRECTIVE SERVICES - LOW SECURITY PRISON. A7/5, P160/47
21. MACQUARIE TOWNS ARTS SOCIETY - APPRECIATION. C51/15
22. ALD. JOHN NEWNHAM, DEPUTY CHAIRMAN, THE PROSPECT COUNTY COUNCIL - APPRECIATION. E74
23. PENRITH COLLEGE OF TECHNICAL AND FURTHER EDUCATION -

APPRECIATION. S1/8P

- 24. HAWKESBURY INTERAGENCY - APPRECIATION. D64
- 25. HAWKESBURY DISTRICT AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION - LOAN. 3837-2W
- 26. DEPARTMENT OF ATTORNEY GENERAL - REPORT. C45
- 27. KEVIN ROZZOLI, MEMBER FOR HAWKESBURY - ACKNOWLEDGEMENT. C43/12
- 28. PENRITH CITY COUNCIL - FIRE AT DARUK TYRE DUMP. B27/2
- 29. MINISTER FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT - DEVELOPING THE TOURISM INDUSTRY.
- 30. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF N.S.W. - FRINGE BENEFITS TAX.
C44/2; T215/4

QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

Councillor Stubbs requested a progress report on the development of Stage I of the Technical College at South Windsor.

The Shire Planner advised that the development consent has almost expired and that he has not had any word from the Public Works Department who submitted the application since consent date, which is almost two years ago.

Councillor Stubbs asked if a report could be prepared on Council's success with its policy of providing cheap industrial land at South Windsor, the report to include the number of jobs provided and whether Council should look at extending the Scheme at a future date.

The Treasurer gave details of the sales to date and that a number of major developments were nearing completion, including Sky Manufacturing (which has been recently completed), Seiders Truck Repairs, Snow Confectionary and Memtec (which it is anticipated will be completed in March, 1987). He said it would not be possible at this stage to gauge the employment opportunities.

The Treasurer also advised that he had had negotiations this week with a buyer for Lots 15, 31 and 32 and if these negotiations are successful, Lot 28 will be the only remaining lot to be sold.

Councillor Stubbs stated that he had representations from St. Matthews Church regarding vandalism to the graveyard and asked if the possibility of rationalising the lighting in that area could be examined.

A report to be prepared.

Councillor Stubbs stated that some months ago he asked the Engineer to have a look at the possibility of reducing traffic difficulties at the intersection of Old Pitt Town Road and Eldon Street.

The Shire Engineer advised that the investigation has not been completed.

Councillor Stubbs stated that in regard to the Hospital he was informed to-day that there will be a reduction in emergency surgery from the 20th December to 9th February and that apart from urgent caesarian sections, the only surgery to be performed during that time will be between the hours of 8.00 a.m. and 5.00 p.m.

He stated he would like to raise as a matter of urgency, that Council write to the Minister for Health expressing concern regarding the

restriction being placed on surgery.

The Shire President stated that Council should record its concern over the matter.

Councillor Stanley stated that he noted during the last time in the evening that he attended the Council Chambers, that there are a number of lights not operating in the precincts around the Chambers and the Community Centre. He referred to the difficulty in locating the entrance to the Community Centre as there is virtually no lighting to distinguish where the entrance is.

Councillor Stevens asked if the Treasurer could give some indication of the profit or otherwise of the development of the industrial sites.

The Treasurer stated that presuming Council sells the four remaining lots which are valued at approximately \$400,000, the estimate would be \$1 million.

Councillor Sheridan asked if the Shire Engineer could look at the water reticulation lines at the base of the bubbler in Wilberforce Park as it is leaking very badly.

Councillor Sheridan asked if the Local Traffic Committee could again look at the road safety measures along Kurmond Road, Freemans Reach from The Terrace Road intersection through to Putty Road, in the interest of school children safety, particularly in the section of the road where the 100 kph speed limits are installed.

Councillor Sledge stated that she had received several calls on Sunday about excessive noise from boats on the river at Windsor and asked what could be done about it.

The Health Surveyor stated that the Noise Control Act in regard to boat activities, is administered by two authorities, the State Pollution Control Commission and the Maritime Services Board, and that the matter could be brought to the attention of the Maritime Services Board if details are available of any particular craft that would have been intrusive.

Councillor Horrex referred to the proposed road widening to be carried out by the Department of Main Roads at some future time at the intersection of Hermitage Road and stated that the owner of a few old buildings is concerned about the future of the buildings in as much as that they may be of some historical advantage. He stated that the owner is prepared, when the buildings are dismantled, to see an effective use being made of them.

Councillor Dunn referred to the amount of correspondence received regarding the proposed soccer ground on The Peninsula and asked if a report would be forthcoming on the development.

The Shire President stated that a report would be coming before the next Committee Meeting.

Councillor Denne asked if Council had received any further notification from the Premier's Department in reference to the property in Francis Street, Richmond.

The Treasurer advised that the acquisition and lease has been approved by the Premier's Department, forwarded to the Department of Education and is receiving approval there, and the State Crown Solicitor has been instructed to prepare an appropriate lease for Council to have possession prior to purchase.

Councillor Nicholson referred to Page 29 - Item I of the Engineer's Report regarding a curtailment of works on further traffic works/facilities and asked the Engineer to advise in detail what can be expected.

The Shire Engineer stated that under the Traffic Facilities Programme there are the improvement items as listed. Provision is made for funding of signposting and parking, etc. but no specific figures have been given. He understood that in respect to the major works such as traffic lights, roundabouts - these items have been placed on the priority list and are still there but the works to be carried out this year will be very low. In respect to the Blacktown area, he understands that only a few sets of traffic lights are included in this year's programme.

Councillor Nicholson stated that he presumed that the Traffic Management Plan for Richmond will be deferred.

The Shire Engineer stated that he did not think that this would necessarily be so, however in respect to major works such as the traffic lights - Bourke Street/Windsor Street intersection - it may be some time before they are installed.

QUESTIONS FROM THE GALLERY

The Shire President then invited questions from the gallery.

The meeting terminated at 10.22pm.

Submitted to and confirmed at the meeting of Council held on 10th February, 1987.

..... President

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Council of the Shire of Hawkesbury held at the Council Chambers, Windsor on Tuesday, 16th December, 1986 commencing at 12.00 noon.

PRESENT : Councillor G.G.Michael, Shire President, and Councillors F.Y.Denne, S.E.Durrington, J.J.Horrex, A.B.Sheridan, W.J.Sledge, C.J.Stanley and F.S.Stevens.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors P.A. Dunn, J.E.Nicholson, R.F.Rotherham and R.P.Stubbs. Councillor Dunn, the Shire Clerk, the Shire Engineer and the Treasurer were attending the funeral of ex-Alderman Alf Moxey.

The Shire Clerk, Shire Engineer and Treasurer arrived later on in the meeting.

- 653 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Stanley seconded by Councillor Horrex that the apologies be accepted.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. PUBLIC AUTHORITIES SUPERANNUATION BOARD - 1986/87 LOAN BORROWING PROGRAMME. B23/23.

- 654 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Sheridan seconded by Councillor Stanley that the loan offer be accepted and an application be made to the Minister for Local Government for approval to raise the loan and the Seal of Council be affixed to the application and mortgage documents.

2. CIRCULAR 86/52 - DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT - INTEREST ON OVERDUE RATES. C44/1, R186

- 655 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Horrex seconded by Councillor Denne that the report on amendments to Section 158(2)(a) of the Local Government Act be received.

RATES AND CHARGES 1987

- 656 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Horrex seconded by Councillor Sheridan that the Rates and Charges for 1987, as presented, be adopted.

The Shire Clerk, Shire Engineer and Treasurer arrived at this stage.

SHIRE CLERK/GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT.

LOTS 15, 31 AND 32, SOUTH WINDSOR INDUSTRIAL ESTATE. 802-15

- 657 RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Sheridan seconded by Councillor Denne that Council agree to the sale of Lots 15, 31 and 32, South Windsor Industrial Estate, to Mr.P.Lucas for \$275,000

subject to a \$5,500 90-day option for purchase with all necessary documents to be completed under Seal of Council.

The meeting terminated at 12.10 p.m.

Submitted to and confirmed at the meeting of Council held on Tuesday, 10th February, 1987.

.....Shire President.

Report of the Meeting of the General Purpose Committee held at the Council Chambers, Windsor, on 27th January, 1987, commencing at 9.30am.

PRESENT: Councillor G.G. Michael, President, and Councillors F.Y. Denne, P.A. Dunn, S.E. Durrington, J.J. Horrex, J.E. Nicholson, R.F. Rotherham, A.B. Sheridan, W.J. Sledge, C.J. Stanley, and F.S. Stevens.

An apology for absence was received from Councillor R.P. Stubbs and was accepted.

SECTION 1 - WORKS

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE WORKS COST Statement to 31st December, 1986, and the revised estimates of cost be adopted.

CORRESPONDENCE

ITEM 1: (File F84/13)

CORRESPONDENT: THE MARITIME SERVICES BOARD OF N.S.W.

SUBJECT: FACILITIES - BOAT MOORING - HAWKESBURY RIVER

Advising conditions for the erection of mooring poles in South Creek as follows:-

1. Poles to be only used to secure boats in times of flood.
2. Poles to be erected to a minimum height of 16.0 metres above M.H.W.S. to allow for expected flood rise of at least 15.0 metres.
3. Top 15.0 metres of poles to be stripped of bark, painted white and maintained in such good condition.
4. Mooring numbers when allocated, to be clearly displayed on respective poles and maintained in good condition.
5. Poles not to prejudice the interests of safe navigation in the area.
6. Upon your submission of completed plans detailing layout of mooring poles in South Creek, consideration will be given to Board's approval.

S.E. REPORT

Funding has not been provided by Council for such facility. Further it is considered appropriate charges could not be levied to provide a satisfactory return to Council. It would also be necessary for Council to establish a land base and connection to the road network to give access. It is considered that no further action should be taken.

Recommendation

That the information re providing Boat Mooring facilities as advised by The Maritime Services Board be received.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE RECOMMENDATION BE adopted.

ITEM 2: (File 625/8)

CORRESPONDENT: THE RETURNED SERVICES LEAGUE -
KURRAJONG COLO SUB BRANCH

SUBJECT: WAR MEMORIAL - KURRAJONG

Seeking permission to establish a War Memorial in Kurrajong War Memorial Park and upgrade the existing War Memorial in Wilberforce for the Bicentenary Celebrations.

S.E. REPORT

It is proposed that the R.S.L. Sub Branch be advised that subject to submission of detailed plans for Council concurrence, approval will be given to the project. Unfortunately, funding is not available from the grants through Council from the Bicentenary Authority.

Recommendation

That the Kurrajong Colo Sub Branch of the Returned Services League of Australia be advised to submit detailed plans of the work for approval and that no grants are available for the work through Council.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE RECOMMENDATION BE adopted.

ITEM 3: (File C51/25/A)

CORRESPONDENT: PETER ROBERTS

SUBJECT: BOAT RAMP ATTENDANT - GOVERNOR PHILLIP PARK

Requesting an extension of his contract for a further period of 12 months on the basis of a 5% increase due to increases in insurance charges and wages.

S.E. REPORT

Mr. Roberts has been an excellent contractor and will be undertaking the cleaning of the toilet block.

The 5% rise increases the contract to \$32,125 per annum.

Recommendation

That the boat ramp attendant contract between Peter Roberts and Hawkesbury Shire Council be extended to 31.12.87 at an annual rate of \$32,125.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE RECOMMENDATION BE adopted.

ITEM 4: (File S206)

CORRESPONDENT: STATE EMERGENCY SERVICES

SUBJECT: REVIEW OF APPOINTMENT OF STATE EMERGENCY SERVICES
LOCAL CONTROLLERS

Requesting Council to consider the services of Mr. Peter Minturn, as Local Controller, taking into consideration achievements, progress, development and activities of the Hawkesbury State Emergency Services, and to advise in writing, Council's desire for the next 12 months.

S.E. REPORT

The local State Emergency Service branch was extremely busy during 1986 under the leadership of Mr. Peter Minturn, and has already indicated that it will be continuing the regular training schedule this year.

Recommendation

That Council re-appoint Mr. Peter Minturn as Controller of the Hawkesbury State Emergency Service for 1987.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE RECOMMENDATION BE adopted.

ITEM 5: (File B27/7)

CORRESPONDENT: BUSHFIRE COUNCIL OF NSW

SUBJECT: BUSHFIRE FIGHTERS SAFETY AND SURVIVAL

Referring to the Coroner's findings arising from an inquiry into the deaths of three (3) fire fighters at a fire in Royal National Park on the 9th January, 1983, and as a result of those findings the preparation of a position paper on Safety and Survival for Bush Fire Fighters.

The Bushfire Council of NSW comments on Council's responsibility to ensure that bushfire brigades are adequately equipped and that members are properly trained and organised and seeks Council's adoption and early implementation of the position paper.

S.E. REPORT

Hawkesbury Shire Brigades have already examined the Coroner's findings and adopted a number of operational procedures in the interest of establishing safe working practices for fire crews. The suggestion offered by the Bushfire Council will support such procedures.

Recommendation

That the Position Paper on Safety and Survival prepared by the Bushfire Council of NSW be adopted and Council's Fire Control Officer be instructed to incorporate the suggestions made in the position paper into the operational procedures currently in use by Hawkesbury Shire Brigades.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE RECOMMENDATION BE adopted.

ITEM 6: (File E74-1)

CORRESPONDENT: THE PROSPECT COUNTY COUNCIL

SUBJECT: TRAFFIC ROUTE LIGHTING SUBSIDY SCHEME
WINDSOR STREET, RICHMOND
FROM BOSWORTH STREET TO EAST MARKET STREET

Advising that it has prepared a project for undergrounding the electricity supply in the above location, with the consequent relocation of the street lights from wood poles to steel columns. Attaching Plan No. B106396 showing the proposed alterations. Advising that the proposal will result in an increase of \$1,383.92 in the annual charge and a capital contribution will not be required.

S.E. REPORT

The proposal provides for the erection of 11 - 250 watt sodium high pressure lamps, replacement of 2 lamps with 2 - 250 watt sodium high pressure lamps, 1 - 400 watt and 1 - 300 watt floodlights at the pedestrian crossing to be installed in conjunction with the undergrounding of the supply cables.

Recommendation

That the installation be approved.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE RECOMMENDATION BE adopted.

ITEM 7: (File 625/203)

CORRESPONDENT: ROTARY CLUB OF WINDSOR

SUBJECT: HERITAGE WEEK FUN RUN 87

Advising that the above event is to be conducted at 10.00 a.m. Sunday, 12th April, 1987, and requesting use of both McQuade Park, Windsor and the following roads as route for that event:

Greenway Crescent, Cornwallis Road and Cupitts Lane

S.E. REPORT

Council has supported the Club in conduct of the above event in past years.

Recommendation

Approval be given to Rotary Club of Windsor for use of McQuade Park, Windsor and nominated roads to conduct its Heritage Week Fun Run 87 on 12 April, 1987, subject to the following conditions:

- (i) the Club obtaining Police Department approval to the proposed route;
- (ii) the area being left clean and tidy upon completion of the proposed event;
- (iii) no amplifying equipment, of any description, to be used during the course of the event;
- (iv) all directional signs being removed immediately upon completion of the proposed event;
- (v) the Club paying costs incurred by Council in provision/removal of additional rubbish receptacles;
- (vi) the Club effecting a Public Liability Policy in the amount of \$5,000,000 to cover personal accident/loss or damage to property and submitting a copy of that policy to Council.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE RECOMMENDATION BE adopted.

ITEM 8: (File R190/29)

CORRESPONDENT: PROSPECT COUNTY COUNCIL

SUBJECT: TREE CONTROL UNDER POWER LINES

Advising that the Prospect County Council has commenced a programme for control sucker growth on tree stumps left under power lines from the clearing operations being undertaken by direct injection of the herbicide Tordon 20.

Seeking Council approval to use of the material throughout the Shire.

Advising that the proposal has been fully investigated with trials undertaken with regard to safety and effectiveness.

Submitting copy of letter of approval to use the material in Blue Mountains City Council area.

S.E. REPORT

The proposal is an alternative to the use of the selective herbicide Grazon 20 for which Council granted approval at the August, 1986 meeting. The method of use by injection is safer than spray application, is selective in application and is not listed as hazardous under the regulations for Pesticides.

Recommendation

That the Prospect County Council be advised that approval is granted for use of the herbicide Tordon 20 for control of unwanted sucker growth from tree stumps under power lines throughout the Hawkebury Shire Council area.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE RECOMMENDATION BE adopted.

ITEM 9: (File S86/102)

CORRESPONDENT: R.K. CAMBRIDGE & CO.

SUBJECT: R.N. CURRAN - PT. LOT 2 DP 613586 WARKS HILL ROAD,
KURRAJONG HEIGHTS - SUBDIVISION STAGE 1 TO PROVIDE
8 RESIDENTIAL ALLOTMENTS AND A PUBLIC RESERVE

Subdivision approval was granted for the first stage of the development of the land on 4th December, 1986, subject to conditions as follows:-

1. Compliance with conditions of Development Consent No. 564/1986 dated 14th November, 1986 (Stage 1).
2. The submission of a linen plan of the proposed subdivision together with nine (9) exact copies, suitable for lodgement with the Registrar General.
3. Submission of a certificate from the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Board stating that the requirements relating to the plan of subdivision of Section 34B of the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1964, have been satisfied.
4. That the open space reserve be created as part of Stage 1 subdivision.
5. The creation of easements to drain water 1.2 wide.
 - (a) Burden residue (Future 13 and future road) benefit 6, 7 & 8
 - (b) Burden residue (Future 14) benefit 3.
6. That residue and Lots 1 and 2 may drain onto the open space reserve subject to protection works that may be requested by the Shire Engineer.
7. The construction of concrete edge strip at least 150mm x 150mm on the east side of Warks Hill Road for the full frontage of the subdivision.
8. The application of a minimum of 32mm of hot mix asphaltic concrete for the full width of Warks Hill Road for the full frontage of the subdivision.
9. The construction of dust free access to Lots 1-8 between concrete edge strip and frontage of all lots. These as a minimum are to consist of gravel pavement 150mm thick, bituminous seal and 32mm

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hot mix asphalt concrete.

- 10, The construction of dust free driveways for the full length of the hatchet accesses to Lots 3 and 6. These as a minimum are to provide a running surface 3m wide and have a pavement thickness of 150mm.
11. That provision be made for control of run off water from the accesses serving Lots 3 and 6 which may include direction of such water towards drainage easements created by Condition No. 5.
12. No construction is to be undertaken until a specification or job detail relevant to conditions 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 has been submitted to and approved by the Shire Engineer and all work shall be carried out to his requirements.

Representations have been received from the applicant in respect to the conditions of approval to:

- (a) Lodge a bond in respect to construction of the entrances;
- (b) Variation of the requirement for provision of a dust free access for the two battleaxe allotments;
- (c) Deletion of the requirements of a dust free surface on the other property entrances;
- (d) the construction of the concrete edge along the edge of the bitumen pavement.

S.E. REPORT

In response to these representations the applicant was advised by letter 10th December, 1986, to proceed with the submission of the engineering plans for the work required to allow for clear clarification of the matters.

Submission of this information was requested by 14th January, 1987, to allow for a detailed report to the General Purpose Committee.

At the date of writing this report the engineering plans have not been received. A further letter requesting that the matter be submitted to Council was received on 30th December, 1986, in response to Council's letter. A 34B Certificate issued by the Metropolitan Water Sewerage and Drainage Board was received on 24th December, 1986. Other Certificates are still to be received.

With regard to the matters raised it is considered that Council could accept a bond for the construction of the access both to the battleaxe allotments and the other lots and delete the requirement to seal the access to the existing house on the property.

Further in respect to the battleaxe allotments subject to good drainage provisions and selections of a suitable surface material, e.g. stonechip, brick pavers, crushed tile, so that the possibility of dust rising as vehicles move over the surface is eliminated on the basis that the construction of the battleaxe blends into the local environment is considered acceptable. Sealing from the carriageway to the property line only would be required and further economy is available if access is provided by reciprocal right of ways over the battleaxe entries.

As previously advised to Council it is considered that construction of the

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concrete edging will fit very well into the garden/bushland environment of the area and provide protection to the road pavement.

The final determination on any engineering constraints and the amount of bond to be lodged can only be determined after finalisation of the engineering plans.

Recommendation

That the applicant R.K. Cambridge and Co., in respect to his submissions be advised that:-

1. Council is prepared to accept the provision of a suitable finish for the battleaxe allotments other than bitumen or concrete subject to samples of material to be used being submitted and approved prior to commencement of construction.
2. Lodgement of a bond is acceptable in respect to construction of the battleaxes and property entrances subject to:-
 - (a) the amount of the bond to be approved by Council with the sum determined upon approval of the engineering plans.
 - (b) the applicant to be responsible for Council's legal fees and payment of the bond fee which in view of the minor nature of the works be fixed at \$200.
 - (c) the work bonded to be completed within six months.
3. That Council adheres to the requirement for provision of a dust free surface to the allotments with the exception of that to the existing house.
4. That Council adheres to requirements 7 and 8 of subdivisional approval as issued on 4th December, 1986, for upgrading of the carriageway Warks Hill Road fronting the land.

Mr.R.K.Cambridge addressed the meeting.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE RECOMMENDATION BE adopted.

SECTION B - LETTERS SUBMITTED FOR INFORMATION

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the letters in this section be received and appropriate replies forwarded where necessary.

B1. DEPARTMENT OF MAIN ROADS, NSW - MAIN ROAD NO. 503 - PUTTY ROAD.
TEMPORARY 60KM/H SPEED LIMIT. M130/1

Forwarding a copy of Direction to Restrict No. 91/55, for provision of a temporary 60km/h restriction for roadworks between 71.4km and 73.6km north of Windsor.

B2. DEPARTMENT OF MAIN ROADS, NSW - EXTENSION OF 60KM/H SPEED ZONE
THROUGH KURRAJONG HEIGHTS. T225

Referring to Council's letter requesting the extension of the 60km/h speed limit on Bells Line of Road in a westerly direction to include the various side roads.

Advising Council that roadside development and traffic conditions are compatible with the Department's criteria for the existing 80km/h speed limit.

B3. PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - WASTEWATER OPERATOR TRAINING COURSE
NO.51. S205/27

Advising Council that its candidate, Mr. A.B. Dayman was successful at the above course held at Nowra in September, 1986, and enclosing the certificate of competence awarded.

B4. DRAG BOAT RACERS OF AUSTRALIA LTD - NATIONAL POINT SCORE SERIES -
ROUND THREE. 625-205

Forwarding a cheque for \$368.80 being 40% of nett gate receipts collected at Windsor Marine Stadium in regard to the Drag Boat Racers of Australia National Point Score Series held on Sunday, 19th October, 1986.

B5. DEPARTMENT OF MAIN ROADS, NSW - SPEED LIMITS IN THE OAKVILLE/
MARAYLYA AREA. T225

Advising Council that an inspection of the area indicates the majority of roads have an 80km/h speed limit imposed. The remainder are considered to be predominantly undeveloped and, therefore, a reduction in the speed limit cannot be justified.

B6. PROSPECT COUNTY COUNCIL - LIGHTING CHARGES FOR 1987. E74-1

Forwarding a copy of Council's Schedule of Lighting Charges for the year 1987 as approved by the Council on 27th November, 1986.

Advising Council that the increase in cost is an overall 7.3% which is at a level of 1.5% below the Consumer Price Index.

(S.E. - As this increase is above the 7% rate increase provision for new lights and upgrading of existing lights will be further restricted. A check on the standard charge for Capital Contribution indicates an increase of about 7.6% for a number of installations with an 11.76% increase in the case of the 40w fluorescent pole mounted light as exists in the older established residential areas.

B7. CAROLE BURRELL - RICHMOND CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT. 625-202

Thanking Council for its donation, and provision of staging and garbage services at the Carols by Candlelight held in Richmond Park, and advising that the next Carols in Richmond will be held on Sunday, 13th December, 1987.

B8. PREMIER'S DEPARTMENT - FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE. F84/13

Referring to an application by Hawkesbury Shire Council for Government financial assistance to repair roads, parks, gardens, etc., which were damaged as a result of storms and flooding last August, and requesting the Departments concerned that consideration of Council's applications be expedited.

(S.E. - The reply is in response to representations prior to Christmas in an effort to have Council application for funds determined to allow for repairs to proceed.)

B9. PENRITH CITY COUNCIL - THE DRIFTWAY, LONDONDERRY. 665-2018

Referring to various meetings between Council and Penrith City Council in connection with problems associated with The Driftway.

Advising that as agreed, Penrith City Council carried out some traffic investigations on 18 August, 1986, between the hours of 8.30am to 10.30am and the results are summarised as follows:-

1. Highest traffic volumes were 31 vehicles per hour, west of Londonderry Road.
2. Only 5% of the trips run the full length of The Driftway while 70% of the trips were local, remaining in the vicinity of the entry/exit point.
3. Truck volumes were not significant, being six in a two hour period. Of these, three were through trips.

(S.E. - Penrith City Council has been requested to extend the traffic count to include weekend traffic.

Representations are being received by Council for maintenance attention to the road and work is undertaken with regard to priority for work and utilisation of Council's resources.)

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT LETTERS NOS. B1 to B8 be received and appropriate replies forwarded where necessary.

IN RESPECT TO LETTER NO. B9 Council make an approach through the Local Member concerned for Government assistance for roadworks on The Driftway.

SHIRE ENGINEER'S REPORT

ITEM 1: (File P160/30)

SUBJECT: CLEARING OF LAND - LOT 12 DP 716742,
LOT 6 DP 263213 OFF BELLS LINE OF ROAD,
NORTH RICHMOND - C. O'DEA

A number of enquiries have been made to Council concerning the removal of trees from the subject land.

Application under the provisions of the Tree Preservation Order had been submitted to Council to provide for clearing of the land to provide for grazing and pasture improvement.

Approval was granted subject to retention of growth along the banks of Redbank Creek and selected trees as determined by Council in conjunction with the applicant. The development provides for construction of three dams with all timber to be removed from these locations.

Follow-up inspections have been made and all work has been undertaken as per approval.

Recommendation

That the information concerning the approval granted under the Tree Preservation Order allowing selected clearing of Lot 12 DP 716742 and Lot 6 DP 263213 (owner: C. O'Dea) for the purpose of improvement of the land for grazing of animals be received.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE RECOMMENDATION BE adopted.

ITEM 2: (File E74/1)

SUBJECT: IMPROVED STREET LIGHTING - WHEELBARROW RIDGE ROAD,
LOWER PORTLAND

The proposal is for installation of a light outside the school to provide illumination on those occasions that the school is used for night meetings.

Preliminary works have been undertaken in respect to reconstruction of this section of Wheelbarrow Ridge Road to provide for a bitumen seal up past the school. The work involves heavy earthworks, drainage and erection of the light should not be undertaken until this work is finished.

Recommendation

That consideration to the erection of the light Wheelbarrow Ridge Road be deferred until the roadworks are completed.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT CONSIDERATION of the erection of the proposed light on Wheelbarrow Ridge Road be deferred until the roadworks are completed and that the Department of Education be asked to consider provision of a parafood or similar in the interim.

ITEM 3: (File E74/1)

SUBJECT: IMPROVED STREET LIGHTING - ST. MATTHEWS
ANGLICAN CHURCH, MOSES STREET, WINDSOR

A report has been requested by Councillor Stubbs with regard to improvement to the street lighting in front of the Church following a report on vandalism to the graves in the churchyard.

Representations have also been made by the Church authorities for additional lighting at the intersection of Moses Street and Greenway Crescent, adjacent to the Parish Hall.

Lights have been provided on all the power poles along Moses Street in front of the Church and at the intersection of Greenway Crescent. Lighting has also recently been provided through McQuade Park providing lighting in the area more than comparable with most areas. Upgrading could be achieved by increasing the intensity of the lights.

In respect to the provision for new lights within this year's vote, there is a high priority for lights through the South Windsor Industrial Area where none are currently provided. Further lighting charges have been slightly increased above the % rate increase such that at this stage it is considered that this request should again be deferred.

As the effectiveness of the lighting along Moses Street is curtailed by the street trees, installation of internal floodlights would provide a better result for illumination of the graveyard.

Recommendation

1. That the St. Matthew's Anglican Church be advised that Council's priorities do not allow for upgrading of the street lighting past the Church in 1987.
2. That Prospect County Council be requested to submit a Street Lighting Scheme for the unlit section of the South Windsor Industrial Area for Council's consideration.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE RECOMMENDATION BE adopted.

ITEM 4: (File R190/3)

SUBJECT: ROAD RESEAL PROGRAMME 1987

Following an assessment of the surface condition of sealed roads

through out the area the following programme of works is submitted for consideration.

Resealing on main roads is undertaken under the maintenance programme. This programme is to be undertaken in February together with the resealing of the following sections of Grose Vale Road as the maintenance item in the '86/87 Local Roads Programme chainage 0.0 - 0.95km 3.55 - 4.22km measured from Bells Line of Road.

The works proposed are funded from the Vote for Road Maintenance - Sealed Surfaces and is estimated to cost in total \$110,000 leaving an amount of \$475,000 for other maintenance activities.

As has been previously reported to Council pavement resealing is an economic method of extending the pavement life and that with the extensive length of roads in this Shire there is an urgent need for attention to many roads.

ROAD RESEAL PROGRAMME 1987

Region	Road	Location	Cost
Bilpin	Mountain Lagoon Road	Bells Line of Road for 2km	17,600
Kurmond	Longleat Lane	Full Length	13,000
Wilberforce	Kurmond Road	Singleton Road Southwards for 1 km	8,800
Kurrajong	Grose Vale Road	West from Old Bells Line for 250m	3,600
	Old Bells Line of Road	East from Grose Vale for 250m	3,600
Tennyson	Derrig Road	Full Length	3,318
Oakville	Old Stock Route Road	Schofield Road to Glebe Road	7,550
	Stahls Road	Glenidol to Menin Roads	11,800
Blaxlands Ridge	Comleroy Road	North from MR 519 for 2.25km	19,827
East Kurrajong	East Kurrajong Road Section 2	Beela Place to West Portland Road	10,235
Grose Vale	Cabbage Tree Road	Grose Vale Road End for 590m	5,192
Windsor	George Street	Drummond Street to Macquarie Street	5,478
Total:			<u>\$110,000</u>

Recommendation

That the programme of roads to be resealed be approved.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE RECOMMENDATION BE adopted.

ITEM 5: (File A7/18, G93)

SUBJECT: NAMING OF CREEKS IN GROSE WOLD AREA

A proposal for the naming of 12 creeks and two locations in the Grose Wold Area by the Grose Wold Progress Association has been referred to Council by the Geographical Names Board for consideration.

The Hawkesbury Historical Society supports the proposed names on historical grounds.

The proposed names and brief background are as follows:-

1. Tragedy Creek - A female cousin of the Stinson family age 17, burnt to death taking refreshments to bush fire fighters in January, 1910.
2. Scotts Creek - Hugh Scott farmed 200 acres in the region of this creek, which enters the Grose River at the location of his old plum orchard.
3. Straight Creek - A short creek running in a straight line. Most unusual occurrence for a creek.
4. Nutmans Creek - Flows through Nutman's property. Nutman's have lived in the district since 1900. John Hallet Nutman was a sea captain on the "Windjarames" and believed to have served on the "Cutty Sark".
5. Stinsons Creek - Land at headwaters of this creek originally granted to Rowland Stinson.
6. Stony Crossing - The name locally used prior to construction of a culvert under the road.
7. Trooper Creek - Trooper Jo Lavira shot Armstrong, the bushranger. See also Bushranger Creek.
8. Bushranger Creek - Bushranger Armstrong operated in the area and used a cave along this creek.
9. Wianamatta Creek - A local aboriginal tribe, known to be violent at times and said to have killed a woman at Grose Vale.
10. Steading Creek - Passes through "The Steading", originally part of Belmont Estate owned by Phillip Charley.
11. Morgans Creek - Runs through land farmed by Morgan from 1929 to 1965. Members of the Morgan family still reside in the district.
12. School Creek - Runs through the rear of the site of Grose Wold Public School.

13. Phillip Charley Creek - Runs through part of "Belmont", formerly owned by Phillip Charley, one of the founders of Broken Hill Propriety.
14. Ashtons Falls - A former natural rock weir across the Grose River. Partly removed during a drought in 1942 to allow improved water flow and washed out in flood later that year.

The Progress Association submits that adoption of the names will preserve some of the history of an area which is undergoing a period of rapid change.

It could be anticipated that Council will be requested to erect appropriate signs in due course.

Recommendation

The Geographical Names Board be advised that no objection is raised to the names proposed by Grose Wold Progress Association.

A map will be displayed at the meeting.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE GEOGRAPHICAL NAMES BOARD be advised that no objection is raised to the names proposed by Grose Wold Progress Association, subject to No. 12 being named "Duffy Creek" in lieu of "School Creek" as suggested.

ITEM 6: (File R190/29)

SUBJECT: TREE INSPECTION REPORT - WINDSOR STREET, RICHMOND,
BELLS LINE OF ROAD, KURRAJONG HEIGHTS

Item A - Windsor Street, Richmond, North Side Bourke - Pitt Streets
Consultants Reports - Consultant Judith Fakes

Species of tree, *Platanus x hybrida* (London plane), approximate age 100 years, two trees.

These trees form part of one of the most memorable avenues of trees in the County of Cumberland and make a significant contribution to the setting and approach to Richmond.

Both trees have suffered significant root damage caused by the advent of kerb and gutter and previously continued grading by the Department of Main Roads. Damage, which is apparent, has occurred over a period of some years and would be associated with road widening, paving of the footpath and drought. The trees have also been heavily pruned in previous years to allow for electrical line erection.

Tree No. 1 - The sawn section of root on this tree is approximately 550mm in diameter, while most of the trees in this avenue have been treated in a similar fashion, all trees are individuals and are affected and react differently. Some are more tolerant than others. This tree is mostly dead with a few epicormic shoots on some of the branches and shows no

indication of growth improvement.

Tree No. 2 - While this tree has also suffered some root damage the crown appears to be in a reasonably healthy condition. This tree has also suffered recent heavy mechanical damage resulting in the loss of a large mature limb and portion of the main trunk, an old injury adjacent to the new wound is also showing signs of fungal disease indicating decay.

Complete removal of both trees is recommended, stumps to be ground out to a depth of 150mm below kerb level. Replace with super advanced or semi-mature species of a similar kind.

Tree No. 1 - Would not benefit from any other treatment such as heavy lopping to rejuvenate the crown. Such action would produce weak secondary growth weakly attached shoots with large stub wounds prone to decay.

Tree No. 2 - Due to the extent of the wound and the susceptibility to decay plus the one sided look of the tree it should also be removed. This tree could however be trimmed to half height in an effort to retain and rejuvenate further side growth from the damaged area.

Because of the location of the trees at one end of the avenue and the absence of trees across the road, the visual impact of their removal would not be as great as had they been further down the road.

Trees of similar size should be planted across the road to continue the avenue, this has been done on a regular basis over a number of years but unfortunately several of the residents do not find Council's tree planting policy attractive and subsequently the trees die very quickly. Planting of the new trees should follow removal or lopping as quickly as possible from a public relations point of view.

Shire Engineer

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| 1. Cost of removal | Tree No. 1 \$890.00 | |
| | Tree No. 2 \$680.00 | |
| 2. Cost of replanting four trees allowing for the southern side of the street | \$900.00 | Super Advanced Species |
| 3. Cost of lopping second tree only | \$350.00 | |

Item B - Bells Line of Road, Kurrajong Heights Consultants Report

Species of tree, *Pinus radiata*. Approximate age 90 years, two trees. These trees are situated on Council land adjoining the western boundary of St Davids Uniting Church corner of Douglas Street and Bells Line of Road, Kurrajong Heights. The trees are at approximately 4m centres from each other and are 1m from the boundary fence adjoining Bells Line of Road, they are growing in a gravel clay mix which is heavily compacted around both trees. Tree No. 1 is particularly compacted. Both trees would be considered "Landmark" trees as they are situated 50m from a bend in the main road and are visible to motorists travelling west for a considerable distance.

Tree No. 1 - This tree has only 12-15% of the crown cover, the rest is dead wood, the trunk diameter at chest height is approximately 900mm.

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This tree is over mature and under stress due to soil compaction and root damage no rejuvenation is possible.

As the tree is located on a busy road, is very close to power lines and to a historic church and is mostly dead, this tree should be removed.

However, because of its close proximity to tree No. 2, and the possibility of a shared root system the tree should be cut off at ground level, retaining the stump portion below ground level at this stage.

Tree No. 2 - This tree has a diameter of approximately 1100mm, is in reasonable good condition with less than 10% dead wood in the crown. Its root conditions are more favourable than tree No. 1 in that the soil is grassed and less compacted and exposed. However this tree is of an age compatible with No.1 and is in decline.

While the remaining branches on the tree appear healthy two branches may cause concern because of their position.

1. Growing over main road
2. Growing over church

These two branches are considered hazardous because of their positions. They should be removed back to the branch collar. As this tree is in a prominent position on the main road all other dead wood and problem branches should be removed as a safety precaution.

Shire Engineer

Cost of removal tree No. 1 and	
Removal dead and hazardous branches tree No. 2	\$1,000.00

Recommendation

Item A - Trees Windsor Street, Richmond

Removal of tree no. 1 with heavy pruning of tree no. 2 at an estimated cost of \$1,490 with replacement of one tree.

Item B - Trees Bells Line of Road, Kurrajong Heights

Removal of tree no. 1 with lopping of tree no. 2 at an estimated cost of \$1000.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

ITEM A - TREES Windsor Street, Richmond

Removal of tree no. 1 with heavy pruning of tree no. 2 at an estimated cost of \$1,490 with replacement of one tree with a super advanced species.

Item B - Trees Bells Line of Road, Kurrajong Heights

Removal of tree no. 1 with lopping of tree no. 2 at an estimated cost of \$1000.

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ITEM 7: (File R190-13-31)

SUBJECT: PUP ROAD, BILPIN - PROPOSED DEVIATION.
OWNER: A.J. & D.V. BREMNER

Pup Road passes between Lots 1 and 2 DP730088, both of which are owned by Mr and Mrs Bremner. This section of Pup Road is unformed and in part passes along a ridge which comprises the best location from a building and agricultural aspect.

The proposal is to deviate the road reserve off the ridge, rejoining the original road prior to leaving the Bremner's property and move the lot boundary correspondingly.

The road only provides access to one adjoining property and Wollemi National Park and is largely unused. It is not envisaged that future development would significantly alter the usage.

Subject to construction of a satisfactory road on the deviation, closure and consolidation of the redundant road and adjustment boundaries so that no additional lots are created, no objection is seen to the proposal.

A sketch will be displayed at the meeting.

Recommendation

- a) That no objection be raised to the deviation of part of an unformed section of Pup Road through DP730088 subject to:
 1. the deviation being constructed at no cost to Council to an alignment and standard to the satisfaction of the Shire Engineer;
 2. the completion of a satisfactory agreement that the redundant part of the road will be consolidated with adjoining lands so that no additional lots will be created as a result of the road deviation;
 3. the submission of a Development Application and Subdivision Application and satisfaction of all the requirements thereof in order to achieve the object of the preceding condition 2.;
 4. the payment of all costs and fees involved in the preparation and completion of the Deed of Agreement, Development Application, Subdivision Application, Road Opening and Closure Application and issue of the subsequent titles.
 5. the Seal of Council be affixed to the relevant papers.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE RECOMMENDATION BE adopted.

ITEM 8: (File R190-13-29)

SUBJECT: ROAD CLOSURE AND PURCHASE APPLICATION BY R.
SCHOULAL, AT GROSE VALE

Application has been received for the closure and purchase of an

unnecessary Crown Road at the rear of the applicant's property, Lot 4 in DP247476, Carters Road, Grose Vale.

The application has been advertised and no objections received at the time of writing.

The road is a non-public Crown Road and Council is not, therefore, entitled to compensation for its closure.

No objection is seen to the application subject to consolidation with the adjoining land. A sketch will be displayed at the Meeting.

Recommendation

1. That subject to the applicant completing a Deed of Agreement to consolidate the road, when closed, with the adjoining land into one title at no cost to Council, no objection be raised to the closing of the non-public road adjacent to the rear of Lot 4 DP247476 having in mind, in particular, present and future requirements of the public, including general public recreation needs, the environment generally and access by fishermen to actual or potential fishing grounds.
2. The Common Seal of Council be affixed to the relevant documents.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE RECOMMENDATION BE adopted.

ITEM 9: (File M130/22)

SUBJECT: MACQUARIE STREET (MR NO. 154), SOUTH WINDSOR -
LANE CLOSURE

In the section of Macquarie Street between James Street and Drummond Street there are 4 lane intersections, all within 100 metres of an alternative street junction.

Three of the lane intersections have vehicular crossing provisions in the kerbing and guttering. The fourth intersection has no provision for traffic, which has resulted in vehicles proceeding to a private crossing nearby, causing damage to the footpath and adjacent property entrance.

In view of the close proximity of alternative access points to Macquarie Street and the desirability of minimising intersections with a main road, it is considered that action to close these lane intersections to vehicular traffic should be undertaken. A plan will be displayed at the meeting.

Recommendation

That action be commenced for the closure to vehicular traffic of the lanes intersecting with Macquarie Street, South Windsor, between James and Drummond Streets and that the matter be referred to the Local Traffic Committee.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE RECOMMENDATION BE adopted.

ITEM 10: (File B27/18)

SUBJECT: ROBERTS CREEK FIRE TRAIL

With respect to the construction of the fire trail through the property of M.J. & W.J. Guy, Portion 9, Parish of Meehan, East Kurrajong Road, the owners have requested that Council enter into a legal agreement regarding provision of access and construction of the trail for the passage of fire fighting vehicles.

Recommendation

That the Council complete the agreement under seal to provide for access for fire fighting purposes through the property of M.J. & R.W. Guy, Portion 9, Parish of Meehan.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE RECOMMENDATION BE adopted.

Report of the Local Traffic Committee Meeting held on Friday,
16 January, 1987 at 10.00 am

PRESENT Clr. J. Nicholson
 Sgt. R. Pakes - NSW Police
 Mr. P. McManus - Dept. of Main Roads
 Mr. J.R. Gilmore
 Mr. G. Ponton

APOLOGIES: Mr. G. Smith - Dept. of Main Roads

DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

ITEM 1: (File DA 580/86)

APPLICANT: K. WILLOUGHBY

LAND & LOCATION: LOT 2 DP 719658 GEORGE STREET, SOUTH WINDSOR
 WESTERN SIDE JUST SOUTH OF COLONIAL DRIVE, BLIGH
 PARK

SUBJECT: DEVELOPMENT OF A NURSERY AND LANDSCAPING SUPPLIES
 WITH PARKING FOR 41 VEHICLES

The N.S.W. Police object in principle to the development because of the access to the main road, resultant traffic movement and its proximity to Colonial Drive which will increase the volume of traffic at that location.

However, should approval be given, suggest that the two parking spaces directly in front of the office and entry to the Nursery Hardware area should be deleted to assist pedestrian movement.

The Department of Main Roads advised as follows :-

The Department has no objection to the proposed amendment of the Local Environmental Plan, however, should the development proceed, the following conditions should apply :-

1. Provision for a minimum of 87 sealed and marked carparking spaces of minimum 5.4 x 2.5m dimensions ie. 4.4 spaces/100m² G.F.A.
2. The driveway directions should be reversed so that ingress is by the southern driveway and egress by the northern driveway. Driveways should be a minimum of 6.0m width with a 1.0m splay and 20.9m turnout radius at the kerblines. A minimum 1.0m should separate the driveways.
3. The road shoulders on both sides of George Street should be sealed for the frontage of the development to facilitate passing movements of through vehicles. Design and construction shall be at no cost to the Department and detailed plans of the work should be submitted and approved by this office prior to commencement.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

That the comments from the N.S.W. Police and the Dept. of Main Roads be submitted to Council for consideration.

CORRESPONDENCE

ITEM 1: (File C51/10, 665-2338)

CORRESPONDENT: HAWKESBURY HOSPITAL

SUBJECT: DISABLED PARKING - RICHMOND NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE

Requesting provision of a parking space designated "Parking for Disabled" outside the Richmond Neighbourhood Centre, West Market Street, Richmond.

There is a No Parking zone provided for the picking up and setting down of persons and/or goods which is considered satisfactory for this purpose by the Committee.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

That the correspondent be advised of the provision of the No Parking zone and the action that they can take under the Traffic Regulations for the setting down of persons within the zone.

ITEM 2: (File 665-1343)

CORRESPONDENT: HAWKESBURY DISTRICT SENIOR CITIZENS CENTRE

SUBJECT: CAR PARK ACCESS

Requesting provision of a "No Parking" zone either side of the access to the car park for the Health Centre and Senior Citizens Centre off March Street, Richmond.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

That No Standing zones be provided on either side of the driveway for a distance of 6 metres.

ITEM 3: (File 665-2343)

CORRESPONDENT: HERITAGE COTTAGE - 126 WINDSOR STREET, RICHMOND

SUBJECT: PARKING RESTRICTIONS

Requesting provision of one hour parking restrictions in the vicinity of Heritage Cottage.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

That one hour parking zone provided on the southern side of Windsor Street, Richmond between East Market Street and Paget Street be extended to Paget Street.

ITEM 4: (File T225)

CORRESPONDENT: TRAFFIC AUTHORITY OF NSW

SUBJECT: PROPOSED GUIDELINES FOR 40KM/HOUR SPEED LIMIT
PRECINCTS.

Following report to Council it was requested that the Local Traffic Committee consider the question of 40km/hour speed limits in certain precincts, particularly in residential areas.

The Committee considered that the introduction of a 40km/hour speed limit should be integrated within a local area Traffic Management Scheme to provide acceptable results.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

The information be received.

ITEM 5: (File 665-2312)

CORRESPONDENT: HAWKESBURY SHIRE COUNCIL

SUBJECT: KURMOND ROAD/TERRACE ROAD/SINGLETON ROAD

Requesting review of speed limit, particularly for the section of the road where there is a 100 km/hour limit and the road is used by school children.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

That the matter be referred to the Dept. of Main Roads for their consideration.

ITEM 6: (File R190)

CORRESPONDENT: DEPT. OF MAIN ROADS

SUBJECT: CAREFLIGHT FUN RUN - SPRINGWOOD ROAD

Refers to the Western Challenge Hill Climb on Sunday, 12 April, 1987 seeking closure of the Hawkesbury Road (Main Road No. 570) for the purpose of holding a 12.8 km foot race.

The road traverses the area of both Hawkesbury Shire Council and Blue Mountains City Council along the main road between Agnes Banks and Springwood.

The closure of the road is not supported by the Committee and the Police Authorities indicated that they would not agree to same. It was considered that the Organisers should seek an alternative site where traffic problems are not as difficult.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

That the information be received.

The meeting closed at 10.45 am.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE REPORT BE received and the recommendations adopted.

HAWKESBURY SHIRE COUNCIL

STANDARD CONDITIONS - DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION

1. Submission of a Building Application, plans and specifications complying with Ordinance 70.
2. Parking to be provided for ... vehicles in accordance with the regulations of Council's Code for Off Street Parking. Parking spaces and aisle widths to conform to Council's specifications for the Layout of Parking Areas and to be constructed, drained, sealed and marked to the requirements of Council's Engineer, full details of which are to accompany the building application.
3. An onsite area for parking and loading is to be provided that is commensurate with the development of the site and its surroundings, to the satisfaction of the Shire Planner, and is to be of a suitable all-weather construction to the satisfaction of Council's Engineer.
4. Parking to be provided at the rate of covered and visitor's spaces in accordance with the regulations of Council's Code for Off Street Parking. Parking spaces and aisle widths to conform to Council's specifications for the Layout of Parking Areas and to be constructed, drained, sealed and marked to the requirements of Council's Engineer, full details of which are to accompany the building application.
5. The payment of an amount of \$.... being a contribution in lieu of car parking not provided on site based on \$.... per space.
6. The payment of an amount of \$.... being contribution toward the parking spaces deleted by the development based on \$.... per space.
7. An approved physical barrier being provided between public places, vehicle accessways, parking areas and the surrounding landscaped area.
8. Provision of adequate loading and unloading facilities to cater for the proposed use of the land.
9. Provision of satisfactory vehicular access to the land to the requirements of the Council's Engineer.
10. Provision of full width concrete vehicular entrance(s) to the satisfaction of Council's Engineer.
11. Provision of full width concrete footpath over the full frontage of the development.
12. Provision of half width concrete footpath over the full frontage of the development.
13. Formation of an earth and grassed nature strip for the full frontage of the development to the satisfaction of the Shire Engineer.
14. The provision of concrete kerb and gutter over the full frontage of the development to the satisfaction of the Shire Engineer.
15. Construction of the road shoulder for the full frontage of the development to the satisfaction of the Shire Engineer.
16. Construction of half the road for the full frontage of the development to the satisfaction of the Shire Engineer.
17. No advertising structures to be erected, displayed or affixed on any building or land.
18. No advertising structures to be erected, displayed or affixed on any building or land without the prior approval of Council under Ordinance 55 of the Local Government Act.
19. No goods or signs to be displayed on the footpaths, pedestrianways, roadways, landscaped areas, parking areas or in the vicinity.

20. No materials, goods or vehicles to be stored or vehicles parked between the building and the street alignment.
21. All waste materials to be stored and disposed of at regular intervals to the satisfaction of the Shire Health Surveyor.
22. Provision of a garbage receptacle storage area adjacent to the street alignment to the satisfaction of the Shire Health Surveyor.
23. All raw materials, finished goods and vehicles awaiting service and/or repairs to be stored within the building and all work performed to be confined to within the building.
24. Screen walls are to be provided to screen open yard activities and are to be of an approved design, details of which are to be submitted with the Building Application.
25. A detailed plan of landscaping to be submitted and approved by Council prior to the approval of the Building Application, with landscaping to be completed prior to occupation of the building.
26. Exterior surfaces of the proposed structure being painted or treated with a dark toned non-reflective material in such a manner as to cause the structure to blend with the landscape of the site and its surroundings. Such painting or treatment to be completed to the satisfaction of Council's Health Surveyor prior to occupation or use of the building.
27. Provision of a clothes drying area which is to be effectively screened from public roads and reserves, details of screen design and materials to be submitted with the Building Application.
28. Provision of toilets in accordance with the requirements of Ordinance 44 of the Local Government Act.
29. Any building to be used for the purpose of storage and sale of food shall be constructed in accordance with the requirements of the Pure Food Act and Regulations.
30. The applicant is to receive the approval from the Trade Waste Inspector, of the Metropolitan Water Sewerage and Drainage Board, in order to determine whether or not the installation of a grease arrestor is necessary for the proposal.
31. The registered owner of the land is to reside in one of the proposed dual occupancy dwellings.
32. The development shall, at all times, conform with the following definition of "Home Industry" as defined in the Hawkesbury Local Environmental Plan 1984:-

"home industry" means an industry carried on in a building (other than a dwelling-house or a dwelling in a residential flat building) under the following circumstances:

- (a) the building does not occupy a floor space exceeding 50 square metres and is erected within the curtilage of the dwelling-house or residential flat building occupied by the person carrying on the industry or on adjoining land owned by that person; and
- (b) the industry does not -
 - (i) interfere with the amenity of the locality by reason of the emission of noise, vibration, smell, fumes, smoke, vapour, steam, soot, ash, dust, waste water, waste products or grit, oil or otherwise;
 - (ii) involve exposure to view from any adjacent premises or from any public place of any unsightly matter; or
 - (iii) require the provision of any essential service main of a greater capacity than that available in the locality;

33. The development shall, at all times, conform with the following definition of "Home Occupation" as defined in the Hawkesbury Local Environmental Plan 1984.

"home occupation" means an occupation carried on in a dwelling-house or in a dwelling in a residential flat building by the permanent residents of the dwelling-house or dwelling which does not involve-

- (a) the registration of the building under the Factories, Shops and Industries Act, 1962;
 - (b) the employment of persons other than those residents;
 - (c) interference with the amenity of the neighbourhood by reason of the emission of noise, vibration, smell, fumes, smoke, vapour, steam, soot, ash, dust, waste water, waste products or grit, oil or otherwise;
 - (d) the display of goods, whether in a window or otherwise; or
 - (e) the exhibition of any notice, advertisement or sign (other than a notice, advertisement or sign exhibited on that dwelling-house or dwelling to indicate the name and occupation of the resident);
34. The development being conducted in such a manner so as not to interfere with the amenity of the neighbourhood, in respect of noise, vibration, smell, dust, waste water, waste products or otherwise.
35. Development consent being obtained for the use of the building/each factory unit/each shop prior to occupation taking place.
36. A contribution of \$* based on \$572.00 per additional dwelling being contribution for community facilities as a consequence of residential flat development (both Class A & Class B).
37. In consideration of the number of sole occupancy commercial/shop units, a common structure is to be provided for the display of advertisements. Details of the location and design of this structure shall be submitted with the building application.

STANDARD CONDITIONS - DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION

SUBDIVISIONS UNDER ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ACT, 1979

1. Submission of a Certificate from Prospect County Council that satisfactory arrangements have been made for the provision of underground electrical reticulation to each of the resultant lots of the subdivision.
2. Submission of a Certificate from Prospect County Council that satisfactory arrangements have been made for the provision of electricity to each of the resultant lots of the subdivision.
3. Submission of a Certificate from Telecom Australia that satisfactory arrangements have been made for the provision of underground cables for telephones through the subdivision.
4. Submission of a Certificate from Telecom Australia that satisfactory arrangements have been made for the provision of cables for telephones through the subdivision.
5. The provision of road widening free of cost to the Council to the requirements of the Council's Engineer.
6. The provision of road widening to the requirements of the Department of Main Roads.
7. Dedication to the Council as public reserve the land shown on the approved subdivision plan.
8. The payment to the Council the sum of \$* being a contribution towards the establishment and embellishment of public reserves within the subdivision.
9. The submission to and approval by the Council of a satisfactory application under Part XII of Division 2 of the Local Government Act, 1919, as amended.
10. The payment to the Council the sum of \$* being a contribution for construction of downstream drainage.
11. Tree planting with the protection of tree-guards is to be provided in the new roads to the rate of two trees/lot, the siting and species to be to the satisfaction of Council's Engineer.
12. Provision of access to each of the lots to the requirements of the Shire Engineer.
13. The creation of an instrument pursuant to Section 88B of the Conveyancing Act requiring the road severed parts of each lot created to be capable of development only as part of the whole lot, and not capable of separate disposition or development.
14.
 - a. A contribution of \$* based on \$840 per additional allotment being the contribution for open space and community facilities as a consequence of the subdivision of zoned residential land (excluding Urban Development Programme land).
 - b. A contribution of \$* based on \$725 per additional allotment being the contribution for open space and community facilities as a consequence of the subdivision of zoned rural land.

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STANDARD CONDITIONS - SUBDIVISION APPLICATION

SUBDIVISIONS UNDER PART 12 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1919 (AS AMENDED)

A. SUBDIVISIONS

- (i) The submission of the plan of subdivision, together with nine (9) exact copies thereof, suitable for lodgement with the Registrar General.
- (ii) The dedication, free of cost to Council, of road widening to the requirements of Council's Engineer.
- (iii) The submission of a Certificate from the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Board stating that the requirements, relating to the plan of subdivision of Section 34B of the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Act, 1964, have been satisfied.
- (iv) Satisfactory arrangements being made with the Council for the provision of sewerage to the subdivision.
- (v) The construction of vehicular access, free of cost to Council, to each lot in this subdivision, such construction to be to the requirements of Council's Engineer.
- (vi) The creation of easement/s to drain water for conveyance of stormwater to the requirements of Council's Engineer.
- (vii) The construction of underground drainage, adequate to cater for stormwater discharge, as assessed by "Australian Rainfall and Runoff", to the requirements of Council's Engineer. Satisfactory provision is to be made for the discharge of upstream drainage across the subdivision and discharge of drainage downstream of the subdivision through to the natural watercourse complete with easements as required.
- (viii) The construction of kerbing and guttering opposite to and for the full frontage of the residential lots together with the building of footway with paving and sealing of the road shoulder, to the requirements of Council's Engineer.
- (ix) The provision of common drainage lines and easements 1.2m wide in favour of the allotment served thereby for the conduct of roof water to the nearest appropriate stormwater drain, where applicable.
- (x) Submission of a plan and specification of any land regrading and/or filling. Topsoil to be stockpiled and respread over the finished surface.
- (xi) Construction of access to battleaxe allotments (complete with a dust free surface) in accordance with the requirements of the Council's Engineer.

B. ROAD OPENING APPLICATIONS

- (i) Construction of road and drainage works are not to commence until five (5) copies of the plans and specifications of the proposed works are submitted to and approved by Council's Engineer.
- (ii) The new road/s be classified as * road/s.
- (iii) The construction of residential roads to conform to Council's standard requirements for residential roads.
- (iv) The construction of secondary (rural) roads to conform to Council's standard requirements for secondary (rural) roads.
- (v) The new road/s to be named *.
- (vi) Street name signs to be provided at the junction of the new road/s.
- (vii) Underground stormwater drainage is to be provided within the new road/s, adequate to cater for the discharge as assessed from "Australian Rainfall and Runoff" as well as construction of underground drainage for the discharge of stormwater from the road reserve.
- (viii) The creation of easements to drain water and/or drainage reserves over the site of drainage discharge.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING & ASSESSMENT ACT, 1979

DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS - HEADS OF CONSIDERATION UNDER SECTION 90

Section 90 of the Act provides that a consent authority shall take into consideration the following matters as are of relevance to the development the subject of the development application:

- (a) the provisions of:
 - (i) any environmental planning instrument;
 - (ii) any draft environmental planning instrument that is or has been placed on exhibition pursuant to Section 47(b) or 66(1)(b).
 - (iii) any draft State environmental planning policy which has been submitted to the Minister in accordance with Section 37 and details of which have been notified to the consent authority; and
 - (iv) any development control plan in force under Section 72, applying to the land to which the development application relates;
- (b) the impact of that development on the environment (whether or not the subject of an environmental impact statement) and, where harm to the environment is likely to be caused, any means that may be employed to protect the environment or to mitigate that harm;
- (c) the effect of that development on the landscape or scenic quality of the locality;
- (d) the social effect and the economic effect of that development in the locality;
- (e) the character, location, siting, bulk, scale, shape, size, height, density, design or external appearance of that development;
- (f) the size and shape of the land to which that development application relates, the siting of any building or works thereon and the area to be occupied by that development;
- (g) whether the land to which that development application relates is unsuitable for that development by reason of its being, or being likely to be, subject to flooding, tidal inundation, subsidence, slip or bush fire or to any other risk;
- (h) the relationship of that development to development on adjoining land or on other land in the locality;
- (i) whether the proposed means of entrance to and exit from that development and the land to which that development application relates are adequate and whether adequate provision has been made for the loading, unloading, manoeuvring and parking of vehicles within that development or on that land;
- (j) the amount of traffic likely to be generated by the development, particularly in relation to the capacity of the road system in the locality and the probable effect of that traffic on the movement of traffic on that road system;

- (k) whether public transport services are necessary and, if so, whether they are available and adequate for that development;
- (l) whether utility services are available and adequate for that development;
- (m) whether adequate provision has been made for the landscaping of the land to which that development application relates and whether any trees or other vegetation on the land should be preserved;
- (m1) whether the development is likely to cause soil erosion;
- (n) any representations made by a public authority in relation to that development application, or to the development of the area, and the rights and powers of that public authority;
- (o) the existing and likely future amenity of the neighbourhood;
- (p) any submission made under Section 87;
- (p1) without limiting the generality of paragraph (a), any matter specified in an environmental planning instrument as a matter to be taken into consideration or to which the consent authority shall otherwise have regard in determining the development application;
- (q) the circumstances of the case;
- (r) the public interest;
- (s) any other prescribed matter.

Item ① Judy - Consent 13/3/87

SECTION 2 - DEVELOPMENT

ITEM 1: (File DA 603/86)
APPLICANT: P. & S. NAPPER
OWNER: MR. S. ATTWOOD
LAND & LOCATION: LOT 2 DP 247243 SINGLETON ROAD, WILBERFORCE
AREA: 10.12 HECTARES
ZONING: HAWKESBURY LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN, 1984.
RURAL 1(A6) ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AREA
APPLICATION: CONSTRUCTION OF KENNELS FOR THE KEEPING OF A
MAXIMUM OF TWELVE DOGS
ADVERTISING: ADJOINING OWNERS NOTIFIED - NO OBJECTIONS WERE
RECEIVED

S.P. REPORT

Council is in receipt of an application to construct twelve dog kennels on the above parcel of land, which is an allotment of 5.871ha, resulting from a subdivision which is still in the process of being registered. The applicant is considering purchasing the land with the idea of continuing their hobby of keeping show dogs which is currently being undertaken at Kemps Creek in the City of Penrith. Discussions with members of Penrith Council's Health & Building Department indicated that the applicants' current establishment has been carried out in a satisfactory manner.

The kennels will be constructed in accordance with Council's Code for the Keeping of Dogs. The site will be fully screened from view to adjoining properties by existing dense vegetation and proposed screen planting. There is adequate area for the treatment of drainage in the septic tank and absorption trenches proposed at the rear of the kennels.

The adjoining owners were notified with no objection being received, although verbal discussion with one of the adjoining owners revealed a concern regarding possible noise emanating from the kennels.

The kennels will be constructed of masonry block which will serve as a noise proofing material. The proposed development is a permissible use within the zone as an animal establishment. The kennels will be located so as to blend in with the rural environment.

Recommendation

That the application be approved generally in accordance with the plan submitted subject to compliance with the following conditions:-

- 1-8. Standard Conditions (DAs) 1, 9, 17, 19, 21, 25, 26 & 34.
9. The kennels to be used for private use only.
10. Maximum number of dogs to be kept on the premises at any one time to be twelve dogs.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT THE APPLICATION be approved generally in accordance with the plan submitted subject to compliance with the following conditions:-

- 1-8. Standard Conditions (DAs) 1, 9, 17, 19, 21, 25, 26 & 34.
9. The kennels to be used for private use only.
10. Maximum number of dogs to be kept on the premises at any one time to be twelve adult dogs as defined in Council's Kennel Code.

Sheron
13/3/87

ITEM 2: (File DA 262/86)
APPLICANT: W. & E. HOEKER
OWNER: AS ABOVE
LAND & LOCATION: LOT 2 DP 230943, JAMES STREET, GLOSSODIA
AREA: 2.835 HECTARES
ZONING: HAWKESBURY LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN, 1984
RURAL 1(B1)
APPLICATION: WHOLESALE NURSERY APPLICATION FOR STAGE 1 ONLY
ADVERTISING: ADJOINING OWNERS NOTIFIED. NO SUBMISSIONS
RECEIVED
DATE RECEIVED: 22ND MAY, 1986

S.P. REPORT

Council at its meeting of 23rd September, 1986, resolved to approve Stage 1 of the proposed wholesale nursery being a 300m² greenhouse on the above property.

Condition number 10 of development consent 514/86 stipulated that;

"reticulated town water is not to be used in conjunction with the proposed nursery. The existing dam is to be increased to approximately 4-5 megalitres."

This condition was based on written advice received on 8th September, 1986, from the Department of Agriculture.

Another letter was received on 5th December, 1986, from the Department of Agriculture stating that;

"the quantity of water required to irrigate a greenhouse of 300m² would be about 650m³ in a year of average rainfall and runoff. The Department of Agriculture consequently indicated that the existing storage dam of 500m³ would be adequate to serve the proposed 300m² greenhouse."

Having regard to the latest advices from the Department of Agriculture it is considered appropriate to amend Council's consent number 514/86 to delete the requirement that the capacity of the existing dam be expanded to approximately 4.5 megalitres.

Recommendation

That condition 10 of consent number 514/1986 issued 17th October, 1986, be amended to now read:-

10. Reticulated town water is not to be used in conjunction with the proposed nursery.

Any proposal to further develop the nursery shall be the subject of a new development application which application shall include details of the proposed alternative water supply to serve the increased development.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE RECOMMENDATION BE adopted.

Judy - 13-3-87

ITEM 3: (File 535/86)
APPLICANT: RESCRETE INDUSTRIES PTY. LTD.
OWNER: HEPTA HOLDINGS
LAND & LOCATION: LOT 1 DP 516470 AND LOT 9 DP 235303 RAILWAY ROAD
NORTH, MULGRAVE
AREA: 4.046HA
ZONING: HAWKESBURY LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN, 1984
INDUSTRIAL 4(A) GENERAL
APPLICATION: CONSTRUCTION OF AN ADDITIONAL HOLLOW-CORE CASTING
BED INVOLVING INCREASE IN PRODUCTION OF CONCRETE
PRODUCTS
ADVERTISING: ADJOINING OWNERS NOTIFIED AND
ADVERTISED ON TWO SEPARATE OCCASIONS IN LOCAL
GAZETTE AND SYDNEY MORNING HERALD, WITH NO
COMMENTS BEING RECEIVED
DATE RECEIVED: 15TH OCTOBER, 1986

S.P. REPORT

Council is in receipt of an application to increase the production of the existing concrete batching plant by installing an additional hollow core bed on the above land. This proposal is classified as designated development under Schedule 3 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulations, 1980, as the applicant proposes to manufacture concrete panels using in excess of 20,000 tonnes of concrete.

Council at its meeting of the 13th September, 1983, approved the establishment of the factory however, the maximum annual production of the plant approved at the time was 12,500 tonnes and therefore was not classified as designated development.

The current application was advertised in accordance with Section 84 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, adjoining owners were notified and a notice was displayed in both the Sydney Morning Herald and the Gazette on two separate occasions, with no submissions being received.

The proposal will involve increasing the open yard activity to accommodate the additional concrete casting bed, therefore, none of this development will be visible from the roadway, providing proper screening and landscaping is carried out.

Clause 47 of Hawkesbury Local Environmental Plan, 1984, requires that no development of the land may proceed before or until arrangements satisfactory to the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Board have been made for the provision to such land, of water and sewerage services.

Any consent of Council should be conditional upon the production of documentary evidence of such arrangements prior to the release of building plans or the commencement of any works. Notification from the Metropolitan Water Sewerage and Drainage Board have indicated that it would be prepared to amplify water at the cost of \$9,100 per hectare.

The application complies with Council's code for industrial development

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and should be approved as there is evidence that demand for the company's products is increasing and it will also encourage further employment prospects.

Recommendation

1. The application be approved in accordance with the plans submitted dated 14th October, 1986, M2/1 revision B.
2. Compliance at all times with the requirements of the State Pollution Control Commission.
3. The production of documentary evidence that arrangements satisfactory to the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Board have been made for the provision of water and sewerage services prior to the approval of any building plans or the commencement of any works.
4. Provision of adequate stormwater drainage to the land to the satisfaction of the Council's Engineer.
5. The upgrading of Railway Road North at the applicant's expense for the full distance from Groves Avenue to the point of entry to the premises. All to be constructed to the requirements of Council's Engineer.
6. Parking to be provided for 4 additional vehicles of an all weather surface to the satisfaction of the Shire Engineer.
- 7-16. Standard Conditions (DAs) 1, 7, 8, 9, 18, 19, 20, 24, 25 & 34.

It is further recommended that the applicant be advised that pursuant to Section 93(1) (b) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979, formal consent will be withheld for a period of 28 days pending advice from the objectors to the proposal as to whether they wish to proceed with their right to third party appeal.

The Shire Planner asked that the second part of the recommendation be deleted as there were no objections received and therefore there is no need to defer the consent for 28 days.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

1. THE APPLICATION BE approved in accordance with the plans submitted dated 14th October, 1986, M2/1 revision B.
2. Compliance at all times with the requirements of the State Pollution Control Commission.
3. The production of documentary evidence that arrangements satisfactory to the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Board have been made for the provision of water and sewerage services prior to the approval of any building plans or the commencement of any works.
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6. Parking to be provided for 4 additional vehicles of an all weather surface to the satisfaction of the Shire Engineer.
- 7-16. Standard Conditions (DAs) 1, 7, 8, 9, 18, 19, 20, 24, 25 & 34.

Alice 16/2/86

ITEM 4: (File DA 586/86)
APPLICANT: R. FLINT
OWNER: R. FLINT
LAND & LOCATION: LOT 2 DP569938, CABBAGE TREE CREEK ROAD, GROSE VALE
AREA: 13.4 HECTARES
ZONING: RURAL 1(B1) ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
APPLICATION: EXPANSION OF EXISTING PIGGERY FROM 15 TO 40 SOW CAPACITY
ADVERTISING: ADJOINING OWNERS NOTIFIED 1 SUBMISSION RECEIVED FROM J. MILLARD
DATE RECEIVED: 11TH NOVEMBER, 1986

S.P. REPORT

This application is for the expansion of the existing piggery on the land which has an area of 13.4 hectares. A dwelling house, garage-barn, water storage tank and shed accommodating 15 sows are situated on the land. The piggery which is included in the definition of an "animal establishment" in Clause 4 of Hawkesbury Local Environmental Plan 1984 is permissible with development consent under the Rural 1(B1) Environmental Protection zoning of the land.

Council issued approval to the applicant in 1981 for a piggery having a maximum capacity of 50 breeding sows, which consent has lapsed. Since approval however, the piggery has catered for a maximum of 15 sows only. The application presently before Council thus seeks approval for the expansion of the piggery to 40 sow capacity. Expansion of the piggery will necessitate the construction of two additional sheds and a number of associated structures. The smaller of the two sheds, with a floorspace of 140m², will be used to accommodate the farrowers and weaners (ie sows due to give birth and piglets up to 6 weeks of age). The farrowing and weaner shed will have a concrete floor assisting in effluent disposal and will be fully insulated. In contrast the larger shed with a floorspace of 210m² will be used to accommodate sows and boars. The sow and boar shed is to be partially enclosed and will incorporate large concrete yards. It is considered that as both sheds are to be situated on cleared land a condition should be imposed requiring the sheds to be colourbonded.

The proposal further involves the erection of 25m high feed silos, an effluent pump and an additional 100,000 litre above ground water tank.

It is considered that vehicular traffic in the vicinity of the piggery will not significantly increase as a result of expansion. This is because the applicant proposes to receive one feed delivery by truck each month

and to deliver pigs to market once a week by a small truck.

The method of disposal of effluent from the piggery proposed by the applicant is in the accordance with State Pollution Control Commission guidelines. The method basically incorporates the collection and treatment of effluent and its later application to the land. Each shed is flushed twice daily with water from a large tipping bucket located at the shed's eastern end and flushing of the shed both collects and dilutes the effluent which is then piped into a holding tank. The effluent is briefly aerated in the tank before being spray irrigated onto surrounding kikuyu pastures twice daily. Not only does irrigation of the effluent assist in pasture improvement, irrigation also reduces fire hazard on the land. Contour drains have been constructed in the pastures to contain the irrigation. A large dam constructed north of the existing shed will collect emergency overflow from the holding tank in the case of failure of the effluent pumps. The dam has a capacity of approximately 30 days pumped effluent safeguards such as the emergency dam, and contour drains will ensure that the Crown Land Reserve for Public Recreation situated at the rear of the land is not placed at risk from effluent runoff. Furthermore the method of operation of the piggery used by the applicant - ie use of large quantities of clean water to flush the sheds twice daily and spray irrigation whilst effluent is fresh additionally ensures that the possibility of odour is kept to a minimum.

The application was advertised in accordance with Council's policy. One submission was received from an adjoining owner Ms J. Millard who had no objection to the expansion of the piggery on the basis that there was no increase in existing smell or noise from the piggery. It is considered that noise or smell may be adequately controlled through the attachment of appropriate conditions of consent. Furthermore the piggery has been in operation for a period of five years without complaint being received by Council from adjoining owners.

As the operation of the piggery is in conformity with the guidelines of the State Pollution Control Commission the application to expand the piggery to a maximum of 40 sow capacity should be approved subject to the imposition of appropriate conditions.

Recommendation

That development consent be granted generally in accordance with the plans submitted with the application subject to the following conditions:-

- 1-5. 1, 8, 17, 21, 26 and
6. A sample of proposed external finishes including sample materials to be submitted for approval in conjunction with the Building Application.
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8. Details of animal waste flushing, treatment and disposal methods shall be submitted concurrently with Building Application.
9. All proposed effluent irrigation areas shall be indicated on an accurate site plan which shall be submitted concurrently with the Building Application.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE RECOMMENDATION BE adopted.

Janet 10/2/87

ITEM 5: (File DA 627/86)
APPLICANT: D. & B. IRELAND
OWNER: D. & B. IRELAND
LAND & LOCATION: PT PORTION 17, PARISH OF WONGA, ST. ALBANS ROAD,
WISEMANS FERRY
AREA: 8.903HA
ZONING: RURAL 1(A1) ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
APPLICATION: ESTABLISHMENT OF A 'TOURIST FACILITY'
ADVERTISING: ADJOINING OWNERS - NO OBJECTIONS
RECEIVED

S.P. REPORT

This application involves the establishment of a tourist facility adjacent to the confluence of Webbs Creek and the Hawkesbury River.

It is proposed to stage the development with Stage 1 consisting of a residence, kiosk, amenities building, public picnic area, boat ramp, camping area and farm animals. Stage 2 comprises six holiday cabins and twelve caravan sites with associated amenities.

Existing access to the subject land traverses Council owned property and it is intended that this situation will continue, provided that Council raises no objection. The DMR has advised that it has no objection to the proposed access.

As the site is subject to flooding at varying frequencies, permanent structures have been located on areas of high ground in order to achieve the required floor levels. This has resulted in the cabins and dwelling being within Council's 40 metre foreshore building line required under Clause 32(e) of Hawkesbury LEP, 1984. The purpose of this building line is to preserve the visual qualities of the foreshore and to ensure that development does not interfere with the flow of flood water. The first of these two requirements will be achieved by the retention of existing vegetation and supplementary planting. In regard to the latter standard, the PWD has advised that in its opinion the proposed development will not impede the flow of water during times of flooding.

A 'tourist facility', such as that proposed, is a permissible use under the provisions of Hawkesbury LEP 1984 however, Clause 22(1)(a) requires a minimum area of 40ha which is the minimum size for allotments created by subdivision under the current zoning. The applicant has lodged an objection pursuant to SEPP 1 against the requirements of both Clause 22 (1)(a) and Clause 32(e) of HLEP 1984.

Council has the delegation to approve of SEPP 1 matters such as that proposed.

Council would be cognizant of the fact that tourism within Hawkesbury Shire is a growth industry which should be promoted at every opportunity.

There is a demand for a high standard of tourist development of an environmentally sensitive nature such as that proposed. On this basis it is considered that the objection under SEPP 1 should be supported and that the application be approved.

Recommendation

A. That Council exercise its delegation pursuant to State

Environmental Planning Policy No. 1 and approve the application subject to compliance with the following conditions:

- 1-11. (Standard Conditions - DA's) 1, 3, 7, 9, 18, 19, 21, 25, 28, 29, 34.
12. Disposal of effluent to the satisfaction of the Shire Health Surveyor. Details shall be provided with the Building Application.
13. Provision of a potable water supply in accordance with Council's requirements. Details shall be submitted with the Building Application and shall be to the satisfaction of the Shire Health Surveyor.
14. Habitable buildings shall have a minimum floor level of 5.2 metres AHD.
15. Compliance with Council's Caravan Park Code and Ordinance 71 of the Local Government Act, 1919 (as amended).
16. Separate approval of both the Public Works Department and Maritime Services Board being obtained for the proposed jetty and boat ramp. Satisfactory evidence of such approval shall be submitted to Council with the building application.
- B. That the Director of the Department of Environment and Planning be advised of Council's decision.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE RECOMMENDATION BE adopted.

*NO
CONSENT*

ITEM 6:	(File DA 649/86)
APPLICANT:	MR I. McERLANE
OWNER:	MR I. & MRS R. McERLANE & MR F. DAY
LAND & LOCATION:	LOT 6 DP244281, LOTS 2 & 5 DP232770 COMMERCIAL ROAD, VINEYARD
AREA:	APPROXIMATELY 5HA IN TOTAL
ZONING:	RURAL 1(C)
APPLICATION:	SPRAY IRRIGATION OF TREATED SEWAGE EFFLUENT
ADVERTISING:	ADVERTISED IN ACCORDANCE WITH COUNCIL'S POLICY - 5 SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED. TWO SUBMISSIONS, MR & MRS RICHMOND, MR & MRS NICHOLLS, MR & MRS APAP, PIKE, PIKE & FENWICK SOLICITORS ON BEHALF OF MR & MRS SOUTHWELL

S.P. REPORT

Council at its Ordinary Meeting, 13th August, 1985 issued approval for a 10 site extension of the La Vina Caravan Park situated at Lot 1 DP232770 Commercial Road, Vineyard. Council will recall that its decision to approve the proposed extension was based on the attachment of conditions to the consent requiring the existing caravan park to be upgraded. To this effect a number of upgrading works were Undertaken by the applicant including the installation of a sewage package plant at the rear of Lot 1. The treatment plant seeks to satisfy Condition 15 of Consent No. 324/85 which required all waste materials to be disposed of at regular intervals to the satisfaction of the Shire Health Surveyor.

A number of complaints have been received from adjoining residents following operation of the treatment plant. These complaints relate to the spray irrigation of treated sewage effluent onto land adjoining the caravan park.

The application presently before Council thus seeks approval for the spray irrigation of treated sewage effluent onto three allotments adjoining the caravan park - Lot 6 DP244281 and Lots 2 and 5 DP232770. The lots are situated to the east and west of the existing caravan park and have a combined area of approximately 5 hectares. Although a dwelling is situated on Lot 2 DP232770, Lot 6 DP244281 and Lot 5 DP232770 are partially cleared and presently used for grazing purposes. The proposal falls within the definition of development contained in Clause 4 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979. As such the proposal is permissible with consent under the Rural 1(c) zoning of the land.

Effluent from the park is treated in the two tanks comprising the plant and later spray irrigated onto the land by means of a single sprinkler with a 10m diameter for approximately 15 minutes duration twice daily. The applicant however proposes to rotate the allotments being irrigated to avoid the likelihood of over saturation of any one allotment. The effluent being irrigated is odourless and colourless. The three allotments to be irrigated adjoin land used primarily for rural/residential purposes. Despite the proximity of adjoining residences to these allotments it is considered that conditions may be imposed which will avoid any adverse impact as a result of spray irrigation.

The possibility of adverse impact is further mitigated by the fact that the State Pollution Control Commission granted the applicant approval to treat and spray irrigate sewage effluent from the park subject to the imposition of a number of conditions. Conditions, attached to the approval dated 23rd May, 1986, relate to the distance the irrigated sprinkler must be from adjoining property boundaries, dams and watercourses; warning notices stating "reclaimed sewage - unfit for drinking"; and the prohibition of connection irrigation taps and hoses to other water lines.

The application was advertised in accordance with Council's policy with five submissions being received.

A precis of these objections follows:-

"The clay soil is unable to absorb the millions of litres of sullage and sewage effluent; that objectors own dam once clear and clean now shows effects of unwanted sewage and has scum floating on its surface; sewage treatment plant out of context with the Commission's own guidelines; objectors land subject to and spoilt by excess runoff from the park across Lot 2 into Lots 3 and 4 and into objectors dam; objectors use and enjoyment of land seriously affected; spray irrigation a health hazard to occupants of houses and animals; decrease in adjoining property values; long term detrimental effect on natural watercourse; offensive smells; insufficient information; greater than 10% extension of an existing use and noncompliance with previous conditions of consent.

Following assessment of the concerns raised by objectors to the proposal it is considered that the spray irrigation of treated effluent will not have an adverse effect on the locality provided that it is appropriately conditioned.

Given that the State Pollution Control Commission has issued approval for the treatment and spray irrigation of sewage effluent from the caravan park and that any adverse impact from the proposal may be avoided through the attachment of appropriate conditions to the consent it is considered

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that the application should be approved.

Recommendation

That development consent be granted generally in accordance with the plans submitted with the application subject to the following conditions:

1. Standard conditions DA's 1.
2. That Lot 6 DP244281 and Lots 2 and 5 DP232770 shall be consolidated with Lot 1 DP232770 or that a restriction as to user shall be placed on the title of each allotment to the satisfaction of the Shire Planner.
3. Samples of treated sewage effluent shall be taken by the caravan park proprietor every 3 months and analysed at a NATA registered laboratory for B.O.D., N.F.R. and Faecal coliforms. The results of analysis shall be kept on the premises and a copy forwarded to Council for its information.
4. Sewage effluent from the caravan park shall be treated and spray irrigated in accordance with State Pollution Control Commission Approval No. 86/122 dated 23rd May, 1986.
5. Concentrations of B.O.D. and N.F.R. in the treated effluent shall be to the requirements and satisfaction of the State Pollution Control Commission.
6. Concentrations of faecal coliforms in the treated effluent shall be subject to the requirements and satisfaction of the NSW Department of Health.
7. The treatment plant shall be operated and maintained to prevent the emission of offensive odours from sewage at any stage of treatment whilst being sprayed so as not to interfere with the amenity of the neighbourhood.

The Shire Planner referred to the objection in the report raised by a Solicitor on behalf of one of the objectors. He stated that he spoke to the Solicitor last Friday and he has raised another point which was not in his original letter, but which would require some legal advice. This advice has been requested but as yet not obtained. He asked that consideration of the application be deferred until the next Committee Meeting.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

CONSIDERATION OF THE application be deferred and in the meantime Council inspect the site.

GARETO 16/2/87

ITEM 7:	(File DA 183/85)
APPLICANT:	RUM CORPS BARRACKS PTY LTD
OWNER:	RUM CORPS BARRACKS PTY LTD
LAND & LOCATION:	LOTS 1 & 2 DP706279, RICHMOND ROAD, WINDSOR
AREA:	23HA
ZONING:	RURAL 1(B)
APPLICATION:	AMENDED PROPOSAL ESTABLISHMENT OF A 70 UNIT MOTEL INCORPORATING A LICENSED RESTAURANT, SWIMMING POOL AND MANAGER'S RESIDENCE.
ADVERTISING:	APPLICATION PREVIOUSLY ADVERTISED

S.P. REPORT

In respect of this application, Council is referred to the following meetings:

- * 11th June, 1985 - resolved to approve a 37 unit motel on the subject land;
- * 9th December, 1986 - resolved to 'approve in principle', subject to the submission of a formal DA, an amended proposal for a staged development consisting of 50 units in Stage 1 and a further 20 units in Stage 2.

A development application has now been lodged and the amended proposal represents a more desirable use of the land in terms of design, environmental impact and the area of land to be utilised.

As such, the development will make a major contribution to satisfying Council's objectives of providing overnight accommodation within the Shire.

The application has been referred to the Local Traffic Committee for comment on the additional parking however, due to limitations on time, comments are not yet available. In this regard, it should be noted that major roadworks external to the subject land were required to be undertaken as part of the original approval. These works were considered necessary to reduce any potential traffic hazard and as such they were attached as conditions of development consent.

Although the amended application does not involve any change in access requirements it must be referred to the Traffic Committee due to the increase in on-site car parking and traffic generation. It is not envisaged that any additional works will be recommended by the Traffic Committee and therefore determination of the development application should not be delayed. Any advice offered by the Traffic Committee will be reported to Council at the February Ordinary meeting.

Recommendation

That approval be granted to amend development consent No. 252/85 so as to permit the development of 50 units as Stage 1 and 20 units as Stage 2, subject to compliance with the following conditions:-

- 1-15. (Standard Conditions - DA's) 1, 2(124), 7, 8, 10, 13, 14, 15, 18, 19, 21, 25, 28, 29, 34.
16. Submission of engineering plans for all roadworks to the satisfaction of the Shire Engineer and DMR.
17. The proposed external material of all buildings to be approved by the Shire Planner prior to release of the building permit.
18. The internal access driveway to have a minimum carriageway width of 6.7 metres from Richmond Road to the car park area and main covered entranceway and such driveways to be constructed to the requirements of the Shire Engineer.
19. Habitable buildings to be designed so as to incorporate soundproof materials to the satisfaction of the Shire Health Surveyor. In this regard, an Acoustic Report prepared by a practising acoustic consultant to be submitted to Council with the building application.
20. All sewerage easements that may be required due to the proposal to be created by the applicant at no cost to Council and to the satisfaction of the Shire Engineer.

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21. Pursuant to Section 94 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979, the payment to Council of an amount of \$35,000 towards the capital costs of sewage headworks generated by the development based on \$500 per motel unit. Note: This contribution may be made on the following basis:

	<u>Building Application</u>	<u>Amount Payable</u>
(a)	Stage 1	\$25,000
(b)	Stage 2	\$10,000

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE RECOMMENDATION BE adopted.

ITEM 8: (File DA 463/83)
 APPLICANT: MESSRS L. MIZZI & C. VELLA
 OWNER: MESSRS L. MIZZI & C. VELLA
 LAND & LOCATION: PORTION 15, PARISH OF ANGORAWA, SINGLETON ROAD, COLO HEIGHTS
 AREA: 46.67HA
 ZONING: RURAL 1(A2)
 APPLICATION: ERECTION OF A PIGGERY AND FEED MILL
 ADVERTISING: ADVERTISED "AS DESIGNATED DEVELOPMENT" FOR A PERIOD OF 30 DAYS IN HAWKESBURY GAZETTE "AS DESIGNATED DEVELOPMENT" SYDNEY MORNING HERALD, 13 SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED.

S.P. REPORT

The application, which is defined as a designated development by way of Schedule 3 Clause (o) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulations 1980, is for the further development of an existing piggery. The development incorporates the construction of a number of sheds as well as a feed mill to cater for a maximum capacity of 400 sows. The piggery is also included in the definition of an "animal establishment" in Clause 4 of Hawkesbury Local Environmental Plan 1984. As such the proposal is permissible with development consent under the Rural 1(A2) zoning of the land. The land which has an area of 40 hectares is adjoined on its northern, southern and eastern boundaries by the Wollemi National Park.

The applicants propose to relocate the operation of their Schofields piggery to the land. The previous owners of the land were licensed by Council in 1982 to operate a piggery. Approximately 60% of the land is vegetated with scrub and eucalyptus trees. Two dams, a dwelling, machinery shed and two sheds incorporating a total of 12 pig pens are situated on the remaining land which is cleared.

The application before Council is for the two stage development of the existing piggery. The first stage involves the construction of three sheds accommodating a total of 200 sows as well as the feed mill. The sheds, accommodating the weaners, dry sows/farrows and the growers/finishers, will be situated at the rear of the two existing sheds on the land. The weaner shed, incorporating 175m² of floor space, will house sows and weaned piglets up to 9 weeks of age. Although the dry sow/farrowing shed is similar in size the shed accommodates sows due to give birth. The larger grower/finisher shed (570m² of floorspace) accommodates

the piglets until they are taken to market at approximately 6 months of age. The sheds are fully insulated and incorporate concrete and mesh floors which enable the sheds to be flushed. A feed mill is to be constructed west of the proposed sheds. The second stage of the proposal will be a duplication of the first stage - thus Stage 1 and Stage 2 will cater for 400 sows.

The method of disposal outlined in the Environmental Impact Statement submitted with the application basically comprises the collection and treatment of effluent and its application to the land. The sheds are to be flushed daily with both fresh and recycled water from a tipping bucket. The collected effluent is then piped to two aeration tanks before being applied to the land.

Although the proposed method of disposal basically accords with the guidelines of the State Pollution Control Commission the method is wholly dependent on the continued availability of fresh water. However calculations suggest that the annual water demand of only 200 sows (ie water required for pigs consumption and effluent treatment and disposal) in fact exceeds annual yield. Furthermore this water deficit will not be overcome by increasing the storage volume of existing onsite dams as there is insufficient catchment to fill these dams and thus meet the annual water demands of the sows. The insufficient catchment is due to the location of the onsite dams at the ridgetop. Without sufficient water, effluent from the proposal can not be diluted to a level that is necessary enabling it to be applied to the land without causing environmental degradation. The calculations further reveal that there is indeed only sufficient catchment to meet the demands of the existing 36 sow operation.

A recent joint inspection of the piggery undertaken by the State Pollution Control Commission and Council officers indicated that the present method of effluent treatment and disposal facilities used by the applicant was totally inadequate. The disposal method was considered inadequate due to the same water being constantly reused to flush the pens without being sufficiently treated first. Evidence that effluent emanating from the holding tanks and irrigation areas had runoff into the National Park was a further factor in consideration that the method was inadequate. The runoff is of particular concern as the land is located within the catchment of a tributary of the Colo River.

The application was placed on public exhibition for a period of 30 days and government authorities and departments notified in accordance with Clause 84 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979. During the exhibition period the Council received 13 submissions from government authorities, private organisations and individuals in relation to the proposal. A precis of the objections follows:-

"Inadequate Environmental Impact Statement - does not provide full description of proposal, sludge disposal, wet weather storage dam, details based on 200 sow piggery; Statement fails to comply with requirements of Clause 34 of Regulations; potential to pollute watercourses in Wollemi National Park; requires reassessment of design parameters and pollution control safeguards; overdevelopment of the site; will destroy native vegetation and result in erosion and siltation; archaeological survey for aboriginal relics not provided; insufficient water to flush effluent; inconsistency between Statement of Development application plan in relation to buildings and location on site; treatment system does not incorporate safeguards to ensure prevention of contaminated runoff, minimisation of nutrient and salt removal and discharge of waste water;

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soils can only cope with absorption of 30,000 litres per day; proximity of site to National Park and Colo River; problem of escaping pigs; assessment of piggery seriously underestimates despoilation and pollution; incompatibility of development with wilderness values of National Park; contrary to public interest; and likely to cause inevitable degradation of water quality in Colo River and National Park."

It is considered that the proposal to develop the piggery to accommodate 400 sows cannot be supported on the basis of information supplied with the application. This is due to the fact that the annual demand for water of such an operation far exceeds the annual yield of existing onsite dams. The lack of water will not enable the method of disposal proposed by the applicant to be carried out to a level which satisfies both Council and the Commission. As such the proposal is considered not to be in the public interest. The present method of disposal employed by the applicant falls far short of the requirements of Council and the Commission. It is thus considered that appropriate action should be taken to institute the upgrading of the existing piggery.

Recommendation

That development consent be not granted for the development of the piggery and associated feed mill to a capacity of 400 sows on the grounds that:-

1. The annual water demand of the proposal exceeds the annual yield of existing dams - thus the proposed method of effluent disposal is inadequate and will result in environmental degradation.
2. The proposal is not in the public interest.

The Shire Planner asked that consideration of this application be deferred pending a further report.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

CONSIDERATION OF THE application be deferred pending a further report by the Shire Planner.

ITEM 9: (File DA 557/86)
APPLICANT: D. SEYMOUR
OWNER: W.F. & D. SEYMOUR
LAND & LOCATION: LOT 10, DP595346, KURMOND ROAD, FREEMANS REACH
AREA: 10.55HA
ZONING: RURAL 1(B1)
APPLICATION: TO CONVERT AN EXISTING STORAGE SHED STANDING ON THE LAND TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISOLATED KEEPING OF DOGS IN NEED OF TREATMENT AND/OR QUARANTINE; TO ESTABLISH A 32 PEN CATTERY; AND TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF DOGS TO BE KEPT ON THE PREMISES TO A TOTAL OF 50.
ADVERTISING: ADJOINING OWNERS NOTIFIED: OBJECTIONS RECEIVED FROM K. RAMBOW AND M. GARNHAM BOTH NEARBY LANDOWNERS

Letter re inspection 16/2/87

PLANNING HISTORY

Council, at its meeting of 23rd October, 1979 considered identical applications for development consent over contiguous allotments, each having areas in excess of 10 hectares, for the establishment of dog boarding and breeding kennels being in respect Lot 10 DP595346, applicant, D. Seymour and Lot 11 DP595346, applicant K. Rambow, Kurmond Road, Freemans Reach.

Council resolved to grant separate development consents to each of the applications subject to 11 conditions. Condition 2 of each of those consents read:-

"2. The maximum number of dogs being kept on each of the premises at any one time being 25 adult dogs."

Consent number 3490 issued 30th October, 1979 in respect Lot 10 DP595346 was taken up by the applicant Seymour, building plans were submitted and approved and trading was commenced under the name of "Barkavilla Kennels", development of Lot 11 DP595346 in the ownership of Rambow did not proceed.

Council is now in receipt of an application to expand the development of Lot 10 DP595346 Kurmond Road, Freemans Reach.

S.P. REPORT

Both objectors raise the question of validity of the need for the clinic facility, the suitability of the existing building for the housing of dogs, noise and management of the existing development.

The submission proposes three separate but related developments, namely:-

- * to convert an existing storage shed standing on the land to provide for the isolated keeping of dogs in need of treatment and/or quarantine;
- * to establish a 32 pen cattery; and
- * to increase the number of dogs approved to be kept on the premises to a total of 50.

Conversion of Shed

The proposed use of the shed as converted for the care and treatment of sick dogs is identified as being a Veterinary Clinic.

The proposed use is supported by two visiting Veterinarians, Karen Hedburg BVSc of North Richmond Veterinary Hospital and Rosanne Taylor BVSc, Research Veterinarian, Sydney University, both of whom would use the facility.

Council's Health and Building Inspector has examined the shed and advises that the shed is suitable for the proposed use subject to modification to comply with the requirements of Council's Code for Veterinary Clinics.

Proposed Cattery

The proposed 32 pen complex for the boarding of cats is to be located against the southern face of the above existing shed and is to be

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constructed in galvanised steel and any approval should be conditional on the building being finished in dark toned on neutral non-reflective colours.

Any consent of Council should be also conditional upon construction to the satisfaction of Council's Health Surveyor; disposal of wastes to Council's requirements; and screening to a minimum height of 2.5m to obscure view from adjoining properties.

Proposed Increase in Numbers

Inspection of premises reveals that existing approved facilities are sufficient to accommodate 50 adult dogs and having regard to the recent good history of the establishment an increase in dog numbers to a total of 50 adult dogs is considered reasonable.

Any approval of Council should be conditional upon the demolition and removal of all old and ad hoc enclosures, pens and shelters.

Recommendation

A. In respect to the proposed Veterinary Clinic:

that development consent be granted to the conversion of the existing storage shed to provide a veterinary clinic subject to the following conditions:-

1. Premises shall, at all times, comply with the requirements of Council's Code relating to the establishment of Veterinary Clinics.
- 2-8. Standard Conditions (DA), 1 (in respect structural changes), 3, 18, 21, 24 (minimum 2.5m in height), 26 and 34.

B. In respect to the proposed 32 pen cattery:

that development consent be granted to the establishment of a 32 pen cattery subject to the following conditions:-

1. The cattery being constructed and maintained to the satisfaction of Council's Health Surveyor in such a manner as to provide for the safe and healthy keeping of cats.
- 2-8. Standard Conditions (DA), 1, 3, 18, 21, 24 (minimum 2.5m in height), 26 and 34.

C. In respect to the proposed increase in number of dogs:

that condition 2 of Council's Consent number 3490 issued 30th October, 1979 be amended to now read:-

"2. The maximum number of dogs being kept on premises 441 Kurmond Road, Freemans Reach, shall not exceed 50 adult dogs," subject to the following requirements:-

1. Compliance in all regards with the conditions of Council's Consent number 3490 issued 30th October, 1979 (as amended).
2. Dogs being only kept in approved structures being 2 kennel blocks, whelping boxes, veterinary clinic complex and the domestic dog enclosure adjacent to the dwelling house.
3. The demolition and removal forthwith of all old and/or ad hoc enclosures, pens and shelters situated on the land.

4. The construction and maintenance of an internal pattern of vehicular paths that provide an all weather surface for access to all facets of the development.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE SITE BE INSPECTED by the Committee prior to consideration of this matter.

CORRESPONDENCE

SECTION B - LETTERS SUBMITTED FOR INFORMATION

TO Glenn

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the letters in this section be received and appropriate replies forwarded where necessary.

B1. N. PORTELLI, COLES MYER LTD - PROPOSED K MART - RICHMOND. L3/86, L8/86

The following copy of letter from Coles Myer Ltd, to Property Estates Group of Companies, has been received.

"We refer to our recent meeting and confirm that our Company is not wishing to pursue the Francis Street location for a K Mart and/or supermarket.

As outlined previously to both yourselves and the Council, our Company is only prepared to pursue a K Mart on the car parking land adjacent to our existing supermarket and specialty shops.

We believe such a proposal would best serve local community and would now hope that Council can see the way clear to grant approval to the proposal being submitted by Dunsford Investments.

Should you have any queries whatsoever regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned."

B2. NATIONAL TRUST OF AUSTRALIA (N.S.W.) - HALF MOON FARM CEMETERY, LOWER PORTLAND. C51/58; H105/3

Advising Council that the Burial Ground at Half Moon Farm has been classified and included in the National Trust's Register. The Register includes buildings, sites and areas which are components of the natural or the cultural environment of Australia that have aesthetic, historic, scientific or social significance or other special value for future generations, as well as for the present community.

Although classification by the Trust does not have legal force, it is recognised as an authoritative statement of the historical and landscape importance of the place, and by listing such items in its Register the Trust hopes to advise the public of the value of Australia's national heritage.

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The enclosed report prepared in support of the Trust's action states that:

"Half Moon Farm cemetery documents the burial place of some of the earliest settlers along the Hawkesbury... Generally the monuments are in excellent condition. A number feature unusual designs and naive scripts. The site demonstrates early use of Australian native species as major landscaping elements. Unlike many early cemeteries the design and individual elements date entirely to the nineteenth century. The site provides an element of considerable social interest within an attractive landscape."

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE RECOMMENDATION BE adopted.

SHIRE PLANNER'S REPORT

ITEM 1: (File DA 634/86)

SUBJECT: BLIGH PARK STAGE 2

Council, in conjunction with the Department of Housing, has finalised design plans for the second stage of Bligh Park which is bound by Colonial Drive on the northern side, and Thorley Road on the southern side.

The subdivision will involve approximately 300 residential allotments three public reserves and one primary school site. These land uses have been integrated to create an attractive living environment.

A number of techniques have been used to contribute to this "streets for living" concept including paved access roads, landscaped islands and the like. To graphically illustrate the innovative techniques, copies of the plan will be tabled at this meeting. The development consent has now been issued under the Shire Planner's delegated authority. Work will now begin on the first stage which involves 110 allotments.

Recommendation

The information be received.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE RECOMMENDATION BE adopted.

ITEM 2: (File C44/7, P160)

SUBJECT: DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND PLANNING CIRCULAR
NO. 119 - STATE ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING POLICY
NO. 22 - SHOPS AND COMMERCIAL PREMISES

State Environmental Planning Policy No.22 - Shops and Commercial Premises was gazetted on 9th January, 1987. The aim of the policy is to permit in all business zones, with the consent of Council:

a) the change of use of one commercial premises to another commercial

premises or to a shop; or,

- b) the change of use of one shop to another shop or commercial premises, even when that change of use is prohibited under Council's planning instrument, Hawkesbury Local Environmental Plan, 1984. When issuing consent, however, Council must be satisfied the change of use will only have a minor environmental effect.

The previous situation was that some local environmental planning instruments, particularly those which commenced some years ago, prohibited certain types of shops or commercial premises in business zones. For example, under Hawkesbury L.E.P., 1984, all shops are prohibited in the Special Business 3(b) zone. The policy now allows the change of use of a commercial premises to a shop within that zone, provided the consent of Council is obtained. Thus, S.E.P.P. No.22 ensures that the provisions relating to commercial zones are less restrictive.

As it will still be necessary to obtain development consent for the change of use, the environmental effect can be assessed and suitable conditions imposed on the development if required or alternatively, the development can be refused.

Recommendation

That the information be received.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE RECOMMENDATION BE adopted.

ITEM 3: (File C44/2)

SUBJECT: LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND SHIRES ASSOCIATION - FORUM ON
THE EROSION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT PLANNING POWERS.

The Association has informed Council of this proposed Forum and has requested representatives of Council to attend. The Association's letter, in part, is as follows:

"The aims of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, embodied in the legislation, were:

- . to give Councils prime responsibility for local planning,
- . to embody environmental, social and economic considerations in planning at State, Regional and Local levels,
- . to provide increased opportunities for public involvement,
- . to enable the State Government to provide councils with policies and guidelines for matters of State and Regional significance, and
- . to co-ordinate the development programs of public authorities

The last six years have seen an ever-widening gap between the stated aims and the practice. There has been a steady erosion of councils' responsibility for local planning and the progressive departure, through the use of special legislation, from the concept of public scrutiny of significant developments.

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... The Executives have decided to convene a special one day Forum, to take place in Sydney and provisionally scheduled for mid-April 1987, to consider the extent of selective intrusion into the planning responsibilities of NSW councils and to formulate positive solutions.

Other objectives of the forum are:

- . To examine the impact of this intrusion on local communities on the morale and effectiveness of elected members, their communities, and on the management of councils;
- . To examine the implications for local democracy and inter-government relations;
- . To examine the long term environmental, economic and social effects of a system of ad hoc planning;
- . To formulate a strategy to restore Local Government planning autonomy, enabling councils to effectively plan for local needs.
- . To prepare, on behalf of all local councils, a Submission to the State Government and the Opposition and an accompanying Communique to attract wide-spread media coverage;
- . To conduct the Forum in a spirit of frankness, with respect for opposing opinions and an absence of rancour.

Councils are invited to send their Mayor or President and no more than two other representatives. It would be expected that representatives would include Town Planners. Invitations will be extended to the media, Members of Parliament and other groups, including representatives from interested community organisations and academics from town planning and other relevant professional fields.

Councils are requested to prepare a Submission outlining difficulties they may have experienced regarding planning intrusion and containing positive suggestions."

This Council, like most others, has experienced some difficulty in the workings of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act and, more particularly, the proliferation of regulations and circulars from the Department of Environment and Planning seeking to guide Council on the many interpretations to be placed upon sections of the Act. For example, since the implementation of the Act, approximately six years ago, there have been 122 circulars issued to Council, most of which involved no consultation, at all, prior to implementation. Other difficulties experienced include the inordinate time delays in preparing Regional Environmental Plans by the Department, e.g., North West Sector, Hawkesbury/Nepean River Regional Environmental Plan and the Extractive Industry Regional Environmental Plan. These plans have been many years in the making, in many cases causing uneasiness with landowners as to uncertainty of planning restrictions to be imposed and, certainly, causing difficulties in planning at a local level where government intent is slow in being announced.

Other difficulties have included the proliferation of amendments to Section 149 (zoning certificates) and the lack of lead-up time given by the Department to Councils to alter their certificates, thus creating difficulties in computer programming and stationery supplies, not to mention resource time in compiling the requested information.

It is considered that a submission should be made to the Association and Council be represented at the Forum.

Recommendation

That a submission be made to the Association outlining the difficulties being experienced in the administration of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act and associated legislation, and that Council representatives be appointed to attend the Forum.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE RECOMMENDATION BE adopted and the Shire President and Shire Planner be appointed Council's representatives to attend the Forum.

ITEM 4: (File P160/28, E78)

SUBJECT: SYDNEY REGIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN NO.9 -
EXTRACTIVE INDUSTRY

At its Ordinary Meeting of 10th June, 1986, Council considered a report concerning the Draft Regional Environmental Plan (REP) for Sydney's Extractive Industry, prepared by the Department of Environment and Planning (DEP). At the meeting, Council resolved to advise the DEP that it concurs generally with the recommendations contained within the report accompanying the plan, and specifically with those concerning Roberts Creek, Richmond Lowlands, Wrights and Wellums Creeks, Colo River, Macdonald River, Mogo Hill and the recommendations for minor extraction, however, in relation to Pitt Town, the following concerns are raised:-

- . The failure, to date, of recognition of infrastructure required for subsequent residential development and the cost and lead time of provision.
- . The failure to provide for public input into the plan of management.

Council also resolved to advise the DEP of its concern at an apparent lack of government cohesion of the number and direction of studies being prepared on the management of the Hawkesbury/Nepean River and that Council considers the decision of resource extraction from the river system to be a matter of government priority and urges a co-ordinated determination of these studies.

The Department has recently finalised work on the REP, which was gazetted on 17th October, 1986. A brief summary of the plan follows.

The REP classifies extractive resources into four schedules:

Schedule 1:

Sites which contain existing extractive operations and potential resource areas of regional significance. Priority is given to the continuation of existing operations. Consideration is then given to extraction from the potential resource areas subject to environmental and feasibility studies.

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Existing sand and gravel operations of regional significance:

Extraction proceed within the areas covered by the permissive occupancies.

- . Permissive Occupancy No.74/3, Hawkesbury River just downstream of Windsor Bridge by Monier Pty Ltd.
- . Permissive Occupancy No.82/14, Hawkesbury River just downstream of its confluence with South Creek by Breen Holdings.

Potential sand and gravel operations of regional significance:

- . Creek beds of Wrights and Wellums Creeks which contain large reserves of sand, clay and peat.

The plan recognises the potential for extraction subject to environmental and feasibility studies and identifies the major constraints to extraction as being: accessibility; protection of the wetlands system; the frequency and strength of periodic flooding; the potential for extraction to cause silting of the Lower Macdonald and Hawkesbury Rivers if not stringently controlled and the effect on the scenic amenity of the Macdonald River Valley.

Hard rock quarries of regional significance:

Continued extraction is supported subject to environmental and economic constraints.

- . The Mogo Hill resource.

Schedule 2:

Sites which have the potential of supplying extractive resources to the region but which would benefit from plans of management to ensure that extraction is carried out in a co-ordinated and environmentally acceptable manner. The same consideration should be given to extraction from these sites as is given to the potential resource areas listed in Schedule 1.

SitesPlanning Recommendations

- . Pitt Town sand resource.

Plans of management should be prepared for the whole site or for sites within the deposit which adequately take into account the impact of extraction on adjacent land holders. The plans of management should also provide for the protection of agricultural land holdings, where the owners wish to continue citrus production.

Schedule 3:

Sites which have the potential of supplying extractive resources to the region but which require further resource assessment (on the extent and location of potential extraction areas) and further environmental investigation.

<u>Sites</u>	<u>Planning Recommendations</u>
. Richmond Lowlands	There are several constraints to extraction from the Lowlands. The three main issues to be addressed are: the value of the agricultural land; the heritage values of the farms and the townships of Richmond and Windsor; and environmental considerations (flood prone land and the wetlands system).

Schedule 4:

Sites for which extraction is prohibited due to environmental constraints and/or other regional planning considerations.

<u>Sites</u>	<u>Planning Recommendations</u>
. Colo and Macdonald Rivers	The plan is not opposed to remedial dredging for the purpose of channel clearance, with a view to benefiting both river systems.

Clause 6 of the plan makes extractive industry permissible with the consent of Council on lands identified in Schedule 1 and 2 and specifies certain matters that Council is required to take into account when considering an application for extraction, in addition to those matters specified under Section 90 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979. Clause 7, on the other hand, prohibits extractive industry on lands identified in Schedule 4.

The REP requires Council to take into account the planning recommendations for future resource extraction presented in the planning report accompanying the plan when considering development applications for extraction on land identified in the instrument. In relation to applications on land identified in Schedule 1, 2 or 3, Council is required to forward a copy of the application to the Department of Mineral Resources for comment.

Under the plan, Council is also required to take into account any plan of management which may have been prepared for Schedule 2 land prior to granting development consent for extraction. In the absence of a plan of management, Council is required to take into account the impact of extraction on the amenity of surrounding land.

Any development other than for an extractive industry on land identified in Schedules 1 and 2, requires the concurrence of the Secretary of the Department of Mineral Resources. Any development within specified distances of certain extractive resources in Schedule 1, requires the concurrence of the Secretary of the Department of Mineral Resources and the Director of the State Pollution Control Commission.

In addition, the REP prevents Council from preparing local environmental plans which prohibit extractive operations on land identified in Schedule 1, 2 or 3 and which permit residential submission along quarry access routes.

Although the statutory provisions of the REP do not apply to the Hawkesbury/Nepean River, however, the planning report does recognise the considerable deposit contained within the river system and indicates that extraction should await recommendations from a number of current studies being prepared. The report recommends that future extraction from the river should only proceed from defined areas under strict environmental planning guidelines. The major concerns are to ensure that:-

- all future extractive applications are assessed in terms of the cumulative impact of the proposal on the hydrodynamic and sedimentary processes of the river;
- the impact of extraction on water quality and the aquatic environment is minimised;
- extraction does not severely limit or interfere with other competing river uses;
- estuarine wetlands (comprising saltmarshes and mangroves) are preserved and protected from extractive operations;
- recognised fishing grounds are protected from extractive industries and that commercial and recreational fishing and the oyster farming industry is not disadvantaged by extraction; and
- cutter suction dredges are used in preference to dragline operations so that turbidity is minimised.

The REP does not significantly differ from its draft form except in terms of the following:-

- the Roberts Creek clay resource is no longer included in the REP. This means that the provisions of Hawkesbury L.E.P. 1984, apply to the land. The land is currently zoned Part Rural 1(b1), 1(b2), 1(a5) and 1(a6) under the planning instrument, with extractive industries being permissible with consent in a Rural 1(b1) zone, but prohibited in Rural 1(b2), 1(a5) and 1(a6). Approximately two thirds of the land is zoned Rural 1(b1), while land within 400 metres of Singleton Road is zoned either 1(b2) or 1(a6).

Only a very small part of the land is zoned Rural 1(a5). The exclusion of the Roberts Creek clay resource from the REP will mean that any proposal to extract the resource will either be the subject of an Environmental Impact Statement or, in those areas where extraction is prohibited, the subject of a draft local environmental plan should Council resolve to prepare such a plan; further

- the definition of 'extractive material' now excludes 'turf'.

Unfortunately, the REP does not address the concerns raised by Council in its earlier submission to the DEP, particularly in regard to the apparent lack of government cohesion of the number and direction of studies being prepared on the management of the Hawkesbury/Nepean River. The planning report states that a number of measures will be necessary to ensure the successful implementation of the plan including further studies, plans of management and geological investigation.

The REP does, however, go some way towards achieving its aim in recognising the need to ensure that there are adequate resources available

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to meet Sydney's needs, while at the same time, protecting the environment of the region.

Recommendation

The information be received.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE RECOMMENDATION BE adopted.

ITEM 5: (File DA 290/85)

John 16/2/87

SUBJECT: "THE ISLANDS" PROPOSED TOURIST RECREATION RESORT

The following letter has been received from Mr. Steven Larkin:

"Further to earlier discussions with Council's Officers in September and October this year, I wish to emphasise my enthusiasm for pursuing the development projects within the Hawkesbury Shire.

As Council is aware, currently there are two projects, namely 'The Islands', Kurrajong Heights and the tourist zoned land at McGraths Hill upon which I have made serious commitments.

'The Islands' proposal as resolved by Council on 15th July, 1986, is currently before the Department of Environment and Planning for re-zoning into rural residential strata sub-division.

It has come to my notice, during the time that I have been involved in the two projects in the Shire, that tourism is becoming increasingly important to Hawkesbury Shire, and has significant potential.

As a result of this conclusion I have made preliminary investigation of a tourist related development for 'The Islands'. These have resulted in the sketch/artist plans attached, which were developed from the constraints in the environmental study already completed and with Council, and some financial analysis. The development is for a tourist recreation resort with the components of a hotel, golf course, country club, recreational centre, tennis courts, equestrian facility and villa type accommodation.

The Council will be aware of the very high costs involved in preparing the necessary submissions for development proposal and their commercial assessment. At this stage, I would request some indication of the Council of such a proposal, without impeding the passage of the L.E.P. in order that a firm development concept can be prepared.

The tourist development is one that I see stimulating tourism in the area with employment opportunities while sympathetically developing the property.

An indication of Council's principle position in this matter would be greatly appreciated."

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Council will be aware that the proposed rezoning of "The Islands" to enable broad-acre strata subdivision is currently with the Department of Environment and Planning, pursuant to Section 64 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979, with a request that the Department certify the Plan, as prepared by Council, to enable it to be placed formally on public exhibition. To date, such certification has not been forthcoming with the advice being obtained from the Department that the matter is still under consideration.

The alternative proposal, as now indicated, is considered to have considerable merit being, as it is, an employment, tourism, and general economic generator and, arguably, of lesser environmental impact on the land than the broad acre strata subdivision.

Such a development proposal is classified as a "tourist facility", pursuant to Council's Planning Scheme, and is an allowable development, with Council's consent, not requiring rezoning.

As indicated in the correspondence, the costs in preparing proper development submissions for a proposal of this magnitude are considerable, hence, the request for an indication by Council of its attitude to the development.

Preliminary sketch plans of the proposal will be on display at the meeting.

Recommendation

That Council advise the correspondent that it is supportive of the concept of the tourist recreational resort as indicated, however, that such will require full environmental assessment as a result of a formal development application as is required.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE RECOMMENDATION BE adopted.

ITEM 6: (File DA 148/86)

SUBJECT: HAWKESBURY LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN 1984 -
DEFINITION OF "ANIMAL ESTABLISHMENT".

Council will recall that, at the time of deliberation of the goat farm in Vincents Road, Kurrajong, it resolved to request legal advice on the definition.

The definition within Council's Planning Scheme is as follows:

"'Animal Establishment' - means a building or place used or intended for use for the intensive purposes of husbandry, boarding, training, or keeping (or any combination of them) of animals, of birds, fish, insects or the like, requiring the importation of feed from sources outside the land on which the the development is conducted."

The advice of Solicitors, McDonnell Moffitt Dowling Tayler, in part, is as follows:

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"... The definition was inserted in the Plan so that Council could more adequately control uses such as dog kennels, pigkeeping, poultry farms and the like but was not intended to envisage normal rural grazing activities involving cattle and sheep. To this end agriculture other than animal establishments is a purpose which may be carried out without development consent in all the rural zones in the Shire.

As Council would be aware, a dog breeding kennel has been held to be a use for the purpose of agriculture (see Halliday v. Hornsby Shire Council (1979) 38 L.G.R.A. 328).

Council has adopted the interpretation that the occasional importation of food, particularly in dry seasons, does not alter what otherwise would be agriculture to an animal establishment. With respect, we consider such interpretation by Council to be correct. The word 'intensive' where occurring in the definition as work to do, because the activity is defined as being intensive and requiring the importation of food, the occasional importation of food would not, in our opinion, turn agriculture into an animal establishment.

On the other hand, if the activity could at no time survive without the importation of food, then the position may well be different. It is not to say, however, that a hobby farm would necessarily be an animal establishment... Whilst we do not have detailed instructions in relation to the goat farm referred to in our letter of instruction, consistent with the views expressed above it seems to us that the interpretation adopted by Council was correct.

... Whilst the liberal interpretation given to the definition by Council hitherto is in our opinion correct, instead of the words 'requiring the importation' in the definition of animal establishment the words 'which depends upon the importation' could be inserted."

The suggested rewording of the definition would overcome some of the difficulty in administration of the definition and will be included in Council's new planning scheme, currently under preparation, for Council's further consideration.

Recommendation

The advice from McDonnell Moffitt Dowling Tayler concerning the definition of "animal establishment" be received.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE RECOMMENDATION BE adopted.

ITEM 7: (File L12/86)

SUBJECT: TILMUNDA PASTORAL CO. - PROPOSED REZONING OF
PORTION 67 PARISH NEPEAN TO PERMIT
RURAL/RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISION

Michael 16/2/87

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(9 x 2HA LOTS AND 10 x 1HA LOTS) IN EXCHANGE FOR THE DEDICATION OF 12.4HA OF WATER FRONT OPEN SPACE.

LAND & LOCATION: PORTION 67, PARISH NEPEAN, SPRINGWOOD ROAD, YARRAMUNDI (SPRINGWOOD SIDE OF THE BMG QUARRY).

A request has been received from the owner of the above land Tilmunda Pastoral Company Pty. Ltd. to subdivide part Portion 67 into 10 x 1ha and 9 x 2ha lots in exchange for the dedication of 12.4ha for public recreation.

The land is currently subject to soil extraction, and the area proposed for dedication is generally that which has been subject to extraction or proposed to be extracted. Ultimately, the extracted area will be provided with an even batter to the water line.

Upon receipt of the application, a letter was sent to the applicant indicating that the proposed rezoning could not be formally supported until completion of the soil extraction.

In addition, it was noted that the BMG plant was a major noise source and would adversely affect a number of the proposed one hectare lots.

The applicant has now responded to this letter advising that the Tilmunda sand and soil operation should be near completion in approximately 4 years time. The applicant has also had discussions with Blue Metal Industries who has advised that the life of its plant is approximately 4 years, with a further 3 years of extraction on the site of the plant. As a consequence the applicants seek Council's support in principle for the proposed LEP for Rural/Residential subdivision in exchange for the dedication of 12.4ha of open space.

The finalisation of extractive operations of both the BMG site and on the subject land are too remote to provide formal support for a draft Local Environmental Plan for rural/residential subdivision, however, it is considered that the prospect of providing an exchange could be in the public interest both in terms of the additional foreshore open space and also the added stimulus for the applicant to properly execute his soil removal.

It would be appropriate for this to be indicated to the applicant and they be advised that the matter will be further considered at the final stages of works currently underway on the property.

Recommendation

That the applicant be advised that Council considers their proposal premature for proper consideration by Council at this time given the extent of extractive operations to be carried out on the property and that the matter will be further considered when these works are nearing completion.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE RECOMMENDATION BE adopted.

Michael 12/2/87

ITEM 8 : (FILE D2/5/27)

SUBJECT: EXTENSION OF TIME FOR EXTRACTIVE OPERATIONS IN THE HAWKESBURY RIVER ON THE RIVER BANK ADJACENT TO LOT 21 DP 575351 YARRAMUNDI LANE, RICHMOND - WHATLEY SANDS PTY. LIMITED.

A request has been received from Whatley Sands seeking an extension of the life of the above operation for an additional six months. Council will remember that, at its meeting of 11th December 1984, it resolved to grant an extension of time for the operations, which were due to expire on 31st December 1984, to expire on 31st December 1986, subject to additional conditions from the original 1969 consent, including suitable restoration procedures.

The correspondent has indicated that the six month's extension is required due to the interruption to his works by the recent floods and freshes in the river, indicating that the additional six months is required to allow the necessary extraction and restoration works to be finalised.

Work, to date, while not causing environmental damage, has not strictly followed the submitted engineering plans and restoration work extending over the total length of the consent area of about 500 metres is required. The extent of the works required are such that they would require programming over a period of approximately six months and, in this respect, it would be appropriate to stage the restoration to be completed in 5 x 100 metre sections, with the works to be in accordance with approved plans.

No objection is seen to the extension in time provided that immediate restoration in stages, as indicated above, is undertaken to a plan approved by the Shire Engineer. A bond in the amount of \$20,000 is already held from the Company and it would be appropriate for twice weekly inspections to be carried out during the period of the remaining work. As these inspections would be more frequent than normally occurring by Council's staff, it is considered appropriate that the Company pay to Council an additional amount of \$80 per week for the remainder of the work period to offset Council's administrative costs.

Recommendation

That Whatley Sands Pty. Limited be granted a further six months period to complete the approved extraction and restoration, subject to the restoration being carried out in 100 metre sections to a plan prepared at the Company's expense and to the satisfaction of the Shire Engineer and, further, that the Company pay to Council an amount of \$80 per week to enable the twice weekly inspections, as will be required.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE RECOMMENDATION BE adopted.

SHIRE PLANNER/SHIRE HEALTH SURVEYOR'S REPORT

ITEM 1: (File DA378/85, BA393A/86)

SUBJECT: WINDSOR COUNTRY (RETIREMENT) VILLAGE -
LOT 9 BANDON ROAD, VINEYARD

Advice has been received from the State Pollution Control Commission of an application for approval of an on-site sewage treatment plant incorporating disposal of effluent by spray irrigation to service this development. Treatment is proposed to consist of an extended aeration package sewage treatment plant, chlorinator, wet weather holding pond and spray irrigation system. The treated effluent is proposed to be sprayed over approximately 7000m² of landscaped area on the site plus an area of 1600m² on the adjacent lot 22 Windsor Road, which is currently being purchased from Council.

Supporting documentation from the design consultants W.W. Eckenfelder & Associates Pty Ltd., indicate that the proposed plant has a design capacity of 120 equivalent population with an expected long term average flow of 28.8 kilolitres per day. The proposed irrigation area on the subject site of 7000m² will include all of the site with the exception of buildings, roads, parking areas, paths, treatment plant, water storage tank and the like and is proposed to be serviced by an intricate layout of irrigation lines incorporating approximately 100 spray heads with various sections being controlled by valves.

Council may recall that a condition of development consent relating to this project required sewage effluent to be pumped to the Riverstone Sewage Treatment Works. This condition was imposed in order to protect the amenity of the neighbourhood in view of the significantly large scale of the project and the proximity of existing development and potential for development in the long term.

In its advice regarding this application, the State Pollution Control Commission seeks Council's comments in regard to the proposed method of sewage treatment and disposal and details of any conditions which Council considers the Commission should impose on any approval.

The Commission has been advised that the proposal conflicts directly with a condition of development consent and accordingly, can only be varied by Council and that the matter would be placed before Council for its determination at its next meeting. The Commission was also advised that inspection of the site on Tuesday 23rd December, 1986, revealed that work had already commenced on the installation which in the light of their advice would appear to be prior to formal approval.

It is believed that to pump the effluent to the Riverstone Plant in accordance with Council's conditions of consent is a far better alternative than the new proposal particularly in light of the fact that a similar development is envisaged for the adjacent allotment, Lot 10 Bandon Road. It is considered that the amenity of the area in regard to existing development would be likely to suffer with sewage treatment and effluent disposal being carried out on site.

Following receipt of advice from the SPCC and inspection of the site, the applicant was issued with a 'Notice to Cease Work'. As a result, the applicants have formally requested that Council's condition of development consent be varied and that they be permitted to dispose of effluent in the

manner outlined by the Shire Health Surveyor.

Reasons for such a request include:

- * Estimated costs of \$240,000 - connection point located approximately 2.5km from the subject site;
- * "Council has been approached by our company to purchase....Lot 22 Windsor Road....for the purpose of irrigation from the plant so as to eliminate any problems with pollution....";
- * Intention is to connect to MWS & DB sewer main when it is available;
- * Essential that costs be minimised so as to provide low cost housing to the elderly.

The NSW Department of Health has advised that the applicant's proposal is considered to be unsatisfactory and that it supports Council's condition requiring the disposal of effluent to Riverstone Waste Water Treatment Plant.

In regard to future development in the area, an application has been lodged over Lot 10 Bandon Road (adjoining) for a similar development to that presently under construction on Lot 9. The applicant has been advised that this application cannot be determined until advice is received from the MWS & DB as to the adequacy/availability of a reticulated water supply. Verbal advice from the Department of Environment and Planning indicates that the Board is concerned at increasing dwelling densities in the subject area to the extent proposed.

Written advice has not yet been received from the Board.

Notwithstanding this, it is envisaged that pressure for development will increase in the Vineyard/Riverstone area due to the high number of vacant allotments and the North West Sector Regional Environmental Plan which will affect land on the eastern side of Bandon Road.

Discussions with the applicants during appraisal of the development application for the retirement village indicated that they are prepared to connect to the Riverstone Waste Water Treatment Plant. Application for such a connection was subsequently made with the Broad granting approval.

Recommendation

That condition No.20 "Disposal of sewage effluent to the requirements of the Shire Health Surveyor and the Shire Engineer - in this regard all sewage shall be disposed of to the Riverstone Waste Water Treatment Plant" of Development Consent No.166/1986; DA378/85; Ordinary Meeting 8/4/86 be not varied.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

AN INSPECTION OF THE site be carried out at the same time as the Caravan Park site is being inspected, together with an inspection of a similar plant which has been installed at Dural.

SECTION 3 - FINANCE

1. ACCOUNTS PAID

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE ACCOUNTS SUBMITTED be confirmed as shown hereunder:

CASH EXPENDITURE WARRANT NO. 11/1986

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Voucher Nos.</u>	<u>Total</u>
General	56035 - 56811	\$5,677,143.31
Trust	5208 - 5249	241,686.92
		\$5,918,830.23

CASH EXPENDITURE WARRANT NO. 12/1986

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Voucher Nos.</u>	<u>Total</u>
General	56812 - 58124	\$7,361,882.86
Trust	5250 - 5291	1,162,803.16
		\$8,524,686.02

2. STATEMENTS OF BANK BALANCES, INVESTMENTS AND FORM 2

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE STATEMENTS OF bank balances as shown in Form 2 showing the position of the Bank Accounts be received.

3. CORRESPONDENCE

ITEM 1: (File I112/6)

CORRESPONDENT: LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND SHIRES ASSOCIATION OF NSW

SUBJECT: PERSONAL ACCIDENT INSURANCE SCHEME VOLUNTEER BUSH FIRE FIGHTERS

The Local Government Association has provided Council with a copy of the master policy arranged for Volunteer Bush Fire Fighters in NSW.

This policy provides additional benefits for volunteers injured whilst on bush fire fighting duties, over and above the Bushfire Fighters Compensation Act. It provides cover for:

- a) Active members of Bush Fire Brigades.
- b) Volunteers fighting bush fires with the consent of a bushfire brigade

officer.

- c) Volunteers, deemed by the Bush Fire Council of NSW as fire fighters.
- d) Registered members of the State Emergency Services assisting in bush fire fighting, during all authorised bush fire brigade related activities.

The LGA has previously provided Council with information regarding this master policy and it is estimated that an annual premium of \$2,000 would be payable for coverage under the master policy.

(S.C. - Council has been requested by several bushfire brigades to provide compensation coverage additional to the current benefits of the Bushfire Fighters Compensation Act, particularly where burn injuries occur requiring lengthy convalescence. If this period exceeds 26 weeks the injured persons weekly compensation payment drops to an amount as prescribed by statute, which is presently \$155.00 per week plus an allowance for dependants.

Investigations have indicated that the available policies have one time benefits payable, up to \$50,000, for specified injuries eg. death, loss of a limb but does not provide any benefits for minor injuries or burns. The LGA policy provided to Council, only provides the restricted benefits, as mentioned above, thus it is not considered beneficial for Council to arrange for this policy to be provided for the Shires Volunteer Bush Fire Fighters.)

Recommendation

That Council continue its investigations into alternate personal accident insurance schemes, to establish which policy proposal provides the best benefits for the volunteer bush fire fighters.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE RECOMMENDATION BE adopted.

SECTION B - LETTERS SUBMITTED FOR INFORMATION

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the letters in this section be received and appropriate replies forwarded where necessary.

B1. LIBRARY COUNCIL OF NEW SOUTH WALES - STATE GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR PUBLIC LIBRARIES, 1986/87. L125

Advising Council that in the recent State Budget, the per capita subsidy was increased from \$1.60 to \$1.80 for 1986/87.

Enclosing guidelines for the Interest Subsidy Scheme for public library buildings which will operate in 1986/87 as in previous years.

B2. GENERAL CIRCULAR NO: 11/1986 - INDUSTRIAL INFORMATION. C44/2
S205/1

1. Australian Traineeship System

Motion 42 from Manly to the 1986 Local Government Conference was carried in the following terms:-

"That Councils be urged to positively support the Australian Traineeship system along with continued support of the existing labour market programs for local government, including the Youth Employment Scheme and Community Employment Program".

The Associations have written to the Minister expressing their concern that where Councils are given an impression that quotas are being set for the number of young people to be engaged under ATS, any effort to promote ATS will not succeed.

Should Councils have any comments in this regard, they are urged to convey them to the Department of Industrial Relations and Employment as well as the Associations.

(S.C. - Council has previously received a report on the Traineeship System and the Department of Industrial Relations and Employment has been advised in terms of that report.)

2. Sick Leave

Local government awards provide for an entitlement to sick leave where Council is satisfied that the employee is unable to attend for duty due to sickness. Many Councils require employees to produce a medical certificate as evidence of genuine sickness.

The Australian Medical Association has issued a notice to its members stressing that medical certificates must be accurate in content and cannot be backdated.

3. Variable Working Hours

At the 1986 Annual Conference of the Local Government Association, Motion No.48 from Burwood was carried in the following terms:-

"That the Executive conduct a survey to ascertain the attitude and experiences of member Councils in relation to flexible working hours".

(S.C. - The Association will be advised of the successful scheme of working hours for the Salaried and Wages Staff.)

B3. GENERAL CIRCULAR NO: 12/1986 - INDUSTRIAL INFORMATION. C44/2,
S205/1

1. Local Government Senior Officers' Award

The Committee of Review, constituted under the above award, has examined the method of assessing applications for reclassification of Councils.

As a result a standardised form titled "Application for Reclassification"

has been drawn up for use in all cases.

This form is available from the Industrial Relations Division of the Associations.

2. Local Government Senior Officers' Award

The Health Surveyors' Association of New South Wales has applied to vary the above award in respect of the following four (4) matters:-

- i) To increase the Motor Vehicle Allowance provided in Clause 7 - Expenses of the Award by 7.2%, that being the increase in the private motoring component of the Consumer Price Index for the last 12 months. The claim seeks a payment of 30 cents per kilometre for vehicles under 2.5 litre capacity and 35 cents per kilometre for vehicles 2.5 litres and over, and also seeks a minimum allowance of \$4,000.00 per annum.
- ii) To alter Clause 11 - Sick Leave of the award to prescribe that sick leave will be available to an employee after one (1) month service with a Council within New South Wales in lieu of the present prescription of three (3) months service with a Council.
- iii) To alter Clause 11 - Sick Leave of the award to prescribe a new subclause for an additional period of paid sick leave for employees to attend recognised "Quit for Life Stop Smoking" courses. The claim seeks that the entitlement shall not exceed five (5) working days and shall be available as a once only entitlement during an employees employment with a Council.
- iv) To provide for the employment of Part-time Health Surveyors and/or Health and Building Surveyors.

3. Health Surveyors' (State) Award

The Health Surveyors' Association of New South Wales has made application to vary the award in the following four (4) claims:- see (i) to (iii) in 2 above.

- iv) To vary Clause 3 - Hours to provide that employees may be employed on a part-time or job share basis.

4. Municipal & Shire Council Wages Staff Award

The Municipal Employees' Union has applied to vary Clause 7, Allowances and Extra Rates, subclause (xxix)(a) of the above award, to provide an allowance of \$10.00 per week for gardeners (excluding Gardener Grade 3), nurserymen and propagators holding the "Parks and Gardens Certificate".

5. Additional Public Holiday 1986

The Associations have been advised that Saturday 27 December, 1986, has been proclaimed as an Additional Public Holiday.

6. Transport Industry - Sanitary & Garbage (State) Award

Councils were advised in Industrial Circular No. 6/1986 of a claim for a thirty-eight (38) hour week in the above award. The award applies to employees of Contractors to Councils for sanitary, sullage, garbage and

litter service.

The parties have agreed to the thirty-eight (38) hour week on the basis that there would be:-

- . no significant cost increase
- . no additional staff (except in exceptional circumstances)
- . no additional vehicles or equipment

The parties have agreed that the method of introducing the thirty-eight (38) hour week will be by negotiation between the Contractor, Union and where applicable, the Council concerned.

B4. DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT - LOCAL GOVERNMENT (RATES AND CHARGES) BILL 1986. LIMITATION OF INCREASE IN GENERAL PURPOSE RATES AND GARBAGE CHARGES FOR 1987. C441/1, R186

A summary of the new legislation follows.

Base Levy for General Purpose Rates

Generally the base levy for a parcel of land in respect of a general purpose rate is the amount levied on the parcel in respect of the rate for 1986.

The variations to the base levy contained in clauses 7 to 13 of the Bill are as follows:-

(i) Changes in use relevant to differential general rates -

Clause 7 specifies the means for determining the base levy where the classification of a parcel of land for the purposes of a differential general rate has changed since the rate was first made.

(ii) Strata Title Subdivision -

Clause 8 specifies the means for determining the base levy for a parcel of land if since the 1 January, 1986, the parcel has been subdivided under the Strata Titles Act, 1973 or has ceased to be subject to the provisions of that Act.

(iii) Eligible Pensioner -

The inclusion of clause 9 in the proposed Act is to cure an anomaly in the existing legislation. This Clause gives statutory effect to the requirement on a council to compute a notional nett amount to be paid by eligible pensioners who were rated as pensioners for the first time in 1984, 1985 and 1986.

This will ensure that all eligible pensioners will receive the benefit of a percentage increase calculated on the nett amount after the mandatory State Government and Council rebate have been subtracted.

(iv) Heritage Valuations -

Clause 10 specifies the means for determining the base levy for a parcel of land if a permanent conservation order has been made or revoked in respect of the parcel since 1st January, 1983.

(v) Coastal Protection Proclamations -

The same comment relating to Heritage Valuations applies to proclamations made under the Coastal Protection Act, 1979.

(vi) Physically Damaged Land -

Where a property whose value has been diminished by it having been identified as subject to actual physical damage resulting from natural elements including landslip and major erosion, a council may use revised valuations for rating purposes.

(vii) Minimum Rates for Occupied Land -

The inclusion of this clause in the proposed Act will enable Councils to automatically apply the minimum rate for occupied land in this circumstance.

Valuations

The proposed Act empowers the Valuer General to determine a special valuation for a parcel of land as at a time prior to the base date of current valuations, such valuations taking into account current major physical effects or statutory requirements.

Councils are required to include such a value in a rate notice specifying an amount of a general purpose rate which has been calculated by reference to such a value.

A right of objection and appeal is granted in these circumstances.

Making of Rates for 1987

Clause 15 provides that, except where the Minister consents, and except in the case of minimum general purpose rate in respect of a parcel of vacant flood liable land, a council shall not make a general purpose rate for 1987.

In recent years, approval has been given to certain councils to make a rate after consideration of the special circumstances of those councils. In most cases, the rate was applied to valuations used in 1983.

Clause 15 will empower the Minister to approve of the use of new valuations where a council makes out a case to redress inequalities in the rating structure resulting from the valuations previously required to be used in respect of general purpose rates.

Extension of Existing Rates

Clause 16 enables councils to extend to 1987 a general purpose rate made in 1986 or extended to 1986 under the Local Government (Rates and Charges) Amendment Act, 1985.

General purpose rates as extended may be increased or decreased by a specified percentage in 1987. However, such a rate shall not be increased by more than 7% or such other percentage as may be determined by the Minister.

In future, councils will, therefore, be permitted to alter the structure of their general rates through their extension by varying percentages, provided all percentage increases are less than or equal to the specified maximum. In other words, councils will no longer be required to seek the Minister's consent to vary the internal components of their general rates if the percentage increase is within the maximum permitted limit.

Aggregation, Etc, of Values of Certain Parcels Subject to Minimum Amounts

Section 126A enables councils to aggregate the land values of certain parcels of land held by one ratepayer and subsequently levy one minimum rate assessment. However, to have effect under current legislation, this policy must have been adopted by council during 1982, whereby one minimum rate on the aggregated parcels could be extended since that time.

Clause 17 will enable councils to aggregate, under Section 126A of the Principal Act, the values of parcels of land subject to minimum amounts of classes of general rates or to determine that those values, if previously aggregated, shall cease to be aggregated.

Garbage Removal Service -

Determination of Appropriate Base Amount

Clause 22 and 23 specify the means for determining the base amounts to be charged to the owner or occupier if no amount in respect of a garbage removal service was charged for the whole of 1986 or when since 1 January, 1986, has been subdivided under the Strata Titles Act, 1973. These clauses have the same effect as section 11 in the 1985 legislation.

Making of Garbage Removal Charge for 1987

Clause 24 provides that, except where the Minister consents, and except in the case of a building under company title, a council shall not make a charge for a service supplied by it in 1987 for the removal of garbage.

Councils which made separate garbage charges in 1983 for households in a company titled building have been able in recent years to extend these charges. However, any council, which made only one charge for these services in 1983 has been precluded from allocating the cost of the services more fairly by applying the charge to individual households in these buildings, without specific Ministerial approval to make the charges. Clause 24(4) will overcome this anomaly and empower councils to impose a separate garbage charge for each unit.

It should be noted that a charge in the case of separate dwellings in a building under a company title shall not exceed the amount of the charge made in 1986 for the building in which the dwelling is situated as increased or decreased by the specified percentage as determined by the council.

Extension of Existing Garbage Removal Charge

Clause 25 enables the extension to 1987 of a garbage removal charge made in 1986 or extended to 1986 under the Local Government (Rates and Charges) Amendment Act, 1985. This charge may be increased or decreased for 1987. The charge shall not, however, be increased by more than 7% or such other percentage as approved by the Minister.

Early Making and Fixing of Rates and Charges for 1987

The proposed Act makes provision for a Council to make or fix a rate or charge or to extend a rate or charge for 1987 before 1 January, 1987.

Advantages of Changes in the Proposed Act

The more flexible use by councils of minimum rates, differential rates or the aggregation of values for rates will allow the making of rate assessments which more adequately reflect ability to pay. In particular it will aid councils trying to selectively assist hard pressed sectors of the community.

Where more recent valuations are to be used and these reflect disadvantages to ratepayers resulting from State Government action, physical damage to land or operating difficulties such as decline of output of coal mines, councils will be required to or are permitted to give relief to such ratepayers.

Adoption of Estimates

Attention is drawn to Circular 84/47 which stated that councils should follow the normal practice of adopting estimates and of advertising those Estimates in a newspaper.

Guidelines for the Preparation of Applications to Exceed the Statutory Limit

Please refer to Circular 86/48 for guidelines to be followed in the submission of application for the Minister's approval to exceed the statutory limit in general purpose rates and garbage charges for 1987.

B5. DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT - RURAL RATING APPEALS. C44/1, R186/2

Arising from representations to the Minister and issues canvassed during a Seminar held at Singleton on 27/6/1986 on the subject "Rural Rating Issues", it has become apparent that some councils may not be aware that the Land and Environment Court has in recent time confirmed that appeals against decisions of councils on rural rating applications must be lodged with the Court within 30 days of service of the rate notice. The right of appeal arises annually upon service of the rate notice. If appeal action is not commenced within time then an appeal cannot proceed.

This situation, coupled with the failure of some councils to inform ratepayers in advance of the service of rate notice of the availability of concessional rating, and the manner in which applications for rural rate concessions may be sought, and the failure to notify applicants of the councils' decisions prior to levy of the rates, has led to a large number

of appeals being filed with the Court to safeguard the ratepayers' interest.

In the event that the appeals against the refusal to grant the concessions are upheld by the Court the fees and other costs outlaid by the ratepayers concerned are an unnecessary expense which could have been avoided by proper action by those councils.

If Council has a differential rural rating system and does not take steps to obtain and determine applications for rural rating concessions prior to the levy of its rates for 1987, it is urged that steps be taken to review its administrative procedures in that regard as soon as practicable and by 1st November in subsequent years to avoid the problems referred to above.

The procedure should include:-

- (i) Advertising of the relevant provisions of the law including the right of appeal and the position if appeals are not lodged in the proper time.
- (ii) Inviting applications from those who consider they are eligible including all those who may have received a rural rate in 1986.
- (iii) Preparation of an appropriate application and questionnaire.
- (iv) Inspection of properties of all new applicants and a proportion, say 20%, of those already subject to rural rate reductions.
- (v) Determination of applications and notification of outcome of consideration of applications by not later than date of service of rate notice for 1987.

It is recommended that determinations should be based on consideration of the facts and relevant legal decisions applicable to each application made to the Council and not otherwise. Concessions should, in particular, not be granted in the absence of an application.

(S.C. - Council generally uses the above procedures except in the case of property inspections where a greater number of properties, the subject of an application, are inspected.)

B6. DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT - LIMITATION OF INCREASE IN
GENERAL PURPOSE RATES AND GARBAGE CHARGES FOR 1987. C44-1

The Cabinet has approved the proposal that the system of control used in 1986 on increases on individual rate assessments and garbage charges be extended for 1987, but at the same time eliminate or reduce the effect of certain anomalies and restrictions. The maximum increase will be limited to 7%.

A Bill is presently being drafted for presentation to Cabinet and to Parliament. It is proposed that its provisions will generally conform with those of the Local Government (Rates and Charges) Amendment Act, 1985, except that councils will be required or enabled to use special redetermined valuations for certain properties in specified circumstances, and some restrictions on the flexibility of councils in

rating matters will be removed.

As in previous years Councils wishing to exceed the limit or to make a rate will have to provide a submission which sets out in detail the circumstances requiring the Ministerial approval. Exemptions will be approved only in the most extreme circumstances.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

A MOTION BE SUBMITTED to the next Local Government Conference calling on the Government to permit Councils to accumulate the difference in rates fixed each year where these are less than the pegged rate increase.

B7. DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS AND EMPLOYMENT - YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SCHEME. G95/35

Advising that the Hon. P.D. Hills, M.P., Minister for Industrial Relations and Minister for Employment has recently approved a grant of \$52,770 to Council to create nine jobs under the Youth Employment Scheme.

The funds provided are for the employment of four clerical positions and five on the wages staff.

B8. STATE LIBRARY OF NEW SOUTH WALES - 40TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS. L125

Thanking Council for the edited copy and taperecording of Dr. Hertzberg's speech on the occasion of the 40th birthday celebrations of the Library.

B9. KU-RING-GAI MUNICIPAL COUNCIL - ORAL HISTORY PROJECT. L125

Expressing appreciation of the "Oral History for Public Libraries: a basic kit", forwarded to Ku-ring-gai Municipal Library's Local Studies Resources Centre.

B10. CARMEL DENHOLM - STUDY OF THE PROVISION OF PUBLIC ACCESS MICROCOMPUTERS IN THE PUBLIC LIBRARY. L125

Expressing thanks for allowing the library to be involved in a study of the provision of public access microcomputers in the public library.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE RECOMMENDATION BE adopted.

SHIRE CLERK'S REPORT

ITEM 1: (File C52/3)

SUBJECT: REVEREND TURNER COTTAGE

At the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on the 9th December, 1986, consideration was given to the future use of Reverend Turner Cottage. At that meeting it was resolved that a lease of Reverend Turner Cottage would be advertised during the month of December.

Expressions of interest were called for closing on the 24th December, 1986. Only one expression of interest has been received, being from the Hawkesbury Branch Manager, Home Care Services of New South Wales. The Service has offered Council rental of \$200 per week plus a contribution to electricity outgoings. Further the Home Care Service has requested that Council enters into a three (3) year lease with an option to extend a further three (3) years.

The Home Care Service has advised that its existing accommodation is totally inadequate for the ten (10) administrative and seventy (70) field staff to properly cope with the needs of the 400 (approximately) clients. In addition the Service has advised that the lease of the existing premises does not expire until June 1987, however, it feels it may be possible to terminate the lease in March 1987.

If Council were to accept the offer the premises would be vacant for some four (4) months, however it is felt that this would be a very satisfactory use of the premises and provide considerable benefit to the residents of the Shire.

Recommendation

Council enter into a 3 x 3 year lease of the Reverend Turner Cottage with the Home Care Service of New South Wales at a rental value of \$200 per week with an annual contribution to outgoings and the necessary documents be executed under the Seal of Council.

Councillor Sledge declared an interest in this matter.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE RECOMMENDATION BE adopted.

ITEM 2: (File P155/12)

SUBJECT: NORTH RICHMOND COMMERCIAL CENTRE - LANEWAY

Council has previously resolved to acquire and/or resume parts of various properties in the North Richmond Commercial Area for pedestrian walkways, access roadways and parking areas.

Replies have been received from some landowners however not all those contacted have replied. Follow up letters have been forwarded requesting

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advice within 14 days on Council's offers. A further report will be submitted next Committee Meeting detailing the progress on all properties.

Recommendation

That the report on the Laneway at the North Richmond Commercial Centre be received.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE RECOMMENDATION BE adopted.

ITEM 3: (File D64)

SUBJECT: DONATION TO HAWKESBURY COMMUNITY ARTS WORKSHOP

A deputation in 1986 from Hawkesbury Community Arts Workshop requested that Council employ a full-time administrator/ caretaker for their Organisation. The Community Projects Officer and Community Arts Officer discussed this and other funding matters with them.

They were advised -

1. That Council could not agree to their request, but that they should write and request a donation.
2. Arts funding bodies and WSAAS would not fund administration, but that an application should be made to the Board of Adult Education.
3. The Community Arts Officer would attend their next Committee meeting and provide information on management structures and areas of responsibility.

The workshop, with 366 members attending classes on 20 art/craft subjects, is a viable organisation, offering a valuable service to the community. The benefit of a paid coordinator is significant although the need for such a person full-time is doubtful. A donation of \$500 would be a reasonable amount to this organisation subject to the funds being used to subsidise an administrator for the busy periods such as enrolment weeks.

The Committee has not yet approached the Board of Adult Education as it has been directing its energies into an application for a Capital Works Grant for improvements to the Workshop building.

The Community Arts Officer will attend a special Committee meeting to provide advice on costing policies, responsibilities, incorporation and other administrative matters.

Recommendation

That a donation of \$500 be made to the Hawkesbury Community Arts Workshop to be used towards an administrator's salary.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE RECOMMENDATION BE adopted.

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ITEM 4: (File A1/20)

SUBJECT: HAWKESBURY DISTRICT NETBALL ASSOCIATION - NETBALL
COURTS, SOUTH WINDSOR

The Hawkesbury District Netball Association has requested that Council waive the annual fees of \$1100 for the use of the South Windsor netball complex for the years 1987 through to 1992 inclusive. This request is on the basis that the Association will be required to make annual loan repayments for the loan provided by Council for improvements to the netball complex.

S.C. REPORT

During 1986 and the early part of 1987 the Netball Association undertook a programme of approximately \$184,000 to carry out extensions to the club house, provision of artificial surface for four (4) courts and lighting of four (4) courts in the South Windsor complex. Funding for the programme was provided from the following sources:

a. Council grant	\$ 30,740
b. Council loan	\$ 33,000
c. Grant from the Department of Sport & Recreation	\$ 62,500
d. Hawkesbury District Netball Association	\$ 57,760
	<u>\$184,000</u>

The loan provided by Council is repayable in five (5) annual instalments of \$6600.

At a recent meeting the President of the Netball Association was advised that a report would be submitted to Council recommending that the fee of \$1100 for 1987 and 1988 be waived in recognition of the considerable capital contribution to the improvement of the netball complex at South Windsor and the annual cost of \$6600 to repay the loan to Council. It was also suggested that the Netball Association should make provision in its annual estimates for 1989 to continue the payment of a fee for the use of the South Windsor complex to Council.

Recommendation

That the fee for the use of the South Windsor complex be waived for 1987 and 1988 and the Hawkesbury District Netball Association be advised that Council will require a fee to be paid for the use of the complex from 1989 onwards.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE RECOMMENDATION BE adopted.

ITEM 5: (File B20/4 D64)

SUBJECT: FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE - HAWKESBURY DISTRICT CONCERT
BAND

The Hawkesbury District Concert Band has requested Council to give consideration to providing financial assistance for the Band to purchase

new instruments to replace the unserviceable instruments.

The Band has provided a list of instruments which it considered require replacement in the near future to assist in its training programme of the 15 to 20 young people who are in the most cases beginners and do not possess their own instruments. These instruments are estimated to cost in the vicinity of \$5400.

The Band has also provided a copy of a statement of income and expenditure for the financial year ended 30th June, 1986 which shows a bank balance of \$2700. However the Band has also advised that it recently purchased a drum kit costing \$1400 and has therefore requested Council to consider providing financial assistance for the purchase of new replacement instruments.

In the period October 1985 to September 1986 the Band has performed at some twenty (20) community functions within the Shire. In addition it has performed at eight (8) other major functions outside the area. This is a significant contribution to the amenity of the Shire.

In the years 1981 to 1984 inclusive Council made a donation of \$1000 for the purchase of instruments towards the Band's activities each year. In addition in 1984 Council purchased uniforms for the Band costing in excess of \$10,000. Further in 1985 Council made a contribution towards the visit to the Sister City, Temple City of \$18,960. No donation was made for 1986.

Provision was made in the 1987 Estimates for a further donation of \$1000 to the Band. However it is felt that the Band makes a major contribution to the community of the Shire and that a donation of \$2000 in 1987 with consideration of a further \$2000 to be provided in the 1988 Estimates should be provided for the Band.

Recommendation

That the Hawkesbury District Concert Band be advised that Council will make a donation of \$2000 in 1987 and that consideration of a further \$2000 will be referred to the 1988 Estimates.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE RECOMMENDATION BE adopted.

SHIRE HEALTH SURVEYOR'S REPORT

ITEM 1: (File S195/5)

SUBJECT: SULLAGE REMOVAL CONTRACT

Advice has been received from the present contractor's Richardson Group Industries P/L that they were not prepared to continue the contract under the existing conditions and rates and requested significant changes to the contract.

The company was advised that Council could not vary the contract and that fresh tenders would need to be invited. Accordingly, after consultation with the Shire President and Deputy Shire Clerk, tenders have been called

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for a new contract. Owing to the mandatory advertising period of 21 clear days, tenders close on Thursday, 5th February, 1987 with the view to placing the matter before Council at its meeting on 10th February for determination.

The present contractor has agreed to continue the service until mid February to enable Council to resolve the matter satisfactorily.

Recommendation

The information be received.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE RECOMMENDATION BE adopted.

ITEM 2: (File P179)

SUBJECT: PROVISION OF HOT SHOWERS AT SWIMMING CENTRES

Council has requested a report regarding the provision of hot showers at Richmond and Windsor Swimming Centres.

Small water heaters are currently provided for the kiosk, staff and first aid rooms at each centre, however their capacity is insufficient to supply showers in addition. Also as in each centre the male and female amenities are well removed from each other and a long run of hot water line would result in significant heat loss it is more practicable to provide an additional two heaters at each centre.

The electricity supply available in the amenities areas is unsuitable for water heaters and new wiring would need to be run from the existing meter boards. Investigation reveals that such installation would be expensive and the better alternative would be the use of gas heaters.

Gas heaters can be wall mounted and enclosed in a security cage supplied by two cylinders fitted with an automatic change-over valve also installed in a security cage outside the buildings. Tiles will need to be removed from the walls and new shower sets provided for hot and cold water. It is proposed that each shower be fitted with a coin operated control on the hot water to ensure that the showers are not left running and gas wasted.

Windsor Amateur Swimming Club has offered to contribute \$1,000 towards the cost of the showers and the Hawkesbury Amateur Swimming Club has been written to enquiring if it wishes to be involved financially as well.

The total estimated cost of the installation is \$7,112 and funds are available from contributions to Parks and Gardens made under Section 94 of the Environment Planning and Assessment Act.

A verbal request has been received from the Windsor Club to install two hot showers for each sex as it is felt that one may be insufficient. Once the heater is installed an additional shower from each heater could be provided for approximately \$580 each. It is considered that the initial installation should proceed and additional showers provided if and when demand warrants.

Recommendation

That two hot water showers be installed at each Swimming Centre and the funds be provided from Section 94 contributions less any contribution made by the swimming clubs.

Mr. Cant, Secretary of the Windsor Amateur Swimming Club, addressed the Committee on this matter.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT TWO HOT water showers be installed at each Swimming Centre and the funds be provided from Section 94 contributions less any contributions made by the Swimming Clubs.

However due to the circumstances relating to the contribution by the Windsor Amateur Swimming Club, the Health Surveyor undertook to submit a further report to the Ordinary Meeting after discussions with the Hawkesbury Amateur Swimming Club.

ITEM 3: (B25/7-312-06c & BA1200/86)

SUBJECT: APPLICATION FOR REFUND OF BOND (RE-SITED DWELLING)

An application has been received for a refund of the \$1,000 bond relating to a re-sited dwelling currently being re-erected on Lot 7, Bells Line of Road, Bilpin.

The building is proposed to be set back approximately 185 metres from the front and approximately 75 metres from the nearer side boundaries and accordingly is not prominent and should not cause concern to existing residents.

The applicant makes the point that the refund requested would expedite completion.

Recommendation

That the request be acceded to and the refund made in this particular instance as:

- a) Work has commenced on the project and is progressing.
- b) The building is hardly visible from the road and is causing no concern to residents.
- c) Release of the bond will enable the work to be expedited.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THE RECOMMENDATION BE adopted.

QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE.

Councillor Nicholson asked if Council had received any formal complaints of noise from the new Night Spot in West Market Street, Richmond, and if so, what action has been taken. He stated that he had had a number of complaints and had advised the complainants to write in to Council.

The Health Surveyor stated that as far as he was aware no complaints had been received.

Councillor Denne asked if the grass intrusion onto the roads in the North Richmond area could be poisoned. She referred particularly to Tyne Crescent at the first entry off Pecks Road, Riverview Street and Grose Vale Road in the Council's carpark, and Keda Circuit.

Councillor Horrex asked if the Shire Engineer could bring forward an estimate of cost for the reconstruction of Browns Road, such costing to include a breakdown for an extension to the developed section where the residences are close to the road.

Councillor Horrex asked if any advice had been received in respect to the collapsed section of Grose Vale Road.

The Shire Engineer advised that, other than the letter from the Premier's Department in the Section B letters - Works Section of the Business Paper, Council had not received any information with regard to its application from the Departments concerned.

The Shire President stated that, in connection with the question concerning the repair to Grose Vale Road at Kurrajong, the Committee might like to have its concern expressed to the Department at the delay in that regard.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

REPRESENTATIONS BE MADE to the Departments concerned expressing concern in regard to the delay in advising on Council's application for a grant to repair the flood damage.

Councillor Horrex asked if a date had been set down for the inspection of the Grose Wold area regarding the bridge proposal and the abutments.

The Shire President stated that the inspection would be carried out in February after the report has been prepared.

Councillor Horrex asked if Council had re-appointed the Council Sister City Committee, and if so, could a meeting be convened to discuss the position of the Secretariat of the Hawkesbury Shire Sister City Association and also generally the Tamba question. He asked if the meeting could coincide with the day of the inspections.

Councillor Sledge asked if some provision could be made for drainage on the old Windsor Wharf where people catch boats for trips up the river.

The Shire Engineer stated that this problem will be attended to and as well the 1987 N.A.E.S. Stage 3 Scheme will be devoted to that area to

provide further improvements.

Councillor Sheridan asked if the Shire Engineer could indicate as to whether or not a proposal is in hand to clean up the Lake in McQuade Park.

The Shire Engineer advised that this work is in hand.

Councillor Sheridan asked if the Shire Clerk could indicate as to whether or not the water in the original water supply scheme was proposed to the Brahma Road premises.

The Shire Clerk advised that Brahma Road was in the original scheme and was deleted. However, Council has no record as to why it was deleted. It is understood that the residents themselves made direct representations to the Board because they had large enough lots and they did not require reticulation and it would appear that the Board then omitted the lots from the Scheme.

Councillor Sheridan stated that of recent date he had had representations from at least 2 property owners to review the situation.

The Shire Clerk suggested that they should write to Council. The position now is that the Scheme is not capable of extension because of commitments within the Scheme boundaries. He stated that there are two additions - Council has agreed to an extension to the Glossodia Public School - and the rest of the capacity will go to the new High School and the new Primary School at Freemans Reach. He advised that he understood from the Board that this would probably be the end of the Scheme capacity.

Councillor Sheridan asked if the Shire Clerk had any further information on the acquisition of land on the corner of Sackville Road and Kolora Road for the provision of a bushfire shed.

The Shire Clerk stated that he had discussed the matter with the Fire Control Officer with a view to making provision for the bushfire shed in the Capital Works Programme. However, he understood from the Fire Control Officer that the shed was to be placed in that reserve area currently adjoining the Ebenezer School and if that is not the case, he would have to take the matter up with that Officer.

Councillor Stevens stated that some considerable time ago he asked for a report on the feasibility of establishing a golf driving range as part of the Benson Lane Sporting Complex and asked if this could be taken up again.

Councillor Stevens asked if it could be suggested to the State Rail Authority that the local press be notified of the proposed official opening of the electrification of the Richmond railway line.

The Shire President stated that he felt that the Minister would wish to make the announcement himself.

Councillor Stanley suggested that, with the advent of the Lady Hawkesbury, the whole of that area at the Wharf be cleaned up.

Councillor Stanley asked if the Mall could be given attention. He stated that the original paintwork on the furniture items requires maintenance, and some of the garbage bins are leaking. He referred also to the stain up the middle of the pavement.

Councillor Stevens asked if attention could be given to the weed growth in the lane leading from the Richmond Parking Area through to Windsor Street, where the murals are on the wall.

Councillor Durrington referred to potholes in Stahls Road and all around the Oakville area. She stated that last year she asked if Council could look at the grading of the edges near the Oakville School.

Councillor Durrington asked if an investigation could be carried out of Bocks Road as it has been undermined through rain.

Councillor Durrington asked if the question of staff working over the Christmas period could be looked at more closely as a lot of tourists visit the area during this busy period.

Councillor Durrington sought advice as to when the "Lady Hawkesbury" would be coming to Windsor.

The Shire President stated that the intention is the trial run is to start on the 4th February.

Councillor Rotherham asked if the abandoned car could be removed from Comleroy Road near the Peels/Down subdivision.

Councillor Rotherham asked if a litter patrol could be carried out on the Putty Road between the Colo Bridge and Blaxlands Ridge Road. He stated that a lot of green garbage bags had been dumped over the holiday period in that area.

Councillor Rotherham asked if the Shire Planner could give a brief up-date on the position regarding the two dog kennel applications which Council refused in Uworra Road, Wilberforce.

The Shire Planner advised that the applicants subsequently appealed to the Land & Environment Court. Council's Solicitor was instructed to liaise with the applicants' solicitor and they have entered into a Court agreement whereby they will vacate the dogs from the premises by the 30th April, otherwise they will be in contempt.

Councillor Rotherham asked if the street sign could be replaced at the corner of Upper Colo Road and Putty Road.

Councillor Rotherham asked if the "No Through Road" sign could be replaced at Uralla Road.

Councillor Rotherham asked if anything is being done about replacing the Secretary for the Sister City Community Committee.

The Shire Clerk advised that each Committee appoints its own Secretary and therefore operates its own secretarial service. The Sister City Committee called for some administrative assistance, and it was arranged that any typing work would be carried out by Council clerical staff. The Council Administrative function of the Committee will now be carried out by Miss Kaylene Kelland from the Community Centre, who will attend meetings, assist with administrative functions and act as Administrative Officer for the Committee. The Shire Clerk stated that he had written to both Miss Kelland and the Sister City Association setting out the terms of the appointment, which is an honorary position, and the functions to be

carried out by both parties.

Councillor Rotherham asked if any thought had been given to the development of the relationship with Tamba.

The Shire President stated that a meeting of the appropriate Committee would be held to consider this matter.

Councillor Rotherham asked if a further report could be prepared, or the opportunity given to discuss the future management of the Australiana Village, and if it could be done at an inspection date.

The Shire Clerk stated that there will be a meeting of the Australiana Pioneer Village Committee within the next two weeks to consider a number of matters, the development of the area, and the official opening.

It was agreed that an inspection be carried out.

Councillor Rotherham referred to the advertisement in the Gazette inviting applications for the position of Assistant Shire Clerk and asked if this was the result of the report where Mr. Peter Brack was promoted to the position of Treasurer.

The Shire President advised that this was the position.

The meeting terminated at 12.08 p.m.

Submitted to and confirmed at the meeting of the General Purpose Committee Meeting held on 24th February, 1987.

..... President

Report of the Meeting of the General Purpose Committee held at the Council Chambers, Windsor, on 3rd February, 1987, commencing at 12 noon.

PRESENT: Councillor G.G. Michael, President, and Councillors F.Y. Denne, P.A. Dunn, S.E. Durrington, J.J. Horrex, J.E. Nicholson, R.F. Rotherham, A.B. Sheridan, W.J. Sledge, C.J. Stanley and F.S. Stevens.

An apology was received from Councillor R.P. Stubbs and accepted.

1. D.A. ITEM 6 - GPC 27/1/87 - MR I McERLANE - LOTS 2, 5 & 6
COMMERCIAL ROAD, VINEYARD - SPRAY IRRIGATION OF TREATED SEWAGE
EFFLUENT. DA 649/86

*Awaiting
COUNT MATION*

The Committee inspected the site. Mr and Mrs McErlane, applicants; and Mr and Mrs Southwell, Mrs Apap and Mrs Nichols, objectors to the application, addressed the Committee.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT DEVELOPMENT CONSENT be granted subject to the following conditions:

1. Standard conditions DA's 1.
2. That Lot 6 DP244281 and Lots 2 and 5 DP232770 shall be consolidated with Lot 1 DP232770 or that a restriction as to user shall be placed on the title of each allotment to the satisfaction of the Shire Planner.
3. Samples of treated sewage effluent shall be taken by the caravan park proprietor every 3 months and analysed at a NATA registered laboratory for B.O.D., N.F.R. and Faecal coliforms. The results of analysis shall be kept on the premises and a copy forwarded to Council for its information.
4. Sewage effluent from the caravan park shall be treated and spray irrigated in accordance with State Pollution Control Commission Approval No. 86/122 dated 23rd May, 1986.
5. Concentrations of B.O.D. and N.F.R. in the treated effluent shall be to the requirements and satisfaction of the State Pollution Control Commission.
6. Concentrations of faecal coliforms in the treated effluent shall be subject to the requirements and satisfaction of the NSW Department of Health.
7. The treatment plant shall be operated and maintained to prevent the emission of offensive odours from sewage at any stage of treatment whilst being sprayed so as not to interfere with the amenity of the neighbourhood.
8. The applicant/owners making the premises and treatment plant available to the Shire Health Surveyor for periodic inspections and sampling as deemed necessary by him.
9. Irrigation spray outlets to be installed and positioned as defined by the State Pollution Control Commission and to be in two separate banks of irrigation outlets with a suitable gate valve so that either or both outlets can be operated as deemed necessary given the prevailing conditions at the time.
10. All irrigation lines to be installed within one month of consent.
11. Any sludge removal required for maintenance purposes to be taken from the premises by sealed tankers and disposed of to the Shire Health Surveyor's satisfaction.

2. ITEM 1 - SHIRE HEALTH SURVEYOR & SHIRE PLANNER'S REPORT -
GPC 27/1/87 - WINDSOR COUNTRY (RETIREMENT) VILLAGE - LOT 9, BANDON ROAD,
VINEYARD. DA 378/85, BA 393/86

The Committee inspected the site and was addressed by representatives of Tech Treat Pty Ltd, waste water consultants, on behalf of the applicants.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT THE SHIRE Health Surveyor and Shire Engineer bring forward a further report to Council on the revised proposal for waste disposal as soon as is possible.

3. PITT TOWN SAND DEPOSITS - Inspection referred from last year's
consideration of Regional Extractive Industry Report.

The Committee inspected the general area of sand extraction as defined by Sydney Regional Environmental Plan No. 9.

4. AMENITIES BUILDING AND BOAT CLUBHOUSE - GOVERNOR PHILLIP PARK

The Committee inspected the building and its progress.

The Meeting terminated at 5.00pm.

Report of Meeting of Environmental Noise Pollution Committee held in the Councillors' Room, Council Chambers, Windsor, on 3rd December, 1986, at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT: Councillor R. Stubbs, Squadron Leader K. Stone,
Mr. G. Farrance, Mr. G. Holloway, Mr. R. Clifford and
Mr. G. Ponton.

1. Apologies

Mr. K. Rozzoli and Councillor A.B. Sheridan.

2. Confirmation of Minutes

The Minutes of the Committee Meeting of 1st October, 1986, were circulated and confirmed.

3. Business Arising from Minutes

6.5 Mr. Farrance advised that his intention was not to criticise Council but to highlight the need for designated Recreational Vehicle Areas (RVA's).

4. Correspondence Received

4.1 The following correspondence was tabled:

A. Incoming

Received From

Subject

* Department of Health

Response to request from Council - Advising that the Department does not have the resources necessary to provide a detailed assessment of possible hearing loss of children attending schools within Windsor and Richmond.

* Department of Housing

Advising that it was not possible to re-locate aged residents of Cox Street flats.

B. Outgoing

Addressee

Subject

Windsor Primary

Invitation to attend meeting on aircraft noise.

Richmond Primary

As above

St. Monicas

As above

State Pollution Control Commission (SPCC)	Request for SPCC to undertake road and air traffic noise surveys at Windsor and Richmond Primary Schools.
Government Architects Branch, Public Works Department (PWD)	Invitation to PWD officers to address Council on building works required to attenuate aircraft noise at Richmond Primary School.
Officer Commanding, RAAF Base Richmond	Expression of appreciation for the valuable contribution made by Wing Commander McLaughlin during his term as RAAF representative on the Committee.
Department of Health	Request for survey of children attending schools in Windsor and Richmond to determine if road and aircraft noise is contributing to possible hearing loss.

5. General Business

- 5.1 The Committee evaluated its recent flight in a C130H of 37 Squadron, the aim of which was to:-

- * assess noise abatement procedures practised by RAAF aircraft; and
- * to establish whether flight paths are located above local schools.

The flight was most educational and clearly indicated that the RAAF requires all aircrews to practise noise abatement procedures and avoid flying over schools wherever possible.

The success of the flight was mainly due to the efforts of Squadron Leaders K. Stone and S. Longbottom and members of 37 Squadron.

Committee's Recommendation

THAT a letter of appreciation be forwarded to the Commanding Officer 37 Squadron and that in particular the efforts of Squadron Leaders Stone and Longbottom are most appreciated in clarifying a number of matters relating to aircraft noise.

- 5.2 Discussion took place on the role of the Committee, wherein it was resolved to restrict future deliberations to aircraft and road noise.

Generally agreed that the Committee is most effective in providing the interface between Council, the community and the RAAF in regard to noise related problems.

The Committee also provides a public forum for groups or individuals in overcoming noise problems thus ensuring that the health and well-being of residents is not impaired.

Correspondence precised in Section 4 of the Minutes clearly indicates the active role the Committee plays.

Committee's Recommendation

THAT the Committee be permitted to continue its important and effective work in obtaining noise attenuation in local schools and providing a forum for reducing problems relating to road and aircraft noise.

- 5.3 Squadron Leader Stone tabled complaints relating to aircraft - 3 x F18A; 2 x B707.

6. Questions Without Notice

- 6.1 Squadron Leader Stone outlined night flying procedures.
6.2 Details requested on Bicentennial Air Show.

7. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 4th February, 1987, at 7.30 p.m. in the Councillor's Room, Council Chambers, Windsor.

The Meeting terminated at 9.10 p.m.

Report of the Meeting of the Sister City Committee held at the Council Chambers, Windsor on Tuesday, 3rd February, 1987 commencing at 5.15 pm.

PRESENT : Councillor G.G.Michael, Shire President, Councillors J.J. Horrex and R.F.Rotherham and the Shire Clerk.

CONSIDERATION OF ARRANGEMENTS FOR EXCHANGING SISTER CITY PROCLAMATIONS WITH TAMBA, JAPAN. C50/10

Following Council's resolution to proceed with a relationship with the town of Tamba, the following letter has been received from the Mayor :

"I'm very happy to announce that our general assembly has also resolved to forward our relationship to form friendship with you.

We would be most pleased if we could have your delegation here in Tamba before long. Please let us know how to arrange your visit from our side.

I'm looking forward to seeing you and sharing a bottle of wine with you soon."

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION :

ARRANGEMENTS BE MADE for exchange of proclamations in accordance with the request of the Mayor of Tamba, with the Shire Clerk investigating and reporting to Council on the costs of sending a delegation to Tamba.

The meeting terminated at 5.45 p.m.

Report of the Bicentenary Park Committee Meeting held on site at the Park on Tuesday 3rd February, 1987, commencing at 7.30pm.

PRESENT: Councillor G.G. Michael, Chairman, and Councillors R.F. Rotherham and P.S. Stevens; Messrs R. Miller, N. Wenzel, I. McEwan, R. Gilmore and C. Hamilton.

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillor A.B. Sheridan and Ms J. Dumbrell.

2. CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

3. REPORTS

1. Easy Access Garden

The Committee inspected the Easy Access Garden with regard to the operation and maintenance of, in particular, the fountain.

The Committee was advised that screens had to be installed to prevent leaves clogging the footvalve, a leak still had to be located and repaired and that the cistern on the inlet for make up water required protection from vandalism.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT THE REPORT be received.

2. Playground

Following discussion, the site of the playground was relocated to the eastern end of the established tree belt surrounding the Rest-a-While.

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT THE ACTION taken be approved.

4. GENERAL BUSINESS

Land Acquired from State Rail Authority

It was requested that the land acquired from the State Rail Authority be cleaned up and incorporated within the park as soon as possible.

Tea Rooms/Kiosk

It was requested that the plans for the Tea Rooms/Kiosk be submitted to the Committee for consideration as soon as possible.

5. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Committee was set down for Tuesday 17th March, 1987, at the Council Chambers, Windsor, commencing at 7.30pm.

The meeting terminated at 8.40pm.

SHIRE CLERK/GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

ORDINARY MEETING - 10TH FEBRUARY, 1987

Shire President and Councillors:

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION

CORRESPONDENCE

1. WINGECARRIBEE SHIRE COUNCIL - PROTECTIVE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 9 OF THE AMALGAMATION ACT, 1980. C50

Advising that representations were made to the Minister for Local Government in having the protective provisions of Section 9 of the Amalgamation Act, 1980, repealed.

The Council resolved that the other 17 Councils constituted by the Local Government Areas Amalgamation Act of 1980 be informed of the problem and requested to write to the Local Government Association and the Minister for Local Government.

(S.C. - At the meeting of Council on 9th September, 1986, a letter from Bega Valley Shire Council requesting the State Government to repeal the special privileges and protection afforded to staff of the former constituent areas under the provisions of that Act, was considered. It was resolved that the Bega Valley Shire Council be advised that this Council has had full co-operation from its staff in constituting and administering the new Council in its area and community and, in the circumstances, Council finds no need to approach the State Government/Minister regarding repeal of the provisions of Section 9 of the Amalgamation Act of 1980.)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT Wingecarribee Shire Council be advised of Council's previous decision.

2. L.G. MACDONALD & CO. - RE-APPOINTMENT AS AUDITOR. A8

Requesting re-appointment as Council's Auditor, in accordance with Section 211 of the Local Government Act, 1919.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT Mr. L.G. MacDonald, Principal of L.G. MacDonald & Co. be re-appointed Council's Auditor under Section 211 of the Local Government Act, for 1987, at the current scale of fees.

3. MR. B.S.L. DEANE - REQUEST FOR LAND FOR RETIREMENT VILLAGE. FI60/46A

Referring to discussions regarding the possibility of establishing in a suitable situation, a complex to be known as the Royal Freemasons, a Retirement Village.

Such Village would consist of home units, one and two bedrooms, a communal home and a suitable hospital for minor complaints. The area would need to be connected to water and have the ability to join up with the town sewerage supply.

In the past it has been estimated that villages operated by the Royal Freemasons Institute initially cost the occupants half of that which is paid by the Church units or private enterprise.

Asking Council to give consideration to the Royal Freemasons Benevolent Institute by indicating its willingness to co-operate in the attaining of an area of land at least 25 acres in size so that then it would have the power to extend in the future.

If Council could see its way clear to co-operate in this matter by a grant of land at a peppercorn rent on a ninety nine year lease, then invitations would be extended to the Churches in the district and Service Clubs and other organisations willing to help. It is by this method that the cost of placing people in such a complex is much cheaper than those in existence.

(S.C. - The areas in the Shire serviced by reticulated water and sewerage are serviced by the Windsor and North Richmond Sewerage Treatment Plants. Any land within those areas serviced by both reticulated water and sewerage would either be zoned, or have the potential of being zoned, residential. An area of 10ha undeveloped could be expected to have a value of up to \$0.5 million. Council does not own any land suitable for the purpose and, accordingly, would have to make an acquisition should it wish to proceed. It is not seen that the project falls within the priority of works at the present time and that the correspondent should be advised accordingly.)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT Mr. B.S.L. Deane be advised that Council is not in the position to make available land for the purpose of a retirement village in the form requested for the reasons outlined in the report.

4. McMAHON'S PARK 527 COMMITTEE - CONSTITUTE OF McMAHON'S PARK 527 COMMITTEE. C50/3, 625/7

Advising that the following now constitute the McMahon's Park 527 Committee:-

Lyn Rennie, Chairperson; Brian Griffiths, Vice Chairperson; Alan Maxwell, Secretary; Norman Bruce, Treasurer; Geoff Trowbridge; John Crawford; Penny Sheppard; Gerald Pearson; Steve Cross; Robert Robinson.

Seeking Council's endorsement of these members.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT Council endorse the membership of the Committee, as set out above.

5. McGRATHS HILL PROGRESS ASSOCIATION - McGRATHS HILL COMMUNITY CENTRE. A7-13, C51-49

Informing that the Progress Association of McGraths Hill is no longer in a position to provide a Management Committee for the McGraths Hill Community Centre. As specified in the constitution of the McGraths Hill Community Centre Management Committee such funds belonging to the Committee become the responsibility of the Hawkesbury Shire Council. Should it be determined that such funds will be transferred to a new Management Committee they will proceed with the necessary action.

(S.C. - The Management of McGraths Hill Community Centre, by decision of Council, had been vested in the McGraths Hill Progress Association - the officers of this Association becoming the officers of the Management Committee.

Correspondence from Mrs. C. Norman, President of the Progress Association (12th December, 1986) indicated that the Association was no longer able to provide a management committee for the Community Centre.

User groups were invited to nominate a representative to the Management Committee and public notices invited community representation. At a public meeting called for this purpose on 21st January, 1987, the following were nominated to form the Management Committee:-

Elizabeth Gilham	- Oakville Soccer Club
Jane Lownds	- McGraths Hill Progress Association
Dean Martin	- Band group
Belinda Norman	- Dance group
David Pulsford	- Hawkesbury Youth Club
Harvey Read	- Vines Pony Club
Wendy Scriven	- Playgroup

It is proposed that this Committee become incorporated under the Associations Incorporation Act. The Progress Association has worked towards the establishment of the Centre, assisted in the development of appropriate activities and provided efficient management during this initial period.)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT Council endorse the nominations to the McGraths Hill Community Centre Management Committee and the McGraths Hill Progress Association be thanked for its excellent contribution to the establishment of this community facility.

6. THE ROYAL NSW INSTITUTE FOR DEAF AND BLIND CHILDREN - FUND RAISING. A7

Advising that, to meet its objectives of enabling every child to reach his or her maximum potential, the Institute requires substantial funds. One avenue of fund raising is by means of our Official Representatives. These Representatives appeal to established regular donors.

Seeking permission for Representatives to make such calls in our area during 1987.

(S.C. - This is not a Doorknock Appeal but a request to call on regular donors. Approval has been granted in the past.)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT approval be granted.

7. HAWKESBURY SHIRE BICENTENARY COMMUNITY COMMITTEE - MEMBERSHIP.
C40/13

Advising that Mr Brian Keegan has indicated to the Committee that he is unable to attend meetings regularly due to other commitments and stating that Mr Alex Hendrikson would be willing to take his place.

Further advising that Mr Don Sparke, District Inspector of Schools, has offered his resignation due to his retirement from the Department of Education, and the Committee has asked him to remain as a community member.

Stating that the new District Inspector of Schools, Mr Haddon, will be invited to join the Committee and seeking Council's endorsement of the changes in the Committee membership.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT Mr Brian Keegan be replaced with Mr Alex Hendrikson as the Chamber of Commerce representative on the Bicentenary Committee, Mr Don Sparke be asked to remain on the Committee as a community member and Mr Haddon be invited to join the Committee as the Inspector of Schools' representative.

8. MOSS VALE PASTURES PROTECTION BOARD. R186

Advising that from time to time the Pastures Protection Board receives proposals for the following:

1. Local Government authorities take over the functions of Pastures Protection Boards;
2. Pastures Protection Boards take over the regulatory functions of Councils in relation to noxious plants.

(S.C. - The Board has requested Council to provide it with its opinion or reaction to either of the above proposals. In the main, the responsibilities of Pastures Protection Boards are the control of noxious animals including rabbits, feral dogs, wild pigs, etc. They are also responsible for the issue of permits for travelling stock, the control of brands for sheep, goats and pigs, the issue of tags for the sale of animals at public auctions and saleyards, and many veterinary services in conjunction with the Department of Agriculture.

As Council is aware, the regulatory functions in relation to noxious plants is carried out by the Hawkesbury River County Council.

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For Council to become involved in the responsibilities and functions of the Pastures Protection Board in the Hawkesbury Shire, would involve the employment of inspectorial and veterinary staff and administrative functions which are adequately carried out by the Board. The Moss Vale Pastures Protection Board should be advised accordingly.)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the Moss Vale Pastures Protection Board be advised that Council does not wish to take over the functions of the Board, and that Hawkesbury River County Council is responsible for the regulatory functions of noxious plants within this Shire.

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATIONREPORTS1. HAWKESBURY FAMILY DAY CARE, 1987 FEES. F80, C43

Council at its meeting of 9th December, 1986 adopted fees and charges for 1987 and included in the schedule was the proposed fees for Family Day Care. The Office of Child Care has subsequently notified Council of the maximum fees that the Hawkesbury Family Day Care are permitted to charge in 1987.

The maximum fees are:-

Maximum fee for 40 hours of care	\$56.75
Permanent hourly rate	\$ 1.42
Casual hourly rate	\$ 1.73
School-age hourly rate	\$ 1.73
Permanent weekend hourly rate	\$ 2.10
Casual weekend hourly rate	\$ 2.63
Public Holiday hourly rate	\$ 3.15
Untrained-toilet Surcharge	\$ 1.35 per day
Meal Allowance	
Preschool breakfast	\$ 1.30 per meal
School-age breakfast	\$ 1.40 per meal
Preschool evening meal	\$ 1.60 per meal
School-age evening meal	\$ 2.10 per meal
Transport	\$ 1.55 per trip
Holding fee:	
50% of hourly rate	

The above fees are small increases above the 1986 figures and represent increases up to five percent.

It is proposed to introduce the revised fees on 1st March, 1987 to allow sufficient time to notify users of the Scheme of the Fee Structure.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the fees listed above be introduced as from 1st March, 1987.

2. COMMUNITY AND CULTURAL CENTRE - DECEMBER AND JANUARY BOOKINGS.
C51/3

As required under Ordinance 26, Clause 9, following are details from the Hall Letting Register for December, 1986 and January, 1987.

December

<u>Date of</u> <u>Engagement</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Person of Body Respon-</u> <u>sible for Engagement</u>
1st	Concert	St. Matthews School
1st	Meeting	Hawkesbury Shire Sister City Committee

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<u>Date of Engagement</u>	<u>Purpose</u>	<u>Person of Body Responsible for Engagement</u>
2nd	Concert	St. Matthews School
3rd	Meeting	Western Sydney Chief Librarians
3rd	Concert	* Sharon Reid-Harber
3rd	Band Practice	Blake Morrison
5th	Dinner, Christmas	* Rural Press
6th	Wedding	* Jim Foster
6th	Wedding	* Ty Armstrong
7th	Rehearsal	* W. Gasson
8th	Meeting	Co-ordinating Group for the Handicapped
8th	Presentation Evening	Windsor South Primary
8th	Meeting	L.E.R.N.
9th	Presentation	* Windsor High School
9th	Rehearsal	* M. Francis Ballet School
10th	Rehearsal	* Castlereagh School of Ballet
11th	Seminar - Safety Committee Training	* Hawkesbury Shire Council & Blue Mountains City Council
11th	Immunisation	Hawkesbury Shire Council
12th	Christmas Party	* Hawkesbury Shire Council Social Club
13th	Wedding	* P. Cournane
13th	Christmas Party	Hawkesbury Rivers Committee
14th	Rehearsal	* Warren Gasson
14th	Concert	* Castlereagh School of Ballet
15th	Presentation	Windsor Primary
15th	Presentation	Wilberforce Primary
17th	Seminar - Safety Committee Training	* Hawkesbury Shire Council & Blue Mountains City Council
16th	Ballet Concert	* M. Francis Ballet School
18th, 19th	Ballet Concert	* W. Gasson
19th	Annual Break-up	Hawkesbury Shire Council Outdoor Staff
20th	Wedding	* V. Eastman
20th	Wedding	* P. Bonnefin
<u>January</u>		
3rd	Wedding	* J. Morgan
10th	Wedding	* L. Buckley
17th	Wedding	* B. Rawson
22nd	Immunisation	Hawkesbury Shire Council
24th	Wedding	* S. Kirx
26th	Australia Day Dinner	Hawkesbury Shire Council
28th	Naturalisation Ceremony	Hawkesbury Shire Council
31st	Wedding	* S. Marsh
31st	Wedding	* J. Robinson
		* Paying functions

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IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the report on the December and January Bookings for the Community and Cultural Centre be received.

3. STAFF MATTERS - RESIGNATIONS. S1/8P

Mr C. Redfern - Health and Building Surveyor

Tendering his resignation effective from 9th January, 1987 and requesting a reference under seal.

(S.H.S. - Mr Redfern's service has been satisfactory at all times.)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT Council accept the resignation and provide a reference under Seal.

4. COMMUNITY ARTS OFFICER'S REPORT - DECEMBER/JANUARY.

Assistance was given to Fitzgerald Home to organise a Christmas party involving groups from nursing homes, day care centres and retirement villages.

Windsor Mall Craft Fair

This was held on 14th December. Twelve stall holders participated, resulting in \$120 income. The craft fairs have been designed to be self-governing and indications are that this event will grow in popularity both with craftsmen and the tourists visiting the Mall.

Macquarie Towns Festival Committee Inc.

The final meeting for 1986 was held on 17th December. The Committee has received its certificate of incorporation. Letters to bands regarding participation in the Parade and Richmond Primary School fete have been sent. Some entertainers, food outlets and venues for Festival events have been booked. Certificates of appreciation have been sent to sponsors, and those businesses whose assistance "in kind" is a large contribution. Hawkesbury Agricultural College is organising a 3 day horticultural exhibition to coincide with the Festival in 1987 and the RAAF participation will be increased. Preliminary planning has begun for the Family Kite Day, which will be one of the Festival highlights. The CYSS documentary has been edited and a script written. The "voice over" narration will be completed in February and the film transferred to video. Several copies will be retained by the Festival Committee for loan to other organisations and for showing at conferences etc.

Puppets in the Park

Assistance was given to the organisers of the National Puppetry Workshops and several puppeteers donated their services for a free performance on January 3rd. Due to the weather, the performance was transferred from Richmond Park to the Neighbourhood Centre. This was very popular with adults and children.

Australia Day

The Festival Committee continued the organisation of a programme of typically Australian events in Windsor Mall. A bush band provided music and the yarn telling competition was won by Mr Mick Reay, Windsor with Mr Dave Goddard of Richmond, 2nd prize. The damper making competition was won by Mrs May Sheen, South Windsor with Linda Marney, Londonderry 2nd, and Alan Thompson, Freemans Reach, 3rd. A large crowd gathered from 10am and free hand-held flags were distributed to children.

Senior Citizens Week - 15th to 22nd March

Musical programmes will again be presented in Nursing Homes and Day Centres. An afternoon tea dance with Jack Papworth's Orchestra will be held in Windsor Community and Cultural Centre on Friday, 20th March. An aged persons' service directory is being prepared and it is hoped that the booklet will be launched during Senior Citizens Week. The Office of Aged Persons, Premiers Department has allocated \$600 to Council for musicians' fees for the dance.

Festival Artists Project

The clown skills workshops were in recess over the school holidays, but will resume until the grant is expended. A grant of \$2250 has been allocated to Council by the Office of the Minister for the Arts for a series of workshops to make and play simple musical instruments, culminating with an appearance in the Festival Parade, 1987.

Colo Wilderness Mobile Resource Unit, December-January Report

The Annual General Meeting of the Unit was held in December and office bearers and committee were elected.

Vacation Care Centres were held at Blaxlands Ridge, Colo Heights and Bilpin from 13th to 23rd January. Over 200 children attended during the two weeks, and enjoyed a varied programme. An excursion was held on 23rd to the "On Que" theatre group's production of their children's show called "Bugs". This was held at the "Q" Theatre at Penrith.

Pre-school enrolments are now being taken at Blaxlands Ridge, Bilpin and Bowen Mountain and Parent Support Groups will recommence in February with a TAFE supported course for parents to be held at the Blaxlands Ridge Schoolhouse.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the Community Arts Officer's Report be received.

5. AUSTRALIAN MUSHROOM GROWERS ASSOCIATION - DEFINITION OF "RURAL LAND". R186/2, A10/1

The Association has written as follows regarding a Notice of Motion considered by Council at its December meeting -

"We noticed in the December 17th, 1986, issue of the 'Gazette' newspaper that your Council has a notice of motion before it to amend the definition of rural land in Section 118 of the Local Government Act.

As the Mushroom Industry is one of the largest rural industries in the Hawkesbury Shire, as you are aware, it alarms us that we do not rate a mention in the list of rural businesses proposed as 'rural ratable farm land'.

This matter has never even been raised at our joint Mushroom Industry Liaison Committee Meetings that are held with Council Officers.

We therefore respectfully request that your Council consider adding to items (A) and (B) of your definitions of 'Farm Land' the following: 'Mushroom growing and composting'.

Your urgent assistance with this matter would be very much appreciated."

A reply has been forwarded to the Association indicating that Council only dealt with a change in the existing definition of "rural land" and in accordance with the existing uses mentioned in that definition where some of these were requested to be removed from the existing minimum area of 8000 square metres to a minimum area of 10 hectares. The specific uses to be increased were those of grazing, dairy farming, forestry and the growing of crops. This left the uses of viticulture, orcharding, horticulture, vegetable growing, pig farming and poultry farming within the minimum area of the existing definition at 8000 square metres.

The Association has been informed that had Council proceeded further with its Notice of Motion to include a review of the existing definition by the inclusion or exclusion of other uses, it would then have raised another principle issue and been required to address all matters concerned. Further, the Association has been advised that if it does not consider mushroom growing comes within the existing definition, then it should make a specific submission in this regard to both the Council and the Department setting out its reasons why there should be a change to the Act.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the information be received.

6. COMMUNITY PROJECT OFFICER'S REPORT. C43/13, C43/14

Child Care

Long Day Care Centres jointly funded by the Commonwealth and State Governments are subject to the licensing requirements of the NSW Department of Youth and Community Services. If centres meet building regulations, are correctly staffed and operate efficiently, they are granted an "A Class Licence". Advice has been received from the

Department that North Richmond, Greenhills and Hobartville have received this classification. The Childrens Services Advisor from the Department has also recommended that the Glossodia centre be granted an "A Class Licence".

The classification of these centres reflects the level of support and financial assistance provided by Council.

McGraths Hill Child Care Centre

Following Council's purchase of 3 lots on the corner of Andrew Thompson Drive and Books Crescent, the NSW Department of Youth and Community Services was advised of Council's priority for developing a Long Day Child Care Centre at McGraths Hill. Under the Commonwealth/States Capital Works Programme, the Commonwealth has made capital works funding available to the States, who in turn determine priorities according to need and availability of suitable sites. In NSW, the Department of Youth and Community Services uses the Department of Housing for construction of new Centres. The Department of Housing has made enquiries regarding Council's requirements on construction and flood levels. A site inspection has been carried out by the Department of Housing and departmental officers advise that a Development Application will be submitted for a DV Series 40 place centre. Officers of the Department of Housing are finalising the development application for submission to Council. It is expected that an official offer will be made shortly. A further report will be submitted to Council as soon as definite information has been received.

Wilberforce Child Care Centre

Contractors for the Department of Housing, Scot Homes, completed work on the new child care centre on 25th November, 1986. Council received the building from the Department of Youth and Community Services on that date, following satisfactory reports from Council's Health and Building inspectors. Council at its December meeting received a report of the public meeting called to nominate members of a Management Committee. The Management Committee has appointed trained staff to meet the requirements of both the Federal Department of Community Services and the NSW Department of Youth and Community Services. Advice has been received from the Federal department assuring the Centre operational subsidies and approving the proposed 1987 budget. Application has been lodged with the State Department for necessary licences to control and conduct the Centre. Salary subsidies from the State Department have also been applied for.

The Centre began operating on 27th January, 1987. Fifty two families have lodged applications for enrolment. This is a 40 place Centre open between 7am and 6pm, Monday to Friday. There are, usually in this standard design, places for 15 children under three and 25 three to five year olds.

Applications for enrolment indicate strong demand for positions for under three year olds. The Children's Services Advisor from Youth and Community Services has recommended approval to vary the licence to 18 places under three and 22 for three to fives to assist in meeting this increased demand.

Family Day Care

Family Day Care continued to operate throughout the school holidays, children being placed in alternate Day Care homes when necessary.

The Scheme's base of operations will now be situated at 54 Francis Street, Richmond, following Council's purchase of the residence. Permissive Occupancy was approved from Monday 19th January and the staff and some caregivers/parents have worked very hard to prepare the residence for occupation. The office at the Neighbourhood Centre will be vacated from Friday 6th February and playsessions will commence at the cottage from Monday 9th February.

Occasional Child Care

The Centre has operated through January on a basis of three days each week, and has been well patronised, volunteers providing a great deal of assistance to staff.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the report be received.

7. STAFF EXAMINATION RESULTS. Sl/8P

The following employees completed various stages of their respective courses during 1986:

Scott McKeown	3 units	Bachelor of Business (Local Govt.)
Dennis Gooley	2 units	Bachelor of Business (Local Govt.)
David Mills	1 unit	Bachelor of Business (Local Govt.)
Rena Lee	3 units	Grad. Diploma Local Govt.
Kaye Madden	4 units	Bachelor of Business (Personnel Management & Industrial Relations)
Linda Schotanus	4 units	Purchasing & Supply Officers Course
Elizabeth Hanlon	1 unit	Bachelor of Urban & Regional Planning
Penny Craig	3 units	Master of Local Govt. Engineering
Sharon Cooper	5 units	Associate Diploma Town & Country Planning
Peter Lindsay	7 units	Associate Dip. Health & Building Surveying
Michael Coulter	4 units	Master of Public Policy

The following employees completed their studies in 1986:

Daryl Hagger	Bachelor of Business (Local Government)
Sonia Porter	Bachelor of Business (Local Government)
Robert Odewahn	Local Government Engineering Certificate
Judy Portelli	Associate Diploma Town & Country Planning
Phillip Johnston	Cartography Certificate Course
Michelle Nichols	Associate Diploma Applied Local History
Michael DeCarlo	Materials Management Certificate

Letters have been forwarded to each of the employees congratulating them on their passes, particularly to those who have completed their studies.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the information be received.

8. AUSTRALIANA PIONEER VILLAGE - DECEMBER MONTHLY REPORT. C52/4

Set out below are financial details relating to operations of Australiana Pioneer Village during December:

Income	\$13,392.70
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Expenditure	\$34,168.48
Operating Loss	\$20,775.78

The high costs in December over previous months are reflected because of the additional promotions of approximately \$6,000, the major repairs to fencing and buildings, which were not part of the overall restoration works, and the payment of hired demonstrators for activities in the Village which was more than normally required.

Income over the previous months was considerably higher.

Visitors to the Village totalled 5002 comprising 1287 adults, 3619 children and 96 pensioners.

The current operating budget for daily maintenance expenses, etc. from 1st January to 31st December is as follows:

Income	\$ 90,539.73
Expenditure	\$129,057.07
Operating Loss	\$ 38,517.34

During December, the family days were conducted and unfortunately these were not as successful as initially envisaged. This is primarily due to cancellations of various large groups.

The Management Committee is currently preparing a detailed advertising programme for 1987 and plans are progressing towards the official opening which was previously reported to Council.

The Committee arranged appropriate displays for the Australia Day Long Weekend and a specific promotion was undertaken at a major Penrith Shopping Centre.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the report concerning operations of the Australiana Pioneer Village during December be received.

9. LOT 35 SOUTH WINDSOR INDUSTRIAL ESTATE. 802-35

Memtec Limited has expressed interest in purchasing Lot 35 in the South Windsor Industrial Estate for a purchase price of \$81,000, cash on settlement.

The company purchased Lots 26, 40 and 41 in 1984, the sale being the subject of a three year mortgage. Due to the company's success and subsequent growth, the Directors have decided to acquire further property on which to expand the company's operations.

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The current list price of the property is \$112,000. Council should accept the offer of \$81,000 cash on settlement as this sum invested over the same term as the previous mortgage agreement would yield a greater return to Council. As this is a direct sale, no commission will be payable.

It should be pointed out that the offer of \$81,000 represents a return of a little over \$1.80 per square foot compared to \$1.75 per square foot which the company paid for the adjoining block in 1984 and which was the subject of a three year mortgage agreement.

If Council agrees to this sale it will allow Memtec Limited to expand its operations in this area and subsequently create employment for a further 25 people.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT Council agree to the sale of Lot 35 South Windsor Industrial Estate to Memtec Limited for \$81,000 cash on settlement. All necessary documents to be completed under the Seal of Council.

10. AUSTRALIANA PIONEER VILLAGE OFFICIAL OPENING. C51/54

As reported to Council at its Meeting on 9th December, 1986, investigations have been undertaken for an official opening at Australiana Pioneer Village. It is proposed that the official opening be held on 28th March, 1987, which would not conflict with school holidays and generally has more temperate weather conditions.

Council was unsuccessful in having the Minister for Employment present for the official opening. It has, therefore, been necessary to approach other identities for which it may be necessary to pay a fee.

As previously indicated to Council, it is proposed that the official opening be held as a benefit day and the project be the restoration of Rose Cottage. Corporate sponsorship would be sought and the gate takings for the day would be allocated to this project.

Extensive promotion and advertising will take place for this special event. Television promotion such as 'Good Morning Australia' may be obtained at no cost to Council. However, for these to be effective, it may be necessary to engage certain operators for demonstration purposes to obtain the best presentation for these programmes.

Considerable media coverage will be given as a lead up to the official opening in the form of editorials and advertising, particularly in the local press.

Proposals have been submitted by radio stations 2WS and 2KA. These proposals include promotion leading up to the event, as well as on-site broadcasting on the day. Detailed examination has been made of both proposals and it is felt that the offer made by Radio Station 2WS would be more suitable for the reasons that it will provide a greater exposure in terms of air time and audience. In addition, it is felt that some of the promotion concepts in the 2KA's proposal may be quite successful for the local listeners and could be acquired for a small fee subject to approximately \$500 being spent on advertising.

In addition to the promotion and advertising costs, it is proposed to provide certain entertainment facilities on the actual day. This will include a bush band and the hire of demonstrations including shearing, spinning and childrens activities including the Roving Castle and the Cobb & Co Coach. It is envisaged that the total cost for these activities will be approximately \$2,500.

The total estimated cost for advertising, promotion, radio broadcast, television and newspaper demonstrations, hire of demonstrations on the day and appropriate parking arrangements will cost in the vicinity of \$12,000. It is felt that this is a reasonable outlay for the official opening, and should return considerable funds toward the restoration of Rose Cottage.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT Council adopt the report on the official opening of the Australiana Pioneer Village to be held on 28th March, 1987.

11. REPORTS, MINUTES ETC. OF OTHER COMMITTEES AND ORGANISATIONS.
C50/3

At the end of the business paper please find the following reports which are submitted for Council's information:

1. Steering Committee Housing Research Project
2. Joint Councils River Committee
3. Community Services Consultative Committee
4. Western Sydney Regional Organisation of Councils (WSROC)
5. Prospect County Council

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the information be received.

12. REPORTS REQUESTED BY COUNCILLORS

Set out on the following pages are the details of the requests for reports that are currently being worked on.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the report be received.

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FILE NO REP DATE	SUBJECT REFERRED TO		ACTION	COMMENT	COMP DATE
11-Jun-85	Waste Disposal SHS	Further report on waste disposal operations particularly salvaging recyclable materials and joint operation with other councils.	Report	Under consideration for report	
90 13-Aug-85	Educational Tapes LIB	Report on feasibility of producing educational tapes for Local Government in co-operation with the Department	Report	Report to February GPC Meeting	
96 10-Sep-85	Archives LIB	Report on establishment of archives section as part of future extension of library services	Report	Report to February GPC Meeting	
103 08-Oct-85	Amenities R'mond SE	Report on public amenities - Richmond Oval - a more economical solution such as the repair of the existing facilities	Report	Plans nearing completion for report	16
11-Feb-86	Hollands Paddock SE	Plan to be prepared on possibility of installing perimeter road in carpark area to give access through the Terrace into New Street	Plan	Subject to completion of Traffic Study, Windsor	
11-Mar-86	Water Supply & Sewerage SC	A joint working party of staff from the Board & Council to look at this matter. Previous reports in this matter	Report	Further discussions to be held late February Further report subsequent	
11-Mar-86	Child Care Wilberforce DSC	An examination of community needs of the Wilberforce area form the basis of a report to Council	Report	Report to March GPC Meeting	

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FILE NO REP DATE	SUBJECT REFERRED TO		ACTION	COMMENT	COMP DATE
10-Jun-86	Grandstand Richmond SE	Report on possible funding of the cost of repairing the grandstand and fire risk	Report	Advice to be obtained from NSW Fire Brigade	
10-Jun-86	Grandstand McQuade Park SE	Report on Fire Risk	Report	Advice to be obtained from NSW Fire Brigade	
9-Sep-86	Placing Horse Riding Signs SE	Report on feasibility of placing horse riding signs around the Shire	Report	Report to GPC Committee	
14-Oct-86	WSAAS Rating and Review Committee DSC	Report on first meeting of WSAAS Rating and Review Committee	Report	Report to GPC Meeting as soon as recommendations are public	
14-Oct-86	Restoration of Tebbutt Observatory SP	Further report in 6 months time on restoration of Observatory buildings	Report	Report to April GPC Meeting	
11-Nov-86	Smith Park, Richmond SE	Investigation possibility of closing Smith Park, Richmond, at the bottom of Francis Street, incorporating existing road	Report	Under investigation	

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REPORTS REQUESTED BY COUNCIL - STATUS - AS AT 10-FEB-87

FILE NO REP DATE	SUBJECT REFERRED TO		ACTION	COMMENT	COMP DATE
11-Nov-86	Roadworks extension SE	Further report on the extension of West Hill Street to Pitt Town Road, McGraths Hill	Report	Under investigation	
9-Dec-86	Civic News SC	Report on alternatives, costs and effectiveness of communicating with residents/ratepayers	Report	Report to February GPC Meeting	
9-Dec-86	Ratepegging Treas	Report on Policy re ratepegging legislation	Report	Report to March GPC Meeting	
9-Dec-86	STD Charges SP	Report on effect of STD charges on employment in Shire in view of NW Sector expansion	Report	Report to March GPC Meeting	
9-Dec-86	Scheyville Army SP	Report on Western Sydney Directors Co-operative	Report	Awaiting information from Co-operative	

ENGINEERINGCORRESPONDENCE1. A.S. BARRON & P.E. POPE - WISEMANS FERRY - OPERATION OF FERRY.
F81/1

Applying for a continuation of the contract for the operation of the ferry at Wisemans Ferry.

(S.E. - The previous contract for the operation of the ferry was with A.S. Barron and P.E. Pope and was to conclude on 28th February, 1986.

Council recommended to the Department of Main Roads that approval be given for a twelve (12) month extension and the Department approved of time extensions up to three (3) years i.e. 28th February, 1989.

The contractors are continuing to carry out the service in a most satisfactory manner and it is felt that extension of time to 28th February, 1989 is justified.)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the term of the contract for the operation of the ferry at Wisemans Ferry be extended to 28th February, 1989 and the necessary documents be completed under the common Seal of Council.

ENGINEERINGREPORTS1. WINDSOR NATURAL AREAS ENHANCEMENT SCHEME (NAES) - STAGE 3. G95/39

Following on-site discussions a submission for Stage 3 funding under the NAES programme has been prepared by Environmental Landscapes.

The proposed (sketch to be displayed at meeting) provides for the upgrading of the Thompson Square Area adjacent to the Windsor Wharf involving drainage, construction of pathways, bank protection, removal of the old boat club house, regrading and beautification, and closure of the northern side of The Terrace at Windsor Bridge.

Provision is made for bus parking (max. 3) circular driveway entrance with access from the main road towards the top of the hill. Additional funds outside the grant are required for the roadworks and funding is proposed in the Roadworks Programme to be undertaken under the 1987/88 loan works allocation.

In discussion with officers of the Department of Main Roads and Public Works Department concerning the proposals, the Department of Main Roads has requested submission of plans for the upgrading of the access onto the main road to provide a holding bay for right turning traffic.

The project is estimated to cost \$248,102 including \$21,100 consultancy fee as follows:

C.E.P. Funds \$200,000;
Department of Environment and Planning \$24,019; and
Council \$24,083

The application has been lodged for approval.

Employment of 15 people plus Council supervisor is proposed for a period of 26 weeks. The work is subject to, in addition to the funding departments, the approval of the Heritage Council.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the action be taken for Stage III works under the Natural Areas Enhancement Scheme to be for upgrading of the area adjacent to the new Windsor Wharf be endorsed.

2. PUBLIC WORKS

Works undertaken during December and January.

ROAD CONSTRUCTIONWire Lane

Sealing of the pavement and sign posting of both intersections completed this project.

Laws Farm Road

Cement stabilisation of the natural pavement was completed and the pavement sealed prior to Christmas. Erection of guide posts is continuing.

Rifle Range Road & Mileham Street, South Windsor

Placement of the asphaltic concrete surface in Mileham Street and Rifle Range Road between George and Mileham Street was carried out in December. Completion of the surfacing along Rifle Range Road is subject to installation of services for part of Precinct 6 Bligh Park and will be attended to later on in the year.

Roads Resealing

Resealing of the following roads were undertaken to complete the 1986 Programme.

Cornwallis Road, Cornwells Lane, Old Kurrajong Road, Bourke Street and Minchin Avenue, Richmond; Gosper Street, Windsor; George Street, South Windsor and three laneways, South Windsor; Jacqueline Place, Kurmond; Cabbage Tree Road, Grose Vale; Curtis Road, Mulgrave; Glebe Road and Schofield Road, Pitt Town; Tomah Street, Bennett Lane and Dabbage Place, Kurrajong Heights and East Kurrajong Road, Section 2.

Main Roads

MR182 Sackville Road - work has recommenced on improvement to the curve at 7.1 - 7.4km.

MR181 St. Albans Road - Provision of Armco guard rail on the bridge over the Macdonald River has been completed.

Work has commenced on preparation of the road pavements listed for reseal under the main and secondary road programme.

Kerb & Gutter and Drainage

Work has commenced on the footpath improvements south west corner Grose Vale Road and Bells Line of Road.

Installation of drainage pipes through property "Traughton" Kurrajong Road, Kurrajong is underway.

OTHER WORKSBrowns Road, Kurrajong

Preparation of the pavement ready for sealing has been undertaken during January.

Subdivision Development Rose Street, Wilberforce at Main Road

Construction of kerb and gutter and road adjustment on behalf of the developer.

George Road and Mayne Street, Wilberforce

Provision of roadworks required for subdivision on behalf of the developer.

MAINTENANCEBridges

Reconstruction of failed abutment and reinstatement of the road pavement on timber bridge Upper Colo Road.

Rescaling and repainting of Bailey Bridge, West Portland Road.

Lower Portland Ferry

Overhaul of the ferry including relocation of the engine and rebuilding of the cabin, has been completed with the ferry returned back on the service.

General

Two patching gangs were busy during December attending to the road pavements. One gang was maintained during the holiday period with the two teams now back in operation.

Slashers have been busy attending to summer growth on footpaths, roadsides and drainage channels.

PARKS AND GARDENSSouth Windsor Park

Construction of the permanent surface for the additional eight (8) courts has been completed. The Netball Association arranged and funded the extension of the awning on the southern side of the building as an extra to this project.

Richmond Ex-Servicemen's Sporting Complex

Earthworks and surface regrading has been completed to provide for construction of the further cricket ground and Australian football field.

General

Mowing of parks and reserves continued over the period with the erection of the stage (3 locations) and provision of festooning for Christmas functions.

N.A.E.S.

Stage 2 works are reaching completion with completion of the pathway, shelters and landscaping with operation of the irrigation plant subject to completion of power connection and testing.

BUILDINGSGovernor Phillip Park

The contractor is approaching completion of the amenity building and club rooms. Installation of paving under the building, construction of car park and landscaping is being undertaken by Council staff.

McQuade Park, Windsor

Construction of the new amenities building and new lights for the tennis courts have been completed.

Wilberforce Child Care Centre

Construction of the car park, earthworks, paving, turfing and landscaping has been undertaken by Council.

Other

Attention to vandal damage is an ongoing operation while other building maintenance included completion of the painting of the fence at Toxana and seats in the Tennis shed at Powell Park, Kurrajong Heights.

Sewerage

Daily Flow for December	1,958 kl/day
Daily Flow for January	2,978 kl/day

The two humus tanks on the augmented plant have been overhauled with recoating of metal surfaces and attention to concrete channels. New baffles were installed in the imhoff tank on the old works.

Overhaul of the mono pump on the humus tank old works.

Overhaul of the pumps in Station "B" corner Ham Street and Fairey Road is in progress while the guide rails in station "F" James Ruse Close have been replaced.

Specialist plant was required to clear a choke in Macquarie Street on the mainline sewer with the manholes being raised to be flush with the road surface.

Clearing of twelve (12) mainline sewer blockages and eleven (11) blockage on Council buildings over the two (2) month period.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the report be received.

3. SACKVILLE FERRY - OPERATION BY CONTRACT. F81/5

The current contract for the operation of Sackville ferry has been in effect since December 1985 and the contractors are J. O'Toole and T.C. Gordon.

On 1st December 1986 Terrence Craig Gordon gave three (3) months' notice, as is required under the contract, that he wished to withdraw from the contract.

As the partnership had been dissolved, tenders for the operation of the ferry service were invited.

The following tenders were received:

1. A.S. Barron & P.E. Pope	\$79,600.00
2. John O'Toole	\$73,978.00
3. Allan Johns	\$92,215.00

Recently evidence has been produced of serious breaches of the contract. As such, the contract for operation of the Sackville ferry service with Messrs J. O'Toole and T.C. Gordon has been cancelled as of Thursday, 5th February, 1987 and the service is being undertaken by Council day labour until 1st March, 1987.

It is strongly recommended that the tender of John O'Toole be not considered.

The second lowest tenderer, A.S. Barron and P.E. Pope, are the current contractors for both Wisemans Ferry (which has been recommended for a further extension of time) (Engineering Correspondence Item 1 in this business paper) and Webbs Creek ferry service both of which have been operated in a more than satisfactory manner and it is considered that their tender in the amount of \$79,600 for the operation of the Sackville ferry service should be recommended to the Department of Main Roads for acceptance.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT:

1. The tender of Messrs A.S. Barron and P.E. Pope in the amount of \$79,600 annually, be recommended to the Department of Main Roads for acceptance.
2. Subject to the acceptance by the Department of Main Roads of the tender of A.S. Barron and P.E. Pope, the necessary documents be completed under the common Seal of Council.

4. SOUTH WINDSOR WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT. P160/46/B

In respect of the civil contract, construction of the aeration tank is now well advanced. The laying of the effluent outfall pipeline to the maturation pond has been completed. The reinforcing steel is being placed for the inlet works.

The main switchboard has been completed and tested by the electrical contractor, together with the placement of underground electrical ducts.

The control centre and amenities building is 50% complete with roof timbers and structural steel about to be erected.

Extension of the water main in Fairey Road has been completed, with the main charged and available for connection.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the information in respect of the South Windsor Waste Water Treatment Works be received.

5. BLIGH PARK ESTATE. P160/46/A

Precinct 6 of the estate comprising 76 lots was released for sale in mid January, at present deposits have been placed on 35 lots.

The release of Precinct 6 brings the total number of lots released to 454 since the first release in December 1984. To date 220 homes are occupied with twelve (12) homes under construction.

To meet the market requirements it is intended to proceed with the construction of Precinct 7 in March with anticipated release in July 1987.

Precinct 7 will involve 110 lots and incorporate the construction of a controlled urban discharge drainage system. This system will then provide a retention basin suitable for recreation purposes as an active playing field.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the information in respect of Bligh Park Estate be received.

6. S.E.S. CONTROLLER'S REPORT. S206

In 1986 the S.E.S. organisation attended 75 occurrences with 36 motor vehicle accidents included.

January has proved a busy month with a total of six (6) incidents, five (5) being motor vehicle accidents with two (2) fatalities and five 5 injured persons being removed from motor vehicles. Assistance was given to Council at the Australiana Village in replacing a flag pole and rope for the Australia Day celebrations.

Training begins for new members on 11th February with the basic familiarisation Course followed by a four (4) week basic operations course.

Over the Christmas break rescue members stripped sanded and repainted one (1) boat trailer and most of the ladders and back and installed new aerials at both L.H.Q. and S.L.H.Q. The aim this year is to develop the operations sections of the organisation for use in times of different occurrences and the training of rescue personnel in the new roles of motor vehicle accident rescue.

Senior appointments for 1987 are:

P. Minturn, Controller
K. Jones, D.E.P. Controller Rescue
I. Woodhill, D.E.P. Controller Finance

A. Yearby, D.E.P. Controller Operations
 P. Jones, Planning Officer
 D. King, Training Officer
 J. Earle, Administration Officer

For January members committed 460 man hours to training and exercises and 60½ hours to road rescue.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the S.E.S. Controller's Report be received.

7. SUBDIVISIONS UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY

		Date Application Received	Date Approved
S86/102	Applicant: R.K. Cambridge & Co. Owner: R.N. Curran Land: Part Lot 2 DP613586 Warks Hill Road, Kurrajong Heights Subdivision creating 8 residential lots	12/9/86 Discussion on representations by applicant	4/12/86
S86/104	Applicant: W.M. Thompson Owner: W.M. Thompson Land: Portion 332 Parish Wilberforce, Castlereagh/George/Macquarie Roads, Wilberforce Subdivision creating 2 lots	10/9/86 Consideration to representations from owner prior to approval	2/12/86
S86/127	Applicant: C.C. Campbell Owner: C.C. Campbell Land: Lots C & D DP385963 & Lot B DP375491 Vincents Road, Kurrajong Subdivision creating 3 lots	14/11/86	9/12/86
S86/90	Applicant: D. Matthews & Associates Owner: Windsor Country Village Land: Lot 9 DP220236 Bandon Road, Vineyard Strata subdivision creating 41 strata allotments	12/8/86 Plan amended - Complex development requiring considerable investigation	9/12/86
S86/124	Applicant: J.W. Buckett & E.H. Ness Owner: J.W. Buckett & E.H. Ness Land: Portion 18 Parish Kurrajong Bells Line of Road, Kurrajong Heights Subdivision creating 2 lots	15/11/86	8/12/86

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		Date Application Received	Date Approved
S86/108	Applicant: D. Matthews & Associates Owner: S. Santelli Land: Lot 2 DP535801 & Lot 25 DP575770 Burdekin Road, Wilberforce Subdivision creating 2 lots	19/9/86	9/12/86
S86/123	Applicant: S.M. Jackson Owner: S.M. Jackson & M.J. & C.O. Barnes Land: Lot 2 DP416598 & Lot 3 DP594531 Ginahgullah Avenue Grose Vale Subdivision creating 2 varied lots	31/10/86	8/12/86
S86/133	Applicant: Denning Properties Pty Ltd Owner: Tortuga Properties Pty Ltd Land: Lots 1 & 2 DP543365, Lot 7 DP607128, Lot 9 DP619792, Lot 12 DP607130, Lots 3 & 4 DP572611, Lot A DP159458, Lots 5 & 6 DP607129, Lot 13 DP624367, Lot 1 DP37595, Conv. No. 904 BK 1959 Baker & Kable Streets, Windsor Consolidation creating 1 lot	12/12/86	19/12/86
S86/132	Applicant: I.W. & P.J. Rathbone Owner: I.W. & P.J. Rathbone Land: Lot A DP363142 Main Cattai Road, Pitt Town Subdivision creating 2 lots	10/12/86	12/1/87
S86/113	Applicant: W.D. & B.L. Wilson Owner: L. Miller Land: Lots 4, 17 & 18 DP613550 Slopes Road, North Richmond Subdivision creating 3 lots	11/8/86 Owner's consent received 18.11.86	8/1/87
S86/128	Applicant: R.K. Cambridge & Co. Owner: C.J. Walker Land: Lot 22 DP718933 Burralow Road, Kurrajong Heights Subdivision creating 2 lots	20/11/86	12/1/87
S86/84	Applicant: D.M. Jones Owner: J.A. Buckett Land: Lot 6 DP264429, Lot 7 DP15104, Lot 6 DP21616 Grose Vale Road, Kurrajong Subdivision creating 6 lots	14/11/86	12/1/87

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		Date Application Received	Date Approved
S86/117	Applicant: D. Matthews & Associates Owner: R. Barlow Land: Lot 21, DP559680 Browns Road, Kurrajong Subdivision creating 2 lots	17/10/87 Development consent granted 5.12.86	16/1/87
S87/1	Applicant: John Bowden & Co Owner: Hopplestrap Holdings Land: Lot 2 DP252546 Rated to Laws Farm Road accessed from West Portland Road Subdivision creating 9 lots	24/12/85	29/1/87

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the information be received.

HEALTH AND BUILDINGCORRESPONDENCE1. AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL - ANNUAL BUTTON DAY. A7

Requesting permission to sell Buttons throughout the Shire on 23rd October, 1987. Stating that they are a non-partisan, non-sectarian organisation working for the human rights of all people, as set out in the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights. All money collected from the Button Day is paid into general funds and their mandate does not allow them to collect for a specific object.

(H.S. - This is an International organisation and does not have local affiliation. The organisation has applied over the last two years to carry out its appeal and was advised of Council's policy that only organisations with local affiliation are permitted to carry out appeals of this nature within the Shire and therefore consent could not be granted. It is understood that the organisation proceeded with its appeal on the first occasion, using the services of students of the Colo High School. The matter was reported to Council at its meeting on 11th March, 1986 and it was resolved that Council adhere to its policy and the organisation be advised accordingly. It is considered that Council should adhere to its previous decision.)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT Council adhere to its policy and the organisation be advised accordingly.

HEALTH AND BUILDINGREPORTS1. BUILDING APPLICATIONS B25.

The following is a summary of building applications received during the month of December, 1986. Applications received during December, 1985, shown in brackets.

<u>No.</u>	<u>Type of Building</u>	<u>Estimated Value</u>	
42 (48)	New Dwellings	\$2,638,043	(\$2,606,805)
60 (36)	Additions to Dwellings	540,361	(288,970)
- (1)	Residential Flat Buildings	-	(65,000)
6 (9)	New Buildings other than Residential	1,295,000	(1,915,000)
6 (-)	Additions to Buildings other than Residential	664,000	(-)
16 (12)	Swimming Pools	114,273	(101,280)
1 (-)	Additions to Dwellings - Dual Occupancy Unit	24,000	(-)
<u>131 (106)</u>		<u>\$5,275,677</u>	<u>(\$4,977,055)</u>

Building Applications received up to the end of December, 1986. Approvals for the corresponding period during 1985 shown in brackets.

<u>No.</u>	<u>Type of Building</u>	<u>Estimated Value</u>	
527 (555)	New Dwellings	\$30,298,954	(\$27,455,866)
671 (662)	Additions to Dwellings	4,953,302	(4,360,618)
9 (16)	Residential Flat Buildings	2,851,500	(1,060,000)
59 (139)	New Buildings other than Residential	11,316,460	(12,082,522)
53 (47)	Additions to Buildings other than Residential	2,418,938	(1,661,288)
153 (149)	Swimming Pools	1,285,949	(1,276,874)
6 (7)	Additions to Dwellings - Dual Occupancy Unit	139,200	(284,250)
<u>1478 (1575)</u>		<u>\$53,264,303</u>	<u>(\$48,181,418)</u>

The following is a summary of building applications received during the month of January, 1987. Applications received during January, 1986, shown in brackets.

<u>No.</u>	<u>Type of Building</u>	<u>Estimated Value</u>	
41	(33) New Dwellings	\$2,676,109	(\$1,735,964)
47	(57) Additions to Dwellings	357,469	(458,162)
-	(1) Residential Flat Buildings	-	(60,000)
5	(2) New Buildings other than Residential	1,180,000	(309,000)
2	(6) Additions to Buildings other than Residential	65,000	(48,600)
18	(15) Swimming Pools	108,385	(89,891)
1	(-) Additions to Dwellings - Dual Occupancy Unit	40,000	(-)
<u>114</u>	<u>(114)</u>	<u>\$4,426,963</u>	<u>(\$2,701,617)</u>

IT IS RECOMMENDED that these reports be received.

2. SULLAGE REMOVAL CONTRACT. \$195/5

The following tenders were received :

D. Branster	54¢ per 100 litres
R.W.Ussher & Son	63.5¢ " " "
Min.Charge 2000 litres	
Concourse Waste Management	59.8¢ " "
Min.Charge \$12.00 for first 1,000 litres	
Richardson Group Industries	69¢ per 100 litres

Discussions have been held with the Principals of D.Branster and I am satisfied that they have the equipment and necessary expertise to satisfactorily carry out the contract.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the tender submitted by D.Branster in the sum of 54¢ per 100 litres be accepted and the Seal of Council be affixed to all necessary documents.

3. GUIDELINES FOR THE CARE AND MANAGEMENT OF COMPANION ANIMALS IN POUNDS. D63/1

Council will recall that at its Meeting of 12/11/85 a report was submitted regarding a draft Code of Practice for the Management of Companion Animals in Shelters and Pounds.

The proposal provided for such matters as regular examination of animals by a veterinarian, certain areas to be air conditioned, pounds be open to the public for at least 40 hours per week, and euthanasia be carried out by a veterinarian. Council resolved to object to the proposed code.

A revised code in the form of guidelines has been received from the Department of Local Government for comment. The onerous provisions of the code have been amended or deleted and the publication now provides balanced and reasonable guidelines for the conduct of pounds and should be supported.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT Council advise the Department of Local Government that it supports the proposed Guidelines for the Care and Management of Companion Animals in Pounds.

4. PROVISION OF HOT SHOWERS AT SWIMMING CENTRES. P179

Further to report Item 2, Shire Health Surveyor's Report, Finance Section of Council's latest General Purpose Committee and to representation received at the meeting from the Windsor Amateur Swimming Club, Council has been advised that the Hawkesbury Amateur Swimming Club is unable, at this stage, to participate financially in the proposal.

It will be recalled that in these circumstances the Windsor Club wish to use its proposed contribution to provide an additional hot shower in each of the female and male facilities at the Windsor Pool.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT:

1. Two (2) hot showers be installed at each Swimming Centre at an estimated cost of \$7,112 and funds be provided from Section 94 contributions.
2. The Windsor Amateur Swimming Club be advised that Council raises no objection to the Club having two additional hot showers installed at its cost and to the satisfaction of Council Health Surveyor.

PLANNING*gone 16/2/87*REPORTS

1. REQUEST FOR SUPPORT FOR PREPARATION OF A LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN TO PERMIT A RETAIL PLANT NURSERY - APPLICANT: J.S. & I. THOMSON - LAND & LOCATION: PART PORTION 245, PARISH OF KURRAJONG (NO. 548) GROSE VALE ROAD, KURRAJONG. L13/86

At its Ordinary Meeting of 11th November, 1987, Council resolved to support the preparation of a Local Environmental Plan to permit the above development.

Under the provisions of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulations, 1980, the Department of Environment and Planning must be notified of Council's decision within 21 days. In this instance, the proposal required further investigation by the Metropolitan Water, Sewerage and Drainage Board in order to clarify a number of matters.

The outstanding matters have now been resolved and to enable the application to proceed, Council must resolve to support the proposal once again as the statutory period of 21 days has now lapsed.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT Council support the preparation of a Local Environmental Plan to allow the proposed development of the subject land, and further, that in Council's opinion, an environmental study is not required.

2. YOUTH RECREATION OFFICER'S REPORT. C43/8, C43/12

*mjr*Vacation Activities

A wide variety of activities were organised for school aged children during January.

The activities and attendances are as follows:

Vacation Play Centres

<u>Centre</u>	<u>Total Attendances</u>	<u>Average Daily Attendances</u>
Richmond High	86	47
McGraths Hill	36	19
North Richmond	36	19.5
Glossodia (youth programme)	31	15
Windsor South Primary	76	37

Attendances at North Richmond, McGraths Hill and Glossodia were somewhat lower than for this period last year. The possibility of termination of the centre at North Richmond will be discussed with the Department of Sport and Recreation due to the continuing low attendance numbers each vacation period.

Children participated in many activities at the centres including arts, crafts, sport and games. At each centre a magic clown show was performed sponsored by the Department of Sport and Recreation. Children also attended excursions to the movies in Richmond, ten pin bowling, roller skating and squash.

Cricket Coaching Clinics

A cricket coaching clinic was conducted by Bob Wellham in McQuade Park for two days in January. The clinic had an attendance of 23 over the two days.

Excursions

Two bus excursions were conducted for children and their families. The first, to the Festival of Sydney Hyde Park activities was attended by 37 people plus 9 from the Forgotten Valley Mobile Resource Unit. Another bus took 25 children to Sydney from the Richmond Vacation Care Centre. A well supported excursion went to Manly on Thursday 29th January with 75 people attending.

Richmond Vacation Care

The new programme operated during January with a total of 108 children enrolled and an average of 38 children attending per day. A further and more detailed report will be presented to the General Purpose Committee 24th February, 1986 on this programme.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the information be received.

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3. PROPOSED SAND EXTRACTION - LOT 7, DP979541, JOHNSTON STREET, PITT TOWN. OWNER: BONA VISTA CITRUS PTY LTD. APPLICANT: R.A. COLE TOWN PLANNING PTY LTD ON BEHALF OF WHATLEY SANDS PTY LTD. E78, 92(w)

Council is in receipt of further correspondence from R.A. Cole Town Planning Pty Ltd concerning the extraction of sand from land in Johnston Street, Pitt Town, which reads as follows:

"Reference is made to your letter of 23rd December, 1986 regarding the plan of management for the extraction of the sand resource on the above site.

Enclosed is a copy of a letter dated 24th December, 1986 from the Director of Environment and Planning regarding the preparation of the environmental impact statement (E.I.S.) for the sand extraction from the above site. It should be noted in the second last paragraph on page 1 that the Department has restricted the plan of management to the site in question rather than the whole resource.

The Department was consulted on the requirements of the plan of management in accordance with the Regional Plan and a copy of their reply dated 5th January, 1987 is also enclosed.

It would be appreciated if the contents of the above letters could be conveyed to the Council to enable an early reply to our letter regarding the plan of management."

In accordance with the requirements of the Director of Environment and Planning, those matters that are to be specifically addressed in the E.I.S. include:

- . Impact on water quality and hydrodynamics of underground waters and/or nearby water courses;
- . Soil Conservation Service requirements for rehabilitation measures in relation to agricultural importance of the subject land;
- . Implication for the "Bona Vista" Heritage property;
- . Provision of the Sydney Regional Environmental Plan No. 9 Extractive Industry including preparation of a plan of management for the sand extraction on the subject land; and
- . Views and concurrence of Metropolitan Water Sewerage and Drainage Board.

These matters are additional to those required under Clause 34 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation, 1980, which include:

- a description of the proposal;
- a statement of the objectives of the proposed designated development;
- a description of the existing environment likely to be affected;
- identification and analysis of the likely environmental impacts or consequences of the proposed development;
- justification of the proposed development in terms of environmental, economic and social considerations;
- measures to be taken to protect the environment and assessment of the likely effectiveness of those measures;
- any feasible alternatives to the carrying out of the proposed development and reasons for choosing the latter; and
- consequences of not carrying out the proposal.

In preparing the E.I.S., the proponent is also required to consult with all relevant government authorities, as well as consulting with Council.

The second letter from the Department indicates the requirements for a plan of management pursuant to clause 10 of the Sydney Regional Environmental Plan No. 9 - Extractive Industry. The letter states that:

"the proponent should take into account the potential impact of his operation on the existing or future development of adjacent properties. To this end, the plan of management should include the following information:

- (i) a staged extraction programme which indicates the areas to be extracted, the volume of material to be removed from each area and the time sequence for extraction;
- (ii) a plan of the internal road network and external road access and an account of road traffic considerations and limitations which the road system will place on extraction;

- (iii) post-extraction land use plan which will establish the final land use after completion of extraction, the final landform and method of rehabilitation; and
- (iv) an indication of the existing and potential land uses on surrounding properties and an estimate of the potential impact of extraction of these areas and how the impacts can be minimised.

As many of these issues would normally be addressed as part of the environmental impact statement, there is no objection to including the management plan as a chapter or section of the impact statement.

The proponent should also liaise with Hawkesbury Shire Council so as to take into account any requirements Council may have. In particular, the proposed truck routes from the extraction site and the possible impact on the Pitt Town township should be discussed with Council."

Since much of the work required for the plan of management will be undertaken by the proponent as part of the E.I.S., it is considered appropriate that the correspondent be advised that the management plan be incorporated into the impact statement and submitted to Council as part of the overall application. Council may then either accept, reject or accept with modifications the management proposals.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the correspondent be advised that Council considers that the plan of management should be prepared by the proponents for sand extraction and included in the Environmental Impact Statement, as required, and further, that the Department of Environment and Planning be advised accordingly.

Dwelling Houses

Applicant	Land	Date Received	Date Approved	Comments
B J Luscombe	Lot 15 DP 219848 Panorama Crescent, Freemans Reach	6/11/86	20/11/86	
W & R Jiggins	Lot 5 Old East Kurrajong Road, East Kurrajong	10/11/86	24/11/86	
W Yarrington	Lot 63 DP 205986 Lt Bowen Drive, Bowen Mountain	7/11/86	24/11/86	
L Vlemmings	Lot 35 DP 232576 Sirius Cresc, Ebenezer	10/11/86	25/11/86	
L M Patterson	Lot 1 DP 528844 Vincent Rd, Kurrajong	30/10/86	25/11/86	
E B Wood	Lot 1 DP 732556 Sackville Rd, Sackville			
Bisley Homes P/L	Por 66 St Albans Rd, Wisemans Ferry	22/10/86	27/11/86	Awaited owners consent
Mr MJ Roche	Lot 366 DP 210302, No. 38 Wattle Street, Bowen Mountain	20/11/86	27/11/86	
Huxley Homes	Lot 335 DP 217501 Nightingale Square, Glossodia	22/10/86	28/11/86	Awaited owners consent
Masterton Homes P/L	Lot 21 DP 730209 Ivy Ave, McGraths Hill	25/11/86	3/12/86	
Jennings Indust Ltd	Lot 266 DP 217501 Mitchell Dr, Glossodia	18/11/86	5/12/86	
Felton Homes P/L	Pt Por 123 Old Bells Line of Road, Kurrajong	24/11/86	5/12/86	
D & M McKenzie	Lot 1 DP 733284 Browns Road, Kurrajong	24/11/86	5/12/86	
Mr & Mrs J Paton	Lot 6 DP 210259 Kurmond Road, Freemans Reach	21/11/86	5/12/86	
M & BC Hollott	Lot 12 DP 730303 Timms Hill Road, Kurrajong	1/12/86	10/12/86	
Ideal Constructions	Lot 24 DP 217499 Boomerang Dr, Glossodia	20/10/86	10/12/86	Awaited owners consent
Bisley Homes	Lot 1 DP 544188 St Albans Road, Wisemans Ferry	4/11/86	10/12/86	
R Dayment	Lot 5 DP 210259 Kurmond Road, Freemans Reach	13/11/86	10/12/86	
P & J Greentree	Lot 9 DP 709246 Blacktown Road, Freemans Reach	27/11/86	10/12/86	

Long 10/11/86

Applicant	Land	Date Received	Date Approved	Comments
Mr T White	Lot 1 DP 736518 Main Cattai Road, Pitt Town	21/11/86	10/12/86	
Costain Homes	Lot 11 DP 3516 Carters Road, Grose Vale	17/10/86	10/12/86	Awaited owners consent
L C McMillan	Lot 7 Old East Kurrajong Road, East Kurrajong	14/11/86	15/12/86	
Huxley Homes	Lot 2 DP 733424 King Road, Wilberforce	5/12/86	5/1/87	
P J Ross-New	Lot 43 DP 976395 Slopes Road, North Richmond	9/12/86	7/1/87	
O'Mara Const P/L	Lot 3 DP 706826 Cabbage Tree Road, Grose Vale	10/12/86	7/1/87	
Blue Mountains Log Homes	Lot 2 DP 732077 Roberts Creek Road, East Kurrajong	5/12/86	7/1/87	
Allworth Const	Lot 6 DP 205982 East Kurrajong Road, East Kurrajong	15/12/86	7/1/87	
Leonay Homes	Lot 4 DP 255960 The Slopes Road, North Richmond	10/12/86	7/1/87	
Jennings Industries	Lot 11 DP 730209 Ivy Ave, McGraths Hill	6/11/86	8/1/87	
M & J Wyeth	Lot 2 DP 732330 Kurmond Road, Kurmond	15/12/86	8/1/87	
M K Picton	Lot 112 DP 203809 Tennyson Rd, Tennyson	10/12/86	8/1/87	
K Paull	Lot B DP 160842 Catherine St, Windsor	22/12/86	13/1/87	
E Bryant	Lot 51 Comleroy Road, Kurrajong	30/10/86	15/1/87	Awaited registration of previous subdivision
A & M Trento	Lot 164 DP 214751 Wattle Cr, Glossodia	19/12/86	15/1/87	
J & E McNeice	Por 198 Bells Line of Road, Kurrajong	9/1/87	16/1/87	
M E Drum	Pt Por 52 Eldon Street, Pitt Town	23/12/86	22/1/87	Property subject to flooding
Mr & Mrs J Miller	Lot B, No. 37 George Street, Windsor	1/10/86	28/1/87	Awaited ownership
Glenleigh Homes P/L	Lot 4 DP 210259 Kurmond Road, Freemans Reach	15/1/87	28/1/87	
Allworth Const	Lot 17 DP 730209 Ivy Ave, McGraths Hill	12/12/86	30/1/87	
H M Buckett	Lot 64 DP 14736 Kurrajong Road, Kurrajong	23/1/87	2/2/87	
I Elton & J Opbrock	Lot 1 DP 251929 Upper Macdonald Road, St Albans	23/1/87	2/2/87	
Huxley Homes	Lot 119 DP 214752 Kentucky Dr, Glossodia	22/1/87	2/2/87	

Other Developments

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Allworth Const P/L	Lot 195 DP 214758 Chestnut Dr, Glossodia	20/1/87	2/2/87	
D Matthews & Assocs	Por 39 Burdekin Road, Wilberforce - Subdivision creating 2 lots	19/9/86	20/11/86	
P Goses	Lot 9 DP 29418 & Lot A Bowman St, Richmond - Industrial complex comprising 2 factory buildings & associated car parking	13/10/86	24/11/86	
K & M Bailey	Lot 1 DP 586518 Hawkesbury Road, Yarramundi - Dwelling and farm machinery shed	22/10/86	27/11/86	
B & B Garven	Lot 2 DP 564769 Grose Vale Road, Grose Vale - Dwelling and garage	13/11/86	27/11/86	
C C Campbell	Lots C & D DP 385963 & Lot B DP 375491 Vincent Road, Kurrajong - Adjustment of boundaries to create 3 lots	14/11/86	1/12/86	
D Matthews & Assocs	Lot 21 DP 559686 Browns Road, Kurrajong - Subdivision to create 2 lots	17/10/86	5/12/86	
M Coleman	Lot 12 DP 736873 Blaxlands Ridge Road, Kurrajong - Dwelling & freestanding garage	12/11/86	5/12/86	
P Smith	Lot 1 DP 733324 West Portland Road, Lower Portland - Farm storage shed	6/11/86	8/12/86	
Mr P Morley	Lot 12 DP 2515 Ashtons Road, Grose Wold - Establish retail plant nursery	16/10/86	8/12/86	Required advertising
W J Miles	Lot 2 DP 247384 Comleroy Road, Kurrajong - Farm machinery shed	27/11/86	10/12/86	
Mr P Book	1 March Street, Railway Cottage adjacent to East Richmond Railway Station - Erection of carport	27/11/86	10/12/86	Adjacent to heritage item
R Roskam	Lot 1 DP 220236 Windsor Road, Vineyard - Erection of a shed	28/11/86	11/12/86	

Applicant	Land	Date Received	Date Approved	Comments
W A O'Donnell	Portion 307 Rifle Range Road, South Windsor - Temporary location of demountable buildings containing 2 classrooms	17/10/86	5/12/86	Regional Catholic High School
T M Lillis	Lot 2 DP 617874 & Lot 621394 Sackville Road, Ebenezer - Adjustment of boundaries to create 2 lots	9/9/86	12/12/86	Revised plan requested
AJ & PG Noonan	Lots A-D DP 158850, No. 40 Comleroy Rd Kurrajong - Erect a storage shed	28/11/86	15/12/86	
G L Delfosse	Shop 4, Lot 5 DP 607530, No. 285-287 Windsor Street, Richmond - South American Takeaway Food outlet	1/12/86	22/12/86	
Gutteridge Haskins & Davey	Lots 30, 31, 43A, 44A & 45A DP 17870 Grose Vale Road, North Richmond - 100 lot residential subdivision	25/10/85	24/12/86	Required amended drainage plans
S J Holgate	Lot 2 DP 248272 Racecourse Road, Clarendon - 24 horse stables	3/12/86	5/1/87	
Mr RB & Mrs LK Booker	Lot 102 DP 739445 & Lot 1 DP 238572 Harris Street, Windsor - Adjustment of boundaries creating 2 lots	11/3/86	6/1/87	Awaited registration of previous subdivision
GJ & CA Grant	Lot 7 DP 253291 Bells Road, Grose Vale - Dwelling and garage	26/11/86	6/1/87	
R K Cambridge & Co	Lot 5 DP 247968 East Kurrajong Rd, East Kurrajong - Subdivision creating 2 lots	27/10/86	7/1/87	
Department of Housing	Colonial Drive & Thorley Road, Bligh Park, South Windsor - Subdivision Stage 2 into 261 residential lots, 3 public reserves and 1 school site	15/12/86	7/1/87	
Ian Turner & Partners	Lot B RP 83758 Mileham Street, South Windsor - Extension to existing factory	13/11/86	7/1/87	
D Matthews & Assocs	Lot 4 DP 739218 East Kurrajong Rd, East Kurrajong - Subdivision creating 2 lots	18/8/86	7/1/87	Awaited registration of previous subdivision

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T & L Booth	Lot 2 DP 557859 Blaxlands Ridge Road, Kurrajong - Erection of dwelling & shed	16/12/86	7/1/87	
RJ & LI Ross	Lot 44 DP 262838 Coobah Road, East Kurrajong - Erect dwelling, garage and 5 stables	11/12/86	8/1/87	
Mr J Haszlzywnyk	Lot A Cedar Ridge Road, Kurrajong - Dwelling and timber barn	9/12/86	8/1/87	
C F Tracy	Lot 18 DP 27789 Bells Line of Road, Kurmond - Erect domestic stables	26/11/86	8/1/87	
K Rogan	Por 264 Comleroy Road, Kurrajong - Storage shed and workshop	4/12/86	8/1/87	
P Clerke	Lots 1 & 2 DP 599776 Conrad Street, Richmond - Home occupation being for the registered business address for an estate agent	18/11/86	12/1/87	
P & J Robertson	Lot 5 DP 37907 Old Bells Line of Road, Kurrajong Heights - Dwelling & garage/ storeroom	19/12/86	13/1/87	
Fellsover Pty Ltd	Lot 5 DP 241246 Lukis Avenue, Richmond - Industrial complex	14/11/86	13/1/87	
Endeavour Homes P/L	Lot 219 DP 732220 Colonial Drive, South Windsor - Construct an exhibition home	2/12/86	13/1/87	
Skyline Buildings P/L	Lot 6 DP 245119 Scotts Farm Road, Grose Wold - Construct rural workers cottage	31/10/86	15/1/87	Awaited extra information
LF Herden	Lot 1 DP 610083 Mulgrave Road, Mulgrave - Construct dam for agricultural purposes & the transport of excavated material to the Winford Motors site - Windsor Road, McGraths Hill	20/11/86	15/1/87	
G Nelson	Lot 7 DP 247243 Howes Road, Wilberforce - Subdivision creating 2 lots	21/11/86	23/1/87	

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Glenhaven Horticulture Services P/L	Lot 4 DP 349193 Roxana Road, Kurrajong - Subdivision creating 2 lots	11/8/86	28/1/87	Await concurrence of Director of DEP
Astron Properties P/L	Lot 1 DP 15104 Grose Vale Road, Kurrajong - Subdivision creating 5 lots	23/12/86	28/1/87	
Sigmac P/L	Lots 49, 51, 55 & 56 DP 255307 Pt Lot 50 Macquarie Street, Windsor - Erect public building being a Government Office Block	5/11/86	28/1/87	
D Matthews & Assocs	Lot 6 DP 262832 Woods Road, South Windsor - Strata subdivision of existing duplex	22/12/86	28/1/87	
J & C Pickard	Lot 13 DP 736644 Singleton Road, Wilberforce - Dual occupancy	9/1/87	28/1/87	
Loc-Tex International P/L	Lot 143 DP 714195 Coobah Road, East Kurrajong - Storage Shed	16/1/87	28/1/87	
Frank Paull	Lot 3 Section 3 George Street, South Windsor - Change of use of premises from TV sales and service to storage and sale of second hand furniture & appliances	16/12/86	29/1/87	
W Davies	Lot 1 Section 6 Havelock Street, McGraths Hill - Extension to existing dwelling to provide for a dual occupancy	19/12/86	29/1/87	
Hawkesbury Shire Council	Lot 74, 75 & 76 DP 709025 Sirius Road, Bligh Park - Neighbourhood Centre to service Stage 1 & 2 Bligh Park	22/1/87	30/1/87	
M Clark	Lots 1 & 2 DP 241246 Lukis Avenue, Richmond - First use of industrial building as a warehouse in conjunction with wholesaling of motor vehicles	12/1/87	29/1/87	

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WD & BL Wilson	Lot 6 DP 26403 & Lot B DP 161126 Pitt Town Bottoms Road, Pitt Town - Adjustment of boundaries to create 2 lots	28/8/86	29/1/87	Amended plans required
J Xuereb	Por 26 Pitt Town Bottoms Road, Pitt Town - Machinery shed	19/1/87	30/1/87	
D Kimmorley	Lot 4 DP 263201 Terrace Rod, North Richmond - Dwelling and shed containing a workshop	22/1/87	30/1/87	
Mr L Zenzmaier	Lot 6 DP 234359 Hibberts Lane, Freemans Reach - Farm machinery shed	21/1/87	30/1/87	
K P Gray	Lot 2 DP 255082 Barina Drive, Colo Heights - Storage shed	19/1/87	30/1/87	
R Neville	Lot 1 Pitt Town Bottoms Road, Pitt Town - Machinery shed	20/1/87	30/1/87	
Pappas Kurmond Holdings P/L	Lot 1 DP 599868 Bells Line of Road, North Richmond - Factory containing 6 units	9/1/87	2/2/87	
North Western Surveys	Lot 15 DP 246945 Ala Moana Road, Kurrajong - Subdivision creating 2 lots	16/1/87	2/2/87	
A McKone	Lot 1 DP 261902 Anderson Place, South Windsor - Change of use of industrial unit from storage of furniture to motor vehicle repairs, dismantling of vehicles & the storage and sale by retail of spare parts	13/1/87	2/2/87	
B & R Keen	Lot 2 DP 553234 Yeomans Road, North Richmond - Packing shed	27/1/87	2/2/87	
P Carr	Lot 23, No. 21 North Street, Windsor - Home occupation being the registered business address for a mobile vehicle workshop	30/12/86	2/2/87	
Aldene Group P/L	Lot 4 King Road, Wilberforce - Private tennis court	14/1/87	2/2/87	

LIBRARYREPORTS1. DECEMBER/JANUARY SCHOOL HOLIDAYS, 1987. L125

The school holiday activities organised by the Children's Librarian, Mrs Cheryl Harris, proved to be popular in both the Windsor Central Library and Richmond Branch Library.

The format of the sessions organised were slightly different than previous holidays due to staff time, and the tendency for families to holiday in January.

One session per week was held in both libraries which consisted of storytime, craft and films, with the extended time of 1½ hours per week as opposed to 2 sessions each week and a time of one (1) hour.

Each session followed a theme and stories, films and a craft suitable for ages 4 to 12 years were shared with the children.

A total of 189 children attended the activities in both libraries, with Windsor Central Library attracting 103 children and Richmond Branch Library having an attendance of 86 children.

Due to the reduced holiday activities held in each library, there is no comparison to the 1986 holiday period.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the December/January Holidays report be received.

SECTION B - LETTERS SUBMITTED FOR INFORMATION

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT the letters in this section be received and appropriate replies forwarded where necessary.

1. AUSTRALIA DAY COUNCIL OF NEW SOUTH WALES - AUSTRALIA DAY COUNCIL (NSW) PROGRAMME. C40/4

Forwarding a copy of the Australia Day Council (NSW) Programme of Events throughout New South Wales for the 1987 Australia Day celebrations.

Advising that this is the first of the annual Australia Day Programmes and they will be seeking sponsorship to include photographs and features next year.

Thanking Council for its contributions and advising that they will be calling for them at an earlier date in 1987.

2. WILLIAM BEAN - APPRECIATION. A5 B27/15

Expressing appreciation for the donation Council made to assist him in his overseas Bush Fire study and that upon his return results of the study will be forwarded to Council.

3. JENNIFER BEAN - APPRECIATION. A5

Thanking Council for its generous assistance given to her towards the exchange programme to Denmark 1987.

4. ST. JOHNS AMBULANCE BRIGADE - 1986 DONATION. D64

Thanking Council for its donation in 1986.

5. DEPARTMENT OF MAIN ROADS - SHIRE OF HAWKESBURY DIRECTION TO RESTRICT. M130/1

Forwarding for Council's information a copy of Direction to Restrict No. 91/56 for temporary speed limit of 60 kph for roadworks between 21 and 31 kilometres north of Windsor, MR No. 503 - Putty Road. Required for erection of guardrail.

6. MUSEUM AND TOURIST CENTRE COMMITTEE, WINDSOR - ANNUAL GRANT. C51/18

Advising that the above Committee are hereby applying for the annual grant of \$500 that Council makes to assist in the staffing of the Museum.

(S.C. - An amount of \$500 has been provided in the 1987 Estimates and a cheque will be forwarded to the Committee.)

7. TOURISM COMMISSION OF NEW SOUTH WALES, P.F. CROMBIE - FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE. T220

Advising that they cannot provide Hawkesbury Shire with any financial assistance to engage a consultant to prepare a feasibility study.

Also advising that all funds available for the Tourism Development Fund during this financial year, are required to service commitments approved in previous years.

(S.C. - This in response to Council's request for a grant to carry out a study of the structural organisation to manage the tourist services in Hawkesbury Shire.)

8. LOCAL GOVERNMENT GRANTS COMMISSION, N.S.W. - ANNUAL REPORT. G95/1

Forwarding a copy of the 1986/87 Annual Report.

(S.C. - Copies of this report are available from Mrs Pye.)

9. MINISTER FOR EMPLOYMENT, N.S.W., HON. P.D. HILLS - YOUTH EMPLOYMENT SCHEME. G95/35

Informing Council that a grant of \$52,770 has been approved to provide nine (9) jobs with Council under the Youth Employment Scheme and the jobs are for 17 to 39 weeks.

Advising that it is intended that the jobs commence on 2nd February, 1987 and payments under the Scheme will be made in advance with half of the grant paid at the start of work and the remainder before the completion of the job.

10. A. WEBSTER, M.P. - FRINGE BENEFITS TAX. T215/4 C50/9

Thanking Council for its letter dated 4th December concerning Fringe Benefits Tax and its effect on Councillors.

Advising that the Opposition is totally opposed to this tax.

Forwarding a copy of a letter sent to the Treasurer on behalf of Council.

11. HAWKESBURY HOSPITAL AUXILIARY - 1986 DONATION. D64 H106

Thanking Council for its generous donation to the 1986 Annual October Appeal.

12. LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND SHIRES ASSOCIATION OF N.S.W. NATIONAL TRUST. L128/5

Thanking Council for advising of its nomination to represent Local Government on the National Trust.

Advising that the decision of the two Presidents was to propose Ald Philip Jenkyn LLB, a member of Hunter's Hill Municipal Council.

13. CANCER COUNCIL OF NEW SOUTH WALES - PARTNERS IN YOUR HEALTH DOORKNOCK 1987. A7

Writing on behalf of The National Heart Foundation of Australia, The Australian Kidney Foundation and The N.S.W. State Cancer Council, who have combined together for the purpose of conducting a major appeal for public support in 1987. Requesting Council approval to conduct a Doorknock Appeal over the weekend of August 22nd - 23rd, 1987.

(S.C. - Council has already allocated its Doorknock Appeals for 1987 and therefore this application would fall outside the normal Council policy. The Cancer Council will be advised accordingly.)

14. NEW SOUTH WALES BICENTENNIAL COUNCIL - THOMPSON SQUARE PRECINCT RESTORATION. H105/17/A

Referring to Council's letter dated 4th November, 1986 regarding the Bicentennial grant for the Thompson Square Precinct Restoration and particularly to the request that special consideration be given to indexation of this grant.

Advising that at the time grant guidelines were being prepared, it was proposed to take into account inflationary variations when assessing applications, and unfortunately present and forecast economic trends have prevented this and grants will not be subject to indexation.

15. LOCAL GOVERNMENT & SHIRES ASSOCIATION OF N.S.W. - ESTIMATES. L128/5

Informing Council that the Association's estimates were considered on 19th November, 1986 and as a result are pleased to be able to advise Council that the increase in subscriptions for the 1987 financial year will be kept to 4 per cent and this is to be compared with the permitted rate increase for 1987 of 7 per cent.

16. A. WEBSTER, MEMBER FOR MACQUARIE - FLOOD DAMAGE. F84/13

Forwarding advice from The Hon. T. Uren, Minister for Local Government and Administrative Services that an additional \$17,000 had been approved for the Natural Areas Enhancement Scheme at Governor Phillip Park to cover flood damage caused by the August floods.

17. PREMIER'S DEPARTMENT OF NEW SOUTH WALES - AUGUST FLOODS. F84/13

Referring to Council's recent letter (F84/13:DA) concerning an application by Hawkesbury Shire Council for Government financial assistance to repair roads, parks, gardens, etc. which were damaged as a result of storms and flooding last August.

Acknowledging that Council has submitted applications direct to the Departments of Public Works and Main Roads, and may also have approached the Department of Lands in respect of parks and garden damage.

Advising that Council's letter is being brought to the attention of those Departments with a request that consideration of Council's applications be expedited.

18. MINISTER FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES, THE HON. T. UREN - AUGUST FLOODS. F84/13

Thanking Council for its letter of 5th September, 1986 detailing the cost of the August floods in Hawkesbury Shire.

Advising that discussions have been made with the Prime Minister concerning the local government areas most affected by flooding.

Also advising that as a result of those discussions, it is proposed to make funds available to four (4) local authorities by way of the Natural Areas Enhancement Scheme to assist with restoration and improvement of the affected areas and flood mitigation works.

Informing that Commonwealth funding under the Natural Enhancement Scheme will require a contribution from Councils as with other Community Employment programme projects.

19. BRUCE LODER - APPRECIATION. L128

Thanking Council for its letter of good wishes for his retirement.

20. LIVERPOOL CITY COUNCIL - APPRECIATION. C50

Asking to convey to the Shire President, Councillors and staff sincere thanks for their message of congratulations on Mr C.J. Knowles being elected as Mayor of the City of Liverpool.

21. KURRAJONG AND DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION - REFORMATION.
A7/38

Advising Council of the reformation of the "Kurrajong and District Improvement Association".

Also advising that a need has been expressed in this district to provide a public forum for those interested in the improvement of the local area and to provide an avenue to voice concerns to the elected representatives on Council and accordingly the Association has been reformed to meet these needs.

22. LOCAL GOVERNMENT GRANTS COMMISSION - CIRCULAR NO. G.C. 47 -
ESTIMATION OF GRANTS COMMISSION ALLOCATION FOR 1987-88. G95/1

Advising that a number of Councils have recently contacted the Commission to obtain an indication of their likely allocation for 1987-88 to assist in the preparation of Estimates and Income and Expenditure for 1987.

Also advising that in view of the uncertainty of the amount of funds available and the principles of distribution the Commission cannot give any guarantee in relation to the grants to individual Councils.

23. HAWKESBURY DISTRICT EISTEDDFOD SOCIETY - FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION
TO 1987 FESTIVAL. D64

Thanking Council for its donation to the 1986 Eisteddfod and requesting that a donation be made to the 1987 festival.

Requesting that Council may care to sponsor the prizes awarded in five sections restricted to Hawkesbury Shire residents only.

(S.C. - Provision was made in the 1987 Estimates for a donation of \$1,000 to the Hawkesbury District Eisteddfod Society and a cheque for this amount has been forwarded. Council's letter stated that the \$1,000 was for prizes to be awarded in five sections restricted to Hawkesbury Shire residents only.)

24. WISEMANS FERRY SCHOOL - DONATION. D64

Thanking Council for its kind donation of \$50 to be used for Citizenship Awards.

Advising that Councillor Stanley attended the Presentation Night and his presence was appreciated.

25. MARAYLYA PUBLIC SCHOOL - DONATION. S196/17

Thanking Council for its generous donation towards their Speech and Prize-giving Day held Friday, 12th December, 1986.

Advising that twenty prizes were awarded for academic achievement, academic improvement and citizenship and each child received a book voucher valued at \$8.00.

26. AUSTRALIAN COUNCIL OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATIONS LTD.
- INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF SHELTER FOR THE HOMELESS (IYSH) 1987. C45

Advising that the United Nations General Assembly has declared 1987 as the International Year of Shelter for the Homeless and that the major goal set by the United Nations for the Year is to develop by 1987 strategies, policies and programmes that will improve shelter and neighbourhoods for the homeless and inadequately housed by the Year 2000.

Also advising that the Committee has been established to encourage the involvement of Local Government and the community and private sectors in the International Year.

Forwarding some information about IYSH from the IYSH Secretariat and urging Council to read this information and become familiar with the objectives of IYSH in Australia - to alleviate the problems of homelessness and inadequate housing.

Pointing out that this can be achieved by action at the community level and it is here that Local Government has a crucial role to play.

27. MINISTER FOR THE ARTS OF NEW SOUTH WALES, HON. F. WALKER - GRANT
TOWARDS ARTISTS' FEES. A11 G95/8

Advising that on the recommendation of the Cultural Grants Advisory Council a grant of \$2,250 towards artists' fees for sound sculpture workshops and performances has been approved.

Advice on the method of payment and conditions relating to this grant will be sent to Council by the Office of the Minister for the Arts.

28. MINISTER FOR EDUCATION OF NEW SOUTH WALES - PLAYGROUND AT
GLOSSODIA PUBLIC SCHOOL. S196/9

Acknowledging Council's letter on behalf of the Glossodia Parents and Citizens' Association concerning the condition of the playground at Glossodia Public School.

Advising that the Association had been informed that it is not prepared to approve funding for the provision of turfing or any remedial work until a regular watering system can be installed at the school.

Informing that the Metropolitan District Engineer of the Public Works Department was commissioned to investigate and report on the possibility of a water bore supply and the Engineer reported that a bore supply was unsuitable because of its high carbon dioxide and salinity content.

Also advising that the Metropolitan District Engineer has been requested to make a final decision and firm estimate of cost for connection to the water main in Creek Ridge Road.

29. MINISTER FOR YOUTH AND COMMUNITY SERVICES HON. J. AQUILINA -
ANNUAL FUNDING FOR THE VACATION CARE CENTRE FOR 1986/87. C43/12

Advising Council that the annual funding for the Vacation Care Centre for 1986/87 for the amount of \$8,491 has recently been approved.

Also advising that as a result of the review of Vacation Care substantial improvements to the funding arrangements have been made.

30. ALD. CLOVER MOORE, TOWN HALL, SYDNEY - 1986 NATIONAL AWARDS FOR
INNOVATION IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT. A9/5

Congratulating Council on winning the award for Comprehensive Council Staff Training Programme.

Asking Council for more details regarding the scheme.

31. HAWKESBURY AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE - "BIRDSVILLE TRACK CYCLETHON".
D64

Requesting sponsorship from Council for a cyclethon from Port Augusta to Mount Isa via the Birdsville Track by members of the Hawkesbury Agricultural College Cycling Club. The funds raised through sponsorship of the cyclethon will be donated to the North Shore Hospital Spinal Research Unit.

(S.C. - Council in 1985 donated \$100 to a similar cyclethon and a similar amount will be donated in 1987.)

32. METROPOLITAN WASTE DISPOSAL AUTHORITY - TASK FORCE TO REVIEW
REGULATORY PROCEDURES UNDER THE WASTE DISPOSAL ACT, 1970. G90/13

Thanking Council for their comments concerning the Task Force to Review Regulatory Procedures under the Waste Disposal Act.

The Task Force submitted a report to the Minister for Planning and Environment in August, 1985. The only matter pertinent to the operations of the Authority was a suggestion submitted by the N.S.W. Road Transport Association that the Authority should be the co-ordinating body for approvals to establish solid waste disposal depots.

The Task Force's recommendation that the suggestion be explored was adopted and accordingly views were sought.

Responses have been received and analysed from a substantial majority of the organisations contacted and having regard to the general tenor of the responses the Minister for Planning and Environment has approved that the suggestion not be implemented.

(H.S. - Council may recall that at the meeting of 8th April, 1986, a letter was received from the Local Government and Shires Association of NSW regarding the operations of a Task Force established to examine the Waste Disposal Act and Regulations.

The item of concern was a proposal that the Metropolitan Waste Disposal Authority be granted powers to act on behalf of other bodies or be the only approving body for engineered land fill waste depots.

Council resolved that the Metropolitan Waste Disposal Authority be advised that it strongly objects to the proposals of the Task Force.

Advice has been received from the Metropolitan Waste Disposal Authority that in view of the responses received, the Minister for Planning and Environment has decided that the proposal not be implemented.)

33. WESTERN SYDNEY REGIONAL ORGANISATION OF COUNCILS - WESTERN SYDNEY APPRENTICESHIP ADVISORY COMMITTEE. W275 W275/9

Thanking Council for its letter seeking direct representation on the Western Sydney Apprenticeship Advisory Committee.

Advising that this committee is an independent body with representation from the private sector, unions, government departments and WSROC and administers its own agenda.

Also advising that Council's request to have direct representation on the committee will be placed before the committee at its next meeting.

34. PETER STEWART - RURAL RATING. H70/1

Acknowledging receipt of Council's letter of 26th November, 1986.

Thanking Council for its kindness in providing councillors with details of his thoughts on the rural rating and for sending him the two documents relating to rural rating.

35. HAWKESBURY LEGACY - DONATION OF DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION FEES. D64

Thanking the President and members of Council for its decision to cover the above fees by donation.

36. DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT - ALTERATION OF BOUNDARIES OF CITY OF PENRITH AND SHIRE OF HAWKESBURY. C50/15

Advising that a proclamation was published in the Government Gazette:

- (1) altering the boundaries of the City of Penrith and the Shire of Hawkesbury;
- (2) consequently altering North Ward of the City of Penrith; and
- (3) making certain orders as to valuations and enrolments consequentially upon such alteration.

Also advising that in pursuance of section 20(2) of the Local Government Act, the Minister has dispensed with the making of any arrangement as to the apportionment of assets, rights and liabilities.

Forwarding a copy of the proclamation for Council's information.

37. MINISTER FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT & MINISTER FOR WATER RESOURCES
THE HON. J. CROSIO - FINANCING OF WATER SUPPLY AND SEWERAGE SCHEMES.
M134/4

Acknowledging receipt of Council's letter concerning the financing of water supply and sewerage schemes.

Advising that they will be in contact again regarding the matter raised as soon as possible.

38. HAWKESBURY INTERAGENCY - MINUTES C45/1

Forwarding copy of the minutes of the meeting held on 2nd December, 1986.

39. STATE RAIL AUTHORITY OF NEW SOUTH WALES - RIVERSTONE-RICHMOND
ELECTRIFICATION PROJECT. P155/3

Thanking Council for its letter of 6th January, 1987.

Confirming that the area shown on Plan No. 1800-10 is required by the State Rail Authority as a construction camp for Riverstone-Richmond Electification Project.

Advising that the Authority has indicated that the area designated will be required as a construction camp for the next two (2) years.

Asking that the construction of the car parking facility could be deferred for a two (2) year period.

40. PREMIER'S DEPARTMENT OF NEW SOUTH WALES - WORKERS' COMPENSATION SCHEME. I112/4

Acknowledging Council letter of 18th November, 1986 conveying its recommendation regarding reforms to the Workers' Compensation Scheme.

Advising that Council's views have been noted and will be considered in conjunction with the submission of the Self-Insurer's Association.

41. GENERAL CIRCULAR NO. 12/1986 - - PARKING FOR DISABLED PERSONS

The N.R.M.A has enquired regarding the attitude of councils toward parking by disabled persons.

Holders of a Disabled Person's Parking Authority are able to park on a public street in excess of the parking time limit where the limit exceeds 30 minutes.

The N.R.M.A. is concerned whether such a condition is applied by councils in free, off-street parking areas controlled by them.

The Association brings this matter to Council's attention and would appreciate advice from those Councils operating such parking areas.

(S.H.S. - No time limit is imposed in use of disabled car parking spaces in Council's car parks where user has Disabled Persons Parking Authority affixed to vehicle.)

42. L.G. MACDONALD & CO. - INTERIM AUDIT. A8/1

Forwarding report on the Interim Audit of the Council to 30th June, 1986.

(S.C.- The report will be tabled at the meeting.)

43. ORANGE CITY COUNCIL 34TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE NEW SOUTH WALES BRANCH OF THE AUSTRALIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION. C48/3

Extending an invitation to Council to be represented at the 34th Annual Conference of the New South Wales Branch of the Australian Local Government Women's Association to be hosted by Orange City Council from Friday, 3rd April to Sunday, 5th April, 1987.

Advising that copies of the registration form, together with the full programme will be forwarded before the end of the month and these should be returned by 13th March, 1987.

(S.C. - Councillors wishing to attend please advise Mrs Pye as soon as possible so that the necessary arrangements can be made.)

44. KEEP AUSTRALIA BEAUTIFUL COUNCIL (N.S.W.) - 1986 TIDY TOWNS AND SUBURBAN AWARDS. G90/5

Advising that the judging and assessment of the 197 entries in the 1986 Tidy Towns Program has been completed and whilst our entries received favourable consideration they did not attract an award in this year's program.

(H.S. - The towns and villages of Kurrajong Heights, Kurrajong, Kurmond, North Richmond, Richmond, Windsor, McGraths Hill, Pitt Town and Wilberforce were again entered in last year's competition. Special category entries were made for Howe Park, Windsor, Windsor Commercial Area, Civic Centre Complex, Richmond Commercial Area and North Richmond Neighbourhood Centre.

Although, Council's entries were not successful, the judge was very impressed with the areas visited and made many constructive suggestions. The need for greater community participation was again stressed.)

45. FEDERATED MUNICIPAL & SHIRE COUNCIL EMPLOYEES' UNION OF AUSTRALIA, N.S.W. - 1987 ANNUAL PICNIC. S205/30

Advising that the 1987 Annual Picnic of the Union will be held on Friday, 13th March, 1987.

46. TWEED SHIRE COUNCIL - 26TH ANNUAL FLOOD MITIGATION CONFERENCE, MURWILLUMBAH 1986, PROCEEDINGS. C48/2

Advising that the proceedings of the 26th Annual Flood Mitigation Conference have been printed and enclosing two copies for Council's records.

47. PREMIER'S DEPARTMENT - SENIOR CITIZENS WEEK 1987, APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE. C45/20

Advising that Council's request for financial assistance for Senior Citizens Week 1987 has been received and approval has been given for the amount of \$600 which will be forwarded shortly.

48. MINISTER FOR HEALTH, THE HON. P. ANDERSON - HAWKESBURY HOSPITAL. H106/1

Advising that he visited Hawkesbury Hospital on 9th January, 1987 where he made a full inspection of the site and building and held lengthy discussions with both the hospital executive and staff members.

Stating that he gave a categoric undertaking that the New South Wales Government has no intention whatsoever of closing or downgrading Hawkesbury Hospital and he announced that the Government would this year make a grant of \$154,000 for the development of an interim replacement for the hospital's maternity unit. This being two (2) demountable buildings to be placed next to the casualty department.

Enclosing copies of a media release and an information document which he released at the hospital, which cover in detail the matters Council has raised and other matters pertinent to the hospital.

Also advising that the hospital's budget for this year represents an increase of \$1.3 million or 21.3 per cent.

49. LOCAL GOVERNMENT & SHIRES ASSOCIATIONS OF N.S.W. - GENERAL
CIRCULAR NO. 12/1986. C44/2

1. "Bucket" Collections by Charitable Organisations

The Minister for Finance has expressed concern regarding the practice of "bucket collections" from motorists, particularly at busy intersections controlled by lights.

A working party has considered the subject and favours prohibition of this activity on the grounds of public safety and lack of control of collectors.

The control of collectors rests with councils under Section 249(t) of the Local Government Act and Ordinance 61. It is understood that council approval is not sought by many collectors and council may not be aware of the specific activity.

2. Orientation of New Members of Council

The important task of familiarising new council members will have special importance in 1987, the year of the quadrennial election.

The Elected Members Development Kit, to be released prior to the September polls, will include recommendations on the provision of information to new council members. ~~Suggested procedures for the orientation of new members~~ will also be a feature.

In order to make the Kit as effective as possible, advice is sought from councils on existing orientation procedures and the provision of material to council members.

3. Buildings - Closing and Demolition

A member council has expressed concern regarding inadequate powers to deal with building structures which have become dangerous due to either fire or storm damage.

Recently the council had to deal with the following situations on private land

1. A fire-damaged two-storey building with swaying walls and partly detached roof;
2. A partly collapsed retaining wall 3 metres high situated on a side boundary with the remaining section in danger of imminent collapse.

Naturally neighbouring residents looked to council to take action and were amazed that council could not take immediate steps to rectify the situation. The council considered that in neither case could it be said that the public generally was at risk and therefore other emergency type powers available to council could not be used. It appeared to council the only options available in the state of circumstances was action under Section 317B(1) of the Local Government Act. The Land and Environment Court rules allow a period of not less than 60 days for an appeal against any order made under this section, and it can therefore hardly be appropriate where urgent action to remedy a dangerous building structure considered necessary.

The council has therefore sought the Associations' support to an amendment to the Local Government Act to grant to a council the power to order the immediate securing of structural safety of any dangerous buildings on private lands or its demolition in part or whole, and to allow council to approach the Land and Environment Court, or a Local Court of Petty Sessions, to have the Order confirmed within a period of 14 days.

(H.S. - It is considered that Council should support the proposal and the Association will be advised accordingly.)

4. Representation on Committees

Councils were invited earlier in the year, to submit the names of elected members interested in being placed on a list from which selections to various statutory boards and committees could be made.

The response has been disappointing and councils are asked to further consider forwarding nominations. These should contain the names and councils of elected members; particular interests (eg. planning; roads) and academic qualifications.

The range of committees for which nominees are sought encompasses the whole spectrum of local government activity.

Before any nominations are made, the relevant elected members are contacted to obtain agreement for their names going forward.

5. Local Government Exemptions from Pay-roll Tax Liability

Following a resolution of the Shires Conference which sought exemption for Local Government from the liability to pay pay-roll tax, the matter was referred to the State Treasurer.

A response has been received from the Minister for Finance following terms:

"Decisions to grant pay-roll tax exemption to particular bodies are based on considerations of equity and the current revenue needs of the State as a whole. Pay-roll tax represents the greater portion of the State's revenue and any erosion in the tax base means a reduction in the provision of essential community services.

When the States took over pay-roll tax from the Commonwealth in 1971, salaries and wages payable in connection with the administrative functions of councils were specifically excluded from liability. No other organisations in the public or private sector were granted any similar concession and all other government and semi-governmental bodies are liable to pay the tax, including the Metropolitan Water Sewerage and Drainage Board and the Hunter District Water Board.

While I can appreciate your desire for councils to be fully exempt I am unable to agree to your request at this stage. However, pay-roll tax is reviewed constantly and your comments will be taken into consideration in future review of the tax".

6. Fringe Benefits Tax

At its 1986 Annual Conference, the Local Government Association passed the following resolution:

- "(a) That this Conference express its deep concern to the Prime Minister and the Treasurer about the ruling by the Commissioner of Taxation (Taxation Ruling MT 2035) issued on 23 October, 1986, to the effect that Mayors, Presidents, Aldermen and Councillors are employees for the purposes of the Fringe Benefits Tax Assessment Act and the Income Tax Assessment Act; and that representations be made, based on the written opinion of Mr Russell Bainton, QC, for the reversal of the Ruling.
- (b) That the Australian Council of Local Government Associations be requested to make similar representations and to co-ordinate like action by the other State Local Government Associations.
- (c) That, should the Commissioner's Ruling not be reversed, contributions be sought from councils for a test case.
- (d) In addition all councils represented at the Conference express their concern individually through their local members of Parliament to the Prime Minister and Treasurer".

Pursuant to this resolution, a letter, has been forwarded to the Prime Minister. A letter in identical terms has also been sent to the Federal Treasurer. ACLGA has also been contacted in terms of item (b) of the resolution.

All councils are now urged to take action in accordance with item (d) of the resolution.

For the time being, councils are advised to observe the Ruling, include all elected members in FBT returns, pay any tax so assessed under protest, and immediately appeal to the Court against the Ruling. Details of appeal procedures will be included in the next General Circular.

7. Unrestricted Trading in Tourist Areas

Under the Factories Shops and Industries Act, certain parts of the State may be declared tourist areas by the Government on application from the relevant council. This allows shops in those tourist areas to trade on an unrestricted basis. The usual basis is a local event or, more likely, school holidays.

Councils will be aware that in 1987 the system for school holidays will change with four semester breaks. This will require councils in such areas to apply to the Minister for Industrial Relations setting out their new requirements.

8. Department of Water-Resources Location

The Associations have been advised there is a possibility the Department of Water Resources may move to Blacktown. There is some concern that this will render Departmental staff difficult to visit when country council representatives are in Sydney, because of the distance of Blacktown from the City.

In order to obtain information about the level of usage of Departmental facilities at North Sydney and the possible problems which a move to Blacktown would create, councils are invited to comment on the possible move.

(S.E. - The new location could provide savings to this Council.)

9. Implementation Action - 1986 Shires Conference Category 2 Motions

10. Review of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Model Provisions

The consultant firm Wellings Smith and Byrnes has been retained by the Department of Environment and Planning to review the Environmental Planning and Assessment Model Provisions. The deadline for submissions on areas where the provisions need to be changed is mid-December.

11. Development Application Fees

Councils' responses to the survey attached to the August General Circular, on the subject of development application fees, was extremely high, indicating strong interest. The information has been analysed and was put before the Joint Standing Committee on Planning and Environment at its November meeting.

The decision of the Joint Standing Committee was that the Department of Environment and Planning be approached with a request that the basic fee of \$50 be increased to a reasonable level, and that fees for Crown applications and for development applications for sub-division be increased and re-structured to automatically reflect general increases in costs.

12. Fees for Local Environmental Plans

Of 57 councils responding to this survey, 36 stated that their current practice was to charge a fee for the preparation of privately requested

local environmental plans. This is despite the advice of DEP Circular No. 62 and later advice of the Director to the effect that councils are not entitled to charge a fee for preparing local environmental plans.

The Associations' Joint Standing Committee on Planning and Environment considered the results of the survey at its meeting in November, and felt that, given the strong support amongst councils for charging a fee, an approach should be made to the Department of Environment and Planning to amend the EPA Act so that councils will be empowered to charge a fee for LEP preparation. The Executives of both Associations will be considering the Committee's recommendation at their December meetings.

13. Land and Environment Court Costs

The impression gained from the response to the survey is that councils are mostly content with the present call-over system, however there was enough discontent expressed to warrant, in the opinion of the Joint Standing Committee on Planning and Environment, an approach to the Land and Environment Court to consider some of the main suggestions offered by councils as a means of improving the system. The Committee did not determine at its November meeting which of the many suggestions might be preferred. It is hoped that open discussions with the Chief Justice and the Registrar can be arranged to take place in the near future.

14. Funding Arrangements for Child Care Services

Councils will recall that this matter was raised in Item 2 of General Circular 7/1986, which requested information from councils on the effects of new Commonwealth funding arrangements for child care services.

The preliminary results of the questionnaire were considered at a meeting of the Associations' Child Care Consultative Group held on 1 September 1986. That meeting made a number of recommendations (1-6 below) which were supplemented by an additional recommendation when the report of that meeting was considered by the Associations' Standing on Community Services (recommendation 7 below).

1. That, as councils are faced with considerable costs in developing new child care centres being offered under the Capital Works Program, with in some cases, councils having subsidised the appointment of Childrens' Services Development Officers to carry out this responsibility, and, in cases where no Children's Services Development Officer is appointed this function falls to other councils staff, funding be made available from the amount allocated by the Department of Community Services for "advice and resources" to assist councils sponsoring new centres to meet these additional costs associated with the development of the centres.
2. That the Commonwealth be requested to provide children's services development officer-like positions to those councils accepting funding for the establishment of new centres by way of subsidy of \$7,500 per annum for each officer; further, that the Commonwealth recognise the excessive major cost to councils of administration of centres by providing an additional allocation of 8% of each centre's budget as support for those administrative activities.

3. That the Local Government and Shires Associations express concern to the State Government about the erosion of quality of care in child care services.
4. That as there is a variation in demand from time to time in terms of ages of children to be placed at council child care centres and councils are unable to give equitable access because of limit placed upon them as to the number of children to be accommodated in each age group, the Associations make representations to secure more flexibility to accommodate different age groups to reflect demand.
5. That the Associations register concern with the Department of Community Services regarding the way in which the program of information dissemination on the Commonwealth's recurrent funding changes was carried out and suggest that, in the future, a more future, a more participatory approach be developed and that it be piloted with councils prior to its implementation.
6. That the Associations advise councils to only sign recurrent funding agreements for child care centres for a period of one year.
7. That the Associations make representations to the Commonwealth Government indicating the need for stronger financial recognition of Local Government's role in the ongoing development of children's services and the management of existing services.

At the recent Conference of the Local Government Association, the following resolution (86 - from Marrickville) was carried:

That Conference make urgent representations for a financial commitment to employ support staff to develop and co-ordinate child care centres from both state and federal sources and such funding be seen as an essential part of such centres whether developed or proposed.

15. Disposal of Chemical Wastes

At its 1985 Conference, the Local Government Association passed a motion (No. 76) expressing its concern at the proposed establishment of an incinerator to dispose of toxic wastes in NSW. The resolution also included a request to the Minister for Planning and Environment to initiate research into a safe method of disposal of toxic wastes.

The Minister has responded to the Associations' request with the advice that although the Government of NSW is not considering any proposals for the establishment of a high temperature incinerator at the present time, there is an obvious need for such a facility. The Minister also states that such facilities are operated safely with minimum environmental impact in several countries of Europe and in the United States. Proposals are presently being considered by the Governments of Victoria, Western Australia and the Northern Territory. Ultimately, it is intended that one incinerator will be constructed for the whole of Australia.

16. Appointment of Community Services Consultant

The Associations have appointed a Community Services Consultant for a period of 12 months to carry out a review of Local Government involvement in community services in New South Wales.

Canterbury Municipal Council's Community Services Co-ordinator, Lionel Davis, has been seconded to undertake the review.

A number of councils will be approached during the course of the review to obtain information on their involvement in and attitudes towards community services.

17. Joint Commonwealth/State Royal Commission into Grain Storage, Handling and Transport

The Associations have received notification from the Minister for Primary Industry the Hon John Kerin MP of the appointment on 13 October 1986 of Mr James McColl as the Royal Commissioner to head the Joint Commonwealth/State Royal Commission into Grain Storage, Handling and Transport.

18. Parking for Disabled Persons

The NRMA has enquired regarding the attitude of councils toward parking by disabled persons.

Holders of a Disabled Person's Parking Authority are able to park on a public street in excess of the parking time limit where the limit exceeds 30 minutes.

The NRMA is concerned whether such a condition is applied by councils in free, off-street parking areas controlled by them.

19. New South Wales Law Reform Commission - Consultative Paper on Liability of Highway Authorities for Non-Feasance

It is overwhelmingly clear from the responses that Local Government is not in favour of any change to the existing law.

20. Proposals to Increase Road Vehicle Limits

The Associations have been monitoring the outcomes from NAASRA's Review of Road Vehicles Limits Report (RoRVL) 1985.

The Associations' submission to RoRVL stated that the Associations could not support RoRVL's proposals to increase road vehicle limits unless adequate funds were made available to compensate Local Government for the damage to roads and bridges caused by the increase in weights. The Associations further believe that if road vehicle limits are to be increased, a cost recovery mechanism has to be put in place.

The Associations have made representations to the State and Commonwealth Roads Ministers.

21. Statements of Accounts

22. Control of Littering Resulting from Deposit of Advertising Material in Letter Boxes

The analysis of responses to the item in GC 2/1986 has now been completed.

On the basis of the response the matter would not appear to be of sufficient moment to local government generally to justify an approach to the Minister for an amendment to the Local Government Act.

23. Immunisation

The high response rate from councils of 78 per cent to the survey on vaccination against measles is greatly appreciated.

In answer to the question "Do you conduct regular immunisation clinics?", 68 per cent of respondents answered yes, 32 per cent answered no. In answer to the question "Do you vaccinate against measles?", 58 per cent of respondents answered yes, 42 per cent answered no.

24. Inspection of Public Halls

(S.C. - This item is not applicable to this Council as it only refers to the public halls in country areas where registration inspections have previously normally been carried out by the Police.)

25. Australian Council for Inter-Government-Relations

The following letter has been received from Senator Janine Haines, Senator for South Australia and Parliamentary Leader of the Australian Democrats:

"Thank you for the recent letter signed by your self, Cr Allan Fifield and Mr W A Henningham seeking our support for the retention of the Advisory Council for Inter-government Relations.

We have made a study of this matter and understand the legislation to abolish the Council will be defeated when it is placed before Parliament".

26. Staff Training - Training Development Unit (TDU)

27. Briefing Sessions for Local Government

The next Briefing Sessions for Local Government will be held at the Australian Counter-Disaster College in Mount Macedon Victoria on 2 - 5 March 1987 and 9 - 12 March 1987. All accommodation and travel expenses are met by the College. 10 places have been reserved on each course for NSW elected members and senior staff.

Nominations will close in mid-January.

28. Investment of Council Funds

A number of councils have enquired regarding restrictions on investment following the promulgation of the Local Government (Powers of Investment) Amendment Act in 1983.

The Act, and the accompanying Ordinance No. 24A, were gazetted on 14 December 1984 and Circular 85/3 was issued by the Department of Local Government in January 1985.

That Circular listed authorities approved under the Trustee Act, 1925.

Concern has been expressed regarding investment in Bills of Exchange, NOT drawn by a bank, and it is noted that the Ordinance allows councils to invest in Bills of Exchange drawn or accepted by a bank. Acceptance by a bank does confer a commercial liability on the bank to meet the Bill.

The Department of Local Government has advised that there is currently no proposal to extend the prescribed list of unofficial dealers beyond the Local Government Investment Service Pty Ltd.

The attention of councils is drawn to the need for caution in a volatile investment market. Care should be taken to spread the portfolio and thereby reduce exposure to risk. Trusteeship status does not necessarily mean no risk is attached to an investment. The principle to be observed is that the higher the yield, the higher the risk.

50. NATIONAL TRUST - "SUNNYSIDE' KURRAJONG ROAD, NORTH RICHMOND.
H105/3.

"I understand that this property of 27 acres has recently been bought by Mirvac Pty. Ltd. for proposed subdivision. This property has been listed in the National Trust's Register of heritage items since 1979. It dates from c1845 and features a homestead and mature garden. I enclose an information sheet on the property.

The Trust is concerned that future developments in this area should respect the heritage significance of the property. We would appreciate the opportunity to comment at an early stage on any development proposals. The comments of the Trust's Architectural Advisory Committee may well be useful to Council."

51. AUSTRALIAN LABOR PARTY - NOTICE OF MOTION. C50

Advising that the following motion was passed at its last meeting:

"The Hawkesbury State Electorate Council of the ALP requests the Hawkesbury Shire Council to adopt a 'Buy Australian Made Goods' campaign. The campaign should be set within sensible guidelines set down by members of the Council."

(S.C. - The Act provides specific preference for Australian, then British goods over foreign manufactured items. Preference percentages of up to 30% apply to Australian over foreign goods. The correspondent will be advised accordingly.)

52. AUSTRALIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION. M135

Advising that the ABC Childrens and Education programme 'Australian Studies Local Government', parts of which were filmed in Richmond, will go to air in May. Stating that Episode One goes to air at 11.40am on Monday 18th May and Episode Two at the same time on Monday 25th May.

53. DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT - LOCAL GOVERNMENT 1987 ELECTION DATE. C44/1, E73/7

Advising that the 1987 General Local Government Election will be held on Saturday, 26th September. The date prescribed falls on the weekend immediately preceding the 1987 Spring School Vacation, but it is felt that Councils could make suitable arrangements to overcome any difficulties caused by the juxtaposition of the election and the School Vacation. If Council foresees any difficulties in regard to the election being held on this date, action should be taken to resolve the difficulties as soon as possible.

(S.C. - The advice given to Council in the "Meeting Dates & Special Events" was that the election would be held on 19th September - local government elections have, in the past, been normally held on the third Saturday in September (which in 1987 is the 19th September) unless changed for a particular reason. It will now be necessary for meeting dates in September and October to be rescheduled.)

54. WESTERN SYDNEY REGIONAL ORGANISATION OF COUNCILS - MEETING DATES. W275/5

Advising that it has been resolved that meeting dates for the Region Meetings in 1987 be as follows, provided they do not clash with the annual Local Government Conference in August:

20th February	...	Liverpool Council
10th April	...	Prospect Council
12th June	...	Hawkesbury Council
28th August	...	Parramatta Council
23rd October	...	Blue Mountains Council
4th December	...	Holroyd Council.

(S.C. Telephone advice from the Local Government Association confirms that the 1987 Local Government Conference will be held at Port Macquarie from Monday 17th to Wednesday, 19th August.)

G.M. McCully
Shire Clerk/General Manager

* APPLICATION FOR SUPPORT OF DRAFT LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN -
RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISION MCGRATHS HILL - APPLICANT: W.D. & B.L. WILSON
OWNER: A.G. JOHNSON. L6/86

Council is referred to item 4 in the Development Section of the General Purpose Committee of 24th February, 1987, and the Committee's request for a further report in relation to the effect of the adjacent mushroom composting operation to the proposal.

Discussion have taken place between the applicants, landowners and Council's Shire Health Surveyor and Shire Planner. Council is the responsible authority for monitoring of the mushroom composting operation under the provisions of the Clean Air Act. It is considered that a schedule of works should be drafted by Council to be implemented by the composters, such, that all possible measures can be implemented to alleviate, as far as is possible, the emission of smells from the property. The Health Surveyor advises that, if a proper schedule is strictly adhered to, emissions can be kept to a tolerable minimum. Council will appreciate that such a schedule will take some time to implement and to monitor. Council should satisfy itself from the results of such monitoring that there is an improvement in emissions and that such level can be maintained if the works schedule prepared is adhered to.

The L.E.P. process is such that Council could support the draft plan at this time, subject to it not further proceeding if the composting emissions are not satisfactory. This procedure would enable the applicant, in the interim, to prepare his submissions to the relevant servicing authorities

At the Committee meeting there were discussions on the merits of an environmental study. The only cause for concern is seen to be the mushroom composters and an environmental study would, in all probability, do no more than recommend as has been suggested above.

In the previous report it was indicated that the proposal would be subject to the commissioning of the Bligh Park Treatment Plant. This allows Council some time to gauge the effect of the schedule of works on the composter.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT Council support the rezoning of the subject land from Rural 1(a3) Environmental Protection to Part Rural 1(c) and Part Residential 2(d) Environmental Protection, subject to the Draft Local Environmental Plan not proceeding to further consideration by Council, pursuant to Section 68 of the Environmental Planning & Assessment Act, if the air emissions from the adjacent mushroom composters is not to the satisfaction of Council.

It is further recommended that the Department of Environment & Planning be advised that, in Council's opinion, an environmental study is not required.

PRESIDENTIAL MINUTE

ORDINARY MEETING - 10TH FEBRUARY, 1987.

Councillors,

BUSHFIRE ASSISTANCE TO COOTAMUNDRA AREA (B27/6)

On the evening of Friday, 16th January, Council received a call for assistance in the provision of fire tankers and crews to assist in major fires in the Cootamundra area. A volunteer crew of Peter Minturn, Peter Jones and David Wood (Kurrajong Brigade), Kevin McKenzie (East Kurrajong Brigade) and Peter Poulson and Mal Gribble (Headquarters Brigade) was organised. They proceeded with two units to Cootamundra, arriving early morning on Saturday, 17th January, and working in shifts until 3am the following day.

I have now received the following letter from the Shire President of Cootamundra.

"On behalf of the residents of the Shire of Cootamundra I would like to convey sincere thanks to your Council for making the equipment and personnel available to travel to Cootamundra to assist in bringing under control the Bushfires which devastated a large area within this Shire over the past weekend.

Could you please convey to the individual Brigades involved our deep appreciation of their efforts and congratulate them on the efficient manner in which they undertook same."

Letters of appreciation have been forwarded to the volunteers for their efforts and I recommend that Council formally resolve to record its appreciation of their work at Cootamundra.

Geoff Michael,
Shire President.