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Item: **90****ITEM: 90** **Monthly Financial Report - August 2001****FILE NUMBER:** GF001/005/FNC/OGI25NAX.F13**REPORT:****August 2001**

Summarised below, are particulars of both the income received and the expenditure incurred by Council for the month of August 2001. This information is reconciled between the cashbook and the bank statement balance as at the end of August 2001. All expenditure is fully supported by vouchers and invoices which have been duly certified.

A. Cash Book Reconciliation - August 2001

Cash Book Balance as at 1 August 2001		\$175,907.84
Add: Receipts for month of August		<u>\$9,523,857.92</u>
		\$9,699,765.76
Less: Payments for month of August		
Cheque # 75570 - 76074	\$2,209,414.56	
EFT # 18964 - 19384	\$3,026,377.22	
Family Day Care Payments	\$72,985.99	
RTGS (Investment) Transactions	\$3,800,000.00	
Cancelled Cheques	(\$708.64)	
Miscellaneous (Bank Charges, Dishonours etc)	<u>\$7,464.98</u>	<u>\$9,115,534.11</u>
Cash Book Balance as at end of August 2001		\$584,231.65

Commentary

The cash book balance reflects the cashflow for the month. Essentially it is a summary of all of the receipts issued and the payments made for the month.

Expenditure for the month typically consists of payments to contractors, employee salaries, purchase of stores and materials and lease/loan repayments.

Receipts for August are higher than normal due to the first instalment of rates and charges being due on 31 August. Fourteen percent (14%) of ratepayers actually paid their full years rates and charges by the first instalment due date.

RTGS transactions reflect the investments that were made during the month of August as rate revenue was received.

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B. Statement of Bank Balances - August 2001

Bank Statement Balance as at end of August 2001		\$352,772.51
Less: Unpresented Cheques		<u>(-283829.45)</u>
		\$68,943.06
Add: Outstanding Deposits	\$669,196.16	
Statement Credits not Receipted	<u>(\$153,907.57)</u>	<u>\$515,288.59</u>
Equals balance as per cashbook		\$584,231.65

Commentary

The bank account balance may vary significantly from the cashbook balance. The difference is made up of unpresented cheques, outstanding deposits and bank deposits not receipted, as indicated in the above reconciliation.

Unpresented cheques are cheques which have been drawn but have not yet been presented for payment by the payee. Outstanding deposits are monies which have been receipted at the council but have not yet been banked. Statement credits not receipted, are funds which have been directly deposited to Council's bank account which have not been receipted with Council as at the end of the month.

With the first rates instalment due date being 31 August, there are significant monies received on the due date that are not banked until the next working day which was Monday 3 September. Similarly, significant funds were directly deposited into Council's bank account on 31 August but were not reconciled and receipted until September.

Cash management procedures are in place that ensure adequate funds are available to meet daily expenditure obligations. Any surplus funds from receipts are invested so as to maximise interest earnings. Active cash management minimises the risk of Council's bank account going into an overdraft situation.

C. Investments - August 2001

The Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation requires that each month, details of all money that has been invested under section 625 of the Local Government Act, 1993 be reported to a meeting of Council.

The following table outlines the investment portfolio held by Council as at the end of August 2001. All investments have been made in accordance with the Act, Regulations and Council's Investment Policy.

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Investment Type	Balance Brought Forward	Deposits	Withdrawals	Interest Paid	Balance End of Month
Managed Funds	\$29,182,456.19			\$116,657.00	\$29,299,113.19
On Call Funds	\$910,000.00	\$3,800,000.00	(\$100,000.00)		\$4,610,000.00
Term Investments	\$1,070,000.00				\$1,070,000.00
TOTAL	\$31,162,456.19	\$3,800,000.00	(\$100,000.00)	\$116,657.00	\$34,979,113.19

Commentary

The official cash interest rate remained at 5.00% for the month of August, however a 0.25% drop in the official cash rate was announced by the Reserve Bank on 5 September. With the recent tragedies in the USA, the impact on the Australian cash rate is not yet known, however in the USA the Federal Reserve cut benchmark rates by 0.50% to 3.0% on the first day of trading following the tragedy.

The investment portfolio increased during August 2001. The increase is a result of the revenue received from the first rates instalment which was due on 31 August 2001.

Geoff Banting
Responsible Accounting Officer

RECOMMENDATION:

That the information be received.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no supporting documents for this report.

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ITEM: 91 **Hawkesbury Social Plan - Recommendations from Seniors Advisory Committee**

FILE NUMBER: GC130/036/CSV/OGI25NBX.C10

PREVIOUS ITEM: 29, Ordinary (13.03.2001)

REPORT:

As previously reported to Council, Hawkesbury City Council has developed and implemented the Hawkesbury Community Planning Strategy to fulfil the requirements of the *NSW Local Government (General) Amendment (Community and Social Plans) Regulation 1998*. The Strategy provides for an annual community planning cycle to give residents and community groups the opportunity to identify and rank their concerns in order to inform Council decision making about the allocation of resources and the provision of services and facilities.

A key component of the community planning cycle is the preparation of an annual inventory of community needs. At its ordinary meeting held on 13 March 2001, Council adopted the *Community Needs Report 2001-2002*. The report identified 45 (forty five) practical and modest recommendations for projects, programs and works to improve quality of life in the Hawkesbury. Council endorsed these recommendations for inclusion in Councils' Management Plan. Council staff are currently working with a number of community advisory committees to implement and fund these recommendations.

One of the recommendations received from the Seniors Advisory Committee requested Council to instal public benches to provide 'rest spots' for senior residents to assist pedestrian access to services and facilities. Council staff have consulted with the Seniors Advisory Committee who have identified 7 (seven) priority locations for the installation of public benches in South Windsor, Windsor and Richmond. These locations include:

South Windsor	• Western side of George St at intersection with Bell St
Windsor	• Eastern side of George St outside Peppercorn Place
Richmond	• Eastern side of East Market Street outside Richmond Pool • Western side of Castlereagh Rd at intersection with Lennox St (outside Richmond High School) • Northern side of Windsor St (outside Richmond Primary School) • Southern side of Francis Street in the vicinity of 144 Francis St • South-west corner of March and Bosworth Street intersection

The Seniors Advisory Committee have requested that this information be referred to Council to determine the feasibility of installing public benches at these locations.

RECOMMENDATION:

That:

1. The information be received.
2. That the list of locations for the installation of public benches (as recommended by the Seniors Advisory Committee) be referred to the Manager, Construction & Maintenance for advice as to the feasibility of installing public benches at these locations.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no supporting documents for this report.

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ITEM: 92**Richmond Swimming Pool Site****FILE NUMBER:**

P515/190 PT5/CSV/OGI25NBX.C04

REPORT:

At the recent meeting with Councillors to discuss the Property Development Strategy, the opportunity to develop land adjoining the Richmond Swimming Pool site was discussed and it was agreed to further investigate the proposal.

The pool site is located at No 71 East Market Street, Richmond has a total area of 24,440sqm and is zoned Open Space 6A. The facility includes a 55 yard, six lane swimming pool, smaller wading pool, amenities facilities and shelters. The site was originally acquired in 1961 for the then market value and facilities were subsequently developed in the early 60s through Council borrowing and some public donations.

In view of the age of the Centre, it has been acknowledged that there is a need for upgrading of the facilities and one proposal is to dispose of part of the site, with the proceeds directed towards improving the Centre and other development opportunities in the area. The proposal involves the excising of 8,400sqm from the site and rezoning same to allow for medium density, residential or nursing home/aged care type development. Attached to this report is a plan indicating the area in question and it is noted that the land is located outside the existing pool perimeter fencing. The site should yield approximately \$1.4 million or alternatively, Council could retain an equity or initiate plans for an integrated development on the site, which has the capacity for up to 26 medium density units.

It is considered that given the site's close proximity to the Richmond commercial area, transport links and the flat terrain, the property would be highly sought after by developers or even the government for the provision of aged care, affordable or public housing. One of the benefits to the community for selling part of the site would be an upgraded recreational facility close to residential areas, the town centre and the transport links and if the proposal does not proceed, funding would need to be allocated from general revenue for any future improvements or need to become a priority on future capital works programs.

It is proposed that initially, public consultation be initiated in respect of the proposal which as noted would also require a rezoning. At the same time, further investigations could be initiated in relation to the potential market interest in the site, development options and an auction strategy for the sale of the property. The outcomes of the public consultation and further investigations will then be reported for Council's consideration prior to a decision being made on the project. It is pointed out that public consultation in respect of this proposal was previously undertaken about 5 (five) years ago, with minimal response over issues such as extra traffic movements and some concern the pool would be closed. Council decided not to proceed with the project at that time.

RECOMMENDATION:

That public consultation be initiated for the sale and/or development of the land adjoining the Richmond Swimming Pool site and development and sale options be investigated, with the outcomes of both processes reported back to Council for further consideration on the project.

ATTACHMENTS:

AT-1 Plan indicating area in question.

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Plan indicating area in question

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ITEM: 93 **Native Title Application - Darug Tribal Aboriginal Corporation****FILE NUMBER:** GA010/015 PT1/CSV/OGI25NBX.C07

REPORT:

An application under the Native Title Act 1993 has been received by the Federal Court of Australia from the Darug Tribal Aboriginal Corporation to recognise their traditional rights and interests in specifically identified parcels of Crown Land within parts of the greater Sydney metropolitan area.

The Local Government Areas covered include Ashfield, Auburn, Bankstown, Baulkham Hills, Blacktown, Blue Mountains, Botany Bay, Burwood, Camden, Campbelltown, Canterbury, Canada Bay, Fairfield, Lithgow, Holroyd, Hornsby, Hunter's Hill, Hurstville, Kogarah, Ku-ring-gai, Leichhardt, Liverpool, Marrickville, Parramatta, Penrith, Randwick, Rockdale, Ryde, South Sydney, Strathfield, Sydney City, Waverley, Wollondilly, and Woollahra. The application includes approximately 50 (fifty) parcels within the Hawkesbury Local Government Area.

The National Native Title Tribunal has, as a part of the process, invited anyone with an interest in the land to become a "party" to the application. This means having the opportunity to have a say during the mediation process and, if necessary, in court to make sure the interests of the Council are taken into account.

An initial investigation of the parcels within the Hawkesbury Local Government area identified by the application has taken place and the list and a short description or comment is attached as Attachment 1. The list should be read in conjunction with the plans as displayed. It is noted that the plans are on public exhibition in the Library and advertisements have been placed in the Hawkesbury Gazette, with the closing date for registration as a "party" being 21 November 2001.

The parcels include areas of vacant Crown Land, National Park, Crown land held by private individuals or Council under a Permissive Occupancy, drainage reserves and some Crown Roads. There is also a number of parcels of particular interest to Council, as they are believed to be part of Crown Reserves which Council is the Trustee with care, control and management responsibilities. For example a portion of Macquarie Park is identified as claimed on the map as well as Colo Park, which is also a Crown Reserve managed by Council. Both reserves are used widely by the public for recreation.

It is pointed out that the granting of Native Title generally does not give a freehold interest in the land and where an interest exists over land, for example Council's interest in Macquarie Park as the Trust Manager, should the claim be granted, the Native Title interest will co-exist along side the other interests. Should Council become a "party" to the application, it will become involved in the mediation at which Council's issues will be raised and practical resolutions negotiated.

Some of the potential issues of concern include:

- Maintaining public access to sites
- Maintaining access to the River
- Practical access/use
- Weed control and management
- Management/maintenance
- Council owned infrastructure, eg. picnic ground/facilities/drainage.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council register as a party to the Native Title application from the Darug Tribal Aboriginal Corporation.

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AT-1 List of Land claimed under Native Title in the Hawkesbury

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List of Land claimed under Native Title in the Hawkesbury

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ITEM: 94 **Hawkesbury Heritage Farm (formerly Australiana Pioneer Village)**

FILE NUMBER: GC283/107 PT 07/CSV/OGI25NBX.C12

PREVIOUS ITEM: 83, GPC Section 3 - Organisation & Resources (28.08.2001)

REPORT:

At the last Meeting, Council in considering a request from the lessee of Hawkesbury Heritage Farm to exercise the five year option, resolved to investigate other options for the future of the facility prior to deciding on entering into the option.

Subsequently, options for the facility would include:

- Continue with lease under the existing terms. Under this option, we would enter into the 5 (five) year option term with the lessee, with rent payable in the sum of \$15,600.00 (fifteen thousand six hundred dollars) per annum plus outgoings and adjusted annually to the CPI for Sydney. Additionally, all rental and arrears for the current term would remain due and payable by the lessee.
- Accept the proposal as suggested to the August GPC meeting. The proposal provided for the rental for 2000 and 2001 of \$15,600 (fifteen thousand six hundred dollars) per annum to be reversed and no rental be applied for the first year of the option period. Outgoings to still be payable. It was proposed that the payment of rental will be reassessed annually following the provision of audited statements.
- Invite expressions of interest for a new lessee. This option proposes that the option not be entered into with the existing lessee and expressions of interest be invited for a new operator. It is estimated that the cost of marketing this proposal would be in the range of \$15,000 (fifteen thousand dollars) - \$20,000 (twenty thousand dollars) plus any fees paid to an agent (if appointed) to assist in securing a new tenant. It is considered that there would be minimal outside interest in leasing the facility.

Alternatively, Hawkesbury Harvest has expressed an interest in the joint operation of the facility as a tourist and educational facility incorporating a central office for the farm trail project. The proposal is still being developed with a formal concept to be submitted shortly. However, it is expected that the proposal will involve sponsorship of facilities and a partnership with an operator to manage the heritage farm component.

- Dispose of the property. Council's valuer has indicated that the market value of the property is approximately \$450,000 (four hundred and fifty thousand dollars) - \$500,000 (five hundred thousand dollars), which includes the parcel in Buttsworth Lane containing the residential cottage. A number of agents have been contacted and they have indicated that the budget required to market the property would be approximately \$15,000 (fifteen thousand dollars) and the commission should they be successful in selling would be in the range of \$10,000 (ten thousand dollars) - \$15,000 (fifteen thousand dollars).

Given the trading difficulties of Hawkesbury Heritage Farm and other like tourist facilities it is considered that there may be a limited market for the purchase of the site as an ongoing concern. However, there could be some interest in the purchase of some of the buildings and equipment from other organisations including Old Sydney Town, depending on their needs and the cost. Should the improvements be disposed of, there may be interest in acquiring the site for rural residential use.

- Close the facility. The facility could be closed and operated by Council as a recreational park. The land is 10.96 hectares with river frontage and should this option be considered, Council would need to allocate a budget of approximately \$80,000 (eighty thousand dollars) to maintain the grounds and buildings, security and service costs ie rates, water, electricity etc.

It is clear from discussions at the August General Purpose Committee Meeting and the recent meeting with Councillors to discuss the Property Development Strategy, that alternative options for the site be considered. Also, the option of closing the facility and operating it as a recreational park is not supported due to the ongoing operational costs.

Subsequently, it is suggested that expressions of interest be invited for the management, leasing or purchase of the facility. Submissions received could then be considered by Council in making a decision on the future of the facility. Expressions of Interest could be invited as soon as practical and as noted in the report, a marketing budget of approximately \$15,000.00 (fifteen thousand dollars) would be necessary to ensure adequate market exposure. Additionally, if Mr Wells vacates the property immediately, Council will need to take on the maintenance and outgoings responsibilities for the interim period.

RECOMMENDATION:

That:

1. Council advise Mr Chris Wells that it will not support the exercising of the 5 (five) year option for the leasing of Hawkesbury Heritage Farm.
2. Expressions of interest be invited for the management, leasing or purchase of Hawkesbury Heritage Farm and the submissions received be reported for Council's consideration.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no supporting documents for this report.

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ITEM: 95 Provision of Legal Services**FILE NUMBER:** GL001/002 PT2/CSV/OGI25NBX.C05**REPORT:**

In 1998, Expressions of Interest were invited for the provision of legal services to the organisation for a 3 (three) year period with an option to renew for an additional 3 (three) years.

The objective of the exercise was to appoint one organisation for each of the following categories:

- Category A - large firms with specialist services in all areas detailed in the specification.
- Category B - suburban/local firm capable of providing most of the services specified.

As a result, Abbott Tout and A R Walmsley & Co were appointed as the Category A and Category B respectively, legal services providers. The 3 (three) year agreement commenced on 1 January 1999 and accordingly, the initial three year term will expire on 31 December 2001, with the 3 (three) year option available in Council's favour. Discussions were initiated with both organisation and they were also requested to outline their updated schedule of fees and charges, detail any new services available and provide the curriculum vitae of new members of their organisation that would be dealing with Council matters. Both organisations have indicated that there will be no increase in the fees and charges as outlined in their original tender response, except for the requirement to charge the GST for these services.

It is considered that both organisations have continued to provide high quality, professional, reliable and timely legal advice and services to the organisations and subsequently, it is recommended that they be reappointed for a further three years. It is pointed out that both organisations have been delivering legal services to Council for approximately twenty years and a strong business relationship has been developed over that time.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council reappoint Abbott Tout as Category A and A R Walmsley & Co as Category B, legal services providers to Council for the three year period commencing 1 January 2002.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no supporting documents for this report.

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ITEM: 96 **Review of Hawkesbury Youth Transport Service**

FILE NUMBER: GC200/002/CSV/OGI25NBX.C01

PREVIOUS ITEM: 98, Ordinary (14.08.2001)

REPORT:

At its Ordinary meeting of 14 August 2001, Council resolved to receive the Draft Review of the Hawkesbury Youth Transport Service and to release it for public comment.

The Draft Review highlighted the issues facing the Youth Transport Project. It identified 10 (ten) recommendations to re-focus and re-shape the project to provide flexible and responsive services which could better meet the transport needs of young people.

The Draft Review was advertised in the Council Notices. One submission was received in response to the draft document. The submission suggested additional service options for the provision of youth transport services and requested clarification as to whether resources would be diverted from the Home and Community Care (HACC) funded projects operated by the Hawkesbury Community Transport Service to subsidise the Youth Transport Project. In this respect the Draft Review clearly stipulates that the Youth Transport Project is **solely** funded through the Youth Transport grant provided by the Department of Transport (no HACC funding will be or has been used to operate the Youth Transport Project).

To obtain further feedback regarding the Draft Review, Council staff organised a consultation meeting held on Thursday 30 August 2001 at the Richmond Neighbourhood Centre. The meeting was attended by 7 (seven) representatives from the Youth Streetbeat Project, the Hawkesbury District Health (Youth Health Team), Hawkesbury Community Transport and youth services in Blaxlands Ridge and North Richmond.

The consultation reviewed the findings and recommendations of the Draft Review. Participants expressed some concern regarding the proposed changes to the service - particularly in relation to the capacity of the service to continue to meet the needs of disadvantaged young people.

Following lengthy discussions the recommendations in the Draft Review were endorsed in principle, subject to the proviso that the Youth Transport Advisory Committee be re-established to work with Council Staff in the implementation of the proposed service model outlined in Section 7 of the Draft Review and to consider the additional service options identified in the written submissions. A meeting of the Committee has been tentatively scheduled and will begin the process of implementing the Review recommendations subject to Council's final endorsement of Review recommendations.

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RECOMMENDATION:

That the 10 (ten) recommendations outlined in the *(Draft) Review of the Hawkesbury Youth Transport Project* be endorsed for implementation.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no supporting documents for this report.

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ITEM: 97 **Forgotten Valley Mobile Resource Unit - Update****FILE NUMBER:** GC200/004/CSV/OGI25NCX.C11**PREVIOUS ITEM:** 290, Ordinary (10.10.2000)**PREVIOUS ITEM:** 11, Ordinary (30.01.2001)**PREVIOUS ITEM:** 33, GPC Section 3 - Organisation & Resources (24.04.2001)

REPORT:

Hawkesbury City Council receives funds from the NSW Department of Community Services (DoCS) to operate the Forgotten Valley Mobile Resource Unit (FVMRU) located at Wisemans Ferry. In September 1994, Council accepted responsibility as the 'managing agent' of FVMRU, following an Operational Review of the Unit undertaken by DoCS which identified a number of deficiencies in the management and administration of the Unit. At this time, Council entered into a formal agreement with DoCS and the Incorporated Association which managed the Unit - FVMRU Inc. - to facilitate a restructure of the service so that it could be restored as a viable entity to the Incorporated Association. Following the dissolution of the Incorporated Association in 1996, the interim management agreement lapsed and Council was left as the sole managing agent for the Unit.

Since 1998, Council staff have been progressively reviewing the programs operated by FVMRU to ensure that these programs were operating efficiently and in accordance with funding guidelines. This review process was identified as a necessary first step in restoring the management of Unit to a community committee (as provided for in the lapsed management agreement). Since 1998 the following tasks have been completed:

- following consultation with DoCS, the management of the Unit has been restructured to restore the financial position of the Unit and to free up resources for the provision of direct community services and programs;
- the pre-school program has been reviewed and a quality improvement strategy implemented - enrolments at the pre-school have increased significantly (to the point where it may be viable to increase the days of operation of the service);
- the community transport program has been transferred to the Hawkesbury Community Transport Service and a service agreement has been negotiated with community transport providers to increase the pool of resources available to meet the community transport needs of eligible residents; and
- the position descriptions for the community development and youth programs have been reviewed and new staff have been recruited to ensure that these programs can better respond to the changing needs of the community.

FVMRU now has a full staffing complement, and is operating in accordance with funding guidelines and within budgetary constraints. The unit provides 11 (eleven) different services and programs.

To gauge the impact of the restructure process a consumer survey has recently sent to all clients of FVMRU. Responses were received from 51 (fifty one) households. The survey requested respondents to identify the FVMRU programs used by household members, and to rate the services and the skills of FVMRU staff.

The responses received from households have been overwhelmingly positive - 92% of respondents rated the services provided by FVMRU as either '*very good*' or '*good*', while 87% of respondents rated the skills and friendliness of staff as either '*very good*' or '*good*'. No respondents expressed dissatisfaction with the services currently provided by FVMRU.

These responses suggest that the restructure of FVMRU has produced a positive outcome in terms of the capacity of the Unit to meet the needs of its clients. While it is acknowledged that the restructure process has caused a degree of concern for some residents, the restructure has provided the Unit with a clear focus, has consolidated the Unit's service activities, and has provided the resources to meet the Unit's obligations as set down in its funding agreement with DoCS.

Staff of FVMRU are currently organising an 'annual community meeting' to report back to the community about the performance of the Unit in 2000/2001. One of the purposes of the community meeting will be to seek nominations from consumers and interested community members to participate on a task force to develop an appropriate constitution and community management structure to begin the process of transferring the management of the unit to a community committee.

The success of the restructure process and the positive outcomes of the consumer survey suggest that the Unit is now in a position to negotiate the transition to a community based management model. Establishing the task force will enable Council staff to work together with FVMRU staff, consumers and other community representatives to restore the management of the Unit to the community. This process will enable Council to fulfil its commitment as provided for in the interim management agreement entered into with DoCS and the previous management committee (prior to its dissolution).

RECOMMENDATION:

That the information be received.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no supporting documents for this report.

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ITEM: 98 **Western Sydney Institute of TAFE****FILE NUMBER:** GP090/012 PT2/CSV/OGI25NCX.C06

REPORT:

The Western Sydney Institute of Technical and Further Education has requested that it be provided an opportunity for the Institute's Advisory Council to address to Council.

The Institute intends providing a brief overview highlighting existing and new industry training areas and to further enhance existing links between the Institute and Hawkesbury City Council on issues associated with their organisation. Also, they wish to discuss ideas for future collaboration between the Institute, particularly the Richmond College and Council.

Subsequently, an invitation was extended to the Institute Advisory Council to address the General Purpose Committee after the luncheon break and the Institute Director, Gillian Chadwick, a representative of the Advisory Council and the Richmond College Director, Mr Laurie McGowan, will deliver the briefing.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the information be received and noted.

ATTACHMENTS:

There are no supporting documents for this report.

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**Proposed Acquisition of Property in George Street, Windsor -
CONFIDENTIAL** *(It is recommended that this matter be Confidential under Section 10(2)(d) of the Local Government Act, 1993, as it relates to proposals for: the sale or purchase of land; the rezoning of land; entering into contracts of any kind, if prior knowledge of those proposals could confer an unfair financial advantage on any person)*

SUBJECT DETAIL: Proposed Acquisition of Property in George Street, Windsor

FILE NUMBER: GC281/081 PT 1/CSV/OGI25CBX.C09

REPORT:

Information has been provided for Council to consider in closed session in relation to the proposal to acquire a property in George Street, Windsor.

It is recommended that the report be considered in closed session by the Committee of the Whole as there is confidential and commercial information regarding leasing arrangements and market values for the property detailed in the additional information.

The site is considered to be a strategic location in view of its close proximity to the community/cultural precinct located on the Old Hospital Site.

RECOMMENDATION:

That:

1. Council exercise its delegation as the Committee of the Whole to discuss this matter and the additional information in closed session.
2. Negotiations proceed for the acquisition of a property in George Street, Windsor, with the final sale price reported for Council's information and the seal of Council to be affixed to the sale documentation.

ATTACHMENTS:

AT-1 Additional Confidential Information (distributed separately).

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