



Hawkesbury City Council

general purpose committee minutes

date of meeting: 24 September 2002

location: Council Chambers

time: 9.00am

GENERAL PURPOSE COMMITTEE

Business

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AGENDA

- **APOLOGIES.**
- **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES.**
- **SECTION 1 - ENVIRONMENT.**
- **SECTION 2 - INFRASTRUCTURE.**
- **SECTION 3 - ORGANISATION AND RESOURCES.**
- **NEXT MEETING.**

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Minutes of the Meeting of the General Purpose Committee held at the Council Chambers, Windsor, on 24 September 2002, commencing at 9.05am.

PRESENT: Councillor R P Stubbs, Mayor and Councillor L Allan, K F Conolly, P F Davies, D Finch, C A Paine, P R Rasmussen, L C Sheather, L A Williams, and C J Woods.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors B J Calvert and G J Gilling.

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Finch and seconded by Councillor Rasmussen that the apologies be accepted.

Councillor Williams left the meeting at 4.37pm

Councillor Williams returned to the meeting at 4.57pm

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen and seconded by Councillor Finch that the Minutes of the General Purpose Committee Meeting held on the 27 August 2002, be confirmed.

The following recommendations were passed as resolutions of the Committee:

SECTION 1 - ENVIRONMENT

86: Tourist Facility - Installation of 3 (three) prefabricated cabins and conversion of an existing shed to a manager's residence, Lot 1 DP630711, 1389 St Albans Road, Central MacDonald (DA0638/02/EVD/ENI24NAX.V03)

Mr Glenn Falson, representing the applicant, addressed the Committee

Ms Lyn Streckfuss, Mr John Streckfuss and Dr Kate Hughes, President of the MacDonald Valley Association, respondents, addressed the Committee

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Sheather seconded by Councillor Conolly

A. That the application be approved subject to the following conditions:

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General

1. To confirm and clarify the terms of this approval, the development shall take place in accordance with the plans submitted with the application, as amended in red and as modified by these further conditions.
2. To ensure the external appearance of the development is not intrusive or offensive, and does not degrade the visual quality of the surrounding area, the development shall be completed in accordance with the approved colours and finishes and shall not be altered.
3. Compliance with the provisions of the Environmental Planning and Assessment (Amendment) Act 1979, and the Building Code of Australia.
4. Prior to construction of the approved development it is necessary to obtain a Construction Certificate.
5. No excavation or site works shall be commenced prior to the issue of the Construction Certificate.
6. All buildings shall comply with the requirements of Planning for Bush Fire Protection prepared by Planning NSW 2001 and AS 3959 - 1999 Construction of Buildings in Bush Fire Prone Areas.
7. The applicant shall make themselves aware of the Discrimination Against People with Disabilities Act (DDA) in order to assess their responsibilities and liabilities with regards to the provision of access for all people.
8. The proposed water tanks are to be constructed of concrete not PVC.

Prior to Issue of Construction Certificate

The following conditions in this section of the consent must be complied with or addressed prior to the issue of any Construction Certificate relating to the approved development, whether by Council or an appropriately accredited certifier. In many cases the conditions require certain details to be included with or incorporated in the detailed plans and specifications which accompany the Construction Certificate. The Construction Certificate shall be obtained prior to the commencement of any earth works or building works.

9. Submission and approval of a detailed landscape management plan. The plan is to be consistent with the concept landscaping shown on the approval plans, the recommendations of the flora and fauna assessment prepared by Ozwide Fauna Consultancy dated October 2001, the provisions of Planning for Bushfire Protection, NSW Planning, December 2001.

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10. Submission of an "Application to Install a Sewerage Management Facility" accompanied by full manufacturers and installers plans and specification. The proposed facility is to be consistent with the findings of the wastewater management study prepared by Asset Geotechnical Engineering Pty Ltd dated 12 July 2002. Note the land application area is to be serviced by subsurface drip irrigation.
11. The submission of a satisfactory soil and water management plan (SWMP) prepared in accordance with the State Government guidelines titled "Managing Urban Stormwater: Soils and Construction (1988)".
12. Detailed engineering plans and specifications relating to the work shall be submitted.
13. Details demonstrating that the proposed buildings will comply with the Building Code of Australia and AS3959-1999 are to be submitted to Council.
14. Amended parking details demonstrating compliance with Car Parking Chapter of the Hawkesbury DCP are to be submitted to Council.
15. Details demonstrating that the proposed manager's residence will comply with the Council's "Code for the Construction and Fitting Out of Food Premises" are to be submitted to Council.
16. The submission of a bushfire safety authority issued under Section 100B of the Rural Fires Act 1997.

Prior to Commencement of Works

17. Toilet facilities are to be provided, at or in the vicinity of the work site on which work involved in the erection or demolition of a building is being carried out, at the rate of 1 toilet for every 20 persons or part of 20 persons employed at the site.

Each toilet provided:

- (a) must be a standard flushing toilet; and
- (b) must be connected:
 - (i) to a public sewer, or
 - (ii) if connection to a public sewer is not practicable, to an accredited sewage management facility approved by the Council, or
 - (iii) if connection to a public sewer or an accredited sewage management facility is not practicable, to some other sewage management facility approved by the Council.

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The provision of toilet facilities in accordance with this condition must be completed before any other work is commenced.

18. A sign must be erected in a prominent position on any work site on which the erection or demolition of a building is being carried out:
 - (a) stating that unauthorised entry to the work site is prohibited; and
 - (b) showing the name of the person in charge of the work site and a telephone number at which that person may be contacted outside working hours.
19. Erosion and sediment control devices are to be installed and maintained to ensure that there is no increase in downstream levels of litter, vegetation debris or other water borne pollutants in accordance with Council's Development Control Plan 1/94 - Soil Erosion and Sedimentation. The enclosed warning sign shall be affixed to the sediment fence/erosion control device at all times.
20. The applicant or person having the benefit of this development consent must give at least two days notice prior to commencement of works to Council of the intention to commence works. This notice is to be given in accordance with form 7 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 1998.
21. The applicant shall advise Council of the name, address and contract number of the principle certifier, in accordance with Section 81A 2(b) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1997.
22. The name and licence number of the licensed contractor/builder who has been contracted to do or intends to do the work must be submitted to Council in writing by the owner prior to the commencement of any work relevant to this approval.

During Construction

23. All building work must be carried out in accordance with provisions of the Building Code of Australia.
24. Inspections shall be carried out and compliance certificates issued by Council or an appropriately accredited person for the following components of construction:
 - (a) erosion controls, site works and site set out;
 - (b) piers;
 - (c) foundations;
 - (d) external drainage lines, prior to backfilling;
 - (e) on completion of the structure; and
 - (f) landscaping.

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25. All roofwater shall be drained to the water storage vessel/s.
26. Dust control measures, eg vegetative cover, mulches, irrigation, barriers and stone shall be applied to reduce surface and airborne movement of sediment blown from exposed areas.
27. Stockpiles of topsoil, sand, aggregate, spoil or other material capable of being moved by running water to be stored clear of any drainage line, easement, natural watercourse, footpath, kerb or road surface.
28. All demolition, construction and associated work necessary for the carrying out of the development being restricted to between the hours of 7.00am and 6.00pm on Mondays to Fridays and between 8.00am and 4.00pm on Saturdays.
29. No burning of demolition or construction material being carried out on the site.
30. The site shall be kept clean and tidy during the construction period and all rubbish shall be removed from the site upon completion of the project to the satisfaction of this office.
31. A sign is to be erected adjacent to the access point to the site for the duration of the site works stating the following:
 - (a) owner of site and address;
 - (b) person/company carrying out site works and phone number;
 - (c) consent number and date of approval; and
 - (d) approval duration of site works.
32. Any building or part thereof to be used for the purpose of storage, preparation or sale of food for human consumption shall be constructed in accordance with the requirements of the Food Act 1989 and Regulations there under and Council's Food Premises Code.

Prior to Issue of Occupation Certificate

33. An occupation certificate is to be obtained on completion of all works and prior to commencement of the approved use. The occupation certificate will not be issued if any conditions of this consent are outstanding.
34. The cabins are to be connected to a fully installed and approved waste water treatment system.

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35. The following documentary evidence is to be obtained prior to the issue of any Occupation Certificate, whether by Council or an accredited certifier:
- (a) A written clearance from Integral Energy, stating that electrical services have been made available to the development or that arrangements have been entered into for the provision of services to the development.

Separate documentary evidence from Integral Energy shall be provided stating that the requirements of that Authority have been met with regard to the nearby high voltage transmission line.

36. The creation of easements to drain water over the site of drainage discharge from roads 4m wide and 10m long free of cost to Council.

Use of the Site

37. The cabins are to be used for short term tourist accommodation only.
38. No more than 6 persons are to be accommodated in each cabin at any one time. The combined number of persons residing in the manager's residence and accommodated in the cabins are not to exceed a combined total of 20 persons at any one time.
39. Guests of cabins are not to bring domestic pets onto the site.
40. Any lighting on the site is to be directed in such a manner so that no nuisance is caused to adjoining properties or to drivers on surrounding streets.
41. The subject development, including landscaping, is to be maintained in a clean and tidy manner.
42. All landscaping shall be permanently maintained in a good condition and in accordance with the intent of the landscaping plan.
43. No advertising structures to be erected, displayed or affixed on any building or land without prior approval. Any unauthorised advertising structure will be removed at the expense of the advertiser.
44. No signs shall be displayed on the footpaths, pedestrian ways, roadways or in the vicinity.
45. All waste materials to be stored and disposed of at regular intervals.
46. All Asset Protection Zones are to be maintained in accordance with the provisions of NSW Planning's "Planning for Bushfire Protection".

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- B. A report be prepared for the Ordinary Meeting, after staff have had discussions with the applicant in relation to what is believed to be the maximum height of the floor level, at the front of the cabin, in relation to the road.

87: Turf farm and enlargement of an existing dam, Lot 1 DP 577802, 48 Hilltop Road, Tennyson (MA864/01/EVD/ENI24NAX.V05)

Mr Brian McKinlay, representing the applicant, addressed the Committee

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen seconded by Councillor Finch

That the application for a turf farm and reconstruction of an existing dam be approved subject to the following conditions:

General

1. To confirm and clarify the terms of this approval, the development shall be carried out in accordance with the approved stamped plans (prepared by McKinlay Morgan & Associates Pty Ltd numbered 90659:D:2 dated 6 February 2002) submitted with Development Application No. MA864/01 and any supportive documentation, except as otherwise provided by the conditions of this consent.

Note: Modifications to the approved plans will require the lodgement and consideration by this organisation of a separate application pursuant to Section 96 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979.

2. Compliance with the provisions of the Environmental Planning and Assessment (Amendment) Act 1979.
3. Prior to construction of the approved development it is necessary to obtain a Construction Certificate.

Prior to Issue of Construction Certificate

4. Submission to Council of the final design of the proposed dam and diversion dam for approval.

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5. Submission to Council of a landscaping plan in accordance with that identified in the Farm Management Plan.

Prior to Commencement of Works

6. The applicant or person having the benefit of this development consent must give at least two days notice prior to commencement of works to Council of the intention to commence works. This notice is to be given in accordance with form 7 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation 1998.
7. The applicant shall advise Council of the name, address and contract number of the principle certifier, in accordance with Section 81A 4(b) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1997.
8. Erosion and sediment control devices are to be installed and maintained to ensure that there is no increase in downstream levels of litter, vegetation debris or other water borne pollutants in accordance with Council's Development Control Plan /94 - Soil Erosion and Sedimentation.
9. The name and licence number of the licensed contractor/builder who has been contracted to do or intends to do the work must be submitted to Council in writing by the owner prior to the commencement of any work relevant to this approval.

During Construction

10. The dam shall be constructed such that the grades of the batters are consistent with Council's Dam DCP, being 3 horizontal to 1 vertical on the downstream side. The upstream side shall be no steeper than 2.5 horizontal to 1 vertical. All batters shall be revegetated using seeding or turf. No trees are to be placed on the structure.
11. The width of the dam crest is to be a minimum of 3m (three) for the first 3m (three) of a dam wall and is to increase in width by 0.5m for every metre above 3m (three).
12. A minimum of 1.0m is to be established for a freeboard and this is to increase by 10% (ten) for every metre over a 3m (three) high wall.
13. The material used to construct the embankment is to be sufficiently impervious to keep seepage low and to be stable. A soil with 25% (twenty five) clay content is ideal in this respect to form an impervious barrier.

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14. The width of the spillway outlet is to be not less than the inlet width. The spillway is not to direct flows onto the downstream toe. The spillway area is to be grassed, stable and able to accept runoff flow. It will be necessary to turf the spillway area. The spillway cut batter should have a maximum steepness of 2.5 horizontal to 1 vertical.
15. A cut-off trench is to be provided and is to be constructed along the entire length of the embankment. The trench should be excavated at least 1 metre into impervious soil and backfilled with impervious material.
16. The dam is to be constructed with a waterproof clay lining and the depth is to be kept above the water table in order to minimise the threat of groundwater contamination.
17. Topsoil is to be stripped and stockpiled from the excavation and wall areas before the dam wall is constructed, with the stockpile located clear of any natural watercourse. Sediment control fencing is to be then placed around the stock pile.
18. The following soil types are not to be used in the construction of the dam:
 - (a) sand;
 - (b) gravels;
 - (c) organic soils; and
 - (d) peat.
19. The embankment is to be completed with 100mm (one hundred) of top soil. It is to be planted with a good holding grass such as kikuyu or couch. Trees or shrubs are not to be planted on the embankment as roots may provide seepage paths for water.
20. The dam wall is to be adequately compacted by track rolling or similar in layers no greater than 150mm.
21. Dust control measures, eg vegetative cover, mulches, irrigation, barriers and stone shall be applied to reduce surface and airborne movement of sediment blown from exposed areas.
22. Stockpiles of topsoil, sand, aggregate, spoil or other material capable of being moved by running water to be stored clear of any drainage line, easement, natural watercourse, footpath, kerb or road surface.
23. Measures shall be implemented to prevent vehicles tracking sediment, debris, soil and other pollutants onto any road.

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24. All works required for the construction of the dams being restricted to between the hours of 7am to 6pm Monday to Friday and 8am to 4pm Saturdays.
25. No burning of demolition or construction material being carried out on the site.
26. A sign is to be erected adjacent to the access point to the site for the duration of the site works stating the following:
 - (a) owner of site and address;
 - (b) person/company carrying out site works and phone number;
 - (c) consent number and date of approval; and
 - (d) approval duration of site works.

The Use of the Site

27. The farm is to be operated in such a manner as to not interfere with the amenity of the neighbourhood, in respect of noise, vibration, smell, dust, waste or waste products, or otherwise.
28. The farm is to be operated in accordance with the Farm Management Plan submitted with the application.
29. Submission to Council of annual water and soil testing results.
30. All sound producing plant, equipment, machinery, fittings, and the like shall be sound insulated and/or isolated, and maintained so as to control noise emissions from the premises to within the limits prescribed by the EPA Noise Control guidelines.
31. A works as executed plan for the dams is to be submitted to Council within 30 days of the completing of works.
32. All landscaping shall be permanently maintained in a good condition and in accordance with the intent of the landscaping plan.
33. Stockpiles of manures are to be located between the existing sheds and stand of gums as shown on Plan No. 90659:D:2.
34. The storage, application and use of pesticides is to be undertaken in compliance with the Pesticides Act 1999 and associated Regulations.
35. All fuel stored on site is to be kept with an appropriately sized and constructed bunded area to the satisfaction of Council

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36. An emergency chemical spill kit is to be available at all times. The kit is to include suitable quantities of absorbent materials.

An **amendment** was moved by Councillor Paine and seconded by Councillor Williams

That a site inspection be carried out.

The amendment was lost

The motion was put and carried.

88: Result of the Community Consultation Survey - Bulk Waste Kerbside Collection
(GW010/004/EVD/ENI24NBX.V02)

Mr Trevor Devine, respondent, addressed the Committee

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Allan seconded by Councillor Finch

That:

1. Tenders be called for the provision of this service.
2. The subsidy by Council be 50% (fifty percent) of the tendered price for each service, to be limited to 2 (two) services per household per year, to be taken from the waste budget.
3. The contract period for the service be restricted to 3 (three) years, with a review of the service 12 (twelve) months prior to the expiration of the contract.
4. Council, as part of the tender process, look at zones and an on-call method of collection.

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An **amendment** was moved by Councillor Conolly seconded by Councillor Rasmussen

That:

1. A bulk waste kerbside collection system be introduced into the City of Hawkesbury during the 2003/2004 financial year using 3 (three) cubic metre skip bins.
2. Tenders be called for the provision of this service.
3. The subsidy by Council be 50% (fifty percent) of the tendered price for each service taken from the waste budget.
4. The contract period for the service be restricted to 3 (three) years, with a review of the service 12 (twelve) months prior to the expiration of the contract.

The amendment was lost

The motion was put and carried.

89: Update of Proceedings - Unauthorised Advertising Sign, 39 Bosworth Street, Richmond
(P255/166/EVD/ENI24NCX.V01)

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Davies seconded by Councillor Sheather

That the information be received.

90: Lot 2 DP876389, 6 Bowen Mountain Road, Grose Vale - "La Tosca" (DA0782/02,
P212/312/EVD/ENI24NCX.V07)

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Allan seconded by Councillor Finch

That the information be received.

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- 91: Richmond Mainstreet Program and Development Control Plan (DCP1/99, GT070/024/EVD/ENI24NCX.V06)**

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Allan seconded by Councillor Finch

That the information be received.

Supplementary Reports

- 92: Local Government Advisory Group - Nepean-Hawkesbury (GR060/075 Pt 5/GMA/ENI24LAX.G08)**

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Finch seconded by Councillor Paine

That Council determine its elected representative on the Local Government Advisory Group to the Minister for Land and Water Conservation.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Williams seconded by Councillor Paine

That Councillor Rasmussen be nominated as Council's representative on the Local Government Advisory Group. Councillor Rasmussen accepted the nomination and was elected as Council's representative.

- 93: Proposed rezoning - 108 Grose Vale Road, Grose Vale (P206/13;LEP003/00/EVD/ENI24LBX.V09)**

Mr Brian McKinlay, proponent, addressed the Committee

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Stubbs seconded by Councillor Rasmussen

That this matter be further reported to the Ordinary Meeting, the report to include the issue of conflicts in Council's policy relating to multi-unit housing and to address the requirements of Defence Housing, in light of the RAAF Economic Impact Draft Study.

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94: Proposed modifications to development consent and development application for shed - 481 Creek Ridge Road, Glossodia - (MA1375/99/MA1471/01EVD/ENI24LCX.V11)

Ms Jacki Verzi, respondent, addressed the Committee

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Allan seconded by Councillor Woods

That the information be received.

SECTION 2 - INFRASTRUCTURE

41: Capital Assistance Program (GG021/172/ENG/INI24NBX.E10)

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen seconded by Councillor Woods

That:

1. The applications, as listed in priority order, be endorsed.
2. A letter be forwarded to the Department of Sport and Recreation supporting the Sydney Showjumping Club Inc's application for funding for a regional facility.

42: Cabbage Tree Road, Grose Vale - Renaming of Loop Section (GR120/003 Pt4/ENG/INI24NBX.E09)

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Finch seconded by Councillor Woods

That public comment be sought regarding renaming of the loop section of Cabbage Tree Road, Grose Vale as "Ezzy Crescent".

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43: Bowen Creek Road (1322/R Pt5/ENG/INI24NBX.E04)

Mr Ross Kelly, proponent, addressed the Committee

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Finch seconded by Councillor Paine

That a meeting be convened with the National Parks & Wildlife Service, Rural Fire Service and Blue Mountains City Council to formulate a strategy for Bowen Creek Road which will meet the requirements of the stakeholders.

44: Hawkesbury Estuary Management Program (GR060/034/ENG/INI24NBX.E11)

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen seconded by Councillor Woods

That Council support the Estuary Management Program and provide in kind contributions in the form of attending steering committee meetings and provision of existing data.

45: Peel Park - Official Naming (PK/251 Pt2, GR120/003/ENG/INI24NBX.E06)

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Sheather seconded by Councillor Rasmussen

That a sign/s be erected identifying the park as "Peel Park" and the oval as "John Wellington Oval".

46: Un-named Public Road, Berambing - Naming Proposal (GR120/003 Pt4/ENG/INI24NBX.E08)

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen seconded by Councillor Paine

That public comment be sought regarding naming of the public road extending in a generally north-easterly direction from Berambing Crest, Berambing for a distance of approximately 940 metres, as Bulgamatta Road.

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47: Ferry Interruption Report - August 2002 (GT240/017/ENG/INI24NCX.E03)

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Paine seconded by Councillor Rasmussen

That the information be received.

48: RTA funding for “Lead by Example - Evaluation” project (GG025/003 Pt1/ENG/INI24NCX.E05)

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Paine seconded by Councillor Rasmussen

That the information be received.

SECTION 3 - ORGANISATION AND RESOURCES

76: Monthly Financial Report - August 2002 (GF011/005//OGI24NAX.C11)

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Davies seconded by Councillor Rasmussen

That the information be received.

77: Topoclimate Presentation (GM001/021Pt15, GP070/028Pt2/CSV/OGI24NBX.C04)

Mr Garry Hutchinson, Managing Director of Topoclimate Services, Ms Jenny Hadfield and Ms Louise Saarinen, addressed the Committee and a Presentation was shown.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Paine seconded by Councillor Finch

That:

1. Council support the concept of Topoclimate within the Hawkesbury and surrounding regions.

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2. A further report be prepared for the Ordinary Meeting addressing funding options to assist the Topoclimate pilot project.

78: Presentation By The Film Makers' of NED (GC283/107 Pt9/CSV/OGI24NCX.C12)

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen seconded by Councillor Sheather

That the information be received.

79: Exemption from Rating - Fitzgerald Memorial Hostel Inc, 47 Richmond Road, Windsor (P1829/0075/CSV/OGI24NBX.C02)

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Conolly seconded by Councillor Davies

That this matter be deferred.

80: Rate Payment Options (GR010/004/CSV/OGI24NBX.C08)

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen seconded by Councillor Sheather

That:

1. The POSTbillpay telephone and internet bill payment solutions for the payment of rates and charges be introduced.
2. American Express credit cards be introduced on a trial basis as an accepted credit card for over-the-counter and telephone payments.
3. Council's website be updated with information on the available rate payment facilities with a link provided to the Australia Post POSTbillpay website.

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81: Rural Fire Service Estimates 2003-2004 (GF004/001 Pt2/CSV/OGI24NBX.C01)

397 RESOLVED by the Committee exercising its delegation as Committee of the whole

That the Rural Fire Service estimates for 2003/2004 be adopted and forwarded to the Rural Fires Services.

82: Hawkesbury Leisure Centres Incorporated (GM001/023 Pt12/CSV/OGI24NBX.C10)

Councillor Finch declared an interest as she owns and operates a swimming centre

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Conolly seconded by Councillor Sheather

That:

1. The current financial position of Hawkesbury Leisure Centres Incorporated be noted.
2. Negotiations commence with Leisure Co. to seek their advice or financial measures to reduce debt.
3. The contract between Leisure Co. and Council be amended to update arrangements that have occurred since the original contract was put in place.
4. The underwriting clause offered by Leisure Co., and agreed to in contract, remain with Leisure Co. being reminded of their financial exposure.

83: Hawkesbury Radio Funding (610/45 Pt6/CSV/OGI24NBX.C05)

Councillor Rasmussen declared an interest as he is Chairperson of the Hawkesbury Radio Association

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Sheather seconded by Councillor Woods

That Council provide 2VTR-FM with an amount based on \$1,600.00 plus CPI adjustments since 1999, as per the resolution of 11 May 1999.

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An **amendment** was moved by Councillor Williams seconded by Councillor Conolly

That Council provide 2VTR-FM with an amount of \$3,500.00 (three thousand five hundred dollars).

The amendment was lost

The motion was put and carried.

84: Community Donations Program Round 1 2002/2003 (GF008/001/CSV/OGI24NBX.C06)

Councillor Rasmussen declared an interest as he is Chairperson of Hawkesbury Radio Association

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Allan seconded by Councillor Finch

That:

1. Richmond Pre-School Kindergarten receive \$345.00 (three hundred and forty five dollars) for the purchase of the PALS Program, with the condition that the program be available for use by other similar groups.
2. The Reclaim the Night events receive \$490.00 (four hundred and ninety dollars) from the donations budget with an additional \$490.00 (four hundred and ninety dollars) to be provided by Community Services.
3. Hawkesbury Schools Music Festival receive \$4010.00 (four thousand and ten dollars) for the hire of the Windsor Function Centre for that event.
4. Hawkesbury Community Kitchen receive \$300.00 (three hundred dollars) towards the purchase of equipment and be referred to other sources of funding as outlined.
5. Colo Wilderness Mobile Resource Unit Management Committee receive \$500.00 (five hundred dollars) towards the signage and advertising of the new Before and After School Care Centre at Kurrajong.
6. Wiseman's Ferry & Districts – Community Health & Resource Centre Inc. receive \$1000.00 (one thousand dollars) towards the costs associated with the extension of the building.

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7. Hawkesbury Writer's Group receive \$500.00 (five hundred dollars) towards the cost of printing their anthology of the members collected stories.
8. The information concerning Nova Employment's notice of unused funds be received.

**85: Community Cultural Grants Program - September Round
(G021/218/CSV/OGI24NBX.C13)**

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Finch seconded by Councillor Allan

That this matter be deferred until further information is provided in relation to the writer's groups and a meeting of the Cultural Committee, to assess applications, occurs.

86: Valuation of Council's Premises Located at 15 George Street, Windsor (next to Governor Phillip Park), being Lot 1 DP998507 (P1620/90 Pt2/CSV/OGI24NBX.C14)

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen seconded by Councillor Finch

That the building located at 15 George Street, Windsor (on the river side of George Street at the entrance of Governor Phillip Park) being Lot 1, DP998507 be demolished and the grounds cleared of debris and be maintained as part of the Governor Phillip Park precinct.

87: Disposal of Council Property - Land off Greenway Crescent, Windsor (GA030/014 Pt6/CSV/OGI24NBX.C09)

Reverend Chris Burgess, respondent, addressed the Committee

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Allan seconded by Councillor Sheather

That:

1. The land off Greenway Crescent, Windsor be offered for public auction in line with Council's current policy.

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2. A reserve be set on the property at the current valuation determined by K D Wood Valuations.
3. Three local real estate agents be contacted to submit a proposal to market Council's property for the purpose of public auctioning.
4. Any necessary documentation be executed under the common seal of Council.

88: Australian Urban Regional Information Systems (AURISA) Conference - Delegate Expenses (GP027/001 Pt11/ENG/OGI24NBX.E15)

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Rasmussen seconded by Councillor Davies

That Council support the attendance of the Director of Environment and Development and the GIS Co-ordinator at the AURISA National Conference in Adelaide from 25 to 30 November 2002 at an estimated cost of \$1,400.00 (one thousand four hundred dollars) per delegate.

89: Graffiti Traineeship Grants Scheme (GP040/002/CSV/OGI24NCX.C03)

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Allan seconded by Councillor Sheather

That the information be received.

90: Clarendon Skate Park - Opening (PK/214/CSV/OGI24NCX.C07)

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Sheather seconded by Councillor Finch

That the information be received.

QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE:

1. Councillor Finch requested an update relative to the painting of the Macquarie Arms Hotel.

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The General Manager advised that the owners had been instructed, and had agreed, to repaint the building in heritage colours.

2. Councillor Finch tabled correspondence from Gretchen Wheen relative to a DA for soccer fields and associated parking facilities at 118 Inalls Lane, Richmond (DA0789/02) and Janice Jeffrey relative to unsightly condition of land at 104 Whitmore Road, Maraylya (P2339/90).

The General Manager acknowledged the correspondence and advised that responses would be provided.

3. Councillor Paine advised she had received a phone call from a resident of Dight Street complaining that it was suspected that an empty house opposite her property may have white ants and enquired if Council had any powers to make property owners have it inspected for white ants.

The General Manager advised that unless it was a heritage listed house, Council was unable to force inspection. He requested that Councillor Paine provide the address so that staff could investigate the matter.

4. Councillor Paine advised that she was to attend a Peppercorn Place meeting on 26 September 2002 and would like information to pass on, prior to the meeting, relative to the housing of buses at McGraths Hill and an approximate timeframe.

The Director of Asset Services and Recreation advised that the building had been designed and the DA is currently being assessed.

5. Councillor Paine requested an update relative to ideas which had been discussed to fix problems at Bilpin Park, at a meeting which took place at Bilpin Park with the Director of Asset Services and Recreation and Councillor Paine.

The Director of Asset Services and Recreation advised that, at this stage, the school zoning had been achieved and he would further investigate the matter.

6. Councillor Paine advised that she and Councillor Williams were to attend the Federal Local Government Conference in Alice Springs and enquired as to the process to include the issue of transporting elderly residents out of facilities such as Fitzgerald House and the Richmond Nursing Home on the agenda. She further advised that Kerry Bartlett had suggested that the Conference may be a good opportunity to highlight the issue through Local Government to State Government and Federal Government and he was to prepare a letter in support.

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The General Manager advised that a Notice of Motion could be submitted to the Ordinary Meeting or the matter could be reported after which Councillor Allan could take the matter to WSROC.

7. Councillor Williams referred to the Macquarie Arms Hotel and enquired if the Hotel would be fined for the recent painting that was carried out.

The General Manager advised that no action would be taken as the new owner had a manager, who was attempting to promote the Hotel and saw an opportunity to put the Tooheys colours on it. He advised that Council staff who interviewed the manager agreed that he was unaware of the Heritage Legislation and the owner gave an undertaking, as he was approached and realised the consequences, to repaint the building in heritage colours. The General Manager advised that this situation highlights the need for the proposed letter from the Heritage Committee.

8. Councillor Williams referred to Council land between the graveyard at Wilberforce and St Johns Church and enquired if Council had resolved to sell the land.

The General Manager advised there was no proposal to sell the land.

9. Councillor Conolly referred to Item 93 - Proposed Rezoning - 108 Grose Vale Road, Grose Vale, wherein it was reported that Defence Housing requires more opportunities for housing in the City and enquired if Defence Housing could be approached to obtain their request in writing.

The General Manager advised that he had made telephone enquiries and would forward written correspondence to Defence Housing. He advised that it was his understanding that Defence Housing did require more land for housing to satisfy needs and he would seek written clarification.

10. Councillor Paine referred to correspondence which was to be sent to Defence Housing relative to clarification of their request for additional land for housing and also requested clarification of the length of time the housing would be required.

The General Manager advised that the business plan for Defence Housing was separate to the RAAF Economic Impact Draft Study and the timespan was not the same.

11. Councillor Rasmussen referred to the northern gate lock at Yarramundi fence and advised that the lock had been smashed, enabling the gate to swing open, and requested that it be repaired.

The Director of Asset Services and Recreation advised the matter would be investigated.

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12. Councillor Rasmussen requested an update relative to Yarramundi Bridge.

The Director of Asset Services and Recreation advised that the RTA had contacted him the week before and advised that they were looking at another location, somewhere between the existing bridge and the straight line proposal, and test bores were to be carried out in that location.

13. Councillor Rasmussen requested an update relative to the 1m differential water level between each side of Kurrajong Road, as part of the drainage and the water management plan for Yarramundi flats.

The Director of Asset Services and Recreation advised that he had received no advice from the RTA as to how this was to be addressed. He advised that the plan for the area should be completed within a couple of weeks and that may provide more information.

14. Councillor Rasmussen referred to information and comments from Mr Cadman and Mr Bartlett regarding the RAAF Economic Impact Draft Study which suggested they were not in agreement with the Study, and requested an update relative to the preparation of a submission.

The Mayor advised that there had been a special meeting of the Economic Development Advisory Committee, the week before, at which a number of strategies were developed and they would be reported to the next Ordinary meeting. He advised that there was a strong commitment to prepare the submission. He also confirmed that, as was suggested at the last Ordinary Meeting, some Councillors may prefer to make direct representations to him rather than the Economic Development Advisory Committee. He confirmed that Councillor Rasmussen's comments would be incorporated in the report coming to Council, and part of the recommendation coming from the plan of action which was developed at the aforementioned Economic Development Advisory Committee meeting.

15. Councillor Rasmussen referred to an E-mail he had forwarded to PriceWaterhouseCoopers wherein he had requested a copy of the Terms of Reference. He advised that he had received advice that the Terms of Reference had not been included as they were too long and a number of them were not relevant to Phase 1 of the study.

The General Manager advised that a letter would be sent requesting a copy of the Terms of Reference.

16. Councillor Davies advised that he had received information from a real estate agent that there was a backlog in Development Applications in Council and requested information in relation to that comment.

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The Director of Environment and Development advised that there were a lesser number of applications now than existed six months ago. He advised there was a short delay in the single dwelling house applications due to the absence of building inspectors, which will be rectified next week.

The General Manager advised that a monthly report would be provided in the business paper, indicating the DA position..

17. Councillor Davies referred to a section of Grose Vale Road where the RTA were converting a permanent 40 kmh zone into a school zone, which was time limited, and advised that, as both signs were still there, it was causing confusion to motorists.

The General Manager advised the matter would be investigated.

18. Councillor Sheather referred to the relocation of the Penrith City Council sign at Agnes Banks and requested an update on its relocation outside of the Hawkesbury boundary.

The General Manager advised he would make enquiries.

19. Councillor Sheather requested an update on the Development Application for Soccer Fields and Associated Parking Facilities, 118 Inalls Lane, Richmond (DA0789/02).

The Director of Environment and Development advised that it was currently on exhibition.

20. Councillor Sheather suggested that investigations be carried out to ensure that any activities taking place at 118 Inalls Lane, Richmond (DA for Soccer Fields DA0789/02) have been duly approved by Council, as other organisations such as Windsor Leagues Club were required to gain approval for events such as rodeos.

21. Councillor Sheather referred to the bridge on West Portland Road, Lower Portland across Colo River and advised that part of the road had sunken on the left hand side approach and requested that it be repaired.

The General Manager advised the matter would be investigated.

The meeting terminated at 5.21pm.

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Submitted to and confirmed at the meeting of the General Purpose Committee held on 22 October 2002.

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Mayor

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General Manager

Mayor