

# Minutes

# **Ordinary Meeting**

# Tuesday, 4 April 2023

Time: 9.15 am

Meeting adjourned at 10.28 am Meeting resumed at 10.50 am

Location: Council Chambers

82 Brisbane Street

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# Scenic Rim Regional Council

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# 1 Opening of Meeting

The Mayor, Cr Greg Christensen, as Chair of the Meeting, declared the Meeting open and acknowledged the traditional owners of the lands of the Scenic Rim Regional Council area. The Mayor paid respect to their elders, past, present and future, and extended congratulations to them on their continued nurturing of their culture.

# 2 Attendance and the granting of leaves of absence

Cr G R Christensen, Mayor Cr J J S McConnell, Deputy Mayor (via teleconference) Cr V A West Cr M J Enright Cr M J Chalk Cr D A McInnes OAM

# **Executive Officers**

D Keenan, Chief Executive Officer C McMahon, General Manager People and Strategy D Howe, General Manager Customer and Regional Prosperity C Gray, General Manager Asset and Environmental Sustainability O Pring, General Manager Council Sustainability

# Staff

S Keepence, Business Support Officer, Office of the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer M Carter, GIS Officer, Information Services and Technology

M Lohmann, Manager Regional Development, Health and Biodiversity (Items 10.3 and 10.4)

J Kirkwood, Principal Specialist Development Assessment and Engineering (Item 10.4) B Walker, Manager Regional Prosperity and Communications (Item 10.5)

C Thomas, Economic Development Officer - Agribusiness and Workforce Development (Item 10.5)

R Roumanus, Economic Development Officer - Business and Industry (Item 10.5)

S Osman, Manager Maintenance and Operations (Items 11.2 and 11.3)

B Hunton, Coordinator Facilities Management (Item 11.2)

M Creedy, Coordinator Project Delivery (Item 11.3)

# 3 Apologies

Nil

# 4 Prayers

Pastor Matthew Russell from Now Church, Beaudesert, attended via teleconference to offer prayers

# 5 Declarations of Prescribed or Declarable Conflict of Interest by Members

Nil

# 6 Announcements / Mayoral Minutes

Nil

# 7 Reception of Deputations by Appointment / Presentation of Petitions

Nil

# 8 Confirmation of Minutes

# Recommendation

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 21 March 2023, be adopted.

Moved: Cr Virginia West Seconded: Cr Michael Enright

Carried unanimously

# 9 Business Arising from Previous Minutes

Nil

# 10 Consideration of Business of Meeting

# Executive

# 10.1 Proposed Ordinary Meeting dates June-September 2023

Executive Officer: Chief Executive Officer

Attachments: Nil

# Recommendation

That:

- 1. Council adopt the following June-September 2023 dates for Ordinary Meetings, with the meetings commencing at 9.15am:
  - 6 and 20 June 2023;
  - 4 and 18 July 2023;
  - 8 and 22 August 2023;
  - 5 and 19 September 2023; and
- 2. Council endorse that Ordinary Meetings scheduled in June-September 2023, will be held in the Council Chambers, 82 Brisbane Street, Beaudesert, with the exception of the Ordinary Meeting scheduled on 22 August 2023, which will be held at the Cultural Centre, 3 High Street, Boonah.

Moved: Cr Michael Enright Seconded: Cr Virginia West

That the Chief Executive Officer's recommendation be adopted

# **Customer & Regional Prosperity**

# 10.2 Review - Council Policy - Naming of Roads and Places RF4.03CP

Executive Officer: General Manager Customer and Regional Prosperity

# Attachments:

- 1. Draft Council Policy Naming of Roads and Places v1 (with tracked changes)
- 2. Draft Council Policy Naming of Roads and Places v2 (clean copy)
- 3. Draft Procedure Naming of Roads and Places v1 (with tracked changes)
- 4. Draft Procedure Naming of Roads and Places v2 (clean copy)

# Recommendation

That:

- Council rescind the existing Council Policy Naming of Roads and Places RF4.03CP (Version 1) as adopted 7 September 2020;
- 2. Council adopt the updated Council Policy Naming of Roads and Places Policy RF4.03CP (Version 2) March 2023; and
- 3. Council note the updated Naming of Roads and Places Procedure RF4.03PR.01 (Version 2) March 2023, which will be presented to the Chief Executive Officer for approval.

Moved: Cr Marshall Chalk Seconded: Cr Duncan McInnes

That the General Manager Customer and Regional Prosperity's recommendation be adopted

# 10.3 Policy Review - Providing Draft Conditions for Development Assessments RF04.02CP

Executive Officer: General Manager Customer and Regional Prosperity

# Attachments:

- 1. Draft Council Policy Providing Draft Conditions for Development Assessments (with tracked changes)
- 2. Draft Council Policy Providing Draft Conditions for Development Assessments (clean copy)
- **3.** Draft Procedure Providing Draft Conditions for Development Assessments (with tracked changes)
- 4. Draft Procedure Providing Draft Conditions for Development Assessments (clean copy)

# Recommendation

That:

- 1. Council rescind the existing Council Policy Providing Draft Conditions for Development Assessments RF04.02CP (Version 1) October 2019;
- 2. Council adopt the updated Council Policy Providing Draft Conditions for Development Assessments RF04.02CP (Version 2) March 2023; and
- 3. Council note the draft Procedure Providing Draft Conditions for Development Assessments RF04.02GL.01 March 2023, which will be presented to the Chief Executive Officer for approval.

Moved: Cr Duncan McInnes Seconded: Cr Virginia West

That the General Manager Customer and Regional Prosperity's recommendation be adopted

#### 10.4 MCU22/066 Development Permit for Material Change of Use for **Medium Impact** Industry (Motor Smash Repairs and Spray Booth) at 4 Church Street, Boonah

Executive Officer: General Manager Customer and Regional Prosperity

# Attachments:

- 1. Proposal Plans
- 2. Appendix A Conditions of Approval

### Recommendation

That:

- 1. Council receive and note the report titled "MCU22/066 Development Permit for Material Change of Use for Medium Impact Industry (Motor Smash Repairs and Spray Booth) at 4 Church Street, Boonah";
- 2. Council approve development application MCU22/066 despite the non-compliances with the Scenic Rim Planning Scheme 2020, subject to imposition of reasonable and relevant conditions in Appendix A and in consideration of the following relevant matters favouring approval:
  - (a) The proposed development is unlikely to undermine the strategic intent of the planning scheme for the District Centre Zone, which anticipates industry uses where of a lower impact, as represented by this development;
  - (b) The premises has operated historically and on a continual basis with similar uses of an industrial nature and therefore the proposed development is unlikely to negatively impact on the existing character of the surrounding area;
  - (c) The proposed conditions will appropriately manage any potential for offsite impacts that are anticipated for the proposed development; and
- 3. Council note that any subsequent requests for a negotiated decision notice and/or change applications to the approval (MCU22/066) will be processed via delegated authority where the changes would not significantly alter the original decision.

Moved: Cr Marshall Chalk Seconded: Cr Michael Enright

That the General Manager Customer and Regional Prosperity's recommendation be adopted

# 10.5 Scenic Rim Regional Prosperity Strategy 2020-2025 - Annual Report Card - July 2021 to June 2022

Executive Officer: General Manager Customer and Regional Prosperity

# Attachments:

1. Regional Prosperity Report Card 2021-2022

# Recommendation

That:

- 1. Council acknowledge the progress of the implementation of the Scenic Rim Regional Prosperity Strategy 2020-2025 and Annual Report Card, covering the period since its adoption from 1 July 2021 to 30 June 2022; and
- Council delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to make minor grammatical and formatting changes to the Scenic Rim Regional Prosperity Strategy 2020-2025 -Annual Report Card, if required, after its adoption, and prior to publishing on Council's website for public access, noting any such changes will be advised to Councillors prior to publishing.

Moved: Cr Michael Enright Seconded: Cr Virginia West

That the General Manager Customer and Regional Prosperity's recommendation be adopted

Carried unanimously

# Attachments

1. Final Version - Regional Prosperity Report Card 2021-2022

Scenic Rim Regional Council **Regional Prosperity Annual Report Card 2021–2022** 

In February 2020, Scenic **Rim Regional Council** adopted the region's first ever strategy focused on economic growth. The Scenic Rim Regional Prosperity Strategy 2020-2025 sets a clear direction and roadmap for our future economic growth and sustainability. It supports the vision shared by Council and our community for a region that enjoys a sustainable and prosperous economy, as outlined in the Scenic Rim Community Plan 2011-2026.

The Strategy is designed to enhance our focus on the priorities that support our existing regional business community, while also ensuring we are properly prepared to welcome new contributors as part of our long-term pursuit of sustainability. In addition to the traditional agricultural industries that underpin our local economy, the Scenic Rim has a vibrant and growing tourism sector.

Major infrastructure projects such as Beaudesert Enterprise Precinct and Inland Rail present a wealth of opportunities for the further growth and development of The Scenic Rim region.

Acknowledgement of Country : Scenic Rim Regional Council acknowledges the traditional country of the Mununjali, Wangerriburra and Ugarapul Peoples of the Scenic Rim. We recognise that the Scenic Rim continues to have connections to cultural, spiritual, environmental, and economic importance and respect connection to Country. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging, acknowledging the important role Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples play in shaping the future of our Region.

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The Scenic Rim economy has continued to show remarkable resilience and this Report Card is delivered in the context of significant disruptions to the region due to the pandemic and the disaster events that have impacted the Scenic Rim since late 2019. Despite all these challenges, 2021-2022 was a year of significant achievements.

This Report Card highlights the achievements and outcomes delivered across the five pillars over the period from July 2021 to June 2022.

# GOAL: TO CREATE VALUE JOBS FOR LOCAL RESIDENTS

# **Business and Industry Development**

Council adopted the *Scenic Rim Smart Region Strategy 2022–2032* on 21 June 2022, a landmark strategy for investment in smart technologies and commitment to smart collaboration, planning, design and local services.

The first of its kind, the *Scenic Rim Smart Region Strategy 2022-2032* will leverage innovative technologies, innovation and data to enhance the liveability, workability and sustainability of the region. The vision of the strategy is to be an accessible and serviced region with a vibrant, sustainable and prosperous economy and community. This will be achieved through investment in smart technologies and innovation focused in the areas of:



**Economy:** leading an innovative and progressive economy attracting growth and investment.



**Place:** Enabling resilient and sustainable management to future-proof communities and the environment.



**Community:** Creating inclusive, liveable, and supported communities that attract and retain residents.

A partnership between Council and industry, announced in August 2021, aimed to deliver a 10-year roadmap and a three-year action plan for the Scenic Rim's agribusiness and agritourism operators.

In November 2020, PricewaterhouseCoopers were engaged to commence consultation with Scenic Rim agribusiness and agritourism operators to finalise the 10-year roadmap and three-year action plan, which included the needs and requirements of the region's food and beverage producers, processors and distributors, the identification of gaps in the system and opportunities for efficiencies.

**Note:** Scenic Rim Agribusiness and Agritourism 10-Year Roadmap and Three-Year Action Plan was adopted by Council in September 2022.

#### 1710 Businesses Engagements -

Business engagement has been well above target due to the ongoing delivery of business development programs, proactive stakeholder engagement for strategy development and Queensland Small Business Month activities.

Business networking breakfasts were held in May and November 2022, attracting more than 180 attendees.

# tourism operators participated in the misbane Region experiences Support Program. This program is a mentoring and capability development program, delivered in partnership with Brisbane Economic Development Agency.



The Scenic Rim Entrepreneurial Hub Online Program was delivered to 30 participating businesses.

### The Scenic Rim Supply Chain Capability Program concluded on 14 June 2022, with:

**19** Scenic Rim suppliers engaged in the program.

Over **70** hours total of individual mentoring provided.



#### **Queensland Small Business Month** (QSBM) included:

### 19 events

- **230** participants
- Launch of the Shop Scenic Rim gift card program.
- Business Breakfast held on 20 May 2022.
- Financial support provided to the Tamborine Mountain Chamber of Commerce and Industry and the Boonah District Chamber of Commerce to deliver events as part of QSBM.

#### 2021 Scenic Rim Business Excellence Awards celebrated



the achievements of local businesses. The awards attracted 65 nominations from 49 businesses across 11 nomination categories. 210 guests attended the event at Boonah Cultural Centre.



lan and Margie Douglas from The Lime Caviar Company

The Lime Caviar Company won Business of the Year, Regional Prosperity Award. As well as providing an opportunity to showcase the region's industryleading businesses, the awards also sent a strong message to potential investors and jobseekers about the Scenic Rim's opportunities.

# **Tourism Business Resilience Building Program**

**24** tourism operators from 22 businesses registered for a

series of CrisisReady workshops organised by Council and delivered by EarthCheck in September and October 2021, including bushfireimpacted businesses, Binna Burra Lodge and O'Reilly's Rainforest Retreat, to develop skills and business continuity plans needed to manage their businesses through future disruptions.

### **Tourism Industry** Capacity and Capability Development Program



Promoted to industry as the 'Tourism Digital Marketing Assistance Program! By 31 March 2022, 53 tourism businesses and operators received support to increase consumer access to, and awareness of, their products and services.



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Council expenditure by Location - 24%, This is under the targeted 35% for the quarter as the result of an absence of specialist suppliers within region for capital works materials and services, and a decision to opt for value for money outside of the region.

Location	2020-2021	% of Total Expenditure	2021-2022	% of Total Expenditure	change in % fof total expenditure
Scenic Rim	\$17,961,581	32%	\$17,956,088	24%	-8%
Gold Coast	\$4,205,400	8%	\$6,062,706	8%	0%
Brisbane and Moreton	\$28,157,665	51%	\$45,078,593	60%	9%
Rest of Queensland	\$204,844	0%	\$564,792	1%	1%
Outside of Queensland	\$5,209,502	9%	\$6,038,367	8%	-1%
TOTAL	\$55,738,992		\$75,700,546		\$19,961,554

# **Investment Facilitation**

53 pre lodgement meetings



# 57 concept meetings

313 development applications received



318 determined

# Building Approvals total



value \$182 million (\$123m residential/\$59m nonresidential), the highest value since a peak for the region in 2016–2017 of \$195 million (\$140m in 2020–2021)

**15** potential development applicants supported through case management.





**Scenic Rim Investment Attraction Project –** Lucid Economics has been engaged to develop a suite of investment attraction marketing materials and activities to support growth, investment and employment creation in the region.

Strategic Planning Draft Major Amendment to the Scenic Rim Planning Scheme 2020 prepared, which includes:

- Changes to the Planning Scheme that make it easier to develop small scale craft breweries
- Support for tourism development in the region's Township zoned land
- Changes to support industrial activities at a scale that is intended in the region's Industry zoned land

# **Education and Workforce Development**

**Training opportunities** through the Scenic Rim Agriculture Skills Development Program were offered to the community already working in the agricultural industry or considering entering the sector.



**104** qualifications awarded in areas across forklift operation, grader or dozer driving, working with agricultural chemicals and in the fields of horticulture, building and construction.



# **Marketing and Promotion**

The Scenic Rim received international recognition as a leading tourism destination in October 2021 when it was ranked number eight in the 'Top 10 Regions for 2022' in global travel authority Lonely Planet's Best in Travel listing. This was a major coup for the Scenic Rim as it was the only Australian region to achieve a ranking in the top 10.

#### With our region poised to capitalise

on the anticipated resurgence of domestic and international tourism, it was pleasing to see the Council's

'Welcome to the Scenic Rim....Richest Place on Earth, in Australia' campaign receive a gold award in the Richard Power Award for Tourism Marketing and Campaigns category at the Queensland Tourism Awards in November 2021.

Local farmers, producers, tourism operators and

entertainers impacted by the July 2021 COVID-19 lockdown in the greater Brisbane area received a boost from Council following the cancellation



of several Scenic Rim Eat Local Week events.

**Council funded** *\$75,000* to Destination Scenic Rim as per a funding agreement. In addition to this, Council redirected *\$40,000* to Destination Scenic Rim Farm Gate Trails on 28 August and 23 October 2021, and the remaining *\$57,256.68* was repurposed to support the development of other regional events. The additional funding enabled Destination Scenic Rim to promote the Farm Gate Trail to a wider audience and engage professional photographers and a videographer.

**Based on a post-event survey** from the August event each event generated an estimated \$1 million of revenue for local farmers and producers, 5,000 unique visitors spending on average \$200 per visitor, and 1,500 visitor nights to the region with over 70 percent of visitors likely to recommend the event.

# **Regional Events**

Council supported the **2022 Clydesdale Spectacular**, which attracted **6**,**728** primary-purpose visitors from outside of the region over two days, resulting in **10**,**109** visitor nights in the region and contributed approximately **\$2** million to the region's economy.

### The Long Sunset - In April 2022, 5000+

people descended on the region for The Long Sunset, a boutique regional music festival delivered in collaboration with Queensland Music Festival (QMF). Headlined by brother-sister indiefolk duo Angus and Julia Stone, the inaugural event brought \$49,82 million in economic return to the Scenic Rim and Brisbane Region.

Council coordinated **Escape** in May 2022 with participation from **41** local tourism operators providing outdoor recreation activities across the region.

The eleventh Scenic Rim Eat Local Week, featuring over 125 events across the region, attracted 34,499 attendees with \$1.9 million economic contribution to the region.

**10 destination-driven events** (estimated economic impact of \$5.3m) were supported by the Regional Events Grants Program with a return on investment of **241:1** 

# **Tourism Campaigns**

The refreshed Visit Scenic Rim (VSR) destination website, which is a source of travel inspiration, information and bookings for visitors to the region, went live in early June 2022. Highlights included:

**56,696** leads to VSR website from campaign activity



**133,607** leads to tourism operators from website or digital campaigns

\$46M of campaign value generated above paid media spend



# **Advocacy for Infrastructure**

Council lobbied for critical infrastructure through SEQ City Deal – More than \$7.76 million in funding will kickstart planning for priority transport, economic and liveability projects across Scenic Rim, through the SEQ City Deal announced 21 March 2022. The deal incorporates \$57 million investment aimed at unlocking the Bromelton State Development Area.

- Continued support for Water for Warrill irrigation proposal, which will potentially provide \$305<sup>M</sup> in direct economic benefit and 1,340 jobs at completion.
- Three Strategic Coordination
   Group meetings held –
   proactively encourage
   government agencies including
   Office of the Coordinator
   General, Department of
- Transport and Main Roads, Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning to develop strategic enabling infrastructure.
- Council advocacy resulted in two tenements to explore the operation of coal seam gas in the Scenic Rim to be withdrawn, following an announcement from Minister for Resources

Scott Stewart. Minister for Resources Scott Stewart advised company Arrow Energy has withdrawn its application to renew the permits to explore coal seam gas just outside of Beaudesert. The announcement comes after Arrow Energy's 10-year campaign encountered opposition from locals across the Scenic Rim in a bid to halt the exploration.



Council will continue to implement and build on the success of the Scenic Rim Regional Prosperity Strategy 2020-2025 by:

- Driving awareness, visitation and tourism investment through Scenic Rim destination marketing brands, such as 'The Richest Place on Earth, in Australia';
- Delivering a tactical destination marketing campaign in conjunction with industry;
- Working with agri-sector to facilitate growth and capitalise on opportunities in agribusiness and agritourism;
- Championing the Bromelton State Development Area (SDA) partnership;
- Continuing to engage local businesses in exploring

opportunities for increasing local spending, and

 Developing Council's Inventory Procurement Plan, highlighting opportunities available for local suppliers.

For further information or to connect with Council's Regional Prosperity team, please contact on **07 5541 5111** or **prosperity@** scenicrim.qld.gov.au

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# Council Sustainability

# 10.6 Disclosure Logs under Right to Information Act 2009

Executive Officer: General Manager Council Sustainability

# Attachments:

- 1. Proactive Disclosure and Publication Schemes Guideline
- 2. Disclosure Log Guideline

# Recommendation

That Council delegate to the Chief Executive Officer to:

- 1. Implement a Disclosure Log on Council's website in accordance with the *Right to Information Act 2009*; and
- 2. Publish in the Disclosure Log all documents deemed suitable for publication that are released under the *Right to Information Act 2009* after the date of this meeting.

Moved: Cr Duncan McInnes Seconded: Cr Marshall Chalk

That the General Manager Council Sustainability's recommendation be adopted

Cr Jeff McConnell foreshadowed an amendment to the motion.

Meeting adjourned at 10.28 am Meeting resumed at 10.50 am

# Amendment

That the following paragraph be added to the motion:

3. Request the Chief Executive Officer to provide, at a future Ordinary Meeting, a scope and costing for publishing in the Disclosure Log of all documents from the current term of this Council until the date of this meeting, deemed suitable for publication that are released under the *Right to Information Act 2009*.

Moved: Cr Jeff McConnell Seconded: Cr Marshall Chalk

For: Crs Jeff McConnell, Marshall Chalk and Duncan McInnes

Against: Crs Greg Christensen, Virginia West and Michael Enright

Equal

Cr Greg Christensen exercised a casting vote in the affirmative.

Carried

The motion, as amended, as follows:

That Council:

- 1. Delegate to the Chief Executive Officer to implement a Disclosure Log on Council's website in accordance with the *Right to Information Act 2009*;
- 2. Delegate to the Chief Executive Officer to publish in the Disclosure Log all documents deemed suitable for publication that are released under the *Right to Information Act 2009* after the date of this meeting; and
- 3. Request the Chief Executive Officer to provide, at a future Ordinary Meeting, a scope and costing for publishing in the Disclosure Log all documents from the current term of this Council until the date of this meeting, deemed suitable for publication that are released under the *Right to Information Act 2009*.

was then put and

# 10.7 2022-2023 December Budget Review

Executive Officer: General Manager Council Sustainability

# Attachments:

1. 2022-2023 December Budget Review

# Recommendation

That, in accordance with sections 169 and 170(3) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council adopt the 2022-2023 December Budget Review, as outlined in the:

- 1. Revised Statement of Comprehensive Income for 2022-2023 through 2024-2025, inclusive;
- 2. Revised Statement of Financial Position for 2022-2023 through 2024-2025, inclusive;
- 3. Revised Statement of Cash Flows for 2022-2023 through 2024-2025, inclusive;
- 4. Revised Statement of Changes in Equity for 2022-2023 through 2024-2025, inclusive; and
- 5. Revised Relevant Measures of Financial Sustainability.

Moved: Cr Michael Enright Seconded: Cr Marshall Chalk

That the General Manager Council Sustainability's recommendation be adopted

# 10.8 Council Monthly Financial Report for February 2023

**Executive Officer:** General Manager Council Sustainability

### Attachments:

1. Monthly Financial Report February 2023

### Recommendation

That Council receive the unaudited financial statements for the period ended 28 February 2023 for the Financial Year 2022-2023.

Moved: Cr Michael Enright Seconded: Cr Virginia West

That the General Manager Council Sustainability's recommendation be adopted

# 11 Confidential Matters

At 11:17 am, Council resolved into closed session, in accordance with Council's Meetings and Other Forums Procedure relating to closed Council Meetings and the provisions of Section 254J(3) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, to discuss confidential items relating to:

(c) the local government's budget

Moved: Cr Virginia West Seconded: Cr Duncan McInnes

Carried unanimously

At 1:00 pm, following discussion in closed session, Council resumed in open session for the proposal of resolutions.

Moved: Cr Marshall Chalk Seconded: Cr Virginia West

# 11.1 Community Consultation on the Draft 2023-2024 Budget Position [Closed s.254J(3)(c)]

Executive Officer: General Manager Council Sustainability

# Recommendation

That:

- 1. Council receive and accept the Scenic Rim Regional Council Draft 2023-2024 Budget Overview, and approve its release for public consultation;
- Council delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to make minor grammatical and formatting changes to the Scenic Rim Regional Council Draft 2023-2024 Budget Overview, if required, after its approval, and prior to releasing for community consultation and publishing on Council's 'Let's Talk Scenic Rim' website for public access, noting any such changes will be advised to Councillors prior to publishing; and
- 3. In accordance with clause 22.6.3 of the Scenic Rim Regional Council Standing Orders Procedure CM03.01PR.01, Council release this report in the Ordinary Meeting Minutes.

Moved: Cr Virginia West Seconded: Cr Marshall Chalk

That the General Manager Council Sustainability's recommendation be adopted

Carried unanimously

# Attachments

 Report Item 11.1 - Community Consultation on the Draft 2023-2024 Budget Position [Closed s.254J(3)(c)]

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 11.1
 Community Consultation on the Draft 2023-2024 Budget Position

 [Closed s.254J(3)(c)]

 Executive Officer: General Manager Council Sustainability

 Item Author:
 Coordinator Financial Management

 Attachments:
 Nil

This report is **CONFIDENTIAL** in accordance with Section 254J(3)(c) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following:

(c) the local government's budget.

#### Executive Summary

Following the preparatory works undertaken by the organisation in preparing the necessary requirements of establishing an annual budget. Officers have prepared the following Draft 2023-2024 Budget that intends to meet Council's Corporate and Operational Plan deliverables and maintains the current service level standards.

The proposed draft is the initial position of the 2023-2024 Budget and will be utilised for release to allow public consultation prior to being finalised and considered by Council for adoption.

#### Recommendation

That Council receive and accept the Draft 2023-2024 Budget, Draft Capital Works Program and Draft Schedule of Fees and Charges, and approve its release for public consultation.

#### Previous Council Considerations / Resolutions

Not applicable.

#### Report / Background

In accordance with the *Local Government Act 2009* and the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, Council must adopt a budget each financial year.

Officers have prepared draft budget documentation for the 2023-2024 financial year where all relevant legislative considerations have been taken into account. Following endorsement by Council, it is intended that release of the draft budget documents for publication and consultation purposes. This includes publication on the *Let's Talk Scenic Rim* Platform. The public consultation will commence from 5 April 2023 and will close on 3 May 2023, with the following Community Consultation Workshops being staged:

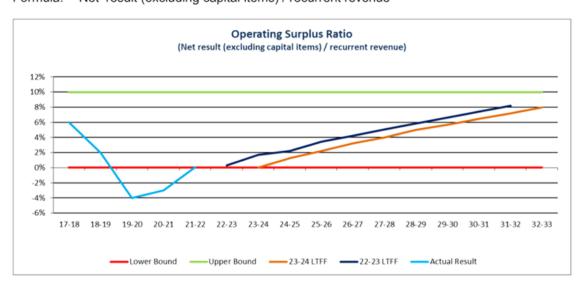
- 20 April 2023 Boonah Cultural Centre [5:30 7:00pm]
- 26 April 2023 The Centre (Beaudesert) [5:30 7:00pm]
- 27 April 2023 Tamborine Mountain State School [5:30 7:00pm]

4 April 2023

With respect to the Draft 2023-2024 Budget, the relevant measures of Financial Sustainability as per s169(5) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* are:

Operating Surplus Ratio (Target 0 - 10%)

Purpose: An indicator of the extent to which revenues raised cover operational expenses only or are available for capital funding purposes or other purposes.
 Formula: Net result (excluding capital items) / recurrent revenue



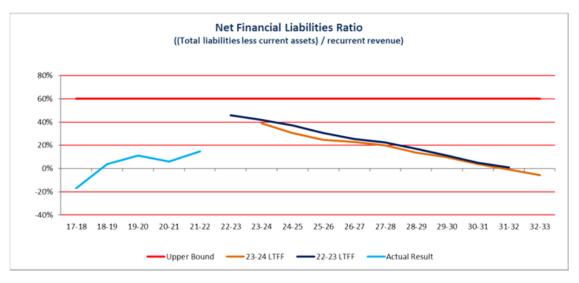
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Net Financial Liabilities Ratio (Target <= 60%)

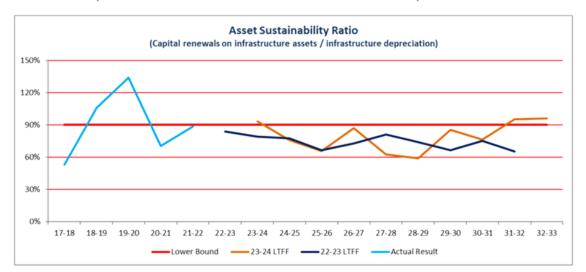
Purpose: an indicator of the extent to which the net financial liabilities of a local government can be serviced by its operating revenues.

Formula: (Total liabilities less current assets) / recurrent revenue



#### Asset Sustainability Ratio (Target > 90%)

Purpose: An approximation of the extent to which the infrastructure assets managed by a local government are being replaced as they reach the end of their useful lives.Formula: Capital renewals on infrastructure assets / infrastructure depreciation



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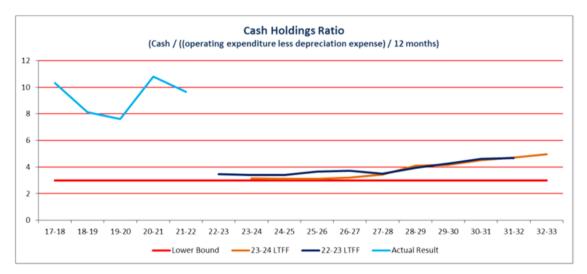
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Additional measures per SRRC Financial Sustainability Strategy

Cash Holdings Ratio (Target > 3)

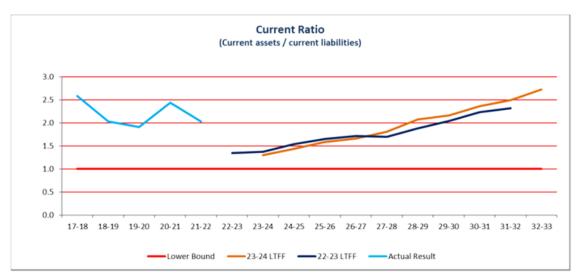
Purpose: An indicator of the extent to which the net financial liabilities of a local government can be serviced by its operating revenues.

Formula: Cash / (Operating Expenditure less Depreciation Expense) / 12 months



### Current Ratio (Target > 1.1)

Purpose: A liquidity ratio that measures a company's ability to pay short-term obligations. Formula: Current Assets / Current Liabilities

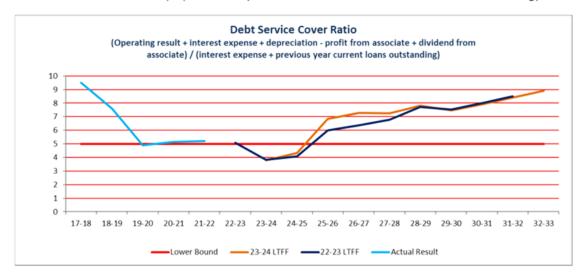


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#### Debt Service Cover Ratio (Target > 5)

Purpose: A liquidity ratio that measures a company's ability to pay short-term obligations.
 Formula: (Operating Result + Interest Expense + Depreciation - Profit from Associate + Dividend from Associate) / (Interest Expense + Previous Year Current Loans Outstanding)

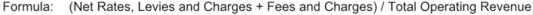


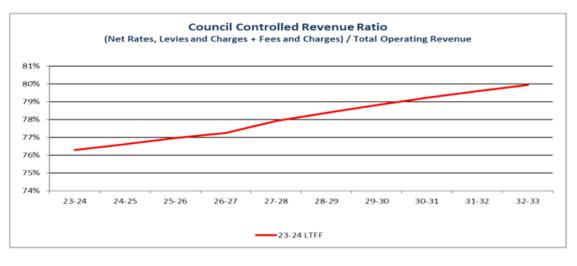
The Department of State Development, Infrastructure, Local Government and Planning has also recently released a *Financial Management (Sustainability) Draft Guideline 2022* document which contains a number of additional Sustainability Measures. Based on updates, It's intended that these ratios are implemented for the 2023-2024 financial statements and for 2024-2025 budget forecasting purposes.

The following are a selection from these draft guidelines:

Council Controlled Revenue Ratio (Contextual Only; No Target)

Purpose: An indicator of a council's financial flexibility, ability to influence its operating income, and capacity to respond to unexpected financial shocks.



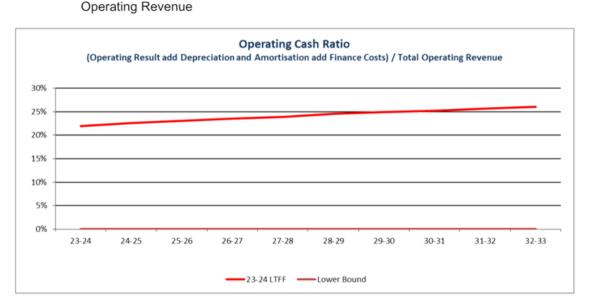


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Operating Cash Ratio (Target > 0%)

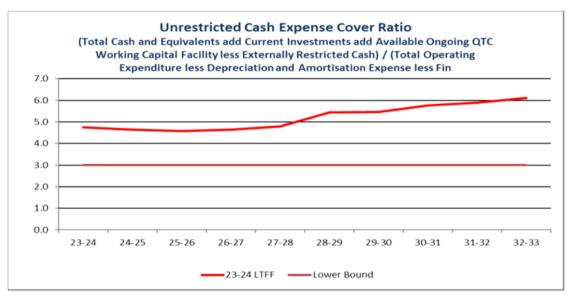
Purpose: A measure of a council's ability to cover its core operational expenses and generate a cash surplus excluding depreciation, amortisation, and finance costs.Formula: (Operating Result add Depreciation and Amortisation add Finance Costs) / Total



Unrestricted Cash Expense Cover Ratio (Target > 3 months)

 Purpose: An indicator of the unconstrained liquidity available to a council to meet ongoing and emergent financial demands, which is a key component to solvency. It represents the number of months a council can continue operating based on current monthly expenses.
 Formula: (Total Cash and Equivalents add Current Investments add Available Ongoing QTC Working Capital Eacility less Externally Restricted Cash) / (Total Operating Expenditure)





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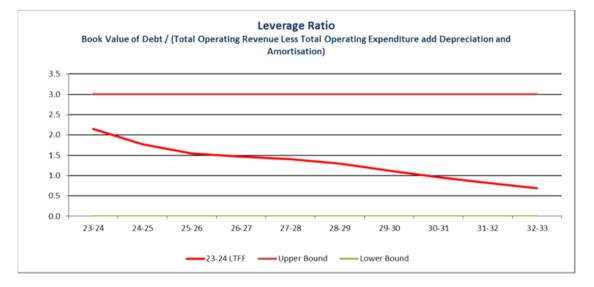
Asset Consumption Ratio (Target > 60%)

- Purpose: Approximates the extent to which council's infrastructure assets (see Definitions) have been consumed compared to what it would cost to build a new asset with the same benefit to the community.
- Formula: Written Down Replacement Cost of Depreciable Infrastructure Assets / Current Replacement Cost of Depreciable Infrastructure Assets

The actual ratio as at March 2023 is 74.8%

#### Leverage Ratio (Target 0 - 3 Times)

- Purpose: An indicator of a council's ability to repay its existing debt. It measures the relative size of the council's debt to its operating performance.
- Formula: Book Value of Debt / (Total Operating Revenue Less Total Operating Expenditure add Depreciation and Amortisation)



#### **Budget / Financial Implications**

The current forecast draft budget position for the year ending 30 June 2024 provides for an operating surplus of \$33 thousand and an overall (net) operating result of \$12.241 million after capital revenue of \$12.208 million is included. The proposed Draft Capital Works Program includes capital expenditure for 2023-2024 of \$32.963 million.

#### Strategic Implications

Operational Plan			
Theme:	3. Open and Responsive Government		
Key Area of Focus:	Ongoing integrity of Council's practice and processes		

Legal / Statutory Implications

#### 170 Adoption and amendment of budget

- (1) A local government must adopt its budget for a financial year—
  - (a) after 31 May in the year before the financial year; but
  - (b) before-

(i)1 August in the financial year; or

(ii)a later day decided by the Minister.

- (2) If the budget does not comply with section 169 when it is adopted, the adoption of the budget is of no effect.
- (3) The local government may, by resolution, amend the budget for a financial year at any time before the end of the financial year.
- (4) If the budget does not comply with the following when it is amended, the amendment of the budget is of no effect—
  - (a) section 169;
  - (b) the local government's decision about the rates and charges to be levied for the financial year made at the budget meeting for the financial year.

#### Note -

A local government may only decide the rates and charges to be levied for a financial year at the budget meeting for the financial year. See the Act, section 94(2).

#### Risks

#### Strategic Risks

The following Level 1 and Level 2 (strategic) risks are relevant to the matters considered in this report:

SR47 Inadequate or lack of an appropriate Financial Management Framework (including systems, policies, procedures and controls) in place to adequately minimise risk of fraudulent action and to maximise financial sustainability.

#### Risk Assessment

Category	Consequence	Likelihood	Inherent Risk Rating	Treatment of risks	Residual Risk Rating
Financial/Economic Failure to ensure annual budget is delivered in accordance with internal and legislative timeframes.	4 Major	Likely	High	<ul> <li>Budget is prepared by suitably qualified and experienced staff</li> <li>Budget packs facilitate the collection of required budget information from each department</li> <li>Budget timetable is developed and endorsed by the Executive Team and Council</li> <li>New initiatives require completion of a business case</li> </ul>	Low

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Category	Consequence	Likelihood	Inherent Risk Rating	Treatment of risks	Residual Risk Rating
				<ul> <li>A rating category information statement is issued with rate notices</li> <li>A revenue statement and revenue policy are prepared in accordance with the Local Government Act and Regulation</li> <li>Rates and charges information is available on Council's website</li> <li>The revenue statement and revenue policy are published in the Community Budget Report</li> </ul>	

#### Consultation

Councillors, Executive Management Team and staff.

#### Conclusion

The proposed Draft 2023-2024 Budget, Draft Capital Works Program and Draft Schedule of Fees and Charges have been put together by officers in line with preparing the 2023-2024 Budget. The metrics attached to this initial draft budget position are intended to be presented to Council for consideration and endorsement of their release as part of the public consultation the Draft 2023-2024.

Feedback received during the public consultation will be collated and presented to Council for receipt at the Ordinary Meeting to be held on 9 May 2023 and discussed, where applicable, with application towards the finalisation of the budget.

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# 11.2 Tamborine Mountain Sports Association - Request for Funding Assistance [Closed s.254J(3)(c)]

Executive Officer: General Manager Asset and Environmental Sustainability

# Recommendation

That:

- Council approve the release of funds previously identified in the 2022-2023 budget up to the value of \$200,000 to the Tamborine Mountain Sports Association Limited, under suitable terms, to undertake infrastructure upgrade, maintenance and capital replacement projects at the Long Road Sports Complex, subject to the Tamborine Mountain Sports Association Limited providing Council with satisfactory documentation (including tax invoices) in relation to the released funds; and
- 2. In accordance with clause 22.6.3 of the Scenic Rim Regional Council Standing Orders Procedure CM03.01PR.01, Council release this report in the Ordinary Meeting Minutes.

Moved: Cr Duncan McInnes Seconded: Cr Marshall Chalk

That the General Manager Asset and Environmental Sustainability's recommendation be adopted

### Amendment

That the amount outlined in the recommendation be amended to "up to \$100,000 to be approved for essential infrastructure upgrades including electrical repairs, plumbing and drainage".

Moved: Cr Michael Enright Seconded: Cr Virginia West

For: Cr Michael Enright

<u>Against:</u> Crs Greg Christensen, Jeff McConnell, Virginia West, Marshall Chalk and Duncan McInnes

Lost 1/5

The motion, moved and seconded, as follows:

That:

- Council approve the release of funds previously identified in the 2022-2023 budget up to the value of \$200,000 to the Tamborine Mountain Sports Association Limited, under suitable terms, to undertake infrastructure upgrade, maintenance and capital replacement projects at the Long Road Sports Complex, subject to the Tamborine Mountain Sports Association Limited providing Council with satisfactory documentation (including tax invoices) in relation to the released funds; and
- 2. In accordance with clause 22.6.3 of the Scenic Rim Regional Council Standing Orders Procedure CM03.01PR.01, Council release this report in the Ordinary Meeting Minutes.

was then put and

Carried

- <u>For:</u> Crs Greg Christensen, Jeff McConnell, Virginia West, Marshall Chalk and Duncan McInnes
- Against: Cr Michael Enright

Carried 5/1

# Attachments

1. Report 11.2 - Tamborine Mountain Sports Association - Request for Funding Assistance [Closed s.254J(3)(c)]

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11.2	Tamborine Mountain Sports Association - Request for Funding Assistance					
	[Closed s.254J(3)(	c)]				
	Executive Officer:	General Manager Asset and Environmental Sustainability				
	Item Author:	Manager Maintenance and Operations				
	Attachments:	Nil				

This report is **CONFIDENTIAL** in accordance with Section 254J(3)(c) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, which permits the meeting to be closed to the public for business relating to the following:

(c) the local government's budget.

#### **Executive Summary**

Council has received a delegation from Tamborine Mountain Sports Association Inc (TMSA) seeking access to further funding assistance to undertake infrastructure upgrade and capital replacement projects at the Long Road Sports Complex.

#### Recommendation

That:

- Council approve the release of funds previously identified in the 2022-2023 budget up to the value of \$200,000 to the Tamborine Mountain Sports Association Limited, under suitable terms, to undertake infrastructure upgrade, maintenance and capital replacement projects at the Long Road Sports Complex. subject to the Tamborine Mountain Sports Association Limited providing Council with satisfactory documentation (including tax invoices) in relation to the released funds; and
- 2. In accordance with clause 22.6.3 of the Scenic Rim Regional Council Standing Orders Procedure CM03.01PR.01, Council release this report following discussion in closed session.

### Previous Council Considerations / Resolutions

At the Ordinary Meeting held on 17 August 2021, (Item No. 11.1), it was resolved that:

- Council approve the release of funds previously identified in the 2021-2022 budget up to a value of \$42,500 to the Tamborine Mountain Sports Association Limited, under suitable terms, for the purpose of finalising the Concept Design Plans associated with the Long Road Sports Complex Master Plan (December 2017) to a shovel ready standard, subject to the Tamborine Mountain Sports Association Limited providing Council with copies of all final Concept Design plans and guidelines and satisfactory acquittal documentation in relation to the released funds;
- Council endorse the reallocation of \$270,000 from the budget provision to the Geissmann Oval public amenities project; and
- In accordance with clause 22.6.3 of the Scenic Rim Regional Council Standing Orders Procedure CM03.01PR.01, Council release this report following discussion in closed session.

At the Ordinary Meeting held on 6 July 2020 (Item 13.1), Council resolved to approve the release of funds previously identified in the 2019-2020 budget up to the value of \$100,000 to the Tamborine

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Mountain Sports Association Limited, under suitable terms, for the purpose of completing Concept Design Plans associated with the Long Road Sports Complex Master Plan (December 2017) including:

- 1(a) Landscape Conceptual Design for the whole site for hard and soft landscape;
- 2(a) Advanced Architectural Concept Design for the clubhouse and community space; and
- 2(b) Architectural built form guidelines for the whole of site for buildings and landscape structure - to coordinate with 1(a) Landscape Conceptual Design;

subject to the Tamborine Mountain Sports Association Limited providing Council with copies of all final Concept Design plans and guidelines and satisfactory documentation (including basic feasibility and acquittal) in relation to the released funds.

At the Ordinary Meeting held on 25 May 2020 (Item 13.3), it was resolved that:

- 1. Council provide financial assistance to the TMSA for an amount of up to \$10,000, subject to the submission of year to date actuals against budget and the provision of 2018-2019 audited financial statements; and
- Council will consider the additional request for support from the TMSA within the 2020-2021 budget deliberations.

At the Ordinary Meeting held on 11 May 2020 (Item 8.2), it was resolved that:

- 1. Council receive the deputation in absentia;
- 2. The request for funding by the Tamborine Mountain Sports Association to support its operations be referred for further consideration by Council; and
- 3. Advice be provided to the correspondent as to the action taken.

At the Ordinary Meeting held on 9 December 2019 (Item 11.12), it was resolved that Council enter into a lease for a period of 12 months, with the Tamborine Mountain Sports Association Limited over the north-eastern portion of Lot 1 on RP185521, in order to facilitate a sub-lease to the Tamborine Mountain Scout Group, subject to the same terms and conditions as the current lease between Council and the Tamborine Mountain Sports Association Limited including the opportunity for extension if required.

At the Ordinary Meeting held on 18 December 2017 (Item 7.3), it was resolved that Council endorse the Tamborine Mountain Sports Association Master Plan (December 2017) for the Long Road Sports Complex.

At the Ordinary Meeting held on 23 June 2009 (Item 6.3), it was resolved that:

- 1. Council authorise the Chief Executive officer to negotiate a lease agreement with the TMSA for the management of the proposed Tamborine Sports and Recreation Complex; and
- 2. Council nominate Cr Derek Swanborough for the position of Director on the TMSA Board.

#### Report / Background

On 16 March 2023, Mr Mick Angus, President of the TMSA met with Council officers to introduce Mr Adam Chanter, General Manager of TMSA and to make representations to Council for access to additional funds.

TMSA has identified a wide range of infrastructure upgrade and capital replacement projects to be performed at the Long Road Sports Complex, 364-412 Long Road, Tamborine Mountain, which the committee believes require immediate attention. These include soccer field fencing, ParkRun track upgrade, netball court drainage, septic upgrade, upgrades to change rooms and meeting areas, landscaping, development of an outdoor gym, electrical repairs and additional lighting.

TMSA has requested the balance of funds which had been previously allocated in the 2021-2022 budget (\$400,000.00), an amount of approximately \$200,000. The funds would constitute seed

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funding to enable completion of the projects by 30 June 2023. Further, the committee has applied for \$100,000.00 of grant funding through the Gambling Community Benefit Fund to contribute to the overall budget for the identified projects, provisionally estimated to cost between \$380,000 and \$450,000.

The recently completed sports infrastructure strategic review and additional electrical safety audit has identified that some of the existing infrastructure is nearing end of life, of poor quality and installed with poor workmanship. This allocation of this funding will assist in rectifying high risk electrical issues, long standing septic and plumbing issues, stormwater drainage issues and improve current sports field lighting to the standard required for soccer and rugby union.

The additional projects identified such as ParkRun track upgrades, upgrades to change rooms and meeting areas, landscaping and development of outdoor gym align with the adopted Long Road Sports Complex Masterplan.

#### **Budget / Financial Implications**

The funds requested by TMSA would be sourced through \$200,000 from the Sports and Recreation Specific Project Fund and \$100,00 from the Sport and Recreation Capital Works Fund within the Property Management 2022-2023 capital expenditure budget.

If endorsed, this leaves a residual capital funding commitment of \$0 towards the Tamborine Mountain Sports Association Limited upgrade of the Long Road Sports Complex.

#### Strategic Implications

Operational Plan

Theme: 7. Healthy, Engaged and Resourceful Communities

Key Area of Focus: Increased capacity and community aspiration for improved health and wellbeing

Legal / Statutory Implications

Not applicable.

#### Risks

#### Strategic Risks

The following Level 1 and Level 2 (strategic) risks are relevant to the matters considered in this report:

- SR43 Inadequate or ineffective planning, delivery and maintenance of infrastructure resulting in risk to public and staff safety and potential financial implications.
- SR53 Inadequate sustainable economic growth plans in place to appropriately maximise opportunities, resulting in increased pressures on Council and State infrastructure and social environmental cohesiveness.

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#### Risk Assessment

Category	Consequence	Likelihood	Inherent Risk Rating	Treatment of risks	Residual Risk Rating
Infrastructure, Assets & Service Delivery Adverse impacts to the community due to inadequate or ineffective planning, delivery and maintenance of infrastructure resulting in risk to public and staff safety and potential financial implications.	4 Major	Possible	High	10 Year Capital Works Program; 10 year Financial Plan; Core Asset Management Plans	Medium
Financial/Economic Adverse impacts to the community due to inadequate sustainable economic growth plans in place to appropriate maximise opportunities, resulting in increased pressures on Council land State infrastructure and social environmental cohesiveness.	4 Major	Possible	High	Asset Management Framework (Plans, Policies, Procedures); Community Plan; Operational Plan.	Medium

### Consultation

Council's Chief Executive Officer, General Manager Asset and Environmental Sustainability and Manager Maintenance and Operations, met with TMSA's President, Mr Mick Angus and General Manager, Mr Adam Chanter.

#### Conclusion

Council is requested to consider a request from the TMSA for funding to complete a number of infrastructure upgrade and capital replacement projects at the Long Road Sports Complex.

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# 11.3 Beaudesert Town Centre Revitalisation Project Delivery Options [Closed s.254J(3)(c)]

Executive Officer: General Manager Asset and Environmental Sustainability

# Recommendation

That:

- 1. Council apply for a reallocation of the Australian Government Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program Phase 3 funding;
- Council endorse allocation of \$6,259,388 to support the delivery and finalisation of Stages 3, 4 and 5 of the Beaudesert Town Centre Revitalisation Project with these funds being reallocated from the Capital Projects Fund budget allocation [project number: 9001503] and that this reallocation be ratified as part of the 2023 March Budget Review; and
- 3. In accordance with clause 22.6.3 of the Scenic Rim Regional Council Standing Orders Procedure CM03.01PR.01, Council maintain confidentiality over the contents of this report until all requirements associated with the funding agreements are met.

Moved: Cr Michael Enright Seconded: Cr Virginia West

That the General Manager Asset and Environmental Sustainability's recommendation be adopted

Carried unanimously

The Ordinary Meeting ended at 1.33 pm.

To be confirmed on 18 April 2023.

Cr Greg Christensen

Mayor