



ORDINARY MEETING

AGENDA

25 JULY 2023

Your attendance is required at an Ordinary meeting of Council to be held in the Council Chambers, 232 Bolsover Street, Rockhampton on 25 July 2023 commencing at 9:00am for transaction of the enclosed business.

In line with section 277E of the Local Government Regulation 2012, it has been determined that it is not practicable for the public to attend Council meetings in person at the current time. Until further notice, Council meetings will instead take place via videoconference and will be livestreamed online.

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
21 July 2023

Next Meeting Date: 08.08.23

Please note:

In accordance with the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, please be advised that all discussion held during the meeting is recorded for the purpose of verifying the minutes. This will include any discussion involving a Councillor, staff member or a member of the public.

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1 OPENING

2 PRESENT

Members Present:

The Mayor, Councillor A P Williams (Chairperson)
Deputy Mayor, Councillor N K Fisher
Councillor S Latcham
Councillor C E Smith
Councillor C R Rutherford
Councillor M D Wickerson
Councillor D Kirkland
Councillor G D Mathers

In Attendance:

Mr E Pardon – Chief Executive Officer

3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held 11 July 2023

5 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

6 BUSINESS OUTSTANDING

Nil

7 PUBLIC FORUMS/DEPUTATIONS

Nil

8 PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

Nil

9 COMMITTEE REPORTS

Nil

10 COUNCILLOR/DELEGATE REPORTS

10.1 COUNCILLOR DISCRETIONARY FUND APPLICATION - NORTH ROCKHAMPTON SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB INC

File No: 8295
Attachments: Nil
Authorising Officer: Nicole Semfel - Acting Senior Executive Assistant to the Mayor
Justin Kann - Manager Office of the Mayor
Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer
Author: Megan Careless - Executive Support Officer

SUMMARY

This report requests Council's consideration and approval for an allocation from Councillors' Councillor Discretionary Fund for the North Rockhampton Senior Citizens Club Inc to host events during Seniors Month (October 2023).

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council approves the allocation of \$300 from the following Councillor Discretionary Funds: Councillor Neil Fisher, Councillor Grant Mathers, and Councillor Cherie Rutherford; \$200 from Councillor Donna Kirkland and \$150 from Councillor Ellen Smith to assist the North Rockhampton Senior Citizens Club Inc in hosting three (3) events during Seniors Month in October.

BACKGROUND

The North Rockhampton Senior Citizens Club Inc are seeking financial assistance to host 3 events in October during Seniors Month. The events include a breakfast on 1 October, luncheon on 13 October and Grandparents Day luncheon on 27 October.

Councillor Neil Fisher, Councillor Grant Mathers, Councillor Cherie Rutherford wish to contribute \$300ea from their Councillor Discretionary Funds. Councillor Donna Kirkland would like to contribute \$200 and Councillor Ellen Smith \$150.

As multiple requests have been received for the same purpose, approval from Council is necessary.

11 OFFICERS' REPORTS

11.1 ROCKHAMPTON BOTANIC GARDENS AND ZOO AMENITIES OPTIONS

File No:	14700
Attachments:	Nil
Authorising Officer:	Peter Kofod - General Manager Regional Services
Author:	Andrew Collins - Manager Project Delivery

SUMMARY

Consideration of alternatives for amenities at the Rockhampton Botanic Gardens and Zoo.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council progresses to construct Option 1 "Master Planned Amenities Option", as detailed in the report, subject to the Building Better Regions Fund grant funding remaining substantially intact.

BACKGROUND

Council have been unable to provide a "Value for Money" outcome in relation to the delivery of the Rockhampton Botanic Gardens and Zoo Visitor Hub Project.

Following the Ordinary Council meeting on 27 June 2023 and a resolution to present alternatives for amenities, this report details a number of viable amenities options for the Rockhampton Botanic Gardens and Zoo site for Council to consider moving forward with.

COMMENTARY

Council have invested considerable time and money into the recent development of the Rockhampton Botanic Gardens and Zoo Implementation Plan. The site has a Heritage Overlay in place with a significant tree protection profile that required the careful consideration, planning and approval of all aspects of the Visitor Hub project.

The design consultants have established a design intent and an Architectural Language for the Master Planned project. This Architectural Language references the existing Heritage Place and buildings and is expressed in the new built form proposed. The project's location and setting represents a very privileged opportunity for Council to make the visitor engagement at our number one tourist attraction a more appropriate and refined experience.

Option 1 - Master Planned Amenities Option.

This option would be the construction of the new amenities as designed and detailed in the proposed Master Plan. This proposal is the costliest, however it maintains the integrity of the design intent that was established through the design development process which was meticulously undertaken over the last two years.

This proposal would be the first component and the commencement of the Visitor Hub Project. It would allow the controlled and staged delivery of the other proposed and designed stages to full redevelopment with only very minor sunken costs.

The main cost associated with this design is the elevation of all structures so as not to impact the root zones of the significant trees that have Heritage protection. The elevation also allows for low impact on root zones in relation to the installation of sewer and service lines to the amenities. The site's topography and required elevation complicates site transition levels and achieving accessibility compliance, however the current design overcomes all these issues.

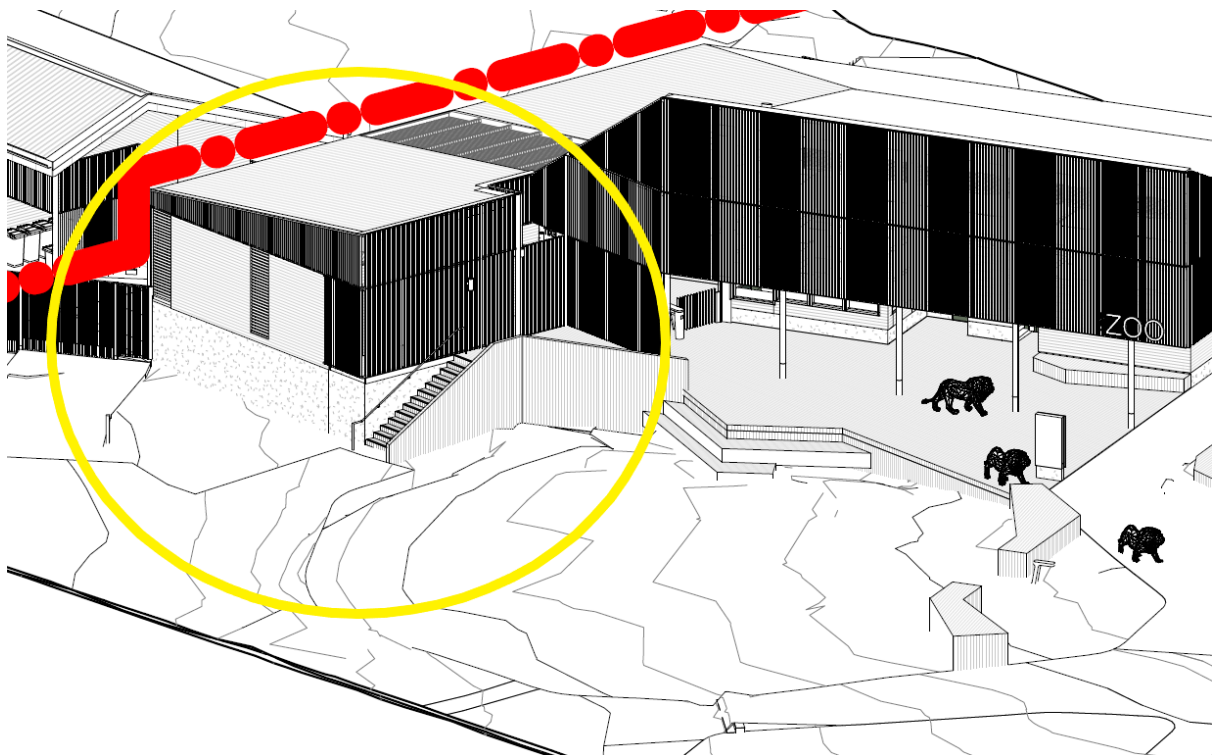
The scope for this proposal would include the following and importantly captures the value of the costs and time spent to date on the masterplan development.

- A new bespoke elevated public amenities facilities which includes a four stall female, two urinal and two stall male, two PWD toilets a cleaner's room and one male, one female and one unisex toilets that would be considered external to the Zoo on completion of the whole Visitor hub project;
- An elevated floor with Ekoboard deck (part entry area);
- New pavement to intersection on the existing road with Darumbal artwork;
- Utility services connections including power, potable water, sewer and communications;
- Digital interactive displays;
- Interpretative and wayfinding signage and statues for photo opportunities;
- Footpaths, new access stairs and accessible ramps; and
- Extensive landscaping including root protection, seating, gravel paths, irrigated turfed areas, garden beds, trees and shrubs.

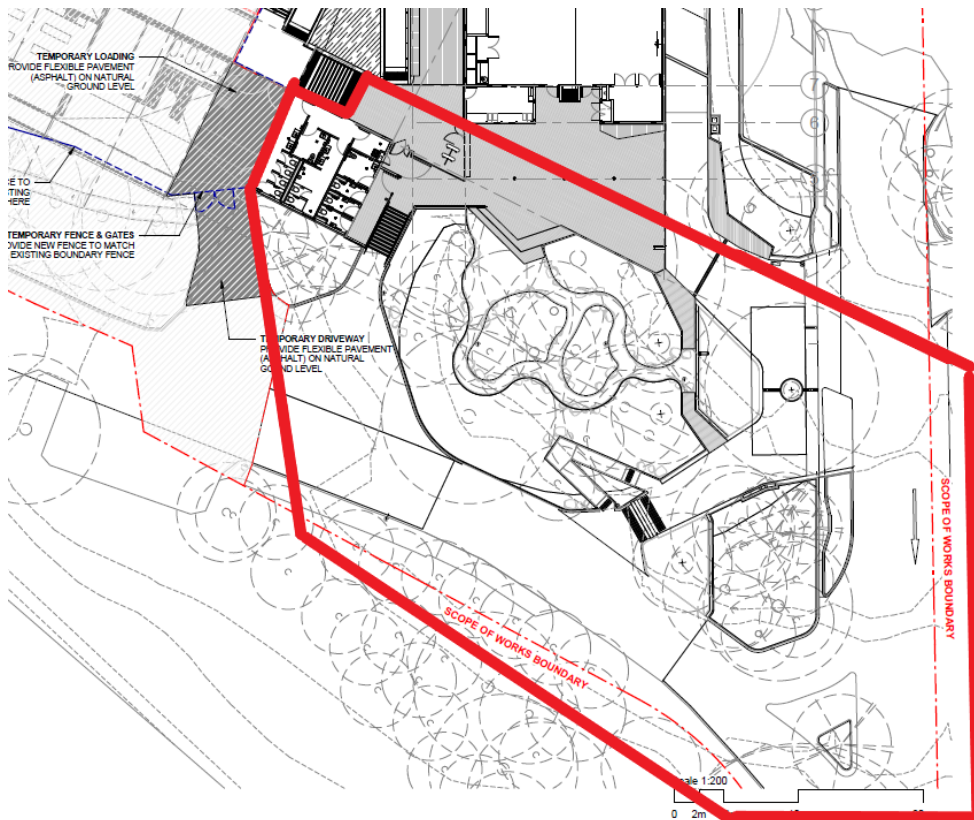
As previously stated, this option initiates the Visitor Hub project and importantly aligns to the Master Plan development.

The project is estimated to cost \$3.3M.

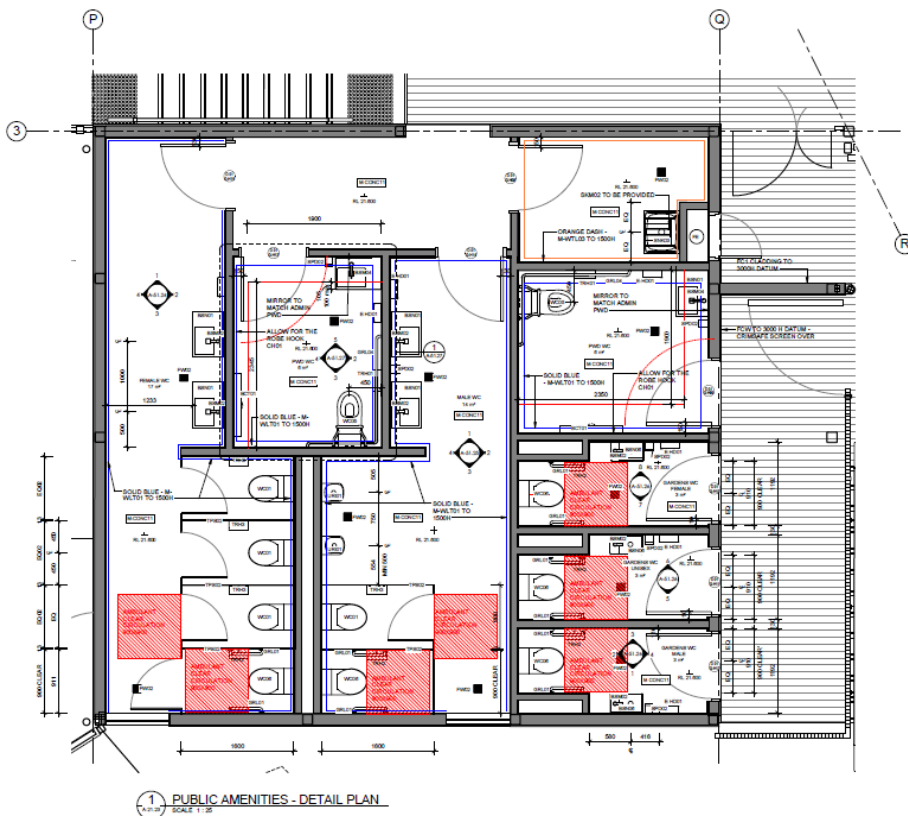
A variant to this option would be a more simplified amenities structure (proprietary pre-manufactured) item that could be placed on the new suspended slab required for the above scope. This could potentially save \$150-\$200K however would drastically change the design intent of the project.



Perspective showing elevation and transition levels



Extent of site development under option 1



Proposed Floor Plan Option 1

Option 2 – Provision of two small remote Amenities.

This option would propose the construction of two small (proprietary pre-manufactured) amenities block, 1 x Unisex Accessible, 1 Unisex ambulant & 1 x Unisex toilet) in strategic locations on the Rockhampton Botanic Gardens & Zoo site. Please refer to the following plan (Figures 1 & 2)

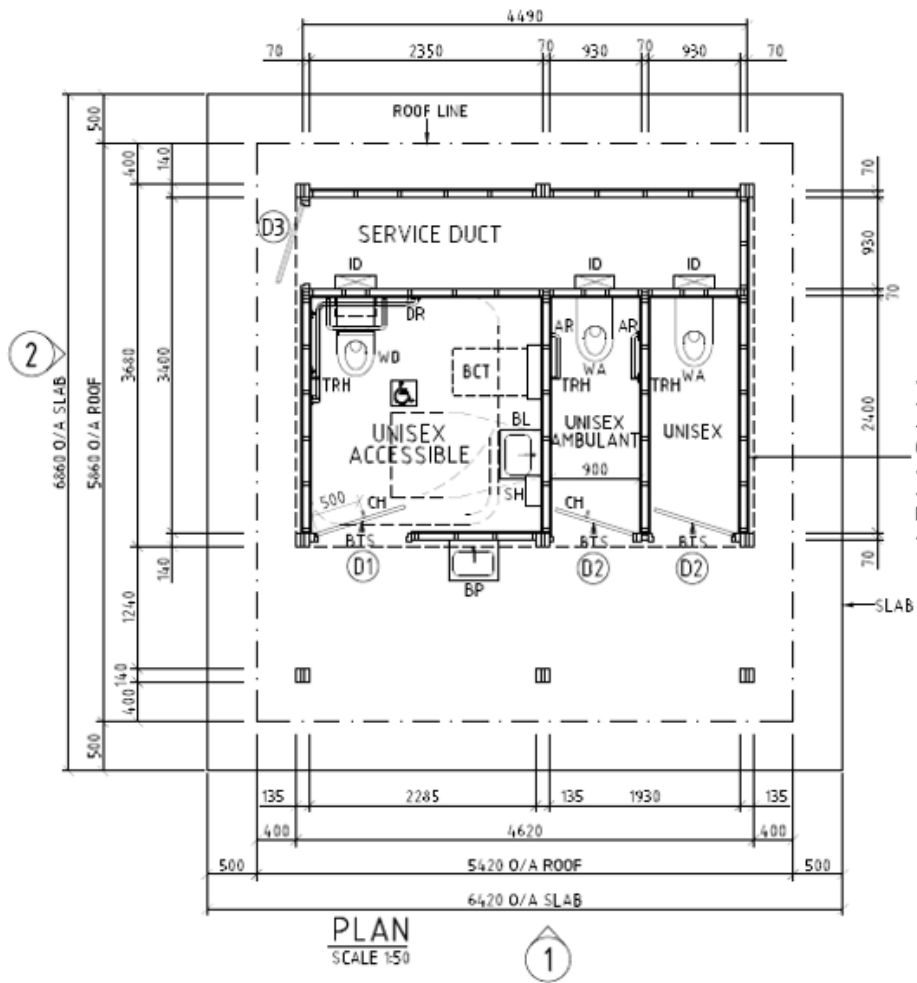
This option will require further work on obtaining Heritage approval, building and plumbing approval. It will require some minor documentation, survey and services identification. There will be accessibility access challenges and cost to connect these facilities to power, sewer and water.

The combined total of this option is \$1.03M. This option does not interfere with the original design intent of the Visitor Hub Project; however, it is not in line with the Master Plan. Funding allocation to this project would reduce the budget for the overall master planned development.

However the provision of two remote amenities would not be considered a waste of money as they would have a positive impact to the site and help with any future user demands.



Proposed Remote Amenities Block Option 2



Typical Floor Plan Option 2

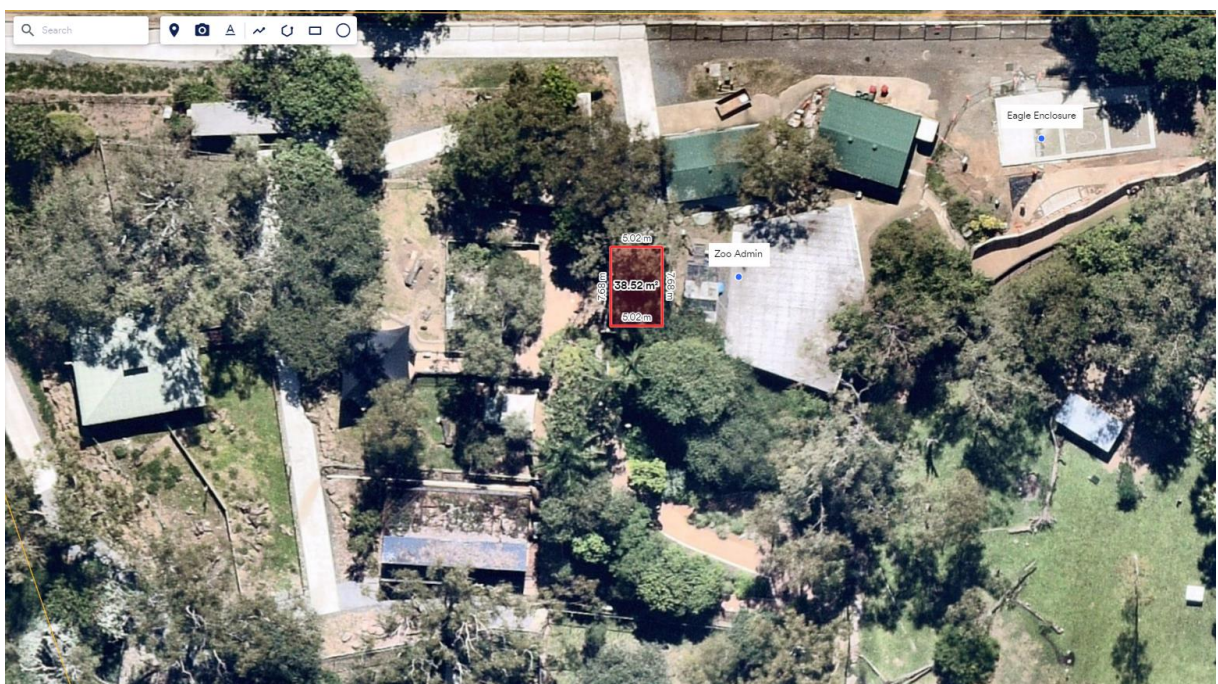


Figure 1 Proposed Location Koala Area

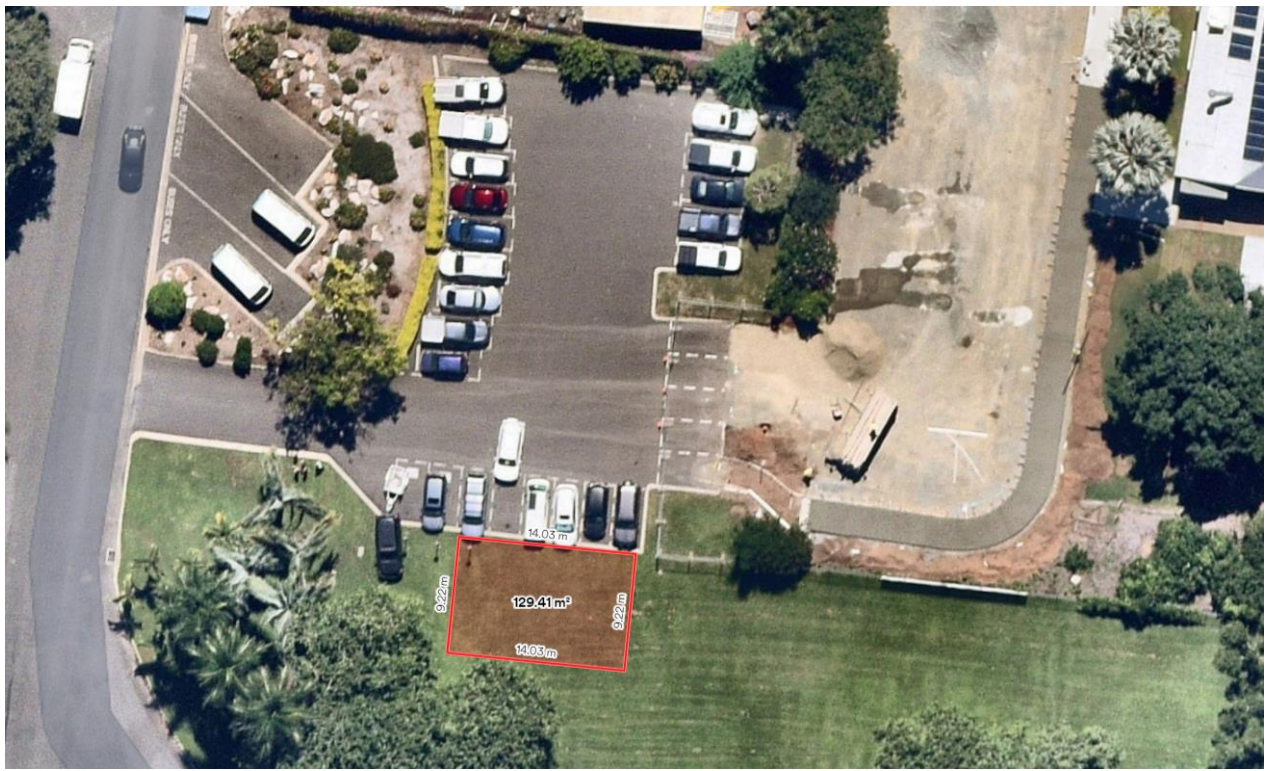


Figure 2 Proposed Location Carpark Area

Option 3 – Hire of Temporary Amenity Facility.

This option would propose the site setup and hire of an amenity’s facility for a period of time until a permanent solution was developed. This option is the least desirable in appearance and appropriateness for end users. It would not be of the caliber of what would be the expected facility at a premier tourist attraction. Initial investigations indicate that the availability of a hired temporary facility with disabled accessibility is going to be challenging. Any work to install this unit will be considered sunk costs.

This option would not do the site justice and may negatively impact the reputation of the Rockhampton Botanic Gardens and Zoo.

A location on site, which allowed future development to occur would need confirming.

The estimated cost to provide a temporary solution for 2 years would be \$180,000.



Typical Hire Amenities Block appearance

GRANT FUNDING

We have entered into communications with Federal Government Officers who administer the BBRF Grant 5. A proposal has been put to them in relation to a variation to our grant agreement, which would remove the entry turnstiles and the multi-Purpose Room. They have indicated that they would need to consult further with the Policy Partners in relation to a formal submission for this substantial variation.

PREVIOUS DECISIONS

There has been two recent important resolutions in relation to the Rockhampton Botanic Gardens and Zoo Redevelopment. These are detailed as follows:

At the Ordinary Council meeting held on the 24 August 2021. Council endorsed the following resolution:

THAT Council endorse the Implementation Plan for the Rockhampton Botanic Gardens & Zoo Redevelopment.

At the Ordinary Council meeting held on the 26 June 2023. Council endorsed the following resolution:

THAT Council:

- 1. Defer the construction of the New Visitor Hub project for a six-to-twelve-month period;*
- 2. Request a further report be presented on*

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Council have adopted \$8.861 million across the next three financial years for redevelopment works at the Rockhampton Botanic Gardens and Zoo, with an allocation of \$4.0 million in this current financial year. There is a \$1.5 million grant linked to work on the Visitor Hub, which maybe varied as required to suit the current market responses to the approved grant project.

There are other options put forward in this report that are less costly, they however do not have any linked funding, so Council's overall capital budget outlay is not significantly more when the funding is considered.

LEGISLATIVE CONTEXT

The land tenure of the Botanical Gardens is identified as State Reserve and therefore the land and uses are managed by both a Land Management plan and Heritage Management plan.

All capital works need to consider both the Land Management plan and Heritage Management plan and any adjustments to the plans made through future design processes.

A Conservation Management Plan (CMP) was prepared as part of the Implementation Plan.

RISK ASSESSMENT

The Rockhampton Botanic Gardens & Zoo is one of Council's premier attractions for local and non-locals. Council receives continual complaints and requests from the community to improve facilitates, infrastructure and services across the site.

The Rockhampton Botanic Gardens and Zoo Implementation Plan has addressed this feedback from the community and developed the Visitor Hub design.

There is a real risk that if the Strategy put forward by the implementation plan, and the work done around the Visitor Hub project is not implemented then this value will be lost.

As previously stated the recommended option commences the Visitor Hub project and captures the value of the costs and time spent to date on the masterplan development.

CORPORATE/OPERATIONAL PLAN

The Rockhampton Botanic Gardens & Zoo Redevelopment supports the following Operational Plan action:

Our Community Goal 2.1 “ Our places and spaces enhance the live ability and diversity of our communities”.

CONCLUSION

That Council endorses their commitment to the redevelopment of the Rockhampton Botanic Gardens and Zoo, by commencing the construction of the first stage which will include a new amenities block as per option 1 of the design that has been developed for the Visitor Hub.

11.2 GROWING REGIONS PROGRAM - GRANT APPLICATION

File No: 12534
Attachments: Nil
Authorising Officer: Angus Russell - Executive Manager Strategy and Planning
Author: Ann Davie - Grants and Policy Advisor

SUMMARY

This report provides information about the Australian Government's Growing Regions Program and the proposed application for funding the Rockhampton Botanic Gardens and Zoo Lemur Enclosure project.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council seeks funding through the Growing Regions Program for the Rockhampton Botanic Gardens and Zoo Lemur Enclosure project.

COMMENTARY

The Growing Regions Program funds community infrastructure projects with project costs between \$1 million and \$15 million. Taking into consideration the grant program requirements and Council's current community infrastructure projects, repurposing the Rockhampton Botanic Gardens and Zoo (RBGZ) Aviary as a Lemur Enclosure has been identified as a suitable project to put forward for funding.

BACKGROUND***Growing Regions Program***

The Australian Government announced the new Growing Regions Program as part of their October 2022 Budget. This grant program takes the place of the previous Government's Building Better Regions Fund (BBRF).

Guidelines for the Growing Regions Program were released in early 2023, with applications opening on 5 July 2023. Applications close on 1 August 2023.

The grant program is a 2-staged process, with an initial EOI stage and a detailed application stage, should projects successfully get through the EOI stage.

The grant program provides 50/50 funding for community infrastructure projects, with grant amounts between \$500,000 and \$15 million.

Projects must start by 15 May 2024 and be completed by 31 December 2025.

From available information, a second round of the Growing Regions Program is due to be announced in late 2023.

Repurposing the RBGZ Aviary as a Lemur Enclosure

This project will repurpose the current unused aviary to create a new lemur enclosure. The scope of works includes: site works, construction of a lemur night cage, remedial works and additions to the current aviary dome, and replacement of mesh.

Preliminary plans and costings have been completed by AMF Building Design, with a total probable cost of \$3 million.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

The Growing Regions Program will fund up to 50% of a project's eligible costs, with the minimum grant being \$500,000 and the maximum being \$15 million.

Council will seek funding of \$1,500,000. Council's contribution would be \$1,500,000. Council's cash contribution has been included in the 2023-24 Budget.

Operational costs and revenue

Annual operational costs associated with the care of lemurs and enclosure are estimated at \$117,752.

Annual revenue generated from animal encounters is estimated at ~\$90,000.

RISK ASSESSMENT

Time between applications closing and project commencement is approximately 6-9 months. The cost estimate provided does not provide allowances for price inflation. If we successfully get through to the Detailed Application stage, there is the opportunity to have greater certainty about project costs and update project costs accordingly, as well as including contingency.

CORPORATE/OPERATIONAL PLAN

This project aligns with these Corporate Plan Goals:

Goal 1.1.1 We are fiscally responsible - We prioritise our projects and operational activities effectively to achieve our long-term goals.

Goal 2.1.5 Our places and spaces enhance the liveability and diversity of our communities - We maintain our public places and spaces responsibly by planning and prioritising our work.

CONCLUSION

This report provides information about the Australian Government's new Growing Regions Program and provides information about the Rockhampton Botanic Gardens and Zoo project to repurpose the aviary as a lemur enclosure, with the recommendation that an application for funding the project be submitted.

11.3 HOMELESS CONNECT ANNUAL EVENT

File No:	11550
Attachments:	1. Homeless Connect 2023 Stats ↓ 2. Homeless Connect Events Stats ↓
Authorising Officer:	Alicia Cutler - General Manager Community Services
Author:	Kerri Dorman - Administration Supervisor

SUMMARY

An update on the annual Homeless Connect Event held at the Robert Swarten Pavilion on Thursday 18 May 2023 is provided for Councillor's information.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT the report be 'received' and Council confirm its commitment towards the 2024 Annual Homeless Connect Event with a proposed date of Thursday 4 July 2024.

COMMENTARY

The annual Homeless Connect event provides an opportunity for vulnerable members of the community that are experiencing hardship, at risk of homelessness or are homeless. The day provides free food, clothing, haircuts, eye checks and access to various community agencies and services at the one location.

This year's event saw Council partner with Roseberry Queensland to deliver the event, attracting 34 agencies, 362 attendees and providing 1761 services.

Attendees also benefited from the 250 breakfasts that were cooked and served by The Salvation Army, at a cost to Council of \$5.00/person. The Salvation Army provided morning tea with Multicultural Australia providing a hot lunch.

Clothes were donated by the community, stored and sorted at Roseberry (Jack's House, 122 Kent Street).

Besides community agencies and organisations in attendance, the following businesses/individuals donated their services and time:

- Grace Removals – transporting of clothes to the Robert Swarten Pavilion
- Birdee's Hair Boutique – free haircuts
- Sue Stokes - free nail painting
- Moore Eyes - free eye checks; and
- CQ University - free Oral Health Checks and Physiotherapy on the day.

Debrief Meeting

The Committee recently convened a debrief meeting following the event where it discussed the feedback received from both agencies and attendees. Some of the outcomes from this feedback highlighted below:

- The 2024 event be held on Thursday 4 July from 8am to 12.30pm at the Robert Swarten Pavilion. It was unanimously agreed that the event suited a shorter timeframe.
- Better commitment from agencies is needed.
- As the 2024 event will be held during school holidays, it was suggested kid's activities be provided.
- It would be useful to have more support for Domestic Violence clients.

BACKGROUND

Council established the event in 2010 and has provided 11,400 services to 1,928 attendees (table attached).

PREVIOUS DECISIONS

This event is budgeted for in the Operational Budget for Community Services Directorate.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

Expenditure for the 2023 event totaled \$6,907.35.

Cash donations (including gift vouchers) received totaled \$1,400.00

Estimated in-kind labour costs (i.e., CS Directorate; CAF; Communities & Culture, Regional Services staff) for set-up, during and pack-up was calculated at approximately \$6,104.45.

Total Operational Budget for the 2022/2023 event was \$6,000.00 plus \$3,000.00 for internal transfers.

LEGISLATIVE CONTEXT

No foreseen legislative implications

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

No foreseen legal implications

STAFFING IMPLICATIONS

No foreseen staffing implications.

RISK ASSESSMENT

No foreseeable risks.

CORPORATE/OPERATIONAL PLAN

Corporate Plan Goal 2.2: We support our communities through our activities and programs

CONCLUSION

With this year's event reaching almost double (362) to last year's attendance figures, and high rates of homelessness continuing, it is evident that Council's Annual Homeless Connect is a much-needed program for our community.

Accordingly, it is recommended that Council continue to support and host this event in the future.

HOMELESS CONNECT ANNUAL EVENT

Homeless Connect 2023 Statistics

Meeting Date: 25 July 2023

Attachment No: 1

ROCKHAMPTON HOMELESS CONNECT
ROCKHAMPTON SHOWGROUND EVENT - 18 MAY 2023
SERVICE PROVIDER STATISTICS 2023

	SERVICE	MALE	FEMALE	YOUTH	CHILDREN	TOTAL
1	Anglicare CQ	23	34	11	8	76
2	Bidgerdii Community Health Service					0
3	Birdee Hair Boutique (Unable to take stats)	0	0	0	0	0
4	Corrective Services (Probation & Parole) (Withdraw)	0	0	0	0	0
5	CQ Container Refund					0
6	CQ Financial Counselling Service	30	89	9	10	138
7	CQHHS - Alcohol and Other Drugs & Youth AODS	8	15	0	0	23
8	CQHHS - Blood Borne Virus & Sexual Health & Mobile Women's Service	3	20	3	1	27
9	CQHHS - Bowel Cancer Screening	0	0	3	2	5
10	CQHHS - Breast Screen	2	35	9	7	53
11	CQHHS - New Endings Men's Program					0
12	CQHHS - Public Health Unit & Smoking Cessations (didn't capture all exchanges)	5	11	0	1	17
14	CQ - Oral Health	55	63	0	0	118
13	CQID					0
15	CQUniversity - Physio & Oral	7	29	0	4	40
16	Darumbal Community Youth Services	18	52	22	7	99
17	Department of Communities, Housing & Digital Economy	18	29	2	3	52
18	Family Drug Support	2	6	0	0	8
19	Girls Time Out	20	53	12	9	94
20	Hands of Compassion (Food Bank)	4	9	0	0	13
21	Hair Aid Community Cuts (Withdraw)	0	0	0	0	0
22	Headspace	35	55	34	21	145
23	Knitters & Knotters (Too many to Count)					0

	SERVICE	MALE	FEMALE	YOUTH	CHILDREN	TOTAL
24	Moore Eyes	5	7	0	0	12
25	Multicultural Australia	52	99	6	11	168
26	Nayba (Combined Church Group)	6	6	0	0	12
27	Orange Sky (Withdraw)	0	0	0	0	0
28	Our Space Stockland	12	22	0	0	34
29	Rockhampton Regional Council - Community Services - Shop	99	137	2	28	266
30	Rockhampton Regional Council - Disaster Management (Withdraw)	0	0	0	0	0
31	Rockhampton Regional Council Libraries	20	76	0	18	114
32	Rockhampton Regional Council - Knitters					0
33	Roseberry					0
34	Services Australia (Centrelink)	12	20	2	0	34
35	St Vincent de Paul Society Qld - Homestay Program/Men's Hostel	10	9	0	1	20
36	Community	55	134	5	9	203
37	Tenants Queensland - QSTAR (Withdraw)	0	0	0	0	0
38	The Real Group - Level Up	13	20	2	7	42
39	Women's Health Information & Referral Service Inc					0
	Total	514	1030	122	147	1813

HOMELESS CONNECT 2023 TOTAL ATTENDANCES	
Male	113
Female	180
Youth/ Child	69
	362

<u>Organisations that didn't attend</u>	
1	Carers Qld (NDIS)
2	Churches Together (Absent)
3	Community Solutions
4	CTC Yhars
5	Grow
6	Helem Yumba Healing Place
7	OzCare
8	Public Trustee
9	Relationships Australia
10	Rockhampton Community Corrections

HOMELESS CONNECT ANNUAL EVENT

Homeless Connect Events Statistics

Meeting Date: 25 July 2023

Attachment No: 2

ROCKHAMPTON HOMELESS CONNECT

YEAR	DATE OF EVENT	AGENCIES (including private hairdressers, photo booth and food vendors)	SERVICES (no. that attended x differ services)					ATTENDEES					
			MALE	FEMALE	YOUTH	CHILD	TOTAL	MALE	FEMALE	YOUTH	CHILD	TOTAL	
2023	18-May-2023	34	496	1001	120	144	1761	113	180	69		362	
2022	19-May-2022	36	341	580	31	2	954	63	68	4		135	
2021	2021	Canceled					0	200 food vouchers given in 2021					0
2020	2020	Canceled					0					0	
2019	23-May-2019	43	262	368	243	0	873	130	138		39	307	
2018	26-July-2018	40	401	740	168	18	1309	69	87		42	198	
2017	25-May-2017	38	447	646	76	3	1169	57	56		4	117	
2016	14-July-2016	31	206	251	26	0	483	56	41		2	99	
2015	16-July-2015	23	316	308	59	1	684	54	36		13	103	
2014	19-June-2014	28	263	329	47	0	639	48	44		5	97	
2013	20-June-2013	23	221	264	40	0	525	36	43	15	0	94	
2012	09-August-2012	29	304	404	61	1	770	55	44	6	1	106	
2011	11-August-2011	21	294	546	152	45	1037					170	
2010	30-November-2010	30					1196					140	
TOTALS			1398	1305	207	47	11400					1928	

11.4 BAD DEBT WRITE OFFS**File No:** 1117**Attachments:**

1. July 2023 - Write Offs (Confidential)
2. Email with Manager Approval for write off (Confidential)
3. Email with Manager Approval write off (Confidential)
4. Email with Manager approval for write off (Confidential)
5. Email with Manager approval for FRW write offs (Confidential)

Authorising Officer: Ross Cheesman - Acting Chief Executive Officer**Author:** Marnie Taylor - Chief Financial Officer

SUMMARY

The Chief Financial Officer presents a schedule of amounts considered to be uncollectable that have been waived as per 5.4 of the Debt Recovery Policy Version 11, Adopted 19 July 2022.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT the debts contained in the schedule within the report be received by Council, as these have been written off as bad debts.

COMMENTARY

The attached schedule shows details of the debtor and amounts involved as well as detailed comments on efforts undertaken in attempting to effect payment. Council has exhausted all avenues of recovery as per the Debt Recovery Policy. Consequently, the costs of pursuing these debts which have no chance of recovery makes it uneconomical to do so.

BACKGROUND

Each of the debts has been written off into the provision for Doubtful Debts where Council made a provision in the 2022/2023 Financial Accounts as a bad debt expense.

In accordance with the Debt Recovery Policy, which was amended in 2019, Council is required to be presented with a report of unrecoverable bad debts less than \$3,000.

PREVIOUS DECISIONS

Council was last presented with a schedule of bad debts that had been written off on 28 March 2023.

LEGISLATIVE CONTEXT

In accordance with the current Debt Recovery Policy, Version 11, adopted on 19 July 2022, the Chief Financial Officer is delegated with authority to waive debts where all practical means to recover the debt have been exhausted and such debt is less than \$3,000. It is also a requirement that a report of debts that have been waived be presented to Council at the next available meeting. All debts written-off must be recorded in the Bad Debts Register that is regularly reviewed and updated by the Senior Revenue Officer as per Council's Debt Recovery Policy.

CONCLUSION

It is recommended that Council receive the report as presented for the unrecoverable bad debts.

**11.5 WHOLE OF COUNCIL CORPORATE PERFORMANCE REPORT FOR PERIOD
ENDING JUNE 2023**

File No: 1392
Attachments: 1. WOC - June 2023 [↓](#)
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SUMMARY

Deputy Chief Executive Officer presenting the Whole of Council Corporate Performance Report for period ending 30 June 2023 for Councillor's information.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Whole of Council Corporate Performance Report for period ending 30 June 2023 be "received".

COMMENTARY

The Whole of Council Corporate Performance Report for period ending 30 June 2023 is presented for Council's consideration.

**WHOLE OF COUNCIL
CORPORATE PERFORMANCE REPORT
FOR PERIOD ENDING JUNE 2023**

WOC - June 2023

Meeting Date: 25 July 2023

Attachment No: 1

Whole of Council



Corporate Performance Report

01 June 2023 – 30 June 2023

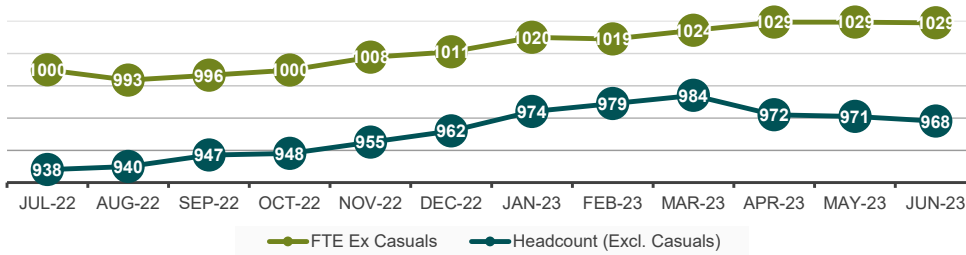
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CORPORATE SERVICES
Human Resources

WORKFORCE



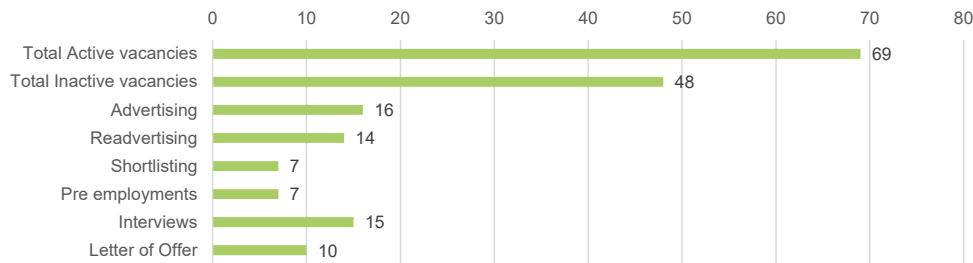
Commentary:

Establishment (FTE) – Our positions include the total number of positions in Council, including Full Time and Part Time. These positions will vary from Permanent roles to Fixed Term roles and the above figures exclude Casuals.

Employees (Headcount) - Our workforce includes the total number of employees employed by Council including full time and part time employees (excludes labour hire and contractors). Figures above show Headcount totals excluding casuals.

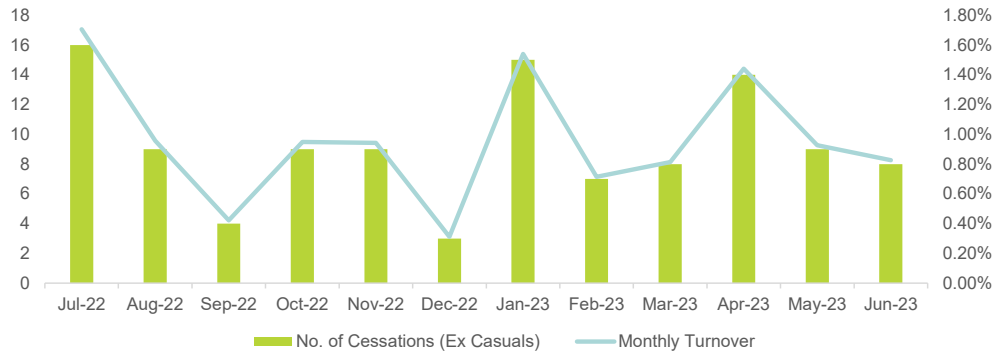
Council had 65 Casuals available for month of June.

RECRUITMENT



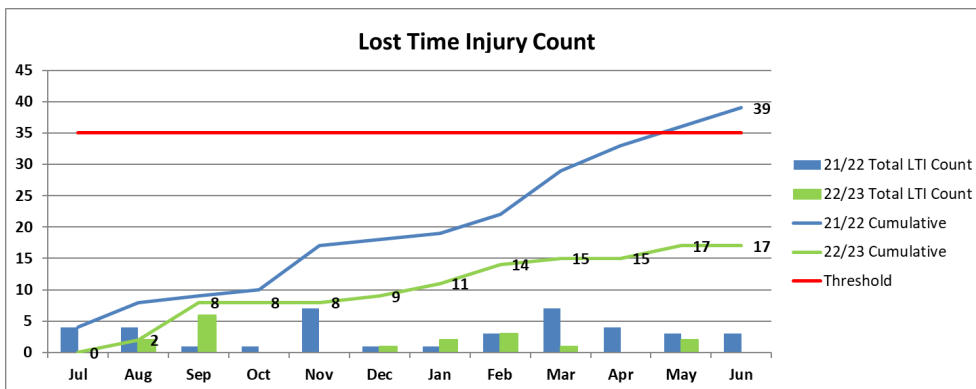
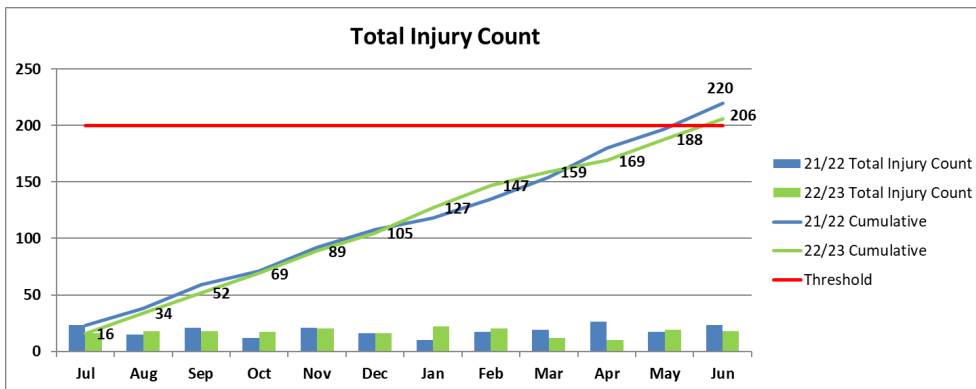
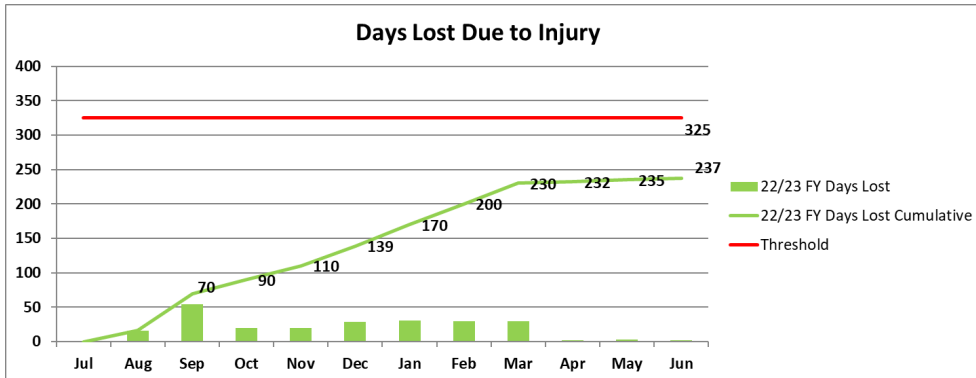
Commentary: Active vacancies are those positions currently being recruited, including casual positions, long term leave and fixed term backfilling. Inactive vacancies are positions that are currently under review or on hold.

STAFF TURNOVER - 11.54%



Commentary: Staff turnover for the previous 12 months is 11.54%. This is considered to be an acceptable level of employee turnover. Casual employees are excluded from staff turnover calculations.

Safety



Administrative Action Complaints

Departmental Report – Number of level 3 Administrative Action Complaints as of 1 July 2022 – 30 June 2023.

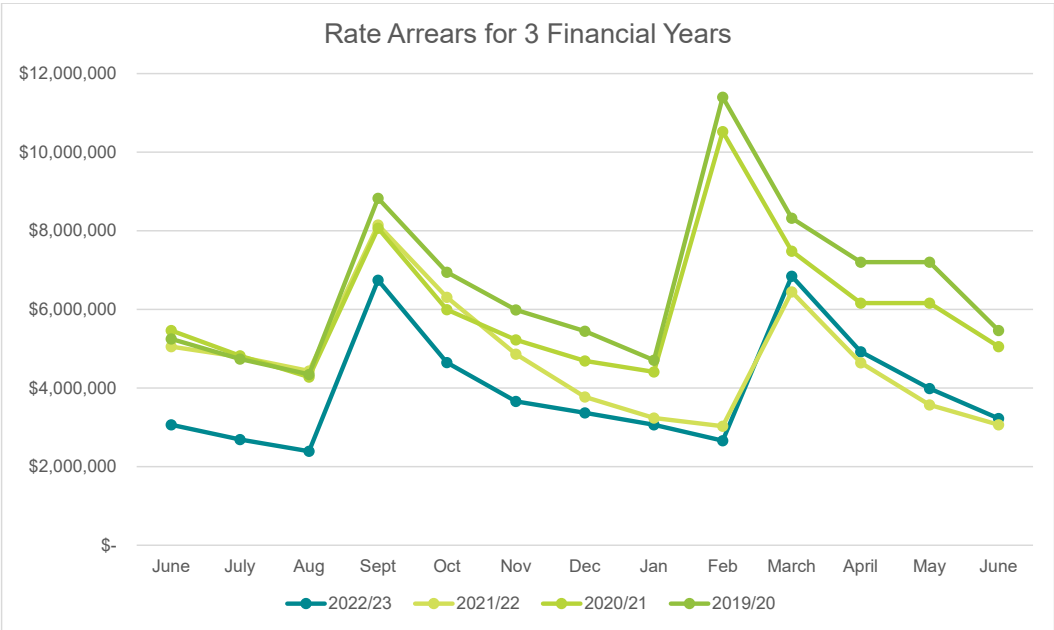
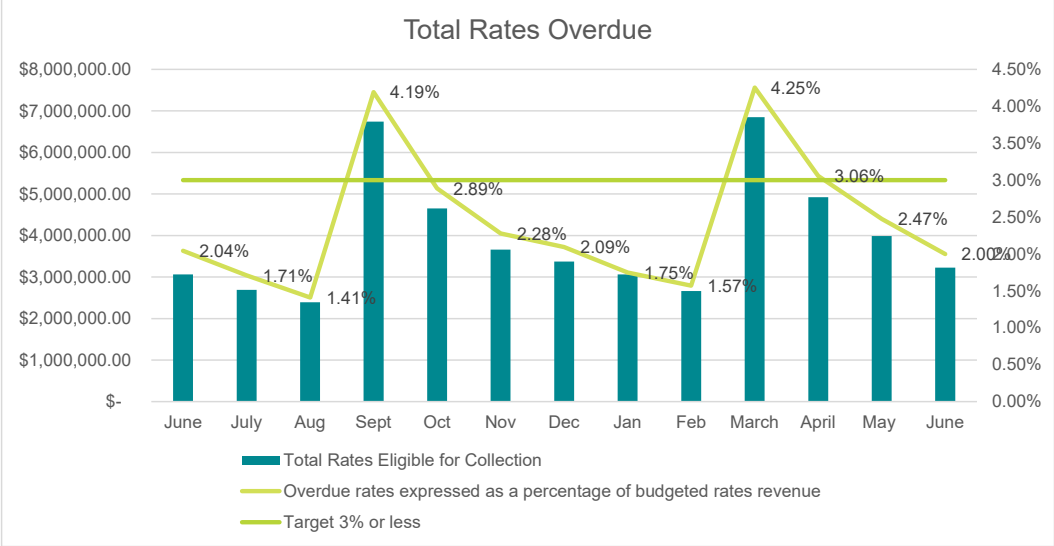
Department	AAC* Level 3	Queensland Ombudsman Referrals to RRC	Queensland Ombudsman Requests from RRC	Open /closed
Office the CEO	1	0	0	1 Closed
Regional Services	2	1	0	2 Closed
Community Services	15	3	5	2 Open 13 Closed
Corporate Services	2	0	0	2 Closed
RRC Totals	20	4	5	

* AAC - Administrative Action Complaints

Service Level Statistics

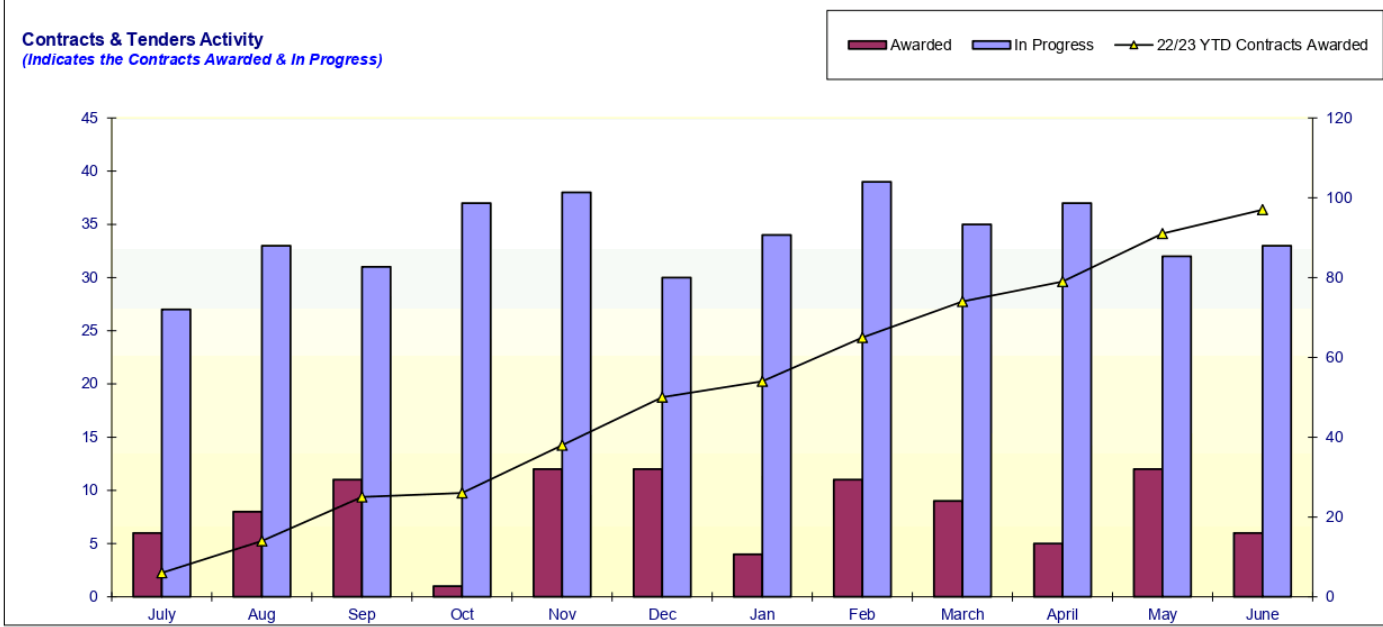
Service Level	Target	Current Performance
Maintain the ratio of customer queries satisfied by Customer Service Officers, without referral to departments.	80%	92%
IT support services provided within service levels outlined in the IT Service Catalogue.	90%	92%
Ensure availability of system up-time during core business hours (excluding planned outages).	99%	99.69%
Process records on the day of receipt as per Recordkeeping Charter.	95%	96%
Ensure supplier payments are made within stated trading terms.	90%	89%

Rates



Procurement & Logistics

Contracts & Tenders Activity
(Indicates the Contracts Awarded & In Progress)



Contracts Awarded: 6

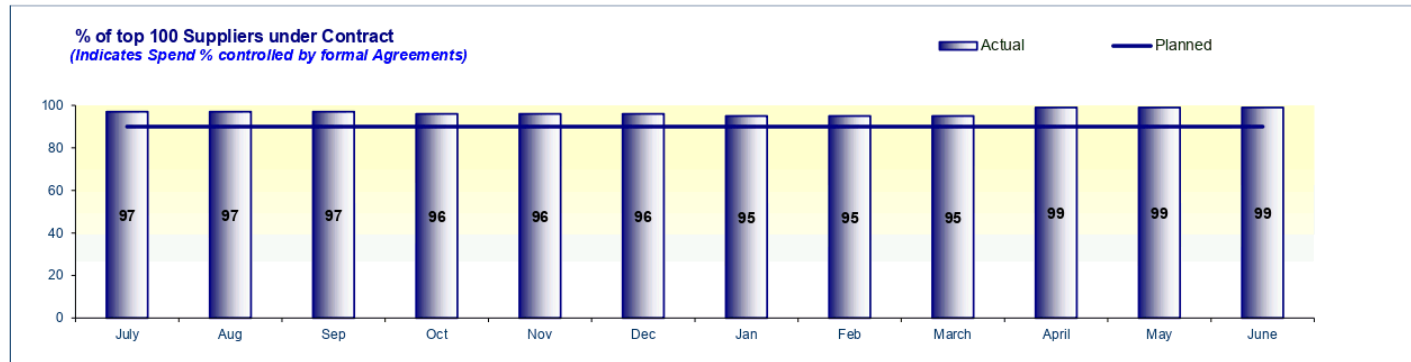
- TEN15451 - Amenities Program Renewal and Upgrade - Bartlem Construction Services Pty Ltd - \$119,220
- TEN15487 - Bridge Condition Assessments - Osborn Consulting Engineers Pty Ltd - SOR
- QUO15494 - Makchi-Nine Mile Road Safety Upgrades - Harrison Infrastructure Group Pty Ltd - \$44,880
- TEN15338 - RPQS Prescription Safety Glasses - Various - SOR
- TEN15372 - RPQS Hire of Plant and Equipment - Various - SOR
- QUO15479 - Supply and Install Entry Mats at Rockhampton Airport - GT Jeffreys - \$25,166

SOR = Schedule of Rates
 RPQS = Register of Pre-Qualified Suppliers

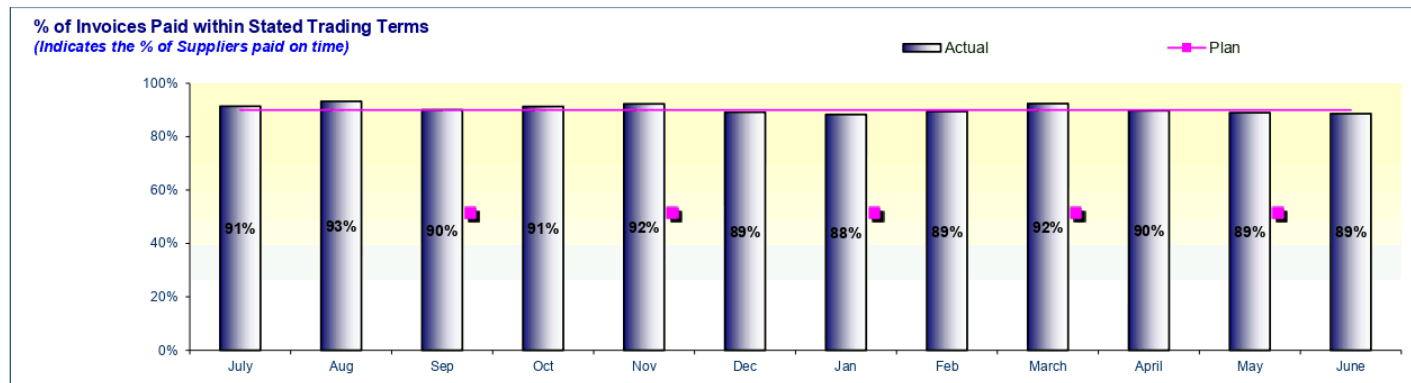
Contracts in Progress: 33

TENXXXX - RPQS Landscaping, Irrigation and Turf - Document Development
 TEN15475 - Service Maintenance of Airconditioning - Document Development
 TEN14963 - Recyclable Processing Services 2023-2033 - Under Evaluation
 CON15123 - Preventative Maintenance BMS Pilbeam Theatre - Document Development
 TEN15274 - D & C Three Water Pump Stations for Mt Morgan Water Supply Project - Under Evaluation
 TEN15275 - D & C Lamella Plates in Sedimentation Tanks at Glenmore Water Treatment Plant, Stage 2 - Under Evaluation
 TEN15294 - Kershaw Gardens Playground Precinct Pathway Upgrade - On Hold
 TEN15296 - Maintenance to Wetplay Equipment & Northside Pool Waterslide - Under Evaluation
 TEN15295 - Lease of Land and Transfer of Building Ownership - 125 Robinson St - Under Evaluation
 TEN15374 - Construction of Caustic Dosing Facility South Rockhampton Sewage Treatment Plant - On Hold
 TEN15379 - Waste Transfer Vehicle for Lakes Ck Rd Transfer Station - Under Evaluation
 TEN15403 - McLeod Park Lighting Renewal Project - On Hold
 TEN15439 - Construction of the Botanic Gardens and Zoo Visitor Hub - Under Evaluation
 TEN15488 - Landfill Leachate Extraction and Transfer System - under evaluation
 TEN15490 - Supply & Delivery of Potable Water Mag Flow Meters - under evaluation
 TEN15510 - RPQS Supply and Servicing of Waste Containers - Under Evaluation
 QUO15517 - Civil Operations AS NZS ISO9001 & AS NZS ISO 14001 Certification - Under Evaluation
 TEN15522 - Rockynats 2024 Ticketing Service Provider - Closes 7 June
 TEN15524 - Lakes Creek Rd Landfill Piggy Back Expansion Cell D Construction - closes 28 June
 QUO15529 - Supply & Delivery of Aluminium Chlorohydrate - Closes 19 July 2023
 TEN15535 - Demolition of Scrubby Creek Bridge - Under Evaluation
 TEN15541 - Management of Wildlife Species - Under Evaluation
 TEN15542 - Fraser Park Bush Regeneration - Under Evaluation
 QUO15543 - Waste & Recycling School Education Program - Document Development
 TEN15544 - Cleaning Services at various Council Facilities - Under Evaluation
 TEN15546 - PSA Solar Panel Recycling - Under Evaluation
 QUO15556 - Barrage Camera Upgrade - Closes 26 July
 QUO15562 - Supply & Delivery of Elevated Work Platform - Document Development
 TEN15563 - RPQS Supply and Installation of Flooring - Closes 19 July
 TEN15575 - Collection of Biosolids from Rockhampton Sewage Treatment Facilities - Closes 26 July
 TEN15576 - City Hall Essential Power Generator Upgrade - Closing 26 July
 QUO15584 - Climate Resilient Rockhampton Region - Closes 26 July
 TEN15586 - Flying Fox Management and Dispersal Program - Document Development

D & C = Design and Construct
 PSA = Preferred Supplier Arrangement
 RPQS = Register of Pre-Qualified Suppliers



The operational target is to have 90% of Council's top 100 suppliers covered by formal agreements. For the previous quarter (April to June 2023) 99% of Council's top 100 suppliers are under formal agreements. The top 100 suppliers are the 100 suppliers with the largest reported quarterly Council expenditure and is reported quarterly.



For this month, 89% of supplier invoices were paid within the Supplier's agreed payment terms (Op Target - 90% of Suppliers paid on time). The number of suppliers being paid by electronic funds transfer (EFT) is currently at 99% (target 90%).

Customer Request Statistics

Customer Requests Completed Monthly & Top 5 Customer Requests

	July	August	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June
Requests Logged	3212	3936	3313	3528	3513	2953	3496	3546	3830	2835	3498	3081
Same month Completed	2454	3080	2523	2527	2602	2228	2532	2604	2917	2010	2647	2326
% completed same month	76%	78%	76%	71%	74%	75%	72%	73%	76%	71%	76%	75%
Completed Total for Month	3559	4425	3610	3535	4243	3167	3041	3944	4137	3256	4319	3626
Total Pending	2174	2085	2052	2235	2235	1961	2187	2137	2040	2040	1847	1721
Top 5 Requests for Month	Financial Rates Search Assets and Facilities Management Wandering & restrained for collection Duty Planner (new enquiry) Water Leak (Asset)	Financial Rates Search Water Meter Replacement Assets and Facilities Management (Assets) Duty Planner (new enquiry) Wandering & Restrained for Collection	Financial Rates Search Water Meter Replacement Duty Planner (new enquiry) Assets and Facilities Management (Assets) Duty Planner (new enquiry) Missed General Bin Service RRC	Financial Rates Search Assets & Facilities Management (Asset) Replacement Bin RRC (Damaged/Lost/S tolen) Duty Planner (New Enquiry) _ Vector Misting	* Financial Rates Search Assets & Facilities Management (Asset) Duty Planner (new enquiry) Water Leak (Asset) Wandering & Restrained for Collection	Financial Rates Search Water Meter Replacement Water Leak Asset Assets & Facilities Management Wandering & Restrained for Collection	Financial Rates Search Assets & Facilities Management (Asset) Replacement Bin RRC (Damaged/Lost/S tolen) Duty Planner (New Enquiry) _ Water Leak Asset	* Financial Rates Search Assets & Facilities Management (Asset) Replacement Bin RRC (Damaged/Lost/S tolen) Duty Planner (New Enquiry) *Overgrown Lot, Accumulation Of Materials	* Financial Rates Search Assets & Facilities Management (Asset) Water Leak Asset Replacement	* Financial Rates Search Assets & Facilities Management (Asset) Water Leak Asset Replacement	* Financial Rates Search Water Leak Asset Duty Planner Wandering & Restrained for Collection Water Meter Replacement	* Financial Rate Search Water Leak Asset Duty Planner Wandering & Restrained for Collection Water Meter Replacement

Total outstanding customer requests up to 3 months old:	1179	Current Under Investigation Long Term up to 3 months ol	232
Total outstanding customer requests between 3 to 6 months old:	268	Current Under Investigation Long Term between 3 to 6 m	49
Total outstanding customer requests greater than 6 months old:	274	Current Under Investigation Long Term greater than 6 mo	154

Request Completed: Requested task or action has been completed (not just work order raised), or complaint has been investigated, action taken and correspondence finalised.

Conquest Work Order: A Work Order has been raised for maintenance, repair or future planned action.

Investigation Long Term Requested task, action or complaint assigned to internal or external investigation, may include, but not limited to: Insurance, Planning, Legal, Civil or Domestic matter

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Directorate

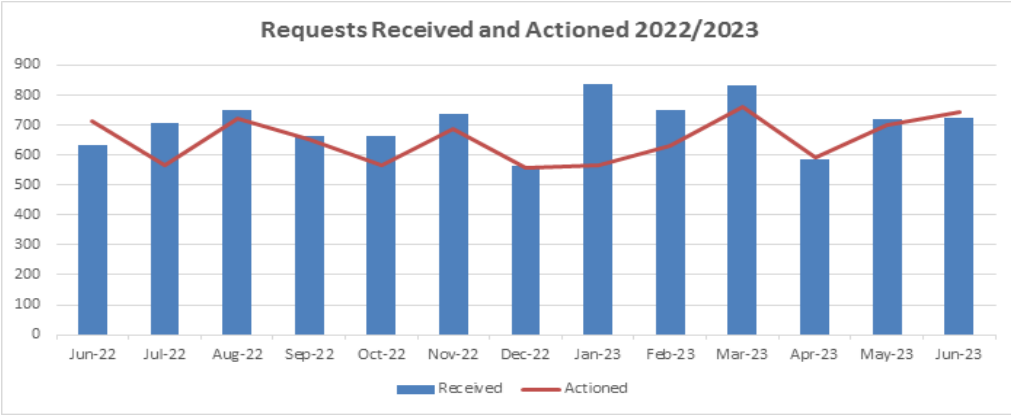
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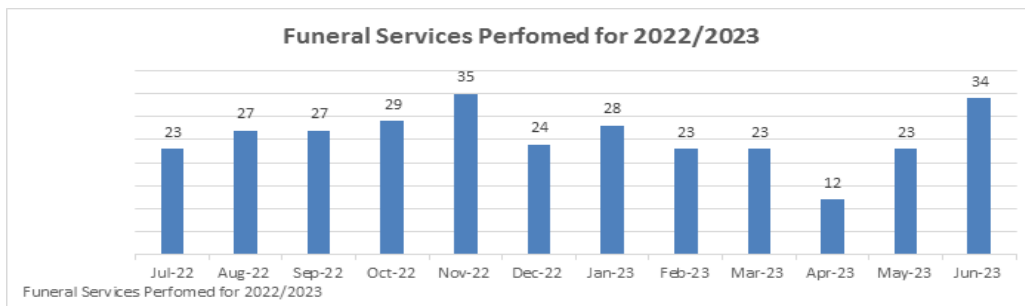
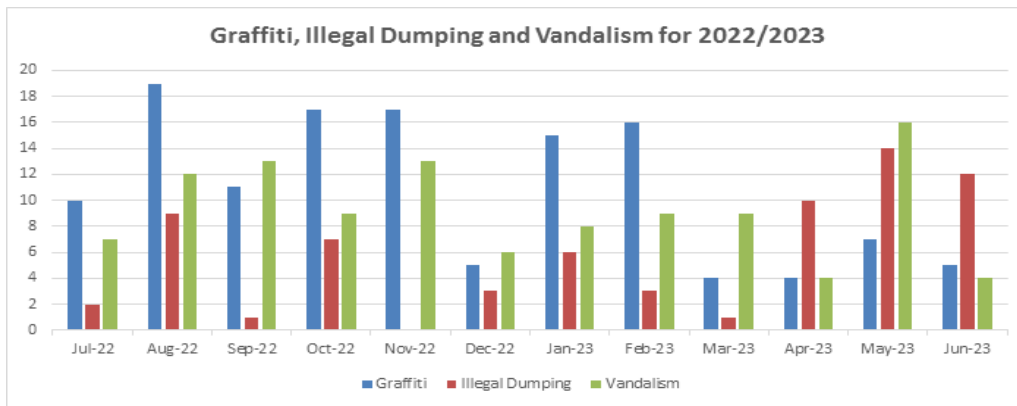
- The Directorate team participated at the Rockhampton Show and NAIDOC Expo with stalls distributing 64 free anti-graffiti kits, 200 bags containing information on upcoming school holiday activities, 'What's On' at the Theatre and Community Assistance Program funding opportunities. 50 tree seedlings were also provided at NAIDOC.
- Community Relationship Officer commences early September.

Community Assets & Facilities

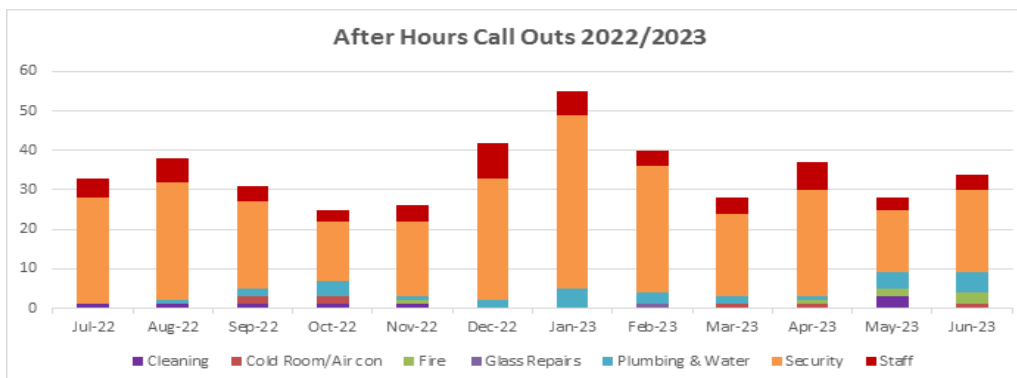
POINTS OF INTEREST

- The Flats Shade Structure – construction completed; official opening ceremony held on 29/06/23.
- Cleaning Contract tender closed and currently under review. Further tender clarifications are currently being finalised, expected to be awarded by end of July.
- Installation of the Fairy Lights along East Street Mall has been completed and are operational.
- Joyce Harding Amenities Refurbishment – contract awarded to Bartlems Construction. Works include the reconfiguration of both the Male and female toilets into two unisex disabled toilets to allow access for people with all abilities. The plumbing equipment will also be upgraded and there will be 2x new stowable baby change table (one for each toilet). There will also be improved access to the toilets by having a new concreted footpath from side footpath straight to the toilets. Estimated start date 24/07/2023 and will take approximately 6 weeks.
- Central Park Fountain refurbishment works completed and reopened on 20/06/2023 as part of the Water Fountain Renewal program.





GRAFFITI, ILLEGAL DUMPING AND VANDALISM GRAPH



Communities & Culture**PONITS OF INTEREST****MAJOR VENUES**

June welcomed the Rockhampton Agricultural Show to the showgrounds, with just under 30k in attendance. The showgrounds also hosted the annual Junior Beef Event, as well as Artisan Markets and regular commercial kitchen hires. The Walter Reid Cultural Centre saw the return of Rockhampton Little Theatre's one act play festival, this year focusing on Ken Cotterill one act comedies.

The Pilbeam Theatre started the month with the final night of the Rockhampton Eisteddfod, before heading straight into the Cathedral Collage production of School of Rock. The theatre hosted the Grand Kyiv Ballet with their production of Don Quixote, as well as comedian Jimeoin, a music tribute to Creedence Clearwater Revival, and the Rockhampton Symphony Orchestra received a well-deserved standing ovation for their tribute to musical theatre.

Lastly, New Zealand production company, Showcase Entertainment Group, utilised 62 VP (old Art Gallery) to remount their production of Dr Seuss's Cat in the Hat before taking it on a national tour of Australia.

A positive end to the end of a busy financial year for the Major Venues Team.

LIBRARIES

The 2022-2023 FY statistics saw physical visitation of 165,490 across the four branches, the highest since 2017/2018, while customers borrowed a total of 448,601 loans, the highest figure since 2016/2017. Library staff assisted customers with a substantial 68,404 reference, readers' advisory and technical assistance queries throughout the year.

The final programming attendance/engagement annual figure of 43,328 is the highest ever in the 13 years of library records accessible. At 0.53% of the population, it well exceeds the State Library attendance per capita target measure of 0.4 and means that over a quarter of customers also took the opportunity during their library visit to actively engage with a library program - be that story time, a children's or adults' craft or STEM activity, an author talk, financial assistance seminar, or participating in self-paced activities such as colouring, puzzling or gaming.

ROCKHAMPTON MUSEUM OF ART

Rockhampton Museum of Art had 6340 visitors for the month, bringing total visitation for the financial year to 81,678.

A new exhibition opened in Gallery 2.1 Collection Focus: Paper Planes, which brings together a selection of works on paper from the Rockhampton Museum of Art Collection to explore several different but related themes.

13 exhibitions were presented during the financial year, with major exhibitions in Gallery 1 WrestleMania and From a Burdekin Studio: Works by Cutler Footwear. Both brought new audiences into the Museum of Art. Four collection exhibitions were presented during the year providing access to our nationally significant collection like never before.

June saw a wind down of school visits heading into the June school holidays. During the financial year there was a total of 53 school groups with 1270 students from schools across Rockhampton Regional Council and Livingstone Shire Council local government areas visit Rockhampton Museum of Art.

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LIBRARY ATTENDANCE

LIBRARY STATISTICS	YTD 22/23	21/22	20/21	19/20	SLQ target	YTD RRL	QLD AV 21/22
Loans (physical & online)	448,601	427,335	356,574	383,771	5-8 per capita	5.47	7.14
Physical Items	167,810	177,999	190,880	204,043	0.85-1.5 per capita	2.05	1.13
Physical Visits	165,490	143,145	123,157	183,604	4.8 per capita	2.02	2.55
Online Visits	20,167	16,628	18,839	0	No target		
Programs & Activities	897	728	26	1,269	No target		
Program Engagement	43,328	11,385	472	17,354	0.4 per capita	0.53	0.18
Active Members	19,791	20,217	22,340	25,601	44% of pop.	24.14%	39.30%
New Members	3,180	2,606	2,176	3,153	No target		
Customer Queries	68,404	65,031	22,564	51,799	No target		

HISTORY CENTRE ATTENDANCE 22/23

	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	YTD 22/23	21/22	20/21
Attendance	170	125	164	145	167	75	158	161	191	124	138	155	1,778	1,403	1,557

CHILD CARE STATISTICS UTILISATION % 22/23

	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	YTD 22/23	21/22	20/21
Utilisation %	87	99	91	95	93	85	76	78	83	86	91	97	88	96	95

MAJOR EVENTS ATTENDANCE

Venue Attendance	YTD 22/23	21/22
Pilbeam	64,130	52,176
Rocky Showgrounds	169,642	146,947
Mt Morgan Showgrounds	1,633	N/a
Walter Reid	6,901	6,641
62 Victoria Parade	3,104	822

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HERITAGE VILLAGE ATTENDANCE

Heritage Village Visitor Types	YTD 22/23	21/22	20/21	19/20
General Admittance	6,208	4,738	Closed	2,365
School Tours Numbers	1,736	1066	Closed	1,747
Other Tour Numbers	286	202	Closed	277
School Holiday Activities July – 6 day period	256 (Rain)	1,801	Closed	1,520
School Holiday Activities Sept – 6 day period	374 (Rain)	803	Closed	797
School Holiday Activities Easter	731	967	Closed	N/a
School Holiday Activities June	666			
Cultural Festival	N/a	1,570	Closed	N/a
Markets	13,375	2,944	Closed	5,596
Emergency Service Day, Halloween	500	-	Closed	1,241
TOTAL	24,132	15,523		13,543

Number of Shearing Shed Function Bookings

Shearing Shed	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	YTD 22/23	21/22
Actuals	7	5	5	5	3	3	0	0	3	1	3	0	35	15

MONTHLY VOLUNTEER HOURS

Site	YTD 22/23	21/22
Friends of the Theatre	3,895	4,002
Friends of the Village	27,517	26,915
Archer Park Rail Museum	10,819	7,618
Rockhampton Museum of Art	869	160
Mount Morgan Railway	7,933	1,053
TOTAL	46,664	39,810

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RAIL MUSEUMS ATTENDANCE

Museum Attendance	YTD 22/23	21/22	20/21	19/20
Archer Park Museum	5,851	4,713	4,072	5,211
Mount Morgan Museum	3,252	2,834	4,350	1,686

ROCKHAMPTON MUSEUM OF ART**Monthly Attendance**

Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
8723	6575	6895	10649	6030	6545	7110	5898	4998	5352	6563	6340

RMOA Activity	YTD	21/22
Programs	321	124
Member Events	17	9
Group Tour Bookings	55	9
Corporate Hire	21	15
Exhibitions	13	9
Artist in Residence (days)	82	Na
Shop Sales	\$80,313*	Na
Attendance	81,678	32,248

HOME ASSIST

*This program provides services to the following local government areas:
Rockhampton, Banana, Central Highlands, Gladstone, Livingstone*

**State Government – Department of Communities, Housing & Digital Economy –****Home Assist Program**

Measured Service Type	Reporting Hrs/ Month	Monthly Output Target	Year To Date Actual	Output Service Delivery Targets
Info Refer	230	105.68 hrs	4,056	1,429.76
Home Maintenance	442	775.04 hrs	9,973	9,300.56

CQ Home Assist Secure assisted 623 State Funded clients with a total of 830 information, referral and maintenance activities in June.

June Breakdown of Client Services Provided by Region			
Region	Number of Registered Clients	% of Clients Serviced for Month	% YTD Avg (from Oct 22)
Rockhampton	2,464	69	65
Banana Shire	64	1	1
Central Highlands	63	1	1
Gladstone	566	15	15
Livingstone	954	14	19
TOTAL	4,111	100	100

Federal Government Department of Health Commonwealth Home Support Program (CHSP)



Measured Service Type	Current Month Outputs	Monthly Output Service Delivery Target	YTD Actual	Financial Year Service Delivery Target
Garden Maintenance	271 hrs	See below	See below	See below
Major Home Maintenance	107 hrs	See below	See below	See below
Minor Home Maintenance #incl Field Officer Travel, First Interviews/Info Refers Minor Home Maintenance Field Officer Additional Hours	235 hrs	See below	See below	See below
Total measure output hours	613 hrs	467.75hrs	10,494 hrs	5,613 hrs
Complex & Simple Mods	\$12,430	\$41,403	\$327,937	\$496,843

June Breakdown of Client Services Provided by Region			
Region	Number of Registered Clients	% Total Clients Serviced for Month	% YTD Avg (from Oct 22)
Rockhampton	1,964	57	58
Banana Shire	98	1	1
Central Highlands	76	1	1
Gladstone	781	22	20
Livingstone	905	19	20
TOTAL	3,824	100	100

CQ Home Assist Secure assisted 937 Federally Funded clients with a total of 2,047 information, referral, maintenance and modification activities in June. (the large number of activities is a result of data cleansing exercise during the month). The program CQ Home Assist Secure handled a total of 1,848 calls in June.

Parks

POINTS OF INTEREST

ROCKHAMPTON ZOO

- Snake encounters launched for the June / July school holidays with the first encounters being successful and enjoyed by participants.
- Prehistoric Zoo Tour tickets went on sale for school holidays by a third-party tour operator.
- June / July School Holidays saw Junior Zookeepers program run again, with one age group selling out all tickets.
- New Male Chimpanzee Jerry arrived from Sydney Zoo with introductions progressing.

Measure	Measurement	June 2023	June 2022
Zoo Visitors	Numbers	15,579	12,093
Animal Encounters CONDUCTED	# Meerkat Encounters	19*	91
	\$ Meerkat Encounters	\$4,600	\$8,200
	# Otter Encounters	12	-
	\$ Otter Encounters	\$1,155	-
	# Junior Zookeeper	1	-
	\$ Junior Zookeeper	\$750	-
	# Snake Encounters	1	-
	\$ Snake Encounters	\$54	-
	Encounters Free	1	4
	\$ Equivalent Free	\$100	\$1,200
Volunteers / Students	Volunteer Hours	335	324
	Student Hours	77	52
Guest donations	Donation \$	\$1,428	\$1,520.10
	Online donations	\$17	-
Money RRC donated to Conservation Trust	15% Encounters	\$796	\$1,186.36
	15% Donations	\$214	\$228.02
	Total	\$1,010	\$1,414.38

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Measure	Measurement	June 2023	June 2022
Facebook	Facebook Followers	39,050	29,916
	Facebook Reach	171,537	897,331
	Facebook Engagements	12,335	93,891
Media	Media Opportunities	4	1
	Media Exposures	31	25
	ASR (Advertising Sales Rate)	\$19,700	\$5,481
	Media Reach	2 100 000**	347,000

*Now showing encounters conducted in comparison to number of participants

**New reporting parameters collecting more data

BOTANIC GARDENS

- New Botanic Gardens car park is open for use with irrigation and landscaping completed, with over 500 plants installed, all from our Nursery team.
- Landscaping improvements at Japanese gardens underway to improve safety and accessibility.

KERSHAW GARDENS

- Kershaw Gardens team have reinstated irrigation to the southern rainforest and planted out over 100 advanced trees from the nursery plus many understorey plants.
- Charles St Picnic Shelter turfing project is underway; Irrigation is installed, and Hydro wise irrigation controller is connected and operational. Ready for turf and/or seeding

NURSERY

- Gracemere Waste Transfer Station Project almost completed with several hundred plants grown on and dispatched.
- Rockhampton Show and NAIDOC Week indoor plant supply.

NATURAL AREAS AND COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

Yeppen revegetation project with Capricorn Catchments and Multicultural Australia is progressing well

ARBORICULTURE STREETSCAPES

- Ongoing focus to reduce number of open Pathway requests, with the work system being updated to work through orders in each suburb.

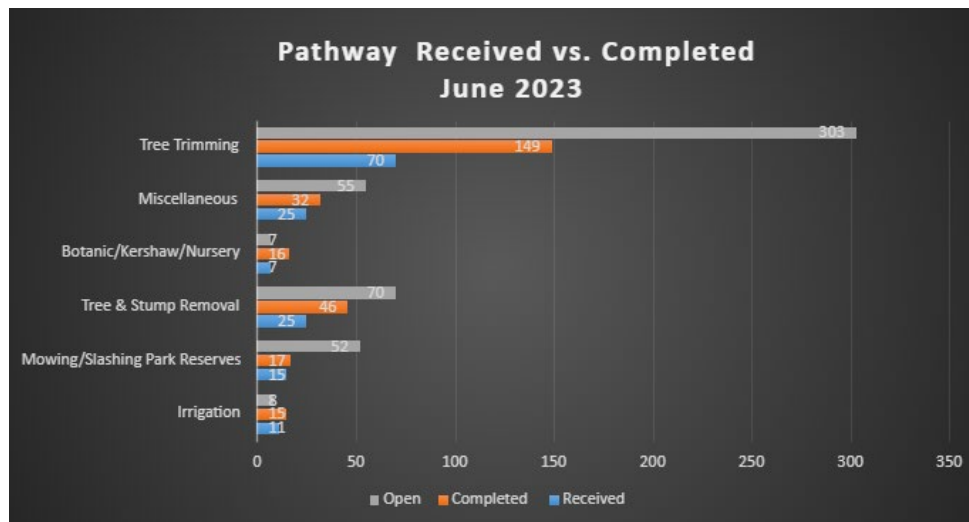
Data:	23 rd May 2023	27 th June 2023
Tree trimmings over 3 months old	163	152
Tree and stump removals over 3 months old	50	30
Tree trimmings in total	389	311
Tree and stump removals in total	108	70
Outstanding pathways over 3 months old	213	182
Outstanding pathways in total	497	381
Jobs sitting with contractors	18	9
Waiting for stump grinding before completion off system	25	15
Jobs received since last reporting period	94	23

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SPORTS AND RECREATION

- Queensland Country Union Carnival was a successful event thanks to and teams for their role in event preparation. Over 40 games played in 3 days and many visitors from outside the region bringing in economic benefits and tourism.
- Rowing Course Installation has undertaken with a modified training course layout. Further installation of the full course is still in discussion with opportunities to improve this process.
- Junior State Touch Cup preparation continues with Parks Operations teams supported by Civil Operation, Advance Rockhampton and Community Assets and Facilities.

PARKS PATHWAY REQUESTS

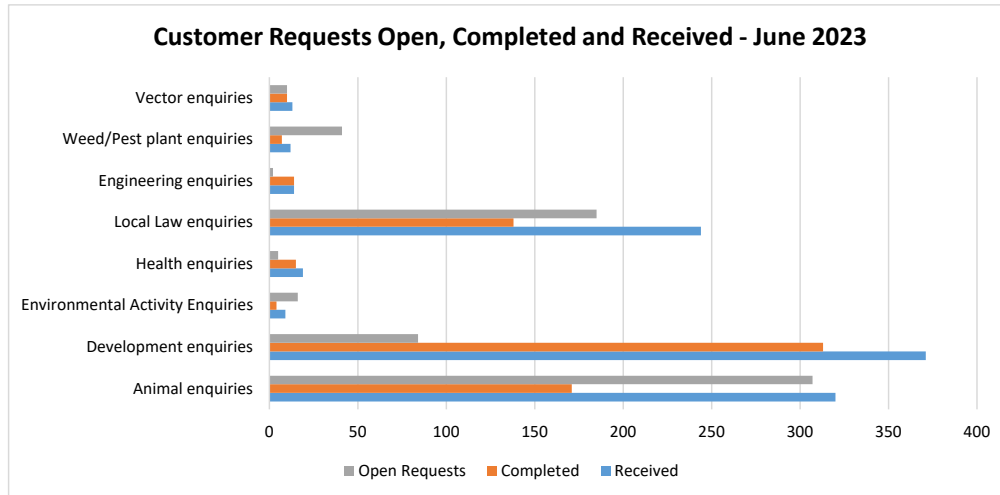


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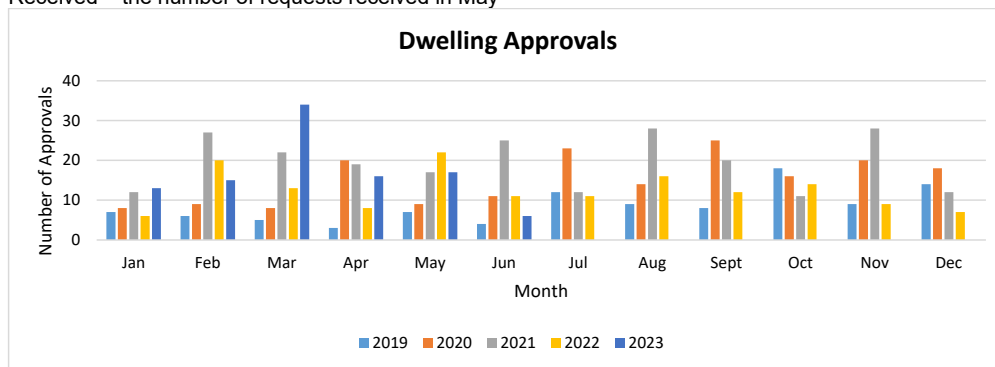
POINTS OF INTEREST

The pest management team are assisting Biosecurity Queensland with a trial of a new biocontrol for Prickly Acacia. Trial sites within the Rockhampton Regional Council area have been identified and the Prickly Acacia Gaul Thrip has been released, this trial could take up to three years.

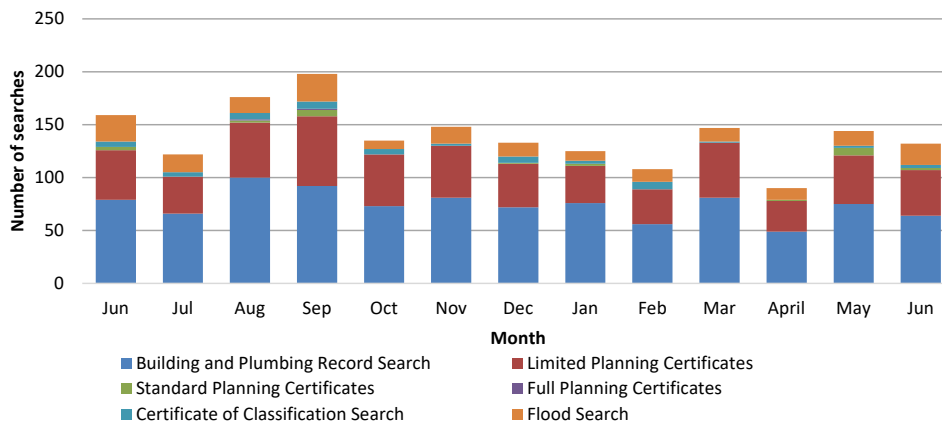
The 2020-2023 Animal Management Strategy is currently under review. The strategy will set the direction for animal management in the Rockhampton Region until 2026 and endorses the vision of 'your pet, your responsibility'. Residents can have their say by completing the survey. The information received will assist to identify the issues the community is encountering and guide the development of the updated strategy.



Open Requests – total number of customer requests currently under investigation
 Completed – the number of requests completed in May that were received in May
 Received – the number of requests received in May



Property Searches Completed in the last 12 Months

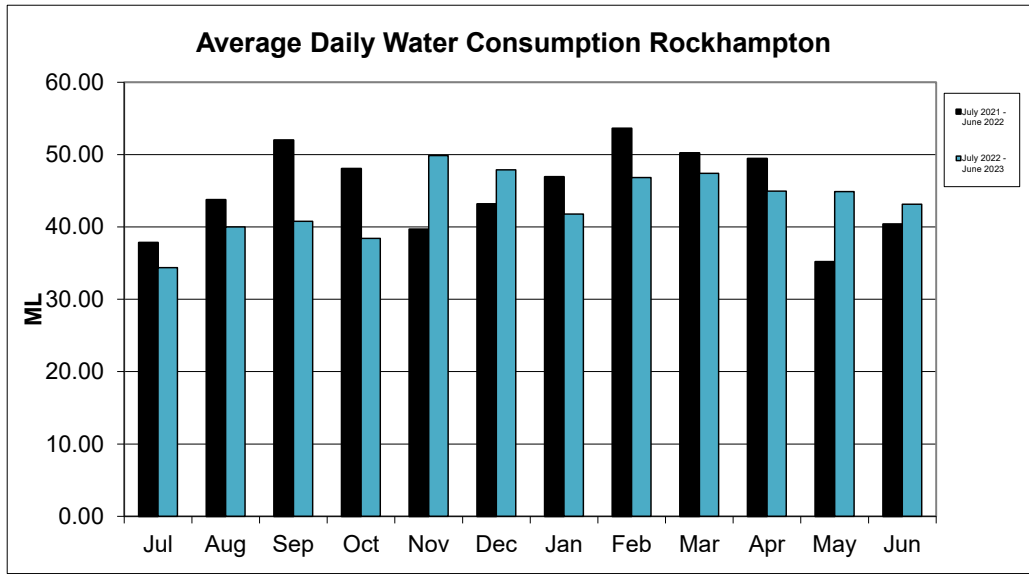


REGIONAL SERVICES
Fitzroy River Water

Drinking Water Supplied

Data is presented in graphs from July 2021 to June 2022 and July 2022 to June 2023.

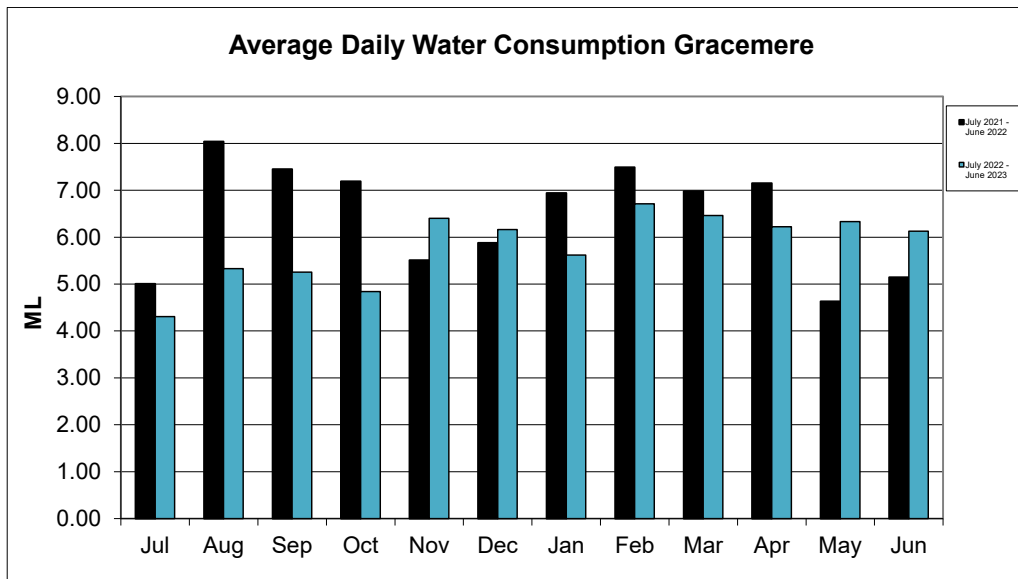
Rockhampton



Average daily water consumption during June (43.13 ML per day) decreased compared to that recorded in May (44.90 ML per day) but was higher than that reported in the same period last year. The decreased consumption was due to some rainfall in early June.

The Fitzroy Barrage Storage is currently at 97% of accessible storage volume and is therefore well above the threshold in the Drought Management Plan used to trigger the implementation of water restrictions.

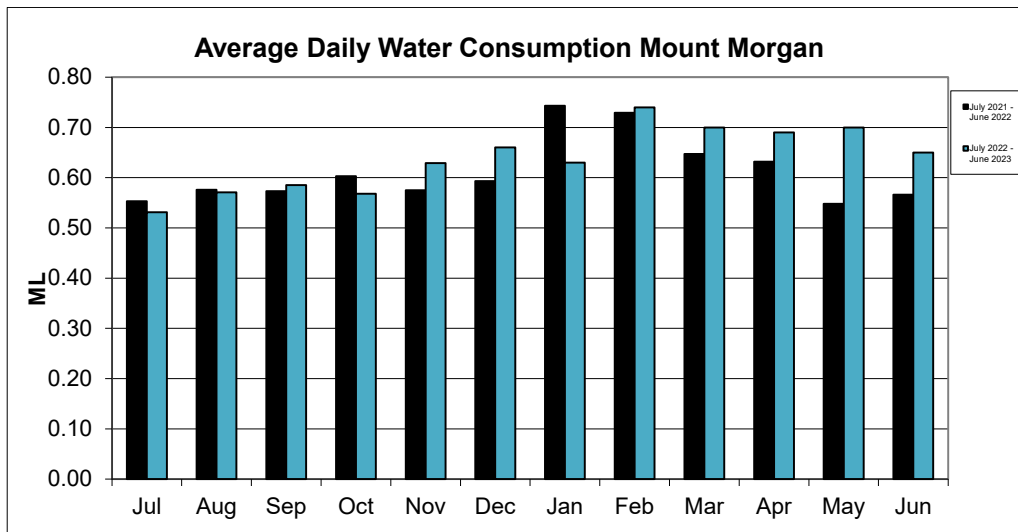
Gracemere



Average daily water consumption during June (6.13 ML per day) increased compared to that recorded in May (6.33 ML per day) and was higher than that reported in the same period last year. The increased consumption was due to lack of significant rainfall in June.

The Fitzroy Barrage Storage is currently at 97% of accessible storage volume and is therefore well above the threshold in the Drought Management Plan used to trigger the implementation of water restrictions.

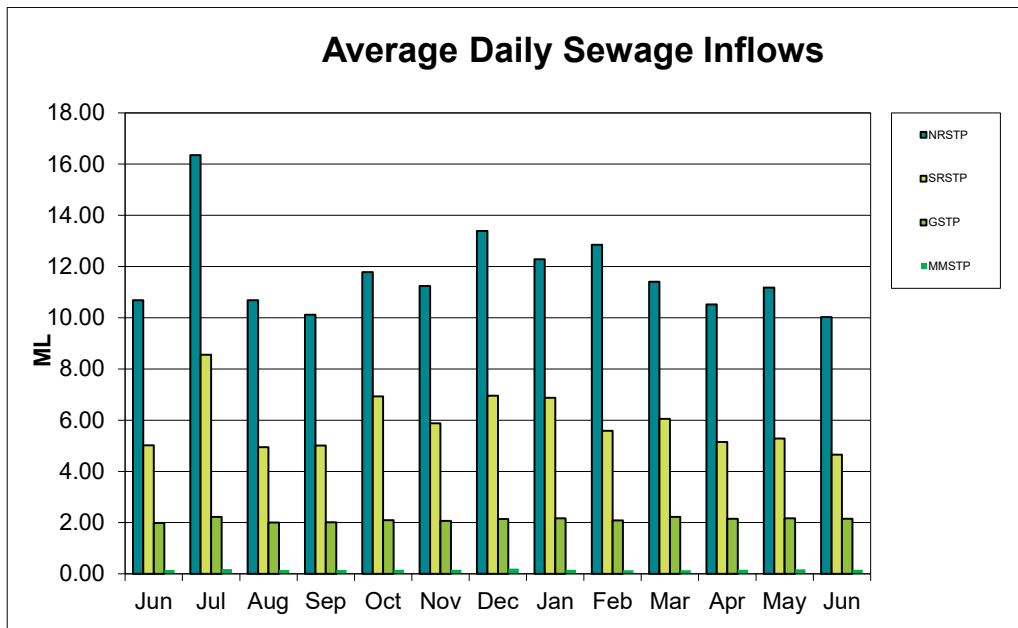
Mount Morgan



Average daily water consumption during June (0.65 ML per day) decreased compared to that recorded in May (0.70 ML per day) but was higher than that reported in the same period last year. The decreased consumption was due to some rainfall in early June.

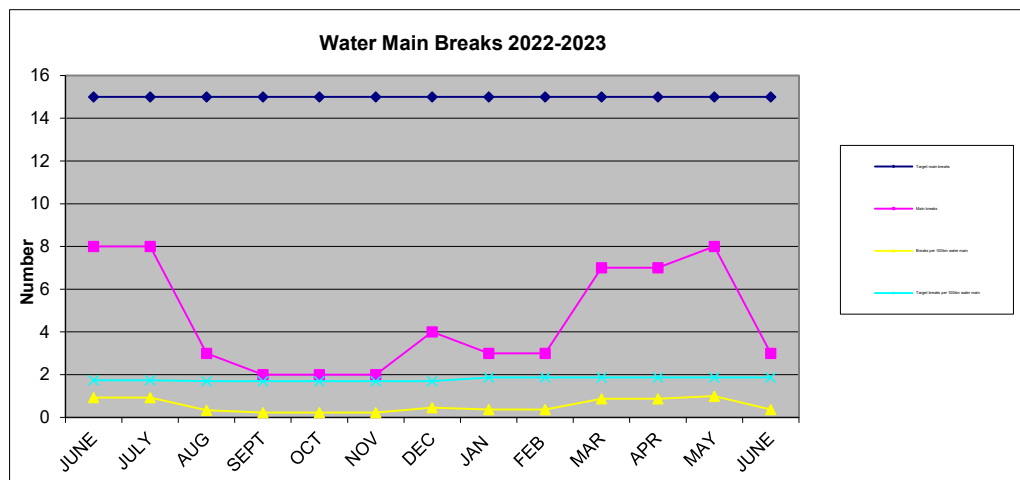
Mount Morgan remains on Level 6 Water Restrictions. Mount Morgan No. 7 Dam storage is currently at 38%. The town water supply continues to be 100% reliant on tankered potable water from Gracemere.

Sewage Inflows to Treatment Plants



Average daily sewage inflows during June decreased at all STPs from May. The decreased inflows were due to lack of significant rainfall in June. Inflows from North Rockhampton and South Rockhampton STPs were lower compared to that recorded in the same period last year, Gracemere and Mt Morgan STPs both recorded slightly higher than previous year.

Regional Water Main Breaks



Performance

Target achieved with water main breaks continuing to trend at an acceptable level, noting a decrease from previous months. Changing weather conditions, reduced consumption periods and ground movement could be contributing factors to recent failures.

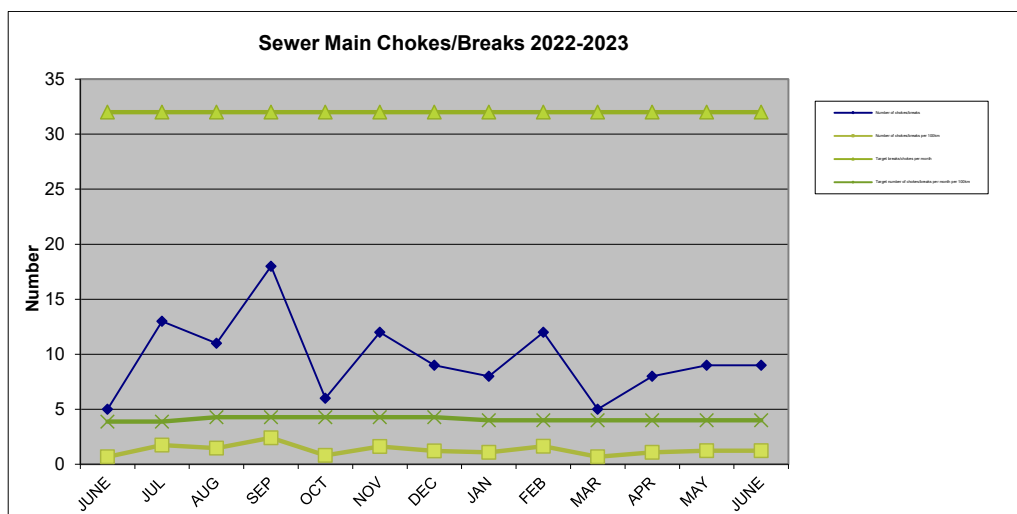
Response to Issues

Continued defect logging, district metering and pressure management will contribute to a reduction in failure occurrences. Water mains experiencing repeated failures are assessed against specific criteria for inclusion in the annual Water Main Replacement program.

	Number of Main Breaks	Target Main Breaks	Breaks per 100 km	Target Breaks per 100 km	Rolling average per 100 km
June	3	15	.37	1.87	0.52

Locality	Main Breaks
Rockhampton	3
Mount Morgan	0
Regional Total	3

Rockhampton Regional Sewer Main Chokes/Breaks



Performance

Target achieved; it is evident that mainline sewer blockages are continuing to remain at an acceptable level in line with capital sewer refurbishment programs.

Issues and Status

Data indicates that a high percentage of blockages/overflows continue to be caused by fat build up and defective pipes resulting in tree root intrusion.

Response to Issues

Continued defect logging and CCTV inspection following each individual blockage for prioritisation and inclusion in the Capital Sewer Main Relining program. Rehabilitation programs are also in place annually for the repair of defective mainlines, property connections (jump ups), access chambers and combined lines.

	Number of chokes/ breaks	Target chokes/breaks per month	Number of chokes/ breaks per 100 km	Target number of chokes / breaks per month per 100km	Rolling 12 month average per 100 km chokes / breaks
June	9	32	1.2	4.28	1.25
Locality		Surcharges		Mainline Blockages	
Rockhampton		6		9	
Mount Morgan		0		0	
Regional Total		6		9	

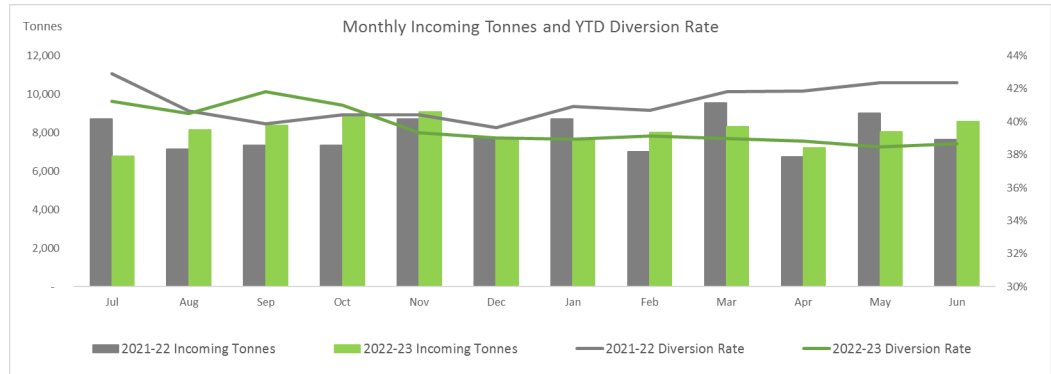
Water Meter Replacement

	Number completed	FY to date totals
Reactive Replacement	403	3111
Planned Replacement	0	0
Regional Total	403	3111

Water meter replacements continue to be carried out on a reactive basis, failed meters and meters meeting select criteria are replaced. Reinstatement of the capital water meter replacement program is being considered for upcoming financial years.

Rockhampton Regional Waste and Recycling

Total Incoming Tonnes



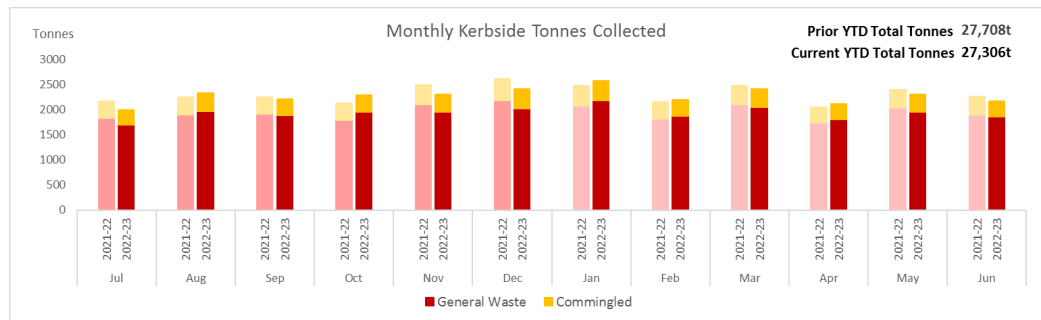
Reading this Chart

Diversion rate is % of incoming waste we recover as opposed to burying in landfill. This is a strategic KPI measuring our progress to zero waste to landfill by 2050. Incoming tonnes is an indicator of the waste generation trends in our region, and the impact our current strategies are having on reducing those trends. Current year performance is shown in green.

Current Commentary

Incoming tonnes in June are up compared to the same period last year, driven in part by an increase of Commercial and Industrial waste. YTD diversion rate at 39% due to low incoming green waste and a decrease in Commingled incoming tonnes.

Kerbside Tonnes



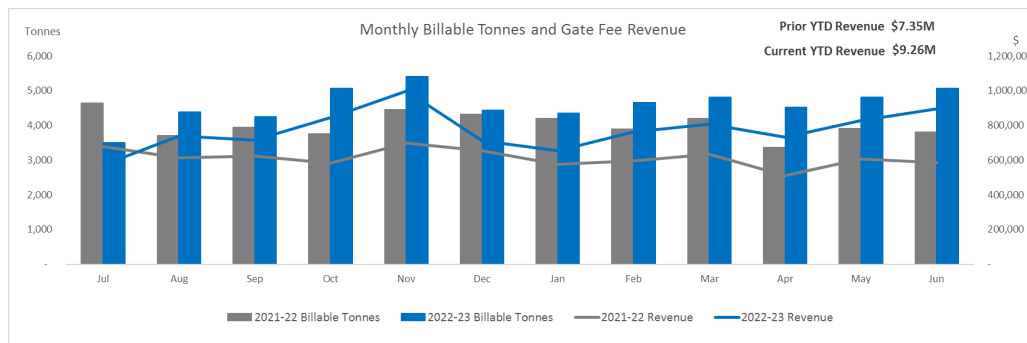
Reading this Chart

Showing total waste generation and recovery rates at the kerbside, providing an indicator of the extent to which we are diverting household waste and meeting our strategic KPI to reduce household waste by 25% by 2050.

Current Commentary

YTD kerbside tonnages remain almost identical to prior year but with a slight decrease of tonnes on General Waste and Commingled. For the month of June, commingled represents the 15.1% of total tonnes.

Billable Tonnes



Reading this Chart

This is a critical measure of waste facility activity levels, the long-term financial sustainability of the business unit, as well as being a relatively strong indicator of economic activity levels in our region. Current year performance is shown in blue.

Current Commentary

June was another high revenue month at \$900,000. YTD is ahead by \$1.9M. Revenue is made up of high ongoing levels of Commercial and Industrial and asbestos waste.

ADVANCE ROCKHAMPTON**Key Regional Statistics**

Gross Regional Product – \$5.71B (June 2022)

Population – 83,723 (June 2022)

Unemployment Rate – 3.9% (Dec 2022)

Labour Force – 44,851 (Dec 2022)

GST Registered Businesses – 5,812 (June 2022)

House Rental Vacancy Rate – 0.8% (Mar 2023)

Industry Development – Infrastructure Project Updates**ASMTI Shoalwater Bay Project**

- Fully Procured
- 86% of Sub-contracts procured from regional Queensland
- Over \$430M committed to be spent in Rockhampton and Capricorn Coast
- Precinct A complete: early 2024
- Precinct B complete: Oct 2023
- Precinct C complete: Jun 2023
- Total Workers: 1590 (400 on-site currently)

Construction of Rookwood Weir

- 83% complete
- Commenced: Late 2020
- Completion: Late 2023
- CQ Spend to date: \$198M
- 314 CQ Workforce

Renewable Energy Projects

- Bouldercombe Battery Storage: Reached energisation, Expected commissioning Oct 2023
- Boulder Creek Wind Farm: Forecast commencement Late 2023, Forecast completion 2026
- Clarke Creek Wind Farm (Stage One): Commenced July 2022, Forecast completion Mid 2025,
- Mount Hopeful Wind Farm: Forecast commencement Early 2024, Forecast completion 2026
- Moah Creek Project: Forecast commencement 2025, Forecast completion Late 2026
- Boomer Green Energy Hub: Commencing Q1 2025, Forecast completion Q1 2026
- Lotus Creek: Construction commences 2023, Target operation 2025

Olive Downs Coking Coal Complex– Pembroke Resources

- Project Cost: \$1.0B
- Construction commenced April 2022
- Forecast 500-700 jobs during construction, 1000+ ongoing
- Production forecast commencement 2023

Alliance Airlines MRO

- Project Cost: \$60M
- Bay 8 Apron: 100% complete | Hanger Roof: 100% complete Carpark drainage: 80% complete
- Practically complete

Rockhampton Ring Road

- Project cost: \$1.0B
- Commenced (early Works): late 2022
- Completion: TBA

Fitzroy To Gladstone Pipeline

- Project cost: \$983M
- Early works: March 2023
- Construction: August 2023
- Expected completion: December 2025
- Local Workforce during construction: 400 (25 Trainees/Apprentices)

Events

Rockhampton Agricultural Show | 14-16 June 2023 - 30,000+ Show attendees - Increase of 55% compared to 2022, 1,300+ Families attended, 1000+ Prize Winners, 3400+ Competition Entries, Event debriefs being scheduled, Site hand over complete, Grant Society Rental relief being submitted for payment.

Rockhampton River Festival | 28-30 July 2023 - Community letters and engagement underway, Synthetic ice rink (ticketed offering) contract complete, All operations and site layout finalised, Internal EOI staffing underway, Marketing commenced and entertainment promotion being well received, \$22,500 in cash sponsorship secured.

CapriCon Pop Culture Convention | 2 September 2023 - Guest travel and accommodation secured, Marketing assets supplied by guests, Campaign ready to commence late July, Trade sites at capacity, Presenting Partner secured for \$10,000 cash, Stage Sponsor secured \$10,000 in-kind.

Rivernites | Market for CQRU complete and received extremely well for CQRU and community, QLD Jnr Touch market planning complete ready for delivery.

Laser Vision | Visual plan for area underway.

Rockynats 04 | 29-31 March 2024 - Ticketing Tender evaluated and tender acceptance offer to be issued, Tickets on sale for July 25 on schedule, IER Report complete, Rockynats Pty Ltd event debrief complete and scope being reviewed, Johnson's 4WD sponsor signed for RN04.

Rocky River Run | 19 May 2024 - 2024 event date established, stakeholder meeting scheduled to establish milestones.

Social Media

- @RockyAgShow Facebook Fans 5.5K
- @RockhamptonRiverFestival Fans 12K

Tourism Infrastructure

Hotel, Flights and Explore Rockhampton Visitor Information Centre

Hotels & Flights	Hotels Average Occupancy	Hotels Average Daily Rate	Total Arrivals	Total Departures
TY	76.6%	\$176.44	28.4K	28.4K
LY	70.7%	\$168.39	22.4K	22.8K
VAR	+5.9%	+\$8.05	+6K	+5.6K

June 2023 compared to June 2022.

Note: Airport figures include the newly launched Bonza flights.

Corporate Performance Report | 01 June 2023 – 30 June 2023

Explore Rockhampton VIC	Walk-ins	Intrastate	Interstate	International
TM	1,321	456	770	95
LY	1,444	579	813	52
VAR	-123	-123	-43	+43

Note: Visitor numbers this month show a decrease in interstate travellers which could be a reflection of the influx we had from interstate visitors as Covid was easing last year. It is positive to see an increase in international visitors again.

Tourism Positioning and Marketing

Campaigns – Top 5 projects in Tourism

1. **'Yeah the Girls'** - we spent a week filming this campaign at the start of June and received our final images and the draft video. We are making edits on the video which will be launched in July. We are currently developing blogs, landing pages, social posts and media comms in preparation for a July campaign launch.
2. **Top Tourism Town Awards** - we attended the Top Tourism Town Awards in which Rockhampton was a finalist as a result of our 10,000 word submission.
3. **QLD Country Rugby Union** - we held media for the official announcement of the 2023 championships. We supported the event at the end of June by designing a website and map, installing promotional banners and flags at the event and welcome event, and providing visitor information and welcome bags.
4. **Fox Superflow MTB Event** - we supported this event with visitor information for attendees. We installed promotional flags at the event and provided a media wrap up of the significant tourism following the event, which brought hundreds of competitors and their families.
5. **Queensland Tourism Awards** - we have commenced writing our 2023 Queensland Tourism Award for Submission in the Marketing Campaigns category. The submission is more than 10,000 words and due in August.

Billboards

- Airport: departure lounge bathrooms (MTB/Meerkats) - 16.5K REACH
- Airport: static entry/exit sign (Nurim/Meerkats) - 32K REACH
- Airport: digital exit sign (Explore Rockhampton various x 6) - 32K REACH
- AOSco: Mt Gravatt - Explore Rockhampton with your Mates - 76K REACH
- AOSco: Chapel Hill - Explore Rockhampton with your Mates - 91K REACH
- AOSco: Windsor - Explore Rockhampton with your Mates - 200K REACH
- AOSco: Hamilton - Explore Rockhampton with your Mates - 100K REACH

Social

- Fishing The Fitzroy boosted post - 7.7K REACH
- Explore Rockhampton boosted post - 3.7K REACH

SEM (Search Engine Marketing)

- Explore Rockhampton campaign - 51.8K REACH

Print

- NAFA Magazine 1/2 page ad 'Barra Season is Back' - 160K REACH
- Caravanning Australia - Double spread - 'Warm up in Rocky' - 250K REACH

Screen

- Starmedia Cinema Advertising- Meerkat Video - 35K REACH

Social Media

@ExploreRockhampton

	Facebook			Instagram		
	Reach	Views	Likes	Impressions	Engagement	Followers
TM	19.3K	57.2K	10,383	17.6K	699	3,057
LM	35.4K	99.3K	10,354	14.2K	692	3,023
VAR	-16.1K	-42.1K	+29	+3.4K	+7	+34

NB: Reach and impressions lower than usual as we are between major campaigns.

@MyRockhampton

	Facebook				
	Reach	Views	Likes	Impressions	Engagements
TM	51.07K	3.2K	16.1K	345.03K	6.8K
LM	24.98K	1.6K	16.1K	130.91K	2.9K
VAR	+26.09K	+1.6K	0K	+214.12K	+3.9K

NB: Both organic and paid content did well this month with page reach more than doubling.

@AdvanceRockhampton

	LinkedIn			
	Impressions	Engagements	Post Clicks	Followers
TM	12K	2251	1758	2197
LM	14.1K	2130	1703	2153
VAR	-2.1K	+121	+55	+44

NB: LinkedIn impressions are slightly down, however engagements and post clicks are up.

@FishingTheFitzroy

	Facebook		
	Reach	Views	Likes
TM	151.8K	1,530	25,417
LM	108.3K	2,668	25,351
VAR	+43.5K	-1,138	+66

NB: Reach is higher due to a targeted paid advertising campaign during the month of June.

11.6 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF QUEENSLAND - ANNUAL CONFERENCE MOTIONS

File No: 8291
Attachments: 1. [LGAQ Motions 2023](#)
Authorising Officer: Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer
Author: Ross Cheesman - Deputy Chief Executive Officer

SUMMARY

Endorsement of motions for consideration at Local Government Association of Queensland Inc Annual Conference to be held in Gladstone from 16 to 18 October 2023.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council endorse the following motions, as detailed in the report, for consideration at the Local Government Association of Queensland Inc Annual Conference to be held in Gladstone from 16 to 18 October 2023:

1. Department of Transport and Main Roads Entrance Standards;
2. Waste Levy and Advance Payment Review;
3. Continuation of the Queensland Climate Resilient Councils (QCRC) Program and associated initiatives;
4. Supporting the local government sector to transition to net zero emissions; and
5. Approved Deemed Weights.

BACKGROUND

Deadline for submission of motions for consideration at the Local Government Association of Queensland Inc Annual Conference to be held in Gladstone from 16 to 18 October 2023.

The attached motions are presented for consideration, based on previous discussions held with Councillors at the briefing session held on 18 July 2023.

PREVIOUS DECISIONS

Council resolved as follows at its meeting on 11 July 2023:

THAT:

1. *Mayor Councillor Williams and Deputy Mayor Councillor Fisher be appointed as delegates with voting rights for Rockhampton Regional Council; and*
2. *All Councillors be encouraged to attend the 2023 Local Government Association of Queensland Inc Annual Conference in Gladstone.*

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

No budget implications

LEGISLATIVE CONTEXT

Nil

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STAFFING IMPLICATIONS

Nil

CONCLUSION

The suggested motions are submitted for consideration based on discussions held with Councillors at the Briefing Session held on 18 July 2023.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF QUEENSLAND - ANNUAL CONFERENCE MOTIONS

LGAQ Motions 2023

Meeting Date: 25 July 2023

Attachment No: 1



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2023 LGAQ Annual Conference – Motions template

Who is the key contact for this motion? (required)	Alicia Cutler, General Manager Community Services
Submitting council (required)	Rockhampton Regional Council
Supporting organisation (if applicable)	
Council resolution # (required)	
Date of council resolution (required)	Please select the date of resolution here
<input type="checkbox"/> Does this motion have state-wide relevance? Yes	
Title of motion (required)	City & Town Entrance Standards
Motion (required)	The LGAQ calls on the State Government (Department of Transport and Main Roads) to consider the landscaping standards of the local authority when designing and scoping works that are to be undertaken, in particular the entrance statements.
What is the desired outcome sought? (required) 200 word limit	That the Department of Transport and Main Roads (DTMR) acknowledge and consider the presentation standards of the city/town in relation to landscaping when designing and scoping any works particularly the entrance of these cities and towns.
Background (required) 350 word limit	DTMR undertake essential roadworks across the State. It is acknowledged that these works are beneficial to all cities and towns. Most cities and towns have presentation standards in relation to landscaping and urban greening. They also have standards or expectations in regard to entrances to their respective locations. It is sought that DTMR take further consideration to these standards and expectations into account when designing and scoping such works.
Case study/ Example (optional) 350 word limit	



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Who is the key contact for this motion? (required)	Michael O'Keefe, Manager Rockhampton Regional Waste and Recycling
Submitting council (required)	Rockhampton Regional Council
Supporting organisation (if applicable)	
Council resolution # (required)	
Date of council resolution (required)	Please select the date of resolution here
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Does this motion have state-wide relevance? Yes	
Title of motion (required)	Waste levy and advance payment review
Motion (required)	The LGAQ calls on the State Government to bring forward the review of levy rates and advance payments to local government in line with outcomes identified by Regional Waste Management Plans.
What is the desired outcome sought? (required) 200 word limit	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The review of waste levy rates before the FY 2025/26 2. Alignment and regionalisation of waste diversion targets based on outcomes of Regional Waste Management Plans 3. Alignment of the advance payment drop-off schedule with these new targets
Background (required) 350 word limit	Following the announcement of the 11th of December 2021, Queensland started a 10-year long journey to increase the waste levy per tonne and the decrease advance payments large councils receive. To support the needed change, the state government funded the development of 9 Regional Waste Management Plans, and 4 Regional Waste Management Plans for First Nation Communities.

July 23
Insert subject here



	<p>Outcomes of the (insert region) region strongly indicates that waste diversion targets of 70% by 2030 for MSW are not achievable for the region and broader regional Queensland.</p> <p>(Insert council), as part of adjusted waste levy advance payments schedule, by 2030/31, will only receive 20% of levyable solid waste refunded through advance payments, in contrast to the (insert maximum diversion achieved) diversion achieved as identified by the Regional Waste Management Plan.</p> <p>This gap has yet to be acknowledged by the State Government, and already has significant financial impacts on councils. A re-adjustment of the advance payment schedule is required to ensure regional communities can contribute meaningfully to the State Waste targets and that these communities do not pay for the lack of resource recovery opportunities within their region.</p>
<p>Case study / Example (optional) 350 word limit</p>	

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Rudolf Pretzler





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2023 LGAQ Annual Conference – Motions template

Who is the key contact for this motion? (required)	Christine Bell, Coordinator Environmental Sustainability
Submitting council (required)	Rockhampton Regional Council
Supporting organisation (if applicable)	
Council resolution # (required)	
Date of council resolution (required)	Please select the date of resolution here
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Does this motion have state-wide relevance? (This is a required field)	
Title of motion (required)	Continuation of the Queensland Climate Resilient Councils (QCRC) Program and associated Initiatives
Motion (required)	The LGAQ calls on the State Government to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Extend the Queensland Climate Resilient Councils (QCRC) program and services for three years with increased funding. 2. Provide targeted operational and capital grants programs to enable Councils to build climate resilience through local implementation of the Climate Risk Management Framework for Queensland Local Government and their associated Climate Risk Management Plans.
What is the desired outcome sought? (required) 200 word limit	Build climate resilience by providing local governments with continued access to the QCRC Program and new targeted operational and capital grants programs to support implementation of the Climate Risk Management Framework for Queensland Local Governments.
Background (required) 350 word limit	<p>Queensland's climate is changing. To date, much work has focused on coastal councils adapting to coastal hazards and disaster management planning. There now needs to be a shift towards climate resilience, including emissions reduction and adaptation for all councils.</p> <p>With the State and Federal Governments recognition of climate risks and their commitment to net zero targets, the QCRC program will help achieve these ambitious goals, unlock investment and generate local momentum.</p> <p>While Councils have always had a role in managing risks to their organisation and communities, climate change presents unique challenges including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • increasing uncertainty about the scope and scale of hazards;

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> less predictability in formerly predictable climate cycles such as wet and dry seasons; and <p>new and emerging threats associated with chronic business risks and global decarbonisation actions.</p> <p>Proactive action and the ability to demonstrate how a local government area is considering and acting to mitigate and/or take advantage of changing risk is increasingly important.</p> <p>As part of the Queensland Climate Resilient Councils (QCRC) program, the Local Government Association Queensland (LGAQ) has worked with the Queensland Government to develop a Climate Risk Management Framework for Queensland Local Government that ties in with the Sendai Framework for Global Action on Disaster Risk Reduction, the National Climate Change Response and Disaster Risk Reduction Frameworks and the Queensland Strategy for Disaster Resilience.</p> <p>The Climate Risk Management Framework for Queensland aims to encourage logical, defensible and effective actions that can minimise the overall cost of reducing the potential impact of all current and future climate risk within a Local Government Area (LGA).</p> <p>Local implementation of the Framework is constrained by the fact that climate risk management is still considered outside the core business of most councils, particularly given the heavily constrained budgets and competing resource priorities.</p> <p>To support the future prosperity of our communities, environment and economy, councils need access to continued support through the QCRC Program and targeted State Government grants to embed climate resilience in decision making and adaptation actions for the community.</p>
<p>Case study/ Example (optional) 350 word limit</p>	<p>N/A</p>

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Wilson Crawley





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2023 LGAQ Annual Conference – Motions template

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Submitting council (required)	Rockhampton Regional Council
Supporting organisation (if applicable)	
Council resolution # (required)	
Date of council resolution (required)	Please select the date of resolution here
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Does this motion have state-wide relevance? (This is a required field)	
Title of motion (required)	Supporting the local government sector to transition to net zero emissions
Motion (required)	The LGAQ calls on the State Government to support the local government sector to transition to net zero emissions, in line with legislated State and Federal Government targets, through the provision of targeted operational and capital grants programs.
What is the desired outcome sought? (required) 200 word limit	The creation of targeted operational and capital grants programs at a state government level to enable local Councils to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establish and maintain a corporate emissions inventory and corporate emissions reduction plan; and Invest in operational and capital projects which address identified emissions reduction priorities.
Background (required) 350 word limit	Both the State and Federal Governments have committed to legislated net zero emissions targets. Councils are responsible for a range of emissions including those associated with fuels in their fleet and plant; fugitive emissions from landfill gas and wastewater treatment; the electricity required to power their buildings, community facilities and street lighting; and emissions within their supply chains. Councils are also on the front line of climate-related impacts, with any delay in the transition towards net zero posing significant threats to our community, environment and economy through the increasing frequency and severity of extreme weather and disaster events, along with higher energy and insurance costs being just some of the issues arising.



	<p>It is therefore imperative for councils to reduce their organisational emissions in line with State and Federal government targets and to show leadership within their communities as the nation transitions towards a low carbon economy.</p> <p>Local governments have an important role to play in facilitating and supporting progress towards the net zero emissions goal. Much of the local government sector is already taking great strides in progressing towards net zero however Councils are at varying stages of the net zero journey. Some are embarking upon corporate baseline inventory mapping and many have carried out emissions reduction projects, including introducing energy efficient LED streetlights, installing electric vehicle charging stations, capturing biogas and flaring landfill gas emissions, diverting organic waste from landfill, installing solar and using recycled road construction materials. Some councils are going even further, investing in renewable energy projects, and supporting local businesses and residents to reduce their emissions. These initiatives are scalable and could be replicated by other councils with sustainable funding support.</p> <p>The provision of targeted operational and capital grant funding will facilitate the Queensland local government sector to accelerate to meet the required pace or change and take a greater leap towards net zero than current budgetary constraints and competing capital and operational priorities allow. By supporting councils to reduce emissions at a local level, the State can deliver on its own emissions commitments, whilst ensuring that no community is left behind.</p>
<p>Case study/ Example (optional) 350 word limit</p>	<p>Rockhampton Regional Council's Corporate Plan 2022-2027 makes a firm commitment to deliver environmental sustainability strategies and plans, providing specific goals to ensure the Rockhampton Region is resilient and prepared to manage climate-related risks.</p> <p>Council's Sustainability Strategy (Towards 2030) seeks to support the Region's community, environmental and economic resilience and sets a strategic priority to 'transition towards net zero emissions' in line with national and state policies and targets.</p> <p>Council's Corporate Emissions Reduction Plan identifies the need for an estimated investment of \$10.6m-\$11.9m* (*excluding waste-related initiatives) in order to achieve 43% emissions reduction by 2030 (in line with federal targets).</p> <p>Council is actively pursuing opportunities to progress emissions reduction projects such as extensive solar and energy efficiency upgrades, LED streetlights and park/sport lights, implementation of an Environmentally Sustainable Design (ESD) Procedure for all new builds and redevelopments, fleet transition plan, landfill gas flaring and household waste (FOGO) diversion.</p> <p>Council is committed to emissions reduction action and recognise that this action will increase our local resilience and improve resource efficiency within Council's operations resulting in reduced costs that will free up limited resources for use elsewhere. This ultimately benefits not only Council but also our community.</p>

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Whilst Council is integrating emissions reduction considerations in its operations where possible, it will not be in a position to align with the State and Federal Government's rapidly evolving emissions reduction targets (and broader community expectations) without assistance from higher levels of government.



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Who is the key contact for this motion? (required)	Michael O'Keefe, Manager Rockhampton Regional Waste and Recycling
Submitting council (required)	
Supporting organisation (if applicable)	
Council resolution # (required)	
Date of council resolution (required)	Please select the date of resolution here
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Does this motion have state-wide relevance?	
Title of motion (required)	Approved Deemed Weights
Motion (required)	The LGAQ calls on the State Government to provide approved deemed weights for recyclable items destined for the Resource Recovery Area (RRA) and allow the use of these deemed weights in mixed load transactions with multiple delivery destinations (e.g. tyre for the RRA and general waste for landfill)
What is the desired outcome sought? (required) 200 word limit	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> DES to update the <i>Levy Detailed Data Specification</i> to include approved deemed weights for common recyclable items often found in a load of waste going to landfill (e.g. tyres, mattresses, solar panels, whitegoods, metals, greenwaste) Approval from DES that where there is a weighed load for landfill, that also contains waste items for the RRA, approved deemed weights may be used for the RRA items, deducting that weight from the waste to landfill

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<p>Background (required) 350 word limit</p>	<p>Subdivision 3 of the <i>Waste Reduction and Recycling Act 2011</i> requires all waste delivered to the levyable disposal site (i.e landfill cell) to be weighed using a weighbridge.</p> <p>Often customers will come to a waste facility with a mixed load of recyclable items for the RRA and waste for the levyable disposal area. For these loads, legislation currently requires that the customer must weigh these various waste streams separately in order to ensure accurate weights. This results in the customer having to make multiple return trips around the weighbridge which can be inefficient and, depending on available infrastructure, unsafe. Additionally, this discourages the customer from recycling, due to the additional effort required while at the waste facility.</p> <p>Deemed weights (pre-set approved weights) on these RRA items would allow for a more efficient transaction. Current weighbridge software is capable of applying deemed weights to a waste product and deducting that weight from the overall weighed load. For example, a trailer load of general waste with a tyre would currently require a customer to make two trips around the weighbridge. Applying a deemed weight to the tyre would allow the customer to only make one trip, as the deemed weight for the tyre would be deducted from the total net weight, with the remainder being recorded as the general waste.</p> <p>Currently DES provides deemed weights for specific waste types in <i>Levy Detailed Data Specification</i>. These are limited to only a few high-level waste streams and are only permitted for use in the event of a weighbridge not working. This motion requests DES expand the list of deemed weights to include more waste streams, or implement a process where waste facility</p>
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	<p>operators can request approval for deemed weights they provide.</p> <p>Additionally, it is requested DES provide approval for waste facility operators to utilise these deemed weights for any products being delivered to the RRA.</p>
<p>Case study / Example (optional) 350 word limit</p>	<p>(Insert potential financial impact on council if known)</p>

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12 NOTICES OF MOTION

12.1 NOTICE OF MOTION - COUNCILLOR DREW WICKERSON - TRAVEL TO BRISBANE TO ATTEND TALISMAN SABRE CLOSING CEREMONY

File No: 10072
Attachments: Nil
Responsible Officer: Nicole Semfel - Acting Senior Executive Assistant to the Mayor
Justin Kann - Manager Office of the Mayor
Evan Pardon - Chief Executive Officer

SUMMARY

Councillor Drew Wickerson has indicated his intention to move a Notice of Motion at the next Council Meeting scheduled for Tuesday 25 July 2023 regarding travel to Brisbane on 4 August 2023.

COUNCILLOR'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT Councillor Drew Wickerson be approved to attend the Talisman Sabre 2023 Closing Ceremony and Reception, on behalf of Mayor Tony Williams, to be held in Brisbane on 4 August 2023.

BACKGROUND

Councillor Drew Wickerson has been requested by Mayor Tony Williams to represent Rockhampton Regional Council at the Closing Ceremony and Civic Reception for Exercise Talisman Sabre 2023, recently conducted at Shoalwater Bay.

Rockhampton Regional Council is actively pursuing a number of economic development opportunities in the defence sector. Attendance at high profile events, such as the Talisman Sabre Closing Ceremony, is vital to continue to develop, foster and maintain beneficial relationships with our partners and potential proponents in this environment.

The event can only be attended in person. Associated costs shall be expended from the Councillor's Travel Expenses Allocation. Travel costs (Flights) are approximately \$500.00, accommodation is not required.

13 QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Nil

14 URGENT BUSINESS/QUESTIONS

Urgent Business is a provision in the Agenda for members to raise questions or matters of a genuinely urgent or emergent nature, that are not a change to Council Policy and can not be delayed until the next scheduled Council or Committee Meeting

15 CLOSED SESSION

In accordance with the provisions of section 254J(3) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a local government may resolve to close a meeting to the public to discuss confidential items, such that its Councillors or members consider it necessary to close the meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the meeting be closed to the public to discuss the following items, which are considered confidential in accordance with section 254J(3) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, for the reasons indicated.

16.1 Regional Economic Futures Fund Stakeholder Advisory Group

In accordance with section 254J(3)(g) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* it is considered necessary to close the meeting to discuss negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government.

16.2 Legal Matters Report - 1 April to 30 June 2023

In accordance with section 254J(3)(e) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* it is considered necessary to close the meeting to discuss legal advice obtained by the local government or legal proceedings involving the local government including, for example, legal proceedings that may be taken by or against the local government.

16 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

16.1 REGIONAL ECONOMIC FUTURES FUND STAKEHOLDER ADVISORY GROUP

File No: 11092

Attachments: Nil

Authorising Officer: Ross Cheesman - Deputy Chief Executive Officer

Author: Angus Russell - Executive Manager Strategy and Planning

In accordance with section 254J(3)(g) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* it is considered necessary to close the meeting to discuss negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government.

SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to provide advice to Council on the Regional Economic Futures Fund Central Queensland Stakeholder Advisory Group and to recommend project proposals to be advanced through this program.

16.2 LEGAL MATTERS REPORT - 1 APRIL TO 30 JUNE 2023**File No:** 1392**Attachments:** 1. Legal Matters Report - 1 April to 30 June 2023**Authorising Officer:** Damon Morrison - Manager Workforce and Governance
Ross Cheesman - Deputy Chief Executive Officer**Author:** Allysa Brennan - Coordinator Legal and Governance

In accordance with section 254J(3)(e) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* it is considered necessary to close the meeting to discuss legal advice obtained by the local government or legal proceedings involving the local government including, for example, legal proceedings that may be taken by or against the local government.

SUMMARY

Presenting an update of current legal matters that Council is involved in as at 30 June 2023.

17 CLOSURE OF MEETING