#### 14.1 Schedule of Accounts for October 2020

Location	Town-wide
Reporting officer	Bonnie Hutchins
Responsible officer	Stuart Billingham
Voting requirement	Simple majority
Attachments	1. Payment Summary Listing - October 2020 [ <b>14.1.1</b> - 9 pages]

#### Recommendation

#### That Council:

- 1. Confirms the accounts for 31 October 2020 as included in the attachment, pursuant to Regulation 13 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996.
- 2. Confirms the direct lodgement of payroll payments to the personal bank accounts of employees, pursuant to Regulation 13 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996.

### **Purpose**

To present the payments made from the municipal fund and the trust fund for the month ended 31 October 2020.

#### In brief

- Council is required to confirm payments made from the municipal fund and the trust fund each month, under Section 13 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996.
- The information required for Council to confirm the payments made is included in the attachment.

### **Background**

- 1. Council has delegated the Chief Executive Officer the authority to make payments from the municipal and trust funds in accordance with the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996.
- 2. Under Regulation 13(1) of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996, where a local government has delegated to the Chief Executive Officer the exercise of its power to make payments from the municipal fund or the trust fund, each payment is to be noted on a list compiled for each month showing:
  - (a) the payee's name
  - (b) the amount of the payment
  - (c) the date of the payment
  - (d)sufficient information to identify the transaction
- 2. That payment list should then be presented at the next Ordinary Meeting of the Council, following the preparation of the list, and recorded in the minutes of the meeting at which it is presented.
- 3. The payment list and the associated report was previously presented to the Finance and Audit Committee. Given this Committee's scope has changed to focus more on the audit function, the payment listings will be forwarded to the Elected Members ahead of time. Any questions received prior to the finalisation of the report will be included along with the responses within the Schedule of Accounts report for that month.
- 4. The list of accounts paid in accordance with Regulation 13 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 is contained within the attachment and is summarised below.

Fund	Reference	Amounts
Municipal Account		
Automatic Cheques Drawn	608795 – 608802	8,495
Creditors – EFT Payments		4,877,788
Payroll		1,084,401
Bank Fees		34,927
Corporate MasterCard		6,354
		6,011,965

# **Strategic alignment**

Civic Leadership	
Strategic outcome	Intended public value outcome or impact
CL06 - Finances are managed appropriately, sustainably and transparently for the benefit of the community.	The monthly payment summary listing of all payments made by the Town during the reporting month from its municipal fund and trust fund provides transparency into the financial operations of the Town
CL10 - Legislative responsibilities are resourced and managed appropriately, diligently and equitably.	The presentation of the payment listing to Council is a requirement of Regulation 13 of Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 1996.

# **Legal compliance**

Section 6.10(d) of the Local Government Act 1995
Regulation 13 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 1996

### **Risk management consideration**

Risk impact category	Risk event description	Consequence rating	Likelihood rating	Overall risk level score	Council's risk appetite	Risk treatment option and rationale for actions
Financial	Misstatement or significant error in Schedule of accounts.	Moderate	Unlikely	Medium	Low	Treat risk by ensuring daily and monthly reconciliations are completed. Internal and external audits.
	Fraud or illegal transactions	Severe	Unlikely	High	Low	Treat risk by ensuring stringent internal controls, and segregation of

						duties to maintain control and conduct internal and external audits.
Environmental	Not applicable					
Health and safety	Not applicable					
Infrastructure/ICT systems/utilities	Not applicable					
Legislative compliance	Not accepting schedule of accounts will lead to noncompliance.	Major	Unlikely	Medium	Low	Treat risk by providing reasoning and detailed explanations to Council to enable informed decision making. Also provide the Payment summary listing prior to preparation of this report for comments.
Reputation	Not applicable					
Service Delivery	Not applicable					

# **Financial implications**

Current budget impact	Sufficient funds exist within the annual budget to address this recommendation
Future budget impact	Not applicable.

# **Analysis**

5. All accounts paid have been duly incurred and authorised for payment as per approved purchasing and payment procedures. It is therefore requested that Council confirm the payments, as included in the attachments.

Relevant document	_		
Procurement Policy			