



TOWN OF
VICTORIA PARK

Ordinary Council Meeting Minutes – 17 October 2023



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Please be advised that an **Ordinary Council Meeting** was held at **6:30 PM** on **Tuesday 17 October 2023** in the **Council Chambers**, Administration Centre at 99 Shepperton Road, Victoria Park.

Her Worship the Mayor Karen Vernon
27 October 2023

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1 Declaration of opening

Mayor Karen Vernon opened the meeting at 6:30pm.

Acknowledgement of Country

Cr Bronwyn Ife read the Acknowledgement of Country.

Ngany djerapiny Wadjak – Noongar boodja-k yaakiny, nidja bilya bardook.

I am honoured to be standing on Whadjuk - Nyungar country on the banks of the Swan River.

Ngany kaaditj Noongar moort keny kaadak nidja Wadjak Noongar boodja. Ngany kaaditj nidja Noongar birdiya – koora, ye-ye, boorda, baalapiny moorditj Noongar kaadijtin, moort, wer boodja ye-ye.

I acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land and respect past, present and emerging leaders, their continuing cultural heritage, beliefs and relationship with the land, which continues to be important today.

Ngany youngka baalapiny Noongar birdiya wer moort nidja boodja.

I thank them for the contribution made to life in the Town of Victoria Park and to this region.

2 Announcements from the Presiding Member

2.1 Recording and live streaming of proceedings

In accordance with clause 39 of the *Town of Victoria Park Meeting Procedures Local Law 2019*, as the Presiding Member, I hereby give my permission for the administration to record proceedings of this meeting.

This meeting is also being live streamed on the Town's website. By being present at this meeting, members of the public consent to the possibility that their image and voice may be live streamed to public. Recordings are also made available on the Town's website following the meeting.

2.2 Public question time and public statement time

There are guidelines that need to be adhered to in our Council meetings and during question and statement time people speaking are not to personalise any questions, or statements about Elected Members, or staff or use any possible defamatory remarks.

In accordance with clause 40 of the *Town of Victoria Park Meeting Procedures Local Law 2019*, a person addressing the Council shall extend due courtesy and respect to the Council and the processes under which it operates and shall comply with any direction by the presiding member.

A person present at or observing a meeting shall not create a disturbance at a meeting, by interrupting or interfering with the proceedings, whether by expressing approval or dissent, by conversing or by any other means.

When the presiding member speaks during public question time or public statement time any person then speaking, is to immediately stop and every person present is to preserve strict silence so that the presiding member may be heard without interruption.

2.3 No adverse reflection

In accordance with clause 56 of the *Town of Victoria Park Meeting Procedures Local Law 2019*, both Elected Members and the public when speaking are not to reflect adversely on the character or actions of Elected Members or employees.

2.4 Town of Victoria Park Meeting Procedures Local Law 2019

All meetings of the Council, committees and the electors are to be conducted in accordance with the Act, the Regulations and the *Town of Victoria Park Meeting Procedures Local Law 2019*.

2.5 Mayor's report September to October 2023

ANNOUNCEMENTS FROM THE PRESIDING MEMBER

This is the last Council meeting for the current Council before the election this Saturday. This will be Councillor Vicki Potter's last Council meeting before her retirement on Saturday 21 October, after 12 years on Council.

Vicki was first elected unopposed as a Councillor for the Jarrah Ward in the ordinary elections on 15 October 2011. In 2015 Vicki was re-elected as a Jarrah Ward Councillor. In October 2017, Council elected Vicki as the Town's second female Deputy Mayor, a position she held until October 2019, when she was re-elected as a Jarrah Ward Councillor for a third term.

During her time on Council, Vicki has also represented the Council on the following external bodies and Council committees, advisory and working groups:

1. Statutory member of the Metro Central Joint Development Assessment Panel from 2015 to the present, Two Rivers Catchment Group (2013 – 15), WA Local Government Association (2015 – 2017).
 2. Parking Management Committee (2013 – 17; Chair from 2015), Economic Development Committee (2016 – 2017; Chair), Community Development Committee (2016 – 2019; Chair from 2017), Future Planning Committee (2017 – 2019), CEO Performance Review Committee (2017 – present), Policy Committee (2019 – 2023).
 3. Culture and Local History Working Group (2011 – 2015), Integrated Transport Working Group (2011-13), Arts Working Group (2013 – 2015), Business Life Working Group (2013 – 2015), Edward Millen Site Working Group (2013 – 15), Lathlain Precinct Redevelopment Project Team (2013 – 15), Gurney VC RSL & Community Centre Management Committee (2015 – 2017), Aboriginal Engagement Advisory Group/Mindeera Advisory Group (2017 – present), Urban Forest Implementation Working Group (2019 – 2021) , Macmillan Precinct Master Plan Working Group (2020 – present).
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When Cr Potter joined Council, her 4 sons were all at primary school, with the youngest just 15 months old. Councillors back then all got to know Vicki's young family and in particular her youngest, who often accompanied Vicki to Council meetings and events.

Over her time on Council, Vicki has been a champion of the environment, in particular the Urban Forest, our local history, heritage and character, the arts, and recognition for and reconciliation with First Nations peoples. Of course, there have been so many more issues that she has advocated for or been at the forefront of, including the a public arts strategy, introduction of paid parking and zoning for caryards – some distinctly Vic Park things.

Most significant has been Vicki's involvement in statutory planning as a member of the JDAP for the last 8 years. She has been involved in many of the most significant planning decisions impacting on the Town during that period.

!2 years is a true milestone. No one should underestimate the extent of the commitment and effort it takes to put yourself in a public role and represent your community for that length of time. Vicki you have left an indelible mark on Council and your community. I would also like to acknowledge your husband Dave, your children and your parents who have supported you in devoting your time to your role on Council.

On behalf of Council, the Town and our community, I sincerely thank Vicki for her long service to our community and her contributions to the important work of Council, and we wish you all the best in your future endeavours.

MAYOR'S REPORT – September to October 2023

On **21 September**, I attended a Mindarie Regional Council meeting hosted at the City of Vincent.

On **22 September**, I attended the PRIVE Fashion Festival and Spring Carnival at the invitation of Perth Racing. 3 of the 5 student fashion designers featured in the Fashion Festival are studying design within the Town at Curtin University and South Metropolitan TAFE.

On **26 September**, I met with the new Manager of the Victoria Park Community Centre and discussed the Centre's upcoming programs and the benefit to the Centre from the community grant funding towards their 30th anniversary activities.

On **27 September**, the CEO and I met with Zaneta Mascarenhas MP, the Federal Member for Swan to discuss funding for Lathlain Park Zone 1 community sport and recreation facility.

Later that evening, the CEO and I attended the official opening ceremony of the Hockey Australia Masters Championships at the Perth Hockey Stadium, Curtin University, and welcomed the athletes to the Town.

On **4 October**, the CEO and I met with representatives of the Perth Football Club and West Coast Eagles to discuss progress of the Lathlain Park Zone 1 community sport and recreation facility.

On **6 October**, I met with the new officer in charge of Kensington Police Station, Senior Sargeant Tite. We discussed police responses to crimes and antisocial behaviour in various locations within the Town. Snr Sgt Tite commended the Town on its proactivity on 2 fronts - leading the John Macmillan Park working group between WA Police, Department of Communities, Hawaiian Park Centre and the Town and expanding the security/CCTV incentive rebates to include a wider range of security options.

On **7 October**, I, along with Deputy Mayor Anderson and Cr Karimi, attended a community arts workshop at the Victoria Park Community Centre to help make an art mural to celebrate the Centre's 30th anniversary this year.

That night, Deputy Mayor Anderson, the CEO and I attended the City of Belmont's Mayoral Dinner to farewell Cr Phil Marks, who retires as Mayor on 21 October after 12 years in the role.

On **9 October**, I held a morning tea with residents of Rowethorpe Retirement Village.

That evening I presided at a citizenship ceremony for 26 new citizens from 13 countries. Thanks to Deputy Mayor Anderson for being the MC for the ceremony.

On **13 October**, I attended the start of the 2023/24 season for the Curtin University Victoria Park Swimming Club, with night races for 7 – 18 year olds, at the Aqualife.

On **14 October**, I joined village residents and their families to enjoy the Bentley Park Annual Show held at Swancare. There were some talented art, photography, crafts and woodwork on display, and some spectacular prizewinning entries.

That afternoon I attended the Club Open Day for the Higgins Park Tennis Club to launch the 2023/24 pennants season.

On **15 October**, Deputy Mayor Anderson and I attended the AFLW match between West Coast Eagles and Melbourne Football Club at Lathlain Park along with the Honourable Dr Tony Buti, Minister for Aboriginal Affairs.

3 Attendance

Mayor

Ms Karen Vernon

Banksia Ward

Deputy Mayor Claire Anderson
Cr Wilfred Hendriks

Jarrah Ward

Cr Jesse Hamer
Cr Bronwyn Ife
Cr Jesvin Karimi
Cr Vicki Potter

Chief Executive Officer

Mr Anthony Vuleta

Chief Operations Officer

Ms Natalie Adams

Chief Financial Officer

Mr Duncan Olde

Chief Community Planner

Ms Natalie Martin Goode

Manager Governance and Strategy

Ms Bernadine Tucker

Coordinator Governance and Strategy

Ms Tracey Wilson

Secretary

Ms Felicity Higham

Public liaison

Ms Shelly Woods

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3.1 Apologies

Nil.

3.2 Approved leave of absence

Banksia Ward

Cr Peter Devereux

4 Declarations of interest

4.1 Declarations of financial interest

Nil.

4.2 Declarations of proximity interest

Nil.

4.3 Declarations of interest affecting impartiality

Name/Position	Cr Jesvin Karimi
Item No/Subject	12.1 – Draft Innovate Reconciliation Action Plan
Nature of interest	Impartiality
Extent of interest	I am a current member of the Town's Mindeera Advisory Group and I have also held numerous discussions with members of our Community about the draft Innovate Reconciliation Action Plan.

Name/Position	Cr Jesvin Karimi
Item No/Subject	12.2 - Consideration of draft amended Lathlain Park Management Plan
Nature of interest	Impartiality
Extent of interest	I have attended events, at Lathlain Park, hosted by: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Perth Football Club• West Coast Eagles I have also held numerous discussions with members of our Community about the Lathlain Park Management Plan.

Name/Position	Deputy Mayor Claire Anderson
Item No/Subject	12.2 - Consideration of draft amended Lathlain Park Management Plan
Nature of interest	Impartiality
Extent of interest	I have attended events at Lathlain Park hosted by the Perth Football Club and the West Coast Eagles.

Name/Position	Mayor Karen Vernon
Item No/Subject	12.2 - Consideration of draft amended Lathlain Park Management Plan
Nature of interest	Impartiality
Extent of interest	I have attended events at Lathlain Park hosted by the West Coast Eagles and Perth Football Club. I have also attended meetings of the Boards of both WCE and PFC regarding the management of Lathlain Park.

Name/Position	Cr Wilfred Hendriks
Item No/Subject	12.2 - Consideration of draft amended Lathlain Park Management Plan
Nature of interest	Impartiality
Extent of interest	I have attended events run by the events run by the Perth Football Club and The West Coast Eagles

Name/Position	Mayor Karen Vernon
Item No/Subject	12.4 - Summer Street Party Sponsorship
Nature of interest	Impartiality
Extent of interest	I have attended several meetings with John Hughes of John Huges Group regarding activation of Albany Highway and sponsorship of Town events since 2019.

5 Public question time

5.2 Response to previous public questions taken on notice at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 19 September 2023

Oscar Foster, East Victoria Park

1. *How many litres of fuel did the town purchase in 2021/22?*

99,892 litres.

2. *What percentage of fuel purchased in the 2021/22 financial year was used for staff commuting as opposed to Town purposes?*

Approximately 15%.

5.2 Response to previous public questions taken on notice at the Agenda Briefing Forum held on 3 October 2023

Amy Holdsworth, Burswood

1. *How many residential and commercial planning applications has the Town received that are not currently approved? Not ones that have been denied but are pending action by the Town.*

A total of 96 active development applications are currently being assessed, including 65 residential applications and 31 commercial/industrial applications. There are also a further 24 development applications which have been lodged with the Town but are pending receipt of further information prior to being accepted for assessment.

2. *What is the Town's current average approval time frame for new builds and renovation planning applications for both residential and commercial properties from when the Town receives the application to when it is approved?*

In September 2023, a total of 17 applications were determined. The average processing timeframe for those 17 applications, from acceptance of the application to determination, was 76 calendar days. Note, for a large part of August and September, the Urban Planning team were down three assessing Officers due to vacancies and leave.

Vince Maxwell, Victoria Park

1. *Over 4 years there are around 20 examples of Council meetings or committees that do not show who was at a secret meeting, who voted on items and how. Will Council ask the Town to go back through the minutes and update them?*

The Town has not had any secret meetings.

Herb Rowe, Carlisle

- 1. Is the Town aware of damage to the kerb on Archer Street between Mars and Star Street, there is a area behind the kerb has not been filled in and when will it be fixed?*

Yes, the Town is aware. It does not present an immediate hazard. Currently seeking quotes for repairs

- 2. What is the steel structure around the Kuzu restaurant, does the Town know what is going up there?*

The steel structure forms part of an approved extension of the existing building.

- 3. Has the Town made any progress on a Cat Policy?*

No. The Town does not currently maintain a Cat Policy, as Officers are awaiting changes in legislation (Cat Act) that are anticipated to provide local governments with stronger cat management powers.

5.3 Public question time

Public question time opened at 6:57pm.

Rob Polito, East Victoria Park

- 1. Vacant landowners has less demand for services and current building costs are prohibitive, how does Council justify a significant increase in rates?*

The Chief Financial Officer advised the proposed rates on vacant land were advertised and sought public submissions. Further commentary on this matter is available through the Ordinary Council Meeting minutes from 16 May 2023, item 14.3 and specifically paragraphs 12 and 13.

- 2. Will Council reconsider the rate increases for vacant landowners?*

The Chief Financial Officer advised the rates are set each year by Council through setting the budget and he cannot speak on behalf of the Council.

- 3. When does Council plan to upgrade Lane 57A?*

The Chief Operations Officer advised that the Town's ROW strategy focusses on unsealed ROW. ROW 57A is sealed and not planned for renewal.

Ian Holland, Victoria Park

- 1. Are decisions under delegated authority checked against primary and annual returns to ensure no conflict of interest?*

The Manager Governance and Strategy advised the primary return is a snapshot of personal information on an employee's commencement and the annual return discloses changes to that initial information. Council do not check decisions against primary or annual returns as staff interests are not known.

- 2. How does town ensure decisions are not affected by biases or conflict of interest?*
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The Manager Governance and Strategy advised that employees at the Town are bound by the code of conduct as a requirement of the Local Government Act. Under the code employees have an obligation to ensure any conflict of interest is declared. Disclosing an interest does not prevent an employee continuing to engage in the work it is how their interest is managed which is important.

3. Is Council confident officers with a real or perceived interest in Ursula Frayne Catholic College declare their conflicts of interest when necessary?

The Chief Operations Officer advised that she cannot answer for Council, but all staff have an obligation to declare actual or perceived conflicts of interest. To the best of my knowledge there have been no conflicts of interest relating to the college.

Gerry Prewett, Victoria Park

1. At a recent Council meeting the Ratepayers Association asked about the budget being in 'real time'. What is the approximate cost of recasting the budget for this? Is there any software that can do this?

The Chief Financial Officer advised that it is almost impossible to accurately assess the cost of doing this in real time, the time to do a real time update process would make the budget impossible to undertake. He is not aware of any Local Government that does that. Budget preparation is extensive and Local Governments are required to complete a budget review mid way through the year.

Lisa Hollands, Victoria Park

1. Is the Town aware of section 62 of the Equal Opportunity Act 1984 and if what section of the Meeting Procedures Local Law 2019 requires residents to stand for the Acknowledgement of Country?

Mayor Karen Vernon advised the question would be taken on notice.

2. Do you think the Presiding Members announcement at the 19 September 2023 Ordinary Council Meeting complied with the Councillors Code of Conduct and Equal Opportunity Act 1984?

Mayor Karen Vernon advised there are a lot of questions, but they will be treated as one and taken on notice.

Vince Maxwell, Victoria Park

1. I have tried to contact the CEO regarding at least six member of his staff interfering with my election campaign.

Mayor Karen Vernon advised that questions about a candidates election campaign cannot be dealt with in a Council meeting as it is about your private business and not that of Council. Any complaint about the CEO can be taken up with the CEO or advanced to the Minister for Local Government.

2. How can I contact the Chief Executive Officer other than standing in front of his house, as I've tried every other avenue?

Mayor Karen Vernon advised that it would be best to call the Town and ask for the CEO to contact him.

3. Where are the costings for each of the actions in the Draft Innovate RAP?

The Chief Community Planner advised there are generally not costings included in strategies they usually follow in the implementation plan.

Oscar Foster, East Victoria Park

1. Where will the staff Christmas party be held this year?

Mayor Karen Vernon took the question on notice.

2. How much will it cost?

Mayor Karen Vernon advised the Town would not be able to answer this until after such an event.

Skye Croeser, East Victoria Park

1. Given the local areas voted yes in the referendum, what action is Council going to take in response to calls for a week of mourning?

The Chief Community Planner took the question on notice.

2. Will Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags be flown at half-mast in the Town?

The Chief Executive Officer advised that they wouldn't be as there are protocols for flags and the Federal Government has not provided any instruction to do that.

Public question time finished at 7:15pm.

6 Public statement time

Public statement time opened at 7:15pm.

Lisa Hollands,

Made a statement that it is disappointing the livestream of the Ordinary Council Meeting with the Mayor making a sweeping statement regarding what the Presiding Member can determine and banning someone is an overstretch.

Vince Maxwell, Victoria Park

Made a statement that the Draft Innovate RAP makes references to resources in the 2023/2024 budget indicating the Town has assessed costs but these are not available to the community for meaningful cost benefit analysis.

Rick Sneddon, East Victoria Park

Made a statement about his participation in the referendum and how well the public interacted however he did not have the same experience at the candidate's session run by the Victoria Park Collective.

Mayor Karen Vernon advised it is not appropriate to make a statement about an election campaign which is not appropriate at a Council meeting and advised Mr Sneddon he could not continue.

Peter Smith

Made a statement about the Local Government Code of Conduct referring to the Council members must not be abusive and should avoid reputational damage to Council.

Public statement time closed at 7:25pm.

7 Confirmation of minutes and receipt of notes from any agenda briefing forum

Officer Recommendation and COUNCIL RESOLUTION (207/2023):

Moved: Cr Vicki Potter

Seconded: Cr Jesvin Karimi

That Council:

1. Confirms the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 19 September 2023.
2. Receives the notes of the Agenda Briefing Forum held on 3 October 2023.
3. Receives the notes from the Access and Inclusion Advisory Group meeting held on 4 September 2023.

Carried (7 - 0)

For: Mayor Karen Vernon, Deputy Mayor Claire Anderson, Cr Jesse Hamer, Cr Wilfred Hendriks, Cr Bronwyn Ife, Cr Jesvin Karimi and Cr Vicki Potter

Against: Nil

8 Presentation of minutes from external bodies

Officer Recommendation and COUNCIL RESOLUTION (208/2023):

Moved: Cr Jesse Hamer

Seconded: Cr Vicki Potter

That Council:

1. Receives the minutes of the Mindarie Regional Council meeting held on 13 July 2023.
2. Receives the minutes of the Metro Inner-South Joint Development Assessment Panel meeting held on 22 September 2023.

Carried (7 - 0)

For: Mayor Karen Vernon, Deputy Mayor Claire Anderson, Cr Jesse Hamer, Cr Wilfred Hendriks, Cr Bronwyn Ife, Cr Jesvin Karimi and Cr Vicki Potter

Against: Nil

9 Presentations

9.1 Petitions

Nil.

9.2 Presentations

Nil.

9.3 Deputations

Nil.

10 Method of dealing with agenda business

COUNCIL RESOLUTION (209/2023):

Moved: Cr Vicki Potter

Seconded: Cr Jesvin Karimi

That the following items be adopted by exception resolution, and the remaining items be dealt with separately.

11.1 Council Resolutions Status Report – September 2023

12.2 Consideration of draft amended Lathlain Park Management Plan

12.4 Summer Street Party Sponsorship

13.1 October TVP 23/09 – Provision of Buildings Electrical Services

14.1 Financial Statements – August 2023

14.2 Schedule of Accounts – August 2023

Carried (7 - 0)

For: Mayor Karen Vernon, Deputy Mayor Claire Anderson, Cr Jesse Hamer, Cr Wilfred Hendriks, Cr Bronwyn Ife, Cr Jesvin Karimi and Cr Vicki Potter

Against: Nil

11 Chief Executive Officer reports

11.1 Council Resolution Status Report - September 2023

Location	Town-wide
Reporting officer	Governance Officer
Responsible officer	Manager Governance and Strategy
Voting requirement	Simple majority
Attachments	1. Outstanding Council Resolutions Report September 2023 (1) [11.1.1 - 25 pages] 2. Completed Council Resolutions Report September 2023 (1) [11.1.2 - 27 pages]

Recommendation
That Council: 1. Notes the Outstanding Council Resolutions Report as shown in attachment 1. 2. Notes the Completed Council Resolutions Report as shown in attachment 2.

Purpose

To present Council with the Council resolutions status reports.

In brief

- On 17 August 2021, Council endorsed status reporting on the implementation of Council resolutions.
- The status reports are provided for Council's information.

Background

1. On 17 August 2021, Council resolved as follows:
 2. *That Council:*
 3. *1. Endorse the inclusion of Council Resolutions Status Reports as follows:*
 4. *a) Outstanding Items – all items outstanding; and*
 5. *b) Completed Items – items completed since the previous months' report to be presented to each Ordinary Council Meeting, commencing October 2021.*
- 2. Endorse the format of the Council Resolutions Status Reports as shown in Attachment 1.*

Strategic alignment

Civic Leadership	
Community priority	Intended public value outcome or impact

CL3 - Accountability and good governance.	The reports provide elected members and the community with implementation/progress updates on Council resolutions.
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Engagement

Internal engagement

Stakeholder	Comments
All service areas	Relevant officers have provided comments on the progress of implementing Council resolutions.

Legal compliance

Not applicable.

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	Not applicable.				Low	
Environmental	Not applicable.				Medium	
Health and safety	Not applicable.				Low	
Infrastructure/ ICT systems/ utilities	Not applicable.				Medium	
Legislative compliance	Not applicable.				Low	
Reputation	Not applicable.				Low	
Service delivery	Not applicable.				Medium	

Financial implications

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

Analysis

6. The Outstanding Council Resolutions Report details all outstanding items. A status update has been included by the relevant officer/s.
 7. The Completed Council Resolutions Report details all Council resolutions that have been completed by officers from 1 September 2023 to 28 September 2023. A status update has been included by the relevant officer/s.
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Relevant documents

Not applicable.

Officer Recommendation and COUNCIL RESOLUTION (210/2023):

Moved: Cr Vicki Potter

Seconded: Cr Jesvin Karimi

That Council:

1. Notes the Outstanding Council Resolutions Report as shown in attachment 1.
2. Notes the Completed Council Resolutions Report as shown in attachment 2.

Carried by exception resolution (7 - 0)

For: Mayor Karen Vernon, Deputy Mayor Claire Anderson, Cr Jesse Hamer, Cr Wilfred Hendriks, Cr Bronwyn Ife, Cr Jesvin Karimi and Cr Vicki Potter

Against: Nil

12 Chief Community Planner reports

12.1 Draft Innovate Reconciliation Action Plan

Location	Town-wide
Reporting officer	Coordinator Community Development
Responsible officer	Manager Community
Voting requirement	Simple majority
Attachments	1. Community Engagement Report Innovate RAP 2022 - FINAL [12.1.1 - 10 pages] 2. To VP Innovate RAP 2023 V 3 - Conditional Endorsement for Council [12.1.2 - 38 pages]

Recommendation

That Council:

1. Approves the advertising of the draft Innovate Reconciliation Action Plan 2023-2025 for public comment, as at Attachment Two.
2. Requests the Chief Executive Officer to report the outcomes of the public comment period and present the Innovate Reconciliation Action Plan 2023-2025 back to Council for consideration.

Purpose

To present Council with the draft Innovate Reconciliation Action Plan 2023-2025 and seek approval to release the plan for public comment period.

In brief

- The Town's Reflect Reconciliation Action Plan November 2018 – June 2020 was adopted by Council in November 2018 after provisional approval from Reconciliation Australia.
- The draft Innovate Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) was developed after consultation with Town staff, community, Elected Members, Mindeera Advisory Group and Reconciliation Australia.
- The draft Innovate RAP was conditionally approved by Reconciliation Australia in September 2023.
- The Town is now seeking approval from Council to release the draft RAP for public comment prior to returning to Council for final endorsement.

Background

1. A Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) is a strategic document that supports an organisation's business plan. It includes practical actions that will drive an organisation's contribution to reconciliation both internally and in the communities in which it operates.
2. The RAP Program contributes to advancing the five dimensions of reconciliation by supporting organisations to develop respectful relationships and create meaningful opportunities with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.
3. Each of the progressive four RAP types (Reflect, Innovate, Stretch, Elevate) set out the minimum elements required from an organisation to build strong Relationships, Respect and Opportunities within the organisation, as well as the wider community.

4. The Town established an Aboriginal Engagement Strategy Group (now Mindeera Advisory Group) in 2013 to build relationships and respect between members of our wider community and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.
5. The Town's Reflect Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) was adopted by Council in November 2018 after provisional approval was received from Reconciliation Australia.
6. Council approved a 12-month extension to the Town's existing Reflect RAP in July 2020 and July 2021.
7. Development of the Innovate RAP began in 2022, with community consultation occurring from May to July 2022 and internal Town staff consultation beginning and ongoing from July 2022.
8. A draft of the Innovate RAP was presented to the Mindeera Advisory Group in May 2023 and their feedback incorporated into the draft.
9. A draft of the Innovate RAP was presented to Elected Members via the portal in June 2023 and their feedback was incorporated into the draft.
10. A draft of the Innovate RAP was submitted to Reconciliation Australia (RA) in June 2023.
11. After incorporating RA feedback into the draft, the Innovate RAP was conditionally endorsed by Reconciliation Australia in September 2023.
12. The Town is now seeking approval from Council to release the draft RAP for public comment prior to returning to Council for final endorsement.

Strategic alignment

Civic Leadership	
Community Priority	Intended public value outcome or impact
CL2 - Communication and engagement with the community.	Our community has an understanding and knowledge of the Town's RAP and a greater awareness and understanding of Aboriginal culture and history.

Social	
Community Priority	Intended public value outcome or impact
S3 - Facilitating an inclusive community that celebrates diversity.	Through reconciliation the Town's First Nations People have a sense of pride and belonging in the local community.
S4 - Improving access to arts, history, culture and education.	The Town's community celebrates, acknowledges and has opportunities to learn about Aboriginal culture and history.

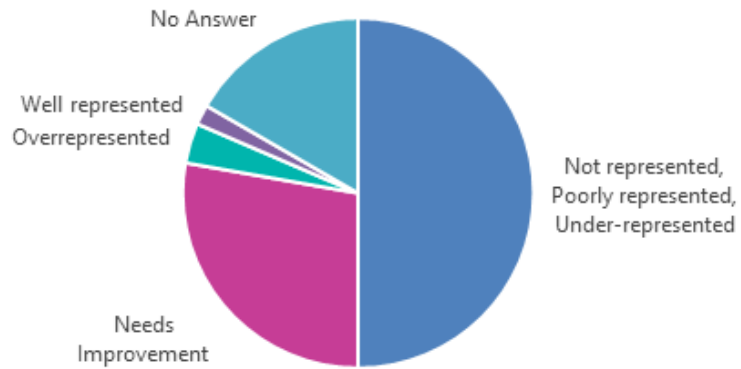
Engagement

Internal engagement	
Stakeholder	Comments
Community Development	Consultation and completion of internal Innovate RAP review and deliverables.
Mindeera Advisory Group	Consultation and completion of internal Innovate RAP development and deliverables. Support provided to continue activity with the current RAP until the Innovate RAP has been endorsed.
People and Culture	Consultation and completion of internal Innovate RAP review and deliverables.

Communications	Consultation and completion of internal Innovate RAP review and deliverables.
Town Staff including a members of the RAP Internal Working Group	Town staff were engaged during the consultation phase in July 2022 through questions posed in the All of Staff meeting held on 5 July 2022. A total of 72 responses were received from that engagement.

External engagement	
Stakeholders	Residents / ratepayers, broader community members, business owners, visitors
Period of engagement	May to July 2022
Level of engagement	2. Consult
Methods of engagement	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Community survey (online and hard copy) 2. A physical "Wishing Well" positioned at various locations around the town, and an online brainstorming "Wishing Well" tool. 3. Online Facebook question regarding dual naming of the Town of Victoria Park
Advertising	The community was alerted to the opportunity to engage via the Town website, social media, and e-news.
Submission summary	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Community survey – 54 responses 2. Wishing Well – 65 responses 3. Facebook dual naming question – 160 responses (91% vote of support)
Key findings	<p>Please refer to Attachment 1 – Community Engagement Report Innovate RAP 2022 for detailed feedback and results.</p> <p>Several common themes and ideas for action were identified through the community engagement process, some of which were translated into deliverables in the draft RAP. Over 75% of community survey responses indicated that Noongar community and culture representation in the Town needs improvement and is poorly/not represented in the Town.</p>

How well represented do you think the Noongar community and culture are in the Town?



Other engagement

Stakeholder	Comments
Reconciliation Australia	Consultation and advice on the Town's reconciliation journey. Conditional approval of draft Innovate RAP.
City of Vincent, City of South Perth, City of Melville,	Ongoing collaboration and consultation with other local government colleagues.

Legal compliance

Not applicable.

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					Low	
Environmental					Medium	
Health and safety					Low	
Infrastructure/ ICT systems/ utilities					Medium	
Legislative compliance					Low	

<p>Reputation</p>	<p>Negative public perception towards the Town should the Mindeera Advisory Group and broader community not see the Town progress on its journey of reconciliation.</p> <p>Negative public perception of the Town due to the RAP engagement being confused / linked with the Voice Referendum debate.</p>	<p>Moderate</p>	<p>Possible</p>	<p>Medium</p>	<p>Low</p>	<p>TREAT risk by continuing to deliver the Town's current RAP while developing the new Innovate RAP. Prioritise endorsement of the Innovate RAP for public comment.</p> <p>TREAT risk by communicating clearly the purpose of the public comment process and the purpose of the RAP.</p>
<p>Service delivery</p>	<p>Inability to deliver relevant and priority RAP actions due to having an out-of-date RAP.</p>	<p>Moderate</p>	<p>Possible</p>	<p>Medium</p>	<p>Medium</p>	<p>TREAT risk by continuing to deliver the Town's current RAP while developing the new Innovate RAP. Prioritise endorsement of the Innovate RAP for public comment.</p>

Financial implications

<p>Current budget impact</p>	<p>Sufficient funds have been requested within the 2022/23 annual budget to address this recommendation.</p>
<p>Future budget impact</p>	<p>Additional funds may be required in future budgets, however the amounts required will be determined via further investigation, aligned to proposed priority works.</p> <p>Future budget impacts will be considered by Council through the budget deliberation process prior to works / activities being endorsed and undertaken.</p>

Analysis

13. Town officers have developed the draft Innovate Reconciliation Action Plan 2023-2025 in consultation with Town staff, community members, Elected Members, Mindeera Advisory Group and Reconciliation Australia.
14. Development of the Innovate RAP includes refinement of Reconciliation Australia provided baseline deliverables, as well as the addition of further deliverables to address stakeholder feedback.

15. The Town's Innovate RAP contains 64 deliverables separated into the following four categories:
 - (a) Relationships
 - (b) Respect
 - (c) Opportunities
 - (d) Governance
16. The Town's Innovate RAP was conditionally approved by Reconciliation Australia in September 2023.
17. As recognised by Reconciliation Australia, RAP deliverables are about embedding cultural change and building strong relationships with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.
18. Adequate resources have been provided as part of the 2023/24 budgeting process to deliver initial elements of the Innovate RAP in anticipation of endorsement in this financial year. Prioritisation of deliverables has been integrated across the life of the plan to assist delivery as resources, capability and capacity are available.
19. The draft Innovate RAP 2023-2025 is now presented to Council for advertising for public comment for a three-week period. During this time, the Town will seek feedback from the relevant stakeholders.
20. Upon integration of relevant feedback, the final Innovate RAP 2023-2025 will be presented to Council for formal adoption.
21. The document would then be desktop published to meet Town and Reconciliation Australia standards, and then re-submitted to Reconciliation Australia for final endorsement.

Relevant documents

[Reflect Reconciliation Action Plan](#)

[Reconciliation Australia – RAP Framework](#)

Further consideration

Officer Recommendation and COUNCIL RESOLUTION (211/2023):

Moved: Cr Vicki Potter

Seconded: Cr Jesvin Karimi

That Council:

1. Approves the advertising of the draft Innovate Reconciliation Action Plan 2023-2025 for public comment, as at Attachment Two.
2. Requests the Chief Executive Officer to report the outcomes of the public comment period and present the Innovate Reconciliation Action Plan 2023-2025 back to Council for consideration.

Carried (7 - 0)

For: Mayor Karen Vernon, Deputy Mayor Claire Anderson, Cr Jesse Hamer, Cr Wilfred Hendriks, Cr Bronwyn Ife, Cr Jesvin Karimi and Cr Vicki Potter

Against: Nil

12.2 Consideration of draft amended Lathlain Park Management Plan

Location	Lathlain
Reporting officer	Manager Development Services
Responsible officer	Chief Community Planner
Voting requirement	Simple majority
Attachments	1. LPMP Draft for Final Approval [12.2.1 - 30 pages] 2. June 2023 OCM report [12.2.2 - 10 pages] 3. Schedule of submissions received [12.2.3 - 3 pages]

Recommendation

That Council recommends to the Western Australian Planning Commission that the draft amended Lathlain Park Management Plan, as contained at Attachment 1, be approved.

Purpose

To obtain Council's recommendation on the amended Lathlain Park Management Plan, for forwarding to the Western Australian Planning Commission (WAPC).

In brief

- The Lathlain Park Management Plan (LPMP) was originally approved by the Western Australian Planning Commission (WAPC) in July 2017 and is to be reviewed every 5 years.
- At the September 2021 Ordinary Council Meeting (OCM), Council resolved to commence the early review of the LPMP, subject to consent from key stakeholders, with a report to be presented to the February 2022 OCM.
- At the February 2022 OCM, Council received a report on the review of the Lathlain Park Management Plan, with it being recommended that Element Advisory Pty Ltd be appointed to progress with the stakeholder engagement, community consultation and preparation of an amended LPMP.
- Since the February 2022 OCM, the LPMP has undergone an extensive review process, including but not limited to a desktop analysis, meetings with key stakeholder groups, community engagement, preparation of the draft amended LPMP and review of the draft amended LPMP by Town Officers.
- At the June 2023 OCM, Council resolved to advertise the draft amended LPMP for public comments. Community consultation has now been completed.
- The matter is presented to Council to endorse the amended LPMP for forwarding to the WAPC for approval.

Background

1. Relevant background is contained in the report to the June 2023 OCM – see Attachment 2.
2. Notably the development approval issued by the WAPC for Perth Football Club and West Coast Eagles to play competitive matches at Lathlain Park with crowds of 3500 – 6500, expires in December 2023. While the draft amended Management Plan now includes provisions allowing for the permanent ongoing playing of matches with crowds between 3500-6500, if approved by the WAPC this would not likely come into effect until March 2024. So as to allow for the ongoing playing of matches with crowds between 3500-6500 between the expiry of the current development approval in December 2023 and the WAPC deciding upon the amended Management Plan in March 2024, a new development application has been submitted to continue this arrangement, albeit seeking approval for an interim

period until the amended Management Plan takes effect. This development application is currently under assessment and a recommendation to the WAPC will be provided by Council Officers under delegated authority.

Strategic alignment

Environment	
Community Priority	Intended public value outcome or impact
EN3 - Enhancing and enabling liveability through planning, urban design and development.	Ensure the land is used and developed in an orderly and proper manner.

Engagement

3. Commentary on the internal and external engagement that occurred prior to the June 2023 OCM is contained in the report to the June 2023 OCM – see Attachment 2.
4. The table below describes the consultation that occurred as part of the formal advertising of the draft amended LPMP post the June 2023 OCM.

External engagement	
Stakeholders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phase 1 respondents; • Wider community
Period of engagement	Time period that engagement was undertaken, including dates.
Level of engagement	Consult
Methods of engagement	Direct email to phase 1 respondents; Your Thoughts engagement page;
Advertising	Social media;
Submission summary	12 responses received – see Attachment 3
Key findings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Support redevelopment of the grandstand building;</i> • <i>Traffic and parking concerns;</i> • <i>Trees and sustainability need consideration.</i>

Legal compliance

5. There are no statutory provisions, policies or guidelines that deal with preparing or amending a Management Plan.
6. In relation to Council Policy 011 'Elections' and the caretaker period it is considered that the Council's consideration of a planning matter of this kind does not fall within the terms of a 'major decision' as defined by the Policy, also noting that Council is being asked for a recommendation with the WAPC being the decision-maker.

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	Not applicable.					
Environmental	Not applicable.					
Health and safety	Not applicable.					
Infrastructure/ ICT systems/ utilities	Not applicable.					
Legislative compliance	Not applicable.					
Reputation	Dissatisfaction from stakeholders if LPMP is not reviewed and/or no longer valid.	Minor	Possible	Medium	Low	Treat by reviewing and updating the LPMP.
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

- The report presented to the June 2023 OCM (see Attachment 2) outlines the need for a review of the LPMP, and describes the key changes between the approved LPMP and the advertised draft amended LPMP which is summarised below:
 - Addition of a new section to outline the playing of competitive matches at Lathlain Park and the associated management of impacts on the surrounding community (based on the provisions of the WAPC's 2020 development approval for competitive matches).
 - Updated sections of the report to reflect the current planning framework, including Town of Victoria Park Parking Management Plan and Integrated Transport Strategy, and the deletion of transport strategies already implemented as part of the Zone 2 and 3 works.

- All sections of the report updated to reflect the current circumstances at Lathlain Park, including the completion of development at Zones 2, 3, 4 and 5.
 - Updated aerial photography and figures.
 - Updated general public uses for Zone 1, to provide greater flexibility of possible land uses that may occupy new community space being planned for the Town of Victoria Park in the Zone 1 redevelopment.
 - An increase in the number of Perth FC game days from 20 to 25, accounting for a future WAFLW team, but still being within the total maximum of 45 game days across both West Coast Eagles and Perth FC.
 - Introduction of greater flexibility allowing the Town and the WAPC to consider alternative uses or operations
8. The submissions have been reviewed by the appointed consultant for the project (see Attachment 3) with no changes recommended to the LPMP from that which was advertised for public comments.
9. It is recommended that Council support the amended LPMP and recommend approval to the WAPC.

Relevant documents

Not applicable.

Officer Recommendation and COUNCIL RESOLUTION (212/2023):

Moved: Cr Vicki Potter

Seconded: Cr Jesvin Karimi

That Council recommends to the Western Australian Planning Commission that the draft amended Lathlain Park Management Plan, as contained at Attachment 1, be approved.

Carried by exception resolution (7 - 0)

For: Mayor Karen Vernon, Deputy Mayor Claire Anderson, Cr Jesse Hamer, Cr Wilfred Hendriks, Cr Bronwyn Ife, Cr Jesvin Karimi and Cr Vicki Potter

Against: Nil

12.3 Removing barriers and incentivising residential development within the Town of Victoria Park

Location	Town-wide
Reporting officer	Place Leader – Strategic Planning
Responsible officer	Manager Place Planning
Voting requirement	Simple majority
Attachments	1. Research and Findings Report Incentivising Residential Development within the Town [12.3.1 - 21 pages]

Recommendation

That Council receives the 'Reducing Barriers and Incentivising Residential Development within the Town of Victoria Park – Research and Findings Report' at Attachment 1.

Purpose

This report is in response to the Council Resolution (134/2023) and is for the purpose of presenting:

- Outcomes of investigations into current barriers and disincentives to residential development within the Town.
- Initiatives and incentives that the Town could implement to stimulate residential development within the Town in the next 5 financial years.
- Advocacy positions the Town could adopt to influence the initiatives and actions to be undertaken by the State and Federal government.

In brief

- Numerous factors impact on the desirability and feasibility of residential development of which many of the most impactful are outside of the responsibility or immediate influence of local government.
- Barriers/disincentives and potential initiatives/incentives for residential development that are within the primary influence of the Town of Victoria Park include the effectiveness of the local planning framework, the quality of the public realm, development fees and rates, advocacy, promotion and branding, development approval processes and the use of Town owned land assets.
- The Town has adopted a number of strategies in recent years, including the Local Planning, Integrated Transport, Public Open Space, Urban Forest and Land Asset Optimisation strategies that identify initiatives that if implemented will contribute to attracting residential development to the Town.
- This report recommends that Council prioritise the implementation of a number of actions from existing approved strategies/plans over the next five years to incentivise residential development within the Town. Alternatively, the Council may wish to consider supporting the implementation of other additional measures identified in this report, such as fee/rates subsidies, undertaking further and ongoing engagement with the development industry and advocacy to State and Federal Government, to explore further initiatives that can contribute to the Town achieving its goal of 18,000 new residents by 2036.

Background

1. Australia is experiencing major housing affordability challenges which are placing large numbers of people into housing stress that has heightened housing as a key priority for all levels of government. Local Government has a key role to play in resolving these challenges.
2. The State Governments Perth and Peel @ 3.5 million strategic planning framework identifies significant dwelling targets for Perth's inner east. In response, the Town of Victoria Park Strategic Community Plan 2022-2032 and the Town's recently adopted Local Planning Strategy have set ambitious targets for the Town's future growth to accommodate 18,000 new residents by 2036, growing from 36,500 residents to 54,500 residents, requiring an additional 10,500 new dwellings.
3. For the Town to meet its growth targets residential development will need to substantially increase over the next 10 years.
4. On 20 June 2023 the Town of Victoria Park Council requested a report on:
 - Current barriers and disincentives to residential development within the Town
 - Initiatives and incentives that the Town could implement to stimulate residential development within the Town in the next 5 financial years; and,
 - Advocacy positions the Town could adopt to influence the initiatives and actions to be undertaken by the State and Federal Government.
5. While the Administration has had resourcing and capacity to complete a high-level literature review and limited internal engagement within the requested timeframe, no engagement with external stakeholders such as State or Federal Government agencies or the development/property industry has been undertaken. Similarly, detailed investigations into the costings and implications of the identified initiatives and incentives for residential development, outside those contained within existing Council endorsed strategies/plans, have not been completed.
6. At an Elected Member Concept Forum session held on 22 August 2023, Council was provided an overview of the preliminary investigations on the issues and potential initiatives identified across the following themes of 'Developability', 'Friendly Approvals' and 'The Town as an Active Player' covering mechanisms related to:
 - a. Planning (policy framework)
 - b. Public realm and other infrastructure improvements
 - c. Community appetite/risk to development
 - d. Finance (rates/fees)
 - e. Planning and Building approval processes
 - f. Promotion and branding
 - g. Utilisation of Town land assets
 - h. Advocacy opportunities to State and Federal Government on legislation, policy and practices that affect residential development

Strategic alignment

Civic Leadership	
Community Priority	Intended public value outcome or impact
CL1 – Effectively managing resources and performance.	Incentivising residential development can support financial sustainability through an increased rates base and additional fees and charges for services.

Environment

Community Priority	Intended public value outcome or impact
EN3 - Enhancing and enabling liveability through planning, urban design and development.	Incentivising residential development can help the Town to meet community expectations to support the provision of sufficient housing for future population growth.

Engagement

Internal engagement

Service Area	Comments
Place Planning	Liaison in preparation of 'Research and Findings Report' and associated recommendations.
Urban Planning	Liaison in preparation of 'Research and Findings Report' and associated recommendations.
Property and Leasing	Liaison in preparation of 'Research and Findings Report' and associated recommendations.
Finance	Liaison in preparation of 'Research and Findings Report' and associated recommendations.
Communications and Marketing	Liaison in preparation of 'Research and Findings Report' and associated recommendations.

Other engagement

Stakeholder	Comments
Local, State or Federal Governments	No engagement undertaken due to no allocation of budget and re-allocation of resourcing from existing 23/24 projects.
Development/Property Industry	No engagement undertaken due to no allocation of budget or re-allocation of resources from existing 23/24 projects.
Council	Elected Member Concept Forum – 22 August 2023

Legal compliance

'Not applicable'.

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	The Town has	Moderate	Possible	Medium	Low	TREAT – the

	insufficient financial resources to complete all priority actions within 5 years.					number of key actions prioritised will affect the budget available for other projects. Allocate (or re-allocate) necessary budget to complete actions.
Environmental	Not applicable.				Medium	
Health and safety	Not applicable.				Low	
Infrastructure/ ICT systems/ utilities	Not applicable.				Medium	
Legislative compliance	Not applicable.				Low	
Reputation	Negative perceptions of the Town as a barrier to residential development.	Minor	Possible	Medium	Low	TREAT risk by implementing strategic actions that support residential development.
Service delivery	Resources management, additional projects.	Moderate	Possible	Medium	Medium	TREAT – the number of key actions prioritised will affect resources available for other projects. Allocate (or re-allocate) necessary and resourcing to complete actions.

Financial implications

Current budget impact	Sufficient funds exist within the annual budget to address this recommendation.
Future budget impact	Passing the recommendation may inform us what funds are required in future budgets to action the recommended priority actions over the next 5 financial years. It is important to recognise that the prioritisation of any of the key actions identified in the 'Reducing Barriers and Incentivising Residential Development within the Town of Victoria Park – Research and Findings Report' needs to be accompanied by the necessary allocation (or re-allocation) of funding and resourcing for implementation.

Analysis

7. In preparing the 'Reducing Barriers and Incentivising Residential Development within the Town of Victoria Park – Research and Findings Report' (the report) at Attachment 1, the Town of Victoria Park Administration has undertaken a literature review relating to residential development focusing on the roles and levers available to Federal, State and Local governments and a review of existing Town strategies to identify initiatives, incentives and advocacy positions to stimulate residential development that Council may wish to adopt.
8. The report finds that numerous factors impact the desirability and feasibility of residential development, and a range of different mechanisms are available to influence supply and demand. Many of the most influential mechanisms, such as tax and migration policy, major infrastructure funding and public housing, are the responsibility of the State and Federal Government.
9. Overall, the report identifies that mechanisms that pose current barriers and disincentives to residential development and are the responsibility of the Town of Victoria Park include the effectiveness of the local planning framework, the quality of the public realm, fees and rates. The Town can also influence the desirability and feasibility of development through promotion and branding, making it easier for businesses to do business with the Town to secure approvals or utilising Town owned land assets for residential development.
10. Key actions have been identified across the themes of 'Developability', 'Friendly Approvals' and 'The Town as an Active Player':

Developability - The developability of a locality is its capacity and suitability for development. The Town can contribute positively to its developability through a number of mechanisms including:

- Planning (policy framework): maintaining a contemporary and adequately flexible local planning to support development.
- Public realm and other infrastructure improvements: improving the public realm to make the Town attractive as a place to live.
- Community appetite/risk: community sentiment (particularly where strongly oppositional) can pose as a barrier to new residential development through prolonging development approval timeframes.
- Finance (rates): applying rates that are competitive as an attraction to living in the Town.

Friendly Approvals – How easy it is to do business with the Town and what confidence is given that approvals will be received in a timely manner.

- Planning and Building approval processes: reducing the layers of red tape to make it easier for developers to secure approvals from the Town. Considering the experience administrator curate for the develop in the approvals process.
- Finance (fees): reduces fees for development approvals could provide a competitive advantage over other local governments that charge higher fees.

Town as an Active Player – How active the Town is in promoting itself as a place to live and for development or as a contributor to providing development opportunities.

- Promotion and branding: promoting the Town to prospective investors.
 - Disposal or development of Town land assets: utilising Town land assets for the provision of residential development.
 - Engaging with industry: undertaking ongoing engagement with the development industry to understand how the Town can best support development.
 - Advocacy opportunities: Targeted advocacy to State and Federal Government on legislation, policy and practices that affect residential development.
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11. The report identifies that the primary factors that affect residential development are heavily market dependent and can only happen with private sector confidence and investment, and recommends that the Council prioritise implementing existing endorsed strategic actions, the most pertinent of which focus on the Town's role in maintaining the local planning framework and investing in a high amenity public realm, as the most effective ways residential development can be incentivised within the Town within the next five years.
12. Town staff will proceed with implementing the key actions identified as 'high' and medium' priority in the Report, subject to Council allocating appropriate budget as required, based on each action's potential to positively influence residential development within the Town and summarised as follows:

High Priority Actions

- Complete Local Planning Scheme No.2.
- Complete the planning for the Albany Highway Precinct Planning Area.
- Complete the planning for the Oats Street Station Precinct Planning Area.
- Commence planning for the St James Future Investigation Area.
- Commence planning for the Lathlain Future Investigation Areas.
- Commence implementation of upgrades identified in the Burswood South Streetscape Plan.
- Commence implementation of upgrades identified in the Burswood Station East planning framework.
- Implement upgrades to Stiles Griffith Reserve, Burswood.
- Implement the Albany Highway West End 'Old Spaces New Places' project.
- Implement the Town's Vic Park Leafy Streets and Urban Centres Greening programs in growth areas.
- Continue to collaborate with State Government to support the delivery of public open space as part of METRONET.
- Implement delivery of the Macmillan Precinct Redevelopment project.
- Prioritise the implementation of the Friendly Approvals Sub-Program.
- Consider elevating incentivising residential development in the Town's Advocacy Strategy.

Medium Priority Actions

- Continue implementation of the Archer/Mint Streetscape Improvement Plan.
- Revisit the design of the Invest Vic Park program and explicitly target residential developers.
- Commence planning for Burswood South Precinct Planning Area.
- Commence planning for the Carlisle Town Centre Precinct Planning Area.
- Commence planning for the Victoria Park Station catchment Future Investigation Area.
- Commence implementation of pedestrian improvements identified in the Albany Highway Precinct Structure Plan and Oats Street Station Precinct Structure Plan.
- Plan and deliver local-scale community infrastructure (public and private) to cater for the growing population on the Burswood Peninsula.
- Deliver the Lathlain Community Centre as part of Perth Football Club redevelopment.

Actions that require further investigation prior to implementation

- Expediate the preparation of business cases to determine the future of Town properties, that could have the potential to provide additional residential development opportunities, in accordance with the Land Asset Optimisation Strategy.
 - Adopt an agreed narrative and undertake a proactive communication education campaign.
 - Investigate the potential and effectiveness of rates incentives.
 - Investigate rate income versus expenditure in growth areas to inform investment priorities.
 - Investigate the effectiveness of waiving fees as an incentive to residential development.
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13. Should Council wish to consider supporting the implementation of other actions identified in the Report an alternative motion would be required. The alternative motion may relate to pursuing key actions such as:
- a. preparing business cases for Town properties, that could have the potential to provide additional residential development, in accordance with the Land Asset Optimisation Strategy.
 - b. adopting a proactive communication and education campaign or the potential for fee/rates incentive schemes.
 - c. exploring further initiatives that can contribute to the Town achieving its goal of 18,000 new residents by 2036.
14. The Administration does not recommend Council pursue an alternative motion due to the potentially significant allocation (or re-allocation) of funding and resourcing implications. Should Council wish to explore an alternate motion it is recommended that it include an investigation into the necessary funding and resources required and that this then be provided prior to any action being undertaken.

Relevant documents

[Town of Victoria Park - Local Planning Strategy](#)

[Town of Victoria Park – Integrated Transport Strategy](#)

[Town of Victoria Park – Public Open Space Strategy](#)

[Town of Victoria Park - Economic Development Strategy: Pathways to Growth 2018-2023](#)

[Town of Victoria Park – Social Infrastructure Strategy](#)

[Town of Victoria Park – Urban Forest Strategy Implementation Plan 2019-2024](#)

[Town of Victoria Park – Land Asset Optimisation Strategy](#)

Further Comments

15. Following the Agenda Briefing Forum held on the the 3 October 2023, modifications have been made to parts of this report, and Attachment 1: 'Reducing Barriers and Incentivising Residential Development within the Town of Victoria Park – Research and Findings Report'. These modifications relate to the potential use of Town land assets for future residential development. The modifications have been made to better align with the recommendations of the Town's Land Asset Optimisation Strategy.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

Moved: Mayor Karen Vernon

Seconded: Cr Vicki Potter

AMENDMENT:

Moved: Mayor Karen Vernon

Seconded: Cr Jesvin Karimi

Add a point 2 to the recommendation as follows:

"2. requests the Chief Executive Officer to present this report for further discussion at a Concept Forum in February 2024 to consider any potential actions that could be taken in the financial year FY25 ahead of preparation of the FY24/25 budget including but not limited to scope and budget to facilitate engagement with stakeholders from development and property industry.

Carried (7 - 0)

For: Mayor Karen Vernon, Deputy Mayor Claire Anderson, Cr Jesse Hamer, Cr Wilfred Hendriks, Cr Bronwyn Ife, Cr Jesvin Karimi and Cr Vicki Potter

Against: Nil

Reason: To ensure that Council has an opportunity to consider whether any actions should be taken in the next financial year, including whether any allocation of resourcing is needed in the annual budget preparations.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION (213/2023):

Moved: Mayor Karen Vernon

Seconded: Cr Vicki Potter

That Council:

1. receives the 'Reducing Barriers and Incentivising Residential Development within the Town of Victoria Park – Research and Findings Report' at Attachment 1.
2. requests the Chief Executive Officer to present this report for further discussion at a Concept Forum in February 2024 to consider any potential actions that could be taken in the financial year FY25 ahead of preparation of the FY24/25 budget including but not limited to scope and budget to facilitate engagement with stakeholders from development and property industry.

Carried (7 - 0)

For: Mayor Karen Vernon, Deputy Mayor Claire Anderson, Cr Jesse Hamer, Cr Wilfred Hendriks, Cr Bronwyn Ife, Cr Jesvin Karimi and Cr Vicki Potter

Against: Nil

12.4 Summer Street Party Sponsorship

Location	Victoria Park
Reporting officer	Coordinator Events, Arts and Funding
Responsible officer	Manager Community
Voting requirement	Simple majority
Attachments	Nil

Recommendation

That Council approves a sponsorship agreement to be entered into between the Town and the below organisations for the 2023 Summer Street Party.

1. The John Hughes Group
2. Keylend

Purpose

To seek the approval of Council for the Town to enter into two separate sponsorship agreements with two local businesses, the John Hughes Group and Keylend, for the 2023 Summer Street Party.

In brief

- The Town is planning and delivering the annual Summer Street Party, the highlight of the Town's annual Events Program. This major event supports the Town's vision 'A dynamic place for everyone'.
- The Summer Street Party helps to build a strong community, both economically and socially, and contributes to a vibrant, livable community.
- Local Albany Highway businesses in the 'street party's footprint', were invited (both in person and in writing) to participate in the street party. During this consultation process, a couple of potential sponsors were identified, and negotiations commenced to reach a mutually beneficial sponsorship arrangement.
- As per Policy 116 - Sponsorship, a sponsorship agreement can be entered into with the approval of the Council.
- The Town is seeking Council approval for two local business sponsorships for the 2023 Summer Street Party, for a total of \$16,500 (inclusive of GST).

Background

1. The Summer Street Party is the highlight of the Town's annual Events Program. This major community event includes live music, roving performers, carnival amusements, a mix of market and food stalls and more.
2. Having this much-loved long-standing event in the Town builds a strong community, both socially and economically, and creates a vibrant, livable community for locals and visitors alike. It increases the number of visitors to the area and boosts local business profile and trade, particularly through opportunities to extend a trading interface into the street for the street party or to become a 'Summer Street Party Sponsor'.
3. Sponsorship benefits for local businesses investing in the Summer Street Party include:
 - (a) relationship building between their business, the Council and the local community; and

- (b) raising the profile of their business within the local community attending the event and with event patrons from outside the area.
4. To secure sponsors for the Summer Street Party, a tailored Sponsorship Proposal was developed listing all the potential benefits for an investment in the event. In brief, these include logo placement, other branding opportunities, and verbal and written acknowledgement leading up to and during the street party.
 5. The John Hughes Group has agreed to sponsor the 2023 Summer Street Party to the value of \$15,000.
 6. Keylend has agreed to sponsor the 2023 Summer Street Party to the value of \$1,500.
 7. The Town is seeking Council approval to develop separate sponsorship agreements between local businesses - John Hughes Group and the Town and Keylend and the Town, based on their level of investment.

Strategic alignment

Civic Leadership	
Community Priority	Intended public value outcome or impact
CL1 – Effectively managing resources and performance.	To provide good governance of sponsorship arrangements between the Town and local businesses.

Economic	
Community Priority	Intended public value outcome or impact
EC1 - Facilitating a strong local economy.	To maximise opportunities for collaboration, networking and relationship building between businesses in the Town, and the community.
EC2 - Connecting businesses and people to our local activity centres through place planning and activation.	Promoting the Town as a destination to visit during the street party and again after the event. Increasing footfall and visitation data.

Social	
Community Priority	Intended public value outcome or impact
S3 - Facilitating an inclusive community that celebrates diversity.	Creating an event that has something for everyone, that celebrates diversity and is inclusive in all its elements.

Engagement

Internal engagement	
Stakeholder	Comments
Governance	Advice on Policy 116 – Sponsorship, in relation to the delivery of the 2023 Summer Street Party. Policy 116 requires Council to approve any sponsorship agreement. The advice provided has indicated the nature of the endorsement is not directly awarding funds instead accepting funds to contribute to an approved Town-led event, therefore, being acceptable to be considered by Council during caretaker period.

External engagement

Stakeholders	Consultation with over 100 local businesses on Albany Highway, situated within the street party footprint, and just past it.
Period of engagement	Various days within the month of September, and ongoing.
Level of engagement	Collaboration.
Methods of engagement	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Initially a personal visit by events staff to invite participation in the street party and leaving a flyer stating details about the road closure and contacts for further event information and to register participation. 2. Follow up emails to all those businesses who were previously invited to participate. 3. Verbal communication by lead event officer and site visits to businesses keen to participate in the event. 4. A formal letter from the Town giving more details about the street party and how it may impact businesses. 5. An event notification event letter to follow in early November 2023.
Advertising	Further conversations with interested businesses in becoming sponsors of the street party. Inviting more involvement in the street party through the initial promotional flyer.
Submission summary	Two conversations and tailored sponsorship proposals prepared and delivered to potential sponsors.
Key findings	Two potential sponsors keen to invest in the street party for agreed benefits. Over 30 local businesses in the street party footprint and counting, keen to participate in the street party.

Legal compliance

Not applicable.

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	Not applicable				Low	
Environmental	Not applicable				Medium	
Health and safety	Not applicable				Low	
Infrastructure/ ICT systems/ utilities	Not applicable				Medium	
Legislative compliance	Not applicable				Low	

Reputation	Not accepting local business sponsorship will diminish any relationship the intended sponsors have with the Town.	Low	TREAT risk by accepting sponsorship offers and developing an agreement that creates a win-win situation for all parties.
Service delivery	Not applicable	Medium	

Financial implications

Current budget impact	<p>Sufficient funds exist within the annual budget to address this recommendation. There is no budget requirement to deliver the sponsorship benefits.</p> <p>An additional \$16,500 offsets the costs involved in staging the annual Summer Street Party and supports the delivery of the prestigious event. As part of the budgeting process, the annual events calendar budget was set anticipating and requiring the Town to secure external sponsorship for events, and these sponsorships would help secure the required external funding as part of the budget.</p> <p>If the Council agrees to allow sponsorship of the Summer Street Party, the John Hughes Group will invest \$15,000 into the street party this year to receive agreed benefits, which will be outlined in a formal sponsorship agreement document. Keylend will also invest \$1,500 in return for agreed benefits, and this arrangement will also be formalised in the form of a sponsorship agreement.</p>
Future budget impact	Not applicable.

Analysis

8. As Town officers consulted with the local businesses about their potential involvement in the annual Summer Street Party, it became evident two well-established businesses were keen to come on board as sponsors of this major community event.
9. The John Hughes Group, well-known in Victoria Park and an iconic WA business, is said to be 'WA's most trusted car dealer' and would be a good fit to sponsor the Town's annual street party.
10. Keylend, a loan brokerage firm, is an Australian owned and operated brand, that was established in 1998. Keylend has an office located on Albany Highway in Victoria Park, within the 'footprint' of the street party. With 25 plus years' experience in the finance industry, they are a well-respected business, with award-winning brokers, and would be a good fit to sponsor the street party.
11. After conversations with representatives from the John Hughes Group and Keylend about benefits that could be received from different levels of investment in the event, and after tailoring a sponsorship proposal to each potential sponsor, both businesses were keen to accept this unique promotional opportunity.

12. The John Hughes Group for their investment of \$15,000 will receive sponsorship benefits including logo placement on event collateral (poster, flyers, advertisements, signage), branding opportunities at the event (stall space and teardrop banner supplied by sponsor), verbal acknowledgement by the Town Mayor and the Stage Master of Ceremonies (MC) during the event, written acknowledgement in social media posts and media releases relating to the Summer Street Party, inclusion in specific communications like the e-vibe and business newsletters, and a question in the patron event survey relating to their business.
13. Keylend for their investment of \$1,500 will receive two stall spaces in the middle of the street party's marketplace, use of two 3mx3m marquees and weights, acknowledgement in the e-vibe and business newsletters and in social media posts relating to the street party, and verbal acknowledgement at the event by the Town Mayor and the Stage MC.
14. Clause 13 of Policy 116 – Sponsorship requires the Council to approve any sponsorship arrangement, so sponsorship of the 2023 Summer Street Party is presented to Council for its determination.
15. The Town recommends that the Council approves that two separate sponsorship agreements be entered into between the Town and the John Hughes Group for \$15,000, and the Town and Keylend for \$1,500.

Relevant documents

[Policy 116 - Sponsorship](#)

Officer recommendation and COUNCIL RESOLUTION (214/2023):

Moved: Cr Vicki Potter

Seconded: Cr Jesvin Karimi

That Council approves a sponsorship agreement to be entered into between the Town and the below organisations for the 2023 Summer Street Party.

1. The John Hughes Group
2. Keylend

Carried by exception resolution (7 - 0)

For: Mayor Karen Vernon, Deputy Mayor Claire Anderson, Cr Jesse Hamer, Cr Wilfred Hendriks, Cr Bronwyn Ife, Cr Jesvin Karimi and Cr Vicki Potter

Against: Nil

13 Chief Operations Officer reports

13.1 October TVP 23 09 - Provision of Buildings Electrical Services

Location	Town-wide
Reporting officer	Coordinator Strategic Assets
Responsible officer	Chief Operations Officer
Voting requirement	Simple majority
Attachments	1. CONFIDENTIAL REDACTED - TV P-23-09 - Evaluation Report Final [13.1.1 - 19 pages]

Recommendation

That Council accepts the tender associated with TVP/23/09 Provision of Electrical Services: Building Assets for a term of three years (with two one-year extension options, exercisable by the Town as the contract Principal) to Rosevale Fire and Electrical Pty Ltd (ABN: 39 601 543 131) for electrical repairs and maintenance in buildings and surrounds, with the terms and conditions as outlined in the contract, as their offer has been evaluated as most advantageous to the Town.

Purpose

For Council to accept the tender submission by Rosevale Fire and Electrical Pty Ltd for the Provision of Electrical Services in buildings and surrounds. As the overall value of the contract may potentially exceed \$250,000, the acceptance of the offer and subsequent award of any such contract is to be determined by Council.

In brief

- TVP/23/09 Provision of Electrical Services: Building Assets was published through Tenderlink, the Town website and notice boards on Wednesday 2 August 2023, closing at 5pm on Wednesday 25 August 2023 in line with statutory requirements.
- Suppliers were requested to provide a schedule of rates for electrical repair, maintenance and upgrade works within the Town buildings and surrounds.
- The approved municipal funding allocation for this item is spread through various budgets within the Buildings and Facilities Operations area.
- Eleven (11) Submissions were received, all were considered compliant.
- An evaluation of the tender submissions against the prescribed criteria has been completed and it is recommended that Council accepts the submission made by Rosevale Fire and Electrical Pty Ltd and enters a contract to provide Electrical Services to the Town.

Background

1. The Town is required to carry out maintenance, repairs, and upgrades of its external electrical infrastructure within the Town.
2. This tender is inclusive of but not limited to the following services, within the prescribed response times:
 - (a) Fault finding
 - (b) Repair
 - (c) Fitting and installing
 - (d) Electrical testing

- (e) Testing and tagging
 - (f) RCD (Residual Current Device) testing
 - (g) Thermographic scanning
3. The work includes organizing and supplying necessary materials, personnel, plant, equipment, and traffic management to carry out the requirements of the contract.
 4. This tender is to replace the previous contract which has now expired.

Compliance criteria

Description of Compliance Criteria	
<p>i. Compliance with the Conditions of this Tender Tenderers are to provide acknowledgment that your organisation has submitted in accordance with the Conditions of Tender including completion of the Offer Form and provision of your pricing submitted in the format required by the Principal</p>	Yes / No <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
<p>ii. References Provide a minimum of three (3) references. You should give examples of work provided for your referees where possible.</p>	Yes / No <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
<p>iii. Complete Respondents Offer</p>	Yes / No <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
<p>iv. Complete Pricing Schedule</p>	Yes / No <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
<p>v. Corporate Information Respondents to submit organisation profile. Advise if agent for another party, include name and address of Principal.</p>	Yes / No <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
<p>vi. Financial Position a) Respondent to confirm ability to pay all debts in full as and when they fall due; and</p>	Yes / No <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
<p>b) Advise of any current litigation as a result of which you may be liable for \$50,000 or more.</p>	Yes / No <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
<p>c) Will you be able to fulfil the Financial Requirements from your own resources or from resources readily available to you to pay all your debts in full as and when they fall due?</p>	Yes / No <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
<p>vii. Conflict of Interest Advise of any actual or potential conflict of interest in the performance of your obligations under the Contract, or if any such conflict of interest likely to arise during the Contract.</p>	Yes / No <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
<p>viii. Insurance Provide details of the insurance coverage that meets the insurance requirements for this Request. A copy of the Certificate of Currency is to be provided to the Principal within seven days of acceptance.</p>	Yes / No <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
<p>ix. Disability Access and Inclusion Plan (DAIP) If this Contract involves the supply of Services to the public, then the successful Contractor will to the extent practicable, implement the Principal's "Disability Access and Inclusion Plan" prepared under the Disability Services Act 1993 for the duration of the Contract. Do you agree to abide by the Principal's DAIP?</p>	Yes / No <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>

5. Tender submissions must comply with the advice provided under the compliance criteria, as indicated in section 4.2 of the tender document.
6. The Town's Senior Procurement Officer assessed all submissions for compliance against the compliance criteria set out in section 4.2 of the tender document.

7. All submissions were deemed compliant.

Evaluation process

<p>Relevant experience:</p> <p>i). Provide details of similar work.</p> <p>ii). Provide scope of the Respondent’s involvement including details of outcomes.</p> <p>iii). Provide details of issues that arose during the project and how these were managed.</p> <p>iv). Demonstrate competency and proven track record of achieving outcomes; and</p> <p>v). Demonstrate sound judgement and discretion.</p>	<p>Weighting 25%</p>
<p>Current capability:</p> <p>i). Organisations capacity and capability</p> <p>ii). Organisation’s structure</p> <p>iii). Organisation’s vision and mission alignment</p> <p>iv). Plant, equipment, and materials; and</p> <p>v). Any contingency measures or back up of resources including personnel (where applicable).</p> <p>Tenderers must address the required information in an attachment and label it “Current Capability”.</p>	<p>Weighting 20%</p>
<p>Demonstrated understanding:</p> <p>i). A project schedule/timeline (where applicable);</p> <p>ii). The process for the delivery of the goods/services;</p> <p>iii). Training processes (if required); and</p> <p>iv). A demonstrated understanding of the scope of work</p> <p>Supply details and provide an outline of your proposed methodology in an attachment labelled “Demonstrated Understanding.”</p>	<p>Weighting 20%</p>
<p>Economic Sustainability</p> <p>How will a contract with your organisation provide economic benefits to the geographical region of the Town of Victoria Park?</p> <p>What benefits are you providing to the local community apart from employment or the payment of business rates? E.g., sponsorship of local community organisations or sporting clubs, cultural initiatives, training opportunities for apprentices etc.</p> <p>Supply details and provide an outline of your proposed methodology in an attachment labelled “Economic Sustainability.”</p>	<p>Weighting 5%</p>
<p>Support of Local Businesses</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does your organisation have premises (i.e., main office / branch office / depot) located within the Town’s boundaries? YES / NO, if yes, please specify and provide street address, and duration of tenancy at this location. • What percentage of your employees lives within the Town’s boundaries? • If your organisation is awarded this contract, will you purchase any goods / services from local businesses? YES / NO, if yes, please specify the type of goods / services required and an estimated value. <p>Supply details and provide an outline in an attachment labelled “Support of Local Business.”</p>	<p>Weighting 5%</p>
<p>Price</p>	<p>Weighting</p>

The price to supply the goods or services in accordance with the Request Rates or prices for variations

25%

Strategic alignment

Civic Leadership

Community Priority	Intended public value outcome or impact
CL1 – Effectively managing resources and performance.	A public tender process ensures integrity in the appointment of contractors who manage the Town’s infrastructure, and the ability to monitor their performance.
CL3 - Accountability and good governance.	A public tender process ensures integrity in the appointment of contractors who manage the Town’s infrastructure, and the ability to monitor their performance.

Environment

Community Priority	Intended public value outcome or impact
EN5 - Providing facilities that are well-built and well-maintained.	Ensuring the Towns electrical infrastructure is built to a standard and maintained for longevity and safety.

Engagement

Internal engagement

Stakeholder	Comments
Procurement	Provided advice and acted as a probity advisor throughout the process.
Asset Planning	Provide information on the types of electrical works required and review specifications.
Project Management	Assisted with tender evaluation

Legal compliance

In relation to Council Policy 011 ‘Elections’ and the caretaker period, it is considered that the Council’s consideration of a tender does not fall within the terms of a ‘major decision’ as defined by the Policy.

[Section 3.57 of the Local Government Act 1995](#)

[Part 4 Division 2 of the Local Government \(Functions and General\) Regulations 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	Not getting best electrical service and value for money	Moderate	Likely	High	Low	TREAT risk by going through a detailed public tender process.

Environmental	NA					Medium
Health and safety	Failure to provide safe electrical infrastructure	High	Possible	High	Low	TREAT risk by utilising suitably qualified and experienced electrical contractor
Infrastructure/ ICT systems/ utilities	Failure of electrical infrastructure	Moderate	Possible	High	Medium	TREAT risk by having suitable contractor with availability to carry out maintenance in a timely manner
Legislative compliance	Failure to comply with Office of Energy requirements	Moderate	Possible	Medium	Low	Treat risk by having a suitably qualified and licenced electrical contractor
Reputation	N/A					Low
Service delivery	Failure to carry out work in a timely manner	Moderate	Possible	Medium	Medium	TREAT risk by ensuring electrical contractor has availability including after hours

Financial implications

Current budget impact	<p>As the value of the contract exceeds \$250,000, the acceptance of the offer/tender and subsequent award of any such contract is to be determined by Council.</p> <p>Sufficient funds exist within the annual budget to address this recommendation.</p>
Future budget impact	<p>Funds will need to be provided in future Operations maintenance budgets to cover the costs of this contract.</p>

Relevant documents

[Policy 301 – Purchasing](#)

Analysis

8. The evaluation of the submissions was formally undertaken by a panel that included:
 - (a) Strategic Projects Manager
 - (b) Coordinator Strategic Assets
 - (c) Building Officer

9. The Town received ten (11) submissions from the following contractors. All were considered compliant.
- (a) Greenlite Electrical Contractors Pty Ltd
 - (b) Infinity Electrical and Solar
 - (c) Lece P/L
 - (d) NC Electrical & Communication Pty Ltd
 - (e) Northlake Electrical P/L
 - (f) KH Signature Pty Ltd as Trustee for the Holic Family Trust Trading as O'Brien Electrical Welshpool
 - (g) Platinum Electricians Pty Ltd
 - (h) Powerbrite Pty Ltd
 - (i) Rosevale Fire and Electrical Services P/L
 - (j) Techworks Electrical P/L
 - (k) Tri Tech Group Pty Ltd trading as Jannissen Electrics Pty Ltd
10. The evaluation of the submissions against the quantitative and qualitative criteria resulted in the top 3 rankings as shown below, with the first ranking scoring the highest. Full analysis is provided in the attached evaluation report.

Company	Ranking
Rosevale Fire & Electrical Services P/L	1
Tri Tech Group Pty Ltd	2
Powerbrite Pty Ltd	3

11. Rosevale Electrical Pty Ltd were first in the price weighted score and first in the qualitative score, giving them the overall number 1 ranking. The panel recommends that Rosevale Electrical Pty Ltd is accepted as the successful contractor.

Officer recommendation and COUNCIL RESOLUTION (215/2023):

Moved: Cr Vicki Potter

Seconded: Cr Jesvin Karimi

That Council accepts the tender associated with TVP/23/09 Provision of Electrical Services: Building Assets for a term of three years (with two one-year extension options, exercisable by the Town as the contract Principal) to Rosevale Fire and Electrical Pty Ltd (ABN: 39 601 543 131) for electrical repairs and maintenance in buildings and surrounds, with the terms and conditions as outlined in the contract, as their offer has been evaluated as most advantageous to the Town.

Carried by exception resolution (7 - 0)

For: Mayor Karen Vernon, Deputy Mayor Claire Anderson, Cr Jesse Hamer, Cr Wilfred Hendriks, Cr Bronwyn Ife, Cr Jesvin Karimi and Cr Vicki Potter

Against: Nil

14 Chief Financial Officer reports

14.1 Financial Statements - August 2023

Location	Town-wide
Reporting officer	Manager Finance
Responsible officer	Chief Financial Officer
Voting requirement	Simple majority
Attachments	1. August 2023 - Monthly Financial Report [14.1.1 - 22 pages]

Recommendation

That Council accepts the Financial Activity Statement Report month ended 31 August 2023, as attached.

Purpose

To present the statement of financial activity reporting on the revenue and expenditure for the month ended 31 August 2023.

In brief

- The financial activity statement report is presented for the month ending 31 January 2023.
- The report complies with the requirements of Regulation 34 (financial activity statement report) of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*.
- The financial information for the 30 June 2023 as shown in this report is not yet confirmed and has been approved by the Auditor. The figures stated should therefore not be taken as the Town's final financial position for the year ended 30 June 2023.

Background

1. Regulation 34 of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996* states that each month, officers are required to prepare monthly financial reports covering prescribed information, and present these to Council for acceptance. Number all paragraphs from here on, not including tables.
2. As part of the monthly financial reports, material variances are reported. Thresholds are set by Council and are as follows:

Revenue

Operating revenue and non-operating revenue material variances are identified where, for the period being reported, the actual varies to the budget by an amount of (+) or (-) \$50,000 or 10% and, in these instances, an explanatory comment has been provided.

Expense

Operating expenditure and non-operating expenditure material variances are identified where, for the period being reported, the actual varies to the budget by an amount of (+) or (-) \$50,000 or 10% and in these instances, an explanatory comment has been provided.

Strategic alignment

Civic Leadership	
Community priority	Intended public value outcome or impact
CL2 - Communication and engagement with the community.	To make available timely and relevant information on the financial position and performance of the Town so that Council and public can make informed decisions for the future.
CL3 - Accountability and good governance.	Ensure the Town meets its legislative responsibility in accordance with Regulation 34 of the <i>Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996</i> .

Engagement

Internal engagement	
Service Area Leaders	All Service Area Leaders have reviewed the monthly management reports and provided commentary on any identified material variance relevant to their service area.

Legal compliance

[Regulation 34 of the *Local Government \(Financial Management\) Regulations 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 financial statements.	Moderate	Unlikely	Medium	Low	Treat risk by ensuring daily and monthly reconciliations are completed. Internal and external audits.
Financial	Fraud or illegal transaction.	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	Council not accepting financial statements will lead to non-compliance.	Major	Unlikely	Medium	Low	Treat risk by providing reasoning and detailed explanations to Council to enable informed decision making.

Financial implications

Current budget impact	Commentary around the current budget impact is outlined in the Statement of Financial Activity, forming part of the attached financial activity statement report.
Future budget impact	Commentary around the future budget impact is outlined in the Statement of Financial Activity, forming part of the attached financial activity statement report.

Analysis

- The Financial Activity Statement Report – 30 June complies with the requirements of Regulation 34 (Financial activity statement report) of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*. It is therefore recommended that the Financial Activity Statement Report January 2023 be accepted.

Relevant documents

Not applicable.

Officer recommendation and COUNCIL RESOLUTION (216/2023):

Moved: Cr Vicki Potter

Seconded: Cr Jesvin Karimi

That Council accepts the Financial Activity Statement Report month ended 31 August 2023, as attached.

Carried by exception resolution (7 - 0)

For: Mayor Karen Vernon, Deputy Mayor Claire Anderson, Cr Jesse Hamer, Cr Wilfred Hendriks, Cr Bronwyn Ife, Cr Jesvin Karimi and Cr Vicki Potter

Against: Nil

14.2 Schedule of Accounts - August 2023

Location	Town-wide
Reporting officer	Manager Finance
Responsible officer	Chief Financial Officer
Voting requirement	Simple Majority
Attachments	1. Payment Summary - August 2023 [14.2.1 - 8 pages]

Recommendation

That Council:

1. Receives the list of payments for August 2023, as included in the attachment, pursuant to Regulation 13 of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*.

Purpose

To present the payments made from the municipal fund and for the month ended August 2023.

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 Town currently do not have fund in the trust.
- 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
3. That list of payments 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.
4. The list of payments 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 Fund		
Creditors – Cheque Payments	608906 - 608907	\$6,434.33
Creditors – EFT Payments		\$4,768,381.73
Payroll		\$1,240,903.78
Corporate Credit Cards		\$7,762.23

Total		\$6,023,482.07
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Strategic alignment

Civic Leadership	
Community priority	Intended public value outcome or impact

CL2 - Communication and engagement with 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.
CL3 - Accountability and good governance.	The presentation of the payment listing to Council is a requirement of Regulation 13 of <i>Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 1996</i> .

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 financial statements.	Moderate	Unlikely	Medium	Low	Treat risk by ensuring daily and monthly reconciliations are completed. Internal and external audits.
Financial	Fraud or illegal transaction.	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	Not applicable.					

systems/utilities						
Legislative compliance	Council not accepting financial statements will lead to non-compliance	Major	Unlikely	Medium	Low	Treat risk by providing reasoning and detailed explanations to Council to enable informed decision making.

Financial implications

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

Analysis

- 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 documents

[Procurement Policy](#)

Officer recommendation and COUNCIL RESOLUTION (217/2023):

Moved: Cr Vicki Potter

Seconded: Cr Jesvin Karimi

That Council:

- Receives the list of payments for August 2023, as included in the attachment, pursuant to Regulation 13 of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*.

Carried by exception resolution (7 - 0)

For: Mayor Karen Vernon, Deputy Mayor Claire Anderson, Cr Jesse Hamer, Cr Wilfred Hendriks, Cr Bronwyn Ife, Cr Jesvin Karimi and Cr Vicki Potter

Against: Nil

15 Committee Reports

Nil.

16 Applications for leave of absence

Officer recommendation and COUNCIL RESOLUTION (218/2023):

Moved: Cr Vicki Potter

Seconded: Cr Jesvin Karimi

That Council approves a leave of absence for Cr Jesse Hamer for the dates of 8 December to 13 December 2023 (inclusive).

Carried (7 - 0)

For: Mayor Karen Vernon, Deputy Mayor Claire Anderson, Cr Jesse Hamer, Cr Wilfred Hendriks, Cr Bronwyn Ife, Cr Jesvin Karimi and Cr Vicki Potter

Against: Nil

17 Motion of which previous notice has been given

Nil.

18 Questions from members without notice

Nil.

19 New business of an urgent nature introduced by decision of the meeting

Nil.

20 Public question time

Public question time opened at 7.40pm.

John Gleeson, Carlisle

1. Advised that his integrity had been questioned and indicated an issue with a current Councillor.

Mayor Karen Vernon stopped the question and advised it is not the business of Council and there is a formal process for making complaints.

2. How do I get in touch with someone to help me with making a complaint?

Mayor Karen Vernon advised the Manager Governance and Strategy can assist and will speak with him after the meeting.

Amy Holdsworth, Burswood.

1. Council adopted a Climate Emergency Plan with zero carbon goal by 2030, what is council doing about it's own greenhouse gas emissions?

The Chief Operations Officer advised the Town does have a fair bit of information and took the question on notice.

2. Is it in Council best interest for the CEO to drive a V8 mustang?

Mayor Karen Vernon advised that is not a matter for Council and it is best to call or email the CEO.

3. Is the fuel for the CEO's car provided by the Town?

The Chief Executive Officer advised that no it is not.

Mr Herb Rowe, Carlisle

1. Does Council have any work planned for Star Street as since there has been no parking on either side of the road, it has become a racetrack? Is anything planned with the new bus system as it will be bedlam on that side of Shepperton Road?

Mayor Karen Vernon advised a motion had been passed by Council to review traffic management in a number of roads in Carlisle which can include specific traffic management and calming.

The Chief Operations Officer advised that specific to Star Street there is a roundabout for Star and Briggs Street this financial year and there is a review on temporary and permanent traffic calming devices. The question was taken on notice to provide further information.

2. It is good to hear about Briggs Street, but it is from Roberts Road to Archer Street where all the speeding is taking place?

Mayor Karen Vernon advised the review is coming back to Council.

The Chief Operations Officer will confirm when this is coming back to Council and took the question on notice.

Public question time closed at 7.49pm.

21 Public statement time

Public statement time opened at 7:49pm.

1. Herb Rowe, Carlisle

Made a statement that he had met a Town officer about Archer Street and was pleased Council had addressed the issue he raised. He questioned the planting of shrubs in the islands near the bike lane that will disturb existing work for the installation of reticulation and plant maintenance.

2. Amy Holdsworth, Burswood

Made a statement about the burning of fuel and subsequent impact on carbon dioxide generation, impact on the environment in a climate emergency and driving a V8 Mustang.

Mayor Karen Vernon advised that the CEO does not own a V8 Mustang.

Public statement time closed at 7.53pm.

22 Meeting closed to the public

Nil.

23 Closure

There being no further business, Mayor Karen Vernon closed the meeting at 7:53pm

I confirm these minutes to be true and accurate record of the proceedings of the Council/Committee.

Signed:

Dated this: Day of:2023