



G W Y D I R
SHIRE COUNCIL

MINUTES PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE

GWYDIR SHIRE COUNCIL

THURSDAY 16 SEPTEMBER 2010

COMMENCING AT 9.35AM

WARIALDA OFFICE COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Present:

Councillors: Cr. John Coulton (Mayor), Cr. Angela Doering, Cr. Rod King, Cr. Kerry McDonald, Cr. Claude Nichols, Cr. Peter Pankhurst, Cr. David Rose and Cr. Bob Tremain.

Staff: Leeah Daley (Organisation Development Director), Harry Seccombe (Director Engineering Services), and Glen Pereira (Environmental Services Manager)

Public: Nil

Visitor: Nil

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OFFICIAL OPENING AND WELCOME – MAYOR

APOLOGIES Cr Catherine Egan and Max Eastcott

THAT the apology of Cr Egan and Max Eastcott is accepted.

(Moved Cr Tremain, seconded Cr King)

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

**THAT the Minutes of the previous Public Infrastructure
Committee Meeting held on Thursday 12th August 2010 as
circulated be taken as read and CONFIRMED.**

(Moved Cr Doering, seconded Cr Pankhurst)

PRESENTATION - Nil

**CALL FOR THE DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS AND CONFLICTS OF
INTEREST - Nil**

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maintenance request: (i) Utility Basin/Tub for cleaning soiled equipment (ii) 2 way light control switch for outdoor security lights (iii) Extended awning above front access door to SES office (iv) Security / screen door to front access SES office (v) carpet cleaning operations room & office.	

The following items should be reported on from a Local perspective.

Operations	
Type	Primary/Secondary
27/7/2010 Tarp roof (STORM)	Primary
28/7/2010 Motor vehicle accident (RCR)	Primary
28/7/2010 Tarp roof (STORM)	Primary

Training	
Undertaken	Planned
Rescue Units undertake weekly training activities. Tuesday evenings 1830hrs to 2130 hrs. Include: RCR Air bags Flood boat manoeuvres Hand held GPS familiarisation Observation skills Hand tools systematic extraction Observation land search Working with heights	Training calendar currently being reviewed.

Exercises	
Type	Outcome

Accreditation: (details of audits, applications, changes to status etc):
Warialda SES Unit has primary rescue response for Warialda area. Peter Wilson accredited flood boat crew trainer Graham Moxey Accredited First aid Trainer and assessor Graham Moxey accredited cadet trainer Tony Manttan accredited cadet trainer

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Graham Moxey attended Drive Operation Vehicles course in Sydney and is now accredited to train all units in the North West Region.

Equipment Maintenance/Status Report:

Community and Public relations

Driver reviver during school holidays

2.3 NSW Fire Brigade

No report.

3 ASSET OPERATIONS

3.1 Local Road Works

The major construction and maintenance activities for the July – August 2010 period are detailed below.

Construction/ Rehabilitation

RR63 Yetman Road Segment 225, Heavy patching MR63.

Gravel Resheeting

SR13 Oregon Road, SR63 Gil Gil Road, SR41 County Boundary, SR12 Upper Whitlow Road completed, SR19 Whitlow Road in progress

Self Help

Nil

Bitumen Seals

Nil

3.2 Maintenance Works – Local, Main and Regional Roads

Edge Repairs

Nil

Maintenance Grading

SR69 Tucka Tucka Road, SR222 Myall Downs Road, SR70 Ashton Road, SR 39 Allandale Road, SR65 Munsies Road, SR8 Gragin Road, SR20 Gravesend Road, SR33 Forest Creek Road, SR10 Yallaroi Road, SR9 IB Road, SR42 Mungle Road, SR6 Getta Getta Road, SR11 Horton Rd, SR23 Wearnes Road, SR117 Bundaleer Road, SR116 The Forest Road

Seal Maintenance

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HW12 Gwydir Hwy, MR63 Main Road 63, RR7705 North Star Road, RR63 Yetman Road, SR8 Gragin Road, SR4 Baroma Downs Road, SR5 Croppa Moree Road, SR7 Croppa Creek Road, SH16 Bruxner Highway, Bingara Town Streets, Upper Horton Village, SR1 Copeton Dam Road, SR2 Bundarra Road, SR3 Elcombe Road, SR23 Wearnes Road, SR56 McCuskers Road, SR16 Trevallyn Road, MR132 MacIntyre Rd & Gulf Creek Road, MR133 Killarney Gap Road, MR134 Delungra Road.

Bitumen Reseals

Nil

Heavy Patching

Nil

Miscellaneous Work

Intersection of Long Street And Gragin Road, Warialda Entrance signs, Kerb & gutter repair at Apollo Avenue.

Culverts/Causeways

Pipe Repairs on SR9 I.B Bore Road, SR79 Girraween Road, SR6 Getta Getta Road, RR63 Yetman Road, SR43 Buckie Road, HW12 Gwydir Highway, RR7705 North Star Road, SR67 Agincourt Road, SR10 Yallaroi Road, Roadwork at Pine Tree Gully on MR133 Killarney Gap Road in progress.

Footpath M&R

Nil

Bridges

Bridge over Sawpit Creek on SR15 Gulf Creek Road opened to traffic 25/8/10

Kerb & Gutter

Nil

Vegetation Control

MR63 Cobbadah Road, HW12 Gwydir Highway, SR11 Horton Road, MR63 Cobbadah Road, MR134 Delungra Road. Upper Horton Village, MR133 Killarney Gap Road, MR63 Cobbadah Road, MR134 Delungra Road. SR18 Gineroi Road, SR3 Elcombe Road, SR22 Upper Bingara Road, SR16 Trevallyn Road.

Slashing

HW12 Gwydir Highway, RR63 Yetman Road, SR13 Oregon Road, SR14 Mosquito Creek Road, SR8 Gragin Road, RR7705 North Star Road, Bruxner Way, SR6 Getta Getta Road, SR9 I.B Bore Road, MR63 Cobbadah Road. Bingara Township, SR3 Elcombe Road, MR133 Killarney Gap Road, MR134 Delungra Road, Bingara Airstrip, SR15

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Gulf Creek Road, SR18 Gineroi Road, SR1 Copeton Dam Road, SR2 Bundurra Road, Bingara Racetrack, SR19 Whitlow Road, SR12 Upper Whitlow Road, SR15 Gulf Crk Road, SR11 Horton Road, Upper Horton Village.

3.3 Roads Maintenance Council Contract – Works Orders from RTA

No major works in progress. Routine maintenance is being carried out. We are waiting on approval from RTA for widening works on HW 12 (Gwydir Highway). There could be approximately six kilometres over six segments east of Warialda. Hopefully to commence in October 2010 and be finished prior to Christmas.

Moore White Bridge works are in the progress.
Heavy patching on MR63 Cobbadah Road on Segments 4430 to commence on 6th September 10.

3.4 Other Asset Services

- 3.4.1 The depots at Warialda, Bingara and North Star continue to be maintained.
- 3.4.2. Street services continued to be maintained for vehicular, pedestrian and public conveniences.
- 3.4.3. Stormwater drainage facilities continue to be maintained.
- 3.4.4. Saleyards at Warialda and Bingara continue to be maintained.
- 3.4.5. Aerodromes at Warialda and Bingara continue to be maintained and inspection done weekly.
- 3.4.6 The Plant and Workshop continued to be maintained.

All plant and fleet are currently under detailed review.

- 3.4.7 Existing quarry sources are continually being utilised and future sources are being investigated as time permits with other competing projects.
- 3.4.8 The radio and television towers continued to be maintained. All channels other than SBS are now reinstated and quotes are being requested for replacement of the SBS Transmitter.

3.5 Flood Damage

Nil Report

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CONCLUSION:

The activities carried out by the Engineering Services Department are in line with the 2010/2011 Management Plan and otherwise as directed.

CONSULTATION:

Consultation is carried out within the Engineering Department during the monthly engineering team meetings and other relevant persons.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

Policy implications are those relating to the 2010/ 2011 Management Plan and the Engineering Policies of Gwydir Shire Council.

FINANCIAL, ECONOMIC AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (Including Asset management):

The activities carried out by the Engineering Services Department are in line with the 2010/2011 Management Plan.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS:

SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS (Social and Environmental):

The activities undertaken by the Engineering Services Department regarding social and environmental factors are targeted for best practice in line with the 2010 Management Plan.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Monthly Engineering Report is adopted and noted.

ATTACHMENTS

There are no attachments for this report.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL:

THAT the Monthly Engineering Report is adopted and noted.

(Moved Cr Rose, seconded Cr Nichols)

Minor graffiti

Parks:

Council's parks continue to be maintained.

Gardens:

Council's gardens continue to be maintained.

The Bingara Garden Club has made some suggestions regarding the planting of the Maitland Street Gardens opposite Whitfield Place and the Medical Centre. Their suggestions have been taken on board and plants have been purchased and planted in this area.

Sports grounds:

Sports grounds are continuing to be maintained.

Council received a grant from NSW Government community building program for the irrigation of Gwydir Oval. All the materials for this project have arrived and the project is scheduled to be completed during September 2010 depending on the weather.

Showgrounds:

Showgrounds are continuing to be maintained.

An electronic data logger has been installed at the Bingara showground power supply. Daily power usage can now be downloaded in to a laptop computer and user groups will be billed accordingly.

The Bingara Central School will be replacing a short run of fence at the Bingara showground, south of the stable area from the running track to McCoskers Boundary. Council will be providing the materials for the fence and the Year 10 agricultural class under the guidance of Mark McGowan will be completing the project. This will provide valuable hands on experience for the students involved.

The Bingara Lions Club will be erecting a storage shed at the Bingara Showground at the rear of the Pony Club shed that was installed by the volunteers at the Motor home Rally.

Play grounds:

Council's playgrounds are being maintained with weekly inspections are carried out and maintenance as required to ensure the equipment is safe to use.

Town Streets:

Town streets are continuing to be maintained with Mechanical sweeping of Bingara, Warialda and Gravesend's main streets undertaken weekly.

Litter collection:

Litter collection is carried out daily.

Street trees:

Street trees continue to be maintained.

River Camping:

Council are conducting a fortnightly rubbish run from Borah Crossing to end of the golf course. Campers are encouraged to take their rubbish with them unfortunately there are some that don't.

Myall Creek and Glacial area:

Myall Creek Memorial site is maintained fortnightly.

Myall Creek Memorial is on the National Heritage list and in September the site will listed with the NSW State Heritage list. The maintenance of the site such as mowing and weeding falls under the standard exemption activity list. All other work on the site would require consent from the Heritage Council. For example, painting the outdoor furniture a different colour.

Cemeteries:

Cemeteries of both Warialda and Bingara are being maintained. A personal access gate was installed on the western side of the lawn cemetery in Bingara during August.

Street lighting:

Council ordered a solar street light for Hope Street Warialda.

Stormwater drainage:

Stormwater drainage facilities continue to be maintained.

Portable Toilet Hire:

The portable toilets were used at the Bingara Rubbish depot during August.

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The toilets were used in Bicentennial Park for the Antique car rally on the 15th of August 2010 and hired privately twice during August.

Riverscape:

Work has commenced on the Bingara Riverscape Park.



Gravesend Recreation Ground:

The colour bond shed has been ordered, construction plans have arrived and the slab is scheduled to be formed up and poured around mid-September.

Upper Horton Cricket Pitch:

The pitch is scheduled to be replaced on the 17th of September 2010.

3 WATER / SEWERAGE SUPPLY (all sites)

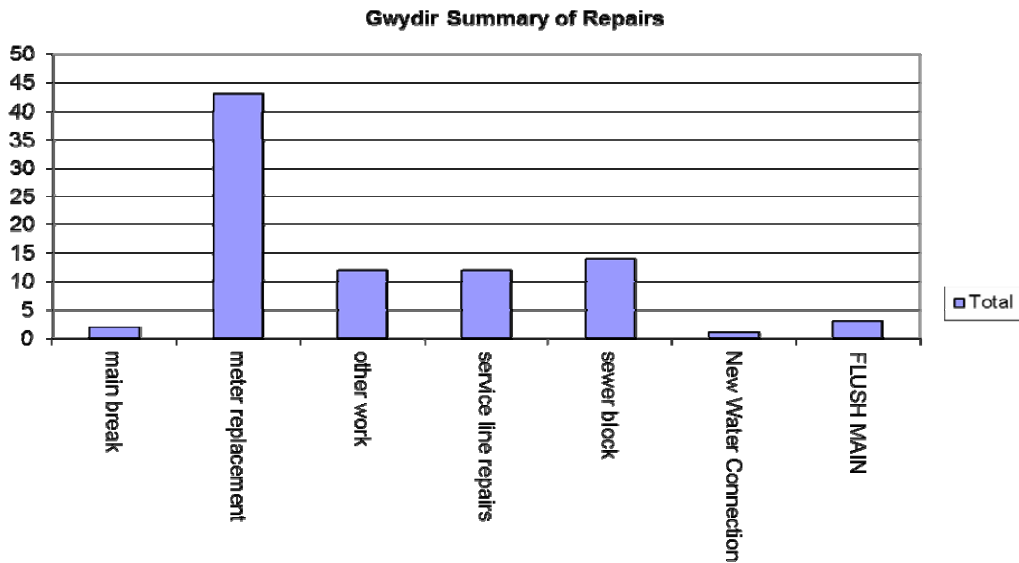
The water supply and sewerage schemes are being maintained.

The Bingara reservoir was cleaned by Waters Marine during July 2010.

The following graph is a summary of repairs completed for August 2010.

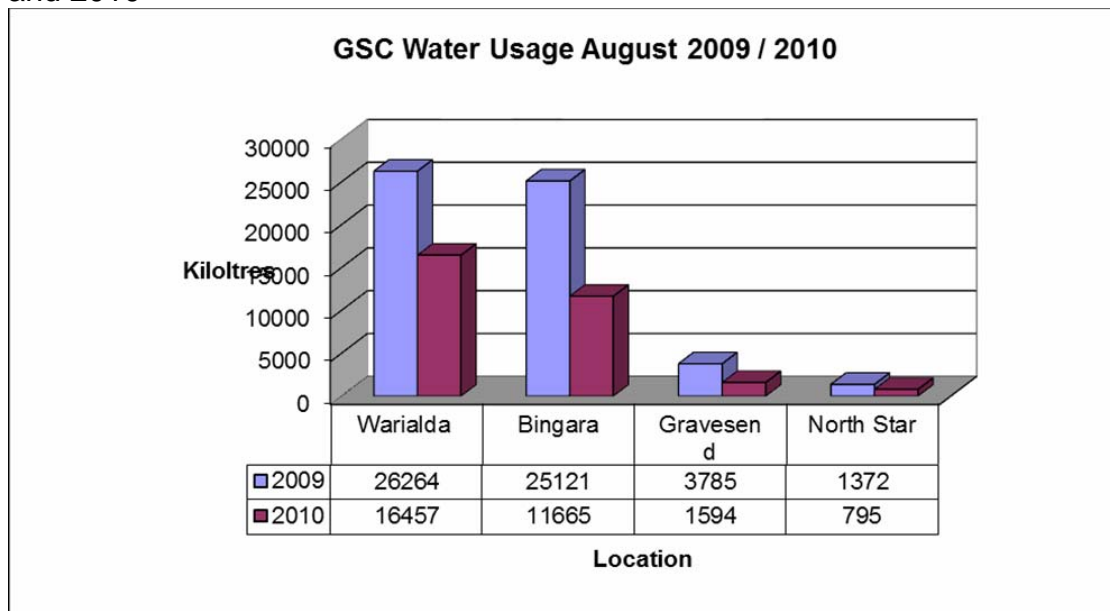
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Other work includes repairs to showgrounds, cemeteries and council buildings that fall outside of core water supply or sewerage duties – for DWE reporting.

The following graph indicates the water pumping quantities for August 2009 and 2010



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Bingara Reservoir and WTP

The only remaining task to complete the reservoir is the sealing of the site and the top section of the access road. The reservoir site has been fenced with chain wire security mesh, footpaths have been installed around the new and existing reservoir.

The small leaks in the reservoir have now been repaired. The reservoir will be refilled and undergo disinfection procedure before it is brought on line.

The slab for the control building of the water treatment plant was poured on Wednesday 25th August 2010. The bricklayers are expected to start on Monday 6th September 2010 and take around three weeks to erect the brickwork for the control building.



The slab for the process shed and clear water tank will be formed up and poured the 2nd week in September. The stainless steel Clear water tank material has arrived on site and will be constructed on site once the slab has been poured.

Council has been subcontracted to install stormwater drainage of the site. This will be carried out the first week of September.

The power upgrade has been arranged through Broneills Power line and Electrical and will be completed around the end of October.

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The activities carried out by the Town Services Department are in line with the 2009/2010 Management Plan and otherwise as directed.

CONSULTATION:

Consultation is carried out within the Town Services and Engineering Department during the monthly engineering team meetings and other relevant persons.

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OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Monthly Town Services Report is adopted and noted.

ATTACHMENTS

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COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL:

THAT the Monthly Town Services Report is adopted and noted.

(Moved Cr McDonald, seconded Cr Pankhurst)

Meeting closed 10.30am

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