Status Report as at July 2023

Date / CMRef / Officer	Subject	Status
21/11/2017 CMRef: 82079 EMCS	That application be made to the Minister for Local Government to have the land being Lot 71 Main Street, Burracoppin re-vested in the Crown in accordance with Sections 6.64 and 6.74 of the Local Government Act 1995.	IN PROGRESS  February 2023: EMCS has rung and emailed Minister Carey's office requesting information on the progress of the land revesting.  July 2023: Minister Carey's office emailed to say that the query fell more appropriately within the portfolio responsibility of the Minister for Local
20/08/2019 CMRef: 82410 EMDS	That Council:  1. Consents to the creation of a Water Corporation easement over portion of Lot 100 Colin Street (Part of Avon Location 2227) as shown in attachment 12.36A, for the purposes of installation, access to and maintenance of the proposed chlorination unit which will form part of the Shire of Merredin Recycled Water Scheme, subject to;a. All costs associated with the preparation and lodgement of relevant easement documentation being borne solely by the Water Corporation;b. All costs associated with the installation, operation and maintenance of the future chlorination unit being borne solely by the Water Corporation;. All costs associated with any improvements to the land subject to the easement relating to vehicular access to the chlorination unit being borne solely by the Water Corporation.2. Authorises the Shire President and Chief Executive Officer to affix the Common Seal of the Council and sign the Deed of Easement documentation on behalf of the Shire of Merredin Council.	IN PROGRESS  Awaiting preparation of documentation by the Water Corporation for signing by the Shire President and CEO.  The Shire has been advised the project is delayed and outside the 5-year construction window however Water Corp are continuing to conduct investigation works.  January 2023: No further updates anticipated until end 2023.
19/12/2019 CMRef: 82485 CEO	That Council commits to CEACA's progression of the VERSO report to review; I. Community Care Packages; II. Transport; and III. Residential Aged Care And; That Council requests that CEACA committee requests that the VERSO plan be updated now that the units are in situ. Reason for Officers Recommendation:	IN PROGRESS  December 2022: Updates as per CEACA minutes circulated to Council.  June 2023: Report not yet updated, however CEACA have proposed action on Item III Residential Aged

	The reason for the change in wording of the Officer Recommendation is that council are not subjecting VERSO to update the report. Should the CEACA committee agree, any suitably qualified person/s could carry out the update of the report.	Care. This is subject to a separate report in the June agenda.
		July 2023:  CEACA have engaged a consultant to do a needs analysis and grant application.
21/07/2020 CMRef: 82578 EMES	That, within the next twelve months, the Merredin Shire Council should purchase for the Shire fleet a battery-electric (BEV or EV) passenger vehicle. This vehicle should not be additional to the vehicle fleet but should replace one passenger vehicle sold after the usual retention period of 12 months.	IN-PROGRESS  June 2023: Currently the Administration has been unable to identify a vehicle within the fleet to be replaced as an EV due to operational requirements. The Administration is working with Synergy and seeking other grant opportunities to have EV chargers in town in strategic locations, which once completed may make purchasing an EV a more viable option.
		July 2023: The Shire has applied for an EV charger grant to support day-time charging at the Shire Office, which will support the logistics, and potential future purchase of this vehicle.
15/09/2020 CMRef: 82605 EMCS	1. That, pursuant to Section 6.64(1)(b) of the Local Government Act 1995, Council proceed to sell the property listed hereunder which has rates in arrears for 3 or more years, and recover from the proceeds of sale the outstanding balance which totals \$13,619.31:  Assessment A6511  Type/Zoning Residential  Period Outstanding 11/8/2014 to Current  Amount Outstanding \$13,619.31  Last Payment 3/9/2015  2. That, pursuant to Section 6.64(1)(b) of the Local Government Act 1995, Council proceed to sell the property listed hereunder which has rates in arrears for 3 or more years, and recover from the proceeds of sale the outstanding balance which totals \$10,023.49:  Assessment A6070  Type/Zoning General Farming/Urban Residential  Period Outstanding 25/7/2016 to Current  Amount Outstanding \$10,023.49  Last Payment 27/9/2015	IN-PROGRESS  April 2023: Land transfer documents completed and lodged for A9370 and A624. A445 settlement delayed further, expected late May early June.  July 2023: No further update at this time.

3. That, pursuant to Section 6.64(1)(b) of the Local Government Act 1995, Council proceed to sell the property listed hereunder which has rates in arrears for 3 or more years, and recover from the proceeds of sale the outstanding balance which

totals \$13,464.10: Assessment A9370

Type/Zoning Vacant Residential

Period Outstanding 11/8/2014 to Current

Amount Outstanding \$13,464.10

Last Payment 7/11/2013

4. That, pursuant to Section 6.64(1)(b) of the Local Government Act 1995, Council proceed to sell the property listed hereunder which has rates in arrears for 3 or more years, and recover from the proceeds of sale the outstanding balance which

totals \$6,369.85: Assessment: A3325 Type/Zoning: Residential

Period Outstanding: 27/7/2017 to Current

Amount Outstanding: \$6,369.85 Last Payment: 13/4/2018

5. That, pursuant to Section 6.64(1)(b) of the Local Government Act 1995, Council proceed to sell the property listed hereunder which has rates in arrears for 3 or more years, and recover from the proceeds of sale the outstanding balance which

totals \$11,008.81: Assessment: A1625

Type/Zoning: Vacant Residential

Period Outstanding: 29/4/2015 to Current

Amount Outstanding: \$11,008.81 Last Payment: 21/11/2014

6. That, pursuant to Section 6.64(1)(b) of the Local Government Act 1995, Council proceed to sell the property listed hereunder which has rates in arrears for 3 or more years, and recover from the proceeds of sale the outstanding balance which

totals \$8,409.91: Assessment: A445 Type/Zoning: Residential

Type/Zoning: Residential

Period Outstanding: 25/7/2016 to Current

Amount Outstanding: \$8,409.91

Last Payment: 1/4/2019

7. That, pursuant to Section 6.64(1)(b) of the Local Government Act 1995, Council proceed to sell the property listed hereunder which has rates in arrears for 3 or more years, and recover from the proceeds of sale the outstanding balance which

	totals \$17,957.31:	
	Assessment A624	
	Type/Zoning Vacant Residential	
	Period Outstanding 27/7/2011 to Current	
	Amount Outstanding \$17,957.31	
	Last Payment 22/12/2017	
16/03/2021	That Council instruct the Chief Executive Officer to;	NOT COMMENCED
CMRef: 82698	1. Obtain a valuation from a suitably qualified registered valuer for Lot 1498 Caridi Close,	NOT COMMENCED
CEO	1	Briefing provided to Council that all staff
CEO	Merredin;	housing currently required and recommend
	2. Engage local real estate agents to determine the availability and value of suitable executive housing within the Merredin townsite.	this item is delayed, with further work
		completed in the 2022/23 year.
	3. Report to Council preliminary estimates for the construction of a 4 bedroom, 2 bathroom	completed in the 2022/25 year.
	executive home on an appropriate lot within the Merredin townsite; 4. Invite local real estate agents to submit quotations for the sale of six existing houses	July 2023:
	constructed earlier than the year 2000. The quotations are to include details of the agent's	As housing is allocated to positions under
	proposed marketing strategy to obtain maximum value. The addresses of the properties to	recruitment / required – it is not recommended
	remain confidential in the interim. (Note: this does not include the house currently utilised	this item progress in the next six months due to
	for housing "travelling players" which should be the subject of a separate report);	operational constraints and business
	5. Report further on the optimum number of houses that should be held in the portfolio	requirements for the existing stock.
	including how many (if any) of the houses for sale should be replaced and the process for	requirements for the existing stock.
	doing so; and	
	6. Examine, as part of the asset management planning for the portfolio, the replacement	
	program for the newer houses currently held and not included in the above	
	recommendations.	
	7. Review Policy 2.10 Council Staff Housing and report to Council.	
16/03/2021	That Council;	IN PROGRESS
CMRef: 82699	1. Notes the preparation and submission by Njaki Njaki Aboriginal Cultural Tours of the Hunts	IN PROGRESS
CEO	, ,	
CEO	Dam Nature Based Campground Feasibility – Business Case – June 2019 demonstrating the	Enquiries made with DPLH.
	potential viability of the proposal;	·
	2. Notes that the proposal represents strong alignment with the Strategic priorities and	July 2023:
	strategies for change of the Council set out in the newly adopted Strategic Community Plan;	No updated information provided from DPLH.
	3. Confirms that the Business Case and Feasibility Study as submitted is satisfactory to meet	
	the terms of the Council's resolution 82038 of November 2017;	
	4. Confirms that Council supports the relinquishment of the Management Order for Reserve	
	29700 to enable a performance based lease to be agreed between the State and Njaki Njaki	
	Aboriginal Cultural Tours for the conduct of its tourism venture; and	
	5. Proposes to the State Government that the lease include provisions for substantial progress	
	on the implementation of the development within a five year period from execution of the	
	lease.	

6/07/2021 CMRef: 82754 MP/EMES	"That Council resolve to;  1. Endorse the draft concept plan for Apex Park for the purpose of community engagement.  2. Direct the CEO to procure the necessary professional services required to progress the plan from concept to detailed design, incorporating the feedback received during the engagement period; and  3. Direct the CEO to return the results of the community engagement to Council prior to a July Briefing Session, then present a 50% design to a Council Briefing that encompasses any amendments required as well as a final detailed design and full costing for the Apex Park redevelopment for final endorsement."	IN PROGRESS  The detailed design works for Apex Park and Merredin Town square has been awarded to Place Laboratory in line with CMRef: 82887.  June 2023: The 50% detailed design package has been presented to Council during a briefing session in May 2023. The final detailed design package including final cost estimates will be brought to Council for endorsement once completed.
		July 2023: No further updates at this time.
14/09/2021	"That Council;	IN PROGRESS
CMRef: 82796	1. Receives the submissions made by members of the public on the Public Piazza Pilot Project;	IN PROGRESS
MP/EMES	Town Centre Concept Plan; and the Apex Park Redevelopment; and	The detailed design works for Apex Park and
,,	2. Note that the Chief Executive Officer will continue to progress the detailed designs for the	Merredin Town square has been awarded to
	Town Centre Stage One plan with consideration of the following design elements:	Place Laboratory in line with CMRef: 82887.
	a. Inclusion of more rubbish bins;	·
	b. RV/Caravan parking; and	June 2023:
	c. Safety for children/young families and seniors.	The 50% detailed design package has been
	3. Note that the Chief Executive Officer will continue to progress the detailed designs for the	presented to Council during a briefing session
	Apex Park Redevelopment with consideration of the following design elements:	in May 2023. The final detailed design package
	a. Retention of park fencing;	including final cost estimates will be brought to
	b. Skate Park facilities (including targeted consultation);	Council for endorsement once completed.
	c. RV/Caravan parking;	July 2022
	d. Themed garden; e. Concrete track for scooters;	July 2023: No further updates at this time.
	f. Benches for parents including in the skate park area;	No fulfiler apadies at this time.
	g. Merredin Information boards; and	
	h. Soccer kick wall."	
23/11/2021	That Council;	IN PROGRESS
CMRef: 82832	1. Resolve to adjust the project funding and 2021-22 annual budget to reallocate the Local	
MP/EMES	Roads and Community Infrastructure Program (Phase 2) Stage 2a (Apex Park) to Stage 1	The detailed design works for Apex Park and
	(Pioneer Park and Town Square) and make the following adjustments accordingly:	Merredin Town square has been awarded to
	a. Reduce PC001 by \$470,500	Place Laboratory in line with CMRef: 82887.
	b. Increase PC003 by \$470,500;	

	2. Note that the intent of this motion will replace Council's resolution to allocate the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure fund (Round 2) to Stage 2a (Apex Park), dated 18 May 2021, as this has since been implemented and that the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Communications will need to be contacted to confirm that the funds are to be reallocated to Stage 1 (Pioneer Park and Town Square); 3. Authorise the CEO to appoint a suitably qualified Project Manager to oversee the delivery of the CBD revitalisation projects namely Stage 1 (Pioneer Park and Town Square) and Stage 2a (Apex Park); 4. Note that the additional \$194,000 shortfall required to fund the Stage 1 (Pioneer Park and Town Square) designs and the appointment of a Project Manager will be outlined within the mid-year budget review; 5. Note the CEO will continue progressing Stage 2a (Apex Park) detailed designs and full costing for Council endorsement, in line with Council's resolution dated 6 July 2021; and 6. Authorises the CEO to continue actively seeking additional funding for Stage 2a (Apex Park) as detailed designs are developed.	June 2023: The Administration has submitted the Shire's grant application to Lotterywest seeking funding to address the current project budget shortfall. The outcome of the application is expected to be received in October 2023.  July 2023: No further updates at this time.
28/06/2022 CMRef: 82927 EMDS	That Council:  1. RECEIVE the provided information;  2. ADOPT the Draft Shire of Merredin Local Heritage Survey 2022;  3. NOTIFY owners and occupiers of premises to be entered into the Shire of Merredin Heritage List and invite each owner and occupier to make submissions on the proposal in accordance with Schedule 2 Part 3 Clause 8 of the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015; and,  4. REQUIRE all submissions received during the notice period to be brought back to Council for consideration, prior to finalisation and final adoption of the Shire of Merredin Heritage List and its publication in accordance with Clause 87 of the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015.	IN PROGRESS  March 2023: Notice period for submissions closes. All submissions will be referred to Shires Heritage Consultant Ms Laura Gray for review and comment. Finalised report and recommendations to be presented to Council at the July 2023 ordinary meeting.
28/06/2022 CMRef: 82942 EMS&C	That Council;  1.ENDORSE an amount of \$40,000 to be included in the drafting of the 2022/23 budget, allocated to community funding;  2.APPROVE in principle, that financial support be provided to the following community projects, being cash, waiver and in-kind allocation of \$32,934 in the draft 2022/23 budget, for the following amounts and under the following conditions;  a. The Merredin Amateur Swimming Club inc  I. Fee waiver for family pool pass to a maximum value of \$375  b. Merredin Military Museum Inc  I. Cash contribution \$3,000  II. Proof of co-funding provided before release of funds to ensure project success	IN PROGRESS  June 2023: All acquittals have been completed and received except the Merredin Railway Museum & Historical Society.  July 2023: Works have been completed, waiting on acquittal to be received.

	c. A Choired Taste (Merredin community singers)	
	I. Fee waiver to the value of \$3,894 towards venue hire	
	II. Funding to be released once MOU is in place for ongoing facility hire	
	d. Meridian Regional Arts Inc.	
	I. Cash contribution \$3,315	
	e. Merredin CRC	
	I. Cash contribution \$5,000	
	II. Waiver \$1,350	
	f. Merredin Show Inc.	
	I. A combination of cash and in-kind to a total contribution value of \$10,000	
	g. Merredin Museum & Historical Society	
	I. In-kind contribution \$6,000; and,	
	3.APPROVE that financial support be provided to the following community projects, being	
	cash allocation in the 2021/22 budget, for the following amounts and under the following	
	conditions;	
	a. Wheatbelt Endurance Riders Inc.	
	I. Cash contribution of \$2,000	
	II. Made in the 2021/22 financial year, outside of this 2022/23 grant funding round	
28/06/2022	That Council;	IN PROGRESS
CMRef: 82951	1. ENDORSE the CEO or their delegate to enter into a partnership agreement with the	
EMS&C	Merredin Blue Light Unit for the provision of Blue Light events in Merredin.	The Administration has sent the agreement to
	2. NOTES The partnership in (1) above, will be to waive the fees associated with the free use	PCYC for signing.
	of Shire facilities and non-staff resources, when the Merredin Blue Light Unit are providing	
	agreed youth programs in Merredin within their available resources and capacity.	June 2023:
	3. NOTES this partnership supports a maximum of 4 events per year or 5 events per year in	The Administration has followed up with PCYC
	the years where a large fundraising event is hosted; and	during April and June, and aims to have the
	4. AUTHORISES the CEO to determine the terms of the partnership in (1) above, including the	agreement signed ASAP.
	length of the partnership, the Shire resources to be allocated, and how the Shire will be	July 2023:
	recognised through the partnership with the Merredin Blue Light Unit.	No further updates at this time.
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26/07/2022	That Council;	IN PROGRESS
26/07/2022 CMRef: 89268 EMCS	1. REQUEST that the Department of Communities purchase the Shire of Merredin's interest (both land and assets) in the Cummings Street Joint Venture project at current market value; and 2. ALLOCATE a total of \$2500 in the 2022-23 draft budget towards associated valuation and conveyance costs.	April 2023: Communities have advised the item is still progressing, no further updates available.  July 2023: No further update at this time.
25/08/2022 CMRef: 83002 EMS&C	That Council;  1. RECEIVES the report of the Panel for RFQ-02-2022/23 MRCLC Operation Management Review at Attachment 19.5A;  2. APPROVES the recommendations as contained within the Section 8, Recommendations, of Attachment 19.5A – RFQ-02-2022/23 Confidential Recommendation Report; and  3. AUTHORISES the Shire President and Chief Executive Officer to apply the Shire of Merredin common seal to the Contract between the Shire of Merredin and Naja Business Consulting Services for RFQ-02-2022/23 MRCLC Operation Management Review as outlined in Attachment 19.5A – RFQ-02-2022/23 Confidential Recommendation Report, for the following:  a) A base lump sum price of \$41,734.00 (ex GST); and  b) Schedule of rates for additional services (per hour), for a total value of up to \$8,000 (ex GST).	IN PROGRESS  July 2023: Tender closed in early July, and submissions are currently under review.
25/08/2022 CMRef: 83003 CEO	That Council;  1. SEEKS the approval of the Western Australian Electoral Commissioner for the current Shire of Merredin Councillor vacancy to remain vacant until the ordinary election day of October 2023;  2. NOTES the proposed Local Government reform may result in a change to Councillor numbers which would mean the vacancy would not be filled; and  3. NOTES a further report will be provided to Council should the Western Australian Electoral Commissioner not allow the vacancy to be held as proposed in Item 1 and 2 above.	IN PROGRESS  Correspondence has been received from the Minister for Local Government regarding Electoral Reform which may impact this resolution.  May 2023: Item 2 resolved with advise the LGAB has accepted the Shire of Merredin ward and representation review with the plan as submitted.  June 2023:

		No outstanding action required. Implementation will be at the elections of October 2023, and October 2025.
25/10/2022	That Council;	COMPLETED
CMRef: 83037	1. WRITE OFF the balance of interest costs owing on Assessment A445 totaling \$11,826.17	
EMCS	as at 24 October 2022;	June 2023:
	2. CONDITIONS the write-off listed at Item 1 above, to apply only on full payment of the	Settlement has occurred and funds have been
	remaining \$33,664.87 owing on the property as at 24 October 2022; and	received. Journal to finalise item 1 of Council
	3. AUTHORISES the CEO to write to the executor of the estate advising them of the outcome of the request, as per the above.	resolution 83037 in progress.
		July 2023:
		Journal completed.
20/12/2022	That Council AUTHORISES the appointment of an external consultant as the facilitator to	IN PROGRESS
CMRef: 83083	assist Council in the development of the CEO Performance Review Policy to guide the CEO	
CEO	Performance Review process.	July 2023:
	·	The CEO performance review process is
		ongoing, and the final report is expected to go
		to Council in August 2023.
28/02/2023	That Council	IN PROGRESS
CMRef: 83101	1. AUTHORISE the removal of one date palm located at Lot 1503 (45) Barrack Street, as	
EMES	identified within Attachment 13.1B – Location Map; and	March 2023:
	2. NOTES photographic documentation of the date palm will occur prior to removal in line	The removal of the date palm will be
	with the recommendation of the Shire of Merredin Municipal Heritage Inventory.	completed in conjunction with the
		construction works for Merredin Town Centre.
		July 2023:
		No further updates at this time.
28/02/2023	That Council;	IN PROGRESS
CMRef: 83105	1. DECLARE in accordance with section 4.20(4) of the Local Government Act 1995 the	
CEO	Electoral Commissioner be responsible for the conduct of the 2023 ordinary election	April 2023:
	together with any other elections or polls which may be required;	Planning commenced. Initial meeting with
	2. DECIDE in accordance with section 4.61(2) of the Local Government Act 1995 that the	WAEC held.
	method of conducting the 2023 election be as a postal election;	
	3. ADVISE the Electoral Commissioner that Council opts for priority Australia Post delivery	July 2023:
	service for the lodgment of election packages; and	No further update at this time.
	4. NOTES the associated costs of conducting the 2023 Ordinary Elections will be included in	
	the draft 2023-24 budget.	
14/03/2023	That Council;	IN PROGRESS
CMRef: 83112		

EMS&C	1. APPROVES the extension of the MRCLC Management Agreement contract with Belgravia Leisure, to the value of \$98,346.00 ex GST, for the period 1 July 2023 to 30 September 2023; and 2. NOTES the inclusion of a provision of \$98,346.00 ex GST in the draft 2023/24 Annual Budget in GL 2110352 to meet Item 1 above.	June 2023: The signed extension letter has been received from Belgravia. The CEO has signed and returned a copy to Belgravia.  July 2023: The provisional amount at Item 2 has been included in the draft budget.
14/03/2023 CMRef: 83113 EMCS	That Council;  1. WRITE OFF the requested cost of \$1,405, noting that the expenditure will be taken from 2030185 – Legal Expenses (not recoverable), which has sufficient funds available; and 2. AUTHORISES the Chief Executive Officer to write to the settlement agency and debt collection agency to notify them of the outcome.	June 2023: Settlement has occurred and cost will be written off as part of the process occurring with CMRef 83037.  July 2023: Write-off completed.
28/03/2023 CMRef: 83129 EMES/MP	That Council;  1. APPROVE the Chief Executive Officer to accept variation requests VO01, VO03 and VO05 to contract RFT 01 2021/22 Detailed Design Services between the Shire of Merredin and Place Laboratory;  2. NOTE the acceptance of the above variation requests will increase the total contract value between the Shire of Merredin and Place Laboratory for RFT 01 2021/22 Detailed Design Services for Apex Park and Merredin Town Centre to the Proposed Amended Contract Value outlined within the report;  3. AUTHORISE the Chief Executive Officer, if necessary, to accept any further variations which do not result in the total contract value between the Shire of Merredin and Place Laboratory exceeding the Proposed Maximum Contract Value for RFT 01 2021/22 Detailed Design Services for Apex Park and Merredin Town Centre as outlined within this report; and  4. NOTES that the maximum contract value outlined within Item 3, is within current budget provisions.	July 2023: No further updates at this time.
04/04/2023 CMRef: 83133 EMCS	That the Audit Committee;  1. NOTES the proposed Audit timetable as presented in Attachment 6.1A, provided by the Office of the Auditor General and Dry Kirkness, for the Shire of Merredin's 2022/23 Audit; and 2. NOTES that the Chief Executive Officer will sign the agreement for the 2022/23 Audit and provide the relevant information requested by the Auditors as outlined in Attachment 6.1C.	July 2023: No further updates at this time.
18/04/2023 CMRef: 83139	That Council:	IN PROGRESS

EMDS	1. ADVERTISE in accordance with Section 58 (3) of the Land Administration Act 1997, a notice of motion (published in a newspaper circulating in the district) its intention to resolve to approach the Minister responsible for the administration of the Land Administration Act 1997, requesting the closure of a portion of the gazetted road identified as the parcel of Land with a Polygon ID Number 3150496, forming portion of Coghill Street extending between Watson Road and Doyle Street, Merredin, as outlined in Attachment 12.3B; and 2. CONSIDER all submissions received by the Shire of Merredin following the public advertising period at a subsequent Council meeting.	May 2023: Public notification via Notice in the Phoenix scheduled for 18 <sup>th</sup> May 2023, in addition Notice being given in Social Media, Shire website, Shire notice board and erection of signs adjacent to the land in question. Also written Notice being given to owners of land on adjoining properties. All submissions will be brought back to Council as part of officer report at the July Ordinary Council meeting.
18/04/2023 CMRef: 83143 EMS&C	That Council;  1. NOTES the review of Policy 3.19 – Community Funding, as per Attachment 15.1A and 15.1B;  2. ENDORSES Policy 3.19 – Community Funding Program, as per Attachment 15.1B;  3. NOTES the Community Funding Program Guidelines, as per attachment 15.1C;  4. ENDORSE the allocations in the Recurring Annual Community Funding Commitments as;  a. Merredin Show  b. Merredin College  c. Merredin Community Resource Centre; and  5. NOTES the items endorsed at part 4 above, will be included in the draft 2023/24 Annual Budget.	COMPLETED  July 2023 Completed See CMRef 83188.
11/05/2023 CMRef: 83153 EMCS	That Council;  1. ADOPT for draft budget purposes, Option Four as stated in the item, as the differential rate in the dollar and minimum payments for Unimproved Value rated properties for the Shire of Merredin, subject to finalisation of the draft 2023/24 Annual Budget and the establishment of the funding shortfall required from imposition of rates on Gross Rental Value rated properties;  2. ADVERTISE its intention to levy differential rates on Unimproved Value properties for the 2023/24 Budget, and advise the public of the availability of the Shire of Merredin's 2023/24 Differential Rating Objects and Reasons (updated to suit the option selected by Council), in accordance with section 6.36 of the Local Government Act 1995; and  3. NOTES any public submissions received in response to Item 2 above, will be presented to Council for consideration prior to adoption of the 2023/24 Rates.	July 2023: Council notified of no submissions via agenda item at the June OCM.
16/05/2023 CMRef: 83155 CEO	That Council;  1. APPROVES the Shire of Merredin to advertise the Management of the MRCLC based on the draft service review conducted by NAJA consulting which was presented to Council and Community on 9 May 2023;	IN PROGRESS July 2023:

	<ol> <li>APPROVES in principle the draft specifications for the Operations and Management tender for the MRCLC as per Attachment 10.1A to this report to meet the requirements of Council Resolution 83111;</li> <li>NOTES this draft is approved subject to minor amendments and changes by the Administration prior to release and as required as clarification during the tender process; and</li> </ol>	The tender closed on 3 July 2023. Submissions will be evaluated before being brought to Council.
	NOTES advice to community members and sporting groups will be that the specification at Attachment 10.1A is subject to a tender process and subsequent negotiations, and as such should not be considered as the final approved service level.	
23/05/2023 CMRef: 83160 EMCS	That Council:  1. RECEIVE the Statements of Financial Activity and Investment Report for the period ending 30 April 2023, in accordance with Regulation 34 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996; and  2. NOTES the report of the material operational variance of \$25,896 for GL 2140206 which will be recorded during the May financial reports.	July 2023: May financial reports were presented to Council at the June OCM.
23/05/2023 CMRef: 83171 CEO	That Council; 1. SUPPORT sending a delegation of up to two (2) Elected Members to the 2023 SEGRA Conference; and 2. APPROVE the attendance of Cr Renee Manning and Cr Julie Flockart at the 2023 SEGRA conference.	IN PROGRESS  June 2023: Tickets for SEGRA have been purchased.  July 2023: No further update at this time.
13/06/2023 CMRef: 83175 CEO	That Council  1. ENDORSE the employment of the preferred candidate for the Executive Manager Engineering Services role as described in the report, which is designated by the Council as a senior employee, under section 5.37 of the Local Government Act 1995; and,  2. NOTES this is subject to successful negotiations with the candidate, and should the recommended candidate decline, further advice will be provided to Council.	IN PROGRESS  July 2023: The successful candidate has signed a contract and will commence in August.
27/06/2023 CMRef: 83178 EMDS	That Council:  1. AUTHORISES the Executive Manager Development Services to issue a building permit for the construction of an over height domestic shed/garage on Lot 327 (No 80) Bates Street, Merredin, as outlined in Attachment 12.1A, subject to compliance with the relevant provisions of the Building Act 2011 and the National Construction Code (BCA);	July 2023: Building Permit documentation has been finalised.

	2. ADVISES the applicant that the shed must not be used for any commercial/business	
	activities; and	
	3. ADVISES the applicant of the need to comply with the provisions of the Environmental Protection (Noise) Regulations 1997.	
27/06/2023	That Council:	COMPLETED
27/06/2023 CMRef: 83179 EMDS	, , <u>,</u>	COMPLETED  July 2023: Development approval documentation has been finalised.
	Turnaround capability for firefighting appliances is required within 30m of the	
	dwellings and may be provided by a loop driveway.	
	The required driveway standards from the Guidelines for Planning in Bushfire Prone Areas are detailed in Appendix 3;	
	• Install and maintain a compliant tank with 20,000L firefighting water supply.	

27/06/2023 CMRef: 83180	The water tank is to be non-combustible with approved fittings and the outlet valve located within 4m of a hard stand suitable for firefighting appliances.  The required water tank standards from the Guidelines for Planning in Bushfire Prone Areas are detailed in Appendix 4;  • Ensure the development is constructed to the applicable standards of AS3959 Construction of Buildings in Bushfire-prone Areas. The BAL rating is to be reassessed for the Building Permit Application, after the Asset Protection Zone is established; and 2. ADVISES the applicant that;  a) The granting of planning approval does not constitute a building permit and that an application for a building permit or a Certificate of Building Compliance must be submitted to the Shire of Merredin for all building work; and  b) An application for an on-site effluent disposal system must be submitted to the Shire of Merredin and be approved before any work on the installation of the effluent disposal system can commence on site.  That Council;  1. NOTES the review of Policy 3.23 Asset Management Policy as per Attachment 13.1A;	COMPLETED
EMES	and 2. ENDORSES Policy 3.23 Asset Management Policy as per Attachment 13.1B.	July 2023: The Policy Manual has been updated and placed on the Shire website.
27/06/2023 CMRef: 83185 CEO	That Council; 1. ADOPTS the Corporate Business Plan 2022/23 - 2025/26, subject to minor design changes; and 2. AUTHORISES the Chief Executive Officer to give public notice that the Corporate Business Plan 2022/23 - 2025/26 has been adopted.	July 2023: The Corporate Business Plan 2022/23 - 2025/26 has been placed on the Shire's website and public notice has been given.
27/06/2023 CMRef: 83186 CEO	That Council:  1. APPROVES the creation of a new Council Award for Outstanding Volunteer Service and Contribution to Community;  2. ENDORSES the name of the award category to be the 'Mr Edward Johnston Award';  3. NOTES nominations for this award may be submitted by Council Members and Executive Staff only; and  4. RECOMMENDS the Mr Edward Johnston Award be presented alongside the Auspire Community Citizen of the Year Awards on the 26 January each year.	IN PROGRESS
27/06/2023 CMRef: 83188 EMS&C	That Council;	July 2023:

	1. PROVIDE financial support to the following community projects, being a cash and	Letters issued 7 July 2023. Financial support
	in-kind allocation of \$30,565 (ex GST) in the 2023/24 Annual Budget, for the following amounts:	has been allocated in the 2023/2024 Budget.
	a. Merredin Show Inc support of \$10,000 (ex GST);	
	b. Merredin Community Resource Centre support of \$5,738 (ex GST); and a condition	
	to provide details to Council for each event six weeks prior to each event;	
	c. Merredin Military Museum support of \$5,000 (ex GST), subject to other funding	
	being secured;	
	d. Merredin Railway Museum & Historical Society support of \$5,000 (ex GST) subject	
	to other funding being secured and previous Shire of Merredin Community Funding	
	acquittal being received;	
	e. Merredin Community Garden support of \$3,597 (ex GST);	
	f. Merredin College support of \$230 (ex GST);	
	g. Wheatbelt Agcare Community Support Services Inc support of \$1,000 (ex GST); and	
	2. ENDORSE the remaining Community Funding Program allocation of \$9,445 (ex GST)	
	for Quick Grants, which will be included in the 2023/24 Annual Budget.	
27/06/2023	That Council	IN PROGRESS
CMRef: 83189	1. AUTHORISES the Chief Executive Officer to correspond with CEACA as per Option 2	
CEO	described in the report above, in relation to providing the requested letter of support	The Shire of Merredin have corresponded
	for funding under the Federal Government Growing Regions Program; and	with CEACA as per the resolution.
	2. CONFIRMS, in-principle, the Shire of Merredin will provide the required support as	
	outlined in Option 2 of the report.	