

## Status Report as at June 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.	<p><b>IN PROGRESS</b></p> <p>February 2023: EMCS has rung and emailed Minister Carey's office requesting information on the progress of the land re-vesting.</p> <p>June 2023: No response from Ministers office to date.</p>
20/08/2019 CMRef: 82410 EMDS	<p>That Council:</p> <p>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.</p>	<p><b>IN PROGRESS</b></p> <p>Awaiting preparation of documentation by the Water Corporation for signing by the Shire President and CEO.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>January 2023: No further updates anticipated until end 2023.</p>
19/12/2019 CMRef: 82485 CEO	<p>That Council commits to CEACA's progression of the VERSO report to review;</p> <p>I. Community Care Packages;</p> <p>II. Transport; and</p> <p>III. Residential Aged Care</p> <p>And;</p> <p>That Council requests that CEACA committee requests that the VERSO plan be updated now that the units are in situ.</p> <p>Reason for Officers Recommendation:</p> <p>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.</p>	<p><b>IN PROGRESS</b></p> <p>December 2022: Updates as per CEACA minutes circulated to Council.</p> <p>June 2023: Report not yet updated, however CEACA have proposed action on Item III Residential Aged Care. This is subject to a separate report in the June agenda.</p>

<p>21/07/2020 CMRef: 82578 EMES</p>	<p>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.</p>	<p><b>IN-PROGRESS</b></p> <p>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.</p>
<p>15/09/2020 CMRef: 82605 EMCS</p>	<p>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</p> <p>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</p> <p>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</p> <p>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</p>	<p><b>IN-PROGRESS</b></p> <p>April 2023: Land transfer documents completed and lodged for A9370 and A624. A445 settlement delayed further, expected late May early June.</p> <p>June 2023: No further update at this time.</p>

	<p>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</p> <p>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</p> <p>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</p> <p>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</p> <p>totals \$8,409.91:  Assessment: A445  Type/Zoning: Residential  Period Outstanding: 25/7/2016 to Current  Amount Outstanding: \$8,409.91  Last Payment: 1/4/2019</p> <p>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</p> <p>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</p>	
16/03/2021 CMRef: 82698 CEO	That Council instruct the Chief Executive Officer to; <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Obtain a valuation from a suitably qualified registered valuer for Lot 1498 Caridi Close, Merredin;</li> <li>2. Engage local real estate agents to determine the availability and value of suitable executive housing within the Merredin townsite.</li> </ol>	<p><b>NOT COMMENCED</b></p> <p>Briefing provided to Council that all staff housing currently required and recommend this item is delayed, with further work completed in the 2022/23 year.</p>

	<p>3. Report to Council preliminary estimates for the construction of a 4 bedroom, 2 bathroom executive home on an appropriate lot within the Merredin townsite;</p> <p>4. Invite local real estate agents to submit quotations for the sale of six existing houses constructed earlier than the year 2000. The quotations are to include details of the agent's proposed marketing strategy to obtain maximum value. The addresses of the properties to remain confidential in the interim. (Note: this does not include the house currently utilised for housing "travelling players" which should be the subject of a separate report);</p> <p>5. Report further on the optimum number of houses that should be held in the portfolio including how many (if any) of the houses for sale should be replaced and the process for doing so; and</p> <p>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.</p> <p>7. Review Policy 2.10 Council Staff Housing and report to Council.</p>	<p>March 2023: As housing is allocated to positions under recruitment / required – it is not recommended this item progress in the next six months.</p>
<p>16/03/2021 CMRef: 82699 CEO</p>	<p>That Council;</p> <p>1. Notes the preparation and submission by Njaki Njaki Aboriginal Cultural Tours of the Hunts Dam Nature Based Campground Feasibility – Business Case – June 2019 demonstrating the potential viability of the proposal;</p> <p>2. Notes that the proposal represents strong alignment with the Strategic priorities and strategies for change of the Council set out in the newly adopted Strategic Community Plan;</p> <p>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;</p> <p>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</p> <p>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.</p>	<p><b>IN PROGRESS</b></p> <p>Enquiries made with DPLH.</p> <p>June 2023: No updated information provided from DPLH.</p>
<p>6/07/2021 CMRef: 82754 MP/EMES</p>	<p>"That Council resolve to;</p> <p>1. Endorse the draft concept plan for Apex Park for the purpose of community engagement.</p> <p>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</p> <p>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."</p>	<p><b>IN PROGRESS</b></p> <p>The detailed design works for Apex Park and Merredin Town square has been awarded to Place Laboratory in line with CMRef: 82887.</p> <p>June 2023: The 50% detailed design package has been presented to Council during a briefing session in May 2023. The final detailed design package</p>

		including final cost estimates will be brought to Council for endorsement once completed.
14/09/2021 CMRef: 82796 MP/EMES	<p>"That Council;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Receives the submissions made by members of the public on the Public Piazza Pilot Project; Town Centre Concept Plan; and the Apex Park Redevelopment; and</li> <li>2. Note that the Chief Executive Officer will continue to progress the detailed designs for the Town Centre Stage One plan with consideration of the following design elements: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Inclusion of more rubbish bins;</li> <li>b. RV/Caravan parking; and</li> <li>c. Safety for children/young families and seniors.</li> </ol> </li> <li>3. Note that the Chief Executive Officer will continue to progress the detailed designs for the Apex Park Redevelopment with consideration of the following design elements: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Retention of park fencing;</li> <li>b. Skate Park facilities (including targeted consultation);</li> <li>c. RV/Caravan parking;</li> <li>d. Themed garden;</li> <li>e. Concrete track for scooters;</li> <li>f. Benches for parents including in the skate park area;</li> <li>g. Merredin Information boards; and</li> <li>h. Soccer kick wall."</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	<p><b>IN PROGRESS</b></p> <p>The detailed design works for Apex Park and Merredin Town square has been awarded to Place Laboratory in line with CMRef: 82887.</p> <p>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.</p>
23/11/2021 CMRef: 82832 MP/EMES	<p>That Council;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Resolve to adjust the project funding and 2021-22 annual budget to reallocate the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program (Phase 2) Stage 2a (Apex Park) to Stage 1 (Pioneer Park and Town Square) and make the following adjustments accordingly: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Reduce PC001 by \$470,500</li> <li>b. Increase PC003 by \$470,500;</li> </ol> </li> <li>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);</li> <li>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);</li> <li>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;</li> <li>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</li> </ol>	<p><b>IN PROGRESS</b></p> <p>The detailed design works for Apex Park and Merredin Town square has been awarded to Place Laboratory in line with CMRef: 82887.</p> <p>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.</p>

	6. Authorises the CEO to continue actively seeking additional funding for Stage 2a (Apex Park) as detailed designs are developed.	
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.	<b>IN PROGRESS</b>  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 DCEO	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 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,	<b>IN PROGRESS</b>  June 2023:  All acquittals have been completed and received except the Merredin Railway Museum & Historical Society.

	<p>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;</p> <p>a. Wheatbelt Endurance Riders Inc.</p> <p>I. Cash contribution of \$2,000</p> <p>II. Made in the 2021/22 financial year, outside of this 2022/23 grant funding round</p>	
<p>28/06/2022 CMRef: 82951 DCEO</p>	<p>That Council;</p> <p>1. ENDORSE the CEO or their delegate to enter into a partnership agreement with the Merredin Blue Light Unit for the provision of Blue Light events in Merredin.</p> <p>2. NOTES The partnership in (1) above, will be to waive the fees associated with the free use 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.</p> <p>3. NOTES this partnership supports a maximum of 4 events per year or 5 events per year in the years where a large fundraising event is hosted; and</p> <p>4. AUTHORISES the CEO to determine the terms of the partnership in (1) above, including the length of the partnership, the Shire resources to be allocated, and how the Shire will be recognised through the partnership with the Merredin Blue Light Unit.</p>	<p><b>IN PROGRESS</b></p> <p>The Administration has sent the agreement to PCYC for signing.</p> <p>June 2023: The Administration has followed up with PCYC during April and June, and aims to have the agreement signed ASAP.</p>
<p>26/07/2022 CMRef: 89268 EMCS</p>	<p>That Council;</p> <p>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</p> <p>2. ALLOCATE a total of \$2500 in the 2022-23 draft budget towards associated valuation and conveyance costs.</p>	<p><b>IN PROGRESS</b></p> <p>April 2023: Communities have advised the item is still progressing, no further updates available.</p> <p>June 2023: No further update at this time</p>
<p>25/08/2022 CMRef: 83000 EMCS</p>	<p>That Council;</p> <p>1. COUNTEROFFER the offer received from Josh Thompson for Assessment A9526, Lot 1326, 71 Mackenzie Crescent, Merredin WA 6415 for a value of \$40,000;</p> <p>2. ACCEPT the offer of \$40,000 from Gary Anderson for Assessment A3460, Lot 106, 19 Maiolo Way, Merredin WA 6415; and</p> <p>3. AUTHORISES the Chief Executive Officer and the Shire President to negotiate and execute a Contract of Sale and apply the Shire of Merredin common seal to the agreed contract, should the prospective purchasers wish to proceed based on the values and property assessment numbers as listed in Items 1 and 2 of this resolution.</p> <p>4. SUBJECT to the successful sale as per item 1 to 3 (inclusive) above, Council resolves to:</p>	<p><b>COMPLETED</b></p>



	<p>a) ACCEPT the unbudgeted expenditure of the listed amounts at items 1&amp;2 into the cash backed building reserve (c ) building reserve</p> <p>b) AMENDS the 2022/23 Annual Budget to reflect the additional income as per Item 4(a) above will be accepted into GL 9673301.</p>	
<p>25/08/2022 CMRef: 83002 DCEO</p>	<p>That Council;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. RECEIVES the report of the Panel for RFQ-02-2022/23 MRCLC Operation Management Review at Attachment 19.5A;</li> <li>2. APPROVES the recommendations as contained within the Section 8, Recommendations, of Attachment 19.5A – RFQ-02-2022/23 Confidential Recommendation Report; and</li> <li>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: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) A base lump sum price of \$41,734.00 (ex GST); and</li> <li>b) Schedule of rates for additional services (per hour), for a total value of up to \$8,000 (ex GST).</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	<p><b>IN PROGRESS</b></p> <p>June 2023: Report drafted to 90%, with the remaining to be completed once a cost assessment is made. Tenders have been advertised.</p>
<p>25/08/2022 CMRef: 83003 CEO</p>	<p>That Council;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>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;</li> <li>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</li> <li>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.</li> </ol>	<p><b>IN PROGRESS</b></p> <p>Correspondence has been received from the Minister for Local Government regarding Electoral Reform which may impact this resolution.</p> <p>May 2023: Item 2 resolved with advise the LGAB has accepted the Shire of Merredin ward and representation review with the plan as submitted.</p> <p>June 2023: No outstanding action required. Implementation will be at the elections of October 2023, and October 2025.</p>
<p>27/09/2022 CMRef: 83014 DCEO</p>	<p>That Council;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. ADOPTS the amendments to the Central Wheatbelt Visitors Centre 2022/2023 Fees and Charges, included as Attachment 14.3A to the report;</li> </ol>	<p><b>COMPLETED</b></p>



	<p>2. NOTES this will be incorporated in the Schedule of Fees and Charges 2022/2023 for the Shire of Merredin;</p> <p>3. APPROVES advertising the changes to the fees and charges as per Item 1 and 2 above, in accordance with the Local Government Act 1995;</p> <p>4. INITIATES the changes to the fees and charges as per Item 1, upon completion of Item 3 of the recommendation above;</p> <p>5. AUTHORISES the CEO to charge State Government agencies at the Community rate for facility hire in the Schedule of Fees and Charges, based on an assessment of local benefit; and</p> <p>6. AUTHORISES an amendment to the Shire of Merredin Delegations of Authority Register to include the delegation as per Item 3 above, be drafted for adoption by Council at the October 2022 OCM.</p>	<p>The Delegations Register was taken to Council in the May Ordinary Council Meeting CMRef 83165.</p>
<p>25/10/2022 CMRef: 83034 CEO</p>	<p>That Council;</p> <p>1) NOTES the correspondence to the Chief Executive Officer from the Hon John Carey MLA, Minister for Local Government, dated 20 September 2022, instructing local governments of the two options available with respect to transitioning towards the proposed local government electoral reforms;</p> <p>2) AUTHORISES the Chief Executive Officer to advise the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries, by 28 October 2022 of the following:</p> <p>a) The Shire of Merredin intends to adopt the 'Voluntary Election Pathway' as the preferred pathway for the election transition arrangements; and,</p> <p>b) The Shire of Merredin's high-level plan is that Council will:</p> <p>i) In principle, propose to reduce the number of sitting Councillors by one at Council election of each of the October 2023 and October 2025 ordinary elections, subject to the outcomes of a representation review, and public consultation. This recommendation is based on:</p> <p>(1) the allocated future total number of seven (7) Councillors being understood to be the maximum allowable number for the Shire of Merredin under proposed future legislation based on its current population, and,</p> <p>(2) the need to reduce the risk to business continuity for the Shire, should all positions be declared vacant by the Department under the reform pathway.</p> <p>c) To deliver this and meet the requirements under both the current Act, and the Ministers instruction, the Shire of Merredin will undertake a Ward and Representation Review, to be forwarded to the Local Government Advisory Board for consideration by 14 February 2023.</p> <p>3) AUTHORISES the Chief Executive Officer to initiate a Ward and Representation Review to determine the specific changes to the structure of the Council for the 2023 and 2025 ordinary elections, to be completed by 14 February 2023.</p> <p>4) NOTES the process will include public consultation, including the invitation of public submissions for a period of not less than six (6) weeks, during December 2022 and January 2023.</p>	<p><b>COMPLETED</b></p>

<p>25/10/2022 CMRef: 83037 EMCS</p>	<p>That Council; 1. WRITE OFF the balance of interest costs owing on Assessment A445 totaling \$11,826.17 as at 24 October 2022; 2. CONDITIONS the write-off listed at Item 1 above, to apply only on full payment of the remaining \$33,664.87 owing on the property as at 24 October 2022; and 3. AUTHORISES the CEO to write to the executor of the estate advising them of the outcome of the request, as per the above.</p>	<p><b>IN-PROGRESS</b></p> <p>June 2023: Settlement has occurred and funds have been received. Journal to finalise item 1 of Council resolution 83037 in progress.</p>
<p>20/12/2022 CMRef: 83079 EMES</p>	<p>That Council; 1. RECEIVES the Recommendation Report included as Attachment 19.3A – Confidential Recommendation Report - RFQ04 2022-23 Supply of New Road Grader; 2. APPROVES the recommendations as contained within Section 7 of the Confidential Report included as Attachment 19.3A; 3. AUTHORISE the Chief Executive Officer to approve a Purchase Order for RFQ04 2022-23 Supply of New Road Grader to a total value of \$440,000 ex GST; and 4. NOTES there is an existing budget for this purchase in GL 4120330 and that the purchase of this item will utilise funds allocated towards a Landfill Compactor which will not be purchased in the 2022/23 financial year due to insufficient budget.</p>	<p><b>COMPLETED</b></p> <p>New grader received.</p>
<p>20/12/2022 CMRef: 83083 CEO</p>	<p>That Council AUTHORISES the appointment of an external consultant as the facilitator to assist Council in the development of the CEO Performance Review Policy to guide the CEO Performance Review process.</p>	<p><b>IN PROGRESS</b></p> <p>June 2023: A workshop with Council will be held in late June 2023.</p>
<p>28/02/2023 CMRef: 83101 EMES</p>	<p>That Council 1. AUTHORISE the removal of one date palm located at Lot 1503 (45) Barrack Street, as identified within Attachment 13.1B – Location Map; and 2. NOTES photographic documentation of the date palm will occur prior to removal in line with the recommendation of the Shire of Merredin Municipal Heritage Inventory.</p>	<p><b>IN PROGRESS</b></p> <p>March 2023: The removal of the date palm will be completed in conjunction with the construction works for Merredin Town Centre.</p> <p>June 2023: No further updates at this time.</p>
<p>28/02/2023 CMRef: 83105 CEO</p>	<p>That Council; 1. DECLARE in accordance with section 4.20(4) of the Local Government Act 1995 the Electoral Commissioner be responsible for the conduct of the 2023 ordinary election together with any other elections or polls which may be required; 2. DECIDE in accordance with section 4.61(2) of the Local Government Act 1995 that the method of conducting the 2023 election be as a postal election; 3. ADVISE the Electoral Commissioner that Council opts for priority Australia Post delivery service for the lodgment of election packages; and</p>	<p><b>IN PROGRESS</b></p> <p>April 2023: Planning commenced. Initial meeting with WAEC held.</p> <p>June 2023: No further update at this time.</p>

	4. NOTES the associated costs of conducting the 2023 Ordinary Elections will be included in the draft 2023-24 budget.	
14/03/2023 CMRef: 83112 A/DCEO	That Council; 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.	<b>IN PROGRESS</b>  June 2023: The signed extension letter has been received from Belgravia. The CEO has signed and returned a copy to Belgravia.
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.	<b>IN PROGRESS</b>  June 2023: Settlement has occurred and cost will be written off as part of the process occurring with CMRef 83037
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.	<b>IN PROGRESS</b>  June 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.	<b>IN PROGRESS</b>  June 2023: No further update at this time.
18/04/2023 CMRef: 83139 EMDS	That Council: 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,	<b>IN PROGRESS</b>  May 2023:

	<p>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</p> <p>2. CONSIDER all submissions received by the Shire of Merredin following the public advertising period at a subsequent Council meeting.</p>	<p>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.</p>
<p>18/04/2023 CMRef: 83143 A/DCEO</p>	<p>That Council;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. NOTES the review of Policy 3.19 – Community Funding, as per Attachment 15.1A and 15.1B;</li> <li>2. ENDORSES Policy 3.19 – Community Funding Program, as per Attachment 15.1B;</li> <li>3. NOTES the Community Funding Program Guidelines, as per attachment 15.1C;</li> <li>4. ENDORSE the allocations in the Recurring Annual Community Funding Commitments as; <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Merredin Show</li> <li>b. Merredin College</li> <li>c. Merredin Community Resource Centre; and</li> </ol> </li> <li>5. NOTES the items endorsed at part 4 above, will be included in the draft 2023/24 Annual Budget.</li> </ol>	<p><b>IN PROGRESS</b></p> <p>June 2023: Community Funding is subject to a separate report in the June agenda.</p>
<p>11/05/2023 CMRef: 83153 EMCS</p>	<p>That Council;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>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;</li> <li>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</li> <li>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.</li> </ol>	<p><b>IN PROGRESS</b></p> <p>June 2023: Submission period closed June 5. No submissions were received.</p>
<p>16/05/2023 CMRef: 83155 CEO</p>	<p>That Council;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>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;</li> </ol>	<p><b>IN PROGRESS</b></p> <p>June 2023: The tender has been advertised and closes on 3 July 2023.</p>

	<p>2. 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;</p> <p>3. 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</p> <p>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.</p>	
<p>23/05/2023 CMRef: 83159 EMS&amp;C</p>	<p>That Council;</p> <p>1. RESCIND all prior appointments from the 2022/23 fire season; and</p> <p>2. APPOINT the following officers for the 2023/24 fire season:</p> <p>Chief Bush Fire Control Officer Mr Michael Caughey be appointed to the position of Chief Bush Fire Control Officer Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer Mr Glenn Crees be appointed to the position of Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer Fire Control Officers Chris Barnett Burracoppin Nigel Edgecombe / Matt Barnett (subject to completion of training) Burracoppin South Stephen Crook / Glenn Crees / Kael Crees / David Last Collgar Cam Gethin / Colin Miller / Luke Growden Hines Hill Chris Hooper / John Flockart / Sam Hooper Korbalka Darren Major / Paul Wanless Muntadgin Michael Caughey / Neil Smith / Philip Gray / Marshall Crook / Daniel Giles Nukarni/Nokanning Sheree Lowe Shire of Merredin Fire Weather Officers North East Chris Barnett South East Nigel Edgecombe North Neil Smith South West Chris Hooper Central Stephen Crook South Paul Wanless West Cam Gethin Dual Fire Control Officers Bruce Rock Chris Hooper / John Flockart / Paul Wanless Kellerberrin Cam Gethin / Colin Miller Nungarin Michael Caughey / Neil Smith</p>	<p><b>COMPLETED</b></p> <p>June 2023: All new appointments have been advertised.</p>

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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.	<b>IN PROGRESS</b>  June 2023: May financial statements will be presented to the June Ordinary Council Meeting
23/05/2023 CMRef: 83164 EMCS	That Council ENDORSE the following annual allowances and meeting attendance fees for inclusion in the Shire of Merredin Annual Budget 2023/24, to be paid quarterly in arrears: Annual Meeting Fees Annual Allowance For a Council Member other than the Mayor or President For a Council Member who holds the office of Mayor or President Annual Allowance Shire President Annual Allowance Deputy President \$8,170 \$8,170 \$13,610 \$3,400	<b>COMPLETED</b>  June 2023: New allowance figures have been included in budget development.
23/05/2023 CMRef: 83165 EMCS	That Council: 1. NOTES the review of the Shire of Merredin Register of Delegated Authority for the 2022/23 financial year, which meets the requirement of Section 5.46 (2) of the Local Government Act 1995; and 2. ENDORSES the updated Shire of Merredin Register of Delegated Authority, as per Attachment 14.4B.	<b>COMPLETED</b>  June 2023: Delegations Register has been updated and put on the Shire website.
23/05/2023 CMRef: 83166 EMCS	That Council ADOPT the revised Policy 3.12 – Purchasing Policy, as presented in Attachment 14.5B.	<b>COMPLETED</b>  June 2023: The Policy Manual has been updated and put on the Shire website.
23/05/2023 CMRef: 83167 EMS&C	That Council; 1. NOTES the review of Policy 4.2 – Bush Fire Control, as per Attachment 15.1B; and 2. ENDORSES the following policies: a. Policy 4.2 – Harvest and Vehicle Movement Bans, as per Attachment 15.1B b. Policy 4.3 – Use of Shire Equipment and Resources for Firefighting Purposes, as per Attachment 15.1C c. Policy 4.4 – Hazard Reduction Burns by Bush Fire Brigades, as per Attachment 15.1D	<b>COMPLETED</b>  June 2023: The Policy Manual has been updated and put on the Shire website.

	<p>d. Policy 4.5 – Children on the Fire Ground, as per Attachment 15.1E</p> <p>e. Policy 4.6 – Honorarium for Chief Bush Fire Control Officer and Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer, as per Attachment 15.1F.</p>	
<p>23/05/2023 CMRef: 83168 EMS&amp;C</p>	<p>That Council;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. APPROVE the recommended changes to the Memorandum of Understanding 2023-2026 between Australia’s Golden Outback and Central Wheatbelt Visitor Centre, as per Attachment 15.2A; and</li> <li>2. AUTHORISES the Shire President and Chief Executive Officer to apply the Shire of Merredin Common Seal to the Memorandum of Understanding 2023-2026 between Australia’s Golden Outback and Central Wheatbelt Visitor Centre.</li> </ol>	<p><b>COMPLETED</b></p>
<p>23/05/2023 CMRef: 83169 EMS&amp;C</p>	<p>That Council;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. ENDORSES, in principle, the Memorandum of Understanding for the provision of mutual aid during emergencies and post incident recovery between Great Eastern Country Zone Member Councils as per Attachment 15.3A; and</li> <li>2. AUTHORISES the Shire President and Chief Executive Officer to apply the Shire of Merredin Common Seal to the Memorandum of Understanding at Attachment 15.3A, subject to any minor changes as endorsed by the Chief Executive Officer.</li> </ol>	<p><b>COMPLETED</b></p>
<p>23/05/2023 CMRef: 83171 CEO</p>	<p>That Council;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. SUPPORT sending a delegation of up to two (2) Elected Members to the 2023 SEGRA Conference; and</li> <li>2. APPROVE the attendance of Cr Renee Manning and Cr Julie Flockart at the 2023 SEGRA conference.</li> </ol>	<p><b>IN PROGRESS</b></p> <p>June 2023: Tickets for SEGRA have been purchased.</p>
<p>13/06/2023 CMRef: 83172 EMES/MP</p>	<p>That Council;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. ENDORSES the project proposal to upgrade the Merredin Recycled Water Network as outlined in this report;</li> <li>2. ACCEPTS the funding from the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation Western Australia for \$100,000 (ex GST);</li> <li>3. AUTHORISES the Shire President and Chief Executive Officer to apply the Shire of Merredin Common Seal to the Community Water Supply Deed of Agreement between the National Water Grid Connections Partnership Project with the Department of Water &amp; Environmental Regulation and the Shire of Merredin in accordance with Items 1 and 2 above;</li> <li>4. CONFIRMS the Shire of Merredin contribution of an estimated \$80,000 ex GST in a combination of cash and in-kind support, towards the Merredin Recycled Water Network Upgrade; and</li> </ol>	<p><b>COMPLETED</b></p> <p>June 2023: The Agreement has been signed and the Common Seal has been applied.</p>



	<p>5. ENDORSES a budget amendment to the 2022/23 Annual Budget, as shown in the table below for the Merredin Recycled Water Network Upgrade Project:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="369 159 1476 470"> <thead> <tr> <th>GL/Job Description</th> <th>Current Budget</th> <th>Variation Amount</th> <th>Revised Budget</th> <th>Surplus/ Deficit Muni</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>(as at Budget Review)</td> <td>\$1,558</td> <td>(\$80,000)</td> <td>(\$78,442)</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>NEW Dept of Water Environmental Regulation - Grant</td> <td></td> <td>NIL</td> <td>(\$100,000)</td> <td>(\$100,000)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>NEW Merredin Recycled Water Network upgrade (Capital)</td> <td></td> <td>NIL</td> <td>\$180,000</td> <td>\$180,000</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>6. NOTES the unspent funds from the 2022/23 financial year for the Merredin Recycled Water Network Upgrade Project, will be carried forward into 2023/24.</p>	GL/Job Description	Current Budget	Variation Amount	Revised Budget	Surplus/ Deficit Muni	(as at Budget Review)	\$1,558	(\$80,000)	(\$78,442)		NEW Dept of Water Environmental Regulation - Grant		NIL	(\$100,000)	(\$100,000)	NEW Merredin Recycled Water Network upgrade (Capital)		NIL	\$180,000	\$180,000	
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<p>13/06/2023 CMRef: 83175 CEO</p>	<p>That Council</p> <p>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,</p> <p>2. NOTES this is subject to successful negotiations with the candidate, and should the recommended candidate decline, further advice will be provided to Council.</p>	<p><b>IN PROGRESS</b></p>																				