



SHIRE OF WILLIAMS

MINUTES

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY 19TH MARCH 2025

SHIRE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
9 BROOKING STREET
WILLIAMS WA 6391



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SHIRE OF WILLIAMS STRATEGIC COMMUNITY PLAN 2022-32

VALUES / VISION

Williams is an independent, growing and vibrant community, achieved by maintaining a balanced and caring approach to its people and environment.

- Community connectedness and great lifestyle.
- Support the young and care for the elderly.
- Ideal Location (proximity to regional centres and metropolitan areas)
- Relevant and well maintained facilities.
- Recognition of the need to care for the environment in a balanced approach.
- Effective communication and cooperation.

ECONOMIC

To support industry and business development of sustainable infrastructure and investment opportunities.

E1. Develop infrastructure and investment that is sustainable and an ongoing legacy to the Shire.

E2. To have appropriate levels of housing to cater for population retention and growth.

SOCIAL & CULTURAL

To be a safe and welcoming community where everyone is valued and has the opportunity to contribute and belong.

SC1. To provide community infrastructure and facilities that meet the needs of the population.

SC2. To support a safe and healthy community with a strong sense of community pride.

SC3. To recognise the vibrant history of the Shire and its rich, varied cultural heritage and natural environment is valued, respected, promoted and celebrated.

LAND USE AND ENVIRONMENT

To have a balanced respect for our natural assets and built environment, retaining our lifestyle values and community spirit

LUE1. To enhance, promote, rehabilitate and leverage the natural environment so it continues to be an asset to the community

LUE2. Natural assets and public open spaces are accessible, well utilised and managed.

LUE3. To have safe and well maintained transport network that supports local economy.

LUE4. Recognising and implementing sustainability measures.



INNOVATION, LEADERSHIP & GOVERNANCE

To have a shire council that is an innovative, responsive partner to the community with strong civic leadership engaging in effective partnerships which reflect the aspirations of the community as a whole.

ILG1. The Shire is efficient in its operations; actively listens to the community and anticipates and responds to the community needs

ILG2. The revenue needs of the Shire are managed in an equitable, proactive and sustainable manner.

ILG3. Effective collaboration and shared services with other relevant Local, State and Federal Government agencies, industry and community organisations

ILG4. A strategically focused, unified Council functioning effectively ensuring compliance within the regulatory framework

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1. DECLARATION OF OPENING / ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

The Presiding Member, President Logie, will declared the Meeting open at 3:37 pm, reminding all present that the meeting was being audio recorded as required.

2. RECORD OF ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES / LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Elected Members

Cr Jarrad Logie - President
Cr Natalie Major - Deputy President
Cr Bernie Panizza
Cr Christine Cowcher
Cr John Macnamara

Staff

Peter Stubbs - Chief Executive Officer
Britt Logie – Community Development Officer / Minute Taker
Gemma Boyce – Executive Manager of Corporate Services

Visitors - Nil
Apologies - Nil
Leave of Absence
Cr Simon Harding (*Approved February 2025*)
Cr Tracey Price (*Approved February 2025*)

3. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Nil

4. PETITIONS / DEPUTATIONS / PRESENTATIONS

Nil

5. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

DECLARATION OF INTEREST	
Name / Position	Cr Panizza
Item No. / Subject	8.2.4 Use of common seal and decisions under delegated authority.
Type of Interest	Financial Interest – Land owner

6. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

6.1 ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD 19TH FEBRUARY 2024

OFFICERS RECOMMENDATION AND COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Cowcher

Seconded: Cr Panizza

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held 19th February 2025 as previously circulated, be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

For: Cr Cowcher, Cr Logie, Cr Macnamara, Cr Major, Cr Panizza

Against: Nil

Carried: 5/0

Resolution: 77/25

6.2 AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD 13TH MARCH 2025

OFFICERS RECOMMENDATION AND COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Panizza

Seconded: Cr Logie

That Council:

1. Note and receive the minutes of the Audit Committee meeting held on 13th March 2025
2. Note the Audit Committee review of the Compliance Audit Report for 2024 and adopt the Compliance Audit Report, provided with the Council Agenda, for certification by the Shire President and Chief Executive Officer and submission to the Minister.

For: Cr Cowcher, Cr Logie, Cr Macnamara, Cr Major, Cr Panizza

Against: Nil

Carried: 5/0

Resolution: 78/25

7. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY PRESIDING MEMBER WITHOUT DISCUSSION

I record for public information that the Shire of Williams holds three (3) units, with a value of - \$59,714.63 in the Local Government House Trust, which is a unit trust, created in 1980 for the purpose of providing building accommodation to the Western Australian Local Government Association (WALGA). 132 Local Governments contributed to create a Trust comprising of 620 units. Units are of equal value and are revalued annually once the audited Financial Report is adopted by the Board of Management at its November meeting. Since January 2014, the Trust has provided WALGA with accommodation at the ONE70 building, located at 170 Railway Parade West Leederville.

8. MATTERS WHICH REQUIRE DECISIONS**8.1 CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES****8.1.1 PLAY OUR WAY FUNDING –**

File Reference	N/A
Statutory Reference	N/A
Author	Britt Logie
Date	10/03/2025
Disclosure of Interest	Neither the Author nor Authorising Officer have any Impartiality, Financial or Proximity Interests that require disclosure
Attachments	Cover Letter

Background

In 2024 the Australian Government released \$200 million for the Play Our Way program. The program is designed to provide funding for local initiatives to address participation barriers faced by women and girls. The objective of this funding is to build and upgrade sport and physical activity facilities to better meet the needs of women and girls and prioritise equitable and enduring access and use of these facilities for the purpose of women and girls' participation in sport and physical activity.

The Shire Williams successful grant application was for the construction of an indoor sports court and female changeroom facilities. The approved grant is \$1,687,500 (ex GST), and a contribution of \$250,000 from a new Council loan is required to secure the grant.

The funding agreement has been signed and executed by the Shire and the Australian Government – Department of Health and Aged Care.

Comment

The scheduled funding payments to support project delivery are as follows

Financial Year	Amount (excl. GST if applicable)
2024-2025	\$506,250.00
2025-2026	\$675,000.00
2026-2027	\$506,250.00

Council's 2024-25 budget includes provision for the project including a new \$250,000 supporting loan.

This project will occur across this and next to two financial years.

The value of the project means that it will be procured via Tender. Decision will be needed in the coming months on the location of the building to inform the Tender documents and process.

Strategic Implications

This item aligns with the community's vision and aspirations as contained in the Shire of Williams Strategic Community Plan 2017 – 2032. Specifically, it relates to the following strategy(s):

- SCD 1.1 Provide, maintain and improve community infrastructure.
ED 1.4 Encourage business and community groups' initiatives to promote the Shire as a place to live, work, play and invest.
CL 2.1 Maximise and leverage grant funding opportunities to balance and support Council investment.

Financial Implications

Council's 2024-25 budget includes provision for the project including a new \$250,000 supporting loan. This project will occur across this and next to two financial years.

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

OFFICERS RECOMMENDATION AND COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Cowcher

Seconded: Cr Major

That Council note the funding contract and agreement for \$1,687,500 (ex GST) for the construction of an indoor sports court and female changeroom facilities, has been signed and executed and that work to advance the project can now commence.

For: Cr Cowcher, Cr Logie, Cr Macnamara, Cr Major, Cr Panizza

Against: Nil

Carried: 5/0

Resolution: 79/25

8.1.2 REPERTORY CLUB – STAGING

File Reference	11.10.35
Statutory Reference	Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996
Author	Peter Stubbs, Britt Logie
Date	14/03/2025
Disclosure of Interest	Neither the Authors have any Impartiality, Financial or Proximity Interests that require disclosure
Attachments	1. Repertory Club letter request 2. Quote for Staging supplied by Repertory Club 3. Stage specifications and photograph brochure

Background

The Williams Repertory Club (Club) has requested Council consider assisting to fund further portable staging. The Club letter of request is attached to this report.

The Repertory Club funded the original stage purchase of \$14,949 with a \$6,500 grant from CBH and the remainder from their own funds. The new staging is used by the club and available for community use at various events through out the year with events like Australia Day and the expo.

The Club advises that in order to maximise the full potential of the staging, a proposed upgrade of the stage would cost \$22,534.60.

The Club has informed that the staging would be made available to community groups and events, making a larger stage, with the inclusion of safety guard rails, extremely beneficial to the community.

The request was considered by Council's Audit Committee at its meeting Thursday 13th March 2025 and the Audit Committee requested that the matter be addresses at this Council meeting.

Comment

The request to support the Repertory club in the purchase of additional stage is an unbudgeted expense. As this is not an urgent item required within a time frame, there is the option that it could be budgeted for in the next financial year.

Another option, as the project will benefit the community, would be to the community chest funding. The current balance of the Chest fund is \$16,588 with an adopted budget transfer of \$10,660 to occur before the end of June 2025.

Strategic Implications

This item aligns with the community's vision and aspirations as contained in the Shire of Williams Strategic Community Plan 2017 – 2032. Specifically, it relates to the following strategy(s):

- SCD 1.1 Provide, maintain and improve community infrastructure.
- ED 1.4 Encourage business and community groups' initiatives to promote the Shire as a place to live, work, play and invest.

Financial Implications

This will require a budget amendment of \$10,500.

Voting Requirements

Absolute Majority

OFFICERS RECOMMENDATION AND COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Cowcher

Seconded: Cr Macnamara

That Council having considered the Williams Repertory Clubs effort in providing portable staging for community use agree to offer \$10,500 from the Community Chest fund, to support the requested additional staging.

For: Cr Cowcher, Cr Logie, Cr Macnamara, Cr Major, Cr Panizza

Against: Nil

Carried: 5/0

Resolution: 80/25

8.1.3 PAYMENT LISTING

File Reference	4.23.15
Statutory Reference	Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996
Author	Deborah Martin
Date	14 th March 2025
Disclosure of Interest	Neither the Author nor Authorising Officer have any Impartiality, Financial or Proximity Interests that require disclosure
Attachments	Payment listings for months ending February 2025

Background

Council has delegated, to the Chief Executive Officer, the exercise of its power to make payments from the Shire's municipal or trust account. In exercising their authority, and in accordance with the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation, it is a requirement to produce a list of payments made from Councils Municipal Fund and Trust Fund bank accounts to be presented to Council in the following month.

Statutory Implications

Regulation 13 of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1995* states:

13. Payments from municipal fund or trust fund by CEO, CEO's duties as to etc.

(1) If the local government has delegated to the CEO the exercise of its power to make payments from the municipal fund or the trust fund, a list of accounts paid by the CEO is to be prepared each month showing for each account paid since the last such list was prepared —

- (a) the payee's name; and*
- (b) the amount of the payment; and*
- (c) the date of the payment; and*
- (d) sufficient information to identify the transaction.*

Comment

The list of accounts for payment is a separate attachment to this agenda.

Strategic Implications

This item aligns with the community's vision and aspirations as contained in the Shire of Williams Strategic Community Plan 2022 to 2032. Specifically, it relates to the following strategy(s):

CL 2.2 Maintain accountability, transparency and financial responsibility

Financial Implications

As listed in the recommendation below.

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

OFFICERS RECOMMENDATION AND COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Major

Seconded: Cr Panizza

That Municipal Fund EFT, Bpay, Direct Debits and Cheques totalling \$343,979.90 approved by the Chief Executive Officer during the month of February 2025 be endorsed.

For: Cr Cowcher, Cr Logie, Cr Macnamara, Cr Major, Cr Panizza

Against: Nil

Carried: 5/0

Resolution: 81/25

SHIRE OF WILLIAMS
PAYMENT LISTING FOR THE MONTH ENDING
28 February 2025

DATE	NAME	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
<u>MUNICIPAL - EFT, BPAY, DIRECT DEBIT & CHEQUES</u>			
04/02/2025	WA SUPER	Superannuation January 2025	\$27,820.09
05/02/2025	FDC EDUCATORS	FDC Educators PE 02/02/2025	\$24,072.71
05/02/2025	Rates	A1455 - Ian Wilkie, Reimbursement of Overpaid Rates	\$13,924.11
06/02/2025	SHIRE OF WILLIAMS	Salaries & Wages PE 05/02/2025	\$59,120.39
07/02/2025	SERVICES AUSTRALIA	7090424552940290	\$608.13
07/02/2025	CHILDCARE CENTRE	Refund of overpayment (Danielle Bransby(White))	\$349.70
07/02/2025	BUILDING AND ENERGY	BSL collection - January 2025	\$269.00
12/02/2025	SPINDIZZY TECHNOLOGIES PTY LTD	202414 - 5 x Walk Trail Indigenous Art Signs - Australia Day 2025	\$5,087.50
19/02/2025	FDC EDUCATORS	FDC Educators PE 16/02/2025	\$31,551.42
19/02/2025	SHIRE OF WILLIAMS	Salaries & Wages PE 19/02/2025	\$58,681.73
25/02/2025	BROAD ELECTRICAL AND AIR CONDITIONING	202558 - Clean & Service 4 Split system Airconditioners	\$895.40
25/02/2025	COUNTRY BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE WA	202554 - Additional Alterations to 8 Fry Street Bathroom	\$7,664.47
25/02/2025	FIRECORE SOLUTIONS	202559 - 4.5kg Replacement Fire Ext for Repertory Room	\$313.50
25/02/2025	GOODRIDGE, NIKKII	Reimbursement for Travel to Trelis Training (Nikkii Goodridge)	\$264.04
25/02/2025	PELICIER, SHANE	Reimbursement for Protective Clothing (Shane Pelicier)	\$231.00
25/02/2025	WILLIAMS PHARMACY	Medical Supplies for Williams Hall First Aid Box	\$27.97
13/02/2025	A BONZA BOUNCE	202405 - Australia Day Entertainment for Children	\$2,100.00
13/02/2025	AIR RESPONSE	202481 - Repairs to Aircon Ducting at Resource Centre	\$318.46
13/02/2025	AMD	202511 - Audit Fees - Acquittal for S/wood Ct Refurb Project	\$1,210.00
13/02/2025	BEST OFFICE SYSTEMS	12330 - Monthly Printing/Copying Charges	\$380.40
13/02/2025	BGL SOLUTIONS PTY LTD	202519 - Granular Fertilizer Spreading on the Town Oval	\$1,254.00
13/02/2025	BOC Ltd	13904 - January 2025 Container Service Fee	\$47.16
13/02/2025	DIAMOND LOCK & SECURITY	202541 - Four Master Keys for the Pool	\$133.00
13/02/2025	EXPRESS PRINT	202512 - Printing of 3000 Blank Rates Notices	\$1,031.80
13/02/2025	GOODYEAR AUTOCARE NARROGIN	14467 - Swap Tyre on Rim Howard Porter Loader	\$25.00
13/02/2025	GRANDSTAND VENTURES PTY LTD	202404 - Australia Day Band Pale Blonde Mexicans	\$2,530.00
13/02/2025	GREAT SOUTHERN FUELS	Monthly Fuel Card Account November 2024 & January 2025	\$1,431.36
13/02/2025	HARMONY SOFTWARE	Educators' Software Fees, Month of January 2025	\$319.00
13/02/2025	HEIDELBERG MATERIALS AUSTRALIA PTY LTD	202474 - 14mm Single Size Basalt Quin Darkan Road	\$3,491.46
13/02/2025	KING, STEPHEN	202544 - Mattress Disassembling at Refuse Site	\$1,536.00
13/02/2025	MELCHIORRE PLUMBING & GAS	202524, 202540 - Insp HWS Wandoo Ct, Re Attach Toilet Pan L Park	\$623.55
13/02/2025	NARROGIN PACKAGING	202508 - Eight MP Rotor Nozzles for Lions Park	\$184.00
13/02/2025	PRIME AG SERVICES - WILLIAMS	202502 - 20L Insecticide Spray for Football Oval	\$495.00
13/02/2025	REDPAY PTY LTD	202542 - Establishment Fee for New FDC Software	\$276.00
13/02/2025	RJ SMITH ENGINEERING	14465, 14469, Hydraulic Hoses, Fittings, Water Pipe & Threads	\$566.50
13/02/2025	RURAL INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES	13858 - Consultancy Services Williams - Darkan Road	\$3,359.57
13/02/2025	ST LUKE'S FAMILY PRACTICE	13899 - Support Doctor's Visit to Williams, January 2025	\$1,100.00
13/02/2025	TEAM GLOBAL EXPRESS	Freight Williams to The State Library	\$60.58
13/02/2025	THE WILLIAMS WOOL SHED.	202530 - Catering for VROC Meeting	\$102.50
13/02/2025	TOWN PLANNING INNOVATIONS	13881 - General Planning Advice for January 2025	\$82.50
13/02/2025	WALLIS COMPUTER SOLUTIONS	13863 - Backup & DR Testing	\$5,589.01
13/02/2025	WILLIAMS GENERAL STORE	January 2025 Account	\$469.79
13/02/2025	WILLIAMS HOTEL - STRICKO'S	202543 - Refreshments for Sale at Australia Day Celebrations	\$901.87
13/02/2025	WILLIAMS NEWSAGENCY	Monthly Account January 2025	\$80.90
1-28 Feb25	DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING & INFRASTRUCTURE	Licensing Payments Forwarded to Department of Transport	\$39,644.05
03/02/2025	CBA	CBA - Merchant Fees Jan 2025	\$392.99
17/02/2025	ANZ CARDS	Monthly Credit Card Expenses x 3 (See Details below)	\$1,527.06
18/02/2025	AUSTRALIAN TAXATION OFFICE	BAS JANUARY 2025	\$15,370.00
10/02/2025	SYNERGY	Electricity to Swimming Pool 17/12/2024 to 20/01/2025	\$2,144.80
10/02/2025	TELSTRA	Pool Telephone to 19/02/2025	\$34.81
13/02/2025	TELSTRA	Monthly Office Phone Usage to 19/02/2025	\$357.68
18/02/2025	SYNERGY	Electricity to Streetlights, Bates Rd Tower	\$3,430.44
18/02/2025	TELSTRA	Mobile Phone Services to 01/02/2024	\$311.49
18/02/2025	WATER CORPORATION.	Water Usage & Service (Various)	\$19,646.21
25/02/2025	TELSTRA	TIMS SMSs, Month to 6/02/2025	\$539.80
			\$343,979.90

17/02/2025	ANZ CARDS	Monthly Credit Card Expenses x 3	-1,527.06
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Sharon Palumbo - Manager of Childrens Services

PLANT:P084 CX-5 2022 WL036 (FDC)

47.80L ULP

78.18

SHIRE OF WILLIAMS
PAYMENT LISTING FOR THE MONTH ENDING
28 February 2025

DATE	NAME	AMOUNT
	Diary	7.27
	Office supplies - Centre	70.41
	Baby Wipes - Centre	41.82
	Nappy Bags & Band-Aids - Centre	27.50
PLANT:P084 CX-5 2022 WL036 (FDC)	48.02L ULP	78.19
PLANT:P084 CX-5 2022 WL036 (FDC)	40.66L ULP	66.98
	Filing Stationery	39.45
	Table & Chairs for Centre	35.45
<u>Gemma Boyce - Executive Manager of Corporate Services</u>		
PLANT:P095 Toyota Camry 2024 WL49	ULP	88.25
<u>Peter Stubbs - CEO</u>		
	First Reef - Hotham-Williams VROC Website Hosting December 2024	52.73
PLANT:P097 Volvo EC220DL Excavator	Retain Plates WL499, Plate Conversion & Licencing WL 499	362.82
PLANT:P083 Isuzu MU-X 2022 16WL	55.02L Diesel	84.78
Grants & Events:L001 - Live Local Love Local	Liquor Licence Australia Day	55.00
	Fuel Loan Car	32.94
	Mice Bait for Swimming Pool	42.55
PLANT:P083 Isuzu MU-X 2022 16WL	55.76L Diesel	90.18
	First Reef - Hotham-Williams VROC Website Hosting January 2025	52.73
Grants & Events:L001 - Live Local Love Local	Strickos Hotel Williams Refreshments Australia Day	81.01
AUSTRALIAN TAXATION OFFICE	Non-Cap. Acq. - Inc GST	138.82
		1,527.06

8.1.4 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

File Reference	4.23.15
Statutory Reference	Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996
Author	Gemma Boyce
Date	14 th March 2025
Disclosure of Interest	Neither the Author nor Authorising Officer have any Impartiality, Financial or Proximity Interests that require disclosure
Attachments	Financial Statements ending February 2025

Background

In accordance with the *Local Government Act 1995*, a statement of financial activity must be presented at an Ordinary Meeting of Council. This is required to be presented within two months, after the end of the month, to which the statement relates.

The statement of financial activity is to report on the revenue and expenditure as set out in the annual budget for the month, including explanations of any variances. *Regulation 34*, from the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996* sets out the detail that is required to be included in the reports.

Statutory Implications

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 – Regulation 34.

Comment

The attached monthly financial statements and supporting information have been compiled to meet compliance with the Local Government Act 1995 and associated Regulations.

Strategic Implications

This item aligns with the community's vision and aspirations as contained in the Shire of Williams Strategic Community Plan 2017 to 2032. Specifically, it relates to the following strategy(s):

CL 2.2 Maintain accountability, transparency and financial responsibility

Financial Implications

As disclosed in the financial statements.

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

OFFICERS RECOMMENDATION AND COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Cowcher

Seconded: Cr Macnamara

That financial statements presented for the period ending 28th February 2025 be received.

For: Cr Cowcher, Cr Logie, Cr Macnamara, Cr Major, Cr Panizza

Against: Nil

Carried: 5/0

Resolution: 82/25



MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT
(Containing the required statement of financial activity and statement of financial position)
For the period ended 28 February 2025

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1995
LOCAL GOVERNMENT (FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT) REGULATIONS 1996

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SHIRE OF WILLIAMS
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2025

	Supplementary Information	Adopted Budget Estimates (a) \$	YTD Budget Estimates (b) \$	YTD Actual (c) \$	Variance* \$ (c) - (b) \$	Variance* % ((c) - (b))/(b) %	Var.
OPERATING ACTIVITIES							
Revenue from operating activities							
Rates	9	2,368,869	2,368,869	2,370,897	2,028	0.09%	
Grants, subsidies and contributions	12	601,094	345,036	336,329	(8,707)	(2.52%)	▼
Fees and charges		1,235,102	804,115	864,716	60,601	7.54%	▲
Interest revenue		136,000	91,082	82,820	(8,262)	(9.07%)	▼
Other revenue		45,175	30,300	50,747	20,447	67.48%	▲
Profit on asset disposals	5	5,000	0	14,672	14,672	0.00%	▲
		4,391,240	3,639,402	3,720,181	80,779	2.22%	
Expenditure from operating activities							
Employee costs		(2,012,078)	(1,385,782)	(1,433,002)	(47,220)	(3.41%)	▼
Materials and contracts		(1,239,840)	(872,820)	(700,277)	172,543	19.77%	▲
Utility charges		(262,119)	(161,939)	(173,585)	(11,646)	(7.19%)	▼
Depreciation		(2,193,426)	(1,462,307)	(1,619,287)	(156,980)	(10.74%)	▼
Finance costs		(18,435)	(10,491)	(10,424)	67	0.64%	
Insurance		(195,191)	(195,191)	(182,119)	13,072	6.70%	▲
Other expenditure		(25,000)	(5,000)	(7,848)	(2,848)	(56.96%)	▼
		(5,946,089)	(4,093,530)	(4,126,542)	(33,012)	(0.81%)	
Non-cash amounts excluded from operating activities	Note 2(b)	2,189,926	1,462,307	1,604,615	142,308	9.73%	▲
Amount attributable to operating activities		637,642	1,008,179	1,198,254	190,075	18.85%	
INVESTING ACTIVITIES							
Inflows from investing activities							
Proceeds from capital grants, subsidies and contributions	13	3,374,570	73,715	251,148	177,433	240.70%	▲
Proceeds from disposal of assets	5	60,000	60,000	62,437	2,437	4.06%	
Proceeds from financial assets at amortised cost - self supporting loans		23,299	11,572	11,572	0	0.00%	
		3,457,869	145,287	325,157	179,870	123.80%	
Outflows from investing activities							
Payments for property, plant and equipment	4	(3,350,897)	(899,026)	(599,872)	299,154	33.28%	▲
Payments for construction of infrastructure	4	(1,985,920)	(1,216,496)	(569,746)	646,750	53.16%	▲
		(5,336,817)	(2,115,522)	(1,169,618)	945,904	44.71%	
Non-cash amounts excluded from investing activities	Note 2(c)	0	17,693	0	(17,693)	(100.00%)	▼
Amount attributable to investing activities		(1,878,948)	(1,952,542)	(844,461)	1,108,081	56.75%	
FINANCING ACTIVITIES							
Inflows from financing activities							
Transfer from reserves	3	305,000	96,500	96,500	0	0.00%	
		305,000	96,500	96,500	0	0.00%	
Outflows from financing activities							
Repayment of borrowings	10	(90,375)	(50,865)	(50,865)	0	0.00%	
Transfer to reserves	3	(129,270)	0	0	0	0.00%	
		(219,645)	(50,865)	(50,865)	0	0.00%	
Amount attributable to financing activities		85,355	45,635	45,635	0	0.00%	
MOVEMENT IN SURPLUS OR DEFICIT							
Surplus or deficit at the start of the financial year		1,155,950	1,155,950	1,244,001	88,051	7.62%	▲
Amount attributable to operating activities		637,642	1,008,179	1,198,254	190,075	18.85%	▲
Amount attributable to investing activities		(1,878,948)	(1,952,542)	(844,461)	1,108,081	56.75%	▲
Amount attributable to financing activities		85,355	45,635	45,635	0	0.00%	
Surplus or deficit after imposition of general rates		0	257,222	1,643,429	1,386,207	538.91%	▲

KEY INFORMATION

▲ ▼ Indicates a variance between Year to Date (YTD) Budget and YTD Actual data as per the adopted materiality threshold.

* Refer to Note 3 for an explanation of the reasons for the variance.

This statement is to be read in conjunction with the accompanying Financial Statements and Notes.

SHIRE OF WILLIAMS
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2025

	30 June 2024	28 February 2025
	\$	\$
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	3,260,007	3,843,329
Trade and other receivables	99,305	379,519
Other financial assets	23,299	11,726
Inventories	25,223	34,419
Other assets	124,429	124,429
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	3,532,263	4,393,422
NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
Other financial assets	246,780	246,780
Property, plant and equipment	26,113,054	26,262,995
Infrastructure	69,812,261	69,144,518
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	96,172,095	95,654,293
TOTAL ASSETS	99,704,358	100,047,715
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Trade and other payables	277,598	227,947
Other liabilities	82,667	681,753
Borrowings	90,374	39,509
Employee related provisions	281,975	281,975
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	732,614	1,231,184
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Borrowings	361,489	361,489
Employee related provisions	27,144	27,144
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES	388,633	388,633
TOTAL LIABILITIES	1,121,247	1,619,817
NET ASSETS	98,583,112	98,427,900
EQUITY		
Retained surplus	23,645,476	23,586,763
Reserve accounts	1,678,854	1,582,354
Revaluation surplus	73,258,782	73,258,782
TOTAL EQUITY	98,583,112	98,427,900

This statement is to be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2025

1 BASIS OF PREPARATION AND SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF PREPARATION

This prescribed financial report has been prepared in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1995* and accompanying regulations.

Local Government Act 1995 requirements

Section 6.4(2) of the *Local Government Act 1995* read with the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996*, prescribe that the financial report be prepared in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1995* and, to the extent that they are not inconsistent with the Act, the Australian Accounting Standards. The Australian Accounting Standards (as they apply to local governments and not-for-profit entities) and Interpretations of the Australian Accounting Standards Board were applied where no inconsistencies exist.

The *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996* specify that vested land is a right-of-use asset to be measured at cost, and is considered a zero cost concessionary lease. All right-of-use assets under zero cost concessionary leases are measured at zero cost rather than at fair value, except for vested improvements on concessionary land leases such as roads, buildings or other infrastructure which continue to be reported at fair value, as opposed to the vested land which is measured at zero cost. The measurement of vested improvements at fair value is a departure from AASB 16 which would have required the Shire to measure any vested improvements at zero cost.

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996, regulation 34 prescribes contents of the financial report. Supporting information does not form part of the financial report.

Accounting policies which have been adopted in the preparation of this financial report have been consistently applied unless stated otherwise. Except for cash flow and rate setting information, the financial report has been prepared on the accrual basis and is based on historical costs, modified, where applicable, by the measurement at fair value of selected non-current assets, financial assets and liabilities.

THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT REPORTING ENTITY

All funds through which the Shire controls resources to carry on its functions have been included in the financial statements forming part of this financial report.

All monies held in the Trust Fund are excluded from the financial statements. A separate statement of those monies appears at Note 14 to these financial statements.

Judgements and estimates

The preparation of a financial report in conformity with Australian Accounting Standards requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that effect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expenses.

The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors believed to be reasonable under the circumstances; the results of which form the basis of making the judgements about carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The balances, transactions and disclosures impacted by accounting estimates are as follows:

- estimated fair value of certain financial assets
- impairment of financial assets
- estimation of fair values of land and buildings, infrastructure and investment property
- estimation uncertainties made in relation to lease accounting
- estimated useful life of intangible assets

SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICES

Significant accounting policies utilised in the preparation of these statements are as described within the 2023-24 Annual Budget. Please refer to the adopted budget document for details of these policies.

PREPARATION TIMING AND REVIEW

Date prepared: All known transactions up to 13 March 2025

SHIRE OF WILLIAMS
NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2025

2 STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY INFORMATION

		Adopted Budget Opening 30 June 2024	Last Year Closing 30 June 2024	Year to Date 28 February 2025
(a) Net current assets used in the Statement of Financial Activity				
Current assets		\$	\$	\$
Cash and cash equivalents	2	1,949,064	3,260,006	3,843,329
Trade and other receivables		23,926	99,305	379,519
Other financial assets		88,344	23,299	11,726
Inventories	7	25,252	25,223	34,419
Other assets	7	935	124,429	124,429
		2,087,521	3,532,262	4,393,422
Less: current liabilities				
Trade and other payables	8	(269,729)	(277,599)	(227,947)
Other liabilities	11	(48,727)	(82,667)	(681,753)
Borrowings	10	(80,919)	(90,374)	(39,509)
Employee related provisions	11	(281,975)	(281,975)	(281,975)
		(681,350)	(732,615)	(1,231,184)
Net current assets		1,406,171	2,799,647	3,162,238
Less: Total adjustments to net current assets	Note 2(d)	(1,583,402)	(1,555,646)	(1,518,812)
Closing funding surplus / (deficit)		(177,231)	1,244,001	1,643,429

(b) Non-cash amounts excluded from operating activities

The following non-cash revenue and expenditure has been excluded from operating activities within the Statement of Financial Activity in accordance with *Financial Management Regulation 32*.

		Adopted Budget	YTD Budget (a)	YTD Actual (b)
Non-cash amounts excluded from operating activities				
		\$	\$	\$
Adjustments to operating activities				
Less: Profit on asset disposals	5	(5,000)	0	(14,672)
Add: Depreciation		2,193,426	1,462,307	1,619,287
Movement in current employee provisions associated with restricted cash		1,500		
Total non-cash amounts excluded from operating activities		2,189,926	1,462,307	1,604,615

(c) Non-cash amounts excluded from investing activities

The following non-cash revenue and expenditure has been excluded from investing activities within the Statement of Financial Activity in accordance with *Financial Management Regulation 32*.

Adjustments to investing activities				
Movement in current other provision associated with restricted cash			17,693	0
Total non-cash amounts excluded from investing activities		0	17,693	0

(d) Current assets and liabilities excluded from budgeted deficiency

The following current assets and liabilities have been excluded from the net current assets used in the Statement of Financial Activity in accordance with *Financial Management Regulation 32* to agree to the surplus/(deficit) after imposition of general rates.

		Adopted Budget Opening 30 June 2024	Last Year Closing 30 June 2024	Year to Date 28 February 2025
Adjustments to net current assets				
Less: Reserve accounts	3	(1,678,854)	(1,678,854)	(1,582,354)
Less: Financial assets at amortised cost - self supporting loans	7	(23,299)	(23,299)	(11,726)
- Current financial assets at amortised cost - self supporting loans				
Diesel Fuel & Self Supporting Loans - Timing			21,306	(2,074)
Add: Current liabilities not expected to be cleared at the end of the year:				
- Current portion of borrowings	10	80,919	90,374	39,509
- Current portion of employee benefit provisions held in reserve	3	37,833	37,833	37,833
Total adjustments to net current assets	Note 2(a)	(1,583,401)	(1,555,646)	(1,518,812)

CURRENT AND NON-CURRENT CLASSIFICATION

In the determination of whether an asset or liability is current or non-current, consideration is given to the time when each asset or liability is expected to be settled. Unless otherwise stated assets or liabilities are classified as current if expected to be settled within the next 12 months, being the Council's operational cycle.

8.2 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

8.2.1 DELEGATIONS REGISTER REVIEW

File Reference	4.50.60
Statutory Reference	Local Government Act 1995
Author	Peter Stubbs, Chief Executive Officer
Date	14 March 2025
Disclosure of Interest	The Author has no Impartiality, Financial or Proximity Interests that require disclosure.
Attachments	Delegation Register

Background

The *Local Government Act 1995* requires that all delegations be reviewed annually.

The Shire of Williams delegations were last reviewed and adopted by Council on the 20th December 2023 (Council Resolution 73/24).

Section 5.42 *Local Government Act 1995* ('the Act'), enables Council to delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer.

Council can delegate to the Chief Executive Officer, by an absolute majority resolution, the exercise of many of its powers or the discharge of many of its duties from time to time and in such manner as the Council determines, excepting certain limitations as outlined below.

The Chief Executive Officer has the power to then delegate to other staff members in accordance with Section 5.44 *Local Government Act 1995*.

Delegations are to be in writing and a register of delegations must be kept.

There are limitations to delegating under Section 5.43 of the Act as outlined below:

A local government cannot delegate to a CEO any of the following powers or duties:

- (a) any power or duty that requires a decision of an absolute majority or a 75% majority of the local government;
- (b) accepting a tender which exceeds an amount determined by the local government for the purpose of this paragraph;
- (c) appointing an auditor;
- (d) acquiring or disposing of any property valued at an amount exceeding an amount determined by the local government for the purpose of this paragraph;
- (e) any of the local government's powers under section 5.98, 5.98A, 5.99, 5.99A or 5.100;
- (f) borrowing money on behalf of the local government;
- (g) hearing or determining an objection of a kind referred to in section 9.5;
- (ha) the power under section 9.49A(4) to authorise a person to sign documents on behalf of the local government;
- (h) any power or duty that requires the approval of the Minister or the Governor; and
- (i) such other powers or duties as may be prescribed.

Council can also delegate to a committee, comprising of elected members only, any of the Council's powers or duties under the Act, or to a committee comprising of elected members and employees any duties that can be delegated to the Chief Executive Officer. Limitations of delegation of powers and duties to committees are prescribed under Section 5.17 of the Act.

The opportunity is also taken to review all other delegations to staff provided under alternative legislation. Various other acts such as the *Bush Fires Act 1954*, *Building Act 2011*, *Dog Act 1974*, *Cat Act 2011*, etc, allow for delegations to local government officers.

Comment

A major review of the Delegation Register was undertaken by the Chief Executive Officer in 2021.

The delegations are considered appropriate and workable to assist in efficient service delivery and operational requirements. As a result, there are no substantive changes proposed to the current Delegations for the next 12 months. The Delegation Register is included in this Agenda as an Attachment.

Decisions made under delegated authority are required to be reported to Council and Council meetings. Currently there are no Council committees with delegated authority.

There are some changes from State Regulations which have occurred for example *Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Amendment (Single House Development) Regulations 2024* which commenced 1 July 2024. This Regulation now specifies that a single house development or any development associated with a single house such as additions, alterations, patios or carports, where not otherwise exempt, are to be determined by the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the local government or other local government officer/s authorised by the CEO.

This is reported here for clarity. Decisions made under delegation enabled by the Regulation continue to be reported to Council.

Strategic Implications

This item aligns with the community's vision and aspirations as contained in the Shire of Williams Strategic Community Plan 2017 to 2032. Specifically, it relates to the following strategy(s):

- CL 1.3 Maintain, review and ensure relevance of Council's policies, local laws and operational plans.
- CL 2.2 Maintain accountability, transparency and financial responsibility.
- CL 4.4 Monitor and ensure compliance with regulatory framework for local government business.

Financial Implications

Nil

Voting Requirements

Absolute Majority

OFFICERS RECOMMENDATION AND COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Macnamara

Seconded: Cr Cowcher

That Council having reviewed the delegations and authorisations currently in place and noting that no substantive changes are proposed, delegates to the Chief Executive Officer under s5.42 *Local Government Act 1995*, the exercise of the powers and the discharge of its duties under the Act, effective immediately, as listed in the Delegation Register attached to this report and current as of 19 March 2025.

For: Cr Cowcher, Cr Logie, Cr Macnamara, Cr Major, Cr Panizza

Against: Nil

Carried: 5/0

Resolution: 83/25

8.2.2 DEVELOPMENT APPROVAL - 1 RICHMOND STREET, LOT 13314

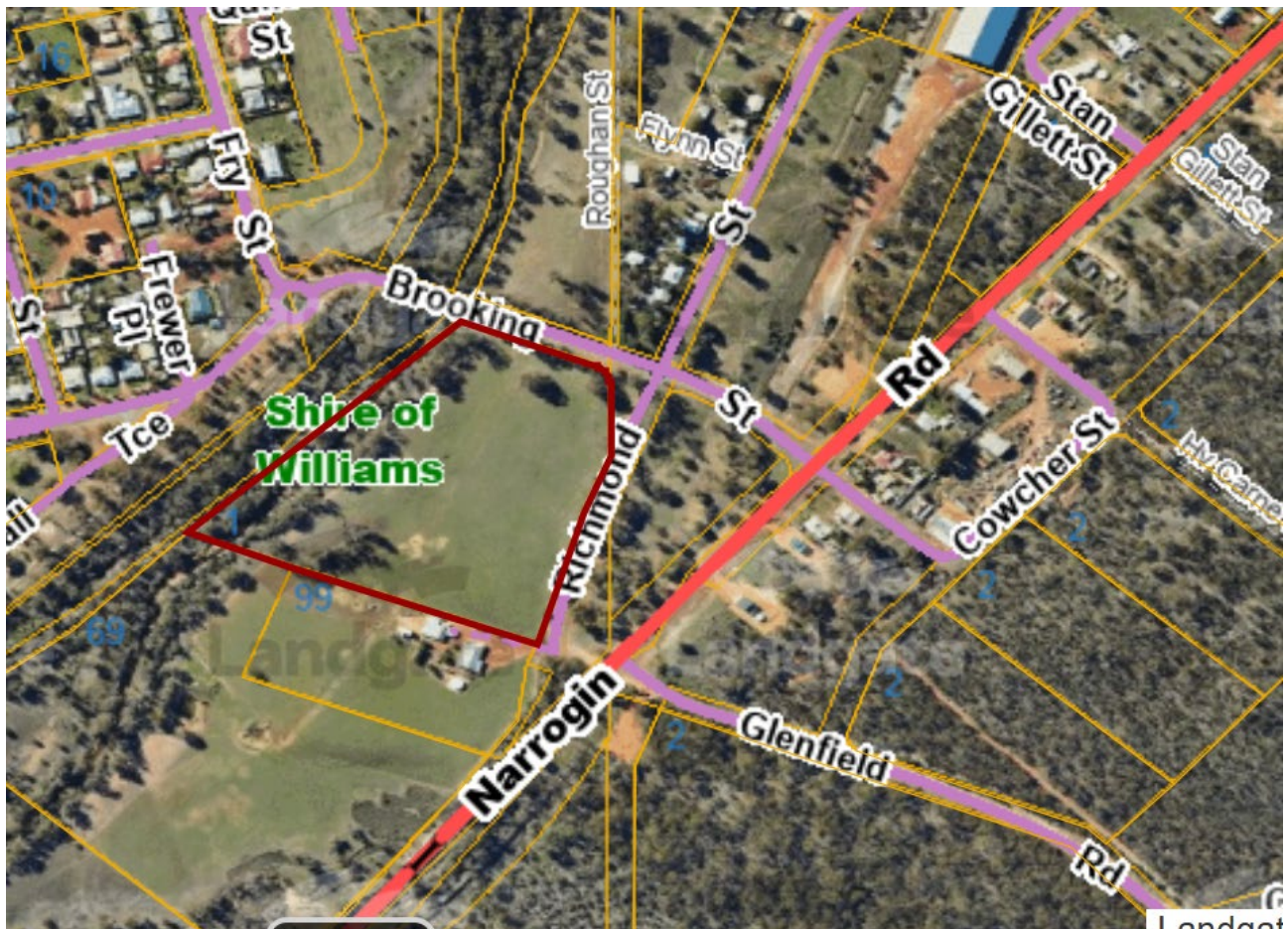
File Reference	10.60.15
Statutory Reference	Local Government Act 1995
Author	Peter Stubbs, Chief Executive Officer
Date	14 March 2025
Disclosure of Interest	Nil
Attachments	Att. 8.2.2 1 Richmond St, Williams proposed development schedule

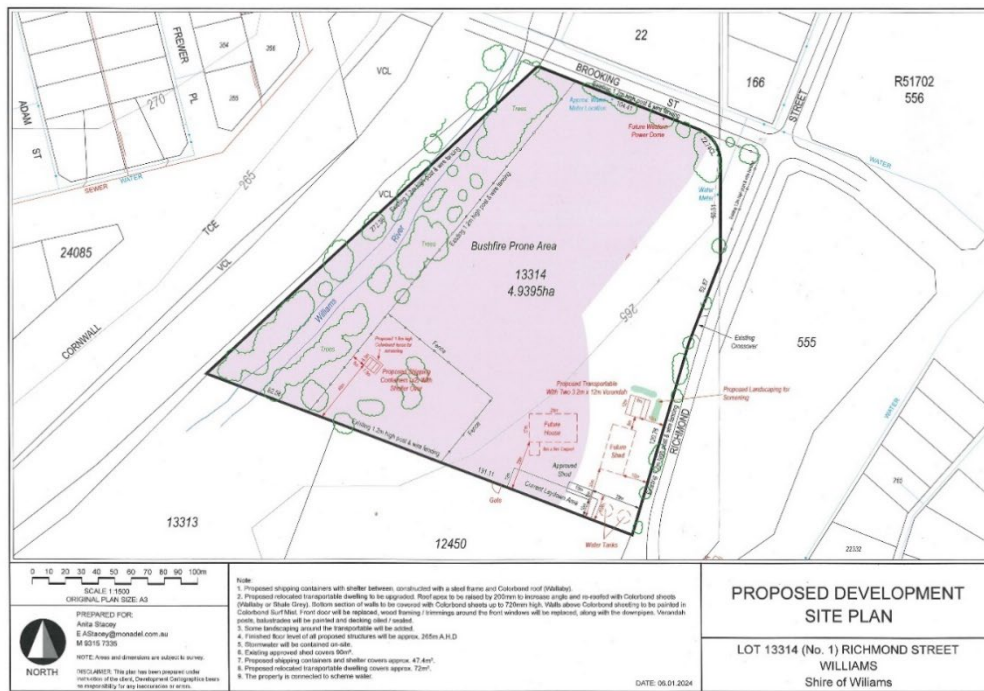
Background

The applicant has requested planning approval to

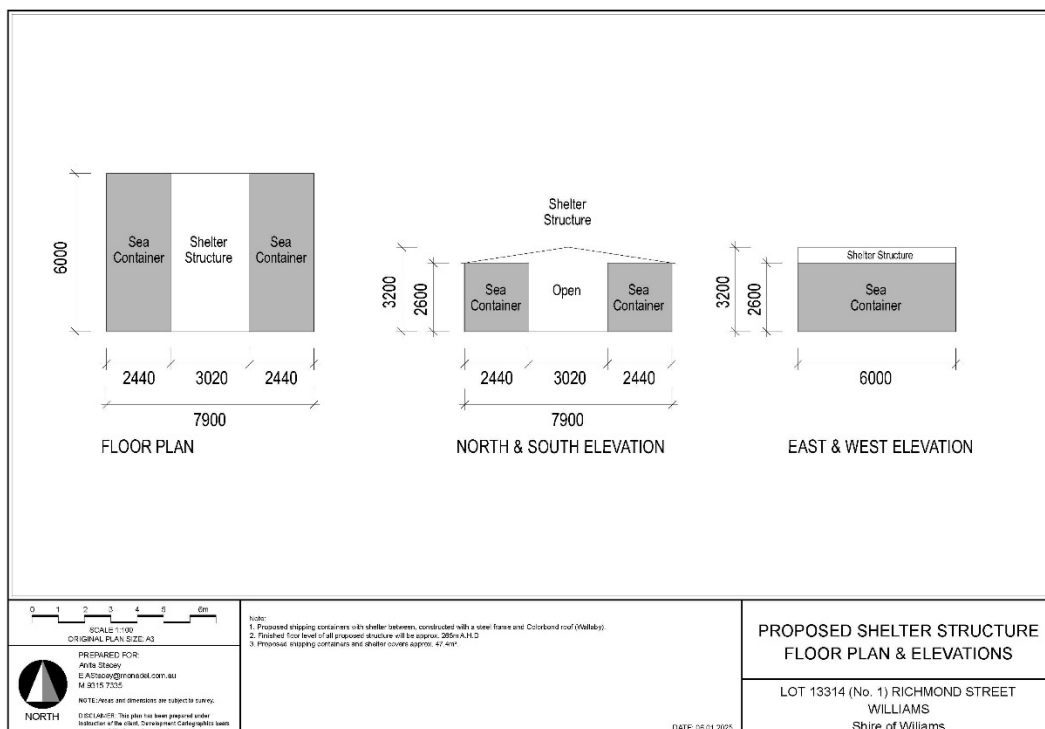
1. place two shipping containers on the property for storage of equipment, and
2. place a transportable building in the property to be converted into a residence.

The Lot is Zoned for rural land use and is shown on the Landgate image below. The Lots is 4.9395 hectares in size.

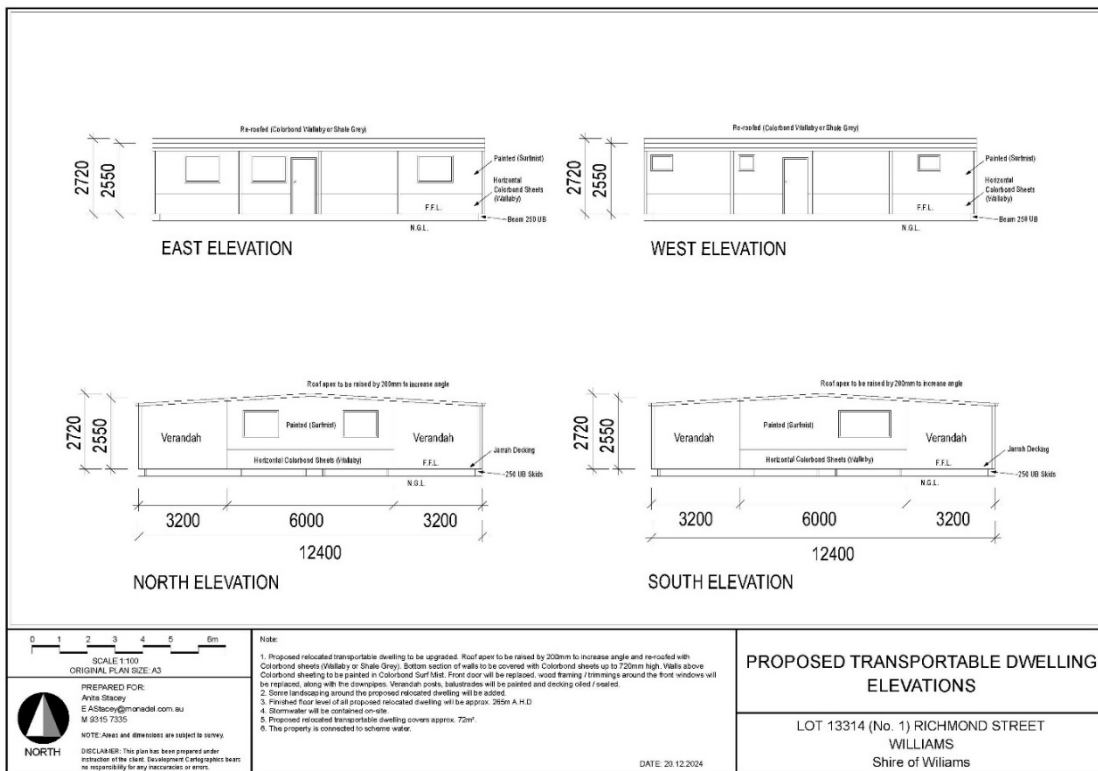




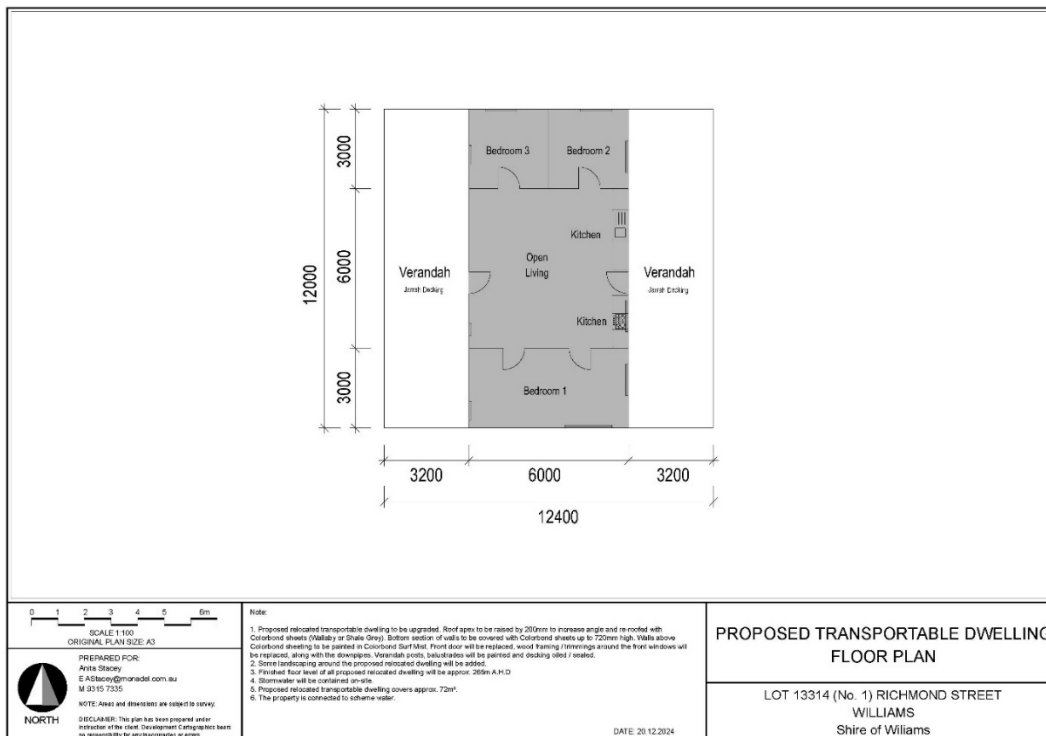
Elevations & Floor Plans- Proposed Sea Container- Shelter.



Elevation Drawings-Proposed Dwelling



Floor Plans- Proposed Dwelling



Bushfire Prone Area



Comment

The applicant placed the shipping containers and two transportable buildings on the property at the end of 2024, without planning consent, but after advising that they had limited time (10 days) to vacate the property where they were time.

The applicant proposes to convert the two transportable building into a dwelling, as shown in the drawings

The applicant lodged a Planning Application in late 2024 but this was not accepted at the time because there was insufficient information and detail about what was intended for the property development, infrastructure standards, and timelines.

The property is located close to the town of Williams and is visible location from Narrogin Road. It is important that standards of development are achieved, if planning consent is to be granted. There is risk with proposed developments such as this that standards are poor or that period or development drags out for long period of time, or the project is done in a piece meal fashion. It is therefore recommended that condition be set to mitigate this risk.

The applicant schedule indicates an approximate 10-month period to complete the development, however the planning application lodge nominates that it can be complete in 6 months. It is recommended that a 6 month develop period be set for completion of the project and that if it not completed with that timeframe that the sea containers and transportable building be removed.

All structures to be require having Building applications and Building permits.

The proposed location of the dwelling is on the highest land of the Lot to reduce of risk of potential flooding, and to locate the dwelling just outside the mapped firs risk area. The property is grazed and has a usually has a low fuel load.

Proposed Dwelling- It is proposed to clad the transportable buildings in Colourbond and with some painting. It is recommended that a condition be set requiring this to be new Colourbond sheeting and flashings, gutter and down pipes (not second-hand materials) and that it be uniform in colour.

Front deck/poles retained, replaced, or upgraded are to be painted or oiled.

Financial Implications

Standard planning application fee applicable.

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

OFFICERS RECOMMENDATION AND COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Cowcher

Seconded: Cr Major

The Council grant planning to Anita Stacey, 1 Richmond Street, Williams (Lot13314), for:

1. the use of to sea containers to create storage/shelter
2. the use of two second hand transportable buildings to converted into a residential dwelling

Subject to the following conditions,

1. The location of structures to be generally in accordance with the site layout plan submitted.
2. Sea containers to be clad or painted so the colour is uniform.
3. Colourbond cladding, flashing, gutters and down pipes used on the dwelling are to be new material (not second hand) and be of uniform colour.
4. Landscape screening be planted and maintained to the west and south of the dwelling to off privacy screening from neighbours and Narrogin Road.
5. the applicant providing a revised project delivery schedule demonstrating and committing to complete the development within six months of the Planning Approval being issued.
6. the applicant providing written confirmation that it will complete the works within 6 months, and that if this is not done then it agrees to remove the structures from the property
7. that the development be generally in accordance with the plans submitted.
8. that a separate approval is sought and gained for the management of wastewater for the dwelling.
9. the Planning Approval is voided if the above conditions are not met.

For: Cr Cowcher, Cr Logie, Cr Macnamara, Cr Major, Cr Panizza

Against: Nil

Carried: 5/0

Resolution: 84/25

8.2.3 PROPOSED DRUG AND ALCOHOL POLICY

File Reference	4.50.60
Statutory Reference	Local Government Act 1995
Author	Peter Stubbs, Chief Executive Officer
Date	14 March 2025
Disclosure of Interest	The Author has no Impartiality, Financial or Proximity Interests that require disclosure.
Attachments	Draft Drug and Alcohol Policy

Background

Councillors considered a first draft of a proposed and revised Policy on Drug and Alcohol Policy at its October 2024 elected member Forum. Several matters were identified which required further consideration. They included potential insurance and legal implications, and prescription use products.

A second draft was considered at the elected member Forum in December 2024.

This draft policy is now presented to Council after consultation of the draft with staff.

Comment

The Shire is obliged in all circumstances to afford all employees a procedurally fair process and not act in a harsh, unjust or unfair manner. This has to be balanced with ensuring a safe workplace. The draft policy seeks to do this and has been developed with input from the Western Australian Local Government Association and the Local Government Insurance Service.

No adverse comment from Shire staff has been received, and the draft has been talked through with staff.

The Shire has conducted random drug and alcohol tests with its staff in October 2024 and in February 2025.

Financial Implications

Drug and Alcohol testing cost is approximately \$100 per persons.

Voting Requirements

Absolute Majority

OFFICERS RECOMMENDATION AND COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Macnamara

Seconded: Cr Cowcher

That Council adopt the Drug and Alcohol policy presented as an attachment to this report and include the policy in the Shire Policy Register.

For: Cr Cowcher, Cr Logie, Cr Macnamara, Cr Major, Cr Panizza

Against: Nil

Carried: 5/0

Resolution: 85/25

Declaring an interest Councillor Panizza leaves the room at 3:57pm

8.2.4 USE OF COMMON SEAL AND DECISIONS UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY

File Reference	Various
Statutory Reference	Local Government Act 1996
Author	Peter Stubbs
Date	14 March 2025
Disclosure of Interest	The Author has no Impartiality, Financial or Proximity Interests.
Attachments	Nil

Background

The purpose of this Agenda Item is to report to Council for endorsement, the use of the Common Seal and actions performed under delegated authority requiring referral to Council.

The *Local Government Act 1995* requires that the Delegations Register is reviewed annually by Council. A procedure included in the Delegations Register is to report to Council the activities or actions that have been performed under delegated authority. A report completed for Council at meetings identifies: (1) use of the Common Seal, and (2) actions performed under the delegated authority requiring referral to Council as per the Delegations Register.

Comment

The Common Seal was used on the 12 March 2025 on an Application for a New Title for Portion of Location D, Albany Highway Williams being progressed through the State Solicitors Office.

Decisions by the CEO using delegated authority are provided in the table below;

Decision Type		Name/Property	Date of Decision	Purpose	Value
1	Development Approval- complying with deemed provisions of R codes & TPS#2	4 New St, Williams Louis Payne & Isabella Sutton	21 February 2025	Class 10A – Carport & Patio	\$40,000
2	Building Permit # 531	Lot 410 Marjadin Way, Narrogin Earthmoving. GSP Sheds	24 February 2025	Office & Workshop	\$300,000
3.	Building Permit # 532	2 New St, Williams Yallaroo Building	25 February 2025	Patio	\$15,000
4.	Discount of Hire fees	Williams Primary School,	23 February 2025	Student use	\$140.00

		Town Hall			
5.	Development Approval- complying with deemed provisions of R codes & TPS#2	Evoke Living Homes for Rachel & Bernie Panizza. 13 Rosselloty Street	28 February 2025	Single storey dwelling's- private residence BCA Class 1A	\$620,000
6	Development/Planning Approval-complying with deemed provisions of R codes & TPS#2	Scott Simms 23 Hynes Court	6 March 2025	9m x 6m Colourbond Shed	\$19,000
7	Appointment of Acting CEO in accordance with Council Policy C3.7	Gemma Boyce Executive Manager of Corporate Services	11 March 2025	The CEO will take leave from 26 March to 4 April 2025 (8 days), as forecast in his recent performance appraisal	Higher duties for Acting CEO in accordance with policy.

Payment from the Municipal or Trust Funds – Delegation 1.1.19 Authority to make payments from the municipal or trust funds with the authority limited to making payments subject to annual budget limitations.

Action - Payments from the Municipal Fund and Trust Fund are as per the payments listing attached to this Agenda.

Strategic Implications

This item aligns with the community's vision and aspirations as contained in the Shire of Williams Strategic Community Plan 2022 to 2032. Specifically, it relates to the following strategy(s):

CL 2.2 Maintain accountability, transparency and financial responsibility.

CL 4.4 Monitor and ensure compliance with regulatory framework for local government business.

Financial Implications

The standard approved Council fees were applied the above decisions.

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

OFFICERS RECOMMENDATION AND COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Major

Seconded: Cr Macnamara

That Council accept the report "Use of Common Seal and Actions Performed under Delegated Authority" for the period 15 February 2025 to 14 March 2025.

For: Cr Cowcher, Cr Logie, Cr Macnamara, Cr Major

Against: Nil

Carried: 4/0

Resolution: 86/25

Councillor Panizza returns to the meeting 3:59pm

9. ELECTED MEMBERS' MOTIONS OF WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

10. NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE INTRODUCED BY DECISION OF MEETING

10.1 ELECTED MEMBERS

10.2 OFFICERS

The Chief Executive Officer sought Council approval to raise two additional late items not included in the agenda.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Major

Seconded: Cr Macnamara

That the following late items:

10.2.1 RENEWABLE ENERGY COMMUNITY BENEFIT FRAMEWORK; and

10.2.2 FOOTBALL GOAL POSTS

be considered by Council.

For: Cr Cowcher, Cr Logie, Cr Macnamara, Cr Major, Cr Panizza,

Against: Nil

Carried: 5/0

Resolution: 87/25

10.2.1 RENEWABLE ENERGY COMMUNITY BENEFIT FRAMEWORK

File Reference	14.60.20
Statutory Reference	Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996
Author	Peter Stubbs, Chief Executive Officer
Date	19 th March 2025
Disclosure of Interest	The Author has no Impartiality, Financial or Proximity Interests.
Attachments	Draft Renewable Energy Community Benefit Framework

Background

The purpose of this Draft Renewable Energy Community Benefit Framework is to start a conversation with the public, government, and wind farm proponents to try and get people on the same page about how funds would be best managed from such projects i.e. an appointed community group (proponents prefer this approach) or through Local Government.

The Draft is based on similar Framework that a Local Government in Eastern Australia has adopted.

Comment

It would be useful to get the community understanding and accepting that funds of this scale are best for intergenerational benefit. The community benefit at \$1,000/MW capacity is potentially in the order of \$1,000,000 per year for the life of the project.

WALGA is deliberately vague on the matter of community benefits and how this is best managed.

If Council adopts a Framework statement like this, it might cause other Councils to follow, and it potentially trigger media interest.

The proposed Dardadine Project, (<https://dardadinewindfarm.com.au/project-summary/>)

- is proposed to be in the Shire of Williams,
- at around 143 towers, it will have up to 1209.6MW generating capacity
- is expected to generate enough capacity to supply around 700,000 homes.
- The proposed site extends over approximately 19,000 hectares of rural land predominantly used for grazing and conservation.

It is proposed to promote discussion on Renewable Energy Community Benefits at the Williams Expo.

Financial Implications

Nil financial impact.

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

OFFICERS RECOMMENDATION AND COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Major

Seconded: Cr Macnamara

That the Renewable Energy Community Benefit Framework be made available on various platforms including the Expo for community feedback and consultation.
Re-address the framework at the April meeting with community feedback.

For: Cr Cowcher, Cr Logie, Cr Macnamara, Cr Major, Cr Panizza

Against: Nil

Carried: 4/0

Resolution: 88/25

10.2.2 FOOTBALL GOAL POSTS

File Reference	11.70.50
Statutory Reference	Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996
Author	Britt Logie
Date	19 th March 2025
Disclosure of Interest	The Author has no Impartiality, Financial or Proximity Interests.
Attachments	N/A

Background

The North football posts are in desperate need of replacement – they are severely rusty on the bottom. The football club has applied twice through local funding sources to assist in the replacement of the posts. Both times have been declined.

Comment

The football club has requested for the Shire's assistance in replacing the goal posts. The rust would be weakening the structural integrity of the goal posts, making them more prone to breaking or collapsing. This can lead to injury for players if the goalposts fall or fail during play. Maintaining goal posts in good condition ensures a safe, effective, and pleasant experience.

The quote for a half set of goal posts (one end) is below:

Qty	Code #	Description	Total price
1	MS - 34	half set of 9.0 metre x 100 mm diam. tapered AFL Goal Posts 2 x 9.0 metre x 100mm diam. tapered aluminium AFL Goal posts 2 x 6.0 metre x 100mm dia. tapered aluminium AFL Point Posts 4 x 100mm diam. aluminium ground tubes @ 1000mm L.O.A. 4 x PVC ground tube cap covers	\$ 4,325.00 Plus 10% GST
1	Pack	Packaging for freighting	\$ 120.00 Plus 10% GST
1	Freight	At customer's expense Marindust can arrange a freight quote if required	TBA

Specifications:

- Manufactured from one-piece T6 high-tensile marine grade aluminium tube AS4100
- UV-Stabilised heavy-duty white powder coat finish done to Australian Standards AS3715-2002
- UV-Stabilised Nylon plug/caps in tops of posts
- Hot dipped galvanised steel spigots fitted with machined HDPE bushes
- Spigot base and ground tube sleeve footing system
- In ground footing (these goals have the ability to remain as permanent or become semi-permanent, if removal is required in the off-season where grounds are utilized for multiple sports codes)
- T6 high-tensile marine grade aluminium ground tubes with drainage cap in end and stainless steel security locking screw below ground level
- Ground tube cap cover plugs (for protection of ground tubes in off season)
- **Engineering certification in accordance with AS1170.2 and AS4100**
- **Backed by a 5 year structural warranty against materials and workmanship**
- **Manufactured in Western Australia**

The replacement of the football posts is an unbudgeted expense. As the goal posts are a fixed item to the oval, the replacement could fall into the recreation ground maintenance (material contracts) which has a remaining balance in the budget of \$6835.11 for the materials. The costs of installing these will be covered in the wages and o/heads of the remaining recreation maintenance budget.

Strategic Implications

This item aligns with the community's vision and aspirations as contained in the Shire of Williams Strategic Community Plan 2017 – 2032. Specifically, it relates to the following strategy(s):

- SCD 1.1 Provide, maintain and improve community infrastructure.
- ED 1.4 Encourage business and community groups' initiatives to promote the Shire as a place to live, work, play and invest.

Financial Implications

If funds come out of recreation ground maintenance, this will fall into 2024-2025 budget

Voting Requirements

Absolute majority

OFFICERS RECOMMENDATION AND COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Macnamara

Seconded: Cr Panizza

That Council having considered the Williams Football Clubs efforts to fund the replacement of the football posts with funding applications that have been declined. The Council will replace North facing goal posts from council funds at an estimated cost of \$4,500.

For: Cr Cowcher, Cr Logie, Cr Macnamara, Cr Major, Cr Panizza

Against: Nil

Carried: 4/0

Resolution: 89/25

11. APPLICATION FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

12. CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no further business for discussion, the President, Cr Logie, declared the meeting closed at 4:12pm