

SHIRE OF WILLIAMS

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON WEDNESDAY 16TH JUNE 2004

DECLARATION OF OPENING

The president declared the meeting open at 9.00am.

PRESENT

Cr John Cowcher	President
Cr Gary Cowcher	
Cr Robert Bowden	
Cr Ashley Stone	
Cr Graham Harding	
Cr Moya Carne	
Cr Jo Fowler	
Cr Christine Higham	
V. Epiro	Chief Executive Officer
I.R. Ball	Deputy Chief Executive Officer

APOLOGIES

Cr Robert Rose

BUSINESS

To consider rates, fees and charges, salary reviews and works program for the 2004/2005 Budget. All amounts are exclusive of GST (except for swimming pool charges).

1. C.P.I (CONSUMER PRICE INDEX) AND INFLATION

The C.P.I for the 12 months to 31st March 2004, was 2%.

The estimated inflation rate for the 2004/2005 financial year is 2%, however if the current oil price rise continues this will flow onto the CPI and affect the estimated inflation rate.

2. RATES

Provision was made in the Principle Activities plan for a rate increase of 5%.
Rate increases over the past five years have been as follows:

	Minimum	Townsite (Commercial & Industrial)	Residential	Rural
1999/2000	220	2%	5%	2%
2000/2001	235	5%	7%	5%
2001/2002	250	3%	5%	3%
2002/2003	300	3%	3%	3%
2003/2004	310	3%	3%	3%

*Section 6.35 of the Local Government Act limits the imposition of a minimum to no more than 50% of the total rate assessments.

Bowden/Harding

That general rates be increased by 3%, the minimum rate increased to the maximum allowable under section 6.35 of the Local Government Act, the discount for early payment reduced to 5% with the payment of rates by Credit Card accepted by Council.

**Carried 5/3
Resolution 219/04**

Morning Tea - Council adjourned for morning tea at 10.30am and resumed the meeting at 10.40am.

Crs J Cowcher and G Cowcher recorded their vote against motion 219.

3. REFUSE CHARGES

Refuse Charges have been increased over the past five years as follows:

1999/2000	\$130
2000/2001	\$140
2001/2002	\$145
2002/2003	\$150
2003/2004	\$155

Recommended that the charge be increased to \$160 for 2004/2005.

Carne/G Cowcher

That the charges be increased to \$160.00 for 2004/2005.

**Carried 8/0
Resolution 220/04**

4. PHOTOCOPYING & FACSIMILE

Costs associated with photocopying and facsimile have remained stable, therefore it is recommended that charges remain the same as 2003/2004 which are as follows:

Photocopies	1 side A4 & A3	First 10 copies @	0.20
		Thereafter @	0.10
	2 side A4 & A3	First 10 copies @	0.30
		Thereafter @	0.10
Facsimile	Transmission	Intrastate @	1.10/page
		Interstate @	2.20/page
		Receivals @	0.55/page

Higham/Fowler

That photocopying and facsimile fees not be increased.

**Carried 8/0
Resolution 221/04**

5. RATE ENQUIRY FEE

Most Councils generally charge a rate enquiry fee of between \$10 and \$30. It is recommended that Council introduce a fee of \$15 as from 1st July 2004.

Stone/Harding

That a rate enquiry fee of \$15.00 be introduced as from 1st July 2003.

**Carried 8/0
Resolution 222/04**

6. COUNCIL HOUSING RENTALS

Following are the current house rentals with a recommended increase of 2% to the nearest dollar for 2004/2005:

Occupant	Address	Current	Recommended Rent
Landcare Coordinator	4 Brooking St	155.00	158.00
Deputy C.E.O	18 Richardson St	62.00	63.00
Leading Hand	11 Growse St	48.00	49.00
Truck Driver	6 Piesse St	48.00	49.00
Caretaker	16 Piesse St	48.00	49.00
Gardener	Recreation Reserve	48.00	49.00
Truck Driver	14 Adam St	48.00	49.00
Gardener	23 Fry St	48.00	49.00
Works Supervisor	13 Fry St	55.00	56.00
Plumber	8 Fry St	144.00	147.00

New Deputy Chief Executive Officer's Residence – 6 Richardson Street

Council employee rentals are generally based on 50% of the gross rental value (GRV) of the property. As this is not available at present an indicator would be similar residences recently built in Williams for which the GRV is \$6,032, which equates to a rental of \$116 per week. Council needs to determine an equitable rental for the residence.

Stone/Harding

That the housing rentals be increased by 3% to the nearest dollar as follows.

Occupant	Address	
Landcare Coordinator	4 Brooking St	160.00
Gardener	18 Richardson St	64.00
Leading Hand	11 Growse St	49.00
Truck Driver	6 Piesse St	49.00
Caretaker	16 Piesse St	49.00
Gardener	Recreation Reserve	49.00
Truck Driver	14 Adam St	49.00
Gardener	23 Fry St	49.00
Works Supervisor	13 Fry St	57.00
Plumber	8 Fry St	148.00
Deputy CEO	6 Richardson St	65.00

**Carried 8/0
Resolution 223/04**

7. SWIMMING POOL (GST INCLUSIVE)

Charges were increased in 2003/2004. It is recommended that charges remain as follows:

	Child	Adult	Family
Daily	1.30	2.40	
Season	33.00	66.00	132.00
Spectator		0.70	

Carne/G Cowcher

That the swimming pool charges not be increased.

**Carried 8/0
Resolution 224/04**

8. HALL AND PAVILION

Recommendation that charges be increased by 2% to the nearest dollar as follows:

Halls

Function	Main		RSL	
	Current	Recommended	Current	Recommended
Function	109.00	111.00	54.00	55.00
Meeting	33.00	34.00	23.00	24.00
Passing Shows	109.00	111.00	54.00	55.00
Rehearsals	12.00	13.00	12.00	13.00

Kitchen

	Current	Recommended
Major – Full use of equipment	53.00	54.00
Minor – Crockery, cutlery, microwave, urns and fridge	11.00	12.00

Other Hire

	Current	Recommended
Indoor Sports	164.00/season or 18.00/day/night	167.00/season or 19.00/day/night
Instructional classes	164.00/season or 18.00/day/night	167.00/season or 19.00/day/night
Chairs and Trestles	2.00 and 10.00/day (No charge for non-profit)	2.00 and 10.00/day (No charge for non-profit)
Crockery & Cutlery	86.00 the lot or pro-rata	88.00 the lot or pro rata

Pavilion

	Sporting Clubs / Community Organisations		Others	
	Current	Recommended	Current	Recommended
Meeting	23.00	24.00		
Function	76.00	78.00	217.00	221.00
Kitchen <i>Major</i>	33.00	34.00	33.00	34.00
<i>Minor</i>	12.00	13.00	12.00	13.00

Williams Football Club (Season) 704.00 *718.00
***Increase as per agreement : CPI to 31/03/2004 (2%)**

G Cowcher/Stone

That charges be increased by 2% to the nearest dollar as follows.

Halls

	Main	RSL
Function	111.00	55.00
Meeting	34.00	24.00
Passing Shows	111.00	55.00
Rehearsals	13.00	13.00

Kitchen

Major – Full use of equipment	54.00
Minor – Crockery, cutlery, microwave, urns and fridge	12.00

Other Hire

Indoor Sports 167.00/season or
19.00/day/night

Instructional classes 167.00/season or
19.00/day/night

Chairs and Trestles 2.00 and 10.00/day
(No charge for non-profit)

Crockery & Cutlery 88.00 the lot or pro rata

Pavilion

	Sporting Clubs / Community Organisations	Others
Meeting	24.00	
Function	78.00	221.00
Kitchen Major	34.00	34.00
Minor	13.00	13.00
Williams Football Club (Season)	718.00	

**Carried 8/0
Resolution 225/04**

9. WILLIAMS ARTS AND CRAFT CENTRE

Recommended that the annual rental be increased by 2% to the nearest dollar:

Current = \$328.00 Recommended = \$335.00

Bowden/Higham

That the Williams Arts and Craft Centre annual rental be increased to \$335.00.

**Carried 8/0
Resolution 226/04**

10. RECREATION GROUND

Recommended that fees be increased 2% to the nearest dollar for 2004/2005

	Current	Recommended
Bowling Club	152.00	155.00
Campdraft	159.00	162.00
Country Music	159.00	162.00
Cricket Association	435.00	444.00
Football Club	718.00	732.00
Gateway Expo	159.00	162.00
Hockey Club	283.00	289.00
Junior Basketball	60.00	61.00
Netball Club	81.00	83.00
Swimming Club	86.00	88.00
Tennis Club	283.00	289.00
Touch Association	379.00	385.00
Trotting Club (per meeting)	81.00	83.00

G Cowcher/Stone

That Recreation Ground fees be increased by 2% to the nearest dollar as follows.

Bowling Club	155.00
Campdraft	162.00
Country Music	162.00
Cricket Association	444.00
Football Club	732.00
Gateway Expo	162.00
Hockey Club	289.00
Junior Basketball	61.00
Netball Club	83.00
Swimming Club	88.00
Tennis Club	289.00
Touch Association	385.00
Trotting Club (per meeting)	83.00

**Carried 7/1
Resolution 227/04**

11. WILLIAMS AND MARLING CEMETERIES

Recommended that the fees be increased for 2004/2005 as follows:

	Current	Recommended
1. On application for an order for burial the following fees shall be paid in advance:		
a) For internment in a grave 1.8 metres deep	\$300.00	\$330.00
b) For 'Grant of Right of Burial' land 2.4 x 1.2m	\$50.00	\$55.00
c) Transfer of 'grants of Exclusive Rights of Burial'	\$25.00	\$30.00
2. Reopening of ordinary grave	\$200.00	\$220.00
<i>(Additional charges if applicable as provided in clause 36 Local Law)</i>		
3. Permit to erect a headstone / monument or kerbing	\$25.00	\$30.00

4. Funeral Directors License	\$50.00	\$55.00
5. Single Funeral Permit	\$25.00	\$30.00
6. Fee for Late Arrival	\$50.00	\$55.00
7. Niche Wall		
a) Single Compartment*	\$25.00	\$30.00
b) Double Compartment*	\$50.00	\$55.00
8. Reservation of Site	\$10.00	\$15.00

*Tablet and inscription at cost.

G Cowcher/Carne

That the Williams and Marling Cemetery fees be increased as follows for 2004/2005

1. On application for an order for burial the following fees shall be paid in advance:		
a) For interment in a grave 1.8 metres deep		\$330.00
b) For 'Grant of Right of Burial' land 2.4 x 1.2m		\$55.00
c) Transfer of 'grants of Exclusive Rights of Burial'		\$30.00
2. Reopening of ordinary grave		\$220.00
(Additional charges if applicable as provided in clause 36 Local Law)		
3. Permit to erect a headstone / monument or kerbing		\$30.00
4. Funeral Directors License		\$55.00
5. Single Funeral Permit		\$30.00
6. Fee for Late Arrival		\$55.00
7. Niche Wall		
a) Single Compartment*		\$30.00
b) Double Compartment*		\$55.00
8. Reservation of Site		\$15.00

*Tablet and inscription at cost.

**Carried 8/0
Resolution 228/04**

12. PLANT MATERIAL AND LABOUR

Charges are for normal working hours (Mon – Fri. 7.00am – 4.30pm). Outside normal working hours varying charges apply.

Recommended that plant hire charges be increased.5% or as listed:

Plant (Including Operator) cost per hour

	Current	Recommended
Truck	74.00	78.00
Komatsu Loader	74.00	78.00
Samsung Loader	95.00	100.00
JD 670CH Grader	106.00	111.00
CAT 12H Grader	106.00	111.00
JD Backhoe	74.00	75.00
Vibromax Roller	100.00	105.00
Multi-tyred Roller	58.00	61.00
Tractors (JD&Ford)	58.00	61.00
Road Broom	27.00	28.00
Labour or Operator (Normal Hours)	31.00	33.00

Equipment (No Operator) cost per day

Wacker Packer	32.00	34.00
Concrete Mixer	32.00	34.00
Jack Hammer	32.00	34.00

Materials

Sand	4.00/m ³	5.00/m ³
Gravel	4.00/m ³	5.00/m ³
Aggregate	36.00/m ³	38.00/m ³
Premix	182.00/m ³	185.00/m ³
Catamul	3.00/m ³	4.00/m ³
Grader Blades	4.00 each	5.00 each
Woodchips / trailer or ute load (If available)	11.00	12.00

Weed Spraying

(up to 1000m ² lot)	33.00	35.00
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Stone/Fowler

That plant hire, equipment and material charges be increased by 10% to the nearest dollar as follows:

Truck	81.00
Komatsu Loader	81.00
Samsung Loader	105.00
JD 670CH Grader	117.00
CAT 12H Grader	117.00
JD Backhoe	81.00
Vibromax Roller	110.00
Multi-tyred Roller	64.00
Tractors (JD&Ford)	64.00
Road Broom	30.00
Labour or Operator (Normal Hours)	34.00

Equipment (No Operator) cost per day

Wacker Packer	35.00
Concrete Mixer	35.00
Jack Hammer	35.00

Materials

Sand	5.00/m ³
Gravel	5.00/m ³
Aggregate	40.00/m ³
Premix	200.00/m ³
Catamul	5.00 each
Grader Blades	5.00 each
Woodchips / trailer or ute load (If available)	12.00

<u>Weed Spraying</u> (up to 1000m ² lot)	36.00
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**Carried 8/0
Resolution 229/04**

13. HEALTH LOCAL LAW

Recommended that fees be increased by 2% to the nearest dollar.

	Current	Recommended
Lodging Houses	169.00	172.00
Itinerant Vendors	133.00	136.00
Cattery	133.00	136.00
Offensive Trade	133.00	136.00

Harding/Carne

That Health Local Law fees be increased by 2% to the nearest dollar as follows

Lodging Houses	172.00
Itinerant Vendors	136.00
Cattery	136.00
Offensive Trade	136.00

**Carried 8/0
Resolution 230/04**

14. DOG ACT 1976 – POUND FEES

Fees for impounding of dogs are set under the Dog act 1976.

Recommended that fees be increased as follows;:

	Current	Recommended
1. Seizure and impounding of a dog	20.00	25.00
2. Maintenance of a dog in a pound (per day or part thereof)	5.00	7.00

G Cowcher/Fowler

That the Dog Act 1976 Pound Fees be increased as follows in 2004/2005:

1. Seizure and impounding of a dog	25.00
2. Maintenance of a dog in a pound (per day or part thereof)	7.00

**Carried 8/0
Resolution 231/04**

15. MEMBERS MEETING FEES AND EXPENSES

Fees were last increased in 2002 by around 5%. It is recommended that the fees be increased as follows;

		Current	Recommended
Council Meeting	<i>Councillor</i>	80.00	85.00
	<i>President</i>	160.00	170.00
Committee Meeting	<i>Councillor</i>	40.00	42.50
	<i>President</i>	80.00	85.00
Presidential Allowance		2300.00pa	2400.00pa

Travelling as per the Local Government Officers Award

Carne/Stone

That meeting fees not be increased in 2004/2005.

**Carried 8/0
Resolution 232/04**

16. SALARIES AND WAGES

All Council employees are employed under award rates with the exception of designated senior employees, listed below, whose salaries are reviewed annually.

Generally outside employees are employed under the Municipal Employees Union and inside employees under the Local Government Officers Award, however Council has granted a 5% increase to the MEU Award employees as from 1st July 2004. In addition there has been an increase of \$19 per week granted for all employees (except senior) to take effect in June 2004.

In addition to award rates and conditions Council provides the following:

- Rental Subsidy (50% of commercial rent) to employees occupying Council owned residences.
- Housing Allowance to employees not occupying Council residences. Currently the allowance is \$15.00 per week.
- Clothing allowance of \$250.00pa to Office employees
- Annual allocation of clothing and footwear to outside employees.

Following is a list of designated senior employees and current award entitlements, which were increased by 3% in 2003/2004:

M.R. Willcocks (Works Supervisor)

Salary	\$50,859
Super @ 12%	\$6,103
Rental Subsidy	\$2,806
Leave Loading	\$684
	<u>\$60,506</u>

Private Vehicle use, Home Phone rental and Mobile Phone

I.R. Ball (Deputy Chief Executive Officer)

Salary	\$58,816
Super @ 12%	\$7,058
Rental Subsidy	\$3,224
Leave Loading	\$792
	<u>\$69,890</u>

Home Phone rental

V.Epiro (Chief Executive Officer)

Salary	\$73,520
Super @ 12%	\$8,820
Housing Allowance	\$780
	<u>\$83,120</u>

Private vehicle use, 5 weeks Annual Leave (in lieu of overtime), Mobile Phone.

Harding/Fowler

That the designated senior employee salaries be increased by 3% as follows:

M.R. Willcocks (Works Supervisor)

Salary	\$52,385
Super @ 12%	\$6,286
Rental Subsidy	\$2,964
Leave Loading	\$705
	<u>\$62,340</u>

Private Vehicle use, Home Phone rental and Mobile Phone

I.R. Ball (Deputy Chief Executive Officer)

Salary	\$60,580
Super @ 12%	\$7,270
Rental Subsidy	\$3,380
Leave Loading	\$815
	<u>\$72,045</u>

Home Phone rental

V.Epiro (Chief Executive Officer)

Salary	\$75,726
Super @ 12%	\$9,087
Housing Allowance	\$780
	<u>\$85,593</u>

Private vehicle use, 5 weeks Annual Leave (in lieu of overtime), Mobile Phone.

**Carried 6/2
Resolution 233/04**

**17. TOWN PLANNING (LOCAL GOVERNMENT PLANNING FEES) REGULATIONS
2000**

Background:

In December 2000, the Town Planning Regulations were amended to provide for Councils to adopt fees for planning services. The system of fees is based on the underlying principle of ‘fees for service’ based on an average cost and is a ‘maximum fee structure’ enabling Local Authorities to charge less or not at all.

Justification is required for a fee higher than the specified maximum (for such situations where exceptional circumstances require effort beyond what is normally undertaken). There is no fee provision for the cost of governance.

Following is the fee structure proposed (modified for the Shire of Williams by deleting irrelevant staff positions):

It is recommended that the fees remain the same.

Item	Description of Planning Service	Maximum Fee
1.	Determination of development application (other than for an extractive industry) where the estimated cost of development is;	
	a) Not more than \$50,000	\$1000
	b) More than \$50,000 but not more than \$500,000	0.23% of est. cost
	c) More than \$500,000 but not more than \$2.5million	\$1,150 + 0.18% for every \$1 in excess of \$500,000
	d) More than \$2.5million but not more than \$5million	\$4,750 + 0.157% for every \$1 in excess of \$2.5million
	e) More than \$5million but not more than \$21.5million	\$8,500 + 0.1% for every \$1 in excess of \$5million
	f) More than \$21.5 million	\$25,000
2.	Determination of development application for an extractive industry	\$500
3.	Provision of a subdivision clearance;	
	a) Not more than 5 lots	\$50 per lot
	b) More than 5 lots but not more than 195 lots	\$50/lot for the 1 st 5 lots and \$25 per lot thereafter
	c) More than 195 lots	\$5,000

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| 4. Application for approval of home occupation; | |
| a) Initial Fee | \$50 |
| b) Renewal Fee | \$50 |
| 5. Application for change of use or for change or continuation of a non-conforming use where development is occurring | \$200 |
| 6. Issue of zoning certificate | \$50 |
| 7. Reply to a property settlement questionnaire | \$50 |
| 8. Issue of written planning advise | \$50 |

Part 3 Maximum Fees – Structure Plans

Secretary / Shire Planner	\$60/hr
Task Director (EHO)	\$25/hr
Estimated Costs (Other Staff)	\$20/hr

1. Preliminaries: Preliminary discussions and registration.
2. Decision to advertise:
 - a) Information and site visit
 - b) Proponent discussion
 - c) Development control unit meeting
 - d) Action development control unit recommendation
 - e) Assessment report and agenda preparation
3. Approval to advertise:
 - a) Action Local Government recommendations
 - b) Advertising, notifications, referrals
 - c) Deal with inquiries
 - d) Assess submissions
 - e) Liase with external agencies
 - f) Proponent discussion and liaison
4. Decision to adopt;
 - a) Finalise report and agenda preparation
 - b) Proponent discussion
 - c) Action Local Government recommendation
 - d) Refer to WA Planning Commission for approval
5. Plan Adopted
 - a) Report on approval
 - b) Notify proponent / others

Total payable = Hours + 33% (overheads) + direct costs + special costs.

This table is based on the Western Australian Planning Commission's draft model text provisions for structure plans. Where the structure plan provisions in a town planning scheme of a Local Government are not consistent with the draft model text provisions, the fees should be calculated by that Local Government in accordance with the structure plan provisions of the scheme.

Where readvertising of a proposed structure plan is required, the fee is to be calculated in accordance with items 3, 4 and 5 of the table for the staff times used in arranging the readvertising and reviewing the submissions and the direct costs incurred in readvertising the structure plan.

G Cowcher/Carne

That Town Planning (Local Government Planning Fees) Regulations 2000 Fees remain the same in 2004/2005.

**Carried 8/0
Resolution 234/04**

18. WORKS PROGRAM 2004/2005

Private works continued to dominate the outside works program, with all Council works being completed, with the exception of the realignment of the Culbin-Boraning Road. This job will be done in conjunction with sealing of the crest near the proposed realignment.

With the concerns expressed regarding the need for more routine maintenance on rural roads a strict evaluation will have to be made prior to Council undertaking major private works from Main Roads.

Construction projects for 2003/2004 were as follows:

Project Grant: Tarwonga East Road
Widen to 7m and reseal 2.7kms

Direct Grant: York/Williams Road
Complete widening and reseal 2.2kms

Roads to Recovery Fourteen Mile Brook Road
Prime and seal 7kms, gravel remaining section (6kms) for sealing in 2004/2005

Council Works Extracts Road – sealing of 400 metre steep section
Zilko Road – sealing of 200metre section east of Warrening Gully
Old Soldiers Road – Primer seal 200 metre section from Pinjarra-Williams Road

Private Works

There were two major projects carried out for Main Roads;

1. Tarwonga-East Road / Albany Highway Junction – construct turn-off lanes
2. Williams-Narrogin Highway – widen to 7 metres

In addition to the above Council carried out extensive water cartage to rural landholders and completed sand pads for the new residence at 6 Richardson Street, the Resource Centre and the Aged Units.

Proposals 2004/2005

Road funding received from the Federal and State Governments is calculated on the Road Inventory, which currently is as follows;

	<i>Formed</i>	<i>Gravel</i>	<i>Sealed</i>
Rural Roads (kms)	14.50	398.89	134.13
Town Streets (kms)		2.57	19.41

Following is a summary of Road Grant programs and recommendations for Councils consideration;

1. Local Road Funding

This untied grant is received as part of Councils Financial Assistance Grant (FAGS) and is calculated on the Asset Preservation needs based on Councils road inventory.

In 2003/2004 Council received \$203,051, an increase of 2.7% on the previous years grant of \$197,360. Councils are required to spend the funds on local roads, however no program is required.

2. Direct Grants

Even though no program has to be submitted for this grant, Council must certify that the funds have been spent on local roads. Therefore it is advisable that the grant (\$36,579 in 2003/2004) be allocated to a specific project, which up until 2003/2004 has been the York-Williams Road.

Widening and resealing of the York-Williams Road has been completed, however a major problem has arisen with subsidence of a section east of MacNamara's farm entrance, which is bordered by a salt gully. An initial assessment would indicate that up to 200 metres of the road needs to be reconstructed with cement underbase in the worst section. Main Roads advice is being sought on the reconstruction.

It is therefore recommended that the 2004/2005 Direct Grant (estimated \$36,500) be allocated to the York-Williams Road for the above project.

3. Road Project Grants

Williams only has two roads eligible for funding under this program. The roads which are in the 'Roads 2020 Regional Development Strategy' because of their significance as regional roads are the Tarwonga East Road and the Collie-Williams Road.

Widening and resealing of the Tarwonga East Road was completed in 2003/2004, and there is an ongoing program for widening and resealing of the Collie-Williams Road for which Council receives \$2 for \$1 grant funding. Following is the five (5) year program for the Collie-Williams Road;

2004/2005	Widen to 7m and improve curves (63.7 – 65.8)	63,000
2005/2006	Widen to 7m and improve curves (61.0 – 63.7)	78,000
	Reseal to 7m (61.0 – 65.8)	57,600
2006/2007	Reconstruct and widen to 7m (47.0 – 49.5)	90,000
2007/2008	Reseal to 7m (47.0 – 49.5)	30,000
	Widen to 7m (39.5 – 42.5)	79,500
2008/2009	Reconstruct and widen to 7m (27.54 – 30.09)	68,000
	Reseal to 7m (39.5 – 42.5)	37,000
(Project Grants) \$335,400 + (Council contribution) \$167,700 = \$503,100		

4. Roads to Recovery

Federal funding for current projects will expire on 30 June 2005 with details yet to be received for the new program announced some months ago. Williams was granted funding of \$522,850, which was allocated to sealing Clayton Road (completed) and the Fourteen Mile Brook Road (6kms to the Wandering boundary to be completed in 2004/2005). All projects must be completed prior to 30 June 2005 and there is a balance of \$166,257 to be received during 2004/2005.

5. Council Works

Council has completed works referred from road inspections, with the exception of the following;

Culbin-Boraning Road - Realignment section near Klug's and sealing of hill.
Estimated cost : \$19,000

It is recommended that further consideration be given to other works following the annual road inspection with Bates Road (culverts and widening) being a possible addition.

Williams townsite – Extension of dual use path from Fry Street, along Richardson Street to Rosseloty Street (subject to a Country Pathways grant of \$22,660).
Cost - \$45,320

There is also some work to be done on footpaths and ramps for disabled access (refer to Cr Jo Fowler's report) however this can be done under footpath maintenance.

Councillors may have other projects that they wish to put forward which can be considered for the 2004/2005 Works Program.

Bowden/Fowler

That Items 1 – 5, plus the construction of a half court basketball court and skate park, be adopted for inclusion in the 2004/2005 Budget.

**Carried 8/0
Resolution 235/04**

19. BUDGET ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

Major budget items are generally considered in the review of the Principal Activities Plan, however the following items may be included in the Draft Budget subject to Council agreement;

1. Housing

- The asbestos roof on the residence at 23 Fry Street, Williams requires replacing *Est. cost \$7,000*
- A split system air conditioner for the residence at 6 Piesse Street, Williams *Est cost \$2,500*

2. Office Equipment

- Photocopier *Est. cost \$15,000*

3. Hall

- Additional 50 chairs required (Sebel chairs with round steel frame, not square) *Est. cost \$1,500*

4. Pavilion

- Additional 50 chairs required to replace original pink fabric chairs *Est. cost \$1,500*
 - Kitchen ceiling needs repairing or replacing *Est. cost \$2,500*
- TOTAL \$30,000***

The above items, if included, would be funded from the Municipal Fund Budget and equate to about 3% of rates revenue. In addition to the above, the wage increase of 5% granted to outside employees equate to 2% of rates, therefore Council needs to consider a minimum rate increase of 5% in order to cover the increased cost in operations.

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That the following items be included in the 2004/2005 Budget

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- Replace asbestos roof on residence at 23 Fry St, Williams *\$7,000*
- Install split system air conditioner in the residence at 6 Piesse Street, Williams *\$2,500*

2. Office Equipment

- Replace Photocopier *\$15,000*

3. Hall

- Purchase additional 50 chairs (Sebel chairs with round steel frame, not square) *\$1,500*

4. Pavilion

- Purchase additional 50 chairs to replace original pink fabric chairs *\$1,500*
- Repair or replace kitchen ceiling *\$2,500*

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MEETING CLOSURE

There being no further business for discussion the President declared the meeting closed at 12.05pm.