

SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL

Minutes of Special Meeting of Council
held at Council Chamber, 15 Stead Street Ballan
on Wednesday 26 June 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

Members:

Cr. Paul Tatchell (Mayor)	Central Moorabool Ward
Cr. John Keogh (Deputy Mayor)	East Moorabool Ward
Cr. David Edwards	East Moorabool Ward
Cr. Tonia Dudzik	East Moorabool Ward
Cr. Jarrod Bingham	East Moorabool Ward
Cr. Tom Sullivan	West Moorabool Ward
Cr. Pat Toohey	Woodlands Ward

Officers:

Mr. Derek Madden	Chief Executive Officer
Mr. Ewen Nevett	Acting General Manager Community Assets and Infrastructure
Mr. Satwinder Sandhu	General Manager Community Planning
Ms. Sally Jones	General Manager Community Development

Derek Madden
Chief Executive Officer

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1. OPENING OF MEETING

The Mayor, Cr. Tatchell opened the meeting at 6.00pm

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO COUNTRY

We respectfully acknowledge the traditional owners of this land, their spirits and ancestors.

3. PRESENT

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<i>Ms. Sally Jones</i>	<i>General Manager Community Development</i>
<i>Ms. Yvonne Hansen</i>	<i>Manager, Governance, Risk & Corporate Reporting</i>
<i>Ms. Emma Szymanski</i>	<i>Minute Taker</i>

4. APOLOGIES

<i>Cr. Pat Toohey</i>	<i>Woodlands Ward</i>
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5. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Under the Local Government Act (1989), the classification of the type of interest giving rise to a conflict is; a direct interest; or an indirect interest (section 77A and 77B). The type of indirect interest specified under Section 78, 78A, 78B, 78C or 78D of the Local Government Act 1989 set out the requirements of a Councillor or member of a Special Committee to disclose any conflicts of interest that the Councillor or member of a Special Committee may have in a matter being or likely to be considered at a meeting of the Council or Committee.

Definitions of the class of the interest are:

- a direct interest
 - (section 77A, 77B)
- an indirect interest (see below)
 - indirect interest by close association (section 78)
 - indirect financial interest (section 78A)
 - indirect interest because of conflicting duty (section 78B)
 - indirect interest because of receipt of gift(s) (section 78C)
 - indirect interest through civil proceedings (section 78D)
 - indirect interest because of impact on residential amenity (section 78E)

Time for Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest

In addition to the Council protocol relating to disclosure at the beginning of the meeting, section 79 of the Local Government Act 1989 (the Act) requires a Councillor to disclose the details, classification and the nature of the conflict of interest immediately at the beginning of the meeting and/or before consideration or discussion of the Item.

Section 79(6) of the Act states:

While the matter is being considered or any vote is taken in relation to the matter, the Councillor or member of a special committee must:

- (a) leave the room and notify the Mayor or the Chairperson of the special committee that he or she is doing so; and
- (b) remain outside the room and any gallery or other area in view of hearing of the room.

The Councillor is to be notified by the Mayor or Chairperson of the special committee that he or she may return to the room after consideration of the matter and all votes on the matter.

There are important reasons for requiring this disclosure immediately before the relevant matter is considered.

- Firstly, members of the public might only be in attendance for part of a meeting and should be able to see that all matters are considered in an appropriately transparent manner.

- Secondly, if conflicts of interest are not disclosed immediately before an item there is a risk that a Councillor who arrives late to a meeting may fail to disclose their conflict of interest and be in breach of the Act.

Nil.

6. PRESENTATIONS / DEPUTATIONS

The Council has made provision in the business of the Ordinary Meetings of the Council for the making of presentations or deputations to Council in relation to matters presented on the agenda for Council consideration.

Presentations or deputations are required to be conducted in accordance with the requirements contained within the **Presentation/Deputations Protocols and Procedural Guidelines**.

Persons wishing to make a presentation or deputation to Council on a matter included in the agenda shall inform Council prior to the meeting by contacting the Chief Executive Officer's office and registering their name and agenda item being spoken to.

At the meeting the Mayor will invite the persons wishing to make a presentation or delegation to address the Council on the agenda item.

The person making the presentation or deputation is to stand and address Council on the item. No debate on the item is permitted between the person making the presentation or delegation and the Council.

A maximum of three minutes per presentation or delegation will be allocated. An extension of time may be granted at the discretion of the Mayor.

Councillors, through the Mayor, may ask the person making the presentation or delegation for clarification of matters presented.

The Mayor may direct that a member of the gallery ceases speaking if the above procedure is not followed.

List of Persons making Presentations/Deputations other than in relation to a planning item listed on the agenda:

Item No	Description	Name	Position
7.1	Consideration of Submissions to the Proposed 2019/20 Annual Budget	John Spain	Submitter
7.1	Consideration of Submissions to the Proposed 2019/20 Annual Budget	Russ Hendry	Submitter
7.1	Consideration of Submissions to the Proposed 2019/20 Annual Budget	Robert Levy	Submitter

List of Persons making Presentations/Deputations to a planning item listed on the agenda:

Individuals seeking to make a presentation to the Council on a planning item listed on the agenda for consideration at the meeting will be heard by the Council immediately preceding consideration of the Council Officer's report on the planning item.

Nil.

7. BUSINESS

Mr John Spain addressed Council as a submitter to the recommendation to item 7.1 - Consideration of Submissions to the Proposed 2019/20 Annual Budget

Mr Russ Hendry addressed Council as a submitter to the recommendation to item 7.1 - Consideration of Submissions to the Proposed 2019/20 Annual Budget

Mr Robert Levy addressed Council as a submitter to the recommendation to item 7.1 - Consideration of Submissions to the Proposed 2019/20 Annual Budget

7.1 Consideration of Submissions to the Proposed 2019/20 Annual Budget

Introduction

Author: Steve Ivelja
CEO: Derek Madden

Background

This report relates to the process for Council to adopt the 2019/20 Annual Budget in accordance with section 127 of the Local Government Act 1989 (The Act). The process includes giving public notice to allow 28 days for submissions to be made by members of the public and such submissions to be heard prior to Council adopting the 2019/20 Annual Budget.

Council commenced statutory procedures dealing with the 2019/20 Annual Budget at the Council Meeting held on Wednesday, 15th May 2019. At this meeting, Council resolved to put on public display the Proposed 2019/20 Annual Budget that was considered at the meeting.

A public notice was published in "The Moorabool News" on Tuesday, 21st May 2019 and also in "The Courier" in Ballarat on Saturday, 18th May 2019. These public notices called for submissions to the proposed budget.

The proposed 2019/20 budget has been prepared in accordance with Section 127 of the Local Government Act 1989 (the Act) and part 3 of the Local Government (Planning and Reporting) Regulations 2014 (the Regulations).

As a result of this advertising process, a total of 24 written submissions were received by the stated cut-off of 18th June 2019. Of the 24 submissions, 10 relate to supporting the proposed Arts and Culture Officer, and 9 are in support of the proposed Pavilion works at Masons Lane Recreation Reserve. The following is a summary of the submissions that have been received:

No.	Submission From	Main Points
1	Maria Downes - Bacchus Marsh Little	I fully support the upgrade of the Western Pavilion at Masons Lane Reserve for the use of the Bacchus Marsh Little Athletics Centre, Local Primary Schools, Sporting Groups and other permitted users.

	Athletics Club	<p>I have been involved with BMLAC for over 11 years now (the last 5 years as President of the Centre) and the toilets and the storage facilities at the Pavilion have been slowly but surely breaking down and not functioning well over that time.</p> <p>In the past we have had over 200 registered Athletes in a Season and without fail the toilets will not operate properly or not flush simply because they cannot handle the volume of people utilising the facilities. They block, they overflow, they won't flush, they smell, the water will run constantly, the cisterns to the boys toilets are located in our storage area and leak near our equipment and basically, they are outdated.</p> <p>If the Council wants to support the youth of the Moorabool Shire - especially our young female athletes - it needs to modernise these facilities.</p> <p>Part of the upgrade would be to include a separate and private First Aide Room which I believe is essential to ensure that if any athlete or adult is injured they can receive treatment from our dedicated first aide officers in private and not be just sitting in the Open Office area as they do now.</p> <p>I also believe that part of the upgrade would include a dedicated Office & office storage area.</p> <p>I understand the proposed renovations have been on the Budget table several times before but for some reason they do not make it to the next step of being acted on.</p> <p>The Hon Catherine King MP has been fully supportive of our effort to see these improvements completed at the Pat Lane Pavilion and wrote a personal letter to the CEO of the Shire last year.</p> <p>The storage facilities are way too small for the amount of valuable equipment the Centre has and it is difficult to maneuver equipment such as our high jump mats and our trailer with hurdles on it safely every time they are required as there is not a lot of room to move and it limits what new equipment we can purchase as we simply do not have the space to do so securely.</p> <p>Ideally to have a new Storage shed specifically built - as per plans previously completed - and to have a major update to the facilities at the Pat Lane Pavilion would be brilliant especially seeing as we have just celebrated our 50th Season as a Little Athletics Centre.</p> <p>I hope the Council will seriously take into consideration how long the Centre has been operating within the Moorabool Shire and its value to the Community by getting kids out and about with challenging and diverse skills that are learned through Athletics.</p>
2	Karen Stewart - Bacchus Marsh Little Athletics Club	<p>I am currently a member of the Bacchus Marsh Little Athletics committee and fully support the proposed improvements to the Western Pavilion at the Masons Lane Reserve. My daughter has been a member of the club for 7 years and as a family we have enjoyed our involvement in the club over this time. I feel that the promotion of children's sport serves as an essential part in forming lifelong skills to be carried into adulthood. We strongly promote the ethos of try your best and the</p>

		<p>sportsmanship demonstrated between the children is to be commended.</p> <p>However, I have lost count of the number of times that we have had issues with the toilets not functioning properly which is a major hygiene issue.</p> <p>Storage at the centre is also an issue and restricts us in purchasing new equipment for the children to use. To be able to provide the family's that attend the centre with the best facilities available is very important in retaining existing members and also in attracting new members.</p> <p>The pavilion is also utilised by other members of our community being local schools and the Bacchus Marsh Running Club who would also greatly benefit with the proposed improvements.</p>
3	Paul Miesen - Bacchus Marsh Little Athletics Club	<p>I support the upgrade of the Western Pavilion at Masons Lane Reserve for the use of the Bacchus Marsh Little Athletics Centre, Local Primary Schools, Sporting Groups and other permitted users, as this will be of benefit to all user groups of this wonderful reserve.</p> <p>I have been involved with BMLAC for over 17 years most of this time on the committee and in this time I have witnessed other sporting facilities/reserves have their venues continually updated and improved. I have continually seen 10 year plans for Masons Lane, which have been revisited, lost, and discarded. The number of groups now using Masons Lane Reserve continually increases. School groups use the facility, but how can three toilets/cubicles (two female and two male plus urinal) cater for all the students, and with no change room facilities either.</p> <p>At the last BMPSSA cross country event held in May, it was raining heavy as in 2018, and the school students had nowhere to change, as they huddled with staff and parents under the verandah.</p> <p>It should be noted that our athletics track is in the best condition ever, thanks to the maintenance provided by the Shire, hence more groups wishing to use it.</p> <p>With our club growing and equipment continually being updated and bought, we need more storage facilities. Also, our First Aid Room is in our office, which is not ideal and needs its own area, and our office needs to be upgraded and larger.</p> <p>The upgrade to the Western Pavilion is long overdue and I hope the Council will seriously consider and include it in its forthcoming budget.</p>
4	John Spain	<p>I am happy to see that the 2019/2020 draft Moorabool Shire Council Budget includes an allocation for an Arts Officer. I believe that the Arts provide an important opportunity for both employment and leisure activities and contribute to social wellbeing.</p>
5	Samantha Goodman - Bacchus Marsh Little Athletics Club	<p>In the past I have been on the BMLAC committee in numerous roles. We have been members of the club for the past 9 years with both my children starting at under 6 and still continuing.</p> <p>During this time, we have gone through the planning process of the pavilion redevelopment and despite this being completed quite some time ago it has still not started.</p>

		<p>With the growing population of the town it is important for our youth to have appropriate toilet, change and club rooms. Currently the toilets constantly block, are broken into and there are no facilities for our children to change. We have no disabled facilities despite encouraging our additional needs families (including my own) to encourage participation in sport and specifically athletics.</p> <p>It is fantastic to see this on the draft budget and I hope that this will finally come to fruition. With the club being 50years old, it has more than established itself as a core sporting club within the area, now we just need an upgrade of facilities to ensure we keep our local athletes local rather than them having to access facilities outside of Moorabool.</p>
6	Russ Hendry - Maddingley Park Committee of Management	<p>Proposal for Cricket Nets/Netball Project at Maddingley Park – April 2019</p> <p>My submission is for an additional CIP item to be included in the 2019/2020. The item is for the construction of a new netball court at Maddingley Park to assist the rapid growth of the sport by modifying the existing cricket nets so they can be used in the winter for netball and Futsal.</p> <p>At present BM Netball Club have six senior sides and 8 junior teams. These girls train on the public tennis court in Maddingley Park that has been modified to allow netball to be played. It requires two tennis nets to be removed and replaced for training and matches and therefore precludes the public from using these courts.</p> <p>The proposal has been distributed to the CEO, senior staff and Cr Edwards some time ago with plans and costs estimates prepared.</p> <p>Support letters from Maddingley Park CoM, BMFNC, BMCC, Ballarat Football league, Gisborne District Cricket Association have been obtained. This development would be installed on the current cricket net area and would not impact on any trees or infrastructure.</p> <p>Funding for the project would be sought from Cricket, soccer, football, netball clubs and their affiliates, State Government, Federal Government and Moorabool Council.</p> <p>I request that this be included as a budget item so funding options can be explored with an aim to undertake the project during the 2020 football season.</p> <p>***PLEASE SEE ATTACHMENT 7.1a FOR FULL SUBMISSION DETAILS***</p>
7	Kate Simmins - Bacchus Marsh Little Athletics Club	<p>I am writing in support of the Bacchus Marsh Little Athletics Club request for upgrades to their toilet blocks.</p> <p>Little Athletics is an important community association which promotes health, fitness other important social skills to young members of the Moorabool Shire (teamwork, commitment, goal setting and resilience). It has been brought to my attention for quite some time that the current toilet facilities are outdated, failing and somewhat embarrassing.</p> <p>I fully support BMLAC's request and urge council to allocate funds in your budget for the upgrade of the toilet facilities so that community</p>

		members are able to access hygienic and functioning toilets with dignity.
8	Victor Banigo - Bacchus Marsh Little Athletics Club	<p>Bacchus Marsh little provides an avenue for kids to express themselves in sports and be healthy at the same time. This little athletics club continues to bring and bind the community together in that people from different cultural and professional background come together every Saturday (during summer) to support the kids to be their best. Indeed, Bacchus Marsh little athletics have gone on to produce and still produces magnificent sports men and women who have distinguished themselves in different sporting fields. The achievements of these athletics brings further recognition to our community and encourages our children to be the best in whatever they choose to do. Improving the infrastructure at this Bacchus Little athletics is one sure way to continue the good work being done at this little athletics club.</p> <p>It is for the above reasons that I support this project - extension to the Pat Lane Athletics Pavilion.</p>
9	Jennifer Banigo - Bacchus Marsh Little Athletics Club	<p>Bacchus Marsh little provides an avenue for kids to express themselves in sports and be healthy at the same time. This little athletics club continues to bring and bind the community together in that people from different cultural and professional background come together every Saturday (during summer) to support the kids to be their best. Indeed, Bacchus Marsh little athletics have gone on to produce and still produces magnificent sports men and women who have distinguished themselves in different sporting fields. The achievements of these athletics brings further recognition to our community and encourages our children to be the best in whatever they choose to do. Improving the infrastructure at this Bacchus Little athletics is one sure way to continue the good work being done at this little athletics club.</p> <p>It is for the above reasons that I support this project - extension to the Pat Lane Athletics Pavilion.</p>
10	Leanne Fergusson - Bacchus Marsh Little Athletics Club	As a member myself as child years ago and that of my 3 children now I strongly believe that the Bacchus Marsh little athletics club are in huge need of some new club facilities such as new toilets and a first aid room.
11	Ri Van Veen	I fully support the inclusion of an Arts and Culture Officer in the 2019/20 proposed budget. Having a background in health and well-being and now a practicing artist I have witnessed and experienced the positive impact of art on a community and its wellbeing and connectedness. I am a member of the Bacchus Marsh Arts Council and this small group of volunteers have created a community gallery- B-Mac Gallery and have other initiatives that would greatly benefit the Moorabool community. The inclusion of an Arts and Culture Officer would greatly assist BMACI in these ideas becoming a reality. The B-Mac Community Gallery has not only provided a venue for artist to share and sell their work and people to view, value and purchase art and craft but also had many community fundraising exhibitions including the Rise Up project which raise 6,000 for domestic violence victims and the WRISC VanGo. I have lived in other communities (Bendigo and Williamstown) where

		the growth in arts and culture not only improved the health and well-being of the community but also greatly improved it economically with art/culture tourism. Moorabool Councils investment into an Arts and Culture Officer will greatly benefit our community and add value to our area as has been seen in all our neighbouring councils.
12	Gerogia Vlassopoulos	I strongly support the allocation for an Arts and Culture Officer in the 2019/20 Moorabool Shire Council Budget. As Moorabool Shire is expanding rapidly, I feel it would be a huge asset to the Shire to have an A&C officer for community health and wellbeing through the arts. It is well a established fact that there are economic benefits to the Council through arts production. An example is The City of Moreland, they have an excellent arts focus showing that the arts producers its own economy.
13	Adrian and Jenifer Rowell	We are excited about and would like to support the appointment of an Arts and Culture Officer as proposed in the Budget. This is a most welcome and much needed initiative. We are keens supporter of the arts and regularly attend concerts, go to theatre and visit art galleries both in the city and locally. Moorabool Shire already has a small arts community but this has the potential to be so much more. An Arts and Culture Officer would go a long way towards making this happen. I look forward to this item in the Budget being passed.
14	Kylie Burton	I support the allocation for an Arts and Culture Officer in the 2019/20 Moorabool Shire Council Budget. There are a lot of passionate creative people that have a great deal to offer this town and, with the direction of an arts officer, could make our region a beacon for the arts. Moorabool Shire has enormous potential to be an even greater attractive destination for art lovers from Melbourne and the regional cities thereby promoting economic growth and social cohesion.
15	David Leach	I applaud and support the proposal in the draft Budget for appointing and funding an Arts & Culture Officer. It is essential that art in all its forms (visual, craft, performing, written etc) be encouraged and developed in a community. A community with a vibrant art and craft culture is a healthy one. Development of an art culture is as important to the health of a community as is the development of sport and physical activity. That Moorabool Shire needs an arts & Culture Officer is evidenced by the various attempts within the Shire to coordinate, share and assist the establishment and growth of groups and individuals currently doing their own thing. This issue was a driving force in establishing the Bacchus Marsh Arts Council with its vision of Bacchus Marsh becoming a "regional hub of cultural vitality where arts and culture connects community through education, participation and creativity."
16	Alli Grant	I am writing to show my support for the proposed upgrade to the Western Pavilion at Masons Lane Reserve. I have been involved with Bacchus Marsh Little Athletics for 12 months now, and am also a teacher at Bacchus Marsh Primary School. A school that makes use the facilities at Mason's Lane on a regular basis. For such a well-used, community venue - the facilities are just not appropriate and are desperately overdue for an upgrade. There are not enough toilets to cope with the amount of people who frequent the venue on any given day, and those that are there are often not working. I believe the proposal includes a private first aid area - which is a

		<p>necessity for providing injured students and athletes privacy when being treated. The current storage facilities are too small for the amount of equipment requiring storage - creating all sorts of problems when trying to retrieve equipment on sporting days. It also means new equipment is unable to be purchased.</p> <p>For such a well-known, and popular sporting venue I would have thought upgrading and maintaining this venue would be an expectation, and I'm surprised to see that this upgrade has been on the table previously, but has not been acted upon.</p> <p>This centre is invaluable to the community and I see the upgrade as being a necessity, not an option.</p> <p>Yours Kindly Alli</p>
17	Matthew Taylor	<p>I would like to request more consideration be made to park and outdoor recreation areas in the proposed annual budget. A very high percentage of the population growth in the Moorabool shire has been driven by young families. However there does not seem to have been as much investment in parks and other outdoor recreation facilities to cater for this growing group as this it should seem to warrant.</p> <p>In particular I am focusing on the Darley suburb both as it is the area I am most familiar with and live but also due to the fact it has one of the fastest growing populations in the shire. Due to this I would have assumed there would have been significant investment in outdoor spaces but as with previous years budgets this does not appear to be the case.</p> <p>Particularly in Darley I am not aware of any significant expenditure on current parks and playgrounds and there has been no mention that I can see of for plans for new parks and playgrounds to cater for the growing population.</p> <p>My understanding is that a large area in Darley bordered by the Lerderderg River to the north and east has been set aside for a public area, hopefully including a children's playground, however there is no mention of any money to develop this area in the budget nor any sign that this will be forthcoming in the near future.</p> <p>I would urge the council to reconsider their budget for outdoor parks and playgrounds in the Darley area and allocate more resources to what are extremely important community assets which cater for the growing population of young families in the suburb.</p>
18	Kenneth Angelo	<p>I wish to support the funding of an Arts and Culture Officer for Moorabool having worked in area of community Arts for a number of years and seen directly the great benefits of community building and therapy possible. This happens best when the nurturing of local Arts and Artists is given direction through the agency of a dedicated Arts officer.</p> <p>There are a host of spin off benefits both personally and collectively when any Art activities are stimulated and encouraged.</p> <p>I believe this begins through the funding commitment to having a dedicated Arts officer in a local shire.</p>
19	Bruce Carboon	<p>***PLEASE SEE ATTACHMENT 7.1b FOR FULL SUBMISSION DETAILS***</p>

20	Kimberly Shea	I was pleased to observe the inclusion of an allocation of resources for an Arts and Cultural Officer in the 2019/20 Moorabool Shire Council Budget. The Arts are more to us than an act of self expression, or a piece of work that is pleasant to look at. The benefits of the Arts reach far and wide, into education, economic vitality, health and well-being and social cohesion. I see this role as being essential to assist our local artists, art workers and community groups to facilitate creative community projects, which in turn will enable more of our Moorabool Shire community to enjoy the benefits that The Arts provides.
21	Robert and Christine Levy	<p>Along with our neighbors we have had a Special Use Zone imposed on us for the last 19 years or so. This zone was applied by the State and is managed by our Council. The purpose was to protect the value of the land parcels against infrastructure value increases in case the coal resource was needed for expansion of the mine. Over the years the business has maintained and increased as a waste facility, while coal production and demand has diminished.</p> <p>More importantly, additional testing in the area has proved the resource west of the SUZ1 zone is of little recoverable value. Still the SUZ1 remains and it's original purpose of protecting the coal resource is now unnecessary, with its repressive elements unfairly limiting and thus disadvantaging properties on the Western border. (Note there is no protection currently covering the larger coal deposits east of the mine, in an area that is slated to be developed as possible agri-business.) Until this zone is lifted, the value in South Maddingley Road seems to be going backwards given the inability to improve and increase property values. Recent attempts to sell land immediately adjacent to our property has been hindered by banks' reluctance to finance within the zone.</p> <p>As long as this zone remains an imposition over the top of us, then I would like to see some form of compensation reflected in a 40% discount applied to the rating base/ property category we are under. Perhaps there is a category for Special Use Zone properties under such limitations.</p>
22	Robin Gregson	***PLEASE SEE ATTACHMENT 7.1c FOR FULL SUBMISSION DETAILS***
23	Alan Morton	<p>As a member of the Rotary Club of Bacchus Marsh and the Art Show Committee and a member/ secretary of the Bacchus Marsh Arts Council I wish to indicate my support for the proposal to appoint an arts officer for MSC.</p> <p>Yours sincerely Alan Morton</p>
24	Darley Football Netball Club Inc – Ray Newton	<p>Darley Football Netball Club Inc. thanks Council for their Commitment to the upgrade of the lights and from discussions with Council Officers and you, the CEO in April 2019, the club advises that we are unable to provide funds above the already agreed amount of \$75,000.</p> <p>We ask that Council consider as part of its 19/20 budget process any additional contribution required to ensure this project is delivered in the Calendar year 2019.</p>

The following parties have indicated their intention to be heard in support of their written submissions:

- John Spain
- Russ Hendry
- Matthew Taylor
- Robert and Christine Levy
- Robin Gregson

Policy Implications

The Council Plan 2017-2021 provides as follows:

Strategic Objective 1: Providing Good Governance and Leadership

Context 1C: Our Business and Systems

The proposal Consideration of the Proposed 2019/20 Annual Budget is consistent with the Council Plan 2017 – 2021.

Financial Implications

The 2019/20 Budget contains details of the financial resources required to deliver the Council Plan.

Communications Strategy

Following adoption of the 2019/20 Annual Budget, advertisement of the adoption of the budget will be provided through a public notice in local newspapers and the full 2019/20 Annual Budget document will be posted on the website.

Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006

In developing this report to Council, the officer considered whether the subject matter raised any human rights issues. In particular, whether the scope of any human right established by the Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities is in any way limited, restricted or interfered with by the recommendations contained in the report. It is considered that the subject matter does not raise any human rights issues.

Officer's Declaration of Conflict of Interests

Under section 80C of the Local Government Act 1989 (as amended), officers providing advice to Council must disclose any interests, including the type of interest.

Chief Executive Officer – Derek Madden

In providing this advice to Council as the CEO, I have no interests to disclose in this report.

Author – Steve Ivelja

In providing this advice to Council as the Author, I have no interests to disclose in this report.

Conclusion

Council's consideration of budget submissions is a statutory step necessary to formally adopt the 2019/20 Annual Budget for Moorabool Shire Council and forward it to the Minister.

Resolution:

Crs. Sullivan/Keogh

1. That Council receives the following submissions:

No.	Submission From	Main Points
1	Maria Downes - Bacchus Marsh Little Athletics Club	<p><i>I fully support the upgrade of the Western Pavilion at Masons Lane Reserve for the use of the Bacchus Marsh Little Athletics Centre, Local Primary Schools, Sporting Groups and other permitted users.</i></p> <p><i>I have been involved with BMLAC for over 11 years now (the last 5 years as President of the Centre) and the toilets and the storage facilities at the Pavilion have been slowly but surely breaking down and not functioning well over that time.</i></p> <p><i>In the past we have had over 200 registered Athletes in a Season and without fail the toilets will not operate properly or not flush simply because they cannot handle the volume of people utilising the facilities. They block, they overflow, they won't flush, they smell, the water will run constantly, the cisterns to the boys toilets are located in our storage area and leak near our equipment and basically, they are outdated.</i></p> <p><i>If the Council wants to support the youth of the Moorabool Shire - especially our young female athletes - it needs to modernise these facilities.</i></p> <p><i>Part of the upgrade would be to include a separate and private First Aide Room which I believe is essential to ensure that if any athlete or adult is injured they can receive treatment from our dedicated first aide officers in private and not be just sitting in the Open Office area as they do now.</i></p> <p><i>I also believe that part of the upgrade would include a dedicated Office & office storage area.</i></p> <p><i>I understand the proposed renovations have been on the Budget table several times before but for some reason they do not make it to the next step of being acted on.</i></p> <p><i>The Hon Catherine King MP has been fully supportive of our effort to see these improvements completed at the Pat Lane Pavilion and wrote a personal letter to the CEO of the Shire last year.</i></p>

		<p><i>The storage facilities are way too small for the amount of valuable equipment the Centre has and it is difficult to maneuver equipment such as our high jump mats and our trailer with hurdles on it safely every time they are required as there is not a lot of room to move and it limits what new equipment we can purchase as we simply do not have the space to do so securely.</i></p> <p><i>Ideally to have a new Storage shed specifically built - as per plans previously completed - and to have a major update to the facilities at the Pat Lane Pavilion would be brilliant especially seeing as we have just celebrated our 50th Season as a Little Athletics Centre.</i></p> <p><i>I hope the Council will seriously take into consideration how long the Centre has been operating within the Moorabool Shire and its value to the Community by getting kids out and about with challenging and diverse skills that are learned through Athletics.</i></p>
2	<i>Karen Stewart - Bacchus Marsh Little Athletics Club</i>	<p><i>I am currently a member of the Bacchus Marsh Little Athletics committee and fully support the proposed improvements to the Western Pavilion at the Masons Lane Reserve. My daughter has been a member of the club for 7 years and as a family we have enjoyed our involvement in the club over this time. I feel that the promotion of children's sport serves as an essential part in forming lifelong skills to be carried into adulthood. We strongly promote the ethos of try your best and the sportsmanship demonstrated between the children is to be commended.</i></p> <p><i>However, I have lost count of the number of times that we have had issues with the toilets not functioning properly which is a major hygiene issue.</i></p> <p><i>Storage at the centre is also an issue and restricts us in purchasing new equipment for the children to use. To be able to provide the family's that attend the centre with the best facilities available is very important in retaining existing members and also in attracting new members.</i></p> <p><i>The pavilion is also utilised by other members of our community being local schools and the Bacchus Marsh Running Club who would also greatly benefit with the proposed improvements.</i></p>
3	<i>Paul Miesen - Bacchus Marsh Little Athletics Club</i>	<p><i>I support the upgrade of the Western Pavilion at Masons Lane Reserve for the use of the Bacchus Marsh Little Athletics Centre, Local Primary Schools, Sporting Groups and other permitted users, as this will be of benefit to all user groups of this wonderful reserve.</i></p> <p><i>I have been involved with BMLAC for over 17 years most of this time on the committee and in this time I have witnessed other sporting facilities/reserves have their venues continually updated and improved. I have continually seen 10 year plans for Masons Lane, which</i></p>

		<p><i>have been revisited, lost, and discarded. The number of groups now using Masons Lane Reserve continually increases. School groups use the facility, but how can three toilets/cubicles (two female and two male plus urinal) cater for all the students, and with no change room facilities either.</i></p> <p><i>At the last BMPSSA cross country event held in May, it was raining heavy as n 2018, and the school students had nowhere to change, as they huddled with staff and parents under the verandah.</i></p> <p><i>It should be noted that our athletics track is in the best condition ever, thanks to the maintenance provided by the Shire, hence more groups wishing to use it.</i></p> <p><i>With our club growing and equipment continually being updated and bought, we need more storage facilities. Also, our First Aid Room is in our office, which is not ideal and needs its own area, and our office needs to be upgraded and larger.</i></p> <p><i>The upgrade to the Western Pavilion is long overdue and I hope the Council will seriously consider and include it in its forthcoming budget.</i></p>
4	John Spain	<p><i>I am happy to see that the 2019/2020 draft Moorabool Shire Council Budget includes an allocation for an Arts Officer. I believe that the Arts provide an important opportunity for both employment and leisure activities and contribute to social wellbeing.</i></p>
5	Samantha Goodman - Bacchus Marsh Little Athletics Club	<p><i>In the past I have been on the BMLAC committee in numerous roles. We have been members of the club for the past 9 years with both my children starting at under 6 and still continuing.</i></p> <p><i>During this time, we have gone through the planning process of the pavilion redevelopment and despite this being completed quite some time ago it has still not started.</i></p> <p><i>With the growing population of the town it is important for our youth to have appropriate toilet, change and club rooms. Currently the toilets constantly block, are broken into and there are no facilities for our children to change. We have no disabled facilities despite encouraging our additional needs families (including my own) to encourage participation in sport and specifically athletics.</i></p> <p><i>It is fantastic to see this on the draft budget and I hope that this will finally come to fruition. With the club being 50years old, it has more than established itself as a core sporting club within the area, now we just need an upgrade of facilities to ensure we keep our local athletes local rather than them having to access facilities outside of Moorabool.</i></p>

6	Russ Hendry - Maddingley Park Committee of Management	<p>Proposal for Cricket Nets/Netball Project at Maddingley Park – April 2019</p> <p>My submission is for an additional CIP item to be included in the 2019/2020. The item is for the construction of a new netball court at Maddingley Park to assist the rapid growth of the sport by modifying the existing cricket nets so they can be used in the winter for netball and Futsal.</p> <p>At present BM Netball Club have six senior sides and 8 junior teams. These girls train on the public tennis court in Maddingley Park that has been modified to allow netball to be played. It requires two tennis nets to be removed and replaced for training and matches and therefore precludes the public from using these courts.</p> <p>The proposal has been distributed to the CEO, senior staff and Cr Edwards some time ago with plans and costs estimates prepared.</p> <p>Support letters from Maddingley Park CoM, BMFNC, BMCC, Ballarat Football league, Gisborne District Cricket Association have been obtained. This development would be installed on the current cricket net area and would not impact on any trees or infrastructure.</p> <p>Funding for the project would be sought from Cricket, soccer, football, netball clubs and their affiliates, State Government, Federal Government and Moorabool Council.</p> <p>I request that this be included as a budget item so funding options can be explored with an aim to undertake the project during the 2020 football season.</p> <p>***PLEASE SEE ATTACHMENT 7.1a FOR FULL SUBMISSION DETAILS***</p>
7	Kate Simmins - Bacchus Marsh Little Athletics Club	<p>I am writing in support of the Bacchus Marsh Little Athletics Club request for upgrades to their toilet blocks.</p> <p>Little Athletics is an important community association which promotes health, fitness other important social skills to young members of the Moorabool Shire (teamwork, commitment, goal setting and resilience). It has been brought to my attention for quite some time that the current toilet facilities are outdated, failing and somewhat embarrassing.</p> <p>I fully support BMLAC's request and urge council to allocate funds in your budget for the upgrade of the toilet facilities so that community members are able to access hygienic and functioning toilets with dignity.</p>
8	Victor Banigo - Bacchus Marsh	<p>Bacchus Marsh little provides an avenue for kids to express themselves in sports and be healthy at the same time. This little athletics club continues to bring and bind the community together in that people from different</p>

	Little Athletics Club	<p><i>cultural and professional background come together every Saturday (during summer) to support the kids to be their best.</i></p> <p><i>Indeed, Bacchus Marsh little athletics have gone on to produce and still produces magnificent sports men and women who have distinguished themselves in different sporting fields.</i></p> <p><i>The achievements of these athletics brings further recognition to our community and encourages our children to be the best in whatever they choose to do.</i></p> <p><i>Improving the infrastructure at this Bacchus Little athletics is one sure way to continue the good work being done at this little athletics club.</i></p> <p><i>It is for the above reasons that I support this project - extension to the Pat Lane Athletics Pavilion.</i></p>
9	Jennifer Banigo - Bacchus Marsh Little Athletics Club	<p><i>Bacchus Marsh little provides an avenue for kids to express themselves in sports and be healthy at the same time. This little athletics club continues to bring and bind the community together in that people from different cultural and professional background come together every Saturday (during summer) to support the kids to be their best.</i></p> <p><i>Indeed, Bacchus Marsh little athletics have gone on to produce and still produces magnificent sports men and women who have distinguished themselves in different sporting fields.</i></p> <p><i>The achievements of these athletics brings further recognition to our community and encourages our children to be the best in whatever they choose to do.</i></p> <p><i>Improving the infrastructure at this Bacchus Little athletics is one sure way to continue the good work being done at this little athletics club.</i></p> <p><i>It is for the above reasons that I support this project - extension to the Pat Lane Athletics Pavilion.</i></p>
10	Leanne Fergusson - Bacchus Marsh Little Athletics Club	<p><i>As a member myself as child years ago and that of my 3 children now I strongly believe that the Bacchus Marsh little athletics club are in huge need of some new club facilities such as new toilets and a first aid room.</i></p>
11	Ri Van Veen	<p><i>I fully support the inclusion of an Arts and Culture Officer in the 2019/20 proposed budget. Having a background in health and well-being and now a practicing artist I have witnessed and experienced the positive impact of art on a community and its wellbeing and connectedness. I am a member of the Bacchus Marsh Arts Council and this small group of volunteers have created a community gallery- B-Mac Gallery and have other initiatives that would greatly benefit the Moorabool community. The inclusion of an Arts and Culture Officer would greatly assist BMACI in these ideas becoming a reality. The B-Mac Community Gallery has not only provided a venue for artist to share and sell their work and people to view,</i></p>

		<i>value and purchase art and craft but also had many community fundraising exhibitions including the Rise Up project which raise 6,000 for domestic violence victims and the WRISC VanGo. I have lived in other communities (Bendigo and Williamstown) where the growth in arts and culture not only improved the health and well-being of the community but also greatly improved it economically with art/culture tourism. Moorabool Councils investment into an Arts and Culture Officer will greatly benefit our community and add value to our area as has been seen in all our neighbouring councils.</i>
12	Gerogia Vlassopoulos	<i>I strongly support the allocation for an Arts and Culture Officer in the 2019/20 Moorabool Shire Council Budget. As Moorabool Shire is expanding rapidly, I feel it would be a huge asset to the Shire to have an A&C officer for community health and wellbeing through the arts. It is well a established fact that there are economic benefits to the Council through arts production. An example is The City of Moreland, they have an excellent arts focus showing that the arts producers its own economy.</i>
13	Adrian and Jenifer Rowell	<i>We are excited about and would like to support the appointment of an Arts and Culture Officer as proposed in the Budget. This is a most welcome and much needed initiative. We are keens supporter of the arts and regularly attend concerts, go to theatre and visit art galleries both in the city and locally. Moorabool Shire already has a small arts community but this has the potential to be so much more. An Arts and Culture Officer would go a long way towards making this happen. I look forward to this item in the Budget being passed.</i>
14	Kylie Burton	<i>I support the allocation for an Arts and Culture Officer in the 2019/20 Moorabool Shire Council Budget. There are a lot of passionate creative people that have a great deal to offer this town and, with the direction of an arts officer, could make our region a beacon for the arts. Moorabool Shire has enormous potential to be an even greater attractive destination for art lovers from Melbourne and the regional cities thereby promoting economic growth and social cohesion.</i>
15	David Leach	<i>I applaud and support the proposal in the draft Budget for appointing and funding an Arts & Culture Officer. It is essential that art in all its forms (visual, craft, performing, written etc) be encouraged and developed in a community. A community with a vibrant art and craft culture is a healthy one. Development of an art culture is as important to the health of a community as is the development of sport and physical activity. That Moorabool Shire needs an arts & Culture Officer is evidenced by the various attempts within the Shire to coordinate, share and assist the establishment and growth of groups and individuals currently doing their own thing. This issue was a driving force in establishing</i>

		<i>the Bacchus Marsh Arts Council with its vision of Bacchus Marsh becoming a "regional hub of cultural vitality where arts and culture connects community through education, participation and creativity."</i>
16	<i>Alli Grant</i>	<p><i>I am writing to show my support for the proposed upgrade to the Western Pavilion at Masons Lane Reserve. I have been involved with Bacchus Marsh Little Athletics for 12 months now, and am also a teacher at Bacchus Marsh Primary School. A school that makes use the facilities at Mason's Lane on a regular basis.</i></p> <p><i>For such a well-used, community venue - the facilities are just not appropriate and are desperately overdue for an upgrade. There are not enough toilets to cope with the amount of people who frequent the venue on any given day, and those that are there are often not working. I believe the proposal includes a private first aid area - which is a necessity for providing injured students and athletes privacy when being treated. The current storage facilities are too small for the amount of equipment requiring storage - creating all sorts of problems when trying to retrieve equipment on sporting days. It also means new equipment is unable to be purchased.</i></p> <p><i>For such a well-known, and popular sporting venue I would have thought upgrading and maintaining this venue would be an expectation, and I'm surprised to see that this upgrade has been on the table previously, but has not been acted upon.</i></p> <p><i>This centre is invaluable to the community and I see the upgrade as being a necessity, not an option.</i></p> <p><i>Yours Kindly</i> <i>Alli</i></p>
17	<i>Matthew Taylor</i>	<p><i>I would like to request more consideration be made to park and outdoor recreation areas in the proposed annual budget. A very high percentage of the population growth in the Moorabool shire has been driven by young families. However there does not seem to have been as much investment in parks and other outdoor recreation facilities to cater for this growing group as this it should seem to warrant.</i></p> <p><i>In particular I am focusing on the Darley suburb both as it is the area I am most familiar with and live but also due to the fact it has one of the fastest growing populations in the shire. Due to this I would have assumed there would have been significant investment in outdoor spaces but as with previous years budgets this does not appear to be the case.</i></p> <p><i>Particularly in Darley I am not aware of any significant expenditure on current parks and playgrounds and there has been no mention that I can see of for plans for new parks and playgrounds to cater for the growing population.</i></p>

		<p><i>My understanding is that a large area in Darley bordered by the Lerderderg River to the north and east has been set aside for a public area, hopefully including a children's playground, however there is no mention of any money to develop this area in the budget nor any sign that this will be forthcoming in the near future.</i></p> <p><i>I would urge the council to reconsider their budget for outdoor parks and playgrounds in the Darley area and allocate more resources to what are extremely important community assets which cater for the growing population of young families in the suburb.</i></p>
18	<i>Kenneth Angelo</i>	<p><i>I wish to support the funding of an Arts and Culture Officer for Moorabool having worked in area of community Arts for a number of years and seen directly the great benefits of community building and therapy possible. This happens best when the nurturing of local Arts and Artists is given direction through the agency of a dedicated Arts officer.</i></p> <p><i>There are a host of spin off benefits both personally and collectively when any Art activities are stimulated and encouraged.</i></p> <p><i>I believe this begins through the funding commitment to having a dedicated Arts officer in a local shire.</i></p>
19	<i>Bruce Carboon</i>	<i>***PLEASE SEE ATTACHMENT 7.1b FOR FULL SUBMISSION DETAILS***</i>
20	<i>Kimberly Shea</i>	<i>I was pleased to observe the inclusion of an allocation of resources for an Arts and Cultural Officer in the 2019/20 Moorabool Shire Council Budget. The Arts are more to us than an act of self expression, or a piece of work that is pleasant to look at. The benefits of the Arts reach far and wide, into education, economic vitality, health and well-being and social cohesion. I see this role as being essential to assist our local artists, art workers and community groups to facilitate creative community projects, which in turn will enable more of our Moorabool Shire community to enjoy the benefits that The Arts provides.</i>
21	<i>Robert and Christine Levy</i>	<p><i>Along with our neighbors we have had a Special Use Zone imposed on us for the last 19 years or so. This zone was applied by the State and is managed by our Council. The purpose was to protect the value of the land parcels against infrastructure value increases in case the coal resource was needed for expansion of the mine. Over the years the business has maintained and increased as a waste facility, while coal production and demand has diminished.</i></p> <p><i>More importantly, additional testing in the area has proved the resource west of the SUZ1 zone is of little recoverable value. Still the SUZ1 remains and it's original purpose of protecting the coal resource is now unnecessary, with its repressive elements unfairly limiting and thus disadvantaging properties on the Western border. (Note there is no protection currently</i></p>

		<p><i>covering the larger coal deposits east of the mine, in an area that is slated to be developed as possible agri-business.) Until this zone is lifted, the value in South Maddingley Road seems to be going backwards given the inability to improve and increase property values. Recent attempts to sell land immediately adjacent to our property has been hindered by banks' reluctance to finance within the zone.</i></p> <p><i>As long as this zone remains an imposition over the top of us, then I would like to see some form of compensation reflected in a 40% discount applied to the rating base/ property category we are under. Perhaps there is a category for Special Use Zone properties under such limitations.</i></p>
22	<i>Robin Gregson</i>	<p>***PLEASE SEE ATTACHMENT 7.1c FOR FULL SUBMISSION DETAILS***</p>
23	<i>Alan Morton</i>	<p><i>As a member of the Rotary Club of Bacchus Marsh and the Art Show Committee and a member/ secretary of the Bacchus Marsh Arts Council I wish to indicate my support for the proposal to appoint an arts officer for MSC.</i></p> <p><i>Yours sincerely</i> <i>Alan Morton</i></p>
24	<i>Darley Football Netball Club – Ray Newton</i>	<p><i>Darley Football Netball Club Inc. thanks Council for their Commitment to the upgrade of the lights and from discussions with Council Officers and you, the CEO in April 2019, the club advises that we are unable to provide funds above the already agreed amount of \$75,000.</i></p> <p><i>We ask that Council consider as part of its 19/20 budget process any additional contribution required to ensure this project is delivered in the Calendar year 2019.</i></p>

2. *That Council takes into consideration the matters raised within the submissions in its consideration of the 2019/20 Annual Budget at the Special Meeting of Council on Wednesday 26 June 2019.*
3. *That following the adoption of the 2019/20 Annual Budget, responses are provided to each Submitter.*

CARRIED.

Report Authorisation

Authorised by: 

Name: Derek Madden
Title: Chief Executive Officer
Date: Wednesday 19 June 2019

7.2 Consideration of Public Submissions to the 2017-2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision)

Introduction

File No.: 02/02/002
 Author: Yvonne Hansen
 General Manager: Sally Jones

Background

On Wednesday 15 May 2019, Council resolved to place the draft 2017-2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision) on public exhibition to seek submissions in accordance with section 223 of the *Local Government Act 1989 (the Act)*.

In accordance with section 223 of the Act, Council is required to formally consider any submissions received and allow the submitter to address Council in relation to their submission should they request to do so.

Proposal

This report is presented to Council at the conclusion of the public submission period for the draft 2017-2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision). Two submissions have been received by Council.

No submitters have requested to be heard in support of their submission at the Special Meeting of Council.

The following is a summary of the submissions provided as **Attachment 7.2** to this report:

Submission From	Matters	Response
Submission 1 (As per attachment 17.2)	Development and utilisation of Transport Infrastructure between Ballarat and Geelong.	<i>In 2013, the state government completed a feasibility study in opening the Geelong-Ballarat-Bendigo rail corridor. In 2015, it also developed a network development plan for public transport across Victoria. Moorabool made a submission to the network development plan that recommended further investigation of re-opening the Ballarat-Geelong passenger rail service, amongst other matters. Although it is not being recommended to include the proposal in the Council Plan, Council will continue to advocate for public transport and road corridor upgrades as opportunities arise and this will include the Ballarat-Geelong corridor.</i>

	<p>More extensive utilisation of Land Use Planning for parts of the Municipality</p>	<p><i>A number of projects are identified that seek to protect agricultural land. These include new initiatives proposed with the draft Council Budget to undertake a Bacchus Marsh Irrigation District Planning Study and a Rural Land Use Strategy. The Victorian Government is also progressing work to protect strategic agricultural and for food production. This work has identified strategic agricultural land within Moorabool Shire, and Council has made a submission to the process providing general support for the work.</i></p> <p><i>Council is also aware of work being undertaken by Western Water for a proposed Western Irrigation Network in the Parwan-Balliang area, of which Council is part of a working group and is assisting Western Water. This project will increase the agricultural capacity of the land.</i></p> <p><i>A number of projects within the Council Plan seek to encourage investment and employment. The Parwan Employment Precinct, an action in the Council Plan, a joint project between Council and the Victorian Planning Authority will also identify land for agribusiness production and facilitate planning for 1,500 jobs within the Precinct.</i></p>
<p>Submission 2 <i>(Received via Have Your Say Portal)</i></p>	<p>Telling of Council's attention to ratepayers interests and responses to these forums I repeat comments made last year for the same document update that the reference to 'engagement for Gordon Infrastructure Study' in last 2 years is lazy. That document was undertaken in 2015 and had no call for comment and no public response - it also was never to be found on website until we needed to request it in 2017. If Council need to refer to actually undertaking consultation refer to the right projects and also note the appalling style of engagement that prior to each session had the head engineer telling us 'this is not a process of you influencing this - it is just about us telling you what we are doing'. And as it turns out this is exactly the process that the new CEO has not taken any chance retrieve.</p>	<p><i>Council follows its community engagement framework when consulting with the community and will continue to do so going forward. The submission is noted but are a repeat of previous comments rather than a submission therefore no changes are recommended to the Council Plan.</i></p>

Policy Implications

The 2017-2021 Council Plan provides as follows:

Strategic Objective 1: Providing good governance and leadership

Context 1C: Our business and systems

The proposal to consider submissions in relation to the draft 2017-2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision) is consistent with the 2017-2021 Council Plan.

Financial Implications

There have been no financial implications identified as a result of the submissions received by Council.

Pending the consideration of submissions to the proposed 2019/20 annual Budget, any changes to the 2019/20 annual Budget will be incorporated into the Strategic Resource Plan prior to it being presented to Council for adoption at the Ordinary Meeting of Council on Wednesday 3 July 2019.

Communications Strategy

A communications plan was developed to advise the community of the opportunity to make a submission via Council's website, local and regional newspapers, Council's community consultation website 'haveyoursay.com.au' and copies on display at each Council office. The public submission period commenced on Friday 17 May 2019 and closed on Tuesday 18 June 2019.

In accordance with the Act, the 2017-2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision) and Strategic Resource Plan will progress through the following adoption process:

Timetable for the Consultation and Adoption of the 2017-2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision) including the Strategic Resource Plan	
Consider Public Submissions as per section 223 (1)(b) of the <i>Local Government Act 1989</i> for the draft 2017-2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision) and Strategic Resource Plan at a Special Meeting of Council.	Wednesday 26 June 2019
Formally adopt the 2017-2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision) and Strategic Resource Plan	Wednesday 3 July 2019
Submit Council Plan 2017-2021 (2019 Revision) and Strategic Resource Plan to the Minister for Local Government by:	Friday 5 July 2019
Copies for public inspection at Council offices	Friday 5 July 2019
Public Notice of Adoption of Council Plan and Strategic Resource Plan	Saturday 6 July (Courier) Tuesday 8 July (Moorabool News)

Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006

In developing this report to Council, the officer has considered whether the subject matter raised any human rights issues. In particular, whether the scope of any human right established by the Victorian Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities is in any way limited, restricted or interfered with by the recommendations contained in the report.

It is considered that the subject matter does not limit, restrict or interfere with any human rights issues.

Officer's Declaration of Conflict of Interests

Under section 80C of the Local Government Act 1989, officers providing advice to Council must disclose any interests, including the type of interest.

General Manager – Sally Jones

In providing this advice to Council as the General Manager Community Development, I have no interests to disclose in this report.

Author – Yvonne Hansen

In providing this advice to Council as the Author, I have no interests to disclose in this report.

Conclusion

Council's consideration of submissions to the draft 2017-2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision) is a statutory requirement necessary to formally adopt the Council Plan 2017-2021 (2019 Revision) for Moorabool Shire Council and forward the Plan to the Minister.

Finalisation of the 2017-2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision) will depend on the consideration of submissions to the Proposed 2019/20 annual Budget, where upon any changes to the Budget will be incorporated into the Strategic Resource Plan of the Council Plan prior to it being presented to Council for adoption at the Ordinary Meeting of Council on Wednesday 3 July 2019.

Resolution:

Crs. Edwards/Keogh

That Council:

- 1. Receives the submissions in response to the 2017-2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision).***
- 2. Note that a further report will be presented to the Ordinary Meeting of Council to be held 3 July 2019 for final consideration of the 2017-2021 Council Plan (2019 Revision).***

CARRIED.

Report Authorisation

Authorised by:

Name: Derek Madden
Title: Chief Executive Officer
Date: Wednesday 26 June 2019



8. FURTHER BUSINESS AS ADMITTED BY UNANIMOUS RESOLUTION OF COUNCIL

Nil.

9. CLOSED SESSION OF THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

Nil.

10. MEETING CLOSURE

The meeting closed at 6.13pm.

Confirmed.....Mayor.