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ITEM 1 - APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

REPORT IN BRIEF

Reason For Report	To allow tendering of apologies for councillors not present.
Policy Implications	Nil
Budget Implications	Nil
IPR Linkage	4.5.1.g - Code of Meeting Practice adopted and implemented.
Annexures	Nil
File Number	\\OFFICIAL RECORDS LIBRARY\GOVERNANCE\COUNCIL MEETINGS\COUNCIL - COUNCILLORS LEAVE OF ABSENCE - 1383115

RECOMMENDATION

THAT any apologies tendered be accepted and the necessary leave of absence be granted.

GENERAL MANAGER REPORT

A call for apologies is to be made.

ITEM 2 - DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

REPORT IN BRIEF

Reason For Report	To allow an opportunity for councillors to declare an interest in any items to be determined at this meeting.
Policy Implications	Nil
Budget Implications	Nil
IPR Linkage	4.5.1.g - Code of Meeting Practice adopted and implemented.
Annexures	Nil
File Number	\\OFFICIAL RECORDS LIBRARY\GOVERNANCE\COUNCIL MEETINGS\COUNCIL - COUNCILLORS AND STAFF DECLARATION OF INTEREST - 2021 - 1383116

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Declarations of Interest be noted.

GENERAL MANAGER REPORT

A call for Declarations of Interest.

ITEM 3 - DECLARATIONS FOR POLITICAL DONATIONS

REPORT IN BRIEF

Reason For Report	To allow an opportunity for Councillors to declare any Political Donations received.
Policy Implications	Nil
Budget Implications	Nil
IPR Linkage	4.5.1.g - Code of Meeting Practice adopted and implemented.
Annexures	Nil
File Number	\\OFFICIAL RECORDS LIBRARY\GOVERNANCE\COUNCIL MEETINGS\COUNCIL - COUNCILLORS DECLARATION OF POLITICAL DONATIONS - 1383118

RECOMMENDATION

THAT any political donations be noted.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

A call for declarations of any political donations.

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ITEM 1 - ENVIRONMENT, INNOVATION AND ENERGY COMMITTEE STRATEGIC ACTIVITIES REPORT

REPORT IN BRIEF

Reason For Report	Provide update to committee on various strategic activities undertaken by council.
Policy Implications	NIL
Budget Implications	NIL
IPR Linkage	5.7.2.a - Report on sustainability initiatives
Annexures	Nil
File Number	\\OFFICIAL RECORDS LIBRARY\GOVERNANCE\COUNCIL MEETINGS\COMMITTEES - REPORTS OF 2022 - 1386845

STRATEGIC ACTIVITY 1 – EUGOWRA MID-SCALE SOLAR PLANT – Renewable Energy Action Plan (REAP)

See separate report.

STRATEGIC ACTIVITY 2 – SMART ELECTRICITY METERING - REAP

The first of the four trial smart electricity meters have been installed at the Canowindra pool and is currently collecting data. Staff have access to the portal and Constructive Energy are working on some reporting tools in order to gain greater insights with the data.

The equipment for the remaining three sites has been delivered and is pending installation by the electrician.

Next steps:

- Update being provided to Central NSW Joint Organisation (CNSWJO) Energy Group meeting on the 11th of May 2022.

STRATEGIC ACTIVITY 3 – EMISSIONS REDUCTION PLAN (ERP)

The Emissions Reduction Plan is still being developed. Council staff have provided 100% Renewables with the available data. Staff are currently reviewing assumptions that will feed the business as usual scenario. Unfortunately due to some COVID related delays the draft plan is not ready for presentation to Council.

Next steps:

- The staff Working Party continues to meet fortnightly.
- It is anticipated a draft of the proposed plan will be presented at the June workshop of Council.

STRATEGIC ACTIVITY 4 – INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (IT) STRATEGY

No further update.

STRATEGIC ACTIVITY 5 – COMMUNITY EDUCATION PROGRAM, COMPANION ANIMALS

Council facilitates an annual program to encourage responsible pet ownership. The programs rotate between free microchipping programs to free vaccine voucher programs. During the Covid era it has been the latter program that has been the more realistic to continue.

Council has recently advertised the current vaccine voucher program. The vouchers are limited to one per household and can be redeemed at the Molong Vet Hospital, Orange Vet Hospital, Canowindra Veterinary Clinic, Cowra Veterinary Clinic or Wellington Veterinary Hospital. The vaccination vouchers are for Cabonne residents only and can be obtained by contacting Council's Environmental Services Department. Vouchers must be used before Thursday 30th June 2022. The current program of free vouchers has been fully utilized by the community.

STRATEGIC ACTIVITY 6 – CONSTRUCTION OF A MODERN POUND FACILITY

Council contracted Barnsons to prepare concept and construction plans for a new pound facility to be constructed upon land owned by council and located adjacent to the Molong Sewer Treatment Plant. The construction costs of this standard holding facility is estimated at \$400,880.

Council has not allocated a budget for construction of the facility, and grant funding will be required to be identified and gained, to enable this program to proceed. The existing facility at Phillip Street, Molong, will continue to serve as council's pound in the interim.

STRATEGIC ACTIVITY 7 - COMMUNITY EDUCATION PROGRAM, WASTE MANAGEMENT

Part of the council's 10-year waste management contract terms includes delivery through Netwaste of community education programs. This includes community media campaigns promoting key waste events and waste management concerns. There have been several very successful TV advertisements recently from Netwaste featuring Molong identity Lenny Punch (Community Recycling Centre promotions and currently the household chemical collection program). Other program initiatives include waste education pop up displays (held at Molong and Canowindra), waste and recycling calendars, new resident welcome packs, bin inspection programs. Currently a program integrated with the school syllabus is being delivered by the Netwaste team. Cudal primary school is one of the Cabonne area local schools that has had significant involvement with this program.

CENTRAL NSW JOINT ORGANISATION (CNSWJO) ACTIVITIES

No further update.