

## ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – 9 NOVEMBER 2010

***Mission Statement:***

***To support and develop a sustainable, thriving and resilient Community  
through leadership and partnership.***

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**HELD:** Tuesday 9 November 2010 at 3pm

**LOCATION:** Senior Citizens Hall, Rutherglen

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**ATTENDEES:**

Councillors:	Senior Management/Officers
Bernard Gaffney – Mayor	Brendan McGrath – CEO
Ali Pockley – Deputy Mayor	Andre M Kompler
Peter Croucher	Mark Florence
Larry Goldsworthy	Frank Bonacci
Vic Issell	Jo Riley
Barbara Murdoch	Mark Greene
Peter Graham	

**APOLOGIES:** Mark Crouch

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***Vision Statement:***

***INDIGO – A great place to live, work and visit.***

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## 1.0 WELCOME

The Mayor welcomed all those in attendance.

## 2.0 OPENING PRAYER & ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE TRADITIONAL OWNERS OF THE LAND

Cr Murdoch read the opening prayer and acknowledgement of the traditional owners of the land.

## 3.0 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil.

## 4.0 DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Nil.

## 5.0 OPEN FORUM

Cr Croucher introduced Junior Councillor Andrew Love from Wahgunyah Primary School. Andrew updated Councillors on his pets and experiences as a Junior Councillor.

Don Chambers addressed Councillors regarding:

- Item 10.2 “Rutherglen Gold Battery Section 86 Committee” and the request for a permit to run the Gold Battery – “Where in planning scheme does it state that a permit is required to operate this historic piece of machinery?” – CEO responded that a detailed response will be provided to him shortly.
- Passed on thank you to Council for attending Tidy Towns Awards ceremonies and acknowledged the work of staff in getting towns ready for the judges arrival.
- There is a house being built on rural land on Barkly Street, Rutherglen. How was a building permit granted for this land, which is zoned rural?
- 80km sign on rail trail on Barkly Street – previously requested sign to be moved. No formal response has been provided.

CEO read out questions submitted by Robin McLeish:

- “Does the shire acknowledge the risk to road users from unstable trees located close to roadsides and the danger associated with overhanging tree limbs? If so, will the council prepare a roadside management plan, similar to that of the Yarra Ranges shire, that addresses the risks associated with large and potentially unstable trees located close to roadsides and the on-going need to remove dangerous overhanging branches from all roads under the control of the Shire? CEO responded, yes we do by responding to requests as and when they are brought to our attention, also liaising with Vicroads as and when required.
- “Will the council nominate a member of the council engineering staff to record and process all roadside tree reports received by the shire and then coordinate all of the corrective actions required, whether the reports concern trees on Vicroads or Indigo Shire roadways? CEO responded, yes the Manager Civil Operations.

**6.0 CONDOLENCES**

Nil.

**7.0 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING – 12 OCTOBER 2010**

**Moved: Cr Pockley  
Seconded: Cr Goldsworthy**

**That the ordinary and confidential minutes from 12 October 2010 Council Meeting be deferred to the December Meeting of Council for confirmation.**

**Unanimously Carried**

**8.0 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Nil.

**9.0 DEPUTATIONS AND PETITIONS**

Nil.

**10.0 CORPORATE SERVICES**

**10.1 COUNCIL DRAFT RATING STRATEGY**

**File No.: 09/663 - Mark Crouch - General Manager Corporate Services**

For Decision

**RECOMMENDATION**

The Indigo Shire Council Revised Draft Rating Strategy version 10 September 2010 be adopted and further considered at the February 2011 Council meeting following a period for community input and comment.

**Moved: Cr Croucher  
Seconded: Cr Pockley**

**That the Council Draft Rating Strategy report be deferred to the December Council Meeting for decision.**

**Carried**

<b>For:</b>	<b>Against:</b>
<b>Cr Gaffney</b>	<b>Cr Goldsworthy</b>
<b>Cr Pockley</b>	<b>Cr Issell</b>
<b>Cr Croucher</b>	
<b>Cr Graham</b>	
<b>Cr Murdoch</b>	

**INTRODUCTION**

The Council Plan 2009/2012 detailed the development of a fair and equitable rating policy as an objective under *3.1 Optimise our financial sustainability*.

Considerable work has been carried out on the strategy to date. There appears to be general consensus on many aspects of the draft strategy. Further consideration may be required on a number of issues. The issues that are still to be agreed or further consideration required would appear to be as follows:

- Rural land rating
- Residential 2 (Home Industry)

**BACKGROUND**

At the 13 April 2010 Council meeting, Council resolved:

That the Draft Rating Strategy be received and go out for public consultation, with a final draft to be returned to the June or July Ordinary meeting of Council.

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An issues paper was subsequently prepared and made available on the Council web site and the various Council service centres.

Advertisements were placed seeking submissions up to Friday 18 June 2010 on the draft rating strategy. It was indicated that Council would formally consider submissions at the 13 July 2010 Council meeting.

On 11 June 2010, a summary of submissions as at 9 June 2010 was prepared along with all the submissions to hand being copied to all Councillors. As at 18 June 2010, no further submissions had been received. A late submission was tabled at the Councillors Briefing 22 June 2010. No person asked to be heard in relation to their submission.

A summary of the key issues from the submissions received was prepared and circulated. At the Councillors Briefing 22 June 2010, there was wide support for the rating strategy to be further considered and not be presented for adoption at the 13 July 2010 Council meeting.

Council wrote to all persons making submissions advising the draft rating strategy would be considered further in workshop session/s, noting their submission and indicating Council would be in further contact at a later date.

A Councillors briefing session was convened 3 August 2010 to provide further opportunity to consider the draft rating strategy. An issues schedule was prepared for the briefing with a subsequent briefing response to the issues circulated to all Councillors in email of 9 August 2010. It was indicated that a further strategy draft reflecting the changes would be prepared and circulated prior to consideration by Council.

It is worth commenting on a number of matters in relation to the further draft of the strategy.

In relation to the Residential 2 (Home Industry) differential, there was support for a better definition and the capture of a broader rate base around tourism and economic development services. No broader definition was agreed and the issue of the administration of the rating differential as currently stands was considered. The revised draft has the differential rate reducing from 135% to 125%. If Council seeks to maintain the existing Residential 2 (Home Industry) differential to residential type occupation, Council could define or spell out specific types of residential type occupation that would be intended to be captured. For example all bed and breakfast operations from home, professional services, trades, etc, and build these into the definition. The existing definition includes reference to '...land is also used as a place of tourism, commerce or industry'. The potential residential type occupations that are beneficiaries of tourism, commerce or industry are very broad in its own right. Administrative concerns regarding the wide definition and workability of the definition as stands currently has been widely canvassed.

Another option would be to move away from the use of this differential, and reallocate the rating burden across other differential categories.

Council will be seeking the Indigo Tourism Advisory Committee (ITAC) examine the option of a tourism contribution and make recommendation/s to Council. If this were to progress, this may constitute an alternative to the existing Residential 2 (Home Industry) differential.

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In relation to farm land rating, the changes to the previous draft related to Rural 1 with a 2% reduction from 75% to 73% in the first year of application followed by 1% annual reductions to bring the differential down to 65%. Rural 2 was unaltered, with the proposed differential phasing out evenly over 3 years.

It is noted that a neighbouring Council is considering using the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) primary producer status as a determining factor in their draft policy. As detailed in the Indigo Shire Council draft narrative the use of this is not without issues particularly given that the ATO does not issue documentary evidence as to primary producer status. At the same time, if Council were prepared to recognise this limitation, and be prepared to structure alternative ATO based measures to determine primary producer status, this may overcome a number of reservations around the 'Campaspe model' of farm land determination. The neighbouring Council is seeking to base their strategy on the use of the *farm land* definition within the meaning of Section 2(1) of the Valuation of Land Act 1960 paragraphs (a) & (b) and an additional determinant being a primary producer as evidenced by a current ATO tax assessment. A further option is to recognise the limitations around the existing land size only determinant and use this (status quo) as the measure to apply rural or farm rating differential. Council has a number of options in this regard. There are pros and cons associated with each option that Council would need to consider.

The major disadvantage with the ATO measure is the lack of a clear cut ATO 'flag' that a person is a primary producer. The advantage of an ATO measure is that if a person is prepared to complete a statutory declaration as to primary producer status and provide various evidence of taxation assessment, it can provide an alternative measure to assess primary producer status. The major advantage with land size only for rural rating purposes is its administrative ease and simplicity. The major disadvantage of land size only as the determinant is that larger holdings may not be operated as farm land.

In relation to the trust for nature rebate, there was support for some form of capping to the rebate. The revised draft reflects an upper limit of 100Ha (previously 300Ha) which at the rate of \$5 Ha, would result in a maximum rebate of \$500 on any property. Council may also seek to apply a raw \$ amount as a maximum.

The revised draft has also reflected an altered description for what was the Waste Management Facility Charge. The name has altered to Waste Management and Environmental Charge to not only cover the transfer stations operation but also make provision for a charge component to cover (full or in part) future landfill rehabilitation costs.

Council has also received a submission from John Hammond dated 15 August 2010 regarding concerns over farm rating. A copy of the submission has been previously provided to all Councillors.

### KEY IMPLICATIONS

**Risk Management implications:** Whatever rating strategy differential is applied, Council needs to be able to effectively operate and administer any differential agreed. Any differential/s settled on should be clear and concise to ensure workability and that equity principles can be met.

**Legislative / Regulatory implications:** Council must ensure compliance with various matters pursuant to S161 of the Local Government Act 1989.

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Environmental implications: Provision by way of support of a trust for nature rebate has been factored into the strategy. The rebate structure in the draft strategy should be reviewed annually.

### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The financial implications on Council of any agreed rating strategy are minimal.

The rating strategy is concerned with the apportionment of a Council determined rating burden across the ratepayer property base and as such the financial implications have a direct impact on property owners.

### POLICY IMPLICATIONS

From a policy perspective, agreement on a rating strategy gives some basis, framework and justification on what Council sees as appropriate structures for the collection of what is a substantial income stream to Council.

The strategy should not be 'locked in' and should be reviewed annually to ensure it is meeting the changing needs of the Council and the community.

The draft policy is centred on differential rating. Councillors are encouraged to consider the various requirements under the LGA89 with regard differential rating.

### COMMUNICATION

At the Council Community Forum at Kergunyah 17 August 2010 there was discussion around the need to have any further draft made available for community consultation. Council may seek to prepare a communications strategy that provides opportunity for further community engagement and input. Some form of reference group may also be established to review the draft and make comment prior to Council further consideration and adoption of the strategy.

### CONCLUSION

The version of the Indigo Shire Draft Rating Strategy dated 10 September 2010 is attached to this report.

Attachment:  
Indigo Shire Draft Rating Strategy version 10 September 2010

**10.2 RUTHERGLEN GOLD BATTERY SECTION 86 COMMITTEE**

**File No.: 10/1576 – Leanne Bussell – Economic Development Officer**

**For Decision**

**RECOMMENDATION**

**That the Rutherglen Gold Battery Section 86 Committee membership be confirmed as comprising of the following people:**

<b>Chair</b>	<b>Ian Stones</b>
<b>Deputy Chair</b>	<b>Barry Deas</b>
<b>Secretary</b>	<b>Judy Harrison</b>
<b>Committee</b>	<b>Don Chambers, Graeme Price, Alan McCluskey, Georgina James, Gary Sanders and a Council elected member (Peter Graham)</b>

**That the Special Instrument of delegation be updated as follows:**

**Item 3.1 be changed from:**

**The Committee shall consist of at least four (4) but not more than eight (8) members and may include one member nominated by the Rutherglen Community Services Advisory Committee and one member nominated by the Rutherglen Wine Region Tourism Inc.**

**To**

**The Committee shall consist of at least four (4) but not more than eight (8) members and may include one member nominated by Destination Rutherglen.**

**Item 4.3 be changed from:**

**The terms of office shall expire at the Annual Statutory meeting of the Council held in March each year.**

**To**

**The terms of office shall expire in three years from the date of the Council resolution to appoint the Committee of Management.**

**Moved: Cr Goldsworthy**

**Seconded: Cr Murdoch**

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**Deputy Chair Barry Deas**

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**Unanimously Carried**

### INTRODUCTION

The Section 86 committee responsible for the Rutherglen Gold Battery was inactive for a number of years. At the November 11 2009 meeting of the Indigo Shire Council, a resolution was passed to confirm the representatives on that committee. The battery committee has requested additional members, Alan McCluskey and Graeme Price, be appointed by Council to the Committee.

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### BACKGROUND

The 'battery committee' were originally established to maintain the battery with the intention of operating the battery as a going concern. Since that time and with the renewed interest in the battery as a tourist attraction it is proposed that the battery be refurbished, and in consultation with Heritage Victoria and the Indigo Shire Council Heritage Advisor, the building be modified to allow visitors to view the battery both as a static display and in an operational mode.

The battery was granted a temporary planning permit to operate for the Rutherglen 150<sup>th</sup> Celebrations. As this permit was only temporary, a development plan is now required to be drafted and submitted for approval to operate on an ongoing basis.

### KEY IMPLICATIONS

Council resources are required to assist in the preparation of the development plan. This will be assigned to the Economic Development Project Officer when appointed under the Local Skills Partnership grant funding agreement. The grant funding needs to be approved and issued, a Project Officer recruited and the development plan drafted. This means the process to issue a permit may take up to 6 to 12 months.

### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

A grant application for the gold trail has been submitted to RDV. This incorporates \$57,000 funding for the gold battery. This will allow for the development of the battery in line with the Committees proposal.

### POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications to note.

### COMMUNICATION

Council will be working with the Committee to assist wherever possible and expedite the process.

### CONCLUSION

The Instrument of Delegation for the Rutherglen Gold Battery section 86 committee should be modified to reflect the existing operations of the Committee.

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**10.3 MAYORAL AND COUNCILLOR ALLOWANCES – ANNUAL ADJUSTMENT FACTOR**

File No.: 09/735 – Jo Riley – Manager Governance and Risk

For Decision

**RECOMMENDATION**

That based on approval by the Victorian Minister for Local Government and in accordance with Section 73B of the *Local Government Act 1989* (“LGA”) the Mayoral and Councillor allowances be increased by the regulated annual adjustment factor as follows:

	<b>CURRENT ALLOWANCE</b>	<b>ANNUAL INCREASE</b>	<b>NEW ANNUAL ALLOWANCE</b>
Mayor	\$49,610	\$1,488	\$51,098
Councillors	\$16,605	\$498	\$17,103

**Moved: Cr Issell**  
**Seconded: Cr Graham**

That based on approval by the Victorian Minister for Local Government and in accordance with Section 73B of the *Local Government Act 1989* (“LGA”) the Mayoral and Councillor allowances be increased by the regulated annual adjustment factor as follows:

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**Carried**

<b>For:</b>	<b>Against:</b>
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<b>Cr Pockley</b>	
<b>Cr Croucher</b>	
<b>Cr Graham</b>	
<b>Cr Murdoch</b>	
<b>Cr Issell</b>	

### INTRODUCTION

This report advises the annual adjustment factor to apply to all Mayoral and Councillors allowances to be effective from 1 December 2010.

### BACKGROUND

Under Section 73B of the LGA, provision is made for an annual adjustment factor to be applied to Mayoral and Councillor allowances.

For 2010, an adjustment factor of 3% applies in line with movements in executive remuneration within the meaning of the *Public Administration Act 2004* announced by the Premier and published on the website of the State Services Authority.

The annual adjustment was approved by the Minister for Local Government on 11 August 2010 and published by notice in the Victorian Government Gazette on 26 August 2010.

### KEY IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The total increases applicable are:

- Mayor – increase of \$1,488.00
- Councillors – increase of \$498.00
- The annual total increase amount is \$4,476.00

### POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

### COMMUNICATION

Not applicable.

### CONCLUSION

That the increases be adopted as recommended.

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### 10.4 SALE OF COUNCIL INDUSTRIAL LAND AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AUTHORISATION TO SIGN AND SEAL TRANSFER OF LAND

File No.: 10/1572 - Leanne Bussell - Economic Development Officer

For Decision

#### RECOMMENDATION

The Chief Executive Officer or the person acting in the position of Chief Executive Officer may, on behalf of Council, affix the common seal of the Council to a transfer of land, being industrial land allotments sold pursuant to and in accordance with the Council resolution dated 13 July 2010.

That this authority ceases 24 months from this resolution, or earlier on the sale of the last of the various allotments detailed within the Council resolution dated 13 July 2010 or by Council resolution at any time prior to that date.

**Moved: Cr Goldsworthy  
Seconded: Cr Croucher**

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That this authority ceases 24 months from this resolution, or earlier on the sale of the last of the various allotments detailed within the Council resolution dated 13 July 2010 or by Council resolution at any time prior to that date.

**Unanimously Carried**

#### INTRODUCTION

At the Council meeting 13 July 2010, Council resolved to proceed with the sale of various allotments as follows:

- Steel Road Yackandandah – lots 1-3
- Railway Avenue Yackandandah – lots 2-5
- Kiewa- Bonegilla Road Tangambalanga – lots 1-8

#### BACKGROUND

The transfer of land process has the potential to be delayed if all transfers associated with sale of the industrial land allotments need come before Council for signing and sealing under common seal.

The above recommendation would authorise the Chief Executive Officer to sign and seal the various transfers of land pursuant to Section 45 Transfer of Land Act 1958.

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### KEY IMPLICATIONS

Legislative: In accordance with requirements under the Transfer of Land Act 1958 and the Local Government Act 1989.

### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial, policy or communication implications.

### CONCLUSION

The authorisation proposed is will ensure the transfer of Land process for the various industrial land allotments is not delayed. The authority is limited to the previously considered industrial land and is for a set maximum period with the ability for Council to revoke this authority at any time.

**10.5 FINANCE REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2010**

**File No.: 09/646 – Frank Bonacci – Finance Manager**

**For Information**

At first glance, Council’s YTD Finances at the end of the first quarter (as at 30 September 2010) appear to reflect a significant unfavourable position versus the adopted budget. The profit and loss as at 30 September 2010 shows a YTD unfavourable variance of \$872k versus the YTD budget for the same period.

However, the variances are all timing related with the main cause of that variance being the late payment of the first instalment of the Victorian Grants Commission (VGC) Operating grant due to the recent federal government election. This payment of \$764k was due (and budgeted) to be paid in September but was not paid until October. A number of other timing related matters have contributed to the balance of this YTD variance and these are explained in more detail within the September Exception Report.

Following the completion of the September quarter, all budget managers provided updated forecasts to enable us to establish a revised year end forecast which allows us to compare where we now expect to end the year financial versus the full year budget. The result of that review is that the September quarter year end forecast is \$40k favourable to the full year budget. This is an indicative forecast update and another forecast review will be conducted following the completion of the December quarter and the results of that December forecast review will be put to Council at the February 2011 Council meeting to adopt as the mid year budget update.

In addition to the September Quarter Profit and Loss and Balance Sheet as at 30 September 2010, also attached to this report is the Department by Business Unit report as at 30 September 2010. Any variances (either YTD or year end forecast) greater than +/- \$10k are explained in the accompanying Exception Report.

Council’s Cash position as at the 30 September 2010 is \$3.8 million. This cash position is lower than the cash position we have enjoyed over the last 12 months and this lower balance reflects the impact on cash of the high level of capital works completion rates during 2009/10. The down side of this lower cash position is that we have had to revise downward our projected income for interest received for the year which is reflect within the accompanying attachments.

The YTD Capital works spend level as at the 30 September 2010 is \$1.24 million. While this is higher than the budget projection for this stage of the year, the YTD spend includes money spent against carry over capital work projects from 2009/10 of just over \$1 million.

Attachment:  
 Profit and Loss Report to September 2010  
 Department By Business Unit Report for September 2010  
 Balance Sheet as at 30 September 2010  
 Exception Report 30 September 2010  
 Cash & Investment Report as at 30 September 2010

## 11.0 SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES

### 11.1 PANEL REPORT: PLANNING SCHEME AMENDMENT C24 – PLANNING SCHEME REVIEW

File No.: E1240-24 SSP - Katie Rizzuto - Manager Planning and Sustainable Development

For Decision

#### RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Considers that the proposal will not have a significant effect on the transport system as defined under the Transport Integration Act 2010.
2. Adopts the revised MSS as part of Amendment C24 to the Indigo Planning Scheme, in accordance with Sect 29 of the Planning and Environment Act 1987.

**Moved: Cr Goldsworthy  
Seconded: Cr Murdoch**

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2. Adopts the revised MSS as part of Amendment C24 to the Indigo Planning Scheme, in accordance with Sect 29 of the Planning and Environment Act 1987.

**Unanimously Carried**

#### INTRODUCTION

Councillors will recall a report presented to them on 8 June 2010 regarding the adoption of Amendment C24 to the Indigo Planning Scheme which introduces the revised Municipal Strategic Statement (MSS) to the Indigo Planning Scheme. That report also identified changes to the exhibited amendment as suggested by the independent Panel. Council resolved to adopt the amendment with the changes as reported.

Since that time the State Government released State Amendment VC71 which amended all planning schemes in Victoria. The amendment made changes to the structure of the State Planning Policy Framework (SPPF), including new themes to accommodate new emerging State policies, improve policy expression and help strengthen its links with the Local Planning Policy Framework (LPPF).

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As a result, the structure of Council's Local Planning Policy Framework (LPPF), including the Municipal Strategic Statement, must also change, as the two are intrinsically linked and provide local expression to the SPPF. The changes required apply to the format of the MSS only, not the content.

To ensure cross-referencing is accurate and to avoid having the MSS rejected by DPCD upon submission to the Minister for approval, it was considered that a revised MSS that accords with the new format at this stage would prevent further delay to the process, and as such the re-formatted MSS is now presented to Councillors for adoption (See Attachment A).

In addition to the above, from the 1 July 2010, the Transport Integration Act 2010 (TIA) needs to be considered by the planning authority when making a decision on an amendment. Consequently, despite Council's adoption of the amendment on 8 June 2010, it is now also necessary to make a decision as to whether or not the proposal will have a significant impact on the 'transport system' which means all the components which make up the system for the movement of persons and goods. This is because a planning authority is an 'Interface Body' under the TIA.

Finally, the amendment mapping has been finalised and is presented for Councillor's information (Attachment B).

### DISCUSSION

Section 12A(1) of the Planning & Environment Act requires every council to prepare an MSS. The MSS must further the objectives of planning in Victoria and contain:

- the strategic planning objectives of the council;
- the strategies for achieving the objectives; and
- a general explanation of the relationship between the objectives and strategies and the controls on the use and development of land in the planning scheme.

The MSS should be continually refined as the council develops and revises its strategic direction, hence the need to undertake periodic reviews.

The revised structure of the MSS is considered to provide clearer, more concise direction for the planning scheme. Clear and unambiguous guidelines benefit all of those involved in the planning process.

Having regard to the new requirements to consider the TIA when making a decision, the proposals as part of Amendment C24 include broad Strategies and Objectives relating to the improvement of recreational linkages within and between townships, however it is considered that such strategic statements will not have a significant effect on the transport system.

### CONCLUSION

Amendment C24, adopted by Council on 8 June 2010 has afforded council and the community the opportunity to refresh those elements of the Planning Scheme that are effectively local in nature.

The alterations to the MSS from those previously adopted are required as a result of the new format SPPF and consist of re-formatting the existing information. They do not change the strategic direction for the Shire, but clarify, simplify and focus on the quintessential elements that need to be considered in the development approvals decision-making process.



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The proposed alterations similarly do not have a significant effect on the transport system in the Indigo Shire.

Attachments:  
A: Revised MSS  
B: Revised C24 mapping

**11.2 NEIGHBOURHOOD SAFER PLACES – PLACES OF LAST RESORT**

File No.: 09/2498 - Mark Florence - General Manager Sustainable Communities

For Decision

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council:

- *Provisionally designate, subject to the approval of Department of Sustainability & Environment and the relevant Committees of Management, the Barnawartha Recreation Reserve Pavilion, Rutherglen Showgrounds Reserve Open Space, Sandy Creek Recreation Reserve Clubrooms; and*
- Designate the Tangambalanga Community Centre, as Neighbourhood Safer Place(s) – *Place(s) of Last Resort* during a Bushfire having considered:
  - the CFA Assessment(s) (refer Appendix 2) which assess the Neighbourhood Safer Place(s) – *Place(s) of Last Resort* as compliant with the CFA Fire Rating Guidelines; and
  - the assessment of the Neighbourhood Safer Place(s) – *Place(s) of Last Resort* in accordance with the criteria detailed in the *Municipal Neighbourhood Safer Places Plan*;
- Establish and maintain the Neighbourhood Safer Place(s) in accordance with the requirements of the Municipal Neighbourhood Safer Places Plan;
- Record the designated Neighbourhood Safer Place(s) in the Municipal Fire Prevention Plan in accordance with section 55A(2)(ca) of the Country Fire Authority Act 1958 and in the Municipal Emergency Management Plan in accordance with section 20(2)(ba)(i) of the Emergency Management Act 1986;
- Note that the Municipal Fire Prevention Officer will advise the CFA of the designation of the Neighbourhood Safer Place(s) – *Place(s) of Last Resort* as soon as practicable and note that the Municipal Fire Prevention Officer is required to provide to the CFA, by 30 September in each year, an up-to-date list of all designated Neighbourhood Safer Places in the municipality; and
- Communicate to the public:
  - the designation of the Neighbourhood Safer Place(s) - *Place(s) of Last Resort*;
  - that the purpose of the Neighbourhood Safer Place(s) - *Place(s) of Last Resort* is to provide some protection from the effects of radiant heat during the passage of a bushfire;
  - that there is no guarantee of safety or survival at the Neighbourhood Safer Place(s) - *Place(s) of Last Resort* or travelling to the Neighbourhood Safer Place(s) - *Place(s) of Last Resort*;
  - Neighbourhood Safer Places - *Place(s) of Last Resort* may not have the capacity to cater for special needs; and there will be no support services (food or drink, material aid) or provision for pets; and
  - that the use of a Neighbourhood Safer Place(s) - *Place(s) of Last Resort* should only be contemplated when all other bushfire plans have failed.

Moved: Cr Goldsworthy  
 Seconded: Cr Croucher

That Council:

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  - *that the purpose of the Neighbourhood Safer Place(s) - Place(s) of Last Resort is to provide some protection from the effects of radiant heat during the passage of a bushfire;*
  - *that there is no guarantee of safety or survival at the Neighbourhood Safer Place(s) - Place(s) of Last Resort or travelling to the Neighbourhood Safer Place(s) - Place(s) of Last Resort;*
  - *Neighbourhood Safer Places - Place(s) of Last Resort may not have the capacity to cater for special needs; and there will be no support services (food or drink, material aid) or provision for pets; and*
  - *that the use of a Neighbourhood Safer Place(s) - Place(s) of Last Resort should only be contemplated when all other bushfire plans have failed.*

**Unanimously Carried**

### INTRODUCTION

In its Interim Report, the Victorian Bushfire Royal Commission recommended that neighbourhood safer places, or NSPs, be identified and established to provide persons in bushfire affected areas with a place of last resort during a bushfire.

In response to this recommendation, the Victorian Government has introduced the Emergency Services Legislation Amendment Act 2009 which amends the Country Fire Authority Act 1958 and the Emergency management Act 1986. The effect of these amendments will be to require the Country Fire Authority to certify NSPs against the CFA's Fire Rating Criteria, and Victoria's Councils to identify, designate, establish and maintain suitable places as NSPs in their municipal districts.

### BACKGROUND

NSPs are not community fire refuges or emergency relief centres. NSPs are **places of last resort** during the passage of a bushfire, and are intended to be used by persons whose primary bushfire plans have failed. NSPs are places of relative safety only. They do not guarantee the survival of those who assemble there. Furthermore, there may be serious risks to safety encountered in travelling, and seeking access, to NSPs during bushfire events. Depending on the direction of a particular fire, it may not be a safer place to assemble than other places within the municipal district. NSPs will be assessed by the CFA as providing some protection from immediate risk of direct fire attack.

NSPs can be open space areas or buildings, and are assessed against specific criteria by the CFA, including distance from vegetation, and capacity to withstand levels of radiant heat. Council assessment is against additional criteria which includes issues, of access and egress, defendability, maintenance, signage, alternative uses, and others.

Further to the report on NSPs presented to Council at the meeting of 27<sup>th</sup> January 2010 an additional 12 sites have been referred to the CFA for assessment against the CFA NSP criteria.

These sites include:

- Tangambalanga Community Centre
- Tangambalanga Oval
- Sandy Creek Recreation Reserve Clubrooms
- Sandy Creek Recreation Reserve Oval
- Rutherglen Showgrounds Open Space
- Barnawartha Sports Ground Pavilion
- Barnawartha Sports Ground Oval
- AE Henderson Pavilion High St. Rutherglen
- Barkly Park Recreation Reserve Clubrooms Rutherglen
- Barkly Park Recreation Reserve Open Space Rutherglen
- Wahgunyah Recreation Reserve Oval
- Wahgunyah Recreation Reserve Clubrooms

The CFA assessment identified the:

- Tangambalanga Community Centre
- Sandy Creek Recreation Reserve Clubrooms
- Rutherglen Showgrounds Open Space
- Barnawartha Sports Ground Pavilion

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- AE Henderson Pavilion High St. Rutherglen
- Barkly Park Recreation Reserve Clubrooms Rutherglen
- Barkly Park Recreation Reserve Open Space Rutherglen

as compliant with the CFA Guidelines (Oct 2009).

The sites and CFA assessments were referred to Council for consideration by Council's Municipal Emergency Management Planning Committee (MEMPC) against the criteria set out in Councils Municipal Neighbourhood Safer Places Plan. The MEMPC, which comprises representatives from the CFA, SES, Police, DSE, and Council, considered the sites and CFA assessments at its meeting on August 23rd 2010 and recommended the following site be designated by Indigo Council as NSPs. This facility is on Council land with a Council appointed Committee of Management.

Tangambalanga Community Centre

The MEMPC also recommended that Council provisionally designate the following sites as NSP's subject to a satisfactory agreement being signed between Council and the DSE as each of these sites are located on Crown Land Reserves under the control of DSE appointed Committees of Management. Discussions with the MAV have indicated that a model agreement, that can be used by Council's, is being developed by them in conjunction with the DSE and as soon as this is available it will be provided for signing by both Council and the DSE Regional Office. Agreements will also need to be signed between Council and the relevant Committee of Management. Preliminary discussions with relevant Committees of Management have indicated their support for the establishment of NSPs.

Sandy Creek Recreation Reserve Clubrooms  
Rutherglen Showgrounds Open Space  
Barnawartha Sports Ground Pavilion

The Barkly Park Recreation Reserve Clubrooms and the Barkly Park Recreation Reserve Open Space and the AE Henderson Pavilion were not recommended by the MEMPC due to the view that the Rutherglen Showgrounds Open Space provided sufficient area in a central location. It was considered that there was no need for Rutherglen to have 3 NSPs designated.

### KEY IMPLICATIONS

The most significant implication of the identification and designation of NSPs is the additional measure available to the community in the event of an emergency bushfire situation. It is critical however, that every effort be made to ensure that the community is fully aware that NSPs are **places of last resort** and will not guarantee safety or survival. By identifying and designating NSPs, Council takes on a responsibility to not only have the NSPs ready for use, but in communicating the locations and the message of last resort.

The identification, assessment, designation and maintenance of NSPs is now part of the business of Council. Therefore, Councils insurance policies will continue to apply to NSP activities in the same way it responds to the other business of Council; subject to the same requirements, restrictions and limitations that currently apply.

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### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Council staff have been closely involved in assessing and recommending NSPs; but the real cost to Council will be in the seasonal preparation of these facilities for their possible emergency use. Actual costs have not yet been calculated.

### POLICY IMPLICATIONS

The identification and designation of NSPs is consistent with the recommendations of the Victorian Bushfire Royal Commission, the direction of the Municipal Neighbourhood Safer Places Plan, and community expectation.

The adoption of the NSPs also responds to Council Plan objective 4.2 to Provide a safe environment for our community.

### CONCLUSION

The identification and assessment of the NSPs has been thorough and based on sound criteria. The designation of the NSPs is an important element of Council's response to emergency bushfire events, and offers the community in high bushfire risk areas, an emergency option as a last resort.

### **11.3 CHILTERN INDUSTRIAL LAND**

**File No.: Katie Rizzuto - Manager Planning and Sustainable Development**

#### **For Information**

As per the Notice of Motion at the September 2010 Meeting of Council, a grant application is currently being prepared for consideration by Regional Development Victoria (RDV) to seek funding to undertake the Chiltern Development Framework Plan.

If the application is successful Council will work with the community on this project to provide an integrated framework plan for Chiltern, this will seek to establish and maintain a healthy, vibrant and resilient community based on appropriate and timely infrastructure and service provision as well as the appropriate and equitable spatial distribution of land uses and land based amenities.

This will include scoping out and understanding the future growth and development trends and needs for the community, including the future location of Industrial zoned land.

It is anticipated that this grant application will be ready for the consideration of RDV in November 2010.

**Moved: Cr Murdoch  
Seconded: Cr Issell**

**That a report be brought back to the February Council Meeting with an update into the investigation of industrial land in Chiltern.**

**Unanimously Carried**

## **12.0 MAJOR PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS**

### **12.1 10 YEAR WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN**

**File No.: 09/1087 - Mark Greene - Civil Works/Waste Management Officer /  
Andre Kompler - General Manager Major Projects & Programs**

**For Decision**

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

- 1. Council continue to expand the Domestic Waste/ Recycle/ Green Waste collection service to include further developed urban and rural areas to maximise the use of the service and provide an efficient, clean and cost effective collection service for ratepayers.**
- 2. Council change the Rural Area exemption conditions from the current waste/recycle collection service to include the provision of a recycle collection, by a Council recognised recycling collection contractor, as from the commencement of the next Domestic Waste/ Recycle/ Green Waste contract in July 2012.**
- 3. Council consider the introduction of a domestic combined green organics/food organics collection service at the commencement of the next waste/recycle/green waste contract in July 2012 dependant on the results of the trial being undertaken by the Indigo Shire Council, City of Wodonga, Towong Shire Council and Cleanaway.**
- 4. Council continue to support community education programs that promote the reduction in the volume of waste to landfill and maximise the volume of recyclables collected.**
- 5. Council continue to include the servicing of street and park bins as part of the domestic waste/recycle collection contract recognising that the extent of this service will be subject to review in the 2010/2011 financial year however after a shire wide review of the number and location of all street and park bins, where necessary the number of bins may be removed, relocated or increased as deemed appropriate by Council staff.**
- 6. Council allow for the replacement of all street bin surrounds in Rutherglen and Wahgunyah in the next 2-4 years. Other townships to be evaluated for bin surround replacement in the period between 2020/2030.**
- 7. That Council adopt the following program for further investigation and the rehabilitation of the Beechworth, Chiltern, Rutherglen and Wahgunyah former landfill sites including timelines and costs.**

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Year	2011/2012	2012/2013	2013/2014	2014/2015	2015/2016
<b>Site</b>					
Beechworth	\$19,000	\$20,000	\$435,000	\$10,000	
Chiltern	\$4,000	\$20,000			\$220,000
Rutherglen	\$5,000			\$210,000	
Wahgunyah		\$25,000			\$205,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$28,000</b>	<b>\$65,000</b>	<b>\$435,000</b>	<b>\$220,000</b>	<b>\$425,000</b>

*Note: The figures in the table above are based on present day costs and make no allowance for inflation.*

8. Council post an expense of \$1.173 million in the 2010/11 financial year or other amount agreed with the external auditors as deemed necessary to create a provision / liability which reflects the constructive obligation to rehabilitate these landfill sites.
  
9. Council develop a program for the construction of a permanent transfer station facility in Beechworth.
  
10. That Council continue to participate in waste/recycle education programs, and other projects, that may become available as a means of affirming Council's commitment to recycling, waste minimisation and community education regarding the same.
  
11. That Council endorse provision of a free hard waste disposal opportunity for residents once every two years at centralised locations to be determined at the time.
  
12.
  - a. Council officers to request authorisation from the Minister of Planning, as required by the Planning and Environment Act 1987 to commence with the preparation of an amendment to the Indigo Planning Scheme to introduce the Environmental Audit Overlay over former landfill sites located at Beechworth, Chiltern, Rutherglen, Wahgunyah and Yackandandah.
  
  - b. Pending the outcome of item 13a, Council officers to commence with the preparation and exhibition of an amendment to the Indigo Planning Scheme which proposes to introduce the Environmental Audit Overlay over former landfill sites located at Beechworth, Chiltern, Rutherglen, Wahgunyah and Yackandandah.

**Moved: Cr Goldsworthy**

**Seconded: Cr Croucher**

1. Council continue to expand the Domestic Waste/ Recycle/ Green Waste collection service to include further developed urban and rural areas to maximise the use of the service and provide an efficient, clean and cost effective collection service for ratepayers.
2. Council change the Rural Area exemption conditions from the current waste/recycle collection service to include the provision of a recycle collection, by a Council recognised recycling collection contractor, as from the commencement of the next Domestic Waste/ Recycle/ Green Waste contract in July 2012.
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5. Council allow for the replacement of all street bin surrounds in Rutherglen and Wahgunyah in the next 2-4 years. Other townships to be evaluated for bin surround replacement in the period between 2020/2030.
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8. Council develop a program for the construction of a permanent transfer station facility in Beechworth.
9. That Council continue to participate in waste/recycle education programs, and other projects, that may become available as a means of affirming Council's commitment to recycling, waste minimisation and community education regarding the same.
10. That Council endorse provision of a free hard waste disposal opportunity for residents once every year at centralised locations to be determined at the time.
11.
  - a. Council officers to request authorisation from the Minister of Planning, as required by the Planning and Environment Act 1987 to commence with the preparation of an amendment to the Indigo Planning Scheme to introduce the Environmental Audit Overlay over former landfill sites located at Beechworth, Chiltern, Rutherglen, Wahgunyah and Yackandandah.
  - b. Pending the outcome of item 11a, Council officers to commence with the preparation and exhibition of an amendment to the Indigo Planning Scheme which proposes to introduce the Environmental Audit Overlay over former landfill sites located at Beechworth, Chiltern, Rutherglen, Wahgunyah and Yackandandah.

**Unanimously Carried**

**Moved: Cr Murdoch  
Seconded: Cr Issell**

**That Council investigate a way to make available hard waste disposal services to those people unable to access hard waste through age or disability.**

**Unanimously Carried**

INTRODUCTION

This report is to provide Council with the history of, and future direction for, the management of waste/recycling for the next 10 years.

It covers areas including:

- Domestic waste/recycle/green waste collection (annexure 1)
- Street bin and park collection (annexure 2)
- Transfer Stations/Landfills (annexure 3)
- External waste contracts (annexure 4)
- Waste/recycling education and promotion (annexure 5)
- Hard Waste (annexure 6)

BACKGROUND

The Council Plan 2010-13 requires the development and implementation of a 10 Year Waste Management Report to be prepared. This report provides the background information and suggested recommendations for Council to consider.

KEY IMPLICATIONS

**Risk Management**

Council has an obligation to the community to provide an efficient, cost effective and environmentally sound waste management service. This includes the risk that closed landfill sites pose to the community. The risk is generally provided by the infiltration of water through the top of the landfill that then permeates through the waste and potentially contaminating groundwater and generating contaminated leachate.

**Legislative**

All four remaining former landfill sites are classified, under EPA Guidelines, as un-licensed. An un-licensed landfill is one that has served a population of less than 5,000 people. More stringent conditions are placed on the operation and rehabilitation of licensed landfill sites by the EPA.

EPA abide by the principal of “Polluter Pays” and accordingly Council has a responsibility to mitigate the risk from a former landfill site including limiting the infiltration of water, contaminated leachate discharge and groundwater pollution.

The Environment Protection Act 1970, publication, Waste Management Policy (Siting, Design and Management of Landfills) 2004, Clause 17 requires the Authority to work with municipal councils and regional waste management groups in the strategic management of unlicensed landfill sites. This will include the development of a guideline to assist operators to improve the operation and rehabilitation at these sites, to ensure the environment and community are protected and that the objectives, principles, and intent of the policy are met.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The financial implications for each of the Officers 13 comments are detailed below.

OFFICERS COMMENT NO.	FINANCIAL IMPLICATION
1	Expansion of this service should be cost neutral and will be accounted for in normal budget operations. Increase in the numbers of residents using the service will result in an increase in income and a corresponding increase in expenditure.
2	This may result in an increase in the number of services provided and will include an increase in the income received with a corresponding increase in expenditure. Likely to provide net increase in revenue of approximately \$1,000 pa
3	This will be accounted for in normal budget preparations if and when the service is introduced. If the recommendation is adopted, it may provide savings of approximately \$5,000 pa as a result of reduce green waste collection charges due to higher volume levels.
4	Nominal financial implications
5	Replacement of these surrounds will need to be included in future Capital Works programs at a cost of approximately \$30,000
6	The financial implication is defined in item 7 below.
7	The impact will be significant in the 2010/11 financial year. The take up of an additional \$1.173 million expense will reduce the Operating Result and Underlying Position by almost \$2 million in 2009/10 with smaller additional take ups each year until the landfill rehabilitation program is complete
8	A new transfer station facility at Beechworth will need to be included in future Capital Works programs at a cost of approximately \$450,000
9	Nominal financial implications
10	Reducing Hard Waste collection to once every two years would save Council \$45,000 every two years
11	Fees in the vicinity of \$3,000, payable to Department of Planning and Community Development would be required and would need to be included in forward budget considerations

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TABLE: SUMMARY OF PRIORITY PLAN, TIMEFRAME AND INDICATIVE COSTS

SITE	RECOMMENDED ACTION	PRIORITY BASED ON LEVEL OF RISK	IMPLEMENTATION TIMEFRAME	INDICATIVE COST
Beechworth	Land Fill Gas (LFG) emissions testing	High due to medium on-site and off-site LFG risk	Within 12 months	\$8,000 if combined with Rutherglen
Beechworth	Prepare conceptual site model of LFG migration pathways	High due to medium LFG risks	Within 12 months	\$4,000
Beechworth	Regrade entire site and rehabilitate with suitable cap to EPA requirements	High due to medium surface water and groundwater risks	Within 3 years	\$410,000
Beechworth	Conduct monitoring of existing groundwater monitoring bores	Medium due to medium surface water and groundwater risks	1 monitoring round within 12 months. 2 monitoring events within 2 years	\$10,000
Beechworth	Install LFG monitoring bores, monitor program and update risk assessment	Medium due to medium off-site LFG risk	Depends on the outcomes of LFG testing and conceptual site models	\$15 – \$20,000 per site. Less if combined with Chiltern
Chiltern	Prepare conceptual site model of LFG migration pathways	High due to medium LFG risks	Within 12 months	\$4,000
Chiltern	Install LFG monitoring bores, monitor program and update risk assessment	Medium due to medium off-site LFG risk	Depends on the outcomes of LFG testing and conceptual site models	\$15 – \$20,000 per site. Less if combined with Beechworth
Chiltern	Regrade entire site and rehabilitate with suitable cap to EPA requirements	High due to medium surface water and groundwater risks	<u>Within 5 years</u>	\$210,000

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SITE	RECOMMENDED ACTION	PRIORITY BASED ON LEVEL OF RISK	IMPLEMENTATION TIMEFRAME	INDICATIVE COST
Rutherglen	LFG emissions testing	High due to medium on-site and off-site LFG risk	Within 12 months	\$8,000 if combined with Beechworth
Rutherglen	Regrade entire site and rehabilitate with suitable cap to EPA requirements	Medium to maintain low risk	Within 5 years	\$210,000
Wahgunyah	Install groundwater monitoring bores monitor and update risk assessment	Medium due to medium surface water and groundwater risks	Within 3 years	\$15 - \$20,000
Wahgunyah	Regrade entire site and rehabilitate with suitable cap to EPA requirements	Medium to maintain low risk	Within 5 years	\$205,000

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

The development and implementation of a 10 Year Waste Management Strategy is identified in the Council Plan 2009-12.

COMMUNICATION

Public consultation may need to be undertaken in relation to Recommendations 2, 3 & 11 at the appropriate times.

CONCLUSION

Council is asked to consider this report and adopt the recommendations above

Attachments:  
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**13.0 GOVERNANCE**

**13.1 COUNCIL ADVISORY COMMITTEES & ASSEMBLY OF COUNCILLORS REPORT**

File No.: 09/1177 - Jo Riley - Manager Governance & Risk

For Decision

**RECOMMENDATION**

1. That the following Advisory Committee Minutes be received and noted by Council. Note: all Minutes listed below are unconfirmed unless specified.

<b>Committee</b>	<b>Date of Meeting</b>
Indigo Tourism Advisory Committee	24 September 2010
Indigo Environmental Advisory Committee	Nil
Heritage Advisory Committee	16 September 2010
Arts & Cultural Advisory Committee	Nil
Disability Advisory Committee	19 October 2010
Finance Committee	6 October 2010
Audit Committee	Nil
Burke Museum & Historic Precinct Advisory Committee	13 October 2010

**2. That the following Advisory Committee resolutions be ratified by Council.**

<b>Committee</b>	<b>Resolution</b>	<b>Moved</b>	<b>Seconded</b>	<b>Officers Comments</b>
1. Indigo Tourism Advisory Committee	Last meeting Minutes confirmed.	Greg Porter	Lanie Donaldson	Nil.
2. Indigo Tourism Advisory Committee	Council to approach Tourism Victoria and VicRoads to install a sign from Wodonga to Beechworth within two months.	Bill Bell	Greg Porter	Can be done.
3. Indigo Tourism Advisory Committee	It be considered that the \$1000 festival funding be allocated toward the Chiltern Ironbark Festival dependent on an application form being received and considered along with all other previous applications by the Chair and the Tourism Manager.	Cr Bernard Gaffney	Bill Bell	Nil.
4. Heritage Advisory Committee	Confirmation of previous minutes. Previous minutes accepted with the following noted: <i>The August Minutes have been amended to include a resolution passed at the July Meeting to have an independent assessment of the stone bridge in Yackandandah carried out in view of the apparent damage caused by heavy vehicular traffic.</i>	Cr Ali Pockley	Cr Larry Goldsworthy	Nil.
5. Finance Committee	That the Minutes of committee meeting 7 July 2010, with changes agreed, be confirmed	Cr Barbara Murdoch	Cr Larry Goldsworthy	Nil.

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Committee	Resolution	Moved	Seconded	Officers Comments
6. Finance Committee	That the Minutes of committee meeting 4 August 2010 be confirmed	Cr Barbara Murdoch	Cr Larry Goldsworthy	Nil.
7. Burke Museum & Historic Precinct Advisory Committee	Acceptance of previous minutes note to be amended, Pam Davis-Jones was an attendee at the previous meeting	Lesley Milne	Margaret Turner	Nil.
8. Burke Museum and Historic Precinct Advisory Committee	John Baine recommended and accepted to the Advisory Committee	Pam Davis-Jones	Carole O'Neill	Nil.
9. Burke Museum and Historic Precinct Advisory Committee	<p>The Advisory Committee requests recommendation of and support for the following key issues and projects</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review of Collection Storage in the Burke Museum</li> <li>• Archaeological Survey/Project to be supported and resourced</li> <li>• Chinese Protectors Office to become an archive storage and research facility for the Public Records Office of Victoria</li> <li>• The Museum / Precinct require support and funding for extra staff in relation to the Educational and Public Programs facilities</li> </ul>	Chris Dormer	Lesley Milne	<p>The items or changes proposed should be supported by detailed and costed business case justification to support the advisory committee recommendations.</p> <p>There are no issues with the Advisory committee proposing additional budget resources to expand service provision to address the various recommendations contained in the Speirs report. What should occur for this to advance is the preparation of fully costed business case justification to support these items being considered at half year budget review or future year budgets. Expansion to existing Council service provision will come at a cost, and given limited funding availability, proposals to be funded will need to be carefully considered.</p> <p>Council is not in a position to ratify these resolutions</p>

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Committee	Resolution	Moved	Seconded	Officers Comments
				without the business case justification to detail the level of financial commitment that will be required to address the service expansions proposed.
10. Burke Museum and Historic Precinct Advisory Committee	For Council to fund and support Educational and Public Programs and to recognise the opportunities of educational tourism	Carole O'Neill	Margaret Turner	<p>The items or changes proposed should be supported by detailed and costed business case justification to support the advisory committee recommendations.</p> <p>There are no issues with the Advisory committee proposing additional budget resources to expand service provision to address the various recommendations contained in the Speirs report. What should occur for this to advance is the preparation of fully costed business case justification to support these items being considered at half year budget review or future year budgets. Expansion to existing Council service provision will come at a cost, and given limited funding availability, proposals to be funded will need to be carefully considered.</p> <p>Council is not in a position to ratify these resolutions without the business case justification to detail the level of financial commitment that will be required to address the service expansions proposed.</p>

3. That Council receive and note the attached records of Assembly's of Councillors.

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**Moved: Cr Goldsworthy**  
**Seconded: Cr Issell**

1. That the following Advisory Committee Minutes be received and noted by Council. Note: all Minutes listed below are unconfirmed unless specified]

Committee	Date of Meeting
Indigo Tourism Advisory Committee	24 September 2010
Indigo Environmental Advisory Committee	Nil
Heritage Advisory Committee	16 September 2010
Arts & Cultural Advisory Committee	Nil
Disability Advisory Committee	19 October 2010
Finance Committee	6 October 2010
Audit Committee	Nil
Burke Museum & Historic Precinct Advisory Committee	13 October 2010

Committee	Resolution	Moved	Seconded	Officers Comments
1. Indigo Tourism Advisory Committee	Last meeting Minutes confirmed.	Greg Porter	Lanie Donaldson	Nil.
2. Indigo Tourism Advisory Committee	<u>Council to approach Tourism Victoria and VicRoads to install a sign from Wodonga to Beechworth within two months.</u>	Bill Bell	Greg Porter	<u>Can be done.</u>
3. Indigo Tourism Advisory Committee	It be considered that the \$1000 festival funding be allocated toward the Chiltern Ironbark Festival dependent on an application form being received and considered along with all other previous applications by the Chair and the Tourism Manager.	Cr Bernard Gaffney	Bill Bell	Nil.
4. Heritage Advisory Committee	<u>Confirmation of previous minutes. Previous minutes accepted with the following noted: The August Minutes have been amended to include a resolution passed at the July Meeting to have an independent assessment of the stone bridge in Yackandandah carried out in view of the apparent damage caused by heavy vehicular traffic.</u>	Cr Ali Pockley	Cr Larry Goldsworthy	Nil.
5. Finance Committee	That the Minutes of committee meeting 7 July 2010, with changes agreed, be confirmed	Cr Barbara Murdoch	Cr Larry Goldsworthy	Nil.
6. Finance Committee	That the Minutes of committee meeting 4 August 2010 be confirmed	Cr Barbara Murdoch	Cr Larry Goldsworthy	Nil.

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Committee	Resolution	Moved	Seconded	Officers Comments
7. Burke Museum & Historic Precinct Advisory Committee	Acceptance of previous minutes note to be amended, Pam Davis-Jones was an attendee at the previous meeting	Lesley Milne	Margaret Turner	Nil.
8. Burke Museum and Historic Precinct Advisory Committee	John Baine recommended and accepted to the Advisory Committee	Pam Davis-Jones	Carole O'Neill	Nil.
9. Burke Museum and Historic Precinct Advisory Committee	<p>The Advisory Committee requests recommendation of and support for the following key issues and projects</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review of Collection Storage in the Burke Museum</li> <li>Archaeological Survey/Project to be supported and resourced</li> <li>Chinese Protectors Office to become an archive storage and research facility for the Public Records Office of Victoria</li> <li>The Museum / Precinct require support and funding for extra staff in relation to the Educational and Public Programs facilities</li> </ul>	Chris Dormer	Lesley Milne	<p>The items or changes proposed <u>should be supported</u> by detailed and costed business case justification to support the advisory committee recommendations.</p> <p>There are no issues with the Advisory committee proposing additional budget resources to expand service provision to address the various recommendations contained in the Speirs report. What should occur for this to advance is the preparation of fully costed business case justification to support these items being considered at half year budget review or future year budgets. Expansion to existing Council service provision will come at a cost, and given limited funding availability, proposals to <u>be funded</u> will need to be carefully considered.</p> <p>Council is not in a position to ratify these resolutions without the business case justification to detail the level of financial commitment that will be required to address the service expansions proposed.</p>

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**2. That the following Advisory Committee resolutions be ratified by Council.**

Committee	Resolution	Moved	Seconded	Officers Comments
11. Indigo Tourism Advisory Committee	It be considered that the \$1000 festival funding be allocated toward the Chiltern Ironbark Festival dependent on an application form being received and considered along with all other previous applications by the Chair and the Tourism Manager.	Cr Bernard Gaffney	Bill Bell	Nil.

**3. That Council receive and note the attached records of Assembly's of Councillors.**

**Unanimously Carried**

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### INTRODUCTION

A copy of the Minutes from the abovementioned meetings is appended to this Agenda.

Effective 24 September 2010 an amendment was made to the *Local Government Act 1989* (“LGA”) introducing a requirement that the written record of an assembly of Councillors must be reported to the next practicable Ordinary Meeting of Council and incorporated in the minutes of that Council Meeting. This amendment now removes the requirement for Council to make the Assembly of Councillors record available for public inspection.

### BACKGROUND

Please refer to the appended Minutes.

An assembly of Councillors is defined under Division 1A Section 76AA of the LGA as:

**assembly of Councillors** (however titled) means a meeting of an advisory committee of the Council, if at least one Councillor is present, or a planned or scheduled meeting of at least half of the Councillors and one member of Council staff which considers matters that are intended or likely to be:

- (a) the subject of a decision of the Council; or
- (b) subject to the exercise of a function, duty or power of the Council that has been delegated to a person or committee.

but does not include a meeting of the Council, a special committee of the Council, an audit committee established under section 139, a club, association, peak body, political party or other organisation;.

### KEY IMPLICATIONS

Address the following implications if applicable:

- Legislative – A report in Council’s monthly Ordinary Meeting agenda attaching the relevant assemblies of Councillors record is required in order to comply with the new requirements of Section 76AA and 80A of the LGA.

### COMMUNICATION

A new template has been created and will need to be completed at an Assembly of Councillors by the attending Council officer. The amendments to Section 76AA and 80A of the LGA relating to Assemblies of Councillors and the new template will be communicated via email to all staff and Councillors.

### CONCLUSION

The attached records are to be included in the Minutes of this Council Meeting.

Attachments:

- Minutes – Indigo Tourism Advisory Committee – 24 September 2010
- Minutes Indigo Heritage Advisory Committee – 16 September 2010
- Minutes – Indigo Disability Advisory Committee – 19 October 2010
- Minutes – Finance Committee – 6 October 2010
- Minutes – Burke Museum and Historic Precinct Advisory Committee – 13 October 2010
- Assemblies of Councillors records – 24 September – 25 October 2010
- Assembly of Councillors template

14.0 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil.

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### 15.0 COMMITTEE AND DELEGATES REPORTS (ALL ARE FOR INFORMATION ONLY)

#### 15.1 CR GAFFNEY - MAYOR

DATE	TIME	FUNCTION/EVENT	LOCATION
4-Oct	10am	Beechworth Historic & Cultural Precinct Volunteer Morning Tea	Beechworth
	2pm	Weekly Meeting with CEO	Beechworth
	7.30pm	Beechworth Neighbourhood Watch AGM	Beechworth
5-Oct	9am	Rutherglen Wine Board Meeting	Rutherglen
	2pm	Seniors Week Afternoon Tea	Rutherglen
	4pm	Councillor Workshop	Beechworth
6-Oct	4pm	Finance Committee Meeting	Beechworth
7-Oct	10.30am	Seniors Week Explore Beechworth & Lunch at The Old Priory	Beechworth
8-Oct	6pm	Tidy Towns Awards Welcoming Function	Beechworth
9-Oct	10.30am	Tidy Towns Awards Sustainability Expo	Beechworth
	6.30pm	Tidy Towns Awards Night	Beechworth
10-Oct	9am	Tidy Towns Awards Farewell Breakfast	Beechworth
	12pm	Rutherglen Farmers Market	Rutherglen
11-Oct	10am	Weekly Meeting with CEO	Beechworth
	7pm	Chiltern Quarry Public Meeting	Chiltern
12-Oct	2pm	Council Briefing Meeting	Tangambalanga
	3pm	Council Meeting	Tangambalanga
	6.30pm	Community Forum	Tangambalanga
13-Oct	1.15pm	Meeting with Candy Broad Member for Northern Victoria	Yackandandah
	7pm	Beechworth Community Support AGM	Beechworth
15-Oct	7pm	Chief Commissioners Ball	Melbourne
18-Oct	10am	Weekly Meeting with CEO	Beechworth
	4pm	Audit Committee Meeting	Beechworth
19-Oct	4pm	Council Briefing Meeting	Stanley
	6.30pm	Community Forum	Stanley
21-Oct	9.30am	MAV Annual Conference	Melbourne
	6.30pm	MAV Dinner	Melbourne
22-Oct	7.30am	Rural Councils Victoria Forum	Melbourne
	5pm	Rutherglen Lions Club Mayoral Civic	Rutherglen

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		Reception	
23-Oct	10am	Beechworth Uniting Church Rainbow Fair	Beechworth
	11.30am	Beechworth Neighbourhood Centre Presentation	Beechworth
24-Oct	10am	Chiltern Market	Chiltern
	11am	Chiltern Open Day	Chiltern
	2pm	Wooragee Culmination Project	Wooragee
25-Oct	11am	Meeting with Winemaker	Rutherglen
26-Oct	3pm	Neighbourhood Safer Places Meeting	Yackandandah
	4pm	Council Briefing Meeting	Yackandandah
	7pm	NSW Local Government Association Conference Dinner	Albury
27-Oct	7pm	Stanley Bushfire Meeting	Stanley
29-Oct	9am	Murray Darling Association Conference Information Session	Albury
	10am	Barnawartha Multipurpose Community Hall Funding Announcement	Barnawartha
	7pm	Premiere Strange Bed Fellows	Albury
30-Oct	10am	Volunteers Expo Workshops	Yackandandah
31-Oct	11.30am	Opening Chilterns Men's Shed	Chiltern

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### 15.2 CR POCKLEY - DEPUTY MAYOR

DATE	TIME	FUNCTION/EVENT	LOCATION
4-Oct	10am	Beechworth Historic & Cultural Precinct Volunteer Morning Tea	Beechworth
5-Oct	2pm	Seniors Week Afternoon Tea	Rutherglen
	4pm	Councillor Workshop	Beechworth
6-Oct	12pm	Community Lunch	Beechworth
7-Oct	10.30am	Seniors Week Explore Beechworth & Lunch at The Old Priory	Beechworth
8-Oct	9am	Welcome to Alpine Valleys Leadership Program	Yackandandah
	6pm	Tidy Towns Awards Welcoming Function	Beechworth
9-Oct	6.30pm	Tidy Towns Awards Presentation Night	Beechworth
11 Oct	5.30pm	Meeting with Constituent	Wahgunyah
11-Oct	7pm	Chiltern Quarry Public Meeting	Chiltern
12-Oct	2pm	Council Briefing Meeting	Tangambalanga
	3pm	Council Meeting	Tangambalanga
	6.30pm	Community Forum	Tangambalanga
13-Oct	2.30pm	AlpValleys Agribusiness Awards & Forum	Kergunyah
14-Oct	4.30pm	La Trobe University Jonathon Mann Memorial Pre- Lecture Function	Wodonga
15-Oct	5.30pm	Indigo Sustainability Awards Ceremony	Rutherglen
19-Oct	4pm	Council Briefing Meeting	Stanley
	6.30pm	Community Forum	Stanley
21-Oct	12.30pm	Rostrum	Albury
21-Oct	4pm	Indigo Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting	Yackandandah
	6pm	Freeman on Ford Official Opening	Beechworth
23-Oct	All Day	North East Pink Horse Ride for Breast Cancer	Everton to Murrumgee
	7.30pm	Yackandandah Folk Festival Music Trivia Night	Yackandandah
24-Oct	2pm	Culmination of Wooragee Hall Project	Wooragee
	11am	Chiltern Open Day	Chiltern
25-Oct	6.15pm	Beechworth Neighbourhood Centre Board Meeting	Beechworth
26-Oct	3pm	Neighbourhood Safer Places Meeting	Yackandandah
	4pm	Council Briefing Meeting	Yackandandah
28-Oct	4pm	Middle Indigo Primary School Market Fair	Indigo Valley

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	7pm	Yackandandah Community Education Network Committee Meeting	Yackandandah
29-Oct	9am	Murray Darling Association Conference Information Session	Albury
	6.30pm	Volunteers Dinner and Panel	Yackandandah
30-Oct	10am	Volunteers Expo Workshops	Yackandandah

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### 15.3 CR GRAHAM

DATE	TIME	FUNCTION/EVENT	LOCATION
4-Oct	10am	Beechworth Historic & Cultural Precinct Volunteer Morning Tea	Beechworth
5-Oct	4pm	Councillor Workshop	Beechworth
8-Oct	6pm	Tidy Towns Awards Welcoming Function	Beechworth
9-Oct	6.30pm	Tidy Towns Awards Presentation Night	Beechworth
11-Oct	8am	Association of Victoria Regional Waste Management Group Meeting	Melbourne
	7pm	Chiltern Quarry Public Meeting	Chiltern
12-Oct	2pm	Council Briefing Meeting	Tangambalanga
	6.30pm	Community Forum	Tangambalanga
13-Oct	2pm	Rutherglen Park Reserve Committee of Management Meeting	Rutherglen
14-Oct	8am	Meet with Legal Representatives	Melbourne
	12pm	Association of Victoria Regional Waste Management Group Forum	Melbourne
15-Oct	8am	Association of Victoria Regional Waste Management Group AGM	Melbourne
	8.30am	Association of Victoria Regional Waste Management Group General Meeting	Melbourne
18-Oct	1.30pm	Disability Advisory Committee Meeting	Yackandandah
	6pm	Rutherglen 150 <sup>th</sup> Committee Meeting	Rutherglen
	7.30pm	Rutherglen 150 <sup>th</sup> Committee Elections	Rutherglen
19-Oct	4pm	Council Briefing Meeting	Stanley
20-Oct	9am	nevRwaste Risk Management Forum	Wangaratta
21-Oct	9.30am	MAV Annual Conference	Melbourne
	6.30pm	MAV Dinner	Melbourne
22-Oct	7.30am	Rural Councils Victoria Forum	Melbourne
	5pm	Rutherglen Lions Club Mayoral Civic Reception	Rutherglen
23-Oct	8am	Rutherglen Lions Convention & Dinner	Rutherglen
24-Oct	7am	Rutherglen Lions Club Breakfast	Rutherglen
25-Oct	All Day	Veterans Affairs Meeting	Canberra
26-Oct	All Day	Veterans Affairs Meeting	Canberra
27-Oct	All Day	Veterans Affairs	Canberra
28-Oct	All Day	Veterans Affairs	Canberra



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29-Oct	9am	Murray Darling Association Conference Information Session	Albury
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**15.4 CR GOLDSWORTHY**

DATE	TIME	FUNCTION/EVENT	LOCATION
3-Oct	3pm	Heritage Precinct Tour & Discussion	Beechworth
5-Oct	4pm	Councillor Workshop	Beechworth
6-Oct	12pm	ISC Community Meal	Beechworth
	4pm	Finance Committee Meeting	Beechworth
8-Oct	6pm	Tidy Towns Welcoming Reception	Beechworth
9-Oct	6.30pm	Tidy Towns Awards Presentation Night	Beechworth
11-Oct	7pm	Chiltern Quarry Public Meeting	Chiltern
12-Oct	2pm	Council Briefing Meeting	Tangambalanga
	3pm	Council Meeting	Tangambalanga
	6.30pm	Community Forum	Tangambalanga
15-Oct	5.30pm	Sustainability Awards	Rutherglen
18-Oct	7.30pm	Municipal Fire Prevention Committee Meeting	Yackandandah
19-Oct	4pm	Council Briefing Meeting	Stanley
	6.30pm	Community Forum	Stanley
21-Oct	9.30am	MAV Annual Conference	Melbourne
	6.30pm	MAV Dinner	Melbourne
22-Oct	7.30am	Rural Councils Victoria Forum	Melbourne
	9.30am	MAV State Council Meeting	Melbourne
26-Oct	3pm	Neighbourhood Safer Places Meeting	Yackandandah
	4pm	Council Briefing Meeting	Yackandandah

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### 15.5 CR ISSELL

DATE	TIME	FUNCTION/EVENT	LOCATION
5-Oct	4pm	Councillor Workshop	Beechworth
6 Oct	5.30pm	Sustainability Awards meeting	Beechworth
9 Oct	11am	Sustainability Expo	Beechworth
11-Oct	7pm	Chiltern Public Quarry Meeting	Chiltern
12-Oct	2pm	Council Briefing Meeting	Tangambalanga
	3pm	Council Meeting	Tangambalanga
	6.30pm	Community Forum	Tangambalanga
13 Oct	6pm	EAC meeting	Beechworth
15-Oct	5.30pm	Indigo Sustainability Awards Ceremony	Rutherglen
21-Oct	9.30am	MAV Annual Conference	Melbourne
	6.30pm	MAV Dinner	Melbourne
22-Oct	7.30am	Rural Councils Victoria Forum	Melbourne
25 Oct	7pm	Indigo FM meeting	Beechworth
26-Oct	3pm	Neighbourhood Safer Places Meeting	Yackandandah
	4pm	Council Briefing Meeting	Yackandandah
27 Oct	7pm	Celtic Festival volunteers meeting	Beechworth
29 Oct	9am	Murray Darling Basin Meeting	Albury

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### 15.6 CR MURDOCH

DATE	TIME	FUNCTION/EVENT	LOCATION
5-Oct	4pm	Councillor Workshop	Beechworth
6-Oct	4pm	Finance Meeting	Beechworth
	7pm	Community Strengthening Meeting	Chiltern
7-Oct	12.15pm	The Australian Local Government Women's Association October Networking Lunch	Melbourne
	7pm	Victorian Local Government Association Leading Edge Forum	Melbourne
8-Oct	6pm	Tidy Towns Awards Welcoming Function	Beechworth
9-Oct	10.30am	Tidy Towns Awards Sustainability Expo	Beechworth
	6.30pm	Tidy Towns Awards Presentation Night	Beechworth
10-Oct	9am	Tidy Towns Awards Farewell Breakfast	Beechworth
	11am	Meeting with Constituent	Yackandandah
	1pm	Ironbark Festival	Chiltern
12-Oct	2pm	Council Briefing Meeting	Tangambalanga
	3pm	Council Meeting	Tangambalanga
	6.30pm	Community Forum	Tangambalanga
13-Oct	2pm	Rutherglen Reserve Committee Meeting	Rutherglen
15-Oct	5.30pm	Indigo Sustainability Awards Ceremony	Rutherglen
17-Oct	11pm	Rutherglen Show	Rutherglen
	1pm	Children's Fishing Competition	Chiltern
18-Oct	8am	Chiltern Tourist and Development Inc Meeting	Chiltern
	2.30pm	Indigo Shire Resilience Committee Meeting	Yackandandah
	4.30pm	Audit Committee Meeting	Beechworth
19-Oct	7pm	Indigo North Health AGM	Chiltern
20-Oct	7pm	Community Strengthening Meeting	Chiltern
21-Oct	6pm	Freeman on Ford Official Opening	Beechworth
23-Oct	All Day	Chiltern Open Day	Chiltern
24-Oct	All Day	Chiltern Open Day	Chiltern
26-Oct	3pm	Neighbourhood Safer Places Meeting	Yackandandah
26-Oct	4pm	Council Briefing Meeting	Yackandandah
29-Oct	9am	Murray Darling Association Conference Information Session	Albury

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	10am	Barnawartha Multipurpose Community Hall Funding Announcement	Barnawartha
	6pm	Volunteer Workshop Dinner	Yackandandah
30-Oct	9am	Chiltern Lions Youth of the Year	Chiltern
31-Oct	11.30am	Opening Men's Shed	Chiltern

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### 15.7 CR CROUCHER

DATE	TIME	FUNCTION/EVENT	LOCATION
5-Oct	10.30am	Barnawartha Pre School Visit	Barnawartha
	2pm	Seniors Week Afternoon Tea	Rutherglen
	4pm	Councillor Workshop	Beechworth
6-Oct	12pm	Indigo Shire Council Community Meal	Beechworth
7-Oct	10.30am	Seniors Week Explore Beechworth & Lunch at The Old Priory	Beechworth
9-Oct	6.30pm	Tidy Towns Awards Presentation Night	Beechworth
10-Oct	9am	Tidy Towns Awards Farewell Breakfast	Beechworth
11-Oct	7pm	Chiltern Quarry Public Meeting	Chiltern
12-Oct	2pm	Council Briefing Meeting	Tangambalanga
	3pm	Council Meeting	Tangambalanga
	6.30pm	Community Forum	Tangambalanga
13-Oct	2pm	Rutherglen Park Reserve Committee of Management Meeting	Rutherglen
	4.30pm	Coulston Park Skate Park Committee Mtg	Tangambalanga
	7pm	Beechworth Community Support AGM	Beechworth
14-Oct	6.30pm	Atauro Island Committee Meeting	Rutherglen
15-Oct	5.30pm	Indigo Sustainability Awards Ceremony	Rutherglen
18-Oct	10.30am	Beechworth Health Visit	Tangambalanga
19-Oct	4pm	Council Briefing Meeting	Stanley
	6.30pm	Community Forum	Stanley
21-Oct	9.30am	MAV Annual Conference	Melbourne
	6.30pm	MAV Dinner	Melbourne
22-Oct	7.30am	Rural Councils Victoria Forum	Melbourne
23-Oct	8am	Rutherglen Lions Club Convention & Dinner	Rutherglen
	2pm	Promotion of Chiltern	Chiltern
26-Oct	10am	Upper Murray Regional Library Meeting	Albury
	3pm	Neighbourhood Safer Places Meeting	Yackandandah
	4pm	Council Briefing Meeting	Yackandandah
27-Oct	10.30am	Children's Week Story Time	Chiltern
29-Oct	10am	Children's Week Story Time	Beechworth
	6.30pm	Volunteers Expo Dinner	Yackandandah

**16.0 GENERAL BUSINESS**

COUNCILLOR	ITEM
Issell	Wished to congratulate the organisers of the Celtic Festival over the weekend – successful event.
Graham	VLGA requested Cr Graham to act as a conduit and keep them updated on changes to Regional Waste Management Groups.
Murdoch	Requested an updated on the idea of an overall “Indigo Shire” awards evening – encompassing all awards instead of individual events. Mark Florence informed Councillors that presently, the awards ceremonies are being kept separate – this opinion is backed by various committees.
	Does Council have an experienced “Grants” person that can assist community groups when recognising and applying for grants? CEO informed Councillors that several staff are well versed in the Grants process. Community Groups are able to make contact with appropriate person in the field they are interested in.
	Concrete at Rutherglen Depot – when is it being crushed? Andre Kompler informed Councillors that it is being looked at and a timeframe is yet to be determined. A trial is currently being arranged.
	Federal Standard, drainage issue? Andre Kompler informed Councillors drainage is being put in place.

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**17.0 CONFIDENTIAL**

PURSUANT TO SECTION 89(2) (c) & (d) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1989 I HEREBY DESIGNATE THE ATTACHED INFORMATION AS CONFIDENTIAL AS IT RELATES TO INDUSTRIAL AND CONTRACTUAL MATTERS.



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**Brendan McGrath**

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

**9 November 2010**

**Moved: Cr Goldsworthy  
 Seconded: Cr Pockley**

**That the meeting move into Confidential Session**

**Unanimously Carried**

**Moved: Cr Croucher  
 Seconded: Cr Goldsworthy**

**That the confidential session be closed and the meeting be moved back into open session to consider item 17.2.**

**Unanimously Carried**

**17.1 EAST GIPPSLAND WASTE MANAGEMENT CONTRACT AND OPERATIONS**

Report was for information only.

**17.2 COUNCIL CAPITAL WORKS BANK LOAN**

File No.: 09/302 – Frank Bonacci – Finance Manager

**Moved: Cr Graham  
 Seconded: Cr Goldsworthy**

**That Council review the latest interest rate quotations offered for a fixed rate loan of \$647,000 to fund part of the 2010/11 Capital Works program and to authorise the CEO to sign and seal the necessary agreements which accepts the cheapest, least cost loan to Council.**

**Carried**

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<b>For:</b>	<b>Against:</b>
Cr Croucher	Cr Pockley
Cr Graham	Cr Gaffney
Cr Murdoch	
Cr Issell	
Cr Goldsworthy	

**Meeting Concluded:**

**5pm**

**Next Meeting:**

**Tuesday 14 December 2010 at 3pm**

**- Senior Citizens Hall, Chiltern**