



AGENDA

Policy and Planning Standing Committee Meeting

1 November 2017

Please be advised that the Policy and Planning Standing Committee Meeting of the North Burnett Regional Council will be held at the Biggenden Boardroom on:

Wednesday, 1 November 2017 commencing at 9:00am

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Mark Pitt
Chief Executive Officer

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5 GOVERNANCE REPORTS

5.1 MOBILE COVERAGE DIGITAL ECONOMY GROUP

Doc Id: 842357

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Authoriser: Mark Pitt, Chief Executive Officer

Attachments: Nil

INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND

Council considered this matter at a previous meeting and resolved to adopt the following decision framework to help prioritise mobile phone black spots:

- Locations with the longest and most extensive blackspots for all three carriers – where there is no signal and 000 will not work
- Corridors with the highest volume of traffic
- High-value industry areas where the industry group need mobile connectivity (and Narrow Band IoT) to manage their agricultural on-farm systems digitally and remain internationally competitive
- Popular tourism routes
- Areas with a high sensitivity in times of disaster – flooding or fire. Mobile signals are required for SMS messages when phone lines are down.

In reviewing the identified sites from the NBRC Mobile Coverage Report - August 2017, priorities have been established and are presented in the recommendation of this report.

CORPORATE/OPERATIONAL PLAN

1. Theme 2. Our Happy, Healthy and Safe Region-Secure contemporary telecommunications and information technology platforms for our community
3. 2.1.1 4. Adequate telecommunications coverage to ensure public safety and attraction of new businesses and industries
5. 2.1.2 6. Build digitally connected communities

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS

Nil

FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS

There are minimal financial implications for this matter.

RISK MANAGEMENT

Council's exposure to risk in this item is low.

CONSULTATION

Consultation has since occurred with Council's Telstra representative which is positive in terms of establishing a relationship so work can begin towards establishing an alignment with their capital program.

RECOMMENDATION

That the following priorities be adopted for mobile phone 'Black Spot' locations:

Item	Road	Location	Justification
1	Burnett Hwy	Ceratodus to south of Monto	Already applied for
2	Burnett Hwy	North of Mundubbera (10km)	Single carrier, high traffic for tourism
3	Burnett Hwy	Ban Ban Springs to Gympie boundary (15km)	Large through traffic north and west
4	Burnett Hwy	Binjour to Mundubbera (15km)	Large through traffic
5	Burnett Hwy	South of Moonford (5km)	High tourist traffic
6	Monto-Mt Perry Road	Burnett Hwy to Mt Perry (50km)	High local traffic, no carriers
7	Mundubbera-Durong Road	South of Mundubbera to Boundary (50km)	Inland route to Dalby
8	Gayndah-Mt Perry Road	Gooroolba to Mt Perry (30km)	High local traffic, no carriers
9	Gladstone-Monto Road	Kalpowar (5km)	Small community, no carriers
10	Gladstone-Monto Road	Between Mungungo & Bancroft (8km)	No carriers
11	Eidsvold-Theodore Road	Western boundary (Banana Shire) towards Eidsvold (60km)	Main Road
12	Hawkwood Road	From Peterson's Road west (15km)	Minor Road

5.2 QLD RAIL LAND LISTER STREET MONTA

Doc Id: 842360

Author: Mark Watt, General Manager of Corporate and Community Services

Authoriser: Mark Pitt, Chief Executive Officer

Attachments: 1. Summary of Lister Street Redevelopment 2001 - Lots 216 and 217 SP102824 - 280817.pdf

INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND

In July 2017, Queensland Rail wrote to Council requesting that land in Lister Street Monto, described as Lots 216 & 217 on SP102824 either be purchased or a Licence agreed between the parties because the land is surplus to requirements and contains Council assets.

Both parcels adjoin the road reserve on Lister Street Monto, traversing either side of the entrance to the former railway station. Improvements on the land include beautification works installed (16 years ago in 2001) being parklands, walkways, security lighting and part of an amenities block.

Refer to Attachment 1 for more detail on the history of the site.

Council may elect to consider three options, the first being a low cost approach and take up the offer of a license. Secondly, Council may wish to consider purchasing the land, involving a capital cost which would provide a long-term solution to the matter. Lastly, Council may wish to take a political stand against QR given this is a legacy issue and given the onsite improvements have been in-place for a long time, without harm or risk. This option would involve resisting the offer and approaching the Minister seeking a free transfer of the land or some other acceptable solution.

In recommending a licence be entered into, it is felt that such an arrangement will be the more cost effective approach and one that satisfies QR given they may be concerned about the risk associated with the onsite improvements without formal tenure/authority arrangements being in place.

CORPORATE/OPERATIONAL PLAN

Theme 5: Our Efficient and Effective Council-Asset Management

5.2.1 Asset Management Plans developed and implemented for all asset groups.

5.2.2 Ensure that the assets maintained and constructed are appropriate to the current and future needs of the region.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

No Council policies exist that specifically relate to this item.

STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS

There is no specific legislation applicable to this matter, other than Council's legislated power to do anything that is necessary or convenient for the good rule and local government of the area. If Council elects to enter into a licence over the land, provisions of the Land Act 1994 will be applicable.

FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS

There are minimal financial implications if Council decides to enter into a licence, however, an outright purchase may impact on the capital budget, depending on the market value of the land.

RISK MANAGEMENT

Council's exposure to risk is minimal in this matter.

CONSULTATION

Consultation occurred with the former Monto Shire Council (MSC) Chief Executive Officer, which indicated that formal communication may have occurred with Queensland. Council's records did not provide evidence in this regard. It was a recollection that the land may have been gifted by Queensland Rail to Monto Shire, but again, there is no evidence of this and I did request that QR interrogate their records, but to no avail.

RECOMMENDATION

That Queensland Rail be advised that Council is prepared to enter into a license for land described as Lots 216 & 217 on SP102824 and located at Lister Street Monto; and

That Council resolves, pursuant to section 257 of the Local Government Act 2009 ("the Act") to delegate to the Chief Executive Officer its powers under section 9 of the Act to negotiate the terms and conditions of the licence including executing final documentation.

5.3 PROPOSED LEASE OF LAND BIGGENDEN AIRPORT

Doc Id: 842362

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Attachments: Nil

INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND

Council has received a request to lease land at the Biggenden Airport, located at Airstrip Road and described as L124 CK3474 (Reserve 950). Under section 236(1)(c)(vii) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, Council is able to enter into a contract to dispose of an interest in land that is used for an airport or for related purposes if it's in the public interest to do so without first calling tenders. Sound contracting principles must also apply.

However, pursuant to section 236(2) & (3) of the Regulation, Council must pass a resolution to dispose of the land, other than by tender or auction, and includes a market rent requirement.

Therefore, it is recommended that Council consider entering into a contract for the lease of land at the Biggenden Airport, and that the Chief Executive Officer to delegated to finalise the terms and conditions of the disposal.

CORPORATE/OPERATIONAL PLAN

- Theme 1: Our Productive Region-Planning to facilitate industrial, commercial and residential growth
- 1.7.1 Review land supply and uses as required to meet community and business needs
- 1.7.2 Undertake programmes to promote liveability.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

No Council policies exist that specifically relate to this item.

STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS

Pursuant to section 236(1)(c)(vii) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, Council is able to dispose of land for activities related to an airport, without first calling tenders. Across Queensland, the provisions of this section of the regulation are utilised to allow the establishment of airport hangars, being a related purpose to an airport.

FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS

There are minimal financial implications for this matter, other than Council's ability to generate new revenue streams with no initial outlays required. That is, new lease fees for the duration of the activity, along with development application fees. All costs associated with the development are met by proponents.

RISK MANAGEMENT

Council's exposure to risk in this project is quite low. Council may receive positive public comment regarding a decision to promote and facilitate local development, particularly where it co-exists with existing infrastructure.

CONSULTATION

Consultation occurred with Councillors, the Chief Executive Officer and a prospective interested party.

RECOMMENDATION

That pursuant to section 236(1)(c)(vii) of the Local Government Regulation 2012, Council dispose of part of land at the Biggenden Airport, located at Airstrip Road and described as L124 CK3474 (Reserve 950) other than by tender or auction; and

Council resolves, pursuant to section 257 of the Local Government Act 2009 to delegate to the Chief Executive Officer its powers under section 236(3) of the Local Government Regulation 2012 to negotiate the terms and conditions of the lease, subject to market value.

5.4 DELEGATIONS REGISTER**Doc Id:** 842475**Author:** Mark Pitt, Chief Executive Officer**Authoriser:** Mark Pitt, Chief Executive Officer

Attachments:

1. **Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003 - Council to CEO.doc**
2. **Acquisition of Land Act 1967 - Council to CEO.doc**
3. **Animal Care and Protection Act 2001 - Council to CEO.doc**
4. **Animal Management (Cats and Dogs) Act 2008 - Council to CEO.doc**
5. **Body Corporate and Community Management (Accommodation Module) Regulation 2008 - Council to CEO.docx**
6. **Body Corporate and Community Management (Commercial Module) Regulation 2008 - Council to CEO.doc**
7. **Body Corporate and Community Management (Small Schemes Module) Regulation 2008 - Council to CEO.doc**
8. **Body Corporate and Community Management (Specified Two-lot Schemes Module) Regulation 2011 - Council to CEO.doc**
9. **Body Corporate and Community Management Act 1997 - Council to CEO.docx**
10. **Building Act 1975 - Council to CEO.doc**
11. **Building Regulation 2006 - Council to CEO.doc**
12. **Development Assessment Rules - Council to CEO.doc**
13. **Disaster Management Act 2003 - Council to CEO.docx**
14. **Disaster Management Regulation 2014 - Council to CEO.docx**
15. **Electricity Act 1994 - Council to CEO.doc**
16. **Electricity Regulation 2006 - Council to CEO.doc**
17. **Environmental Offsets Act 2014 - Council to CEO.doc**
18. **Environmental Offsets Regulation 2014 - Council to CEO.doc**
19. **Environmental Protection (Water) Policy 2009 - Council to CEO.doc**
20. **Environmental Protection Act 1994 - Council to CEO.doc**
21. **Environmental Protection Regulation 2008 - Council to CEO.doc**
22. **Fire and Emergency Service Act 1990 - Council to CEO.doc**
23. **Heavy Vehicle (Mass, Dimension and Loading) National Regulation - Council to CEO.doc**
24. **Heavy Vehicle National Law Regulation 2014 - Council to CEO.doc**
25. **Heavy Vehicle National Law (Qld) - Council to CEO.doc**
26. **Information Privacy Act 2009 Council to CEO (1).doc**
27. **Land Act 1994 - Council to CEO.docx**
28. **Land Valuation Act 2010 - Council to CEO.docx**
29. **Liquor Act 1992 - Council to CEO.doc**
30. **Local Government Act 2009 - Council to CEO.docx**
31. **Local Government Regulation 2012 - Council to CEO.docx**
32. **Mineral Resources Act 1989 - Council to CEO.doc**
33. **Nature Conservation Act 1992 - Council to CEO.doc**
34. **Planning Act 2016 - Council to CEO.doc**
35. **Planning and Environment Court Act 2016 - Council to CEO.doc**
36. **Planning Regulation 2017 - Council to CEO.doc**
37. **Plumbing and Drainage Act 2002 - Council to CEO.docx**
38. **Public Health (Infection Control for Personal Appearance Services) Act 2003 - Council to CEO.doc**
39. **Public Health Act 2005 - Council to CEO.doc**
40. **Public Records Act 2002 - Council to CEO.doc**
41. **Queensland Heritage Act 1992 - Council to CEO.doc**

42. **Queensland Reconstruction Authority Act 2011 - Council to CEO.doc**
43. **Residential Services (Accreditation) Act 2002 - Council to CEO.doc**
44. **Residential Tenancies and Rooming Accommodation Act 2008 - Council to CEO.doc**
45. **Right to Information Act 2009 - Council to CEO.doc**
46. **River Improvement Trust Act 1940 - Council to CEO.docx**
47. **Standard Plumbing and Drainage Regulation 2003 Council to CEO.doc**
48. **State Penalties Enforcement Act 1999 - Council to CEO.doc**
49. **Summary Offences Act 2005 Council to CEO.doc**
50. **Summary Offences Regulation 2006 Council to CEO.doc**
51. **Survey and Mapping Infrastructure Act 2003 - Council to CEO.doc**
52. **Tobacco and Other Smoking Products Act 1998 Council to CEO.doc**
53. **Transport Infrastructure Act 1994 - Council to CEO.doc**
54. **Transport Operations (Road Use Management) Act 1995 - Council to CEO.docx**
55. **Waste Reduction and Recycling Act 2011 Council to CEO.doc.docx**
56. **Waste Reduction and Recycling Regulation 2011 - Council to CEO.docx**
57. **Water Regulation 2016 - Council to CEO.docx**
58. **Water Supply (Safety and Reliability) Act 2008 - Council to CEO.docx**
59. **Work Health and Safety Act 2011 Council to CEO.doc**
60. **Work Health and Safety Regulation 2011 - Council to CEO.doc**
61. **Workers Compensation and Rehabilitation Act 2003 - Council to CEO.docx**
62. **Workers Compensation and Rehabilitation Regulation 2014 - Council to CEO.doc.docx**
63. **Local Laws Delegations - Administration LL.docx**
64. **Local Laws Delegations LL 2 Animal Management.docx**
65. **Local Laws Delegations LL3 Community and Environmental Management.docx**
66. **Local Laws Delegations - LL4 Local Govt Controlled Areas, Facilities and Roads.docx**
67. **Local Laws Delegations LL5 Parking.docx**
68. **Local Laws Delegations - All Subordinate LL.docx**

INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND

Section 257 of the Local Government Act 2009 (LGA) allows the Council by resolution to delegate power under the LGA or another Act to:

1. the Mayor; or
2. the Chief Executive Officer; or
3. a standing committee; or
4. the chairperson of a standing committee; or
5. a Councillor, for the purpose of exercising a power as a shareholder in relation to a corporate entity.

However, Council must not delegate a power that an Act states must be exercised by resolution. The Mayor may delegate the Mayor's powers to another Councillor of Council. However, the Mayor must not delegate the power to give directions to the Chief Executive Officer or senior executive employees.

The Chief Executive Officer may delegate the Chief Executive Officer's powers to an appropriately qualified employee or contractor of Council. However, the Chief Executive Officer must not delegate:

- I. a power delegated by the local government, if the local government has directed the Chief Executive Officer not to further delegate the power; and
- II. a power to keep a register of interests.

Section 260 of the Local Government Act 2009 requires the CEO to establish a register of delegations that records all delegations by Council, Mayor or the CEO. The Local Government Association of Queensland (LGAQ) has identified 85 pieces of legislation in Queensland that contain powers which may be used by a Local Government.

Legislation is updated regularly with minor and on some occasion's major amendments. These amendments can impact upon the powers delegated to Local Government or the Delegations Register through simple changes such as the renumbering of a section. All of these changes need to be incorporated into the Delegations Register to ensure it provides an accurate record of the powers the Council has delegated to the CEO.

In addition to this state legislation Local Government create their own Local Laws to manage issues within their community. These Local Laws also contain powers which are used on a regular basis by Local Government. North Burnett Regional Council currently has 6 Local Laws and 5 subordinate Local Laws. The powers within these Local Laws need to be included in the Delegations Register.

CORPORATE/OPERATIONAL PLAN

3.0 Our efficient and effective council

Powers delegated to the correct level ensures an efficient and effective council in all areas of operation

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS

Local Government Act 2009 and Local Government Regulation 2012.

FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS

Nil

RISK MANAGEMENT

An out of date delegations register will expose the organisation to the risk of:

- Using powers which may be incorrectly described in the Delegations Register
- Using powers which may no longer exist in the legislation

Consideration to be given to not delegating the following powers:

Animal Management (Cats and Dogs) Act 2008

- Section 52 Power to fix the fee for the registration of a dog.

Environmental Protection (Water) Policy 2009

- Section 24(2) Power, in cooperation with the chief executive, to develop a healthy waters management plan. (Chief Executive being the head of the relevant state government agency) Not previously delegated.

Heavy Vehicle (Mass, Dimension and Loading) National Regulation

- All delegations under this legislation refer to power as a road manager in relation to the granting of HML declarations

Heavy Vehicle National Law Regulation 2014

- Section 4 Power, as a road manager, to set the fee payable for a route assessment.

Local Government Regulation 2012

- Section 14(2) Power to decide the amount of a fee for a request of an extract or certified copy of a local law from the local government's register of local laws.
- Section 131 Power to give a benefit that is not a discount as an inducement for payment of rates or charges before the due date for payment.

Examples of a benefit—

- free use of the local government's services, facilities or activities
- an opportunity to win a donated car, holiday or other prize

Consideration to be given to the following conditions:

Planning Act 2016

Power to act as the 'assessment manager' (Sections 48, 51, 53, 54, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 67, 71, 75, 76, 84, 85, 86, 87, 93, 100, 101, 105, 107 & 109) contains the conditions:

- Not delegated where the assessment manager is the Local Government and a properly made code assessable application does not comply with some or all the assessment benchmarks and compliance cannot be achieved by imposing development conditions.
- Not delegated where the assessment manager is the Local Government and a properly made development application is recommended for refusal or the Local Government has received properly made submissions relating to the application.

Council to note, the following legislation has been repealed and will no longer appear in the Delegations Register:

- Environmental Protection (Waste Management) Policy 2000
- Environmental Protection (Waste Management) Regulation 2000
- Stock Act 1915
- Sustainable Planning Act 2009
- Water Regulation 2002

RECOMMENDATION

- a) Council consider the options to not delegate some powers to the CEO.
- b) Council consider the conditions identified for the delegation of powers under the Planning Act 2016

- c) After consideration of the above, Council adopt delegations from Council to CEO identified in the attachments to this report

6 ECONOMIC REPORTS

6.1 ADVANCING REGIONAL INNOVATION PROGRAM

Doc Id: 842344

Author: Mark Watt, General Manager of Corporate and Community Services

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Attachments: Nil

INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND

In August 2017 the Minister announced funding of \$478,330 for the Wide Bay Burnett Regional Organisation of Councils (WBROC) for a project titled Advancing Regional Innovation in the Wide Bay-Burnett region. The Department has established the program that aims to turn Queensland's regions into hubs for innovation and enterprise, by supporting the development and increased maturity of regional innovation initiatives. The Program will encourage stakeholders to collaborate to build innovative capabilities across the region.

Council will join with partners BIEDO, University of Southern Queensland and AGL Energy Ltd to undertake a three (3) year project titled Developing Entrepreneurship & Diversifying the Economy of the North Burnett.

CORPORATE/OPERATIONAL PLAN

Theme 3: Our United Region-Global and regional relationships

3.7.2 Partnerships at local, regional, state and national levels maintained and improved.

Council's Corporate Plan also includes Values whereby we respect creativity, innovation and ideas.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Council has no specific policies relating to innovation initiatives.

STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS

There is no specific legislation applicable to this matter, other than Council's legislated power to do anything that is necessary or convenient for the good rule and local government of the area.

FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS

Overall funding for the project is \$478,330 which is matched by the participating Council's and their partners. There is a minimal financial contribution required by Council, other than a previous commitment to make a partner contribution as follows:

7. Year	8. Cash	9. In-Kind	10. Total
11. 1	12. \$5,000	13. \$1,000	14. \$6,000
15. 2	16. \$5,000	17. \$1,000	18. \$6,000
19. 3	20. \$5,000	21. \$500	22. \$5,500
23. Total	24. \$15,000	25. \$2,500	26. \$17,500

RISK MANAGEMENT

Council's exposure to risk as a result of this funding and its project content is minimal.

CONSULTATION

Consultation occurred with the Mayor, Chief Executive Officer and project partners. Early consultation has occurred with Brook Dixon, Delos Delta who may be available to assist in developing an innovation strategy. Initial discussions revolve around what Council sees as innovation, who are we going to innovate for and what are the likely outcomes. A positive innovation strategy would be created following extensive engagement with the community, including but not limited to schools, youth, and education institutions, agricultural sector, business and commercial players.

RECOMMENDATION

That the contents of the report be noted and provision be made in the current operational budget for \$15,000 over three years for the Advancing Regional Innovation in the Wide Bay-Burnett region project.

6.2 DEVELOPMENT STATISTICS REPORT

Doc Id: 842351

Author: Sue-Ann Jensen, Administration Officer

Authoriser: Lex Webster, Manager of Development Services

Attachments: 1. Development Statistics Data

INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND

The attached report details Local Law Compliance Statistics and Building, Planning, Plumbing Statistics.

- a) Details of Customer Service Requests for compliance issues
- b) A summary of compliance actions taken to manage NBRC's Local Laws, and
- c) Information on the number and type of building and development applications received for the month.

CORPORATE/OPERATIONAL PLAN

5.13 Building and plumbing certification

1.7 Planning to facilitate industrial, commercial and residential growth

5.15.1 Provide animal control services to a high standard in line with community expectations and legislative compliance.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS

Sustainable Planning Act 2009; Planning Act 2016; Plumbing and Drainage Act 2002; Building Act 1975; NBRC's Local and Subordinate Local Laws; Animal Management (Cats & Dogs) Act 2008

FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS

Nil

RISK MANAGEMENT

In accordance with Council's Risk Management Plan and Risk Management Procedure – Policy 213.

CONSULTATION

Council's 'in house' Staff (Planning, Building, Engineering and Environmental Health), Council's Consultants (Town Planners, Plumbing Inspector, Engineers etc.) and Government Departments if and when required as Referral Agencies.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Development Statistics as presented be received and the contents noted.

7 SOCIAL REPORTS

7.1 2017 CHRISTMAS LIGHTS COMPETITION

Doc Id: 842121

Author: Melinda Thorburn, Community Development Officer

Authoriser: Trisha Hansen, Manager of Corporate and Community Services

Attachments: 1. 2017 Christmas Lights Entry Form
2. 2017 Christmas Lights Poster.pdf

INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND

Minutes of the North Burnett Regional Council General Meeting held in Mount Perry on Wednesday 16 November 2016:

706-11-2016 9.6 Christmas Lights Competition

Cr WJ Bowen move and Cr BJ Zahl seconded:

1. The 2016 Christmas Lights Competition Report as presented be received.
2. Council's Community Development Officers (CDO's) contact representatives from the following organisations to ascertain if they will be running a Christmas Light Competition for 2016.

Biggenden	Biggenden Apex Club
Eidsvold	Eidsvold Chamber of Commerce
Gayndah	Gayndah Rotary Club
Monto	Monto Magic Tourism Group
Mount Perry	Mount Perry Sport and Recreational Club Inc
Mundubbera	Mundubbera Enterprise Association

3. A donation of \$325 prize money be made available for each of the six communities within the North Burnett region – Biggenden, Eidsvold, Gayndah, Monto, Mount Perry and Mundubbera to be distributed as listed:

Residence: First	\$100	Business: First	\$100
Second	\$ 50	Second	<u>\$ 50</u> \$150
Third	<u>\$ 25</u> \$175		
Total (per community)	<u>\$325</u>		
Total (\$325 x 6)	<u>\$1,950</u>		

4. Once community groups are confirmed, CDO's liaise with Council's Media Officer to prepare a media release promoting the event and community organisations involved in each area.
5. The 2016 Christmas Light Competition entries to close Thursday, 09 December 2016 with judging to be held during the week commencing Monday, 12 December 2016.
6. Deputy Chief Executive Officer present a '2016 Christmas Lights Competition' acquittal to the January / February 2017 Council General Meeting providing details of expenditure and listing prize winners. **CARRIED 6/0**

Council's Community Development Officers (CDO's) have contacted representatives from the following organisations and confirmed their involvement with the Christmas Light Competition for 2017:

Biggenden	Biggenden Apex Club
Eidsvold	Eidsvold Chamber of Commerce
Gayndah	Gayndah Rotary Club
Monto	Monto Magic Tourism Group
Mount Perry	Mount Perry Sport and Recreational Club Inc
Mundubbera	Mundubbera Enterprise Association

CORPORATE/OPERATIONAL PLAN

In accordance with Corporate Plan 2017-2022:

- 3.1.4 Our United Region – Community services meets community need;
 3.6.7 Our United Region – Support and promote our villages and small communities.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Consistent with Council's previous decisions

STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS

Nil

FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS

In 2016, prizes for the communities of Biggenden, Eidsvold, Monto, Mount Perry and Mundubbera were as follows:

Residence: First	\$100	Business: First	\$100
Second	\$ 50	Second	<u>\$ 50</u> \$150
Third	<u>\$ 25</u> \$175		

Total (per town)	<u>\$325</u>
Total Council donation x 6	<u>\$1,950</u>

RISK MANAGEMENT

Council's adopted policies and procedures will be adhered to during the planning and implementation of the project.

CONSULTATION

- Advertising
- Central & North Burnett Times
 - North Burnett Regional Council Community Newsletter
 - North Burnett Regional Council Website & Facebook

RECOMMENDATION

That:

1. The 2017 Christmas Lights Competition report as presented be received; and
2. A donation of \$325 prize money be made available for each of the six communities within the North Burnett Region – Biggenden, Eidsvold, Gayndah, Monto, Mount Perry and Mundubbera be distributed as detailed above.

8 GENERAL BUSINESS

9 CLOSURE OF MEETING