

# **AGENDA**

## **Asset & Works Committee Meeting**

To be held in Council Chambers

13 Cottrell Street, Dowerin WA 6461

Tuesday 13 August 2024

Commencing 3.00pm



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#### NOTICE OF MEETING

Dear Asset & Works Committee Members,

The next Asset & Works Committee Meeting of the Shire of Dowerin will be held on Tuesday 13 August 2024 in the Shire of Dowerin Council Chambers, 13 Cottrell Street, Dowerin commencing at 3.00pm.

Aaron Wooldridge Acting Chief Executive Officer 8 August 2024

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## Shire of Dowerin **Asset & Works Committee Meeting** 3:00pm Tuesday 13 August 2024



Official Opening

The Chair welcomed those in attendance and declares the Meeting open at 3:00pm. 2. Record of Attendance / Apologies / Leave of Absence Committee Members: Cr JC Sewell Chair Cr WG Allsopp Cr AJ Metcalf Cr RI Trepp Staff: Mr B Jones **Acting Chief Executive Officer** Mr B Forbes **Asset & Works Coordinator** Ms K Rose **Governance Coordinator Apologies:** Approved Leave of Absence: 3. **Public Question Time** Disclosure of Interest Committee Members are to complete a Disclosure of Interest Form for each item they are required to disclose an interest in. The Form should be given to the Presiding Member before the meeting commences. After the meeting, the Form is to be provided to the Governance Coordinator for inclusion in the Disclosures Register. 5. Confirmation of Minutes of the Previous Meeting(s) 5.1 Asset & Works Committee Meeting held on 23 April 2024 Attachment 5.1A **Voting Requirements** 

Officer's Recommendation - 5

Simple Majority

That, by Simple Majority pursuant to Sections 5.22(2) and 3.18 of the Local Government Act 1995, the Minutes of the Asset & Works Committee Meeting, held on 23 April 2024, be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

Absolute Majority

6. Presentations

#### OFFICER'S REPORTS

#### 7.1 Policy 4.2 - Gravel, Sand and Pit Rehabilitation and Gravel Agreement Review

#### Asset & Works



Date:	5 August 2024
Location:	Not Applicable
Responsible Officer:	Ben Forbes, Asset & Works Coordinator
Author:	Kahli Rose, Governance Coordinator
Legislation:	Local Government Act 1995
SharePoint Reference:	Corporate Management/Committees/Asset & Works
Disclosure of Interest:	Nil
Attachments:	Attachment 7.1A - Gravel Agreement - Current  Attachment 7.1B - 4.2 - Gravel, Sand and Pit Rehabilitation Policy

Purpose of Report	
Executive Decision	Legislative Requirement
Summary	

The Asset and Works Coordinator brings this item to the committee seeking a review of the current Shire of Dowerin Gravel Agreement and related policy; 4.2 - Gravel, Sand and Pit Rehabilitation. The focus is on amending the cubic metre rate paid to landowners and removing the 28% bulking factor.

The adopted policy outlines the material specifications and rates of payment for materials removed from private property. The committee is asked to consider the feasibility and implications of:

- 1. Reducing the cubic metre rate from \$3.30 to \$2.50 (inclusive of GST).
- 2. Eliminating the 28% bulking factor from the agreement.

#### Background

The current Shire of Dowerin Gravel Agreement includes:

- A royalty payment of \$3.30 (inclusive of GST) per cubic metre, or alternative arrangements as mutually agreed, in lieu of the royalty payment listed in the additional information/conditions' column.
- A 28% bulking factor, subtracted from the total cubic metres loaded, as detailed in the Bulking Factor Sheet.
- A commitment to rehabilitate the pit area at the end of its 'Useable Life,' unless otherwise agreed.

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#### Comment

Recent community feedback has highlighted concerns about the 28% bulking factor being applied to the total amount of gravel removed. Management suggest that the cubic metre rate is reduced to \$2.50 (inclusive of GST) and removal of the bulking factor.

Financially, the proposed changes would result in a minor increase in payments to landowners. For example, under the current rate of \$3.30 per cubic metre with the 28% bulking factor, a landowner would receive \$23,760 (inclusive of GST) for 10,000 cubic metres of gravel. By removing the bulking factor and applying a flat rate of \$2.50 per cubic metre, the payment would increase to \$25,000 (inclusive of GST).

The committee requested to consider the feasibility of these amendments, factoring in community feedback, financial implications, and operational requirements.

#### Consultation

Ben Forbes, Asset & Works Coordinator

Aaron Wooldridge, Acting Chief Executive Officer

Asset & Works Committee, 13 August 2024 Workshop

#### **Policy Implications**

4.2 - Gravel, Sand, and Pit Rehabilitation Policy

#### Strategic Implications

#### Strategic Community Plan

Community Priority: Our Infrastructure

Objective: We have functional infrastructure that meets the needs of the community

Outcome: 3.2

Reference: 3.2.1

#### Asset Management Plan

Identified key controls and actions associated with asset management are factored into the Asset Management Plan.

#### Long Term Financial Plan

Identified key controls and actions associated with financial management are factored into the Long-Term Financial Plan.

#### **Statutory Implications**

The Local Government Act 1995

#### **Risk Implications**

Risk Profiling Theme	Supplier/Contract Management
Risk Category	Project Budget
Risk Description	Less than \$5,000
Consequence Rating	Insignificant (1)
Likelihood Rating	Unlikely (2)
Risk Matrix Rating	Low (2)
Key Controls (in place)	Asset Management Plan Ongoing Monitoring
Action (Treatment)	Annual Budget Allocations Annual Policy Reviews
Risk Rating (after treatment)	Adequate

#### Financial Implications

The proposed change would result in a minor increase in payments to landowners. The amendment of this rate would result in a \$1,240 increase per 10,000 cubic metres of gravel.

	Voting Requirements		
	Simple Majority		Absolute Majority
Officer's Recommendation 7.1			

The Asset & Works Committee recommends that Council amend the current policy; 4.2 - Gravel, Sand and Pit Rehabilitation Policy and the Shire of Dowerin Gravel Agreement with the following changes:

- 1. Removal of the 28% bulking factor.
- 2. Decrease to \$2.50 per cubic meter for compacted gravel removed from private property.

Please note that the Asset & Works Committee does not have delegated authority to make decisions. All recommendations of the Asset & Works Committee are presented to Council for ratification.

#### 7.2 Dowerin Memorial Swimming Pool Repairs **Asset & Works** DOW Date: 5 August 2024 Location: Not Applicable Responsible Officer: Ben Forbes. Asset & Works Coordinator Author: Kahli Rose, Executive Governance Officer Legislation: Local Government Act 1995 SharePoint Reference: Technical/Asset Management/Service & Maintenance Disclosure of Interest: Nil Attachments: 7.2A - Swimming Pool Leak Detection RFQ Evaluation 7.2B - RFQ Responses and Quotes 7.2C - Historical Findings

Purpose of Report	
Executive Decision	Legislative Requirement
Summary	

Following the 2023/24 pool season, the pool manager reported that a major leak was present at the Dowerin Memorial Swimming Pool. Management have sought quotes for thorough investigation into the leak(s).

Two companies responded to the RFQ, and both are capable of completing the required work. Since both quotes would exceed the proposed budgeted allocation of \$5,000, this item is presented to the Asset & Works Committee for recommendation to Council.

### Background

Following the last pool season, the current pool manager informed management about the problem. During a meeting with the Asset & Works Committee, the manager proposed a suitable course of action and detailed the investigation needed to assess the full extent of the repairs required.

## Comment

Distinctive Pools proposes a detailed service for \$9,815 (GST exclusive), which includes SCUBA dive dye leak detection, camera inspections, and a thorough report outlining leaks and recommendations.

WetDek Pools offers a solution at \$22,000, addressing site-specific challenges with a larger team, advanced technology, and a comprehensive written report. They have 35 years in construction, with a focus on pools in recent years.

Both options provide different benefits and approaches for addressing the pool's issues, which is further outlined in Attachment 7.2A, and both quotes provided as Attachment 7.2B. Historical leak detection reports and related photos are able to be reviewed in Attachment 7.2C

#### Consultation

Ben Forbes, Asset & Works Coordinator

Asset & Works Committee, Workshop 13 August 2024

#### **Policy Implications**

3.11 - Purchasing Policy

4.7 - Asset Management Policy

#### Strategic Implications

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#### **Statutory Implications**

The Local Government Act 1995

#### **Risk Implications**

Risk Profiling Theme	Asset Management Practices
Risk Category	Property (Plant, Equipment, Buildings)
Risk Description	\$5,001 - \$50,000
Consequence Rating	Minor (2)
Likelihood Rating	Unlikely (2)
Risk Matrix Rating	Low (4)
Key Controls (in place)	Asset Management Plan Ongoing Monitoring
Action (Treatment)	Annual Budget Allocations Asset & Works Committee Meetings
Risk Rating (after treatment)	Adequate

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Both quotes will exceed the \$5,000 allocated for this project in the 24/25FY budget, resulting in a deficit of \$5,000 to \$17,000.

	Voting Requirements		
	Simple Majority		Absolute Majority
Officer's Decommendation 7.2			

Officer's Recommendation - 7.2

The Asset & Works Committee recommends that Council increase the allocation for account 2110352 REC - Consultants from \$5,000 to \$25,000 in the proposed 2024/2025 Budget.

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8.	Questions from	<b>Members</b>

- 9. Date of the Next Meeting
  - 29 October, commencing at 2:00pm
- 10. Closure