OPERATIONS MANAGER

COUNCIL REPORT Meeting: 9th November 2022



Item 1: Building & Construction

Item 1.1 2022 – 24 Housing Investment Program

Current addresses underway:

- 7 Flierl St
- 20 Flierl St
- 54 Poland St
- 61 Wenke St

Item 1.2 Government Employment Housing - Hope Valley Estate

The tender has been submitted. Council is yet to received feedback or approval.

Item 2: Essential Services

Item 2.1 Daily Testing

Routine daily water testing, and weekly third-party water testing results indicate there are no current issues with water quality or capacity. Town water is of a safe and drinkable water standard.

No issues with sewerage.

Item 3: Civil Construction

Item 3.1 Current Works

The Civil Construction department is now working on betterment bitumen seal projects at Alligator Rd and McIvor Road. Alligator Rd is programmed for seal treatment in early December. McIvor Rd will be formed and sub-base laid in the 2022 calendar year. Seal treatment will be post 22/23 Monsoon season.

Item 3.2 FNQOC Reseal works

Road preparation works complete. Reseal works to commence on the following roads from the 15th November 2022:

- Endeavour Valley Road
- Hope Valley Estate Roads
- Elim Beach Rd
- McIvor Rd

Works are programmed to be completed within 6 days from commencement.

Item 4: Other Current Projects

Item 4.1 Works 4 Queensland 2021/2024

Value: \$1,300,000.00

MPC Field Upgrade Works underway:

- Current quotes for the best practice finish exceed the existing budget by over \$150,000.00
- The Operations Manager is exploring alternative options in breaking up trades and sourcing further quotes
- After discussions between Council and ministerial and government champions, officers from the Education Department are to approach Council with a proposal to undertake the MPC field upgrade and the school field upgrade as one project.

Council Asset Management Program 30% complete Minor works underway.

Item 4.2 Building Our Regions (BOR) Round 5 – Hope Vale Township Community and Cultural Park

Value: \$2,000,000.00 – 50/50 Funded by BOR5 & Council

- The roof construction is almost complete
- First stage of the electrical works for the main undercover area is underway
- Concrete works programmed for late November/Early December

Item 4.3 Council Chambers and Office Extension

Works underway. Frame and trusses erected.

Item 4.4 ICCIP Installation of 2 x Bores

With the remaining amount of allocated ICCIP funding, Council has been approved to construct up to 2 new bores inside the HVASC Bore network.

Decle Drilling is the only drilling contractor available with the capability to install Council's bore requirements in the immediate area (Cook Shire). As a contractor they have a long history working with Hope Vale Council, and have installed, repaired, and worked on a number of bores in the shire, including installations inside both the Hope Vale Council Bore network, and Banana Farm Bore network. As a contractor they are familiar with local ground water conditions and attributes, they are confident of potential flow rates based on previous installations and experience inside the Hope Vale Bore network.

Decle Drilling is not on Council's register of prequalified suppliers and therefore would require Council endorsement to be engaged without going to market as per Council's procurement policy.

Recommendation: Council resolves that it is satisfied that the services supplied by Decle Drilling are of such a specialised or confidential nature that it would be impractical or disadvantageous to the Council to invite tenders or quotations.

Recommendation: That Council notes and endorses the Operations Manager report

Gene Brookes Operations Manager

02/11/2022