



Shire of  
**Katanning**  
Heart of the Great Southern

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**MINUTES OF THE  
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING**

Dear Council Member

Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting of the Shire of Katanning held on  
Tuesday 23 August 2016, in the Shire of Katanning Council Chambers,  
14 Austral Terrace, Katanning, commencing at 6:00pm.

DISCLAIMER

The Council of the Shire of Katanning hereby  
advises that before taking any action on an application or a  
decision of the Council, any applicant or members of the  
public should wait for written advice from the Council.

PRESIDING MEMBER \_\_\_\_\_

DATE SIGNED \_\_\_\_\_



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**1. DECLARATION OF OPENING/ ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISTORS**

The Presiding Member declared the meeting open at 6:00pm.

**2. RECORD OF ATTENDANCE****PRESENT**

Presiding Member: Cr Liz Guidera - President

Members: Cr Craig McKinley - Deputy President  
Cr Alep Mydie  
Cr Richard Kowald  
Cr Serena Sandwell  
Cr Martin Van Koldenhoven  
Cr John Goodheart  
Cr Owen Boxall

Council Officers: Julian Murphy, Chief Executive Officer  
Uwe Striepe, Director Engineering & Development Services  
Sam Davis, Executive Manager, Projects and Community Building  
Diana Marsh, Finance Manager  
Taryn Human, PA to the CEO  
Tessa Flugge, Administration Officer

Gallery: Matt Collis

Media:

Apologies: Andrew Holden, Deputy Chief Executive Officer

Leave of Absence: Cr Danny McGrath

**3. RESPONSE TO PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE**

Nil.

**4. DISCLOSURE OF FINANCIAL/IMPARTIALITY INTERESTS**

10.3.1	Cr Richard Kowald	Disclosure of Interest Affecting Impartiality
10.3.1	Cr Craig McKinley	Disclosure of Interest Affecting Impartiality
10.3.1	Cr John Goodheart	Disclosure of Financial Interest

**5. PUBLIC QUESTION/STATEMENT TIME**

Nil.

**6. APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Nil.

**7. PETITIONS/DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS**

Nil.

**8. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING****8.1 Ordinary Council Meeting – 26 July 2016  
(SEE ATTACHED MINUTES)**

**MOVED: CR MARTIN VAN KOLDENHOVEN      SECONDED: CR SERENA SANDWELL**

**OC87/16      That the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on  
Tuesday 26 July 2016 be confirmed as a true record of proceedings.**

**Voting Requirement:** Simple Majority

**CARRIED: 8/0**

**9. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY PRESIDING MEMBER WITHOUT DISCUSSION**

Council had a good representation at the Local Government Week Conference, there were many speakers; most engaging, with information that in some way can be transferred to our community. Discussions with both the Director General of Regional Development and Housing were productive. Many conversations with other Councils went a long way in both restoring and re-establishing some productive regional relationships, I was particularly appreciative of the positive feedback received from Councillors, on the leadership in Katanning and the real willingness we are showing in working together in the future. The importance of authentic regional relationships cannot be underestimated.

Congratulations to the Winners of the Katanning Regional Business Awards presented at the Association Dinner earlier in August. The second annual awards dinner I believe was another fantastic night. Congratulations to Asher Tussler (Shire of Katanning Customer Service Officer) for her nomination. The KRBA held their AGM last week and our CEO has taken a position on

the committee, a positive demonstration of support for our local businesses and a strengthening of that important relationship.

Congratulations to Angenup Stud for winning the Grand Champion Breed at the Great Southern Merino Sheep Breeder's Show, this Shire sponsored trophy is awarded each year at this event. The guest speaker at the Annual Dinner was Steven Bradbury; the only Australian to win a gold medal in a Winter Olympics, was both passionate and entertaining.

2016 is the designated year of Commemoration for the Vietnam War during the "Centenary of the ANZAC" period. The Katanning Service took place at the Katanning Cemetery on 12 August 2016 at 11am and was dedicated to Private Noel Valentine Crouch, who was killed in action on 21 May 1970. The Crouch family are still very active members of our community. Thank you to John Jenkins for organising the event and to Nancy Crouch for giving us a little history of her brother in law, Noel.

As Council discussed in much length at our at Forum meeting, it is again very disappointing to see the extent of the paving failure in the main street. Our first action is to have New Age Paving return to restore the area in front of the Post Office as soon as possible and to find a solution to the drainage issues outside the Commonwealth Bank. Most Councillors are in agreeance with many of the members of our community who believe we are on a hiding to nothing continuing to lay and relay what seems to be unsuitable pavers for the area.

Drug Awareness week is coming up in the first week of September with seminars and information events for community throughout the week.

Thank you to Councillors and Staff for the extra time they have committed to working through the Budget. With a quest for more detailed information I understand this was at times challenging. From a Councillor's point of view starting a budget without an updated Long Term Financial Plan, no Plant Replacement Program or Long Term Roads program was also challenging, but as a rural Local Government I think they are essential tools to providing good planning and decision making for Council. We have some work to do over the coming year in relation to planning, including our Community Planning. All these structures, together with the work undertaken by Managers this year, should put the Shire of Katanning in a better position to produce a timely budget that reflects both accountability and community needs in the future.

The planning for the Early Childhood Hub continues with the committee working well with the architects to relay the outcomes expected with this project, it doesn't look like we will be putting a shovel in the ground in October as planned but the extra time spent now on making sure we have the best possible building for the purpose is worth the delay.

Tender for the KLC Gym extension was advertised last week, and the tender for the architect for the Admin building will be advertised this weekend. They are both projects that have been on the books for some years now and we look forward to them progressing

And we wish Councillor Sandwell a very Happy Birthday.



## **10.2.2      Adoption of the 2016/17 Budget**

**File Ref:** AC/06/0008  
**Reporting Officer:** Diana Marsh, Manager Finance  
**Date Report Prepared:** 18 August 2016

**Issue:**

To consider adopting the 2016/17 Budget for the Shire of Katanning.

**Body/Background:**

The Local Government Act 1995, section 6.2 requires a Local Government to prepare and adopt a budget before 31 August.

Budget Summary

A copy of the 2016/17 draft budget is attached.

The budget has been prepared with due regard to the Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework consisting of the Community Strategic Plan and the Corporate Business plan with the Long Term Financial Plan, the Asset Management Plan and the Workforce Plan as informing documents. Due regard has also been given to the Forward Capital Works Plan, the Plant Replacement Programme, decisions made by Council during the previous twelve months, initiatives introduced by staff and amendments following the presentation of earlier drafts to Council.

As presented the draft budget allows for an increase of approximately 4.95% increase in revenue from rates on both GRV and UV valued properties.

It is recommended that Council adopt a balanced budget.

Rates Paid by Instalments & Overdue Rates

Where ratepayers choose to pay their rates by instalments Council is required to adopt a rate of interest to be charged for this option and to determine an administrative charge for this service. Similarly, Council is required to adopt the rate of penalty interest to be imposed on outstanding rates.

Monthly Reporting of Variances

Changes to the financial reporting regulations of the Local Government came into effect on 1 July 2005. Council has previously set the level of variance to be reported in the monthly statements.

It is necessary to review these levels for the 2016/17 financial year.

The current levels for reporting variances are:

“a variance of 10% or greater of the annual budget for each program area in the budget, as a level which requires an explanation or report, with a minimum dollar value of \$10,000.”

The monthly reporting during 2015/16 has been provided on this basis, unless Council is dissatisfied it is recommended that the same level of variance reporting be adopted for 2016/17.

### Members Sitting Fees

In accordance with the Local Government Act 1995 section 5.99- Annual fee for council members in lieu for attending meetings, a Local Government may decide that instead of paying council members a fee referred to in section 5.98(1), it will instead pay all council members who attend council or committee meetings –

- The annual fee determined by the Salaries and Allowance Tribunal under Salaries and Allowance Act 1975 section 7B; or
- Where the local government has set a fee within the range for annual fees determined by that Tribunal under that section, that fee. In accordance with the Local Government Act 1995 section 5.98(5) Fees etc for Council members. The mayor or president of a local government is entitled, in addition to any entitlement that he or she has under subsection (1) or (2), to be paid –
- The annual local government allowance determined for mayors or presidents; or
- Where the local government has set an annual local government allowance within the range determined for annual local government allowances for mayors or presidents that allowance.

In accordance with the Local Government Act 1995 section 5.98A – Allowance for deputy mayor or deputy president, a local government may decide to pay the deputy mayor or deputy president of the local government an allowance of up to the percentage that is determined by the Salaries and Allowance Tribunal under the Salaries and Allowance Act 1975 section 7B of the annual local government allowance to which the mayor or president is entitled under section 5.98(5).

In accordance with section 7B (2) of the Salaries and Allowance Act 1975 the Salaries and Allowances Tribunal is required to “inquire into and determine –

- The amount of fees, or the minimum and maximum amount of fees, to be paid under the Local Government Act to elected council members for attendance at meetings, and
- The amount of expenses, or the minimum and maximum of expenses, to be reimbursed under the Local Government Act 1995 to elected council members; and
- The amount of allowances or the minimum and maximum amounts of allowances, to be paid under the Local Government Act 1995 to elected council members.”

It has been determined that the Shire of Katanning is a Band 3 in the Tribunal’s local government banding model.

### **Annual attendance fees in Lieu of council meeting and committee meeting attendance fees**

<b>For a council member other than the mayor or president</b>		<b>For a council member who holds the office of mayor or president</b>	
<b>Minimum</b>	<b>Maximum</b>	<b>Minimum</b>	<b>Maximum</b>
\$7,612	\$16,205	\$7,612	\$25,091

### **Annual allowance for a Mayor, president or chairman**

<b>For a Mayor or president</b>	
<b>Minimum</b>	<b>Maximum</b>
\$1,015	\$36,591

**Annual allowance for a Deputy Mayor, Deputy President or Deputy Chairman**

The percentage determined for the purpose of section 5.98A91) of the Local Government Act is 25 per cent.

<b>For a Deputy Mayor or Deputy president</b>	
<b>Minimum (25%)</b>	<b>Maximum (25%)</b>
\$253.75	\$18,295.50

Telecommunication Allowance

The Tribunal has determined the following minimums and maximums for a Band 3 Council;

**Annual allowance for ICT expenses**

<b>Elected Members</b>	
<b>Minimum</b>	<b>Maximum</b>
\$500	\$3,500

Schedule of Fees and Charges

The schedule of fees and charges has been reviewed and is included in the supporting information for Councillors' consideration.

**Officer's Comment:**

The draft budget was presented to Councillors' and reviewed at the budget workshop on 10 August 2016, and amendments included in the final draft budget.

**Statutory Environment:**

Local Government Act 1995 – Part 6, Division 2 – Annual Budget  
Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996

**Policy Implications:**

Nil.

**Financial Implications:**

Budget of estimated income and expenditure for the 2016/17 financial year.

**Strategic Implications:*****Shire of Katanning Strategic Plan 2013 – 2023***

Development and Leadership

- Governance



- Commercial service 240 litre bin. Per bin per year \$350
- Commercial service (additional 240 litre bin) \$350
- Commercial Service 120 litre, per bin per year \$265
- Street Bin Collection, per bin per year \$165
- Commercial waste management charge \$97

5. **Waste Rate – That Council in accordance with section 66 of the Waste Avoidance and Resource Recovery Act 2007, imposes a waste rate for 2016/17 for the provision of waste services in Katanning. This includes the provision of a local refuse site and street sweeping.**

**Waste Rate:**

- Unimproved Values (UV) \$0.0001
- Gross Rental Values (GRV) \$0.0001

**Minimum Waste Rate:**

- Unimproved Values (UV) \$31.00
- Gross Rental Values (GRV) \$31.00

6. **Payment Options – that Council adopts the following options for the payment of rates and charges for 2014/2015:**

**Option 1 (Full Payment)**

- Full amount, less any entitled discount, of rates and charges including arrears to be paid on or before 35 days after the date of service appearing on the rate notice. Granting a 2% discount on this option.

**Option 2 (2 Instalments)**

- The first instalment of 50% of the total current rates and charges, instalment charges plus the total outstanding arrears payable, within 35 days from the date of issue of the rate notice.
- The second instalment of 50% of the total current rates and charges and instalment charges, payable 4 months from the due date of the first instalment.

**Option 3 (4 Instalments)**

- The first instalment of 25% of the total current rates and charges and instalment charges plus the total outstanding arrears payable, within 35 days from the date of issue of the rate notice.
- The second, third and fourth instalments, each of 25% of the current rates and charges and instalment charges, payable at two monthly intervals after the due date of the first instalment.

7. **Interest and Administration Charges for Instalment Options – that Council in accordance with 6.45 of the Local Government Act 1995 imposes the following charges:**

- a) **An administrative charge of \$10 per instalment notice; and**
  - b) **Interest of 5.5% per annum on rates paid by instalments in 2016/17.**
8. **Penalty Interest on Overdue Rates – that Council imposes a penalty interest rate of 11% per annum to be imposed on outstanding rates in 2016/17 in accordance with 6.51 of the Local Government Act 1995.**
  9. **Fees and Charges – adopts the Schedule of Fees and Charges as detailed for 2016/2017 in accordance with section 6.16 of the Local Governments Act 1995.**
  10. **Material Variances – In relation to financial reporting in 2016/17, adopt a variance of 10% or greater of the annual budget for each program area in the budget, as a level which requires an explanation or report, with a minimum dollar value of \$10,000.**
  11. **Elected Members Meeting Attendance Fees - adopts the annual sitting fee option and the fee be set at:**
    - **Councillors                      \$10,000 per Councillor**
    - **President                              \$10,000 President**
  12. **President and Deputy President Allowances – adopts the annual allowance for the President of \$20,000 and for the Deputy President \$5,000.**
  13. **Information and Communication Technology Allowance – adopts an annual information and communications technology allowance of \$1,100 per elected member.**
  14. **Adoption of Annual Budget – that Council adopts the annual budget for 2016/17.**

**Voting Requirement:** Absolute Majority

CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY: 8/0

Cr Richard Kowald spoke for the motion

**10.3 EXECUTIVE MANAGER, PROJECTS AND COMMUNITY BUILDING REPORTS**

Cr John Goodheart declared a Financial Interest and left the room at 6:16pm.

Cr Richard Kowald declared an Interest Affecting Impartiality.

Cr Craig McKinley declared an Interest Affecting Impartiality.

**10.3.1 Katanning Country Club application for 2017-2018 CSRFF Funding round  
(ATTACHMENT)**

**File Ref:** A2823  
**Reporting Officer:** Denise Gallanagh Wood, Community Building & Project Development Coordinator  
**Date Report Prepared:** 15 August 2016

**Issue:**

To consider Katanning Country Club application for 2017-2018 CSRFF Funding round.

**Body/Background:**

Through the Community Sport and Recreation Forward Planning (CSRFF), the State Government provides financial assistance to community groups and local governments to develop infrastructure for sport and recreation. Funds are allocated to large scale projects where the total project cost exceeds \$500,000 and may require an implementation period of between one and three years. Grants given in this category may be allocated in one or a combination of the years in the triennium.

Community sport and recreation groups and local government authorities are eligible to apply for funding. All applicants are required to submit an application to the Shire for assessment, ranking and rating prior to submission to the Department of Sport and Recreation (DSR).

Where Council does not wish to endorse a project it should recommend that the project not be funded, or that it be resubmitted in a later funding period.

All projects are assessed against the following key principles:

- Project Justification
- Planned Approach
- Community Input
- Management Planning
- Access & Opportunity
- Design
- Financial Viability
- Co-ordination
- Physical Activity

DSR requests that Council place a priority and rating on all applications within its municipality. The ratings are to be assessed on the following criteria:

- Well planned and needed by the municipality (high)
- Well planned and needed by the applicant (medium/high)

- Needed by the municipality but more planning required (medium)
- Needed by the applicant but more planning required (medium/low)
- Idea has merit, but more planning required (medium/low); and
- Not recommended.

One application was submitted for the current funding round:

**1. Katanning Country Club (KCC) – Extension and re-build of the current premises.**

This project will enable colocation of five sporting committees, Katanning Golf Club, Katanning Tennis Club, Katanning Squash Courts and two new partners Katanning Bowling Club and Katanning Hockey Club the former two have not previously shared facilities with KCC. The project will improve existing facilities enabling the KCC to better meet the expectations and demands of the current and future populous, this in turn will help to attract new members and facilitate an increase in community engaging in physical activity and allow for increased income enhancing sustainability of the club.

The rebuild includes the purchase of land currently owned by the Katanning Baptist Church and Crown Land, the closure of a public road, demolition of the existing club rooms, erection of new club rooms and facilities, the building of tennis courts and bowling greens.

A comprehensive feasibility study was completed in July 2016 and a business case completed in August 2016 both documents were prepared by Keston Technologies.

A needs assessment conducted as a part of a business case identified a number of inadequacies and issues as listed below:

- The building does not comply with current building requirements.
- Inadequate access and facilities for people with disabilities.
- There are issues with concrete cancer, leaking roof and guttering, rusting lintels.
- Inadequate access to facilities because demand exceeds the facilities availability, squash club members are having to reserve courts late in the evening, up to 11pm and midnight to gain access to the court.
- Lack of storage space – no storage space for kitchen and sporting equipment and inadequate function and meeting room space.

The business case lays out some of the benefits of the proposed rebuild including:

- Relocation of the current Bowling club addresses the problem that the current bowling green and associated amenities are inadequate and needs major repair and maintenance.
- Facilitates meeting the demand for sports today and in the future through improving the clubhouse and increasing capacity the facility will better meet the needs of the current sporting groups and the increasing demand of projected population growth.
- Stimulates demand for sport due, colocation enables the clubs to offer improved facilities improving affordability for the clubs and enabling cross membership possibilities and transition from one sport to another.
- Reduced costs for all clubs involved.
- Improving the provision of attractive facilities for the community promotes the liveability of Katanning enhancing the attraction and retention of residents. The population of Katanning is projected to increase so demand for and on community

facilities will increase, facilities of a higher standard will facilitate enhanced liveability.

- Increased sustainability, by facilitating membership growth the development will lead to increased financial health for the club and affiliated clubs. In addition improved facilities will increase income generation potential as more people are likely to use the facility for functions.
- Increased community activities support and scope for further colocation of other sporting groups.
- Increased participation in sports has multiple health and social benefits for the community.

**The total cost of the proposed rebuild is estimated at \$6,429,270.00 with a proposed funding formula as follows:**

<b>Source of funding</b>	<b>\$Amount ex GST</b>
<b>Community Sport &amp; Recreational Facilities Fund (CSRFF)</b>	1,000,000.00
<b>National Stronger Regions Funds</b>	2,766,270.00
<b>Katanning County Club</b>	250,000.00
<b>Shire of Katanning Self Supporting Loan</b>	250,000.00
<b>Growing our South Fund - SOK</b>	1,000,000.00
<b>Community Contribution</b>	150,000.00
<b>Regional Grants Scheme</b>	300,000.00
<b>In-kind KCC and other sources</b>	440,000.00
<b>KCC Identified Cost Saving Initiatives</b>	273,000.00
<b>b) Total project funding</b>	<b>6,429,270.00</b>

**Officer's Comment:**

Colocation of five sporting groups makes good social and business sense for the participating bodies and users promoting long term sustainability of the clubs their services and facilities and adds value to the Katanning communities social capital.

The Shire has received two written requests for support from the KCC dated 9 July 2016 and 8 August 2016 [Letter attached]. Until Council has undertaken a review of its Long Term Financial plan, officers are unable to assess the Shire's ability to contribute additional cash and in-kind resources to the project. Council may choose to allocate additional cash and in-kind resource to the project as part of its Long Term Financial Plan review anticipated to take place prior to the end of the 2016 calendar year.

The relocation of the Bowling Club from its current site has been identified as an element of the Shire's Katanning Super Town Heritage Centre Project. The preliminary planning for the Shire's project is yet to be completed; however, an in-principal, notional figure of \$1,000,000 has been allocated towards the relocation of bowls through the Shire's Growing Our South funding.

Council's present debt risk is low and as such is in a position to comfortably accommodate the Katanning Country Club's request for a self-supporting loan to the value of \$250,000 over a

period of approximately 10 years, should Council choose to. If Council does chooses to assist the Katanning Country Club by way of facilitating a self-supporting loan this will need to be factored into the Council's Long Term Financial Plan as part of its next review.

It appears the project can be classified as needed by the applicant and the general community and should therefore be rated as "High" through the CSRFF.

**Statutory Environment:**

A road closure is planned as a part of the KCC project. This process will be required to be undertaken pursuant to The Land Administration Act 1997 (LAA) Western Australia's legislation dealing with the creation and closure of roads. The LAA is administered by the Minister for Lands, assisted by the Department of Regional Development and Lands (RDL). Part 5 of the LAA deals with matters relating to public roads. Part 6 of the LAA is the State's legislation dealing with the sale, leasing and licensing of State land. Section 87 of the LAA handles the disposal of land after road closures, which would generally be by amalgamation with adjoining properties.

The project will be subject to all applicable building and development permits.

**Policy Implications:**

Nil.

**Financial Implications:**

In principal, the Shire has made a notional allocation of \$1,000,000 towards the relocation of bowls through its Growing Our South funded Katanning Supertown Heritage Centre Project.

Council currently has the capacity to support the project by way of facilitating a low interest self-supporting loan of \$250,000. If Council chooses to facilitate a self-supporting loan for the purpose of this project, the loan will need to be factored into the Council's Long Term Financial Plan.

If Council chooses to consider providing additional cash and in-kind support to the project it is recommended that this request be assessed as part of the next review of the Shire's Long Term Financial Plan.

**Strategic Implications:**

Sports facility consolidation, new facilities and recreation improvements were identified in the Katanning Community Plan 5.1. Key aspirational Elements.

The Corporate Business Plan 2013-2018 outlines Outcome Area 2- Community Services Activity: Sports Facility Consolidation; Identify incentives for the Bowling Club to relocate to the Katanning Country Club or Leisure Centre.

**Officer's Recommendation/Council Motion:**

**MOVED: CR CRAIG MCKINLEY**

**SECONDED: CR OWEN BOXALL**

**OC92/16 That Council suspends standing orders.**

**Voting Requirement: Simple Majority**

**CARRIED: 7/0**

**PROCEDURAL MOTION**

**MOVED: CR CRAIG MCKINLEY**

**SECONDED: CR SERENA SANDWELL**

**OC93/16 That Council resumes standing orders.**

**Voting Requirement: Simple Majority**

**CARRIED: 7/0**

**Officer's Recommendation/Council Motion:**

**MOVED: CR SERENA SANDWELL**

**SECONDED: CR OWEN BOXALL**

**OC94/16 That Council:-**

- 1) Endorses the Katanning Country Club's application to the Department of Sport and Recreation, and ranks the club's colocation project as a high priority project for Katanning under the Community Sport and Recreation Facilities Fund round 2017-2018.**
- 2) Approves the facilitation of a low interest self-supporting loan of up to \$250,000 to the Country Club to assist in funding the colocation project and factors this into Council's Long Term Financial Plan.**
- 3) Supports in principal a notional allocation of up to \$1,000,000 through its Growing Our South funding to assist the relocation of bowls to the Katanning Country Club and associated works.**
- 4) Upon full review of the project business case, considers the Katanning Country Club's request for in-kind; cash; and ongoing support by way of reduced annual rates, as part of its Long Term Financial Plan review anticipated to take place prior to the end of the 2016 calendar year.**

**Voting Requirement: Simple Majority**

**CARRIED: 7/0**

Cr Serena Sandwell spoke for the motion

Cr Richard Kowald spoke for the motion

Cr John Goodheart returned to the room at 6:40pm.

## **10.4 EXECUTIVE MANAGER, PROPERTY & ASSETS REPORTS**

### **10.4.1 Piesse Lake Master Plan (ATTACHMENT)**

**File Ref:** CP.PL.5

**Reporting Officer:** Shirley King Ching, Executive Manager Property and Assets

**Date Report Prepared:** 17 August 2016

**Issue:**

To consider the Piesse Lake Master Plan and works implementation schedule.

**Body/Background:**

The development of a man made fresh water lake at Piesse Park in Katanning was included in the Katanning SuperTown Growth Plan and preliminary works were undertaken as an extension of the development of the New Katanning Regional Sheep Saleyards Project. The freshwater lake at Piesse Park was seen as an opportunity to develop and improve amenity for the area as well as utilize excess storm water collected from the Saleyards facilities.

After some initial earthworks, in late 2015, works in Piesse Lake ceased. In March 2016, Shire of Katanning commissioned South East Regional Centre of Urban Landcare (SERCUL) to develop a Master Plan for Piesse Lake. The Master Plan provides the Shire with guidance regarding water management with the aim of maintaining Piesse Lake as a healthy permanent water body.

In April 2016, SERCUL conducted site assessments, reviewed existing information and concluded with key issues affecting Piesse Lake's water supply sustainability and water quality. Issues include high levels of salinity, nutrients, groundwater interception, erosion and mosquito breeding.

Initially, Piesse Lake's main source of water is from Saleyard supply dam. However, microbial analysis of Saleyard dam water showed contamination levels in some dam sources which pose a threat to human health. Hence, some sources of Saleyard dam water require pre-treatment to remove microbial contamination.

SERCUL's Piesse Lake Master Plan proposed the following:

- Construction of two sub surface flow wetlands on the main lake inlets to provide pre-treatment of water entering the lake. Water from the main lake will then be recirculated through the treatment wetlands to increase nutrient removal.
- Restoration of Katanning creek upstream of the main lake incorporating a riffle-pool sequence to improve water quality allowing sediment capture and access for removal of gross pollutants.
- Divert more of Katanning creek's base flow back through the proposed sub surface flow wetland and into the main lake. Modify adjustable weir to allow diversion. This

change will allow onsite treatment of water and decrease dependence on importing water from Saleyard dam.

- Use of soft landscape within the perimeter of the main lake and sub surface flow wetland 2 to create a more natural appearance in controlling erosion.

**Officer's Comment:**

Construction of Piesse Lake is significant for the Piesse Park project. The manmade lake is considered integral to the development of local parkland and the proposed residential subdivision in the area. The Master Plan developed by Sercul is comprehensive and includes proposals for the completion of the lake construction as well as ongoing maintenance costs. In order to reduce the estimated cost, the Shire will need to utilize local volunteers for the planting programme and will require the Shire's internal civil crew to complete the required earthworks.

It is recommended that Council adopts the Piesse Lake Master Plan (July 2016) developed by SERCUL and endorses the proposed work schedule for Piesse Lake to be implemented within 3 years.

**Statutory Environment:**

Local Government Act 1995

**Policy Implications:**

Nil.

**Financial Implications:**

Total Cost of implementation works for Piesse Lake- \$ 554,900

- 2016/17- \$ 193,810
- 2017/18- \$ 198,660
- 2018/19- \$ 162,430

Estimated Piesse Lake life-cycle cost year 4 onwards:

Ongoing maintenance cost- \$ 20,000

Replacement cost (reserve fund) - \$ 27,905

Total annual life-cycle cost- \$ 47,905

**Strategic Implications:*****Shire of Katanning Strategic Plan 2013 – 2023***

## Environment

- To support sustainable land care and protection of remnant vegetation.

**Officer's Recommendation/Council Motion:****MOVED: CR MARTIN VAN KOLDENHOVEN****SECONDED: CR SERENA SANDWELL****OC95/16 That Council suspends standing orders.****Voting Requirement:** Simple Majority

CARRIED: 8/0

**PROCEDURAL MOTION****MOVED: CR MARTIN VAN KOLDENHOVEN****SECONDED: CR SERENA SANDWELL****OC96/16 That Council resumes standing orders.****Voting Requirement:** Simple Majority

CARRIED: 8/0

**Officer's Recommendation/Council Motion:****MOVED: CR CRAIG MCKINLEY****SECONDED: CR SERENA SANDWELL****OC97/16 That Council adopts the Piesse Lake Master Plan (July 2016) developed by SERCUL and endorses the proposed work schedule for Piesse Lake to be implemented within 3 years, subject to budget considerations and project review.****Voting Requirement:** Simple Majority

CARRIED: 8/0

Cr Craig McKinley spoke for the motion  
Cr Richard Kowald spoke for the motion

**10.5 DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

Nil.

**10.6 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORTS**

Nil.

**10.7 ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

Nil.

**11. ELECTED MEMBERS MOTION OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN**

Nil.

**12. NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE INTRODUCED BY DECISION OF MEETING**

Nil.

**13. CONFIDENTIAL ITEM**

Nil.

**14. CLOSURE OF MEETING**

The Presiding Member declared the meeting closed at 6:55pm.