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PRESENT: Clr A Rawson (in the Chair), Clrs M Nash & P Batten

ALSO PRESENT: Deputy General Manager – Cabonne Infrastructure,
Executive Assistant – Cabonne Infrastructure

ITEM - 1 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Proceedings in Brief

Clr K Beatty

RECOMMENDATION (Nash/Batten)

THAT any apologies tendered be accepted and the necessary leave of absence be granted.

IT23/11 Carried

ITEM - 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

RECOMMENDATION (Batten/Nash)

THAT there were no Declarations of Interest be noted.

IT23/12 Carried

ITEM - 3 DECLARATIONS OF POLITICAL DONATION

RECOMMENDATION (Nash/Batten)

THAT were no political donations be noted.

IT23/13 Carried

ITEM - 4 TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE UPDATE

Proceedings in Brief

Four Mile Creek

The Deputy General Manager – Cabonne Infrastructure has received verbal advice that Transport for NSW has accepted Council's recommended Tenderer.

Cargo Road

Work to be undertaken will be a substantial improvement. The work being undertaken is not so that the speed limit can be increased. It is to enhance safety.

Clr Nash noted that staff should be congratulated, there are a number of residents happy with the work scheduled.

Canomodine Bridge

Recommendation is for a single lane concrete structure. This is appropriate for the location. Project is tender ready.

Nyrang Creek Bridge

Transport for NSW held a meeting on Friday in regards to the removal of the old structure and replacement with a new structure. No word yet on the outcome.

Pinecliffe Road Causeway

There is substantial work to be undertaken to address the erosion downstream of the causeway.

Longs Corner Road

Originally only a one stage project. Council now have funding through Fixing Local Roads with a Council co-contribution.

This was a critical bypass during the November 2022 flood event and sustained a lot of damage.

Washpen Creek Bridge

Tenders received. All over the original budget.

The Deputy General Manager will put together a proposal regarding the funding of the shortfall to bring to Council.

Clr Batten noted that there has been a lot of community interest in this project.

Peak Hill Road

Recent TEAMS meeting with the reviewers – lots of positive feedback however the status of the review will not be known until September.

Footpaths

Tenders recently closed and submissions are being assessed.

2 locations for Belmore Street Cargo were removed prior to the tender being released due to some complexities regarding drainage. Designs for these locations need to be completed and then they may be awarded as an extension to the Contract.

Long Point Road – there was a discussion regarding the crossing between the school and the hall. Transport for NSW are already looking into options.

Storm Damage Works

Currently finalising claims for Storm Damage repairs.

Clr Nash noted that staff should be thanked for the work being undertaken, specifically staff who worked on Bocobra Road. The quality of work from the grader operators has been noted.

Also lots of positive feedback from the East area of Cabonne, residents have never seen the roads so good. Crews have put in a lot of effort across the shire.

Molong Main Street Project

Stage 2 due to be completed end of August.

Budget is tracking well.

Gasworks Lane Carpark

Design has been sent back to the designers.

Intent is to maintain the long vehicle car parking and some light vehicle parking.

Laneway to be widened.

Convert the Hill Street property into overflow car parking for the swimming pool.

Plan to start in March 2024 and complete by the end of the Financial Year.

Gravel Resheeting

Work on Gowan Road and Byng Road underway.

Council is able to add approx. \$500,000 to this financial years budget due to savings from last financial years budget due to using the millings from Transport for NSW work on the Mitchell Highway at Guyong.

Clr Batten noted that there was a stockpile of soil near Hunter Caldwell and wondered who this belonged to? The Deputy General Manager will follow up.

RECOMMENDATION (Batten/Nash)

THAT the information be noted.

IT23/14

Carried

ITEM - 5 DRAFT ROAD VERGES POLICY

Proceedings in Brief

There was a discussion surrounding the implementation of the co-contribution of costs in regards to Footpath works. It was noted that the co-contribution section from the Roads Act can be included at Council's discretion.

A summary of the discussion was:

- That the PAMP remains Council's priority in regards to footpaths and that residents will not be asked to contribute to the cost.
- Should Council receive a request from the community then the co-contribution would apply (as per the table included in the report).

RECOMMENDATION (Nash/Batten)

THAT the Committee request that the draft Roads Verges Policy include the below before being presented to Council at a future meeting:

- That the PAMP remains Council's priority in regards to footpaths and that residents will not be asked to contribute to the cost.
- Should Council receive a request from the community then the co-contribution would apply (as per the table included in the report).

IT23/15

Carried

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 1.14pm.