

MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING

WARRNAMBOOL CITY COUNCIL

5:45 PM - MONDAY 15 JUNE 2020



VENUE:

**Reception Room
25 Liebig Street
Warrnambool**

COUNCILLORS

Cr. Tony Herbert (Mayor)
Cr. Robert Anderson
Cr. Sue Cassidy
Cr. Kylie Gaston
Cr. Michael Neoh
Cr. David Owen
Cr. Peter Sycopoulis

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Peter B. Schneider
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE WARRNAMBOOL CITY COUNCIL HELD IN THE
RECEPTION ROOM, WARRNAMBOOL CIVIC CENTRE, 25 LIEBIG STREET, WARRNAMBOOL ON
MONDAY 15 JUNE 2020 COMMENCING AT 5:45 PM**

PRESENT: Cr. Tony Herbert, Mayor/Chairman
Cr. Robert Anderson
Cr. Sue Cassidy
Cr. Kylie Gaston
Cr. Michael Neoh
Cr. David Owen
Cr. Peter Sycopoulis

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr Peter Schneider, Chief Executive Officer
Mr Peter Utri, Director Corporate Strategies
Mr Scott Cavanagh, Director City Infrastructure
Mr Andrew Paton, Director City Growth
Ms. Vikki King, Director Community Development
Ms. Wendy Clark, Executive Assistant

1. OPENING PRAYER & ORIGINAL CUSTODIANS STATEMENT

Almighty God
Grant to this Council
Wisdom, understanding and Sincerity of purpose
For the Good Governance of this City
Amen.

ORIGINAL CUSTODIANS STATEMENT

I wish to acknowledge the traditional owners of the land on which we stand and pay my respects to their Elders past and present.

2. APOLOGIES

Nil.

**3. DECLARATION BY COUNCILLORS AND OFFICERS OF ANY CONFLICT OF INTEREST
IN ANY ITEM ON THE AGENDA**

Pursuant to Sections 77, 78 and 79 of the Local Government Act 1989 (as amended) direct and indirect conflict of interest must be declared prior to debate on specific items within the agenda; or in writing to the Chief Executive Officer before the meeting. Declaration of indirect interests must also include the classification of the interest (in circumstances where a Councillor has made a Declaration in writing, the classification of the interest must still be declared at the meeting), i.e.

- (a) direct financial interest
- (b) indirect interest by close association
- (c) indirect interest that is an indirect financial interest
- (d) indirect interest because of conflicting duties
- (e) indirect interest because of receipt of an applicable gift
- (f) indirect interest as a consequence of becoming an interested party
- (g) indirect interest as a result of impact on residential amenity
- (h) conflicting personal interest

A Councillor who has declared a conflict of interest, must leave the meeting and remain outside the room while the matter is being considered, or any vote is taken. Councillors are also encouraged to declare circumstances where there may be a perceived conflict of interest.

Nil.

4. REPORTS

4.1. SUBMISSIONS ON DRAFT BUDGET 2020-2021 AND COUNCIL PLAN 2017-2021 (REVISED 2020)

PURPOSE:

This report presents the submissions made to Council in response to the release of the Draft Budget 2020-2021 and the Draft Council Plan 2017-2021 (revised 2020).

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- Each year Council is required to prepare and adopt an annual budget by June 30 or later if so gazetted.
- As part of the Budget process Council released a draft annual budget and a revised version of the four-year Council Plan for public comment.
- Council is required to have the draft Budget available for inspection for 28 days following publication of a public notice detailing that these documents would be made available for inspection.
- Under Section 223 of the Local Government Act 1989 individuals or groups are entitled to make a submission on the Budget or Council Plan and that entitlement includes that the submitter may "request in the submission that the person wishes to appear in person, or to be represented by a person specified in the submission, at a meeting to be heard in support of the submission".

BACKGROUND

This phase of the budget and Council plan process enables submissions to be made for Council to consider changes including admissions or deletions to its draft Budget and Council plan. The ability for people to personally present to Council in support of their submissions enables submitters to expand on their reasoning as outlined in their submission and they can present the compelling reasons they feel a change should be considered.

Councillors will further review the information presented at a briefing and then resolve upon the final form of the Council plan and Budget at a meeting of Council. This year, this meeting will be on July 6 2020.

The fluid nature of the impacts of the Covid-19 pandemic may see further revisions to the Budget considered into the latter part of 2020 or the start of 2021.

Eight submissions were received, seven specifically for the consideration of changes to the budget and one which referenced both the budget and Council Plan – refer **Attachments 1 – 7**.

Two of the submissions – from Community Clubs Victoria and the Victorian Farmers Federation - were generic advocacy documents from industry associations sent to all Councils for consideration.

Submissions were received from:

- John O'Brien
- Lyn Burns on behalf of Heatherlie Homes
- AFL Western District
- Lisa McLeod
- Ben Blain on behalf of Warrnambool Ratepayers Association
- Victorian Farmers Federation
- D and C Thompson
- Community Clubs Victoria

Of those who made a submission, the following also nominated to speak in support of their submission.

They were John O'Brien, Lyn Burns and Ben Blain.

- John O'Brien and Ben Blain spoke to the meeting in support of their submissions.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Council will need to consider the budgetary impacts of the submissions before the adoption of a final Budget. Council Plan changes can lead to a change in strategic intent which the resourcing needs to be considered in the strategic resource plan and budgets annually.

LEGISLATION / POLICY / COUNCIL PLAN CONTEXT

Under the Local Government Act Council is required to prepare an annual Budget and to review the four-year Council Plan. The completion of this year's Budget and Council Plan process fall within the carry over provisions of the 1989 Local government act.

TIMING

Ordinarily, Council must prepare and adopt an annual Budget by June 30 each year. This year, as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and declaration of the State of Emergency, the Victorian Government gave local Councils additional time to prepare the budget.

COMMUNITY IMPACT / CONSULTATION

Council has made the Draft Budget 2020-2021 and the Draft Council Plan 2017-2021 (revised 2020) available for public comment and submission in accordance with the requirements set out in the Act.

CONCLUSION

Following the review of submissions to the Draft Budget and Draft Council Plan 2017-2021 (revised 2020) Council will prepare final draft documents for consideration by Council at the July 6, 2020, meeting of Council.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Community Clubs Victoria budget submission [4.1.1 - 2 pages]
2. Victorian Farmers Federation budget submission [4.1.2 - 2 pages]
3. 11639303588 WCC 2020-21 Budget Submission - AFL Western District [4.1.3 - 4 pages]
4. 11646926041 Submission to Warrnambool City Council Plan and Budget 202021 - LMCLEOD [4.1.4 - 4 pages]
5. 11660721166 D and C Thompson Budget Submission [4.1.5 - 17 pages]
6. Council Plan and Budget feedback 2020-2021 [4.1.6 - 9 pages]
7. 11653127057 Budget Submission Warrnambool Ratepayers Association [4.1.7 - 2 pages]



12/05/2020

Dear Mr Schneider, Chief Executive Officer,

I'm writing on behalf of Community Clubs Victoria, the peak body for the many not-for-profit clubs throughout Victoria, to seek your much-needed support.

As you can imagine, the Government's decision to close indoor venues in order to slow the spread of COVID-19 has had a dramatic impact on our clubs. While they come in all shapes and sizes, our member clubs are not-for-profit entities, and any surplus funds go right back into supporting their local communities. This makes them particularly vulnerable to interruptions of cashflow, and many will struggle to make it through this pandemic without some form of assistance.

Should these clubs be forced to close their doors, the ripple effect throughout the community would be dramatic. Hundreds of thousands of children and youths would be denied the opportunity of playing organised or casual sports, and a significant number of adults and older citizens would lose their community hub and opportunity to volunteer. With community clubs employing around 30,000 Victorians, the economic impact of clubs closing or downsizing would be significant.

To make sure that we weather this storm and ensure that these vital community hubs are here long into the future, we are writing to each LGA to seek their consideration of relief from rates for at least a six-month period. We hope we can add Warrnambool City Council to the growing list of LGAs that have indicated their willingness to come to the table and assist.

We have attached a brochure explaining the structure of not-for-profit clubs and the huge positive impact they have on your community.

While our staff are currently working in isolation, we have senior people rostered at CCV to respond to calls, so should you wish to discuss this matter further please call us on (03) 8851 4900.

Thank you for your consideration and we look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

Yours faithfully,

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Leon Wiegard, OAM, President

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Leon Wiegard, OAM, President

From: Charles Everist
Sent: Mon, 18 May 2020 11:24:41 +1000
To: Warrnambool City Council
Subject: 2020/21 Draft Budgets - Farm Rates

Cr Tony Herbert
Mayor
Warrnambool City Council
25 Liebig Street
WARRNAMBOOL, VIC 3280

By email: therbert@warrnambool.vic.gov.au

18 May 2020

Dear Cr Herbert,

RE: 2020/21 Draft Budget - Farm Rates

Victorian agriculture cannot be expected to shoulder an even greater rating burden as we work to help rebuild the state's economy in the wake of COVID-19.

That's why I am writing to all Victorian local government councils to encourage a fair and balanced rating strategy, and to extend an invitation to partner with the Victorian Farmers Federation (VFF) in advocating for an overhaul to Victoria's rating system.

The VFF recognises the difficult position councils face when it comes to the resources available to them to develop a fair rating strategy. Victoria's rating system has created the situation whereby regional and rural ratepayers pay more in rates as a percentage of the value of their property than ratepayers in metropolitan Melbourne.

What's more, regional and rural ratepayers often receive and have access to fewer services from local government than ratepayers in the city.

The VFF is deeply concerned about the inequities that all regional and rural ratepayers face, not just farmers. Changes must be made to the state's rating strategy in the long term and we would welcome the opportunity to work with Warrnambool City Council to advocate for reform.

However, our expectation remains that all councils will put forward a fair and equitable rating strategy this year, particularly in light of recent drought conditions, the bushfires and the COVID pandemic.

The VFF constantly monitors and reports on the rates set by all local government councils to promote fair rating strategies and to actively campaign against unfair and inequitable rate hikes.

The VFF will be vocal in calling out councils that unfairly shift the rating burden onto farmers and the agricultural sector, whilst acknowledging and publicly commending councils that strike balance in their rating strategy.

The current model of using land valuations for striking rates, places undue financial stress on farming businesses as the value attributed to farm land does not reflect farm businesses' revenue generation nor capacity to pay. Differential rates were introduced as a tool for councils to address equity issues arising from the land valuation method of determining rates.

The fundamental principle should be that as the value of farmland increases, the differential rate is adjusted to reduce the rate in the dollar so that the rate burden paid by the farm sector remains stable. The VFF expects that Warrnambool City Council will use the mechanisms it has available to maintain a balanced rating strategy.

The VFF is very happy to meet with your council to discuss your rating plans for 2020/21 and how we may work together to advocate for long term reform. To discuss further, please contact Luke Hooke, Manager, Stakeholder Policy and Advocacy, on 0428 288 909 or at lhooke@vff.org.au.

Yours sincerely,



David Jochinke
President

Victorian Farmers Federation

cc: Mr Peter Schneider, Chief Executive Officer, Warrnambool City Council

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AFL Western District
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WARRNAMBOOL VIC 3280

Wednesday, 20 May 2020

Ms Alison Kemp,
Manager – Recreation and Culture,
Warrnambool City Council,
25 Liebig Street,
Warrnambool VIC 3280

Dear Ms Kemp,

Re: Budget Response - Warrnambool City Council Draft 2020-2021 Budget

On behalf of leagues and clubs participating in community football and netball at Warrnambool City Council ('Council') facilities, we wish to provide a response to the draft 2020-21 budget as presented at Council's ordinary meeting on 4 May 2020.¹

Statistics on Participation Levels

Leagues that ordinarily play a substantial number of matches and/or are based within Council boundaries are:

1. Hampden Football Netball League Inc ('HFNL')
2. Warrnambool & District Football Netball League ('WDFNL')
3. Western Victoria Female Football League ('WVFFL')

We outline the below summary of Council grounds and associated tenant clubs:

Council Sports Ground	Tenant/s
Allansford Recreation Reserve	Allansford Football Netball Club
Bushfield Recreation Reserve	North Warrnambool Eagles Football Netball Club
Davidson Oval	Old Collegians Football Netball Club
Dennington Recreation Reserve	Dennington Football Netball Club
Friendly Societies Park	South Warrnambool Football Netball Club
Mack Oval	Russells Creek Football Netball Club
Merrivale Recreation Reserve	Merrivale Football Netball Club
Reid Oval	Warrnambool Football Netball Club / East Warrnambool Football Netball Club
Walter Oval	South Rovers Football Netball Club

For additional context, we outline the below registered participants associated with each tenant club above in the year 2019. Please note that these figures include only registered players/officials with

¹ <http://www.yoursaywarrnambool.com.au/budget-2020-2021-and-council-plan>

AFL Victoria and Netball Victoria. Social club members are not included or any unregistered associated club supporters. A La Trobe University study in 2015 found that for every player, clubs reached a further 10 people in their community.² Effectively, this would provide coverage over 30,000 people across the entire Council population of 34,000.³

2019 Registered Participants at WCC Tenant Clubs

	FOOTBALL			
	Males	Females	Total	Average Age
HFNL	828	45	873	23
WDFNL	1,142	44	1,186	24
WVFFL	12	129	141	23
	1,982	218	2,200	

	NETBALL			
	Males	Females	Total	Average Age
HFNL	0	333	333	17
WDFNL	0	521	521	20
	0	854	854	

	TOTAL			
	Males	Females	Total	Average Age
HFNL	828	378	1,206	21
WDFNL	1,142	565	1,707	23
WVFFL	12	129	141	23
	1,982	1,072	3,054	

² <https://www.aflvic.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2015/02/Latrobe-Value-of-a-Community-Football-Club-Final-PDF.pdf>

³ <https://www.warrnambool.vic.gov.au/city-information>

Focus Area 1 - Casual Ground Hire Fees

We have reviewed the draft casual ground charges in the 2020-2021 budget – with a particular focus being on Football/Netball League Finals day rates.

We note the following rates:

1. 2016/17: \$501.00
2. Proposed 2020/21: \$912.00

This represents an 82.04% total increase across a period of 5 years. In the previous five-year period across 2011/12 – 2015/16 the same effective increase was 8.22% (\$450 increasing to \$487).

Focus Area 2 - Sports Ground Seasonal Use Fee

We have reviewed the annual charges to clubs for seasonal use of Council facilities. We do note that no detail has been provided on the expected charges for 2020/21 in the draft budget. We understand a briefing was to occur in April 2020 that has not occurred - we understand that COVID-19 may have impacted this timeline.

We note the following rates (using HFNL club as example):

1. 2015/16: \$4,866.61
2. Actual 2019/20: \$10,084.00

This represents an 107.21% increase across a period of 4 years.

Submission Discussion Points

We wish to highlight the following discussion points in relation to these significant fee increases:

1. The community club and league revenue available to pay these charges is predominantly sourced via business sponsorship. Sponsorship revenues of clubs have been heavily restricted in recent years owing to the economic conditions faced and will be exacerbated by the impacts of COVID-19 in coming years. Anecdotally, all club and league sponsorship revenue has either remained stagnant or decreased over the periods analysed above. Through increasing the fees and charges by such a substantial amount pressure is placed on clubs and leagues which is ultimately a burden on club volunteers.
2. It is noted in the Council Plan 2017-2021 (revised 2020) that fostering a healthy, welcoming city that is socially and culturally rich is a key objective. We believe there is a disconnect between this objective and the substantial year-on-year increases in Council fees imposed on sporting clubs. Our clubs provide social hubs of connectivity for community members and avenues for participating in sport. We are cautious of the impacts that a high 'cost to play' has on the ability of clubs to continue to provide such vibrant opportunities for Council residents.
3. In the 2018/19 Annual Report, the Aquazone leisure centre costed Council a net \$570k. The expected net cost of sport/recreation services in 2019/20 as identified in the draft budget is \$547k. On an assumed membership base of 3,000, it costs Council approximately \$190 for every member of Aquazone.

Applying the same logic to sport/recreation services and assuming that 100% of this cost was for football and netball facilities (where it actually includes other community sporting groups), the cost to Council per member (assuming 9,000 associated participants and social club members) is \$61.

We understand the importance of Council's endeavours to recoup costs of maintaining facilities but seek an equitable fashion of this cost distribution across all community facilities.

4. Community sporting clubs provide extensive social value to a community – for every \$1 spent, there is at least a \$4.40 return in social value (La Trobe University study, 2015). The benefits include social connectedness, wellbeing and mental health status, employment outcomes, personal development, physical health, civic pride and support of other community groups. AFL Western District is concerned with the pace of fee increases and the threat this is to our club's viability.

Recommendations

1. AFL Western District, associated leagues and clubs seek a 5-year freeze on casual and seasonal charges as they are to apply to community football and netball clubs based on the existing 2019/20 fee structure.
2. Council seek to ensure equitable spread of costs across all facilities on a basis of number of members associated with each and acknowledge the large social value of community sporting clubs within the Council.

We appreciate the consideration of Council in this respect.

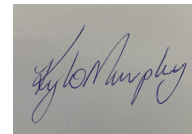
Yours Sincerely,



Matthew Ross
AFL Western District
Commercial & Operations Manager



Tim Mason
HFNL
President



Kylie Murphy
WDFNL
President

Cc: Warrnambool City Council tenant club Presidents

Submission to Warrnambool City Council: Revised Council Plan Budget & 2020/2021

Organisational Review and Values:

- The revised Council plan does not illustrate how the findings organisational review will be delivered as asserted in the Chief Executive Officers introduction.'
- A list of operations, actions, projects or initiatives which will implement the review are not apparent in the plan. In order to be transparent a report should be prepared to illustrate the what, how and when.
- It is very confusing – has the organisational review been completed and its now being implemented, or is it still under development and up for consideration? In the budget papers in section 2.5 Pillar 5 Governance one of the “major initiatives” for expenditure is noted as:
2) Lead the delivery of an organisational structure review in order to remain a contemporary employer and provide the community best value service delivery.
- Are the recommendations of the organisational review undertaken last year still relevant and appropriate in this time of uncertainty and rapid change due to COVID-19 impacts on Council services, businesses and the community.

A message from the CEO

The revised Council Plan will help Warrnambool continue to be Victoria's most liveable city.

Over the coming year work will continue or commence on a number of key projects for which funding has been allocated from other levels of government. The implementation of works contained in the Lake Pertobe Master Plan is one that the community is looking forward to. Council received a Federal Government grant of \$1.45 million to complement Council funding to undertake this project. Work will also continue on the redevelopment of Reid Oval.

There are numerous stakeholders involved in this project and there is much to be done on the planning and scheduling in addition to the on-ground work that will transform this sportsground. Council will also be working with South West TAFE and the wider community on the new library-learning centre. This is an intergenerational project for which there are high expectations. It is anticipated that this project will have a positive impact on education attainment levels within Warrnambool while also continuing to meet the needs of those who are regular library users. On the sustainability front we will have a complete rollout of our Food Organics Garden Organics (FOGO) project. This is a more environmentally sound way to deal with our city's waste and will help reduce our city's greenhouse gas emissions.

This revised Council Plan includes the delivery of findings of an organisational review undertaken in 2019-2020. The review examined whether resourcing levels are appropriate and whether we are making the right efforts in the right areas of our operation. Council will continue to provide a wide range of quality services to the community including family and children's services and other community services including volunteer coordination, youth services and aged services.

Peter Schneider
Chief Executive Officer

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- Only a small proportion of staff have been provided with the details of changes recommended in the organisational review. It is unacceptable if recommendations are being implemented before all employees have been made aware of the changes.

- To implement the organisational review covertly and without sharing it with the whole organisation, Councillors and ratepayers, clearly contravenes the organisational values of:
Accountability–We will be responsible and take ownership of our actions and decisions by being **ethical, honest and transparent**.”
Respectfulness–We will treat everyone with dignity, fairness and empathy, providing others with the opportunity to share views and to be heard.

Actions and Initiatives:

- The Actions and Initiatives (A & Is) are supposed to be annual, guide budget commitments and enable monitoring of progress. The majority of actions identified in the 20/21 iteration have not been updated, are not specific enough to enable an understanding of the status or progress of projects spanning more than one financial year. The A & Is do not show the community that progress is being made on strategies, year on year.
- The A & Is do not include reference to the review of the Municipal Health and Wellbeing Plan, Warrnambool A Healthy City 2017–2021 or the community engagement processes needed to inform the review. The review and preparation of a new plan is mandatory under the Act.
- The A & Is do not include actions to review the current Council Plan or develop the new plan for 2021–2025. This is also mandatory, and the Local Government Act Amendment sets out expectations around increased community input, including the use of participatory processes.
- Is there budget set aside for the process to review and develop these critical and mandatory plans in the 20/21 year? These review processes take up to 12 months and so for new plans to be ready for adoption by October 2021 as required in the Local Government Act, the process and costs will commence during the 20/21 budget.
- To develop the current iteration of the health and wellbeing and Council plans, an efficient and cost-effective engagement process was designed to inform these and many other strategic plans and decisions (Active Warrnambool, Green Warrnambool, Housing Diversity Strategy). This approach was to be repeated in 20/21 to inform the next iteration of strategic plans and to enable the 2017 data (and in some cases 2013 data) to form a benchmark for reporting on progress (including the outcomes in the Council Plan and Warrnambool 2040). There is no indication that this commitment is proceeding.
- When adopting the Warrnambool 2040 plan in December 2018 Council committed to ‘ongoing leadership to strengthen partnerships, engage the community and report on Warrnambool 2040 initiatives and outcomes’ Through its resolution. There is no evidence of this activity in the 20/21 council plan or budget. See extracts overleaf.

Extract: Minutes 3 December 2018**5.17. WARRNAMBOOL 2040 - COMMUNITY PLAN****PURPOSE:**

To adopt the Warrnambool 2040 Community Plan (W2040) and commit to be a founding partner.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- The Warrnambool 2040 Community Plan has been developed with input from the community and partner organisations over the past 18 months.
- The extensive community engagement process generated the biggest conversation Warrnambool has ever seen, with thousands of residents sharing their 'Wishes for Warrnambool' and the 'W2040 Community Panel' drafting the Visions and Goals for the 20-year plan.
- The W2040 Plan's outcomes and performance measures were developed with community partners and the plan was finalised by Council's W2040 Working Group, led by the Manager Community Planning and Policy.
- The draft plan/prospectus was distributed to more than 90 potential partners during October. A positive response has been received, with approximately 30 organisations of all sizes and from all sectors indicating their interest in being a W2040 founding partner.
- The partnership drive will extend into 2019 when the focus will move from organisational partners to a campaign to engage clubs, groups and residents.
- Council is invited to endorse the W2040 Plan and make a commitment as a W2040 founding partner by aligning the work of the organisation to support these shared aspirations.

MOVED: Cr. Peter Hulin

SECONDED: Cr. Kylie Gaston

- 1. Council adopt the Warrnambool 2040 (W2040) Community Plan and pledge to support the W2040 vision and goals as a founding partner.**
- 2. Council commits to ongoing leadership of the W2040 Plan to strengthen partnerships, engage the community, and report on W2040 initiatives and outcomes.**

CARRIED - 6:0

Extract from Council report recommending adoption of W2040 – 3 December 2018**FINANCIAL IMPACT**

The extensive community engagement learnings from the W2040 process have been utilised many times to inform the development of plans other than W2040, including: Warrnambool - A Healthy City 2017-2021; Green Warrnambool 2018; Active Warrnambool Strategy; Housing Diversity Strategy; Warrnambool Playspace Strategy and other service plans in development.

The investment in robust and inclusive community engagement delivered Council's strategic planning activities with significant savings in cost and officer time as it has avoided duplicating engagement processes many times over the past 12-18 months. These savings will continue into the future **as the engagement survey undertaken in 2017 will be repeated in 2021** to inform the review of the Municipal Health and Wellbeing Plan offer updated insights for all planning processes.

This will deliver a significant and ongoing saving, and improved integration and alignment of Council's Strategic Plans going forward.

Whilst the process to develop the plan is now completed, Council **needs to commit resources and build capacity to nurture and grow the W2040 partnerships (both internally and in the community) and undertake ongoing engagement and reporting to keep W2040 as a dynamic and influential plan.**

These W2040 activities cannot be absorbed into current operational budgets and additional funding will be required in the future to maximise the returns to the community from the W2040 Plan.

Acknowledging that these are unprecedented times is necessary.

However, COVID-19 impacts should not be used as an excuse for neglecting good process, planning, and engaging openly with the community about what challenges lie ahead for our community and understanding their priorities and how they are changing over time.

Working with the community and informing all Council decisions with data, evidence and community input is critical.

This is a time when transparent processes, engagement and decision making are needed more than ever.

Other matters for attention:

- There are no page numbers on the plan or budget, so it is exceedingly difficult to reference sections when making a submission.
- The wrong date is on the first page of the to the A & Is section (2019/20) – suggesting the text may have been copied from last year.

Lisa McLeod
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29/05/2020

D & C THOMPSON

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WOOLSTHORPE VIC. 3276**BUDGET SUBMISSION
JUNE 2020**

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D & C THOMPSON

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WOOLSTHORPE VIC. 3276

20TH May, 2020

We would like to submit the following on the Warrnambool City Council Budget 2020.

Our submission is focused on the issue of the Warrnambool Livestock Exchange.

We fail to understand why Warrnambool City Council is borrowing \$700,000 to be used to roof the C Pens at the Warrnambool Saleyards, when this expense has been fully covered by farmers and agents through levies imposed on them, over several years now, to cover Capital Improvements at the Warrnambool Saleyards.

In 2009 Warrnambool City Council had intentions to close the Warrnambool Saleyards. In 2010 farmers agreed to a \$2.00 levy per head of mature cattle sold through the saleyards to be applied to fund CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS at the saleyards. NOTE: Capital Improvements not Repairs and Maintenance. Repairs and maintenance are normal operating costs which are funded through fees and charges such as Yard fees, Weigh fees, and Agents' fees etc.

Over the years the yard fees have normally increased by 20 to 50 cents at a time as you can see by the following:

Date	Yard Fees		Increase
2014		\$10.95	
2015		\$11.20	0.25 cents
2016		\$11.45	0.25 cents
2017		\$11.70	0.25 cents
2018		\$12.00	0.30 cents
2019		\$12.50	0.50 cents

So, you see a pattern here that the normal increase in yard fees is usually a matter of cents per head.

In November 2010 yard fees were \$8.80 per head, yet in February 2011 (after discussions with farmers) yard fees increased by \$2.53 per head to \$11.33. We believe this strongly supports the case that 0.53 cents was a normal price increase in yard fees at the time and that the \$2.00 per head was exactly the levy imposed on farmers to fund CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS at the saleyards. I have attached evidence of this in our own account sale documents.

As the increase was, as we have stated above, \$2.53 it is a noticeably clear indication of the \$2.00 per head being a levy not a price increase.

So this brings us to our next point that the levy imposed should be spent on the purpose for which it was collected and not used as consolidate revenue as has been stated to us in the past.

In a letter sent to David Thompson from the Warrnambool City Council Director of Corporate Services, dated 8th May 2019, it states that over a ten year period Warrnambool City Council will have collected \$1,454,004 from this \$2.00 per head levy (not price increase). It also states that Capital Expenditure over these 10 years is expected to be \$1,639,000 which includes \$600,000 budgeted to roof the C pens at the Warrnambool Saleyards. We believe the expenditure figures to be flawed as they include normal repairs and maintenance at the Warrnambool Saleyards such as, replacement of railings and replacement of scanning equipment, which are NOT Capital Expenditure and as such should not be included in these figures.

The normal fees paid for by agents and farmers should well and truly cover these repairs and maintenance expenses, after all the Warrnambool Saleyards has always made a yearly profit for Warrnambool City Council.

We also fail to comprehend how the cost of roofing the C pens at the Saleyards has blown out to \$1.1 million from the \$600,000 budgeted for in 2019/2020 as stated in the Warrnambool City Council's own budget figures as stated in the letter referred to from the Warrnambool City Council Director of Corporate Services.

We believe the roofing of the C Pens at the Saleyards should have already been completed. We are in full agreement that the roof of the C Pens needs to happen and should not be delayed any further.

In conclusion the borrowing of \$700,000, we believe, should not form part of the funding for this roofing as this expense should already be accounted for within the \$2.00 levy paid by the farmers.

David Thompson



Christine Thompson



We have attached the following documents in support of our submission:

Account sale invoices

Letters from Director of Corporate Service, Warrnambool City Council

Copy of Standard article regarding. \$700,000 loan to pay for saleyards roof

\$700,000 loan to pay for saleyards roof

LOCAL GOVERNMENT Warrnambool

WARRNAMBOOL saleyards is set to get a new \$1.1 million roof with the city council set to borrow \$700,000 to fund the project.

The funding injection for the saleyards infrastructure came as the facility posted its busiest month since at least

2013, and was tracking ahead of budget despite the impact of the coronavirus.

The council had set aside \$600,000 in the current year's budget for a new more efficient roof which would also harvest rainwater, but it was put on hold when late last year it was revealed the costs had blown out to about \$1

million. The council will now borrow \$700,000 to fund the project while it awaits on the outcome of a grant submission to the Victorian Government which would reduce the loan amount.

Cr Peter Sycopoulis told Monday night's council meeting that he was pleased to see the borrowing allo-

cation in the budget for the saleyards roof which was "long overdue".

Cr Kylie Gaston said it was time to get the saleyards roof done for both animal welfare and also an "important show of confidence" in the saleyards.

The project is expected to start "as soon as possible"

pending the outcome of the grant application and favourable weather conditions.

The new roof will include a stormwater capture and retention component.

"The detailed design is complete, all stakeholders are behind the project and a logistics plan is in place that will allow sales to continue

through construction," the council said in a statement.

Cr Sue Cassidy said saleyards performance was very strong in March and was likely to be seen during April as well with the facility still being able to hold sales was held its first stock live-stream sale.

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Account Sale**D & C THOMPSON**

WOOLSTHORPE VIC 3276

Date: Wednesday, 4 August, 2010
Reference Code: HDO543-THODC.C
Account Code: THODC
ABN: 42-251-671-053

WARRNAMBOOL CATTLE SALE

Warrnambool

Sale: HDO543
Date: 04/08/2010

Cattle Cattle (Store/Prime)

Pen ID /Lot	Qty	Description	Price /Kilo	Av. Wgt	Weight	Av. Dr Price Cr	Amount	Tax	Total
5	1	Bull	170.00	730.00	730.00	1,241.00 Cr	1,241.00	124.10	1,365.10
106	1	Cow	106.00	365.00	365.00	386.90 Cr	386.90	38.69	425.59
Totals	2		148.67	547.50	1,095.00	813.95	1,627.90	162.79	1,790.69

Charges

Pen ID /Lot	Qty	Description	Price /Kilo	Av. Wgt	Weight	Av. Dr Price Cr	Amount	Tax	Total
		Commission				Dr	89.54	8.96	98.50
		Transit Guarantee				Dr	8.14	0.81	8.95
		Cartage (TOM PLACE)				Dr	70.00	7.00	77.00
		National Transaction Levy				Dr	10.00	0.00	10.00
		Victorian Compensation Duty				Dr	4.15	0.00	4.15
		Weigh Fee				Dr	8.30	0.83	9.13
		Yard Fees				Dr	16.00	1.60	17.60
Totals			0.00				206.13	19.20	225.33
		GST Paid (Inputs)	\$19.20						
		GST Collected (Outputs)	\$162.79						
						Credit Proceeds	1,421.77	143.59	1,565.36

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17-60
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8-80 per head.

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WOOLSTHORPE VIC 3276

Date: Wednesday, 3 November, 2010
Reference Code: HDO697-THODC.C
Account Code: THODC
ABN: 42-251-671-053

WARRNAMBOOL CATTLE SALE

Warrnambool

Sale: HDO697
Date: 03/11/2010

Cattle (Store/Prime)

Pen ID / Lot	Qty	Description	Price /Kilo	Av. Wgt	Weight	Av. Dr Price Cr	Amount	Tax	Total
24	1	Bull	170.00	845.00	845.00	1,436.50 Cr	1,436.50	143.65	1,530.15
170	1	Cow	151.00	570.00	570.00	860.70 Cr	860.70	86.07	946.77
173	2	Cows	132.00	480.00	960.00	633.60 Cr	1,267.20	126.72	1,393.92
174	1	Cow	143.00	445.00	445.00	636.35 Cr	636.35	63.64	699.99
Totals	5		148.96	564.00	2,820.00	840.15	4,200.75	420.08	4,620.83

Charges TAX INVOICE SECTION

Pen ID / Lot	Qty	Description	Price /Kilo	Av. Wgt	Weight	Av. Dr Price Cr	Amount	Tax	Total
		Commission				Dr	231.05	23.10	254.15
		Transit Guarantee				Dr	21.00	2.10	23.10
		Cartage (GJ & T & PJ KELSON)				Dr	60.00	6.00	66.00
		National Transaction Levy				Dr	25.00	0.00	25.00
		Victorian Compensation Duty				Dr	10.60	0.00	10.60
		Weigh Fee				Dr	13.50	1.35	14.85
		Yard Fees				* Dr	40.00	4.00	44.00
Totals			0.00				401.15	36.55	437.70

GST Paid (Inputs) \$36.55
GST Collected (Outputs) \$420.08

Credit Proceeds 3,799.60 383.53 4,183.13

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WOOLSTHORPE VIC 3276

Date: Wednesday, 16 February, 2011
Reference Code: HDO874-THODC.C
Account Code: THODC
ABN: 42-251-671-053**WARRNAMBOOL CATTLE SALE**

Warrnambool

Sale: HDO874
Date: 16/02/2011

Pen ID /Lot	Qty	Description	Price /Kilo	Av. Wgt	Weight	Av. Price	Dr Cr	Amount	Tax	Total
114	8	Steers	224.00	395.00	3,160.00	884.80	Cr	7,078.40	707.84	7,786.24
		V/PIC [REDACTED]								
118	7	Steers	224.00	324.29	2,270.00	726.40	Cr	5,084.80	508.48	5,593.28
		V/PIC [REDACTED]								
118	1	Stag Cattle	222.00	300.00	300.00	666.00	Cr	666.00	66.60	732.60
		V/PIC [REDACTED]								
119	4	Heifers	217.00	350.00	1,400.00	759.50	Cr	3,038.00	303.80	3,341.80
		V/PIC [REDACTED]								
Totals	20		222.54	356.50	7,130.00	793.36		15,867.20	1,586.72	17,453.92

Charges**TAX INVOICE SECTION**

Pen ID /Lot	Qty	Description	Price /Kilo	Av. Wgt	Weight	Av. Price	Dr Cr	Amount	Tax	Total
		Commission					Dr	872.69	87.27	959.96
		Transit Guarantee					Dr	79.33	7.93	87.26
		Cartage (GJ & T & PJ KELSON)					Dr	120.00	12.00	132.00
		National Transaction Levy					Dr	100.00	0.00	100.00
		Victorian Compensation Duty					Dr	39.75	0.00	39.75
		Weight Fee					Dr	17.30	1.73	19.03
		Yard Fees					Dr	206.00	20.60	226.60
Totals			0.00					1,435.07	129.53	1,564.60

GST Paid (Inputs) \$129.53
GST Collected (Outputs) \$1,586.72

Credit Proceeds 14,432.13 1,457.19 15,889.32

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WOOLSTHORPE VIC 3276

Date: Wednesday, 19 February, 2014
Reference Code: HDO2288-630913.C
Account Code: 630913
ABN: 42-251-671-053**WARRNAMBOOL CATTLE SALE**
WarrnamboolSale: HDO2288
Date: 19/02/2014

Cattle	Cattle (Store/Prime)									
Pen ID	Qty	Description	Price /Kilo	Av. Wgt	Weight	Av. Price	Dr Cr	Amount	Tax	Total
104	2	Steers	210.00	375.00	750.00	787.50	Cr	1,575.00	157.50	1,732.50
		V/PIC								
104	1	Steer	192.00	390.00	390.00	748.80	Cr	748.80	74.88	823.68
		V/PIC								
104	1	Heifer	200.00	440.00	440.00	880.00	Cr	880.00	88.00	968.00
		V/PIC								
106	5	Mix Sex Cattle	199.00	320.00	1,600.00	636.80	Cr	3,184.00	318.40	3,502.40
		V/PIC								
106	1	Vealer	195.00	350.00	350.00	682.50	Cr	682.50	68.25	750.75
		V/PIC								
106	1	Heifer	160.00	310.00	310.00	496.00	Cr	496.00	49.60	545.60
		V/PIC								
106	1	Heifer	155.00	360.00	360.00	558.00	Cr	558.00	55.80	613.80
		V/PIC								
Totals	12		193.44	350.00	4,200.00	677.03		8,124.30	812.43	8,936.73
	12							\$8,124.30	\$812.43	\$8,936.73

Charges**TAX INVOICE SECTION**

Pen ID /Lot	Qty	Description	Price /Kilo	Av. Wgt	Weight	Av. Price	Dr Cr	Amount	Tax	Total
		Commission					Dr	446.84	44.68	491.52
		Transit Guarantee					Dr	40.62	4.06	44.68
		Cartage (GJ & T & PJ KELSON)					Dr	130.00	13.00	143.00
		National Transaction Levy					Dr	60.00	0.00	60.00
		Victorian Compensation Duty					Dr	20.45	0.00	20.45
		Weigh Fee					Dr	19.50	1.93	21.43
		Yard Fees					Dr	131.43	13.17	144.60
Totals			0.00					848.84	76.84	925.68

GST Paid (Inputs) \$76.84
GST Collected (Outputs) \$812.43

Credit Proceeds \$7,275.46 \$735.59 \$8,011.05

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12.05 per head.

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WOOLSTHORPE VIC 3276

Date: Wednesday, 28 October, 2015
Reference Code: HDO3334-630913.C
Account Code: 630913
ABN: 42-251-671-053**WARRNAMBOOL CATTLE SALE**

Warrnambool

Sale: HDO3334
Date: 28/10/2015

Pen ID /Lot	Qty	Description	Price /Kilo	Av. Wgt	Weight	Av. Price	Dr Cr	Amount	Tax	Total
147	1	Cow V/PIC [REDACTED]	184.00	450.00	450.00	828.00	Cr	828.00	82.80	910.80
147	1	Cow V/PIC [REDACTED]				713.00	Cr	713.00	71.30	784.30
149	2	Cows V/PIC [REDACTED]	155.00	460.00	920.00	713.00	Cr	1,426.00	142.60	1,568.60
153	1	Cow V/PIC [REDACTED]	128.00	450.00	450.00	576.00	Cr	576.00	57.60	633.60
Totals	5		155.49	364.00	1,820.00	708.60		3,543.00	354.30	3,897.30
	5							\$3,543.00	\$354.30	\$3,897.30

Charges**TAX INVOICE SECTION**

Pen ID /Lot	Qty	Description	Price /Kilo	Av. Wgt	Weight	Av. Price	Dr Cr	Amount	Tax	Total
		Commission					Dr	194.87	19.48	214.35
		Transit Guarantee					Dr	17.72	1.77	19.49
		Cartage (GJ & T & PJ KELSON)					Dr	70.00	7.00	77.00
		National Transaction Levy					Dr	25.00	0.00	25.00
		Victorian Compensation Duty					Dr	8.95	0.00	8.95
		Weigh Fee					Dr	8.43	0.85	9.28
		Yard Fees					Dr	57.50	5.75	63.25
Totals			0.00					382.47	34.85	417.32
		GST Paid (Inputs)				\$34.85				
		GST Collected (Outputs)				\$354.30				
		Credit Proceeds						\$3,160.53	\$319.45	\$3,479.98

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WOOLSTHORPE VIC 3276

Date: Wednesday, 11 May, 2016
Reference Code: HDO3595-630913.C
Account Code: 630913
ABN: 42-251-671-053Sale: HDO3595
Date: 11/05/2016**WARRNAMBOOL CATTLE SALE**
Warrnambool

Pen ID /Lot	Qty	Description	Price /Kilo	Av. Wgt	Weight	Av. Price	Dr Cr	Amount	Tax	Total
56	1	Heifer V/PIC [REDACTED]	255.00	340.00	340.00	867.00	Cr	867.00	86.70	953.70
128	1	Cow V/PIC [REDACTED]	135.00	415.00	415.00	560.25	Cr	560.25	56.03	616.28
Totals	2		189.04	377.50	755.00	713.63		1,427.25	142.73	1,569.98
								\$1,427.25	\$142.73	\$1,569.98

Charges TAX INVOICE SECTION

Pen ID /Lot	Qty	Description	Price /Kilo	Av. Wgt	Weight	Av. Price	Dr Cr	Amount	Tax	Total
		Commission					Dr	78.50	7.85	86.35
		Transit Guarantee					Dr	7.14	0.71	7.85
		Cartage (GJ & T & PJ KELSON)					Dr	25.00	2.50	27.50
		National Transaction Levy					Dr	10.00	0.00	10.00
		Victorian Compensation Duty					Dr	3.65	0.00	3.65
		Weigh Fee					Dr	4.54	0.46	5.00
		Yard Fees					Dr	23.00	2.30	25.30
Totals			0.00					151.83	13.82	165.65

GST Paid (Inputs)	\$13.82	Credit Proceeds	\$1,275.42	\$128.91	\$1,404.33
GST Collected (Outputs)	\$142.73				

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WOOLSTHORPE VIC 3276

Date: Wednesday, 22 March, 2017
Reference Code: HDO4033-630913.C
Account Code: 630913
ABN: 42-251-671-053Sale: HDO4033
Date: 22/03/2017**WARRNAMBOOL CATTLE SALE**
Warrnambool

C

Pen ID /Lot	Qty	Description	Price /Kilo	Av. Wgt	Weight	Av. Price	Dr Cr	Amount	Tax	Total
56	1	Heifer V/PIC	335.00	290.00	290.00	971.50	Cr	971.50	97.15	1,068.65
56	1	Steer V/PIC	330.00	290.00	290.00	957.00	Cr	957.00	95.70	1,052.70
56	1	Steer V/PIC	319.00	310.00	310.00	988.90	Cr	988.90	98.89	1,087.79
56	1	Heifer V/PIC	258.00	210.00	210.00	541.80	Cr	541.80	54.18	595.98
Totals	4		314.47	275.00	1,100.00	864.80		3,459.20	345.92	3,805.12

Charges

Pen ID /Lot	Qty	Description	Price /Kilo	Av. Wgt	Weight	Av. Price	Dr Cr	Amount	Tax	Total
		Commission					Dr	190.26	19.02	209.28
		Transit Guarantee					Dr	17.30	1.73	19.03
		Cartage (TOM PLACE)					Dr	90.00	9.00	99.00
		National Transaction Levy					Dr	20.00	0.00	20.00
		Victorian Compensation Duty					Dr	8.75	0.00	8.75
		Weigh Fee					Dr	9.28	0.92	10.20
		Yard Fees					Dr	46.92	4.68	51.60
Totals			0.00					382.51	35.35	417.86

4	GST Paid (Inputs)	\$35.35								
	GST Collected (Outputs)	\$345.92								
						Credit Proceeds		\$3,076.69	\$310.57	\$3,387.26

"In arranging transit guarantee, SKB Rodwells receives an administration fee."

Payment will be made by Cheque

÷ 4 51.60
12.90 per head



4 June 2019

David Thompson

WOOLSTHORPE VIC 3276

Dear Mr Thompson

Thank you for your letter dated the 29 May 2019.

In response to your request for further information in relation to the Warrnambool Livestock Exchange, we did provide you with the total capital expenditure at the facility for the past 10 years this figure included items for asset renewal as well as for upgrade and improvements. We do not differentiate these aspects in the stewardship of the asset. We included along with this response a list of the key projects that were implemented. These were important investments from Council in asset renewal and asset improvement to ensure the yards remain competitively viable into the future.

Council also invests in annual maintenance of the yards to ensure the safety of the employees, agents and customers, the efficient operation of plant and machinery and meeting or extending the useful life of the asset. The annual investment varies from year to year with the 5 year average being approx. \$165,000 per annum.

Thank you for your enquiry, but unless you have a specific purpose in mind for your line of enquiry I consider the information provided as sufficient and that this matter is resolved. As you would understand each request of this nature requires resources to be diverted to answer the enquiry and does little to progress the issue from our prospective. We appreciate your interest in the yards and welcome your support.

The SWVLX sale yards are an important asset and business of Council, that Council continues to support and manage in a high highly efficient way, in a highly competitive commercial environment.

Yours sincerely

PETER UTRI
DIRECTOR CORPORATE STRATEGIES

8 May 2019

David Thompson

WOOLSTHORPE VIC 3276



Dear Mr Thompson

Thank you for your letter dated 6 May 2019.

In response to your request for further information in relation to the Warrnambool Livestock Exchange, I have attached the following table that sets out the sale numbers and the capital works expenditure.

Detail	10/11 Actual	11/12 Actual	12/13 Actual	13/14 Actual	14/15 Actual	15/16 Actual	16/17 Actual	17/18 Actual	18/19 Forecast	19/20 Budget	Total
Number of Cattle & Store Sales	43,833	85,873	78,676	79,970	98,590	90,437	75,642	56,981	57,000	60,000	727,002
Income (\$2 per head price increase)	87,666	171,746	157,352	159,940	197,180	180,874	151,284	113,962	114,000	120,000	1,454,004
Capital Expenditure	219,920	64,049	244,559	139,336	48,991	148,743	23,629	50,374	99,400	600,000	1,639,000
Surplus/(Deficit) of Funds	(132,254)	107,697	(87,207)	20,604	148,189	32,131	127,655	63,588	14,600	(480,000)	(184,996)

* \$2 per head increase started from Dec 2010

Over the 10 years since the introduction of the \$2 per head price increase, the sale number have not been sufficient to fund the roof at the facility. The expected deficit after completion of the roof would be \$184,996. This also assumes that the roof can be constructed within the budgeted allowance of \$540,000.

The major capital works that have been completed over this time include:

- Soft flooring.
- Trade waste quality improvements.
- Installation of double decker ramps.
- Replacement of railings.
- Replacement of scanning equipment.
- Proposed construction of the roof.

If you have queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

PETER UTRI
DIRECTOR CORPORATE STRATEGIES

Appendix A: Fees and Charges

4. GROWTH**Warrnambool Livestock Exchange**

New fees to apply from 1 September 2016 • Includes GST

User Fees & Charges	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17
Bobby Calves	\$3.90	\$4.00	\$4.10
Calves	\$8.20	\$8.35	\$8.50
Bulls	\$17.95	\$18.30	\$18.65
Cattle	\$12.40	\$12.65	\$12.90
Sheep	\$0.60	\$0.60	\$0.65
Store - cattle	\$10.95	\$11.20	\$11.45
Dairy - cattle	\$13.65	\$13.90	\$14.15
Hire of dairy ring	<100 \$11.40 per head >100 head \$1,140.00 >200 head \$1,490.00 >300 head \$1,820.00 >400 head \$2,165.00 >500 head \$2,525.00	<100 \$11.62 per head >100 head \$1,162.00 >200 head \$1,520.00 >300 head \$1,856.00 >400 head \$2,208.00 >500 head \$2,575.00	<100 \$11.85 per head >100 head \$1,185.00 >200 head \$1,550.00 >300 head \$1,895.00 >400 head \$2,250.00 >500 head \$2,630.00
Agents fees	\$107,000.00	\$109,140.00	\$111,320.00
Office rental (per office)	\$2670.00	\$2,723.00	\$2,723.00
Truck Wash			
Truck wash fees (per minute) between 2pm Tuesday and 2pm Wednesday	\$0.90	\$0.92	\$0.94
Truck wash fees (per minute) all other times	\$1.35	\$1.38	\$1.41
Weigh fees 1 Head	\$2.45	\$2.50	\$2.55
2 Head	\$2.10	\$2.14	\$2.20
3 Head	\$1.75	\$1.79	\$1.85
4 Head	\$1.50	\$1.53	\$1.55
5 Head	\$1.15	\$1.17	\$1.20
6 Head or more	\$0.85	\$0.87	\$0.90
Scanner fee hire per day	\$100.00	\$102.00	\$105.00
Scanner transfer fee per head	\$1.85	\$1.90	\$1.95
Cattle not sold at store sale: scanning fee per head	\$2.35	\$2.40	\$2.45
Private weighs	\$6.10	\$6.20	\$6.30

Flagstaff Hill Maritime Village

New fees apply from 1 April 2016 – 31 March 2017 in accordance with Tourism Industry Standards

User Fees & Charges	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17
Admission Fees			
Adults	\$16.00	\$16.50	\$17.00
Concession	\$12.50	\$13.00	\$13.50
Child	\$6.50	\$6.50	\$7.00
Family	\$39.00	\$39.00	\$41.00
"Shipwrecked" Sound & Light Show Admissions			
Adults	\$26.00	\$26.50	\$28.00
Concession	\$23.00	\$23.50	\$25.00
Child	\$13.95	\$14.50	\$15.00
Family	\$67.00	\$69.00	\$74.00
Flagstaff Hill Memberships			
Individual	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$45.00
Grandparents (2A + 2C)	\$70.00	\$70.00	\$75.00
Family (2A + 2C)	\$85.00	\$85.00	\$90.00
Lighthouse Lodge			
Room Rate – Normal	\$155.00	\$165.00	\$165.00
Room Rate – Peak	\$175.00	\$185.00	\$185.00
Exclusive Use Rate – Normal	\$375.00	\$385.00	\$390.00
Exclusive Use Rate - Peak	\$425.00	\$435.00	\$440.00

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Attachment 4.2.1

29 April 2019 Page

Warrnambool Livestock Exchange					
New fees to apply from 1 July 2019					
User Fees & Charges		2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	Variance %
Bobby Calves		\$4.20	\$4.30	\$4.30	\$0.00 0.00%
Calves		\$8.70	\$8.90	\$9.00	\$0.10 1.12%
Bulls		\$19.00	\$19.50	\$20.00	\$0.50 2.56%
Cattle		\$13.20	\$13.50	\$13.80	\$0.30 2.22%
Sheep		\$0.70	\$0.75	\$0.75	\$0.00 0.00%
Store - cattle		\$11.70	\$12.00	\$12.50	\$0.50 4.17%
Dairy - cattle		\$14.50	\$14.85	\$15.00	\$0.15 1.01%
Hire of dairy ring per head					
	<100 head	\$12.10	\$12.40	\$13.00	\$0.60 4.84%
	>100 head	\$1,210.00	\$1,210.00	\$1,300.00	\$90.00 7.44%
	>200 head	\$1,580.00	\$1,620.00	\$1,700.00	\$80.00 4.94%
	>300 head	\$1,935.00	\$1,985.00	\$2,100.00	\$115.00 5.79%
	>400 head	\$2,300.00	\$2,360.00	\$2,500.00	\$140.00 5.93%
	>500 head	\$2,680.00	\$2,750.00	\$3,000.00	\$250.00 9.09%
Agents fees		\$113,540.00	\$113,540.00	\$110,000.00	-\$3,540.00 -3.12%
Office rental (per office)		\$2,780.00	\$2,780.00	\$2,780.00	\$0.00 0.00%
Truck Wash					
Truck wash fees (per minute) between 2pm Tuesday and 2pm Wednesday		\$0.96	\$1.00	\$1.10	\$0.04 4.00%
Truck wash fees (per minute) all other times		\$1.45	\$1.49	\$1.55	\$0.04 2.68%
Weigh fees	1 Head	\$2.60	\$2.70	\$2.90	\$0.10 3.70%
	2 Head	\$2.25	\$2.30	\$2.40	\$0.05 2.17%
	3 Head	\$1.90	\$1.95	\$2.10	\$0.05 2.56%
	4 Head	\$1.60	\$1.65	\$1.80	\$0.05 3.03%
	5 Head	\$1.25	\$1.30	\$1.40	\$0.05 3.85%
	6 Head or more	\$0.95	\$1.00	\$1.10	\$0.05 5.00%
Scanner fee hire per day		\$110.00	\$115.00	\$120.00	\$5.00 4.35%
Scanner transfer fee per head		\$2.00	\$2.10	\$2.50	\$0.10 4.76%
Cattle not sold at store sale: scanning fee per head		\$2.50	\$2.55	\$3.00	\$0.05 1.96%
Private weighs		\$6.50	\$6.65	\$6.80	\$0.15 2.26%

Project/Item	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	Total	Grand Total
Footpaths and Cycleways													
Beach access	180	-	180	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	180	-	-
Footpath and bicycle path renewal	810	-	810	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	810	-	-
Footpath construction	135	135	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	135	-	-
Linkage paths	170	170	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	170	-	-
Small infrastructure fund projects	360	360	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	360	-	-
Drainage													
Priority backlog drainage	25	-	25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25	-	-
Japan Street catchment diversion	65	-	65	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	65	-	-
Recreational, Leisure & Community Facilities													
Recreational facilities upgrade	1,235	-	-	1,235	-	790	-	-	-	-	445	-	-
Reid Oval redevelopment	5,000	1,667	1,666	1,667	-	2,000	-	-	-	-	-	3,000	-
Parks, Open Space and Streetscapes													
Playground renewal	319	-	319	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	319	-	-
Public open space improvements	195	-	195	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	195	-	-
Levys Point CCTV	58	58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	58	-	-
Off Street Car Parks													
Carpark linemarking	59	-	59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	59	-	-
Other Infrastructure													
Livestock exchange improvements	60	-	60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	60	-	-
Livestock exchange roof construction	700	700	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	700	-
Allansford boat ramp safety improvements	80	-	80	-	-	64	-	-	-	-	16	-	-
TOTAL INFRASTRUCTURE	13,544	3,090	7,487	2,967	-	3,279	-	-	-	-	6,565	3,700	-
TOTAL NEW CAPITAL WORKS	18,457	3,645	10,523	4,289	-	3,279	40	-	-	-	10,438	4,700	-

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#1

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Q1

Budget 2020–2021

I wish to provide feedback on the

Q2

Please write your feedback below

Has any provision been made for capital spending on the Japanese garden. In particular, access from Grieve St via the path that goes between the quarry & Wannon Water, solar power to the garden, water to the garden, signage to the garden from Grieve St. These are all aspects of the garden which in previous years have been brought to the attention of Council, and all are needed to make the garden both more accessible and more attractive to the public.

Q3

Respondent skipped this question

Upload any supporting documents or submission.

Q4

Yes

Do you wish to present in support of your submission by video link at the Council meeting on June 15?

Q5

Please provide your name and a contact email.

Name John O'Brien
City/Town Warrnambool
Email Address XXXX

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Q1**Budget 2020–2021**

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Q2

Please write your feedback below

The angle parks used by our Heatherlie residents between Heatherlie and the Uniting Church, off Koroit St, are poorly lit, creating a safety issue for residents either going out or returning home in the dark

As well, opportunistic vandals have made nuisances of themselves by vandalising our residents' vehicles – breaking windscreen wipers, scratching/denting door panels, breaking rear view mirrors, smashing vehicle rear windows

If the area was better lit residents would feel safer accessing their cars of an evening, and possibly the would-be vandals might be less willing to do damage to other people's property

Whilst our security cameras cover our residents' vehicles, when an incident occurs the footage is too dim for the police to identify suspects or for residents to use for insurance claims.

We trust that you and your department might look on this area favourably and install lighting so that our residents and their property can feel safe.

Q3**Respondent skipped this question**

Upload any supporting documents or submission.

Q4**Yes**

Do you wish to present in support of your submission by video link at the Council meeting on June 15?

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Q5

Please provide your name and a contact email.

Name

Lyn Burns

City/Town

Warrnambool

Email Address

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Q1**Budget 2020–2021**

I wish to provide feedback on the

Q2

Please write your feedback below

See attachment.

Q3

Upload any supporting documents or submission.

WCC 2020–21 Budget Submission – AFL Western District.pdf (4.8MB)**Q4****No**Do you wish to present in support of your submission by
video link at the Council meeting on June 15?**Q5**

Please provide your name and a contact email.

Name Matthew Ross, Tim Mason, Kylie Murphy
City/Town Warrnambool
Email Address XXXX

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Q1**Both documents**

I wish to provide feedback on the

Q2

Please write your feedback below

See attached

Q3

Upload any supporting documents or submission.

Submission to Warrnambool City Council Plan and Budget 202021–LMCLEOD.pdf (504.9KB)

Q4**No**

Do you wish to present in support of your submission by video link at the Council meeting on June 15?

Q5

Please provide your name and a contact email.

Name	Lisa McLeod
City/Town	Bushfield
Email Address	XXXXX

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Q1**Budget 2020–2021**

I wish to provide feedback on the

Q2

Please write your feedback below

Please see attached document

Q3

Upload any supporting documents or submission.

Budget Submission.docx (18.3KB)**Q4****Yes**Do you wish to present in support of your submission by
video link at the Council meeting on June 15?**Q5**

Please provide your name and a contact email.

Name	Ben Blain
City/Town	Warrnambool
Email Address	XXXX

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Q1**Budget 2020–2021**

I wish to provide feedback on the

Q2**Respondent skipped this question**

Please write your feedback below

Q3

Upload any supporting documents or submission.

Victorian Farmers Federation budget submission.pdf (70KB)**Q4****No**

Do you wish to present in support of your submission by video link at the Council meeting on June 15?

Q5

Please provide your name and a contact email.

Name

David Jochinke, Victorian Farmers Federation

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Q1**Budget 2020–2021**

I wish to provide feedback on the

Q2**Respondent skipped this question**

Please write your feedback below

Q3

Upload any supporting documents or submission.

D and C Thompson Budget Submission.pdf (4.3MB)**Q4****Yes**Do you wish to present in support of your submission by
video link at the Council meeting on June 15?**Q5**

Please provide your name and a contact email.

Name	David and Christine Thompson
City/Town	Woolsthorpe
Email Address	XXXX

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Q1

Budget 2020–2021

I wish to provide feedback on the

Q2

Respondent skipped this question

Please write your feedback below

Q3

Upload any supporting documents or submission.

Community Clubs Victoria budget submission.pdf (539.1KB)

Q4

No

Do you wish to present in support of your submission by
video link at the Council meeting on June 15?

Q5

Please provide your name and a contact email.

Name	Leon Wiegard, Community Clubs Victoria
City/Town	Melbourne
Email Address	XXXX

To Warrnambool City Council,

It has been great to see the State and Federal governments offering assistance to the community. Over the past few weeks, Warrnambool City Council has started to offer some relief but the Ratepayers Association believes it could be doing more by making some changes to the current budget. Warrnambool is a global tourist destination, hospitality our 4th largest employer has been hit hard by the effects of this recession. According to the spatial profile of Warrnambool nearly 19% of jobs have been lost due to the effects of COVID-19, we believe all residents need relief from our council.

The Warrnambool Ratepayers Association would hope the Council would consider the following relief measures

- **A rate freeze for all properties** - All residents and businesses are feeling the mental and financial pressures brought on by this pandemic. The Ratepayers Association believes the state and federal government are not raising tax revenue streams and instead are offering broad stimulus to the community, we believe Warrnambool City Council should be doing the same. **According to the budget, this measure will cost 738K**
- **Waiver of all shop and community fees** - Our local businesses and community organisations have been hit the hardest by the COVID restrictions. The Warrnambool Ratepayers Association commends the current efforts of the Warrnambool City Council but believes that more could be done to offer relief. A refund of food registration and health premises fees for the entire 20/21 financial year would be beneficial to those struggling. Waiving of fees for community and sporting groups for use of City-owned land/grounds and buildings for the 20/21 budget would see a small reduction in revenue of around 145K. It is not just sporting groups but also community organisations that are affected by the current COVID recession. Warrnambool City Council can help businesses and community groups get back on their feet after the pandemic. **According to the budget, these measures will cost around 285K**
- **Free Parking**- We would like to see free parking for at least the entire 20/21 financial year. We need to see Council enforce time limits during this period to keep the spaces turning over for maximum impact for traders, this will also provide a source of revenue for the council. Even after the pandemic has passed, we believe the behaviour of shoppers will be changed forever. **According to the budget, this measure will cost around 1.4m.**

The Total Stimulus measures proposed by the Warrnambool Ratepayers Association will cost 2.4m

These measures could be funded by showing restraint on large capital projects. We are not saying to cancel these projects we are suggesting a deferral for at least 12 months and then reassess the financial position of the council in 21/22.

- **The Community Learning Hub**- The Warrnambool Ratepayers Association would like to see this project deferred for 12 months. It isn't just the project that is going to cost the council but refurbishment of the library space when vacant. The Council is planning to borrow 3 million dollars to refurbish the old library space. **If this project is deferred, it will save the budget 5.5million in borrowed funds and 500K in the council budget.**
- **The Reid Oval Redevelopment**- The Warrnambool Ratepayers Association would like to see the groundworks and the lights finished with the money from the state government grant, but a deferral on the redevelopment of the clubrooms. The Ratepayers Association has been advocating with user groups involved in the redevelopment. The facility should suit all user groups and be the best in the region, not the best we can do on a limited budget. **If this project is deferred it could save 3 million in borrowings and leave 1.6 million as allocated in the budget for further stimulus measures.**
- **Upper management pay decreases**- According to the 18/19 Annual Report the top 9 employee salaries cost the Warrnambool City Council budget 1.5 million dollars per annum. The Ratepayers Association believes the Warrnambool City Council should

follow the lead of private boards, and take a 10% pay decrease with all bonuses being suspended until the 21/22 budget. **This measure would see a saving of 150K to the budget.**

If the Warrnambool City Council implements these measures, we could save 2.25million in the current budget and also save 8.5 million dollars in borrowings and interest. These savings in the budget are sufficient to implement all of the stimulus measures put forward by the Ratepayers Association.

The Association believes that all residents of the community need relief through council measures. Stimulus from the construction of these facilities will benefit a few, while the proposed measures we have put forward will support every single ratepayer in Warrnambool.

We find it very disappointing the Warrnambool City Council is planning to break the rate cap again within 2 years. It was made clear by 97% of respondents that **ratepayers don't want to be charged extra rates.**

The Ratepayers Association would like to see the 450K of unallocated stimulus money be used in a grant program much like the Corangamite Shire. This program should be run by using current resources within the council so as not to utilise any of the funding. The local economy will be stimulated immediately by encouraging businesses to spend. This needs to be rolled out in July while restrictions are being eased, any later and these measures will not have the desired effect on the local economy. This will be critical to saving businesses and jobs in our city.

We need to reassess some of the council businesses that are creating unnecessary pressure on the Budget. One that stands out every year is the operation of Flagstaff Hill, it is projected to be running at an 800K deficit. The Ratepayers Association understands this is an important tourism hub but we need to look at it as a business. The council needs to find a way to make this icon break-even to ease pressure on the budget. One of the principles in this budget is offering good value for money, propping up Flagstaff Hill year after year is a complete waste of ratepayer's funds.

The Warrnambool Ratepayers Association hopes that using these measures the Warrnambool City Council can offer relief to all the residents of Warrnambool. Everyone has been affected by this pandemic in some way and we all need support from our governments to come out on the other side.

Regards

Benjamin Blain
Vice President
Warrnambool Ratepayers Association

5. CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 6.17pm.

CHAIRMAN

I certify that these minutes were confirmed at a subsequent meeting of Council.

CR. TONY HERBERT
MAYOR