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Mayor and Councillors

NOTICE OF MOTION

LIQUID FUEL USAGE AND FUEL REDUCTION SCHEME

Councillor Rodney Degens has given notice of his intention to move:

That the CHCC develop and implement a liquid fuels policy that results in the ongoing, yearly reduction of total liquid fuel consumption of 3% per year, every year over a preceding year, beginning from the 2009/10 financial year.

Purpose:

In 2009 Australian domestic fuel reserves are in decline at a little over 2% per year. (Coffs Harbour Peak Oil document page 5.) We note that other councils in Australia have already adopted aspects of oil depletion protocols namely Marrickville and Maribyrnong Councils setting their targets at 3% reduction of liquid fuel consumption per year, every year.

“The problem posed by peak oil is not simply a matter of declining oil supplies. The larger problem is that our social and economic systems are so over dependent on oil that they lack resilience against oil decline. Some of the most important decisions for improving our resilience can only be made at the level of local communities, and not at the level of national governments or transnational corporations. (Leith, 2009)”

Coffs Harbour Peak Oil Report and Action Plan, 2009

The Australian Chapter of the Association for the Study of Oil and Gas (ASPO Australia) in their submission to the Australian Senate inquiry into Australia’s Future Energy Supply stated: “There is a high probability of global Peak Oil occurring soon, before 2010 or 2015”

The fact is that Australia’s oil production is already in decline, the peak having occurred in 1995 and declining at present, at a little over 2% per year (CHCC Peak Oil Report). Australia’s yearly output has now already declined 20% from the production peak in 1995. The International Energy Agency is quoted as stating that: “average production-weighted observed decline rate worldwide is currently 6.7% for fields that have passed their production peak.” (IEA Report 2008)

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Liquid Fuel Usage And Fuel Reduction Scheme ...(Cont'd)

A policy of this nature is not only sound in terms of the Peak Oil debate, but also represents responsible decision-making practice, economically, both locally and nationally. Naturally, reduced CO2 emissions are also environmentally attractive.

Comments

Plant Administration Coordinator

Council is continually striving to reduce fuel consumption. An ongoing review investigates ways to minimise greenhouse gases, fuel emissions and fuel consumption. For any purchase of equipment, Council uses the latest national emission standard and where an Australian Standard is not available the European standard for those emissions is used.

Council has just commenced the process of replacing the existing fuel tanks at the depot to enable us to replace the unleaded petrol for our vehicles with E10 and the diesel tanks will also have compartments in preparation for the use of bio diesel when a standard has been introduced and it is available under government contract.

We have also added incentives for employees with private use of council's fleet by introducing a variety of options in vehicle types with the lower contribution rates for the smaller 4-cylinder vehicles. We now have 26 4-cylinder cars in our fleet, with the likelihood of more being introduced.

With Council increasing fleet numbers and purchasing additional plant (in order to deliver our services in line with community expectations), the real reduction in fuel consumption cannot be easily measured. However, it is fair to say that Council will continue to make real savings - environmental and financial - through the implementation of fuel efficiency initiatives wherever possible.

Executive Manager Strategy & Sustainability

Council's adopted Peak Oil Report & Action Plan identifies a range of measures to reduce Council's reliance on petroleum fuels, including use of E10, smaller more efficient vehicles and reducing travel distances. These measures that are being implemented will achieve incremental reductions each year. Such reductions may be offset to a degree by increasing plant requirements to service our growing city – in real terms, however, Council will be consuming less fuel to deliver more works and services for the community. More significant reductions in Council's use of petroleum fuels will largely depend on the availability of competitive green alternatives in the market place, such as electric vehicles and ethanol derived from cellulosic fermentation. It is expected that electric vehicles will be more viable and commonplace within five years. As already noted, Council is committed to identifying and pursuing sustainable transport options in all of its endeavours.

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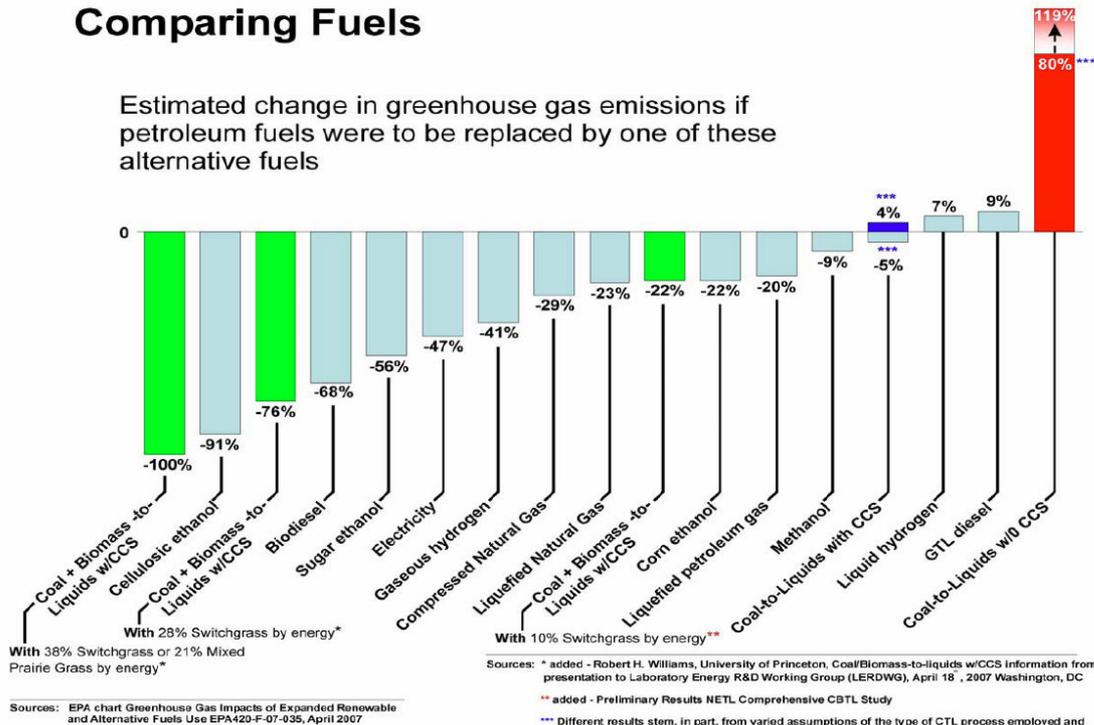
Liquid Fuel Usage And Fuel Reduction Scheme ...(Cont'd)

Further considerations in relation to this issue are:

- Use of more environmentally friendly fuels may cause consumption to increase. For example ethanol contains 34% less energy per unit volume.
- There is a range of fossil and non fossil fuel alternatives to petroleum fuels, that are more greenhouse friendly. See below

Comparing Fuels

Estimated change in greenhouse gas emissions if petroleum fuels were to be replaced by one of these alternative fuels



2007 Gasification Technology Conference, M.E. Reed, 10/17/2007

Whilst there is merit in Council setting goals to reduce reliance on fossil liquid fuels, should Council resolve to do so, it may be more appropriate to express such Policy along the lines of medium term and long term goals eg a commitment to reduce Council's consumption of petroleum fuel by 20% by the year 2015 and 60% by 2030, based upon 2009 levels. Council's greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals are embodied under the Greenhouse Action Strategy, that is currently being reviewed.

Stephen Sawtell
 General Manager

L12 COFFS HARBOUR CITY COUNCIL - SOUTH COFFS DEVELOPMENT CONTROL PLAN AND DEVELOPER CONTRIBUTIONS PLAN

Purpose:

The purpose of this report is to:

1. Provide comment on submissions received during the exhibition of the Coffs Harbour City Council - South Coffs Development Control Plan (DCP) and Developer Contributions Plan.
2. Recommend that:
 - (a) Council endorse the amended Draft DCP and Developer Contributions Plan.

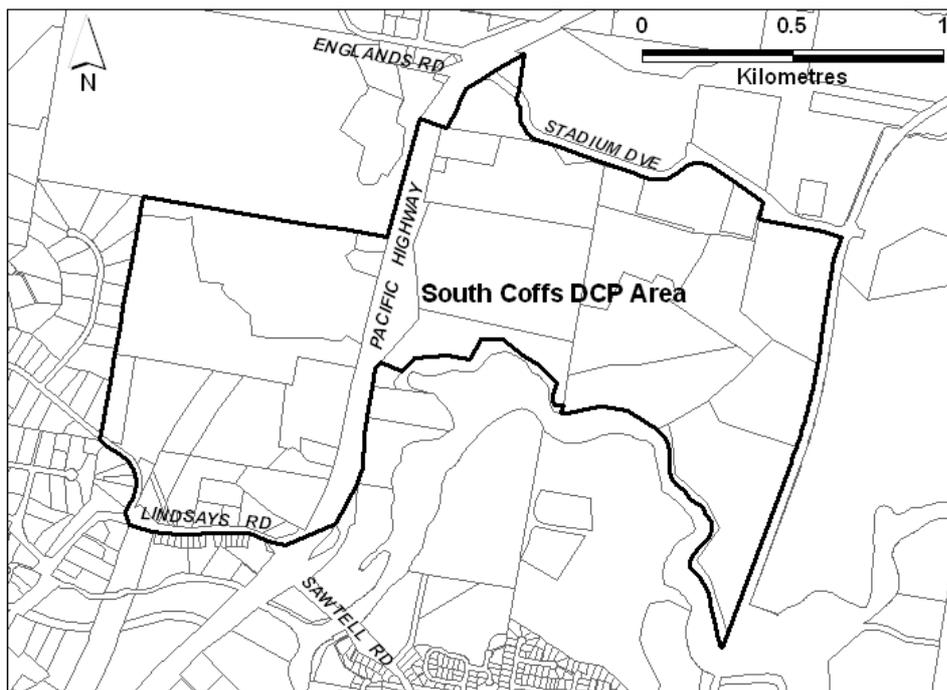
Description of Item:

The South Coffs Release Area was subject to rezoning under Local Environmental Plan (LEP) Amendment No. 17. This LEP was gazetted by the State Government on 12 September 2008.

To ensure the orderly development of the area from an economic, environmental and social perspective, appropriate controls need to be enforced through the DCP.

The draft South Coffs DCP has been formulated to facilitate the development of the South Coffs Release Area in an appropriate manner. The DCP will act as Council policy enforcing necessary provisions to ensure any proposed development incorporates appropriate urban form, amenity, environmental enhancement and community facilities in accordance with Council's vision for the area.

The area subject to the draft DCP and Developer Contributions Plan is shown on the following map.



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L12 Coffs Harbour City Council - South Coffs Development Control Plan and Developer Contributions Plan ...(Cont'd)

A draft Developer Contributions Plan has been formulated to provide funding for infrastructure for the South Coffs Release Area. The Contributions Plan includes funding of traffic facilities (including a collector road, bus stops and cycleways) and also the provision of a neighbourhood park. When taking into account all Section 94 Developer Contributions Plans that would apply to the release area, the contribution per lot would be \$9,979.25.

The Release Area is outside the zones included in Council's adopted Wastewater Development Servicing Plan and therefore the current Wastewater Reticulation Contributions would not apply. The adopted Wastewater Development Servicing Plan provides as follows:

"Development areas outside the Development Servicing Zone, which are to be developed during the term of this policy and have no detailed DSP, will be subjected to a separate DSP. The Developer shall be responsible for the preparation cost of this DSP".

This would also require the cost of the necessary infrastructure to be borne by developers within the release area.

On 6 November 2008, Council resolved to place the Coffs Harbour City Council - South Coffs Development Control Plan (DCP) and Developer Contributions Plan on exhibition. The Draft Plans were exhibited from 13 November 2008 to 23 December 2008. Council received seven (7) submissions from the exhibition process. Details of the matters raised in the submissions and subsequent actions taken, are discussed in the "Issues" section of this report.

Copies of the submissions received, amended Development Control Plan and Contributions Plan have been provided separately to Councillors in the Councillor's Room.

Sustainability Assessment:

The aims and objectives of the DCP may be categorised under the separate environmental, social and economic sustainability principles. The South Coffs DCP addresses the following matters regarding sustainability.

• Environmental

The DCP seeks to explore opportunities for appropriate planning provisions to encourage the orderly and sustainable use of the subject lands without adversely affecting the environment. The DCP:

- ensures development complements the conservation of biodiversity by protecting areas of high conservation value;
- ensures development gives appropriate regard to environmental constraints such as soil erosion, flooding and bushfire risk, and protects areas of natural and cultural significance;
- requires development to incorporate best practice urban water management techniques relating to stormwater quality and quantity, water conservation and re-use and ecosystem health;
- incorporates provisions to ensure the protection and maintenance of natural bushland, native habitats and Koala populations in all developments. The provision of revegetation of koala habitat and corridors is also promoted;

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L12 Coffs Harbour City Council - South Coffs Development Control Plan and Developer Contributions Plan ...(Cont'd)

- requires development to maintain or improve water quality, ensuring healthy estuaries for natural systems, residents and tourists; and
- promotes development of the area in an energy efficient manner aimed at minimising greenhouse gas emissions.

- **Social**

The DCP seeks to:

- provide safe and attractive neighbourhoods that meet the diverse needs of the community and offer a wide choice of housing and leisure opportunities, as well as the provision of associated community facilities;
- improve accessibility to public transport, and provide infrastructure to encourage walking and cycling to lessen dependence on cars; and
- create a sense of place for residents, respecting the natural setting and Aboriginal values of the landscape.

- **Economic**

The DCP seeks to:

- ensure that the existing community is not burdened by the provision of public utilities required as a result of future development;
- provide public utilities in a timely, cost efficient and effective manner;
- ensure development contributes to the economic growth of the city and provides for employment opportunities; and
- ensure that any commercial development supports the City Centre as the primary commercial district of Coffs Harbour and has no adverse effect on the functioning of the City Centre.

- **Broader Economic Implications**

The DCP aims to:

- promote timely development of appropriately zoned lands;
- promote the timely provision of access to infrastructure and services as development occurs;
- enhance the function of Coffs Harbour as a Regional Centre on the Mid North Coast;
- provide appropriate opportunities for a range of retail and commercial services for residents of the local government area;
- improve amenity of new urban areas; and
- generate employment opportunities during construction and ongoing service and facility provision.

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L12 Coffs Harbour City Council - South Coffs Development Control Plan and Developer Contributions Plan ...(Cont'd)

- **Management Plan Implications**

The progress of the South Coffs DCP has been endorsed in the current Management Plan.

The Draft Developer Contributions Plan provides for the funding of a portion of a pedestrian/cycleway over Hogbin Drive and linking to the existing cycleway that runs on the eastern side of Hogbin Drive. The location of the bridge is shown on the cycleways plan.

It is anticipated that this facility will satisfy demands of people residing outside the release area. Accordingly half of the cost of the bridge is to be funded through contributions from the release area with the balance of the cost to be funded from general revenue.

Timing of the construction of the bridge will be dependant on the rate of development and contribution income streams, but this will require funding in the order of \$125,000 to be allocated in Council's Management Plan at some future time.

Partial grant funding may be available towards the cost of the bridge, but this would need to be investigated closer to the time of construction of the structure.

Consultation:

The Draft Plans were exhibited from 13 November 2008 to 23 December 2008. Council received 7 submissions to the exhibition process.

- **Internal**

The Draft South Coffs DCP and Contributions Plan were prepared with input from Council's Land Use Assessment Branch, Design Services Branch and Finance Branch.

During the exhibition period comment was sought from all Council Departments.

- **Issues raised during Consultation and Exhibition Period**

Council received 7 submissions to the DCP and Contributions Plan. The issues raised in those submissions are addressed as follows:

Issue 1: Objection to "Buffer" from Crematorium

Comment:

Concern over the impact of a 200 metre buffer to the Crematorium was raised.

Upon liaising with the Department of Health and Department of Environment and Climate Change it appears that no statutory requirements exist for imposing a buffer zoning around the Crematorium. The land is already zoned Residential 2A Low Density under LEP 2000.

Action Taken:

A revision of the concept layout has been completed showing potential subdivision of this land.

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L12 Coffs Harbour City Council - South Coffs Development Control Plan and Developer Contributions Plan ...(Cont'd)

Issue 2: Under Estimation of Yield

Comment:

The draft DCP shows a concept layout which is indicative only and can be achieved with limited cut and fill. Detailed survey and design works will ultimately determine the extent of development which can be achieved on the land. Any alternate layout provided at development application (DA) stage would need to adequately address all land constraints.

Action Taken:

A section detailing how alternate subdivision layouts will be assessed has been incorporated into the DCP. Some revision of layout is included in the DCP's Concept Masterplan.

Issue 3: Natural Vegetation/Open Space

Comment:

The draft DCP incorporates appropriate natural vegetation/habitat links as well as other passive open space areas.

The concept shown indicates "principles" to achieve habitat linkages as well as appropriate levels of open space. Again the layout is generally indicative.

Some compromise measures were incorporated into the rezoning phase of the process, thus ensuring the habitat links are zoned 7A Environmental Protection. These areas are **not** able to be developed as part of any DA.

Action Taken:

Further refinement on areas **not** zoned 7A Environmental Protection can be investigated as part of any DA prepared. Council will assess these on their merits.

Issue 4: Bushfire

Comment:

Any development for residential purposes must comply with the requirements of the prevailing bushfire legislation.

Any areas of public lands will need to be appropriately maintained to ensure risk and impact of bushfire is minimized.

Action Taken:

Any lands that come to Council as open space or bushland will be included in Council's reserve register and the appropriate Plan of Management will be implemented including bushfire risk management.

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L12 Coffs Harbour City Council - South Coffs Development Control Plan and Developer Contributions Plan ...(Cont'd)

Issue 5: Extent of Developable Land (3F)

Comment:

The extent of development around the Business 3F Neighbourhood zoned land has not been detailed in the DCP to enable a flexible approach to the development of this land.

A detailed submission was received requesting higher density of development, increased height, increased floor space ratio and reduced boundary setbacks of this land.

It is considered that the 3F zoning, together with established development restrictions, should prevail.

Action Taken:

The request was considered however the zoning of the land establishes objectives for future development. Changes to the prevailing controls are deemed inappropriate as the site is a greenfield site and no DA has "tested" the development potential of the land.

Issue 6: Access to lands on western side of Pacific Highway

Comment:

The RTA are concerned with development achieving direct access from the Pacific Highway to the western precinct, especially as some of this land is zoned Industrial.

Action Taken:

To ensure appropriate Pacific Highway access arrangements are implemented, the DCP has now had a clause added requiring any proponent to liaise with the RTA prior to lodgement of a DA.

Outcomes:

- **Draft DCP**

The DCP has been amended to include the modifications discussed in the "Issues" section of this report.

- **Draft Section 94 Developer Contributions Plan**

The contribution plan has been amended to include refinement in accordance with recently gazetted State Government provisions limiting Section 94 Plans.

Related Policy and / or Precedents:

The preparation of the DCP and associated Contributions Plan has been undertaken in accordance with Council's prevailing policies and procedures.

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L12 Coffs Harbour City Council - South Coffs Development Control Plan and Developer Contributions Plan ...(Cont'd)

It is appropriate that Council review its prevailing DCPs on a regular (five yearly) basis. As a component of the Standard Template LEP process an across the board review of all DCPs is to be undertaken.

Current Council policies relating to this proposal are:

- Coffs Harbour City Local Environmental Plan 2000
- Business Lands Development Control Plan
- Contributions Plan

Statutory Requirements:

The exhibition of the Draft Plans was undertaken in accordance with the provisions of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 and Environmental Planning and Assessment Act Regulations.

Implementation Date / Priority:

The Coffs Harbour City Council - South Coffs DCP and Developer Contributions Plan will come into force upon publication of an advertisement in the local newspaper.

This should take place as soon as practicable.

The adopted DCP and Developer Contributions Plan will then apply to all development applications received after public notification.

Impacts / Implications:

The Coffs Harbour City Council - South Coffs DCP and Contributions Plan will enable a more flexible assessment of proposed development in the South Coffs area.

Recommendation:

1. That Council adopt the Coffs Harbour City Council - South Coffs Development Control Plan.
2. That Council adopt the Coffs Harbour City Council - South Coffs Developer Contributions Plan 2009.
3. That Council give the appropriate notice of the commencement of the Development Control Plan and Developer Contributions Plan in accordance with the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act and Regulations.
4. That Council note the submissions received during the exhibition process.
5. That Council inform all submission writers of Council's decision.

Mark Salter
Director
Land Use, Health & Development

CITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT REPORT

S15 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT TRIP TO NEW ZEALAND OPERATORS CONFERENCE

Purpose:

Requesting Council to note that staff member Ross Waugh is attending the Water Industry Operations Group of New Zealand, Operators Conference in Dunedin in May 2009.

Description of Item:

Ross Waugh, Council's Operator at the Coffs Harbour Water Reclamation Plant, was voted as Water Directorate NSW Operator of the Year for 2009 at the Water Industry Operators Association (WIOA) Conference held in Tamworth in April 2009. The award recognised initiative, excellent performance and all round attention to detail.

Judging criteria included continuing education/training achievement; overall plant management and condition; demonstrated attention to OH&S and other regulatory responsibilities; initiative and innovation and demonstrating improved treatment and efficiency.

Ross has worked at Council as the Operator at the Water Reclamation Plant for the last 20 years and is the first winner of the new professional development trip to New Zealand from 8-16 May 2009 and includes the Operators Conference in Dunedin from 13-15 May 2009.

Ross joins the WIOA delegation as a participant on this trip along with WIOA Committee people, interested industry reps and other prize winners. The trip includes a study tour of various water and wastewater treatment plants and processes as well as the conference.

In accordance with Council policy, Ross Waugh will prepare a more detailed report upon his return to work.

Sustainability Assessment:

- **Environment**

New operational techniques will be discussed at the conference, which will provide CHCC with the latest information and will have long term benefits for the sustainable development and operation of our Plants and systems.

- **Social**

The conference will provide Ross with increased networking opportunities for the benefit of the Coffs Harbour Water.

- **Economic**

The prize includes the Study Tour of various water and wastewater plants, attending the conference, air fares and accommodation, all arranged through WIOA. There is no cost to Council excepting staff time.

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S15 Professional Development Trip To New Zealand Operators Conference ...(Cont'd)

Implementation Date / Priority:

This was a prize from the WIOA conference and did not allow sufficient time for preparation of a report to Council prior to Ross Waugh's attendance at this conference. Details of the program were only obtained within the last week.

Recommendation:

That Council note Ross Waugh's attendance at the Water Industry Operations Group of New Zealand Conference to be held in Dunedin, New Zealand from 13-15 May 2009.

**Jason Gordon
Director
City Services**

CORPORATE BUSINESS DEPARTMENT REPORTS

C26 DEE WALLACE PERPETUAL AWARD

Purpose:

To report to Council in line with the resolution from the Corporate Business Committee meeting held on 23 April 2009 regarding the investigations into establishing a perpetual community and environmental award in honour of Dee Wallace.

Description of Item:

Council considered a report at the Corporate Business Committee meeting held on 23 April 2009 regarding establishing a perpetual community environment award in honour of Dee Wallace. Council resolved that:-

That Council consider the naming of the Emerald Beach Beachside Park the "Dee Wallace Memorial Park" and that this be launched at the Emerald Beach Fair May 2009. Further, that on World Environment Day Council commit to the "Dee Wallace Perpetual Environment and Community Award".

That a report be submitted to the next Council Meeting on this matter.

In relation to the "Dee Wallace Perpetual Environment & Community Award", a proposed Nomination Form including selection criteria for the award is attached. It is proposed that the creation of this award be announced on World Environment Day, 5 June 2009 with the first award being presented on World Environment day 2010.

It is also proposed that the award recipient be given an appropriate trophy/plaque and a certificate signed by the Mayor in recognition of receiving the award. It is not proposed to offer a monetary prize as part of the award.

The following criteria are proposed for the award:-

- a) A resident of the Coffs Harbour Local Government Area (LGA)
- b) Demonstrated contribution to enhancement of existing natural environment
- c) Demonstrated contribution to protect the environment
- d) Demonstrated ability to participate in community based projects that benefit the community
- e) Demonstrated contribution to improve the aesthetic quality of the natural environment and amenity

In relation to the naming of the 'Emerald Beach Beachside Park', it has become apparent that the subject reserve is not under the control of Council and that extensive consultation with various authorities is required.

Sustainability Assessment:

• **Environment**

The proposal seeks to have Council formally recognise the highly valued contribution that Dee Wallace made to environmental issues within the Coffs Harbour Local Government Area. The form of recognition shall have no direct environmental impact.

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C26 Dee Wallace Perpetual Award ...(Cont'd)

- **Social**

It is appropriate for Council to recognise members of the community who have made significant contributions to improvements to our City and its environment. Recognition in the form proposed will, it is hoped, continue to give encouragement to volunteers to make contributions. It is appropriate that a perpetual legacy be developed.

- **Economic**

The proposal has no economic impact.

- **Management Plan Implications**

Administration involved in establishing and maintaining the award and renaming the reserve would be funded from normal allocated administrative costs.

Consultation:

Consultation on the award has taken place with relevant Council staffing formulating the criteria for the award.

Consultation is required with relevant government departments in relation to the renaming of the park at Emerald Beach.

Related Policy and / or Precedents:

Council has an award in place for the Sue Hunter Memorial Award. The nomination form has been adapted from this.

Statutory Requirements:

There are no statutory requirements in relation to the creation of the award, however there is a formal process that needs to be followed in relation to renaming the park at Emerald Beach.

Issues:

There are no issues in relation to the "Dee Wallace Perpetual Environment & Community Award subject to agreement on the criteria and nomination process.

In relation to the proposal to rename the Emerald Beach Beachside Park extensive consultation and formal processes are required.

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Implementation Date / Priority:

The creation of the “Dee Wallace Perpetual Environment & Community Award may be announced on World Environment day (5 June 2009) with the first award being announced in 2010.

The proposal to rename the Emerald Beachside Park to the “Dee Wallace Memorial Park” is subject to consultation and will require a further report to Council.

Recommendation:

- 1. That Council commit to the creation of the “Dee Wallace Perpetual Environment & Community Award” and this be announced on World Environment Day 2009 with the view of the first award being presented on World Environment Day 2010.**
- 2. That the above criteria be used as the basis for nominations to the award**
- 3. That the terms of reference for the Environmental Levy Committee be expanded to include the administration of the Dee Wallace Perpetual Environment & Community Award including recommending to Council the recipient of the award each year.**
- 4. That the award winner each year be supplied with a plaque/trophy and certificate signed by the Mayor.**
- 5. That Council proceeds with relevant consultation in relation to renaming the Emerald Beachside Park to the “Dee Wallace Memorial Park” and a further report be presented to Council**

GUIDELINES FOR DEE WALLACE PERPETUAL ENVIRONMENT & COMMUNITY AWARD

About Dee Wallace and The Dee Wallace Perpetual Environment & Community Award

Dee Wallace was passionate about community, the environment and landcare. She was a founding member of Coffs Harbour Regional Landcare and served on its Executive since its inception. She was a committed and vocal community advocate on Coffs Harbour City Council's Environmental Levy Working Group, where she was relentless in reminding members of the community's role in delivering National Resource Management improvements.

It is important that Sections 2(A), (B) and (C) be answered fully so that the NOMINEE is not disadvantaged.

The Dee Wallace Perpetual Environment & Community Award honours a committed and devoted environmental activist. Someone who is dedicated to the natural environment of our city, a teacher, mentor and/or motivator; someone who takes time to share their knowledge, expertise and experiences with the community.

Nominee to be a resident of the Coffs Harbour Local Government Area (LGA).

Any nomination received after the closing date **cannot** be considered.

The Committee reserves the right to obtain more information about each person from whatever source appropriate.

Additional information regarding nominations **cannot** be accepted after the closing date unless it is correcting earlier information supplied.

The decisions of the Committee shall be final and no correspondence will be entered into on the subject of decisions made.

NOMINATORS: Please note nominations **close on to be decided** and should be posted to:

The General Manager,
Coffs Harbour City Council,
Locked Bag 155,
Coffs Harbour NSW 2450

or delivered by that time to the Coffs Harbour City Council Administrative Centre, Castle Street, Coffs Harbour.

For any enquiries in relation to the submission of your nomination, please phone Carina Wilkinson on 6648 4270.

C27 MONTHLY BUDGET REVIEW FOR JANUARY 2009

Purpose:

To report on the estimated budget position as at 31 January 2009.

Description of Item:

Estimated Budget Position as at 31 January 2009:

	General Account \$	Water Account \$	Sewer Account \$
Original Budget adopted 30th June 2008	93,365 (D)	6,695,376 (D)	6,820,832 (D)
Approved Variations to 31 December 2008	251,086 (D)	158,509 (S)	393,603 (S)
Recommended variations for January per attached exception report	10,000 (D)	Nil	Nil
Estimated result 2008/09 as at 31 January 2009	<u>354,451</u> (D)	<u>6,536,867</u> (D)	<u>6,427,229</u> (D)

General Account

	Surplus \$	Deficit \$
Donation to Russell Crowe & CHCC Community Infrastructure Appeal (per LUHD Meeting 12/03/09)		10,000 (D)
Land Sale – 218 High Street (per LUHD Meeting: 13/12/07 Proceeds transferred to Reserve)		Nil

Water Account

The Capital Program within the Water Fund has been revised to reflect the anticipated income and expenditure as at 30 June.

The Moonee Reservoir has now been included in the 2009/2010 Draft Budget and the reticulation mains upgrade has been deferred.

Capital Program revised budget position is as follows:

Project	31 January Revised Budget	Current Budget (\$)	Variation (\$)
Moonee Reservoir – Maccues Road	10,000	1,500,000	1,490,000 (S)
Reticulation mains from Section 64	80,000	1,871,700	1,791,700 (S)
Reserves	(38,012,459)	(41,294,159)	3,281,700 (D)

NET WATER - CAPITAL BUDGET VARIANCE

NIL

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C27 Monthly Budget Review For January 2009 ...(Cont'd)

Sewer Account

The Capital Program within the Sewer Fund has been revised to reflect the anticipated income and expenditure as at 30 June as a consequence of the revision of the long term financial model and the current years works program.

The 2008/09 Draft Budget provides for expenditure on projects of a continuing nature.

Project	31 January Revised Budget (\$)	Current Budget (\$)	Variation (\$)
Stage 1 Wlga Treatment Works Upgrade	300,000	158,550	141,450 (D)
Grant Stage 1 Wlga Treatment Works Upgrade	(36,300)	(68,599)	32,299 (D)
Coffs Sewer Strategy EIS	15,000	163,200	148,200 (S)
Grant Coffs Sewer Strategy EIS	(1,815)	(75,000)	73,185 (D)
Stage 1 Effluent Reuse	Nil	123,471	123,471 (S)
Sewer Rehabilitation	500,000	1,218,842	718,842 (S)
Telemetry	150,000	90,112	59,888 (D)
Stage 1 Reclaimed Water Pipeline	100,000	518,332	418,332 (S)
Stage 2 Wlga Treatment Works	20,000	6,600,000	6,580,000 (S)
CTWSS Stage 2 Grant	(6,365,779)	(6,768,709)	402,930 (D)
Stage 2 Reclaimed Water Pipeline	100,000	8,176,399	8,076,399 (S)
Stage 2 Effluent Reuse	200,000	658,500	458,500 (S)
Minor Treatment Works	300,000	90,000	210,000 (D)
Sawtell Pump Station & Pipework	200,000	2,000,000	1,800,000 (S)
S64 Works General	500,000	974,115	474,115 (S)
Reserves	(42,580,437)	(60,458,544)	17,878,107 (D)

NET SEWER CAPITAL BUDGET VARIANCE

NIL

Sustainability Assessment:

This report is one of procedure only.

- **Environment**

There are no perceived short or long-term environmental impacts.

- **Social**

There are no perceived short or long term social impacts.

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C27 Monthly Budget Review For January 2009 ...(Cont'd)

- **Economic**

Management Plan Implications

The Original budget for the General Account adopted on the 30 June 2008 provided for a deficit of \$93,365.

For substantial budget adjustments the associated council reports have addressed the triple bottom line factors independently in 2008/09.

Consultation:

Managers have been provided with budget analysis reports for each program. Requested variations and variations adopted by Council have been included in the report.

Statutory Requirements:

Under local government regulations Council is required to submit a quarterly budget review to Council. Therefore Council is under no obligation to provide monthly reviews but has recommended they be completed as part of prudent financial management.

The Responsible Accounting Officer believes this report indicates the financial position of the Council is satisfactory, having regard to the original estimate of Income and Expenditure.

Recommendation:

1. The variations in the attached exception report be approved.
2. The revised Budget position as at 31 January 2009 be noted:

	General Account \$	Water Account \$	Sewer Account \$
Original Budget adopted 30th June 2008	93,365 (D)	6,695,376 (D)	6,820,832 (D)
Approved Variations to 31 December 2008	251,086 (D)	158,509 (S)	393,603 (S)
Recommended variations for January	10,000 (D)	NIL	NIL
Estimated result 2008/09 as at 31 January 2009	<u>354,451 (D)</u>	<u>6,536,867 (D)</u>	<u>6,427,229 (D)</u>

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